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**Goodfellows
 raise funds,
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 holiday help**

Local group accepting
 applications for volunteers

By **LeAnne Rogers**
 Staff Writer

Not letting Christmas sneak up on them, local Goodfellows are accepting applications for holiday assistance and accepting donations.

Volunteers in Westland and Wayne raise money throughout the year to fulfill their motto of making sure there is no child without a Christmas in their communities.

» The Westland Goodfellows annually assist 400-450 families and just under 1,000 youngsters.

"We recently sent out letters to business and residents (seeking donations). We did very well with that last year," Westland Goodfellows co-president John Adams said.

Last year, the Westland Goodfellows raised approximately \$105,000 and spent about \$99,000 to aid local families at Christmas.

"That leaves us a little money to draw from to continue programs when we are not fundraising," Adams said. "We expect about the same (level of requests for help) this year."

Along with donations in response to the letters, the Westland Goodfellows also benefit from a bowling party fundraiser sponsored by UAW Local 900. An ongoing fund-

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**Mother
 accused of
 failing to
 return kids**

By **Lisa Roose-Church**
 Gannett Michigan

Police are asking for the public's help in locating a divorced mother accused of

failing to return her two children to their custodial parent.



Isalah Erwin

The Livingston County prosecutor's office issued a warrant for Christie Hope-Erwin Clancy of Westland on Nov. 1, alleging unlawful retention of a child by a parent after the 33-year-old woman failed to return them to their father in August, according to District Court records.



Victoria Erwin

The delay in a charge was

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Korean War veteran Mike Dadabbo of Allen Park marches in. He's followed by World War II veteran Sam Gagliano, a resident of Westland. They belong to VFW Post 6896. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Westland dedicates
 Veterans Memorial Garden**

By **LeAnne Rogers**
 Staff Writer



The central monument at the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden was unveiled.

Chilly weather and a steady rain didn't dampen the appreciation of veterans and other guests at the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland on Monday afternoon.

In fact, Westland resident Carol Sharp had been out the day before to see the alcove bench sponsored in recognition her family.

"I said I'd better go (Sunday), I didn't want to get overly emotional when I saw it for the first time," Sharp said. "It was so beautiful. I had to go back about 9 a.m. Monday so I could be the first person to sit on it."

The bench is engraved with Sharp and also her maiden name, Seidler. Sharp's husband Ken wrote the words engraved on the bench: "For all of the

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Rotary to light up Wayne with holiday parade

By **LeAnne Rogers**
 Staff Writer

After 37 years sponsoring a Christmas Parade, the Wayne Rotary Club has decided on a major change for the 38th annual event — lights.

"We had been to the Romulus Lighted Parade and a few others. It seems a more exciting way to kick off the holidays," Rotarian Gayle Rediske said. "The day parade seemed like it got old. This is something new. We hope it will bring more people to town and more participation." Scheduled for 6 p.m. Fri-

day, Dec. 6, the theme will be a Holiday Parade of Lights. That means all entries must have lights and donations of lights are needed.

There were 47 entries and about 500 participants in last year's parade.

"We get a lot of scouts and other kids in the parade. They still require lighting," Rediske said. "They can use light sticks. The feedback we're getting with the little groups is that they don't have the money for lights. Next year, we're proposing a fundraiser for lights, etc." Since this will be their first

lighted night-time parade, Rediske said the Rotarians aren't sure what to expect.

"In past years, we threw candy but we don't do that this time for safety purposes," she said.

Entries will be organized in four different categories.

» Motorized — Any float entry that is motor-powered. This would include businesses, churches, schools, family floats and non-profit organizations.

» Non-motorized — Any float entry that is not motor-powered. This could include horses, bikes or groups of

people walking in the parade.

» Classic Car — Any classic car, including trucks, buses and other forms of transportation.

» School — Any entry that might be created and affiliated or advertised as a school.

Immediately following the parade, Santa will present trophies at the State Wayne Theatre for six categories: Best Bands, Best Float, Santa's Favorite, Best Use of Lights, Most Creative and Judges Choice.

The parade lines up at Sims

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The Michigan VFW State Honor Guard fires a salute during the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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families that have served, who are serving and who will serve."

Dedication of the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland is the culmination of about six years planning and fund-raising by the Westland Veterans Association.

Perfect location

With an approximately \$250,000 tab, the memorial garden was originally planned for Central City Park.

A relocation to behind the William P. Faust Public Library came after the park was closed due to lead contamination and the remediation limited plantings, as well as fencing off a pond that would have butted up to the memorial.

"I know there was some fuss when the memorial was moved but I think the location is perfect," Sharp said. "You can go there and have quiet moments privately."

An estimated 500 people turned out for the dedication resulting in a sea of umbrellas, with many guests preferring to stand rather sit for the program.

Giving the dedication address, Maj. Gen. Gregory Vadnais, adjutant general and director of military and veterans affairs in Michigan, drew a laugh from the crowd about the weather.

"We had a saying in the infantry, 'If it's not



Westland John Glenn High School JROTC student Cameron Butler holds the flag for the ceremony.

raining, we ain't training," Vadnais said.

On Veterans Day, Vadnais said he gets many requests to speak and always looks closely at the requests.

"I chose to come to Westland for all it does for veterans. I looked at the money raised for this memorial," Vadnais said.

History alcoves

The memorial garden features history alcoves with panels about wars going back to the American Revolution and a center monument listing the wars along with their dates.

Landscaping needs to be completed in the spring. WVA President Ken Mehl cited the efforts of his committee and donors who sponsored panels, benches and engraved paving stones, all of which are still available for gifting.

During her comments, Brigadier Gen. (Ret.) Carol Ann Fausone noted there are 22 million living veterans, including 1 million veterans who served during

World War II. She asked the Second World War veterans to stand to be recognized — several braving the weather and some using walkers stood.

"To the veterans and their families, I extend my personal gratitude to each of you on Veterans Day," Fausone said. "You didn't do it for personal glory, for money. You did it for us."

"I would ask you to thank veterans each day."

While the chairman of a project gets a lot of credit, Mehl cited the efforts of many, including members of the WVA — Michael C. Williams, Pam Martin, Normie Brazier, Richard Eberhart, Connie Kincer, Dwayne Walker, Ronald

Schlim, Lawrence Wilenborg, Councilmen James Godbout and Bill Johnson, Terry Martin and Michael "Doc" Willey.

Tribute to her father

The concept for the memorial garden was designed by Alyssa Shirkey, then a Lutheran Westland High School student taking graphic design classes at the William Ford Career Technical Center and a student at the Center for Creative Studies.

Her design was a tribute to her father Raymond Shirkey, who served in the U.S. Navy, including a year in Iraq.

Tony Slaneck of OHM provided additional design input.

"We accomplished a lot. We still have got some things to do there. We'll do them," Mehl said. "We have received nothing but compliments. It's something the city should be proud of."

Sponsors are still being sought for the history alcoves but also for the engraved pavers installed at the memorial. The prices range from \$130 to \$530, depending on the size.

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the result of a jurisdictional issue between Oakland and Livingston counties, Livingston County Sheriff Bob Bezotte said Thursday.

The children's father tried to file a report Aug. 23 with the Farmington Hills and Westland police departments, which is where the parents live, Bezotte said. Neither department took a report, the sheriff said, because the couple's divorce was handled in Livingston County, which retains jurisdiction.

As a result of the jurisdictional issue, New York Border Patrol released Clancy on Sept. 19 when she tried to cross into Canada with her 4-year-old daughter and 6-year-old son in upstate New York. Bezotte said the Oakland County prosecutor's office advised the border patrol to "check

the children's welfare" and then release them to their mother.

In mid-October, officials had evidence that placed Clancy and the children in the Saranac Lake area in upstate New York. However, they remain missing as of Thursday, Bezotte said.

Bezotte said the Livingston County prosecutor's office then authorized a local warrant for the woman's arrest. The FBI is assisting in the search.

Clancy is described as 5 feet 5 inches tall and about 125 pounds with brown hair and green eyes. She is believed to be driving a dark blue 2000 model Chrysler van with the Michigan license plate AAC 398.

Neighbors told police that they saw Clancy packing the van with personal items the day before she was to return the children to their father.

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PARADE

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and Second, heads north on Second to Glenwood, west on Glenwood to Wayne Road, then south to Michigan Avenue and west to Newberry. It takes approximately 90 minutes for the parade.

"We're looking for sponsors to donate hot dogs, chips and water for the parade participants," Rediske said.

"And we're definitely looking for volunteers."

The Rotarians are also collecting canned

foods at the parade for donation to the John Bolde Food Depot at St. Mary's Catholic Church, which in turn will distribute them to needy families. Canned goods can be dropped off at the parade line-up check-in area.

Parade applications are available at www.waynerotary.com. For more information about participating in the parade, contact Rediske at gaylere-diske@gmail.com or call 734-502-3202.

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HELP

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raiser is bingo at the Wayne-Ford Civic League.

The deadline for seeking help from the Westland Goodfellows is 5 p.m. Nov. 27. Distribution of assistance — gift cards for toys and clothing from Target and food gift cards from Heartland Market along with donated food and gift items — will be done Dec. 8.

"We like people to apply sooner than later. It's easier on us," Adams said.

Applications are available at www.westlandgoodfellows.org, along with the ability to make donations and adopt a family.

Paper applications can be picked up at the Wayne-Westland Fire Administration building on South Wayne Road, the Dorsey Community Center, the Westland City Clerk's Office and the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

Applications for holiday assistance from the Wayne Goodfellows are available in the entrance to the Wayne-Westland Fire Administration on South Wayne Road. The applications can be picked up anytime or downloaded at www.wayne-goodfellows.org but can only be returned in person 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays.

"We have applications online but we want them physically delivered to the Fire Department. That way we can ask questions, see if anything was left blank," Wayne Goodfellows President Jennifer Gietzen said.

"The sooner, the better (to apply). We've never denied anyone who is eligible."

Last year, the Wayne Goodfellows spent over \$25,000 helping local youngsters have a better Christmas holiday.

The group sends out a solicitation letter to seek donations but also has fundraisers such as the 54-week progressive raffle at the Avenue and an autograph session earlier this year with former Red Wing Tomas Holmstrom. UAW Local 900 also is a big supporter.

An upcoming fundraiser is the 27th Annu-

"We expect an increase in requests this year, we are seeing it in the schools."

JENNIFER GIETZEN,
Wayne Goodfellows president

al City of Wayne Employees and Friends Goodfellows Party 5:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, at Wayne Tree Manor, 35100 Van Born.

The tickets are \$25 per person and include a full dinner buffet, dessert, soft drinks, and a door prize entry. There will be prizes, raffles, auctions, a deejay and dancing.

"We had the party at the Wayne Community Center last year. We are expecting a bigger crowd for Wayne Tree," Gietzen said. "It's casual dress but there is an actual dinner. This cuts down on the volunteers needed. Wayne Tree is donating half the cost of the food."

The crowd of 300 who attended last year exceeded the seating available, said Gietzen, who is hoping for a sellout at Wayne Tree with 450 tickets. A table of 10 tickets is \$225, providing one free ticket.

Tickets are available at the Fire Department and Henry's Service Center.

"We expect an increase in requests this year, we are seeing it in the schools. A lot of people don't know where to go for help," Gietzen said.

The Goodfellows provide families with gifts cards for toys and food that allows parents to make selections.

"We try to make it as convenient as possible. Kroger gives us a deal," Gietzen said.

"The need in Wayne isn't always for toys. One person donates a lot of books."

If the group receives unsolicited donations of coats and clothing, Gietzen said they are distributed.

The Goodfellows also provide assistance to families after fires during the course of the year.

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State House Democrats' task force offers proposals to assist veterans

In conjunction with Veterans Day, members of the Michigan House Democrats' Veterans' Services Task Force, led by co-chairmen Reps. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights, and Harvey Santana, D-Detroit, gave their policy recommendations to put more veterans into jobs and education, improve access to health care and housing, and give active service members more freedom in voting.

The proposals come from months of informal meetings with veterans and their families, along with officials in education and at veterans' homes. Knezek and Santana are veterans of the U.S. Marine Corps and

Navy, respectively.

"We wanted to take politics out of the question and get to the source — what's really making life harder for veterans in Michigan," Santana said. "We heard that while some veterans are too proud to ask the government for help, others don't know what benefits are available to them. Still others have piles of paperwork and bureaucracy to overcome. We can and must do better."

Despite having the 11th largest veteran population in the nation, Michigan ranks 53rd in per-capita spending on veterans' benefits, behind Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and Guam. The task force proposals

fall under three headings: transition, education and employment; housing and health care and policies for those still in the service.

"Unemployment, homelessness and suicide rates are shockingly high among our veteran population," said Rep. Henry Yanez, D-Sterling Heights, a member of the task force who sits on the House Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. "Michigan needs to let veterans know that there's help available. This isn't a partisan issue. The Legislature can and should act to correct this problem."

Proposals for Transition, Education and Em-

ployment include:

- » Guarantee in-state and in-district tuition to veterans attending public universities and community colleges (House Joint Resolutions L and M, Rep. Knezek).
- » Give a tax credit to businesses who hire unemployed veterans (House Bill 4068, Rep. Smiley).
- » Authorize private employers to give a hiring preference to veterans (House Health Care and Housing).
- » Initiate a study regarding the establishment of a veterans' home in southeast Michigan.
- » Extend the use of service dogs in public to people diagnosed with

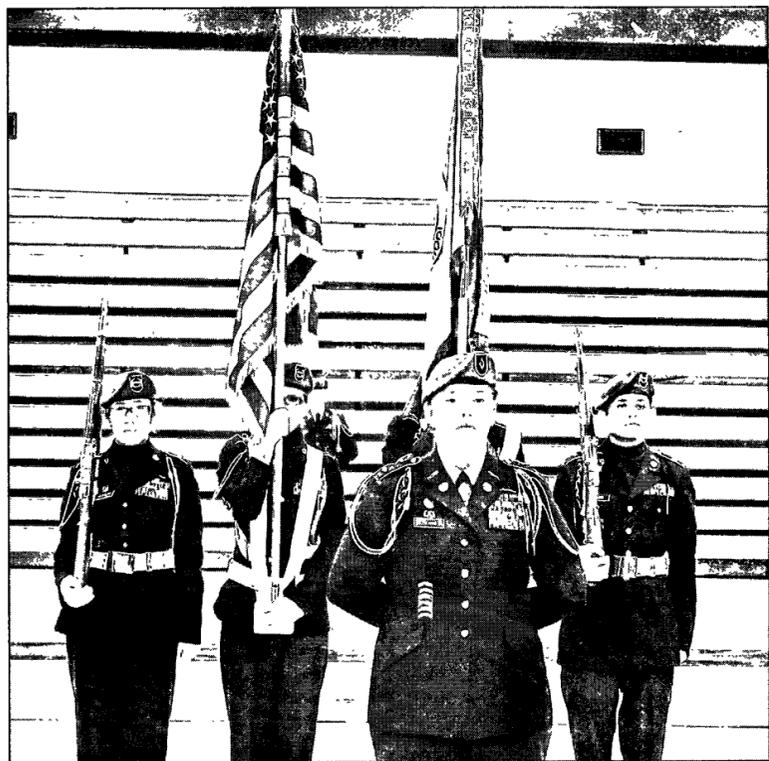
post-traumatic stress disorder.

- » Provide funding for public education regarding PTSD services for veterans through the Michigan Veterans Engagement Fund.
- For those still serving:
 - » Ensure that all absentee ballots from service members overseas are counted, so long as they are postmarked by Election Day.
 - » Enact the Family Military Leave Act to allow a service member's spouse to take time off without repercussions while that service member is on leave from deployment (HB 4777, Rep. Abed).
 - » Encourage school districts to adopt a pol-

icy granting excused absences for students with parents on leave from active duty.

Other members of the task force are Reps. Brian Banks, D-Detroit, George T. Darany, D-Dearborn, Andrew J. Kandrevas, D-Southgate, Marilyn Lane, D-Fraser, and Charles Smiley, D-Burton.

"Veterans don't want a handout, but we owe it to them to do the best job possible in providing access to the benefits they have earned," Knezek said. "It's clear that Michigan can be much better in helping veterans successfully re-enter civilian life, and this report outlines the way to do that."



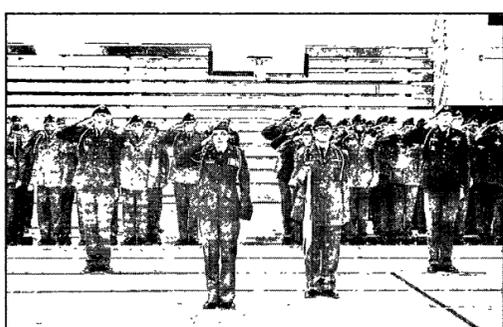
Cadets present the colors at the ceremony which was moved indoors due to the weather.

Wayne High cadets host Veterans Day ceremony

A tradition since 2003, the cadets of the Wayne Memorial High School JROTC Zebra Battalion conducted a ceremony Monday morning honoring the nation's veterans.

Traditionally held at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, the ceremony usually is held at the flag pole on the front lawn of the high school. However, due to inclement weather, the ceremony was moved indoors.

The cadets conducted the ceremony, recalling the veterans' service to their country and recounting the number of men and women who served and who died for their country since the American Revolution. They were joined by members of the Wayne Memorial Marching Band and Wayne Mayor



Members of the Wayne Memorial High School JROTC Zebra Battalion salute during their annual Veterans Day ceremony.

All Haidous in presenting the program.

The ceremony is one of many things the battalion does for the Wayne Community. The cadets recently helped with the duck race at Rouge-a-Palooza and manned rollers and brushes to help paint Sheila Keister's house in

September as part of Wayne's annual Friends Project - People Helping People. The program has helped numerous cadets earn scholarships, including last year's battalion commander, Dionte Burton, who was accepted to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.



State Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, speaks with a veteran who attended the free movie he hosted on Veterans Day.

Anderson treats veterans to free movie screening

Military veterans from throughout the 6th State Senate District were the guests of honor at a showing of the Academy Award Winning film *Argo* on Monday at the AMC Theaters of Livonia.

The free film screening was hosted by State Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, in recognition of Veterans Day and of the veterans' sacrifice and service. More than 300 Michigan veterans attended.

"This is the least that we can do for our veterans after the tremendous sacrifice that they have made for their country," Anderson said. "This annual event has become a wonderful way for the community to give back to our veterans, and we look forward to it each year."

The movie was shown at 3 p.m. at Livonia AMC 20 theater. Members of the John Glenn High School JROTC, led by Sgt. Maj. Stephen Young, assisted veterans with checking in for the film. They also acted as ushers.

Prior to the start of the film, the JROTC color guard posted the U.S. flag while Cadet Staff

Sgt. Anthony Collins treated the veterans and their guests to his rendition of the *National Anthem*.

In addition to the movie, concessions were provided free of charge courtesy of AMC Theaters of Livonia. Anderson also presented the veterans with a gift bag and CD.

Anderson has made veteran's issues a high priority during his tenure as a state senator. He worked this year to pass legislation providing

significant property tax relief for Michigan's disabled veterans and successfully pushed for budget changes that would direct Michigan's Universities and Community Colleges to offer veterans in state or in district tuition prices.

"It's very important that we not lose sight of what it means to serve," Anderson said. "We owe these brave men and women a tremendous debt of gratitude and I, for one, will never forget their sacrifice."



Members of the high school band perform during the ceremony, now in its 10th year.

ABSTRACT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2013-39
 November 4, 2013

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. A moment of silence was held for Jane Woodrow. APPROVED: minutes of the special meeting of October 22; Special Events Permit for Relay for Life on June 7-8, 2014 and waive all fees; first reading of amendments to Chapter 1478.03 Flood Areas; second reading of rezoning of 37434 Mich. Ave. from B-4 to B-3; 3 yr. tentative agreement with COAM; payment to F&R Auto. For \$4,912.20 for emergency repair of Police vehicle #447; Fire Study Session 11/25/13 @7:00 and consent calendar. Received an filed Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller
 City Clerk

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WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2013-40
 November 5, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was not held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. as it had previously been cancelled due to the General Election.

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GC police continue to investigate fatal shooting

By Sue Buck
Staff Writer

Garden City Police are continuing to investigate a fatal shooting that happened about 12:30 p.m. Nov. 7 in the 6100 block of Henry Ruff.

According to Garden City Police Chief Robert Muery, when police officers arrived, they found 40-year-old Addison Thomas Terrell just inside the front door of the home, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

"It appeared to officers that the police department was summoned immediately after the shooting occurred," Muery said.

Once officers were able to secure the residence, paramedics from the Garden City Fire Department entered and determined Terrell was dead, he said.

According to Muery, witnesses at the scene told police the shooting occurred after a violent struggle between Terrell and a 47-year-old female who lived at the residence with her family.

"It is not known where Terrell was currently living but, according to the residents of the home on Henry Ruff, he was not living there," Muery said.

Besides Terrell and the woman, there were four other people in the home at the time of the shooting. The woman and Terrell had a previous dating relationship, Muery said.

The woman was taken into custody at the scene but later released pending further investigation.

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Man charged with air conditioner thefts

A Westland man is facing charges for allegedly stealing two roof air conditioning units from a vacant Wayne building.

Todd Wykoff, 42, was initially arrested Oct. 23 by Wayne Police on a warrant from an unrelated case.

Information was developed which resulted in Wykoff being identified as a suspect in the Oct. 10 theft of air conditioners from the vacant former pharmacy at 4603 Wayne Road, said Wayne Police Sgt. Matthew Spunar.

Those thefts were

believed to have occurred sometime between the last week of September and when the thefts were reported.

Wykoff has been arraigned in Wayne 29th District Court on charges malicious destruction of a building, larceny, and buying/selling stolen metals. A not guilty plea was entered to Wykoff, who is being jailed in lieu of bond.



Wykoff

Disorderly person

Garden City police arrested a 29-year-old Westland man who was a patron at Rockstarz Bar, located at 33709 Ford, after he allegedly refused to leave the premises early Nov. 7.

Management told police they twice asked the man to leave but he continued to linger. Police told the man to leave the premises, but he reportedly slowly moved to do so, telling the officer he couldn't leave the parking lot because he couldn't get the lock off his pedal bike.

The officer, who immediately could tell that the man was drunk, told him he could either carry or walk his bike off the premises, police said.

The officer arrested the man after he administered a blood alcohol test and the man registered .22 which is more than twice the legal limit, police said.

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Home invasion

A resident in the 32000 block of Marquette reported Nov. 6 that someone entered his home without his permission. He believed the suspect entered through an unlocked front door.

After rummaging through two bedrooms, the thief left with a \$400 digital camera and \$16 in currency. The owner couldn't provide a serial number for the camera.

Theft

A maintenance man who cares for a number of homes for a property manager reported thefts when he came to check on a home in the 33000 block of Cherry Hill Nov. 9.

He said he hadn't been at the home for about a week. When he arrived, he noticed the real estate lock box was missing from the front door as well as the door knob. Upon further investigation, he

found the air conditioning unit and copper plumbing missing. Someone also cut gas and electric lines. The rest of the home remained intact.

Property damage

The owners of two vehicles parked about 10 p.m. Oct. 9 in the 28000 block of Maplewood reported damage.

Two passenger side tires were punctured on a Ford 150 parked in the driveway. A tire on an Oldsmobile parked in the street next to the driveway was slashed.

Property damage

The owner of a 2010 Ford Escape parked in the 28000 block of Rosslyn came to the police station Nov. 10 to report damage to his vehicle. He said someone keyed the entire length of the driver's side of the vehicle.

By Sue Buck

WESTLAND COP CALLS

Plumbing stolen

A construction company employee told police his firm was hired by a bank to work on a vacant home in the 1200 block of Sharon. When he arrived Nov. 6 to inspect the home, the worker said he found the front door had been broken and the copper plumbing was missing from throughout the house.

Break-in

A resident in the 32000 block of Parkwood told police Nov. 6 that she was away for two days and returned to find someone had pried open the rear sliding door wall to her home.

Reported missing was a 52-inch flat screen television valued at \$5,000. She said she reported miscellaneous jewelry stolen on a previous break-in last month.

Vandalism

A resident in the 37000 block of Vincent told police Nov. 10 that he returned home about 2:30 a.m. to find someone had

thrown a log through his front bay window. He said the log appeared to have come from a neighbor's wood pile but didn't know who would have damaged his window.

Vehicle theft

One vehicle was reported stolen and two others were reported damaged Nov. 7 on Cottrill.

A 2001 Chrysler Sebring was reported stolen overnight from the 2000 block of Cottrill. The owner told police she had paid the vehicle off a month earlier but GPS and disabling units installed by the finance company were still on the car.

The resident told police she had contacted the finance company which activated the kill switch and located the vehicle on Williams near Michigan Avenue in Wayne.

With a Wayne officer standing by, the Westland officer went to the car which was unoccupied at the rear of Westchester Towers, 37000 Michigan Ave. The officer picked up the owner and took her to retrieve the car.

A Westland man told police that someone attempted to break into his 2004 Dodge Stratus while it was parked overnight in the 2100 block of Cot-

trill. The man said something had been broken off in the driver's side door keyhole but no entry was made to the car.

A Plymouth woman told police someone tried to break into her 2004 Dodge Ram truck while it was parked overnight at an apartment in the 1900 block of Cottrill.

The driver's side door lock was removed and a small object had been used to punch a hole in the back window. No entry was made to the vehicle.

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident in the 37000 block of Robinson Court told police Nov. 7 that someone stole a Samsung tablet with a keyboard from a truck parked in the driveway.

The vehicle had been ransacked, the owner said.

The resident said he believed the truck had been locked but there was no sign of forced entry. The tablet was owned by his employer and valued at \$900.

Gun found

Police were called to the Woodcrest Apartments, 8300 Woodcrest, Nov. 6 after an employee found a .22-caliber rifle in the maintenance shed. Police took custody of the

gun and found no record for it.

Vandalism

The owner of a rental home in the 30000 block of Avondale told police Nov. 6 that she arrived to find the front yard covered in open trash bags and boxes. She said she had last been at the home a week earlier to serve an eviction notice on the tenant.

The back door was found open, the carpeting was torn and severely damaged, two windows were broken, interior door jams were pried and the garage door had multiple dents.

There was no sign of forced entry but the owner said she didn't believe the recent tenant was responsible for the damage.

Attempted larceny from vehicle

On Nov. 7, a resident in the 38000 block of N. Jean Court told police that about 2:30 a.m. she was in the basement and heard a noise outside. When she looked outside, she said her motion detector light and the dome light to her vehicle were both on.

Her vehicle had been searched, she said, but nothing had been taken.

By LeAnne Rogers

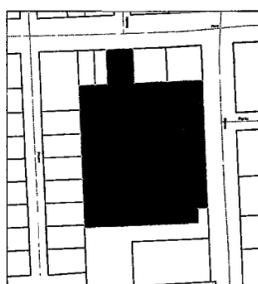
CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #2132I, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Cigar Lounge, 35501 Ford Road, Parcel #045-99-0004-001, South Side of Ford Road and West Side of Wayne Road, Westland Town Center, Masoud Mammo (Vincenzo DiDomenico).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2013.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.



Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On November 19, 2013, the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
1994	Oldsmobile	Cutlass/4DR	Blue	1G3WH55M9RD326036
2000	Pontiac	Grand Prix	Red	1G2WK52J5YF306650
1995	Pontiac	Grand Am	White	1G2NW15M5S860475
1998	Chevy	Cavalier	Green	1G1JC5244W720561
1994	Lincoln	Mark VIII	Red	1LNLM91V7R9697872
1998	Dodge	Stratus	Silver	1B3EJ46X2WN129742
1994	Oldsmobile	Eighty Eight	Green	1G3HY523RH352326
2003	Chrysler	Sebring	Black	1C3EL46X03M529906
2000	Pontiac	Grand Prix	White	1G2NF52E23M699188
2006	Dodge	Durango	Red	1D4HB48276F175655
2001	Saturn	SLI	Silver	1G8ZH5289JZ276782
1999	Ford	Taurus	Blue	1FAPF31U0X3284130
2002	Saturn	L3	Green	1G8JW54R42Y565746
1994	Ford	Explorer	Blue	1FMDU34X5RUC06818
1981	Honda	Gold Wing	Blue	1HFSC0206BA106307
1991	Buick	Lesabre	Gray	1G4HP54C4MH462970
1994	Chevy	GMT-400	Blue	1GCEC14Z5RZ129453
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1999	Ford	Taurus	Blue	1FAFPF63U5XG244218
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2000	Oldsmobile	Intrigue	White	1FMPU18L1WLA64428
2006	Cadillac	CTS	Red	1G3WS52H6YF172692
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2000	Ford	Taurus	Black	2G1WN14T4P9225147
2001	Chrysler	PT Cruiser	Black	1FAFP6558YA174942 3C8FY4BB11T565482

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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NOTICE OF SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE WESTLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TO BE HELD DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2014 COMMENCING JANUARY 15, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 17, 2014.

To all persons interested in the meetings of the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals:
Place:

Westland City Hall
36601 Ford Road
Westland, MI 48185
5:30 P.M.

TIME: REGULAR MEETING DATE

January 15, 2014
February 19, 2014
March 19, 2014
April 16, 2014
May 21, 2014
June 18, 2014
July 16, 2014
August 20, 2014
September 17, 2014
October 15, 2014
November 19, 2014
December 17, 2014

DEADLINE:
December 20, 2013
January 24, 2014
February 21, 2014
March 21, 2014
April 25, 2014
May 23, 2014
June 20, 2014
July 25, 2014
August 22, 2014
September 19, 2014
October 24, 2014
November 21, 2014

The minutes of each meeting of the regular meetings listed above will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the City Clerk's Office of the City of Westland not more than eight (8) business days after the date of said meeting.

Approved minutes of each meeting will be available for public inspection during regular business hours, at the same location, not more than five (5) business days after the meeting at which the minutes of the meeting are approved.

This notice is given in compliance with Act. No. 167 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1976.

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Eileen DeHart, CMC-City Clerk

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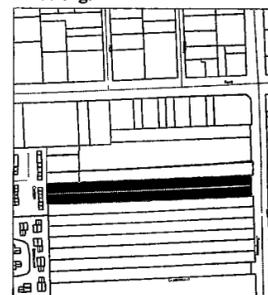
CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #1635D, Proposed Land Division, Parcels #049-01-0011-301 and -0012-301, West Side of Newburgh Road, South of Ford Road, Glenn Shaw Jr.

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He's baaaack!

Fans turn out to welcome Santa Claus to town

Blustery weather didn't deter fans from gathering in the JC Penney parking lot of Westland Shopping Center on Saturday to await the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus by helicopter.

The popular couple shared the stage with country singer and Westland native Josh Gracin in kicking off the holiday season at the mall which is decked out in its Christmas finery, including a new holiday set featuring a 20-foot high Christmas tree strung with 26,000 LED lights and shooting star overhead.

Westland John Glenn High School's marching band provided festive music to escort the season's most popular couple to the mall's East Court where Santa will listen to the wishes of children before Christmas.

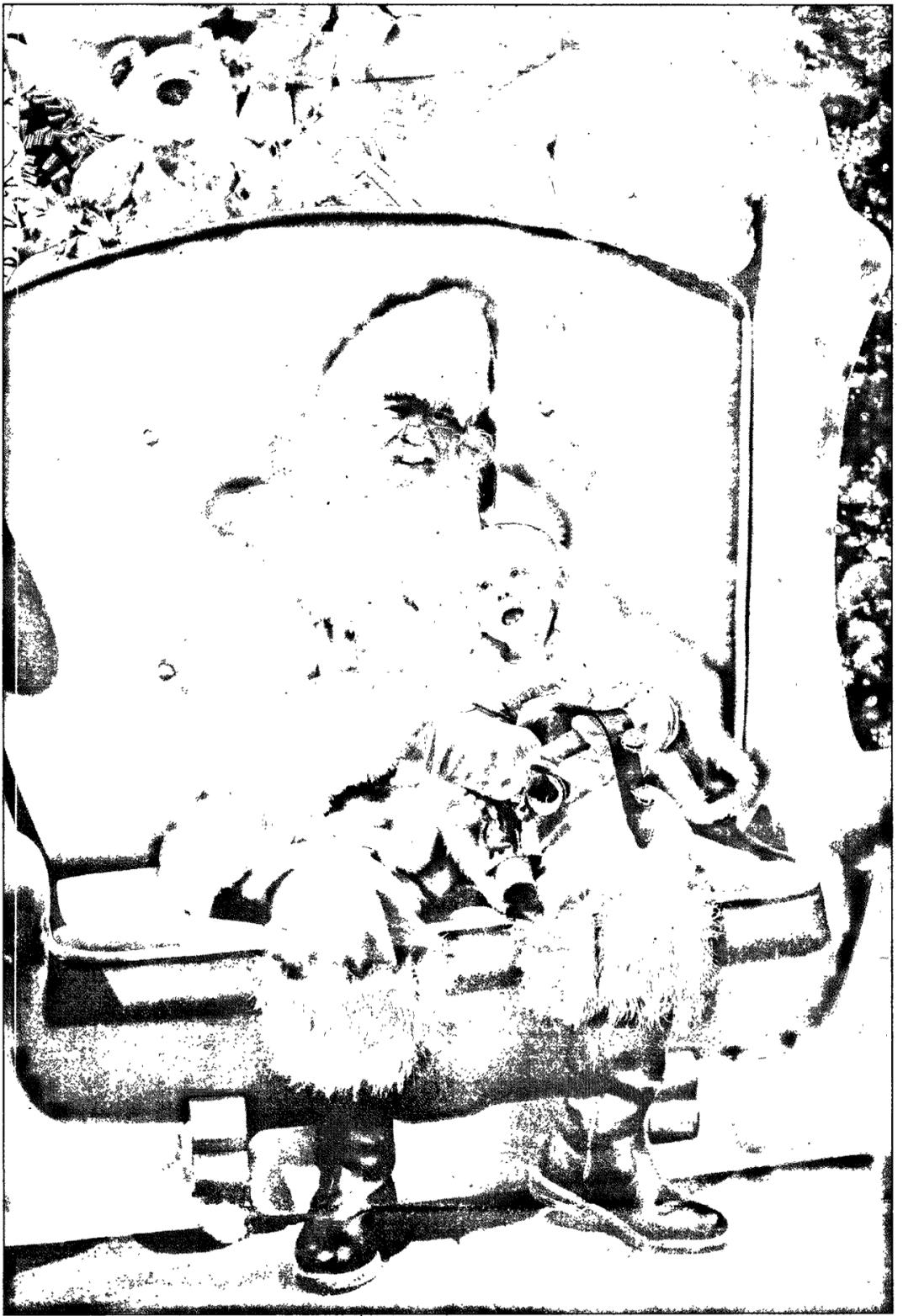
Santa also received a mini checkup from Dr. Nicholas Packey of Garden City Hospital who proclaimed the Jolly Old

Elf fit as a fiddle.

The event also included a mini holiday concert by Gracin, who gathered with fans at a private meet-and-greet reception before taking the stage. His performance was presented by the mall in partnership with 99.5 WYCD-FM. On-air radio personality Linda Lee served as emcee, welcoming both Santa and Gracin to the celebration.

Gracin, a John Glenn High School graduate, became a celebrity when, as a U.S. Marine, he appeared on the second season of *American Idol*. He finished fourth in the competition. After completing his stint in the Marines, he pursued his dream of becoming a country singer.

Youngsters can bring their wishes and pose for photos with Santa who will be at mall during business hours. He'll arrive at his special chair an hour after it opens and leave an hour before it closes.



Among Santa's first visitors after arriving at Westland Shopping Center on Saturday was 9-month-old Kashous Duffie of Grand Blanc. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN



J.P. Barna of Livonia sits with his son Jackson, who is wide eyed as Santa lands in his helicopter.



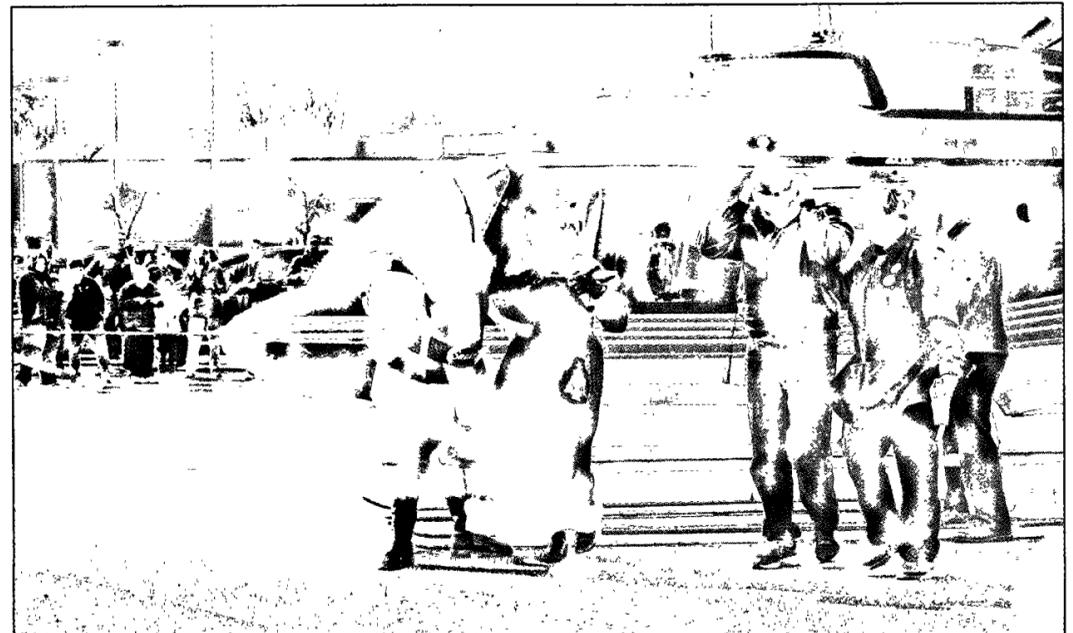
Josh Gracin performs in the East Court of Westland Shopping Center as part of the kickoff of the holiday season.



The John Glenn High School marching band provided a musical escort into the East Court of the mall for Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Dr. Nicholas Packey from Garden City Hospital checks Santa's heart out and gives him a clean bill of health.



After a bumpy flight, Santa escorts Mrs. Claus to the waiting crowds.

Spisak, Londeau serve on city commissions

Westland City Council approved the reappointment of Andrew Spisak to the Westland Planning Commission by Mayor William Wild.

This is Spisak's fourth term on the commission and second under Mayor Wild.

Spisak has been a Westland resident since 1967. He's worked for every mayor in the city's history since the first mayor, Thomas H. Brown. In October 1966, he was hired with 33 other officers to serve in the original Westland Police squad. He served as deputy mayor for Thomas F. Taylor from 1976 to 1981 before returning the Westland Police Department.

"I have been serving this city in some capacity since 1966, and I've enjoyed all of it," Spisak said. "Being on the Planning Commission has been a wonderful opportunity and most if it has been a lot of fun... most of it."

He retired in 1986 and has kept busy with the Westland Planning Commission and as president of the Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union's Board of Directors.

"I am thrilled to reappoint a resident who is so committed to the City of Westland. Mr. Spisak proudly served and protected our community for several years, and now he continues to contribute a unique perspective to the city as a Planning Commissioner," Wild said.

The Planning Commission consists of nine members appointed by the mayor and confirmed by City Council for a term of three years. The duties of the commission are to review all site plans, special land uses, land



Londeau



Spisak

divisions and rezonings. Their recommendations are forwarded to City Council as an aid in their decision-making process in these matters.

The mayor also recently appointed Mike Londeau to Westland Parks and Recreation Advisory Council. The appointment also was approved by the Westland City Council.

Mike Londeau is a life-long Westland resident who works at Pepsi Beverages Company in Detroit and is employed by Embarco Management as a marketing and promotions manager.

He has served as emcee or master of ceremonies for many of the city's top events including the annual Blues, Brews, and Barbecue and the charity hockey game between the Westland Wild Wings and the Detroit Red Wings alumni.

"I am pleased to appoint such a positive member of our community to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Council," Wild said. "With the level of commitment that Mike has shown to our city I have no doubt he will continue to succeed in this role and help to further the excellence of our 36 parks and premier recreation facilities."

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Council is responsible for reviewing plans and specifications for work undertaken in city parks, and volunteer for programs provided by the city's Recreation Department.



The three daughters, played by Kristen Falkowski, Carly Angott and Alina Jackson Azure, listen as their father, Tevye, played by Jesse Boruff, discusses them with his wife, Golde, played by Iszy Correia, in CAPA's production of "Fiddler on the Roof."

CAPA students present 'Fiddler on the Roof'

Don't miss the classic musical, *Fiddler on the Roof*, being presented at 7:30 p.m. today through Saturday by the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) students at Churchill High School.

Fiddler is a tale of family, sacrifice and tradition. Village milkman Tevye respects and follows the customs of the Jewish people in the Russian village of Anatafka, circa 1905. But, when three of his five daughters fall in love with men from different backgrounds, his love of tradition is shaken.

This endearing and entertaining musical features well-known songs such as *Sunrise, Sunset, Do You Love Me?* and *Miracle of Miracles*.

"*Fiddler on the Roof*



From left, Tevye, played by Jesse Boruff; Tzeitel, played by Kristen Falkowski and Golde, played by Iszy Correia, rehearse a scene from "Fiddler on the Roof" in preparation for opening night.

is a favorite for so many people," Director Angie Hillman said.

"It has been such a pleasure bringing this show to life, and this production is so special. I guarantee laughs, smiles, tears and enjoy-

ment for people of all ages. I hope to see the entire community sitting in the Churchill Theatre, supporting the arts and enjoying a beautiful night of CAPA tradition."

CAPA students star-

ring in the musical include: Jesse Boruff, a junior, who plays Tevye; Iszy Correia, a senior, who plays Golde; Kristen Falkowski, a junior, who plays Tzeitel; Carly Angott, a junior, who plays Hodel; Alina Jackson Azure, a senior, who plays Chava; Eddie Barakat, a senior who plays Lazar Wolf; Cory Quigley, a senior, who plays Yente; Alex Capeneka, a junior, who plays Motel the Tailor; Michael Gutierrez, a junior, who plays Perchik; Ben Baxter, a junior, who plays Fyedka; and Kelsi Fay, a sophomore, who plays Fruma Sarah.

Tickets are \$10 pre-sale by calling 734-744-2655 ext.70463 or emailing capaboxoffice@gmail.com. Tickets are \$12 at the door.

Workshop, events offered for those who are grieving

New Hope Center for Grief Support is partnering with area churches and funeral homes to offer holiday workshops and events for grieving people. These events give participants time to reflect on their plans for the holiday while participating in memorial candle lightings for loved ones who have died.

These events are offered at no cost to participants and are open to anyone grieving the death of a loved one. They are presented by New Hope speakers and partner church pastors and funeral directors. The sessions will provide an overview of how to plan for the holidays and also a time for remembrance. The holidays are very difficult for those grieving the loss of loved ones and these events offer a quiet, reflective space to those grieving. The goal

of the events and workshop is to offer grievers tools they can use to plan for the holiday season while also remembering their loved ones.

Events will be offered in Brighton at Cornerstone Church, Canton at L.G. Griffin Funeral Home, Howell at 1st United Methodist Church, Livonia at RG & GR Harris Funeral Home, Northville at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church and Plymouth at Living Peace Church. For more information, contact New Hope Center at 248-348-0115. No advance registration is required.

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to providing grief support services to adults and children who are grieving after the death of a loved one. For more information, visit www.newhopecenter.net.

Audiobooks at the Wayne Public Library

Have you ever wanted to read a good book, but found yourself lacking the time to sit down and read? There's an excellent solution for people with busy lifestyles who would still love to enjoy a great novel: audiobooks! Instead of listening to the radio during your commutes, pick up an audiobook and take in a great story.

There are a lot of options, and if you can't find what you're looking for on our shelves, check out the Wayne Public Library's Overdrive service at tln.lib.overdrive.com to download audiobooks (and ebooks) to your computer, e-reader or other mobile device.

There is a huge variety of material available in audio formats. For

example, if you're in the mood of a thriller, we have the new blockbuster crime thriller *Bad Monkey* by Carl Hiaasen, narrated by Arte Johnson on CD in our Adult Fiction area.

You can also find the thrilling *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* series, written by Stieg Larsson and narrated by Simon Vance in our Book on CD collection. These gripping stories can be yours to enjoy as you drive to and from work, or could liven up a day spent at home catching up on household chores.

Or, if you're looking for a mystery with a little fantasy sprinkled in, try out Jim Butcher's *Dresden Files* series, as narrated by James Marsters. Find the series on our Overdrive page.

Of course, as enjoy-

able as it is to listen to a professional voice actor reading, there is something special about listening to an author reading their own works. Neil Gaiman, for example, has narrated several of his own novels, including *Anansi Boys*, *Coraline* and *The Ocean at the End of the Lane*, all of which are available through the Wayne Public Library's Overdrive.

If you're looking for something you could enjoy with your whole family, check out the audiobook collection in our Juvenile area. J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter* series is excellent in audio format, thanks to the masterful work of narrator Jim Dale. Dale holds two Grammy Awards, 10 Audie Awards, and even holds a Guinness World Rec-

ord for the number of different, distinct voices he uses for the characters in *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*. The *Harry Potter* audiobooks are available on CD in our Juvenile collection, and are an experience you will never forget.

Listening to audiobooks, it is easy to squeeze in a novel even with the busiest of schedules. Drop by the Wayne Public Library and browse our shelves, or visit tln.lib.overdrive.com to see what we have available to download. Happy listening.

Information Central was compiled by library aide Sean Glasgow. The Wayne Public Library is at 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. For more information, call 734-721-7832 or go online to www.wayne.lib.mi.us.



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Westland Shopping Center upgrades cooling system

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

On the eve of celebrating its 50th anniversary, Westland Shopping Center is getting some major makeovers, including an important one for shoppers.

On the lower level below Macy's, contractors have been busy dismantling two huge cooling units that were installed in the power plant when the mall was built in 1964. The massive pieces of equipment are being replaced by two smaller units that are more energy efficient.

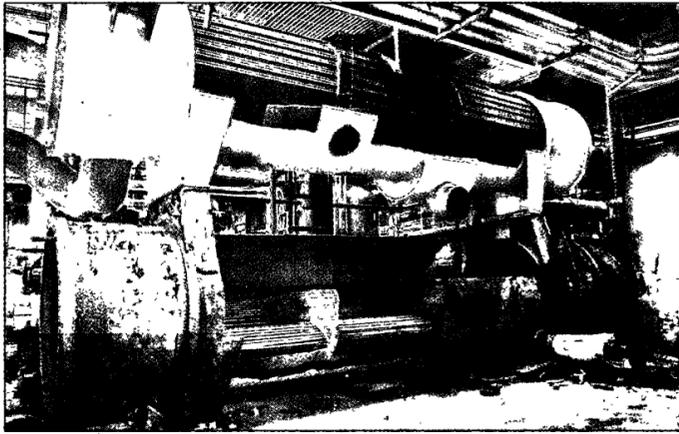
"Energy efficiency in 1965 wasn't one of the strong points of the equipment," said Carol Lutz, the mall's general manager. "Now the effort is to go green and the owner, Cushman and Wakefield, is making changes by putting in two centrifugal chillers that are half the size of the original ones. They're designed to take on more capacity."

The work began Oct. 15 at the end of the cooling season and is expected to be completed by March 31. W.J. O'Neil is dismantling the chillers that contain hundreds of copper pipes. A 20-foot hole was cut into the wall on the Macy's side of the mall where three Bobcats were brought in by crane to move the old equipment. The crane also is being used to remove the debris from the basement area and bring in the new equipment.

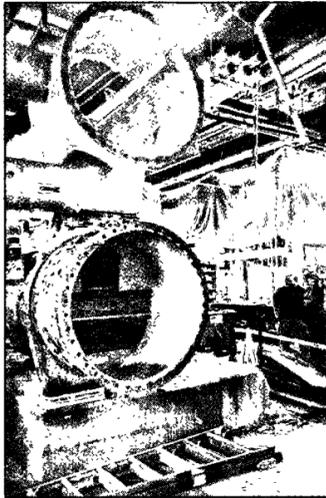
State of the art

According to Kent Musser, assistant property manager, the new system will have state-of-the-art controls that will work with the outside temperatures. There will be a computer-generated base model that will control the chillers.

"It going to be nice, we'll be able to check from home," the Westland resident said. "You won't have to be on-site. We're looking at achieving a 30 percent savings. That's huge when you spend over \$100,000 per month



The chillers are filled with copper tubing that will be recycled, along with the steel. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Kent Musser, assistant property manager, and Carol Riutz, general manager, look over the dismantling of the chillers.

for electricity." He added that the new units will have half as much freon and a different type of freon, so "our footprint will be less." The removal is taking some time because the chillers sit on almost two-foot high concrete

platforms that also must be removed. What was expected to take two weeks may take up to two months to get the old equipment out.

"We'll reclaim everything," Musser said.

Musser added that the mall has "miles and miles of cooling pipes," enough to run a small marathon.

Outdoor controls

Heating for the mall is handled by three Kewanee Scotch Marine boilers. According to Musser, the boilers are designed to run shipyards and at the time they were installed, the expectation was for additions to the system.

"We'll also put controls outdoor on the marine heaters so we can maximize efficiency and cut gas costs," he said.

The improvements of the power plant come at the same time updates on the interior and exterior of the mall by Cushman & Wakefield. Carpeting has been replaced throughout the building and work is going on now to update the entrances to the mall.

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Frontier Airlines offers new service at Metro

People planning to fly to the Philadelphia area this spring can book their flight through Frontier Airlines, which will add nonstop service from Detroit Metro Airport.

Frontier will offer the service to Wilmington-New Castle Airport in Wilmington, Del., starting April 29, 2014. To celebrate the new service, fares as low as \$39 are available only at FlyFrontier.com until Saturday, Nov. 16.

Wilmington-New Castle Airport offers affordable parking, transit service on Dart Routes 22 and 25 to downtown Wilmington and the Amtrak/SEPTA station, plus convenient access to Avis and Budget rental cars.

The airport is 38 miles from downtown Philadelphia, and 45 miles from Dover, Del.

"We are thrilled to expand service at Detroit by adding service between Detroit and convenient Wilmington-New Castle Airport," said David Siegel, Frontier's CEO and president. "Customers who fly Frontier to Wilmington will enjoy a hassle-free experience and enjoy quick, convenient, affordable travel to popular destinations. And customers will find Frontier's transparent everyday fares to offer great value."

"We are very pleased to see Frontier spread its wings from Detroit to a third destination — bringing with it more low fares and great service," Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Tom Naughton said. "We have seen traffic expand tre-

mendously every time Frontier adds a new city, and we expect Detroit consumers will embrace these new flights to the Mid-Atlantic's hassle-free gateway at Wilmington."

Service between Detroit and Wilmington will be in addition to Frontier's existing nonstop service between Detroit and both Denver, Colo., and Trenton/Princeton, N.J.

Tickets must be purchased by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time, Nov. 16, 2013. Fares are one way for domestic travel beginning April 29, 2014; round trip purchase not required. Fares are valid from origin to destination only. Seats are limited at these fares and certain flights and/or days of travel may be unavailable.

"DTW is very happy to have Frontier add DTW's 144th non-stop destination and our first ever service to Delaware," Naughton said. "Thanks to Frontier, Detroit Metropolitan Airport now features non-stop service to 41 of the nation's 50 states."

The announcement comes on the heels of JetBlue announcing service from Detroit with three flights per day to Boston effective March 10, 2014.

The flights will also operate in cooperation with Dubai-based Emirates which will offer its brand in Detroit for the first time using JetBlue flights to Boston to connect to their own flight to Dubai and beyond to India and the Middle East.

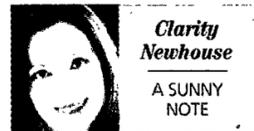
Get more done with an arbitrary deadline

I hope you're enjoying a great week and have successfully met all your deadlines! For most of us, deadlines are a standard part of life. When facing one, we automatically take measures to meet it and often the deadline itself helps us accomplish the goal.

The question is if deadlines are so helpful, then what kinds of deadlines are we setting for ourselves? And are we taking active measures to meet them?

Today's sunny tip is this: Set arbitrary deadlines.

Arbitrary as in deciding, "I'm going to do this by that date, just because I say so," and then do it, even when difficult. It's phenomenal what we can accomplish when we pursue self-imposed deadlines with the same vigor we pursue dead-



Clarity Newhouse
A SUNNY NOTE

lines imposed on us by others.

Over the years, and as recently as this week, I've jumped through some pretty crazy hoops to meet deadlines set by nobody else but me.

Just the other day I was hustling to meet a self-imposed Tuesday deadline and an observer pointed out, "Your deadline is arbitrary. Why don't you call it quits and finish on Wednesday?"

In response to that question, here are three simple reasons to set and meet an "arbitrary" deadline: getting more done, enjoying the sense of accomplishment, and generating better results

due to the planning and prioritization required to meet the deadline.

Wishing you a sunny day,

Clarity P.S. "A goal is a dream with a deadline."

Napoleon Hill P.P.S. You can help spread the sunshine by forwarding Sunny Notes or inviting others to subscribe at www.JoinSunnyNotes.com.

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BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Community Award

Westland Allstate agency owner Barney Knorp received an Agency Hands in the Community Award for his commitment to helping others. Because of his efforts, The Allstate Foundation awarded a \$1,000 grant to the Livonia Storm Girls Fast-pitch, where Knorp volunteers.

Allstate agents and employees have a proud history of putting their good hands to work in supporting Michigan communities, promoting volunteerism and providing financial resources to enable local organizations to help others.

"The Agency Hands in the Community Award celebrates the spirit of

service," said Gary Heslinga, Michigan sales leader for Allstate. "Committing to our communities is a natural extension of what we do every day — protecting people and making their lives more secure."

The Allstate Foundation awards more than \$1 million every year to nonprofit organizations across the country in honor of dedicated Allstate agency owners who give back.

To be eligible for nomination, Allstate agency owners must volunteer, mentor or lead a nonprofit of their choice.

Gubernatorial appointment

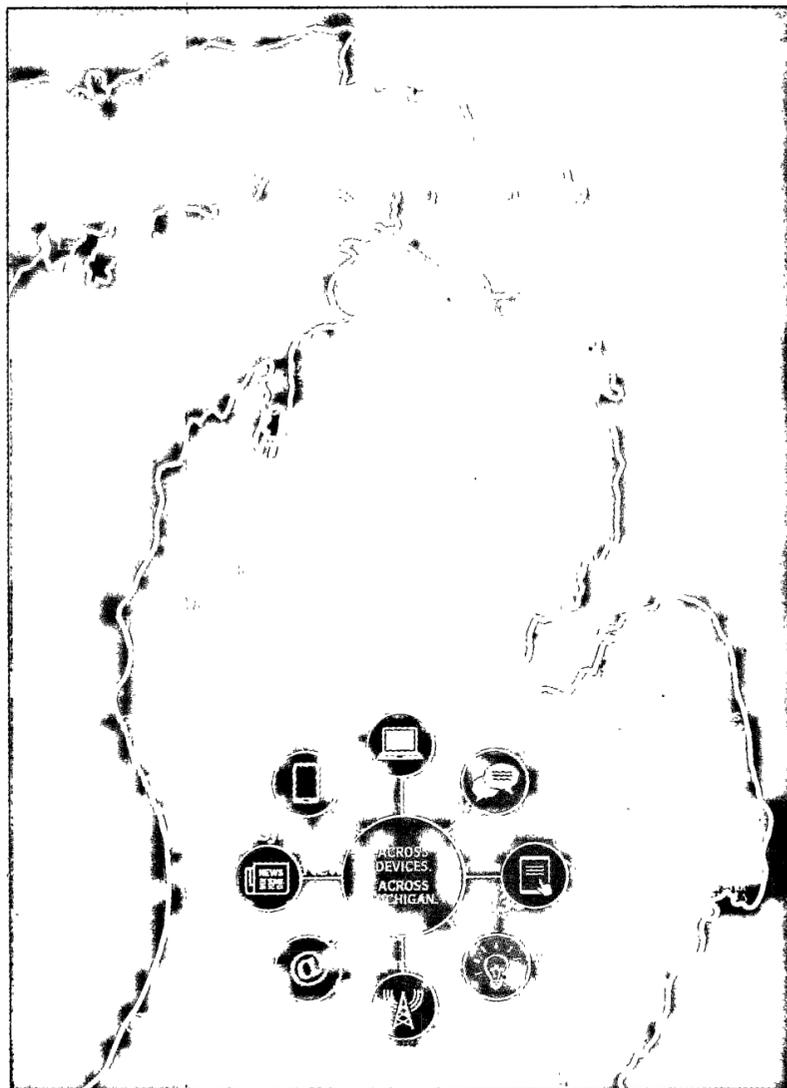
Gov. Rick Snyder has announced the re-ap-

pointments of Vincent DeLeonardis of Northville, Michael Harris of Westland and Jeffrey Spencer of Davisburg to the Barrier Free Design Board.

The nine-member board assists the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs with reviewing and processing requests for exceptions to the barrier free design specifications. It also makes recommendations for barrier free design rules.

Members serve three-year terms expiring Oct. 31, 2016, and their appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

Harris is the executive director of the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America.



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*Source: Monthly unique visitors, comScore Multi-Platform Report, March 2013

Set a budget for holiday spending

The holidays are right around the corner and it seems stores are starting earlier and earlier with sales.

It used to be the Friday after Thanksgiving (Black Friday) signified the beginning of the holiday season. Today, many stores will be open Thanksgiving Day.

The goal of all these sales and advertisements is very simple — get consumers to spend, spend and then spend some more. But that doesn't necessarily mean it's something we should be doing.

Every year, I write a column encouraging people not to overspend for the holidays. And it seems every year at this time, I read an article about people who have just finished paying for last year's holiday gifts — just as they're about to start spending this year.

Going into debt is no way to celebrate the holidays. Take a pledge to not overspend for the holidays. Easier said than done, but it is very important.

I recommend before you begin holiday shopping, set a budget. It's hard to know how much someone should spend for the holidays. However, if you have to put purchases on your charge card and you can't afford to pay the balance in full, then you're probably spending too much. Charge cards, especially during the holiday season, should not be used to finance purchases.

Gift list, too

At the same time you establish a holiday budget, decide exactly whom you have to buy gifts for. Once you do, it is much easier to allocate your resources.



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

I recommend establishing a game plan before you go shopping, because it is much easier to stay the course.

Another thing that families can do to help ease the pressure people feel during the holiday season is to set a limit as to the amount to be spent on a gift. After all, we tell children that it's the thought that counts, not how much you spend. Maybe this is the year we actually put that into effect.

We are in difficult economic times and holiday gift giving unfortunately detracts from what the holidays are all about — a time to spend with family and friends and to enjoy each other's company.

Before you begin your holiday shopping, consider talking to family and friends who you traditionally exchange gifts with and consider putting a cap on gifts. I recognize this may be an uncomfortable conversation to have, however, family and friends should be able to discuss finances without being embarrassed.

Don't get caught up in the vicious circle of spend, spend, spend. Be smart this holiday season. If you don't have the financial pressure that always comes about during the holiday season, you will enjoy the holidays the way they're meant to be enjoyed.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Visit bloomassetmanagement.com or email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

Program focuses on women and MS

While much remains unknown about multiple sclerosis, researchers do know MS affects women in far greater numbers than men. In fact, four times more women than men are diagnosed with the unpredictable disease.

Garden City Hospital will present "Wake Up For MS!" an empowering and interactive educational program for women and their caregivers, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, in the Community Room of Westland Shopping Center 35000 Warren Road, Westland.

The program will focus on celebrating independence, learning

and facilitating friendships. Women will hear about emerging concepts in MS and the latest treatment options, MS and women's health, and the importance of ongoing therapies and exercise from Garden City Hospital Health experts, including neurologist Dr. Anne Pawlak, OB-GYN, Dr. Ingrid Wilson and Rehabilitation Manager Jennifer Holland.

The free event features breakfast, lunch and prize drawings. To register, call 800-887-8100 or visit shared-solutionspatientprograms.com. Seating is limited, and registration is encouraged.



Julius Rim points to a prototype of his Green Power exhaust gas recovery system that he's installed on a diesel Mercedes. Rim, whose system helps to scrub exhaust and use part of it to heat water vapor that's then added back into the combustion process for better fuel efficiency, is hoping to get further into the automotive business. His system is already in use in maritime engines. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A GREEN BREAKTHROUGH

Small independent company develops diesel energy saver

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

A small, independent-owned company in Northville is making huge strides toward a future of cleaner air through more efficient diesel engines.

International Metals and Energy Technology (IMET) Ltd., based in Northville Township, has some breakthrough technology that reduces emission and saves fuel in a cost-effective way.

The company's GreenPower Muffler system was developed and patented by Northville resident Dr. Julius Rim. It recovers muffler-waste-heat to generate water-vapor to be re-combusted in the cylinder combustion chamber at low combustion temperature (LCT). It also reduces engine-friction by use of the GreenPower Engine Oil Borne Catalyst (OBC).

In other words, IMET's system purports to solve the problem of energy waste within the modern diesel engine.

Rim said diesel trucks waste as much as 40.5 percent fuel energy. More than half of it is in exhaust emissions. This is where the GreenPower Muffler comes in.

It reduces engine friction to save fuel, utilizes waste-heat to generate steam to be re-circulated for NOx (an emission pollutant) reduction and fuel-saving. It also prolongs the life of the engine.



Julius Rim points to an actual-sized model of his exhaust gas recovery system for diesel trucks in his Northville Township office.

"We have a breakthrough technology that is gaining momentum," Rim said from his main office and Tech. Center on Tournament Drive. "With the coming regulations this technology will become even more important."

IMET's technology has been recognized with several honors including a grant award from the Port of Los Angeles for marine diesel engines,

and in 2011 by the Society of Automotive Engineers as an Automotive Innovation Technology Competition Finalist Winner.

Through the grant, IMET is commercializing and demonstrating the GreenPower Muffler technology for ocean going vessels at the Port of Los Angeles.

The market potential for this technology, for marine and land vehicles

could exceed over \$1 billion starting in 2016 when stricter emission regulations go into place in the U.S. Mazda has recognized IMET as a forerunner in diesel emission control technology.

IMET origins

All this came from a company that began as a product of the decision by General Motors to drop its case of making diesel engines more popular in the U.S. Rim said in Europe, diesel accounts for around 60 percent of the vehicle market. He said it's a cleaner fuel when used properly.

"We were pioneers at the time," Rim said of his days at GM as an engineer developing diesel engine technology. "But instead of improving the image of diesel in America, GM quit."

So Rim along with a small team has worked over the last 30 years to further develop these ideas. IMET has another facility in Jackson. He relocated the base of operations to Northville to be closer to the automotive companies and related partners.

lhuhman@hometownlife.com

Manthano Christian College (6420 Newburgh, Westland, MI 48185, 734.895.3280) will host a Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) on-site evaluation team visit on December 2-5, 2013 for the purpose of evaluating the college for Full Accreditation status. Manthano offers the Associate of Arts and Bachelor of Arts Degrees in Biblical Studies.

Third party comments are invited and may be addressed to: TRACS, 15935 Forest Road, Forest, VA 24551.

TRACS is approved by the U.S. Department of Education as a nationally-recognized institutional accrediting agency and appears on the Secretary's List of Approved Accrediting Agencies, which is provided in the Higher Education Directory. TRACS is also recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

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- Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Bryant, Hammons, Johnson, Kadi, Kehrer, Reeves
185: Appr. Minutes of meeting held 10/21/13.
• Appr. Salvation Army to Ring the Bell 11/29-30, 12/7, 12/14 & 12/21.
• Appr. Wayne Co. Lightfest 11/14/13 @ 6:30 p.m., Hines @ Merriman Rd.
• MDOT Contract for Cherry Hill reconstruction w. of Newburgh; City's cost \$106,500.
• SMART Contract allocating City's \$82,726 in municipal & \$ 95.474 in community credits to Nankin Transit.
• Purchase Agrmt. For sale of vacant Nankin Mills Tavern; amt. \$35,000.
186: Appr. Site Plan for prop. commercial parking lot-Crystal Bar, PID #005-02-0075-000, w. side of Middlebelt, n. of Ann Arbor Trail w/contingencies.
187: Conf. re-appt. of A. Spisak to Planning Comm. for 3 yr. term to exp. 11/5/16.
188: Appr. checklist: \$.
Mitg. adj. at 7:43 p.m.
Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

James Godbout
Council President
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Eileen DeHart, CMC
City Clerk
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CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185, on November 18th, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:
Library Security Camera Upgrade
Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office or at www.CityofWestland.com. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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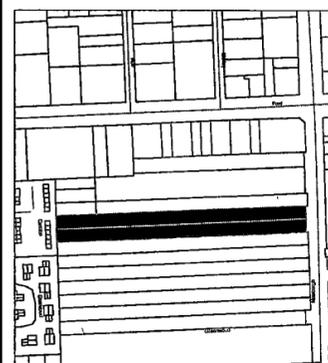
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City Controller
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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:
Case #1635E, Public Hearing for Proposed Rezoning from R-5, Single Family Residential to CB-3, General Commercial Business, Part of Parcels #049-01-0011-301 and -0012-301, West Side of Newburgh Road South of Ford Road, Glenn Shaw Jr.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2013.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.



Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #1634A, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Body Art Studio, 35571 Central City Parkway, Parcel #020-03-0001-000, SE Corner of Central City Parkway and Nankin Boulevard, Evn & Amanda Brendtke (Ernest Thomas)

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Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

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OUR VIEWS



All firearms hunters must wear clothing made of "hunter orange" that consists of at least 50 percent of the surface area. The hunter orange must be visible from all sides. GETTY IMAGES | ISTOCKPHOTO

Getting out in the field

Hunter safety should be No. 1 priority on eve of opening day

By now you may have heard the tragic story of an Indiana man who died last week after a hunting accident.

Timothy Bowers, a 32-year-old father-to-be, kissed his wife goodbye on a recent Saturday afternoon, just like he often did during hunting season, and went out into the woods. But, as Bowers climbed up to his tree stand for an afternoon hunt, he fell some 16 feet to the ground and shattered his spine. When he awoke in the hospital doctors told him he would be paralyzed for the rest of his life and could no longer breathe on his own. Faced with such a bleak prospect, he chose to be removed from life support and died shortly thereafter surrounded by family, leaving behind his wife, pregnant with the couple's first child.

The horrible tale is a reminder just how dangerous hunting can be, and especially pertinent considering tomorrow, Nov. 15, is opening day for firearms deer hunting season in our state.

For the next two weeks, the vast woodlands of Michigan will be crawling with a virtual army of hunters, who will be taking up the annual tradition that still runs deep for a great many of our residents. Opening day, and deer hunting in general, is a part of our culture here in the Great Lakes State. It's a big deal, especially in more rural areas, where many businesses and even whole school districts will close on opening day, because so many take to the woods in search for the elusive white-tail.

Hunting is also big business. According to state officials, deer hunters contribute more than a half billion dollars of economic activity annually. That includes buying hunting equipment, staying at hotels and so much more. In fact, the state estimates 5,300 jobs are supported by the deer hunting economy alone.

According to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, of the more than 700,000 hunting licenses sold in 2012, nearly 600,000 people took part in the firearm deer season, which runs from Nov. 15-30.

As such, it is so important that the hunting community recognizes the dangers associated with the sport. Hunter safety should be at the top of the priority list as people head out to deer camp and prepare to enter the field.

Each year in Michigan there are usually around a dozen serious accidents, including a few fatalities. Considering so many people will be going into the woods toting along high-powered rifles and other firearms, it is amazing that there are not more accidents.

But the Bowers incident shows the dangers of hunting extend beyond shooting accidents. It is imperative hunters understand and practice safe hunting methods to avoid becoming a statistic, particularly when hunting with a firearm.

The DNR's website (www.michigan.gov/dnr) lists some safety tips that every hunter should keep in mind. Here are a couple of the basics:

» Before you go on your hunting trip, let a family member or friend know where you are hunting and when you plan on returning.

» If you plan on hunting on someone else's land, always be sure to get permission from the property owner and if obtained, make sure they know when you will be there.

» Always treat every firearm as if it is loaded. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction and always keep your finger outside the trigger guard and off the trigger until ready to shoot. Be certain of your target, and what's beyond it.

» All firearm hunters must wear clothing made of "hunter orange" that consists of at least 50-percent of the surface area. The hunter orange must be visible from all sides.

» Do not carry a loaded weapon as you climb up or down from an elevated stand. Falls are one of the fastest growing injuries to sportsmen and women.

» Never hunt while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

It's not a bad idea to visit the DNR's website for more safety tips, and other pertinent hunting information.

We realize hunting season is a special time for many of our readers. To all you hunters, we wish you luck. Perhaps this is the year you will bag that big buck. But please be safe. Coming home in one piece should be your No. 1 objective.

COMMUNITY VOICE

There's talk among state lawmakers of allowing some bars to stay open until 4 a.m. with a special license and fee. Good or bad idea?

This question was asked at the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.



"People are going to drink until 4 a.m. anyway. Whatever people are looking for, they'll seek out. If they want to drink, they'll drink. This needs to happen, the sooner the better, especially if they want to rebuild the city."

Sabrina Gross
Westland



"I don't think it's a good idea, I guess."

Joann Holman
Westland



"I wouldn't like to be out there with someone whose drunk at 4 a.m. I'd be scared. Two a.m. is just fine. It might be good for reviving the city, but it's not safe."

Jennifer Morris
Garden City



"I have no idea."

Justin Lawson
Garden City

LETTERS

Honor our veterans

On Veterans Day, the nation paused to honor all of the men and women, past and present who have fought its wars and stood watch around the world through the restless respites from war that we call peace. It is a day for remembrance, gratitude and exhortation. Veterans Day is a day, we remember the sacrifices of veterans who have gone before us, thank those veterans still in our midst and exhort each other and our young to live up to their example of selfless service for the common good.

We celebrate Veterans Day to remind ourselves of truths we have heard many times before, such as "freedom isn't free" and that, in words sometimes attributed to Winston Churchill, "A nation that does not honor its heroes will soon have no heroes to honor."

Veterans Day can trace its roots back 95 years, to 1918, when the guns fell silent across the battlefields of Europe. Nearly 5 million Americans served in "the World War," as it was known then. More than 53,000 of them did not return.

World War I veterans are all gone now. But over a million veterans of World War II are still with us, as are about 21 million veterans of all the wars and years since. That's 22 million

witnesses to both the harsh truth that wars still trouble the earth and the proud fact that courageous Americans of every generation still rise up and step forward to fight for freedom when called upon.

For the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System and our 2,300 employees, every day is Veterans Day. Serving nearly 62,000 veterans in Michigan and northwest Ohio, we stand ready to provide healthcare, but more importantly, provide compassion. We have a single mission: to keep the promise of Abraham Lincoln to care for those "who shall have borne the battle" and for those they leave behind.

I have had the good fortune to work for a great organization — the Department of Veterans Affairs — for 33 years. Being a veteran myself, I cannot think of a more rewarding career than by serving and honoring my fellow brother and sister-in-arms every day I go into the office.

I hope this Veterans Day people expressed their gratitude to those who have served and those who still serve and by our advocacy on behalf of veterans in public and private, we acknowledge our continuing dependence on men and women in uniform to protect and defend this nation. We must do all we can to ensure the nation's continuing commitment to keeping Lincoln's promise. It is our sacred duty.

Robert P. McDivitt
Director
VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System

ACA will work

Conservative Tea Party people refer to the Affordable Care Act as "a train wreck waiting to happen."

Actually, the current health care system is the train wreck. Thousands of people in the U.S. die prematurely every day for want of adequate medical care. The World Health Organization, a United Nations Agency, rated the United States as 17th among the industrialized nations in the quality of care it provides its citizens.

France was number 1. Canada and Great Britain were high on the list. Ironically, it was the conservative Heritage Foundation that proposed the idea of insurance exchanges. The Democrats had proposed a single payer system like Canada. Conservatives responded with insurance exchanges.

And these same conservatives shut the government down for 16 days trying to de-fund the exchanges. Social Security and Medicare are government programs that have worked well for older Americans. The Affordable Care Act will work well for the majority of Americans.

Thomas M. Hartnett
Canton

GUEST COLUMN

Simpler regulatory process will help Michigan's small businesses

The Michigan economy has turned the corner. After years of high unemployment and sluggish growth, the economic outlook for our state is improving. Still, there is more that can be done to get the Michigan economy to full employment and businesses to increase their investments in the state. The key is to foster a stable future for the growth of small businesses — one of the backbones of our state's economy. We can do this by listening to the needs of the small business community and relieving them of the burden of an entirely too complex regulatory system.

I'm a small business owner in Livonia and I employ about 75 workers. I have watched the economy falter and observed the impact that this last downturn had on the small business community. Hiring slowed — so did business growth. I'm a business person and I care about fixing this big problem before our economy experiences a second recession.

Jump-starting small business hiring — which has historically created two-thirds of all new jobs and employs half of the private sector work force — should be a high priority for our lawmakers in Washington now that the federal government is again open. An easy, bipartisan way to rejuvenate small businesses is to review the regulatory system currently in place and make it easier for owners to navigate.

Regulations are a necessary part of doing business in the



Lee S. Jacobsen

United States, but they do not have to be a road block for small business owners. There are so many regulations in the pipeline in Washington, D.C., that small business owners are no longer able to predict yearly expenditures. With so much uncertainty about the cost of new regulations, business owners stop investing in new equipment, new projects and new hires.

Our federal government can do better than this and should look to adopt friendlier regulatory standards that will remove the economic uncertainty for small businesses. Then small business owners like me can get back to what we do best: growing our shops and hiring more workers.

The National Federation of Independent Business' Small Businesses for Sensible Regulations outlines some great places for the federal government to start its overhaul of the current system.

First, small businesses need to have a voice at the table during the creation of federal regulations. Lawmakers should seek our input and discuss the ways that regulations work when they are implemented. We can steer them in the right direction of smarter regulations.

Next, federal lawmakers should help small businesses

comply before assessing penalties for non-compliance with complicated regulations. Most small business owners want to do the right thing and meet all standards for business. But regulations can be tricky and hard to understand. Government agencies should work with owners to get small businesses up to code instead of punishing them first.

Finally, regulations should be rigorously vetted in a transparent process that includes a cost-benefit analysis and objective data. Federal decision-making must be made easier for small business owners to access and understand. All data, methods and models should be available to the public and clear standards must be used for all regulations. These standards should include cost-benefit analyses that illustrate that a regulation will do more good than harm and scientific data that underscore the justification for a regulation.

The federal government's willingness to tackle regulatory reform would be a signal to small business owners that Washington, D.C., understands the challenges facing our economy. A commitment to making the regulatory process more open and simplistic will allow small businesses to continue growing and hiring workers. With this regulatory relief, small businesses in Michigan can boost our state's economy and keep it on track for growth.

Lee S. Jacobsen is president of Jacobsen Industries in Livonia.

SCOOP'S Hound Dog Highlights

THANKSGIVING

Good Food - Good Times

Thanksgiving, a time to appreciate friends and family over Thanksgiving dinner. It's also a good time to talk about health and nutrition. This month's Scoop Hound Dog Highlights is devoted to celebrating good food and good times. Enjoy and Happy Thanksgiving!

What is your favorite healthy treat or activity? Send a photo of yourself and tell us about it. You could win a Community Bowling Center \$20 Gift card. Include your name, age, city, and contact info.

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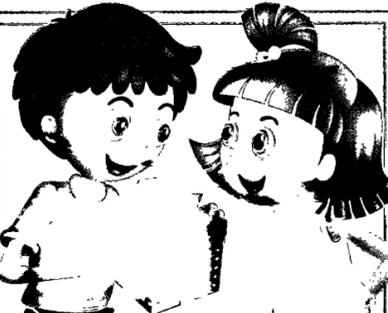
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Fill out the form and have your parents fill in their name and signature. Clip and mail, it's that easy!

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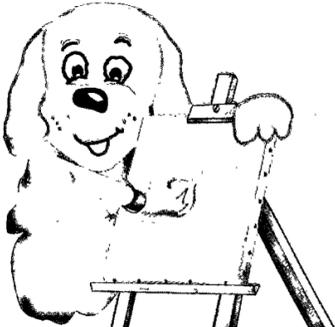
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SHARE YOUR TALENT

Do you write, draw, make crafts, take photographs, or do something else that you would like others to know about?



We may share your extraordinary talent in an upcoming Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights

HEALTHY ME

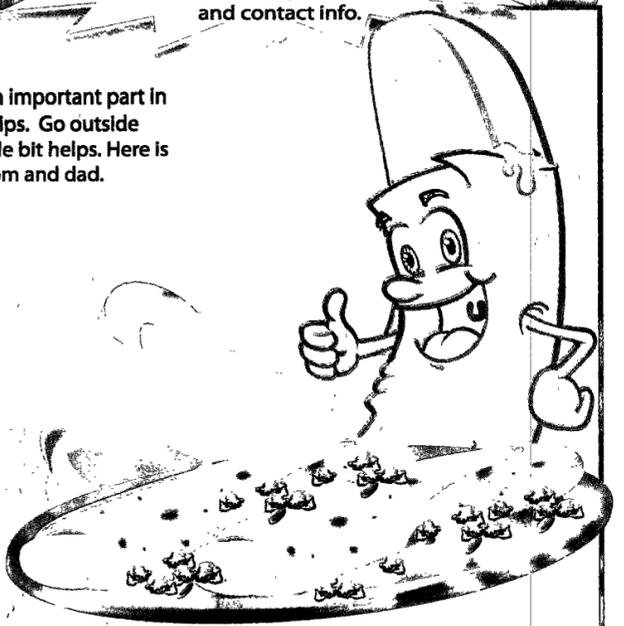
Everyone is talking about being healthy. You play an important part in staying healthy. Reach for fruit instead of potato chips. Go outside and play instead of playing a video game. Every little bit helps. Here is a delicious healthy treat that you can make with mom and dad.

Banana on a Blanket

- 1 whole wheat tortilla
- 1 tablespoon peanut butter
- 1 banana
- 1 teaspoon of honey
- 1 tablespoon granola cereal

Spread peanut butter on the tortilla and sprinkle granola over it. Place peeled banana on tortilla and roll the tortilla around it. Spread a little honey on top and sprinkle more granola. Yummy!!

Courtesy of fruitsandveggiesmorematters.org



Did You Know?

THE WORD "PUMPKIN" COMES FROM THE GREEK "PEPON," WHICH MEANS "LARGE MELON." THE ENGLISH TERMED IT PUMPION, OR POMPION, IN THE 16TH CENTURY.



Courtesy of Metro Creative

How they say that in...

- ENGLISH:** Pie
- SPANISH:** Tarta
- ITALIAN:** Torta
- FRENCH:** Tarte
- GERMAN:** Torte

Fun Turkey Facts

- While domesticated turkeys cannot fly, wild turkeys can fly for short distances up to 55 miles per hour.
- 46 million turkeys were eaten in the U.S.A. during Thanksgiving.
- You may know that Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin landed on the moon way back in 1969, but you may not know that their first meal eaten on the moon was a food packet containing roasted turkey with all the trimmings.
- It's a little know fact that Benjamin Franklin wanted to make the wild turkey the country's national bird.

Source: The U.S. Poultry & Egg Association

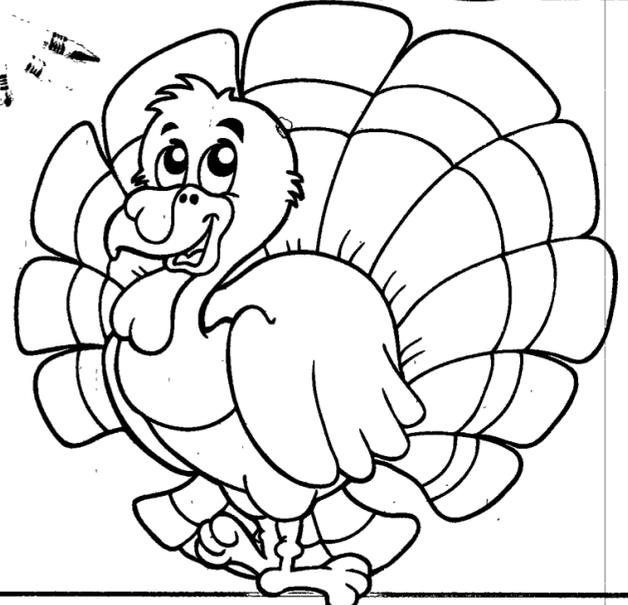
Healthy Thanksgiving

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COLORING FUN



Riddles and Giggles

- Q. What fish goes well with Peanut Butter?
- A. Jelly Fish

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Trojans face difficult test in Monroe CC

High-powered offenses to collide on Friday night

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Ken Fry certainly has concerns, while his counterpart Jack Giarmo of Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central also has plenty of concerns heading into this Friday's Division 5 Region 4 football matchup.

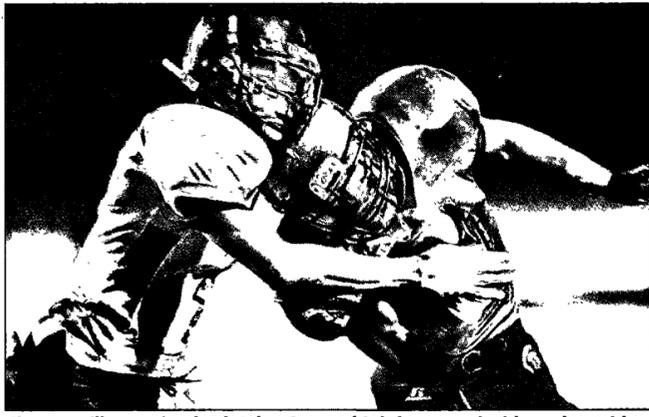
Fry, the fourth-year Livonia Clarenceville coach, is trying to devise a defensive scheme to stop Monroe CC's three-headed backfield monster of Josh Czarnowski, Justin Carrabino and John Lako.

Meanwhile, Giarmo, now in his 16th season as the Falcons coach, can only remember the last playoff meeting between the two teams back in 2000 when Tim Shaw, Steve Meadows and company pulled out a dramatic 25-19 win.

Fourteen years later, Giarmo must try and figure out a plan on how to contain another stellar Clarenceville runner in Jalen Bryant, a 6-foot-1, 185-pound who went for 195 yards and three TDs in a 31-22 district 1 title win last week over Detroit University Prep.

"They're a very talented football team," said Giarmo,

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Clarenceville running back Jalen Bryant (right) can run inside and outside.
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Edwardson is All-WHAC

Madonna University senior midfielder David Edwardson was recently named first-team All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in men's soccer.

Edwardson is tied for the team lead with six goals while adding in four assists. He has two match winning goals.

Freshman Amadou Cisse (Willow Run), who leads the WHAC in assists with nine, along with junior defender Nick Peper (Northville), earned honorable mention All-WHAC.

Academic All-WHAC choices include two-time selection Brandon Hess, a senior from Livonia (Novi Detroit Catholic Central).

He is joined by senior Jake Hodge (Canton/Detroit CC), along with juniors Nicholi LaRocca (Chippeway Valley) and Ryan Williams (Auburn Hills Avondale).

To be selected to the all-academic team, a student-athlete must be a junior or senior and have a 3.25 cumulative grade point average or better.

Hodge was also named to the WHAC Champions of Character team for the second straight year.

McFarlane rules 5K

Former All-Big Ten cross country runner Rachel McFarlane of Michigan State returned to her alma mater Saturday to win the Livonia Churchill Family 5-kilometer race in 17 minutes, 29.0 seconds.

Churchill senior Patrick Dahlin was runner-up in 18:27.1, while 71-year-old Doug Goodhue was the masters champ in 20:17.4.

2 Crusaders on 1st-team

For the second straight year, Madonna University senior Amanda Ferrick (Warren Cousino) and junior Ashely Parent (Amherstburg, Ontario) earned All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in women's soccer.

Junior Katlyn Krysiak (Madison Heights Lamphere) was joined by senior Lilliana Serratos (Dearborn) as selected to the All-WHAC honorable mention team as well.

All-Academic choices for MU included junior Mo DeGrandis, senior Lindsay McMullen (Livonia Churchill), Ferrick, Krysiak, Parent and Serratos, the latter of whom was also named to the WHAC's Champions of Character team.

Spartans dump Cass

Set to face Mercy in Class A regional final

By Dan O'Meara
Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson's powerful serving and hitting was just too much for Detroit Cass Tech to handle Tuesday night in the Class A regional volleyball tournament at Farmington High School.

The Technicians showed some spark and spunk early in the semifinal match, but the Spartans, who got better and more confident as they went, eventually took charge and won in three games, 25-11, 25-19, 25-10.

"We started very, very slow," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said, recalling the Spartans (40-13-2) struggled in the first game against the Technicians last year, too. "I give Cass Tech credit; they have much better hitters this year."

"We had problems with that, where they were hitting, over our tall block. As we started to get the momentum, they started to collapse and we gained more confidence. And we blocked better!"

The serving by seniors Amanda Hawkins and Abigail Whitehead was particularly effective. Hawkins served seven aces, Whitehead three; senior Sarah Soave and sophomore Carmen Disler had two each.

Cass only trailed 9-8 in the first game until Hawkins and Whitehead went to work. Hawkins served six straight points (two aces) to give the Spartans a 19-9 lead.

In the second game, it was 11-all when a Cass Tech violation put Stevenson on top, and Hawkins served three consecutive aces to turn the momentum in favor of the Spartans.

Whitehead had a run of six points in the third game, dropping some bomb-like serves (two



Livonia Stevenson's Abigail Whitehead makes the dig in Tuesday's 3-0 regional semifinal win over Cass Tech.
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Allen Park's Jags intercept Rockets in 3 straight

John Glenn off the mark in 'A' regional semifinal

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn girls volleyball coach Krista DePoy could sense something was amiss prior to her team's Class A regional semifinal match Tuesday night against host Allen Park.

"Nothing went well tonight," said DePoy, whose team fell

25-19, 25-13, 25-17 to the Jaguars. "Actually during warm-ups, warm-ups were not good."

"The things we do best - defense and passing - weren't there tonight. It's essential because we're little. Normally, defensively and passing-wise, we're the best around really. But tonight it wasn't there. Nothing was working tonight. Everything was missing."

Allen Park, which improved to 29-14 overall, had a lot of things go its way en route to a regional final matchup Thursday

night against state-ranked Temperance Bedford, which rolled past Riverview in the other semifinal at the cozy Multiplex.

Senior outside hitter Alyssa LaFace proved to be a major thorn in Glenn's side finishing with a match-best 17 kills to go along with 10 digs.

"She's an all-around player," Allen Park coach Chris Bozman said of LaFace. "She's actually committed to Eastern (Michigan) for a DS (defensive specialist) position, but she just so happens to hit as well. But from a

pass and serve receive perspective, she's really strong."

Glenn, which finished 23-22-3 overall, hung around during the early stretches of each set, but never got it going.

The Rockets held a 10-8 edge in the second set, only to give up a 9-2 run to the Jags.

In the third set, Glenn led 11-10, but Allen Park reeled off 13 points in a row to take a 23-11 advantage before closing out the match.

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COLLEGE SOCCER

Davenport ends MU men's playoff run, 2-1

20th-ranked Panthers move into WHAC final

Top seed and No. 20-ranked Davenport University moved into the championship final of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's soccer tournament with a 2-1 semifinal victory Tuesday night over visiting Madonna University.

The Panthers, who improved to 18-2 overall, scored on a pair of headers with freshman Dzenan Catic notching his 23rd of the season in the 38th minute followed by Damian Goncalves' third of the year in the 70th minute.

Madonna got on the board in the 89th minute on senior Nick Peper's second of the season

off a high-lofted cross from Matteo Baraslona.

MU freshman goalkeeper Marcel Schmid, who was named WHAC Defensive Player for the Week for the third straight time, made seven saves.

Mirza Harambasic had six stops for the Panthers, who will host Northwestern Ohio in Friday's WHAC final.

With the loss, MU ends its season at 8-6-4 overall under first-year coach Mark Zathej.

MU quarterfinal win

On a blustery Saturday with winds howling above 20 mph, Abdul Ibrahim and Ryan Williams teamed up for a pair of goals as the fourth-seeded Crusaders downed visiting Cornerstone, 2-0, in the WHAC

quarterfinals.

Ibrahim got MU on the board at the 25:16 mark when the ball was deflected by a Cornerstone defender off of Williams and Ibrahim was able to beat Golden Eagles keeper Miguel Cervantes to the lower left side of the net for a 1-0 lead.

The Crusaders' lead grew to 2-0 in the 54th minute after Williams' shot rang off the crossbar and the rebound fell to a waiting Ibrahim, who beat Cervantes again to the left. It was MU's only shot of the half.

Schmid made eight saves to preserve the clean sheet and earn his eighth win of the season.

Fifth-seeded Cornerstone, which outshot Madonna 15-8, ends its season at 9-7-1 overall.

MU women ousted

An early goal was the only tally on the Saturday afternoon as host Davenport University ended the Madonna University women's soccer season with a 1-0 victory in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference semifinals.

The No. 10-ranked Panthers, who improved to 17-2 overall, had a shots on goal advantage of 7-3.

Davenport's Abbey Tyson found the net at the 20:07 mark, hitting a one-timer past MU sophomore goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg.

The Panthers carried the lead through halftime and into the second half before senior Amanda Jenaway (Livonia Stevenson) sent the first of her

two shots on goal at Michelle Marcus at the 48:57 mark.

Jenaway had MU's second chance as well, this one coming at the 60:30 mark, but Marcus stopped that shot as well.

Senior Liliana Serratos had MU's last chance in the 82nd minute.

Schmalenberg made six saves in the loss, while Marcus stopped all three MU shots.

Kristin Black (Dearborn Heights Crestwood), Amanda Ferrick (Warren Cousino), Kelsey Littman (Oxford), Lindsay McMullen (Livonia Churchill), Jenaway and Serratos (Dearborn) all played their final matches as Crusaders.

MU (10-9-1) ended its second straight winning season with both season-ending losses coming in the WHAC semifinals.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Ice cold Crusaders fall to NMU

The cold-shooting Madonna University women's basketball team dropped a nonconference road game Sunday against NCAA Division II foe Northern Michigan University, 98-68, at Berry Events Center.

Alyssa Colla paced five Wildcats in double figures with 13 points.

Junior Rachel Melcher led the Crusaders with 17 points and seven rebounds, while classmate Chelsea Williams (Livonia Franklin) added 15 points and four assists.

Sophomore Justice Dean (Garden City) contributed 12 points, while senior Carrie Kloster scored a career-high 11 points on 4-of-8 shooting from the floor, including a trio of 3-pointers.

After freshman Erin Menard (Livonia Churchill) got MU on the board with 17:52 left in the opening half, Northern Michigan went on a 20-1 run over the next five-plus minutes to take a 24-3 lead.

The Wildcats pushed their lead out to as many as 25 in the first half, 37-12, before Williams hit a jumper with four seconds left that pulled MU to within 45-31 the break.

Dean then connected on a three-pointer coming out of intermission to put MU within 11,

but the Wildcats went on a 15-4 run over the ensuing 4:32 to take a commanding 60-38 lead and never looked back.

The Crusaders, who dropped to 1-2 overall, shot 37.3 percent from the floor (22-of-59), while NMU (1-0) connected on 47.2 percent of their shots (34-of-72).

Lady Ocelots fall

Debriell Starkey came off the bench to score 16, while Anika Gasich added 14 Saturday to lift host Glen Oaks Community College (2-0) to a 60-46 nonconference win over Schoolcraft College (1-1).

The Vikings won despite shooting only 29.8 percent from the field (17-of-57) while being outrebounded 49-43.

Alexis Smith (Livonia Franklin) was the only Lady Ocelot in double figures with 12 points (on 8-of-10 foul shooting). Sara Gammons and Chelsea Wesley each added nine points.

Tabitha Mann led Schoolcraft with 10 rebounds, while Glen Oaks' Courtney Moore had a game-best 11.

Schoolcraft shot only 23.1 percent from the floor (12-of-52), including just 3-of-20 from three point range. The Lady Ocelots also committed 23 turnovers.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

MU men drop Florida test, 82-78

The No. 17-ranked Madonna University men's basketball team couldn't hold a second-half double digit lead Saturday night before falling to No. 5-ranked Northwood (Fla.), 82-78, in the Dick Versace Tip-Off Tournament held at the Hoernle Student Center in West Palm Beach.

Host Northwood, which improved to 2-0 overall, got a game-high 30 points from Chris Solomon, while Fred Mattison pulled down 13 rebounds.

Senior Travis Schuba led MU (1-3) with 16 points, all coming in the first half.

Fellow seniors Bobby Naubert (Livonia Stevenson) and Fred Williams each added 14 points.

MU led 40-36 at halftime and led by as many as 11 in

the second half

Northwood pulled even 62-all with 9:33 left after Solomon made three straight free throws.

Naubert gave MU its final lead, 77-76, with a free throw to complete a three-point play.

Stephon Smith, who added 14 points, put Northwood ahead to stay with a basket followed by a Solomon triple during the final 1:13 to seal the victory.

The Crusaders will start Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference play beginning at 3 p.m. Saturday in Fort Wayne when they face Indiana Tech.

Schoolcraft loses

Andrew Mapley scored 21 points and grabbed a game-high 18 rebounds, but

it wasn't enough Saturday as Schoolcraft College (1-1) fell to host Glen Oaks Community College (2-0).

Aundreyan Roberts paced the victorious Vikings with a game-high 26 points, while Lee Gardner III and Quilyn Howard-Upshaw added 18 and 16, respectively.

Terrell Sewell (Canton) added 14 points, while Devonta Riley contributed 10 for the Ocelots, who trailed 38-20 at halftime.

Terrance Coles (Redford Thurston) also added eight points and nine rebounds in the setback.

Schoolcraft committed 25 turnovers and shot only 39.4 percent from the floor (26-of-66), including 4-of-16 (25 percent) from three-point range.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

MU volleyball tryouts

An open tryout for the Madonna University women's volleyball team will be from 10 a.m. until noon Sun-

day, Nov. 24, at the MU Activities Center.

The tryout is open to any high school senior or college transfer interested in competing for a spot on the 2014

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FIRST TEAM

Jenny Rogers, Sr., Farmington: Rogers was the top area runner in the Division 1 state meet, finishing 23rd with a career-best time of 18:34.4. She qualified in eighth place at the Waterford regional, running 19:20 at Hess-Hathaway Park. Rogers is the FPS city champion, leading the Falcons to the team title. She also was second in the last OAA White jamboree and was 24th in the Oakland County meet.

"Jenny had a very successful season in which she was able to accomplish most of her goals," coach Charles Bridges said. "Jenny has really made herself into a terrific runner. She is a wonderful example of what someone can do when she sets her mind on something and works to make it happen."

"Jenny is now a school, record holder and all-state competitor, and she has put herself in position to accomplish much more in the future."

Kayla Kavulich, Sr., Salem: Despite being slowed by an illness early in the season, Kavulich capped off a brilliant prep career in grand style.

The three-year varsity letter winner enjoyed a personal best of 18:35.5 and finished ninth at the Division 1 regionals with a mark of 19:14.3 to help the Rocks place second overall and earn another trip to the state finals.

Then, at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, Kavulich finished 55th (19:13.3) as Salem came in 10th.

For her efforts, Kavulich earned Salem's Most Valuable Senior Award.

"Kayla has shown true heart and perseverance this season as she battled health issues," coach Dave Gerlach said. "But she still had success. Kayla has accomplished so much during her high school cross country career and helped raise the bar for this program."

Anya Cho, Jr., Salem: The talented junior is now firmly entrenched as one of the area's elite runners, following an outstanding season in which she placed sixth at D1 regionals (18:57.1) and 38th at D1 finals (18:58.2).

Along the way, Cho registered a PR of 18:45.6, made first team for the Wayne County and Kensington Conference meets and tallied the third-fastest time for a Salem junior in team history (18:45.6).

Cho also was individual champion at the Dewitt Invitational and was named Salem's Most Valuable Runner.

"Anya continued to show that she is on an elite level this season," Gerlach said. "Anya's passion and love for this sport shows through the way she has stepped in to lead this team and have continued success."



Jenny Rogers



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Maddy Trevisan, Soph., Farmington: Trevisan ran her best time of 19:05.4 and finished 52nd at the Division 1 state meet, making her the third-best runner among Observerland girls in that race. She placed ninth (19:24) in the Waterford Mott regional to qualify for state.

She also was the runner-up to teammate Jenny Rogers in the FPS city meet, placed fourth in the last OAA White jamboree and finished 34th in the Oakland County meet.

"Maddy had a great first season in cross country, exceeding her coaches' expectations," Bridges said. "We knew Maddy was a fine runner before she joined the team. But, for her to have the consistent finishes that she did throughout the season, it was remarkable."

"Maddy is one of the toughest runners I've ever had the pleasure of coaching. In every race and every practice, Maddy displays what a smart, focused athlete she is."

Marina DeBiasi, Sr., Plymouth: The Wildcats weren't sure if DeBiasi would return this fall, after being ill for much of the track and field season.

But the senior co-captain did and made it all the way back with a 63rd-place finish of 19:10.7 at the D1 state meet — one week after qualifying with her season's best time of 19:09 at regionals (eighth place).

At the Kensington Conference meet, DeBiasi placed 10th with a time of 19:13.22.

"She's an extremely hard

working, motivated, focused and dedicated athlete that was frustrated with her track season and did everything in her power to come back and have a successful cross country season," Plymouth assistant coach Alice Ahearn said.

DeBiasi hasn't decided where to attend college, but Ahearn said several schools are interested in her to run for them.

Lauren Arquette, Jr., Salem: Yet another reason for Salem's continuing run as a top program in the KLAA is Arquette, who stepped up as a junior to join the ranks of Kavulich and Cho.

Like Kavulich, she battled and overcame health issues this season. Arquette registered a PR of 19:12.0 at the D1 state finals at MIS (good for 53rd overall).

At the D1 regionals at Willow Metropark, her 11th-place finish of 19:18.2 helped the Rocks to a second-place finish. She also made second team all-conference.

"Lauren's positive character of determination and perseverance was shown through her battle of early season health issues to great success during championship races," Gerlach said.

Kate Cotham, Fr., Canton: One of the top rookie runners in the KLAA, Cotham made noise all season.

She placed sixth early in the season at the Warrior Invite, then won the Sparta Invitational and finished 21st overall at the Wayne County Championships (third-team all-county).

Then, her time of 19:23 earned her 11th place at the KLAA Championships and she kept improving with a strong 19:21 at the D1 regionals (12th place).

With that, Cotham qualified for the D1 finals as an individual and tallied a time of 20:05.4 on the muddy terrain at MIS.

"Kate is a quiet type of person who is always learning how to do things better," coach Eric Pahl said. "She is constantly watching and taking in information and then using this information to make herself a better person and runner."

Jenna Wisner, Soph., Lutheran Westland: The sophomore earned all-state honors finishing seventh in the Division 4 finals with a personal best time of 19:22.7.

Wisner was also Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, MIAC MVP and regional champion, along with taking 11th at Wayne County.

"Although she has been blessed with incredible talent (coupled with her good work ethic), Jenna is very humble," Lutheran Westland coach Alli Unger said. "One of the highlights of being her coach this year was when I was approached by a parent from another team to let me know that she was congratulating every runner at the finish line while she was waiting for her teammates to finish. She is not only a good runner, Jenna has a good heart and is encouraging to her teammates and opponents alike."

Anna Gorzalski, Sr., Canton: The fourth-year varsity runner and co-captain sparked

the most when the stakes were raised.

At the Kensington Conference meet, her lifetime best of 19:50.29 enabled her to finish in 18th place and she bettered that with a time of 19:30 (15th place) at the D1 regionals.

That performance enabled Gorzalski to qualify for the state meet at MIS. She finished in 20:21.6.

"Anna ran a tough race at the regional," Pahl said. "She battled for the entire race with several other girls for that qualifying position. Anna was able to hold her spot and was one of only four individual qualifiers from the regional meet."

"Not only is Anna a great runner, but she maintains over a 4.0 grade-point average and is a positive role model and leader on the team. Anna will be missed in 2014."

Natalie Douglas, Soph., Liv. Franklin: The sophomore posted a personal best of 19:32.7 en route to a 13th-place finish at the Kensington Conference meet.

Douglas was also Public Schools of Livonia champion along with top finishes at South Lyon (fifth), Mustang (seventh), Wayne County (16th), and MSU Spartan (22nd) invitations.

"Natalie is a very smart runner and always follows the race plan," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "She was our number one runner all season long and came up big for her teammates in dual meets and invitations. At the regional, even though she wasn't feeling well, she put everything she had into the race and still finished 25th."

COACH OF THE YEAR Alli Unger, Lutheran Westland: The fourth-year coach guided the Warriors to a runner-up finish at the Willow Metropark regional and a 17th place finish at the Division 4 state finals.

Unger's squad also placed runner-up in the MIAC meet and boasted an all-state runner in Jenna Wisner.

Five of the Warriors' top six runners are expected back next season.

"Cross country is truly a unique sport to coach," Unger said. "There is a special bond formed with your teammate when you're out on the roads for a long run. The same is true for the coach that gets to spend time with these kids."

"I have been blessed to have had the opportunity to coach kids who are not only talented, but also kids that are good examples of the hope we have been given."

"They use their God-given talents to glorify Him. And I am blessed to merely be a witness of that."

ALL-AREA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

2013 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY FIRST TEAM

Jenny Rogers, Sr., Farmington
 Kayla Kavulich, Sr., Salem
 Anya Cho, Jr., Salem
 Maddy Trevisan, Soph., Farmington
 Marina DeBiasi, Sr., Plymouth
 Lauren Arquette, Jr., Salem
 Kate Cotham, Fr., Canton
 Jenna Wisner, Soph., Lutheran Westland
 Anna Gorzalski, Sr., Canton
 Natalie Douglas, Soph., Liv. Franklin

SECOND TEAM

Ellary Marano, Jr., Liv. Franklin
 Natasha Stevenson, Sr., Salem
 Kayla Hughes, Soph., Salem

Allysen Eads, Jr., Farm. Hills Mercy
 Catherine McLaurin, Fr., Liv. Ladywood
 Olivia McIntee, Sr., Canton
 Kathleen George, Fr., Liv. Churchill
 Elizabeth Tripp, Jr., Salem
 Caroline George, Fr., Liv. Churchill
 Corey Szymanski, Soph., Garden City
 Alyssa Bradley, Sr., Canton

COACH OF THE YEAR HONORABLE MENTION

Churchill: Jenna Hickson, Elyssa Hofmann, Alexis Lombardo, Christina Murphy, Halley Pampren; Franklin: Natalie Martinez, Riley Shine, Julie Wonch, Amanda Pokryfik, Katelyn Kovach; Stevenson: Emily Chapski, Emma Werthman, Grace Lamerson, Julie Cercone, Jackie Green, Kaylee

McCarthy, Lindsey Gallagher; Ladywood: Sarah Wilson, Kat Gaffka, Pilar Furlong, Sinead Cox, Sydney Triest; John Glenn: Caroline Mahalak; Wayne: Kayla Hood; Lutheran Westland: Alana Hall, Michelle Greening; Canton: Jessica Siegler, Mary Galm, Samantha Rothbach, Samantha McGrath, Kelsey Postler; Plymouth: Annie Bonds, Halley Foster, Charlotte Clark, Alexa Cichon, Renae DeBrito; Marianne DeBrito; Salem: Sierra Bowden, Emily Marcano, Erin McCann, Karissa McCarthy, Kelly McEvilly, Katy Robeson; Plymouth Christian: Terra Crown; Farmington: Celia Haueter; North Farmington: Sophia Farquhar, Shelby Abbott, Christina Visser; Harrison: Maya Roberts, Maggie Kondick; Mercy: Teagan Dillon, Katelyn Toloff; Redford Union: Cliffangela Stafford; Garden City: Marisha Potter.

TROJANS

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whose squad enters the 7 p.m. match-up at undefeated Clarenceville with a 10-1 record. "We have to control their running back (Bryant). He does a lot of great things. He would be one of the top running backs in our league. And we play in a pretty competitive league. He has the ability to explode inside and outside."

While Monroe CC is primarily a running team using a tight Wing-T, Clarenceville counters with a more balanced offensive approach.

"Their quarterback (Jake Kubiak) throws the ball very well," Giarmo said. "And we've got to keep the passes in front of us. We can't get burned by the deep passes."

Ironically, Monroe CC won last week's Division 2 title game against Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 44-40, with a late fourth quarter 7-yard pass from Bryce Windham to Carrabino.

"We do have the ability to pass," Giarmo said. "It's a work in progress."

But running the football remains the Falcons' forte as Czarniowski, a 5-foot-11, 180-pound senior, rushed for 154 yards and three TDs. Carrabino added 145 yards on just 10 carries and two TDs, while Lako added 110 yards on the ground.

"That's one of the weakest parts of our game is being able to match up and stopping that power football," said Fry, whose team is 11-0 overall. "So, they're just going to have to play above and beyond."

"We do a lot of bending, but we don't break for the big play. That's probably the biggest thing. We can't give up quick runs and let them have the long drives."

The Falcons are averaging 39 points game, while Clarenceville is averaging nearly 37.

"I think we can score," Fry said. "We have a good offense. We just hope to keep them from scoring at will because they have three excellent running backs. Watching film they were 'loads,' all explosive."



Clarenceville tight end David Curvin (55) provides protection for quarterback Jake Kubiak (11). BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Clarenceville racked up 501 yards in total offense last week against University Prep and much of the credit goes to the offensive line, led by 5-10, 290-pound senior Drake Taylor.

"He's been there the longest," Fry said. "He's been steady. We tend to run behind him when we need yards."

Bryant, however, would be the first to tell you that the Trojans have also been getting solid play up front from senior center Brandon Uren (6-0, 205), who has made a smooth transition from fullback.

Senior Jumal Pritchett (6-1, 185) and junior Lesiure Boyd (5-10, 175) have also excelled at the guard spots. Sen-

iors Brad Davis (6-5, 200), Ibn Ali (6-0, 225) and Taylor anchor the tackle positions, while senior David Curvin (6-0, 205) has been rock-solid as a blocking fullback and tight end.

The Falcons' defense is made up primarily with underclassmen with linebackers Troy Hilken and Austin Corbin, along with Windham at cornerback, leading the way.

"We start only one senior on defense," said Giarmo, whose only loss came in Week 5 against Huron League champ Milan, 21-14. "We've been hot and cold, it's still a work in progress."

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ROCKETS

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"It was a tough night for us," DePoy said. "Stuff just wasn't clicking. We haven't had anyone run on us like that all year, not even Canton and (Livonia Churchill)."

LaFace had eight kills in the first set, five in the second and four more in the third.

"People forget about her when she goes to the back row and she doesn't go away," Bozman said. "She hits from everywhere."

And the Rockets had no answers for LaFace or her five other teammates on the floor.

"She didn't make any mistakes and we let her beat us," DePoy said.

Setter Felicia Bowman had 20 assist-to-kills and a team-best 13 digs, while right-side hitter Miranda Hebert finished with 10 digs for the Downriver League champions.

And for the first time in over two decades, Allen Park is playing for a regional title.

"I like the mix," Bozman said. "We still utilize No. 3 (LaFace) a lot, but we still had everybody involved and still had everybody in the game plan. We've made a couple of changes from the last couple of matches that we've had, and they've actually committed, so I was happy with that."

Hannah Staples, one of two graduating seniors, paced Glenn's hitting attack with 10 kills. She also contributed seven digs along with Bri Robinson.

Fellow senior and setter Courtney Schaber collected 17 assists, while Erin Parrinello had three blocks. Ryan Clemmons served two aces.

"We have a lot of talent coming back," DePoy said. "I have six juniors and three sophomores. They have a ton of talent, but the thing they're missing is the leadership. Hannah and Courtney's leadership is unreal on-and-off the court. But we have a good team coming back and I look for good things from them."

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GIRLS SWIMMING

South Lyon springboards to Kensington title

Arceri lifts Stevenson to fourth-place team finish

By Brad Emmons
Staff Writer

South Lyon Unified racked up 195 of its team-high 914 points in diving to capture its third straight KLAAS Kensington Conference girls swimming and diving championship held Saturday at Novi High School.

Northville was runner-up with 817 followed by Salem and Livonia Stevenson in third

and fourth, respectively, with 647.5 and 561.

Other area teams included Livonia Churchill, eighth (230), Westland John Glenn, ninth (185); Wayne Memorial, 10th (113); and Livonia Franklin, 11th (75.5).

South Lyon took seven of the top nine diving places to go along with five first-place finishes.

(The meet awards points the top 24 finishers in each individual event.)

Chanel Bonin led the way as she broke her own conference record in the 100-yard

butterfly (55.18). The senior also bested the 100 backstroke mark of 56.61 set by Novi's Andrea VanderMey (2012) with a clocking of 56.12.

Bonin also was a member of South Lyon's first-place 400 freestyle relay (3:34.01).

Other South Lyon firsts were recorded by Carolyn Bischoff in the 50 freestyle (24.57) and Deidre Gerke in the 100 freestyle (53.68).

Stevenson's 200 freestyle relay team of junior Brenna Erickson, sophomore Rachel Arceri, junior Merrill Froney and junior Rebecca Arakelian

set a meet record in 1:39.0, breaking the mark of 1:39.23 set by South Lyon in 2011.

The same foursome also posted a runner-up finish in the 400 freestyle relay (3:35.64).

Arceri also captured the 200 freestyle in 1:53.9, just missing the meet record of 1:53.66 held by South Lyon's Rachel Green (set in the 2010 season).

Other top finishes for Stevenson included Arakelian, second, 500 freestyle (5:06.44) and third, 200 individual medley (2:07.5); Arceri, third, 500

freestyle (5:08.07); Erickson, sixth, 50 freestyle (25.12); Froney, sixth, 500 freestyle (5:19.81); and Sara Bowen, seventh, 100 freestyle (55.86).

Churchill senior Amanda Washko was runner-up in the 100 freestyle (53.75) and third in the 200 freestyle (1:55.94). She also helped the Chargers to a seventh in the 200 freestyle relay (1:45.57).

John Glenn freshman Kera Sells placed fourth in the 100 butterfly (1:01.17).

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GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

KLAAS KENSINGTON CONFERENCE GIRLS SWIM MEET

Nov. 8-9 at Novi H.S.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. South Lyon, 914 points; 2. Northville, 817; 3. Salem, 647.5; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 561; 5. Canton, 517; 6. Novi, 437; 7. Plymouth, 286; 8. Livonia Churchill, 230; 9. Westland John Glenn, 185; 10. Wayne Memorial, 113; 11. Livonia Franklin, 75.5.

'A' HEAT FINAL RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Rove, Zhang, Xu, Zhang), 1:48.89; 2. Northville (Pumper, Lohman, Maccaddino, Westphal), 1:49.11; 3. South Lyon, 1:50.53; 4. Canton, 1:53.29; 5. Novi, 1:53.84; 6. Stevenson, 1:57.89; 7. Plymouth, 2:04.09; 8. Churchill, 2:11.2.

200 freestyle: 1. Arceri (LS), 1:53.9; 2. Moore (N'ville), 1:55.52; 3. Washko (LC), 1:55.94; 4. Madison (Canton), 1:58.33; 5. Freitag (Salem), 1:59.21; 6. Lennig (Ply.), 1:59.28; 7. Suriano (Salem), 1:59.66; 8. Cortez (Novi), 1:59.86.

200 individual medley: 1. Zhang (Salem), 2:05.76; 2. Westphal (N'ville), 2:07.3; 3. Arakelian (LS), 2:07.5; 4. Green (Canton), 2:11.08; 5. Dunnuck (SL), 2:13.49; 6. Jarzembowski (N'ville), 2:14.66; 7. Xu (Salem), 2:14.75; 8. Mroz (N'ville), 2:16.58.

50 freestyle: 1. Bischoff (SL), 24.57; 2. Zhang (Salem), 24.67; 3. Malarik (SL), 24.69; 4. Barmore-Hicks (Canton), 25.05; 5. Maccaddino (N'ville), 25.06; 6. Erickson (LS), 25.12; 7. Mayoras (Novi), 25.46; 8. Bianchi (Novi), 25.57.

1-meter diving: 1. Meister (N'ville), 409.70 points; 2. Surdyk (SL), 391.45; 3. Smith (SL), 368.00; 4. Bauer (SL), 360.45; 5. Canadi (SL), 356.35; 6. Ziegler (Novi), 352.40; 7. Houck (SL), 347.45; 8. Sawyer (SL), 333.90.

100 butterfly: 1. Bonin (SL), 55.18; 2. Zhang (Salem), 57.40; 3. Maccaddino (N'ville), 59.53; 4. Sells (WIG), 1:01.17; 5. Kososki (SL), 1:01.14; 6. Tamaki (SL), 1:02.99; 7. Ostka (Canton), 1:02.56; 8. Jenkins (Canton).

100 freestyle: 1. Gerke (SL), 53.68; 2. Washko (LC), 53.75; 3. Pumper (N'ville), 54.08; 4. Bischoff (SL), 54.2; 5. Malarik (SL), 54.26; 6. Barmore-Hicks (Canton), 55.21; 7. Bowen (LS), 55.86; 8. Freitag (Salem), 55.88.

500 freestyle: 1. Westphal (N'ville), 5:01.78; 2. Arakelian (LS), 5:06.44; 3. Arceri (LS), 5:08.07; 4. Green (Canton), 5:08.49; 5. Moore (N'ville), 5:12.18; 6. Froney (LS), 5:19.81; 7. Suriano (Salem), 5:23.53; 8. Lennig (Ply.), 5:25.44.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Erickson, Arceri, Froney, Arakelian), 1:39.0; 2. South Lyon (Bischoff, Gerke, Darrow, Malarik), 1:39.07; 3. Northville, 1:41.33; 4. Novi, 1:42.04; 5. Salem, 1:42.1; 6. Canton, 1:42.44; 7. Churchill, 1:45.57; 8. Plymouth, 1:46.33.

100 backstroke: 1. Bonin (SL), 56.12; 2. Solterman (Salem), 59.68; 3. Rove (Salem), 1:00.97; 4. Pumper (N'ville), 1:01.31; 5. Gerke (SL), 1:01.38; 6. Earls (Ply.), 1:01.74; 7. Geyer (SL), 1:01.74; 8. Mayoras (Novi), 1:01.98.

100 breaststroke: 1. Zhang (Salem), 1:05.12; 2. Lohman (N'ville), 1:07.42; 3. Jarzembowski (N'ville), 1:08.92; 4. Dunnuck (SL), 1:09.47; 5. Kim (Novi), 1:09.86; 6. Darrow (SL), 1:10.06; 7. Xu (Salem), 1:11.42; 8. Hagan (Canton), 1:12.02.

400 freestyle relay: 1. South Lyon (Bonin, Malarik, Gerke, Bischoff), 3:34.01; 2. Stevenson (Arceri, Erickson, Froney, Arakelian), 3:35.64; 3. Northville, 3:38.2; 4. Salem, 3:40.13; 5. Canton, 3:44.44; 6. Plymouth, 3:50.96; 7. Novi, 3:59.02; 8. Churchill, 4:09.21.



Before Saturday night's game, a ceremonial puck drop took place between Windsor's Kerby Rychel (No. 16) and Plymouth's Nick Malysa (No. 4) as part of a tribute to the late Pat Peake Sr., a longtime Plymouth scout who passed away this year. MANDY GETSCHMAN

NEW & IMPROVED

Despite setback, Whalers' Vellucci views progress in young OHL squad

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

With so many new players on the Plymouth Whalers, every game at Compuware Arena might serve as a "meet and greet" opportunity.

Slowly but surely, however, some of those Plymouth newbies are starting to gain name recognition with the home faithful. Or at least gain plenty of appreciation for a job well done.

Consider Saturday night's game against the visiting Windsor Spitfires, just the team's sixth home date in 21 contests. Although the Whalers dropped the Ontario Hockey League contest 4-3 in a shootout, the 3,247 fans in attendance were treated to big games by first-year players Victor Crus Rydberg (one goal, one assist) and Mathieu Henderson (one goal).

Another player some fans might not know all that well, defenseman and Rochester Hills native Mitch Jones, actually played sparingly last season. Against the Spitfires, he blasted home a power play goal and helped set up another.

All of that undoubtedly is of some comfort to Plymouth head

coach Mike Vellucci, especially on a night when it was announced over the Compuware PA system that Tom Wilson — a 19-year-old power forward who is in the NHL with the Washington Capitals instead of playing for the Whalers — tallied his first major league goal.

"We played 15 road games and five at home," Vellucci said. "That's tough, especially a young team. I got 15 new players this year, so we're getting better every weekend. That's what I just told them, we're getting better every day, every weekend."

Vellucci smiled about the contributions from players such as Crus Rydberg and Henderson. "They're all new, so nobody knows who they are, right? So we need somebody to step up and score."

Even though the Whalers (8-12-0-1) did not get the two points, they battled the fast, physical Spitfires tooth and nail and had a 3-2 lead until right wing Josh Ho-Sang evened things up at 14:53 of the third on a spectacular individual effort.

Ho-Sang skated from the left circle over to the right before cutting in on Whalers' goalie Alex Nedeljkovic (spectacular as usual, with 31 saves) before slipping the puck just inside the right post.

"There was a penalty on the play, they picked our guy on the play," Vellucci said. "It should have been called, that's why he was wide open. There was nothing the goalie could do on that."

In the shootout, the Whalers twice hit the goal post behind Windsor netminder Dalen Kutchmey, who also made a number of acrobatic saves including a diving grab to rob winger Jordan Addesi in the second period with the game tied 2-2.

The lone shootout goal was scored by Ryan Foss, who outwaited the Plymouth goalie before slipping a low shot into the cage.

The Whalers played with plenty of jump despite it being their third game in three nights, not to mention Windsor (11-6-0-0) having Friday night off.

Plymouth lost 6-5 Thursday to the Spitfires and then defeated Guelph 3-2 in a shootout (behind a 41-save performance by backup netminder Zack Bowman).

"They (Spitfires) got a rest last night ... we played 3-in-3 and gutted it out," Vellucci stressed. "We didn't win, but we could have. We hit two posts in the shootout, that was the difference."

Getting the Whalers on the board first was Jones, with a blast from the left point into the top left corner with 14:40 remaining in the first. It was Plymouth's first of two goals with the extra man.

Sliding the puck over to Jones from the right point was defenseman Yannick Rathgeb (two assists) with center Francesco Vilardi also drawing a helper on the play.

"Mitch Jones played well," Vellucci said. "He shut down their top line tonight."

Windsor answered with a power play goal at 11:52. Nick Ebert's slap pass from the left circle was redirected in by Remy Giftopoulos, stationed near the right post.

The Spitfires scored again on the power play to go up 2-1 with 12:52 left in the middle stanza when Cristiano DiGiaccinto tipped in a slap shot by Steven Janes.

It only took the Whalers 42 seconds to get it back, however. Crus Rydberg roofed a shot with assists going to Rathgeb and Brook Hiddink.

Plymouth then went ahead 3-2 with 5:39 left in the frame, again on the power play.

Crus Rydberg sent a crisp cross-ice pass from the left half-wall to Henderson, skating into the right circle. Henderson one-timed the puck through Kutchmey.

That's how the game stood until Ho-Sang's puck-on-a-string move tied things up and ultimately forced overtime.

Before the game, a puck drop and moment of silence was held as a tribute to longtime Whalers scout Pat Peake, Sr., who passed away earlier this year.

On hand for the brief ceremony was Pat Peake Jr., the only player from the Whalers' franchise to have his jersey (No. 14) retired.

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CLASS D VOLLEYBALL

Waterford Our Lady ousts HVL in regional

Second-ranked Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes had to work Tuesday night for its Class D regional semifinal girls volleyball victory over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran.

The 38-5-6 Lakers captured the first two sets, 25-22, 25-16, but had to rally from a 17-11 deficit in the third to earn a 26-24 win and a 3-0 triumph.

"They're a good team, we'll give them credit for sure," HVL coach Mike Dest said of the Lakers. "The first set it was 17-17, but we just couldn't get over the hump. The second set we just made too many mistakes. The third set we had a nice lead and just couldn't finish it."

Senior Lexus Medina finished with a team-high 17 kills, while junior Madison Dest added 10.

Setter Anne St. John collected 22 assist-to-kills, while Dayna Schroeder and Dest combined for 16 digs.

"We didn't play bad," Mike Dest said. "We played pretty good, but when you're playing a good team like that it's the little things that are magnified. And they beat us on the little things tonight."

Huron Valley ends its season at 28-13-4 overall.

"It's was a good season," Dest said. "I'm really proud of the girls the way they finished. They played really hard. I have no complaints."

"We got quite a few touches on them and certainly made them for it."

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THE WEEK AHEAD

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL REGIONAL FINALS

CLASS A

at FARMINGTON

Thursday, Nov. 14: Livonia Stevenson vs. Farmington Hills Mercy, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Gibraltar Carlson vs. Allen Park regional champion.)

at ALLEN PARK

Thursday, Nov. 14: Temperance Bedford vs. Allen Park, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Gibraltar Carlson vs. Farmington regional champion.)

CLASS B

at CLARENCEVILLE

Thursday, Nov. 14: Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs. Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, 6:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Chelsea vs. Eaton Rapids regional champion.)

CLASS D

at BIRMINGHAM ROEPER

Thursday, Nov. 14: Plymouth Christian Academy vs. Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the

state quarterfinals, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Mt. Morris vs. Bay City All Saints regional champion.)

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Friday, Nov. 15 (WHAC Playoffs at Madonna)

Madonna vs. 8-9 winner, noon. N'west Ohio vs. 5-12, 2:15 p.m. Davenport vs. 7-10, 4:45 p.m. Cornerstone vs. 6-11, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 16 (WHAC Playoffs at Madonna)

Semifinals, 10 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. Championship final, 6 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Saturday, Nov. 16

Madonna at Ind. Tech, 3 p.m. S'craft at Sinclair (Ohio), 4 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Saturday, Nov. 16

Madonna at Indiana Tech, 1 p.m. S'craft at Sinclair (Ohio), 2 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Nov. 15

Whalers vs. Mississauga at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 16

Whalers vs. Sarnia Sting at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.

REGIONAL

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aces) on the Technicians' side of the net to give Stevenson a 14-5 lead.

"Amanda has been on with her serve the last couple matches," Graham said. "In the middle of the season, she was all over the place. But, thank God, it has come back. They're both been serving well."

"(Serving) was the one thing in our regional meeting. They said (Cass) could hit, but serve receive and passing are exactly what saved us. And they missed some serves at the right moment, which gave us a bit of a jump, too."

Stevenson's attack got noticeably stronger from the middle of the second game on. The combination of senior Katie Tomic, Hawkins and Whitehead in the front row sprayed the floor with big hits, and the Technicians had no answer for it.

Tomic led the way with 13 kills and Whitehead pounded six. Sophomore Alli-

son Whitehead also contributed to the attack.

Senior middle Taylor McLaud and Hawkins had four solo blocks apiece. Abigail Whithead also led the team with 10 digs on defense.

"Our strengths this year have been our hitting and blocking," Graham said. "Our serve receive has gotten much better. We're still struggling a little bit with our defense, finding that intensity and momentum."

"It takes just one good play. That's their challenge for Thursday to find some bigger defensive plays and being more aggressive."

The Spartans will play Farmington Hills Mercy, a three-game winner over Grosse Pointe North in the other semifinal, for the regional championship at 6 p.m. Thursday.

"They beat us last year," Graham said. "I think we're a better team this year, and we've had a chance to watch them play this year, so we're a lot more prepared. Whichever team has the momentum is the one that's going to take it."

RELIGION CALENDAR

NOVEMBER BETHANY

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 16
Location: Leon's, 30149 Ford Road, Garden City
Details: Friends of Bethany bi-monthly breakfast
Coming up: Bethany Together Dance, 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 30, Don Hubert VFW Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft Road, Redford, includes beer, wine, soft drinks and snacks, along with music for dancing. Dance lesson at 7:30 p.m. Attire is business casual. Admission is \$13. Bethany provides peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths. It's an organization under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Detroit
Contact: 248-988-0454

BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17
Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: Pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, juice and milk. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children, 2-10
Contact: 734-425-4421

CARD PARTY

Time/Date: 6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22
Location: SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland
Details: Door, table, prizes, 50-50, light meal and snacks. Play cards and games of your choice. Admission \$8
Contact: 734-722-1343

CONCERT

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17
Location: Congregation Shaarey Zedek, 27375 Bell, Southfield
Details: Laurie Berkner will bring her "The You & Me Tour" to the congregation. Tickets range from \$18-\$118 per person.
Contact: 248-357-5544; shaareyzedek.org/education/laurie-berkner

EUCHE TOWNSHIP

Time/Date: Registration, 6-7 p.m., cards at 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23
Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: Partners will be randomly assigned for each round and must be 18 years old to play. Cost is \$15 per player. All skill levels are welcome. Food and snacks will be provided. Players may bring their own beverages. Proceeds benefit the eighth-grade class trip next year
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200

FILM

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22
Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills
Details: The movie is *Faith like a Potato*, about the life journey of a man who, like his potatoes, grows his faith, unseen until the harvest. A baked potato bar with all the fixings will be available for a free will offering.

Admission to the movie is free. RSVP for the meal
Contact: 248-553-3380

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16
Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia
Details: \$1 admission; soup and sandwiches available for lunch
Contact: 734-427-1414

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27
Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford
Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523

WHY BE CATHOLIC?

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13
Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: Deacon Tom Loewe, co-host of EWTN's *Notes From Above* and development director of Ave Maria Radio in Ann Arbor, will share the story of his reversion from Catholic schoolboy to, in Loewe's own words a "true prodigal son" to ordained Catholic deacon with the Diocese of Lansing
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200; www.livoniastmichael.org

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17
Location: St. Kenneth Church, 14951 N. Haggerty, Plymouth
Details: Mass, followed by fellowship and refreshments. Widowed Friends is a peer group of the Archdiocese of Detroit
Contact: Pat at 734-895-6246

DECEMBER ADVENT SERVICES

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Dec. 4, 11 and 18
Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford
Details: The theme for meditations is Waiting for the Savior
Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523

CONCERT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14
Location: St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Christmas Cantata will include secular and religious music and will include handbells. Free will offering
Contact: 734-464-8844

CONCERT

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8
Location: St. Aidan, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: The 32nd annual Christmas concert will feature St. Aidan's Adult Choir, Children's Choir, and Contemporary Ensemble. Minimum donation is \$5 along with two nonperishable food items.
Contact: 734-425-5950

GIRL'S NIGHT OUT FOR ADVENT

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5
Location: St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton
Details: Adverit speaker Mary McKeon, a graduate of Marquette University, has been an inner city school teacher, worked for the United States Senate in Washington, D.C., worked in adult and religious education, youth ministry, and currently is a commissioned intern of Manresa's Ignatian Spirituality Program and trained spiritual director. She will guide the group in pondering "Journeying with Mary." Includes a chili dinner. RSVP attendance and child care needs. Last-minute walk-ins permitted
Contact: 734-455-5910

GUY'S NIGHT OUT FOR ADVENT

Time/Date: 6 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 4
Location: St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton
Details: Guest speaker, the Rev. Joe Krupp, is a University of Michigan graduate and a former comedy writer who was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Lansing, in 1998. Embracing his inner "Spartan" he is the director of campus ministry at Michigan State University, a regular on Catholic television and monthly writer for *Faith Magazine*. The event is free. RSVP attendance and childcare needed. Last minute walk-ins are welcome.
Contact: 734-455-5910.

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Men's Bible study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberger at 734-464-9491

New Life Community Church
Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m. Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m. Sundays.
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: 734-846-4615

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Scripture study
Contact: 313-534-9000

St. Michael the Archangel
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday.
Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia
Details: Catholic author and Bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads the study of Acts of the Apostles.
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniastmichael.org
Ward Presbyterian
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays

Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville
Details: Learner's Bible study is held
Contact: 248-374-5920

FAMILY COMMUNITY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday
Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills
Details: Free meal
Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

FOOD BANK

New Hope Church
Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only
Location: 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton
Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at 734-270-2528.

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Thursday, MOPSnext. Both programs run September-May
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnext supports mothers of school-aged children.
Contact: Rebekah Creeden at 734-522-6830 for MOPS and Susan Magner at 248-478-3643 for MOPSnext details.

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays
Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.
Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday
Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.
Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

Nardin Park United Methodist Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday
Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests.
Contact: 248-476-8860

St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through the back
Details: Music, singing, prayer
Contact: Grace at 734-464-1896, Shirley at 734-464-3656 or Geri at 734-464-8906

Learn to discuss Catholic faith

With Thanksgiving and Christmas just around the corner, St. Michael the Archangel Church in Livonia offers a new holiday program, "Talking Turkey."

The 90-minute session on Sunday, Nov. 24, focuses on Catholicism and will start at 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road.

Catholic author and apologist Gary Michuta will offer practical, hands-on pointers on how to handle questions about the Catholic faith that may come up at family gatherings over the holidays.

Attendees may bring a brown-bag lunch. For more information, call 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or visit www.livoniastmichael.org.

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AYERS, HARRY C.

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BOWDEN, DOROTHY M.

90, of Farmington, died November 5. Dorothy was born April 2, 1923 in North Carolina. Her family moved to Virginia when she was in the fifth grade and she never lost her southern accent. She had six brothers and six sisters, all of whom worked and lived on the family farm. She worked for Naval Officer Procurement in Richmond, VA during the early years of World War II and in July of 1944 she joined the Waves where she served in the Wave headquarters in Washington D.C. After she was honorably discharged Dorothy came north to attend Michigan State University. She majored in public administration and was initiated into the honor society Pi Sigma Alpha. In 1948 she married Robert Bowden. They lived in Pontiac, Walled Lake, and more recently, Harbor Springs, MI. She also earned an associate's degree from Oakland Community College, but primarily worked taking care of her home and family. She especially enjoyed gardening and bridge. She took up golf, skiing and square dancing later in life and enjoyed those activities during her retirement in Harbor Springs. Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband Robert and grandson John. She enjoyed a good and long life but during the past year she suffered from both mental and physical impairments. Her son Richard, along with his wife La Vonda and Dorothy's grandsons Robert and Mark, will greatly miss her. She was a positive and intelligent person who was a pleasure to be around. Her cremated remains will be returned to a cemetery near the family farm in Virginia and a memorial will be held there.
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Karolyn Grimes will meet fans at screenings of *It's A Wonderful Life*, Nov. 22-23 at the Redford Theatre.

Zuzu's petals, life to take stage

'Wonderful Life' child actress to share story, memories of Stewart, Reed at Redford

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

"Every time a bell rings an angel gets his wings."

Karolyn Grimes says she never tires of hearing that phrase, which she spoke in the 1946 film, *It's A Wonderful Life*.

The former actress was just 6 years old when she portrayed Zuzu Bailey, the daughter of George (James Stewart) and Mary (Donna Reed) Bailey in the classic Christmas movie. Today she's an enthusiastic ambassador for the film, which is shown at special events, fundraisers, festivals and holiday gatherings.

"This movie touched so many lives," Grimes said, speaking by phone recently from her home in Seattle, Wash. "There is joy for people to actually meet or hear from someone who was in the film."

"If you can make someone smile or put a light in their eyes, you know what? That is a great reward. And the smiles and love they give back to me — it's unbelievable."

Grimes will introduce the film and meet fans Friday-Saturday, Nov. 22-23, at the

Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit. Show times are 8 p.m. both days and 1 p.m. Saturday. Admission is \$6. Grimes will have items available for sale and autographing.

In the film, an angel on Christmas Eve shows suicidal businessman — George Bailey — how his town of Bedford Falls, family and friends would have turned out if he had never been born. In the end, George realizes that he has a wonderful life.

"I like to watch the movie after I've talked to audiences and told them what to look for. I like to hear them laugh and see their reactions," Grimes said. She enjoys pointing out bloopers as well as symbolism in the film.

Young actress

Grimes already had four films on her resume when she was cast as one of the Bailey children in *It's A Wonderful Life*.

"My mother was a stage mother. She decided she wanted me to be in the movies," Grimes said. "I played the piano at 3 and the violin at 5. She searched out an agent and



Donna Reed, James Stewart and Karolyn "Zuzu" Grimes starred in the 1946 holiday classic, *It's A Wonderful Life*.

sent me out on jobs. You either got the part or you didn't."

She remembers being one of five girls in the casting call for the Zuzu role, answering questions from director Frank Capra.

"I remember he said, how would you feel and how would you act if you just lost your dog and it got run over by a car and died? I couldn't (read) the lines. I had to show the emotions."

She recalls filming "was a blast" and that the adult actors were kind to the youngsters on the set. Grimes remembers James Stewart once consoled her when she botched a line of dialogue.

"He said, 'Oh, that's all right Karolyn. You'll get it right next time.' And I did."

A new direction

Grimes made 11 more films after *It's A Wonderful Life*, but

quit the business as a teen after her father was killed in an accident and her mother died from Alzheimer's disease. At age 14, she moved to Missouri to live with an aunt and uncle.

She considered studying theater in college, but ended up training as a medical technologist. She had two children with her first husband and two more with her second spouse who later succumbed to cancer. He also brought three children into the family from his previous marriage.

"I had seven kids I was raising. I left the (film) memorabilia in the basement."

Grimes renewed her interest in the film when she and the other actors who played the Bailey children toured with the movie nationwide in the early 1990s.

She said her early acting experience gave her a foundation to face "anything" that came her way.

"I had the self-confidence and ability to adjust fast. It benefited me. I've never felt that I couldn't get up in a crowd and speak."

Her current tour will take her to Illinois, Texas, Washington and New York after stopping in Detroit.

For more about the Redford Theatre, visit redfordtheatre.com

Ensemble cast explores love in 'Almost Maine'

Love is in the frosty air in *Almost Maine*, Paul's Players' fall production. The contemporary romantic comedy by John Cariani is set for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 15-16, and 3 p.m. Nov. 17, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia.

Set in the small town of Almost, Maine, the play offers a series of vignettes about falling in love, spiced with a touch of good-natured, magical realism. Characters find themselves in unexpected romantic encounters that change their lives forever.

"The play explores love in all its facets and phases," says Rachel Kain, a Livonia writer and IT specialist, who portrays two different characters in the production.

Joining Kain in the ensemble cast are: Kate Mackie, Daniel Lynn, and Phil Sattler, all of Livonia; Pam Gunderson of Redford; Hannah Taubitz of Warren; Nick Szczerba of Brownstown; and Aaron White of Highland.

Pat Hutchison, director, chose this play because of its storyline, but also for its charming characters, individ-



Pam Gunderson of Redford and Aaron White of Highland rehearse a scene from "Almost Maine."

uals the playwright describes as "simple, but definitely not stupid."

"It allowed me to create a very flexible rehearsal schedule, which is perfect for community theater with people of all ages who have different life responsibilities," said Hutchison, explaining the practical reason for choosing an ensemble piece.

Kain said *Almost Maine* is "so honest — it's the actor's challenge to bring honesty to

each scene, without slipping into sentimentality or stereotype."

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students. Purchase tickets online at Eventbrite.com, or reserve tickets at 248-347-4134. Tickets will also be available at the door.

For information about Paul's Players, contact its founder, Patricia Hutchison, at 248-347-4134, or email paulsplayers@gmail.com.

GET OUT! CALENDAR

ART & CRAFTS

GALLERY@VT

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, during public performances, or by appointment, through Nov. 28

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: Robert H. Miller of Canton shows black and white photographs of veterans from his book, *Portraits of Service*

Contact: 734-394-5300
MICHIGAN WEAVERS GUILD

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23

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

Details: The Guild's Holiday Trunk Sale will include wearable pieces and accessories, framed wall pieces, home décor objects, sculpture, and jewelry. Works by the Guild also are on exhibit 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, through Dec. 6 in the Costick Center's City Gallery

Contact: 248-473-1856
NORTHVILLE
ART HOUSE

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m.

Wednesday-Saturday, through Dec. 14

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: Visit two exhibits, Small Works, an all-media juried exhibit, and Through the Lens: A Northville Camera Club Exhibit. The Small Works show is "cash and carry," meaning buyers may take the art home with them immediately after purchase. The Through the Lens exhibit will feature photos of nature, animals, family, culture and architecture. Many of the photos also will be for sale.

Contact: 248-344-0497;
<http://www.northvillearts.org>;
UPPER HALL GALLERY

Time/Date: Through Dec. 7; pub hours are 3 p.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday, 3 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, and noon to midnight Sunday

Location: Liberty Street Brew Pub, 149 W. Liberty, Plymouth

Details: Amy Lockard exhibits photos of Michigan's Upper Peninsula
Contact: 734-207-9600

Enjoy holiday flavors all season

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extra-special holiday flavor. To make Sunday dinners a little more festive, I'll add sage to my creamy potato gratin."

Think of every meal as an opportunity to include holiday tastes:

Breakfast — Top your morning bagel with a Pumpkin Spice Spread by adding pumpkin pie spice, canned pumpkin and brown sugar to store-bought cream cheese.

Lunch — Stir cranberry and ginger into mayo for a tasty sandwich spread any day of the week. For a special weekend lunch, use leftovers to make an Ultimate Leftover Turkey Panini.

Dinner — For Thanksgiving, try Butternut Squash Soup with ginger and nutmeg as a delicious starter. Then, serve Savory Herb Rub Roasted Turkey.

Cocktails — Peppermint Paddy Martini gets a kick from vanilla vodka, Irish cream liquor and peppermint extract.

For more holiday recipes, visit www.mccormick.com



PUMPKIN SPICE SPREAD

Prep time: 5 minutes
Serves: 14
Serving size: 2 tablespoons

1 container (8 ounces) whipped cream cheese
¼ cup canned pumpkin
2 tablespoons firmly packed brown sugar
2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
¼ cup finely chopped pecans

1. Beat cream cheese, pumpkin, brown sugar and pumpkin pie spice in medium bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until blended. Stir in pecans. Cover.
2. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP

Prep time: 20 minutes
Cook time: 30 minutes
Serves: 6

3 tablespoons butter
½ cup chopped onion
1 (2 pounds) butternut squash, peeled, halved, seeded and cut into 1-inch chunks
1 medium green apple, cored and cut into 1-inch chunks
½ cup chopped pecans, toasted
½ cup orange juice
½ teaspoon ground ginger
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
¾ cup heavy cream
1 ½ cups chicken stock

1. Melt butter in large saucepan on medium-low heat. Add onion; cook and stir 3 minutes or until slightly softened. Add squash, apple, pecans and brandy, if desired. Cook on medium heat 1 minute, stirring occasionally.
2. Stir in orange juice, ground ginger, nutmeg and stock. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 25 minutes or until squash is tender, stirring occasionally. Cool slightly.
3. With center part of cover removed to let steam escape, puree soup in batches in blender on high speed until smooth. Return pureed mixture to saucepan. Stir in heavy cream. Cook until heated through. Ladle into soup bowls.

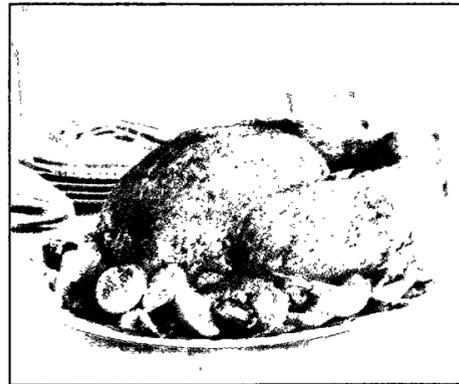


ULTIMATE LEFTOVER TURKEY PANINI

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 16 minutes
Serves: 4

½ cup cranberry sauce
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
½ teaspoon ground ginger
2 tablespoons butter, melted
8 slices pumpernickel bread
1 pound sliced roast turkey
1 cup baby arugula leaves
4 slices sharp cheddar cheese

1. Mix cranberry sauce, mayonnaise and ginger in small bowl. Set aside. Spread butter on 1 side of each slice of bread. Place 4 of the bread slices, buttered-side down, on cutting board. Top with turkey, cranberry spread, arugula leaves and cheese. Cover each with second slice of bread, buttered-side up.
2. Heat large skillet on medium heat. Place 2 of the sandwiches in skillet. Cook 2 to 4 minutes per side or until bread is toasted and cheese is melted. Repeat with remaining 2 sandwiches.



SAVORY HERB RUB ROASTED TURKEY

Prep time: 20 minutes
Cook time: 3 hours 30 minutes
Serves: 12

2 tablespoons rubbed sage
2 tablespoons poultry seasoning
1 tablespoon paprika
1 tablespoon Lawry's Seasoned Salt
2 teaspoons garlic powder
1 teaspoon ground black pepper
¾ teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 whole turkey, (12 to 14 pounds), fresh or frozen, thawed
1 large onion, cut into wedges
6 bay leaves
1 tablespoon vegetable oil

1. Place oven rack in lowest position. Preheat oven to 325°F. Place roasting rack in shallow roasting pan. Mix sage, paprika, seasoned salt, garlic powder, pepper and nutmeg in small bowl.
2. Place turkey, breast-side up, in prepared pan. Sprinkle about ½ of the seasoning mixture inside turkey. Stuff with onion and bay leaves. Brush turkey breast with oil. Spread remaining seasoning mixture over entire surface and under skin of turkey. Add ½ cup water to pan. Cover turkey loosely with heavy duty foil.
3. Roast 1 hour. Remove foil. Roast 2 to 2 ½ hours longer or until internal temperature reaches 165°F (175°F in thigh), basting occasionally with pan juices. Remove turkey from oven. Let stand 20 minutes. Transfer to platter or carving board to slice. Reserve pan juices to make gravy or to serve with turkey.



PEPPERMINT PADDY MARTINI

Prep time: 5 minutes
Serves: 4

8 ounces Irish cream liqueur
2 ounces crème de cacao liqueur
2 ounces vanilla vodka
2 ounces heavy cream
¼ teaspoon McCormick Pure Peppermint Extract
Peppermint Whipped Cream, (optional)
1. Fill cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Add first 5 ingredients; shake until well mixed and chilled. Strain into martini glasses.
2. Top each with a dollop of Peppermint Whipped Cream, if desired
Tip: To make Peppermint Whipped Cream, beat 1 cup heavy cream, ¼ cup confectioners' sugar and ½ teaspoon pure peppermint extract in medium bowl with electric mixer on high speed until stiff peaks form. Makes about 2 cups. Wet outside rim of martini glass with pure peppermint extract. Dip glass in coarse sugar to lightly coat.

Northville mortgage pro sees industry trends looking up

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Daniel Smith, senior loan officer with ColeTaylor Mortgage in Northville, is a 32-year veteran of the mortgage industry. Smith, a Northville Township resident, is encouraged by recent mortgage industry trends.

"We're getting back to a traditional market, traditional lending standards," he said. That means doing more to verify income, and using technology to dig deeper into applicants' finances.

"I think the biggest issue of buyers is what they may have done 10 years ago and has changed," he said. Smith and others in the field believe standards in recent years got too lax.

"In the past, we didn't have the technology," he said. Con-

cerns about privacy remain: "But we are lending money so we have to make sure we get paid back."

There's, unfortunately, a lot of fraud among applicants, he said, who can easily manufacture real-looking documents like pay stubs. Smith said some 80 percent of mortgage deals now come through with tax returns, helping to verify things like rental property income and self-employment income from things like Amway.

He encourages those who wish to apply for a mortgage to read up on the process. "Go spend some time with a lender," to learn about mortgage hurdles, he said. "They need to know all those things and get their ducks in a row."

Paying bills on time to establish good credit remains key. Smith finds some appli-



Daniel Smith

cants have false expectations. "It's definitely tougher but it got pretty stupid there," he said of lending in recent years. Delinquency rates on

mortgages are dropping now, a trend he's glad to see.

"I personally don't believe good money management can be called too basic." Your rates will depend on your credit score, much like buying a car.

He sees the real estate industry rebounding, with prices up and property moving.

Smith hasn't seen a short sale in eight months.

"Things are moving in the right direction," he said, even if sometimes slower than desired. "Absolutely. No doubt in my mind."

Smith believes homeownership is earned and not a right. "I think the quicker we get back to that thinking, the better it's going to be for everyone."

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Robert Meisner

A: In a recent Michigan Court of Appeals case on facts similar to yours, the court held that the Statute of Frauds provision that requires certain promises by financial institutions be in writing to be enforceable. In effect, the court rejected the claim that a bank officer could not rely on the Statute of Frauds statute. The court said that a financial institution can only act through officers and agents and that the basic agency principles allow the officer to assert the Statute of Frauds defense. Therefore, any time you get any kind of promise from a bank officer of any type, insist that it be in writing.

Q: Our homeowner association is having a vote of the members on a particular issue and a number of our homeowners are delinquent resulting in them not being able to vote. When is the date on which we determine eligibility?

A: Assuming your association is a nonprofit corporation, your bylaws may provide for the fixing or in the absence of such provision, the board may fix the date as the record date for determination of which the shareholders or members who are entitled to vote. The date cannot be more than 60 nor less than 10 days before the time of the meeting. If the record date is not fixed, the record date under the statute for determination of members entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of members is the close of business on the day next preceding (the day before) the day on which notice is given or, if no notice is given, the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. You should check with your association attorney to determine how you are going to determine the record date for purposes of voting at the meeting.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling, and Operating a Condominium." It is available for \$24.95 plus \$5.55 for tax, shipping and handling. "Condo Living 2" is available in both print and e-book editions. The e-book is available for download through iTunes, Amazon.com, and BarnesandNoble.com. He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. La-

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Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday.

Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email Georgia@addedvalue-realty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. each first Tuesday of the month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership.

Any questions or concerns, call Wayne Koehler at 313-277-4168.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 8-12, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price
BEVERLY HILLS	19745 Beverly Rd	\$231,000
	31286 Churchill Dr	\$372,000
	16942 Madoline St	\$192,000
	30550 Stellamar St	\$220,000
	23590 Woodlyne Dr	\$1,100,000
BIRMINGHAM	274 Abbey St	\$425,000
	977 Brookwood St	\$1,148,000
	1125 Chesterfield Ave	\$660,000
	1551 Derby Rd	\$600,000
	1105 E 14 Mile Rd	\$110,000
BINGHAM FARMS	1521 Stanley Blvd	\$617,000
	1748 Webster St	\$210,000
	23590 Woodlyne Dr	\$1,100,000
	274 Abbey St	\$425,000
	977 Brookwood St	\$1,148,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	5025 Van Ness Dr	\$220,000
	2270 Chestnut Dr	\$702,000
	1318 Forestglen Ct # Q-63	\$214,000
	581 Foxhall Ct	\$445,000
	3908 Mount Vernon Dr	\$340,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	1043 Stratford Ln	\$235,000
	911 Westview Rd	\$316,000
	779 Windemere Ct	\$685,000
	240 Woodwind Dr	\$800,000
	2552 Alveston Dr	\$249,000
715 E Fox Hills Dr	\$43,000	
177 E Hickory Grove Rd	\$273,000	
851 Fox Run	\$211,000	
3560 Halla Ln	\$440,000	
515 Hamilton Rd	\$755,000	
4719 Quarton Rd	\$220,000	

3515 Ridgeview Ct	\$1,075,000
932 Southdown Rd	\$423,000
830 Thorntree Ct	\$410,000
5357 Van Ness Ct	\$395,000
6105 Westmoor Rd	\$340,000
COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP	
6118 Birchcrest Ln	\$60,000
4393 Bluebird Dr	\$320,000
8410 Golf Lane Dr	\$252,000
8800 Oak Beach Dr	\$1,400,000
1311 Penarth St	\$123,000
2634 Pinto Dr	\$150,000
3896 Ranya Dr	\$419,000
4701 Surfwood Dr	\$725,000
FARMINGTON	
36854 Brittany Hill Dr	\$183,000
36484 Saxony Rd	\$225,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
28861 Balmoral Way	\$158,000
27900 Berrywood Ln Unit 32	\$52,000
37549 Burton Ct	\$215,000
31037 Cedar Creek Dr	\$210,000
28751 Creek Bend Dr	\$276,000
27665 Doreen St	\$130,000
26900 Drake Rd	\$472,000
35936 Forestville St	\$215,000
35930 Fredericksburg Rd	\$265,000
27991 Gettysburg St	\$218,000
28991 Glenbrook Dr	\$290,000
25523 Hunt Club Blvd	\$266,000
28873 Kirkside Ln	\$175,000
25448 Livingston Cir	\$198,000
28284 New Castle Rd	\$145,000
29517 Pendleton Club Dr	\$34,000
26186 Pillsbury St	\$333,000
32230 Red Clover Rd	\$167,000
21414 Riverwalk Ct	\$275,000
37609 Russett Dr	\$227,000
34650 Versailles Ct	\$217,000

LATHRUP VILLAGE	
18509 Dolores Ave	\$135,000
27474 Evergreen Rd	\$29,000
MILFORD	
863 Barbary Dr	\$260,000
1227 E Commerce St	\$75,000
1476 Hunters Lake Dr	\$499,000
1484 Hunters Lake Dr	\$656,000
774 Rowe Rd	\$367,000
1227 Timber Ridge Ct	\$807,000
2150 W Dawson Rd	\$300,000
NORTHVILLE	
53855 Nine Mile Rd	\$248,000
47515 Bellagio Dr	\$1,410,000
48744 Castello Ct	\$216,000
1166 Concord Ct	\$173,000
21531 Equestrian Trl	\$195,000
44849 Galway Dr	\$340,000
45115 Galway Dr	\$262,000
967 McDonald Dr	\$560,000
997 McDonald Dr	\$500,000
20795 Normandy Ct	\$575,000
51060 Park Place Dr	\$195,000
22735 Poppleton Dr	\$50,000
22769 Poppleton Dr	\$50,000
21107 Stanstead Dr	\$329,000
20876 W Glen Haven Cir	\$95,000
1076 Washington Cir	\$140,000
NOVI	
25680 Abbey Dr	\$376,000
45433 Addington Ln	\$420,000
42864 Ashbury Dr	\$450,000
41399 Belden Cir	\$150,000
49944 Blackberry Trl	\$275,000
23979 Broadmoor Park Ln	\$446,000
22236 Cascade Dr	\$236,000
45139 Quincey Trl	\$338,000
22835 Cranbrooke Dr	\$100,000
28313 Declaration Rd	\$95,000

40462 Heatherbrook	\$188,000
25656 Island Lake Dr	\$585,000
24474 Kings Pointe	\$225,000
51183 Luke Ln	\$255,000
22617 Moorgate St	\$400,000
24876 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$395,000
27643 Sloan St	\$315,000
25150 Taft Rd	\$270,000
41636 Terra Ln	\$170,000
24276 Terra Del Mar Dr	\$521,000
SOUTH LYON	
59256 Bavernhaus Ct	\$90,000
24344 Brentwood Dr	\$361,000
58862 Carriage Ln	\$426,000
24032 Copperwood Dr E	\$362,000
61407 Dean Dr	\$143,000
61007 Evergreen Ct	\$160,000
348 Hampton Ct	\$85,000
26300 Johns Rd	\$195,000
59649 Mallory Ln	\$351,000
1046 Paddock Dr	\$224,000
61091 Preakness Blvd	\$307,000
478 Princeton Dr	\$30,000
478 Princeton Dr	\$40,000
53790 Springwood Dr	\$225,000
53834 Springwood Dr	\$224,000
22838 Spy Glass Hill Dr	\$377,000
25435 Stanley Ln	\$360,000
393 Walnut Dr	\$159,000
SOUTHFIELD	
15599 Agnew Pl	\$121,000
30050 Everett St	\$128,000
28505 Fairfax St	\$31,000
27375 Harvard Rd	\$144,000
29450 Marimoor Dr	\$151,000
19574 Melrose Ave	\$31,000
24523 Pierce St	\$127,000
27685 Pierce St	\$100,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 29 to Aug. 2, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
818 Aylesbury Ct	\$355,000
41569 Ayrshire Dr	\$150,000
1383 Aziz Dr	\$278,000
4177 Berkeley Ave	\$120,000
227 Blossom Dr	\$318,000
2020 Brookfield St	\$144,000
44917 Danbury Rd	\$240,000
39652 Dorchester Cir	\$265,000
7743 E Claymore Ct	\$218,000
47074 Eastbourne Rd	\$400,000
8530 Forestview Dr	\$671,000
45695 Fountain View Dr	\$304,000
47782 Gyde Rd	\$565,000
46847 Hanford Rd	\$285,000
49125 Hawksbury Rd	\$190,000
3975 Hopefield Ct	\$230,000
1710 Longfellow Dr	\$145,000
1399 Marlowe St	\$92,000
855 Meadowlake Ln	\$154,000
45169 Middlebury Ln	\$310,000
45732 Morningside Dr	\$273,000
833 N Ridge Rd	\$195,000
49271 Northampton Ct	\$460,000
3627 Parklawn Dr	\$187,000
357 Patriot St	\$200,000
48625 Rockefeller Dr	\$365,000
43329 Silverwood Dr	\$220,000
41543 Singh Dr	\$266,000
7539 Sussex Dr	\$190,000
51215 Upland View St	\$369,000
1292 W Crystal Cir	\$220,000

45948 Windridge Ln	\$360,000
46116 Windridge Ln	\$315,000
40340 Winfield Rd	\$150,000
GARDEN CITY	
31536 Cambridge St	\$99,000
29051 Dawson St	\$23,000
849 Douglas St	\$60,000
32610 Maplewood St	\$82,000
861 Radcliff St	\$40,000
LIVONIA	
32820 Six Mile Rd	\$158,000
16252 Aldrich Ct	\$180,000
35992 Ann Arbor Trl	\$55,000
38545 Ann Arbor Trl	\$131,000
12099 Arcola St	\$32,000
15208 Auburndale St	\$105,000
14268 Berwick St	\$110,000
15340 Deering St	\$39,000
19032 Doris St	\$290,000
11784 Farmington Rd	\$91,000
34135 Gable Dr	\$186,000
16791 Golfview St	\$250,000
36436 Grandon St	\$56,000
15121 Harrison St	\$107,000
16885 Harrison St	\$115,000
18555 Heatherlea Dr	\$385,000
8855 Henry Ruff Rd	\$110,000
9840 Ingram St	\$152,000
28024 Long St	\$74,000
36113 Lyndon St	\$149,000
14124 Lyons St	\$120,000
9628 Mayfield St	\$125,000
17536 McNamara Dr	\$185,000
33448 Michele St	\$161,000
33028 Middleboro St	\$70,000
37442 N Laurel Park Dr	\$137,000
37474 N Laurel Park Dr	\$140,000
8969 Oporto St	\$128,000

14941 Paderewski St	\$80,000
14664 Park St	\$125,000
16318 Richfield St	\$223,000
27490 Sunnydale St	\$170,000
18930 Woodring St	\$120,000
NORTHVILLE	
18793 Bayberry Way	\$755,000
48347 Binghampton Dr	\$475,000
48348 Binghampton Dr	\$525,000
44445 Broadmoor Blvd	\$366,000
44628 Broadmoor Cir N	\$440,000
44694 Broadmoor Cir N	\$425,000
41648 Elk Rd	\$285,000
16170 Pine Valley Dr	\$675,000
373 Rayson St	\$550,000
18041 Shadbrook St	\$965,000
17802 Stonebrook Dr	\$505,000
45513 Tournament Dr	\$680,000
39489 Village Run Dr	\$215,000
PLYMOUTH	
45997 Academy Dr	\$335,000
679 Adams St	\$240,000
9460 Brookline Ave	\$170,000
46578 Burning Tree Ln	\$50,000
46658 Burning Tree Ln	\$376,000
9236 Caprice Dr	\$184,000
1305 Elm St	\$450,000
9319 Gregory Ln	\$173,000
15157 Hackberry Ave	\$225,000
15012 Lakewood Dr	\$198,000
628 N Harvey St	\$258,000
9014 Northern Ave	\$188,000
51256 Plymouth Lake Dr	\$463,000
13214 Portsmouth Xing	\$305,000
500 Provincetown Ln	\$186,000
49149 Quail Run Dr S	\$356,000
43035 River Bend Dr	\$202,000
1199 S Sheldon Rd</	

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