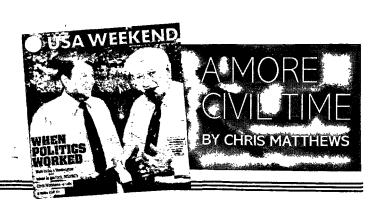
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## City, W-W to discuss repurposing vacant Norwayne elementary school

By Sue Masin Staff Writer

The Wayne-Westland school board has given its blessing to talks between the school district and the city of Westland in repurposing the shuttered **Jefferson Barns Elementary** School in Norwayne as a com-

munity outreach center.

The board voted 6-0, with Treasurer Shawna Walker absent, to authorize School **Superintendent Greg Baracy** and his staff to pursue a cooperative agreement with city officials related to the vacant school building.

According to Deputy Superintendent Jim Larson Shidler, the city has applied for a feder-

al Neighborhood Revitalization grant to operate a community outreach program in Norwayne from the school build-

The advantage of having government immunity is that we will purely be working with the city to come up with the terms," Larson Shidler said. "It would be fully operated by the

city, which would pay for the utilities and insurance, all of the operational costs.

School Superintendent Greg Baracy said that whatever is negotiated will be predicated on how much money the city receives, if the grant is approved. The city could use the money to repair and improve the building, which was closed

in June 2010, he said.

Still conceptual

"There will be no cost to the school district," Baracy told the school board. "It's still conceptual, but there may be legs on this and we want them to know that if they pursue this

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Megan Cary, a Consumers Energy education programmer, teaches second-graders at Wildwood Elementary School about respecting the utility marking flags. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Consumers Energy helps students be

Second-graders learn importance of utility flags

> By Sue Mason Staff Writer

It only took one scratch by 30 second-graders to fill the media center at Wildwood **Elementary School with the** smell of rotten eggs.

Wrinkling her nose and fanning the air, Cary asked the students to rate the smell. Their response was 60 thumbs down.

The scratch-and-smell was Megan Cary's way of introducing the youngsters to the smell of natural gas which is clear and can't be seen.

"It smells stinky so you know it's natural gas," said Cary, an education programmer with Consumers Energy who was at the Westland school to show youngsters how to "Respect the Flag," not the one with the stars and

strips, but the colored flags used to mark utility lines by MISSDIG.

The presentation to second-graders was part of the newly launched Leader in Me program at the school. The Leader in Me is a transformational program designed to increase academic achievement, reduce discipline problems and increase engagement among teachers and

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## Westland council candidates appear at public forum

Event sponsored by Westland Democratic Club

> By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

The three non-incumbent candidates for the Westland Council made their cases for votes at a recent candidate forum sponsored by the Westland Democratic Club.

Candidates Bill Campbell, Kevin Coleman and Donna Stottlemyer Beaupre made opening statements and responded to questions at the forum.

None of the incumbent candidates — Christine Bryant, Meriem Kadi, Michael Kehrer and Dewey Reeves — participated in the forum. At least one incumbent chose not to appear after learning the club had provided requested endorsements to Campbell and Coleman prior to the forum.

» In his opening remarks, as a president of his homeowners association, part-owner of a family business and as an automotive engineer.

"I'm not a career politician. I have pledged to donate half of

my council salary to the American Cancer Society," Campbell said. "It's time for fresh ideas. We need to make a difference in Westland politics.

While calling for the city to offer amenities, such as concerts in the park and a swimming pool, Campbell said he would stop luxury spending on a new City Hall and fire station. The City Hall project renovating the former Circuit City building on Warren Road is expected to break ground next month and be completed in

» Beaupre described herself as wanting to provide an effective, transparent voice on council. She said she shares Campbell's goals regarding City Hall relocating from the current Ford Road building.

"Bonding for City Hall scares me with the issues that are going on in Detroit,", she said. "I'd like to put recreation back in Westland. We've lost

Beaupre said she also agreed with Campbell in opposing shared services with other communities. Westland

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## League hosts Wayne candidates forum

The League of Women **Voters of Northwest** Wayne County will host a Candidates Forum at the Wayne Public Library from 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, for the six candidates running for the three seats on the Wayne City Council.

The candidates are Jamie Conn, Jim Hawley, Susan Rowe, Brenda Ozog, James Henley and Shari Welch.

There also are two candidates running for mayor - Al Haidous and Don Flynn. Haidous, the incumbent, is out of town and unable to participate in the forum, so Flynn will join the City Council fo-

The public is invited to attend and submit questions for the candidates, which will then be asked by a League moderator. The public can also submit questions in advance through the League's email at lwvmail@yahoo.com.

The forum will be taped and will appear on Wayne's City Cable channel before the Nov. 5 election. The video also will be available on the League's website at

www.lwvnww.org.
The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. It never supports or opposes any political party or candidate.



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parents while equipping students with the selfconfidence and skills they need to thrive in the 21st century econo-

my.
"It's an awesome project they're doing with us," teacher Col-leen Myles said. "By bringing companies into the school building we can build relationships with them."

#### Flags are important

Cary spent 45 minutes with Myles' students, explaining why the utility flags are important, what each color stands for and what to do in the case of an emergency. Equipped with sound effects, she helped them become "safety heroes.'

"These flags help keep you, your family and your friends safe," she said. "But you have to respect them. It's like being nice to other people. You don't want to break or wreck their things."

The flags which are used by MISSDIG to mark underground utility lines and sewer pipes, come in five different colors: red for electricity, orange for cable, blue for water, vellow for natural gas and brown for sewer

"You always need the flags, if you do dig-ging," Cary said. "Anything bigger than a hand shovel can cause damage."

Students added items to a cut-away of a house with different colored lines running into it or beside it. Using clings, they demonstrated where electricity came in, where the sewer pipe was and the water and cable lines. The clings also showed activities that could cause problems, if the flags weren't present.

"You always need

flags to do digging," she said. "If you don't call MISSDIG and you did break a line, you'll have to pay for the repairs and that can be \$300 to \$3,000. Rules have consequences. People can get hurt, if you don't follow the rules."

#### Things to do

A few students did raise their hands when she asked if any of them had ever removed similar flags from the ground. In return, she shared with them six things to do if they smell natural gas.

While telling an adult was number one on the list, she told students that leaving the area was first and foremost the most important thing to do. The list also included not making a spark, not trying to find where the smell is coming from and waiting until Consumers Energy says it's safe to return.

Cary also encouraged youngsters to make drawings about what they learned and submit them to Consumers Energy, which will select 12 for a calendar. They also were encouraged to talk about they learned at home and bring back a signed slip from their parents attesting to that. The classroom with 100 percent will win a pizza party.

Cary is one of four Consumers Energy employees doing educational programs around the state.

The presentations are designed to make students think about what's around them. She hopes to reach 100 schools this year in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Livingston counties.

"I like this age group," she said. "It gets them thinking and they're so ready to tell stories. They're so much fun."

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#### **FORUM**

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has merged the fire and parks and recreation departments with Wavne and hosts a four-community emergency dispatch center,

"I understand the need but service is jeopardized. We're not going to get that personal service anymore," Beaupre said.

» Making a second run for a council seat, Coleman said that over the years he has become more and more active in the community, leading to his desire to serve on council.

Improved communication with residents, addressing crime and blight are goals cited by Coleman.

"I want to protect the

services in quality of I believe in our Westland, city," Cole eman said. "I have a trei mendous sense sibility to repreof respon sibility to repsent all of us. I plan to work har it to be a strong voice for our neighborhoods."

#### Audien e questions

All three candidates called for the city to attract businesses to Westland using tax incentives, particularly for smaller businesses.

"Large companies get incentives that they aren't offered to the mom and pop (busines ses). I asked before we moved from Livonia," said Campbell, whose family has a Dairy Queen.

Coleman agreed, adding the city could be more aggressive in seeking businesses. He also said the city needs more ordinance enforcement

to improve neighborhood blight. There were also com-

ments about the types of businesses located in Westland, Campbell questioned the number of nail salons, tattoo parlors and a third Tim Hortons approved for Ford Road.

We should look for something unique," said Beaupre, who commented that she does all of her shopping in Canton when asked how she supports local businesses.

Some of the questions had little to do with city council - such as smart meters, gun control and the Affordable Health Care Act.

A group of residents from Deerhurst Condominiums had a question for the candidates about proposed changes to Central City Parkway, a linear park, through their neighborhood which they

opposed.

Beaupre, who lives just south of Ford from Central City Parkway, and Campbell, whose subdivision entrance is off that road, were both opposed to the project. Noting he found the concept of a more walkable area interesting, Coleman said he needed more information before taking a position.

Responding to a question, Campbell and Beaupre both said they supported increasing the public comments from the current three minutes to the five minutes permitted a few years ago. Coleman agreed but conceded that a change was unlikely since the current council had implemented the change.

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#### **TALKS**

Continued from Page A1 program in Norwayne. we would be willing to

participate.' Baracy added that the resolution the board approved is an attempt to be transparent and that any agreement reached would include a protection clause that the building be returned to the district in good condition.

"There's nothing official, but it's the best fit for the school, the best fit for the school district

and the best fit for the

community," he said. In March, Westland Community Development Director Joanne Campbell had informed the Westland City Council that the city was conducting preliminary discussions with the district about the school, located on Dorsey, east of Venoy.

"That area needs this," board Vice-President John Goci said.

"Norwayne could really use this rather than have another closed building. It's a great format."

#### Win-win situation

**Board President Carol** Middel labeled the potential agreement a win-win situation for both the school district and the

"I know the Dorsey Center has been around for a long time and is inadequate for what the

city does," she said.
"This is an opportunity for the city to expand its program and show growth to that communi-

"I think anytime you cooperate and make an agreement with a governmental entity, you're better off," Trustee Charles "Trav" Griffin said.

"It's a tremendous asset to have that cooperation and that building used as a community center. I hope it comes to passes.'

"The benefit is going to be great for the parents and the students, and I think it will be a tremendous benefit to the city and the school district," he added.

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#### AROUND WAYNE AND WESTLAND

#### Flu shoots

Flu and pneumonia shots will be offered by appointment from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, by the Wayne Senior Services Office.

Both vaccines are covered by Medicare Part-B, only when that is the primary coverage and you show your Medicare card. Some insurances do cover the cost of the flu vaccine and/or pneumonia. Call your insurance company, prior to your appointment, if

Dr. Ray Guarendi

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3737 S. Wayne Road. between East and West Michigan Avenue, Wayne.

forum will be held at the

Wayne Public Library,

#### **Garden Expo**

Timothy Lutheran Church and the Grange 389 are hosting a Garden Expo from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, in the lower level of the church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia.

If you have a green thumb or a brown thumb, bring your questions and note pads. There will be information about bulbs, wild flowers, weeds or not, trees and more, when is a good time for planting, transplanting or going with little to no maintenance gardening, and what tool is for what and so much more. Also hear a little history about the gardening around Timothy and other tidbits.

Reserve a spot by calling Sharon at 734-748-0569 or sign up at the church.

#### **Cut-A-Thon**

The second annual cut-a-thon fundraiser for Children with Hair Loss will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, at Santa Fe Salon, 34367 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Hair cuts will cost \$10 for adults (cash only), \$5 for kids and \$5 for brow and lip wax. There also will be raffles, prizes, refreshments and 20 percent off Paul Mitchell products.

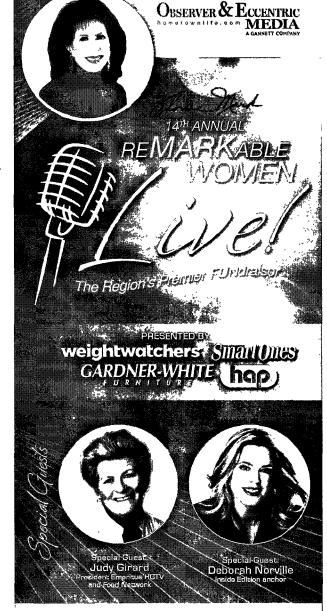
All proceeds go to Children with Hairloss, a Michigan based company that provides hair pieces to children with medically related hairloss.

For more information. call 734-427-8228 or visit childrenwithhairloss.us.

#### **Euchre tournament**

The Wavne Rotary Club and the Wayne-Westland Parks and Recreation Department are hosting a euchre tournament Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe. Wavne.

The cost is \$20 per person, and players must be 21 or older. Check-in begins at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. There will be prizes for the top five highest point totals. Pizza, pop and beer will be offered for purchase. There will be a 50/50 raffle throughout the night. Preregister names at rjg.euchre@gmail.com.



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## Friends, family remember Dennis O'Neill as 'caring person'

By Sue Mason **Staff Writer** 

Dennis O'Neill is being remembered as a caring and loving man who loved life and loved people.

"Dad was the smartest person I know, but he would make you feel like vou were the smartest person in the room," said his daughter Maureen O'Neill. "He was kind and very humble, and an amazing father and grandfather."

Services for Mr. O'Neill, a retired Wayne-Westland school superintendent, were held Saturday, Sept. 28, at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in

Mr. O'Neill was age 78 when he died Sept. 23, in Fort Myers, Fla., where he had been living with his wife Charlene.

He had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease four years ago and "had lived life to the fullest even with the good and bad days," said his daughter.

"He went to sleep on Sunday and didn't wake up, that was how he wanted to go," she said.

Mr. O'Neill spent his entire educational career with the Wayne-

Westland Community Schools. He started as a teacher **West Junior** Mr. O'Neill

**High School** in 1960 and ended it as the district's top adminis-

**Army veteran** 

trator in 1992.

He had served in the U.S. Army from 1953-1955 and worked as a postman and did custodial work at Ford Motor Co. while attending Wayne State University, where he majored in political science and minored in social studies.

He taught at West and John Glenn High School and was an assistant principal at Wayne Memorial High School before becoming administrative assistant to the superintendent in 1973. He moved up to deputy superintendent in 1975 and held that position until April 1984 when he was hired as superintendent, a position he held until his retirement in August 1992.

His children also grew up in the Wayne-Westland

Community Schools, and his daughter recalled that she and her four siblings "were raised to think that you never know who knows you, so behave."

'He was always busy, but he never missed one of our events," she said. "He was always there and then he went back to work.

Thomas Svitkovich met his longtime friend in 1964 through the Wayne Federation of Teachers. They both taught in the district at different buildings, but didn't end up in the same building until Svitkovich became Dean of Students at Wayne High School. He ended up serving as Mr. O'Neill's deputy superintendent.

'He was a very unique person," Svitkovich said. 'He loved his wife and his family dearly and was so very proud of them, but he also loved Wayne-Westland. He was a nonstop worker and put in a phenomenal amount of time. He set high expectations for himself and for those who worked for him."

According to Svitkovich. Mr. O'Neill had a vision that all students could learn and be suc-

cessful and was before his time with the idea of a common core curriculum. While the same subjects were taught throughout the district, there was a difference on how and what was taught. He worked on creating a common curriculum throughout the school district.

"He really had a great vision about education and how students should learn," Svitkovich said. "He was a great supporter of choices."

**Strong support** 

Mr. O'Neill also believed education needed strong government support. A poster in his office that read, "It'll be a great day when the Air Force has to hold a bake sale to buy a jet," spoke volumes about his sense of humor and his belief that education should get a greater part of the federal budget, Svitkovich

He also described Mr. O'Neill as a loyal friend, first of all, and "almost more than a mentor, he was a confidante."

"I talked to him about all kinds of things, I leaned on him an awful

lot," he said. "He was my role model and certainly my mentor."

Denny hired me back in the mid-1980s, he was not only a gentleman, but an honorable man," said current Wayne-Westland School Superintendent Greg Baracy. "He was a great mentor for me and he always kept kids first when making decisions. He will be deeply missed."

He also was an avid runner, something he took up while in the Army. Over the years, he competed in at least 13 marathons, running more than 26 miles in around four hours.

He also was an avid reader and had thousands of books, according to his daughter.

When they moved from their home in Gladwin, I got boxes and boxes of books," she said. "He read any and everything. He also loved music — Harry Connick Jr., Motown. The music would be on low, but it was always on.'

After his retirement, the O'Neills lived in the Irish Hills and later Gladwin before making their home in Florida, where

they had wintered, about 10 years ago. Maureen O'Neill recalls the years in the Irish Hills as "the best."

"The kids went there when they were little until they were grown, they loved to go there because they were there and because it was like going on vacation," she

Mr. O'Neill is survived by his wife Charlene, his children Timothy (Maura), Maureen (Jon Schaber), Terry (Nancy), Colleen (James) McGinnis and Doreen Marsh, 16 grandchildren, three brothers and two sisters.

The family asks that memorials be made to the Parkinson's Foundation.

"He was always the most positive person I know and he will always be the most positive person I will ever know, Maureen O'Neill said. "He believed he could fix anything."

"He will be long remembered and certainly missed by those who knew him," added Svitkovich.

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## Wayne Memorial High's Community Nights wins state award

When it comes to community involvement, Wayne Memorial High School proved it had the right stuff with its highly successful Community Nights.

That's what the Michigan Association of **School Boards and SET** SEG School Insurance Specialists decided in selecting the high school as one of three recipients of their 2013 Educational **Excellence Award for** community engagement.

"Two hundred programs were nominated and only 27 were selected," said SET SEG representative Travis Van Tighem, who recognized the high school at last week's school board

meeting.

"To have a program noticed and selected is a significant deal. It's something to be proud

"It goes a long way in promoting the good things that are happening in education," he said.

Several years ago, the staff, students and volunteers began staging Community Nights like the popular Wayne Spooktacular and Holiday

The program aims to remove the stigma often associated with high schools for many parents and community mem-

The staff was instru-

mental in starting Community Nights, keeping it going and building it into "what has become our passion," said acting Principal Kevin Webber, who accepted the award along with staff members who helped launch Community Nights.

"This goes to the school," he said, holding an Educational Excellence Award street sign. "This is a product of these individuals and their hard work."

The high school was facing decreased parental and community involvement and declining student achievement, when it started its annual Community Nights, which help build relationships and establish partnerships among parents, students, staff, district personnel, community members and business partners.

The program aims to build relationships and establish trust and comfort with parents and community members through games and other fun activities in order to allow both to play an active role in Wayne **Memorial High School** students' educations.

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**SET SEG** representative Travis Van Tighem (right) presents acting Wayne Memorial High School Principal Kevin Weber with an Educational Excellence Award street sign.

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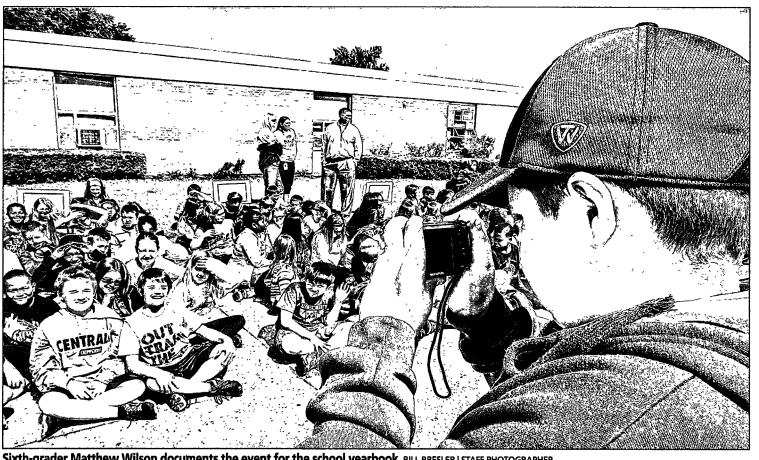
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Sixth-grader Matthew Wilson documents the event for the school yearbook. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Johnson Upper Elementary students give peace more than a chance

With a song of peace in the air and two white doves flying overhead, students at Johnson Upper Elementary were reminded that peace matters.

**Celebrating International** Day of Peace, which was Saturday, students at the Livonia Public Schools 5-6 building gathered for a choral performance and the release of two white doves on Monday after-

Principal DeAnn Urso told the students that remembering the importance of peace isn't just a one-day celebra-

"Let's remember it always, not just today," she said. "Let's sustain it - keep it with us, as we keep moving forward.

Kathy Weaver, the elementary student assistance provider at Johnson, organized the Peace Day, which also included the decorating of rocks that were placed in a peace rock garden by the school's peace pole.

"This is really an extension of our behaviors," she said. This allows our students to make a commitment to each other and to the world, to be peaceful."

Phyllis Stevens, from the Saginaw area, brought two white rock doves to be released as a symbol of spreading peace.

It tells us that we should have peace in our schools, in our families and in our country," she said to the students.

The rock doves are tagged

and Stevens planned to watch for them to successfully com-



The doves, held by Phyllis Stevens, owner of Dreamer's Loft in Saginaw, will fly home to Saginaw when released. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER plete their 100-mile journey back to the Saginaw area.

Fifth-grader Aniya Liddell said peace means taking the message of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to heart.

It's part of his 'I Have a Dream' speech," she said.
"Peace means that you have love, courage, respect and responsibility, and that you're

Fifth-grader Jamie Colling said peace can be spread through the school by doing nice things, like picking up litter and not bullying. For sixth-grader Matthew

Wilson, peace means helping people who are struggling and sixth-grader Jacob Kujawa said he wants to see "peace throughout the world."

Keeping the peace at Johnson goes along with its SOAR theme, which stands for "Stay Safe. Own Our School, Act Responsibly. Respect Every-

Johnson is at 8400 Hix Road in Westland.

### **Schoolcraft** holds annual **College Night**

Area high school and college students and their families can investigate the programs of more than 80 colleges and universities during Schoolcraft College's annual College Night

on Wednesday, Oct. 2.
The schools, primarily from
Michigan and the Midwest, will answer questions and provide information on degrees, fields of study, admission requirements, cost and extracurricular activities at the 6-8 p.m. event. It will be held in the VisTaTech Center. It's free and open to the community.

A sample of in-state schools attending include Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Grand Valley State University, Wayne State University, University of Detroit Mercy, Michigan Technological University, Eastern Michigan University, Central Michigan University, Northern Michigan University, College for Creative Studies, Adrian College and Hillsdale College.
Out-of-state institutions

attending include Defiance College, Valparaiso University, University of Alabama and the U.S. Military Academy, to name a few. A full list of those colleges and universities attending can be found at www.schoolcraft.edu/college-

In addition, representatives from the state of Michigan Student Scholarship and Grant department, together with Schoolcraft College's Financial Aid Department, will be on hand to provide information and answer questions.

Typically, College Night draws about 3,500 people. The colleges are arranged fair-style and in alphabetical order so guests can visit as many tables and in the order they wish.

The VisTaTech Center is on the college's main campus Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia. Free parking is available in the North Lot.



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## Town hall meeting focuses on Affordable Care Act

**By Darrell Clem** Staff Writer

Canton resident Hadyn Notestine, a retired Ford Motor Co. design engineer, admits he is confused by the oftenconflicting information swirling around the nation's Affordable Care Act.

There's an enormous amount of information," he said. "I don't think the federal government has done a good job making us understand the changes.

Notestine, 72, isn't alone in his confusion. That's why state Rep. Dian Slavens, a Canton Democrat supportive of the plan dubbed Obamacare, brought in experts to explain changes, answer questions and allay fears Wednesday evening during a town hall meeting at the Canton Administration Building. About 40 people attended.

Jenita Moore, director of policy for the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services, sought to reassure the crowd by saying the Affordable Care Act will broaden health care choices when the Michigan Health **Insurance Marketplace is** rolled out Tuesday.

"The sky is not going to fall," she said.

#### **Talking benefits**

Area residents such as Janice and Jack Wotring of Westland came to the town hall gathering to hear Moore and Don Hazaert, director of the



Leading the town hall are state Rep. Dian Slavens, Jenita Moore, director of policy for the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services, and Don Hazaert, director of the nonprofit Michigan Consumers for Health Care. THOMAS BEAUDOIN

nonprofit Michigan Consumers for Health Care, explain the benefits of Obamacare, which critics say will lead to spiraling

Hazaert said Michigan is positioned to see insurance rates fall dramatically. He pointed to reports showing rates are falling 50 percent in New York, 35 percent in Oregon and 29 percent in California.

Moreover, he said the Michigan Health Insurance Marketplace will allow for easy comparison shopping for the 16 percent of state residents who lack coverage.

"For the first time, it's going to be easy to make comparisons," Hazaert said.

Residents already may start the process by going to www.healthcare.gov or by calling 800-318-2596.

Starting Oct. 1, consumers can choose among insurance tiers such as gold, silver and bronze, depending on what level of coverage and cost they select. They also may qualify for tax credits. Hazaert said a family of four with a \$50,000 income is expected to pay about \$80 a month for the bronze plan.

#### Plan pattern

Hazaert said the Affordable Care Act is patterned after a plan established in Massachusetts under then-Gov. Mitt Romney. There, he said, more

than 98 percent of the state's residents have health insur-

"Any way you look at it, costs went down in Massachusetts," Hazaert said.

People like Debbie Taylor of Belleville came to Wednesday's town hall to begin to prepare now for health care

later in life. "I want to make sure I'll have adequate health care coverage, especially after I retire," Taylor said. "I want to know what I need to do now to

prepare." **Officials say Obamacare** isn't intended to replace Medicare and Medicaid, but rather help consumers who don't have access to health care.

"This finally levels the playing field and allows them to purchase insurance," Moore said.

Hazaert said the United States has the most expensive health care system "on the planet" - \$8,000 a year per person on average, compared to \$5,000 in Norway, \$4,000 in Canada, \$3,000 in Great Britain and \$2,700 in Japan.

#### **Better access**

Under the Affordable Care Act, Hazaert said, consumers will have better access to services such as maternity care and dental care that have been lacking. Moreover, he said, consumers cannot be dropped by insurance companies for pre-existing medical condi-

While the immediate focus

is on individuals and families, Hazaert said coverage through small and large businesses will be phased in - without bankrupting companies, as some fear. He said small businesses

can quality for tax credits. To be sure, the Affordable Care Act comes with a price tag. Hazaert said funding sources include higher income taxes on individuals making more than \$200,000 and couples earning more than \$250,000. That has been a sticking point for some critics.

Hazaert said some media reports have focused on employers dropping part-time workers from insurance plans.

"There are better options available to you on the (marketplace) exchange," he said, adding later, "We're getting higher quality care and more affordable prices."

Meanwhile, Laurie Golden, the Canton Public Library's marketing and communications manager, said information also is available through two upcoming programs.

At 7 p.m. Oct. 3, a session on the marketplace is scheduled and registration is not re-

At 7 p.m. Oct. 9, a program is set to explain what the Affordable Care Act means to people and it does require registration.

For more information, visit www.cantonpl.org.

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### Local libraries offering healthcare registration assistance

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

There are still a lot of uncertainties and unknowns about the Affordable Care Act as uninsured people can start signing up beginning Tuesday.

Both Westland's William P. Faust Library and the Wayne Library are gearing up to provide information and assistance to those who want to register for healthcare — a process that must be done online.

"So far, we have an information kiosk so people can get information to start the process," Westland Technology Librarian Marilyn Kwik said.

"At least they can prepare for the process.

The Westland library is also hosting two upcoming meetings about the act commonly known as Obamacare. The first will be from 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16, hosted by the marketplace education coordinator from St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia.

The second session, also from 6-7:30 p.m., will be held Tuesday, Nov. 19, sponsored by the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services.

In addition, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 9, the library will offer a weekly healthcare room from 5-8 p.m. to provide

information about the Affordable Care Act.

"We'll have three hours each week through December, at least, to make sure people have the information they need," Kwik said.

We are not navigators and we will not help them make a selection. We don't know what to expect as of Oct. 1. We have not been able to get an application yet.

The Wayne Library is also preparing to help people register for insurance beginning Oct. 1 although Director Paulette Medvecky said she ex-

pects more demand in January. "You have to have a vast amount of information. We

have forms, but you must submit online," Medvecky said. "If your son or daughter has a Social Security number you must have it. If they work part-time at Pizza Hut, that has to be part of the household

income. At the Wayne Library, Medvecky recommends speaking with a librarian first and get-

ting forms showing all the required information for registering for insurance. "That is so you have the information and complete the registration - you can't save it and come back," she said. "None of the staff can make

recommendations on Blue

Cross or whatever. We can't

take on that liability. The government advocates should be in place."

The Faust Library has sufficient public computers to accommodate what is expected to be a lengthy registration process.

At the Wayne Library, Medvecky said arrangements will be made to provide adequate time for registration.

You must tell us that is what you are there for and we'll let them have the time," she said.

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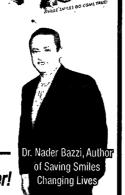
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The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will run the Michigan exchange, as well as out-of-state call centers that will provide consumers with information. The Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services will retain oversight of the insurers and their licensing.

There are four categories of Marketplace insurance plans: bronze, silver, gold and platinum.

All Marketplace insurance plan categories offer the same set of essential health benefits. The categories do not reflect the quality or amount of care the plans provide.

The category you choose affects how much your premium costs each month and what portion of the bill you pay for things like hospital visits or prescription medica-tions. It also affects your total out-of-pocket costs —the total amount you'll spend for the year if you need lots of care.

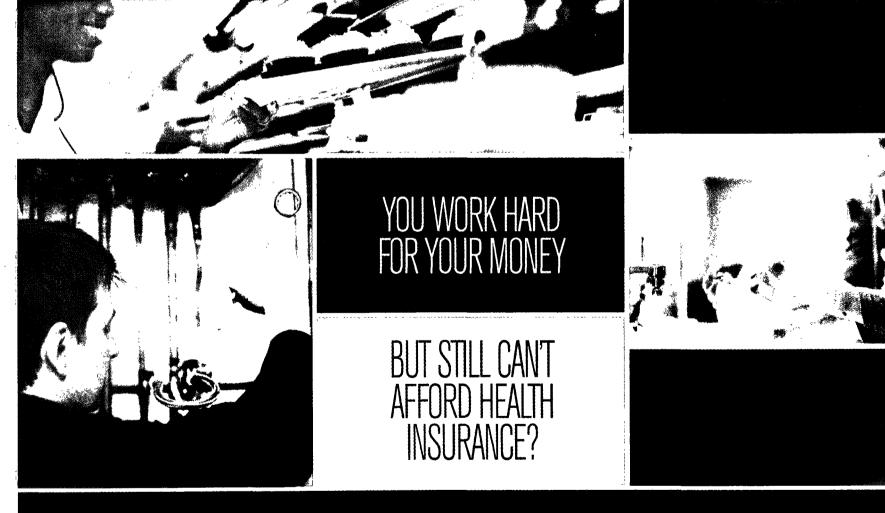
#### How the exchange will operate

This online Marketplace will provide policies that are supposed to be more af-fordable to families and individuals. About a dozen insurance companies are offering as many as 150 plans that, for the most part, are assigned categories.

Platinum plans, the most expensive up front, will pay about 90 percent of medical expenses. Gold plans will cover about 80 percent of costs, silver plans about 70 percent and bronze plans about 60 percent. The lower the premium cost up front, the higher the out-of-pocket costs

Anyone younger than 30 can purchase catastrophic health coverage instead of a regular policy to satisfy the requirements of the federal health care law. Such a policy will have lower premium and higher deductibles and co-pays. It will provide coverage largely in cases of a catastrophic

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#### **HEALTH CARE**

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### What to consider when choosing your plan

Think about the health care needs of your household when considering which Marketplace insurance plan to buy.

Do you expect a lot of doctor visits or need regular prescriptions?

If you do, you may want a gold or

platinum plan.

If you don't, you may prefer a bronze or silver plan. But keep in mind that if you get in a serious accident or have an unexpected health problem, bronze and silver plans will require you to pay more of the costs.

You must enroll by Dec. 15 for

You must enroll by Dec. 15 for policies to be effective Jan. 1. Enrollment will continue until March 31, but effective dates on policies will be

delayed.

After March 31, you can buy policies on the exchange only in special circumstances. It will usually be within 30 days following certain life events. Among them: a change in family size through, for example, marriage, birth or adoption; a change in legal status to U.S. citizen or legal immigrant; or a move that opens up options for other policies on the exchange. Native Americans can enroll any time in the Marketplace; they are not bound by enrollment periods.

Everyone enrolled can change policies annually during a limited enrollment period. Starting in 2015, the enrollment period will go from

Oct. 15 to Dec. 7.

Small businesses — those with 50 or fewer full-time employees — will also be able to access the policies at www.healthcare.gov They will be directed to the Small Business Health Options Program Marketplace or they can call 800-706-7893.

Like those buying insurance for themselves or their families, open enrollment for small businesses begins Oct. 1. But unlike those buying insurance for themselves, enrollment does not end March 31; it continues

Applicants can't be denied insurance based on pre-existing conditions. Additionally, insurers cannot set limits on 10 essential benefits — hospital care, regular doctor's visits and prescription coverage, for example — that are required in the plans.

However, only those without affordable employer-sponsored insurance, those not eligible for Medicaid and those who have incomes below four times the federal poverty level will be eligible for federal credits. Those credits will help shrink costs for premiums. In 2014, an individual

#### **TIMELINE**

- » Oct. 1: Open enrollment begins on health insurance exchanges website www.healthcare.gov
- » Dec. 15: Deadline for enrolling for coverage that takes effect
- » Jan. 1, 2014: New coverage changes that effect current enrollees
- » March 31, 2014: End of open enrollment through health insurance exchanges

making less than \$11,490 will fall below the federal poverty limit and a family of four with a household income less than \$23,550 will fall below the federal limit.

So under the health law, a family of four with an income below about \$94,000 in 2014 — or four times the poverty limit — would qualify for credits.

Additionally, those with incomes lower than 2½ times the poverty limit will be eligible for smaller co-pays and deductibles.

#### Where to buy insurance

The insurance must be purchased online. You can do it on your own or federally certified staff will be available at many health clinics, other health care providers and community centers to help enroll applicants.

The complicated formulas for determining eligibility for tax credits or Medicaid will be automatically determined on the exchange once you input your information. You won't need to grab a calculator.

You will need the following to en-

» Social Security number (or document numbers such as those on green cards).

» Employer and income information for each family member who needs coverage (such as a W-2 or a pay stub).

» Policy numbers for any current insurance.

» Information on employer coverage, which can be gathered using the "employer coverage tool" found at www.healthcare.gov.

» The Kaiser Family Foundation, which tracks health care policy, has created an interactive subsidy calculator based on premiums released in other states.

The calculator might help Michiganders better understand how much federal financial help they'll receive to buy policies. However, it's important to know that Michigan has not released its premium costs yet, so it's not clear whether their plans will be similarly priced.

Robin Erb, a medical reporter for the Detroit Free Press, contributed to this story.

# WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU DON'T BUY INSURANCE: FEES FOR 2014 AND BEYOND

Healthcare.gov offers the following on health care reform:

If someone who can afford health insurance doesn't have coverage in 2014, they may have to pay a fee. The fee in 2014 is 1 percent of your yearly income or \$95 per person for the year, whichever is higher. The fee increases every year. In 2016, it is 2.5 percent of income or \$695 per person, whichever is higher.

whichever is higher.
In 2014, the fee for uninsured children is \$47.50 per child. The most a family would have to pay in 2014 is

It's important to remember that someone who pays the fee won't get any health insurance coverage. They still will be responsible for 100 percent of the cost of their medical care.

After open enrollment ends March 31, 2014, they won't be able to get health coverage through the Marketplace until the next annual enrollment period, unless they have a qualifying life

#### Minimum essential coverage

To avoid the fee in 2014, you need insurance that qualifies as minimum essential coverage. If you're covered by any of the following in 2014, you're considered covered and don't have to pay a penalty:

» Any Marketplace plan, or any individual insurance plan you already have.

» Any employer plan (including COBRA), with or without "grandfathered" status. This includes retiree plans.

» Medicare.

» Medicaid.
» The Children's Health

Insurance Program.

» TRICARE (for current service members and military retirees, their families, and survivors).

» Veterans health care programs (including the Veterans Health Care Program, VA Civilian Health and Medical Program and Spina Bifida Health Care Benefits Program).

» Peace Corps Volunteer plans.

Other plans may also qualify. Ask your health coverage provider.

What kinds of health insurance don't qualify as coverage?

Health plans that don't meet minimum essential coverage don't qualify as coverage in 2014. If you have only these types of coverage, you may have to pay the fee. Examples include:

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## Two-way battle

Local woman fights Huntington's as patient, advocate

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

Ron Knotts had many of what his daughter Deb Allen knows are the telltale signs of Huntington's disease.

His walk was ungainly. She remembers him standing in line in a store and seeing a little drool coming from his mouth. He'd choke on the simplest of foods. But Allen, a Canton resident, figured those were signs of aging, not symptoms of a deadly disease.

Little did she know how wrong she was or how much it would affect her above and beyond losing her father.

Knotts was diagnosed with Huntington's disease in 2007 and died what she called a slow, ugly death in 2010. Now his daughter, diagnosed a year after her father was, fears she faces the same fate. She's presymptomatic at the moment, but knows what's coming and she's getting ready.

"I will have symptoms eventually, so I'm doing what I can for my kids," Allen said. "I'm glad I got tested, because it gives me the opportunity to prepare. We never had that chance with my father."

According to the Huntington's Disease Society of America, Huntington's disease is an inherited brain disorder that results in the progressive loss of both mental faculties and physical control. Symptoms usually appear, according to the HDSA, between ages 30-50 (Allen was diagnosed the day after her 50th birthday), then worsen over a 10- to 25-year time period.

There is no effective treatment or cure and, although medications can relieve some symptoms, research has yet to find a means of slowing the deadly progression of HD.

#### 50/50 chance

The HDSA estimates 1 in every 10,000 Americans has HD and more than 250,000 others are at-risk of having inherited it from a parent. Allen knows the statistics: children have a 50/50 chance of inheriting the disease from a parent.

It's one of the reasons she

got tested when she found out her dad had it. That, and the fact her daughter was thinking about having a baby.

"I wanted to get tested because my daughter wanted to start a family," Allen said. Having lost her father to the

Having lost her father to the disease and now certain she's headed down the same path, Allen is at least trying to fight back, becoming a vociferous advocate for awareness of the disease. She has walked in the last two Walk for a Cure events Downriver and, in June 2012, attended her first HDSA convention in Las Vegas.

This past April, she traveled to Washington, D.C., to advocate for HD patients. She met with the staff of U.S. Rep. Kerry Bentivolio, and Sens. Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin. Since her visit, she said, Bentivolio and Stabenow have agreed to co-sponsor the Huntington's Disease Parity Act.

#### A friendly face

It was in Washington she met Kathleen Samulski, a Dearborn resident who works as a technology consultant to Wayne County school districts. Samulski was there as the caregiver to her husband Adam, who is a HD patient.

Adam Samulski, whose mother died of Huntington's at age 52, was Kathleen's high school sweetheart. Kathleen grew up in Livonia and met Adam while the two were students at Stevenson High School. The couple married and had a daughter Kelly, now 10.

But Adam's symptoms began materializing. His memory is affected, as is his behavior, particularly toward Kathleen. The disease causes involuntary movements – "Kelly calls them his 'moves like Jagger," Samulski says – that can inflict damage.

Eventually, it got so bad Kathleen made the only decision that made sense to her: she was forced to divorce Adam, although she remains his caregiver.

That's the thing about this disease, Kathleen said.

"The cognitive stuff goes first and then the behavioral problems happen," she said.



This family photo was taken at Ron Knotts' assisted living home in March 2010. Knotts died July 24, 2010.

"It's really hard to watch someone you knew in the prime of his life deteriorate before your very eyes. I've made it my life's work to understand, and beat, Huntington's disease, because it has screwed up my

Kathleen Samulski has been at it a little longer than Allen. Samulski is a national HDSA advocate and has been trained to go out and talk to various groups about clinical trials. She's also an ambassador to a pharmaceutical company that provides HD medication.

#### 'Secretive disease'

The HDSA says that while Huntington's was once thought a rare disease, it is now considered one of the more common hereditary diseases. It's not necessarily a contention with which Samulski agrees.

"This is a very secretive disease," she said. "It's not talked about. If you know about HD, usually either you have it or you know someone who has it. People don't know much about it."

Allen met Samulski while both were trying to change that, advocating in Washington for the HD Parity Act, a bill that would, among other things, waive the two-year waiting period for Medicare for HD patients. The two have become fast friends and confidants since.

"She has taught me a lot about being an advocate," Allen said. "She's someone I can call. I have people in my corner now that I didn't have before."

Both women are being spurred to action by their families. Allen is the mother of two and has two siblings, none of whom has gotten tested. "I'm fine with their decision; there's nothing they could do about it anyway," Allen said.

Samulski knows there isn't much that can be done for Adam, since there's no treatment and no cure, and what medicines are available only treat the symptoms, not the disease. Although research is getting closer, Samulski – like Allen – knows the future is likely grim. It makes her angry, which is why she's doing what she can.

"It's like living with Parkinson's, Alzheimer's and ALS all at once," she said. "It's a death sentence and it's a really ugly death sentence.

"In the face of all the horrible stuff," she added, "I decided I was going to do something positive with it."

#### A final promise

She walked the Walk for a Cure and her daughter Kelly raised more than \$5,000 for the cause. Allen walked the walk, too, and now the two are getting ready for the Michigan HDSA conference in Lansing in March and the national convention in Louisville, Ky., in

Allen is busying herself learning as much as she can about her disease, so that she can prepare her family and prepare herself.

Until then, she's just enjoying her grandchildren, hugging them even closer when it gets hard and the emotions overcome her.

"My grandchildren make me smile, but I still think about what could be in store for them and it hurts," Allen said.

"It's been horrific. My family will never be the same, ever. I stopped having fun. But as I've learned more, I've moved beyond that. I can have fun now."

She was there when her father passed away and she made him a promise, which she's trying to keep now.

"My promise to my father was to do everything in my power to fight," she said. "For us, for everyone out there faced with this on a day-to-day basis and yet can still smile, laugh and hope for a cure."

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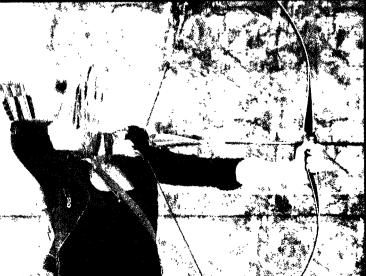
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## LIFE OF A GEM

Northville native making film about coveted stones

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

Orin Mazzoni III, a Northville native, is working on a project that involves two of his lifelong passions --- gems

and film-making. "This is the ultimate dream of combining both of my life's passions into one," he said from his new home in California.

He is now putting together a true independent film called "Sharing the Rough" and it's meant to be a gift to the gemological community, from the miners and families in East Africa that work to bring these precious gems to the surface, to the final unique piece that is set into a stunning piece of iewelry.

His family still owns Orin Jewelers in downtown Northville and Garden City. He grew up following his father, who was one of the first to receive the prestigious degree of Certified Gemologist from the American Gem Society.

So like his father, Mazzoni studied gemology, obtaining the title of Graduate Gemologist from the Gemological

Institute of America, and **Certified Gemologist** Appraiser from the American Gem Society.

However, after a decade of learning and working at the family business he pivoted to pursue his other passion. This took him to the Academy of Art University in San Francisco where he received a master's degree in motion pictures and television.

He is now a director

and producer. 'It was hard to give up the family business, but they were very supportive and understanding of me for pursuing this dream," he said.

According to Mazzoni, this film will be the first of its kind to truly capture the gem process from start to finish. The aim of the film is to capture the realism and appreciation of the world of colored gemstones.

We will follow it through the hands of the East African miners who bring these treasures to the surface, to the faceter who breathes life into the gems, and finally to the designer who creates the work of art that will accentuate the beau-

ty of the gem," he said of



LOCAL NEWS

East African gem miners will play a big role in Northville native Orin Mazzoni's film "Sharing the Rough."



Orin Mazzoni III

the plan.

A big part of the film will document the real life experiences of Roger Dery, "The Gem Cutter.'
Mazzoni said he is not only a world-renowned faceter, but also as a teacher and agent for growth and compassion.

'I will look to capture him interacting with the miners in a real life way

that not only has them looking for that one-of-akind gemstone, but also showing the relationships that Roger has built over many visits to East Africa," Mazzoni said.

The end product should be a film that will be 90 minutes long and could end up on television. Because it is a true independent film, Mazzoni is looking for help from those who want to be part of the project. He is planning on showing the film in Northville upon its completion, which is planned for next

To learn more about the film and how to help, visit www.sharingtherough.com.

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### A Chocolate Affair benefits First Step

The ninth annual A Chocolate Affair to benefit First Step, which offers counseling and emergency housing for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, will be held 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, at Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center in Livonia.

The event is hosted by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, an Irish charity group.

Local restaurants, bakeries, caterers and chocolate makers will serve tastes of their chocolate delights to guests. Featured will be: Dearborn Inn, The Claddagh Irish Pub & Restaurant, Sander's Candy and Dessert Shop, Bahama Breeze, Catering by Meredith, Kilwin's of Plymouth, Jeff Zak Catering of Plymouth, The Spotted Spoon, Bell Stone Toffee, Panache 447 of Plymouth and more. Many other local businesses have donated prizes and support.

Irish melodies during the A Chocolate Affair will be provided by Inis Ceol, a local trio whose name means "island music." Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

Now in its third year as a prelude to the chocolate-tasting event, the **Ladies Ancient Order of** Hibernians will also host a luncheon featuring a speaker from First Step who will share her survivor story. The Sweet Adelines, "Voices in Harmony," will perform for the luncheon program. The luncheon will be held preceding A Chocolate Affair, from noon to 2 p.m.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 (advance sales only), tickets for A Chocolate Affair are also \$25. Tickets are available by calling Barbara Weir at 734-453-1459 or Kittie Higgins at 734-646-5212 and from the First Step offices in Plymouthat 734-416-1111.

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Excess fluid occurs because of irritation to the knee joint lining cells. That irritation can be crystals as in gout, can come from the breakdown of cartilage as in osteoarthritis, can come from bacteria in joint infection, and can result because of auto immune disease complexes as in rheumatoid arthritis.

The fluid is often misnamed as " water on the knee;" nature is cleverer making the fluid akin to the engine oil used in a car. Both the knee fluid and the engine oil fluid are lubricants, doing the same job of allowing moving parts to turn and torque friction free

Usually physicians want to remove extra joint fluid even if the excess is not associated with pain as the extra fluid makes the knee unstable, putting the person at risk for a Furthermore, analysis of the fluid is valuable, allowing the physician to know if the fluid resulted from gout, infection, inflammatory arthritis or from the worn cartilage characteristic of osteoarthritis.

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## New Hope to co-sponsor fall conference at Madonna

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other pastoral care professionals. It will take place 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, at Madonna University, 36600

Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. The keynote speaker will be Debra K. Mattison, MSW, who specializes in working with cancer patients, palliative care and program planning at the University of Michigan Health System.

There will also be presentations by Stephan Center director Victoria Stephan, Karen Laing, the executive director of New Hope Center for Grief Support and others.

Laing's sessions will focus on "Understanding Anger in Relation to Life Losses" and "Coping with Grief during the Holidays.'

The registration fee (\$120 with CEUs, \$100 without CEUs) includes training materials, con-tinental breakfast and lunch. Interested professionals can register online at

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per year. I found out that in addition to the 1.5 percent that I am paying, he has also received commissions on the funds he has invested for me. When I questioned him about the fees, his answer was "That is the standard practice in the industry."
A: When it comes to

advisers, there are three types - fee-only, commission-based and a hybrid.

Fee-only advisers charge a fee for services and then take nothing from any of the investments they recommend.

The next type is a commission-based adviser. He or she can receive compensation in two ways. The first is the commission they receive by buying and selling investments for you. In addition, some investments such as variable annuities and C-share mutual funds pay commission-based advisers a fee year after year, as long as money is left in that investment.

For example, if you own a variable annuity.

the person who sold you that annuity receives a fee, paid by you for every year you're in the annuity. Whether the adviser does anything or not, they still get paid.

The third type of adviser (the type you are using) - a hybrid charges a fee and accepts commissions and other compensation from the investments they use.

I believe if an adviser is charging a fee for service, they should not accept commissions. I agree that it is double dipping.

Unfortunately, many people end up paying double the fees and the reason is that they don't know. Advisers who do take double the fees don't tend to tell their clients about the double dipping and, in addition, the investments that directly pay advisers do their best to hide the fees.

Fees do matter. High fees equal low returns. If nothing more, an investor would be able to increase their return by focusing on low-cost investments. In today's world, where returns are low, saving a percent or two may not sound like much, but it could increase your return substantially.

The best commission sales people I know never worry about commissions because their sole concern is their clients. Unfortunately, some commission sales people worry about one thing only - the commissions and the sales incentives that they can earn.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomasset management.com.

## LPS staffer named region's Social Worker of the Year

Livonia Public Schools **Elementary Student** Assistance Provider Kathy Weaver was selected as the Michigan Association of School Social Workers "Region A School Social Worker of the Year."

Weaver, who is in her second year as the ESAP at Johnson Upper Elementary, said she is honored to receive this award.

"I am so grateful to have the recognition of my peers in the field of school social work who not only know what I do every day for students and their families, but also recognize the contribution that I am making to the field of school social work through education and advocacy at the state and national levels," Weaver said.

She has served as a state mental health consultant for the Department of Community Mental Health and



serves on the state board of the Michigan Association of School Social Workers as the legislative chair to that organization.

As the Region A School Social Worker of the Year, Weaver now moves to nomination for **MASSW State School** Social Worker of the Year, which will be determined later this year.

Weaver was previously the school social worker at Johnson, and has been with LPS for 13 years.

"I really enjoy working with students and their families," Weaver said. "I also enjoy bringing attention to the importance of mental health and the impact of the mind and body connection."

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Churchill's Malik Johnson (No. 1) rushed for 268 yards on 29 carries in Friday's 35-28 homecoming loss. Trying to make the tackle is Canton's Jalen

## Chiefs survive big scare

Churchill makes it close but loses homecoming 35-28

**By Brad Emons** 

State-ranked Canton proved Friday night it can go deep into the well and run a two-minute offense.

After upset-minded Livonia Churchill tied the game up on Malik Johnson's 15-yard touchdown run, followed by Brian Alsobrook's two-point conversion pass to Tim Dulin, the Chiefs had 2:15 left on the clock in a game tied at 28-28.

That's when quarterback Greg Williams went to work and the junior delivered the gamewinning TD drive, hitting three straight clutch passes for 19, 6 and 20 yards out of the Chiefs' run-oriented wing-T and leading Canton to a 35-28 victory while spoiling the Chargers' home-

coming. Charles Turfe scored the game-winning TD on a 2-yard run with only 15.9 seconds remaining as Canton stayed unbeaten at 5-0 and 3-0 in the KLAA's South Division.

Williams was 7-of-7 passing on the night for 128 yards, while Turfe went for 161 yards on 23 carries.

"The kid is a winner," Canton coach Tim Baechler said of his QB. "He's so smart. He makes a lot of checks at the line of scrimmage. He's just a calm, cool customer. I like the ball in his hands.

Churchill (0-5, 0-3), which had defeated Canton in their

last two meetings, liked the ball in senior tailback Malik Johnson's hands.

The 5-foot-8, 170-pound senior finished with 265 yards rushing on 28 carries as the Chargers looked far from being a winless team.

"We knew coming in they (Churchill) were a great offensive team," said Baechler, whose team won the total yardage battle, 537-392. "Led by their offense, there's just so

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Northville's Evan Wieland tries to elude the grasp of Stevenson's Robert Schneider. MIKE IVEY

## Northville QB does in Stevenson

Livonia Stevenson's defense got torched Friday night by Northville quarterback Joey

The senior threw for four first-half touchdowns and ran for two more in the second half to lead the Mustangs to a 48-21 **KLAA Central Division football** 

win over the host Spartans. Hewlett had an amazing night hitting 8-of-10 passes for 338 yards, while rushing for 140 more on the ground in 11 attempts as the Mustangs racked up 535 total yards to improve to

4-1 overall and 3-0 in the divi-

Northville led 14-0 after one quarter as Hewlett hooked up with his favorite target Nick Stegmeyer on TD passes of 79 and 46 yards.

In the second quarter, Stevenson got on the board when Devin Kelly caught a 7-yard TD pass from junior C.J. Weiss, but Hewlett-to-Stegmever struck again

on a 56-yard passing play. Sophomore Austin Petrie, who rushed for 125 yards on 15 carries, then scored on an 11yard run, but Hewlett hit Stegmeyer again, this time for 7

yards, to make it 28-14 at half-

time.

In the third quarter, Hewlett broke loose for an 80-yard TD run and Stevenson's Dom Ferrera, who finished with a teambest 136 yards on eight carries,

scored on a 67-yard run. Northville put it away with a pair of scores in the final quarter, the first on a Hewlett 2-yard TD run followed by Michael Minick's fumble recovery and

7-yard return. Stegmeyer had six receptions

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#### **PREP VOLLEYBALL**

#### Huron Valley rolls past rival Lutheran High in three sets ting so many unforced errors,"

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

There's plenty of noise in the gym when neighbors Westland Huron Valley Lutheran and Lutheran High Westland get together.

And Thursday night was no exception, as host HVL raised the decibel level with a 25-22, 25-21, 25-19 Michigan Independent Athletic Association Blue Division victory.

Dayne Schroeder (five kills, 10 digs) and Madison Dest (12 kills, three aces) were the catalysts for the victorious Hawks, who improved to 10-4-1 overall

and 2-2 in the MIAC Blue.

"They led us defensively tonight," HVL coach Mike Dest said. "Both were great at controlling the ball on serve receive and on the defensive end.'

Meanwhile, Lexus Medina (15 kills) and setter Anne St. John had (27 assists, four aces) did their fair share as well in the victory.

Lutheran Westland (5-10-2, 1-3) got seven kills from Leah Refenes, while Julia Yancy added 15 digs.

The Warriors went just 17of-89 (0.034) on their hitting attack. "We have got to stop commitLutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "In sets like these that are tight, we need to be accurate and efficient and pull away. We had leads late in all three sets, only to let them pull

away because of mistakes. "Give them credit, though, they made the key plays when they needed to and because of that they got the win. We need to start executing better and that starts in practice. So hopefully we have some real tough and

rors minimized." Meanwhile, Dest complimented the Warriors' effort.

hard practices to get these er-

"I thought Westland played well tonight," he said. "It was tough getting balls on the ground against them. Playing them is always fun.

With the schools right next door to each other, the kids in the stands on both sides are loud, which makes for a fun atmosphere for the girls to play

#### **Hurmiz lifts Trojans**

Senior defensive specialist Christine Hurmiz proved to be a capable emergency setter as she led Livonia Clarenceville to a

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HALL SALES EVEN

#### MU men's golfers 2nd

The Madonna University men's golf team moved up one spot in the final standings for Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Jamboree No. 3, slipping into second place Wednesday with a 303 for a 602 total at Coyote Creek G.C. in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Davenport University won the event with a 585.

Senior Joe Parker (Walled Lake Northern) led MU and finished in a tie for second with a 74 for a 146 total.

Fellow seniors Benjamin Gawronski (Hartland), who shot a 75, and Billy Teer (Grand Blanc), who posted MU's low score of the day with a 73, tied for ninth overall.

Seniors Erik Tau-rence (Wyandotte), who shot 85, and Drew Mossoian (Livonia Stevenson), who carded an 81, finished in ties for 30th and 32nd respectively.

Senior Kevin Robinson (Livonia Churchill) contributed a 93 as an individual on Day 2.

#### **Hines races** for Heroes

Wayne County Parks will sponsor its first Heroes on Hines half-marathon and 5-kilometer races Saturday, Oct. 5, with proceeds going toward the creation and maintenance of the First Responders Memorial at Hines Drive and Haggerty.

The half-marathon starts at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K at 8:30 a.m. The event is sponsored by Running Fit and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

The cost is \$34 (5K) and \$59 (half marathon) if registered by Oct. 3.

For more information, visit heroesonhines.com.

#### Ace golfers

Among those posting hole-in-ones recently were:

» Brian Williams, of Livonia, used a 5-iron to record his second ace on the 186-yard, No. 17 hole, Aug. 27, at Idyl Wyld G.C. He shot 82 for 18 holes.

» On Aug. 4, John Yowell, 70, of Westland, used a Noodle to ace the 163-yard, No. 4 hole at Fox Hills' Strategic Fox. He shot a round of 75 for 18.

» Mike Ulaszek, 43, of Livonia, used a 9-iron to ace the 149-yard, No. 14 hole on July 17 at Fox Hills' Golden Fox. He shot 39 for nine holes.



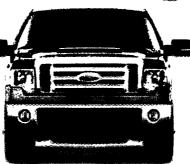
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## Glenn swimmers splash past rival Wayne, 118-56

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn swept all but one event Thursday night en route to a 118-56 girls swim victory at home over rival Wavne Memorial.

The Rockets, who improved to 2-0 overall and 1-0 in the

KLAA's South Division, boasted three double winners and captured two of three relays.

Freshman Kera Sells took firsts in the 200-yard freestyle (2:03.27) and 100 butterfly (1:03.9), while fellow ninthgrader Sidney Aloisi won the 50 freestyle (27.26) and 100 breaststroke (1:16.1).

Senior Merissa Zarczynski captured the 200 individual medley (2:37.18) and the 100 freestyle (1:05.4).

Other individual winners for the Rockets included senior Jenna Letellier, 1-meter diving (124.30 points); sophomore Taylor Mifsud, 500 freestyle (6:38.23); and senior Bryana

Lynch, 100 backstroke (1:18.39).

Glenn's 200 medley relay quartet of Aloisi, freshman Hannah Czauskas, Lynch and junior Cyanne Jones took first

The Rockets' 200 freestyle

Wayne's 400 freestyle relay team of freshmen Morgan Smeltzer, Kayla Theus, Alicia Beeney and sophomore Amber Rutter broke the Glenn domination in the final event with a

The loss drops the Zebras to

#### **BOYS TENNIS RESULTS**

**DUAL MATCH RESULTS** LIVONIA CHURCHILL 8 WHITE LAKE LAKELAND 1

Sept. 26 at Churchill

No. 1 singles: Jonathan Martin (LC) won by default; No. 2: Sean
Mulka (LC) def. Ben Evans, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Rishabh Arvikar (LC) def.
Noah Evans, 6-4, 6-3; No. 4: Colin Scott (WLL) def. Tim Ohtake, 6-1,

No. 1 doubles: Mark Denstaedt-Steve VanWormer (LC) def. Terry Haren-Jeremy Wimmer, 2-6, 7-6, 7-6, No. 2: Aditya Vemulopati-Riley Prince (LC) def. Zade Koch-Adam Zammit, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Raymond Peters-Shantam Ravan (LC) def. Kevin Doyle-Conrad Chrabol, 6-0, 6-1; No. 4: Cooper King-Mit Patel (LC) def. McCauley McDougall-Danny Medlock, 6-3, 6-4; No. 5: Joe Healy-Drew Lang (LC) def. Josh Jacobs-Nick Boyd, 6-1, 6-1.

Dual match records: Churchill, 6-3 overall; Lakeland, 2-5 overall.

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wysock (LS) der. Jake Lacriowicz, 6-4, 7-3; No. 4: Matt Wenzel (r) def. Jeff Frederick, 6-2, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Tom Cwiek-Neal Adams (LS) def. Jared Montay-Charles Peterson, 6-4, 6-2; No. 2: Chase Tinham-Matt Lackey (LS) def. John Langford-Drew Norton, 6-3, 6-3; No. 3: Brendan Parker-Andrew Dziobak (LS) def. Terrance Chandler-Brendan Hauk, 6-1, 6-2; No. 4: Brad Weiand-David Ajluni (LS). 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; No. 5: David Bageris-Cade Bunton (LS) def. Mike Zhender-Kyle Downes, 6-0, 6-1.

HOWELL 4 Sept. 24 at Howell

No. 1 singles: Mason Wenzel (H) defeated Jacob Liberati, 6-0, 6-1: No. 2: Nate Garrison (H) def. Nick Munro, 6-2, 6-3; No. 3: Jake La-chewicz (H) def. Joe Vetula, 6-2, 6-0; No. 4: Matt Wenzel (H) def.

No. 1 doubles: Adam Monroe-Tyler Turchan (LF) def. Jared Montay-Charles Peterson, 7-6 (7-5), 4-6, 6-3; No. 2: Dylan Smith-Lukas Peko-rius (LF) def. John Langford-Drew Norton, 4-6, 6-4; No. 3: Dylan Bowling-Jordan Stasser (LF) def. Terrance Chandler-Brendan Hauk,

**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 8** HARTLAND 1

Sept. 24 at Hartland
No. 1 singles: Jonathan Martin (LC) defeated Connor Cothran, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Sean Mulka (LC) def. Addison Jensen, 6-1, 6-0; No. 3: Rishabh Arvikar (LC) def. Chaz Distellrath, 6-1, 6-3; No. 4: Tim Ohtake

Rishabh Arvikar (LC) def. Chaz Distelrath, 6-1, 6-3; No. 4: Tim Ohtake (LC) def. Brett Capra, 6-1, 2-6, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Mark Densteadt-Steven VanWormer (LC) def. Drew Peck-Zach Mixter, 6-1, 6-4; No. 2: Aditya Vemulopati-Riley Prince (LC) def. Alex Habrath-John Fay, 6-2, 6-2; No. 3: Raymond Peters-Shantam Ravan (LC) def. Andy Luvenshine-Nick Daniels, 6-3, 6-7, 6-0; No. 4: Cooper King-Mit Patel (LC) def. Mason Cothran-Chris Mizuno, 6-1, 7-5; No. 5: Wyatt Kowall-Jack Orrico (H) def. Alex Ro-oosch-Drew Lano. gosch-Drew Lang.

Dual match records: Churchill, 5-3 overall; Hartland, 3-10 overall.

**TOURNAMENT RESULTS** Sept. 21 at Dearborn H.S.

**NORTHVILLE 174 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 224**  ie Haddad, 59; Marin McGowan, 67; Elizabeth Havlik, 66. **Dual match records:** Northville, 5-1 over

all, 5-1 KLAA Central Division; Churchill, 3-5 overall, 3-3 KLAA South Division.

SOUTH LYON 167, LIV. STEVENSON 202 Sept. 24 at Cattails South Lyon scorers: Caroline Harding, 40 (medalist); Allison Ranusch, 41; Priscilla Har-

48; Morgan Hatton, 49. Stevenson scorers: Rachel Crachiola, 43; Mary Peltz and Kristen Szabelski, 52 each; n Gonau, 55; Emily Jenaway, 58; Jess

in 2:12.77.

team of Aloisi, Zarczynski, Sells also won in 1:54.74.

time of 4:37.69.

2-1 overall, 0-1 in the KLAA

No. 1 doubles: Mark Denstaedt-Steve VanWormer (LC) def. Terry

HOWELL 3
Sept. 25 at Stevenson
No. 1 singles: Mason Wenzel (H) defeated Chad Northey, 7-5, 6-2;
No. 2: Nate Garrison (H) def. Sam Tabor, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; No. 3: Jason Wysocki (LS) def. Jake Lachowicz, 6-4, 7-5; No. 4: Matt Wenzel (H)

Dual match records: Stevenson, 6-4 overall; Howell, 4-4 overal LIVONIA FRANKLIN 5

6-1, 7-6 (7-4); No. 4: Lucas Willyard-Josh Talarek (LF) def. Kevin Durand-Michael Zehnder, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4; No. 5: Jon Montie-Justin Crawford (LF) def. Adam Gonzales-Matt Kerr, 3-6, 7-5, 6-1.

Dual match records: Franklin, 4-2 overall; Howell, 3-3 overall.

DEARBORN KING OF COURT

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. (tie) Livonia Franklin, Dearborn and Southgate Anderson, 17 points each; 4. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 16; 5. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 12; 6. Carleton Airport, 7; 7. Wayne Memorial, 2.

#### GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 224
Sept. 25 at Tanglewood (North)
Northville scorers: Chice Page, 36 (medalist); Katie Childers, 40; Alyse Clevenger and Nicole Saez, 49 each; Elizabeth McGowan, 50; Gerrianna Dauber, 56.
Churchill scorers: Alyssa Mazur, 52; Megan Crocker, 55; Katie Shereda, 58; Jack-

ding, 42; Morgan Abate, 44; Alex Bernas,

Dual match records: South Lyon, 4-1 over-all, 4-1 KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 2-3 overall, 2-3 KLAA Central.

junior Ashlee Alexander and

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Oct. 4 Churchill at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Novi, 7 p.m.
S'field Christ. at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m. **BOYS SOCCER** 

Monday, Sept. 30 Fordson at Clarenceville, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1 Luth. W'sld at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. John Glenn at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Franklin, 7 p.m.
S.L. East at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 2
Thurston at Clarenceville, 6 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 3
Franklin at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Canton at Wayne 4 p.m. Canton at Wayne, 4 p.m. Luth. South at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.

Franklin Road at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. Churchill at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4
Romulus at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Redford Union, 4:30 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Oct. 1 John Glenn at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. Wayne at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. S.L. East at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
Oak. Christian at Huron Valley, 6:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Greenhills, 7 p.m. Clarenceville at RU, 7 p.m. Mercy at Ladywood, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2 Clarenceville at Thurston, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3

Churchill at Wayne, 6:30 p.m. Canton at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Plymouth at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m. Stevenson at South Lyon, 6:30 p.m. Regina at Laddywood, 7 p.m. Luth. W'sld at Luth. N'west, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 Greenhills at Huron Valley, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 Bloomfield Hills Invitational, 8:30 a.m.

UM-Dearborn Invitational, 9 a.m. Lake Fention Invitational, 9 a.m. Saline Invitational, TBA. PREP CROSS COUNTRY Tuesday, Oct. 1 Wayne at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Churchill vs. Canton, Stevenson vs. Canton, Stevenson vs. Salem at Cass Benton Park, 4 p.m. Franklin vs. Plymouth at Nankin Mills, 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 Wayne County Championship at Willow Metropark, 9 a.m. at Willow Metropark, 9 a.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Tuesday, Oct. 1
Churchill at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m. Churchill at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 3

Churchill at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.

Franklin at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.

Ladywood vs. Warren Regina at Livonia Com. Rec. Ctr., 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 Wayne County Diving Prelims at Grosse Pte. South, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 Wayne County Championship at Grosse Pte. South, noon. **GIRLS GOLF** Milford Inv. at Prestwick, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1 Churchill vs. S.L. East at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m. Franklin vs. Northville at Idyl Wyld G.C., 3 p.m. Stevenson vs. Plymouth at Fox Hills G.C., 3 p.m. John Glenn vs. South Lvon

at Gateway G.C., 3 p.m. Ladywood vs. Notre Dame Prep at St. John's G.C., 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2 Churchill vs. Novi at Coyote G.C., 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 Franklin vs. Salem at Fox Hills G.C., 3 p.m. John Glenn vs. Stevenson at Fox Creek G.C., 3 p.m.

Ladywood vs. Sacred Heart at St. John's G.C., 4 p.m. **BOYS TENNIS** 

Tuesday, Oct. 1 Stevenson at Franklin, 4 p.m. Salem at Churchill, 4 p.m. S.L. East at John Glenn, 4 p.m. South Lyon at Wayne, 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 KLAA 1-3 Association Tourney at Novi High School, 9 a.m. KLAA 4-6 Association Tourney at Plymouth Canton, 9 a.m.
GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY
Monday, Sept. 30
Ladywood at A.A. Huron, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 2 Saline at Ladywood, 4:30 p.m. COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL Wednesday, Oct. 2 Cornerstone at Madonna, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 (Indiana Tech Tournament)

(Indiana tech lournament)
Madonna vs. Bethel (Ind.), 4:15 p.m.
Madonna vs. St Ambrose (la.), 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 5
Alpena at Schoolcraft (2), noon.
MU at Indiana Tech Tourney, TBA.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Wednesday, Oct. 2
Madonna at Lawrence Tech. 1 p.m. Madonna at Lawrence Tech, 1 p.m. Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio), 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4

Aquinas at Madonna, 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 Schoolcraft at Lakeland (Ohio), 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6 Schoolcraft at Cuyahoga (Ohio), 11 a.m. Schoolcraft at Cuyahoga (Ohio), 11 a WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Sunday, Sept. 29 Muskegon at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2 N'western Ohio at Madonna, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 5 Parkland (ill.) at Schoolcraft, noon. Madonna at Aquinas, 12:30 p.m.

TBA - time to be announced.

#### GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

**WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 118** 

WAYNE MEMORIAL 56 Sept. 26 at John Glenn 200-yard medley relay: 1. John Glenn (Sid-ney Aloisi, Hannah Cizauskas, Bryana Lynch, Cyanne Jones), 2:12.77; 2. Wayne (Alicia Bee-ney, Julia Bryant, Amber Rutter, Kayla Theus), 2.19.58; 3. John Glenn (Hope Young, Andrea Macek, Katie Thome, Bria Hunt), 2:26.81. 200 freestyle: 1. Sells (WJG), 2:03.27; 2. Tay-lor Mifsud (WJG), 2:25.45; 3. Morgan Smeltz-er (MM) 2:25.64

er (WM), 2:25.64. **200 individual medley:** 1. Merissa Zarczynski (WJG), 2:37.18; 2. Beeney (WM), 2:45.03; 3. Rutter (WM), 2:46.27. 50 freestyle: 1. Aloisi (WJG), 27.26; 2. Bryant (WM), 29.14; 3. Ashlee Alexander (WJG),

1-meter diving: 1. Jenna Letellier (WJG), 124,30 points. 100 butterfly: 1. Sells (WJG), 1:03.9; 2. Beeney (WM), 1:19.54; 3. Lynch (WJG), 1:19.77. 100 freestyle: 1. Zarczynski (WJG), 1:05.4; 2. Jones (WJG), 1:07.77; 3. Alexander (WJG), 500 freestyle: 1. Mifsud (WJG), 6:38.23; 2. Rachel Cizauskas (WJG), 6:46.85; 3. Smeltzer (WM), 6:49.52.

200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Aliosi, M. Zarczynski, Alexander, Sells), 1:54.74; 2. John Glenn (Jones, Hunt, Mifsud, R. Cizaus-State Clear Country, Nath, Wissub, N. C. Lizubs, Asi, 2:06.43; 3. Wayne (Bryant, Camry Cain-Bowyer, Samantha Weiss, Smeltzer), 2:09.3.

100 backstroke: 1. Lynch (WJG), 1:18.39; 2. Tomlin (WJG), 1:23.05; 3. Young (WJG), 1:24.5

100 breaststroke: 1. Aloisi (WJG), 1:16.1; 2. Bryant (WM), 1:21.67; 3. H. Cizauskas (WJG),

400 freestyle relay: 1. Wayne (Smeltzer, Amber Rutter, Theus, Beeney), 4:37.69; 2. Wayne (Samantha Wass, Kayle Bazan, Kristi-na Szalai, Allyson Rutter), 5:21.57. Dual meet records: John Glenn, 2-0 overall. 1-0 KLAA South Division; Wayne, 2-1 overall;

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Sept. 26 at Stevenson 200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Stepha-nie Solterman, Linda Zhang, Katie Xu, Lisa Zhang), 1:53.4; 2. Stevenson (Bayne Froney, Sara Bowen, Paige Longhi, Andrea D'Amour), 2:02.69; 3. Salem (Mckenzie Maurice, Jessica ; 3. Salem (Mckenzie Maurice, Jessica Hannah Tardiff, Vicencza Zaia),

200 freestyle: 1. Rachel Arceri (LS), 1:58.83; 200 treestyle: 1, nacties Arcet (LS), (138.63;
 2. Iulia Suriano (Salem), 2:03.99; 3. Patricia Freitag (Salem), 2:04.45.
 200 individual medley: 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 2:09.6; 2. Rebecca Arakelian (LS), 2:12.38; 3. Xu (Salem), 2:19.54.
 50 freestyle: 1. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 25.36; 2. Brenna Erickson (LS), 25.45; 3. Solterman (Salem), 26.01.

1-meter diving: 1. Jessica Weak (LS), 200.45 points; 2. Alex Zukowski (LS), 177.45; 3. Samantha Ellis (LS), 139.12.

100 butterfly: 1. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 1:00.17; 2. Arakelian (LS), 103.83; 3. Annie Patterson (Salem), 1:04.34. 100 freestyle: 1. Erickson (LS), 57.08; 2. Sol-

terman (Salem), 58.19; 3. Bowen (LS), 58.27. 5300 freestyle: 1. Arcri (LS), 5:17.11; 2. Mer-rill Froney (LS), 5:26.46; 3. Suriano (Salem), 5:30.31.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Arake lian, Erickson, Arceri, M. Froney), 1:44.9; 2. Salem (Lisa Zhang, Xu, Patterson, Surfano), 1:45.45; 3. Salem (Claire Cousino, Sarah Budnick, Maddy Bowden, Claire), 1:59.85. 100 backstroke: 1. Freitag (Salem), 1:03.2: 2. Molly Rowe (Salem), 1:03.83; 3. B. Froney (LS),

100 breaststroke: 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 1:08.69; 2. Xu (Salem), 1:12.09; 3. Bowen (LS),

400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Arceri, Erickson, M. Froney, Arakelian), 3:47.11; 2. Salem (Solterman, Rowe, Suriano, Linda Zhang), 3:50.05; 3. Stevenson (D'Amour, B. Froney, Melissa Flannigan, Bowen), 3:58.85. **Dual meet records:** Stevenson, 2-1 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-1 KLAA

**CANTON 120 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 65** 

Sept. 26 at Churchill

200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Mackenzie Dugas, Faith Goodwin, Emily Osika, Hannah Jenkins), 2:07.14; 2. Churchill (Amanda Washko, Grace Tolen, Kristen Gilley, Joelle Ghareeb), 2:10.94; 3. Canton (Kimberiy Langolf, Claire Green, Jocelyn Moraw, Courtney Smith), 2:12.86.

200 freestyle: 1. Destinee Barmore-Hicks (Canton), 2:09.13; 2. Brittany Gates (LC), 2:10.91; 3. Alyssa Jacobsen (Canton), 2:23.81,

200 individual medley: 1. Madeline Madison (Canton), 2:20.39; 2. Jenkins (Canton), 2:29.52; 3. Brenna Wayne (Canton), 2:39.03. 50 freestyle: 1. Washko (LC), 25.37; 2. Osika (Canton), 26.39; 3. Emily Meler (Canton),

1-meter diving: 1. Melissa Green (Canton), 185.50 points; 2. Sydney Grenier (LC), 168.55; 3. Lori Balfour (LC), 142.95. 100 butterfly: 1. Madison (Canton), 1:04.66; 2. Gates (LC), 1:04.8; 3. Green (Canton), 1:05.79. 103.79. 100 freestyle: 1. Washko (LC), 54.91; 2. Goodwin (Canton), 59.58; 3. Smith (Canton),

500 freestyle: 1. Osika (Canton), 5:33.3; 2. Madison Dugas (Canton), 5:44.95; 3. Emily Downs (Canton), 5:55.49.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Meier, Good-win, Madison, Green), 1:50.38; 2. Canton (Moraw, Jenkins, Wayne, Dugas), 1:51.0; 3. Churchill (Gates, Ghareeb, Gilley, Crystal Dombrowski), 1:56.41.

100 backstroke: 1. Tolen (LC), 1:14.18; 2. Jacobsen (Canton), 1:18.23; 3. Madilynn Hagood (LC), 1:18.68.
100 breaststroke: 1. Dugas (Canton), 1:15.35; 2. Daria Donelson (LC), 1:28.39; 3. Ruoxuan Shi (Canton), 1:28.78.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Barmore-Hicks, Jenkins, Downs, Dugas), 4:00.36; 2. Churchill (Washko, Hagoood, Dombrowski, Gates), 4:02.68; 3. Churchill (Tolen, Gilley, Christina Walrad, Donelson), 4:38.18.
Dual meet records: Canton, 1-0 KLAA South Division. Churchill, 2-3 overall, 0-1 KLAA Division. Churchill, 2-3 overall, 0-1 KLAA

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Sept. 24 at John Glenn 200-yard medley relay: 1. John Glenn (Kera Sells, Sidney Aliosi, Bryana Lynch, Ashlee Al-exander), 2:10.07; 2. John Glenn (Isis Tomlin, Hannah Cizauskas, Katie Thorne, Bria Hunt),

Alois T. S. P. S.

meter diving: 1. Amy McNally (GC), 147.50

Thome (WJG), 1:28.45.

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200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Hunt, Thome, Tomlin, Zarczynski), 2:04.42.
100 backstroke: 1. Selis (WJG), 1:07.36.
100 breaststroke: 1. H. Cizauskas (WJG), 1:25.19; 3. Thome (WJG), 1:34.86. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Garden City (Amber Sparks, Renee Metcalf, Jaycie Raby, Kelly McDermott), 4:48.32.

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Glenn's dual meet record: 1-0 overall.

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PREP FOOTBALL

## Clarenceville stymies Romulus, makes postseason

With a bye week coming up, Livonia Clar-enceville has already punched its postseason playoff ticket as the state-ranked Trojans turned in another stellar defensive effort Friday with a 12-6 Western Wayne Athletic Conference victory at Romulus.

Clarenceville, now 5-0 overall and 3-0 in the WWAC's Red Division, scored all their points in the first half.

James Hill scored on a 3-yard touchdown run as

Clarenceville went up 7-0 in the first quarter (following David Vandekerckhove's point-after).

Romulus (2-2, 1-2) then scored on a 'Pick Six,' but failed on the extra point to tail 7-6.

In the second quarter, Vandekerckhove booted a 29-yard field goal to make it 10-6.

After a scoreless third period, Clarenceville defensive tackle Jesse Stallings made a tackle in the end zone for a twopoint safety to make it a

six-point cushion with only six minutes remaining. Stallings finished with six tackles on the night, including three for loss.

Clarenceville had 181 total yards with Jalen Bryant leading the way with 88 yards rushing on 17 carries. Quarterback Jake Kubiak was 5-of-14 passing for 45 yards.

**Drake Taylor also** came up with a sack and forced fumble for the Trojans, who sewed up their 10th playoff spot in school history and second straight under coach Ken Fry.

#### Warriors win 'Rusty'

Lutheran High Westland (1-4, 1-2) got 254 yards rushing on 33 carries Friday from junior Jacob Davenport to beat host Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (1-4, 0-2) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

The Warriors, who won back the coveted "Rusty" rivarly trophy

for the first time in five years, took a 14-7 firstquarter lead on an Austin Olson 18-yard TD run followed by Olson's 88yard kickoff return after the Crusaders had scored on a 78-yard TD run.

In the second quarter, Caleb Richter recovered a fumble at the Northwest 11 and Olson followed with an 11-yard TD run to make it 21-7 at halftime.

The Warriors' defense then came up with a goal line stand to open the

third quarter and answered with an 11-play, 99-yard TD drive capped by Davenport's 4-yard

**Lutheran Westland** outgained Northwest in

total offense, 386-307. Luke Bonkowski paced the Warriors' defense with six tackles, including three sacks.

Jonah Lambart, Newman Harper, Brad Hura, Cole Niemi and Richter also added six tackles apiece, while Olson had an interception.

#### **SCARE**

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much stuff they run and you prepare for. They're big up front and they execute well and their backs just ran hard. We were trying to move a lot on them, but when we were there, we couldn't tackle. But give them credit, they played great

offensively.
"We just battled enough. It just worked out with the clock. We let them score just fast enough to let us have some time. We executed that last drive with some good throws by Greg Williams and good catches. My God, they just made plays.

Despite taking three 15-yard penalties, Canton scored on its opening drive of the game as Williams hit tight end Jake Boucher on a 23yard TD pass with 8:39 left in the first quarter on fourth-and-six.

**But Churchill came** right back to score, as Johnson returned the ensuing kick 51 yards and three plays later the scored on a 3-yard run with 7:35 left after Alsobrook's 30-yard QB keeper set up the score.

Canton then scored on its second possession, going 80 yards in just eight plays, capped by Weston Price's 22-yard TD run up the middle with 3:44 to go to make it

The Chiefs made it three-for-three on possessions scoring with 8:33 left in the half, when Williams rolled around end for a 15-yard keeper to make it 21-7. The drive covered 68 yards in 10 players after the Canton defense stopped Churchill on fourth-and-12 on an incomplete pass in the end zone.

The track meet continued as Churchill zipped down the field in just 4:22 thanks the running of Johnson, who had four carries for 61 yards. Alsobrooks hit Kyle Staff on fourth-and-goal from the 3 for a TD pass with 4:11 left to cut the deficit to 21-14.

**But Canton answered** again with just 1:08 remaining, when Williams hit Turfe over the umbrella of the Churchill defense to make an overthe-shoulder 43-yard TD grab to give the Chiefs a 14-point cushion at intermission

Churchill, however, took the second-half kickoff and drove 80

yards in 13 plays, capped by Johnson's 4-yard TD run with 6:10 remaining. But the extra-point snap and hold was botched with 6:10 to go, leaving Churchill behind 28-20.

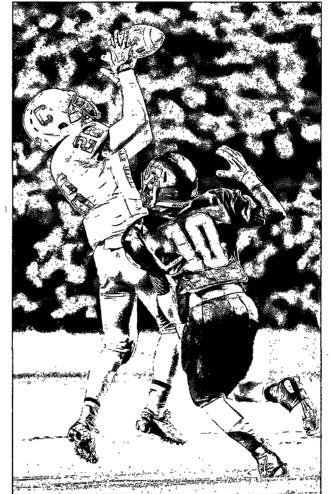
The Chargers' defense also stopped Canton on drives twice in the second half, but couldn't get the final stop.

"Just some critical mistakes at key times," Churchill first-year coach Bill DeFillippo said. "I'm proud of our kids' effort. We missed a couple of passes early in the first half on one drive where we failed on downs. And down at the one (in the final quarter) is when we had a couple of botched snaps. Early in the first half, we allowed them out on some third-and-longs and fourth-and-longs, which kind of did us in at the

"They're a real good football team. Our kids played great football tonight, just a couple of mistakes away from a victory over a great Canton team.'

Johnson, meanwhile, could not be stopped as many of his yards resulted in broken tackles.

"By far our best player," DeFillippo said. "He's playing both ways



Canton's Charles Turfe (left) makes the clutch TD grab for 43 yards late in the second quarter over Churchill defender Logan Facione (No. 10). DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

offensively and defensively. And he's been running like that all year.

Just outstanding. We just kept feeding him the ball and our O-line blocked

their tails off up front." One of the biggest plays came with 1:21 left in the third quarter and Canton ahead 28-20. Churchill got down to the Canton 1, but came up empty on fourth-and-goal at the 2

"We had a couple of goal line sessions this week to get prepared for that," Baechler said. "They (the defense) battled. They knew it was coming. They (Churchill) made a lot of plays, too.

They're good." Churchill, meanwhile, found its defensive groove in the third quarter limiting Canton to just eight plays.

'It's hard, because their offense is very deceptive," Delilippo said of the Chiefs. "If you're not disciplined on defense, they can get some play-action pass out there. I thought our kids played real hard on defense tonight and really did a nice job, especially in the second half. We held them to seven points and that was on the final drive. We made some adjustments at halftime, but our kids stayed disciplined and I'm proud of them."

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**KLAA VOLLEYBALL** 

## Chargers in sync against Pats, earn KLAA South triumph

Northville surprises Stevenson in 3 sets

Livonia Churchill got 25 assist-to-kills and nine digs from sophomore setter Rayna Yetts in a 25-9, 25-22, 25-17 KLAA South Division girls volleyball win Thursday night at Livonia Franklin.

Mackenzie Hamill and Natalie Panek added 10 and nine kills, respectively, for the Chargers, who improved to 18-8-1 overall and 3-2 in the

Other contributions came from Lauren Fallu, who added 13 digs with 100 percent serve reception, and Lauren St.

Pierre, who served three aces. "We played very, very well tonight," Churchill first-year coach Anna Gatt said.

Franklin (6-7-1, 1-4) was led by Riley Kangas, who finished with six kills. Ashley Mardeusz added three.

Kelly Newton and Bailey Goldberg paced Franklin's defense, while setter Mikayla Sienkiewicz finished with 36 attempts.

#### Spartans derailed

On Thursday, Northville took over sole possession of second place in the KLAA's Central Division with a 25-20, 25-14, 25-20 win at Livonia Stevenson.

The Spartans, who slipped to 15-3 overall and 3-2 in the division, got 13 kills and six digs from senior Katie Tomas-

Setter Sarah Soave added 10 assists, while Carmen Disler contributed eight.

Northville improved to 4-1 in the KLAA Central.

#### **Rockets defused**

On Tuesday, host Westland John Glenn (11-15-1, 2-3) put up a struggle before falling to KLAA South Division leader Canton (14-4, 5-0) in four sets, 19-25, 25-10, 25-21, 25-18.

Senior Hannah Staples had 11 kills to pace the Rockets' hitting attack, while Val Ernat, the team's top passer, added a team-best 29 digs. Ryan Clemmons finished

with four blocks and three aces (along with Staples.

"We played a great match," Glenn coach Krista DePoy said. "Our defense and passing were very strong and the girls executed our plan well. It was an amazing match to watch."

#### Zebras beaten

In a KLAA South Division match Thursday, Plymouth (11-4, 4-1) downed host Wayne Memorial (1-20-3, 0-5) in straight sets, 25-11, 25-13, 25-18.

Wayne leaders included Danielle Robbins (six aces, four kills, four digs); Deja Tamlin (six kills, six blocks); and Michelle Janes (five digs, two aces). "All our players can't seem

to be on for one complete match," Wayne coach Samantha Dye said. "One set a girl will do great but another girl will struggle; then the next set it's a whole different person. If we could just all be on the same page we could go to work, but every set one or two players are off. "We had 10 missed serves

and once again at critical points in the match. We have to learn that when we side-out, we need to use it and turn it into something positive."

## Crusaders survive stiff test on the road to beat Cornerstone in 5 sets

The Madonna University women's volleyball team had to dig down deep to keep its undefeated season alive Friday night in Grand Rapids.

The Crusaders rallied from two sets down to earn a 21-25, 21-25, 25-23, 25-20, 15-13 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference victory at Cornerstone University.

Fourth-ranked MU, which improved to 20-0 overall and 4-0 in the WHAC, got 19 kills and 18 digs from Stacey Cata-

Emilie Freehman and Samantha Geile chipped in with 16 and 15 kills, respectively, while setter Evia Prieditis finished with 51 assist-to-kills and 14 digs.

Other digs leaders for MU included Amanda Obrycki (17) and Payton Maxheimer (15).

Cornerstone (10-9, 2-1) got 14 kills from Chelsea Lake and 46 assists from setter Kim Weaver. Abby Miedema led the defense with 21 digs.

**MU clips Aquinas** 

Junior middle hitter Kayla Vogel racked up a career-high 17 kills Wednesday as the unbeaten Madonna University women's volleyball team downed host Aquinas College in four sets, 23-25, 25-18, 25-21, 25-20.

Vogel, who hails from Hastings, was one of four Crusaders reaching double figures in kills as Samantha Geile added 15, Stacey Catalano, 13; and

Emilie Freeman, 11. Senior setter Evia Prieditis finished with 53 assist-to-kills for MU (19-0, 3-0).

Digs leaders included Catalano (20), Amanda Obrycki (17), Samantha Geile (16) and Breanna Geile (12).

Aquinas (6-4, 2-2) got 11 kills from Meghan Veldeer and 27 assists from Brooke Weiland. Rachel Sprenger and Anna Fencil added 17 and 16 digs. respectively.

OCC trips Ocelots

In an MCCAA Eastern Conference match Thursday, No. 7-ranked Oakland Community College (15-1, 6-0) swept host Schoolcraft College (9-12, 1-3) in straight sets, 25-17, 25-19, **25-18**.

Emily Bondar, Katie Summers and Stepanie Gibson each collected five kills in the setback, while Ajsha Davie added

11:52 remaining in the game

### ROUNDUP

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for 243 yards to spark the Mustangs.

Stevenson (2-3, 1-2) finished with 409 total yards, including 346 on the ground. Weiss was 5-of-10 passing for 63

yards and two intercep-

FRANKLIN 49, WAYNE 14: Livonia Franklin (3-2, 2-1) earned its second straight KLAA South Division victory Friday at home against Wayne Memorial (0-5, 0-3), which lost for the 35th straight time dating back

to the 2009 season.

Franklin jumped out to a 21-0 first quarter
lead as Dan Huber scored on a 25-yard run,
followed by Dustin Bowers' 30-yard return
after a Wayne punt was blocked. Caleb
Finamore added a 5-yard scoring run.

Wayne got on the board in the second
quarter, when Joe Porter hooked up with to the 2009 season.

Brian Williams on a 39-yard TD pass followed by the two-point conversion to cut

Finamore then scored on a 2-yard TD run and Williams answered for Wayne with a 55-yard return on an interception to make it 28-14 at halftime. In the third quarter, Brandon Davis scored

on a 13-yard TD run and the Patriots put it away with two fourth-quarter scores, one by Finamore on a 49-yard run followed by Ed Mano's 4-yard run. Finamore, a senior, was Franklin's leading rusher with 110 yards on 10 carries, while Huber added 59 yards on 11 attempts. Franklin picked off four Wayne passes, two by Dan Cline (including a 49-yard

return) and one each by Nathan Rodgers

and Tyler Day. Wayne had 177 total yards as J'Lonte Cook carried 20 times for 57 yards and Davontae Cooper gained 45 yards on three Wayne quarterback Michael Gossett was

6-of-21 passing for 52 yards with four interceptions.

Tackle leaders for the Zebras included Josh Hill (nine), Andrew McKenzie (eight) and Williams (six).

PLYMOUTH 37, JOHN GLENN 21: On Friday, the Wildcats (4-1, 2-1) earned a KLAA South Division road victory over host Westland John Glenn (2-3, 1-2).

Plymouth took its opening drive 73 yards in nine plays, capped by A.J. Convertino's 17-yard touchdown pass to Matt Bush. Glenn then scored on Devon Spalding's 56-yard TD run in the second quarter after Matt Brewster recovered a Plymouth fumble at the Wildcats' 21. Spalding then

tumble at the Wildcats' 21. Spalding then scored on a 21-yard run. Chris Scheffer hit Spalding for the two-pointer. But the Wildcats got going in the third quarter, when Viet Nguyen booted a 25-yard field goal after a Glenn fumble and DJ. Rossell added a 1-yard TD run. In the fourth quarter, Plymouth took advantage of another Glenn turnover and scored when Convertino hit Connor Stella on a 19-yard TD pass to make it 23-14 with

The Wildcats then scored again with 4:17 left with an eight-play, 50-yard TD drive, capped by Rossell's 28-yard run. The Plymouth senior led all rushers with 163 Plymouth scored again with 3:57 left,

when Scheffer was sacked and Anthony Kenney recovered, taking the loose ball 5 yards for a score. Glenn then scored with only four seconds left on Kimari Johnson's 43-yard TD run. Plymouth won the total yardage battle, 306-185.

Convertino was 10-of-19 passing for 118 yards, while Spalding led Glenn's rushing attack with 96 yards on 20 carries.

### **VOLLEYBALL**

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25-22, 25-16, 25-12 Western Wayne Athletic Conference win Thursday at home over Dearborn Fordson.

"We started out slow and a little out of sorts with setter Nicole Kurdziel being out for the night due to illness," Clarenceville coach Wendy Merschman

said. But Hurmiz quickly adapted to her new role, finishing the night with 28 assists and four ace serves as the Trojans improved to 5-7-1 overall and 3-0 in the WWAC

Senior Ayanna Buckley was dominant in the front row as she collected 18 kills and three aces.

Other contributions for the Trojans came from Sarah Curvin (seven kills), Erica Katz (five kills, 18-of-19 serving with six aces); Kelsey Griffin (nine digs); and Hunter Iuliano (four kills, 100 percent serve receive).

"We played well tonight and we played as a team," Merschman said. "The whole team contributed."

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**KLAA BOYS SOCCER** 

## John Glenn stops rival Wayne Memorial, 5-0

There was a lot Jeff Parrish liked about his Westland John Glenn boys soccer team's performance on Thursday.

The visiting Rockets got a pair of goals from Nyle Ellis to beat rival Wayne Memorial for the second time this season,

"It's was a good game for our guys," said Parrish, whose team improved to 5-8 overall and 2-6 in the KLAA's South Division.

"We've been playing some close games against really good teams like Plymouth Churchill and Franklin. They are continuing to build as a team and getting better each week. Today, Akshay Kommana and Carlos Santiago controlled the middle of the field and sparked an improved possession game leading to some open shots at net for us."

Carlos Santiago and Akshay Kommana each chipped in with a goal and assist, while Daniel Sovar added the other

Glenn goal. Tunde Alawode assisted in the Ellis goal.

David Petkov and Andrew Doyle combined for seven saves and the shutout for the Glenn.

'Our defense is really playing well as a unit and shutting down some top strikers for other teams," said Parrish, whose team led 3-0 at halftime. "David Petkov has been a solid goal keeper for us all season, too.

"We've got two games next week against Churchill and Franklin that will help define our season. They will be battles that I expect our boys to play very well in.'

Meanwhile, the loss drops Wayne to 1-11 and

CHURCHILL 2, S.L. EAST 1: Mike Martins' two second half goals carried Livonia Churchill (7-6-1) to a come-from-behind KLAA crossover victory Friday at South Lyon East (2-10). Krishna Midathada assisted on Martins'

Kristina Wildathada assisted on Maruns first goal to even the count at 1-all. The second goal was unassisted. Churchill used two goalkeepers with Jay Hague going the first half and making two saves before being relieved by Nate Guzowski, who stopped one second-half

churchill coach Matt Grodzicki singled out the play of midfielder T.J. DeYoung, defender Brian Cavicchio and forward

STEVENSON O. SALEM O: Livonia STEVENSON 0, SALEM 0: Livonia Stevenson (5-5-2, 3-3-2) played lock down defense Thursday to earn a scoreless KLAA Central Division draw against the visitings Rocks (8-1-2, 6-1-1). Stevenson goalkeepers Austin Kaczmar ek (three saves) and Mike Bolin combine on the shutout, while Collin Hewitt had two saves for Salem.

"We really competed tonight," Steven-son coach Ken Shingledecker said. "Salem knocks it around as well as any team in the state. Our two goalkeepers and our back line were solid from the start." CANTON 3, CHURCHILL 0: Goals

SANION 3, CHURCHILL 0: Goals by Aidan Sheman and Griffin Parks in the final nine minutes helped the KLAA South Division leading Chiefs (6-6-1, 4-4) to a victory Thursday over visiting Livonia Churchill (6-6-1, 4-4).

Meanwhile, Sam DeLoy's goal in the 13th minute proved to be the game-

This minute proved to be the game-winner.

"We played a man down (because of two yellow cards) the whole second half and I'm proud of my team because they created chanced in that situation," Churchill coach Matt Grodzicki said. "The score is not indicative of the game." Churchill goalkeeper Colton Robison finished with 10 saves, while defenders Brian Cavicchio, Andrew Moyer, Eric Meyer and Krishna Midathada stood out on the back line. Brandon Pickert got the shutout in goal

PLYMOUTH 3, FRANKLIN 1: Goals by Jaden Huxtable, Jason Ligouri and Mike Blake lifted the Wildcats (6-7-1, 6-1-1) to a KLAA South Division triumph Thursday over visiting Livonia Franklin (6-7-1, 6-1-1).

Robert Jiga tallied the lone Franklin goal with 14 minutes left and Patriot goalkeeper Spencer Lewadowski made 14 saves.

"We had a good game, but just little fundamental mistakes is what got us," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said.

## Warriors blank rival HVL, 5-0

Lutheran High West-land bounced back from its first Michigan Independent Athletic Conin the division. ference Red Division boys soccer loss of the season with a 5-0 victory Friday over next-door

The victory improves the host Warriors' overall record to 9-3 overall and

9-1 in the MIAC Red. Meanwhile, the Hawks fall to 1-8 overall and 1-7

The two teams will face off again 4:30 p.m. Tuesday at Huron Valley

Lutheran.
FRANKLIN ROAD 2, LUTH. WESTLAND 0: On Thursday, host Lutheran High
Westland (8-3, 8-1) suffered its first setback

Williams midway through the first half and added a second in the 30th minute on a

penalty kick.

"We puts lots of pressure on in the second half, but could not score," Lutheran Westland coach Sam Makki said. BELLEVILLE 5, CLARENCEVILLE 1:

On Wednesday, host Livonia Clarenceville (2-9-1, 0-5) couldn't overcome a 3-1 halftime deficit as the Tigers earned the Western Wayne Athletic Conference victory. Zachary Bongiorno, John Wysocki, AJ Santavy, Eduardo Herrera, and Xavier Walker all scored for Belleville.

Dante Marzolo tallied the Trojans' lone coal serieta hy Compron Effe.

**COLLEGE SOCCER** 

## MU men record first WHAC victory

**Amadou Cisse dished** out a pair of assists and David Edwardson and Ryan Williams both scored a goal to help the **Madonna University** men's soccer team to a 2-0 shutout Wednesday over visiting Concordia University.

The Crusaders improved to 3-4-0 overall and evened their Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic

The two assists for Cisse were one away from tying his careerbest, set Aug. 23 against Cleary, while the goal for Edwardson, coming in the second minute, is the

first of his MU career. in the 14th minute, in-

The shutout was the rookie MU goalkeeper Marcel Schmid, who

Goalkeeper Austin Glenn) made five saves

SCHOOLCRAFT 3, **KELLOGG 0 (WOMEN):** Remy Houttekier finished with a goal and assist as the 14th-ranked Schoolcraft College wom-

collected another MCCAA victory Wednesday at Kellogg Community College (2-5, 0-5).

goal of the season from Taylor Buyak in the 25th minute proved to be the game-winner, while Houttekier notched her fifth in the 63rd minute

Chelsea Meador capped off the Schoolcraft scoring with her second in the 76th minute from Houttekier.

ler each played a half to combine for two saves and the shutout.

#### **Celtic Cup champions**



The Livonia City Soccer Club's under-14 Meteor girls went undefeated en route to a first-place finish in the Palatine Celtic Cup during Labor Day weekend in Palatine, Ill. Allowing no goals in the tournament, the girls defeated FC Soccer Club in the final, 1-0. The members of the team are (front row, from left) Leah Kiura, Novi; Erin Abramczyk, Farmington; Kayla Gacioch, Livonia; Gabriela Sgambati, Farmington; Bella Wingate, Canton; and Tatiana Ivanac, Farmington; (middle row, from left) Natalie Seiler, Farmington; Natalie Hawkins, Livonia; Maggie Shrader, Novi; Allison Lentz, Livonia; Amy Babon, Livonia; and Sarah Dressing, Livonia; (back row, from left) head coach Richard Jones. Katherine Ristola, Livonia; Alex Leleniewski, Westland; Loren Kruger, Livonia; Mallory Rodeheffer, Commerce; Anna Barkach, Farmington; Morgan Rodeheffer, Commerce; and assistant coach Mykela Hawkins.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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Schoolcraft College announces that the financial audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, has been completed by Plante & Moran, LLP, Southfield, Michigan. It has been presented to the College Board of Trustees and has been accepted by them.

Notice is hereby given that the audit is available for public inspection in the Office of the Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in the McDowell Center at the College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Michigan, on weekdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The financial statements are also available on our website at www.schoolcraft.edu/financials.

Glenn Cerny Vice President and CFO

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#### City of Garden City **Close of Registration Notice** City General Election, Tuesday, November 5, 2013

Notice is hereby given that the last day of registration for the City General Election is Monday, October 7, 2013.

Candidates for the following offices are to be voted on:

City Council City Council Partial Term Expiring 11/09/2015 Library Board of Directors

The office of the City Clerk, located in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan, will be open for the registration of all qualified electors, not already registered, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

The following appeal will be heard at a public hearing to be held in the Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, MI on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at which time comments may be directed to the Board during audience participation. If you wish to reply by mail, send your comments to the above address. All property owners whose names appear in our tax rolls located within 300' of this property are being notified pursuant to this statute.

Petition #2795-Parkside Dental-36444 Warren
Req. for a prohibited sign variance from Ord. 248 to install a 36 sq. ft. sign with a 25 sq. ft. LED panel, on the Warren Rd. side of the site; whereas Sec. 15:3.2(r) indicates that signs that are not specifically authorized by the Zoning Board of Appeals, are prohibited.

Petition #2796-A. Elkadri-8051 Middlebelt Req. for a 23' parking setback variance from Ord. 248 to construct a commercial parking lot

on the property that will have parking spaces within 2' of the front lot line; whereas Sec. 9:6.5(e) requires a minimum 25' parking setback from the front lot line in the CB-3 district. Petition #2797-Westland Vet-7610 N. Wayne Req. for a prohibited sign variance from Ord. 248 to install a 21 sq. ft. electronic LED panel

to the existing sign; whereas Sec. 15:3.2(d) states that any sign which has any visible moving part, visible revolving parts or visible mechanical movement of any description or other apparent visible movement achieved by electrical, electronic, or mechanical means, including intermittent electrical pulsations, or by action of normal wind current is prohibited.

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neighbor Westland Huron Valley Lutheran. in a MIAC Red Division match against Novi Franklin Road Christian. goal assisted by Cameron Fyffe. Clarenceville senior goalkeeper Evan Gregg made 12 saves. Franklin Road scored on a chip over Lutheran Westland goalkeeper Jordan

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#### CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

GIRLS DUAL MEET RESULTS CANTON 24 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 31 Sept. 24 at Cass Benton Park idual winner: Kate Cotham (Canton).

20:08 (5,000 meters).

Other Canton finishers: 2. Olivia McIntee, Other Carron Hinshers: 2. Divid Michree 20:18; 5. Jessica Siegler, 21:08; 6. Anna Gor-zalski, 21:21; 10. Mary Galm, 21:37; 11. Alyssa Bradley, 21:50!; 13. Sam Rohrbach, 21:52. Franklin finishers: 3. Natalle Douglas, 20:24; 4. Ellary Marano, 20:37; 7. Natalle Martinez, 21:28; 8. Mandy Pokryfky, 21:33; 9. Riley Shine, 21:35; 12. Julie Wonch, 21:50; 14. Kate-lyn Kovach, 22:18. Dual meet records: Canton, 3-0 overall, 3-0 KLAA South Division; Franklin, 2-1 overall, 2-1

LIVONIA STEVENSON 17 SOUTH LYON 45 Sept. 24 at Island Lake Individual winner: Emily Chapski (Stevenson), 21:19. Other Stevenson finishers: 2. Grace La-

merson, 21:34; 2. Lindsey Gallagher, 21:34; 5. Barbara Scupholm, 21:45; 6. Emma Werth-man, 21:49; 7. Kayla McCarthey, 21:49; 9. Ju-lia Cercone, 21:59. South Lyon finishers: 4. Kaylie Van Ord, 21:37; 8. Kirsten Bronson, 21:52; 10. Madison Swiatlowski, 21:59; 15. Mackenzie Flannery, SWIATUONSK, 21:05; 15. MacKenzie Flannery, 22:30; 16. Meghan Shelton, 22:40; 15. Megh-an Burke, 22:42; 18. Brady Covert, 22:57. Dual meet records: Stevenson, 2-1 overall; 2-1 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 0-3 overall, 0-3 KLAA Central.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 22 SOUTH LYON 39 SOUTH LYON 39
Sept. 24 at Island Lake
Individual winner: Andrew Thomas (South
Lyon), 16:49 (5,000 meters).
Stevenson finishers: 2. Stephen Fenech,
17:08; 3. Erik Grisa, 17:20; 4. Luke Green,
17:22; 6. Andrew Stratton, 17:50; 7. Alex Mikonczyk, 17:55; 8. Andrew Bambach, 18:10;
11. Zachary Misatkowski, 18:50.
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#### **SPORTS SHORTS**

#### **Color Splash 5K**

The Color Splash 5kilometer will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at Randolph Elementary School, 14470 Norman, Livonia.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Fees are \$8 (ages 10-and-under); \$15 (ages 11-18); and \$30 (19-and-

Proceeds will support the Leader in Me pro-

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along with a varsity baseball coach for the 2013-14 school season.

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### Raiders pull off upset over Shamrocks

By Dan O'Meara

**Staff Writer** 

**North Farmington** achieved one of the best victories in the history of its boys soccer program Thursday when it won at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, 2-1.

"I've been involved in Raider soccer since it started in 1979," coach Mike Horner said. "If this is not the most significant program win we've had, it certainly ranks in the top two or three.

"For the boys to work that hard and accomplish this was huge in terms of what it means for their confidence. We'll see if we can't build on that going forward."

He added the Shamrocks went into the game with an 8-1-1 record against some really good competition.

The Raiders extended their unbeaten streak to six games and improved to 5-3-2 prior to playing another game Friday with Rochester.

North had a number of

good scoring chances in the first half and it finally registered on the scoreboard with 8:21

remaining. Frank Zak sent a through ball to Sam Zapata, who beat the last defender and put the ball in the net to give the Raiders a 1-0 lead at halftime.

Prior to that, Zach Lumley had breakaways on two occasions and hit the post. North had the momentum on its side in the first half and outshot

CC, 6-2.

#### 35th District Court Notice

The 35th District Court is accepting bids for the Court Appointed Attorney Program (Public Defender Program) The contract will be awarded from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015. Qualifying conditions set forth in the bid can be found on the court's website at www.35thdistrictcourt.org Sealed bids must be received by 4:00pm, October 11, 2013. Please clearly mark envelope with "CAA BID" and address to: Pam Avdoulos, Interim Court Administrator, 660 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170. Interested parties are invited to contact Ms. Avdoulos for further information at (734)459-4740 ext 326 or

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## COMMUNITY LIFE

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## Church program focuses on values

Religion reporter David Crumm to lead discussion

> By Julie Brown Staff Writer

You don't have to be a United Methodist, or even a Christian, to benefit from an upcoming program on values at the First United Methodist Church of Northville.

Veteran journalist David Crumm of Canton will lead the OurValues program for four weeks at the congregation on Eight Mile, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 3, 10, 17 and

"It's sort of a rare opportunity to see this," said Crumm, 58, the former religion writer for the Detroit Free Press. In 2007, he took a buyout from the paper to co-found www.ReadTheSpirit.com, an online magazine for which he's

editor. It includes with founder Wayne Baker, a sociologist at the University of Michigan, the www.OurValues.org project focused on civil dialogue on values.

ReadTheSpirit.com is also a book publisher that has carried Baker's numerous columns on values. Baker has a book coming out soon, *United America*: The Surprising Truth About American Values, American Identity and the 10 Beliefs That a Large Majority of Americans Hold Dear.

Those at the Northville church program, for which advance registration is needed at 248-349-1144, are eager to be involved.

We feel like these kinds of discussions about values are really a universal way to en-gage people," said Sue Craik, Christian Ministries director for the First United Methodist Church of Northville. "It just kind of made sense for us to do that. No matter what your religion or your background, the values we hold are more in

The Northville church has a





new lead pastor, the Rev. Marsha Woolley, who is a friend of Crumm's and eager to host the program. Woolley is the former pastor at Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia.

#### 'Buzz about it'

"There's a buzz about it," Craik said. She and others hope to encourage dialogue about

faith and getting along.
"I think it's really for a lot of different kinds of people," Craik said. The program's intended for adults and high school youth are also welcome.

Baker's research focuses on what Americans have in common. For the second week in Northville, his book will be available. The \$20 book charge is the only fee.

The program is beginning at the First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, followed by Northville. Crumm and Baker are members of the Ann Arbor church.

The participants are actually going to help us finalize what we're going to tell other groups," Crumm said of the study guide.

#### Agreeing on values

Baker, who holds appointments at U-M's Institute for Social Research and its business school, is known for his research on areas where Americans are in deep agreement. Baker identified 10 values where nine of 10 Americans agree and have for years.

'We're going to start from this point of agreement," said Crumm, adding Baker will attend one Northville session. Baker's presentation will include stories and real life ex-

Crumm agreed courtesy can

be present in political debate. "I believe that is possible," he said. When ReadTheSpirit.com started, its 10 principles included that peace is possible and we can all come together.

He works with Michigan State University journalism students on books on understanding groups such as Asian Indian immigrants, Arab Americans and native Americans. "We believe very strongly it is possible to find a common ground in our communities," Crumm said.

He earned his bachelor's degree from U-M and returned as a graduate student, as well as a journalism fellow. Crumm has worked as a journalist since his late teens. He's married to Amy and the couple has two grown children, Benjamin and the Rev. Megan Walther, a United Methodist pastor Downriver.

Crumm and his son, then 21, traveled the country for a Free Press series on spiritual val-

ues. "There are a lot of people who remember that series, David Crumm said.

#### Open to all

"My purpose is to help people talk about their values," he said of his journalism. "We welcome people of other faiths.

"This is about sharing those findings and inviting people who come to see how they connect to their own lives."

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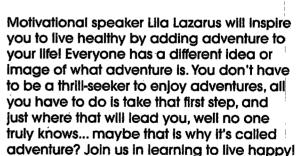
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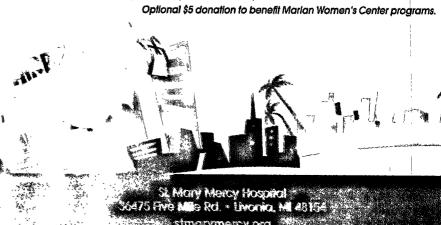
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## Annual 'Giving Circle' event teaches women about philanthropy

Carol Goss, president and CEO of The Skillman Foundation, will present "How Philanthropy Can Help Save Detroit" at the annual meeting of the Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.

With assets of over \$430 million and an annual budget of \$23 million, The Skillman Foundation is a private, independent foundation with a mission is to improve the lives of children in metropolitan Detroit by strengthening schools and neighborhoods. Goss joined the foundation in 1998 as a

program officer and became president and CEO in 2004. She was named one of the 2010 Michiganians of the Year by The Detroit News and received the Eleanor Josaitis "Unsung Hero" award in 2008 as part of the Shining Light Awards sponsored by the Detroit Free Press and Metropolitan Affairs Coalition. She plans to retire at the end of the year.

"Carol Goss is an amazing woman in terms of her experience with the Skillman Foundation," said Nancy Eggenberger, chair of the Giving Hope, Women's Giv-ing Circle. "We are thrilled to have her.

"Although our goal is



to support women in the Plymouth-Canton area, and we are focused here, I don't think learning about philanthropy (in Detroit) can do anything but improve our knowledge. If Detroit does well, we all do well."

Eggenberger said the annual October meeting helps the Giving Circle explain to women in the

community "what philanthropy is and why we do it." Registration and a reception will begin at 6 p.m. The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's Madrigal Singers will perform. Goss's presentation starts at 7 p.m. A short business update, coffee and deserts will conclude the evening's program. Ticket price is 20, with registration through the Canton Community Foundation at www.cantonfoundation.org or call 734-495-1200.

Founded in 2006, the Giving Circle was born out of the belief that women in the Canton-Plymouth area can work together to make a meaningful impact on the lives of women and families in need.

The organization has granted more than \$28,000 to local women and children through organizations such as First Step, the Plymouth-Canton Community Clothing Bank, Starfish Family Services, and the **Detroit Area Diaper** 

Patron memberships are \$1,000, which can be paid over three years. A supporting patron gives up to \$1,000.

Eggenberger said some attendees contribute by giving money to a "pass the hat" collection at Giving Circle events. Others offer their time

by volunteering on event committees.

"There has been a concern with the economy recently, but we have a 'pass the purse' at every event and we continue to raise money by women just throwing, \$5, \$10, \$20 in the hat. It's been inspiring," Eggenberger said.

The organization's membership and its annual meeting is not restricted to women in Plymouth and Canton, although its bylaws require that more than 50 percent of monies raised be spent in those commu-

– By Sharon Dargay

#### Walk/run proceeds send foster kids to camp

Lace up your running shoes and help send 48 abused and neglected children to camp next summer.

**Detroit First Church** of the Nazarene in Northville and Northville **Christian Assembly** (NCA) church co-sponsor a of Royal Family Kids Camp in Fenton every year. It's one of 150 camps nationwide that provide recreation, education and affirmation designed to aid emotional healing for youngsters who are in foster care.

The fourth annual Walk-N-Fund Run on Oct. 5 will help raise public awareness and financial support for the camp in Fenton.

The event will feature a two-mile and a fourmile walk along with a two-mile and a four-mile fun run. Registration will run from 8:30-9 a.m. followed by both the walk and fun run events. They'll start at the at **Detroit First Church of** the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty north of Eight Mile. and will follow the I-275 bike path from the church to Grand River



Runners and walkers head toward the starting line at the annual Walk-N-Fund Run that raises money for a Royal Family Kids Camp in Fenton.

and back.

Participants may bring their dogs to the Walk-N-Fund Run which will include a dog watering hole at the halfway mark.

The fee of \$30 per walker/runner will include a commemorative T-shirt, water and a snack. The event is free to children 12 and younger. Prizes will be available to participants.

Register by contacting Shelly King at 248-348-7600 or by email at sking@dfcnazarene.org. or Peggy Sanchez at 313-682-1045 or by email at gap7stander@aol.com.

Registration forms

also will be available the morning of the fundraising event. A sponsored walker form is available for runners and walkers who plan to raise money through pledges.

More than 80 volunteer staff members from throughout metropolitan Detroit will spend a week next year to help provide a positive, life-changing summer camp experience for children, ages 7 to 11, who are involved in the foster care system in Wayne County. The camp is free for youngsters who are selected for camp by Wayne County Department of Human



A Thunderbird Ski Club member, Ron Ferenczi, skis Steamboat, Colo.

## Ski club provides fun year-round social events

**By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Thunderbird Ski Club members will toss bowling balls, kick up their heels on the dance floor, and taste a few fine wines in the coming

weeks. Some of them may even strap on ski gear and head tho the slopes beginning in January

2014. Mary Ann Baier, "T'birds" vice president, says the club offers dozens of year-round meeting and mingling opportunities along with seasonal ski trips. It's both a social club and travel group for skiers. The ability to ski is not a prerequisite and some individuals attend only

non-ski events. "We're open to the public. We have a lot of golfing and social activities. We're having bowling at Thunderbird Lanes. We have 20 tickets to see War Horse (at the Fisher Theatre). We have social nights – it's a way of getting together," Baier said. "People give suggestions for activities. We also ask people to volunteer to run them and we come up with our own

suggestions, too. ' In addition to bowling and wine tasting, the fall activities roster also includes a barn dance, golf trip, Plymouth Whalers hockey game, movie night, live theater and a Christmas party. Golf, baseball games, bike and canoe outings, boat trips and dinner meet-ups are scheduled throughout spring and summer. The Club holds a picnic every month from June-September. The final picnic includes a chili cook-off.

"Of course our main thing is skiing. We run five trips," Baier said. "We go through a seasoned travel agency that has been putting together ski trips for years and we have a good rapport with them.'



Ski trophies? No, members of Thunderbird Ski Club won awards for making the best chili at a recent Club outing. They are Diedra Vollmer (left) of Canton, Kathy Miliucci, Cecilia Palen and Ron Glowzinski of Plymouth.

#### **More information**

She and other T'birds board members will be on hand at an open house with information about trips and social events, 7 p.m. Wednes-day, Oct. 2, at the Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile,

Livonia. The open house will include ski vendor displays, a DJ, dancing, appetizers, cash bar and prize giveaways. Cost is \$5; age 21 and over only.

Membership is open to age 21 and over and is required for overnight ski trips. Children can accompany their parents on trips, although some outings — such as skiing at Shanty Creek Resort in January 2014 - are more familyfriendly than others. Most of the local social

events draw adults only. Membership is \$35 for the first year and \$25 each additional year. Nonmembers may participate in any of the social activities, Baier said, but they may pay a slightly higher admission for some events. Cost is \$1 more for nonmembers, for example, at the upcoming bowling night at Thunderbird

Lanes in Allen Park. Club meetings are held Oct. 30, Nov. 13, Dec. 18 and Jan. 8, 2014, at Doc's Sports Retreat, 19265 Victor Parkway, Livonia. The gathering starts with a "mix and mingle" at 6 p.m., followed by the meeting at

7:30 p.m. T'birds, founded in 1949, is a member of the Metropolitan Detroit Ski

Counsel. "That's an umbrella group of about 20 ski clubs. Some are totally family-oriented. Because we're affiliated we have reciprocal agreements," Baier said, adding that T'birth members can participate in ski trips offered

by affiliate groups.
Visit the T'birds website at

www.tbirdskiclub.com. Here's a sampling of other local ski clubs listed on the Counsel website:

» Livonia Ski Club offers social activities and ski trips. It meets at 8 p.m., the first Thursday of the month, at Subu's Leather Bottle, located on Farmington Road south of Eight

» Skis 'N Tees, a ski and golf social club, meets at 9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month, at Livonia Elks Lodge #2246, 31117 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Find a list of activities

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Livonia Garden Club

Steve and Donna Turner will talk about African violets at the next meeting of the Livonia Garden Club, 7 p.m., Oct. 1, at the Civic Park Senior Center, located at Five Mile and Farmington Road, Livonia. Steve is president of the Michigan State African Violet Society. They'll teach a modern way to grow the plants. The senior center phone number is 734-466-2555.

#### **Farmington Garden** Club

A guest speaker from the Detroit Institute of Arts will talk about the meaning behind flowers and plants in the history of art, noon, Oct. 7, at the Spicer House in Heritage Park, located on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile. Email to pleegriffith@gmail.com for more information.

#### Friends of the Rouge

Experienced paddlers can tour the Rouge Oct.

12. Heavner Canoe Rental is partnering with Friends to offer the trip that follows the Lower Branch within the city of Wayne. This trip is part of Rouge-A-Palooza, a river celebration that will take place in Wayne's Goudy Park. To sign up for the Oct 12 paddle, contact Friends of the Rouge at 313-792-9621 or email to spetrella@therouge.org. Cost is \$35 or \$10 if you bring

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**English Gardens** stores in metro Detroit offer a variety of programs and workshops for gardeners.

» Learn what needs pruning and dividing before winter sets in at a free presentation, 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at all stores.

» Get tips on selecting plants and caring for them at "Perennial Gardening 101," 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 12 at all stores.

» "Putting Your Gar-den to Bed" will include information on preparing the garden for winter. It's free and starts at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 19, at all stores.

Area English Gardens stores are at 155 N. Ma-

ple, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 248-851-7506.

Bible garden The Louis and Fav Woll Memorial Bible Garden is open sunrise to sunset from spring through fall, on the campus of Congregation Beth Ahm, 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. The garden contains plants mentioned in the Bible and is meant to serve as a place of inner reflection, of education and for social and community gatherings. It is available for group tours as well as for informal individual visitation. Group tours can be arranged for any day of the week except Saturday. If interested in a group tour of the garden, along with a visit to the sanctuary with a Beth Ahm docent, call Rabbi Steven Rubenstein at 248-851-6880, Ext. 17, or email ravsteven@cbahm.org. Garden visits are free, although donations are accepted. www.wollbiblegarde-

### **REUNIONS**

Send reunion information to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com **CANTON AND SALEM** 

#### **HIGH SCHOOLS CLASSES OF 1993**

A 20-year reunion is set for 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 5, at EG Nick's in Plymouth. Get tickets at http://www.payitsquare.com/collectpage/15213.

#### **FERNDALE HIGH** SCHOOL

#### **CLASS OF 1973**

A 40-year reunion is set from 7 p.m. to midnight Friday, Nov. 29, at the Iroquois Club, 43248 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Call 248-451-9653. Tickets are 75 presale only. Includes dinner, dancing, good times. Get tickets from www.73fhs40.reunion

manager.com. Join the reunion Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ groups/503456823023714. Reunion contact is Sande Easterwood Rouke.

#### **GARDEN CITY**

#### **CLASS OF 1963**

The class will celebrate its 50-year reunion from 6.-11:30 p.m., Oct. 26, at Sheraton Novi, 21111 Haggerty, Novi. For more information email to Carolyn Koloski Kohler at CPKohler36801@yahoo.com or Shirley Kilgore Knight at shirleyknight@msn.com. Call Knight at 210-862-5859. Visit the reunion's Facebook page — Garden City High School Class of

#### **GARDEN CITY EAST-WEST**

**CLASS OF 1973** 

A 40th reunion will be held Oct. 5 at The Henry Ford and Best Western-Greenfield Inn. Register on: www.eventbrite.com/event/7527708579. Email 1973gcreunion@gmail-.com. Call or text: Donna Sly at 734-552-0485.

#### **LADYWOOD**

#### **CLASS OF 1983**

A reunion is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at Station 885 in Plymouth. Cost is \$30 per person. Spouses may attend. For more information call Claudia (Kuras) Garcia at 313-561-2139.

#### CLASS OF 1973

For more information about the 40th class reunion planned for Oct. 19, contact Brigid Lenaghan Taylor at brigid.tay-lor@ameritech.net. Deadline is Oct. 4.

#### **LIVONIA BENTLEY**

#### **CLASS OF 1966**

A birthday reunion will be held Friday, Oct. 11, at the Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive. Livonia. Check-in and cash bar at 6 p.m., buffet dinner at 7 p.m., followed by dancing and DJ. Cost is \$65 per person. Call Kathy Sindon Shinn at 810-229-7534.

#### **MERCY HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **CLASS OF 1963**

A 50-year reunion luncheon is planned for Saturday, Oct. 5, at the **Sheraton Novi. Contact** 

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#### **REDFORD THURSTON**

**ALL '80S REUNION** 

The reunion runs 7

p.m. to 1 a.m. Nov. 30, at Greektown Hotel and Casino Hotel Ballroom in Detroit. It will include reception-style appetizers, desserts, late-night pizza and entertainment. Tickets are \$50 each if purchased by Sept. 30; \$70 each in October; \$90 each in November. For more information, contact Heidi Saunders at heidirs325@gmail.com or Dan Phillips at danielp-422@comcast.net. Or search for 2013 Thurston: All '80s Reunion Plus or Minus on Facebook.

#### **REDFORD UNION**

#### **CLASS OF 1963**

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A 50th class reunion is set for Oct. 19. Looking for former classmates. For more information, contact Jamie (Stafanson) Fraiev at Iraleymj66@yahoo.com.

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#### **CLASS OF 1973**

A 40th reunion is set for Oct. 26 in Warren. Contact Chuck Maiorana at 248-705-5206 or charleym4@sbcglobal.net for more information.

#### **WESTLAND JOHN GLENN HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **CLASS OF 1983**

From 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 26, at Burton Manor Banquet and Conference Center, Livonia. Tickets are on sale now. The is \$75 per person or \$140 per couple. The price includes a strolling dinner and open bar with DJ. Make checks payable to Brian Baker, JGHS Class of '83 Reunion and send to P.O. Box 0876, Wayne, MI 48184. For more information, email Linda Harbison at jghs.1983@gmail.com.

### Festival brings DIA art back to city

The Detroit Institute of Arts' InsidelOut outdoor art exhibition has returned to the Southfield Municipal Complex as part of the city's International Festival taking place Oct. 4-6 in the Southfield Pavilion.

Now in its fourth year, InsidelOut brings reproductions of masterpieces from the DIA's collection to the streets and parks of the metro area. On Sept. 24, the DIA installed six reproductions throughout Southfield Municipal Complex; they will be on display until the end of October. This marks the second time that the

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DIA has displayed reproductions in the city of Southfield.

Detailed maps outlining the location of each reproduction are available in City Hall, and can be downloaded from the City's website at cityofsouthfield.com or viewed interactively at http://maps.cityof southfield.com/ insideout/index.html.

The city of Southfield, in partnership with the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit Inc., will sponsor the 90th annual International Festival (formerly the All World Market) from Friday--Sunday, Oct. 4-6 in the Southfield Pavilion,

26000 Evergreen Road. The International

Festival will kick-off Friday with the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services swearingin ceremony of new citizens at 10 a.m. Last year, more than 100 immigrants from 37 countries were swornin as new citizens.

The festival continues until 5 p.m. Friday, then runs from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6.

A weekend pass is \$3 per person or \$5 per family with free parking. For more information, call 248-796-5130 or visit cityofsouthfield.com.

#### **ENGAGEMENT**

**MILESTONES** 

#### **COCCIA-OSTENRUDE**

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coccia of Livonia are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Alyssa Grace Coccia, to Jacob K. Ostenrude, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Ostenrude of Cavalier, N.D.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Western Michigan University. Her fiancé graduated from the University of Northern Colorado. Both are employed by Roche Harbor Resort, in Roche Harbor, Wash.

#### ENGAGEMENT

#### **CORNELL-FRY**

Heather Nicole Cornell and Michael John Fry announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Bryan and Penny Cornell of Canton, earned a master's degree in counseling from Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as an intake therapist at Hegira Programs Inc.

Her fiancé, son of Jack and Susan Fry of Canton, attended the International Masonry Institute in Warren and is employed by Apex Inc.

A September 2014 wedding is



Alvssa Grace Coccia-Jacob K. Ostenrude

An August 2014 wedding is planned at Lake Leelanau.



**Heather Nicole Cornell and Michael John** Fry PHOTO BY SUSAN FRY

planned at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church.

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#### BLODGETT, JEAN K.

Her Legacy... Age 87, of Farmington, Michigan, passed away on September 24, 2013. Jean was born on September 24, 1926, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Roland and Gladys (Matthews) Kraus. She worked at Botsford Hospital until her retirement in 2009.

Her Family... Jean leaves behind her son, Lawrence Blodgett of Pinckney, MI; brother, James Kraus of Tennessee, and sister-in-law, Judy Blodgett of Brigh-ton, MI. She is preceded in death by her former husband, Burton Blodgett and her son, James Blodgett.

Her Farewell... A private family gathering was held on Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 1pm, at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel. Please sign guestbook borekjennings.com or leave a message of comfort for her family by calling 877-231-7900.





### CIOCH, LOUISE NEE SEBESKY

Sept 24, 2013 Age 84. Beloved wife of the late Henry. Loving mother of Tommy and Kevin (Sandy) Cioch. Dear grandma of Ryan, Briana, Nicole and Nolan. Visitation: Sun, Sept 29, 2013, 1-9pm with a 7pm Vigil Service at Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia. Funeral Mass: 10am Mon, Sept 30, 2013 (In-State 9:30am) at St. Colette Catholic Church in Livonia. Please visit: www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



#### EVANGELINE "ANGIE"

92, of Farmington Hills, died September 27, 2013. Beloved wife of the late Paul (d. 1983); loving mother of Heather Hartt, April Hartt and the late Phyllis (Victor) Hartt-Buccafurri; cherished grandmother of six, and great grandmother of three. Sadly, in addition to her husband and daughter, Angie was preceded in death by her beloved sister, Lee Wright. Visitation Sunday, Sept. 29, 3-8 pm, at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Funeral Ceremony Monday, Sept. 30, 10:00 am (in state 9:30 am) at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Rd., Farmington Hills. Interment Roseland Park, Berkley. Memotributes suggested to CurePSP, or Reverence Hospice.

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#### KRANE PENNY

86 of Bloomfield Hills, MI, died on 21 September 2013. Beloved wife of 64 years of Dr. Mark Krane. Cherished mother of Dr. Kevin (Janet) Krane, Dr. Vikki (Diane Mehling) Krane and the late Mitchell Krane. Mother-inlaw of Kellie Krane. Loving grandmother of Dr. Spencer (Morie) Krane, Abby Krane, Stewart Krane, Max Krane, Josh Krane and Kathleen Krane

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#### KRULL, **JERRY**

Age 81, September 4, 2013. Beloved husband of Audrey. Loving father of Mark (Michelle) and David Krull. Dear grandfather of 3. A Memorial Service will be held at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia, Saturday, October 12, 2013 at 11am with gathering at 10am. Please share a memory of Jerry in his guestbook at www.cremationmichigan.com



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#### MEADE WILLIAM A.

September 25, 2013, age 69 peacefully at home in Franklin. Longtime bowling proprietor and manager. Currently a real estate broker with Hall & Hunter. Beloved husband of Judy (nee Kraseman) for 27 years. Dear fa-ther of Philip S. Hutchinson (Tammy). Loving grandfather of Estelle and Lois. Uncle of Vicki Heldenbrand (Richard), Pamela Danner (Kenneth), Michael (Dawn), John (Mary Pat) and the late Kenneth F. II (Sharon). Also survived by his dog, Boone. Family will receive friends Sunday 2-7p.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile), 248-549-0500. Funeral Service Monday 11a.m. at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Rd. west of Woodward. Visitation at church begins at 10a.m. Memorial tributes to Franklin Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 250638, Franklin, MI 48025-0638

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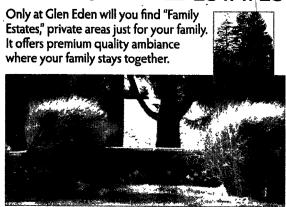


#### SESTOK, NANCY (DIXON)

Age 69, August 9, 2013 of Birmingham, MI. Beloved wife of Charles III, Mother of Charles IV and Evan. Memorial Service Saturday October 5, 2013 at 10:30am Christ Church Cran-brook, Bloomfield Hills. Memorial Contribution to Copper Harbor Improvement Association, 230 Gratiot St., Copper Harbor, Michigan 49918.

May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

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#### **MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

#### **SEPTEMBER FOOD COLLECTION**

Botsford Hospital is collecting nonperishable foods through Oct. 31 for Michigan food banks. Food collection boxes are stationed at the main entrance to the hospital, the main entrance to the Zieger Center and the main cafeteria entrance on the ground floor. The hospital is located at 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills; 248-471-8000.

#### **OCTOBER ALZHEIMER'S CARE** TRAINING

Home Instead Senior Care will offer a free Alzheimer's care training workshop, 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. During the workshop participants will learn about managing behaviors, encouraging engagement and caring for themselves while caring for a loved one. For reservations call 734-525-5300.

#### **CELIAC SUPPORT**

The Tri County Celiac Support Group will meet Oct. 17 at The First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting, featuring the group's dietician advisor, Lana Coxton, begins at 7 p.m. Coxton will talk about "Gluten-free living — Surviving the holidays." For more information visit tccsg.net

#### **HEARING AND DIABETES**

Ariel Waitzman, M.D., an otolaryngologist, will talk about diabetes-related hearing loss, 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 9, in the North Auditorium at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, located at Five Mile and Levan, in Livonia. He'll also talk about the signs of hearing loss and causes of hearing loss other than diabetes. The program is free. For more information call 734-655-8950.

#### **HEARING LOSS SUPPORT**

Cochlear implant manufacturer, Med-El, will present its new products and will answer questions, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct 9, at Garden City Hospital, Allan Breakie Medical Office Building, classroom 1, 6255 inkster Road, Garden City. Contact Tony at 734-664-3297 or aferack@comcast.net.

#### **LAMAZE AND BEYOND**

St. Mary Mercy Marian Women's Center offers expectant parents two options for childbirth education classes. The first is a one-day Childbirth Education Workshop, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5. The second option is a five-week series of weekday Childbirth Education Classes, 7-9 p.m. Monday, beginning Oct. 7. The series of classes teaches the same information as the one-day session, but with

more practice of breathing techniques. Both classes meet in Classrooms 1 and 2 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, located at Five Mile and Levan, in Livonia. .Classes are based on the Lamaze method and are designed to help expectant parents increase their knowledge and build the confidence needed to lessen the fear of childbirth. The fee for either option is \$75 per couple. To enroll, call the Marian Women's Center at 734-655-1162 or go to www.stmarvmercv.com

#### **NUTRITION WORKSHOP**

Learn how to make healthier food choices at the "Healthy Eating with Diabetes" workshop led by Gina DeAngelis, Botsford Hospital registered dietitian, 6-7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 16, at Busch's Fresh Food Market, 24445 Drake, Farmington Hills, Cost: \$5. Includes handouts, recipes, activities, and a \$5 Busch's coupon. Tickets available from Busch's Guest Services Counter or by phoning 248-427-7400. Limited seating. Tickets sell out fast. Registration required.

#### **SUBSTANCE AND DOMESTIC ABUSE**

Dawn Farm will offer a free program addressing the intersection of substance abuse and domestic violence, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, at St. Josepoh Mercy Hospital Education Center auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. Presenters include Christine Watson, legal advocate at SafeHouse Center, and David J.H. Garvin, LMSW, founder of Alternatives to Domestic Aggression, and chief operating officer for Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County. For more information call Dawn Farm at 734-485-8725.

#### **WALK WITH A DOC**

Dr. Nathan Foster, cardiologist, will discuss how to prevent sudden cardiac death, during Bots-

ford Hospital's monthly nature walk and discussion, noon, Thursday, Oct. 17, at **Heritage Park Nature** Center, located on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, in Farming-



ton Hills. The most common cause of sudden cardiac death in adults over age 30 is a buildup of cholesterol plaque in the arteries. Meets rain or shine. Call to register: 877-477-Doc1 (3621), option 1.

#### **ONGOING AQUATIC CLASSES**

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis.

Classes are held 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch and 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch. To join or for more information, visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

#### **BREAST CANCER SUPPORT**

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

#### www.stmarymercy.org. **BLOOD PRESSURE**

**Garden City Hospital offers free blood** pressure testing, cholesterol (\$5), and lipid panel (\$10) testing, 10 a.m. to noon the first Tuesday of each month in the main lobby of the hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. No registration is required. Senior citizens can have their blood pressure tested monthly, free of charge, at 8:30 a.m. the first and third Tuesday and second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road, Westland; 9 a.m. the second and fourth Mondays at the Berwyn Senior Center, 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights; and 10:15 a.m. every other Wednesday at Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City; and every second Tuesday at the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, Redford Township. For more information, call 734-458-4330.

#### **BIPOLAR SUPPORT**

**Depression Bipolar Support Alliance** meets 6-7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday at Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon, Suite 160B, Plymouth. It is accessed through the Plymouth Executive Park driveway north of M-14. It is a self-help group for people suffering from depression and bipolar disorders. Meetings open to families. Call Nancy at 734-536-3457 for directions.

#### **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT**

» St. John's Support Group for the Caregivers of Alzheimer's Patients or patients with other forms of dementia meet the first and third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. at St. John's Episco-pal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care will be provided. Call Connie McNutt at 734-895-1426 for more information. Authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.

#### **CHOIR THERAPY**

The Therapy Choirs of Michigan extend an invitation to individuals with any kind of special needs or disabilities and their able-bodied family and friends, to participate in singing. Call Len McCulloch at 248-474-2763, Ext 22, or visit www.therapychoirs.org.

## **U-M** improves detection test for prostate cancer

The University of Michigan Health System has begun offering a new urine test called Mi-Prostate Score to improve on the traditional prostate cancer screening test.

The traditional test measures a prostate specific anti-gen, or PSA, but doesn't give doctors a complete picture. The new test incorporates three specific markers that could indicate cancer and studies have shown that the combination is far more accurate than PSA alone.

"Many more men have elevated PSA than actually have cancer but it can be difficult to determine this without biopsy. We need new tools to help patients and doctors make better decisions about what to do if serum PSA is elevated. Mi-Prostate Score helps with this,' said Scott Tomlins, M.D., Ph.D., assistant professor of pathology and urology at the University of Michigan.

Researchers validated the new test on nearly 2,000 urine samples. Mi-Prostate Score, or MiPS, was significantly more accurate than PSA alone for predicting cancer as well as predicting aggressive prostate cancer that is likely to grow

and spread quickly. Mi-Prostate Score developed from a discovery in the lab of Arul Chinnaiyan, M.D., Ph.D., in 2005 of a genetic anomaly that occurs in about half of all prostate cancers, an instance of two genes changing places and fusing together.

This gene fusion, T2:ERG, is believed to cause prostate cancer. Studies in prostate tissues show that the gene fusion almost always indicates cancer.

The new urine test looks for the T2:ERG fusion as well as another marker, PCA3. This is combined with serum PSA measure to produce a risk assessment for prostate cancer. The test also predicts risk for having an aggressive tumor, helping doctors and patients make decisions about whether to wait and monitor test levels or pursue immediate biopsy.

"This combination test is not designed to say definitively at diagnosis whether a man has aggressive prostate cancer, but it can provide a more accurate estimate of the likelihood of having cancer and the likelihood of that cancer being aggressive," Tomlins said..

The test is available to anyone but requires a request from a doctor. For more information, call the University of Michigan's MLabs at 800-862-7284.

#### Gala benefits patient room renovation

St. Mary Mercy Hospital's 21st annual Gala "La Dolce Vita" is set for Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft, in Livonia.

The event will start with hors d'oeuvres and a cocktail reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by a gourmet Italian dinner, dancing, music by Intrigue and special La Dolce Vita entertainment.

The annual black-tie preferred event will benefit the Generations Together Campaign to renovate patient rooms in the North Wing at St. Mary Mercy Hospital from semi-private to a private setting and to improve inpatient

Individual and corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Guest reservations are \$125 per person. A portion of the ticket purchases is taxdeductible. For tickets or sponsorship information, call the St. Mary Mercy Development Office at 734-655-2980, or visit stmarymercy.org/annualgala.



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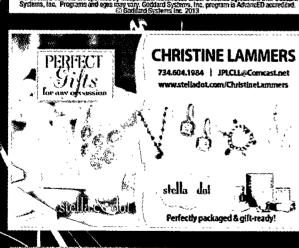


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## **Work in Medical Billing**

Critical Knowledge For Those Interested To Work In Medical Billing And Coding



#### **By Kristy Turner Contributing Writer**

The health care industry is continuously growing and there's no sign of it slowing down soon. The growth can also be seen on the allied health care services closely tied up to medicine.

The reason for this growth is the continued demand for health care. It was further fueled in the past decade by the fact that the world population is aging and is therefore requiring more health care services.

Based on this knowledge we can easily see that one of the best industries to start a career is in health care. With its continued growth this industry promises a stable career as well as possible fulfillment knowing that if you are a professional in this field, you are helping directly in making people's lives better.

However, it's not a secret as well that the traditional ways of obtaining a job in the medical industry isn't easy nor expensive.

It takes years and a lot of money to study for a health care career especially if you are working on the

The good news is that there's another side to the medical industry where accountants, programmers, encoders, and people from other professions can go into. That is the administrative side of the health care industry.

Though the clinical side of health care is the hearth of this industry, allied services are also required to keep the health care system working.

Accountants, marketers, purchasers, stock room custodians, computer programmers, encoders, transcribers, and back office staff are also needed in the administrative side of the health care system.

So if you are thinking of starting a career in the health care system but you don't have the money to invest for a profession in the clinical side of things, you can study for one of the allied health care services. One of the fields you can go into is medical billing and coding.

Medical billing and coding is the part of the administrative side of health care that deals with the revenue cycle. Medical billers and coders are the people that process the health insurance information of patients, the services rendered to patients and finally make sure that claims for services rendered to insured patients are submitted and settlements are received.

working Though on administrative side of health care that particularly deals with the health insurance system, the medical billers and coders are still adept in the theoretical knowledge of medicine. Medical billers and coders won't be able to directly provide any form of health care to patients and are not licensed to do

so but they have working knowledge of the entire body anatomy and of the diseases that affects the body.

They are also adept in medical terminologies.

The working knowledge of medical billers and coders in medicine is a must. They are interacting with physicians and health care workers so it's a requirement that they know how the theories of medicine.

So the best way to become a medical biller and coder if you are interested in becoming one is to have professional training and learn all of the following critical knowledge required from all medical billers and coders:

- Human anatomy,
- physiology and diseases · Medical language and terminology
- Health insurance and reimbursement process
- CPT and ICD-9-CM medical coding databases

These are the subjects that you must learn and master if you want to get into the health care industry by becoming a medical biller and coder. Though it will still take time to study these subjects it won't be as hard and as expensive as studying for a career directly involved in the clinical side of health care. Good

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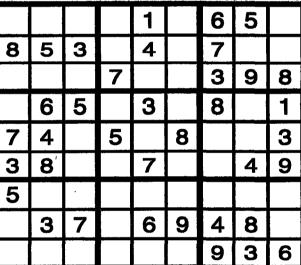
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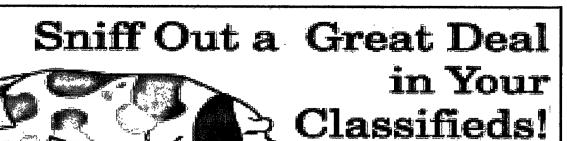
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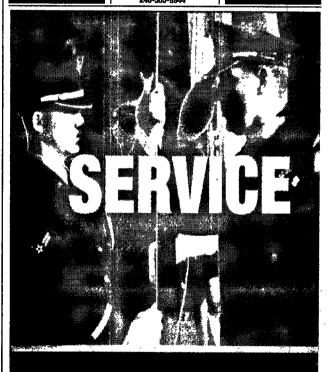
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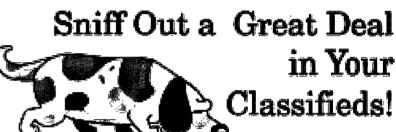
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#### Car Report

### Toyota, Lexus Go Mass and Niche to Promote New Vehicles



By Dale Buss

As Toyota and Lexus have regained footing in the US market and restocked their product portfolios, the brands' marketing has taken on new confidence as well. And like the rest of the auto industry, Toyota and Lexus are pursuing

both the masses and the niches of American consumers with more verve than ever as they seek to squeeze every last sale out of a vibrant US car market.

Of course, the biggest thing Toyota has going on right now is a very mass-market campaign to launch the new 2014 Toyota Corolla, its bread-and-butter compact sedan. That effort includes a ubiquitous primary broadcast spot, called "Style Never Goes Out of Style," which features Corolla over its 45-year history in the U.S. - very Forrest Gump-like - as a fixture of American pop culture just like the decades of evolving music that the ad celebrates.

But Toyota also is using a narrower approach than ever before to marketing the dramatically restyled 11th generation of Corolla. It includes a slate of ride-anddrive 'experiences around the country, custom Vine and Instagram videos in a social-media effort, a virtual "test drive" through the "Corolla Touch Drive" mobile app, and billboards and outdoor signs in major markets such as New York and Los Angeles that launches a virtual test drive through certain smartphones.

"We're thrilled to debut a fun campaign that reaches a younger audience through social, digital and mobile elements that convey the Corolla's elevated design," said Ed Laukes, a marketing executive of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A.



Toyota rolls its one-millionth Tundra truck off the in San Antonio plant.

Another thing Toyota is doing now is occurring way down the breadth scale from Corolla - about as far down as the brand could go.

Toyota is experimenting with a partnership with DirecTV to zero in on would-be customers for the all-electric version of its RAV4 SUV. Even though Toyota essentially has given up on EVs as a highvolume proposition—in favor of flogging the Prius hybrid brand-the company is attempting to target tech-savvy early adopters in major California cities using DirecTV subscriber data to reach narrow slices of consumers.

"A national campaign doesn't make sense," Dionne Colvin, Toyota's national media marketing manager, told Automotive News. "But we do want to get the message out."

Meanwhile, Toyota is also taking a more concentrated tack toward pickup truck buyers as it seeks to get a share of the booming segment for its Tundra nameplate. Overall, the brand doesn't invest nearly as much in pickup sales as the Detroit Three

do; Tundra hasn't been redesigned since 2007, and doesn't offer all the optional configurations that GM, Ford and Chrysler do for their trucks.

But Toyota does believe Tundra has a shot at some of the so-called "lifestyle" buyers who are coming back into the

pickup market after being chased away by the Great Recession and its aftermath. These are people who don't need pickups for construction work, farming or other professional applications—individuals that Toyota has taken to calling "The Evolved Trucker" in a new campaign.

And while some truck executives believed such buyers were basically extinct, Toyota's new TV-ad campaign that began this week focuses on Tundra as a family vehicle for DIY home projects, for instance.

Lexus is doing its share of edgy marketing

as well. There are the planned openings of the brand's new Intersect lounges in select major cities around the world, for one thing. But in the US, Lexus also is experimenting with all kinds of unusual events, sponsorships, grass roots movements, social media, performances "and a mashup of the above," as Marketing Daily put it.

For example, Lexus has a twoyear-old Culinary Masters Team that works with the brand on multiple initiatives including customer-appreciation programs and charitable outreaches. Earlier this month, more than 100 diners gathered at Animal restaurant in Torrance, Calif., for a Lexus Culinary Masters program featuring a menu crafted by renowned chef Michelle Bernstein.

Another of those innovative efforts is a four-week program called "It's Your Move After Dark," a partnership with NBCUniversal that comprises a series of TV spots for the new Lexus IS sedan that are being created on the spot by improv actors and comedians based on suggestions from viewers and online denizens. It is happening in ad pods on Late Night with Jimmy Fallon.

"People are so busy and doing so many things that a great ad isn't enough to get people's attention," Brian Smith, CMO of Lexus in the US, said at a recent marketing seminar, according to the publication. "We have to do it in a different way. Our approach is simple: creating great content and delivering it appropriately, and driving 360 experience."



The 2014 Toyota Corolla is carrying high hopes for the brand.

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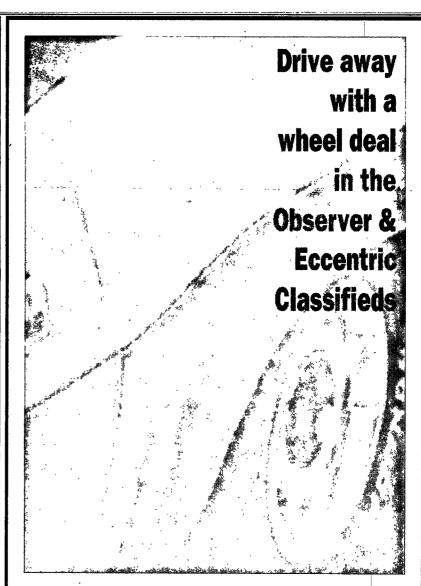
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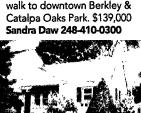
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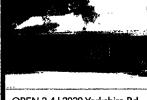
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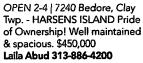
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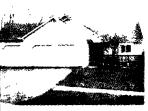
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