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City changes retirement benefits for new hires

By LeAnne Rogers

Staff Writer

Elected and appointed Westland officials will have changes in their retirement benefits aimed at reducing the

city's future legacy costs.
"I think Westland has come a long way and we're on a good financial footing," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "We are still facing \$236 million in unfunded retiree liabilities.

In January, Wild said he will ask the council to meet and find a way to address the unfunded liabilities.

On Monday, the council approved plans for new hires appointed and elected employees that will eliminate retiree health care. Instead the city will provide a \$2,000 annual contribution to a health care savings account.

Instead of a defined benefit pension, going forward employees will be offered a defined contribution retirement plan — the municipal equivalent of a 401k plan. The city would contribute to the plan on a 2-to-1 match for participating employees with a \$12,500 annual maximum cap.

If the employee doesn't contribute to the retirement plan, the city would not be obligated to make any match.

Millions saved

Under this scenario, Wild said the city would save \$4.8 million over the life of the employee.

The numbers start to get amazing with these two changes as we move forward," Wild said. "We want to get those same concessions from all our employee groups.

We're starting at the top." As approved, the plans affect the department directors, mayor's staff, city clerk and deputy appointed or elected after Jan. 1.

"There are no proposed

raises for in the Appointed Officials and Mayor's Pay Plan," said Wild, adding that pay increases are tie-barred to the police command officers contract which will be negoti-

ated in January.
Council President James Godbout handed the meeting gavel to President Pro Tem Adam Hammons to make motions regarding the pay plans. "The mayor is to receive

Buford

retires as

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The Rev. Teodor Petrutiu proudly shows the certificates of naturalization after he and his wife Roxana took the oath of citizenship.

Priest becomes U.S. citizen before congregation

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Taking the Oath of Allegiance to become an American citizen Sunday, the Rev. **Teodor Petrutiu shared that** milestone with his congregation at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church.

"Taking the oath in front of the parish community, I think it was a special touch," said Petrutiu, who was joined by his wife Roxana in becoming U.S. citizens. "It was a tribute not just to me and my wife but to all the immigrants who built their homes and the church.'

Parish priest at Sts. Constantine and Helen in Westland since 2007, Petrutiu and Roxana, whose has the title presbytera as the priest's wife, are both natives of Romania. The couple came to the United States in 1998 when Petrutiu served in a Romanian Orthodox parish in Cleveland.

In 2001, Petrutiu was accepted in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, where he served as deacon to the Metropolitan and Registrar of the Metropolis of Detroit. Petrutiu served in that role until being appointed to serve the Sts. Constantine

and Helen parish.

"Most of the people here
(Sts. Constantine and Helen) are immigrants or descendants of immigrant," Petrutiu



Federal Judge Sean Cox administers the oath of citizenship.

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Westland director **By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer It's likely that Kevin Bu-

ford will be answering his telephone a lot less often now that he has retired as Westland Department of Public Services director. "Twenty four/seven you

could get a hold of him. It's always, 'Sure, we'll get that done.' You'll be greatly missed," West-land Council President James

Godbout said.

Buford

During Buford's last council meeting. other council members shared similar comments noting they had Buford on speed dial and how frequently they spoke with him about concerns or questions.

"Kevin has been our righthand man at DPS - snow, water events, water main breaks," Westland Mayor Wil-

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Wayne city manager search to continue

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

It looks like Wayne Department of Public Works Director Ramzi El-Gharib will be wear-

ing two hats for awhile longer. The council interviewed two potential candidates for the vacant city manager position Saturday. Council members decided neither was a good fit and will revisit the

search after the holidays. That means El-Gharib will continue serving as acting city manager. The council is looking into getting some additional help with the upcoming budget preparation as the city faces a \$2 million deficit.

'I know the caliber of candidates applying was disappointing," said William Costick, a retired city manager working as a consultant on the city manager search. "It's not Wayne. A lot of managers are looking to leave Michigan for places without the financial issues here."

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Salvation Army shortfall hits Wayne-Westland

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Capt. Derek Rose, corps officer for the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, is hoping some generous folks will support the Red Kettle and mail appeals this Christmas.

On Monday, Rose said the corps was about \$7,000 behind last year's total to date, in part due to last weekend's snowstorm which kept shoppers away. Saturday, about \$3,400 was raised, compared to about \$9,000 the comparable day last

"So that's a big dip," Rose said Tuesday. "We had a rough time."

This year's totals as of Monday are \$130,000 for the Red Kettle, just over \$12,000 for mail. The goals this year are \$195,000 for Red Kettles and \$25,000 for mail.

Bell-ringers will take to the streets 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. this coming Sat-urday, Dec. 21, at Ford and Wayne roads and Wayne and Warren roads. Checks payable to the Salvation Army (with

Wayne-Westland in the memo line) are welcome at 2300 S. Palmer, Westland, MI 48186.

The later Thanksgiving this year and shorter shopping season have affected donations.

We had a couple of cold days as well as some rain," Rose said.

The local fundraising goals have been met since Rose and wife Capt. Joanna Rose arrived in 2008, as well as before that. He hopes local residents will again reach into their pockets and purses.

"That's the hope," said Rose, noting bell-ringers out at Westland Shopping Center, Kroger and Kmart. "We do know Westland has not failed us in the past. We're just asking for that continuing support."

Givers from Wayne. Romulus, New Boston and Inkster also support the Christmas fundrais-

The Wayne-Westland corps will host "Sing for a Cause" from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 18-19, at Metro Airport's Delta

Terminal. For \$5, you can sing your heart out. "They can sing as

much as they want, good and bad," Rose said. "It just has to be a joyful noise."

Wayne-Westland has collected about \$5,000 from that four-day karaoke effort in the past, but anticipates less with it being two days.

Throughout this week, food and toys are being distributed to more than 300 needy families at the corps office on Venoy

south of Palmer. "It's going to be a busy time," said Rose, adding he's grateful for Ford Motor Co. and other volunteers helping out.

"It's been a great season so far," said Rose, adding that bell-ringers will be out through Saturday, and again Monday and Tuesday before Christmas. The Salvation Army takes Sundays off from bell-ringing, both as a day of worship and to allow the busy staff to be

with family and friends. The corps can be reached at 734-722-3660.

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the same benefits in retirement as the appointed officials," he said. "Mayors elected for the first time under this will get the same. I didn't want it to be nebulous."

Unfunded liability

The city still has the unfunded liability to address, but Godbout said the retirement plan changes will be significant going forward.

"This will save us \$4.8 million per person when you look at the legacy costs moving forward," Godbout said. "Assuming future councils don't give that back in the future. I don't see that happening. A lot of communities and businesses have taken that step."

These aren't the first changes to the retirement system. In 2008 the city required appointees to contribute 5 percent toward their pensions which resulted in present appointees contributing approximately \$100,000 per year to the pension system.

In 2012, the city also implemented health care cost sharing mandated by P.A. 152 for all public employees in Michigan.

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Good reputation

With the long tenure of past city managers, Costick said Wayne has a good reputation

among city managers. "You have a strong tradition of appointing from within. You have a lot of good staff people here," Costick said. "I know the concern is you want to get someone who is supportive of the staff.

About 24 applications were received and a council committee working with Costick forwarded eight resumes for council review and ranking. The committee vetted the candidates and selected three to be interviewed. Two candidates were

actually interviewed. Neither candidate interviewed by council had city manager experience. A former elected West Bloomfield Township supervisor, David Flaisher had some other financial experience, including serving as finance director for Pontiac. The other candidate, Charles Cleaver, was a former administrator for Saginaw and Cass counties.

The third applicant, Michael Stampfler, is a former emergency financial manager for Pontiac. He canceled his interview, citing snowy weather conditions but was also a finalist for a position in Bay City which was meeting with candidates the same day.

Without being specific, council members expressed a preference

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for one of the candidates interviewed but also said they didn't feel comfortable making an offer to either.

Delay search

Council followed Costick's recommendation to delay resuming the city manager search until March.

"Every six months you have a new batch of people (looking for city manager jobs)," said Costick, who suggested the three-member search committee meet next week.

Council members also asked for additional information on why five of the eight candidates reviewed by council were excluded from the interview process.

Costick agreed to contact the Michigan Municipal League to help find an interim city manager or possibly a retired manager or finance director to help with the budget

preparation. Day to day operations is no problem, the only issue is the budget," El-Gharib said. "We have to make cuts close to \$2 million or more. We will need help from council. Are we prepared to get direction from council to do consolidations and cuts?"

There is no question that municipal services will be impacted by the upcoming budget cuts.

El-Gharib said.
"People will notice it today (Saturday). The order is we will only (snow) plow major streets and Michigan Avenue," he said.

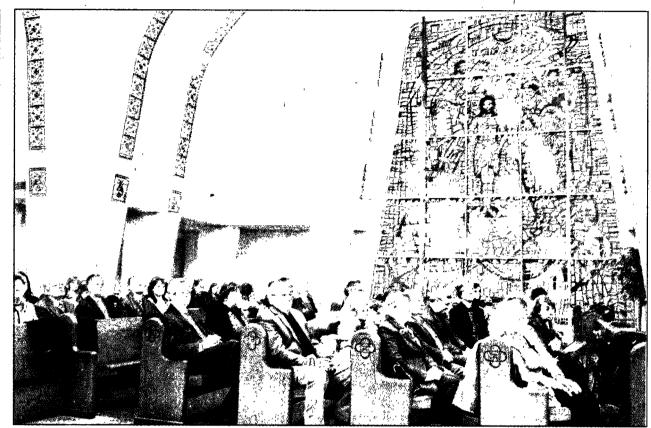
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Many of the friends and family look on during the ceremony. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

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said. "That determination is what this country was built on. It's a tribute to all those immigrants. People were extremely happy (about the

citizenship ceremony)."
When a Romanian was appointed as parish priest for a Greek Orthodox church, Petrutiu said some parishioners might have wondered what the Metropolitan was think-

U.S. District Court Judge Sean Cox administered the oath to the Northville couple, whose daughters Nicole, 9, and Irene, 7, were both born in the U.S.

"We just had a green card for awhile. It's lets you be in the country but not full rights - you can't vote or serve on a jury," said Petrutiu, adding he was most looking forward to voting. "We thought it was time to apply (for citizenship). What's important about this country is that it embraces you."

Along with Cox, judges from the parish community attended the ceremony, including **Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Gregory** Bill, Family Court Judge Eric Cholak and Plymouth 35th District Court Judge James Pla-

"I'm a very proud



Metropolitan Nicholas of Detroit tells of how proud he is of the Petrutiu family, including daughters Nicole, 9, and Irene, 7, before the ceremony begins.

American citizen. It's the greatest country in the world," Petrutiu said. "It was built on Christian

principles. It's where Christian ministry is needed and appreciatIrogers@hometownlife.com 313-222-5428 Twitter: @LRogersObserver

BUFORD

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liam Wild said. "More than anyone on my staff, Kevin touched more people with his projects. He had great respect

from the staff and the community.'

Employed with the city for more than 20 years, Buford, 42, started as an entry level equipment operator. Wild noted Buford still holds the record for most water meters in-

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stalled in a single day. Looking back on his career, Buford noted he was promoted by three mayors: in 2001 to supervisor by Bob Thomas; in 2002 to superintendent by Sandra Cicirelli; and to DPS director by Wild in 2007. Buford was the first, and so far only,

land department head. 'It's been an honor to serve the city for 20-plus years. I look around the room and see people who made me what I am,' Buford said. "I started as a bright-eyed young man and thought this was the greatest place in the world to work. And I still think that.'

African American West-

Wild presented Buford with a framed certificate of appreciation at the council meeting.

As a retiree, Buford said he plans to be able to spend more time with his wife and children, as well as taking care of his elderly mother.

The move also makes sense for the city, Buford said, as Deputy DPS **Director Benny McCusk**er will move up to be-come director. McCusker has been with the city for four years and is retired from another municipality.

DPS is now restructured to reduce the administration, Buford said, so McCusker won't have a deputy director.

"I thought it would be me to run the department alone. Looking at it from a business sense, I cost a lot more than Benny (in benefits),' Buford said. "I saw a lot of my peers who I hired in with retiring. I'm glad to be able to leave at a time when the department is moving in a good direction. I know I'm leaving it in good hands.

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Natalie Derr, 13, and her mother, Noel Derr-Johnson, of Westland stand in front of this year's collection of diapers and wipes. Half will go to the Wayne-Westland **Salvation Army** and the other half to First Step's shelter in Wayne. РНОТО ВУ KATHY HANSEN



Track Santa as he circles the globe

Have you ever wondered how Santa gets around the world in just one day?

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Teen uses tea party to collect diapers

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

Parents struggling to make ends meet will get a little help with some very important disposable items, thanks to a Westland teen and her mother.

Thirteen-year-old Natalie Derr and her mother, Noel Derr-Johnson are delivering more than 4,000 diapers and 11,000 baby wipes to the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army and the First Step shelter in Wayne this week. The items were collected at their second annual tea party, held Dec. 8.

"The generosity of people amazes me," Derr-Johnson said. "I feel all people are generous and will give if given an easy

Derr decided she needed to something after seeing a television program about how hard it was for poor people to find food and even harder to find disposable goods.

She was "heart-broken," according to her mother, to hear that some mothers are leaving diapers on their children longer, reusing less soiled ones and even feeding them less food which can affect them developmentally.

Getting donations

Derr loves to bake and has been baking since she was 9-10 years old. She created Natalie's Nibblers and made little baked goods that she sold for donations. Last year, trays of her creations were set out at her mother's work, Century 21 Dynamic in Westland, and at the Wayne Police and Fire Departments to raise money. She did that again this year at her mother's work.

'We got donations from the police and fire departments last year and again this year, they were very generous,' Derr-Johnson said.

With the help of her mother, she asked family

members and few friends for donations of diapers and wipes. Her first effort brought in 1,000 diapers and 2,000 wipes. This year, she decided she had to beat those numbers and kicked up her party planning a

notch.
"She decided this year she wanted to beat those numbers," Derr-Johnson said. "She said I'd love to have a tea party and have the invitation say to bring

diapers.' Derr-Johnson and her daughter sent out Victorian-style invitations to the tea, held at the Wayne Senior Activity Center on Sims in Wayne. Guests were invited to wear their best dresses or ugliest Christmas sweater.

They made a lot of the desserts that were served, finding some "cute stuff" on Pinterest. They also had a bake sale and raffle and had a craft table for the 29 young children who attended:

One of Derr-Johnson's

friends printed invitations and another donated her Beanie Baby collection, so that three Beanies could be placed on each table. The young children got to take one

home with them. We had tea cups for everybody, I have a lot of tea cups," Derr-Johnson said. "And the little girls came in their Christmas dresses.

A mother's wants

Among the guests was Capt. Joanna Rose of the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army Corps, who spoke "eloquently about a mother's want and needs in caring for her children.'

"People had tears in their eyes," Derr-Johnson said.

Derr-Johnson and her daughter tallied up the donations and last week began sorting the items for delivery. This year's party brought in 4,092 diapers and 11,500 wipes. They used the \$500 in

donations they received to buy large-sized dia-

pers.
"This was a complete family effort and the delivery also will be," Derr-Johnson said. "Our hope is that one or two packs of diapers will

make a difference."

The diaper collection is another way Derr-Johnson and her daughter give back to the community. On Wednesdays, they work at the Salvation Army as volunteers with the feeding program. They plan to do the collection next year, and even had a sign in book to gather up names and addresses to send out invitations.

"It was a lot of hard work, but it's something we're passionate about,' she said. "I like to get my children involved in helping in the community."

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On Dec. 10, a Howell man told police he went to a rental home he owns in the 32000 block of Parkwood and noticed it was colder than the thermostat setting.

The owner said he found the furnace missing from the basement and the air conditioning unit gone from the back yard.

The units were valued at \$3,600. All of the gas and electrical lines were reported to have been cut.

The officer noted a sliding glass door was damaged and apparently was used to access the home. The owner said he had last been at the home Dec. 6.

Attempted robbery

Police were called to the parking lot of the Woodcrest Apartments, 8458 Woodcrest, just before 9 p.m. Dec. 7 when a youth reported that two men had attempted to rob him at gunpoint.

The youth told police he was walking toward the entrance to the building when a man wearing all black and a face mask popped up from a bush nearby. The man demanded his watch and pointed a small gun at him, the youth told police.

In response, the victim told police he struck the suspect with his book bag knocking him down. The victim said he then ran into the apartment.

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As he was running away, the youth said he saw a second male, also dressed in black, emerge from the east side of the apartment doorway. Both suspects were reported to have run away, heading west behind the build-

A police dog was used to track the suspects. The track ended in the woods northwest of the apartments.

Break-in

Police were called to a home in the 33000 block of Alamo on Dec. 9 when a man working on the home reported finding a window smashed with a

The employee said he is getting the house ready for tenants. Reported

stolen from the living room was a motorized sewer snake and copper fittings/long sticks valued at \$550.

» A Canton man told

police he arrived at a vacant home he owns in the 34000 block of Dayton on Dec. 9 to find the door had been kicked in and water was running out the door. He said the copper pipes to the water heater had been cut but the water heater was still

The owner said his plumbing tools had been stolen. The previous tenants had been evicted but the owner said he had no evidence they were responsible for the theft and damage.

» Copper pipe valued at \$500 was reported

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stolen from a vacant HUD home in the 34000 block of Donnelly Dec. 11. An employee working on the home told police it was last seen intact Nov.

Larceny from a vehicle

On Dec. 7, a resident of the Hickory Green Apartments, 35520 Hickory Green Court, told police that she had come out to find the hood up on her 1999 Pontiac Grand Am.

Checking with her son, who drives the car, she said they found the battery missing along with a back pack of school books, a tool box with assorted tools, a kicker box with speakers and an amplifier and a hunting

bow valued at \$450.

The son told police he locked the car when he parked about 1 a.m.

Vandalism

A resident of the Willow Creek Apartments, 37620 Hixford Place, told police Dec. 1 that someone damaged her mailbox Dec. 11, prying the locking mechanism.

Hit and run

A Westland man told police that his 2000 Hyundai Elantra had been parked overnight Dec. 12 at his cousin's home in the 33000 block of Tawas when someone had sideswiped it. Damage was reported to the mirror and quarter panel.

By LeAnne Rogers

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Larceny

On Nov. 29, a patron at a business in the 32000 block of Michigan Avenue reported her purse, wallet and prescription pills were stolen.

Vandalism

A resident in the 32000 block of Hickory Hollow reported that all four tires on his vehicle were found punctured overnight. The estimated damage was \$800.

Hit and Run

On Dec. 2, it was reported that a dark colored older model Ford Explorer was traveling at a high rate of speed, ran the stop sign near Annapolis and Fourth Street and crashed into another occupied vehicle.

The Ford Explorer reportedly fled the scene. It reportedly sustained noticeable front passenger side damage.

Vehicle Theft

A business in the 31000 block of Michigan Avenue reported that it had repossessed a Dodge Charger and parked it on their lot Dec. 2. On Dec. 6, the vehicle was reported missing from the lot.

Larceny from a vehicle

A Detroit man reported that a handgun was stolen from the console of his Ford Explorer while it was parked at a home in the 31000 block of Bridge on Dec. 16. He told police he believed the vehicle's back door had been unlocked.

» A Livonia woman reported that a car charger, headphones, a coat and scarf, skates and inline skates were taken from her unlocked car while it was parked at Rock Starz, 33729 Ford Road, between 10 p.m. Dec. 13 and 1:45 a.m. Dec. 14.

» Police responding to complaint about a large amount of garbage in the street at Brandt and Block discovered papers belonging to a resident in the 29000 block of Hennepin.

When police talked to the woman, she discovered that her car had been gone through sometime during the night of Dec. 13. She found that a bag containing a phone and headset she uses for work was also missing and a box containing miscellaneous car parts was taken from the trunk. The car had been

parked in the street and locked, according to the woman.

» A police office found the driver's door open on a vehicle parked in the 30000 block of Sheridan overnight on Dec. 12, and alerted the owner who found her GPS unit was missing. The woman told police she had parked the car about 11 p.m. and didn't lock it because she was in a rush.

She checked the car again after police left and discovered a Rite Aid bag, medication fact sheet and credit card receipt. The fact sheet belonged to a woman from Goodrich and the receipt was from the Rite Aid store in Grand Blanc. The woman told police she doesn't know that person and has never been to Grand Blanc.

Suspended license

A Westland man was ticketed for driving with a suspended license, no proof of insurance and disobeying a traffic signal after being stopped by police on Middlebelt near Block on Dec. 16.

The man was pulled over after an officer reportedly saw him disregard the red light on Middlebelt at Block. A check showed that man had 25 current license suspensions and five

prior suspensions. » An Inkster woman also was ticketed for driving with a suspended license and disobeying a traffic signal on Dec. 16 after running the red light at the same intersection, police said. She had four current suspensions and two prior suspensions.

Fraud

A Detroit man filed a complaint with Garden City Police on Dec. 16 that someone had used his bank card around southeast Michigan. He was alerted to the fraud by his credit union which had noticed an unusually large amount of activity on the card. He was told that it appeared someone had used his cards in a number of different stores, including at the **Kmart in Garden City on** Nov. 15.

He said the person was able to access his account without having his card or his pin number. He said the credit union would reimburse his account for the amounts, but he needed to file police reports in the cities where the card was used.

» A Garden City man someone had tried to use money from his account

to make a purchase on Overstock.com. The man became aware of the problem in an email from Overstock which stopped the transaction. He called his bank which also stopped the transaction.

He also said the Overstock said the person was named Dan and lived in the Northville area.

Vandalism

The owner of GJ's Diner, 33003 Ford, discovered the lower section of a door window had been smashed out sometime between 4 p.m. Dec. 15 and 6 a.m. Dec. 16. The owner said the alarm didn't activate because the person didn't go through the door.

Stolen property

A real estate agent reported that 60 feet of copper pipe was stolen from the basement and an air conditioning unit from the back yard of a home in the 2300 block of Rosslyn on Dec. 13. The agent called police after he had discovered that someone had broken into the home through a side door. The home had last been inspected Dec. 9.

Break-in

A Garden City man between 11 p.m. Dec. 12 and 9 a.m. Dec. 13 someone entered the garage of his home in the 31000 block of Leona and took money from a locked cash box.

The person entered through a rear garage door and used an unknown tool to cut the pad lock off a the wall mounted box. Once in the cabinet, the person used a screw driver to pry open the cash box and remove \$2,500. The man found \$1,000 of the money had been dropped when the person left the garage.

According to the police report, two pit bulls are kept in the heated garage and can be very aggressive to anyone they don't know. The man said the only person he could think of that the dogs knew is a man who he hired to help clean up around the garage and who plays with the dogs. The last time he had been at the garage was Dec. 8.

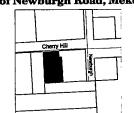
Fraud

A Garden City resident told police he received a call from DTE Nov. 23 that the electric and gas service he requested at 3448 Livernois in Detroit was hooked up. DTE told him someone gave them his name and other information to obtain the services. He canceled the account and opened a fraud case with the company.

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Case #2127B, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Jumpin Parties Indoor Park, 37415 Cherry Hill Road, Parcel #053-99-0020-000, South Side of Cherry Hill Road, West of Newburgh Road, Mekeisha Heyward (Walis A Omar)



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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

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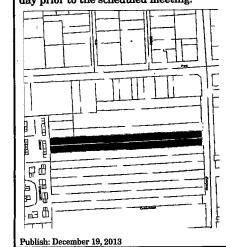
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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2013-42 December 3, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 8:00p.m. at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. A moment of silence was given for Al Moers. APPROVED: minutes of the regular meeting of November 19; Susan Rowe as liaison to Historical Commission; James Henley as alternate to CWW; Susan Rowe as alternate to SEMCOG; Susan Rowe as liaison to Housing Comm.; reappointment of Curt Burton and James Demmer to DDA until Dec. 2017; interlocal agreement for Fire Chief Services; transfer of \$100,000.00 from major to local streets; transfer of \$70,000.00 from General Projects to DDA; sale of the east 8 feet of 35033 Chestnut to Sharon Arthur; lot split of the east 8 feet of 35033 Chestnut; calling a Special Meeting for 12/14/13 at 8:00 a.m. and consent calendar. Received and filed Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

> Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

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2014 FIRE AND POLICE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION **MEETING DATES** NOTICE OF SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE WESTLAND FIRE AND

POLICE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO BE HELD DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 8, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 10, 2014: TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MEETINGS OF THE WESTLAND FIRE AND

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> EILEEN DEHART, CMC WESTLAND CITY CLERK

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It looks like Santa stopped to visit Mike Honeywell.

Eva Porter and Maryann Savoi dance the polka at the Seniors Christmas Party at the Maplewood Center. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF

Seniors party hearty during holidays

By Sue Buck Staff Writer

Santa Claus arrived early for Seniors Christmas Party at the Maplewood Center.

He laughed, danced and flirted with the la-

dies.
"I want to wish everyone here a Merry, Merry Christmas and a glowing New Year," said Santa.

The three-hour party was a hit with the seniors. Garden City resident Patricia Collins has attended the event for

about eight years.
"It's fun," Collins said. "They always have nice entertainment which puts you in the mood for the holidays.'

The entertainment featured John Sterbenz, a one-man musical and vocal entertainer. Some guests did line dancing, danced the polka and did the "Hustle."

Ray Provencher, a Livonia resident, liked last year's party so well that he returned again this year.

"I go to a lot of parties," he said.

Tom Schwartzenberger, a Garden City resident, and Lee Meagher, a Westland resident, also attended.

"The food is good and they always have a good band," Schwartzenberger said.

Meagher, who has attended the party about three years, said it was

"Everybody is friendly," she said.

Lunch was provided by Veronica's Catering and included chicken. pork chops, kielbasa and sauerkraut, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, salad and a varie-ty of desserts. Vic Barra, president of the Wayne-Ford Civic League, donated \$500 toward the event.

Newly elected Garden City Councilwomen Pam King and Margo Ciecierski also attended the party and mingled with the guests.

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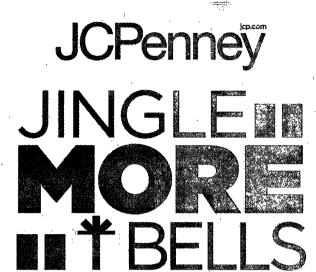


If Rudolph is indisposed on Christmas Eve, Dave Hermann can light the way.



Santa arrives, passing out candy canes and sitting on Cheryi Partin's lap.

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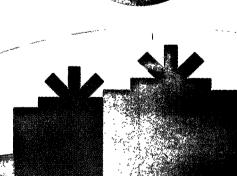
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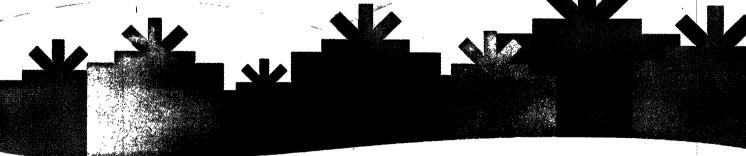




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Casey Gordon of Redford and Ashlyn Jones, who is playing Twif the Fairy, pause during the Renaissance Fair activities to smile for a photograph. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

KINGDOM OF BURGER

Autistc students celebrate Christmas at Renaissance Fair

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

A king, two queens, several artists and even an explorer in the crowd, but the most notable of guests of all at the Renaissance Fair at the Burger School for Students with Autism were the members of the Jack Russo and Larry Bergman families.

ilies.
"This one is my favorite of all the carnivals they have done," Noella Russo said. "I wish I could go back to that time. I want to become a dame."

The two families have sponsored the themed winter and summer carnivals for students at the Garden City school for some 22 years. They became involved in the school, which serves autistic students from throughout Wayne County, when the late Jack Russo heard about the center from his barber. Over the years, they have helped raise funds for a playscape, basketball court, reflective garden, and science room - and through the Noella and Jack Russo Foundation, the help continues.

"It's an honor to have the Russos visit, they understand what it's like here," Garden City Schools Superintendent Michelle Cline said. "Some students wouldn't get to experience this, if they didn't come to Burger. This makes education come to life."

Notable guests

Hallways throughout the school offered a variety of activities for the students. They made castle picture frames and puppets, got a renaissance tattoo and hunted for gold in Sherwood Forest. The school's gymnasium was transformed into the town square, where there was jousting, renaissance music, a petting zoo and a host of historical figures, played by students from Garden City High School, who talked about themselves.

Drama teacher Denise Shimskey had 18 students from her Speech 2 class play notables like Joan of Arc, Queen Isabella, Queen Elizabeth I and Henry VIII, as well as Christopher Columbus William Shakespeare, Galileo, Robin Hood and Twig the Fairy.

They had to research

Two families have sponsored the themed winter and summer carnivals for students at the school for some 22 years.

their famous character, come up with a costume and come up with their own speech," Shimskey said.

While many of the characters had recognizable names, some didn't like Paracelsus, played by Andrew Barikmo.

"He was a great German physician of the 16th century, he developed a mineral-based chemical treatment for people who were ill," said Barikmo who used the waistcoat he had worn as Ebeneezer Scrooge in the high school production of a Christmas Carol for his costume. "Our parts were assigned and we did it all in about 1 1/2 weeks."

Part of the event included the knighting of the faithful in the Kingdom of Burger. Led by teacher Colleen Polin, the students swore to uphold the PBS (Positive Behavior System) code by being safe, responsible and respectful and promised to do their best.

The students, staff and guests were treated to lunch, including roast pig, provided by American Legion Post 396 in Garden

"The girl I work with at Home Depot is a student teacher here, she asked if we could cook a pig," Legion member Brian Chmielewski said. "The legion donated the pig. We have a grill at the legion and cooked it for 16 hours. Three guys—I, Bob Gillette and Ed DeFabio—spent the night doing it. Steve Douglas helped during the day, His son Jake is a student here."

Polin credits the success of the fair to a "wonderful group of fearless teachers who aren't afraid of challenges and a lot of hard work."

"We started having meetings in October with the teachers and teaching assistants," Polin said. "We planned what we were going to do and then

found someone to do it."
In one classroom the
Redford Model Railroad
Club had four trains set
up. There were HO and G
scale as well as a wooden
Thomas the Train set.
Students could operate
two of the sets and play
with the wooden Thomas

Club members have been bringing trains to the carnivals for several years and count Jacob Whitehead, a Burger student, among the junior members. Jacob is "just mad about trains," said club president Stuart Pollock of Northville.

"I've been coming for a couple of years and what I come away with is certain sweetness," Pollock said. "These children are challenged, but they have sweetness about them."

Most popular place

Probably the most popular room was for Santa Claus and Christmas Carol, played by R.J. Tessmer and Darlene Jablonowski. Both have been playing the parts for 15 years.

"This makes my year," said Tessmer who was recruited by his wife, a teacher at Burger. "The first year I wore a fake beard and the kids tug on it. Since I started growing a beard, their eyes open up when they tug on it. It's real."

Students filtered in and out and even an alpaca from the petting zoo visited. According to Santa, the biggest request was for Xboxes and video games.

"This is the one thing I do I wouldn't miss," Tessmer added.

Jablonowski, a member of the Garden City school board, said "my heart will always be here."

"I owe a debt I can never repay" she said. "My son Connor, would not be where he is today (a student at Madonna College), without this program."

The Russos and Bergmans remain "absolutely" committed to the program, said Justine Russo.

"They did such a nice job with everything, the kids love it," Justine Russo said. "I don't know how they think up all of this stuff."

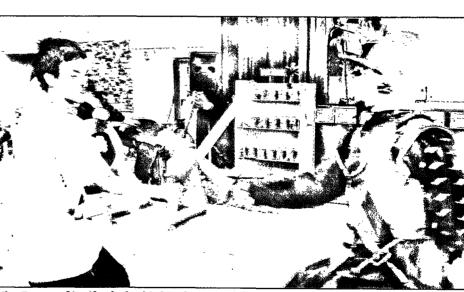
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Artist Ariel Echevarria makes a caricature drawing of Burger student Christian Hemphill of Detroit.



Gabriel Winters of Romulus and Kier Turner of Redford aim to hit the target at archery.



Kier Turner of Redford tries his hand at swordplay with renaissance man Jason Womack.



Renaissance queen Jaycie Raby applauds the festive day. She's a Garden City High School student.

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Cure cabin fever with outdoor recreation

By Diane Gale Andreassi Staff Writer

There's plenty to do when the weather is frigid and cabin fever gets dangerously unbearable. But, cold, snowy weather doesn't mean you have to hibernate on your sofa, in front of the television with a blanket until

spring. Check-out the Wild Lights show at the Detroit Zeo in Royal Oak as you take in the holiday entertainment, from arts and crafts, storytelling, ice carving and a Lego holiday train display. The Wild Adventure Zone is also featuring The Polar Express 4-D Experience, a 14-minute film starring Tom Hanks.

The show runs Dec. 20-23, 26-30 and Jan. 2-5, 5:30-9 p.m. staying open until 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. \$8 per person in advance and \$10 at the gate for ages 2 and older. Parking is \$5.

Or, head outdoors to some place like Kensington Metropark where there's plenty to keep you

Up North feel

The wooded, rural setting off Interstate 96 offers the perfect scenery for Dave Hardin of Royal Oak, who uses the park to the fullest all year. He usually meets friends, because it's a halfway point from where everyone lives. He was out recently to hike with buddies in 28-degree weather, and he also uses the trails to snow shoe, bike and cross



Cindy Stanndard heads off on a cross country ski trip at **Northville's Maybury State** Park in this file photo. JOHN HEIDER

country ski.

Ben Buyawe of Farmington Hills walks the trails around Kensington for close to three hours two or three times weekly depending on the temperatures.

Bruce Darr rode his horse, Hammer, from his Milford home to Kensington recently. Hammer prefers colder weather to warm, said Darr, who dresses in lavers, wears winter riding boots to keep

Kim Jarvis, Kensington Metropark superintendent, said there are five miles of hike/bike trails that are plowed from the East Boat Launch to the Bay Woods Picnic area. Two ice rinks are available at the boat rental — one for free skating and other designated for hockey use. There are no skate rentals available.

The park also offers 12 miles of cross country ski trails. Cross country skis are available at the golf course club house, which is opened weekends and holidays, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., when

snow conditions permit. Snowshoeing is available on the nature trails, too. Horse-drawn sleigh rides, if there is enough show, are available on the weekends at the Farm Center. The cost for adults is \$5 and children and senior citizens are 33. The Nature Center is also open during the winter.

Flying down hills

Thrill seekers love the rush of mounting their sleds and flying down the hills at Edward Hines Drive between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Northville or between Middlebelt and Inkster roads in Westland. The lines can get daunting, but it gives the adventurous time to catch their breath.

Sledders also test their speed at St. Andrew's Church in Rochester Hills; at Beverly Park in Beverly Hills; and Shiawassee Park and Heritage Park, both in Farmington.

Grab your hiking boots for outdoor fun/at Maybury State Park in Northville, which is open all year round for hikers and runners. Trails are plowed, and during the winter paths are groomed for cross country skiing. Snowshoes are available for rental by calling Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to make arrangements for weekday and weekend outings. Adult snow shoes are \$10 to rent and children's sizes are \$7. Call 248-349-8390.

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Minimum distributions – the law for those aged 70½

t a recent talk I gave, one of the topics of conversation was required minimum distributions. At age 70½, investors are required to take distributions from their retirement accounts. It's a good time to highlight sues dealing with r quired minimum distributions in the first year.

Whether an IRA. 403(b) or 401(k) plan, at age 70½ taking distributions is the law. The amount one is required to take changes every year and is based upon a formula that has frequently changed throughout the

Although the law says that you must begin taking minimum required distributions in the year you turn 70½, there is an exception to the rule. You can delay your first year distribution until April 1 of the next year.

For example, if you turned 70½ Dec. 1, you would not have to take your first required minimum distribution until April 1, 2014. However, there is a downside to this. Even though you

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can delay your distribution, you have to make your 2014 distribution by distribution in 2014 could cause some tax issues such as being thrown into another tax bracket and also losing deductions. Just because you can delay your distribution does not mean that you should.

Exceptions

The second issue is another exception that only applies to required minimum distributions from salary deferral programs such as a 401(k) plan. This exception only applies if you are working for the company that you have a salary deferral program with and you own less than 5 percent of the company. If you meet these criteria, you can delay your required minimum distribution from that plan. However, you still have to take

your required minimum distribution from your other accounts such as an IRA. The key here is, to delay a distribution from a 401(k) plan, you must be working for that com-

The penalty for failure to comply with required minimum distributions is severe. If you fail to take a required minimum distribution on a timely basis or if you do not take the proper amount, the IRS can assess you with a 50-percent penalty. It is possible to get these penalties waived; however, it is not easy.

Remember that, as the taxpayer, you are responsible to take your required minimum distributions. Even though IRA custodians generally compute your required minimum distribution. the taxpayer is ultimately responsible.

Good luck.

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Key ingredient of life is trust

Today's food for thought involves one of the most important ingredients in life. Without it, lives are less joyful and careers are less successful.

The key ingredient is trust.

To get anywhere in business or in life, we have to be trusted and trustworthy. How? By keeping our word. Trust comes from saying we're going to do something and then doing it. Rinse and repeat. And repeat and repeat ... It's that simple.

It's simple but not necessarily easy. Trust-worthiness is built on all the "little things," like calling when we say we're going to call, which over time form the foundation for being trusted (or not) with the "big things," like receiving the promotion.

I'm fortunate to work with and have in my life some amazingly trustworthy people. And I try to be equally trustworthy. Since good habits help, I've been trying to avoid using misleading catch phrases like "just a minute," which usually means more like five minutes, or telling my husband I'm "about to leave" the office, when really I need an hour.

The point? We must watch our words, because trust is hard to establish and easy to destroy. That's why "under promise and over deliver" is good advice, not to impress the boss, but because trustworthiness depends on keeping our promises.

P.S. More food for thought ... author unknown:



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Trust comes from saying we're going to do something and then doing it. Rinse and repeat. And repeat ...

"Watch your thoughts, for they become words.

Watch your words, for they become actions.

Watch your actions, for they become habits. Watch your habits, for they become character.

Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny."

P.P.S. I always enjoy hearing from you and I thank you for sharing Sunny Notes with others. You can help spread the sunshine by inviting others to subscribe to Sunny Notes at www.joinsunnunotes.com.

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MUTT HUTT BAKES UP ALL-NATURAL PET TREATS

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

After years of working with humans in the restaurant business, Tim VandenBosch and Kathe Geer are going to the dogs ... and cats and

quite soon birds.

The duo is partners in the Mutt Hutt Bakery on Ford Road in Westland which specializes in all natural, handmade gourmet dog treats. Pet owners can treat their favorite pooch truffles, cupcakes, bagels, even a cheeseburger and french fries, which are not only good to eat but good for them.

"We care about our dogs and our customers' dogs," said Geer, a Canton resident. "I have Yorkies and they get the best of the best. If a customer walks out of here with treats, they know that if they're good enough for my dogs, they're good enough for theirs."

Business partners,
Geer and VandenBosch,
who lives in Holland,
Mich., bring a history of
working in food service.
Geer has owned three
restaurants, and VandenBosch owned one. Together they owned one in
Holland that they sold
when they decided to
start making gourmet
pet treats.

All natural products

The bakery uses all natural products. There's carob and peanut butter truffles, yogurt-frosted sports bones for all of the favorite teams and even a slice of pizza made with whole wheat flour, canola oil, yogurt and carob chips. There's also brownies and S' mores and wheat and gluten free products for



Kathe Geer displays a tray of jelly-filled bismarks. Her products look good enough.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

dogs with sensitive stomachs and food allergies.

"We're expanding our line all the time," Geer said. "We've added cat treats and we've had a lot of people asking if we'd start doing bird treats. I never thought about that, but it will be coming soon."

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Located on Ford Road south of Wayne Road, next to the Griffith Veterinary Hospital, the bakery is getting a lot of their patients coming in

to the store.

"The vets love our products and send their patients over here, one of the vets even eats our french fries," she said. "I think it's hilarious, but you really can eat anything in here. You just have to get past the mindset that it's a dog

treat."
"We have a guy who
drives from Sterling

Heights every few weeks and buys \$100 worth of treats every time" she added

time," she added.

The bulk treats are available by the pound, while the frosted items are priced by the piece. The bakery has gift baskets like its popular All American that includes french fries, a cheeseburger, slice of pizza and a hot dog for \$6.99, cat treats, toys and designer pet coats.

Mutt Hutt also operates an online store at mutthuttbakery.com and ships to anywhere in the 50 states. It also does wholesale and is looking for retailers who want to carry its products. One is – the Lucky Dog Luxury Daycare and Boarding in Garden City.

Big opportunities

Geer likes having the business in Westland.

The city is big enough for big opportunities, but small enough to embrace small businesses like the Mutt Hutt Bakery. She also can't say enough about working with the city in getting the business open.

ness open.
"They've been incredible," she said.

Geer also stresses that pet owners can expect the fresh baked treats from the Mutt Hutt.

"Our mission is very simple: to always have the highest quality, handmade, nutritional fun treats for dogs," Geer said.

"Owners know that the products from Mutt Hutt are the best they can give their animals."

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10 tips to reduce energy costs

RepairClinic.com®, the online store for replacement parts for home appliances, outdoor power equipment and heating and cooling equipment, has 10 tips to reduce energy consumption and monthly heating bills.

1. Use the sunshine.
Pull back the drapes and open the blinds during the day. Sunshine provides natural warmth. At night, close the window coverings to combat drafts and prevent heat from radiating out through the windows.

2. Replace the furnace air filter. A furnace's air filter should be replaced at least every six months. Dusty environments may require more frequent replacement. A clean filter will improve air flow to the entire house.

3. Check for vent blockage. Make sure furniture, rugs and curtains are not obstructing air flow at vents and registers. Also check to be sure the register dampers are open.

4. Schedule professional air duct cleaning. Clean ducts help the air to flow more freely. Air duct cleaning should

happen every few years or more frequently if home occupants have

allergies.

5. Replace worn weatherstripping around doors and windows. A significant amount of heat will escape from even a minimal crack.

6. Check attics and other locations for air loss and add insulation as needed. Home improvement stores sell several types of insulation. Remember that all attics should be vented to the outside. Be sure not to

block the outdoor vents.
7. Cover windows with clear, plastic film. Window-insulating kits are available for fewer than \$20 at hardware stores.

"Plastic film has a significant impact on the room temperature," said Chris Hall, RepairClinic.com president and co-founder. "It reduces convection currents which cause drafts. Modern film is as clear as glass."

glass."
8. Inspect ductwork
for air leaks and seal
with foil duct tape. Be
sure to use aluminum
foil-type duct tape, not

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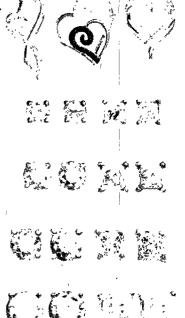
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OPINION

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OUR VIEWS

Remember the true meaning of the season

Celebratory spirit links cultures, faiths

Christmas is a time to celebrate humanity. As you can tell by the bitterly cold weather this week, the first major snowstorm last weekend. the increased traffic on the roads and the crowds at your favorite mall, the Christmas season is

But those are the tangible - to some, distasteful - trappings of the seasons.

For people of the Christian faith, it is one of the most significant times of the year. It marks the coming of the Messiah—the birth of Jesus Christ. Christians all over the world celebrate this great milestone with prayer and reverence.

But this time of year is also important to the followers of other religions. Jews, for example, recently finished celebrating Hanukkah, the eight-day "Festival of Lights," which ended Dec. 5. The season is marked by the candles of the menorah, and Jews celebrate their ancient heroes and the survival of their culture with festive foods, games and blessings.

Although Hanukkah is considered to be a minor holiday on the Jewish calendar, it has taken on more significance, especially in America, be-

cause of its proximity to Christmas.

It is also at this time of year that many African Americans begin to celebrate Kwanzaa. Although not a religious holiday, Kwanzaa, which runs from Dec. 26 through Jan. 1, is a time when followers come together and celebrate family, community and tradition.

So in reality, the Christmas season means different things to different people, especially in America, where so many different cultures have been thrown together. The common denominator seems to be that it is a time of celebration, to hold dear the things that we might take for granted the rest of the year.

In recent years, some people have complained that there has been a war on Christmas. A debate has raged about whether the meaning of Christmas has been watered down by huge department

stores or the political correctness police.

It's an unfortunate debate, particularly at this time of year, because it seems to run counter to all the virtues that are celebrated during Christmas.

It is supposed to be a time of rejoicing, and a time to reflect on the common bond of humanity. There are so many people around the globe, including right here in our own back yard, who are not as fortunate. Many are dealing with poverty, hunger or war.

dom to celebrate Christmas or Hanukkah or Kwanzaa. That in itself is reason enough to celebrate this holiday season.

So whatever Christmas means for you, please take a few moments during this wonderful season to think of those in the world who are not as fortunate. And give thanks for all that we are blessed with here in America.

Merry Christmas.



While Christmas is the time to welcome Santa, it's also a time of rejoicing and a time to reflect on the common bond of man. TOM BEAUDOIN

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Have the problems with the rollout of the Affordable Care Act affected you or anyone you know and, if so, what kinds of problems?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



'No. Because I'm retired."

Donna Yost Plymouth Township



'I guess, yes. Other insurance they have is no longer available or too expensive. ... If they can't afford it, they get a big fine, they get penalized. I don't think it's fair."

Amber Porter

Plymouth



'I've heard other people say, 'What's going on?' ... They've been cut off. They don't like it."

Henry Smith



Yes. Just access to the system. Problems understanding" the law.

Chris Varlamos

Westland

Free speech rights

I was amused by the Dec. 12 letter to the editor concerning a Republican state senator who has proposed legislation that would prosecute persons who criticize public officials. The writer has nothing to fear.

Clearly the senator from Troy is ignorant about the first amendment and free speech rights as contained in the U.S. Constitution and confirmed repeatedly by the U.S. Supreme Court. Too bad the senator didn't read the constitution or contact the state attorney general's of-fice which clearly knows the constitution and related court opinions.

The court's landmark opinion concerning freedom of the press (and letter writers) is nearly 50

years old. It is the New York Times vs. Sullivan. The court ruled unanimously that newspapers or others (such as letter writers) can not be sued for criticizing a public official, even if the criticism contained minor inaccuracies.

The court several years later extended that principle to public figures, that is persons who are continually in the public eye. The court says this include movie stars, athletes, business persons and others who are well known to the public.

The senator's proposal will die a well-deserved death because it is clearly unconstitu-

If the senator disagrees he can write his own letter to the editor (or have his staffer do it for him).

Leonard Poger Westland

Upset by headline

I am the owner of Pet Suite Retreat on Michigan Avenue in Inkster, not so far from Garden City that you wouldn't have either heard of us or driven by our facility at some point over the past 13 years that we've been in business.

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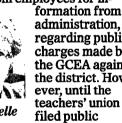
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OPEN LETTER TO RESIDENTS

Administration responds to GCEA accusations

The Garden City Education Association (the teachers' union), has filed an unfair labor practice and complaint for injunctive relief against the school district. The union asserts the district did not bargain health care in good faith and, as such, violated the teachers' contract by unilaterally changing their collective bargaining agreement.

There have been many requests from employees for in-



Dr. Michelle Cline

GUEST COLUMNIST

regarding public charges made by the GCEA against the district. However, until the teachers' union filed public charges, the administration and the Board

were advised by attorneys to say

nothing, to guard against additional unfair labor practice charges from the Education Association. As such, the MEA freely made accusations, while the district was not in a position to defend. Since charges have been filed, and the accusations from the GCEA are clearly public, the district will respond.

The GCEA has openly accused the Board of Education of breaking the law by voting on a hard-cap, because the GCEA contract has language referencing an 80/20 premium split between the district and its employees. The law, however, is very clear. Under Public Act 152 of 2011, the board is compelled to vote annually on whether implementation of a hard-cap on health insurance cost or an 80/20 premium split will

occur. The board invoked its right and its obligation at the Dec. 6, 2013, board meeting, voting to move to a hard-cap. Immediately thereafter, the GCEA accused the district of breaking the law, even though the board acted directly in accordance with the law. The board voted affirmatively to invoke the hard-cap, because the hard-cap saves the district money and under the right circumstances (those recently elected by GCPS administration) a hard-cap can provide substantial savings

for employees.
The GCEA has accused the district of changing the health benefit portion of its contract without bargaining the changes. The law provides that health care

Our district, along with so many in the state, are losing revenue and facing significant challenges, and we must find ways to circumvent crisis.

benefit coverage is subject to collective bargaining; but the district did not change the coverage level provided in the current contract, and therefore, there has essentially been no change to the current contract. As such, there has been no violation to the contract. Employees may still opt for a PPO I health insurance coverage level.

Further, employees may elect a high deductible plan which provides essentially the same coverage with maximum out-ofpocket costs for a full family at only about \$100 per month (a nearly 75 percent reduction from current premium costs). The same plan, depending on how it is used, could actually cost an employee nothing and result in money being deposited into an employee's health savings account (greater than a 100 percent employee savings - or an effective income raise). This is a win for the district and a win for its employees.

The GCEA contends the district did not attempt to bargain any changes, but that is absolutely false. We began talking about these specific changes in September 2013 and had been talking about changes to health care, a possible hard-cap and high deductible plans for about 11/2 years prior to that.

The GCEA leadership requested the union and district enter into expedited negotiations, negotiations which in essence don't include the entire negotiating teams and streamline the process. We met several times about potential resolutions and a contract extension. The GCEA leadership sat in meetings with other union leaders to be educated and talk about high deductible plans. And in the end, the GCEA leadership agreed with the decision to re-structure the health care

plans. The agreement came with a qualifier, however. The teachers' union leadership agreed with the

changes but demanded the district move to the union sponsored MESSA health care plan. The district, during contractual dis-cussions with the GCEA, had agreed to obtain rates from MES-SA, but the MESSA rates came in 10 percent higher than the traditional BCBS rates.

Despite the higher cost of MESSA insurance, despite employees getting essentially the same coverage at a much reduced rate and despite the district's indication it would deposit the difference between the MESSA rates and the traditional BCBS rates into qualifying employees' health savings accounts, the GCEA demanded the district go with MESSA or face litigation.

Current legislation specifically states it is unlawful to require a school district to negotiate who the policyholder of an employee group insurance benefit will be. Thus, the GCEA's agreement with the plan but insistence the district name MESSA as the policyholder is, itself, unlawful and an unfair labor practice.

Garden City Public Schools lost 243 students, last year to this year. The loss equates to about \$1.8 million. Our district, along with so many in the state, are losing revenue and facing significant challenges, and we must find ways to circumvent crisis. Our challenge was to significantly reduce cost but only while continuing to provide affordable health care to those employees with whom we have made such commitments.

We knew that if the board moved to a hard-cap without our having in place viable, cost savings options for employees, we would be putting all our staff in hardship. We found a way to help both the district and its employees, and while the other unions are supporting this adjustment, the GCEA is putting up a roadblock - unless we go with the MEA's MESSA plan.

We deeply value our district employees - which is the very reason we worked so hard to find affordable health care for all eligible staff members. We want to work with all our unions, but we won't willingly be held hostage to threats and incursions on the district. We are hopeful we can find resolution that is good for both the district and its employees.

Dr. Michelle Cline is superintendent of Garden City Public Schools.

Church's vision: Glory to God, service community

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

Anthony D. Shannon was a business person, working food service for Marriott, when he heard a voice inside him. It told him what he was doing wasn't what he was supposed to be doing. The voice told him he was supposed to be a minis-

Twenty-four years later, he is the pastor, teacher and prophet of The Victory Church International, bringing God's words to residents in the Norwayne Commu-

nity and beyond.
"I'm still amazed," Pastor Shannon said. "When I was younger, I had a speech impediment. They told my mother I was retarded and would never graduate from high school. That's why it's amazing when God said he wanted me to preach the gospel."

Victory Church held its first service on Christmas Day 2012 in a vacant church on Grand Traverse across from the community's Liberator Park. Sixty people were in attendance. In March. the church was dedicat-

"We declared it back to God and the community," Pastor Shannon said. "On the front is the words, 'For the glory of God and service to the community.' It was built in 1947 and obviously was built to honor God and work with the community. That's our inherited vision."

Finding a home

Pastor Shannon has been a minister since 1989 and has been a pastor for seven years. He was with a church on Woodward Avenue in Berkley and moved to Inkster and the Beyond the Veil International Church. He turned to prayer to find out what area it was that God



Pastor Anthony D. Shannon talks about the programs offered by his church. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

wanted him be.

"We didn't really have a home, we prayed and the Lord told us Westland, Canton or Romu-lus," he said. "I was at a service at Detroit Outreach and was told about this vacant building and I decided to do it."

The vacant building was the original church in Norwayne. It had gone through several different affiliations and had been sitting empty for eight months when Pastor Shannon bought it. Missing is the large cross that once hung on the facade above the front door, but the message, etched in stone, is still there.

"We have a vision," Pastor Shannon said. "We didn't want to be squatters or lease, we want to be the owners so people can see that we're here for the long run. When I talked with Hank Johnson, I said we were here to bring change and hope to the community. They're concerned about the community and we're community minded."



The cornerstone shows the year the church was built.

In addition to renovating the church, Pastor Shannon has already begun looking at ways to provide services to the community. His plans include a service to honor and bless the police, fire and EMS, as well as a gas buy in which the church purchases gasoline in bulk and then sells it to the community at 40-50 cents off the regular price. He did it in Detroit and had enormous lines.

He also wants to do a feeding program. He also did one two days a week in Detroit and had 700-800 people attend. The

Wayne-Westland Salvation Army and the city provide food, and Pastor Shannon wants to join. He wants to eventually have people come in to eat and provided them with 80-90 pounds of food, enough to feed a family of five for almost two weeks.

'We already have a partnership with Gleaners and Forgotten Harvest," he said. "We want to be able to give them food so they can make a well-balanced meal."

The church also adopted 12 families at Thanksgiving. Last year it had a Christmas dinner in the

basement of the church and the plan is to do it again on Christmas Day. It also provided a summer program for 60 youngsters and staged a Family Fest with clowns, a circus, petting zoo, food court and entertainment that attracted 2,000 peo-

'Know we're here'

But to make those plans happen there needs to be an awareness of the church.

"People need to know we're here, we need vol-unteers to help with our community projects, Pastor Shannon said.

The Victory Church International is an independent church. It's part of the Joel Osteen Champions Network, and Pastor Shannon is a member of the Association of Independent Ministers. His wife Glynis also is first lady and a minister.

In addition to services on Wednesday evening and Sunday morning, Pastor Shannon has also

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taken to the airwaves with a weekly radio show at 10:30 p.m. Wednesdays on 1440-AM. He also hosts Prophetic Knights once a month.

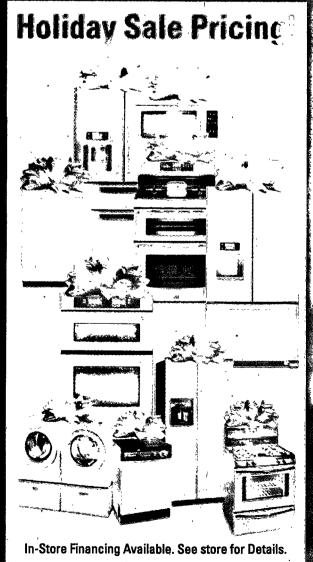
"We actually use the gift to pray for people," he said. "One lady saw there would be sickness in her life. When it hap-pened, she went through it and knew what was coming. People come back with testimonials, so we know it's working. It's miraculous. It's God through me helping them.

Pastor Shannon also sends out words of encouragement by email. Called the Word of the Day, the messages are meant to encourage recipients. One recent email simply said, "Never ever forget what he's done.'

"Everything we do is about winning, and about teaching people how to win and overcome their problems," he said. "We teach them from abundance so they can see they can get out of the box. We empower them."

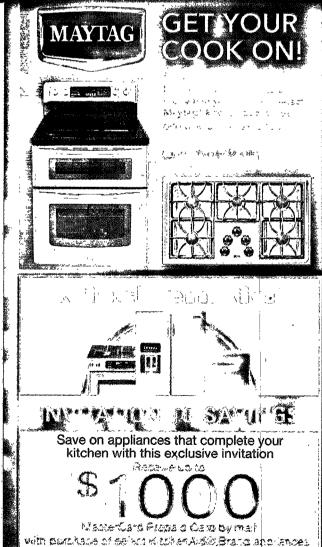
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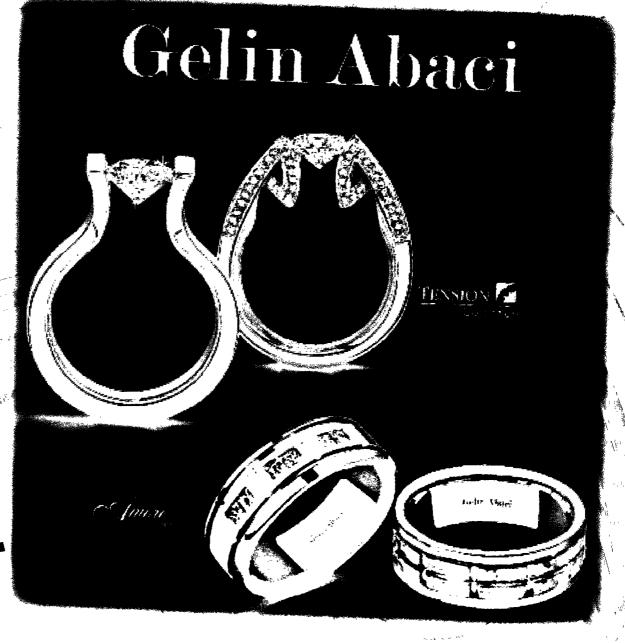
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Glenn-Pershing hoops game called after fights in stands

Incidents deemed unrelated to Tip-Off Classic at Detroit Edison

> **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

A day-long celebration of prep boys basketball met an ugly conclusion Saturday night in the Horatio Williams Foundation's Tip-Off Classic held at Detroit Edison PSA Early College of Excellence.

There were no tensions on the court during the final game of the day between Westland John Glenn and Detroit Pershing, but two unrelated incidents

in the jam-packed gym, including one that filtered onto the court to start the third quarter, caused tournament officials to cancel the second half.

Pershing was leading the Rockets 34-12 when the game was called.

The Glenn-Pershing game, which originally was scheduled to start at 8:40 p.m., started an hour later. The Rockets (0-2) played without their top player Isaac Everette, a 6-foot-4 senior who missed his second straight game with a broken finger. Starting 6-foot-7 senior forward James Pruitt played, but was nursing a sore ankle.

Glenn coach Dan Young said the incidents, which turned violent, had nothing to do with the two schools. The previous game featured Detroit Consortium College Prep and Detroit Frederick Douglass.

"The teams were fine," Young said.
"It was just people in the crowd. It was just unfortunate, so we'll what happens. They said maybe we can try and make up the second half ... maybe later in the year and try to do that, or otherwise we'll take it as a loss.'

Glenn has played in the Tip-Off Classic four different times.

"The Horatio Williams Foundation has put on games for years and years and we've never had a problem," Young said. "This was an unfortunate situation where the games got later and there were some unfortunate fights in the crowd. It just got to where it felt unsafe and they shut our game down at halftime."

The Horatio Williams Foundation offers academic, life skills training and sports programs in Detroit.

"I don't think it's a reflection on the people that run it or the people trying to do the right things down there,"
Young said. "It was one of those things.

"They're great guys and they do a lot of great stuff. They called me to me to apologize for it."

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Rockets find a way against Stevenson

Glenn earns tough 49-42 win on road

By Brad Emons **Staff Writer**

It's been a tough start for the Westland John Glenn boys basketball team.

The Rockets had to go without their top scorer and senior leader Isaac Everette (broken finger) in lopsided losses to Detroit Public School foes Pershing and East English Village.

But Glenn showed a glimpses of promise Tuesday night with a hardfought 49-42 win at Livonia Stevenson, which dropped its third straight after winning its season opener.

"I thought we were pretty good defensively," Glenn coach Dan Young said. "The offense is going to come. When you lose a guy like Isaac, it just changes your whole focal point. It changes your whole rhythm. So we're working on that. It's going to take time."

And with Everette out of the lineup once again, Glenn started slowly hitting just 3-of-15 shots from the floor

in the first quarter — but still led 9-6. It was 23-23 at halftime, but Glenn outscored Stevenson 16-10 in the third quarter and built a 47-34 lead with 4:44 left in the fourth quarter on a basket by 6-foot-7 senior forward James Pruitt.

Stevenson, however, went on a late 8-0 run to cut the deficit to 47-42 on a runner by Noah Campbell with 1:09

The Spartans then forced a Glenn turnover with 30 seconds left, but promptly returned the favor with a turnover of their own after a timeout. Glenn was then able to run out the

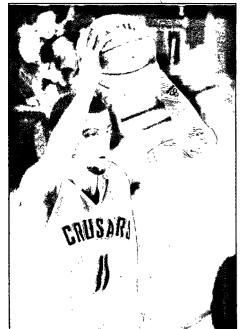
"We draw up a nice out-of-bounds play for Noah to come off and make a three-pointer for us, and we turned it over," Stevenson coach Brandon Sinawi said. "It never happened and that was a big possession.

Junior guard Mychael Bradley paced Glenn in scoring with 13 points, while Pruitt added 12. Mo Foani and Mike Edwards added nine and eight, respectively.

Stevenson's top scoring tandem was led once against by Campbell, a junior guard who tallied 16, along with Jailen

See CAGERS, Page B4 Glenn's 6-foot-8 center Mike Edwards (left) vies for position against Stevenson's Nolan Bradford (21). DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL



Madonna University senior point guard **Bobby Naubert matched a career-high with** 31 points in a loss to No. 9 Davenport. PATRICK MOORE | MU SPORTS INFORMATION

Crusaders can't hold off Davenport

Panthers stop Madonna, 86-80

By Brad Emons

The Madonna University men's basketball team is literally limping into the holiday break.

Despite a career-high 31 points from senior point-guard Bobby Naubert, the Crusaders missed a golden opportunity to stay in a tie for first in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a 86-80 setback Saturday at home against No. 9 Davenport.

Javontae Ford paced Davenport (9-2, 5-2) with 28 points, while Dominez Burnett and Mike Betcher added 15

MU led 37-36 at intermission, but trailed a majority of the second half. With 2:04 left MU's Jeff Schmitz made a layup to pull the Crusaders to within two, 80-78, but Ford answered with a jumper with 1:46 to play and Burnett added a layup with 51 second remaining to help seal the win.

Davenport had 30 points inside the paint to MU's 16 and also won the second-chance points battle, 13-3.

That's really what it came down to - they were able to get to the rim and they were able to get to the basket," said MU coach Noel Emenhiser, whose team slipped to 7-6 overall and 5-2 in the WHAC.. "And then they were able to get shots that they didn't miss on the offensive glass. In the second half we were just a step late, unable to stop a drive and late in the rotation. We just gave them too many opportunities on the run. They made a couple of more

plays than we did unfortunately. Davenport shot 50.8 percent from the floor (31-of-61), including 7-of-17

from three-point range. "Good teams find a way and they're certainly a good team," Emenhiser

said. "They made one or two more plays down the stretch than we did."

With key reserve senior forward Derek Lennon missing his third straight game with a high ankle sprain, the Crusaders also lost senior forward Fred Williams, the team's third leading scorer, to a possible Achilles tendon injury midway through the second half.

Williams was awaiting test results

on Thursday. "We're praying Fred (Williams) will get a good diagnosis when he sees a doctor," Emenhiser said. "But we're certainly spread thin now in the post position. As a team we're going to have to collectively step up with two huge losses there.'

Junior center Donald Owens added 13 points, while the team's second leading scorer Travis Schuba added 10 for the defending WHAC tournament

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Ferrick All-America

Madonna University senior midfielder Amanda Ferrick (Warren Cousino) was recently named NAIA All-America honorable mention in women's

A four-time All-Wolverine-**Hoosier Athletic Conference** honoree, Ferrick closed her career with her third selection to the All-WHAC first team in 2013 and posted three assists.

For her career, Ferrick recorded nine goals and 15 assists for 33 points.

A two-time Academic All-WHAC selection, Ferrick was also named to the Daktronics NAIA Scholar-Athlete team for the second time.

MU ended the 2013 season with a 10-9-1 record.

MU softball camps

Madonna University women's softball coach Jerry Abraham will offer a hitting camp from 9-11 a.m. (Session 1) and noon to 2:30 p.m. (Session II)

Saturday, Dec. 21 at the MU Activities Center.

The cost for each session is

\$30 per player. There will also be a fundamentals camp from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Jan. 4, 11, 18 and 25 (cost \$150) at the MU **Activities Center.**

MU will also offer a pitching camp from noon to 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 5, 12, 19 and 26 (cost \$150 per player).

For more information, email Abraham at jabraham@madonna.edu or call at (734) 432-5612. You can also visit Madonna-Crusaders.com.

Softball camps

» The Livonia Churchill Chargers holiday hitting camp for girls in grades three-eight will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 21, at the high school fieldhouse.

Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$25.

For more information, email Churchill varsity girls softball coach Steve Gentilia at Chur-

SPORTS ROUNDUP

chillsoftball@gmail.com or call 734-776-1716.

» The second annual Eddy Kettlehut Softball Defense Camp (all ages through high school) will be from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, Dec. 26, and 9-11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Precision Baseball, 7835 Market Drive, Canton.

The cost for the two-day camp, which features the former University of Detroit Mercy assistant coach, is \$90.

Also appearing will be Amy Dunleavy (Ferris State) and Kayce Nieto (University of Utah).

For more information, call 734-459-5921 or 248-891-1241; or email coachtomd@comcast.net.

WYAA volleyball

Registration for Westland Youth Athletic Association girls volleyball (ages 9-17) is under way.

Games and practices will be at Marshall Upper Elementary School. League age-groups include 9-11, 12-14 and 15-17.

To register, visit wyaa.org. For more information, email wyaavolleyball2013@comcast.net.

Learn to skate

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will offer its Session III eightweek learn to skate classes beginning Jan. 13 through March 3 at Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon.

The cost is \$64 for residents and \$78 for nonresidents.

Among the classes offered includes: Youth (ages 4 and up) -5 p.m., 5:25 p.m., 6 p.m. and 6:25 p.m. Mondays; hockey skills - 6:25 p.m. Mondays; tots (3-year-olds) – 5 p.m. Mondays. (No equipment is need for hockey classes.)

Registration will be from 6:30-8 p.m. (residents) and 7-8 p.m. (nonresidents) Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, 1500 Hubbard, Livonia.

Each class is for 25 minutes. Openings are for certain days

and times and are subject to availability.

All days and time slots may not be available due to prere-

gistration. For more information, call 734-466-2918 or email Barb Gamber at bgamber@ci.livo-

Pitchers-catchers

nia.mi.us.

The Hawks Camps for Champs, a five-week pitcher and catcher progression camp will be from 1-2 p.m. (ages 6-12) and 2-3 p.m. (ages 13 and up) each Sunday at the Henry Ford Community College Athletic Memorial Building.

Upcoming camp dates include Jan. 12, 19, 26; Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23.

The cost is \$30 for each session or \$100 for five pitch-

ing or catching sessions To register, visit www.hen-

ryfordcamps.com.

For more information, call Steve Brown at 313-657-3200 or email sjbrown@hfcc.edu.

PREP BOWLING RESULTS

GIRLS DUAL RESULTS WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 30

SALEM 0

Dec. 16 at Super Bowl

John Glenn scorers: Jessica Pate,
247-235-482; Emily Dietz, 232-413; 232-181-413;
180-227-07; Ashley Kolb, 189-207-396. Baker
games: 236-172-408; regular games: 1,014-1012-2,028.

Glenn's dual meet record: 3-0 overall,

SOUTHGATE 20.5

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 9.5
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 9.5
Dec. 16 at Skore Lanes
Clarenceville scorers: Sarah Meil,
201-144-345; Erin Walters, 136-167-303; Sarah
Estepp, 128-120-248; Elizabeth Kerr, 112-107-219;
Anna Greenwald, 103; Emily Lazette, 80.
Regular carmors: 565-590-1167. Regular games: 568-599-1,167.

Makayla Hollins, 120-136-256; Marissa Willia 102-127-229. **Regular games:** 630-618-

Clarenceville's dual match record:

Dec. 14 at Bowl-e-Drome John Glenn scorers: Olivia Cabildo

Howell Bakers: 210-124-334; regular

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Dec. 13 at Brighton Bowl John Glenn scorers: Julia Huren 20-233-453; Jessica Pate, 224; Olivia Cabildo, 212; Ashley Kolb, 209; Emily Dietz, 201. Baker games: 213-192-405; regular games: 977-1,005-1,82. Mott Bakers: 129-181-310; regular

games: 892-827-1,719.
BOYS DUAL RESULTS WAYNE MEMORIAL 24 PLYMOUTH 6

Dec. 16 at Super Bowl Wayne's dual match record: 2-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division.

SALEM 24 WESTI AND JOHN GI FNN 6 Dec. 16 at Super Bowl John Glenn's dual match record: 1-2 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central Division)

WALLED LAKE WESTERN 9
Dec. 14 at Bowl-e-Drome
Wayne scorers: Conner Weber, 168-269-437; Brandon June, 212-187-399; Darrick Craig, 165-225-390; Brandon Woods, 211. **Baker**

games: 153-138-293 (two points); regular games: 877-1,060-1,937 (19 points). Western Bakers: 179-138-317 (8 points); regular games: 657-730-1,387 (1 point). WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 18 WATERFORD MOTT 12 Dec. 13 at Brighton Bowl

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

DUAL MATCH RESULTS LIVONIA RED 134.775

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Dec. 16 at Churchill H.S.
Vault: 1. Marissa McVey (Red), 8.9; 2. Julia Twigg (Red), 8.7; 3.
Anoushka Ravindran (N), 8.5; 4. (tie) Sydney Grenier (Red) and Alyssa

Breen (N), 8.45 each,
Uneven Bars: 1.Jackie Dziurgot (Red), 8.55; 2. McVey (Red),
8.45; Claire Cotter (N), 8.0; 4. Grenier (Red), 7.85; 5. Oliva Ryktarsyk

Red) and Ravindran (N), 7.7 each.

Balance beam: 1. Grenier (Red), 8.8; 2. (tie) Alysha Burd (Red) and Emilie Statetzny (N), 8.55 each; 4. Mikaela Hillie (Red), 8.5; 5. McVey (Red), 8.35.

Micvey (Red.), 8-35.

Floor exercise: 1. Grenier (Red.), 8.8; 2. McVey (Red.), 8.7; 3.

Alyssa Breen (N), 8.25; 4. Hillie (Red.), 8.225; 5. Rytarsyk (Red.), 7.95.

All-around: 1. McVey (Red.), 34.40; 2. Grenier (Red.), 33.9; 3.

Cotter (N), 32.10; 4. Statetzny (N), 31.6; 5. Ravindran (N), 31.525.

Dual meet records: Livonia Red., 3-2 overall, 1-0 KLAA

Kensington Division; Northville, 0-3 overall, 0-2 Kensington Division.

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Southgate scorers: Caitlynn Muzzey 193-169-362; Natasha Nelson, 153-167-320;

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 24 HOWELL 6

225-204-429; Jessica Pate, 201. Baker games: 201-188-389. Regular games: 922-902-

games: 833-789-1,622. Glenn's dual match record: 2-0 overall. WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 27.5 WATERFORD MOTT 2.5

HOWELL 22 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 8 Dec. 14 at Bowl-e-Drome John Glenn's dual match record: 1-1 **WAYNE MEMORIAL 21**

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

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BOYS HOCKEY

Winter Festival: Stevenson takes to Comerica stage

Spartans face South Lyon Saturday night in Detroit

> **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson's hockey team is used to playing on a big stage whether it's Compuware, Yost or Joe Louis are-

But the defending MHSAA Division 2 state champions will play on even a bigger stage beginning at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at Comerica Park when the 9-1 Spartans will face off against South Lyon at part of the two-week Winter Festival.

The Stevenson-South Lyon matchup is among 11 high school outdoor games booked during an eight-day stretch.

The Winter Festival at Comerica also features youth league games, an Ontario Hockey League double-header, the Great Lakes Invitational and the Red Wings-Maple Leafs alumni game leading up to the NHL Winter Classic, Jan. 1, at the University of Michigan's football stadium.

Prep rivalry games were the norm this week with matchups between Canton and Plymouth; Howell and Brighton, Rochester Stoney Creek and Rochester United; Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook and Birmingham Brother Rice; Traverse City West and Traverse City Central.

Stevenson and South Lyon played last season just prior to the Christmas holiday break at Joe Louis Arena.

"We were among a number of teams that applied and they picked games based on regional-type matchups," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "And being so close in proximity to South Lyon, they put us up against South Lyon.

Mitchell said he will keep a normal practice schedule dur-

ing the week.
"I thought maybe we'd take the kids outside for an hour or so to get them acclimated a little bit," he said. "And then maybe have them go for a jog to get used to the cold. Hopefully it won't be as cold as it's been. Hopefully it's right around freezing by game time. It will be at night, so it will be a little bit colder. We're really excited about it, for sure."

Mitchell and his No. 1ranked Spartans can now focus on playing on the big stage after defeating Northville on

Monday, 5-0.

"They knew it was there," he said. "We try and take it one game at a time - it's an old cliché. But now that the way it's set up we have four or five days here to kind of prep for it. Now I'm sure the buzz will start to build and we'll talk more and more about it. They're going to be excited about it, for sure."

Tickets for the Winter Festival high school games are \$10 apiece.

bemons@hometownlife.com 313-222-6851

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Dec. 19 Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m. Novi at Franklin, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m. Salem at John Glenn, 7 p.m. S. Lyon East at Wayne, 7 p.m. learborn at Ciarenceville, 7 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 19 Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m. Canton at Stevenson, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m. Wayne at S. Lyon East, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20 Belleville at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. PREP HOCKEY
Friday, Dec. 20
Franklin vs. Churchill it Edgar Arena, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21

at Comerica Park, 8:30 p.m. BOYS SWIMMING Thursday, Dec. 19 W.L, Western at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20
Stevenson, Novi CC, Brother Rice
at Saline Quad, 6 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Friday, Dec. 20

Oakland Co. at Southfield, TBA. Saturday, Dec. 21 Franklin Patriot Inv., 9 a.m. Oakland Co. at Southfield, TBA. PREP BOWLING Friday, Dec. 20
John Glenn vs. Plymouth,
Wayne vs. Novi
at Town 'N Country, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 21
Howell Inv. at Whitmore Lanes, 1 p.m.
GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Thursday, Dec. 19

Thursday, Dec. 19 Livonia Blue vs. Canton at Plymouth H.S., 6:30 p.m GIRLS COMPETITIVE CHEER Saturday, Dec. 21
Carlson Invitational, 10 a.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Saturday, Dec. 20 Whalers at Oshawa Generals, 7:35 p.m. TBA – time to be announced.

PREP WRESTLING RESULTS

WAYNE COUNTY
WRESTLING TOURNEY
Dec. 14 at Wyandotte
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth, 200 points;
2. Westland John Glenn, 150.5; 3. Dearborn Heights
Annapolis, 149.5; 4. Livonia Franklin, 148; 5.
Riverview, 126.5; 6. Canton, 108.5; 7. Brownstown
Woodhaven, 103; 8. Belleville, 91.5; 9. Wayne
Memorial, 87; 10. Dearborn Fordson, 62. 11.
Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 61; 12. Northville,
54.5; 13. Lincoln Park, 51; 14. Salem, 42; 15.
Romulus Summit Academy North, 36.5; 16.
Dearborn Edsel Ford, 36; 17. Dearborn, 33.5; 18.
Dearborn Divine Child, 33; 19. Hamtramck, 29; 20.
Romulus, 27; 21. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 26.5; 22.
Redford Thurston, 23; 23. Livonia Clarenceville,
21.5; 24. Grosse Ile, 21; 25. Highland Park, 13; 26.
Dearborn Heights Robichaud, 10.
CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS
103 pounds: John Siemasz (WIG) decisioned

103 pournds: John Siemasz (WiG) decisioned David Knapp (DHA), 6-4; 3rd place: Collin Reed (Ply.) dec. Moody Nasser (DHC), 11-7; 5th: Michael Wright (Riv.) pinned Antonio Herrera (LF), 1:31; 7th: Kyree Boatman (Bell.) p. Akash Rai (Salem),

112: Brandon Harris (Ply.) won by technical fall over Kyle Sparks (Riv.), 15-0; 3rd: Tyler Castillo (LP)

over Kyle Sparks (Riv.), 15-0; 3rd: Tyler Castillo (LP) dec. Harrison Samoy (Canton), 14-8; 5th: Jacob Emery (Myan.) p. Cyle Snead (WHG), 0:48; 7th: Jim Behe (N'ville) p. Justin Fisher (DHR), 2:40.

119: Mohamad Youssef (Ply) dec. Chase Spanos (WHG), 10-6; 3rd: Tim Way (WM) won by forfeit over Austin Koehler (Bell.); 5th: Lamont Cannon (HP) dec. Shawn Cohan (DHA), 8-1; 7th: Wasam Kasem (Ham.) dec. Ahmad Abou-Ghalda (DEF), 2-1.

125: Kevin Huynh (WHG) p. Nathan Atienza (LF), 5:13; 3rd: Shunbe Wang (N'ville) won by major dec. over Rayshar Blow (Ham.), 13-3; 5th: Will Dunn (DDC) dec. Devin McClain (Wood.) 3-1; 7th:

Dunn (DDC) dec. Devin McClain (Wood.) 3-1; **7th:** Chris Brown (Bell.) dec. Tyler Mulligan (Wayne),

9-6.

130: Hassan Ajami (DF) p. Nick Robertson (LF),
3:10; 3rd: Dylan Dwyer (Ply.) won by injury default
over Spencer Compo (N'ville): Sth: Armoni Gibson
(Rom.) dec. Jessie Taylor (DHA), 7-2; 7th: Stahj
McCoy (HP) worr by major dec. over Devin
Memmering (Bell.), 9-1.

135: Ben Griffin (Canton) won by tech. fall over
Jamonty Houze (Bell.), 17-2; 3rd: Teddy Lossing
(Riv.) dec. Austin Hussing (DHA), 4-2; 5th: Collin
Vargo (Wyan.) dec. Kevin Charara (N'ville), 8-7;
7th: Bruce Haslitt (Salem) p. Jacob Barwickowski
(GI), 1:54.

(GI), 1:54.

140: Jon Conn (Ply.) p. Austin Avison (Wood.),
1:23; 3rd: Ty Jaman (Canton) dec. Haider
Alhussain (DHC), 3-1; 5th: Brandon Bellant (Bell.)
p. Treveon Lane (Ham.), 4:34; 7th: Jordan Mills
(Wayne) dec. Seth Dunn (Salem), 9-7.

145: Brandon Garcia (Riv.) dec. Sofus Nelson

(Py.), 10-5; **3rd:** Quinn Chapman (LP) dec. Caleb Brown (Bell.), 5-3; **5th:** Hamad Abed (Salem) dec. Tim Nicholson (Wayne), 8-2; **7th:** Brandon Crabtree (RT) p. Kamar Pleasant (Ham.), 0:18. **152:** Alec Pantaleo (Canton) won by tech. fall over Nick Frazier (LF), 23-8; **3rd:** Adeeb Alcodray

WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS
Thursday, Dec. 18
(Concordia Univ. Tourney)
Madonna vs. Cardinal Stritch, 5:30 p.m.
Concordia vs. Olivet Nazarene, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 19
(Concordia Univ. Tourney)
Madonna vs. Olivet Nazarene, 5:30 p.m.
Concordia vs. Cardinal Stritch, 7:30 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Saturday, Dec. 20

(DHC) p. Domanick Slagle (C'ville), 5:11; **5th**: iarrod Ammons (Wood.) won by major dec. over Dakota Martin (Riv.), 9-0; Aaron Heinonen (Wayne) dec. Tyler Dempsey (DEF), 5-3 (overtime). **160:** Iordan Atleiraz (Lif) won by tech. fall over T.J. Barnes (Summit), 19-4; **3rd**: Joey Shaver (Ply.) won by injury default over Jared Hagan (DHC); **5th**: Marcus Wright (Riv.) p. Devin Grim (DDC), 2:58; **7th**: Zander Moore (LP) won by major dec. over Terrance Perkins (Wayne), 18-7. **171:** Hunter McCoy (DHA) p. Hussein Youssef (Ply.), 1:47; **3rd**: Matt Cylis (N'ville) dec. Sonny Botello (LP), 3-1; **5th**: Jamil Jomaa (Dbn.) p. Josh Wojtowicz (Riv.) **4:43**; **7th**: Zak Nichols (Wayne) p. Mitchell Retting (LF), 2:11.

Mitchell Retting (LF), 2:11.

189: Derek Hillman (Wood.) won by major dec. over Diallo Matsinella (DHA), 13-3; 3rd: Brandon Underwood (Bell.) p. Tarek Tamimi (Ply.), 0:32; **5th:** James Pomerico (Wayne) dec. Dan Huber (LF), 14-10; **7th:** Alex James (DHR) p. Laymon Gidding-

14-10; 7th: Alex James (Drin') p. Laymon Globing-Whatley (RT), 4:48.

215: Jakob Cain (DHA) dec. K.J. Wooley
(Canton), 4-3; 3rd: Nate Irvine (WIG) p. Donovan
Steele (Bell), 5:17; 5th: Mike O'Brien (DDC) p.
Evan Begeman (Riv.), 4:42; 7th: Daryl Conley
(Summit) won by major dec. over Daryl Conley
(Summit) 18-4.

(Summit), 18-4.
285: Jordon Brandon (WJG) p. Aaron Mauldin
(Wayne); 5:11; 3rd: Ali Wahab (DHC) p. Hussein
Kadouh (DF) 3:47; 5th: Melvin Ivey (RT) p. Michael
Joran (Ply.), 0:49; 7th: Kyle Terrell (Riv.) p. Jordan
Hottum (LP), 0:25.
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 36
LIVONIA STEVENSON 'B' 30
Dec. 16-45 Clarenceville

Dec. 16 at Clarenceville 103 pounds: Dyland Brigham (C'ville) pinned Jack Sullivan, 4:39; 119: double void; 125: Tarik Alcodray (LS) p. Zack Richards, 2:53; 130: Rodgers (LS) won by void: 135: double void; 140: double void; 145: Tyler Statham (LS) p. Jordon Beverly, voic; 1495: tyler Statham (L.) p. Jordon Beverly,
1:23; 152: double void; 160: Cameron Fyffe
(C'ville) p. Justin Betke, 0:30; 171: Domanick Slagle
(C'ville) p. Williams, 0:08; 189: James Ascott
(C'ville) p. Mettivier, 1:24; 215: David Curvin
(C'ville) p. Parker Novak (L.S.), 3:02; 285: Ryan
Groves (C'ville) p. Mel, 0:50.

REDFORD THURSTON 39

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 36
Dec. 16 at Clarenceville
103 pounds: Dyland Brigham (C'ville) pinned
Washington, 4:58; 112: Lapins (RT) p. Joseph
Sanchez, 1:27; 119: Zack Richards (C'ville) won by
void; 125: double void; 130: Lapins (RT) won by
void; 135: Surdwiel (RT) won by vold; 140:
Thomas (RT) won by void; 145: Franklin (RT) p.
Jordon Beverly, no time available; 152: Washington (RT) won by void; 160: Domanick Slagle
(C'ville) won by void; 171: Cameron Fyffe (C'ville)
won by void; 189: James Ascott (C'ville) p. Reid,
0:58; 215: David Curvin (C'ville) p. Giddings, 2:50;
285: Ivey (RT) decisioned Ryan Groves, 3-1.
Clarenceville's dual match record: 1-3
overall, 0-3 Western Wayne Athletic Conference. LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 36

BOYS HOCKEY WRAP

Spartans blank Northville icers, 5-0

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson continued its season-long gauntlet of a schedule Monday night and the Spartans were able to pass another test impressively.

The No. 1-ranked and defending MHSAA Division 2 state champions walked out Monday night out of Novi Ice Arena with an impressive 5-0 win over Northville, which came into the game ranked No. 4 in Division 1.

"The key to the win was in our preparation," coach David Mitchell said. "Going in we knew Northville was a very solid team. They'd only given up six goals in eight games, so we knew we'd have to earn everything we got."

Senior Tyler Irvine had two goals and two assists in the victory.

Linemate Dominic Lutz opened the scoring with his 23rd goal of the season just 36 seconds into the open period

off assists from Irvine and Devin Kelly.

Irvine then scored on a power play from Cole Christie and Lutz at 14:55 of the same

period to make it 2-0. The Spartans added two more in the second period to take a 4-0 advantage – Alex DeFlorio from Jon McDonald at 2:00 followed by Irvine's second at 14:07 from Andrew

Nowak and Lutz. Michael Sinclair added a power play goal to cap the scoring with 4:10 left in the third period from Christie and

Stevenson, which moved into first place all alone in the KLAA Central, outshot the Mustangs by a wide margin, 48-20.

Spartan goaltender Andrew Rozenbaum made 20 saves to post the shutout, while Jeremy Onofrio made 43 for Northville, which slipped to 6-2-1 overall and 4-1 in the KLAA Central.

"Team-wise we had all guys

going. Defensively we were strong and Andrew Rozenbaum was strong in net. We got a couple of goals from our top line, then a couple of other lines chipped in. From start-tofinish we played a complete hockey game. It was a good

WIII."
STEVENSON 3, PLYMOUTH 1: Livonia
Stevenson (8-1, 3-0) got a goal and two assists from
Dominic Lutz in Saturday's KLAA Kensington Conference crossover victory over the visiting Wildcats (3-4,
2-2) at Edgar Arena.
"It was a very good, hard fought hockey game
between two grout learns." Stevenson coach David

it was a very good, hard tought hockey game between two good teams," Stevenson coach David Mitchell said. "Plymouth played hard, ran a solid system and are extremely well coached so we are very happy to get the win."

The Spartans led 1-0 after one period on Lutz's 22nd goal of the season at 3:20 from linemates Tyler Irvine and Devin Kellv.

Irvine and Devin Kelly.
At 13:03 of the second, Kelly made it 2-0 from

But Plymouth answered on Mike Scarpello's goal from John VanDenBergury just one minute into the third.

But Irvine's goal at 6:39 of the final period from Drew Hunter and Lutz gave Stevenson a two-goal

Plymouth goaltender Jared Maddock made 32 es, while Stevenson's Andrew Rozenbaum had 17

"We thought we had some good chances to score, but their goaltender Jared Maddock was outstanding," Mitchell said. "And when we broke down, our netminder, Andrew Rozenbaum, was definitely

"Again, a solid win against a solid team."

PREP WRESTLING

Rockets 2nd in Wayne County tournament

Plymouth garners 1st; Franklin grapplers 4th

> **By Brad Emons** Staff, Writer

Ever the perfectionist, Westland John Glenn wrestling coach Bill Polk believes there's always room for improvement.

That comes following a up finis **Wayne County Invitational**

held at Wyandotte. Plymouth came away with its first-ever team title with 200 points with John Glenn (150.5), Dearborn Heights Annapolis (149.5), Livonia Franklin (148) and Riverview (126.5) rounding out the top five in the 26-school field.

'My team was inconsistent as a group," Polk said. "We need fix some a few things and I'm confident we will. I really enjoy working the kids we have on the team this year, it's

a great bunch." Glenn boasted three individual champions in John Siemasz (103 pounds), Kevin Huynh (125) and Jordon Brandon (285), the latter whom was Division 1 state runner-up last year at 215.

Chase Spanos (119) also added a second, while Nate Irvine (215) contributed a



Franklin's Jordan Atienza (top) repeated as Wayne County Invitational champion winning the 160-pound weight division. **DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK**

"I'm very happy for the champs, but they all had close calls and need to work harder to separate themselves from the competition," Polk said. "Hopefully we can turn the first-year varsity guys into placers for the next tournament and our leaders can continue leading by example. Overall, I'm not disappointed, but I do expect more from our wrestlers and my coaching

staff, and I will work toward improving our team." Franklin, the defending

champion, had one individual winner in 160-pounder Jordan Atienza, a senior who was Division 1 state runner-up last season at 152. "Because of kids being hurt

and not making weight, we only took 10 kids, so we knew it would be a long shot to win it," Franklin coach Dave Chiopoints out of second, but I was not pleased with the way we wrestled. We still look like we have some guys in preseason form.'

Second-place finishers for the Patriots included Nathan Atienza (125), Nick Robertson (130) and Nick Frazier (152).

"We had four in the finals, but we need other kids to start stepping up," Chiola said. "Jordan Atienza dominated his weight and looked great. Nick Frazier ran into a buzzsaw in the finals. (Alec) Panteleo (Canton), looks unbeatable. Robertson made it to the finals, but came up short. Nathan (Atienza) was controlling his match and then made one mistake that got him pinned. He was winning 8-1 with about a minute to go.

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PREP WRESTLING

Chargers win Hawk Havoc tourney title

Livonia Churchill made it two-for-two Saturday, earning another dual meet wrestling tournament title in the young 2013-14 season by capturing the Farmington Hills Harrison Hawk Havoc Invitational.

The Chargers, now 10-0 overall, were coming off a team title in their season opener a week earlier at the Waterford Mott Invitational.

Churchill posted victories over Farmington (40-33), Livonia Stevenson (42-33), Orchard Lake St. Mary's (48-35), Royal Oak (60-18) and host Harrison (47-32) en route to the title.

Four different Churchill wrestlers went 5-0 on the day led by senior captain Josh Perez (125 pounds), Zac Leck (140), Chase Gardner (145) and Baker Hadwan (215).

Perez led the way with four pins, while Gardner and Hadwan added three each. Leck contributed two pins.

Meanwhile, Colin Englehart (189) captured all three of his matches with two pins, while Josh Mussen (103) went 4-1 on the day with two pins.

Freshman Ethan Englehart

(112) added three wins with his only loss a 15-4 major decision setback to Michael Volyanyuk of Harrison, last year's Division 1 state runner-up at 103 pounds.

Ryan Delp (160) also finished 3-2, while Brian Walrad (130), who jumped up a weight class to avoid any voids, added two victories.

Spartans finish 3-2

Livonia Stevenson took three of five matches in Saturday's Harrison Havoc with victories over the host Hawks (45-28), Royal Oak (61-25) and St. Mary's (40-36).

The Spartans fell to tourney champ Churchill (42-35) and Farmington (37-34) with both losses coming down to the final match.

"I thought we did a very nice job wrestling with a few key guys still out," Stevenson coach Dan Vaughan said. "Our young guys are getting some valuable experience that should help us at the end of

the season."

Connor Vaughan (171) went a perfect 5-0 on the day to pace the Spartans, while Emmanuel Austin (135) and Sandro Lytwyn (141) each finished 4-1. Tyler Denski (285) also won both his matches.

Stevenson, Farmington and St. Mary's all tied for second with 3-2 records followed by St. Mary's and Harrison, 1-4 each, and Royal Oak at 0-5.

Dezelski All-Region



Claire Dezelski (Livonia Ladywood) of Dominican University (III.) recently led the Stars to a 24-10 record, along with a berth in the NCAA Division III National Tournament. The All-Midwest Region selection, a native of Northville, averaged 3.98 kills per set as the Stars captured the Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference title. Dezelski topped 20 kills twice on the season, including a season-high 29-kill effort in a victory in over UW-LaCrosse. The senior posted a team-best 22 double-doubles, including a 10-kill, 11-dig effort in the Stars' firstround NCAA setback to No. 5-ranked Elmhurst College (Illinois).

C'ville girls win a thriller

If three-point shots were snow flurries, there probably would have been a winter weather advisory issued inside the Redford Union gymnasium Tuesday night.

Although Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division foes RU and Livonia Clarenceville combined to launch 48 triples, it was a series of singles (free throws) by the Trojans down the stretch that proved to be the difference in their 53-52 vic-

Junior forward Alicia Southern (13 points) and senior forward Ayanna Buckley (25 points) both drained a pair of shots from the stripe during the thrilling contest's final two minutes to help offset a desperate - and nearly successful - rally by the Panthers.

Trailing 52-47 with 58 seconds left, Panthers senior guard Ashley Sandelin buried a long three-point bomb from the left wing to bring her team with two.

Seconds after Southern split a pair of free throws to extend her team's lead to 53-50, the Panthers missed a two-point shot and the Buckley snatched the rebound. However, Sandelin stole the ball - her eighth theft of the night – and drove the length of the court for layup that brought her team to within

Southern missed a driving layup with six seconds left and the Panthers secured the rebound before calling a time-out near mid-court with three ticks left. However, the hosts were unable to get off a shot following the ensuing inbounds pass.

"I think what helped us tonight was that we got more intense as the game went along," said Clarenceville coach Brady Gustafson, whose team is 2-3 overall and 1-0 in the Red. "We were a little lackadaisical the first couple of quarters, but the girls played with more focus down the stretch.

'We fell down seven or eight points early, but the girls didn't drop their heads. They kept balling, stayed

calm, and came out on top." Sandelin led the Panthers (0-5, 0-1) with 20 points. Renee Reed added 14 points and

a team-high 13 rebounds. "We're right there, we're close," RU coach Diane Ziroll said. "We just need to gel a little bit more so we can get over the hump. We had a few too many turnovers that hurt us tonight, but I was happy with the aggressiveness the girls showed."

girls showed."
CHURCHILL 49, SOUTH LYON 47 (2 OTs):
Freshman Annie Yost scored 10 points, including
the game-winning basket with only eight seconds
left in the second overtime to give Livonia Churchill
(3-0) a Kensington Conference crossover victory
Tuesday over the visiting Lions (2-2).
Junior guard Natalie Spala, who forced a second
OT with a back-door layup with 4.7 seconds left,
led Churchill with 13 points. Junior forward Hannah
Pummill added 12 points, while coming up with a
key block to end the game after Yost's basket.
Jessica Mehr and Emily Helikev tallied 17 points
apiece for South Lyon, which sent the game into OT
at 37-37 following Breanna Blas' three-pointer
from the corner with 2.7 seconds remaining in
regulation.

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Alivia Kondrath and Spala also gave the Chargers
a lift on the defensive end in the second half.

STEVENSON 51, JOHN GLENN 37: Seniors
Rachel Wilkinson and Charlesann Roy scored 15
points and 13 points, respectively, lifting Livonia
Stevenson (3-0) to a KLAA crossover win Tuesday
at Westland John Glenn (0-3).

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at Westfand John Glenn (U-3),
R'Mani Garrard led the Rockets with 15 points,
while Victoria McCloud added 14 in a losing cause.
Diamond Jordan added eight points.
McCloud had 11 first-half points as Glenn trailed
25-19, but Stevenson's Amy Freed (four steals, four
blocks) was able to put the brakes on McCloud in
the second half.
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Glenn, which lost India Perdue-Glasgie to a knee injury in the first quarter, dressed just six players.
"We played well with what we had," Glenn first-year coach Derrick Jordan said. "We're missing ey players, but it was a good team effort on our art. When they come back, I'm optimistic."

SALEM 55, WAYNE 33: Senior guard Ashley

Bland's game-high 27 points weren't enough Tuesday as host Wayne Memorial (0-4) fell to the Rocks (4-1) in a Kensington Conference crossover. Salem, which jumped out to a 22-9 first-quarter lead, got 15 points from Shara Long, while Jamyra Wilson and Ashley Baker chipped in with nine points apiece. Honia Williams added the other six points for

Wayne.
NORTHVILLE 64, FRANKLIN 18: Gabby

Mercotti tallied 16 points, while Jessica Moorman and Heather Randal each added 11 points Tuesday as the Mustangs (3-0) rode into Livonia Franklin (0-5) and came away with a Kensington Confer-ence crossover win. Traviona Calloway scored six for the Patriots, who trailed 40-10 at halftime and 55-13 after three

quarters.

G.P. NORTH 50, LADYWOOD 27: Lucy

Dodge hit five triples en route to a game-high 17 points Tuesday to lead Grosse Pointe North (3-1) past host Livonia Ladywood (0-5) in a non-league

Ladywood, which trailed 32-13 at hairtime, got at team-high 14 points from sophomore Erika Selakowski. Junior Conner Huggins grabbed 10 rebounds and had three steals.

ST. CATHERINE 49, LUTHERAN WEST-LAND 28: Jenna Rogers scored 13 points and Alex Hudson added 12 points Monday to lead Wixom St. Catherine of Siena Academy past host luthbean High Westland (1-4). Ladywood, which trailed 32-13 at halftime, got a

Lutheran High Westland (1-4).

Megan McGrath added nine points for the

victorious Siena Stars, who led 27-14 at halftime and 40-21 after three quarters. Leaf Refenes led the Warriors with 11 points, while Claire Gordon added seven points and seven

rebounds.
Lutheran Westland shot only 10-of-36 from the floor (27.8 percent) and had 26 turnovers.

BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Trojans clip RU in WWAC opener

Dooley leads way again for Clarenceville in 58-51 win

Kimani Dooley was the straw that stirred the drink Tuesday night for the Livonia Clarenceville boys basketball

The 6-foot-4 senior forward propelled the Trojans once again, scoring a game-high 30 points in a 58-51 Western **Wayne Athletic Conference** Red Division victory over visiting Redford Union.

Dooley was coming off a 29-point outing last Thursday in a 70-57 non-conference win over Rochester Hills Lutheran

"He played a great game," said Clarenceville coach Justin Johnson, whose team improved to 3-0 overall and 1-0 in the WWAC Red. "We got into a lot

of foul trouble and he carried

The Trojans, playing their first WWAC game ever, led 28-24 at halftime and 43-31 after three quarters before the Panthers (0-3, 0-1) made a late

"Our point guard, Carlon Davis, fouled out in the fourth quarter and that didn't help," said Johnson, whose team made 18-of-33 free throws.

Jermell Johnson added eight points for Clarenceville, which will try and make it four straight wins Thursday night at home against Dearborn. Jacob McKiddie and Patrick

Wierimaa led RU with 18 points and 12 points, respectively. The Panthers made 9-of-14

foul shots.
SOUTH LYON 56, CHURCHILL 32: On Tuesday, Carter Orazya scored 14 points and Alex Stowe contributed 12 to lead the host Lions (1-2) to the Kensington Conference crossover victory over Livonia Churchill (1-2). Brian Alsobrooks and Donte Jackson tallied eight points apiece for the Chargers, who trailed 25-19 at halftime before being outscored 22-6 in the third

Both teams struggled at the foul line with Churchill going 4-for-10 and South Lyon 5-for-10.

NORTHVILLE 61, FRANKLIN 33: Andrew

NORTHVILLE 61, FRANKLIN 33: Andrew Meacham, a 6-foot-7 senlor, tallied 17 points and David Morrissey added 14 Tuesday to propel the host Mustangs (1-2) to a Kensington Conference crossover trumph over Livonia Franklin (1-2).

Adam Monroe and Nick Guest paced the Patriots with 12 and nine points, respectively.

"We couldn't match their size," said Franklin coach Jeremy Rheault, whose team trailed 21-4 after one quarter. "Our youth and inexperience were exposed. They physically out-rebounded us, giving them too many extra chances."

many extra chances.

SALEM 60, WAYNE 50: Junior forward Tyler
Brooks and junior guard Jake Lenders scored 15
points aplece Tuesday to lift the host Rocks (2-1) to a
Kensington Conference crossover triumph over Wayne
Memorial (0-3).
Senior guard Connor Cole chipped in with 11 points
for Salem

Jackie Muhammad paced the Zebras with a team-high 14 points.

LUTTURAN WESTLAND 59, WASHTENAW CHRISTIAN 34: Jake Davenport poured in 20 points and 49. Gusé added 13 to lead Lutheran High Westland (3-0) to a ponconference with Tuesday over

points and 43, cuse added 13 to lead curreran right Westland (3-0) to a non-conference win Tuesday over Saline Washtenaw Christian (1-3). The Warriors led 31-20 at halfitime and stretched their lead to 45-25 after three quarters. Date of the saline strength of the saline saline strength of the saline strength of the saline salin

BOYS BASKETBALL

HVL's Schaffer breaks 1,000-point mark

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Despite a pair of defeats in the Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary boys basketball tournament, it wasn't totally a lost weekend for the Westland **Huron Valley Lutheran.**

In Saturday's consolation final, a 70-41 setback to Howardsville Christian, the Hawks' senior forward Ryan Schaffer connected on a threepointer with 1:02 remaining in the second quarter to surpass the 1,000-point mark.

The 6-foot-1 Schaffer finished with a team-high 21

points as the Hawks slipped to 0-2 overall.

"That is great accomplishment early in his senior year with the rest of season still to be played," said Huron Valley Lutheran coach Jim Ott, whose team shot just 18-of-47 from the floor (38.2 percent).

Howardsville (1-1) led by only two at intermission, 25-23, but pulled away in the second half outscoring HVL 45-18.

Nathan Parks and Justin Jergens scored 26 and 21, respectively, for Howardsville, while Jon Wilde added

In Friday's 57-28 firstround loss to the host Cardinals, HVL shot only 10-of-48 from the floor (20.8 percent), including just 4-of-22 from three-point range.

Casey and Peter Ross paced the winners with 21 and 17 points, respectively.

Schaffer scored a team-best 14 for the Hawks, while teammate Jordan Rundstadler added seven.

"It was an ugly offensive night, we just can't score," Ott

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MU women burned by Davenport in Wolverine-Hoosier test, 84-63

Fourth-ranked Davenport University pulled an inside job Saturday en route to a convincing 84-63 women's basketball win over host Madonna University.

The Panthers held a 50-18 point advantage inside the paint to improve to 11-1 overall and 6-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

MU (5-6, 4-3), meanwhile, was also out-rebounded 65-36.

Eleven different Davenport players scored led by Linnea Brandholm and Brittany Johnson with 17 points and 14 points, respectively. Alex Law

came off the bench to add 13. Allison Bouman, a 6-foot-4

senior center, and Johnson each grabbed 10 rebounds. MU, which trailed 51-34 at

halftime, got a team-best 17 points, six rebounds and four assists from senior guard Rachel Melcher.

Chelsea Williams (Livonia Franklin) and Tori Duffey chipped in 15 points apiece, but the Crusaders shot only ercent from the floo (19-of-65), including 6-of-25

from three-point range. The Crusaders returns to action 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Concordia Classic where they will face Cardinal Strich (Wis.) followed by a game at 5:30 p.m. Friday against Olivet Nazarene (Ill.), both in Ann

Arbor.
MADONNA (MEN) 76, TAYLOR (IND.) 66:
Senlor point guard Bobby Naubert went 12-for-12
from the fold line en route to a game-high 28 points
Friday leading host Madonna University (8-6) to a opening-round win over Taylor University (7-6) Madonna Classic. national desired from the layer of the layer

out seven assists.

The Crusaders, who hit 23-of-26 free throws, also got 13 points and seven rebounds from Jeff Schmitz.

Junior center Donald Owens added eight points

To MU, which led 44-32 at halftime.

Taylor got 19 points from Kyle Stidom, while Tyler Waite and Jesse Coffey chipped in with 14 points and 11 points, respectively.

CAGERS

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Webber, another junior guard, who added 14.

We got some stops in a row," Young said. "We came out second half ... we had to stop number 14 (Webber) and number one (Campbell). They had 19 of their 23 in the first half. They were the focus in the first half, too, but they're really good. They shoot it well, they're quick."

The Rockets resurrected themselves offensively over the final three quarters making a respectable 17-of-35 shots, but had trouble closing

out the game. "We just didn't deal with it well," Young said. "It looked like a December (game). We just have to get back to the drawing board and work on those types of situations. But

we did enough to win.'

Stevenson was 12-of-34 from the floor (35.2 percent) and committed 15 turnovers, but still made the Rockets sweat at the end after falling behind by 13.

Campbell scored seven second-half points, while Webber was limited to four.

"They did a really good job coming out the second half," Sinawi said. "And Dan (Young) knows who our guys are and they did a really good job adjusting at halftime, coming out and making us work for baskets. They did a really good job in the third quarter and a stretch in the fourth quarter where they shut down Jailen and Noah.

The Spartans' comeback bid was stymied by the fact that they had six fouls to give over the final four minutes.

'We were excited early about not fouling and playing solid defense," Sinawi said. "We played zone most of the



Stevenson's Noah Campbell (left) tries to slide past a Glenn defender. **DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK**

game, so we're not going to pick up a lot of fouls. Late in the game it hurt us.'

But despite the setback. Sinawi was pleased with his team's determination.

"I give our guys credit," the Stevenson coach said. "They battled back. We didn't quit, we fought against what I think is one of the better teams in our area coming into our place. We could have tanked it in and found ourselves down 20 or 25.'

Glenn, meanwhile, will try and make it two straight Thursday night against Salem.

'We've seen zone (defense) now and we're starting to get more comfortable," Young said. We had some guys knock down shots, so that helps. It's going to take some time. We're getting better, and when you bring him (Everette) back, we'll be back to where we were before."



against Davenport. PATRICK MOORE I MU SPORTS INFORMATION

MADONNA

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champs.

Naubert, a 5-foot-10 senior from Livonia Stevenson, was heroic in defeat going 10-of-15 from the floor and 10-of-14 from the line to go along with six assists.

The two teams meet again Feb. 1 in Grand Rapids, but currently Indiana Tech and Cornerstone share the lead in the WHAC at 6-1 and 5-1,

respectively. "I'm sure we're going to look at everything as far as what worked and what didn't work," Emenhiser said. "I

team and they made us pay for some of the mistakes we made today." Ocelots canceled

Saturday's nonconference men's and women's game between host Schoolcraft College and Edison (Ohio) Community were canceled because of bad weather. No makeup date has been

thought we had a good game

plan going in and didn't exe-

cute it as well as we wanted.

Like I said, they're a good

The Schoolcraft men enter the holiday break with a 7-3 record and a four-game winning streak, while the Lady

Ocelots stand 4-6.

BOYS SWIM RESULTS

ROCKET SWIM RELAYS Dec. 14 at John Glenn 200-yard medley: 1. Dearborn, 2:00.4; 2. John Glenn (Josh Ferguson, Jeremy Billings, Josh Eddings, Andrei Manaila), 2:08.62; 2. Wayne (Ethan Drouillard, Blake Barber, Zack Williams, Jacob

800 freestyle: 1. Dearborn, 8:51.51; 2. Wayne (Mack Beeney, Arthur Aigeltinger, Devlin Robinson, Daniel Mills), 10:11.85; 3. John Glenn (Jacob Deering, Pete Augustino, Caleb Cameron, Yihweigh

Deering, Pete Augustino, Caleb Cameron, Yinweigh Ponce de Leon), 12:07.43.

Diving: 1. John Glenn (David Cunningham, Justin Wozniak), 171.90 points.

400 individual medley: 1. John Glenn (Cody Hodges, Jason Burcick), Eddings, Deering), no time; 2. Dearborn, 4:50.4; 3. Wayne (Williams, Barber, Beeney, Aigeltinger), 5:03.69.

100 butterfly: 1. Dearborn, 59.46. 200 backstroke: 1. Dearborn, 2:12.22; 2. Wayne (Drouillard, Kyle Swindlehurst, Robinson,

Aigeltinger), 2:24.25; 3. John Glenn (Ponce de Leon, Eddings, Josh Ferguson, Burcicki), 2:26.74. 100 breaststroke: 1. Dearborn, 1:15.97; 2. John Glenn (Hodges, Billings, Manaila, Austin LeBlanc), 1:16.82. 200 freestyle: 1. Dearborn, 1:44.29; 2. John

Glenn (Hodges, Burcicki, Augustino, Manaila),

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1:50.53; 3. Wayne (Devin Gibson, Williams, Griffth, Michael Gibson), 1:52.07.

100 medley: 1. Wayne (Drake Carpenter, Barber, Colin Malcolm, Swindlehurst), 1:09.31; 2. Dearborn, 1:10.83; 3. John Glenn (Jacob Spac, LeBlanc, Dylan Schweringer, Curtis Tamlin), 1:24.3.

1,500 freestyle: 1. John Glenn (Deering, Ferguson, Burcicki), no time; 2. Dearborn, 18:37.42; 3. Wayne (John Stover, Beeney, Williams), no time.

100 freestyle: 1. Wayne (D. Gibson, Beeney, Griffith, M. Gibson), 48.61; 2. Dearborn, 53.81; 3. John Glenn (Augustino, Schweringer, Tamlin, Tzadkiel Ponce de Leon), 1:02.89.

200 breaststroke: 1. Dearborn, 2:28.17; 2. Wayne (Stover, Barber, Urtel Figueroa, Griffith), no time.

100 backstroke: 1. Dearborn, 1:05.93; 2. Wayne (Jared Ketchersikde, Drouillard, Swindle-hurst, Carpenter), no time; 3. John Glenn (Spac, Justin Claphan, Robert Davis, Brad Doudt), no time. 200 butterfly: 1. John Glenn (Deering, Hodges, Ferguson, Eddings), 2:03.69; 2. Dearborn, 2:05.63; 3. Wayne (M. Gibson, Malcolm, Robinson,

Stover), 2:05.96. 400 freestyle: 1. Wayne (D. Gibson, Algeltinger, M. Gibson, Stover), 3:54.61; 2. Dearborn, 3:57.08; 3. John Glenn (Manaila, Billings, T. Ponce de Leon, Schweringer), 4:51.04.

DECEMBER **ADVENT SERVICES**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Dec. 18 Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford Details: The theme for meditations is "Waiting for the

Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18

Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Road,

Details: This service is designed for people who struggle with the holidays, who are grieving, dealing with the loss of a loved one or the loss of a job. A coffee reception with care ministers will follow the service

Contact: 734-513-4121

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, family Christmas Eve service; 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, **Christmas Day service**

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford Details: Free gifts for all children and visitors

Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Time/Date: 4 p.m. children's service; 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 24

Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Road,

Details: Children's service includes story, costumes, communion and singing; candlelight and communion at remaining two services

Contact: 734-422-1470 **CHRISTMAS EVE**

WORSHIP Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 11 p.m.

Location: Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill Road,

Garden City. **Details:** Late night worship is candlelight service

Contact: 734-427-3660 **CHRISTMAS EVE** WORSHIP

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec.

Location: First United Methodist Church, 3 Town Square, Wayne

Details: Candle service; barrier

Contact: 734-721-4801 FILM

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Dec.

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills **Details:** The Muppet Christmas Carol; free and includes potluck dinner

NATIVITY Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Location: Lake Pointe Bible

Church, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth **Details:** Living Nativity

Contact: 734-420-0515 **NEW YEAR'S WORSHIP** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec.

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford **Details:** New Year's Eve service Contact: 313- 532-8655 or 734-968-3523

JANUARY 2014 YOUNG FIVES PROGRAM

Time/Date: Jan. 6, 2014 Location: St. Paul's Preschool and Day Care, 20805 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

Details: New Young Fives program begins. Preschool/day care runs 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.Monday-Friday for ages 2 1/2-5. Contact: Karen or Robin at 248-474-2488

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014 Location: St. Kenneth Church,

14951 N. Haggerty, Plymouth Details: Widowed Friends, a peer group of th Archdiocese of Detroit, invites widowed men and women to celebrate Mass, followed by friendship and refreshments

Contact: Pat at 734-895-6246

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 am. 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

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

RELIGION CALENDAR

Contact: 248-374-5920 **FAMILY COMMUNITY** MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington

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,

Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at 734-270-2528. **MOMS**

Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergart-

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

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

St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton **Details: Praying silently or** aloud together; prayer requests

welcomed. Contact: 734-459-3333

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Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford: Room 304

Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated. Occasionally includes guest speakers; open to the public and visitors are welcome.

Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org First Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays. Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.

Contact: 313-534-0399 **Ward Evangelical Presbyteri**an Church

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. Sunday Location: 40000 Six Mile, North-

Details: Single Point Ministries, for 30 and up, offers fellowship, coffee, doughnuts, conversation.

Contact: 248-374-5920 **Sona Circle Congregation Beth Ahm**

Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield **Details:** Sing zemirot (Shabbat

songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

SUPPORT Apostolic Christian Church

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven **Retirement Community. Funding** available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act. Contact: 734-261-9000:

ment.com » Detroit World Outreach Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday

www woodhaven-retire-

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford: room 202 **Details:** Addiction No More offers support for addictive

behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling. **Contact:**-313-255-2222. Ext. 244 » Farmington Hills Baptist

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt.

between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills Details: Western Oakland

Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011 » Merriman Road Baptist

Church Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and

fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519 » Riverside Park Church of

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh,

Details: Adult Day Ministry offers an adult daytime care program with a specialty in dementia care, includes a planned program that includes a variety of health, social and support services in a protective setting. Not a drop-in center

Contact: 734-367-4220 or 734-464-0990; www.riversideparkchurch.org; or email to rpadm@riversideparkchurch.org » St. Andrew's Episcopal

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday morning

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available.

Contact: 734-421-8451.

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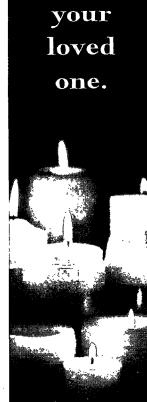
Age 79, of Farmington Hills, died December 13, 2013. Roland is the devoted father of Randall Wright, Martin Wright, Debra Godin, Starla Adly, Julie Marino and Eric Wright. Loving grandfather of Alicia, Charles, Heather, Cheyenne, Austin, Melissa, Megan, Gyra, Sara, Nicole, Ste-ven, Aiden, Owen and Avery. Great-grandfather of 17 and great-great-grandfather of one. Fond brother of Linda Campbell. Also survived by his dogs, Jack and Precious. Sadly, Roland was preceded in death by his wife, Bonnie; children Edward Wright and Laura Fisher; and siblings, William Wright, Nell Wright and Mildred Sissom. Funeral Services were held Monday, December 16, at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btwn 9-10 Mile Rds., just N. of Grand River), down-town Farmington (248-474-5200). Interment North Farmington Cemetery, Farmington Hills. Memorial gifts suggested to the Westland Humane Society Newburgh Rd., Westland, MI

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High profile: Madonna film students screen their works at Masonic Temple

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Aspiring cinematographer Tyler Henker is only a sophomore in Madonna University's **Broadcast and Cinema Arts** program, but he has filmed music videos, commercials, a fictional story - and worked on nearly 30 other projects over the past year and a half through its Capstone film class.

"The class is set up so that you start low and work your way up," said Henker, of Canton. "I started off as a PA (production assistant) on the first shoot and came back on the second shoot as the AC (assistant camera). During a good portion of 2012 I worked in the camera department and was cinematographer on four projects: A Motor Honey music video, a BLT (Sportswear) commercial, Paulina Jayne one of the biggest country artists - her music video, and Forever Saturday, a short

The public will get a chance to see those and other film projects created by Henker and his Capstone classmates at a red carpet premiere, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, at The Masonic Temple, 500 Temple St., Detroit; (313) 832-7100. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and a party will follow the film showcase at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Get advance tickets at tinyurl.com/CapstoneFilmClass-Premiere. The red carpet premiere will feature commercials - some that are currently airing on television locally music videos and five short films that Capstone film class produced over two years.

Hard work

"I went to the 2011 premiere and saw their work and basically what I saw was what they did that entire year," said Jeff Graham, a Capstone student and Madonna senior from Farmington Hills. "I thought they must have put tons of



Jeff Graham (right) directs a scene from A Dark Roast with Christopher Merbley, director of photography, while Lauren Mora, second assistant director, looks on in the background.

blood, sweat and tears into what they did. That's what I'm hoping the audience will see this year. We put so much blood, sweat and tears into these projects. I hope they enjoy it. We worked hard on

Graham, a graphic design major, signed up for the Capstone class as a part of his minor studies in broadcast and cinema arts. Like Henker, he worked as a production assistant on his first few class proiects and then moved on to production design, enabling him to incorporate his experience as an artist, in Forever

Saturday and The Hunting of the Jackalope, two short films.

"I was going to shops and looking for props and making props. It's like a shopping spree and a scavenger hunt," Graham said. "After I did production design, I directed my own film called A Dark Roast, a silent film noir. I didn't know if I wanted a silent film or film noir, I decided why not do

"I learned so much. It's a lot of hard work but it's the experience of a lifetime. I never thought I'd get this experience out of college.'



Director of Photography Tyler Henker (center) sets a shot with director Benjamin Berg (left), and gaffer Ian Wolffe, on the set of Forever Saturday.

Professionally run

Teacher Jennifer Champagne, who taught the class for three years, said she ran Capstone like a professional production company. She also called on class alumni and production colleagues to help mentor each new group of film students.

"My main goal is to make sure they are employable," said Champagne, a producer and 18-year veteran of the film industry. "When they show that they are professional and know their craft, I start referring them out (for jobs). They get out of the class what they put into it.

"I hire many of them myself because I have trained them. I'm tough, but the industry is tough."

She set many of the 2012-13 projects in Detroit. Student crews have filmed at Masonic Temple, the Max Fisher Theater, The Bottom Line Coffee House, Town Pump and more.

"A lot of these students

left the suburbs. If you want to live in those areas, you need to understand what city life is like," Champagne explained. "We're at a time when Detroit is reinventing itself, there's an incredible artist community there. I think students should take a hand in that." The red carpet premiere

want to move to New York or

L.A., however, they've never

will cap Champagne's threeyear teaching stint at Madonna. She plans to resume her own professional film projects full time, but won't cut ties with her students.

"I claim these kids for life and will continue having a relationship with them." She hopes the audience at the upcoming film showcase will recognize the "voice and talent" her students demonstrate in their work.

"I hope they are proud of these students. I hope they have a fabulous time and recognize Madonna as a leader in filmmaking."

Gospel version of Handel's Messiah aims to get toes tapping

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

When Pat Minnick joined the Rackham Sym y Choir 16 years ago. its sincers performed He of all a M h near-....unas season.

"We did a darn good job," said Minnick, who sings alto vith the choir and coordinates muric events at Schoolcraft College, Livonia.

A few years later, Rackham's director, Suzanne Mallare Acton, heard about a soulful, jazz/gospel arrangement of Handel's classic work and suggested the choir give it a

"We all turned our noses up at the thought of doing a jazz Messiah," Minnick recalled.

Twelve years later, Minnick can't imagine Rackham welcoming the season without it.

"It is just absolutely fun to perform. It's true to the original score. It's just that the rhythm changes and it uses jazz motifs and gospel. The melodies are always recognizable. The arrangers did a marvelous job," Minnick said.

Rackham's Too Hot to Handel is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Detroit Opera House. 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Tickets range from \$20-\$68 and are available at www.michiganopera.org. Soloists Rodrick Dixon, Alfreda Burke, and Karen Marie Richardson, will perform along with the choir. The Too Hot to Handel orchestra will include Marion Hayden, Alvin Waddles, Dave Taylor and other Detroit jazz legends.

"It's just so powerful. You've got the full orchestra and jazz players," Minnick



Don't let their formal holiday attire fool you. Members of the Rackham Symphony Choir will be swaying to the beat of a gospel version of Handel's Messiah, Friday, Dec. 20, at the Detroit Opera House.

said. "You've got trombones they never get a chance to play Messiah — and you've got organ and rhythm instruments. It's just exciting. And you don't have to be quiet. You can shout, clap, yell Hallelujah and they

Although the singers dress in formal attire, they get caught up in the jazzy gospel

sounds, too.

"We don't stand still. It is impossible," Minnick said. "The show is difficult to explain to people who haven't experienced it. You almost have to go and see what I'm talking about."

Challenging piece

Andrea Tawil, an attorney and a Livonia resident, will experience the show for the first time on Saturday as a soprano in the choir. She joined the group in January and has only sung the piece in rehears-

"I've done the classic Messiah, but I've never done gospel before. This has been an amaz-

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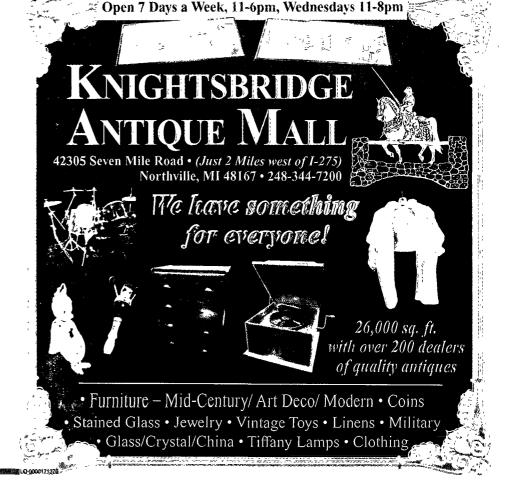
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ing experience," said Tawil, who sang in the choir at Churchill High School and later in a glee club at the University of Michigan.

"It's challenging in two ways. Even if you haven't done it before, most people have heard the pieces from the original Messiah. You want to sing the original. Then the other difficult part is not having done gospel before. It has to be technically perfect but sound free-flowing and unrestrained. It has been challenging, but in a good way. I love the sound we're getting out of it."

Joining the choir

Tawil was watching a choral show on television last Christmas when she decided it was time to re-charge her interest in



Suzzane Meliare Acton directs the choir.

choir. She scheduled auditions with two groups, including Rackham.

"I was terrified when I did it. I sang my piece and they had me do some arrangements, highs and lows," Tawil said. She was invited to join and

is a silent movie about Joan of Arc. In the '90s a composer wrote a choral score to go behind it. They do it every few years. We were doing the performance while the movie played."

More than song

presentation, dance,

narrators or film.

The thing that keeps me at Rackham is the director," Minnick said. "Every rehearsal is a voice lesson. She has high expectations for everyone who sings there.

Minnick had sung in school and church choirs for many years before auditioning for Rackham. The group consists of approximately 85 singes, which it draws from throughout southeastern Michigan. It rehearses weekly at First Presbyterian Church in Royal Oak and membership is by audition.

'Church choirs do a lot of things connected to the service. With the kind of repertoire we do, we're able to do a lot of big things. We always sing with orchestra."

For more information

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 Dec. 28

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill

Road, Canton **Details:** Ohio artist Mary Gaynier exhibits her intricate

paper cuts. Contact: 734-394-5300 **THREE CITIES ART CLUB**

Time/Date: View exhibit 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday, through Dec. 29

Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 Sheidon, Plymouth

Details: "The Gift of Art" exhibit will include twodimensional styles from traditional to impressionistic to abstract as well as photography. Most will be for sale.

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: The work of photog-

rapher Shawn Salvaggio

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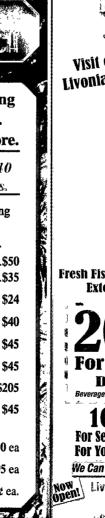
Details: Camp Rock - The Musical, will feature a wide variety of roles, at all performance levels. Auditions are on a drop-in basis. Participants should bring a recent school photo. Preliminary materials will be available for review beginning Jan. 8, 2014, at fhgov.com/YouthTheatre





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or most home cooks, using a French coffee press to create a tasty soup broth or a microwave to make a delicious custard might seem unconventional. However, during a time of year when many are cooking warm, comforting meals inside their kitchens, these ideas on making the most of small appliances and available ingredients start to make per-

"Pressure cookers are becoming a popular kitchen tool — you see them everywhere," said chef Kevan Vetter of the McCorrmick Kitchens. "Many people, however, might not know what to do with one — or that it's actually really easy to get different kinds of flavors and meals from it.

"Cooking in 2014 and beyond is going to be

about maximizing the appliances you have on hand, and using ingredients in multipurpose, creative ways to get the big flavors we all crave. For example, there's a good chance you have something as simple and affordable as tea in your kitchen cabinets — did you ever think about using it as a cooking liquid, a savory spice rub or even adding it to a marinade?"

According to Vetter, these tips and others like them were inspired by the Clever Compact Cooking trend from McCormick's Flavor Forecast 2014: 125th Anniversary Edition. The trend, which highlights the inventive ways urban home cooks with limited space are still creating bold flavor, has helped cultivate a new kind of cooking —and a thoughtful, effi-cient way to explore flavors.

New ways to create big flavors:

» Savory step — Make Vegetable Pho with
Tea using a French coffee press. It's the perfect base for a vegetable version of Vietnam-

ese pho, a comforting noodle soup. » Microwavable desserts — Prepare Easy Lemon Tea Infused Custard with Candied Apricots in individual serving cups in the microwave. The bright flavor from the lemon tea is perfectly complemented by ground ginger and candied apricots.

» Pressure cooking 2.0 — Cook Cajun Spiced Chicken Risotto in a pressure cooker for a creamy dish with just the right bite to the rice; no stirring needed.

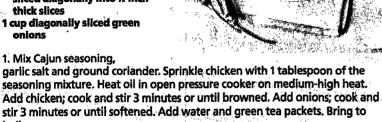
Visit www.FlavorForecast.com for more flavors, trends and recipes to try in 2014.

CAJUN SPICED CHICKEN RISOTTO

Risotto cooked in a pressure cooker comes out creamy with just the right bite to the rice, and no stirring is needed. Green tea adds a mild herb flavor to the cooking liquid in

this Cajun-seasoned risotto. Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes Makes 8 (1-cup) servings

- 2 tablespoons McCormick **Gourmet Cajun Seasoning** 1 tablespoon gariic sait 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- seed 1 pound boneless skinless chicken thighs, cut into 1-inch chunks
- tablespe olive oil
- 1 ½ cups diced onlons (1-inch
- dice) 3 cups water
- 6 green tea bags 2 cups Arborio rice
- 1 ½ cups diced assorted colors bell peppers (1-inch dice)
- 8 ounces andouille sausage sliced diagonally into 1/2-inch thick slices



stir 3 minutes or until softened. Add water and green tea packets. Bring to 2. Stir in rice, bell peppers, sausage and remaining seasoning mixture. Close lid. Bring pressure cooker to full pressure on high heat. Cook 5 minutes.

Remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes. 3. Run cold water over pressure cooker to release the pressure. Remove lid. Remove tea bags. Stir in onions.

Test Kitchen Tip: Be sure to read the instruction manual that comes with your pressure cooker to familiarize yourself with the features of your cooker.

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EASY LEMON TEA-INFUSED CUSTAR

This custard is deceptively need an oven! The lemon tea steeped custard and candied apricots are both prepared using table in less than 30 minutes. Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes

CANDIED APRICOTS

Makes 4 servings

- 1 %cups heavy cream 4 lemon-flavored herb tea bags, such as Bigelow I Love
- 1/4 cup sugar
- ¼ teaspoon ground ginge **Candied Apricots:** %cup finely chopped dried apricots
- 2 tablespoons sugar 2 tablespoons water 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger 1/2 cup sliced almonds
- 1. For the Lemon Tea-Infused Custard, microwave cream and tea bags in medium microwavable bowl on high 4 to 5 minutes. Cover. Let steep 5 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, for the Candied Apricots, place apricots, sugar, water and ginger in small microwavable bowl. Microwave on high 1 minute. Stir in

almonds; cover. Set aside: 3. Beat eggs and sugar in large bowl with wire whisk until well blended. Gradually whisk in cream mixture. Pour into 4 (6-ounce) microwavable ramekins or cups. Microwave on medium (50 percent power) 7 minutes or

just until custard is set. Let stand 5 to 10 minutes. Serve warm with Candied Apricots. Test Kitchen Tip: Check your tea bags for metal staples. Be sure to re move before microwaving.



This flavorful, tea-based broth steeps in a French coffee press with spices. It serves as a perfect base for a vegetable version of Vietnamese pho, a comforting noodle soup. Prep Time: 20 minutes Makes 4 servings

1 package (8 ounces) shirataki noodles 1 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet Chinese Five Spice

1 teaspoon ninced garlic 1 teaspoon onion powder

1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper 2 tablespoons loose Lapsang Southong Tea

2 tablespoons hoisin sauce 4 cups boiling water

Garnishes:

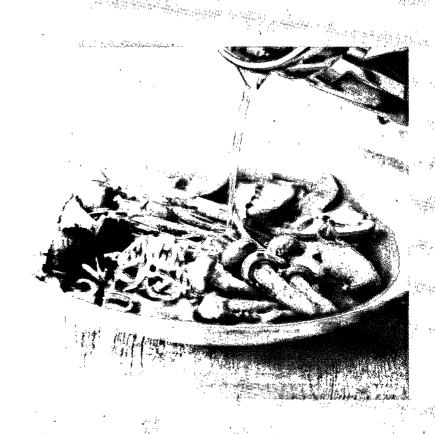
2 green onions, thinly sliced 1/2 Krup thinly sliced red bell pepper

¼ cup julienned carrots 1/4 cup thinly sliced shiitake mushrooms or wild mushrooms

4 sprigs fresh cilantro Lime wedges

1. Rinse noodles with hot water in colander. Divide among 4 soup bowls. 2. Place spices, tea leaves, hoisin sauce and water in 8-cup French press. Let stand 3 minutes. Using the French press plunger, strain stock. Pour clear liquid

evenly into bowls. Sprinkle with desired garnishes. Test Kitchen Tip: Shirataki noodles can be found in Asian markets, health food stores, or in refrigerator case in the produce aisle of some supermarkets. If unavailable, substitute 4 ounces rice noodles, cooked as directed on pack-



Realtor group chief urges change in mortgage market

As lawmakers debate how best to reform the secondary mortgage finance market, they must ensure that any new system retains access to safe, secure and affordable sources of mortgage capital for creditworthy consumers in all market conditions or risk a major disruption to the economy, warned the National Association of Realtors recently in testimony before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Af-

On behalf of the leading advocate for homeownership and housing issues, NAR President Gary Thomas recommended essential reforms to the current housing finance structure that will benefit consumers.

"Realtors support a stable secondary mortgage market with strong, reasonable lending standards and access to

credit. We believe that the current system can be transitioned into a marketplace that is bound by an explicit government guarantee and a sustained flow of private capital while protecting taxpayers from unnecessary risk," said Thomas, broker-owner of Evergreen Realty, in Villa Park, Calif. "We fear that without the government's backing, the only mortgage products available in the secondary market for the average homebuyer would not be aligned with their best in-

NAR supports the biparti-san "Housing Finance Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 2013," which provides for an explicit government guarantee and includes many of the elements outlined in the association's principles for secondary mortgage finance reform that NAR presented to

the administration in early

During his testimony, Thomas expressed concern about emerging barriers to homeownership facing middle class and first-time buyers that could potentially derail the housing recovery. "Apprehensive bankers are leery about issuing new loans as a result of proposed risk retention rules and ability-to-repay requirements that are set to go into effect next year. At the same time, rising interest rates and growing student loan debt is limiting consumers' access to credit and contributing to an already tight lending environment.

Realtors urged policymakers to prioritize strong underwriting standards over high down payment requirements that would put homeownership out of reach for otherwise creditworthy buyers.

Rather than adopt a complex Qualified Residential Mortgage rule, NAR believes the agencies should follow the strong standards set by the **Consumer Financial Protec**tion Bureau for the related Qualified Mortgage Rule.

Thomas warned against other proposals that would restrict lending, such as low-ering loan limits and putting private capital in a 10 percent first-loss position, which could inhibit private investors from participating in the secondary mortgage market, especially during periods of economic distress.

"Our goal is to help Congress, and our industry, design a secondary mortgage market model that will serve America's best interests today and into the future, and ensure a strong housing market and economic recovery," said Thomas.



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A: The BW Act requires that

most properties insured through the National Flood Insurance Program be charged rates reflecting the full risk of flood loss. The premium increases apply immediately to flood insurance policies covering businesses and when residential properties are sold or a lapsed policy is renewed. Additionally, the BW Act requires that flood insurance rate maps be updated on an expedited schedule. Apparently, due to BW Act reforms, many homeowners are facing significant increases in their flood insurance premiums. It may be that these increases are so substantial that owners can no longer afford to maintain flood insurance coverage. Obviously, this is a substantial problem for homeowners in areas where flood insurance coverage is required by federal law for mortgaged properties. To help Congress better understand the impact of BW Act reforms, the law required that FEMA determined how flood insurance rate hikes would affect homeowners living in areas where flood insurance coverage is mandatory. The BW Act additionally required that FEMA study how substantial increases in flood insurance premiums would affect overall participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. There is new legislation that has been submitted in an effort to set aside substantial flood insurance rate hikes, but you are best advised to consult with your local congressperson or senator as to how it may impact on you.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 12-16, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office.

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BEVERLY HILLS	
16905 Buckingham Ave	\$158,000
20250 Coryell Dr	\$285,000
17010 Dunblaine Ave	\$245,000
20024 Ronsdale Dr	\$338,000
31146 Sunset Ct	\$343,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
30215 Oakview Way	\$290,000
23615 Overlook Cir	\$259,000
BIRMINGHAM	•
1494 E Melton Rd	\$212,000
809 Henrietta St	\$415,000
680 Landon St	\$425,000
975 Mohegan St	\$778,000
928 N Adams Rd Unit 1	\$86,000
508 Oakland Ave	\$319,000
455 Smith Ave	\$273,000
1674 Webster St	\$205,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1050 Frankel Ln	\$243,000
4366 Risdon Ct	\$538,000
2536 Robindale Ln	\$190,000
3017 Anthony Ln	\$725,000
486 Dunston Ct	\$605,000
2049 E Hammond Lake	\$30,000
Dr	
494 Fox Hills Dr N # 7	\$61,000
3922 Mount Vernon Dr	\$230,000
3104 Quarton Rd	\$1,040,000
684 Rudgate Rd	\$950,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
2536 Alveston Dr	\$222,000
1526 Ardmoor Dr	\$331,000

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44160 Brandywyne Rd	\$189,000
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49016 Manhattan Cir	\$325,000
45475 Muirfield Dr	\$330,000
45499 Muirfield Dr	\$325,000
4729 Pond Run	\$245,000
1534 Rand Rd	\$225,000
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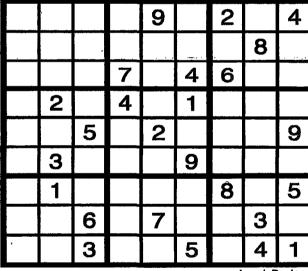
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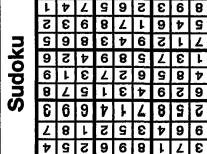
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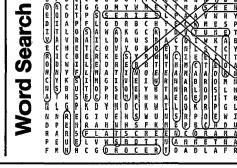
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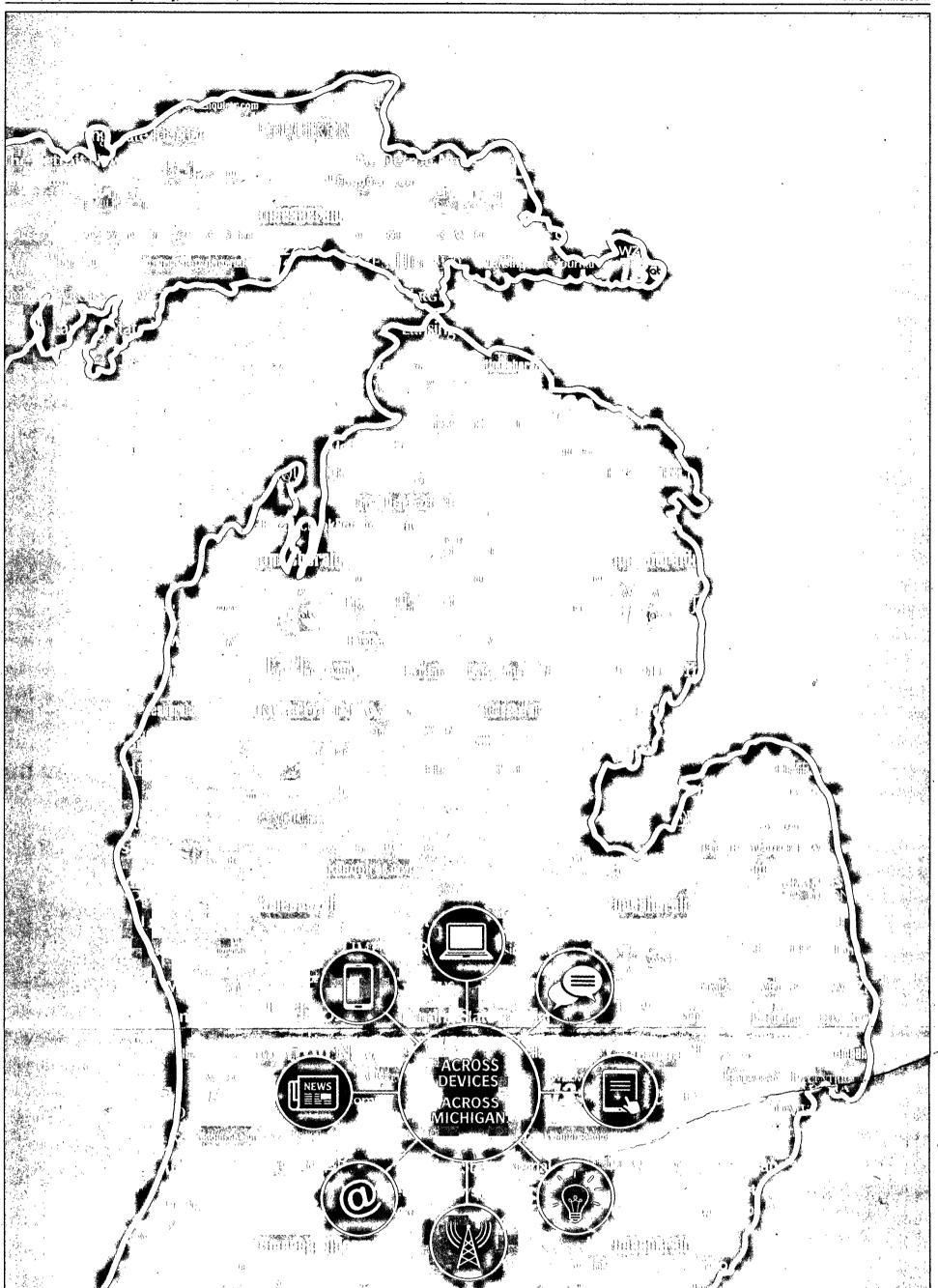
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