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**Hiring Day**

Christmas may be more than three months off, but the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army Corps is already putting out the call for bell ringers.

The corps will be holding a bell ringer hiring day Friday, Oct. 12. No musical ability is required for applicants wanting to work as bell ringers collecting donations through the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Christmas Campaign.

The position begins Nov. 9 and runs Monday through Saturday until Dec. 24. Applications will be accepted at the corps headquarters, 2300 Venoy in Westland between 1-3 p.m. Two forms of identifications must be presented when an application is being filled out. The most commonly used are a driver's license and Social Security card.

Bell ringers will be assigned to locations around Westland and Wayne. Paid bell ringers receive \$7.40 per hour and can work up to 40 hours a week.

For more information, call the corps at (734) 722-3660.

**POW/MIA ceremony**

Westland Chapter 387 of the Vietnam Veterans of America will host a ceremony in front of Westland City Hall at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, in honor of the National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

The ceremony will be at 6 p.m. and honor all Michigan POWs and MIAs for all wars. The public is invited to attend. Westland City Hall is on Ford Road, west of Wayne Road.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day is a day for Americans to pause and remember the sacrifices and service of those who were prisoners of war as well as those who are missing in action, and their families. This year's national theme is "Until They Are Home."

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**Federal lawsuit won't impact city voting**

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

A federal lawsuit is challenging the citizenship check box on Michigan ballot applications but it won't be an issue for Westland voters.

"I'd not have my election workers enforce it since the governor vetoed it," said Westland Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof. "I'm not going to add more work to my election workers."

The lawsuit filed by a voting rights coalition is challenging Sec-

retary of State Ruth Johnson's citizenship check box as unconstitutional and a violation of federal and state law.

"The Secretary of State told the printer to put the check box on the absentee voter applications," said Schoof. "We won't enforce it. Citizenship is required to register to vote anyway."

During the presidential primary in February, Johnson placed the check box on all ballot application forms requiring Michigan voters to affirm their U.S. citizenship. The

legislation cementing the check box into law had not passed.

Gov. Rick Snyder subsequently vetoed a bill that would have required the citizenship check box but Johnson then implemented the check box during the Aug. 7 primary election without following the administrative rule making process or the preclearance requirements of the Voting Rights Act.

The Secretary of State may be the chief election officer in the state, but she is not above the law, said Kary Moss, American Civil Liber-

ties Union of Michigan executive director.

"By ignoring the administrative rule making and legislative processes, she has thumbed her nose at the electorate and flouted the very laws she was elected to uphold," said Moss. "We can all agree that it should be easier to vote and harder to cheat, but cynical voter suppression tactics should not be tolerated."

In addition to the ACLU of Michi-

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New Westland homeowner Charlene Jordan (center) flanked by Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne Executive Director Alice Dent (left) and Joanne Campbell, Westland's community development director.

**'I thank God for blessing me'**

**New Habitat homeowner gets warm welcome to Annapolis Park**

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

It took until mid-September before the Habitat for Humanity house was ready for Charlene Jordan to move in.

"We require 250 hours minimum of sweat equity — that makes it a home," said Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne executive director Alice Dent. "By the end of July, Charlene had 250 hours. In September, she spent eight hours working every day. That demonstrates the type of person she is and the homeowner she will be. She'll be a good neighbor."

Plenty of neighbors joined Habitat volunteers for a dedication ceremony at Jordan's

new home on Julius. The home had been sitting vacant for approximately five years before being acquired by the City of Westland for taxes and eventually turned over to Habitat for Humanity for renovation.

Upgrades to the electrical service, the kitchen and bathroom, hard-wired smoke detectors, restored hardwood floors and blown in insulation are among the improvements to the home.

With 1,056 square feet of living space on the first floor, the usable space was pretty much doubled with the finishing of the basement, including an egress window required by code.

"I'm most excited that this is the first house that

we have been able to do in Annapolis Park," said Westland Community Development Director Joanne Campbell. "This is one of Westland's historic designated neighborhoods. It was the first designated in Westland."

Annapolis Park Subdivision was constructed in 1955 as the first area subdivision for African Americans.

"Folks moved in and created a neighborhood. They've never lost that sense of neighborhood," said Campbell.

During the tough economy, Campbell said that Habitat for Humanity is the No. 1 developer in the city, hav-

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**Voters to face two-page ballot**

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

Voters can expect a long general election ballot Nov. 6 — a double sided two-page ballot — and with higher turnout with a presidential race, voters may want to consider absentee voting.

In previous election, 12,000 absentee ballots were requested and more than 11,000 were returned, said Westland Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof.

"The ballot will be extremely long. I would encourage anyone who feels they will be out of the community on election day to request an absentee ballot,"

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**Teams could go for goals on new soccer fields**

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

The fall soccer schedule is under way but Westland youth teams could be playing on new fields before the season wraps up.

The council voted Monday to purchase the soccer equipment to outfit the recently reopened Thomas H. Brown Central City Park which includes a new soccer complex.

"It will take a couple of weeks to take delivery of the equipment," said Mayor William Wild. "The season just started. We plan to get the equipment, stripe up the field and see if we can't get some games there."

A ribbon-cutting with the Wayne-Westland Soccer Association will be planned for the new field. The associ-

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# Program seeks W-W Distinguished Young Woman

The 2013 scholarship program is starting for the Distinguished Young Women of Wayne-Westland.

Formerly known as Wayne-Westland Junior Miss, Distinguished Young Women of Wayne-Westland promotes excellence in young women demonstrated by scholarship, leadership and talent. Winners of the Wayne-Westland program on Nov. 16 will compete in the statewide competition in January 2013.

The scholarship program is for high school senior girls who reside in the cities of Wayne and Westland. An orientation for the program will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Pointe Counterpointe Dance Center,

32807 Manor Park Dr. in Garden City.

Chidinma Ogbuaku will serve as the director of the 2013 scholarship program. Ogbuaku was a finalist in the 2006 program, then known as Wayne-Westland Junior Miss. A graduate of John Glenn High School and Wayne State University, she now has a career in public relations.

"I am so excited for the Distinguished Young Woman program this year, and that I was able to find someone to coordinate it," said Pat Hermatz.

Hermatz, who served as the director of the Wayne-Westland program for many years, is now a member of the state board program.

"I'll still be around to help, but it's good having Chichi around to run the program," Hermatz said referring to Ogbuaku by her nickname.

Ogbuaku welcomed the opportunity to give back. "I am honored to support a program that meant so much to me when I was in high school," Ogbuaku said. "The scholarship money I won made my first year of college a lot easier. My goal is to raise more scholarship money than ever so our girls can have that experience, too."

For more information about the Distinguished Young Woman scholarship program, go online to [www.distinguished-yw.org](http://www.distinguished-yw.org).

## Who will it be?



STEPHEN CANTRELL | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ten young men and women are vying for the honor of being king and queen at this weekend's Homecoming festivities at Wayne Memorial High School. Vying for king are Sam Ekanem of Westland, Colin Mullins of Westland, Alex Draper of Westland, Joe Chapman of Westland and Daniel Malcolm of Canton. The queen candidates are Cassidy Anderson of Inkster, Tera Williams of Westland, Krysta Forrester of Wayne, Shelby Spaw of Wayne and Kali Wadsworth of Wayne.

# St. John's looks for help with veterans project

The St. John's Veterans Project is looking for volunteers to help this year's effort.

Organizers are in need of people to shop, help pack, and help get donations. They also are looking for a troop to sponsor. People who know any service personnel who are overseas that has a platoon which would enjoy Christmas boxes full of goodies, can pass the information on to the group by calling (734) 721-4650.

"No help is too small, any time you can contribute is appreciated," said Trisha Boryszczuk.

She added that the project is in need of coats and hats for its coat, hat, gloves and scarves drive. The group hopes to collect at least 100 gently used coats to deliver to the VA homeless shelter in Ann Arbor. Donations can be dropped off 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 6, in the office of St. John's Lutheran School at 2602 S. Wayne Road, north of Glenwood, Westland.

For more information or to donate online, see the St. John's Veterans Project website at [www.stjohnsveteransproject.com](http://www.stjohnsveteransproject.com). For more information, call (734) 721-4650.



The updated kitchen in Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne's most recent project in Westland.

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ing constructed five new homes and rehabilitated three others.

When she started working for the city in 2008, Campbell recalled that Mayor William Wild had someone he wanted her to meet — Dent.

"Habitat is my favorite charity. It's not really a charity, it's partnership," said Campbell. "People get homes — they wouldn't get them otherwise."

Dent described volunteers as the foundation of Habitat for Humanity, adding the home on Julius had been in really bad shape. Community Development Deputy Director Rick Gowan got community service workers from 18th District Court to handle the initial clean-out of the home and garage.

At the dedication ceremony, Jordan cited her three children as the reason for her putting in hours working on the home — the teens



This renovated house on Julius is the latest Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne project in Westland.

also worked at the home alongside Habitat volunteers.

"I thank you all for coming. I thank God for blessing me. I've had a lot of struggles," said Jordan, adding she had received much support from her mother, sister and fiancé. "I know I belong here. Every day, people blew their horns or walked up and said welcome."

Jordan promised that she would continue helping Habitat, putting sweat equity into someone else's new home.

Contrary to a common misconception, Dent said Habitat homes aren't provided free — the owners put in sweat equity hours and receive a zero interest 20-year mortgage. Money paid on the mortgages fund work on additional homes for low-income families.

For more information on volunteering or making a donation, call Habitat for Humanity at (734) 459-7744.

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## LAWSUIT

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gan, the voting rights coalition that filed the lawsuit includes the Service Employees International Union, Latin Americans for Social and Economic Development, Ingham County Clerk Michael Bryant, and registered voters from East Lansing, Shelby Township and Buena Vista Township.

The lawsuit charges that the check box is unlawful because it lacks statutory authority; was not promul-

gated through the required rule-making process of the Michigan Administrative Procedures Act, which requires a public notice and opportunities for public comment and a hearing; and violates the Voting Rights Act's preclearance requirement, which requires the state to seek permission from the Justice Department or a federal court before making changes to election practices that impact voters in two Michigan townships, Buena Vista and Clyde.

In addition, the lawsuit contends that the erratic and inconsistent implemen-

tation of the check box violates the 14th Amendment's Equal Protection Clause, which requires voting rules and regulations to apply uniformly across the state.

According to complaints and media reports, enforcement of the check box requirement varied from place to place, from voter to voter, and even from hour to hour. Some registered voters were required to check the box in order to receive a ballot, while other voters encountered a challenge process.

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## SOCCER

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ation will use the new soccer fields and was consulted about the equipment.

The cost for the equipment is \$33,700 with \$17,000 being funded by Wayne County Park dollars secured by Wayne County Commissioner Joan Gebhardt, D-Livonia. The remaining \$16,700 will be funded from funds raised from Wild's annual Charity Hockey Game in 2010. The equipment includes two sets of large goals, three sets of small goals, 10 player benches, four bleachers and universal corner flags for all fields.

"I am very excited about putting the finishing touches on the new soccer fields at Central City Park," said Wild. "This state-of-the-art equipment will be used by Westland's youth soccer players for many years." Earlier in the council meeting, state Rep. Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland, presented Wild and the council with state proclamations honoring their efforts in remediating pollution that caused the park to be closed for over five years.

## BALLOT

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said Schoof. "The roads can be dicey in November. If you work outside the community, you might not make it back before the polls close."

Michigan doesn't have no reason absentee voting, Schoof said. Besides being out of the community on election day, she noted other reasons voters qualify for absentee ballots include being over 60 years old, having a physical disability, lacking transportation to get to the polls or being in jail awaiting sentencing.

"There will be no absentee police checking your home," said Schoof. The general election ballots are expected to be deliv-

ered by the end of the week but the absentee ballots won't go out until about the second week of October.

"We've given out 800 absentee ballots over the counter the day before the election — we can't let you leave with them," said Schoof. "If you want to look over your ballot in the comfort of your home, don't wait."

In addition to candidates, including those for the Wayne-Westland Board of Education, Schoof said there are four state ballot proposals, five Wayne County ballot questions and one from Wayne County Community College.

To request an absentee ballot application, call (734) 467-3185 or (734) 467-3188.

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Former Oakland County prosecutor and President and Chief Counsel of the Thomas More Law Center, Richard Thompson will be the featured speaker at a special public meeting to be held at St. Michael the Archangel School to discuss in detail the provisions of the Health and Human Services Mandate and the resultant lawsuit initiated against it by the Law Center, which is a national non-profit public-interest law firm known for its defense of Judeo-Christian values. The Center filed the first law suit seeking to permanently block the implementation of the Obama Administration's recent HHS Mandate, requiring all employers and individuals to obtain insurance coverage for abortions, sterilization, and contraceptive services, regardless of religious convictions. Come, ask questions, learn what the issues are and how they may impact YOU!

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# Survivor takes walk to advance lung cancer research

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

When it comes to lung cancer, Mary Jo Grand knows the statistics.

Lung cancer surpassed breast cancer as the No. 1 killer of women in 1987. It kills more men each year than prostate cancer. It kills more people than breast, prostate, colon, liver, kidney and melanoma combined. It is the No. 1 cancer killer in the United States and the least funded when it comes to research.

She knows those statistics because she has lung cancer. Diagnosed four years ago, she has made it her mission to raise money for research and help those battling the disease. The Garden City resident is holding her third annual MJ Grand Breathe Easy Walk Fun Run/Walk and Dine on Sunday, Oct. 14, to benefit for the University of Michigan Lung Cancer Research Program.

"When I was diagnosed with lung cancer, I never expected the response I received, I was shocked," she said. "People didn't ask how I was doing, it was 'Oh, you must have been a smoker.' It's time to stop the blame game, it doesn't solve anything."

"People who have been diagnosed with lung cancer deserve to receive support and be treated with compassion. We



Mary Jo Grand and her husband Tom refer their trip to Ann Arbor for her chemotherapy treatments as their spa day. Diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer, the Garden City resident is holding her third annual Breathe Easy Fun Run/Walk and Dinner on Sunday, Oct. 14, to raise money for lung cancer research.

can't get around the fact that smoking is bad for your health, but nearly 80 percent of all newly diagnosed lung cancer patients either never smoked or quit decades ago," she said.

Grand has raised more than \$42,000 for lung cancer research with her Breathe Easy event. It is one of the biggest fundraisers for the U-M research program, and she is hoping to get more people to sign up and raise even more money.

The walk/run is along the Rouge River Gateway Trail and portions of the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. Registration is at 10 a.m. with the run starting at 11 a.m. and the walk at 11:15 a.m.

The start and finish is adjacent to the Andiamo Italian Steak House which is the dining host for this year's event. The public is invited to gather at the restaurant for an afternoon of special moderately priced Italian food music, Sunday

football, children's activities, including face painting and balloon art and a silent auction featuring sports memorabilia, golf packages, hotel packages, jewelry, wine baskets and more.

Andiamo, located at 21400 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, will donate a portion of each diner's food bill between the hours of noon and 4 p.m. to Breathe Easy.

"The gateway trail is spectacular at this time of the year, we couldn't

ask for a more beautiful spot for the event," said Grand.

There is a \$20 registration fee. Participants can sign up online and create their own fundraising page at [www.breatheasy.kintera.org](http://www.breatheasy.kintera.org). Anyone who raises \$100 will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Children age 12 and under are free.

The afternoon also will include special guests Betsy De Parry and Sarah Murray. De Parry, a 12-year survivor of lymphoma, is the producer of *Candid Cancer Reports* on PBS, author of two books, *Adventures In Cancer Land* and *The Rollercoaster Chronicles*. She is also an advocate for cancer research. Murray is widow of Vada Murray, former University of Michigan football player, who will share her and her family's experience with lung cancer.

Grand was 47 years old when, in 2008, she was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. She decided to participate in a clinical trial that used targeted therapy to deal with the disease. Every three weeks, she goes to the cancer center to receive an infusion of Avastin, a cancer drug that has kept the disease at bay. She just received her 78th infusion. Doctors, she said, "are rolling their eyes in wonder." Nurses look at her chart and say

78 can't be right.

"Four years ago I was given six months to a year," she said. "There were 47 people in phase two of the clinical trials. I got very lucky, it worked for me."

Having cancer has changed Grand. She appreciates the little things in life. Cancer, she said, has taught her "to live in the moment."

Grand and her husband, Tom, make the trip to the cancer center every three weeks. They call it their spa day. After her treatment, they stop for dinner at a favorite restaurant or try some place new. They have met many people at the center during those four years — people who can't eat or sleep, people who are "so scared." The Grands talk to them about their journey.

"She gives them hope and they leave there with hope," said Tom Grand.

"The Avastin is working, that and a lot of prayers," added Grand. "I told my doctor that No. 1, I put this in God's hand to let the medicine do what it can. With guided medication and prayer, I'm still here today."

"My doctor said he probably will never live to see a cure, but he will see it as a managed disease," she added.

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## AROUND WESTLAND

### Harvest Dinner

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will hold its annual Harvest Dinner 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at the church, 3 Towne Square, across from the Wayne Post Office in Wayne.

The cost is \$9 for adults and \$5 for children ages 4-12 for a complete turkey dinner, including beverage and dessert. Pop will be sold for an additional of 50 cents. Carry-outs will be available. There also will be crafts, Rada cutlery, silent auction for quilt and bake sale and more.

The church is handicap accessible. For more information, call (734) 721-4801.

### Craft shows

The Westland Friendship Center is hosting its first Holiday Craft Show 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, and 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, as a fundraiser for the Christmas Special, being held at the center on Friday, Dec. 7.

Crafters will show off their items, so those who want a jump on the holiday shopping can purchase home made gifts early.

There is no charge for entrance, and there will be food available during lunch hours for purchase. The Westland Friendship Center is a 1119 Newburgh, south of Ford Road.

• St. Damian will hold its annual Fall Arts and Craft Show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at the parish, 30055 Joy Road, Westland. Table space is \$25 to \$40, depending on size.

For more information, call the parish at (734) 421-6130 or download an application at [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

• St. Theodore Church will hold its fall craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13.

The show will feature unique and handmade crafts, homemade baked goods and a variety of filled baskets raffle. Refreshments available, and there will be free parking and admission.

St. Theodore is at 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland.

### Toastmasters

The Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club is now meeting at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, south of Ford Road, Westland. Toastmasters is a world leader dedicated to helping people develop their public speaking and leadership skills, in a mutually helpful and friendly atmosphere.

Westland Easytalkers meets 7-8:30 p.m. every Thursday. For information please call Doug at (248) 417-0195 or Curt at (734) 525-8445 or go online to [westland-easytalkers.toastmasters-clubs.org/](http://westland-easytalkers.toastmasters-clubs.org/).

### Monday Madness

Visit the Westland Municipal Golf Course at 500 S. Merriman, south of Cherry Hill every Monday from noon to 5 p.m. for the Monday Madness Lunch and Golf Special.

For \$20, or \$15 for seniors, patrons will enjoy nine holes of golf, electric cart, hot dog, medium soda and a bag of chips.

For more information, call (734) 721-6660 or visit the city's website at [www.cityofwestland.com](http://www.cityofwestland.com).

### Volunteers needed

Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers to help with office tasks or to serve as friendly visitors for its patients. Their service area includes the counties of Oakland, Monroe, Wayne, Washtenaw and Livingston. Volunteers set their own schedules and typically donate one-two hours of their time per week.

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

The next new volunteer orientation will take place at the Compassionate Care office at 5730 N. Lilley Road, Suite A, Canton. Contact Justine Galat, volunteer coordinator, to apply for a brief inter-

view at [jgalat@cch.net](mailto:jgalat@cch.net) or call (888) 983-9050.

### Support groups

Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency has formed a new support Caregiving Support Group for those people who care for someone with dementia, Alzheimer's Disease or other chronic conditions.

The group meets 6-7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Village of Westland, 32001 Cherry Hill, west of Merriman.

Wayne Metro also facilitates a Caregiver Support Group on 10 a.m. to noon the third Tuesday each month at the Kay Beard Building, 30712 Michigan Ave., in Westland.

Call Nancy Coman at (734) 955-6752 for more information.

### Healing Hearts

Hope 4 Healing Hearts, a grief support group for adults who have lost a loved one to the prison system provides a safe environment allowing members to share in a non-judgmental atmosphere. Individuals share ideas, resources and experiences that are helpful to one another.

Meetings are 6:30-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of every month at the Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road, Westland. Donations only.

For more information, contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237, by e-mail at [bonnie@hope4healinghearts.com](mailto:bonnie@hope4healinghearts.com) or visit [www.hope4healinghearts.com](http://www.hope4healinghearts.com).

### Free workshop

Westland residents at risk of losing their homes can attend a free Loan Modification and Short Sale Workshop held 6-7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey, east of Ann Arbor.

Annette Compo of WJR Real Estate 411 and Linda Miller, an MSHDA-certified foreclosure counselor with National Faith Homebuyers, will be on hand to meet with residents one-on-one to do an overview of the foreclosure process and present them with various options for their situation.

The city of Westland is

working with developers to assist residents that lose their home to foreclosure to try to remain in the same neighborhood.

To register for the workshop, call (313) 378-5418 or send an e-mail to [lindamiller@nationalfaith.org](mailto:lindamiller@nationalfaith.org).

### Higher Rock Cafe

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army hosts Higher Rock Cafe, an evening of Christian music, fellowship, games and concessions at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Friday of the

month at the corps, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer. There's no cover charge. For more information visit Higher Rock Cafe on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/WayneWestlandHRC](http://www.facebook.com/WayneWestlandHRC) or call (734) 722-3660.

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## Cash, coins, cigarettes stolen from smoke shop

### Break-in

Police responded to an alarm call at Metro Smokers Smoke Shop, 8155 N. Middlebelt, at 7 a.m. Sept. 16. Officers found the front door partially opened with the lock laying on the ground.

The officers found numerous cartons of cigarettes on the floor behind the counter. The owner reported \$1,400 in cash and coins had been stolen along with 80 cartons of Newports, 40 cartons of Kools and eight cartons of Salem.

### Break-in

The manager of Subway, 2735 S. Wayne Road, told police Sept. 15 that he arrived to open the business at 7:30 a.m. to find someone had broken the glass front door and entered the business overnight. He said the office door had also been

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kicked in.

The manager told police that \$445 in cash had been stolen.

### Attempted break-in

Just before 5:30 a.m. Sept. 17, police responded to an alarm call at Professional Hair Cutters, 1916 S. Venoy. Officers found someone had attempted to smash the glass in the front door of the business but were unable to gain entry. A police dog attempted a track from the business without success.

### Larceny from a vehicles

On Sept. 15, a Holliday Park Cooperative resident in 34000 block of Fountain told police someone had pried open her

car door and stolen her dashboard radio valued at \$1,000. Two rolls of quarters were also reported missing.

Another resident in the 34000 block of Fountain told police Sept. 17 that someone had stolen his Garmin Nuvi GPS unit valued at \$250 from his vehicle. He said the vehicle had been locked but there was no damage found on the vehicle.

• A maintenance company employee told police Sept. 17 that he was at Plastic Pak, 915 N. Hix, cutting the grass when someone stole his weed trimmer. He said the gas powered weed trimmer, valued at \$500, had been left near the front entrance while he used a riding mower to cut the grass.

### Larceny

On Sept. 17, a Canton man told police that a gym bag containing clothing, a lunch bag

and his driver's license had been stolen from a SMART bus stop at Wayne and Warren roads.

The man said he briefly ran across the street to ask someone if the bus was still running, leaving the bag unattended at the bus stop.

When he came back, the man said a dark blue car was pulling away and he noticed his bag was gone.

### Larceny

Police were called to a home in the 30000 block of Nelson Circle Sept. 17 on vandalism complaint after a window had been found smashed. Officers noticed the air conditioning unit was dismantled with the interior parts missing.

The rear door was found unlocked but no one was inside the home, which had been vacant.

### Break-in

A resident in the 32000 block of Genesse Court told police Sept. 16 that he arrived home to find the front door unlocked. He said two televisions, two Xbox gaming systems and a lap top computer valued at \$3,200 were missing.

The owner told police that access to the house may have been made through an upper floor window which had an air conditioning unit insert.

### Larceny

A Dearborn Heights man told police Sept. 15 that he found rear door open on a vacant home he owns in the 30000 block of Middlebury. The door was severely damaged and several feet of copper tubing had been removed from the laundry/utility room.

By LeAnne Rogers

## Power tools, AC units, copper pipes targeted in thefts

### Damaged car

An employee at Cambridge High School found his rear driver's side door damaged about 1 p.m. Sept. 13.

When the police examined the employee's 2005 Chevrolet, which was parked in the lot, they found that the dent was caused by a shoe.

There are no suspects.

### Home invasion

An apartment dweller in the 31000 block of Krauter reported at 5 p.m. Sept. 14 that she found her neighbor in her living room without her permission. She also found items in her kitchen moved.

Nothing was missing from the women's apartment. She said that she left her door unlocked

because she was expecting company.

The police spoke to the man who was outside of his apartment. He explained that he was just delivering food to the female resident who had given him food the week before.

He was arrested, cited for breach of peace and then released. The police also warned him about going to the woman's apartment again.

### Break-in

A resident in the 32000 block of Pardo reported that tools were stolen from his garage sometime before 5 p.m. Sept. 16.

Although his 3 1/2 car garage was locked, he believes that the thief gained entry by using

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the garage door opener inside one of the unlocked cars.

The owner planned to compile a list of tools that were stolen.

### Break-in

The owner of a Ford Explorer parked overnight in his driveway found at 8 a.m. Sept. 16 that someone had used a slim jim or similar device to gain access to the vehicle.

The owner is concerned because the vehicle contained keys which unlocked doors at Westland Shopping Center.

### Theft

The owner of a vacant home at 29000 Elmwood

found on Sept. 15 that someone stole about 10 feet of copper plumbing from the house that he is preparing to rent out.

The police found no sign of forced entry at the house.

### Disorderly conduct

A man who was sitting on a curb at Dillon and Elmwood about 7:30 p.m. Sept. 17 was arrested after he became belligerent to police when they began asking him questions.

The police found that the man had a .36 blood alcohol level which was about four times the legal limit. When the police told the man that they were calling to have him transported to the hospital, he became angry and began swearing at police.

### Theft

A neighbor who lives in the 600 block of Arcola notified the homeowner of a vacant home that someone stole the central air conditioning unit from behind the house sometime before 6 a.m. Sept. 17.

All that was left of the unit valued at \$1,800 was a wire leading to the house.

The owner, who lives in Commerce Township, requested that the police make periodic checks on the home.

### Theft

A man who is in the process of purchasing a home in the 4000 block of Deering came by to check on the house Sept. 11. He wanted to get an estimate on how much it will cost to repair some concrete.

When he entered the home, he discovered that the \$2,000 air conditioning unit was stolen as well as \$4,000 of copper plumbing and two electric utility boxes.

### Theft

The owner of a car parked Sept. 11 in the 33000 block of Kathryn reported that \$2,500 cash was stolen from the vehicle as well as camera memory cards. She told police that she locked the car.

### Fraud

A woman in the 30000 block of Florence reported that sometime between Sept. 6-10, someone stole four checks from her checkbook.

She later learned that someone fraudulently signed her name on the checks, each written out for \$200.

The owner closed that checking account when she learned about the fraud.

### Mail fraud

A resident in the 28000 block of Donnelly reported Sept. 14 that

he has been having trouble with his mail service and was advised to file a police report.

The man cited that someone filed a fraudulent income tax return. Then, for three weeks in June, his mail started disappearing.

He also has been receiving mail that belongs to someone else.

### Stolen vehicle

An employee from the carnival company who worked the St. Raphael Festival last weekend reported at 11 p.m. Sept. 14 that someone stole her 1995 Chevy Tahoe.

The vehicle was parked near the back of the campus.

The owner said that the vehicle contained a 32-inch flat screen TV, some personal papers and veterinary records for her dog.

### Suspended license

Garden City police arrested a 47-year-old Garden City man about 2 p.m. Sept. 17 after he possessed none of the proper paperwork needed to drive a car.

The man said that he just got out of prison. He didn't have proof of insurance and had his friend's license plate on his van.

By Sue Buck



Lisa is a 39-year-old mom. She's in the market for a new SUV. (The soccer team did a job on the last one.)

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# Cooperative gets double benefit from yard sale

There were bargains galore as residents of Holliday Park Cooperative Townhouses hosted their fourth annual Walk About Yard Sale.

It was a bargain hunter's dream with more than 85 yard sales in one location. Residents set up their wares in front of their units and waited for shoppers to make the rounds.

Located off Wayne Road north of Central City Parkway, Holliday Park has 694 residential units.

Along with giving Holliday Park residents a chance to sell unwanted items at bargain prices, the Walk About Yard Sale also provides an opportunity for visitors to learn about the cooperative.

With a variety of one- and two-story floor plans, Holliday Park is a non-profit, community way of living that provides for residents to join together for their mutual benefit. The cooperative is run by a board of directors and residents participate in a number of volunteer committees.

There was a time when Holliday Park had a closed waiting list, but currently there is a short waiting list.



PHOTOS BY STEPHEN CANTRELL | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Amy Roose of Canton helped out her parents to sell unwanted items during the Walk About Garage Sale at Holliday Park Cooperative.



George Rauno from Westland used his bike to get his newly purchased books and CDs home.



Owen Vaiyanet from Westland was not all that thrilled to be at the Walk About garage sale.

# A day in the life of a library book

Have you ever been curious about how the library gets the materials we have available on our shelves? The librarians at the library will go through journals, blogs and other websites along with feedback from our community to select materials for our library.

Being a public library, we have a large and diverse community to serve. With that in mind, we select materials that we think will work well for our community.

Once we place our orders, the book arrives here in the library. It then is shifted into a processing phase here at the library. The librarian, who orders the materials, will assign the call information for the item. The call information is a fancy way of saying where should it be in the library, so it is the information that is put on the spine of the book. Be it a fiction book or a nonfiction book, we decide where it would be best to house the item when it is here (which ideally, the book is out often and does not find its home but every once in a while).

Barb Custard and Ashton Brouquet then take

over for us. They will put a plastic cover on it, tape the spine and edges with book tape and put on the spine label (with that call information we discussed above) and any other special designations, such as an award sticker, new label or genre classification.

Whew, so thus far the book has been ordered, arrived at the library and now it has been processed. The last step that we do at the library to make the item ready for you to check out is to put it into the catalog for everyone - librarians and users alike - to find the item. Without it, it would be very hard for us to go to the right shelf to help you locate the latest and greatest thing you desire. From there it is all up to you—come find it here at the library or put it on hold. You will need the most valuable card in your wallet also known as your library card to take that book home with you.

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bring it back (in great shape, I might add), it then gets checked back into the system here at the library. Once that happens, the shelver takes the material and gets it back on the shelf for the next person to find (or in some cases, the item is put on hold for the next person already waiting for the item).

This is just a peak into the life of a librarian and clerk as well. We love our jobs, so if you are ever curious, we would be happy to talk to you about it. Homeschoolers, Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops, we would be happy to lead a lively tour of the library and such, if you are ever in need of such a thing. If you are, contact me and I would be happy to work with you.

Also, please know that we welcome suggestions on what materials you think the library should have. We do our very best to fulfill request. Just this last month, we have had requests for popular fiction titles for all levels, nonfiction titles, television series on DVD and audiobooks.

What do you think we should have? Please vis-

it our website at [www.garden-city.lib.mi.us](http://www.garden-city.lib.mi.us), then click on Contact Us (top menu bar, far right). There you can click on mine or Lawrence Marble's name to send us a message. You can also call us at (734) 793-1830 or stop by the Reference Desk to also make suggestions. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

### Upcoming Programs

**Dog Tales:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8 and 15

Do you have a child who is just starting to read or needs more practice to become that confident reader you know they can be? Sign up for Dog Tales at the Garden City Public Library. Your reader will have the opportunity to read to a licensed therapy dog for 15 minutes on Monday, Sept. 24, Oct. 1, 8 and 15. Time slots are available from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and you would sign up for the same time slot for the four weeks. Volunteers from the Fur Angel Time are donating their time so please sign up by calling the library at (734) 793-

1830 or stopping by when you are at the library.

**Friends of the Garden City Public Library Annual Book Sale:** Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 24-26

Come browse hundreds of books in a variety of categories to find that next favorite book. Did you know that 100 percent of the money raised by the Friends goes directly back to the library? If you have questions, feel free to email the Friends directly at [friendgcpl@gmail.com](mailto:friendgcpl@gmail.com).

**Twisted Tales:** 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3  
Story time with a fairy tale twist! We will be reading a traditional fairy tale or folk tale then will discover the retellings of the popular original.

**Alphabet Adventures:** 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 18

We are tackling the alphabet in this story time. This session we will be discovering the letters A and B. Please bring a picture of an item that begins with each letter to decorate the letters that will be displayed in our picture book nook.

**A Haunting We Will Go:** 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18 at the Straight Farm-



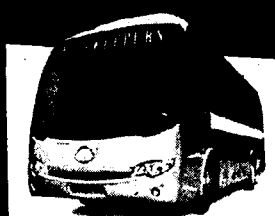
house  
Curious about ghost and hauntings? Join us at the Garden City Historical Museum where GHOSM, a ghost hunting group will share stories and experiences with the hereafter.

You can sign up for all these programs, and more, by call the library at (734) 793-1830 or stopping by the Reference Desk.

The library is located at 31735 Maplewood Street in Garden City. The best entrance to get into the library is off of Balmoral, one road south of Maplewood. Our hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

**At the Library** was written by Stephanie Charlefour, youth and teen librarian. You can contact her at [scharlefour@garden-city.lib.mi.us](mailto:scharlefour@garden-city.lib.mi.us) or at (734) 793-1837.

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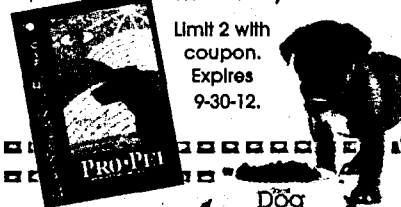
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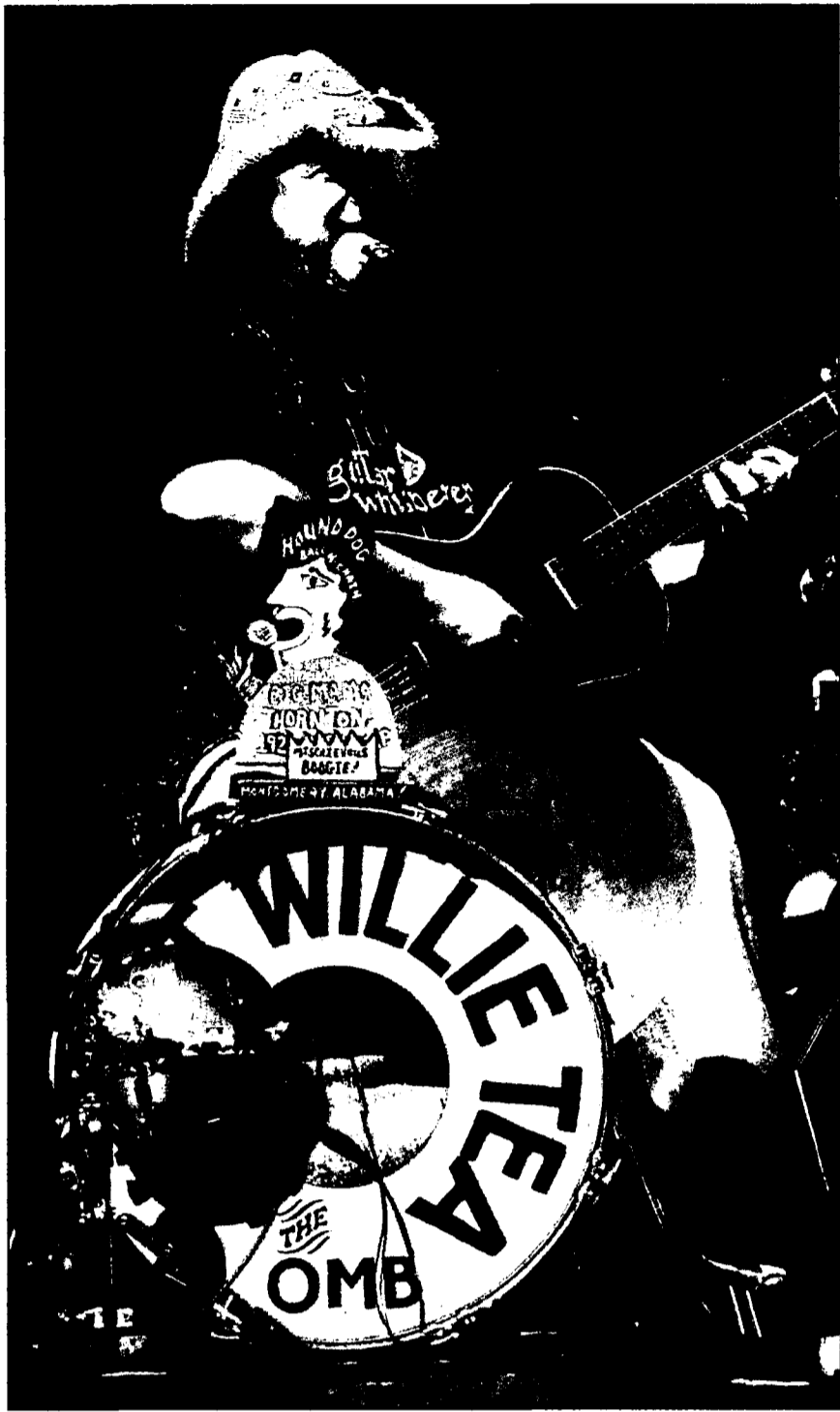
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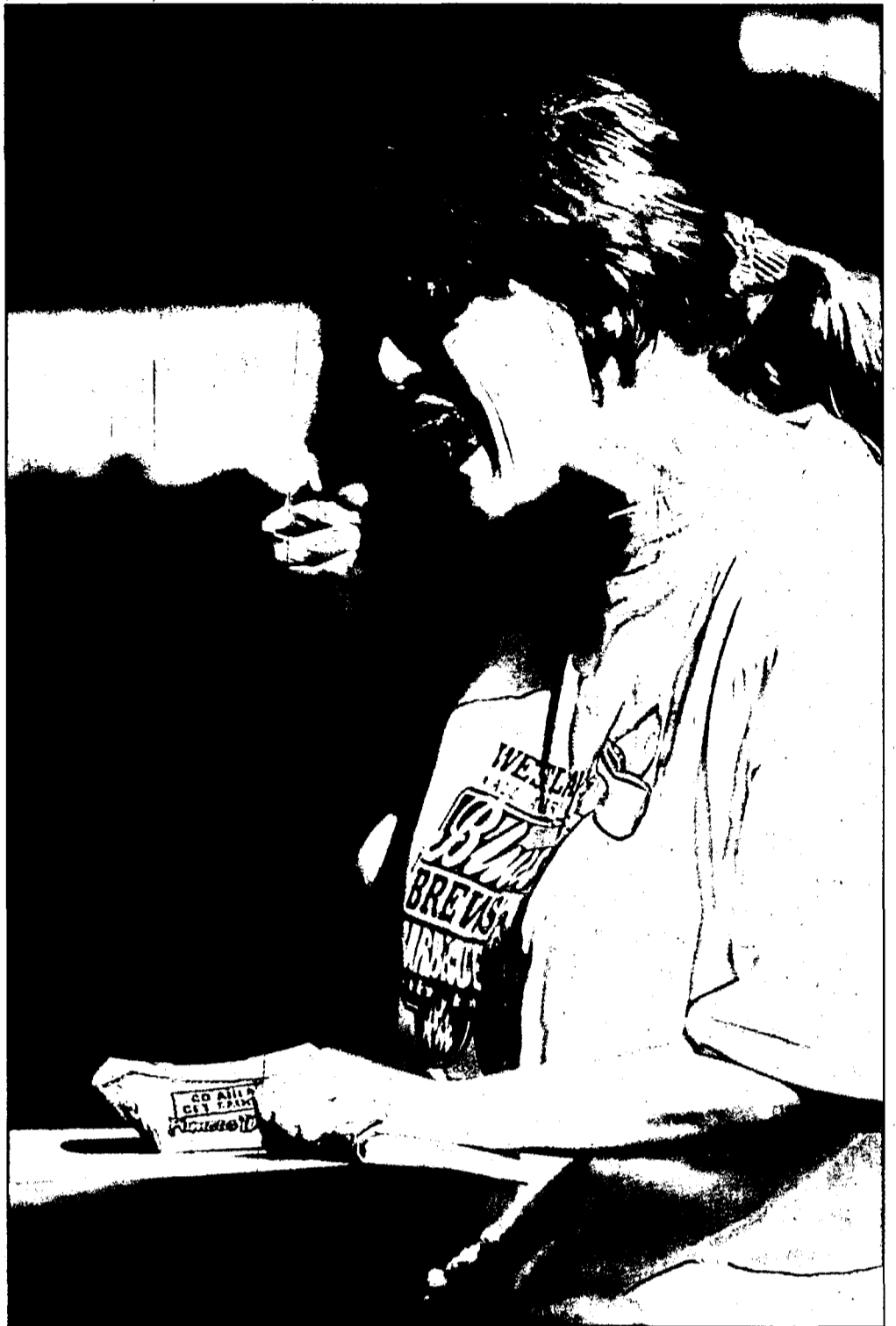


# Good, good, good



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Musician William Toll from Flint plays under the name Sweet Willie Tea. He was the first performer Saturday at Blues, Brews and Barbecue.



Blues, Brews and Barbecue volunteer Noreen Taylor from Plymouth chows on some ribs.

## Second annual Blues, Brews and Barbecue gets rave reviews

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

Bigger and better than last year. That's the assessment of the second annual Blues, Brews and Barbecue that included a performance by former *American Idol* contestant Josh Gracin.

The Saturday night concert by Gracin, a Westland native, drew an estimated 2,500 people to the Westland City Hall grounds.

The concert was a highlight of two days of barbecue and other food offered by local restaurants, a selection of craft beers from Ashley's and a full schedule of live music.

"We just moved here in January from Hillsdale, so we didn't come last year," said Westland resident Tisha Cole, who was enjoying ribs from Famous Dave's with husband Gary. "It's really nice. We read about it and saw the signs. We wondered what it was about. I went back for seconds on the ribs."

The music began at noon Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, the music began with Sweet Willie Tea, followed by Monsieur Guillaume and his Zydeco Hepcats and the Alligators leading up to Gracin's performance. "I like the music, it moves you. There is probably more dancing at night," said Cole.

Livonia residents Moe and Sylvia Pinard were attending Blues, Brews and Barbecue for the first time. They came with Sylvia's cousin Jan Branton and her husband, Bob, who live in Westland and attended the event last year.

"I came for the blues — I'm singing the blues," said Moe Pinard. "And the ribs. This is the second time I've had Famous Dave's ribs."

"I love it, I like the variety. You can sit in



Long Horn Steak House manager Amy Rohn of Westland prepares beef for prime rib sandwiches during Blues, Brews and Barbecue.



This car was for sale during the Blues, Brews and Barbecue car show.

the sun or the shade. And I like how they do the tickets (for food and drinks)," said Sylvia Pinard.

Part of Blues, Brews and Barbecue is that volunteers earn money for their service organization or nonprofit, supplementing city staff in working the event.

"I've served in a variety of capacities. I worked in the ticket booth, as a greeter and a set-up guy," said Westland Director Paul Motz, a Westland Rotarian. "I got to be part of the crew for Josh Gracin and got to hear the sound check."

Westland resident Reather Everrett sample ribs and corn bread. She said she came for the food.

"I'll try a little of it all. Whatever you like,

you've got a choice. Just bring your appetite," said Everrett.

Ken Hill, kitchen manager for Real BarBQ, was working up a sweat making their signature Smokey Joe Sandwich, along with ribs, cole slaw, burnt end baked beans and chocolate chip cookies.

"I've lived in Westland for 40 years. It's going great. I love being here with the people of Westland," said Hill, whose restaurant is located on Ford at Lilley in Canton.



Sharon and Ed Keys of Westland get some food during Blues, Brews and Barbecue.



Westland resident Ken Toth with his 1955 Ford Crown Victoria shown on the left during the Blues, Brews and Barbecue car show.



The crowd of concertgoers grew during the day leading up to a performance by Westland native and former American Idol Josh Gracin at Blues, Brews and Barbecue.

Also offering ribs, with or without baked beans, was Malarkey's Irish Pub of Westland which sold the most food last year. "It's going good. We're at about the same level as last year and this is for two days," said Malarkey's kitchen man-

ager Stephen Nazarek. "We sold the most tickets of any restaurant last year." Being able to make some money at the event helps the businesses be able to participate in Blues, Brews and Barbecue, along with the pro-

motional opportunity, Nazarek said. "We did have a lot of people come in for ribs after last year. It definitely seems to help the business," he said.

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Among the larger cities the Niemiec - and The Observer - visited was Ketchikan. With a population of 14,070, it is the fifth-most populous city in Alaska.



Fran and Dennis Niemiec also visited Skagway with a population of 920, which population doubles in the summer tourist season in order to deal with more than 900,000 visitors.

### Wish You Were Here

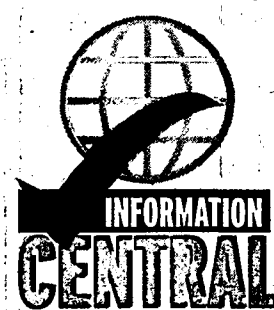
Don and Fran Niemiec celebrated an early 40th wedding anniversary with a trip to Alaska where they posed not once, but three times for Wish You Were Here. Westland residents since 1985, their anniversary is on Nov. 17. Here they strike a pose with the sign for town of Talkeetna, population 876. If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason as a jpg at smason@hometownlife.com or by mail to her attention at 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

# Home canning: Revival of a tradition

There's a special art and science to the tradition of home canning. With refrigeration and freezing technology, the skill of home food preservation fell out of popularity. We no longer had to fear all of our food spoiling before we could eat it all. Lately, there has been a renewed interest in canning one's own food. Thanks to the many benefits it brings, home canning has recently come back in vogue. Here are just some of the benefits to picking up this tradition:

- Control of what you eat. With store bought food, you don't get to decide whether things like salt, sugar and preservatives get added. By canning your own food, you know what you get because you decide what to add and how much.
  - Enjoy fresh and delicious fruits and vegetables long after the growing season. When you can produce at the peak of their ripeness, you preserve their vitamin and mineral content. You'll have better tasting food when it is no longer available in the stores.
  - Save money. Produce bought when it is out of season in the stores is expensive. If you grow your own food or buy it in bulk and in season in order to can it, it is automatically cheaper.
  - Save on freezer space. Your freezer can easily get filled up. If you lose power, everything in it will go to waste. Keeping your pantry stocked with canned food avoids those troubles.
  - Sense of pride. Feel accomplished as you feed your family and yourself through your own hard work. There's a satisfaction that comes with being self-reliant.
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#### HIGHLIGHTED ACTIVITIES

- ESL English as a Second Language Class: 10-11:30 a.m. Sept. 21. Get help practicing your English skills in a class room setting with a conversation emphasis taught by Diane and Richard Goers. Classes run through Nov. 9. Students with children are welcome!
- Drug Free Approach to ADHD: 7 p.m. Sept. 26. This program is specially designed for parents, teachers, and day care workers who want to learn about safe, natural solutions to help improve behavior and performance for those with ADHD. Focus will be on the benefits of alternative health care treatments. Featured speaker is Dr. Brian K. Brackney, D.C.

and member of The Foundation for Wellness Professionals. Sign up online, call (734) 326-6123 or visit the library to save your seat.

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

Like to play chess? Want to

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

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Tom and Paulina Tomich opened Alexander the Great Restaurant during September 1977 in Westland.

## Alexander the Great marks anniversary with specials

Alexander the Great is celebrating its 35th anniversary this month with special offers.

Tom and Paulina Tomich launched Alexander the Great restaurant during September 1977 in Westland. Their focus continues to be remaining the most reliable, consistent restaurant in town, with the best combination of food, service and price.

"As part of this community for 35 years, we want to keep offering great food and service at a real value, so that when people do go out and enjoy themselves from time to time they do it here. We want to remain the place where people can take comfort that they will get the best bang for their hard-earned buck," said Paulina Tomich.

As a token of appreciation for their customers, Alexander the Great is offering discounts -



Among the anniversary specials at Alexander the Great is barbecued ribs for two for \$22.

including a coupon in the *Observer & Eccentric* dining section - for barbecued ribs for two for \$22, including with soft beverage and tax, Pasta/Pasta (buy one get one free), chicken dinner for two and others. Coupons are available weekly in the paper or sign up for Alexander's email club and receive offers for the event.

Later this fall, the restaurant will celebrate a

new anniversary - one year from the launch of a partnership with MJR Digital Cinemas. Alexander the Great and MJR joined forces last November to offer another great value, the \$34.95 "Dinner and Movie" package for two people.

The dinner and movie package is available for purchase at Alexander the Great at 34733 Warren Road, east of Wayne Road.

## Jobs: We need to embrace the new world of manufacturing

By Dan West  
Guest Columnist

A growing number of local companies are searching aggressively for skilled, experienced workers for their manufacturing facilities. These are good-paying jobs with benefits and overtime. More times than not, however, their search comes up empty.

This is a growing issue across the country as manufacturing continues its rebound. The *Wall Street Journal* reported earlier this year there are some 600,000 unfilled jobs in the U.S. because employers cannot find the right workers. According to the Workforce Intelligence Network for Southeast Michigan (WIN), our state has the most skilled-trade job openings of any in the country.



Dan West

The days are gone when a high school graduate could walk into a plant, quickly land an assembly line job and make a good living for decades. These lower-skilled jobs made up most of the manufacturing job losses over the past dozen years. Today, automated equipment produces many of the parts people made years ago, but these manufacturers need tech-savvy workers to operate their multimillion-dollar investments.

Also, most manufacturers have an aging workforce with mass retirements on the horizon. They need to replenish their operations with the next generation of skilled talent soon as these companies struggle to find a path toward future viability.

"We are continuously searching for skilled and tech-savvy workers," said Carrie Rinehart, the human resources manager at Linear. "We have exciting plans for future growth, and we need motivated people to help us reach our goals."

HR managers like Rinehart find plenty of candidates with college degrees, but they lack the training and experience needed. There are many 20-something job hunters who have a bachelor's degree or higher, yet they are under-employed. A recent *Newsweek* article reported that 16 percent of bartenders and nearly the same percentage of parking attendants in the U.S. have at least a bachelor's degree.

Experts say educators need to steer more students away from four-year liberal arts college programs. *Time* magazine reports the U.S. will add 14 million jobs over the next decade and about two-thirds of those jobs will require some post-secondary education. We just need to be more strategic about the advice we give students after they receive their high school diploma.

Pam Hurt, a workforce development expert for the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, said some 90 percent of recently issued bachelor's degrees are in liberal arts, but only 30 percent of all future U.S. jobs will require a bachelor's of arts degree.

Diane Ravitch, a professor of education at New York University, told *Time* magazine that encouraging everyone to go to college for four years "has become a matter of political correctness," she said. "We're not training our students for the jobs that actually exist."

Yet many parents feel pressured - based on misguided perceptions - they have to send their child to a certain college, obtain a certain degree, and accumulate significant debt to prepare their children for a world that might not have a job that interests them.

We need an improved relationship between industry and education that will properly connect young people to

viable careers. It is time that both sectors think differently and lean on each other to better prepare the workforce of the future.

### High-tech job demands

Today's workforce is burgeoning with demand for jobs in engineering, informational technology, nursing and advanced manufacturing. Aside from most engineering jobs, most of the other high-demand careers only require one or two years of formal postsecondary training. An appropriate associate's degree can get a young person started in a decent-paying IT career quickly in southeastern Michigan - where the demand for such jobs is higher than in the Silicon Valley, the famous tech hub in California. According to WIN, there have been 3,600 IT job openings in Wayne County alone since May.

Despite the growth in these fields, many Michigan school districts are slashing funding for vocational education programs, owing to budget cuts and national and state policies where student testing and teacher certification guidelines are focused on college preparatory programs.

This trend frustrates manufacturing executives like Chuck Dardas, the president and COO at Alpha USA.

"At a time we are begging middle and high schools to direct more young people into advanced manufacturing, they are cutting and eliminating these programs," he said.

One possible solution is for school districts and community colleges to partner efforts to provide early college-level advanced manufacturing, trades and IT courses and internship opportunities. Locally, more promotion of the Livonia Career Center and revamped programs aided by nearby two-year college programs could make this facility a regional hub for interested high school students seeking careers in these fields.

This allows school districts to share costs while improving course offerings in these high-demand fields. It gives students a head start on pursuing these careers as they simultaneously earn high school and college credit, and leads them on a path that makes them more hireable, sooner.

Many colleges and universities maintain relationships with medical facilities and various businesses which helps build job leads for students, but this interaction is not as common with managers in manufacturing, which is Michigan's vital industry.

William Dunbar, Schoolcraft College's dean of occupational programs and economic development, has provided an open ear to manufacturers as the school has grown the number of general manufacturing courses.

Students interested in these careers have plenty of options to study for these jobs at colleges and universities within driving distance of any home in western Wayne County. By completing a one- or two-year program and commuting to school, students save their families money while increasing their job prospects upon graduation.

We can't wait for Washington to solve these problems with their immense bureaucracies. In Lansing, Gov. Rick Snyder has offered incentives for Michigan communities that innovatively address workforce development.

If key players are creative, open-minded and realize smart ways to use local resources, we can do a better job of connecting students to the post-secondary training they need to find satisfying careers.

Dan West is the president of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. He can be reached at [dwest@livonia.org](mailto:dwest@livonia.org).

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## Do small things before they get big

By Clarity Patton Newhouse  
Guest Columnist

I recently came across some sobering photos demonstrating serious dental decay that can result if people don't brush their teeth. Of course, it's pretty well known that a simple thing like brushing can have a huge impact.

These pictures got me thinking about lots of other ways that a little effort now can prevent big problems later. An old adage puts it bluntly: "An ounce of pre-

vention is worth a pound of cure."

Our lives are full of small tasks that can be boring, uncomfortable or inconvenient, like exercising, balancing checkbooks and so forth. This is especially true when we'd rather be doing something or anything else.

If we stop thinking of preventative measures as obligations and instead see them as opportunities to progress and avoid future setbacks, they become much easier to accomplish. As with so many things in life, our attitude makes all the difference.

Today let's tackle some little things before they become big things - and have a sunny day!

Clarity

P.S. "In essence, if we

want to direct our lives, we must take control of our consistent actions. It's not what we do once in a while that shapes our lives, but what we do consistently."

Anthony Robbins

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Clarity Patton Newhouse





Christine Kapusky Moore of Canton plays Eliza Doolittle and David Andrews of Ypsilanti is Henry Higgins in the Spotlight Players' production of 'My Fair Lady.'

# Spotlight Players present 'My Fair Lady'

Don't miss the comedy, music and romance of *My Fair Lady*, the legendary musical loved by audiences worldwide.

The show, which includes Linda Trygg of Westland in the cast, runs 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, and 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

*My Fair Lady* is the Tony Award-winning musical that made Julie Andrews, Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison household names. It is the tale of Henry Higgins, a professor of phonetics, who makes a wager that he can take a poor, Cockney flower girl and transform her into a glamorous, well-bred lady.

With music and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and book by Frederick Loewe, familiar songs include, *I Could Have Danced All Night*, *I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face*, *With a Little Bit o' Luck* and *Loverly*.

"I have to confess that I have not actually read *Pygmalion* by George Bernard Shaw, but I love the Rex Harrison, Audrey Hepburn movie *My Fair Lady*, and this is a bigger inspiration than any of the actual stage productions," Director Paul Winger said. "I went to see a touring production in Detroit last year; this prompted me put in to direct the show. I am originally from Essex

in England, this is close enough to London to make the language of Cockney London very familiar."

Eliza Doolittle is played by Christine Kapusky Moore of Canton and Henry Higgins is played by Ypsilanti resident David Andrews. Patrick McKane of Canton is Alfie P. Doolittle; Kim Roberts of Brooklyn is Colonel Pickering; Ann Roberts of Brooklyn is Mrs. Pierce; Anne Coulter of Canton is Mrs. Eynsford-Hill; Elliot Styles of Dexter is Freddy Eynsford-Hill, and Denise Staffeld of Canton is Mrs. Higgins.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and students under age 19. Group rates are also available. Tickets can be purchased by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or online at [www.spotlightplayersmi.org](http://www.spotlightplayersmi.org) or in person at the door. The box office opens one hour prior to showtime. Spotlight Players is the resident adult theater group at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Formerly the Plymouth Theater Guild, Spotlight Players is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and has been an asset of the community for 67 years.

For more information about Spotlight Players call at (734) 480-4945 or visit the website at [www.spotlightplayersmi.org](http://www.spotlightplayersmi.org).

Listings for the Community Calendar can be submitted by e-mail at [smason@hometownlife.com](mailto:smason@hometownlife.com). They also can be mailed to Sue Mason at 615 W. Lafayette - Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226, or faxed to her attention at fax at (313) 223-3318. For more information, call (313) 222-6751.

## Upcoming Events

### CANOE ROUGE

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13

**Location:** Lower branch of the Rouge River in Wayne

**Details:** Friends of the Rouge are holding their sixth annual public canoe trip on the lower branch of the Rouge River in the City of Wayne. The route, through Wayne County parkland, is mainly forested and the fall foliage should be in full glory at that time. The trip is limited to experienced paddlers due to water quality concerns. Heavner Canoe & Kayak Rental will be providing rental canoes for those who do not have their own. Reservations requested.

**Contact:** For more information or to sign up, visit [www.therouge.org](http://www.therouge.org), email [monitoring@therouge.org](mailto:monitoring@therouge.org) or call (313) 792-9621.

### FREE PROGRAM

**Time/Date:** 9:45 and 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, and 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 1-3

**Location:** Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill, Westland

**Details:** The public is invited to hear Dr. Grady McMurtry, a creation scientist, who will examine the truth through scientific evidence in his program, "Creation vs. Evolution," at the church.

**Contact:** For more information, call (734) 721-9040.

### SHORT SALE SEMINAR

**Time/Date:** 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27

**Location:** Livonia Public Library 32777 Five Mile Road.

**Details:** A professional resource panel will be on hand to discuss different alternatives and options when it comes to short sales. Buyers looking to learn about short sales are also welcome. The event is sponsored by the MacRo Team, Keller Williams agents.

**Contact:** Call Sheila Roma at (248) 760-6785 or Debbi McLaughlin at (248) 561-0077 to reserve a spot by Friday, Sept. 21.

### CRAFT SHOWS

**Date/Time:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29

**Location:** St. Mel's Parish Gym, 7506 N. Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights

**Details:** St. Mel's Craft Show and Bake Sale will have more than 55 local crafters showcasing their talent. There will be door prizes every 30 minutes. No admission fee.

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13

**Location:** St. Theodore's Parish, 8200 Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women's Fall Craft Show will feature unique and handmade crafts, homemade baked goods and a variety of filled baskets raffle. Refreshments available and there will be free admission and parking.

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13

**Location:** Perrinville Early Childhood Center, 28201 Lyndon, Livonia

**Details:** Crafters and vendors are wanted for the Perrinville Early Childhood Center fall craft show.

**Contact:** Tami at [holiday-craftfair@yahoo.com](mailto:holiday-craftfair@yahoo.com) or

Brenda at [wjob2010@yahoo.com](mailto:wjob2010@yahoo.com).

## Education

### WILLOW CREEK

**Location:** 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland

**Details:** Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool offers a Parent/Tot, Young 3's, 3-year and 4-year programs.

**Contact:** (734) 326-0078

### ST. DAMIAN

**Location:** 29891 Joy, Westland

**Details:** St. Damian Catholic School offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8.

**Contact:** (734) 427-1680, [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

### YWCA PRESCHOOL

**Details:** The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs to children aged 2-5 years old at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Home-based programs are also available.

**Contact:** (313) 561-4110, Ext. 10

### OPEN ENROLLMENT

**Location:** St. Mary Catholic School, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne

**Details:** St. Mary School is currently registering students for the 2012-2013 school year. Openings are available in pre-K 3 and 4 and kindergarten-eighth-grade. St. Mary has been recognized as a School of Distinction.

**Contact:** For more information, call the school office at (734) 721-1240.

## Organizations

### FRIENDS OF ELOISE

**Time/date:** 7 p.m. third Tuesday of the months of February, April, June, September and November  
**Location:** Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill, Westland.

**Contact:** Pat Ibbotson at (734) 331-9291 or by e-mail at [pibbotso@aol.com](mailto:pibbotso@aol.com) or Jo Johnson (734) 522-3918

### WESTLAND ROTARY

**Time/Date:** 12:15 p.m. Thursdays

**Location:** Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland

**Details:** Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Check [www.westlandrotary.com](http://www.westlandrotary.com) for more information about meetings, programs and events.

**Contact:** Jeff at (734) 261-5010

### FAMILY CAREGIVERS

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. first Monday of the month

**Location:** Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth

**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.

**Contact:** Helen Streett at 74 629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

### CAREGIVERS - SPOUSES

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. second Tuesday of the month

**Location:** Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth

**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for a spouse age 60

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and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.

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### CAREGIVERS - WESTLAND

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. the third Thursday of the month

**Location:** American House III, 35700 Hunter, Westland

**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.

**Contact:** Helen Street at (734) 629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

### AMERICAN LEGION

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. first Tuesday of the month

**Location:** Harris-Kehrer VFW Post, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** American Legion Westland Post 251 meets at the VFW hall the first Tuesday of each month. The post welcomes all veterans male and female who have been honorably discharged.

**Contact:** Bill Acton at (734) 326-2607, Ron Nickels at (734) 455-3415 or visit the website at [www.post251.org](http://www.post251.org).

### LIONS CLUB

**Time/Date:** 11:45 a.m. the second Monday of the month and at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month

**Location:** Big Boy Restaurant at Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland.

**Details:** The Westland Lions Club holds lunch and dinner meetings on Mondays.

**Contact:** For more information, call Debbie Dayton at (734) 721-4216.

### WRITING GROUP

**Time/date:** 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month

**Location:** Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne

**Details:** The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through life-writing, writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs and autobiographies, in diaries, journals and personal essays. Participants should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are comfortable doing so, sharing their writing. Membership in Story Circle's National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free.

**Contact:** [www.storycircle.org](http://www.storycircle.org) or send an e-mail to [shepry@yahoo.com](mailto:shepry@yahoo.com)

### TOASTMASTERS

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. every Thursday

**Location:** Westland Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, between Marquette and Ford Road, Westland

**Details:** Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club provides a supportive environment where members can overcome the fear of speaking in public. The membership is a diverse group from different walks of life.

**Contact:** For information, call Doug at (248) 417-4922, or Curt at (734) 525-8445 or visit the website at [westlandeasytalkers.toastmasters-clubs.org](http://westlandeasytalkers.toastmasters-clubs.org).

### FISH DIAL-A-RIDE

**Details:** Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive. Volunteer phone messengers arrange client rides with our volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is a not-for-profit community service that provides free door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia, and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation.

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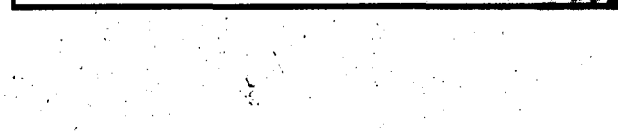
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## OUR VIEWS

# Giving time

## Volunteer efforts key to community events

The sense of "community" that drives the Westland community was on display again last weekend, no place more obviously than around Westland City Hall Saturday and Sunday. It was the site of another successful Blues, Brews and Barbecue.

The success of such events is unquestioned. But what is less obvious — and more important — is the reason for success.

• Ask the organizers of any event in town from the Westland Summer Festival to the Salvation Army's Summer Block Party where the success lies, and they will say the same thing: Volunteers.

They were on display by the hundreds at Blues, Brews and Barbecue last weekend. More than 13 local charities were able to raise money through their volunteer efforts at the two-day event.

**Last Tuesday, thousands of Ford Motor Co. employees fanned out across metropolitan Detroit for the seventh annual Ford Global Week of Caring. Ford employee and retiree volunteers put their skills and their hearts to work by helping out in their local communities.**

They provided the manpower from setting up to cleaning up to make the second annual festival a people-pleasing affair.

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This year, the volunteers were at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Westland to help sort donations. Being able to get those donations from bags and boxes in the back room and in containers outside to the racks and shelves in the store is important for St. Vincent de Paul. The thrift stores - there's 12 in southeast Michigan - support the society's other charitable operations, including emergency food centers, youth summer camps, and social services in the Van Elslander Family Center.

Examples abound of people helping other people on their own time, out of their own pocket, out of the kindness of their hearts.

Thanks to volunteers, the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army is able to provide services to residents in Wayne, Westland, Inkster, Romulus and New Boston. Volunteers serve as tutors for the After School Program and make the Community Feeding Program possible September through June. They are the backbone of the Food Pantry, the Summer Block Party, the annual Red Kettle Campaign and the holiday toy shop.

Another fine example of volunteerism at work was the Hope 4 Western Wayne County event, which provided a variety of services to area residents. The event was hosted by Harvest Bible Church in Westland and attracted people from throughout Wayne County.

The event was open to everyone and put on by church members. It was free of charge - no questions asked, no proof of need required. For many, the event offered a chance to have a family portrait taken, get dental and medical checkups, collect some school supplies and a bag of food and enjoy a hot dog lunch.

There are many ways to volunteer, and they don't all take a great deal of time. Opportunities are there to give hours, or mere minutes. Most organizations will take what time you're generous enough to give.

In Westland, people are more than generous with their time. And the community is better for it.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### Do you think marijuana should be legalized?

We asked this question at the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.



"Yes, I think a lot of crime could be prevented and it would be more honest. I think it's more evil than alcohol, that's way worse."

Allison Hutton  
Westland



"Yes, because my mother has muscular dystrophy and I think it could really benefit her."

Stacy Forsythe  
Garden City



"In my opinion, it should be legalized. People use it any ways, it doesn't make a difference, if it's illegal."

Judy Mead  
Westland



"I personally don't use it, but I've always felt it should be legal. Legalize and then tax the c--p out of it."

John Lay  
Westland

## LETTERS

### Re-erect historical marker

In October 1819, Chief Tonquish, the leader of a band of Pottawatomie, was struck by a bullet fired by a British soldier and killed somewhere in what is now Westland. He was taken away by members of his tribe and buried. His resting place has been lost to history.

A few years ago, a historical marker on Wayne Road about Chief Tonquish was stuck by an automobile and its supports destroyed. The marker was taken away by Westland workers and ... well, as of now its resting place too is lost.

While the odds of Chief Tonquish returning to Westland this October are remote, it would be nice to have the state historic marker that commemorates his life and death returned to its place on Wayne Road. One would hope that raising a marker in Westland would be easier than raising the dead.

Marty Johnson  
Westland

### Thank you, Mayor Wild

Greetings, Mayor Wild I would like to thank you for an awesome job you are doing. Thank you so much for listening to your people and putting items in place to make the city of Westland a better community to live in.

First, I want to thank you for the Wild About Youth Work Summer Program. My daughter Ashe' Lewis got employed at VR Metro and due to the great match between VR Metro and Ashe', the company has extended her summer employment to continue indefinitely. It is your vision and your team that made this possible for my daughter and we are grateful for this awesome opportunity.

Also, I would like to thank you for the increased visibility of police patrolling our neighborhoods. As a Wayne resident, we started seeing an increase in vandalism, car theft and speeding drivers on Yale Street.

Your new program of having more policemen on the streets is working. I have not heard of any complaints regarding vandalism or theft, and the speeding has decreased tremendously due to an officer readily available to stop a speeding car. I see a patrol officer everyday and feel safer as a result of this.

This note is just a small token of my appreciation and I want to thank you for helping to make Westland a better community to live in. Continue the excellent work you do and may God bless you and your team richly for your commitment to serve.

Juanita Francis  
Westland

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters by the following formats:

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Deadline: Letters must be received by 9 a.m. Monday to be published in the Thursday edition.

### Won't vote for Weaver

Do you know who is asking for your vote for trustee on the Wayne-Westland school board? I value my voting rights and will not be casting a vote for Fred Weaver. My decision is based on the following:

He moved out of the school district immediately vacating a seat and continued to participate in all board actions.

He delayed a public announcement until he changed his voter registration to an address in Midland, Mich., in 2008. Legal documents confirm his residence in Midland while on our school board.

He received payment (taxpayer dollars) from the district when he was not eligible.

He voted on district issues from a seat he did not legally hold.

He resigned from a position he did not hold.

Under the Michigan election law, the office of a school board member becomes vacant immediately, regardless of declaration by an officer or acceptance by the school board or one or more of its members, when the school board member moves his or her residence from the school district (MCL 168.310(2)).

As I said, my vote is important to me. When you make your selection, please consider the above facts.

Nancy Foreich  
Westland

### Get back to God

In response to the letter from John and Dottie Vega, I meant no inflammatory rhetoric.

I should have said I, among many others, dislike President Obama's policies as he disregards anyone's opinion, if they don't agree with his.

Since he has the power to initiate legislation to stop abortion, he must do so. Since 1973, America has lost a generation and a half of people, most of whom would now be paying into Social Security and Medicare.

Stop embryonic stem cell

research, concentrate on adult stem cell research.

Don't sanction homosexual marriages. Two homosexuals cannot procreate a life.

All of this is the culture of death, which has a trickle down effect.

The summer drought, the loss of the cornfields are a result of these issues with little corn, livestock cannot be feed and are being led to slaughter early, causing losses to farmers and ranchers.

Pollinating bees are disappearing.

Michigan's apples this year are down from 25 million barrels to three million barrels.

Let's get this country back to God as he intended it to be. All our acts of playing God have resulted in our failures.

Last, the HHS mandate is unconstitutional.

Dolores Kapanke  
Garden City

### Repair Act needed

The Tire Industry Association applauds the passage of the Right To Repair Law in Massachusetts and strongly urges Congress to pass a comparable federal law to ensure that all American car owners and their trusted repair shops have the same access to safety alerts and repair information as the franchised new car dealer network.

Most new vehicles are equipped with tire pressure monitoring systems (TPMS) to protect motorists from the dangers of operating a vehicle with underinflated tires. Because these systems are controlled by computers, every repair facility must have ready access to complete, accurate information from the car companies or it will be very difficult to keep all TPMS systems activated and in safe working condition.

Passage in Massachusetts is a good start, but there is a critical need to swiftly pass the Right To Repair Act on a national level.

The Motor Vehicle Owners' Right To Repair Act (HR 1449) levels the competitive playing field for motoring consumers and between new car dealerships and independent repair shops by requiring that car companies provide full, fair access at a reasonable cost to all non-proprietary service information, tools, fault codes and safety-related bulletins needed to repair motor vehicles.

We support each car owner's right to patronize the auto service facility of their choice and ask all motorists to visit www.righttorepair.org to send a letter to each of their congressional representatives, urging them to co-sponsor the Right To Repair Act.

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Last year's Red October Run attracted 1,286 runners and walkers of all ages, and this year, Cynthia Cook, community benefit coordinator for the Oakwood Healthcare System, expects a record breaking 1,500 participants.



## Red October Run back in Wayne for 22nd year

The streets around Oakwood Annapolis Hospital in Wayne will be teeming with fitness enthusiasts of all ages on Saturday, Oct. 6.

The Oakwood Healthcare System is bringing the Red October Run back to the community for the 22nd year, and it might be the largest event year, according to Cindy Cook, community benefit coordinator for Oakwood Healthcare. Cook organizes the event every year.

"We're on target to hit 1,500 registrants," said Cook. "That's 300 more than last year."

The increase in popularity was a bit of a surprise, because several other races in Michigan now share the same date, she said.

"I think we've developed a great reputation," Cook said. "I just wouldn't have predicted that our numbers would be up, given our competition this year."

The Red October Run offers competition for people of all ages and

skill levels, including a 10K run, a 5K walk and a non-competitive one-mile Junior October Run for children. The 10K and 5K runs are certified. Everyone who finishes gets a medal, and there are prize drawings for participants.

The event also includes activities leading up to the races, including a yoga warm-up session and arts and crafts activities for young people. Refreshments are provided afterward.

Participants also will get to see Oakwood's state-of-the-art da Vinci surgical robotic system up close and in action during free race day demonstrations and receive a Oakwood Annapolis Gift Shop race day discount. There also will be awards in the running and walking events, Red October Run gloves for first 1,000 10K/5K registrants and a runners wellness tent with health and safety displays, Red October gear sales and runners information.

Prizes include movie passes, Made In Detroit brand Detroit Lions shirt, Oakwood Scrub top/bottom set, gift cards for the Hansons Running Shop, Best Buy, iTunes and the Outback Steakhouse, an iPod Shuffle, Detroit Lions tickets, a Coach wristlet purse and a "Family four pack" tickets for The Henry Ford/Greenfield Village.

The Junior October Mile begins at 9 a.m. and the 10K run begins at 9:50 a.m. The 5K runners and 5K walkers get started at 10 a.m.

Cook said the idea behind the run was to promote fitness among people of all ages. Earlier this year she visited schools in the Wayne-Westland Community School District to get more children involved, too.

"It's a great tradition," she said. "We're here to engage the community."

For more information or to register, visit [www.oakwood.org/redoctober-run](http://www.oakwood.org/redoctober-run).

## Look for solid, long-term track record before investing

By Rick Bloom  
Guest Columnist

I received a call from a client who wanted my opinion on an investment that he was considering. The investment was a new mutual fund that was going to follow a proprietary strategy that, according to the fund's prospectus, would be able to protect against downturns in the market and allow the investor to participate in market upswings.

The fund materials mentioned - a number of times - it was an alternative investment. The client liked what he read and wanted my opinion. Even before I studied the prospectus or looked deeper into the fund's management team and the past track records, I told him that I could not recommend the investment.

When it comes to investing, in order to be successful, you have to set certain rules and criteria for yourself that you follow in virtually all cases and exceptions should be rare. One of the rules that I live by is that I do not invest nor will I recommend a new investment.

### Criteria

One of the criteria I have before I will recommend an investment is that it must have a solid, long-term track record. The main reason you invest money is to make money and that is why before I recommend an investment, I want to see a solid long-term track record.

Any investment can have a good year or a bad year; therefore, I look at any one year as immaterial. I want to look at investments where I can look at five and 10-year track records. To me, that is much more of a relevant time period than in the case at hand where the fund has only been around for three months.

The new buzz word in investing today is alternative. Fund companies have started marketing many of their funds as alternatives, which means that they're either investing in a non-traditional asset class or following non-conventional investment strategies.

I think all too often many of these mutual fund companies are rolling out

new funds not because they have a better way of managing your money but rather, they're looking at market shares.

### Looking back

It reminds me of what was happening in the late 1990s when fund companies were developing new funds all based upon the buzz word at the time and that was technology. Unfortunately, many of those funds didn't have a better way of managing your money and many of those funds, after years of miserable performance, went out of business.

I don't personally invest in or recommend any investment that doesn't have a track record. That means that I may miss out on certain opportunities, but that's the cost I'm willing to pay to protect myself. I believe that as an investment advisor, my goal is to protect and grow a client's money. One way I can protect a client's money is to avoid new investments.

For someone who wants to invest in a new investment without a track record, I tell them that they should treat it not as investing, but rather, speculating. There's nothing wrong with taking a "flier" on an investment. As long as it is not a material portion of your portfolio and you recognize the additional risk you are assuming.

I look at speculating more akin to gambling than investing. When you have a new investment, there is not a lot of independent information upon which to base your decision. On the other hand, with an investment that has been around for a while, there's a lot more information that you can use to analyze the investment and to make an informed decision. In principle, there is nothing wrong with gambling, however, there's a time and place for it. The same thing can be said about speculating on an investment.

I cannot stress enough how important it is that, as an investor, you follow a set of rules that work for your situation. This won't assure you of success, but it will put the odds more in your favor. Good luck!

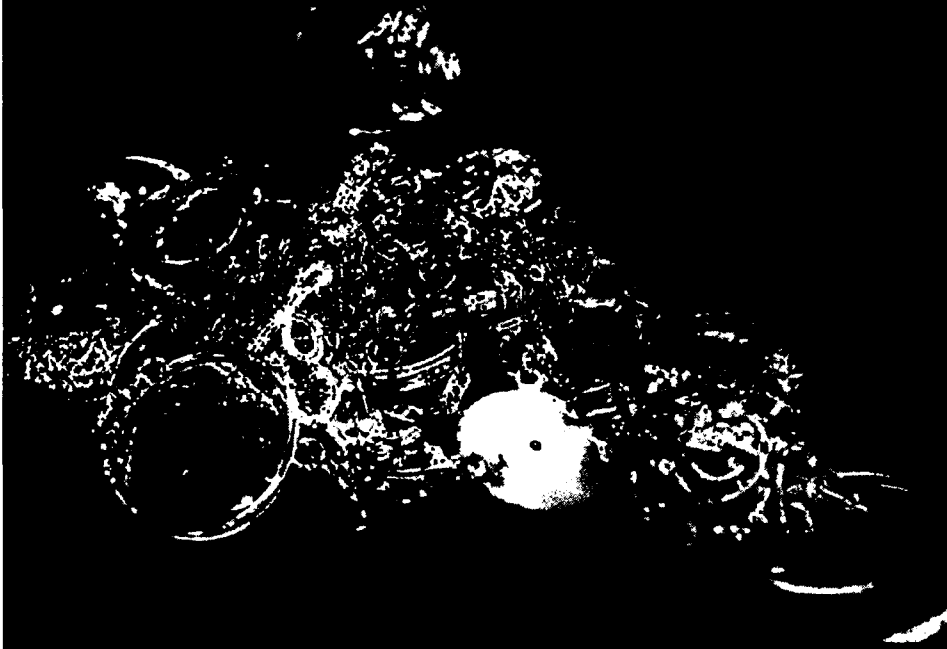
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# Event puts 'Bark' into fundraising

By Darrell Clem  
Observer Staff Writer

Calling herself "a miracle girl," Canton resident Kathie McFry has strong support from husband Ron and other family members as she battles stage-four anal cancer that spread to her liver.

Yet, she has another untiring source of love and comfort, a 3-year-old golden retriever named Bo, who has tended to her when she comes home sick from chemotherapy and radiation treatment.



Kathie McFry has found comfort from her Golden Retriever, Bo, as she battles cancer.

"There are times when I'm down and need to cry, and Bo is here for me," McFry said. "He's a good listener. He's a good comedian when I need a cuddler when I need a cuddler. He has meant everything. There's something about that unconditional love you get from a dog."

"They love you when

your hair falls out and you look ugly," she said.

In an effort to honor furry friends like Bo and raise money for the American Cancer Society, McFry and dog-lover Janet Stafford are co-chairing the second Bark for Life, a canine-centered fundraiser patterned after Relay for

Life that includes a doggie costume contest, a musical sit game similar to musical chairs, a best-trick contest and a shortest- and longest-tail competition.

Registration starts at 10 a.m. Saturday at Canton's Heritage Park, off Canton Center south of Cherry Hill, and the event con-

tinues through a closing ceremony that ends at 3 p.m. Participants can pay \$20 for one dog — and \$5 for each additional pooch — by signing up at [www.relayforlife.org/barkcantoni](http://www.relayforlife.org/barkcantoni), or just show up at Bark for Life.

Last year's event drew 78 dogs, 200 people and raised \$6,000 to fight cancer.

"We're hoping to double it or come close to doubling it this year," McFry said.

Jill Andra Young, who owns a Plymouth photography business specializing in pet portraits, is a Bark for Life committee member who is among the vendors coming to Saturday's event. Young, whose mother is a cancer survivor, has a 2-year-old Basenji named Henri.

"My main interest in Bark for Life is the canine companionship part of it," Young said. "If

you've ever just had the flu, it's so nice to have a dog lie in bed next to you and be a companion. It's healing, that unconditional love. They seem to know when you don't feel well, and they're just happy to have you at home."

Joyce Obradovich, oncologist for Canton-based Animal Cancer & Imaging Center, is among the featured speakers Saturday, and McFry said the day includes a silent auction, a deejay, facepainting and a hamster ball made for people, among other activities.

Zeus and Maggie, search-and-rescue German shepherds owned by Elly Price of Plymouth, also are set to appear. "We hope to make it a real family-oriented event," McFry said.

Bark for Life's second outing comes after a 10-member committee planned it.

"Every one of us has been touched in some way by cancer," McFry said.

Numerous studies have indicated there are health benefits to owning pets, partly by improving moods and helping people feel less depressed. Moreover, pets provide companionship and can lead to new networks of friends.

McFry said Saturday's event will be followed by two other events: a fundraiser 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at bd's Mongolian Grill on Ford Road in Canton featuring Detroit Lion Brandon Pettigrew, followed by a Plymouth Whalers game against Sudbury set for 7:05 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29. Tickets for the latter event can be found at [www.relayforlife.org/barkcantoni](http://www.relayforlife.org/barkcantoni).

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# Ex-McCotter staffer pleads no contest to charges in petition scandal

By Ken Abramczyk  
Observer Staff Writer

A staffer for former Congressman Thaddeus McCotter pleaded no contest Tuesday to five misdemeanor charges in the congressman's petition scandal.

Lorianne O'Brady, 52, of Livonia, who worked as a scheduler for the former congressman, pleaded no contest in 16th District Court before Judge Kathleen J. McCann to five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Her sentencing hearing is scheduled for Oct. 25 in front of McCann.

Attorney General Bill Schuette said there was no plea or sentencing agreement offered.

"As your attorney general, I have a duty to enforce the law and ensure public integrity," said Schuette in a prepared statement. "After a thorough investigation, my office determined that criminal acts were committed, and the appropriate criminal charges were filed."

"Our office will continue to prosecute the remaining defendants involved in this shameful violation of the public trust."

Schuette alleges that members of McCotter's Michigan staff were involved in a deliber-

ate fraud involving a pattern of copying and altering petitions in order to qualify the five-term congressman for the 2012 Michigan ballot. Schuette revealed examples of petitions that were allegedly manufactured electronically by transposing signatures collected in previous election years onto 2012 nominating petitions.

After the signatures were declared invalid by the Secretary of State's office, McCotter said he was going to run as a write-in, then decided that he would not run in the 11th Congressional District in early June. On July 6, McCotter, who was not charged in

Schuette's petition fraud investigation, resigned from Congress.

Three other former staffers also face charges:

Mary Melissa Turnbull of Howell is scheduled for a preliminary exam on Sept. 27. Turnbull faces two charges: one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and one count of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail.

Don Yowchuang of Farmington Hills faces 17 charges: 10 counts of election law forgery, a five-year felony; one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and six counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail.

Paul Seewald of Livonia faces 10 charges: one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and

nine counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Pleas of not guilty were entered for Seewald and Yowchuang at their arraignments on Aug. 10.

Yowchuang and Seewald are scheduled for a pre-exam conference on Oct. 9 and a preliminary exam on Oct. 11 in 16th District Court.

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## Spartans notch key road win, 1-0

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Being a dual-sport athlete is paying dividends this fall for Livonia Stevenson and Tom O'Brien.

The senior defender already has a game-winning field goal to his credit this season for the 4-0 Spartan football team.

On Tuesday night, he came up with the game-winning goal to give Stevenson a pivotal 1-0 KLAAs Central Division soccer triumph at Northville.

Stevenson, now 5-1-4 overall, remains only a point behind Salem in the KLAAs Central Division race. The Rocks are 4-1-0

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(12 points), while the Spartans are 3-0-2 (11 points).

O'Brien's goal came 4:20 into the second half off a free kick and it proved to stand up for the final margin of victory. He also had the lone goal in Stevenson's 1-1 deadlock last Friday night against Novi.

"We lined up like we normally do," O'Brien said of his goal. "I got a perfect ball from John (D'Agostino), just saw it and flicked it into the net. That was it. It was simple. It came right over the top and I didn't have anybody marking me, so I just slipped it in."

Northville, meanwhile, slips to 8-4-1 overall and 3-2 in the KLAAs Central (nine points).

"It's a big win," O'Brien said. "Last year, they (Northville) beat us twice, so to come back this year and beat them on their home field is a big win and it keeps the season going."

Senior goalkeeper Zach Verant made two saves as the Spartans notched their sixth shut-out of the season. Stevenson has allowed just two goals in its last seven games.

One of the big reasons for Stevenson's seven-match unbeaten streak is the play of junior John D'Agostino, who has solidified the defense after playing up

top during the early stages of the season.

"I truly feel that he is probably the best center-back in the state," Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker said. "When he moved to our back line it's kind of changed our team and the way we approach things. I didn't know what we had early on in the season as far as personnel, but we've made adjustments and I think we're starting to get organized now."

"I thought the whole group of them — Brian Smith, Tom O'Brien, Austin Rynicki — they had a big-time game, along with

Please see SPARTANS, B3

## MU spikers sweep foes

Madonna University put a slight strain on U.S.-Canadian relations by winning a pair of matches Saturday at the MU Activities Center in the Can-Am Classic.

The 17th-ranked Crusaders improved to 14-4 overall by beating Western Ontario (25-10, 25-17, 28-26) and the University of Windsor (25-14, 25-14, 25-16) for the third time this season.

Samantha Geile posted a team-high 13 kills, while setter Evia Prieditis recorded 34 assist-to-kills and team-best 11 digs.

Breanna Geile also added 10 digs in the win over Western Ontario (1-1).

Against Windsor (1-7), Stacey Catalano and Emilie Freeman (Lutheran High Westland) led the way with 10 and nine kills, respectively.

Amanda Obrycki contributed 10 digs, while Catalano and Prieditis finished with nine each. Prieditis also had 35 assists.

## Myers leads MU golfers

The Madonna University men's golf team carried its overnight lead through day two of the 2012 Ohio Athletic Conference Fall Invite on Monday and turned in a 303 on Day Two for a 605 total and a three-stroke victory at Red Hawk Run Golf Club in Findlay, Ohio.

The Crusaders defeated John Carroll (Ohio), 605-608, while Northwestern Ohio (618) finished third.

Senior Andy Myers (Westland John Glenn) led MU and tied for second individually with a 74-76-150 total.

Other Madonna scorers included Erik Taurence, tied for fifth (77-74-151); David Goad, tied for seventh (77-75-152); Nick Corbeil, tied for 13th (74-80-154); and Benjamin Gawronski, tied for 48th (90-78-168).

## Blazers stop Blue Devils

Seniors Jaclyn Snyder and Lauren Kozlowski tallied goals Tuesday as Livonia Ladywood upended visiting Grosse Pointe North, 2-0, in a field hockey match.

Sophomore Christina Meyer also drew and assist, while senior goalie Stephanie Mackley made three saves en route to the shutout as the Blazers improved to 5-2-1 overall and 2-2-1 against division foes.

## Collura earns WHAC honor

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference announced Monday that Madonna University sophomore Chelsea Collura (Riverview Gabriel Richard) has been named the league's Women's Golfer of the Week for the period ending Sept. 16.

On Sept. 10, Collura led MU to a team title at the Crusader Classic with a runner-up finish with an 82-80-162 total. Three days later, Collura tied for first at the Aquinas Classic, shooting a 79 before falling on the second playoff hole.

## Patriots' PK spells doom for Churchill

Paul Gast's penalty kick with seven minutes remaining proved to be the difference Tuesday night as host Livonia Franklin downed rival Livonia Churchill, 2-1, in a KLAAs South Division match.

With the win, Franklin improves to 3-6-1 overall and 2-3 in the South, while Churchill falls to 2-6-2 and 2-3.

After a scoreless opening half, Churchill's Tyler Piotrowski struck first on a goal from Daniel Jones in the 51st minute.

But Franklin's Robert Jiga answered in the 66th minute off an assist from Gast.

"We came out tonight and played better than we've played recently," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "It was back-and-forth, like a mirror. Both teams had their chances. We did what we needed to do and we were on the fortunate end of the stick. Our defense was outstanding."

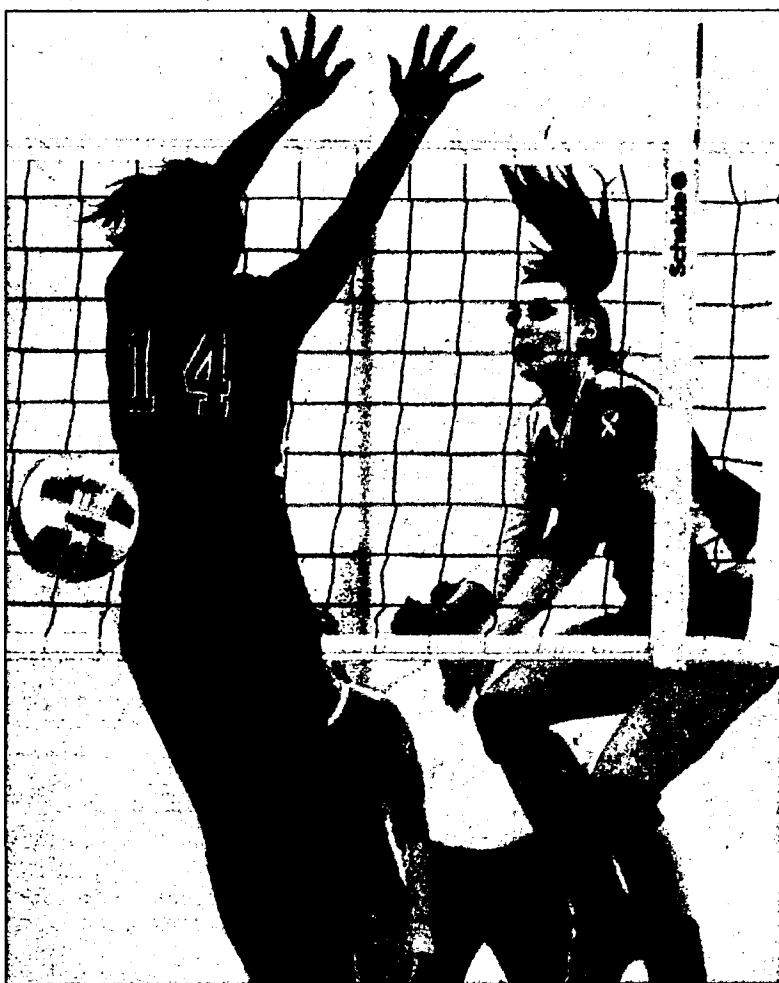
Franklin goalkeeper Spencer Lewandowski made eight saves in the victory

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## Milestone victory



Livonia Churchill players celebrate coach Mark Grenier's 700th career win as a 14-year varsity and five-year JV coach following Tuesday's KLAAs South Division victory over Wayne. See story on page B2.



Schoolcraft College's Monika Rudis (Livonia Stevenson) descends to earth after hammering a kill through the Henry Ford Community College defense.

## Lady Ocelots zoom past Henry Ford CC

By Ed Wright  
Observer Staff Writer

When the Schoolcraft College volleyball team is running on all cylinders — like it did for roughly three quarters of Tuesday night's 3-1 victory over visiting Henry Ford Community College — the Ocelots sound a lot like the engine in a high-performance race car.

"There's almost like a hum in the room, like you can hear the efficiency of the game," Schoolcraft coach Rod Brumfield described moments after his team's 25-14, 25-7, 23-25, 25-10 demolition of the Hawks. "It's like pass-set-hit, pass-set-hit — we create a rhythm, which we did in the second part of the first set and in the second and fourth sets tonight."

The triumph improved the Ocelots' record to 12-7 overall and 3-1 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference.

"What stood out tonight for me was that the girls started communicating and playing their game," noted Brumfield. "They wanted to terminate the ball and pass on dimes."

Undoubtedly the most entertaining point of the entire night unfolded in the match's final moments when — with the Ocelots leading 21-10 in the final set — the two teams orchestrated a thrilling rally that featured players from both teams making improbable digs from all points on the court.

SC eventually won the impressive point when a Hawk sent a hit out of bounds — close to 60 seconds after it started.

"That's how we play," Brumfield said, when asked for his assessment of the point. "When we scrimmaged Madonna, I've never seen the girls play so well. What we need to do now is get to the point where we're play-

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## Liggett QB too much for Warriors, 45-31

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Saturday's MIAC football clash between host Lutheran High Westland and Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett was reminiscent of a Shootout at the OK Corral.

And when it was all over, the only man that remained standing and was Liggett quarterback Nathan Gaggin, who accounted for 361 of his team's 459 total yards as the Knights gunned

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down the Warriors, 45-31.

Gaggin, a senior, was the game's Wyatt Earp.

He connected on 15-of-19 passes for 266 yards and four touchdowns, while rushing 16 times for an additional 95 yards and a TD as the Knights improved to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the MIAC.

"He (Gaggin) is pretty good, but we helped him a lot," said Lutheran Westland coach Paul Gusé. "We didn't tackle him

very well. We were awfully high today. He does a good job and they do what they do well."

Liggett jumped out to a 12-0 first-quarter lead on a 12-yard touchdown run by Gaggin along with a 33-yard pass from Gaggin to Thomas Jackson.

The Warriors, meanwhile, went without a first down on their first three possessions and turned it over at their own 38 with a fumble after quarterback Jacob Richter hit Jacob Davenport on a 16-yard pass.

The Knights increased their lead to 26-7 at intermission when Gaggin fired TD passes of 32 and 30 yards to Drew Jerome.

"We had guys go down, we lost our tailback last week, which has hurt us obviously," Liggett coach Lou Ray said. "He (Gaggin) has got to take more of the burden. He's a good player, a senior, that what he's got to do, and he did it. "We were going to do what the defense was going to give us."

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# Churchill rolls for Grenier's 700th

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Livonia Churchill girls volleyball coach Mark Grenier was the center of attention following his team's 25-13, 25-10, 25-15 KLA South Division victory Tuesday night over visiting Wayne Memorial — and rightfully so.

Grenier was recognized for his 700th career victory with the Chargers' program, which also includes his past 10 seasons as varsity coach.

The former Detroit Catholic Central High running back served as Mike Hughes' JV coach for five years and brought the school its second Class A state volleyball title in 2007 (winter).

He was presented afterwards with a poster and a signed volleyball to



Churchill's Courtney Piestruska bumps the ball during the Chargers' three-set win Tuesday night over visiting Wayne Memorial.

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commemorate the milestone. "I've got some thought-

ful kids, and this comes from my assistant coaches Mike Francis and Lau-

ren Feigel, too, who put this together," Grenier said. "My first year of

coaching varsity was at Detroit Dominican when I was 21 and I was only four years older than those kids and I was just trying to survive. Who'd ever think 20 years later ... I guess if you're around long enough things accumulate."

His 700 victories include one-year varsity stints at Dominican, St. Clair Shores South Lake, Warren Mott and Taylor Center, along with his five JV seasons at Churchill.

"It's been awfully rewarding and I've certainly enjoyed it," said Grenier, whose varsity record is 446-66-12 at Churchill. "I'm grateful to a lot of people."

This year's Churchill team, ranked No. 7 in the latest state coaches poll, is now 24-3 overall and 4-0 in the division. Churchill took charge

from the start against Wayne (6-10-3, 1-3), which had upset them a year ago.

Seniors Emily Norscia and Marissa Pomaville paced the hitting attack with 19 and 12 kills, respectively.

Courtney Piestruska also chipped in with seven kills, while freshman setter Rayna Yetts had 21 assist-to-kills.

Also contributing to the cause was Natalee Dziejew (five digs, two aces) and Beth Tarnacki (three digs).

"Wayne didn't have the heart tonight that we usually have," Zebras coach Samantha Dye said. "The girls were flat and Churchill took advantage of it right from the start. Congrats to the Churchill coach's 700th win."

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## Tomasic's 23 kills boosts Spartans

Livonia Stevenson got 23 kills from junior Katie Tomasic en route to a 26-24, 29-27, 25-15 KLA Central Division girls volleyball win over visiting South Lyon and Miss Volleyball candidate Chloe Reinig, who is headed to Michigan State.

Tomasic was also 16-for-16 on serve receive and chipped in with five assists as the Spartans improved to 9-9-1 overall and 2-2 in the division.

Other top performers for Stevenson included Amanda Hawkins (nine kills, four blocks); Mara Murray (seven assists, two kills); Taylor McLaud (two kills, three blocks); and Morgan Copperstone (two kills).

Holly Mossoian, Kelsey Szabo, Allie Koestering, Abbey Whitehead and Allie Strautz combined for 14 digs.

Koestering was also 15-of-17 serving with three aces, while Mossoian was 18-for-19 on serve reception.

The loss dropped South Lyon to 2-2 in the KLA Central.

### Patriots tumble

On Tuesday, host Canton (12-7-1, 2-2) rolled to a 25-13, 25-14, 25-21 KLA South Division triumph over Livonia Franklin (8-

12, 2-2).

Maggie Leins had six kills in the loss, while libero Kelly Newton and Sarah Cramton paced the defense with 13 and nine digs, respectively.

### Glenn falls in 3

In a KLA South Division match Tuesday, host Plymouth defeated Westland John Glenn in three sets, 25-23, 25-17, 25-16.

Setter Claire Truskowski finished with 24 assists, five digs and four ace serves for the Rockets, who fall to 7-12-3 overall and 0-4 in the division.

Kelly Epperson was the top attacker with five kills.

On Saturday, Hannah Staples collected 29 kills and eight aces on the day as Glenn finished 1-3-1 in Saturday's Milford Maverick Open.

The Rockets defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln (25-11, 25-27, 15-11) and split with Milan (12-25, 25-23), while losing to Rochester Stoney Creek (11-25, 16-25), Milford (19-25, 9-25) and Waterford Kettering (25-27, 23-25).

Truskowski added 50 assists, while Bri Robinson paced the defense with 14 digs.

Val Ernat chipped in with eight aces as well.

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran opened White Division play in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with a 25-22, 25-19, 25-17 girls volleyball win Tuesday night at Southfield Christian.

The Hawks, who improved to 13-6-4 overall, got sterling play from Dayna Schroeder (eight kills, three blocks, three aces); Lexus Medina (seven kills, three blocks, five assists); and Madison Dest (seven kills, 12 digs, three aces).

Setter Anne St. John also contributed 17 assists and five aces, while Bethany Schaffer was 12-of-18 passing with seven digs.

"It was a good conference win tonight against a good Southfield Christian team," HVL coach Mike Dest said. "Although we weren't sharp offensively, we played hard and stayed aggressive throughout the night. It was nice to see our defense win a match for us tonight. We're working very hard at that in practice and it showed tonight."

### Trojans triumph

Livonia Clarenceville put together a solid offense and defense Tues-

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day night in a 25-11, 25-7, 25-21 victory over visiting Ferndale.

"It was a team effort tonight and each and every player contributed to the win," said Clarenceville coach Wendy Merschman, whose team is 5-9-4 overall.

Junior Ayanna Buckley led the way with 12 kills, while setter Nicole Kurdziel added 21 assists.

Tonya Vernier chipped in with four aces, while Ashley Murphy had three blocks.

On Saturday, Wendy Merschman was encouraged by her team's play despite going 0-2-2 in Saturday's Milford Maverick Open.

The Trojans split with Ann Arbor Skyline (19-25, 26-24) and Ypsilanti Lincoln (23-25, 25-18), while falling to Farmington (25-27, 24-26) and Milford (21-25, 18-25).

"The girls really played well today," said the Clarenceville coach. "We lost some really close matches and need to focus at the end of games and finish."

Buckley paced the Clarenceville attack with 33 kills, five blocks and 28

digs on the day.

Other leaders for the Trojans included Murphy (21 kills, five blocks), Vernier (18 kills), Jodi Ankiel (27 digs), Christine Hurmiz (16 digs) and Kurdziel (eight aces).

### HVL runner-up

On Saturday, the Huron Valley Lutheran was runner-up in the Sterling Heights Parkway Christian Tournament with a 4-1-1 record following a second-place finish following a 3-2 showing on Sept. 8 at the Newport Lutheran South Tournament.

"It's always nice to get back-to-back tournament runner-ups early in the season," HVL coach Dest said, "but I know we're not satisfied. We're still working our way through a new lineup."

The Hawks posted wins last weekend over host Parkway (25-20, 25-22), Mount Clemens Clintondale (25-10, 25-13), Warren Fitzgerald (25-22, 20-25, 15-5), Lutheran South (21-25, 25-15, 16-14), while splitting with Southfield Christian (21-25, 27-25) and falling to Madison Heights Bishop Foley (23-25, 23-25).

In the Lutheran South

tourney, the Hawks defeated Taylor Baptist Park (25-11, 25-14), a local home school (25-18, 25-18) and the host Saints (25-22, 25-12), while losing twice to Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner (23-25, 17-25 and 23-25, 24-26).

Top performers for the Hawks over the two tournaments include Lexus Medina (averaged 41 kills, five blocks and nine assists); Madison Dest (37 kills, 15 aces, 27 digs); Anne St. John (65 assist-to-kills, 12 aces, seven kills); and Dayna Schroeder, who helped anchor the passing attack (21 kills, seven blocks).

Huron Valley Lutheran also got a lift last weekend from Julie St. John, who finished with nine digs, along with strong net play and key serving from Sarah Setian.

"We did some great things the last two weekends at times," Dest said, "and then at times we're getting a little out of system."

On Sept. 6, HVL finished 1-1-1 at Farmington Harrison losing to the host Hawks (15-25, 23-25), beating Southfield (25-17, 25-15) and splitting with the Plymouth Christian Academy (25-9, 23-25).

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ing like that on a regular basis.

"It's part of the maturity of the game. Unlike the four-year schools, we don't have juniors and seniors, so the girls we have are constantly learning and growing."

A trio of Livonia natives impacted the match in a positive way. Twin sophomores Kara

and Nicole Kempinski — products of the Livonia Churchill volleyball juggernaut — were key spark plugs in the victory while Stevenson grad Monika Rudis was a piston, delivering a couple floor-denting kills in the fourth set.

Redford native Erica Pirronello played well for the Hawks, knocking down the 25th point in her team's narrow second-set win.

Allen Park Cabrini's

Emily Bondar and Carleton Airport's Brittany Sprinkles also sparkled in the front row for Brumfield's crew, which returns to action tonight against St. Clair County CC.

"I think this team is going to enjoy a lot more success than not," Brumfield said. "We're going to have a winning season. At the same time, we can't let teams sneak up on us. We have to hum every set we're out there."

## Lakeland tourney

The Ocelots didn't defend their title at this past weekend's Lakeland (Ohio) Tournament — but they came close.

SC placed second in the 12-team field, closing with a match record of 7-2. Sinclair CC (Ohio) claimed the top prize.

"We did pretty well for the most part," Brumfield said. "Sinclair was a completely different team than last year. We love playing tough teams and Sinclair was that team."

Two Ocelots — Rudis and freshman Stephanie Gibson (Brighton) — were named to the all-tournament team.

Rudis compiled a team-high 65 kills while Gibson knocked down 42 kills. Sprinkles notched a team-high 12 blocks, five more than sophomore Danielle Hopson.

The Kempinskis combined for 71 digs as Nicole dished out 137 total assists, while Kara served 12 aces.

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Churchill's Jackie Burdette pulls out her driver and takes a swing during Tuesday's dual match with Plymouth at Whispering Willows Golf Course. Burdette shot a team-best 39 in a 160-190 dual match loss to the Wildcats.

## GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

**PLYMOUTH 160 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 190**  
**Sept. 18 at Whis. Willows**  
**Plymouth scorers:** Kelsey Murphy, 37 (medalist); Sarah Thompson, 38; Kayla Whately, 42; Katie Chipman, 43; Sydney Murphy, 44; Danielle Allen, 46.  
**Churchill scorers:** Jackie Burdette, 39; Maggie McGowan, 43; Claire Rose, 52; Katie Shereda, 56; Maddie Spooner, 59; Taylor Cutting, 60.  
**Dual match records:** Plymouth, 6-0 overall, 6-0 KLA South Division; Churchill, 2-3 overall, 2-3 KLA South.  
**GROSSE ILE INVITATIONAL**  
**Sept. 16 at Grosse Ile C.C.**  
**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Brighton, 343 strokes; 2. Northville, 358; 3. Farmington Hills Mercy,

359; 4. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 361; 5. Traverse City Central, 368; 6. Kalamazoo Hackett, 373; 7. Grosse Ile (Red), 379; 8. East Lansing, 384; 9. Temperance Bedford, 386; 10. Jackson Lumen Christi, 396; 11. Saline, 397; 12. Macomb Lutheran North, 398; 13. Rochester Adams, 403; 14. Hartland, 407; 15. Livonia Churchill, 416; 16. Monroe St. Marcy Catholic Central, 427; 17. Grosse Ile (White), 429; 18. Ann Arbor Greenhills, 448.  
**Individual medalist:** Hannah Pietila (Brighton), 74.  
**Churchill scorers:** 14. Maggie McGowan, 89; 40. Jackie Burdette, 98; 75. Katie Shereda, 114; 78. Taylor Cutting, 115; 87. Claire Rose, 130.

## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

**MSU SPARTAN INVITATIONAL**  
**Sept. 14 at Forest Akers G.C.**  
**TEAM STANDINGS (Green Division):** 1. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 219 points; 2. Livonia Churchill, 235; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 242; 4. Troy, 276; 5. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern, 280; 6. Portage Northern, 285; 7. Portage Central, 290; 8. White Lake Lakeland, 305; 9. St. Johns, 331; 10. Grand Ledge, 346 (37 schools).  
**Individual winner:** Conrad Schultz (Woodhaven), 16:12 (5,000 meters).  
**Churchill finishers:** 21. Ben Yates, 16:56; 42. 17:17; 43. Jonathan Alessandrini, 17:17; 58. Jonathan Hovemale, 17:29; 71. Matt Cohan, 17:33; 74. Andrew Malik, 17:34; 97. Sean McKeon, 17:46.  
**Stevenson finishers:** 19. Stephen Fenech, 16:53; 37. Michael Sopko, 17:14; 55. Jacob Colley, 17:26; 63. Ryan Paulus, 17:30; 68. Tyler Reamer, 17:31; 78. Andrew Stratton, 17:37; 99. Peter Walkuski, 17:49.  
**DUAL MATCH RESULTS**  
**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 24 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 37**  
**Sept. 18 at Cass Benton Park**  
**Individual winner:** Keenan Jones (Franklin), 17:02.5 (5,000 meters).  
**Churchill finishers:** 2. Ben Yates, 17:03.3; 4. Jon Hovermale, 17:35.1; 5. Jon Alessandrini, 17:45.7; 6. George Bowles, 17:52.1; 7. Andrew Malik, 17:35.5; 8. Sean McKeon, 17:56.4; 9. Matt Cohan, 18:06.3; 10. Colin Murphy, 18:07.5; 11. Sam Yurgil, 18:44.2; 14. Clint Cowen, 19:15.9; 16. Austin Villeneuve, 19:28.3.  
**Franklin finishers:** 3. Ross Cecil, 17:22.7; 12. Jacob Forgacs, 18:52.7; 13. Mike Elrod, 19:07.2; 15. Calvin Hilt, 19:20.5; 17. Nick Robertson, 19:34.9; 19. Tony

Floyd, 19:45.5.  
**Dual meet records:** Churchill, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLA South Division; Franklin, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLA South.  
**CANTON 19 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 39**  
**Sept. 18 at Cass Benton Park**  
**Individual winner:** Billy Toth (Canton), 17:54 (5,000 meters).  
**Other Canton finishers:** 2. Evan Dunklee, 18:16; 3. Josh Joy, 18:41; 5. Owen Ash, 19:15; 8. Jay Drennan, 19:26; 9. Andrew Stephens, 19:43; 11. Keith Olsen, 20:16.  
**John Glenn finishers:** 4. Chris Codd, 19:04; 6. Ed Maya, 19:18; 7. Jesse Osoria, 19:22; 10. Micah Orr, 20:06; 12. Franka, 20:24; 13. Austin Hickerson, 22:52; 14. Jeff Busick, 22:52.  
**Dual meet records:** Canton, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLA South Division; John Glenn, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLA South Division.  
**PLYMOUTH 20 WAYNE MEMORIAL 40**  
**Sept. 18 at Cass Benton Park**  
**Individual winner:** Brandon Dalton (Plymouth), 17:26 (5,000 meters).  
**Other Plymouth finishers:** 2. Zane Berlanga, 17:30; 3. Liam Cardenas, 17:31; 6. Max Rogowski, 18:04; 8. Jonny Dalton, 18:23; 9. Nick Williamson, 18:32; 11. Canton Hacker, 18:48; 12. Matt Pahl, 18:51.  
**Wayne finishers:** 4. Dan Malcolm, 17:35; 5. Devin Gibson, 17:56; 7. Zack Williams, 18:10; 10. Michael Gibson, 18:41; 17. Tim Flores, 19:31; 28. Uriel Figueroa, 22:36; 29. Kyle Saavedra, 24:30.  
**Dual meet records:** Plymouth, 1-1 KLA South Division; Wayne, 1-2 overall, 0-2 KLA South Division.

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

**MSU SPARTAN INVITATIONAL**  
**Sept. 14 at Forest Akers G.C.**  
**TEAM STANDINGS (Elite Division):** 1. Grosse Pointe South, 86 points; 2. Saline, 131; 3. Birmingham Seaholm, 196; 4. Northville, 206; 5. Grandville, 257; 6. Brighton, 270; 7. Rockford, 307; 8. East Lansing, 325; 9. Hudsonville, 342; 10. Sylvania (Ohio) Northville, 360; 14. (tie) Livonia Churchill, 453 (36 schools).  
**Individual winner:** Julia Bos (Grand Rapids Christian), 17:20 (5,000 meters).  
**Churchill finishers:** 49. Kerigan Riley, 19:23; 60. Sydney Anderson, 19:31; 105. Megan McFarlane, 20:03; 111. Vivien Okechukwu, 20:06; 128. Michelle Azar, 20:22; 198. Alexis Lombardo, 21:29; 202. Elyssa Hofmann, 21:31.  
**AUTUMN CLASSIC**  
**Sept. 15 at Stoney Creek**  
**TEAM STANDINGS:** 9. Livonia Ladywood, 309.  
**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Grosse Pointe North, 33 points; 2. Warren Regina, 65; 3. Macomb Lutheran North, 88; 4. Plymouth, 122; 5. Port Huron Northern, 178; 6. Utica Eisenhower, 189; 7. Warren Woods Tower, 195; 8. Warren Mott, 209; 9. Livonia Ladywood, 269; 10. L'Anse Creuse, 324 (18 schools).  
**Individual winner:** Gina Patterson (Lutheran North), 18:57 (5,000 meters).  
**Ladywood finishers:** 28. Sarah Wilson, 21:42; 45. Katherine Taylor, 22:36; 61. Hannah Pereira, 23:16; 84. Carlee Faber, 23:44; 91. Katarina Gaffka, 23:58; 96. Sinead Cox, 24:07; 132. Pilar Furlong, 25:06.

**DUAL MEET RESULTS**  
**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 23 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 33**  
**Sept. 18 at Cass Benton Park**  
**Individual winner:** Natalie Douglas (Franklin), 20:16.4 (5,000 meters).  
**Churchill finishers:** 2. Sydney Anderson, 21:24.8; 3. Kerigan Riley, 21:24.9; 5. Alexis Lombardo, 21:35.5; 6. Michelle Azar, 21:35.6; 7. Vivien Okechukwu, 21:38.9; 10. Lauren Bernhardt, 22:02.9; 12. Jenna Hickson, 22:06.5; 14. Elyssa Hofmann, 22:30.3.  
**Other Franklin finishers:** 4. Natalie Martinez, 21:32.7; 8. Katelyn Kovach, 21:44.3; 9. Mandy Prokryfky, 22:00.3; 11. Anna Snider, 22:06.2.  
**Dual meet records:** Churchill, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLA South Division; Franklin, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLA South.  
**CANTON 28 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 29**  
**Sept. 18 at Cass Benton Park**  
**Individual winner:** Shekinah Johnson (John Glenn), 22:04.  
**Canton finishers:** 3. Sam McGrath, 22:44; 4. Olivia McIntee, 22:48; 6. Keara Sullivan, 23:11; 7. Grace Grimes, 23:34; 8. Laura Murphy, 23:37; 10. Marissa Campbell, 23:54; 11. Ellen Grimes, 23:57.  
**Other Glenn finishers:** 2. Barb Messis, 22:38; 5. Caroline Mahalak, 23:03; 9. Courtnee MacQuarrie, 23:44; 16. Hannah Mitchell, 25:30; 20. Bailey Padock, 27:53; 24. Carissa Root, 30:30; 25. Lea Porter, 30:39.  
**Dual meet records:** Canton, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLA South; John Glenn, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLA South.

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Week 5	Wright	Smith	O'Meara	Emons
<b>Friday, Sept. 21</b>				
N. Farmington (1-3, 0-3) at South-Lathrup (1-3, 0-3), 4 p.m.	North	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup
John Glenn (0-4, 0-2) at Plymouth (3-1, 1-1), 6:30 p.m.	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth
Churchill (4-0, 2-0) at Canton (3-1, 2-0), 7 p.m.	Canton	Canton	Canton	Churchill
Franklin (1-3, 1-1) at Wayne (0-4, 0-2), 7 p.m.	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
Stevenson (4-0, 2-0) at Northville (2-2, 1-1), 7 p.m.	Northville	Stevenson	Northville	Northville
A.A. Richard (3-1) at Clarenceville (3-1), 7 p.m.	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Richard	Richard
Redford Thurston (3-1, 2-0) at Garden City (3-1, 2-0), 7 p.m.	Thurston	Garden City*	Thurston	Thurston
Salem (4-0, 2-0) at South Lyon East (2-2, 1-1), 7 p.m.	Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem
Farmington (4-0, 3-0) at Oak Park (4-0, 3-0), 7 p.m.	Oak Park	Farmington	Farmington	Oak Park
Southfield (2-2, 1-2) at Harrison (3-1, 2-1), 7 p.m.	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
<b>Saturday, Sept. 22</b>				
South. Christian (1-3, 1-1) at Luth. Westland (1-3, 0-2), 1 p.m.	Christian	Westland	Westland	Westland
<b>Last week</b>	<b>8-3</b>		<b>10-1</b>	<b>10-1</b>
<b>Overall</b>	<b>32-20</b>		<b>37-15</b>	<b>36-16</b>

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He's got to make the right checks and a lot of times he was checking to the right place."

Lutheran Westland countered with their lone TD of the first half when Richter found Nick Andrzejewski wide open for a 37-yard scoring toss with 6:20 in the second to cut the deficit to 12-7.

With 8:28 to go in the third quarter, Liggett scored again on Gaggin's one-yard TD run.

Andrzejewski, playing football for the first time after three years of

soccer, answered on the ensuing play from scrimmage with an 80-yard TD run followed by Richter's two-pointer to cut the deficit to 32-15.

The Warriors then scored again on the final play of the third quarter when Richter scrambled and hit Andrzejewski on 30-yard TD play. Richter added the two-point conversion on a keeper to pull within nine, 32-23, entering the final period.

Gaggin's fourth TD pass of the game came with 8:56 remaining on a 15-yard hook-up with Jerome.

Defensive back KeVaughn Jackson then

picked off a Richter pass at midfield and raced 50 yards for another Liggett TD to increase the lead to 45-23.

Richter completed the shootout with a 95-yard kick-off return with only 2:57 remaining. Andrzejewski added the two-pointer, but it was too little, too late for the Warriors.

Jonah Lambert, Alex Reardon and Martin Kemp each registered a sack on Gaggin, but it couldn't prevent Lutheran Westland from falling to 1-3 overall and 0-2 in the MIAC.

"It was a great effort by our kids, but we

couldn't get off the field when we needed to get off the field," Gusé said. "How many hands do we get on a guy ... two, three, four? But we don't get a head across. It's one of those things when you have so few kids you hate doing open field tackling during the week because you get them hurt. It's that fine line that we walk and it's tough with as few kids as we run out here.

"But we've got to get better tackling. It's a simple game — blocking and tackling."

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# C'ville cruises by Hazel Park, 6-0

Andrew Murphy and Alec Jones each tallied a pair of goals Monday night as host Livonia Clarenceville rolled to a 6-0 boys soccer victory over Hazel Park.

The Trojans, now 2-5-1 overall, also got goals from David Vanderkerckhove and Evan Gregg.

Ma Sambou Jatta chipped in with two assists, while Murphy also added an assist.

Gregg and Alan Baumgardner split time in goal with each playing a half

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and combining for six saves.

The loss drops Hazel Park to 0-7-1.

### LUTHERAN N'WEST 4, LUTH. WESTLAND 1

Brandon Wyman's goal from Ernie Babon staked in the fifth minute Tuesday staked host Lutheran High Westland (1-8, 1-8) to the early lead only to have Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (5-6, 4-6) storm back for four

unanswered goals and the MIAC Blue Division victory.

Christof Kassel and Ontario McDonald each scored twice for the victorious Crusaders, who led 2-1 at halftime.

Freshman goalkeeper Jordan Williams made nine saves for the Warriors, who also received strong play from Walter Gembariski and Nick Flanery.

### OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 3, LUTH. WESTLAND 0

Daniel Smith

scored twice and Chase Macy added a goal to lead Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (5-1, 5-1) to a MIAC Blue Division triumph Friday over visiting Lutheran High Westland (1-7, 1-7).

Lutheran Westland, which trailed 2-0 at halftime, got 12 saves from goalkeeper Jordan Williams, along with solid defensive play in the back from Walter Gembariski, Nick Flanery, Noah Huffman and Andrew Tuomi-Galindez.

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getting help in the back from Hayden Steinman, Greg Bo, Zach Brokaw, along with midfielders Matt Freed, Nick O'Brien and Steve Barczuk.

Churchill goalkeeper Colton Robison had only two saves.

"We score and have control of the game, but when you don't finish opportunities, bad things happen," Churchill first-year coach Matt Grodzicki said.

"Defensively we're fine, but we just not putting it in the goal."

### CANTON 9, JOHN GLENN 4

Bobby Bud-

long scored a hat trick and Griffin Parks and Dan Ovesea each added a pair of goals Tuesday as the defending Division 1 state champion Chiefs (9-2-2, 5-0) outgunned host Westland John Glenn (7-3, 3-2) in KLA South Division match.

Connor Shennan and Bryan Tolinski also scored for Canton, which led 4-1 at halftime.

Bobby Mason tallied a pair of goals, while Tyler Simpson and Alex Isaevski also scored for the Rockets.

"We played well tonight," Glenn coach Brian Tomlinson said. "Their guys play with pace 100 percent of the

time. We still need to improve our discipline regarding the small things. We need to have the discipline to go hard to every ball, make every run full speed, check to every pass with full effort. We need to better job hustling."

Glenn goalkeeper David Isaacs made five saves.

"I was proud of how our team stayed in the game tonight," Tomlinson said. "We never gave up and kept pushing even in the waning minutes. Our mental toughness and sportsmanship are improving."

### FARMINGTON 4, CHURCHILL 2

Senior Joe Trombley scored two goals and had one assist

Friday as visiting Falcons (6-3-2) won at Livonia Churchill (2-5-2).

Seniors Donald Payne and Brendan Patterson also contributed to the scoring to help Farmington take a 4-1 lead in the second half.

The Falcons scored the only goal of the first half and extended their lead to 3-0 in the second. Sam Fleck, Brandon Schulz and Mikey Pimlott also were credited with Farmington assists.

Alex Arlin and Corey Sheltrown divided the goaltending duties, each playing a half.

The Chargers, outshot 12-5, got a pair of goals from Justin Lilyhorn.

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Dom (Sabatini) and Ben (Stromberg) in the center-mid. Just across the board. The team defending is excellent right now and that's why we're having some success. Everyone has committed themselves to getting it done. You've got to keep people off the board to win games, especially on the road like this."

Northville had the slight edge in shots, 6-5, and applied plenty of pressure during the final 25 minutes, but couldn't

tally the equalizer.

"We play two different styles and we didn't execute early on when we had the wind," Northville coach Henry Klimes said of the first half. "When they got that free kick goal — I'm not sure if it was offside or not — I couldn't tell. But a goal is a goal and it took my staff to get a couple of yellow cards to maybe get the kids to come out a little better motivated the second half."

Stevenson, however, was able to withstand the Mustangs' late pressure.

"I thought they out-

worked us in certain facets of the game," Klimes said. "Again, we're a possession team, but they were certainly beating us to loose balls and second balls.

"I don't think all 20 of our guys played the way they're capable of playing. I thought Troy (Dolmetsch) played an outstanding game, but one guy can't do it."

On Thursday, Northville has a chance to stay in the Central Division race when it hosts Salem.

"It's never over, but now we're going to need some help," Klimes said. "We have a big game

Thursday. If we don't get a result there then it's probably going to be a two-team race."

Stevenson's next Central Division test is 5:30 p.m. Friday at home against South Lyon. And for the second straight Friday, O'Brien will have a conflict.

It's soccer first, then hopefully get to Northville's football field by the first quarter.

"We're accommodating with it," O'Brien said. "Both coaches are working on it. It's going well."

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

### PREP FOOTBALL

**Friday, Sept. 21**  
 Glenn at Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.  
 Churchill at Canton, 7 p.m.  
 Franklin at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
 Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.  
 A.A. Richard at C'ville, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 S'field Christ. at L. W'sld, 1 p.m.  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 Churchill at Wayne, 4 p.m.  
 Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.  
 Liggett at L. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.  
 Calvary at HVL, 4:30 p.m.  
 Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Sept. 21**  
 C'ville at S'field Christ., 4 p.m.  
 Luth. W'sld at PCA, 4:30 p.m.  
 S. Lyon at Stevenson, 5:30 p.m.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

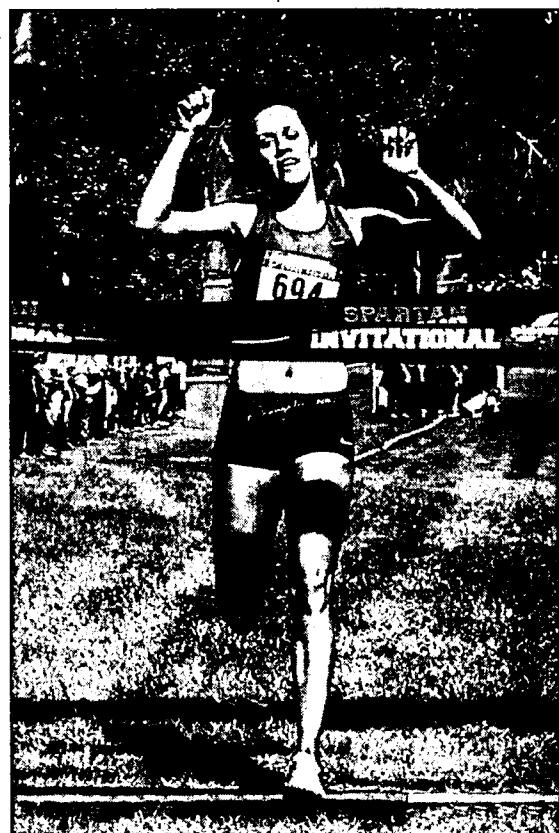
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 L. W'sld at L. N'west, 5:30 p.m.  
 HVL at Luth. South, 6:30 p.m.  
 Ladywood at Regina, 6:30 p.m.  
 Churchill at Franklin, 6:30 p.m.  
 Stevenson at N'ville, 6:30 p.m.  
 Canton at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.  
 Plymouth at Glenn, 6:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Portage Central Inv., 8:30 a.m.  
 Bedford Invitational, 8:30 a.m.  
 Clawson Tournament, TBA.  
 O.L. Lakes Tourney, TBA.  
**PREP CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Linden Invitational, TBA.  
 Monroe-Jefferson Inv. at Lake Erie Metro, 9 a.m.  
 CC Shamrock Invitational at Cass Benton Park, 10 a.m.

### GIRLS SWIMMING

**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 Glenn at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.  
 Wayne at Franklin, 6:30 p.m.  
 Notre Dame at Steve., 6:30 p.m.  
 Ladywood vs. Mercy at Liv. Comm. Rec. Ctr., 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Lakeland Invitational, noon.  
**BOYS TENNIS**  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 PCA at Wayne, 4:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Churchill at Salem, 8:30 a.m.  
**GIRLS GOLF**  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 Stevenson vs. Northville at Fox Creek G.C., 3:30 p.m.  
 Mercy Invitational at Walnut Creek C.C., 3:30 p.m.  
 Ladywood vs. Kingswood

at St. Johns G.C., 4 p.m.  
**GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY**  
**Tuesday, Sept. 18**  
 G.P. South at Lady, 4:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 Marian at Ladywood, 4:30 p.m.  
**COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
 St. Clair at S'craft, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Sept. 21**  
 Aquinas at MU, 2 p.m.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Friday, Sept. 21**  
 S'craft at Ancilla, 4 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Muskegon at S'craft, 1 p.m.  
 Siena Hts. at MU, 2 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Saturday, Sept. 22**  
 Muskegon at S'craft, 2 p.m.  
**TBA** — time to be announced.

## Spartan Invite winner



Michigan State University junior Sara Kroll (Livonia Churchill), running unattached, captured the MSU Auto Owners Spartans Invitational 6-kilometer girls' cross country race in 21 minutes, 10 seconds at Forest Akers Golf Course. Kroll averaged 5:41 per mile to edge Northwestern's Audrey Huth. MSU senior redshirt Rachel McFarlane (Churchill) was 10th overall in 21:38.

# Ocelots blank Cincy State, 3-0

The ninth-ranked Schoolcraft College men's soccer team took charge from the start Saturday with three first-half goals en route to a 3-0 victory at Cincinnati State.

Jose Viloria opened the scoring in the 10th minute off a corner kick from Carlos Izquierdo followed a minute later on a goal by Ardit Dushkaj (Livonia Clarenceville) off a through ball from Gino Pasquali.

Romario Georgi then hit a cannon from 25 yards out on a shot that grazed the underside of the crossbar off an assist from Luisao Gomez just three minutes before halftime.

Goalkeepers Tom Duquette and Ryan Tikey (Livonia Franklin) combined for five saves and the shutout as the Ocelots improved to 5-1-1 overall and 3-0-1 in NJCAA Region XII.

The loss drops Cincin-

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nati State to 4-3 overall and 1-3 in Region XII.

**MADONNA 4, PURDUE-CALUMET (IND.) 0:** Freshman goalkeeper John Boudreau (Livonia Stevenson) sparked in his first career start with seven saves Sunday as Madonna University (4-3) defeated host Purdue-Calumet (1-5) in a non-conference match at Munster (Ind.) High School.

MU's Dane Laird (Farmington Harrison) tallied his fifth goal of the season in the 22nd minute unassisted followed by Joe Carver (Schoolcraft College) with his third just seconds before half from Laird.

Aaron Schapman's second and third goals of the season put the game away in the 82 and 86th minutes, respectively.

Colin Wilden and Cayle Lackten added assists on Schapman's first goal.

"I thought we responded well from Friday's match," said MU coach Eric Scott. "The back line was very organized against some dangerous attacking players, and John played well in goal. Aaron (Schapman) did a good job of giving us some energy in the second half."

**ILLINOIS TECH 3, MADONNA 2:** Goals from senior Joe Carver and junior Doug Beason were not enough Friday as host Illinois Tech (4-2) upended Madonna University (3-3) at Stuart Field.

"We came out flat and IIT took advantage of it," MU coach Eric Scott said. "Liam Barrett is a good player and he did a great job leading his team. Doug and Joe scored great goals for our team. We need to be more disciplined in the back, and they know it."

The Crusaders fell behind 2-0 in the first 30

minutes before Beason got MU on the board at the 38:42 mark with his third goal of the season to make it 2-1.

Illinois Tech took a 3-1 lead in the 85th minute before Carver made it 3-2 with his second goal of the campaign in the 89th minute.

Illinois Tech got a goal and two assists from Liam Barrett, while Robert Rixner and Roman Zwarycz also tallied goals.

MU goalkeeper Adrian Motta (Livonia Churchill) made three saves, while Edson Zagal (one goal allowed, no saves) and Casey Krapfl (one goal allowed, five saves) split duties in net for Illinois Tech.

Motta, a senior, was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Defensive Player of the Week (ending Sept. 16) after leading MU to a 2-0 win Sept. 12 over Spring Arbor.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Pom pon clinic

The Livonia Churchill varsity pom team will host a clinic for girls ages 6-14 from 9:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, Sept. 29 at the high school gym.

The cost is \$30 (includes T-shirt, music C.D. and snack).

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Participation is limited and you must register by Sept. 12.

For more information, or to register, call Sherri Carpenter at (313) 268-3302; or Gina Barden at (734) 891-5401.

### Run, bike, golf

Tami's Tri, a 5-kilometer run, 20K bike and 9-hole scramble golf event will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3625 Napier Road, Superior Township.

The cost is \$65 (through Sept. 15) or \$75 (through race day). Included in the cost is a free golf clinic conducted by PGA professional Tami Bealbert at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at Hickory Creek. Tami's Tri includes gift pack, prizes and lunch included. Space is limited to 144 golfers.

Proceeds will go to the non-profit organization Growth Works, Inc. of Canton and Plymouth.

To RSVP, e-mail TrainWithTami@yahoo.com. For more information, call (734) 731-0238; or visit www.TrainWithTami.com.

### Archery range

Registration to obtain a pass for the City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation archery range is under way at the Parks and Recreation desk, located at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia.

The range will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays (through October); 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, (through October); 4 p.m. until dusk, Tuesdays and Thursdays, September-October.

Resident season pass rates are \$25 (individual); \$35 (two members); \$45 (three members); and \$55 (four or more members).

Non-resident season passes are available for \$40 (individual); \$50 (two); \$60 (three) and \$70 (four or more).

Daily resident rates are \$4 (adult) and \$2 (17-and-under). Non-resident daily fees are \$6 (adult) and \$4 (17-and-under).

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

## BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

### DUAL MATCH RESULTS

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#### LIVONIA STEVENSON 0

Sept. 13 at Novi

**No. 1 singles:** Tim Wang (N) defeated Chad Northey, 6-0, 6-0;

**No. 2:** Andrie Liu (N) def. Sam Tabor, 6-2, 6-0; **No. 3:** Koushik Kondapi (N) def. Marcus McCath-

ney, 6-1, 6-0; **No. 4:** Pavan Rao (N) def. Johnson Yang, 6-1, 6-0.

**No. 1 doubles:** Jon Thompson-Maxx Anderson (N) def. Aaron Dziobak-Jeff Frederick, 6-1, 6-4;

**No. 2:** Shashank Chitta-Kevin XU (N) def. Chase Tinham-Jason Wysocki, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 3:** Achuta Doddipatla-Harrison Halley (N) def. Ahmed Hussain-Joe Osmialowski, 6-0, 6-2; **No. 4:** Omar Freij-Maynawk Gangopadhyay (N) def. Neal Adams-Chris Hal-

dane, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 5:** Neel Bhat-tacharyya-Akhil (N) def. Matt Lackey-Sam Klos, 6-3, 6-1.

**Dual match records:** Stevenson, 3-2 overall, 1-2 KLAACentral Division.

Katlyn Krysiak's hat trick propelled the Madonna University women's soccer team to a 4-1 victory Saturday over host Mount Vernon Nazarene (Ohio) in the Cougar Classic.

Krysiak, a sophomore from Madison Heights Lamphere, scored unassisted in the seventh minute (off a corner kick); the 15th minute (from Ashley Parent); and the 62nd minute (unassisted).

Ashley Parent also notched her sixth goal

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of the season during the 13th minute as the Crusaders (3-3) took a 3-0 advantage.

Mount Vernon Nazarene's Jessica Linzarene scored unassisted in the 57th minute to spoil MU goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg's shutout bid.

The Madonna freshman made six saves.

Lexus Andolino and Eleni Miller combined for seven saves for the Cou-

gars (4-3-1).

Krysiak was also named the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Week (ending Sept. 16).

**SCHOOLCRAFT 2, CINCINNATI STATE 0:** Goals by Samantha Jarrett and Kayla Szado (Livonia Churchill) carried Schoolcraft College (5-3-1, 2-1-1) to an NJCAA Region XII victory Saturday at Cincinnati State (0-5, 0-5).

Jarrett's goal came midway through the first half from Rachel Blackney

(Churchill), while Szado's came in the 53rd minute.

Goalkeepers Tara Gessler and Alexis Smith (Livonia Franklin) combined on the shutout.

"Our players created numerous opportunities, but just couldn't put them away," Schoolcraft coach Deepak Shivraman said. "Szado, Blackney and Jarrett had solid games with their work ethic and skills."

"We have had a tough week with travel and injuries. We needed this win to us re-orient ourselves."

# Whalers set to launch 2012-13 season

By Tim Smith  
Observer Staff Writer

Year after year, it seems Mike Vellucci merely reloads his Plymouth Whalers roster for another shot at supremacy in the Ontario Hockey League.

And the 2012-13 team should have no trouble continuing that trend, with an enviable mix of seasoned OHL veterans and uber-talented newcomers to the Whalers.

They are a lock to make it to the playoffs a 22nd consecutive spring.

"I think people will tell you we're the favorite in our conference and I wouldn't shy away from it," said Vellucci, whose 12th season as head coach opens Friday night at Sault Ste. Marie. "That's something we should embrace and I would agree with it."

"We have some very good firepower up front, good defense now that we made a few changes and our goaltender has been strong. I think we've shored up in all three areas now. We just got to bring the consistency every night."

Opposing coaches will have plenty to worry about when their teams

go up against the Whalers, who finished second in the Western Conference in 2011-12 with 97 points.

That's even after Plymouth lost a number of key players.

Gone from 2011-12 are forwards Andy Bathgate, Jamie Devane and Mitchell Heard (recently signed by Colorado and currently with AHL affiliate Lake Erie); defencemen Beau Schmitz (Howell) and Austin Levi (Farmington Hills); and goalie Scott Wedgewood.

The Whalers, however, still boast offensive power in forwards Stefan Noesen (38 goals, 44 assists, 82 points), Farmington Hills's Alex Aleardi (36-29-65), Rickard Rakell (28-34-62), JT Miller (25-37-62) and Garrett Meurs (20-33-53).

There's blue-collar grit in wingers Tom Wilson — a Washington Capitals draft pick expected to improve on his 2011-12 tally of nine goals and 18 assists — and Cody Payne.

First-round draft pick Zach Bratina can become a front-line offensive threat and pesky Danny Vanderwiell will be a thorn in opponents' col-

lective sides.

Where Vellucci is all smiles is when he talks about the infusion of talent into his defense corps, namely trade pickups Connor Carrick (who opted to play in the OHL rather than skate for the University of Michigan) and Gianluca Curcuruto.

"He (Carrick) was slated to go to Michigan," said Vellucci, also general manager of the Whalers. "Washington drafted him and we got him (in a trade with Guelph). He's going to be our Beau Schmitz, so to speak, a power-play guy with excellent skill."

"The other guy we traded for is Curcuruto (acquired from Sault Ste. Marie). He has a cannon of a shot from the point. I'm really excited about working with him over the next two years to get him used to our system."

Reliable, stay-at-home blueliner MacDonald (6-3, 190) will help settle things down in front of Matt Mahalak and backup netminder Riley Corbin.

Second-round draft pick Alex Peters also has the chance to make some noise, described by Vellucci as a "very big kid who skates well and has excellent skill. We're

going to take it slowly with him this year."

Handling the majority of goaltending duties will be Mahalak (Monroe), taking over from Wedgewood (now playing in the AHL).

"He (Mahalak) hasn't been the exclusive No. 1 yet," Vellucci said. "So he's going to have to learn that role and be a lot more consistent than he was before."

"But he's worked extremely hard this summer. He's in the best shape of his career so he's off to a good start. He's a calm goalie, plays his angles very well."

Mahalak said he can't wait to get the season going. Following Friday's tilt at the Soo will be Saturday's home opener against Belleville at Compuware Arena (7 p.m. puck drop).

"We'll see how things go this weekend," Mahalak said. "But I think everyone has an air of confidence in the room that we're going to go out there right off the bat and start things off strong."

For Plymouth Whalers tickets, go to www.plymouthwhalers.com or call the Compuware box office at (734) 453-8500.

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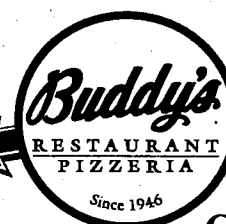
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### September

#### BETHANY

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 29

**Location:** Don Hubert VFW Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft, east of Inkster Road, Redford

**Details:** Admission to this Bethany Together Dance is \$13

**Contact:** Loretta at (586) 264-0282

#### BIBLE AND HEALTH

**Time/Date:** 2:30-5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23

**Location:** Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist Church, 4295 Napier, between Ann Arbor Road and Warren Road, Plymouth

**Details:** Dr. Arthur Weaver offers Biblical Perspectives on Health: A Better Living Seminars presentation that focuses on biblical scriptures that reveal health principles. A vegetarian meal will cap the presentation

**Contact:** Register by calling (248) 349-5683 or (313) 531-2179

#### BIBLE CLASS

**Time/Date:** 10:45 a.m. Sunday, beginning Sept. 23

**Location:** Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford

**Contact:** (734) 968-3523 or (313) 532-8655.

#### CLOTHING BANK

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22

**Location:** 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton

**Details:** Free clothing and shoes to anyone in need

**Contact:** (734) 404-2480 or (734) 927-6686

#### ENDOW

**Time/Date:** 9:15-11 a.m. Tuesdays. The class began Sept. 18

**Location:** St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia

**Details:** Classes focus on Edith Stein, the Jewish, German philosopher whose search for truth led to her conversion and ultimately to her untimely martyr's death at Auschwitz. The series is open to all interested women, regardless of parish or religious affiliation

**Contact:** Register at www.ENDOWonline.com or by calling (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207.

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#### HATCHER, SARAH ETTA

Age 84. September 13, 2012. Beloved wife of the late Kenneth. Loving mother of Peter (Lynn Fairbanks) A. T. Sartin, V. David (Ann) Sartin and step-mother of Ronald A. (Patricia) Hatcher. Memorial Gathering Saturday 1:00 p.m. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave., Downtown Farmington (1 blk. W. of Farmington Rd.). Visitation Saturday 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. www.thayer-rock.com

#### DAVIS, C. MARIE

Age 85, September 18, 2012. Beloved wife of the late Donald Anthony. Dearest mother of Thomas E., Larry (Debbie) and Cindy (Bruce) Webb. Loving grandmother of Lindsay (Mike), Courtney, Sheila (Chris), Nichole, Michelle and proud great-grandmother of Joshua. Visitation Thursday 2-8pm at McCabe Funeral Home, 851 N. Canton Center Rd., Canton. Rosary 7pm. In State Friday 10:30am until time of Mass 11am at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Rd., Canton. Interment Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. Memorial Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

#### GRIEBEL, BILLIE SUE

Passed away at home on Saturday, September 8, 2012. Billie Sue Griebel was born to John Young and Jonnie (Fullerton) Lawhon in Troup, Texas, on August 12, 1922. In 1937 she became the Southwest United States Women's Skeet Shooting Champion. She graduated from John Taylor High School in 1940 and then attended the University of Texas where she graduated with honors in 1944. Billie Sue returned to Tyler where she was Assistant Recreation Director until becoming a stewardess for United Airlines in 1947. On June 26, 1949, Billie Sue Lawhon married Arthur Henry Griebel, Jr. at First Presbyterian Church in Austin. Billie Sue is survived by her sister Jyl Moose, of Troup, TX and by her children: Lindsey (Joe) Sullivan, of Branson Mo., Leslie (Don) Schultz of Kalamazoo, MI, and Arthur (Kari) Griebel III, of Northville MI. Billie Sue leaves six grandchildren: Jamie (Schultz) Simpson, Lance Schultz, Joseph Sullivan Jr., Savannah Stavrosky, step-grandson Jade Sullivan, Anna Griebel, and Elisabeth Griebel. She also leaves two granddaughters: Ryleigh and Peyton Simpson. A memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Branson, Mo. on Friday, November 23, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. with a meal to follow at Lakewood Estates at 4:00. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to PATH in Tyler, Texas, or to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.



#### HOCKER, LOUIS MARIO

September 14, 2012. Age 88 of Birmingham. Proud veteran US Army Air Corps WWII and Bronze Star recipient for his intelligence team's contributions for the invasion of Normandy and D-Day. Graduated from the University of Detroit under the GI Bill and spent his career in sales and marketing in automotive and specialty sales. Beloved husband of Mary Ann for 61 years. Dear father of David. Brother-in-law of Eugene and Mary Jo Meso. Also survived by his faithful companion Mia. Services were held Tuesday September 18 at Holy Name Church. Memorial tributes to The Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or MDS Foundation, 4573 South Broad St., Suite 150, Yardville, NJ 08620. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500.

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#### JAHN, THERESA

Age 84, of Livonia passed away September 17, 2012. Beloved wife of the late James Jahn. Loving mother of Patrice (John) Schumacher, Michael, Ann (deceased), Paul (Kathryne), Peggy (Michael) Bellaire, Susan and Gail (Frances) Foguth. Grandmother of eight and Great Grandmother of five. Theresa enjoyed many interests in life including card parties, swimming, gardening at Greenmead, bowling, scouting and many arts and crafts with a passion for painting. She was a member of the Altar Society and a volunteer at the Michigan Cancer Foundation. Theresa will be truly missed and will remain in our hearts & memories forever. Visitation is Friday, September 21, 2012 from 2-9 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home in Livonia and Mass is Saturday, September 22, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. with viewing at 9:30 a.m. at St. Colette Church in Livonia.



#### NEWMAN, EDITH L.

Age 83, of Garden City, September 14, 2012. Beloved wife of the late Allen George Newman. Loving mother of Joseph Newman and Kenneth (Wendy) Newman. Dearest grandmother of Seth Allen Newman and Genevieve Anna Newman. She is also survived by her sister Emagene Louise Smith. She was preceded in death by her sister Ethel Lorraine Winter. Arrangements by Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Interment in Michigan Memorial Park www.michiganmemorialfuneralhome.com



#### UPTON, DARREL DEAN

Age 77, of Darwin, MN, formerly of Plymouth, died Monday, September 10, 2012. The son of Perry & Inez (Bohnsack) Upton, he was born on August 14, 1935, in Marietta, Minnesota. Darrel loved spending time with his family and spoiling his grandchildren. He was a sincere and easygoing gentleman who always took the time to visit with friends, family and loved to meet new friends. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Darrel is survived by his wife, Sheri Upton of Darwin, MN, daughter, Laurie (Art) Davis of Northville, MI, step-children, Rory (Peggy) Smith of Dassel, MN, and Tracy (Andrew) Lawson of Loretto, MN, 8 grandchildren, Ryan Davis, Julie Davis, Becky Davis, Adam Smith, Courtney Smith, Kelly Lawson, Will Lawson and Drew Lawson, one sister, Marlyce (Ed) Hoium of Madison, MN, and a niece Holly (Gary) Meyer of Revillo, SD. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce on August 9, 1991, and his parents. A Funeral Service will take place Friday, September 21, 2012, 10am at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile Rd, Livonia. Friends may begin visiting at 9am. Interment services will be held immediately following at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. In lieu of flowers memorials can be sent to: The Emmanuel Lutheran Church or Connect Care Home Care and Hospice, 211 Freemont Ave SE, Hutchinson, MN 55350.



#### KOCH-GREGORY, JENINE

Born on February 8, 1954 in Long Beach, CA, loving mother, daughter, sister and friend, died of cancer on September 15, 2012, in her home in Livonia at the age of 58. The memorial visitation will be Saturday, September 22, 2012, from 12 p.m. until the memorial service at 3 p.m. at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home 37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia. In lieu of flowers, memorials suggested in Jenine's name to the Melanoma Research Foundation or family wishes, envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Please visit www.harrywillfuneralhome.com to view the full obituary and share a tribute of Jenine.



#### WILCOX, BRIAN J.

September 13, 2012, age 49 of Plymouth. Beloved son of Milton and Susanne. Loving brother of Karen (John) Lankford, Sheri (John) Wilcox-Stein and Craig Wilcox. Dear uncle of Logan and Josh. Loving companion of Sheryl Turner. Nephew of Peggy Wilcox. Gathering Saturday 11:30AM-2:30PM with a 1PM Memorial Service at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice. To share a memory please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

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## Mingling, food, music kick off Livonia Symphony Orchestra season

By Sharon Dargay  
O&E Staff Writer

Bill Joyner hopes to raise awareness as well as dollars at a kick off for the Livonia Symphony Orchestra's 40th anniversary season.

"It's community-driven," he described the event on Thursday, Sept. 27. "The community got together and opted to do this on behalf of the Livonia Symphony."

Joyner and a coalition of business, community and government leaders organized the celebration and then reached out to potential new supporters.

"We tried to find people who appreciate Livonia's quality of life, but might not be aware of the symphony."

So far, 130 music lovers have paid \$140 each to attend the event, which will run from 7-9 p.m. at Laurel Park Office Center and will include a strolling supper prepared by Thomas's Catering, along with music by brass and string ensembles. Seven Livonia artists will exhibit their works, demonstrating that "art goes beyond the stage." The Livonia Civic Chorus, the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, and Phoenix Theatre have donated free tickets for concerts and shows.

"Everyone who comes to the event will get over \$100 in free tickets to events," Joyner said. "Even the Tuscan Cafe, my favorite place in Northville, is giving cups of coffee away."

### 40TH ANNIVERSARY KICK-OFF

**What:** A celebration of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra

**When:** 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27

**Where:** Laurel Park Office Center atrium, Laurel Park Place Drive, north of Six Mile, west of Newburgh, Livonia

**Details:** Mingle, hear live music, eat a strolling supper. Tickets are \$140

**Contact:** Bill Joyner at (734) 427-2782



The Livonia Symphony performs with dancers during its annual holiday concert.



Volodymyr Shesiuk Livonia Symphony Orchestra conductor

### Non-alcoholic

Coffee, tea, soda and non-alcoholic drinks will be served with the strolling supper.

"The unique thing is this is non-alcoholic. We wanted this to be a meet and mingle, for people to enjoy themselves and have a fun time," Joyner said. "We've got a gorgeous atrium at Laurel Park. Lights will be strung so it will look like a courtyard in the big city.



Volodymyr Shesiuk conducts the Livonia Symphony.

Thomas's Catering is the best in Livonia ... everything from Beef Wellington to kebabs."

Organizers planned to sell between 100-140 tickets to the kick off and were just 10 sales from their goal as of Tuesday. But Joyner said he'll "find room" for anyone who wants to buy a ticket.

With everything except invitations donated, all proceeds from admission will benefit the symphony. Joyner said he hoped \$40 from each ticket would be designated for expenses

during the symphony's 40th season. The remaining \$100 would be set aside for the future.

### Creating a cushion

"His intent, when he started this whole thing was to raise \$10,000 to put in the bank and \$4,000 for our immediate treasury. It would start a (financial) cushion for us," said Rose Kachnowski, Livonia Symphony president. "It would be so nice to have a cushion. We go from hand to mouth all the time. It's difficult to keep symphonies

alive right now."

Although the Livonia Symphony has never cancelled a concert because of financial difficulties, cash flow can be a problem at the start of each new season.

"We try to start out with some money ... we've got to do mailings and send out brochures. But until the money comes in through ticket sales and donations, it's a tough cash flow," Kachnowski said.

### More awareness

She said the kick off event will be a tremendous help in fundraising and in expanding the symphony's pool of supporters.

"If we find even five new people we've never had contact with and these five are willing to pay \$140 for tickets, that is something good for us. You never know where it will go."

In the meantime, volunteers hope to raise awareness of the symphony through a 40th anniversary sign campaign. They're placing signs in windows throughout the business community.

In addition to the symphony's regular concert schedule, outreach programs and special events — such as its 40th anniversary auction, dinner and concert on Friday, Nov. 16 — a performance with Steve King and the Dittilies is in the planning stages.

"I have so many ideas I'd like to still see done. I'd like to see a community outreach where musicians work with St. Mary Mercy Hospital, because music is so healing," Kachnowski said. "I'd like to see the musicians go out and play for patients. But we can't do that until we build up a fund."

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## Band performs children's music at peace event

See Gemini in concert and browse tables with information about peace organizations and initiatives at the fifth annual ONE PEACE, 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia.

Sponsored by Citizens for Peace, the event will celebrate the United Nations International Day of Peace.

In addition to the Gemini concert at 2 p.m., Citizens for Peace members will read books from its Children's Peace Collection to young visitors. Participants also will view the Peace Pals International Art Display, hear the story of Peace Day and the history of ONE PEACE, and get a chance to engage in creative art activities.

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**Contact:** Joe Castrodale, club president, (248) 968-5197

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**Details:** "The Amazing Spider-Man," \$3

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**Time/Date:** Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Drew Nelson, Sept. 21; Chris Proctor, Sept. 22; Seth Glier, Sept. 28; Chimney Choir, Sept. 29; Claude Bourbon with JB Davies, Oct. 6; Empty Chair Night, Oct. 7; Sons of the Never Wrong, Oct. 12; Erik Brandt and Noah Riemer, Oct. 13; Around the House - A Trinity House Theatre Variety Show, Oct. 19. Most shows tickets are \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks are accepted

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# Culinary delights

## Food, wine event raises scholarship funds

By Sharon Dargay  
O&E Staff Writer

Executive Chef David Poirier will use almost all local ingredients in the Butternut Bourbon Soup he serves to patrons Sunday at the 21st Annual Culinary Extravaganza at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"All the products are Michigan products, except for the Maker's Mark," said Poirier, a Farmington Hills resident and co-owner of the Black Tulip Grille in Wixom.

Funds generated by his alma mater's fundraiser will stay local, too.

The Schoolcraft College Foundation will use proceeds from the event — which will feature more than 50 food and beverage stations — for student scholarships and to benefit the culinary arts department at the college.

"It's a tremendous event for the college. It's a benefit to students," said Marjorie Lynch, coordinator of special events and fundraising at the college. "Scholarships are more important than ever now."

Lynch said the Culinary Extravaganza raised approximately \$50,000 last year. She added that tickets are selling well for the event, which will run from 2-5 p.m. Sept. 23 in the VisTaTech Center on campus, located on Haggerty Road, just south of Seven Mile in Livonia.

"We expect about 600 or 700 people on Sunday."

### Food, auction

Patrons pay \$50 each — \$20 of which is a charitable contribution — to sample food and drinks from Metro Detroit restaurants, pastry shops and beverage vendors. They can bid on a silent auction items, including sport event tickets and weekend getaways, buy a chance to win raffle prizes of cash and dinners at Schoolcraft's American Harvest Restaurant, and



A patron samples the fare served by Old World Olive Press at Schoolcraft College Foundation's Culinary Extravaganza.



Joan Gebhardt, a Schoolcraft college trustee, and her husband, Fred, peruse a dessert table at the Culinary Extravaganza last year.



Schoolcraft students set up a sweets table at the Culinary Extravaganza last year.

get expert advice on food and wine.

"We're bringing back Chef (Jeffrey) Gabriel and he's doing a demo on healthy food preparation. He's a certified executive chef and he did this for the first time for us last year," Lynch said.

Lee Hershey, who teaches wine classes at Schoolcraft, will hold a seminar on wine-tasting.

Vendors include Sive Restaurant at the Inn at St. John's, Plymouth Township; Black Star Farms, Suttons Bay; Dream Cakes, Commerce Township; Something Chocolate, Birmingham; Steve & Rocky's, Novi; The Sardine Room, Plymouth; Zumba Mexican

Grille, Royal Oak; Mitchell's Fish Market, Livonia; Toasted Oak Grill and Market, Novi; The Henry Ford, Dearborn; Wisteria Bakehaus, West Bloomfield; Vine2Wine Custom Winery, Northville; Vintners Cellar Canton Winery, Canton; The Elite Catering Company, Livonia; Skandis Fine Wines LLC, Kalamazoo; McCormick/360 Vodka; Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council; Cadillac Coffee Company, Madison Heights; Coffee Express Company, Plymouth; Old World Olive Press, Plymouth and more.

"Many restaurants employ our students or are run by former stu-

dents," Lynch noted.

### Former student

Poirier graduated from the college's culinary program in 2000, after spending 31 years in the auto industry as an electrical repairman. His grandfather was a chef in the Upper Peninsula. Poirier and his partner, Bill Widmyer opened Black Tulip Grille in April. Participating in the Culinary Extravaganza was an easy decision for Poirier who volunteered at the event as a student and staffed Holiday Market's vendor booth for three years.

"I'm one of the chefs in Michigan Chefs de Cuisine. I still do a lot of things with Chef Gabriel

at Schoolcraft."

Executive Chef Marius Maniac has participated in Culinary Extravaganza for several years with Compari's on the Park in Plymouth. He'll represent The Sardine Room at the event this year.

"Same company but different idea," he said, adding that the new restaurant opened in May in downtown Plymouth.

Look for his Brown Butter Sage Portuguese Sardines on Sunday at the Culinary Extravaganza. They're topped with fried capers and served with a goat cheese crostini.

Get tickets for Culinary Extravaganza by calling (734) 462-4518 or by visiting [www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation).

### CITY BITES

#### Brew, Brats, & Bands

CANTON — Beer enthusiasts and the 21 and over crowd can support the Canton Historical Society while also enjoying a Michigan craft beer, 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Cady-Boyer Barn, located in Preservation Park at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton. Tickets for the 3rd Annual Brew, Brats & Bands are \$30 and available at [www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org), at the door, or in advance at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway; Canton Treasurer's Office and the Canton Parks Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road; as well as the Canton Farmers Market, 500 N. Ridge Road. Designated Driver tickets also are available for \$10. Admission includes seven drink tickets, each good for a four-ounce beer tasting sample. Attendees will be able to choose from more than 50 different craft and specialty beers. A keepsake beer-tasting mug and brats with all the fixings will be included with admission. "All Directions" will play rhythm and blues standards and "The Tabasco Cats" will play Dixieland music. For more information on Brew, Brats, & Bands at the Barn, visit [www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org) or call (734) 394-5314.

#### Restaurant week

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth Restaurant Week celebrates the diversity of the city's downtown dining establishments, Sept. 28-Oct. 7. Each participating restaurant will offer a special three-course menu at a discounted cost of \$15, \$25 or \$35 per person. No tickets or passes are necessary. Patrons can simply dine out as frequently as they want over the 10-day period. Participating restaurants include E.G. Nicks, Fiamma Grille, Sean O'Callaghan's, Compari's, The Sardine Room, Penn Grill, Nico & Vali, Panache 447, Ironwood Grill and Zin Wine Bar. View their menus at [www.plymouthrestaurantweek.com](http://www.plymouthrestaurantweek.com).

#### Food fight

LIVONIA — Lori Tepper, certified sommelier at d.vine fine wines, will battle it out with Michelle DeHayes, advanced sommelier, AHD Vintners, in a contest involving small plates and wine pairing. The action will run from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27 at d.vine fine wines, 17386 Haggerty. Brandon O'Sullivan will cater and serve three courses, along with a refreshing dessert. Each course will feature two wines — one chosen by Tepper and the other by DeHayes. Participants will cast their vote for their favorite wine and food pairing. Cost is \$35 per person, \$30 for Wine Club members. Make reservations by calling (734) 432-3800. Or visit [dvinewines.com](http://dvinewines.com).

## Time-saving tips with go-to ingredients

It's easy to run out of time and energy to prepare a delicious family meal when school, sports and other activities beckon. How, then, do you bring the family back to the table? One easy way to reclaim precious time is to infuse your menu with palate-pleasing, leftover-friendly staples like pulled pork.

Easily repurposed throughout the week, pulled pork can be cooked once and incorporated in a variety of dishes your family will love. For example, this Chili Rub Pulled Pork recipe can be prepared in the slow cooker, yielding a flavorful meal that's ready to eat when you return home from an active day. Additionally, the leftovers can be enjoyed throughout the week in a number of different ways. Whether topping creative salads or savory pizzas, filling enchiladas or adding new flavor to baked potatoes, pulled pork is a perfect fit for a busy lifestyle.

For more pulled pork tips and recipes, visit [www.PorkBeInspired.com](http://www.PorkBeInspired.com). Also, follow the National Pork Board on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PorkBeInspired](http://www.facebook.com/PorkBeInspired), Twitter @AllAboutPork and on Pinterest at [www.pinterest.com/PorkBeInspired](http://www.pinterest.com/PorkBeInspired).

### Chili Rub Slow Cooker Pulled Pork

Prep time: 10 minutes  
Cook time: 5 1/4 to 8 1/4 hours  
Makes: 8 to 10 servings

1 3-pound boneless pork shoulder or sirloin roast



Chili Rub Slow Cooker Pulled Pork

2 tablespoons chili powder  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 teaspoon cayenne powder  
1 tablespoon canola oil or other neutral-flavored oil  
1/2 cup chicken broth

Line a 9- by 13-inch baking pan with foil and place pork in pan. In small bowl, combine chili powder, salt and cayenne. Rub mixture over all sides of meat, pressing to adhere (if the meat is tied together with twine or netting, just rub the seasoning right over it). Set aside.

In large skillet over medium-high heat, warm oil. Add pork and brown on all sides, 6 to 8 minutes. Transfer meat to slow cooker.

Add broth to skillet, scraping up any browned bits, then add broth to slow cooker. Cover and cook until pork is very tender, 6 to 8 hours on low or 4 to 5 hours on high.

Transfer meat to cutting board and let rest 10 to 15 minutes. Use two forks to shred meat into bite-sized pieces. Moisten and season

with cooking juices to taste.

Serving Suggestions: This recipe is only mildly spiced, so if you like things with a kick, try adding more cayenne to the rub or add some of your favorite hot sauce to the finished, shredded meat. Use the pork to make a traditional pulled pork sandwich, with barbecue sauce and slaw, enjoy it in your favorite chili recipe, or on top of a Tex Mex Caesar salad.

— Courtesy of Family Features



## Novi Realtor, Livonia resident focuses efforts on homeowner advocacy

By Julie Brown  
O&E Staff Writer

Gary J. Reggish of Livonia was honored to receive the Realtor Active in Politics Award from the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors.

"I was quite shocked," said Reggish, broker/owner of Remerica United Realty in Novi since 2002. "I'm definitely very humbled. The real credit goes to all the Realtors in our association who have stepped up."

The award honors Realtors who play an active role in the Realtor Political Action Committee for the National Association of Realtors. Reggish chairs the Michigan Association of Realtors trustees for RPAC. He's also on the NAR board and its Federal Housing Policy Committee.

"Gary is such a wonderful member," said Brad Ward, director of public policy for the Michigan Association of Realtors. "I can think of none more deserving than Gary. He works hard. He's really kind of a model member that we like to have. Gary is a tremendous human being, very kind-hearted. Words can't express how proud we are of Gary Reggish."

The Realtors' work on private property rights extends to the general public, Ward and Reggish emphasize.

Reggish cites the mortgage interest deduction, which remains a battle. He also cites appraisal and mortgage reform.

"It is so relevant for the general public to understand. You're getting an advo-



Gary J. Reggish received the Realtor Active in Politics Award from the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors. Reggish, a Livonia resident, is broker/owner of Remerica United Realty in Novi.

cate," Reggish said of a Realtor, different from a real estate agent. A Realtor adheres to a code of ethics and is governed by his or her peers.

The PAC has also been active in the tax on services, continuing to fight it in the Michigan Legislature after homes were exempted. "We continued to fight for the

dog groomers and the hair stylists," Reggish said of the defeated legislation.

The first-time homebuyer tax credit was also a Realtor initiative, he said. "We had to get buyers off the fence."

Reggish had been Realtor of the Year for the Western Wayne-Oakland County Association of Realtors in 2007 and 2010. That body merged with the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors to become GMAR.

"So we service a much larger area," Reggish said.

He's a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor of science degree in biology and psychology. Reggish, 46, is married to Lynne and the couple has four children ages 13, 14, 16 and 17.

"I'm really lucky," he said. "We have really good kids."

The family's active in St. Edith Catholic Church of Livonia. Reggish is in the Sons of the American Legion, the Legion Riders, and the Livonia and Novi Chambers of Commerce.

He sees real estate improving in metro Detroit. "I do see it picking up. Now is a phenomenal time to put your house on the market. It is a phenomenal opportunity."

Interest rates remain low, he said, and homes in good shape are quickly getting offers.

"You're going to have multiple offers and you'll be very pleased with your sale price," Reggish said.

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## Developer's counsel seeks advice

By Robert Meisner  
Guest Columnist

Q: We are the lawyers for a developer who is reviving a 350 unit high-rise condo. Prior to the downturn, our client decided to register the project under the interstate land sales act. Now the



Robert Meisner

client has commenced site work and won't start the sales process until halfway through construction. I am

wondering whether to use the improved lot exemption rather than registering. What do you think?

A: While this is a complex question, basically interpreting Section 1703(d) of ILSA, and under the Improved Lot Exemption to ILSA, I believe that if the developer can comfortably promise delivery in two years (and doesn't need to stack the 99-unit exemption onto the improved lot exemption) it seems that the improved lot exemption provides more flexibility and predictability to the seller. This is clearly not a clear-cut situation in light of several recent cases. The developer may be in a position to comply with Section 1703(d) by including the legal description of the underlying land (in addition to the proposed legal description of the unit) in the contract. This is obviously an esoteric issue which requires additional research.

Q: We had a fire at our condominium, and I am wondering if we have to continue to pay our assessments?

A: It all depends on your documents, but generally you do. There is normally not an exclusion to pay assessments for not being able to occupy your unit because of a fire. Hopefully, you have insurance coverage which would cover the payment of assessments while your unit is being remediated.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of *Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track*, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote *Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium*, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 11-15, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### CANTON

45426 Augusta Dr	\$361,000
411 Belvedere Ct N	\$336,000
43742 Brandwynne Rd	\$168,000
2609 Brookfield St	\$133,000
2497 Cleveland Way	\$225,000
8359 Congress Dr	\$138,000
7360 Corbett Dr	\$131,000
1732 Crestview Dr	\$240,000
39765 Deepwood St	\$140,000
123 E Canford Park	\$334,000
49559 Flushing Ave	\$355,000
50162 Grant St	\$184,000
41739 Greenwood Dr	\$120,000
7999 Kaiser St	\$150,000
46481 Killarney Cir	\$159,000
41070 Maplewood Dr	\$92,000
1532 Morrison Blvd	\$151,000
1788 Ranier Blvd	\$150,000
47118 Sherwood Ct	\$203,000

758 Sorel Dr	\$163,000
1400 Stafford Dr	\$99,000
2645 Woodcreek Ct	\$255,000
48453 Woodson Way	\$305,000
GARDEN CITY	
985 Belton St	\$46,000
33031 Brown St	\$89,000
422 Clair St	\$65,000
32470 Donnelly St	\$24,000
28952 Florence St	\$75,000
32635 John Hawk St	\$73,000
31545 Pardo St	\$25,000
33211 Roslyn Ave	\$45,000

#### LIVONIA

30645 Seven Mile Rd	\$130,000
11756 Arcola St	\$137,000
11408 Arden St	\$109,000
32755 Barkley St	\$81,000
18821 Canterbury Dr	\$190,000
15116 Fairfield St	\$35,000
36384 Fairway Dr	\$20,000
14335 Fairway St	\$135,000
15148 Garden St	\$52,000
36675 Gardner St	\$137,000
18415 Glengarry Dr	\$280,000
38679 Grandon St	\$140,000
14905 Haller St	\$151,000
31331 Hathaway St	\$100,000
14136 Houghton St	\$145,000

14285 Hubbard St	\$168,000
15055 Hubbard St	\$24,000
31845 Maine St	\$155,000
37251 Myrna St	\$144,000
37505 Newburgh Park Cir	\$175,000
14295 Nola St	\$118,000
15688 Oporto St	\$108,000
9851 Seltzer St	\$45,000
18941 Shadyside St	\$102,000
30259 Vassar St	\$133,000
32930 W Chicago St	\$130,000
29043 Westfield St	\$108,000
NORTHVILLE	
47712 Blue Heron Dr S	\$290,000
44891 Broadmoor Cir S	\$290,000
44915 Broadmoor Cir S	\$285,000
16943 Courville Dr	\$376,000
15924 Crystal Downs E	\$675,000
48022 Four Seasons Blvd	\$135,000
48316 Four Seasons Blvd	\$120,000
16300 Lairdhaven Dr	\$285,000
335 Linden St	\$510,000
42286 Norwood Ct	\$100,000
17572 Parkshore Dr	\$538,000
15604 Troon Ct	\$710,000

#### PLYMOUTH

841 Beech Ct	\$280,000
523 Maria Dr	\$97,000
9415 Oakview St	\$140,000

1450 Penniman Ave	\$262,000
1372 Sheridan St	\$325,000

#### REDFORD

16599 Brady	\$16,000
14123 Breakfast Dr	\$137,000
14147 Breakfast Dr	\$103,000
19335 Centralia	\$14,000
20120 Delaware Ave	\$21,000
19467 Denby	\$37,000
14170 Farley	\$67,000
15544 Kinloch	\$40,000
9191 Salem	\$47,000
26022 W Chicago	\$62,000

#### WESTLAND

38668 Alma Ln	\$190,000
37540 Barkridge Cir	\$50,000
33727 Cowan Rd	\$93,000
2025 Edgerton Ct	\$27,000
33128 Lynx St	\$98,000
32721 Merritt Dr	\$85,000
8431 N Hubbard St	\$68,000
1538 Northgate St	\$35,000
8384 Perrin Ave	\$21,000
924 S Carlson St	\$48,000
1564 S Linville St	\$48,000
33539 Somerset St	\$105,000
611 Summerfield Dr	\$70,000

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 29 to June 1, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### BEVERLY HILLS

30320 Georgetown Dr	\$340,000
22899 Nottingham Dr	\$480,000
32035 Waltham Dr	\$448,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1109 Bird Ave	\$189,000
990 Fairfax St	\$675,000
940 N Glenhurst Dr	\$320,000
1043 N Old Woodward Ave Unit	\$122,000
1555 Ruffner Ave	\$415,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
159 Nantucket Dr	\$580,000
6345 Sheringham Rd	\$90,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	

1929 Eagle Pointe	\$157,000
1268 Lake Pl	\$530,000
532 Newburne Pointe	\$150,000
606 Overbrook Rd	\$662,000
399 S Cranbrook Cross Rd	\$180,000
2248 Sudbury Way	\$380,000
6743 Vachon Dr	\$305,000
42160 Woodward Ave Unit 18	\$100,000

#### COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

407 Anaconda St	\$267,000
2985 Chickory Ln	\$172,000
4846 Driftwood Dr	\$387,000
8959 Gittins St	\$175,000
1896 Nacona	\$395,000
8450 Pine Cove Dr	\$276,000
4539 Ravinewood Dr	\$355,000
3205 Silverberry St	\$175,000
9046 Woods Edge Dr	\$155,000
FARMINGTON	
31461 Lamar Dr	\$67,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
22160 Averhill St	\$68,000
31020 Bycroft St	\$185,000

28860 E King William Dr	\$182,000
28770 Eton Gln	\$240,000
23708 Haynes St	\$78,000
35810 Lancashire Dr	\$430,000
23327 N Stockton Ave	\$115,000
32432 Oakwood	\$385,000
30267 Pipers Ln	\$190,000
21744 Ruth St	\$73,000
30416 Stratford Ct	\$168,000
29310 Valley Bend Ct	\$250,000
28989 W King William Dr	\$160,000
24749 Westmoreland Dr	\$123,000
MILFORD	
435 Heritage Dr	\$275,000
NOVI	
47729 Aberdeen Dr	\$510,000
24504 Bashian Dr	\$45,000
50385 Drakes Bay Dr	\$586,000
21870 Dunnabeck Ct	\$305,000
29707 English Way	\$243,000
42745 Faulkner Dr	\$250,000
46139 Galway Dr	\$420,000
24077 Hickory Grove Ln	\$252,000
27854 Middleton Dr	\$156,000

24767 Nepavine	\$510,000
45257 Sedra Ct	\$360,000
22750 Summer Ln	\$480,000
39713 Village Wood Ln	\$38,000

#### SOUTH LYON

1248 Coach House Ln	\$315,000
25806 Coach Ln	\$365,000
53811 Edgewood Dr	\$30,000
61170 Ladbrooke Dr	\$372,000
24558 Ridge Pole Ct	\$315,000
53151 Shinnecock Dr	\$380,000
860 Stoney Dr	\$170,000
53680 Valleywood Dr	\$30,000
799 Westbrooke Dr	\$237,000

#### SOUTHFIELD

28723 Everett St	\$54,000
20117 Midway Ave	\$14,000
22855 Providence Dr # 101	\$40,000
20611 Secluded Ln	\$76,000
28800 Tavistock Trl	\$115,000
22360 W 12 Mile Rd	\$50,000

#### WHITE LAKE

8926 El Dorado Dr	\$225,000
9108 Glasgow Dr	\$60,000

### REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

#### New faces

Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel (CBWM) has recently welcomed a number of new sales professionals to the company.

They are: Commerce: Arne Taylor; Birmingham: Brianne Yarnevich; Northville: Jevon Cole; Plymouth: Nick Bitterle.

"We are very pleased that these exceptional people have chosen Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel," said John North, CBWM COO. "They bring with them unique and diverse business skills that will fit well into our 'next-generation' culture."

Founded in 1950, Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel is a Troy, Mich.-based real estate brokerage with 15 offices and more than 400 real estate sales associates in Michigan. For more information, visit [www.cbwm.com](http://www.cbwm.com).

#### Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures and what it takes

to get started. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved. Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon. Additional parking across the street in back. Please call the office at (248) 782-7130 or e-mail [june.quantum@gmail.com](mailto:june.quantum@gmail.com) for your reservation or additional information.

#### Real Estate Career Seminar

Learn about a \$50,000 income guarantee Thursday, Sept. 20, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Keller Williams Realty, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth.

For more information, contact Jim Raines at (734) 459-4700 or [jimraines@kw.com](mailto:jimraines@kw.com).

#### Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is

Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96. E-mail [Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com](mailto:Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com) or visit [FreeForeclosureTour.com](http://FreeForeclosureTour.com).

#### Seminar on Tuesdays

A free Reverse Mortgage Seminar is 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday at Colonial Mortgage Corp., 33919 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Learn about reverse mortgages. RSVP with Larry Brady at (800) 260-5484, Ext. 33.

#### Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Participants will discuss what they have learned. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update.

Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. each first Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate. Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership.

Any questions or concerns, call Wayne Koehler at (313) 277-4168.

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**ESTATE AUCTION Sat., Sept 22, 7pm** Cultural Center 525 Farmer Plymouth MI Antiques & Collectibles Furniture; Glassware Movie Posters; Books Sports Items; Instruments Bank Debt Cards No Checks Doors Open 6pm Joe Carl, Professional Auction Service 734.451.7444 jcauctionservices.com

**Rummage Sale/ Flea Market**

**Crafts & Quilts Show** Sat., Sept 22nd, 10-3pm. Methodist Church 1000 Beech Daley, Redford MI 48239 313.937.3170 FREE ADMISSION

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ESTATE SALE LIVONIA Household goods, photographic equipment, dishes & more! Fri-Sun., Sept 21-23rd, 9-5pm 17871 Bell Creek Lane, in Burton Hollow Woods sub at the corner of 6 Mile & Farmington.

GARDEN CITY ESTATE SALE 6777 Lathers. Fri-Sat. 8-5pm. www.ourmaxsale.net

LIVONIA: 36580 Gardner, 9/20-21, 9-5. Girl's bdrm set, traditional cream sofa, like new. Baker & Henredon furniture, RC airplanes, camera equip, paintings, mirrors, lamps, china, crystal, more!

LIVONIA ESTATE FINAL SALE Antiques & more. 36457 Ann Arbor Trail, btwn Newburgh & Wayne Rd. Fri. & Sat. Sept. 21 & 22, 9am-6pm.

NORTHVILLE TWP 41624 Rayburn Fri-Sun, 10-4am 50+ years. Antiques, china sets, Waterford, costume jewelry, Drexel dining set, vintage clothing, many tools, kitchen, linens, and more!

WEST BLOOMFIELD: Estate/ Garage Sale. Antique furniture, crystal, lamps & more. 5845 Middlebelt, btwn Maple & Walnut Lake Rd. Fri-Sat, 9-5.

WEST BLOOMFIELD EVERYTHING MUST GO! Furniture/antiques, art, men's clothing, electronics, leather goods, jewelry, misc. Fri-Sun, 10am-dusk. 7538 Greenway Lane 48324. Birchwood Park Sub., off Commerce & Keith.

**Garage/Moving Sales**

BIRMINGHAM: GARAGE SALE: Household items. Fri-Sat, Sept. 21-22, 10-3pm. 1461 Maryland. 14 Mile/Southfield Rd.

CANTON CARRIAGE HILLS SUB SALE Thurs-Sat., Sept. 20-22. N of Ford Rd., S of Warren, btwn Canton Center & Lilley Rds.

CANTON Covington Square, off Lilley, between Cherry Hill & Palmer - Sub-Wide Garage Sale - Sept. 20-23

CANTON EVERYTHING MUST GO! 6710 Devonshire, (Sub-Wide) - Baby & Kid's Clothes & Toys, Household, Electronics, Furniture. 9/20-9/22, 9-3pm.

CANTON - MOVING SALE: Bluesprings Ct. W of Loiz, btwn Palmer & Cherry Hill, 9-5pm, Sept. 21 & 22nd. Kitchen, patio, garage, stuff, kitchen table, TV, VCR, dehumidifier, desk, misc.

CANTON: Stratford Park Subwide Garage Sale. Sat. & Sun. Sept 22 & 23. Warren & Beck.

CANTON Windmere Sub-Wide Garage Sale. Thurs-Sat., Sept. 20-22, 9am-7 Off Warren, btwn Sheldon & Canton Center.

DEARBORN HEIGHTS- 6661 Norborne, 9/20-9/22, 9:30-4. Quality antiques, collectibles, vintage records, more! No cashing. No early birds.

FARMINGTON HILLS- Fri & Sat. Sept 21st & 22nd, 9-5pm. 28781 Aranel, btwn Orchard Lk & Farmington Rd off 13 Mile.

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FARMINGTON HILLS- Multi family Sept 20-22, 8:30-6pm. 29444 Kinglewood Ln. S of 13. W of Middlebelt. Antique furniture, 60" TV, lawn mower, brief cases, clothing household items & much more!

FARMINGTON HILLS: Outdoor Estate Sale. Fri-Sat. 10-4pm. Tons of household & misc. Don't miss, reasonable! 28556 Eldred, Middlebelt & 8 Mile. No early birds!

GARDEN CITY - Gigantic Garage Sale! Sept. 21-23, 10am-5pm. Set of 10 solar outdoor lights, food processor, pots/pans, bread maker, glassware, knick knacks, lamps, Beanie Babies, porcelain dolls, Star Wars watches, sewing machine, bookcase, Coca-Cola items, candles, coins, records, antique Hoosier kitchen cabinet - over 75 yrs. old, Nascars - excel. cond, Barbie Dolls, men's clothes, women's clothes - 10-3X, lots more! Everything must go! 30835 Rosslyn, btwn Ford Rd. & Cherry Hill, E off Merriman.

HIGHLAND- Sept 21-23rd, 9-5pm. 930 Tierney. Antique oak fireplace. Lay-Z-Boy chair, books, light fixtures, barrier for dog in car, school desk.

LIVONIA- 15743 Edington, N off 5.2 bks W of Farmington. Sept 20 & 21st, 9-4pm. Tools, furniture, books, puzzles, Christmas, yard items & more!

LIVONIA: 28815 W. Chicago. Sept. 21-23, 10-5. Portable dishwasher, furniture, household, golf irons, more.

LIVONIA- 30523 Hoy St., S of 5 Mile, W of Henry Ruff. Tools/powers, coins, usable wood, Christmas, household & clothing. Thurs-Sat. Sept 20-22nd, 9:30-5pm

LIVONIA: 36361 Curtis, off Levan btwn 6 & 7 Mile. Beer signs, new bar stools, air hockey, ping pong table. Sat., 10-3pm. No early birds!

LIVONIA: 7 Mile & Newburgh. Huge Multi-Family Sale. 36815 Curtis. Collectibles, furniture. Sept 20-22, 9-4.

LIVONIA GARAGE SALE: Thurs-Sat. Sept. 20-22, 10-5pm. Eclectic selection, check us out! 30157 Bretton, off Middlebelt btwn 7 & 8 Mile.

LIVONIA-Home decorator's dream sale! Whicker, rugs, decorator pillows, misc furniture, home accents & much more! Fri & Sat., 9-4pm. 15674 Liverpool, N of 5 Mile, E of Newburgh

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LIVONIA- HUGE YARD SALE 9-5, Sat & Sun, 9/22-9/23: Baby & kid clothes sizes 3mo-6X, baby equipment, toys, household items. 11281 Garden Street, Livonia 48150. No early birds. Cash Only.

LIVONIA: MOVING SALE. All must go. Fri-Sun., 9/21-23, 8am. 15551 Woodring, 48154. Furniture, Household & Electronic items, more.

LIVONIA MOVING SALE! Furniture, household items & tools. 18646 Irving S. of 7 Mile & Farmington. Fri-Sat, Sept. 21-22, 10-5pm.

LIVONIA: Silver Village Senior Community Garage Sale. Sat. Sept 22nd, 9am-5pm. 33780 Lyndon, MI 48154

MILFORD: Berwyck on The Park Sub Sale, S. Milford Rd. & Buno Rd. Thurs-Sat. Sept. 20-22, 9-5pm.

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- Millinery
- Winner's cry
- Part of BYOB
- Between ports
- Mouths, in biology
- Ms. Bovary
- Big barker (2 wds.)
- Toodle-ooos
- Destroy a tape
- nova
- Price increase
- Cutting tool
- Warden's fear
- Combining form for air
- Salt away
- Plunging neckline
- Somber
- Cal Tech grad.
- Sleeve fillers
- Leave
- Charged particles
- Entertain

**DOWN**

- Wood ash product
- Kippur
- Anesthetizes
- Roentgen's discovery (hyph.)
- Beldams
- Tempe sch.
- Crumpet companion

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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