

Stevenson breaks the ice!

State champs stop Hartland in D2 final, 5-4

By Brad Emons
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They've earned the right to "Sparty On" as Stevenson did what no other Livonia prep hockey team has done in 43 years on Saturday — win a coveted state championship.

The Spartans are the newly crowned MHSAA's Division 2 champions by virtue of their 5-4 victory at Plymouth's Computware Arena against fellow Kensington Lakes Activities Association member Hartland.

Stevenson, getting a pair of goals each from senior defenseman Travis Harvey and star junior forward Dominic Lutz, survived a wild second period that featured six goals to hoist the state championship trophy.

"You have to do it to feel it," Harvey said. "I'm speechless right now."

For Lutz, who notched his 42nd and 43rd goals of the season, it was a surreal moment.

"It's unbelievable," he said. "A lot of my teammates have been playing together for years and it just means a ton to me and it's great accomplish this. We've worked so hard and it's great to be rewarded. It was a great team win."

It was 1-1 after one period as Harvey scored from Mick Sinclair and Blake Battjes at 4:55, but Hartland's Austin Flores countered when he beat Spartan goaltender Con-



The newly crowned Livonia Stevenson Spartans celebrate their MHSAA Division 2 state title after a 5-4 win Saturday over Hartland at Computware Arena.

nor Humitz in the upper right corner from Chris McRae and John Nagel.

McRae then scored unassisted at 54 seconds of the second period to give the Eagles a momentary 2-1 advantage, but Stevenson answered with three straight goals.

Lutz connected for two in a row, one unassisted at 4:30 and the second from Jake Kierdorf at 7:07 followed by Harvey's second of the game from Ray Chartier at 9:10 to make it 4-2.

"In this kind of game you try and pick your corners, but in the end you've just got to get good shots on net," Lutz said. "My second goal ... I just threw it at the net and it deflected off some-

one and got in. I shoot pucks all the time, but once it comes down it, you've got to just put it on net and make it's on the goal and not wide."

Lutz's first goal, however, was a beauty as he took a pass from Kierdorf between the circles and ripped a shot by Hartland netminder Nick Wineka.

"That time I had no pressure and was able to place it where I wanted," Lutz said. "My slap shot takes more time, but my wrist shot I think I'm way more accurate with it. And it just seems to work for me."

Hartland's Ned O'Boyle, however, made

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Stevenson's Connor Humitz makes one of his 25 saves in Saturday's 5-4 Division 2 state championship win over Hartland.

Taylor makes GLIAC squad

Grand Valley State women's basketball senior Briauna Taylor (Livonia Franklin) was recently named to the All-Grand Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference first-team and the All-Defensive squad.



It is the third straight season that the 5-foot-9 Taylor earned first-team honors and first time for the defensive award as voted on by the conference coaches.

Taylor paced the 19-8 Lakers with 15.8 points, 6.9 rebounds and 3.2 assists per game.

She also shot 44.7 percent from the field to rank third on the team and in the top 20 in the conference.

Taylor led the team in scoring 16 times and grabbed a team-high in rebounds on 15 occasions. She had five double-doubles on the year.

Earning GLIAC North Division Player of the Week three times in her senior campaign, Taylor hit double figures in all by five games and recorded 20 or more points in nine games including 30 in a win against Michigan Tech.

Barber CCHA rookie honor

Miami University (Ohio) freshman forward Riley Barber (Livonia) was named to the All-Rookie team in Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

Barber leads the RedHawks offensively with a 36 points and 15 goals and 21 assists in 34 games.

The Washington Capitals draft pick has 11 multi-point games and was named CCHA Gongshow Rookie of the Week four times.

4 MU cagers All-Academic

Four Madonna University players were among 178 student-athletes named to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Daktronics Division II Women's Basketball Scholar-Athlete Team.

The four players, who carried a 3.5 grade point average or better, included seniors Michelle Lindsey (Birmingham Marian), Kristine Porada (Gibraltar Carlson) and Heather Pratt (Flushing), along with sophomore Rachel Melcher (Marian).

For Lindsey (nursing), Porada (pre-medicine) and Pratt (business administration), the selection marks the trio's second straight season of earning the honor, while Melcher (biology) is making her first appearance on the squad.

All four were also honored as member of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference All-Academic team earlier this fall.

Glenn girls orbit into Final 4

Rockets hand King 1st loss

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Westland John Glenn's star twin guard duo of Raine and Raven Bankston have never set foot inside the confines Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

But that will all change Friday when the 24-1 Lady Rockets will play defending Class A champion Grand Haven (26-0) in a 1 p.m. state semifinal courtesy of a dramatic 55-50 win Tuesday night over previously unbeaten Detroit King in a quarterfinal game at Detroit Western International.

The senior transfers from Detroit Mumford combined for 33 of Glenn's 55 points with 17 and 16, respectively, while fellow senior ShaKeya Graves tallied a game-high 22, including 18 in the second half, to spark the victory.

They were the only three Glenn players to score.

"It means a lot because me and my sister have not been to the Breslin Center," Raine said. "We never made it this far. It's the first time."

No Lady Rocket team had ever reached a quarterfinal and it didn't look good at halftime with the Rockets staring at an eight-point deficit (27-17).

And to make matters worse, Glenn was playing without starting junior guard Kaira Barnes and found themselves in foul



John Glenn players Kierra Jordan and Kayla Horn hug each other, while teammate India Gliespie-Perdue also celebrates following the Rockets' 55-50 Class A quarterfinal win over Detroit King.

trouble with Graves and Raven Bankston each picking up three personal fouls. The two then each picked up their fourths by the end of the third.

"I just told myself I couldn't foul out because my team needed me," Raven said. "I just had to play under control and stay humble, and that's what I did. Half our team are seniors, so we knew if we lose, it's our last game."

Graves, who was just 2-for-10 in the first half, went wild during the third quarter scoring 14 of Glenn's 25 points as

the Rockets stayed within striking distance, 47-41.

A rebound basket by Raine Bankston with 6:48 left in the final quarter evened the count at 46-all. Raine then made the key play of the game coming out of a timeout when she converted a three-point play with 2:54 to go, putting Glenn ahead by two, 51-49.

Raven then came down over and scored on a short shot in the key to put Glenn up 53-50 with 1:57 remaining. Graves followed with a pair of

critical free throws with 1:22 left to seal the win.

King's last point came when LaShai Geeter made one-of-two free throws with 2:21 to go to pull the Crusaders to within one, 51-50.

"My mind is just going a million miles an hour right now," Glenn second-year coach Eric Kovatch said. "I can't pick out one thing, but we just played hard. Our girls wanted it. They wanted to go to Breslin Center and they've been working really hard. It's a great high school basketball game."

"At our first open gym on Sept. 9 our goal was to get to the Breslin Center. We're not done, but it will be a great experience for our kids."

Graves, meanwhile, called her first-half performance "horrible," but things quickly changed for the better in the third. "At the beginning of the game I kind of played slow," said the DePaul University signee. "But towards the third quarter I knew I had to help my team, so I had to pick it up."

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Stevenson 3rd in D1 swim finals

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It could only be categorized as a job well done and a highly productive MHSAA Division 1 meet effort Saturday for the Livonia Stevenson boys swim team.

The Spartans posted their best finish since 2006 by placing third with 191 points, only behind defending state champion Saline, which edged Birmingham Brother Rice for first by four points, 313-309, for the team title at the Holland Aquatics Center.

The Hornets captured two relays – the 200-yard medley and the 200 freestyle – along with eight individual events.

"I couldn't expect a better outcome," said Stevenson coach Jeff Shoemaker, who guided the Spartans to a third-place finish in 2006. "I would have never expected us to go as fast as we did. I'm really impressed with the boys and still

pretty on a high about it. It's one of my better seasons, one I'll remember for sure."

Stevenson junior Nick Arakelian was the only individual to break Saline's first-place individual domination when he set a Division 1 state record in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:27.75.

Arakelian was also runner-up to Saline's Josh Ehrman in the 200 individual medley going 1:48.22 (to Ehrman's MHSAA all-class record of 1:47.86).

Stevenson's 200 medley relay team of John Ferrara, Arakelian, Bradley Bielicki and Jake Goeddeke (1:34.42) was also runner-up to Saline (1:30.01 all-class record).

"Nick had the fastest split I've ever seen a high schooler go in the 50 breaststroke (24.76) – and that's 20 years of experience – and he just pretty much made the medley relay and shattered the school record by over a

second-and-a-half," Shoemaker said.

The Spartans' quartet of Jackson O'Dowd, Ferrara, Parker Belmore and Arakelian also went 3:07.07 to place second behind Rice's 3:03.78.

"He went 45.27 (100 split) in the last (400 freestyle relay), which shattered our school record probably by almost four seconds," Shoemaker said. "Without Nick we couldn't have gotten two All-American relays. He certainly made the difference in our point total obviously. He was second in power points for swimmer of the meet, just right behind Josh Ehrman, who actually won it. But I think he could have swam a couple of other events and would have won them without a problem, but he wanted to swim the IM because he wanted to go against Josh, which was the number one competition in the meet. That's what he wanted to go for."

Not to be outdone was Ferrara, a senior who placed second in the 100 backstroke (50.28) to Saline's David Boland (49.75), along with a fifth in the 200 IM (1:54.54).

"He (Ferrara) did what he was going to do," Shoemaker said. "His 100 backstroke dropped a little, but his 200 IM was his most impressive going (1:53.83 in the prelims). He really upped his value scoring high in two events. The backstroke is his best and favorite event, but 200 IM helped us out quite a bit. He also had a real nice swim in the 400 freestyle relay. Both he and Nick are pivotal to our accomplishments this year."

O'Dowd, a sprint freestyler, also scored points for Stevenson with 10th-place finishes in the 50- and 100 freestyles with times of 20.96 and 47.19, respectively.

"I think only two freshmen scored in the meet and for a freshman to score in four events, and

in an All-American relay, was pretty impressive. He's probably the fastest anchor we have on our medley (relay), but because we wanted to score more points, I took him out of that medley and put Jake Goeddeke in it and we still ended up second the medley. But with Jackson in our 200 freestyle relay, we ended scoring more points in that relay, which was the difference in how high we scored.

"It was a big gamble and Jackson never said one word about it, so it was a real team commitment and he made a sacrifice for the team. Very impressive for a 14-year-old."

Also scoring for Stevenson was Grant McNamara, 10th, 100 breaststroke (59.88), Belmore, 11th in the 100 backstroke (53.47); and Tommy O'Donohue, 13th, 100 breaststroke (1:00.88).

All three are juniors. "Probably the most impressive swimmer

of the meet was Parker," Shoemaker said. "He dropped in all of his events and swam extremely well in the backstroke coming off the 200 freestyle relay. He really stepped up and put his name on the map and we really expect big things from him next year."

Next year should be more of the same for the Spartans, who lose only state qualifiers Brandon Shatter and Ferrara to graduation.

"The nice thing about it is that it just wasn't about Nick," said Shoemaker, whose team set seven school records this season. "Don't get me wrong, he made the difference, but he wasn't the only one contributed. But I just think that by him leading and by him going out in front, it built all the other ones up and made the other boys go faster, too."

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Riding a wave

Arakelian, Ferrara set swim standards

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Livonia Stevenson may never see such a dynamic duo again in boys swimming as junior Nick Arakelian and graduating senior John Ferrara.

The two were highly instrumental in the Spartans' success this season as they placed third in Saturday's MHSAA Division 1 finals held at the Holland Aquatics Center. If Arakelian, who was



Ferrara

swimming in his first high school season, was Batman, then Ferrara was his best accomplice in Robin.

Arakelian, who swam for the Kingfish Aquatic Club in last year's U.S. Olympic Trials, broke the MHSAA Division 1 mark in the 500-yard freestyle (4:27.75) and placed second to Saline's Josh

Ehrman in the 200 individual medley (1:48.22).

Ferrara, bound for Oakland University, finished runner-up in the 100 backstroke (50.28) and placed fifth in the 200 IM (1:54.54).

The two also helped Stevenson set high school All-American standard clockings in the 200 medley and 400 freestyle relays with times of 1:34.42 and 3:07.07.

Arakelian also figured in six of Stevenson's sev-

en school records set this season, while Ferrara broke his own mark in the 100 backstroke.

"I'd say I did well," Arakelian said. "The 200 IM wasn't quite where I wanted it to be, but when it came down to it, Josh (Ehrman) is a great swimmer and I have a lot of respect for him. We both trained hard and he came out on top. That's just how it is sometimes."

Arakelian certainly didn't duck the competition either as Ehrman broke an all-MHSAA class record with a time of 1:47.86.

"I knew I wanted to do the 200 IM," Arakelian said. "I knew Josh (Ehrman) and I would have a great race." This only the beginning of a busy offseason for Arakelian, who will compete this weekend (along with Ferrara) in the state club swim championships at Eastern Michigan University followed by the sectionals in Ohio, the World Championship Trials next month in Indianapolis and the U.S. Nationals at the end of August in Irvine, Calif.

He said he plans to return for another season of high school swimming at Stevenson.

"Overall, I'm really happy with it," Arake-



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Stevenson junior Nick Arakelian broke the MHSAA Division 1 record in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:27.75. He was also runner-up in the 200 IM and helped the Spartans to a pair of second-place relay finishes.

lian said of his state meet.

"Our relays swam top-notch. I was about four seconds off from my (500 freestyle) time at (USA Swimming) Nationals, so I wanted to get down there for that."

"I loved it. It was a great experience. It was great. It was a lot of fun. I loved the relays and the team atmosphere."

Arakelian, meanwhile, will probably follow the same script for his senior season at Stevenson under coach Jeff Shoemaker.

"Going into next year those two same events will be there if I need them," he said. "I'd like to maybe do more of the 100 breaststroke and maybe the 200 free. I'm not sure of maybe what events of what I'll be swimming next year at 'states.' I need to focus on the same events for another season and he (Shoemaker) will put me wherever he needs me for the dual

meets."

Ferrara, meanwhile, also plans to resume training immediately with his Livonia Community Swim Club.

But he'll also be able to look favorably upon his senior year.

"I think we did really good, we trained hard, we were very dedicated to what we did and all-around it was a good season," Ferrara said. "I think we performed well and had a lot of lifetime bests and was glad to be part of the team."

"It was a success. I'll miss the team bonding and all the friendships."

And it didn't hurt to have a national caliber swimmer in Arakelian join the team for the first time.

"I think he pushed us in practice and in meets," Ferrara said, "and provided a lot of team spirit."

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MHSAA BOYS SWIMMING DIVISION 1 MEET RESULTS
March 8-9 at Holland Aquatics Center

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Saline, 313 points; 2. Birmingham Brother Rice, 309; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 191; 4. Rockford, 163; 5. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 156; 6. Zeeland, 155.5; 7. Holland West Ottawa, 142; 8. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern, 108; 9. Hudsonville, 107; 10. Lake Orion, 87 (32 schools).

EVENT RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Saline (David Boland, Josh Ehrman, Michael Bundas, Adam Whitener), 1:30.01 (MHSAA Division 1 and all-class record); 2. Stevenson (John Ferrara, Nick Arkelian, Bradley Bielicki, Jake Goeddeke), 1:34.42.

200 freestyle: 1. Whitener (Saline), 1:38.31.

200 individual medley: 1. Ehrman (Saline), 1:47.86 (Division 1 and all-class record); 2. Arakelian (Stevenson), 1:48.22; 5. Ferrara (Stevenson), 1:54.54; 20. Parker Belmore (Stevenson), 2:01.17.

50 freestyle: 1. Bundas (Saline), 20.96; 10. Jackson O'Dowd (Stevenson), 21.72; 26. Goeddeke (Stevenson), 22.41.

1-meter diving: 1. Nick Nicoletti (Forest Hills Northern), 442.30 points.

100 butterfly: 1. Boland (Saline), 48.59 (Division 1 record).

100 freestyle: 1. Whitener (Saline), 44.65; 10. O'Dowd (Stevenson), 47.19; 38. Brandon Shatter (Stevenson), 50.20.



LINDA FERRARA

Livonia Stevenson swimmers hoist the trophy after placing third with 191 points in the MHSAA Division 1 state finals held Friday and Saturday at the Holland Aquatics Center. Saline and Birmingham Brother Rice finished one-two with 313 and 309, respectively.

500 freestyle: 1. Arakelian (Stevenson), 4:27.75 (Division 1 record); 23. Matt Laporte (Stevenson), 4:50.0; 32. Grant McNamara (Stevenson), 4:56.85.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Saline (Ehrman, Bundas, Stefan Koberl, Whitener), 1:23.92 (Division 1 record); 7. Stevenson (O'Dowd, Belmore, Shatter, Goeddeke), 1:27.46.

100 backstroke: 1. Boland (Saline), 49.75; 2. Ferrara (Stevenson), 50.28; 11. Belmore (Stevenson), 53.47; 24. Goed-

deke (Stevenson), 55.84.

100 breaststroke: 1. Ehrman (Saline), 55.31 (Division 1 and all-class record); 10. McNamara (Stevenson), 59.88; 13. Tommy O'Donohue (Stevenson), 1:00.88; 34. Justin Larkins (Livonia Franklin), 1:03.09.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Brother Rice (Gust Kouvaris, Patrick Nodland, Mark Blinstrub, Joe Krause), 3:03.78 (Division 1 and all-class record); 2. Stevenson (O'Dowd, Ferrara, Belmore, Arakelian), 3:07.07.



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Stevenson's Dominic Lutz celebrates after scoring one of his two goals in Saturday's 5-4 Division 2 state championship win over Hartland.

Skate-worthy Spartans' Lutz catalyst in state title run

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Livonia has certainly produced its fair share of standout high school hockey teams over the years — and that's going back to the days of old Bentley. But on Saturday, the 2012-13 Stevenson squad broke new ground earning its first-ever MHSAA state title with a 5-4 win over a very determined Hartland squad Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

This is the first year that all three Livonia schools — Churchill, Franklin and Stevenson — have all been in Division 2 instead of Division 1. That's because of all the unified hockey programs that have proliferated throughout the state even though Stevenson's enrollment remains steady at 2,005 students.

And even with the surprising switch to Division 2, Stevenson played a demanding Division 1-type schedule throughout the regular season, which included a win and a tie over Division 1 state finalists Novi Detroit Catholic Central and Brighton, along with losses to Division 1 semifinalist University of Detroit-Jesuit and Division 3 finalist Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

So when the state playoffs started, the Spartans were well prepared to make their move.

And they definitely seized the opportunity. "Again, this team talked about at the beginning of the year that we're the 43rd year of high school hockey in Livonia and we're the 43rd team in Stevenson history," said a raspy-voiced Stevenson coach David Mitchell. "This is the first chance a Livonia school has had a chance to play in the state final and to get it done... this is not just for Stevenson, but all high school hockey in

Livonia. We've had some great teams and some great kids go through our program and to do that is very special. Hopefully the whole community can enjoy this."

Hartland, the KLAA's Lakes Conference champs, had other ideas despite being an underdog to the Spartans, who were ranked No. 1 a majority of the year in Division 2.

"They played an outstanding game and I want to congratulate them on an exceptional season for them," Mitchell said of the Eagles. "It was also their first appearance in the state finals. I think you saw two high school hockey programs really take a step forward today. We're both from the KLAA so it's great for our league."

Stevenson was the odds-on favorite, but it was a game that took many twists and turns throughout the three periods.

"I don't know how the scoring was going to be, but I knew it'd be a close game, though," said Stevenson start junior forward Dominic Lutz, who paced the Spartans with 43 goals this season. "Every time one team would score, the other would come back. It was a rally back-and-forth until it finally evened out towards the end there."

The second period as a head scratcher for sure as six goals were scored between the two teams.

"There were upsides for both teams in different parts of the game," Hartland coach Rich Gadwa said. "That second period was wild — absolutely. I think going into the third we popped an early one and created a lot of momentum. We were really pushing there at the end, caught crossbars, posts and good saves by their goaltender (Connor Humitz). We just couldn't buy that tying goal. We weathered

a good storm there at the end.

"Good job Stevenson and Hartland."

The Spartans' standout defenseman Travis Harvey, who along with Lutz tallied two goals in the championship final, knew it would come down to defense.

And the Spartans were able to keep Hartland off the board during the final 16 minutes and 46 seconds after Chris McRae's goal cut the deficit to 5-4.

"He (Mitchell) just said we just got to keep playing and focus on getting it deep," Lutz said. "We didn't need any more to win, we just needed to keep the puck out of our own end. It was unfortunate they got a goal right off the bat, but no one got down and we kept playing. We were fortunate to get the 'W' at the end."

There were many heroes throughout the season for the Spartans, but Lutz, despite only being a junior, certainly belongs among the upper echelon of high school players to come out of Livonia.

And it's his laser-like shot that separates him from rest of the pack.

"He has the shot because of his work ethic," Mitchell said. "The kid shoots more pucks than anybody I've ever had. He's developed a shot because of how hard he works. His work ethic is second to none and the other guys in this program feed off that work ethic. He challenges me to continue to work and he always challenges me to be busy and to keep doing better. So, as coaches, we don't hold him back. I'm just so happy for him that all hard work paid off today."

A happy day for Lutz, his teammates, coaches, fellow Stevenson students, alumni and Livonia for sure.

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State quality 3 area gymnasts earn All-State honors

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For Livonia Red senior Katie Kretzschmar and Livonia Blue senior Jamie Jasinski, the MHSAA Individual Girls Gymnastics finals Saturday at Plymouth was icing on the cake.

And for Livonia Blue freshman Bri Rhoad, it's only just the beginning. Kretzschmar came up with two All-State (top 10) performances in Division 1 placing eight on the balance beam (9.275) and 10th on the uneven parallel bars (9.075).

She also added Academic All-State honors to her resume.

"Katie is a dedicated and very hard worker and I knew she could place," Livonia Red coach Kelly Grodzicki said. "Competition was very tough. There are many great gymnasts and the talent is amazing, so Katie knew she had to focus and hit her routines and she did just that."

Rhoad, meanwhile, showed her versatility in Division 2 finishing seventh in the all-around (35.425), including an All-State performance in vault (9.25) where she took sixth. She also just missed on floor exercise with an 11th (9.125).

"I'm proud of Bri for going out there and leaving nothing behind," Livonia Blue coach Lisa Broomfield said. "She is a growing gymnast and making it to 'states' her freshman year and placing on vault, and in the all-around, I could not be happier for her."

Meanwhile, Jasinski also took Division 2 All-State honors on the balance beam placing seventh with a 9.075.

"I'm very proud of my senior Jamie on her first appearance at 'states' and having the best routine I have ever seen her do," Broomfield said. "Her placing at 'states' made that routine even more special. She worked hard to get there and she

shined that day."

MHSAA INDIVIDUAL GYMNASTICS MEET AREA FINISHERS March 9 at Plymouth H.S.

DIVISION 1
Vault: 1. Ashley Hextall (Pinckney), 9.65; uneven bars: 1. Kylie Dudek (Coldwater), 9.8; 10. Katie Kretzschmar (Livonia Red), 9.075; balance beam: 1. Jocelyn Moraw (Canton), 9.55; 9. Kretzschmar (Livonia Red), 9.275; floor exercise: 1. Rachel Hogan (Grand Ledge), 9.8; all-around: 1. Christina Shabet (Troy), 37.70.

DIVISION 2
Vault: 1. Erica Lucas (Canton), 9.525; 6. Bri Rhoad (Livonia Blue), 9.25; 12. Marissa McVey (Livonia Red), 9.1; 19. Maggie McGowan (Livonia Red), 8.95; uneven bars: 1. Emma Abessinio (Grosse Pointe United), 9.075; 25. (tie) Emily Chatterjee (Livonia Blue) and Rhoad (Livonia Blue), 8.2 each; 34. (tie) McVey (Livonia Red), 7.9; balance beam: 1. Presley Allison (Grand Ledge), 9.675; 7. Jamie Jasinski (Livonia Blue), 9.075; 14. (tie) Rhoad (Livonia Blue), 8.85; 40. McVey (Livonia Red), 7.625; floor exercise: 1. Allison (Grand Ledge), 9.7; 11. Rhoad (Livonia Blue), 9.125; 38. McVey (Livonia Red), 8.6; all-around: 1. Allison (Grand Ledge), 37.875; 7. Rhoad (Blue), 35.425; 24. McVey (Livonia Red), 33.225.

Livonia Red finishes 7th in MHSAA finals

By Brad Emons
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Livonia Red, an at-large qualifier, made a strong showing in Friday's MHSAA team gymnastics finals at Plymouth.

Grand Ledge captured its sixth consecutive team title with a total of 149.350 followed by Canton and Farmington with 145.750 and 141.475, respectively, each.

Other area team placers included Plymouth, fifth (139.875); Livonia Red, seventh (138.575); and Salem, 11th (136.600).

"Myself and the team were elated to make it to the state finals and finish seventh," Livonia Red

coach Kelly Grodzicki said.

Katie Kretzschmar was Red's top individual performer with scores of 9.35 (uneven bars) and 9.2 (balance beam).

"Katie's bars and beam for the were very strong," Grodzicki said.

Competing in the in the all-around was Marissa McVey and Shannon Diaz.

McVey's scores included 9.0 (vault), 8.3 (bars), 8.35 (beam) and 8.85 (floor exercise), while Diaz went 8.475 on vault; 8.55 on bars; 8.775 on beam; and 8.875 on floor.

Sydney Grenier contributed an 8.65 on vault, 8.1 on beam and 8.625 on floor.

Jackie Dzuirgot also competed in three events including vault (8.75); Bars (7.8) and 8.35 (floor).

Other scorers included Julia Twigg, vault (8.85); Callie Moran, floor (8.35); Maggie McGowan, bars (8.0); and Mallory Dorton, beam (6.25).

An injury kept McGowan out of three events.

"Despite this, the girls stepped up and really performed," Grodzicki said. "We got top performance on vault from McVey, Dzuirgot and Twigg. Grenier and Diaz also performed well on the floor."

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Goodrich zips around Ladywood 66-40

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It appears defending state Class B girls champion Goodrich still has plenty of tread left on the tires.

The Martians ran over Livonia Ladywood Tuesday night, ending the Blazers' best state tournament run since 1992 with a 66-40 quarterfinal victory before a large turnout at Lake Fenton High School.

Getting a game-high 26 points from 5-foot-5 sophomore guard Tania Davis, Goodrich improved to 23-3 overall and will face 24-1 Grand Rapids South Christian in the state semifinals beginning at 7:50 p.m. Friday at Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

Three other Martian players scored in dou-

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ble figures including Taylor Gleason (14), Isabella O'Brien (11) and Jessica Ashby (10).

"We just didn't have it," said Ladywood coach Anthony Coratti, whose team finished 17-8 overall. "We moved the ball pretty well, got open shots, but had a hard time putting it in the basket."

Goodrich led 18-9 after one quarter and 38-19 at halftime as Davis scored 18.

The Martians then put it out of reach with a 13-4 third-period run to go up 51-23.

Three players accounted for all of Ladywood's points with senior guards Shelby Walsh and Andie Anastos scoring 18 and 17, respectively. Senior Andria Gietl

added five points, while Anastos grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds.

"Andie did a pretty good job on Gleason, but the Davis kid killed us," Coratti said. "She was able to get where she wanted. She played very well, she made shots. She's only a sophomore, but she's a big-timer."

Goodrich made 18-of-26 free throws, while the Blazers hit 4-of-6.

"The group of seven seniors had an amazing four years," Coratti said. "I'm extremely lucky as a coach to have been able to work with them those four years. I couldn't be prouder of a group of kids as far as where they've come from and to where they've gotten themselves."

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it a one-goal game again with an unassisted effort at 9:56 of the second.

But Chartier's drive from the left point was redirected off an Eagle player to put Stevenson back on top by two again, 5-3, at 12:48.

"We would rather not play that way," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "We'd rather play a little more defensive and shut things down, but these guys next to me — when they see opportunities — they tend to go. We saw some opportunities and took some, but give Hartland credit in the world because once we started looking for goals,

they caught us. They turned around and buried some of their own."

Although Stevenson held a 40-29 shots on goal advantage, it was no piece of cake as Hartland (19-9-2) made things interesting just 14 seconds into the third period when Chris McRae notched his second goal of the game to cut the deficit to 5-4.

The Spartans' intention was to clamp down defensively entering the third.

"That was the game plan coming out, but they (Hartland) kind of changed our game plan a little bit because they got that early goal," Mitchell said. "Everybody says that two-goal lead is not the best to have in hockey."

"They (Hartland) do a very good job of moving the puck and creating opportunities. We knew this coming in. We knew it was going to be a hockey game and it was. I think was a little more entertaining than we would have liked, but good entertaining hockey game."

Ironically, McRae's second goal was the last of the game as the Spartans were able to fend off the Eagles, who were also making their first-ever state finals appearance.

After fighting off a Stevenson power play, Hartland made one last-ditch effort in an attempt to tie the game. The Eagles called timeout with 2:21 left and pulled Wineka for the extra attacker in the final minute, but

couldn't tally the equalizer.

"They forechecked hard and we just got puck deep, get it out," Harvey said. "Mitchell just tells us get puck out, glass it because no one is going to be us on offense. We committed to block shots, take it, play over the pain and it was going to be worth it all in the end."

Stevenson held a 12-9 shot advantage in the final period.

"It definitely wasn't in the game plan to get in a shootout with them," Hartland coach Rick Gadwa said. "But it's a 5-4 championship game, the crowd is screaming, you can't ask for a better game, I don't think."

"That was typical Hartland right there. A lot of games we'd fall behind

and have to battle back. Sometimes we finished on top and sometimes we didn't. You talk about matching lines — our top line matched their top line. They went goal-for-goal. At the end it comes down to a bounce here and there and they (Stevenson) finished with the last good bounce. It was a solid effort both ways."

In the Spartans' six-game run to the title, the 3-2 double-overtime quarterfinal victory over Ann Arbor Pioneer may have been the defining moment.

"We got pressured by a good Ann Arbor Pioneer team so we were comfortable in this situation," Mitchell said. "Whereas last time we weren't as comfortable. The team learns and they

learned today. We stayed relaxed, we stayed calm and we had a lot of chances to get that sixth goal. We didn't get it, but we hung on."

For Stevenson, it was a jubilant post-game celebration as players and coaches mobbed each other.

And afterward, Mitchell was still beaming during the postgame press conference.

"It's been a process for us all year," the Stevenson coach said. "We're a family and better than that, we're more than a family, and I couldn't be happier for the Stevenson administration and the alumni, and the whole Livonia community."

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Crusaders' Gooding NAAIA hurler of week

Livonia's Jeremy Gooding and Canton's Dan Stoney combined to keep Avila University (Mo.) out of the hit column as the Madonna University baseball team closed its 2013 spring trip with a sweep at the RussMatt Central Florida Invitational at Lake Myrtle Park.

The Crusaders took the opener, 2-1, followed by the no-hitter in an 8-0 victory to improve to 12-5 overall.

Gooding (3-0), a right-hander from Dearborn Divine Child, went the first six innings for MU, walking five while striking out nine before giving

way to Stoney.

The Canton right-hander allowed the lead-off runner to reach, but struck out the final two batters to compete the first MU no-hitter since the 2008 season.

Victor Barron and Steve Pelletier (Farmington Harrison) led MU's 15-hit attack each going 3-for-4.

Alex Charles and Justin Cook contributed two hits apiece, while Shane Dokey and Barron each knocked in three runs.

Gooding was also named NAAIA National Pitcher of the Week after finishing 2-0, including a 3-2 victory over No. 6-ranked Point Park (Pa.)

University on March 4.

In that game, Gooding allowed two runs on four hits and only one walk while striking out a season-high 10.

Meanwhile, in Game One, MU scored a run in the bottom of the sixth to break a 1-1 tie and pull off a 2-1 win.

Matthew Cook (2-1) threw a complete game for the Crusaders, striking out eight while allowing just a pair of base hits and one walk.

Dokey and Justin Cook combined for four of MU's six hits, while Barron collected the lone RBI.

Avila falls to 7-3 overall.

MU softball back home sub-.500

The Madonna University women's softball team split a pair of games Saturday to wind up 8-10 on its spring trip at the Tucson (Ariz.) Invitational Games at Lincoln Park.

Erin Mayes (2-for-4) and Emma Cook each knocked in two runs, while Bree Crampton pitched a four-hit, complete-game shutout in an 8-0 victory Saturday over

Purdue North Central (Ind.).

Crampton struck out seven and did not allow a walk in seven innings to even her record at 4-4.

Karleigh Creighton (North Farmington) also added two hits.

The loss dropped North Central to 1-3.

In the nightcap, Carly Land held the Crusaders to five hits over seven innings as No. 22-ranked

William Penn (Ia.) rolled to an 8-2 win.

Molly Miller went 2-for-4 with three RBI for William Penn (11-6), while Arielle Cox had two hits in a losing cause.

Crampton, the losing pitcher, allowed five earned runs on five hits and five walks in 2.2 innings before giving way to Carlee Meek, who worked the final 3.1 innings.

HOOPS

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Graves, ironically, spent her ninth-grade fall semester at King before transferring to Glenn.

"Maybe I still had the little butterflies in my stomach, but after that it was over," she said of the slow start. "I played with some of the King players in AAU basically my whole life, so it was good playing against them. Actually, when I heard we were playing King, the idea was to beat them since I did come from there, so it was good."

Both Graves and Raven Bankston managed to stay in the game despite each picking up their fourth fouls late in the third quarter. Meanwhile, the third-quarter surge may have been a defining moment for Graves, according to Kovatch.

"I've been waiting for ShaKeya to do that ever since she came to Glenn," he said. "She's an incredible ballplayer. There's nobody I'd rather have the ball in her hand. She's a key player and she did it when it counted. I told her during one of those timeouts, 'This is your time, now's the time, now or never,' and she went after it."

King's Marté Grays shared game-high scoring honors with Graves scoring 22 points, while Antania Hayes and LaQuita Hart added nine each.

The No. 1-ranked Crusaders, however, went 1-for-7 from the field and committed four turnovers in the final quarter while being outscored 11-4.

And to make matters worse, King went only 8-of-22 from the foul line. "Our free throws were amiss and we had been



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John Glenn's Raven Bankston tries to maintain the ball and her balance between Detroit King defenders Antania Hayes (left) and Janae Williams in Tuesday's Class A quarterfinal.

shooting better free throws better than that," said King coach William Winfield, whose team finished 24-1 overall. "But tonight just wasn't our night. We missed a ton of chip shots. Especially in the second half, we just couldn't finish around the basket. And that was the difference in the ballgame, really."

"We have no regrets. We had an outstanding year. Hopefully John Glenn can move forward and win the state championship."

It's unclear whether Barnes, one of the Rockets' four key guards, will be able to play full minutes against Grand Haven. She played briefly at the end of the first half against King, but sat out the entire second half.

"Against (Dearborn

Heights) Crestwood she tweaked her knee a little bit and we're just not comfortable with her lateral movement," Kovatch said. "We're looking to get her a scholarship and we don't want to put her out there where she can injure it more. So we're taking it day-by-day, game-by-game."

Filling in admirably in Barnes' absence was 5-5 junior guard India Gliespie-Perdue, perhaps the team's best on-the-ball defender.

"She (Gliespie-Perdue) did a good job for her not to be a scorer," Raven Bankston said. "With our point-guard out she did a real good job and I'm proud of her. "We were determined, that's all I'll say."

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THE WEEK AHEAD

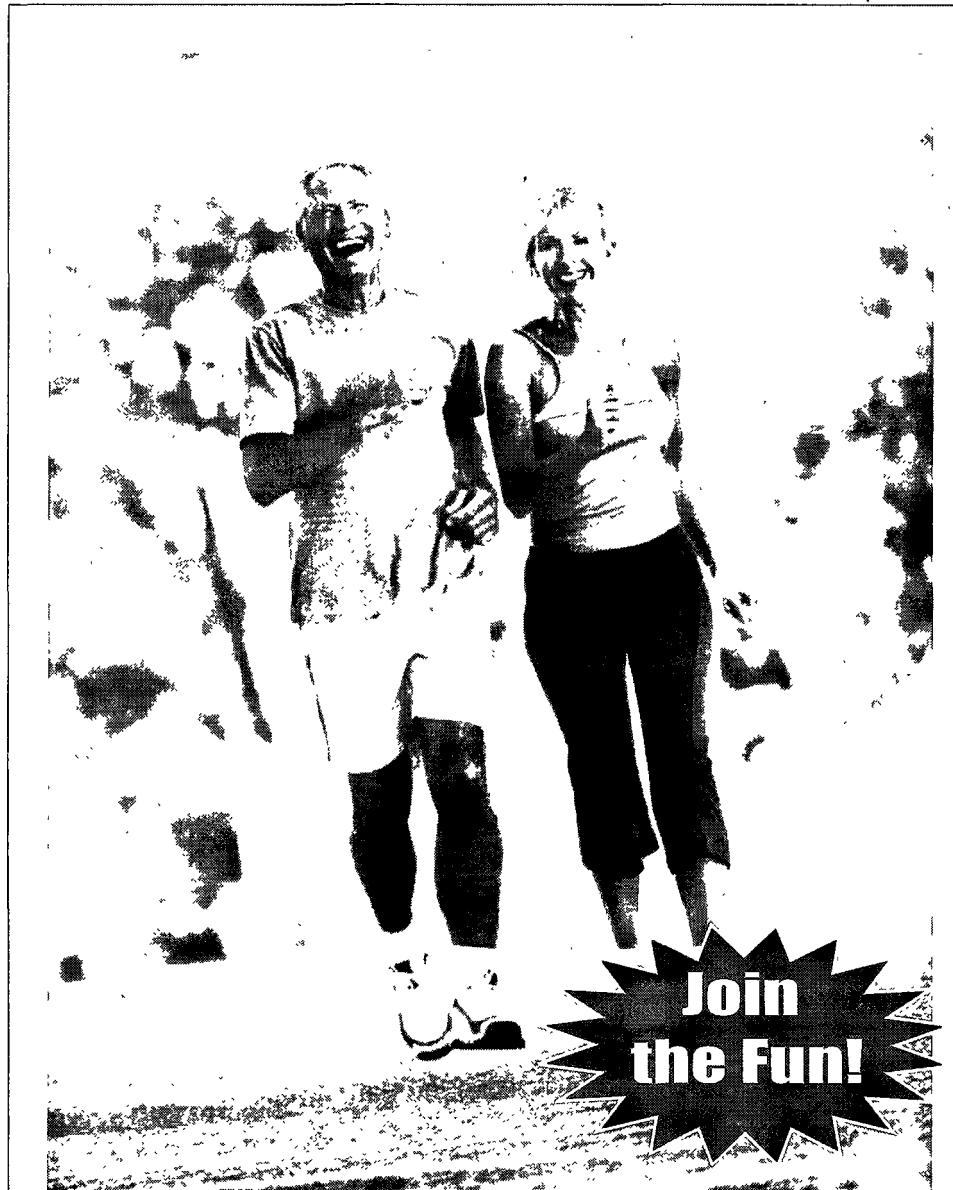
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MHSAA SEMIFINALS
CLASS A
at MSU's BRESLIN CENTER
Friday, March 15: Westland John Glenn (24-1) vs. Grand Haven (26-0), 1 p.m.; Grosse Pointe South (24-1) vs. Dexter (23-3),

2:50 p.m.
(Winners advance to the state championship final, noon Saturday, March 16 at MSU's Breslin Center.)

COLLEGE BASEBALL
Saturday, March 16
Madonna at Aquinas (2), 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 17
Madonna at Aquinas (2), 1 p.m.
COLLEGE SOFTBALL
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Speaker shares story of rediscovering her Catholic faith

St. Michael the Archangel Parish continues the fourth season of its series, "Why Be Catholic," at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 21 with guest speaker Kathleen Crombie, director of minority outreach for Right to Life Michigan.

She'll share the story of rediscovering the fullness and truth of her faith.

Of her "awakening," Crombie says, "Sometimes God allows us to see his hand in life-changing ways. We prayed for my son to be healed physically and God granted a miracle. The unexpected bonus round was my own spiritual conversion and healing at the same time — conversion and healing that I didn't even know I needed."

Since rediscovering her faith, Crombie, who has bachelor of science degree in speech from Northern Michigan University and a master's

degree in organizational communication and public relations from Wayne State University, has become wholeheartedly committed to the pro-life movement, completed a two-year study of Theology of the Body through the Cardinal Maida Institute, co-founded the first Fatima Family Apostolate Married Marian Couples prayer group in Michigan. She also serves on the board of directors for the Divine Mercy Center in Eastpointe, and is an accomplished iconographer.

St. Michael's is located at 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, between Farmington Road and Merriman, in Livonia. No charge or reservations are required to attend. For more information including the availability of child care, call (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200, or see www.livoniastmichael.org.

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March

BETHANY

Time/Date: 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, March 30
Location: Don Hubert VFW Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft, east of Inkster, Redford

Details: Bethany, an organization serving Catholics and other Christians, offers a singles dance. Tickets are \$13. Beer, wine, pop, snacks and coffee are included
Contact: (586) 264-0284

BRUNCH

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m., Sunday, March 24
Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills
Details: Palm Sunday brunch will be served

between the 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services
Contact: (248) 553-3380

CLASSES

Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m., Thursday, March 14

Location: Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills

Details: All classes are open to the public. A \$5 donation is suggested. Refreshments will be served at a 7 p.m. social gathering. Classes for the evening include "Secrets, Fantasies and Intimacy - Rekindling the Bond" with Julea Merlin; "Make Your Organization More Efficient Using Google Docs" (for MS Word/Excel users), with Chuck Eglinton; and "Fiction and Fact: Stories and Reality about the Holocaust" with author Susanna Plontek and her husband, Guy Stern

Contact: (248) 478-7272; www.uuFarmington.org

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GOUGH, JEROME R.

Age 72, of Livonia, passed away March 5, 2013. Arrangements by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.



KNIGHT, CHRISTOPHER BRUCE

47, of Plymouth passed away March 11, 2013 after a courageous nearly two year battle with cancer. Beloved husband of Susan (Miller) for 18 years. Dear father of daughters Kylie and Alyssa. Son of Pamela (Randy) Webster and Gordon (Kathy) Knight. Brother of Kelly (Robert) Webster. Son-in-law of Gary (Janice) Miller. Chris also leaves behind many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews as well as many, many friends. Chris was preceded in death by his cousin Jason Rambo and grandfather Gene Bischof. Chris graduated from Canton High School in 1983 and attended Eastern Michigan University. Chris remained in Plymouth/Canton and built a successful real estate business. Chris' love of Plymouth and the Plymouth community inspired his commitment to the growth and success of the downtown area. Chris' career spanned 28 years during which for many years Chris was the top Coldwell Banker sales agent in the Midwest. In 2011 his sales team achieved the status of #1 Coldwell Banker sales team in the nation. Chris' greatest love was spending time with his family, friends and watching his daughters play soccer. His many loves included golf, spending time at his cottage in Charlevoix, traveling and cheering on the UoM football team. There will be a Funeral Mass Friday (March 15, 2013) 10:30AM at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth, with visitation at church beginning at 10AM. Friends may also visit Thursday 4-9PM at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. Memorials in Chris' name may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital or Arbor Hospice. Share memories at schrader-howell.com

ROSSO, THERESA ANN

Age 54, of Farmington, passed away March 10, 2013. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.



MESZAROS, JR., ALEX J.

March 9, 2013, age 70 of Plymouth. Beloved husband of Carol. Loving father of Greg (Diane), Tracy (Jeffery) Smith and Mark (Julie). Dear grandfather of Zachary, Haley, Austin and Tristan. Also leaves one brother Paul. Funeral Service will be held Tuesday at First Methodist Church of Plymouth. Arrangements handled by Vermeulen Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Association. To share a memory with the family, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com



WRIGHT, BEVERLY ANN

Of Canton, died March 7, 2013. Memorial will be held at a later date. www.davidbrownfh.com



STOOPS, BEVERLY ELAINE

Born June 12, 1922 - Died March 11, 2013

Beverly E. Stoops, nee Martin, age 90, born in Pleasanton Township (Bear Lake), Manistee Co.; Michigan on June 12, 1922 passed away March 11, 2013. Beverly was a resident of Plymouth Township, Michigan. Loving wife of the late John Stoops for 66 years. Dearest mother of Gwendolyn (William) McCann of Auburn Hills, Michigan, Martin (Char) Stoops of Waterford, Michigan and Brent (Debbie) Stoops of Plymouth, Michigan. Proud grandmother of Janyl (Brian) Finnerty of Sudbury, MA, Jennifer (Kenneth) Schrock of Austin, TX, Tracy (James) Tackett of Waterford, MI, Jason (Kristin) Stoops of Northville, MI, and Matthew (Jessica) Stoops of Livonia, MI. Great grandmother of Katherine, Alexandra, and Brendan Finnerty, Lauryn, Trevor, Dylan, and Logan Schrock, Alexander Helzer, Gabriella, Sophia and Charles Stoops, and Ella and Jackson Stoops. Sister of Donna (Bud) Guthard of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Beverly graduated from Bear Lake High School in 1940 and married John Stoops in Pleasanton Twp, MI in 1941. John and Beverly settled in Detroit in 1941, and later lived in Farmington, MI, Bloomfield Hills, MI and Naples, FL. Beverly was a dedicated wife of 66 years to John Stoops, and a loving mother. She cherished her time spent with her grandchildren and great grandchildren, and was proud of their accomplishments. Beverly enjoyed traveling the world, playing golf, entertaining, solving crossword puzzles, watching the Tigers, and playing Pinochle. Visitation will be Thursday 5-9pm, Friday 1-9pm, and Rosary 7pm Friday at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, in state on Saturday 9:30am at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth with a funeral mass at 10:00am. Entombment at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia, Michigan. Memorials may be made to the Plymouth Police Officers Association Benevolent Fund, Attn: Matthew Stoops, at 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. To share a memory with the family, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com



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St. Patrick's Day celebration draws all ages for music, food, dance

By Sharon Dargay
 Staff Writer

Mick Gavin hopes you'll attend the annual St. Patrick's Day party Sunday, March 17, at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland.

But if you want to stop by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra concert in Detroit first, that's okay with him, too.

"My son, Sean, is playing with the symphony at Orchestra Hall," said Gavin, a Redford resident and member of the Crossroads Ceili Band, which is set to play at the Hellenic Center in Westland.

His son will play flute and Devin Shepherd will be on fiddle. Both men are members of the band, Bua, which performs traditional Irish songs.

"They are playing *Wheels of the World* with the symphony. It's an Irish classic. And they're playing *Mist Covered Mountains*, which is another Irish piece," Gavin said. "The symphony is over at 5 p.m. You can be back (in Westland) to catch the Arden School of Dance at 6 p.m. and supper and a lot more music."

The symphony concert starts at 3 p.m. on St. Patrick's Day, Sunday, March 17, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets start at \$14 and are available at www.dso.org or call (313) 576-5111.

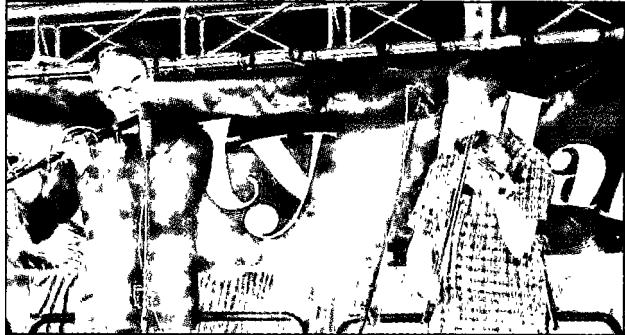
The 29th annual Saint Patrick's Day Irish Fest runs 2 p.m.-9 p.m. Sunday, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road. Admission is \$10 and children under 12 are admitted at no charge. In addition to Gavin and the Crossroads Ceili Band, entertainment will include The Conor O'Neill's session group, Eddie McGlinchey, Colin Paige, Ray Maguire, members of the Ardan and O'Hare schools of Irish dance, piper Calum MacNeill and the Dolowy family of Plymouth.

"It's an hour earlier this year," Gavin said, noting the start time. "I thought it would be nice for seniors and families who want to come in and have lunch."

With four balladeers



Ella, (left) Dermott, Bridget and Duggan, all members of the Dolowy family of Plymouth, will play at the 29th annual Saint Patrick's Day Irish Fest in Westland. That's Mick Gavin (left) and Lance Wagner in the back row.



Sean Gavin (left) and Devin Shepherd, both from the Irish band, Bua, will play with the Detroit Symphony on Sunday, March 17. Gavin's father, Mick, will play with his own band that same day at the Hellenic Center in Westland.



Dancers from the Arden School of Dance will perform Sunday, March 17, at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland.

performing, the crowd, which will include revelers from as far away as Flint, Lansing and Ohio, can expect to hear more ballads this year. Dance performances are set for 3:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. and pipers will play at 4 p.m. There's also a dance floor for attendees who want to take a quick step or waltz to the music.

"We usually have a lot of kids out there. They love to dance. The kids get to socialize with each other and run around and be a part of the party. We get babies to grandmas and grandpas. The

whole family comes. They enjoy the food and the music. It's a cultural celebration. And it's an opportunity to celebrate the arrival of Christianity in Ireland," Gavin said, referring to St. Patrick, who preached in Ireland. The Saint Patrick's Day Irish Fest runs through 9 p.m. Corned beef and cabbage dinners, Irish Stew, hot dogs and a cash bar will be available. For more information call (313) 537-3489.

For more local St. Patrick's Day events, visit the *Observer's* entertainment listing at www.hometownlife.com.

GET OUT!

Arts Crafts

BIRMINGHAM GALLERY

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, through March 15

Location: 33772 Woodward Ave., Birmingham

Details: The show, "Katerland," features paintings by Kate Paul of Livonia

Contact: (248) 792-3375

CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: Artist reception is 6-9 p.m., Thursday, March 14; exhibit runs through April 12

Location: In the Costick Center lobby, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Works by Farmington Hills resident, Bob Aikins

Contact: Aikins at www.AikinsAviationArt.com; (248) 473-1800 for Costick Center

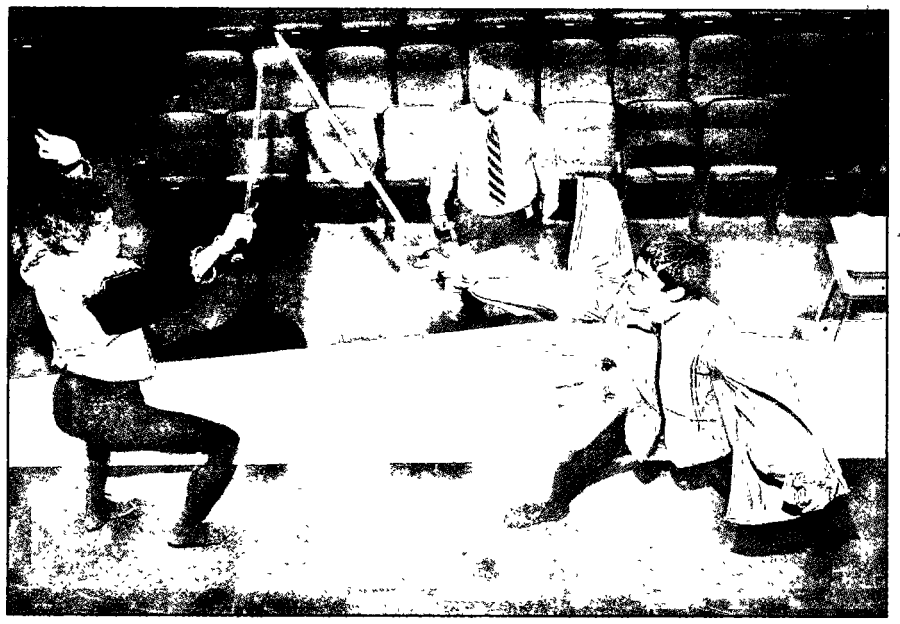
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Hamlet (Joey Kulling of Livonia) and Laertes (Sean Thomas of Northville) watched by Professor Jason Kallas, who is supervising fight scenes in the play.

'Hamlet' revised

Schoolcraft College Theater Department stages understandable Shakespeare

By Sharon Dargay
 Staff Writer

To be or not to be afraid of Shakespeare?

You won't have to ask yourself that question if you watch James Hartman's edited version of *Hamlet*, which begins a three-weekend run March 22 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"I expect that when we do Shakespeare, people are afraid of it. If they come to see my edited version they'd love it," said Hartman, professor of theater and drama at the college. "If any Shakespeare scholars were to see my play, they'd know editing was done, but they'd know the entire story is there and it makes sense."

That's because Hartman, who has edited seven other of Shakespeare's plays, carefully considered every word as he worked to make the language in the play more accessible to the audience. He began revising *Hamlet* five years ago, took a break half way through to edit *Romeo and Juliet* — which he staged in 2012 — and then returned to *Hamlet* last year. He finished the revision in June last year, but figures he re-edited it six or seven more times over the summer. With all of his revised Shakespeare plays he also has tweaked the script after each rehearsal.

"I was able to see what worked on stage and what didn't every night while in rehearsal. I thoroughly enjoy doing that."

Hartman stresses that he maintains the Shakespearean-style language in the plays.

"It's not modern language. I replace pronouns with nouns because sometimes when you hear 'he,' 'she,' 'it,' or 'they,' you may not remember what it's referring back to," he explained.

Editing techniques

In *Hamlet*, he replaced some words, particularly those Shakespeare "made up" and that are difficult to understand, with language that conveys information more clearly. He also



At right, Joey Kulling, of Livonia, plays Hamlet. Left, alas, it's Yorick.



Ronya Mallad of Canton, is the doomed Ophelia.

'HAMLET'

When: 6:30 p.m. dinner, followed by 8 p.m. show, Friday-Saturday, March 22-23 and April 5-6; 8 p.m. show only, April 12-13

Where: Dinner is served in the VisTaT-ech Center, with the show in the Liberal Arts Theatre, both on the Schoolcraft College campus, located on Haggerty between Seven Mile and Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The Theatre Department stages an edited version of Shakespeare's "Hamlet." James Hartman considered every word in the script as he made the language more understandable. Tickets for the dinner theater performances are \$24 per person. Tickets for the theater-only performances are \$12 per person

Contact: Get tickets at the college bookstore on the main campus or call (734) 462-4596

broke long sentences into two or three to make the script easier to follow. He reduced multiple metaphors into the few "most powerful or most beautiful."

"If you've ever read a contemporary edition, usually at the side (of the script)

there are tons of notes. I've taken what would have been notes and I have inserted the note into the line, making it sound like the actual line. Or I've taken the information and made an appositive in the line. It makes it so clear. In some cases where Shakespeare did not supply a subject or verb, I did."

Hartman's editing also shortened the play. He has watched a performance of the full script at Stratford, Ont., Canada that ran three hours and 45 minutes. His version of *Hamlet* will run about two and a half hours, including a 10-minute intermission.

With opening night little more than a week away, Hartman, who had been sidelined with health issues during two weeks of rehearsal, is working quickly to ready lighting, sound and programs. Jason Kallas, an English teacher at the college, ran a few of the rehearsals in Hartman's absence.

"I will take over the rest of the play now. He'll stay on as fight choreographer."

The first two weekends of *Hamlet* include dinner at the college. The final weekend is show only. Get tickets from the bookstore on the main campus or call (734) 462-4596.

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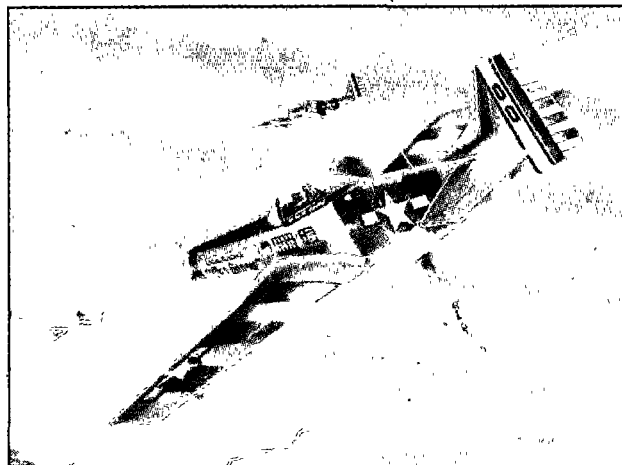
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday, through March 26

Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: Works by the Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild.

Contact: (734) 394-5308

LIBERTY STREET



Aviation art by Robert Aikin of Farmington Hills is on display through April 12 at the Costick Center in Farmington Hills. Meet Aikin at a reception, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, March 14, at the Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile.

BREW PUB

Time/Date: Exhibit through March 30; pub hours are 3 p.m.-midnight, Monday-Thursday; 3 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday; 11 a.m.-1 a.m. Saturday; and noon-midnight, Sunday

Location: 149 W. Liberty St., Plymouth; Upper Hall Gallery

Details: Second annual group show by Art Circle Six. This year's show features the artist challenge "Icons, Myths and Legends"

Contact: (734) 207-9600

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through March 30

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: Works by Dennis Michael Jones of Plymouth. The artist integrates words and objects into simple

images

Contact: (248) 344-0497

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and during public events, through March 31

Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: "Miracles Among Us," consists of works by Nick Bair

Contact: (734) 416-4278

Auditions

INSPIRE THEATRE

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 19

Location: 33445 Warren Road, Westland

Details: Looking for at seven men and four women between the ages 16 and 75 for "The Foreigner." This is a cold reading. Ar-

rive a few minutes early and plan to stay the entire audition time. The show dates are May 31, June 1-2 and 7-8

Contact: inspiretheatre.com; (734) 751-7057

Film

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, March 17 and Thursday, March 21, and 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 16-17

Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth

Details: "The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey," \$3

Coming up: Premiere Screening of "Love and Honor," 8 p.m., Friday, March 22 includes a Q and A with Jim Burnstein, screenwriter/producer, Patrick Olson, producer, Danny Mooney, director, and Eddie Rubin, executive producer. Tickets are \$25 and proceeds will benefit Friends of the Penn. Order tickets by calling the Penn or e-mailing to info@friendsofthepenn.org. "The Guilt Trip," runs 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, March 23; 4:50 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, March 24; and 7 p.m. Thursday, March 28. "Hop," a 2001 animated film, screens 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 29-30

Contact: (734) 453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. March 22 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. March 23

Location: 17350 Lahser, Detroit

Details: "Easter Parade," starring Judy Garland and Fred Astaire; \$4

Coming up: Three Stooges Festival, featuring the films "Women Haters," "Movie Maniacs," "Disorder in the Court," "False Alarms," "Mutts to You," and "Three Missing Links," 8 p.m. April 5 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. April 6; tickets are \$5

Contact: (313) 537-2560; www.redfordtheatre.com

WESTLAND MJR

Time/Date: "Rise of the Guardians," March 16-17

Location: 6800 N. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Free to children, 12 and under; adults pay \$1. No advance ticket sales

Contact: (734) 298-2657

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

Time/Date: 5:15 p.m. reception, 6 p.m. film, Thursday, March 21

Location: U-M Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn

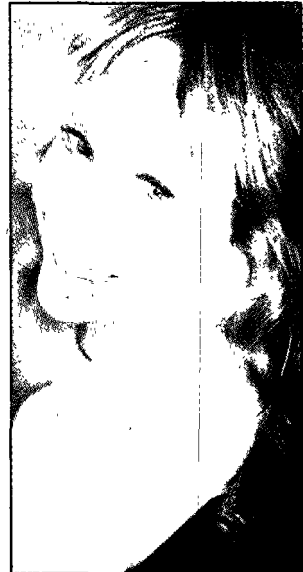
Details: See a special screening of the Academy Award nominated documentary, "The Invisible War," a film that exposes the epidemic of sexual assault in the military

Contact: (313) 583-6445 or womensresourcecenter@umd.umich.edu

Music

BASELINE FOLK SOCIETY

Time/Date: Sign up for open mic, 6:15-6:45 p.m.; performances, 7 p.m., the third Saturday of the month. Next event is Satur-



Susan Tobocman performs with Cliff Monear Trio March 26 at Jazz at the Elks in Plymouth.

day, March 16

Location: The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: The group celebrates St. Patrick's Day Eve with featured performer, Hammer Harmony, a group that plays penny whistle, glockenspiel, hammer dulcimer and other instruments. John Delle-Monache, singer, songwriter and guitarist, will host the show, which will include 10 open mic performances along with the featured act. Admission is \$5. Individual and family annual memberships also are available

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Hatch a delicious brunch with egg recipes

Spring is an exciting time filled with new life and bright colors blooming both in the garden and in the kitchen. Inspired by these hues and flavors, the experts in the McCormick Kitchens have developed a collection of recipes and tips for spring gatherings with a special focus on a star ingredient of the season — the egg.

Celebrate eggs by creating a delicious menu with warm cinnamon and bold mustard to wake up the flavors in savory dishes such as brunch casseroles and deviled eggs. Play up eggs in colorful fresh baked treats paired with lemon, almond and vanilla extracts.

Once the menu is finalized, use these tips and ideas from the McCormick Kitchens to simplify your at-home gatherings:

• **Make prep a snap:** Enjoy more time with your guests by making no-fuss dishes that are easy to prepare ahead, like casseroles and fruit salads.

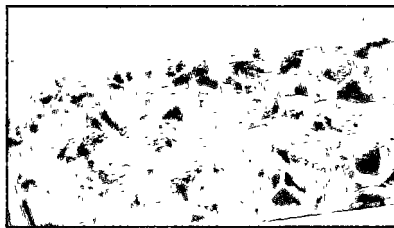
• **Delicious deviled eggs:** Offer guests exciting variations on classic deviled eggs by adding tarragon paired with capers, or season with the unexpected flavor of curry.

• **Add a "punch" of color:** Make the punch bowl part of the party décor. Start by mixing five to seven drops of food color into a punch bowl filled with your favorite springtime drink. Continue to add more drops to achieve the desired hue.

• **Artsy egg dyeing:** Kids will love fun techniques like sponge painting, crackle color and tie-dyeing for a unique take on egg decorating. Mix 1/2 cup boiling water, 1 teaspoon vinegar and 10 to 20 drops food color in a cup to achieve desired colors. Repeat for each color.

• **Batch Bake:** Double-batch a festive dessert recipe like Easter Egg Cake Bites, and vary the extracts and food color to make two unique treats in one effort. Try lemon extract paired with yellow food color, or raspberry extract paired with blue food color.

For more recipes, visit www.mccormick.com.



Cheesy Bacon & Egg Brunch Casserole

This one-dish brunch casserole is ideal for a crowd. Add a fruit salad and you can sit back and enjoy your company.

Makes 12 servings

- 8 slices bacon,
- 1 medium onion, chopped (1 cup)
- 1 loaf (8 ounces) Italian bread, cut into 1-inch cubes (5 cups)
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 5 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1/2 teaspoon mustard, ground
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg, ground
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper, ground

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Cook bacon in large skillet until crisp. Reserve 2 tablespoons of the drippings. Drain bacon on paper towels; crumble and set aside. Add onion to drippings in skillet; cook and stir 3 minutes or until softened.

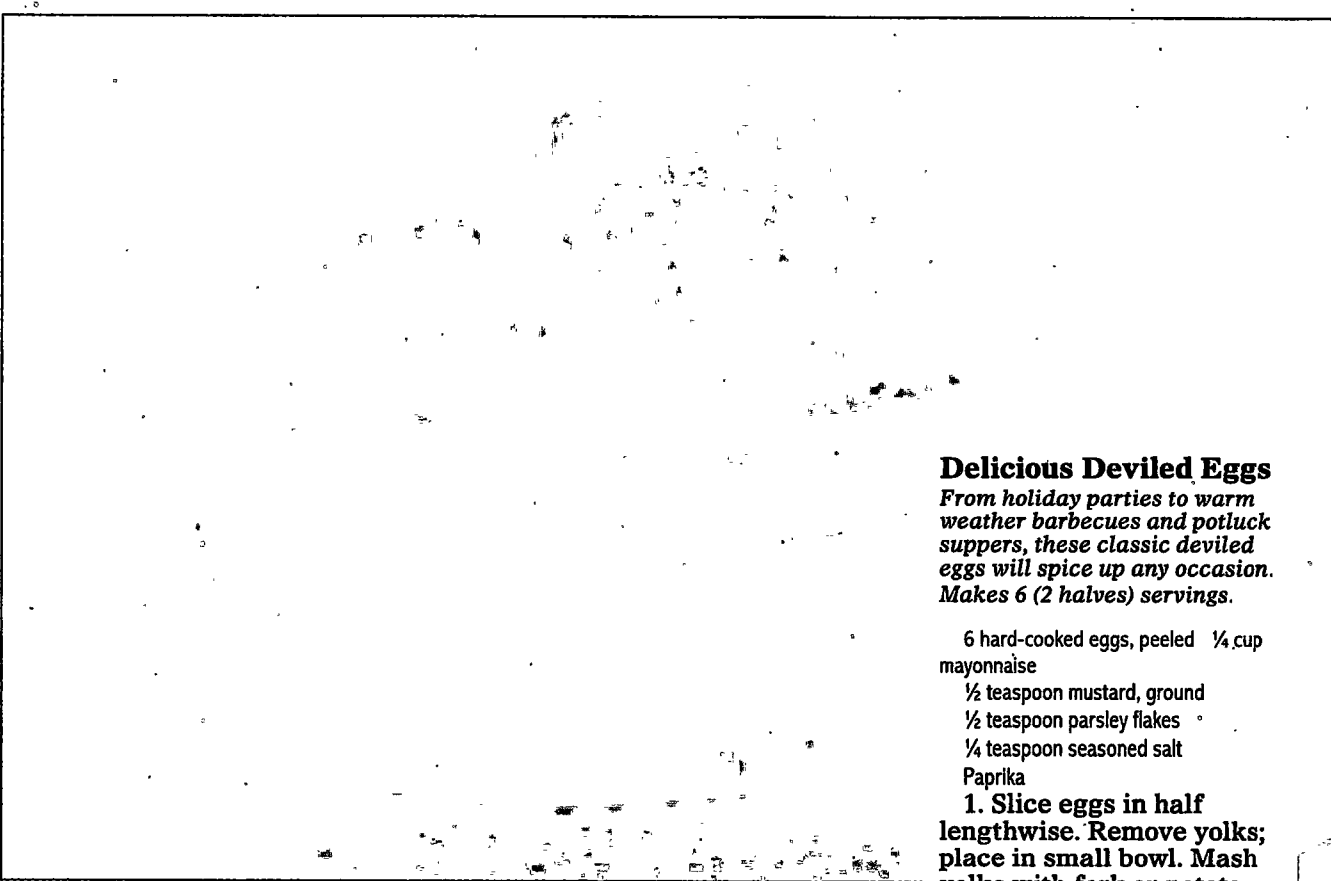
2. Spread 1/2 of the bread cubes in 13- by 9-inch baking dish. Layer with 1/2 each of the onion, bacon, Cheddar cheese and mozzarella cheese. Spread evenly with cottage cheese. Top with remaining bread cubes, onion, bacon, Cheddar cheese and mozzarella cheese.

3. Beat eggs in medium bowl until foamy. Add milk, mustard, nutmeg and pepper; beat until well blended. Pour evenly over top. Press bread cubes lightly into egg mixture until completely covered. Let stand 10 minutes.

4. Bake 40 to 50 minutes or until center is set and top is golden brown.

Make ahead: Casserole can be assembled 1 day ahead. Prepare as directed, increasing milk to 2 cups. Cover and store in refrigerator. Remove cover and bake as directed.

Nutritional information per serving: 260 calories, 16 g fat, 14 g carbohydrates, 128 mg cholesterol, 492 mg sodium, 1 g fiber, 15 g protein



Overnight French Toast

Sweet and fruity, Overnight French Toast makes a delicious addition to your brunch or breakfast table.

Makes 8 servings

- 5 eggs, beaten
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 loaf Italian bread, cut into 8 (1-inch thick) slices
- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen whole strawberries, thawed
- 4 ripe bananas, sliced
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon McCormick Cinnamon Sugar

1. Mix eggs, milk, vanilla and baking powder. Pour over bread to soak; turn to coat well. Cover. Refrigerate 4 hours or overnight.

2. Preheat oven to 450°F. Mix strawberries, bananas and granulated sugar in 13- by 9-inch baking dish. Top with soaked bread slices. Sprinkle with cinnamon sugar.

3. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

Cooking tips:

Overnight Apple French Toast: Prepare and refrigerate bread slices as directed. Substitute 4 medium apples, peeled, cored and thinly sliced (about 4 cups) for the strawberries and bananas. Toss apples with 1 cup sugar and 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon in baking dish. Top with soaked bread slices. Sprinkle with cinnamon sugar. Cover with foil. Bake in preheated 375°F oven 30 minutes. Remove foil and bake 10 to 15 minutes longer or until apples are tender

Nutritional information per serving: 333 calories, 279 mg sodium, 5 g fat, 63 g carbohydrates, 134 mg cholesterol, 9 g protein, 4 g fiber

Easter Egg Cake Bites

Make Easter even more festive and delicious with egg-shaped cake bites. Give the crumbled cake filling a light lemony flavor with Pure Lemon Extract.

Serves: Makes 4 dozen or 24 (2 cake bite) servings

- Cake Bites:
- 1 package 15 ounces white cake mix
- 2 teaspoons pure lemon extract
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- McCormick Assorted Food Colors & Egg Dye
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- 1 cup marshmallow creme
- 14 ounces (1 bag) white confectionery coating wafers
- 14 ounces 1 pound white baking chocolate

Decorating Glaze:

- 2 teaspoons water
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar

1. Prepare cake mix as directed on package, adding lemon extract and desired food color. Bake as directed on package for 13- by 9-inch baking pan. Cool completely on wire rack.

2. Crumble cake into large bowl. Add marshmallow creme; mix until well blended. Shape into 1-inch balls then roll to form an egg shape. Refrigerate 2 hours.

3. Melt coating wafers or chocolate as directed on package. Using a fork, dip 1 cake bite at a time into the confectionery coating or chocolate. Tap back of fork 2 or 3 times against edge of dish to allow excess to drip off. Place cake bites on wax paper-lined tray.

4. For the Decorating Glaze, mix confectioners' sugar and water in small bowl until well blended. Tint with desired food color. Using a fork, drizzle glaze over cake bites. Let stand until glaze is set.

Nutritional information per serving: 217 calories, 152 mg sodium, 9 g fat, 33 g carbohydrates, 0 mg cholesterol, 1 g protein, 0 g fiber



Delicious Deviled Eggs

From holiday parties to warm weather barbecues and potluck suppers, these classic deviled eggs will spice up any occasion. Makes 6 (2 halves) servings.

- 6 hard-cooked eggs, peeled
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 teaspoon mustard, ground
- 1/2 teaspoon parsley flakes
- 1/4 teaspoon seasoned salt
- Paprika

1. Slice eggs in half lengthwise. Remove yolks; place in small bowl. Mash yolks with fork or potato masher.

2. Stir in mayonnaise, mustard, parsley and seasoned salt until smooth and creamy. Spoon or pipe yolk mixture into egg white halves. Sprinkle with paprika.

3. Refrigerate 1 hour or until ready to serve.

To hard cook eggs: Gently place eggs in single layer in medium saucepan. Add enough cold water to cover eggs with 1 inch of water. Bring just to boil on medium-high heat. Remove from heat. Cover and let stand about 15 minutes for large eggs. (Adjust time up or down by 3 minutes for each size larger or smaller.) After 15 minutes, pour off the hot water and rapidly cool eggs by running them under cold water (or place in ice water) until completely cooled. Refrigerate and use within a week.

Nutritional information per serving: 136 calories, 172 mg sodium, 12 g fat, 1 g carbohydrates, 216 mg cholesterol, 6 g protein



Easy Mini Cheesecakes

These luscious cheesecakes are gently flavored with Vanilla and Almond Extract. Sized just right, they can be garnished with fresh or canned fruit topping.

Serves 12

- 2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon pure almond extract
- 12 vanilla wafers
- 1 cup fresh berries

1. Preheat oven to 325°F. Beat cream cheese and sugar in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs and extracts; beat well.

2. Line 12 muffin cups with paper baking cups. Place a wafer in bottom of each muffin cup. Spoon batter into each cup, filling each 2/3 full.

3. Bake 22 to 24 minutes or until centers are almost set. Cool in pan on wire rack. (Mini cheesecakes will deflate in center upon cooling)

4. Refrigerate 4 hours or overnight. Garnish with berries. Topping Suggestions: lemon curd, canned fruit such as cherry pie filling or mandarin orange segments, or melted chocolate

Nutritional information per serving: 210 calories, 166 mg sodium, 14 g fat, 17 g carbohydrates, 79 mg cholesterol, 4 g protein, 0 g fiber

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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 for your reservation or additional information.

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Keep fire safety in mind at nightclubs, stadiums

The National Fire Protection Association recently marked the 10th anniversary of The Station nightclub fire that occurred in Rhode Island with a plea to the public to be cautious and keep safety in mind when visiting nightclubs or similar venues. The Station fire occurred on Feb. 20, 2003, and killed 100 people.

NFPA recently updated and expanded its resource page on assembly and nightclub fires in light of a January fire at the Kiss nightclub in Santa Maria, Brazil, that killed 238 people. The Kiss nightclub fire is ranked third on NFPA's list of the deadliest nightclub fires in the world; The Station is ranked 10th.

"When selecting or settling into an entertainment venue like a nightclub, sports arena or restaurant for an evening of enjoyment, how to get out if there in an emergency is probably not one of the first things on your mind, but it should be," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Communications. "Fire drills are or should be common practice for businesses and schools, along with family home escape plans, so it's only natural for this level of awareness to be carried over to other places, even if you only plan on being there for a short time."

For those visiting events in nightclubs or other places of assembly, there are basic tips to keep in mind when entering a potentially unsafe gathering place.

Before you enter:

- Take a good look.
- Have a communication plan
- Plan a meeting place

When you enter:

- Locate exits immediately
- Check for clear exit paths
- Look for smoke alarms and fire sprinklers

Do you feel safe?

During an emergency:

- React immediately
- Get out, stay out!

Full descriptions of these steps, along with videos, reports and further analysis, can be found at NFPA's website.

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Pet dropping plan needs legal check

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist

Q: I have suggested to the board a more practical way of dealing with pet droppings at our



Robert Meisner

condominium. It entails having a professional come in to pick up the droppings. What do you think?

A: While that

process may be controversial, particularly, because certain people do not have dogs and believe that it is the responsibility of the pet owner to clean up, I am aware of commentators who have suggested that approach, and, it may not be totally unreasonable given the fact that it could be part of the maintenance responsibilities of the association, particularly if there are a number of dog owners who do not mind paying, perhaps by way of an additional assessment for that service. Where it gets more "hairy" is if the cost of cleaning up is distributed among all co-owners although, presumably, the garbage pickup is paid by all co-owners through the association even though some co-owners have more garbage than others and/or some co-owners may not have any garage when they are out of town, perhaps during the winter. It is not an idea, therefore that should be totally rejected, but I would check with legal counsel for the association before implementing that plan.

Q: I have leaking in my basement. I called the management company and the representative came out and looked at it and I paid a plumber to give me an estimate to correct the problem which included standing water in the sewage pipes for approximately five years. I have problems with my pipes and I think it is the association's responsibility. Do I have recourse with the management company, association, builder, township inspector who signed off on the work or the State of Michigan?

A: You need a good lawyer to give you your answer, but generally speaking, if it is the association's responsibility, you will need to put pressure on the association, as well as the managing agent, to take care of your problem. The State of Michigan and the township building inspector are not in a position to help you any more than your legislators or congress persons. All too often, people look for help from "free sources" when their best recourse is hiring a competent attorney.

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*, \$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.

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45612 S Stonewood Rd	\$174,000
42078 Saratoga Cir	\$152,000
42162 Saratoga Cir	\$156,000

223 Scarlett Dr	\$260,000
7130 Sylvania Ln	\$324,000
1713 Thistle Dr	\$178,000
GARDEN CITY	
29525 Barton St	\$25,000
29434 Rosslyn Ave	\$60,000
LIVONIA	
36720 Seven Mile Rd	\$520,000
15621 Auburndale St	\$139,000
9322 Eastwind Dr	\$147,000
11739 Hunters Park Ct	\$49,000
29510 Lori St	\$105,000
29232 Lyndon St	\$66,000
9918 Mayfield St	\$129,000
9035 Merriman Rd	\$30,000
38801 Plymouth Rd	\$175,000

NORTHVILLE	
44927 Broadmoor Cir S	\$325,000
16970 Carriage Way	\$390,000
16340 Mulberry Way	\$326,000
41816 Rayburn Dr	\$240,000
39656 Rockcrest Ln	\$117,000
49626 S Glacier	\$345,000
46425 W Main St	\$829,000
PLYMOUTH	
561 Kellogg St	\$200,000
799 N Holbrook St	\$277,000
40544 Newport Dr	\$67,000
520 Pacific St	\$211,000
REDFORD	
8990 Arnold	\$49,000
14254 Breakfast Dr	\$152,000

19351 Delaware Ave	\$75,000
18851 Lennane	\$27,000
18346 Lexington	\$55,000
19137 Lexington	\$47,000
14219 Marshall Dr	\$140,000
14251 Mason Dr	\$145,000
12261 Nathalie	\$58,000
WESTLAND	
35976 Central City Pkwy	\$29,000
1115 Easley Dr	\$27,000
30737 Joy Rd	\$68,000
31132 Merritt Dr	\$110,000
486 N John Hix St	\$45,000
34729 Somerset St	\$35,000
29090 Van Born Rd	\$20,000

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Oct. 29 to Nov. 2, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
15975 Amherst Ave	\$245,000
17319 Beechwood Ave	\$316,000
31426 Waltham Dr	\$287,000
18663 Warwick St	\$340,000
BIRMINGHAM	
687 Davis Ave	\$240,000
1743 Derby Rd	\$205,000
2291 Dorchester Rd	\$120,000
1905 E Lincoln St	\$436,000
661 Fairfax St	\$606,000
463 Henley St	\$395,000
1050 Lake Park Dr	\$518,000
1651 Latham St	\$355,000
397 N Old Woodward Ave	\$315,000
1045 N Old Woodward Ave	\$150,000
662 Purdy St # 103	\$175,000
1186 S Eton St	\$153,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4387 Barchester Dr	\$415,000
1948 Bloomfield Dr	\$20,000
4720 Cimarron Dr	\$725,000
2618 Covington Pl	\$700,000

1920 Hillwood Dr	\$733,000
875 Ivy Ln	\$243,000
1015 Joanne Ct	\$175,000
3147 Middlebury Ln	\$195,000
3917 Mount Vernon Dr	\$290,000
5572 N Adams Way	\$224,000
1339 N Carillon Ct	\$873,000
3036 Patch Dr	\$258,000
20 Scenic Oaks Dr N	\$515,000
42550 Woodward Ave	\$40,000
1760 Woodward Ave #42	\$110,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
3335 Burning Bush Rd	\$585,000
COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP	
3255 Lochmore Ct	\$192,000
5866 Majestic Oaks Dr	\$420,000
2195 Palmetto	\$40,000
5072 Parkgate Dr	\$309,000
FARMINGTON	
23899 Colchester Dr	\$103,000
30624 Sunderland Dr	\$290,000
35654 Tall Pine Rd	\$253,000
Farmington Hills	
29941 Fox Club Dr	\$225,000
35101 Glengary Cir	\$196,000
22159 Inkster Rd	\$95,000
21305 Juniper Ct	\$116,000
23516 Middlebelt Rd	\$140,000
34134 Old Timber Ct	\$235,000
35136 Pennington Dr	\$190,000
30348 Shiawassee Rd	\$80,000
32423 Sprucewood St	\$99,000

30606 Squires Trl	\$41,000
32005 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 105	\$32,000
25357 Wyckshire Rd	\$180,000
FRANKLIN	
32800 Brandingham Rd	\$290,000
MILFORD	
1027 Bird Song Ln	\$193,000
3162 E Maple Rd	\$139,000
761 Milford Glen Ct	\$236,000
455 Napa Valley Dr	\$25,000
763 Promontory Dr	\$150,000
2615 Shagbark	\$338,000
NOVI	
45230 Bartlett Dr	\$84,000
45236 Bartlett Dr	\$84,000
45237 Bartlett Dr	\$87,000
45285 Bartlett Dr	\$84,000
41805 Borchart Dr	\$153,000
41960 Borchart Dr	\$297,000
303 Duana St	\$122,000
44561 Gwinnett Loop	\$159,000
44565 Gwinnett Loop	\$157,000
28022 Hopkins Dr	\$160,000
25998 Petros Blvd	\$225,000
25534 Portico Ln	\$120,000
48140 Rushwood	\$299,000
22170 Shadybrook Dr	\$235,000
44855 Stockton Dr	\$86,000
44873 Stockton Dr	\$360,000
27003 Victoria Rd	\$260,000
27135 Victoria Rd	\$45,000
23373 Winnsborough	\$355,000

44229 Winthrop Dr	\$255,000
SOUTH LYON	
741 Challenging Trl	\$139,000
23691 Copperwood Dr W	\$68,000
23862 Copperwood Dr W	\$50,000
455 Eagle Way	\$175,000
61009 Evergreen Ct	\$180,000
58996 Peters Barn Dr	\$75,000
59038 Peters Barn Dr	\$80,000
156 Princeton Dr	\$26,000
448 Princeton Dr	\$195,000
51999 Red Cedar Ct	\$68,000
53970 Springwood Dr	\$25,000
53686 Valleywood Dr	\$212,000
26721 York Ct	\$310,000
SOUTHFIELD	
16336 Addison St	\$32,000
27430 Arlington Dr	\$130,000
29285 Brooks Ln	\$225,000
29254 E Chanticleer Dr	\$130,000
21771 Hidden Rivers Dr N	\$16,000
19015 Hilton Dr	\$50,000
29629 N Rutherford St	\$160,000
30513 Shoreham St	\$121,000
27140 Spring Arbor Dr	\$57,000
21147 W Nine Mile Rd	\$58,000
WHITE LAKE	
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ACROSS

1 Reflect deeply
5 Troop truant
9 Strut along
12 Mice, to owls
13 Region
14 Santa — winds
15 Secluded valleys
17 Tile murals
19 Lucy Lawless role
21 Comanches' kin
22 Lazing about
25 Put into law
28 Brief snooze, to Juan
30 Casserole mainstay
34 Lodging place
35 Kind of crossing
36 QB objective
37 Hotfoot it
38 Rodin work
40 Usher in
42 Pie slice

DOWN

1 Sticker stat
2 Home page addr.
3 "Crooklyn" director
4 Bobcats
5 Grand Canyon st.
6 Amazon, for one

44 Green-egg layers
45 Consequently
48 Melville work
50 Where baby rides (2 wds.)
53 "The final frontier"
57 Estuary
58 Mope
60 Checkup
61 Berlin conjunction
62 Dog food brand
63 Tailed amphibian

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ELF	AMPS	HIND
RIA	LORE	OBOE
DOUBLO	ON	VOISE
ANTLER	SWEDS	
EYE	OYL	
MENUS	PRESENT	
LAO	DAY	AUK
BUBBLED	DITTO	
AIL	SRS	
BLONDE	HOISTS	
AIDA	TRANSMIT	
REIN	EYRE	ORE
TUNA	SEED	GEM

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7 The Plastic — Band
8 Brown of renown
9 Fishing lure
10 Not twice

11 Move the puck
16 Compass dir.
18 Freeway clogger
20 Came closer
22 Cow-headed goddess
23 Force
24 Al Capp's "Hyena"
26 Ball game starter
27 Secret message
29 Factual
31 Wee drink
32 Corker
33 Winds down
39 Low cards
41 Start up again
43 Arose (2 wds.)
45 Linen color
46 Weather outlook
47 Degree holder
49 Bone, to Caesar
51 Pollution org.
52 Email service provider
54 Cutting tool
55 Harsh cry
56 Paramedic
59 Burned — a crisp

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5	7		1	3				9
6				3	8			
5			1	4				
7	1	9	8					
8	5		4	9	6	3		
	9	4				7		
3			8		9		5	

Level: Beginner

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H	X	R	F	B	L	S	L	R	S	X	E	I	V	E
A	D	P	J	T	T	U	E	I	E	X	D	L	E	M
C	P	D	A	Q	F	V	O	L	E	P	J	B	G	U
C	H	O	L	E	S	T	E	R	O	L	V	X	E	S
E	D	W	C	K	C	X	C	T	L	B	B	L	T	N
J	I	R	Y	M	S	I	A	K	Y	K	E	S	A	O
N	D	R	Y	L	S	Y	H	T	L	A	E	H	B	C
Y	U	O	O	E	A	A	D	O	C	T	O	R	L	A
F	D	T	G	L	M	J	R	D	J	I	U	Y	E	W
F	R	O	R	E	A	T	D	V	A	W	Z	F	R	O
F	D	U	B	I	N	C	U	T	I	L	O	N	S	A
X	O	M	I	O	T	H	R	Q	N	O	H	A	H	T
K	L	S	C	T	N	I	I	I	D	Q	J	A	O	A
A	U	L	X	B	A	Y	O	F	E	C	I	E	G	T
Z	L	E	I	O	B	Q	J	N	X	T	E	I	D	T

Body
Calorie
Cholesterol

Consume
Control
Diet

Doctor
Exercise
Food

Fruit
Healthy
Index

Mass
Nutrition
Vegetable

Sudoku

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

5	6	9	2	8	7	1	3
8	2	7	5	3	4	6	9
3	1	9	6	7	8	2	5
4	7	8	2	6	1	3	7
7	6	3	1	4	9	8	5
2	8	1	3	7	5	6	4
6	2	4	8	3	1	9	7
9	7	8	5	6	2	3	1
3	1	5	7	4	9	2	8

Word Search

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

H	X	R	F	B	L	S	L	R	S	X	E	I	V	E
A	D	P	J	T	T	U	E	I	E	X	D	L	E	M
C	P	D	A	Q	F	V	O	L	E	P	J	B	G	U
C	H	O	L	E	S	T	E	R	O	L	V	X	E	S
E	D	W	C	K	C	X	C	T	L	B	B	L	T	N
J	I	R	Y	M	S	I	A	K	Y	K	E	S	A	O
N	D	R	Y	L	S	Y	H	T	L	A	E	H	B	C
Y	U	O	O	E	A	A	D	O	C	T	O	R	L	A
F	D	T	G	L	M	J	R	D	J	I	U	Y	E	W
F	R	O	R	E	A	T	D	V	A	W	Z	F	R	O
F	D	U	B	I	N	C	U	T	I	L	O	N	S	A
X	O	M	I	O	T	H	R	Q	N	O	H	A	H	T
K	L	S	C	T	N	I	I	I	D	Q	J	A	O	A
A	U	L	X	B	A	Y	O	F	E	C	I	E	G	T
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WAITSTAFF/BARTENDER FT/PT. Apply after 3pm: Jon's Goodtime Bar & Grill, 27553 Cherry Hill, Just W of Inkster Rd. (313) 561-8488

Help Wanted - Office Clerical

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Must be experienced and organized, for high-tech dental office. 4 days/week, benefits.
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Help Wanted - Medical

EXP MEDICAL ASSISTANT
2-3/yr. min exp. Cl. office. Farmington Hills area. Fax resume to: 248.471.8904

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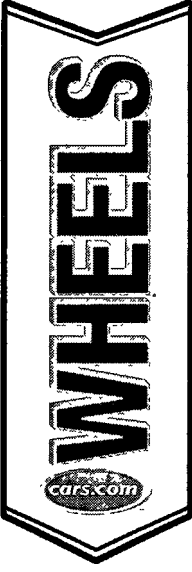
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