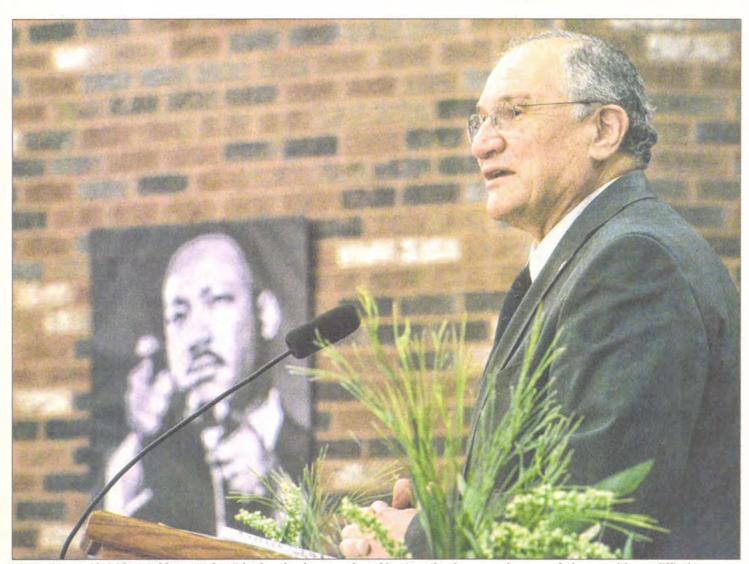
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Wayne Mayor Al Haidous told guests that "sharing the dream and working together has never been needed more with our difficult economy and challenges." PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# Communities join to remember MLK legacy

By LeAnne Rogers

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is remembered as someone who worked for inclusiveness, and Westland's annual tribute to his memory was expanded this year to include neighboring communi-

"Martin Luther King's philosophy is about building bridges. This is a small example of that," said Westland Mayor William Wild during the program Mon-day at Annapolis Park Church of Christ. Westland has held its local Dr. Martin

Luther King Jr. program for about 15 years. This year, it became the Western Wayne County program with the participation of Garden City, Wayne and Inkster. Officials from Redford and Dearborn Heights also were in attendance.

Along with Wild and other mayors, Sen. Carl Levin, D-Michigan, spoke to the crowd. The veteran senator is retiring and received standing ovations when he was introduced and as he left the

"As we honor this remarkable individual, we reflect on his brief but remarkable life," Levin said. "We reflect on his campaign of non-violent protest against segregation. We pay tribute to his efforts in the Montgomery (Ala bama) bus strike and for the Civil Rights

The June 23, 1963, Freedom Walk in Detroit foreshadowed the March on Washington in August the same year, Levin said, when King made his famous I Have a Dream speech.

### Her husband's work

In his remarks, Levin also paid tribute to Coretta Scott King and her commitment to her husband's work.

"Following her husband's assassination, she picked up his mantle. She made it clear that his dream of a just America was hers also," Levin said. "She carried out his message. Martin Luther King Jr.'s message changed all our lives." Mayors of each participating commu-

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Juanita Francis offers a welcome as the mistress of ceremony.

## Wheels in motion

NAIAS vice chair Scott LaRiche (from left), chairman Bob Shuman, 12-year-old David Redmond (representing the kids of Detroit) and Gov. Rick Snyder, helped open the 2014 auto show. For more on the auto show charity preview, please turn to page A6. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



### **Demolition** makes way for McDonald's

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

The sign was still up earlier this week but Rex's House of Pancakes is only a

Located at the southwest corner of South Wayne Road and Michigan Avenue West, the site will soon be home to a new McDonald's restau-

"They have all their permits. They should start construction right after the demolition is completed," said Interim City Manager and Department of Public Works Director Ramzi El-Gharib. "They should be serving Big Macs by Memorial Day.

The demolition took about three days and some remaining cleanup items, along with the sign removal, will likely take another couple of

days.
"They have to remove the old parking lot, with more cleaning and removal to do, and then they can start the foundation for the new restaurant," El-Gharib said. "I think it is progress to have a new business.

Plans for the restaurant were approved a year ago amid complaints about a fast food restaurant being located on a prime corner in the

downtown area. The 4,200-square foot restaurant, which will be open 24 hours day for dine-in and drive-through service, includes an outdoor seatingarea. McDonald's officials described it as a more caf

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### Neighbors concerned wit business expansion

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Commercial property fronting along Ford often isn't deep enough for growing modern businesses but expansions can narrow the gap between nearby residences

That's the situation with a rezoning and land division requested to make the rear portion of Upright Fence, located on Ford near Hix, 132 feet deeper. The request is to rezone 132 feet by 250 feet from residential to CD1, general commercial. That would take the business closer to the Carolon Condominiums.

"From our standpoint, it's (the business expansion) a good thing. Can it be designed to limit the impact (on the condominiums)? Certainly," Westland Plan-ning and Building Director Bruce Thompson said. The Westland Planning

Commission, which has recommended approval of the rezoning and land division, held a public hearing on the request. The property would be used to expand

the company's storage area. "What they (Upright Fence) are proposing is a mirror image of what they did in 2006," said Thompson, noting an earlier rezoning and property acquisition to expand the business.

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nity - Wild, Randy Walker of Garden City, Hilliard Hampton of Inkster and Al Haidous of Wayne — each had a slightly different focus in their remarks.

Wild called on people to rededicate themselves to Martin Luther King Jr. as a day of service. That could be mentoring a child not your own, he said, or removing snow from your neighbor's drive-

It's nearly the 60th anniversary of the Brown vs. Board of Education U.S. Supreme Court ruling striking down school segregation, but Walker noted Detroit remains one of the most racially segregated regions in the country.

The poverty, joblessness and violence facing Detroit residents are exactly the issues King was fighting, Walker



Westland City Councilman Kevin Coleman was among the local officials in attendance. In the background is Garden City Police Chief/City Manager Robert Muery. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

"I challenge you to live his legacy — that you won't tolerate ugliness or hate. That you won't tolerate your neighbor living in these conditions," Walker said. "We are Detroit and are all in this together."

Hampton shared memories of growing up in Inkster during a period when he said it was accepted that blacks lived south of Michigan

Avenue and west of Inkster Road. As a youngster his mother took him to hear King speak, Hampton said, where he heard a message of inclusiveness.

'Unity as one'

"He (King) is more than a dream maker and a speech maker. Sometimes you can trivialize as time goes on without really understanding the time and place and ne-

cessity of what he brought," Hampton said. "At the time, society was socially sick. We must do more to work in unity as one community, hand in hand."

As an immigrant, Haidous said he was included after moving to Wayne in 1974 - a community in which he said he felt at home and adopted him.

Sharing the dream and working together has never been needed more with our difficult economy and challenges," Haidous said.

Along with elected speakers, the program again featured reenactments of excerpts of King's speeches by Greenfield Village presenter Anthony Lucas. Music was provided by the Annapolis Park Church of Christ Choir with the Westland John Glenn High School JROTC serving as color

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As in the earlier expansion, the additional land would come from a long narrow parcel that runs west from Newburgh south of the existing Upright Fence prop-

### Oppose rezoning

Carolon Condominium resident Pamela Renner and some of her neighbors attended the Planning Commission public hearing to voice opposition to the rezon-

"They expanded behind the first set of condos. They are very noisy from 6:15 a.m. to 8 p.m., Renner said. "My bedroom is on a balcony and looks right over it (the proposed expansion). Because I'm so affected, I'm a little more up in arms about it."

If the business expands farther south as proposed, Renner said it would come within 60 feet of her bedroom window.

Upright Fence owner Kevin Watson planned on an 8-foot fence along the residential property when only a 6-foot fence is required by ordinance. He said his plans also leave a 10-foot strip of property outside the fence to preserve existing large trees as a buff-

"I'm bending over backwards. I don't want people calling the city to complain every day, Watson said. "We're neighbors. When I put in a fence, I always say talk to your neighbors. Be neighborly - you have to live or work next to them.

The Planning Commission had delayed making a recommendation on the rezoning in December to allow Watson to provide additional information on the request.

Once the rezoning was recommended by the Planning Commission in January, Thompson said Watson requested a delay in sending it to the council to allow time for a meeting with resi-

dents.

"The neighbors can get a full understanding of what is proposed and the outdoor storage can be designed to have as little impact as possible," Thompson said. "There is a buffer with some trees. The fence is 2 feet higher than required. He (Watson) is trying to be a good

neighbor.' A Carolon resident for eight years, Renner said she doesn't expect the fence or trees will do much to lessen the impact if the business expands.

### Not as close

The family-owned Upright Fence has been in operation long before the condos were constructed - this spring marks 44 years in business. But Renner points out that the business wasn't as close.

"Why shouldn't we be upset? We didn't back up to them — they expand-ed," Renner said. "I had pictures and tape recordings (for the Planning Commission). I look into a scrap yard. A few trees are not enough to block anything.'

Watson is scheduled to meet with the condominiums owners Tuesday, Feb. 4. Upright Fence had actually been using the property for storage for years under a lease, Watson said, and he's had it cleaned up.

"I'm sure noises occur they use metal pipes and trucks in their normal business. It's something for the Planning Commission and council to consider," Thompson said. "The zoning ordinance has specific conditions for deciding if a property should be rezoned. They also consider public input."

When the city administration looks at a rezoning, Thompson said one factor it is looking at is around the parcel. In this case, he said the area is largely zoned for industrial uses surrounding a pocket of residential development, mainly the condominiums.

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### 4 parochial schools hold open houses Ford Road, Westland. their special class prochoir, as well as a latch-Four parochial

schools in Wayne-Westland and Garden City are welcoming parents to open houses Sunday and Monday, Jan. 26-27. The schools are St. Matthew Lutheran and St. Damian Catholic in Westland, St. Michael in Wayne and St. Raphael in Garden City.

» At St. Matthew, an open house will be held from 2-4 p.m. to showcase the school's new enhanced preschool program that will also have daycare services. The program, which will be open in February, is for children ages 21/2-5. The hours will be 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Children staying for a full day will have the option to order hot lunch through the school's private lunch provider, Healthy Helpings, or they can bring a lunch from home.

Char Sliva and Carly Sayger will remain the morning teachers and follow a Christian preschool curriculum.

St. Matthew School offers a pre-kindergarten-eighth-grade program. The school is at 5885 Venoy, north of

For more information, call 734-425-0261.

» St. Michael School in Wayne will hold an open house from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, for current and prospective students.

Parents and their children will have the opportunity to see the school, meet with teachers and learn more about its Christian education. St. Michael offers full-day kindergarten, technology-enhanced classrooms, an athletic program, hot lunch program and bus service for residents of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. There also is before- and after-school care and a preschool program for children ages 3-5.

St. Michael is at 3003 Hannan at Hix in Wayne. For more information, call 734-260-4185 or visit stmichaellutheran.org.

» St. Raphael Catholic School is holding an open house for current and potential new students and their families from noon-3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26. Students will showcase some of

jects during the event.

Current school families can browse through the classrooms and enjoy projects and areas of study that the students have been working on this school year. Throughout the school, representatives will be on hand to share information about the many extra-curricular and social opportunities available for children. Prospective new families will get a first-hand look at the facilities, meet the teachers, ask questions, and obtain materials about the school

Complimentary refreshments will be provided, and there will also be a special gift for prospective new students

St. Raphael offers structured and challenging academics for students in preschool (3-4year-olds) through eighth-grade, including full-day kindergarten. In addition to academics, the school offers sports teams, computer labs, classroom technology, knitting club, band and

key program and Garden City bus service.

St. Raphael is at 31530 Beechwood, north of Ford Road. For more information, call the school office at 734-425-9771 or visit straphael-

» St. Damian Catholic School's open house is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26.

Parents and students can take a guided tour of the school, meet the staff members and other parents and students. St. Damian has interactive Smart boards in every classroom, Apple iPads and a technology lab. It also offers a latchkey program, CYO sports, foreign language, music, computers, art and physical education. Bus transportation is available for Livonia and Westland residents within the Livonia Public School District.

St. Damian, at 29891 Joy, west of Middlebelt, Westland, is a preschooleighth-grade school.

For more information, call 734-427-1680 or visit stdamian school.com.

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## 2 Westland teens set sights on state DYW honor

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

Hailey Dottor didn't have to go far to be with her host family this week. The Westland team is staying in Plymouth this week in preparation for Saturday's Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan program in Saline.

Dottor is participating in the annual scholarship program after being named the 2014 Distinguished Young Woman of Wayne-Westland in November. Joining her is runner-up Jordyn Boitos who is the 2014 Distinguished Young Woman of Westland.

"It's been awesome meeting all the girls and going through the process," said the Westland teen. "I learned a lot. I learned skills I'll be able to use in my career."

A senior at Wayne Memorial High School, Dottor had thought about competing in the program, but it wasn't until her brother told her to just do it that she applied. She did her best in the competition and ended up winning the physical fitness, interview, self-expression, Be Your Best and talent awards. Her talent portion was a point/jazz dance to Michael Jackson's The Way You Make Me Feel.

Boitis is a senior at Livonia Franklin High School, Also a dancer, she performed a lyrical dance to Go Your Own Way by Liz Schmidt.

### In Ann Arbor

The two teens are spending this week doing activities around the Ann Arbor in preparation for the program, which will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at Saline High School. Seventeen contestants from around the state are vying for more than \$8,000 in college scholarships and the chance to represent Michigan at local events throughout the state and at the national finals in Mobile, Ala., in June. Like the local event, the state program is based on academic scholastics, leadership, physical fitness and

"We'll be working on our communication skills and preparing for the program on Saturday," said Dottor in an in-terview before leaving for her host family. "I've been practicing my physical fitness and my talent piece and working on responding to the question I'll be asked on stage. I've looked at what was done for the national program; I want to give a good answer on stage.

The scholarship money she gets - she received \$800 at the local level - will come in handy for Dottor, who plans to study cardiovascular pediatric nursing at Grand Valley State University. It also is a help for

Boitos, who would like to attend New York University and study sports medicine and be an athletic trainer.

### Show of support

Dottor expects to have plenty of support at Saturday's program. In the audience will be her mother and father, Michele and Christopher Dottor, her brothers Dylan and Jordan and plenty of friends. Ditto for Boitos, the daughter of Joseph and Olivia Boitos.

For Dottor, the Distinguished Young Woman Program has provided her skills that will carry her through life. It also has introduced her to people she might never have gotten to meet.

"The best part of all this has been the experience of meeting such amazing people and developing my interviewing skills. Those I can use in my career," she said. "The girls I have met are very complete, very talented, very put together.'

Tickets are \$18 and can be purchased at Saline High School on Saturday or by contacting the Michigan State Committee by email Michigan@distinguishedyw.org. All proceeds go toward scholarship awards.

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Participating in this weekend's state program are Hailey Dottor (left), the Distinguished Young Woman of Wayne-Westland, and Jordyn Boito, the Distinguished Young Woman of Westland.

## Wayne County runs emergency preparedness drill at Churchill

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

Being prepared during a pandemic or other dangerous outbreak takes practice. Just ask Tom Barnes, Wayne County's emergency volunteer management coordinator.

Barnes was one of several Wayne County employees and volunteers working Tuesday morning at Churchill High School in Livonia running a drill to practice setting up a point of dispensing, or POD, in the case of an outbreak of a virus or infection.

"The whole point of all these PODs is to take the pressure off the hospitals," he said. "In an emergency, the to flood them. That's going to happen, even with the PODs. But this is going to take a lot of pressure off them.'

The drill is one the county does at 18 sites outside of Detroit, which has its own plan for dispensing medication if the need arises because of a flu outbreak, biological terrorist attack or other type of pandemic. Other ones take place in North-ville, Garden City, and Dearborn Heights, though the one in Livonia is considered one of the largest ones in Wayne

County. The drill, which focused on a hypothetical anthrax outbreak in southeast Michigan, had several dozen volunteers on hand, from those managing a triage station to dispensing potential

medication to answering questions and providing information to residents about the medication and how it would affect those it is administered to.

Barnes said the idea behind keeping the drills orderly calls for just one person per family unit to come and pick up medi-cation. That keeps the PODs running more smoothly and eliminates unnecessary congestion.

"You don't have the entire population of Wayne County coming and picking up medica-tion. In an ideal and perfect situation, you'll have one person per site per household," Barnes said. Some people do pick up for their neighbors, for their grandparents. We encourage it. we don want so much traffic that they're flooding the streets. We would rather have one person picking

Despite the dozens of volunteers at the site, Veronica Rodriguez, Wayne County's emergency preparedness coordinator, said she is always looking for more volunteers certified in first aid to assist if a

crisis were to break out. She said the Livonia site needs about triple the number of volunteers to make it the most efficient, going from about 30 to 90, though she'll take volunteers credentialed and badged through agencies such as the Michigan Volunteer

Registry online. "This is for your community members," she said. "It's to help the

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Porches [1288.03(1)], and Used Vehicle Sales [1288.09]. The proposed text may be examined

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Wayne, Michigan, will hold Public Hearings on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 7:30p.m., in the Council Chambers of Wayne City Hall,

Pompeo Rosati has applied for Tire Stop Tire Store at 32449 Michigan Avenue, Suite

A, for permission to legalize existing storage trailers at this location. The property is

located in the IND-B, Industrial Business Zoning District. Section 1262.02, Permitted

Principal Uses of the Planning and Zoning Code does not permit temporary storage

Wayne Craft Inc., on behalf of Linda Jaros, has applied for the property owner at 33630

Annapolis Avenue, to legalize the construction of a sun porch. The property is located in an R-1C, Residential Zoning District. Section 1238.05 of the Planning and Zoning

Code permits a maximum of 35% lot coverage. The applicant is requesting a 156 sq. ft.

The text and any maps may be examined or written comments may be submitted at the City Clerk's Office during business hours (Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Members of

the public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. At the conclusion of the

Public Hearing, the Zoning Board will consider, and may act upon, this matter.

The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on February 11, 2014 at 7:00P.M.

at the Wayne Fire Station, 3300 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, MI 48184 to consider certain proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 1276 of the Codified Ordinances

including: Downtown Design Standards [1288.08], Accessory Structures [1288.02(g)],

(10:00 A.M. to 4:30P.M. Monday-Thursday). Members of the public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Planning Commission may consider a resolution of recommendation to the City Council. Inquiries:

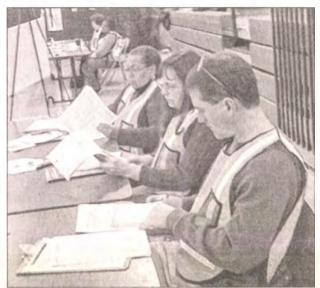
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3355 South Wayne Road, to consider two requests:

variance or 8.8% lot coverage variance.

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or written comments may be submitted at the City Clerk's Office during business hours



Wayne County Public Health Department nurses screen personal registration forms designed for POD attendees during a drill Tuesday at Churchill High School in Livonia. The attendee information will alert them to allergies concerning medications and other important health information.

members of our community, and this is the importance of volunteer-

ing." Barnes said most of the funds to help support the PODs comes from grants from the federal and state governments. though Wayne County is required to provide some

matching funds. Some of these plans were initiated several years ago during the H1N1 flu outbreak. Several thousand residents were administered drugs to vaccinate against the disease, which killed thousands during the

outbreak. Fred Wheeler, a reserve police officer for Livonia and a community emergency response team volunteer, said he

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helped dispense medication at Schoolcraft College in 2010 when H1N1 was declared a hazard. He said anytime volunteers can get practice makes running a POD that much easier when

something happens. "You're often going to be in a situation where, in your job you might not see the big picture of every different thing," he said. "Every exercise, every training makes you feel more comfortable and more confident."

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### St. Thomas a'Becket hosts annual coat drive

Maureen Hassien knows her late husband Bud wouldn't hesitate to strip off his own coat for someone else who needed it.

That's why Hassien is happy to be one of the folks leading the charge for the annual St. Thomas a'Becket coat drive, dubbed "Be a Buddy Coat Drive," that will help fill a need church officials say "is still great" for

This year's drive runs through Sunday, Jan. 26, and benefits a variety of church and other outreach organizations.

"It's a great thing," said Hassien, who lost her husband in September 2006. "We've gotten a lot of requests again this year.

It's the seventh year for the drive, named for friend of the church and former parishioner Bud Haissen. Organizers decided to remember Bud in this way because, as his wife said, "Bud would have given the coat off his own back."

Over the last six years, volunteers have collected more than 14,000 coats, Hassien said. The church donated more than 2,000 coats in last year's coat drive and has had more than 2,000 requests this year.

In addition to coats, the church will also be accepting clean used gloves, mittens and scarves. Many will be needed. Donors are asked to put mittens and gloves in a plastic bag so they do not get separated.

Like last year, the church will also be purchasing new coats with monetary donations. Last year, new coats were purchased for babies, children and adults at a discount, because retail sales are often great in late January

Church officials said they'd "be thrilled to accept" any monetary donations. Checks need to be made out to St. Thomas a'Becket.

Coat drive officials will take everything from baby buntings, children's, teen's and adult coats and jack-

Coats are distributed first to those in need in the St. Thomas a'Becket parish. Coats also go to organizations such as the Wayne County Homeless Shelter, Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center (to dress women for job interviews), Wayne Family Resource Center, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and others.

Donations, both clothing and money, can be dropped off at the church, located at 555 S. Lilley in Canton.

Public Notice Required by MCL 324.20120d(3) Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, as Amended MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY Remediation and Redevelopment Division

Southeast Michigan District Office 27700 Donald Court Warren, Michigan 48092-2793

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A NO FURTHER ACTION REPORT

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has received a proposed No Further Action Report for the Red Spot Paint and Varnish Co., Inc., a site of environmental contamination located at 550 South Edwin Road in Westland, Wayne County, Michigan. Contamination at the site was caused by releases at a former exterior aboveground storage tank

This notice is provided according to the requirements of Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), 1994 PA 451, as amended, MCL 324.20120d(3) et seq to notify interested persons that the MDEQ has reviewed the proposed remedial action plan for a Limited Non-Residential Site cleanup category and finds it to be in compliance with the requirements of the Act and the administrative rules for the Act in place before December

This notice is to provide a brief summary of the completed remedial action and to offer an opportunity for public review and comment prior to final action upon the No Further Action Report. Written public comments will be accepted until 5:00 PM on February 14, 2014. The MDEQ will carefully consider and address significant public comments before a final decision is made regarding the proposed plan.

construction of buildings without approval from MDEQ.

The No Further Action Report will be available for review beginning January 15, 2014 during normal business hours at the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Southeast Michigan District Office, 27700 Donald Court Warren, Michigan 48092-2793. The review pe-

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## FOR A SITE SPECIFIC CLEANUP CRITERIA CLOSURE

(AST) area located on the property.

The proposed No Further Action plan for the site includes monitoring of groundwater on the site for three years. It also includes the placement of a restrictive covenant on the property that will prohibit use of on-site groundwater for potable purposes, will prohibit construction of wells to extract groundwater for consumption, irrigation or other use, and will prohibit

riod will not be less than 30 calendar days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to:

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### WAYNE COP CALLS

### Vandalism

Someone damaged the north elevator in the city-owned parking structure, 35000 E. Michigan Ave. A Department of Public Works employee told police just after 7 a.m. Jan. 16 he discovered part of the elevator ceiling was removed and all the lights had been broken.

The damages were estimated to be as high as \$1,000.

### Larceny

» A snow blower valued at \$150 was reported stolen from the front porch of a home in the 5000 block of Hunt on Jan. 16. The owner said he had left it on the porch so his elderly neighbor could use

Several hours later, he said he noticed it was gone and checked with the neighbor, who hadn't borrowed the equipment. The officer followed tracks in the snow to the intersection of Hunt and Stellwagon, where it was likely loaded into a vehicle.

» A resident in the 37000 block of Thinbark told police Jan. 13 that someone had stolen a snow blower from her garage. She said she believed the garage was locked but had been having trouble with the garage door opener. The snow blower was valued at approximately

### Vandalism

» On Jan. 18, a resident in the 4300 block of Edmund told police she had parked her 2010 Ford Focus in the driveway the night before. In the morning, she found the rear window had been shattered.

» A resident in the 5100 block of Winifred told police Jan. 14 that someone had smashed the driver's side rear window of her 2005 Ford Freestyle.

### Marijuana possession

Police reportedly confiscated two marijuana joints and a small baggie of marijuana totaling 1.4 grams following a traffic stop Jan. 19. The officer spotted a Canton woman driving without headlights and stopped the vehicle.

The woman appeared nervous and kept looking at her front seat passenger, a Detroit man, the officer said. The vehicle was reported to smell like marijuana, police said. The driver told the officer she had smoked a joint earlier in the day, and he noted she didn't appear impaired at the time of the traffic stop, police said.

The male passenger was released at the scene. The driver was cited for marijuana possession, driving without headlights and no proof of insurance. She was advised about a warrant after Detroit Police did not want her taken into custody, police said.

A resident of an apartment in the 3400 block of Gloria told police Jan. 18 that someone had stolen \$138 in cash from a drawer of his dresser. He told police there was no sign of forced entry and he had the only key to the apartment.

The man said that earlier two winning lottery tickets had been stolen but he hadn't called police. When he reported the theft to the apartment manager, he said he was told to make a police

### Suspended license

» On Jan. 18, a Westland woman was cited for driving with a suspended license and held on a warrant. The officer had stopped her for defective taillights on her 2007 Dodge Charger.

The vehicle was impounded and police confiscated a bottle of anti-psychotic medication found in the glove box, police said. The medication had been prescribed to someone whom the driver denied knowing, police said.

» A Detroit man was cited for driving with two license suspensions Jan. 18 after being stopped for a defective headlight. The car, a 2000 Pontiac Bonneville, was impounded.

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

By LeAnne Rogers

### WESTLAND COP CALLS

### Larceny

An Ann Arbor woman told police Jan. 20 that her iPhone, valued at \$500, was stolen while she was at Golden Corral, 37101 Warren.

The woman told police the phone had been in her coat pocket. She said she suspected it was stolen by a young male in a hoodie who had bumped into her. The phone GPS was located in the area of Dexter and Wildemere in Detroit.

### Vandalism

» On Jan. 20, a Woodhaven man told police someone had broken a window on his 2013 GMC Acadia while it was parked outside Oakwood Health Care Center, 2001 S. Merriman, where he works.

» A resident in the 1500 block of Northgate told police Jan. 20 that someone shot out the driver's side vent window on his work van

while it was parked in his driveway. He said the damage appeared to have been caused by a pellet gun.

» The front driver's side window of a 1999 Ford Escort was reported broken out Jan. 14 while it was parked in the 37000 block of Booth.

» Also on Jan. 14, a resident in the 2000 block of Brandon told police that someone smashed the rear window on a 2008 Lincoln Navigator while it was parked in the driveway.

### Larceny

A resident in the 33000 block of Harvard told police Jan. 14 that someone had stolen five Apple iPhone 5s, valued at \$600. She said the phones had been wrapped as gifts and placed under the Christmas tree.

The phones were reported to have been stolen Dec. 14-17 while she and her husband

were out. She said her son had friends over for a party and she suspects one of them took the phones.

### Break-in

**Assorted Christmas** decorations, an aluminum push cart, a mountain bike and assorted hand tools, valued at \$8,500, were reported stolen from a basement storage unit of an apartment at 197 S. Hubbard on Jan. 15.

The owner said the thefts occurred Dec. 1-13. The storage unit door had been pried until the lock broke.

### Copper stolen

A Dearborn Heights man told police Jan. 14 that someone broke into a vacant duplex he owns in the 2100 block of Edgerton. The building is undergoing renovations.

When he arrived at the home, the man said he found the rear doors forced open and the copper plumbing cut out and stolen.

### Suspicious circumstances

Police were called to a home in the 30000 block of Parkwood on Jan. 16 after the resident said he noticed blood on his driveway and on the snow in the front yard.

The officer noted minor streaks of blood along the front of the house, underneath a truck and near the rear

The resident said there is a rat problem in the neighborhood and he often hears cats fighting. The officer checked neighboring homes for an injured animal but found none.

### Larceny from a vehicle

A resident of an apartment at 6591 Yale told police Jan. 14 that someone had stolen his wallet from girlfriend's locked car overnight. He said the wallet only contained his identifica-

By LeAnne Rogers

### Stolen wallet

A 42-year-old man who was playing a pickup game of hockey at the Garden City Civic Arena on Jan. 20 said that someone stole \$32 from his wallet, which he had left in the locker room.

He discovered it missing after the game, but reported nothing else stolen.

### Break-in

A representative for a property management firm reported a break-in to police on Jan. 9.

The man said that he had visited a home in the 33000 block of Marquette and found that the central air conditioning unit valued at \$2,500 and copper plumbing valued at \$3,500 were stolen from the home. He said that someone had forced open a west side door.

This was a delayed report and the police found the door repaired when they arrived.

» A relative checking on a vacant home in the 31000 block of Alvin reported Jan. 10 that when

he checked on the home, he discovered a break-in. A \$2,500 air conditioning unit was cut away from the building

The house was scheduled to close the sale that day. The police did find tracks in the snow.

### Theft

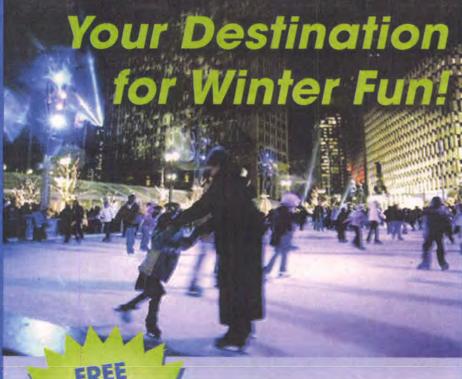
A representative from SERVPRO in Livonia reported Jan. 13 that some of his property was stolen from a location in the 31000 block of Block.

The company was hired to clean up some flooding. The employee said that he left a \$2,500 dehumidifier and four fans valued at \$300 each in the hallway. The items weren't there when he returned.

» A woman who parked her 2012 Ford Fusion in the 32000 block of Manor Park reported items stolen from the vehicle on Jan. 10.

She said that some checks were stolen as well as her driver's license and a credit/debit card.

By Sue Buck



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## King's dream remembered at annual ceremony

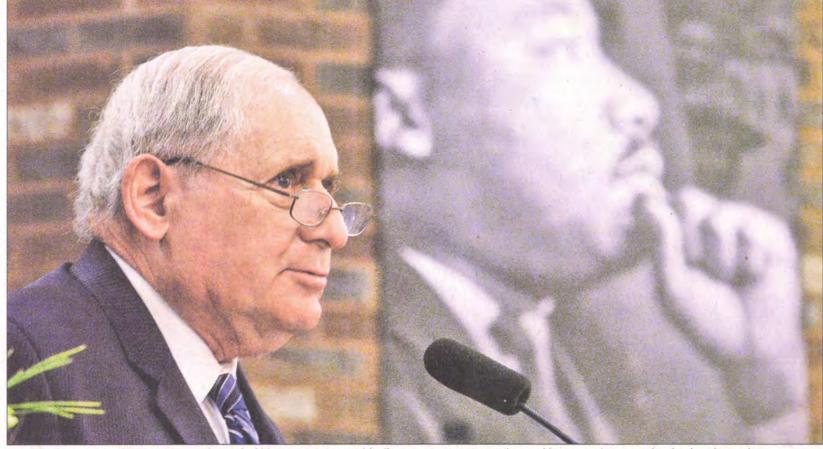
The dream and vision of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. took center stage throughout western Wayne County on Monday as people paused to reflect in the life and legacy of the late civil rights leader.

In Westland, a tradition started more than a decade ago was expanded as residents and city officials of Wayne, Garden City and Inkster were invited to participate. The ceremony was held at the Annapolis Park Church of Christ in Westland and also attracted officials from Redford Township and Dearborn Heights.

City officials, as well as U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Michigan, spoke about King and the need to recommit to his dream of racial equality. Also participating in the ceremony were members of the John Glenn High School JROTC and Annapolis Park Church Choir.

Capping it off was Greenfield Village historic presenter Anthony Lucas, who presented excerpts from King's many speeches, including his most famous, I Have a Dream.

King, who rose to prominence in the civil rights movement during the Birmingham, Ala., bus strike, delivered that speech in August 1963 on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during the March on Washington



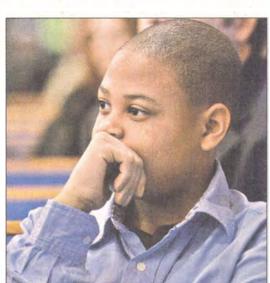
U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, who is retiring at the end of his current term, paid tribute to Coretta Scott King and her commitment to her husband's work. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Carmen Price applauds Anthony Lucus for his interpretation of King's I Have a Dream speech. Maya Reddock has found a comfortable spot.



U.S. Army JROTC cadet Ariel Malloy, a John Glenn



Antoine Williams Jr. listens to Anthony Lucus.

## Madonna students mark MLK Day with candlelight vigil, acts of service

The soft glow of candlelight illuminated the faces of those who gathered together at Madonna University Monday night to stand in remembrance of Martin Luther King Jr. The vigil was the culmination of a week of community service for students and faculty at

the university. More than 50 people took part in the event, which included a walk of remembrance. As they walked through campus buildings, the participants stopped at various stations to hear students read stories, recite poems, and sing songs about King.

"The students and faculty at Madonna Uniyersity honor the observance of Martin Luther King Day by actively promoting and creating opportunities for service to others," said Olga Martinez, director of the Office of Service-Learning at Madonna.

Over the past week, hundreds of students and faculty members at the university participated in vice to others in the greater Metro Detroit area. Service activities included: packing more than 8,000 pounds of food for those in need, writing letters to U.S. troops and veterans, reading to youngsters at local schools, making blankets for Children's Hospital of Detroit, and helping urban students begin planning for college.

In addition to service projects, the university held a diversity poetrywriting program and other learning activities

on campus. "At Madonna University, service to others and the respect for the dignity of each person is a core value of our ongoing mission," said Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, president of Madonna University. "We strive to

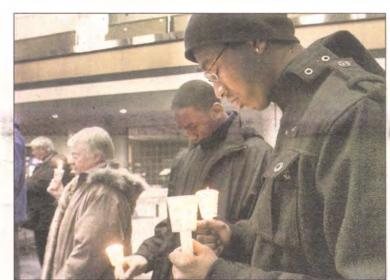
serve others daily, and in that way we attempt to live out the dream of Martin Luther King Jr.

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey was also in attendance at the remembrance at Madonna as a

special guest "I am glad that so many people are using this day for service as a way to honor and celebrate Dr. King's legacy," Kirksey said.

Tanisha McIntosh, director of residence life at Madonna, said the purpose of the event was to provide the Madonna University and Livonia communities an opportunity to honor Dr. King's

legacy through service. "This celebration empowers individuals, embraces unity, and most importantly creates awareness to hopefully move closer to Dr. King's vision of an inclusive community," McIntosh



Madonna University communications student Delvontá Pinkston of **Detroit stands** in vigil for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. during a ceremony at the university Monday night.



Madonna University students stand together during a vigil in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.









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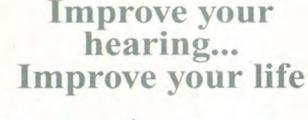




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Tom and Yvette Dixon of Plymouth, Bob and Pam MacKenzie of Plymouth, Rich and Beth Turner of Northville, Mark and Anne Houska of Plymouth, and Tom and Debbie Meredith of Northville, enjoying the Charity Preview. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## GLITZ, GLAMOUR AT AUTO SHOW GALA

he indomitable spirit of Detroit is alive and well.
Just ask the nearly 13,800 people who attended the North American International Auto Show Charity Preview last Friday.

NAIAS reported \$4.8 million was raised for nine children's charities during an evening of glamour and elegance. This year's event raised nearly \$1 million more than 2013 – and the highest amount raised since 2008.

"The evening was absolutely electric," NAIAS chairman Bob

Shuman said.
Charities benefiting from
the event include Boys and
Girls Clubs of Southeastern
Michigan, Boys and Girls Hope
Detroit, The Children's Center,
The Children's Hospital of
Michigan Foundation, The Detroit Auto Dealers Association
Charitable Foundation Fund, a
fund of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan,
Detroit Institute of Children,
Judson Center, March of Dimes
Metro Detroit and Detroit PAL.

The black tie crowd enjoyed 4,400 bottles of champagne, 1,000 pounds of beef, 20,000 bottles of wine, 35,000 bottles of beer from the Detroit Beer Co., 1,200 pounds of shrimp and more.

The show is now open to the public through Sunday, Jan. 26.



Philip and Celisa Jackson are from Belleville. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Barbara Moskwa of Canton poses with United States Sen. Carl Levin.
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Carl Berry, security chief for the NAIAS, works the Charity Preview. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Chairman
Scott LaRiche
and brother
Bob LaRiche,
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**NAIAS Vice** 



General Motors CEO Mary Barra and Ford CEO Alan Mulally, onstage for the opening of the auto show. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW

NAIAS Vice Chair Scott LaRiche and 12-year-old David Redmond, representing the kids of Detroit, opening the auto show. BILL BRESLER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



West Bloomfield residents (from left) Sally and James Scapa, CEO and co-founder of Altair; and Farmington Hills residents Diane and Howard Morof, CFO of Altair pause for a photograph at Friday's gala.

JULIE YOLLES

## TICK TOCK, TICK TOCK

AAUW entertains children with production of 'Peter Pan'

By Sharon Belobraidich's count, she's played Captain Hook at least nine times. The resident "meanie," the retired Plymouth-Canton teacher will reprise that role when the Plymouth-Canton AAUW's presents Peter Pan Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 6-8, at Garden City High School's O'Leary Auditorium.

"I'm not sure what we'll do if she ever retires," said Helene Lusa of Livonia, who is directing the production with Mickey Edell of Canton.

This is the 54th year the chapter has presented live children's theater. Its first production was Hansel and Gretel and the group now has a repertoire of six to seven plays that it rotates and updates every few years. The organization takes classics like Snow White, Peter Pan and Cinderella and turns them into hourlong American Association of University Women versions.

"We try to add something each time that makes it contemporary for adults and children,' Edell said. "We have a couple of surprises planned for this year."

This year's version includes speaking lines for Tick-Tock the Crocodile, played by Sue Bellows of Garden City, and a musical addition the ladies say is sure to please the children. What it is, they aren't saying

"We don't want to give away the surprise," Edell said

Members began working on the production in October with tryouts and have been doing readthroughs in preparation

for taking the stage. Severe weather earlier this month postponed moving the play to O'Le-ary by a week, but rehearsals have gone on without a hitch and props will be in place next week.

Good snape "I think we're in good shape," Lusa said. "This is an amazing group of women. They adjust to whatever parts are given to them to make them the best they can and make the play special. They really go all out for the

"We have some very talented women in this group, but you don't have to be an actor, you need to be a ham and have a sense of humor," Edell added.

Lusa used to bring her children to see the plays before getting involved with the chapter in 1982-83. Her children are still coming to the shows with her grandchildren.

The same is true for Becky Copenhaver of Canton, who hooked up with the chapter after bringing her two children to see a play. She thought

### 'PETER PAN'

What: The 54th annual Plymouth-Canton AAUW's children's theater production of Peter

When: 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Feb. 6-7, and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8. The Thursday evening and Saturday morning performances will be for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Scouts, families and friends are invited to experience a "behindthe-scenes" look at live theater by the drama students at Garden City High School at 6:15 p.m. Thursday and 10:15 a.m. Saturday, followed by the show

Where: Garden City High School's O'Leary Auditorium, 6500 Middlebelt, north of Ford, Garden City.

Tickets: Presale tickets cost \$5 and are available at www.aauw-pcmi.org. Tickets will be available at the door for \$6 each. Contact: For more information, email the Plymouth-Canton AAUW at AAUW\_PlymouthCanton@yahoo.co or call 734-716-1833.

they were having so much fun that she tried to decide to try out. The show was Peter Pan and she was cast as Wendy. This time she is playing the lead role.

"It's fun this year to play opposite Sharon, she said. "I played Wendy a couple other times, Mrs. Darling and Mr. Smee. I love working with these ladies, they're so creative. They come up with things to do."

Two of the shows -Thursday evening and Saturday morning - are set aside for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, their families and friends. The scouts receive a 45-minute presentation about live theater, the show and a fun patch.

"The Scouts are really huge for us," Lusa said.

### **Fun patches**

The chapter has been doing the scout program since 2008 and generally attracts 1,200 for the two



Captain Hook (Sharon Belobraidich of Plymouth) challenges her nemesis, Peter Pan (Becky Copenhaver of Canton) to a sword fight in the Plymouth-Canton AAUW's production of Peter Pan.



Cast as the Lost Boys are Michelle Churchill (front row, left) and Sandra lanucci of Plymouth. The Pirates are Esther Nelson of Canton (top row, from left), Kathy Sharpe of Plymouth, Kathy Kish of Garden City and Dawn Parker of Canton.

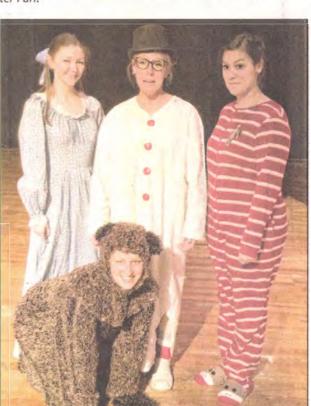
performances. The first year, they gave out a generic fun patch, but in 2009 for Peter Pan, Sandra Iannucci of Plymouth started to design them. This year's design is a cloud-shaped blue patch with Peter, Wendy, John and Michael flying over Big Ben, Tower Bridge and St. Paul's Cathedral.

"I try to find patches that the Girl and Boy Scouts will like and that encompass the theme of the play," said Iannucci, who plays one of the Lost Boys in this year's show. "I want them to be something memorable for the

Proceeds from the performances help fund scholarships for high school seniors, an important part of what the American Association of University Women does. According to Edell, the AAUW "has been empowering women as the premiere national women's organization" since 1881. "The AAUW advocates

for equality for all women and girls through education, research and philanthropy," she added. For more information about the play or about the Plymouth-Canton AAUW, visit www.aauw-pcmi.org.

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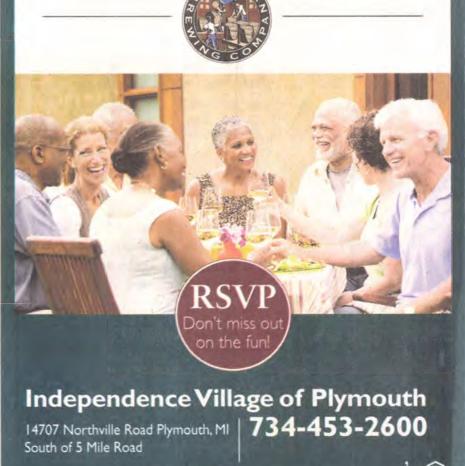
Playing the Darling children are (from left) Mary Beth Riblett of Westland as Wendy, Karem Stemberger of Plymouth as John and Kaylee Bellows of Livonia as Michael, with Lauren Stemberger of Plymouth (front) as Nana the dog.



Sue Bellows of Garden City, cast as Tick-Tock the Crocodile, shares a laugh with Sharon Belobraidich before trying to take another bite out of her arm.







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## BUSINESS

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## Trust is key ingredient in life

oday'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. Trustworthiness 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 promo-

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 mis-leading 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 ad-



vice, not to impress the boss, but because trustworthiness depends on keeping our promises.

I promise to write to you next Friday and I hope you have a sunny day!

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

Watch your thoughts, for they become words.

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## Reality show inspires woman's career path

In 2010, the Depart-ment of Labor published an article showing only 0.6 percent of employees in the refrigeration mechanics and repair industry were women. However, every year more women enter into trade jobs.

Thanks to some inspiration from CEO Dina Dwyer-Owens on the reality show Un-dercover Boss, a Garden City woman is taking the lead and showing others how it is done.

Katie Yee, 22, has always had a natural ability to fix things. But it wasn't until Dina Dwyer-Owens, CEO of The Dwyer Group, appeared on Undercover Boss that her gears started turning and she decided to make fixing into a career.

"I have always been mechanically inclined," Yee said. "I enjoy fixing things and helping peo-

With the encouragement of her friends and family, she connected with her local Mr. Appliance franchise - part of The Dwyer Group service brands - and the ball quickly started rolling. With the guid-ance of local Mr. Appliance franchise owner Brooke Lutteke, Yee followed Lutteke's recommendations and signed up for an appli-



Katie Yee is the newest technician at Mr. Appliance in Garden City.

ance academy. Proudly wearing the

Mr. Appliance hat she received from Lutteke, Yee thrived in her classes despite being the only female on campus.

She is now training at Lutteke's Mr. Appliance location and is quickly becoming one of the best technicians in training they have seen.

'I haven't been treated any differently by coworkers," Yee said. "Sometimes customers are surprised to see a

female at the door but all in all everyone is very encouraging and supportive.'

"No two days are the same, every day is dif-ferent," she added. Yee is following the

advice of her father.

"My dad always told me that good things come to good people who work hard," she said. "With my dad's work ethic to carry me through I know I can overcome any challenges as they arise."

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### Meet McCarty

Former Detroit Red Wing Darren McCarty will discuss his recent book that documents his life on and off the ice at

a multiple-community luncheon Friday, Feb. 7, to Laurel Manor in Livo-

The four-time Stanley Cup champion will discuss his book, My Last Fight, in an on-stage discussion with WJR-AM (760) Sports Director Steve Courtney at the event that involves the Livonia, Westland and Novi chambers of commerce. Members of the audience will have the chance to ask ques-

There are many memories fans recall from the Detroit Red Wings Stanley Cup championship runs of 1997, 1998, 2002 and 2008 and McCarty provided

his share of those. The grinding winger was a beloved player for his likable personality, willingness to drop the gloves and ability to score clutch goals.

Despite his success on the ice, McCarty is also known for his publicized struggles with addiction, finances and health issues - some of those issues he continues to battle today.

The cost is \$30 for chamber members, \$40 for guests. To reserve a spot, call the Westland Chamber at 734-326-7222 or email westlandchamber@yahoo.com.

### Home repair classes

As Southeast Michigan residents endure one of the coldest, harshest winters in over a decade, Schoolcraft College's Continuing Education and Professional Development Department is offering a timely series of classes in basic home repair designed to give homeowners a foundation of knowledge in electric and plumbing related issues in their home.

Led by instructor Peter Pace, the two-part Simple Repairs for Beginners series will be offered in January at the Radcliff Center in Garden City and in March at the main campus in Livonia.

The basic electrical class will offer students the chance to secure the knowledge needed to safely do simple electrical home improvement projects. They will learn how to change an elec-

trical outlet and switch, install light fixtures and smoke detectors, and test circuits. Attendees will gain confidence in determining when a licensed electrician is required and get expert advice.

Students in the basic plumbing class will learn to diagnose and repair leaky sinks and toilets, unclog a drain, replace toilet parts and understand how water is distributed and regulated in their homes.

For more information, contact the CEPD office at 734-462-4448 or cepd@schoolcraft.edu.

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### A visit from the future

January means two things: pawning off excess cookies and cakes on your co-workers, and hearing about the unfathomable new technology from the annual Consum-

er Electronics Show. The 2014 Consumer Elec-

tronics Show in Las Vegas earlier this month showcased some wild technology. By



comparison, this year's top gad-gets make the smart fridges and three-dimensional printers from 2013 seem like typewriters.

One of the coolest pieces unveiled at this year's conference was a bendable TV produced by Samsung. This ultra flat screen device can be curved to enhance viewing and comes as large as 85 inches. Of course, a TV that impressive will set you back. In an unrelated story, does any-one have \$10,000 I can borrow?

Three-dimensional printers were also heavily talked about during the show. None were more impressive than the Makerbot Replicator Mini Compact 3D Printer which is Wi-Fi compatible. This device isn't your average printer that puts ink on paper. Think of it as a giant box that actually creates miniature 3D versions of replicas of anything you need.

In the past few years, owners of these expensive devices have used them to make household objects like phone stands and pen holders, but 3D printers have even been used to print heart valves. Yes you just read that correctly: there is a magical electronic box called a 3D printer that has saved lives by printing heart valves.

### Ultra high def TVs

For the second straight year, ultra high definition TVs were among the most talked about items. If you are like me, you didn't think TVs could get any better. These new ultra HD TVs are proof that televisions have a long way to go and all of our current TVs will once again be obso-

An ultra high-def TV is estimated to have four times better resolution than the regular HD models. Vizio sells a 50inch Ultra HD TV for approximately \$1,000. Prices should continue to

The show featured advanced intuitive keyboards to help users type without looking and clip on mini-keyboards that pair with touch screen iPhones. There was a \$199 hydrogen-powered fuel cell which can be used to give power to developing countries as well as solar powered phone chargers.

One of the biggest themes of 2014 was tracking. We already discussed fitness trackers that monitor your movements, caloric intake and sleep patterns, but CES 2014 showcased more trackers to help you find belongings.

Arguably the best such tracker is called the Mother, which is a cen-tral hub with 24 removable tracking pieces that can be stuck to everyday objects you often misplace such as your wallet, keys, phone or child. Just don't lose the hub otherwise your money would have been better spent helping me buy a ben-dable TV.

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## 'Camp Rock' auditions scheduled for Jan. 25-26

By Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

On the heels of last fall's TARZAN The Stage Musical drawing young cast members from 31 schools who performed to sold-out audiences - the Farmington Hills Youth Theatre is counting on another Broadway favorite to continue riding the wave of success.

Auditions for Camp Rock are coming up and Mel Sheatzley, youth theater director, urges kids throughout the area to jump on the bandwagon as they did for TARZAN.

Auditions are scheduled for noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 25-26, at the Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

The auditions are very comfortable and easy," said Nancy Coumoundouros, Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division supervisor. "We were so proud of the kids' performances in TARZAN. The feeling of camaraderie with the kids was exceptional.'

And she wants kids to know they don't have to have previous theatrical experience. The youth theater program is designed to be fun.

"We have had kids who never had any experience for TARZAN and we had some who had," Coumoundouros said.

No doubt about it, Sheatzley said. Auditions are not high pressure. "We try to make it fun. We play with the kids before they audition. If they are not ready at a certain moment to audition, we tell them



The Farmington Hills Youth Theatre draws cast members from surrounding communities. In last fall's "TARZAN the Stage Musical," West Bloomfield resident Joe Rankin played little Tarzan.

to take their time."

All audition materials are available at fhgov.com/youth

Not that anyone interested in auditioning has to practice in advance. "They can come in blind. There are people who will be there to help the kids," Sheatzley said.

### A fun show

Camp Rock, a Disney production, is about the adventures of a group of talented kids who planned to spend the summer jamming at the camp. Then they find out there is actually a newer and flashier camp in town. The focus of the musical is how the kids fight to keep their Camp Rock open.

Performances of Camp Rock will be at 7 p.m. Friday, April 25, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 27. The show will run again the following weekend: 7 p.m. Saturday, May 3, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 4. The show will be at the Costick Center Stage.

To give as many kids as possible stage time, Sheatzley

will have two casts for Camp Rock, which she also did for TARZAN. She plans to cast 60 kids for each group.

"In this show, which is not normal, we have 22 speaking parts," Sheatzley said. "But that's what makes Camp Rock so much fun."

Kids will have the opportunity to sing, act and dance. There are also some roles, such as camp counselors, for

Unlike TARZAN, which was filled with life messages, Camp Rock offers contempo-

rary music and dance and is more about just having fun. The set and scenery, meanwhile, will also be what Sheatzley called "upscale" with bleachers and the whole area painted in white. The stage for Camp Rock also will be extended some 6 feet.

Costumes will be made by Rachelle Willnus, who also worked on the *TARZAN* attire. She measures the kids for the costumes so they fit.

As a mom whose two daughters grew up in youth theater, Sheatzley encourages parents to let their kids give theater a try. It's just plain fun and helps kids form long-lasting friendships while learning an art form, she said.

"From my perspective as a mom, it really helps build their confidence and self-esteem and their ability to talk to anyone. It's also a fun experience to meet all kinds of kids in all age groups. It is neat to see the older kids mentoring the younger kids and the younger kids working to be like the older kids.

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### Listings for the Community Calendar can be submitted by email at smason@hometown life.com. They also can be mailed to Sue Mason at 615 W. Lafayette - Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226, or faxed to her attention at 313-223-3318. For more information, call 313-222-6751.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

WIDOWED FRIENDS Time/Date: 5 p.m. Friday, Jan.

Location: G Subu's, 20300 Farmington Road, south of Eight Mile, Livonia.

Details: Widowed Friends, a peer group of the Archdiocese of Detroit, invites widowed men and women of all ages to attend a social hour at 5 p.m. (cash bar) and family style dinner served promptly at 6 p.m. Stay for cards, games, and conversation until 9 p.m. Cost is \$18 and includes meal, beverage, dessert, tax and tip.

Contact: Must RSVP by Jan. 17 to Carol at 313-562-3080, Mary Ann at 313-565-5749 or Joan at 734-331-6866

### **FASHION SHOW** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, Garden City

Details: Doors will open at 6 p.m. for Garden City High School Project Graduation 2014's Prom Fashion Show. There will be raffles, vendors and a bake sale The fashion show starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

### **LADIES DAY OUT** Time/Date: noon to 5 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25.

Location: Designer Duds n Infant Treasures, 815 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Details: Join in the Monthly

Ladies Day Out Networking Event and Vendor Show. These events are meant for our friends, family, associates and fellow Mommies who do"t get "out much" to take an hour or so out of their busy lives to stop in and grab a bite, meet some new friends, shop if you wish (but is not necessary), get a message, or taste some wine. These events are free. There will be raffle items and 50/50 drawing at the end of the event. Each person that stops in will get one free ticket for a raffle item. Vendors include 31 Bags, Scentsy, 50 Sips Wine, Innuva, Pure Romance, It Works, Tupperware, Mary Kay, Jamberry Nails, Perfectly Posh and Premiere De-

Contact: For more information, call 734-331-2519.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Time/Date: 1-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2 and March 9. Location: St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia.

Details: Widowed men and women of all ages are encouraged to attend this series which helps deal with emotions, loneliness and other issues often experienced after the loss of a spouse. There is no charge for this series which is sponsored by Widowed Friends, a "peer" support group in the Archdio-

Contact: Call Pricilla at 734-591-

### RAILROADIANA

Time/Date: noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22.

Location: Ss. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, Westland.

Details: The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers Club will sponsor a buy and swap, toys and trains show. Admission is \$2 per person, \$4 per family. Food is available and the parking is free. There will be operating train layouts and mpre than 100 dealer tables with various gauges of trains. Tables are available at \$10 per table. Dealer set-up is at 9 a.m on the day of the show.

Contact: To reserve tables, call 734-595-8327

### **ELK FOUNDATION**

Time/date: 5 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Laurel Manor Banquet Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

Details: Twenty-third annual fundraising banquet for the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Founda-

Contact: Call 248-347-7622 to purchase tickets or purchase them at www.rmef.org.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

### FIRST STEP

Details: First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne County and Downriver communities for more than 20 years, is looking for volunteers. Interested people must be at least 18, willing and able to travel to the Downriver area and complete a 55-hour training program.

### Contact: 734-416-1111, Ext. 223. **VNA HOSPICE**

**Details:** Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's VNA-hospice program needs volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life. Volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family or work as office support. A free 18-hour training program is provided at the VNA headguarters, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600. Registration is required.

Contact: 248-967-8361, www.vna.org.

### **SEASONS HOSPICE**

Details: Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to patients dealing with life limiting illness. No special skills, other than objectivity and compassion, are needed. Training provided. Volunteers are matched with patients in their own community.

Contact: 800-370-8592.

### LITERACY COUNCIL

Details: The Community Literacy Council CLC-is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area.

Contact: 734-416-4906.

**HEARTLAND HOSPICE** 

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Details:** Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services.

### Contact: 888-973-1145. **SUPPORT GROUP**

Time/date: 7-8:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month. Location: American House III.

35700 Hunter, Westland. Details: Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance is sponsoring a support group that provides support and

guidance for families caring for

an older person. Contact: Chris Goldberg at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm meeting, if coming for the first

### SUPPORT GROUP

Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m. second Monday of every month. Location: Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland.

Details: Do you have a loved one in jail or prison? Is your heart broken because of it? Then contact Bonnie at Hope 4 Healing Hearts who will provide a safe place to talk and share with others, a place where you can learn how to cope with all of the new and frightening experiences. Learn from others as they share ideas, resources and support. Donations appreci-

Contact: For more information, contact Bonnie at 734-646-2237 or prettymonarch@comcast.net.

### CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Location: American House III, 35700 Hunter, Westland.

Details: A support and education group for family caregivers is available for residents of southern and western Wayne County. The group, for people who are caring for family members 60 and older, or who are 60 years and older themselves, is offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way

Contact: Call Helen Streett at 734-629-5004 to confirm time and date, if attending for the

### FOR YOUR HEALTH SAFE PLACE

Time/date: 7 p.m. Thursdays. Location: Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. Details: A Safe Place is based on the Alcoholics for Christ pro-

Contact: Russ Weathers at 734-422-1995

### **ADULT DAY SERVICES**

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays.

Location: 570 S. Main St., Plymouth. Detail: A structured weekday

alternative for adults in need of supervision. Program provides activities and discussions to meet social, recreational and personal unique to depen individuals.

Contact: Laurie Krause at laurie.lifecareads@gmail.com and 734-956-2600.

### METRO FIBROMYALGIA

Time/date: 1-3 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday of each month. Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, just west of Ford in Garden City. Details: The first meeting has a speaker, the second meeting is open to discuss living with our fibromyalgia.

Contact: Ruthann at 734-981-2519

### **MENOPAUSE & MORE** Time/date: 7-9 p.m. the first

Wednesday of the month. Location: Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile,

Details: A support group for women, no registration is necessary, and the group is free of

### Contact: 734-655-1100. COUNTERPOINT

**Details:** Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people ages 10-17 and their Contact: 734-563-5005.

TOUGHLOVE

Time/date: 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays Location: Northwest Wayne

Skill Center, Ann Arbor Trail between Merriman and Farmington, Livonia

Details: Support group, newcomers welcome. Contact: 734-261-7880 or 248-

### 380-7748 LIFECARE

Time/Date: 7-9:15 p.m. Thurs-

Location: 570 S. Main St., Plymouth.

Details: LifeCare is a care/ support/recovery groups for everyone facing life's challenges. Contact: Lillian Easterly-Smith at info.lifecarecc@gmail.com or 734-956-2109.

### **EDUCATION** WILLOW CREEK

Location: 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland

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

Contact: 734-326-0078.

### ST. DAMIAN

Location: 29891 Joy, Westland. Details: St. Damian Catholic School offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8. Contact: 734-427-1680

### www.stdamian.com YWCA PRESCHOOL

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

Contact: 313-561-4110, Ext. 10 ST. MARY

### Location: St. Mary Catholic

School, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne. Details: St. Mary School offers

pre-K 3 and 4 and kindergarteneighth grade. St. Mary has been recognized as a School of Dis-

Contact: For more information, call the school office at 734-721-

### **ORGANIZATIONS FRIENDS OF ELOISE**

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

Contact: Pat Ibbotson at 734-331-9291 or pibbotso@aol.com or Jo Johnson 734-522-3918.

### **WESTLAND ROTARY**

Time/Date: 12:15 p.m. Thurs-

Location: Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland. **Details:** Community Service

programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Check www.westlandrotary.com for more information about meetings, programs and events.

### Contact: Jeff at 734-261-5010. **CAREGIVERS** -

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

Location: American House III,

35700 Hunter, Westland Details: For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The

Senior Alliance and United Way. Contact: Helen Street at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first

### WIDOWED MEN

Time/Date: 9 a.m. Thursdays Location: Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Widowed Friends, a peer group of the Archdiocese of Detroit, invites widowed men to meet with other widowed men for breakfast at 9 a.m. at Steve's Family Restaurant on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Many topics are discussed including those that may be pertinent to your own situation. Also, ideas are presented to help you become involved in the activities of

Contact: For more information, call Dick at 313-534-0399.

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## OPINION

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**OUR VIEWS** 

## Saying thank-you

W-W, GC boards show dedication to education

Being a school board member has to be one of the most thankless jobs. And in the Wayne-Westland and Garden City Public Schools district nothing could be more true, particularly in the past couple years.

Paid nominally, if at all, these elected officials put in countless hours of tedious work reviewing bids, con-tracts and other proposals so they can come to a consensus and make decisions in the best interest of the school district they represent.

Holding down day jobs to support their families — usually in fields unrelated to education - they meet in the evening to conduct school district business and sacrifice time they could be spending with loved ones. They attend







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Wayne-Westland school board are President Shawna Walker, Vice President Thomas Buck-alew, Secretary Carol Middel, Treasurer Frederick Weaver and trustees Charles "Trav" Griffin, John Goci and Sally Madison. The Garden City Board members are President Patrick McNally, Vice President Darlene Jablonowski, Secretary Sarah Roffi, Treasurer John Thackaberry and trustees Lynette Childress, Loraine Stover and Linda Wil-

Members of the

Being a school board member is a tough job, but someone has to do it. Let's thank those who are willing to do it.



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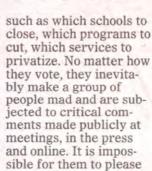
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elected to make. Often, they have to set aside their personal

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So, then, why would preferences and vote for

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the greater good. Indeed it is a thankless job. It is easy for community members to criticize and belittle board members' decisions. Each voter, parent or resident reacts to board decisions from their own unique perspective - often rather than taking a more global view of the whole district, including its

anyone want to run for school board? Because

Whether you agree with the board and its decisions or not, take the

**OUR VIEWS** 

### Time is running out to make a difference

Do you believe in miracles? There's no doubt some people in Michigan do. At the height of the Dec. 21 ice storm, nearly half a million people were left without power in Michigan. By week's end, 100,000 of them were still left without the power to generate light, heat and to cook food.

According to reports, people from Bay City were traveling as far as Canton to buy generators that were sold out elsewhere in the state. And as if the situation weren't bad enough, an estimated 10 people died from carbon monoxide poisoning due to having generators inside their homes.

By mid-week, in what surely must have seemed like a Christmas miracle, the power started coming on in many areas in what was a heroic effort by utility workers - miracle workers, actually, from all over the country - who braved nighttime temps in the single digits, tree limbs that con-

There are organizations locally that offer help ... but they can't do it without our help.

tinued to break off and needed to be cleared and downed power lines that had to be removed of ice before they could be replaced.

But another miracle is needed in southeastern Michigan, and each one of us living and working here needs to get involved in perform-

ing it.

Imagine having no generator to power up and heat your house. Heck, imagine having no house at all, no warm clothes, no place for a hot shower. And certainly no knowledge of where your next meal would come from for days, maybe months at a

What a dismal way to start the new year. There are organizations locally that offer help, such as the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, but they can't do it without our help. And right now, they need a miracle.

Maybe you were fumbling for your keys when you left your local grocery store recently and absentmindedly overlooked the bell ringer and red kettle that each year powers the efforts of the Salvation Army. Your missed donation was noticed.

The Wayne-Salvation Army was able to raise \$171,000 of its budgeted \$195,000 through support in the communities it serves. However, it fell short of its goal due to colder temperatures, rain and severe snow days during its peak fundraising times. And the Christmas mail donations from individuals, foundations and groups have raised \$20,000 to get to close to its \$25,000 goal.

The end result is a shortfall of about \$30,000, according to Wayne-Westland Corps Office Capt. Derek Rose.

There is still time to make a difference. The Salvation Army will continue to accept contributions through Jan. 31, whether it be with a dollar or something larger, both for those in need and for your 2013 tax deduction status. To help, send checks, payable to the Wayne Westland Salvation Army, 2300 S. Venoy, Westland, MI 48186.

It takes overt action, not magic, to make a miracle happen. Lucky you - you don't have to battle the elements to bring electricity to people. But you do have the power to make a difference right here

Sue Mason, Community Editor Susan Rosiek, **Executive Editor** 

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### LETTERS

### Helps ministry grow

I just wanted to express how grateful we all are for the beautiful article you wrote about Magic Carpet Theatre's drama ministry. The article was so complete and will really make a difference in helping our minis-try grow. People are calling because they read the article.

We were delighted to see that it was in so many different papers and that it was such a generous article in such a prominent location within the paper. The photos were wonderful, too. I was thrilled to see God in the

I praise and thank God for you and I thank you for your

time and for putting such care into the piece.

May God bless you, Catherine Zardus

mitment.

The Parable Project

### Agema's history

The Republican National Committee man, David Agema can not seem to contain his bigotry. His most recent examples are his posting on Facebook his support of Russia for its harsh laws against gays and his claim that Muslims have made no positive contributions to America.

Agema has a history of expressing his personal prejudices. Were I a Republican, I would be embarrassed that this overt bigoted racist is a spokesperson

for my party. As a private citizen, Agema is entitled to any of his erroneous opinion he so readily possesses. But, as a leader and spokes person for the Republican party, he has such

I wonder why the Michigan GOP tolerates Agema and keep him in his leadership position?

David Wells, Agema's selfappointed apologist, claims the comments were taken out of context. Really? I wonder how posted comments espousing bigotry can be taken out of con-

**Gerald Maxey** Farmington Hills

### **GUEST COLUMN**

### Snyder makes case for his accomplishments

ov. Rick Snyder likes to describe himself as "one widely and accurately regarded as a numbers guy.

And his annual State of the State address was, indeed, true to type. There was none of the soaring rhetoric of his predecessor, Gov. Jennifer Granholm. Our governor would never win an oratory contest and I suspect he knows it.

Instead, what we got was a down-to-earth, wide-ranging list of topics, from campaign promises kept and initiatives accomplished to some forward-looking priorities. Snyder is clearly, if unofficially, running for a second term and the speech offered an advance look at what his reelection campaign will look like.

For me, the most interesting part of the speech had to do with his emphasis on how immigrants coming to Michigan can be an essential part of our state's economic development strategy.

To his credit, Snyder has been talking about welcoming immigrants ever since his first State of the State back in 2011. This time, however, he called for creating a "Michigan Office for New Americans" to help educated, talented and ambitious immigrants, plus he urged federal approval for a visa program to help provide a path to citizenship for entrepreneurial immigrants who come with at least \$500,000 in capital to invest in new businesses.

Indeed, the metrics of what immigrants have done here are impressive - even to a numbers guy. From 1995 to 2005, onequarter of all high-tech start-ups in the U.S. were founded by non-native born entrepreneurs, fully half of all such firms in Silicon Valley.

In Michigan, where only 6 percent of our population today is foreign-born, a radically disproportionate 32 percent of hightech start-ups from 1990 to 2005 were founded by immigrants. In fact, nearly one-sixth of all businesses started in Michigan between 1996 and 2007 were launched by immigrants; in all, those 2,276 firms generated \$1.5 billion in one year alone.

Clearly, we need more of this. The Michigan Office for New Americans idea follows past



Phil Power

steps taken by the Snyder administration to encourage immigrant-driven economic suc-

At Snyder's urging, the Michigan Economic Development Corp. has provided financial support for the Global Talent Retention Initiative of Michigan, a pioneering international student program. It's aimed at encouraging the best of the more than 25,000 foreign-born students at Michigan universities, many of them studying engineering and math, to stay after grad-

The governor's administration has developed a series of online professional licensing guides designed to help new Americans through the thicket of regulations and requirements. Now, his Office for New Americans is a logical next step. Former state Rep. Steve Tobocman, D-Detroit, is a bright guy who started Global Detroit and has been a consistent and effective advocate for immigrants as drivers of Michigan's economy.

Tobocman says the new office "sends a signal that Gov. Snyder is serious, that he is committed to making our state welcoming and that the complexities of the field ... require full-time attention and coordination.

Complexities are right. One example: Michigan has filed an application to be designated an EB-5 visa application center, something that would allow the state to reach out to prospective investor immigrants. Makes plenty of sense, yes? True – but bizarrely, the feds have placed management of the program in the Department of Homeland Security, not the Department of Commerce. Unraveling that bureaucratic snafu is bound to take some of the governor's attention.

The solution of Michigan's most pressing problem - how to remake Detroit into an economic engine rather than a sinkhole has much to do with immigration policy. One of the key priorities for a revitalized Detroit is increasing the number of residents and it's plain that internapopulation growth strategy that has worked in any significant way in years.

The growing Hispanic community in southwest Detroit, the Middle Eastern one in Dearborn and multi-ethnic Hamtramck are all envied by struggling neighborhoods throughout Michigan.

Back in 2011, Tobocman told me "nothing is more powerful to remaking Detroit as a center of innovation, entrepreneurship and population growth than embracing and increasing immigrant populations and the entrepreneurial culture and global connections they bring." I sus-pect Snyder has heard that mes-

And looking through his State of the State speech gives the impression he has been listening to other far-sighted folks, as well. The governor wants another \$65 million in support for a state-run free pre-K program for poor and vulnerable 4-year-olds. He wants to explore the idea of year-round schools, where kids don't forget much of last year's learning over a long summer vacation. And he wants the Legislature to finish a new teacher evaluation system.

Two weeks ago, I went after the governor for signing a bill that perpetuates the disgraceful amount of secret "dark money" sloshing into Michigan political campaigns. That was a bad deci-

But there's much to admire in Rick Snyder's State of the State speech. We have no idea yet how the campaign for governor will unfold over the next nine months. But the markers Snyder laid down last week offer a powerful case for what he's done as a nerdy numbers guy who happens to be our governor.

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## Soldier awarded Purple Heart 'blessed to be here'

**By Valerie Olander** Correspondent

When the government envelope arrived in Dan O'Connor's Redford mailbox, the Iraq War veteran thought it was just another form to fill out after retiring two years ago from the U.S. Army.

Inside, he found his Purple Heart certificate for wounds suffered in combat during his second tour in Iraq. Once the medal arrives, a pinning ceremony will be held with an adjunct general in Lansing.

O'Connor, 37, suffered a traumatic brain injury from a suicide bomber's attack Jan. 20, 2009. Five other soldiers were injured and four Iraqi civilians were killed that day. He still suffers from headaches and hearing loss in his left ear.

"I'm just blessed to be here, home with my kids and going to school (at Schoolcraft College). I'm starting a new chapter in my life," he said.

As a sergeant with the 4th Battalion, 42nd Field Artillery Regiment, O'Connor was in charge of a security patrol in Baghdad, where his captain and other coalition forces were meeting with Iraqi officials.

He was in charge of eight soldiers in four Humvees lined up along a street near an office building where the meeting was taking place. A second security patrol from his unit was parked

Sgt. O'Connor remembers checking on his men and returning to his Humvee. Just as he shut the Humvee door, a blast rocked the street. A suicide bomber in a car detonated 200 pounds of explosives.

The blast left a 9-foot by 10-foot hole about 3 feet deep in the concrete.

His memory is patchy. O'Connor remembers hearing one of his gunners yelling for him and then making the initial radio contact to report the explosion. In the seconds that followed, his patrol assessed the area to make sure no other threats existed. The injured were rushed to the Green Zone hospital. Three soldiers suffered shrapnel wounds. Two gunners from O'Connor's patrol, Spec. Dixon Daggi and Pvt. Dustin Dill, suffered concussions.

It was outside the hospital where troops were gathered waiting for news on the injured when his section leader noticed O'Connor was having issues with depth perception. After an MRI, he was admitted to the hospital for a concus-

"I don't remember much. I woke up in a hospital bed next to Dill and Daggi wondering what had happened," he said.

He spent two days in the hospital and returned to his base, where he recuperated for one nore day before returnng to duty.

"It's a very surreal xperience. We lost so iany men, and somemes I wonder how I ade it back alive. I have friends who were not lucky during two tours Iraq," he said. The worst day was n. 5, 2006. This was ortly after arriving in

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nds. Losing friends in e is the hardest thing al with. I think about all the time," he

1994 graduate of ord Union High I, O'Connor worked Kmart distribution on Joy and Hagfor 10 years. When

it closed, he found temporary work, including a seasonal job with Wayne County Parks, but nothing permanent. That's when he decided to join the Army in 2005, knowing two wars were raging in Iraq and Afghanistan. A friend had enlisted the year before and his father is a Vietnam veter-

"I remember telling the recruiter I didn't

want to go until after St. Patrick's Day so I could have my last hurrah with friends. I was at Duffy's (a bar where his future wife, Susie, was work-ing)," he said. The two knew each

other, but didn't start dating until after he returned stateside in 2009. He was stationed at Fort Carson in Colorado for two more years.

After retiring in 2011,

he found the job climate in the Detroit area no better than it was when he enlisted in the Army. Last semester he began taking classes at Schoolcraft College using his Veterans Administration benefits. Once completing the prerequisite courses, he will transfer to Eastern Michigan University to get a teaching degree.



O'Connor in combat gear in Iraq. O'Connor, 37, suffered a traumatic brain injury from a suicide bomber's attack on Jan. 20, 2009.

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**GIRLS GYMNASTICS** 

## Blue vaults past rival Red in 'Flip for a Cure'

Annual dual meet helps support cancer research

By Brad Emons

Strong showings in three of the four events carried Livonia Blue to a 138.80-133.25 girls gymnastics victory Monday night over rival Livonia Red in the annual "Flip for a Cure" meet held at Churchill High School.

Livonia Blue, now 4-1 overall and 2-1 in the KLAA's Kensington Division, took four of the top five places to out-score Red 34.80-30.20 on the uneven

"We did very well and I'm very proud of them," Livonia Blue coach Lisa Broomfield said. "Our freshman Jess Weak came out strong and had a good meet as well as our returning sophomore Bri Rhoad. Catie McDougall, Alex Zukowski, Emily Chatterjee and Jillian Zarafana rounded out our

Blue, which had one point deducted off its team total because of paperwork issues, also won both the balance beam (35.40-33.95) and floor exercise (35.30-

"As a team we came into the meet ready to compete and ready to show off everything we had," Broomfield said. "We had a great time 'flipping for a cure' and raising money to support cancer research.

McDougall, a junior, took first on the balance beam with a score of 9.15, while Weak, a freshman, captured the uneven bars with a 9.05.

Weak was second in the all-around (35.20), while Rhoad, a sophomore, added a third (34.95).

"We knew coming in the level of gymnastics that she had," Broomfield said of Weak. "She's really stepped up her game. And as far as the high school requirements, she's grown up a lot already this season. And she's looking to grow even more. I'm really pleased

with her improvement from the beginning of the season until now.

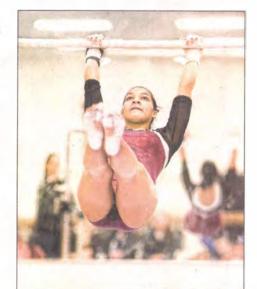
'Bri's coming back off an ankle injury. She's actually come a long way since the beginning of the season. She's now back on all four events, so we're looking to keep her healthy and keep competing on all four events."

The meet's individual standout was Livonia Red sophomore Marissa McVey, who captured the individual all-around (36.05) after taking firsts in the vault (9.05) and floor exercise (9.35). McVey added thirds in both the uneven bars (8.8) and balance beam

Livonia Red's best showing came on vault with a 35.60 to Blue's 34.30.

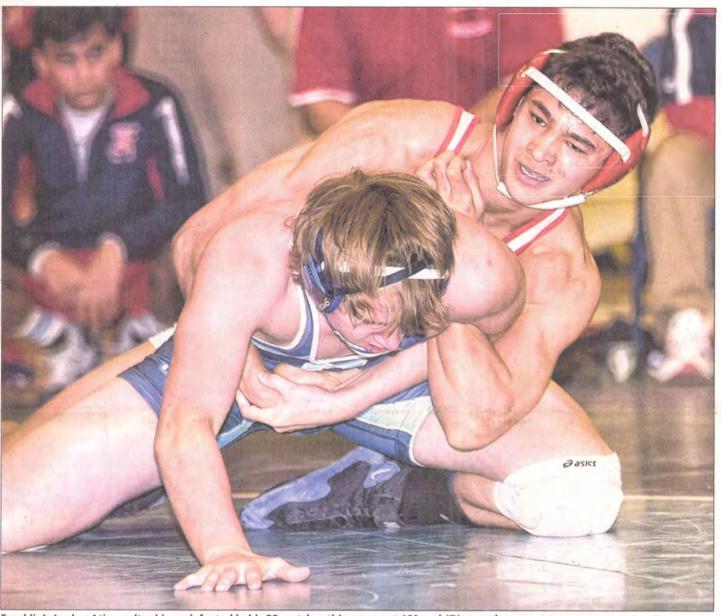
"I was very pleased with tonight's performance," said Red coach Kelly Grodzicki, whose team is 4-4 overall and 1-2 in the Kensington Division. "The girls did very well. We are struggling through some injuries, but the

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Livonia Red's Marissa McVey, performing on the uneven bars, was the all-around winner in Monday's dual against Livonia Blue. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

**OBSERVERLAND WRESTLING TOURNEY PREVIEW** 



Franklin's Jordan Atienza (top) is undefeated in his 38 matches this season at 160 and 171 pounds. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

## Can Plymouth grapplers stay ahead of field?

### Favored Wildcats poised to claim 1st-ever Observerland wrestling crown

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

One team appears to be in the catbird seat heading into the 23rd annual Observerland Invitational Wrestling Tournament, which commences once again Saturday morning at Livonia Churchill High School.

Plymouth, the Wayne County Tournament champions, will be gunning for their first-ever Observerland title in the 17-school field after finishing fourth a year ago.

"Plymouth is definitely the team to beat," said Franklin coach Dave Chiola, who owns four Observerland titles himself. "I've been coaching at Franklin since they started their program and this is definitely the best team they've had in my opinion, which is surprising because they've graduated a lot of good kids the couple of years. I thought they might be going down a little bit, but they've picked it back up with kids no-

body has ever heard of. Plymouth sixth-year coach Quinn Guernsey is confident in his team's ability to get the job done, but remains cautiously optimistic.

"This year we have plenty of top-end talent, but this year our seventh, eighth and ninth best kids on the team are still pretty good," Guernsey said. "Really, all the way down we don't have a hole. We don't have a kid – when he usually goes out - we don't expect to lose. And this year that's been the case.

"We've looked good all season. We're hoping to come out of this hoping to finish near the



**Rockets defend** Westland John Glenn is the defending Obseverland champion after scoring a team-high 180.5 points. Rounding out the

top five was Franklin (149), Wayne Memorial (143), Plymouth (133.5) and the Novi Detroit Catholic Central varsity

'B' team (120). "They've been consistent," Glenn coach Bill Polk said of Plymouth. "I really thought we could win our dual against them, but they won some crucial matches. A lot of times who wins our division is the team that has a lot of consistency from top to bottom. This

year - Canton, Franklin and us - have a lot of young kids in the lineup, so Plymouth has taken advantage of it."

Glenn lost to Plymouth in a KLAA South Division dual meet only last

week, 45-25.

"They're pretty balanced from top to bottom," Glenn coach Bill Polk said of the Wildcats. "We've struggled a little bit lately. We got a couple injuries and we're putting a lot of young kids out on the mat. They're struggling at the varsity level, but hopefully we can get it all together at the end."

There will be no shortage of individual talent heading into Saturday's tournament as 19 Observerland grapplers are ranked either in the top 10 or honorable mention in their respective weight classes by the website MichiganGrappler.com.

### Prime matchups

The finals, which will start at approximately 5 p.m., should feature some outstanding matches.

Among the Plymouth wrestlers ranked in Division 1 include junior

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## **MLS Crew** get U-D's Bedell in 3rd round

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Adam Bedell has always had it in the back of his mind to play professional

And the University of Detroit Mercy senior realized that goal after being drafted Tuesday in the third round of the Major League Soccer SuperDraft by the Columbus Crew. Bedell, a former All-

Observer selection from Livonia Churchill High, was taken by the Crew 45th overall. He is also the first Titan soccer player to be drafted in the MLS.

"I'm excited," Bedell said. "I've been waiting a



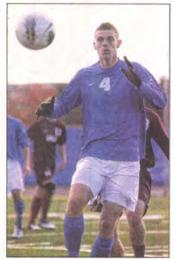
long time for this. It's something I've been preparing for for years now. I have my dream realized and it's another step in the right direction.

I still have a lot to do obviously, but I got my foot in the door and now I have to prove myself and work

All three the Crew's SuperDraft selections, including first-round pick Ben Sweat (South Florida), who was selected 14th overall, and third-round choice Kingsley "Fifi" Baiden (UC-Santa Barbara), who was taken 42nd, will compete for a spot on the first team roster, entering the club's preseason camp this weekend in Florida. All are unsigned.

"It looks like I'll be play-ing forward," Bedell said. "It seems like they see me as a target player. I haven't spoke with coach (Gregg) Berhalter about that at this time, but I'm sure we'll have many discussions soon as far as what he wants my

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Adam Bedell was taken in the MLS SuperDraft by the Columbus Crew. TIM BUSCH | UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY

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## Filiatraut returns to coach at Divine Child

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

The lure of coaching high school football again has John Filiatraut re-

turning to his alma mater.
After a year's absence, the former Livonia Churchill coach is headed back to Dearborn Divine Child where he'll replace Steve Robb, who was not retained after going 3-6 in his only season as the Falcons' coach.

The 44-year-old Filiatraut, who spent 16 years as Churchill's varsity coach before stepping down following the 2012 season for family considerations, is a 1987 Divine Child grad who played under coach Wes Wishart.

Last season, Filiatraut coached his younger son's Livonia St. Michael's fifth- and sixth-grade team. His oldest son John Jr., a senior at DC, played offensive guard for the Falcons in the

"The opportunity was there," Filiatraut said. "I'm very excited to be there. I met the kids on Monday. That was great. I'm just really happy to be in there and to be coaching again. I did miss it last year. I missed high school football and this will be a good, new challenge.

Filiatraut, who played football at the University of Wisconsin, became the Churchill varsity coach at age 26 and spent 16 seasons with the Chargers, going 61-90.

He guided the Chargers to four play-off berths (2004, 2007, 2011 and 2012) with his best season coming in 2012 when Churchill finished 10-1, capturing both the KLAA South Division and Kensington Conference championships.

Divine Child, now a member of the Catholic League's AA Division, has an enrollment of approximately 800 stu-dents. The school spawned such players as former Lions quarterback Gary Danielson along with former University of Colorado coach and Promise Keepers founder Bill McCartney.

"The biggest change for me personally is that it's just a smaller place," Filiatraut said of Divine Child. "At our meeting on Monday I met 53 returning players. At Churchill that's a big class. But that's (incoming) sophomores, ju-niors and seniors. I just have to get my head around coaching at a smaller place. I expect for us to improve a little bit, but it's unreasonable to expect there is going to be 150 kids playing football there. The place only has 400 boys or so. We have some good skill

kids coming back and our line will be a little young, but we'll get them going.'

Filiatraut he is putting together a staff which will include alumni relations director Scott Dickey, a holdover from the previ-

Filiatraut

"I've been at Churchill for so long," Filiatraut said. "It's a little strange leaving there, but the colors are the same and that's good. A couple of holdovers that are teachers in the building. The staff is coming together. We're definitely not done yet. Once I got Scott's commitment and from some of the other guys in the building, I was

fully on board with it."
Filiatraut's wife, Janice, was also on board with his decision to return to the high school coaching ranks.

"She's very supportive," John Fi-liatraut said. "Anybody that knows me knows that I wouldn't do anything without her backing me up. Without her support I definitely couldn't do it. She's

been great and she's very excited.
"At this point I have a better vision what good football looks like and how to run a good program. I feel like I've cut my teeth and I'm ready to go. I just have a better vision of what should happen. In that regard I'm very excit-

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### SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Castillo top punter

Alejandro Castillo, a senior at Livonia Franklin High School, recently took first place in the punting competition at the 2013 National Kicking Challenge held during Christmas break in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Castillo, the kicker and punter last fall for the Patriots' varsity football team, trains with Kornblue Kicking based in of Bonita Springs, Fla.

### MU softball camp

Madonna University women's softball coach Jerry Abraham will stage a fundamentals camp from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and a pitching camp (all ages) from noon to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the MU Activities Center.

The cost is \$25 per session or \$50 for

both. You can register at the door. For more information, email Abraham at jabraham@madonna.edu or call 734-432-5612.

### Future Stars camp

The eighth annual Franklin High School Future Stars spring baseball camp will be from 9-11:30 a.m. (Session 1) and from 12:15-2:45 p.m. (Session 2) on Saturday, Feb. 22, at the high school fieldhouse, 31000 Joy, Livonia.

Session 1 will consist of hitting, base running and infield work, while Session 2 will focus on pitching, outfield, defense and catching drills.

The cost is \$30 per session or \$50 for both. Campers must bring a glove, bat and athletic shoes. Each camper will bring a sack lunch for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. if attending both ses-

For more information, call Franklin coach Matt Fournier at 734-968-0499; or email mfournie2@livoniapublicschools.org.

### **CHS Hall of Fame**

The 12th annual Livonia Churchill Athletics Hall of Fame induction dinner, put on by the Churchill Athletic Patrons, will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday,

March 20, at the Italian-American Hall, 39200 Five Mile, Livonia.

Dinner starts at 6:45 p.m., followed

by the program at 7:30 p.m. Among the inductees will be the 2006 Churchill Division 1 state runnerup cross country team (coached by Sue Tatro); football and baseball player John Stoitsiadis (1986); and former Churchill Principal Rod Hosman.

Tickets are \$35 each (if purchased by March 1) or \$40 (after March 1). For more information, contact Rob

Suida at 313-617-5448; or email rsuida@cmsenergy.com.

### Coach-Pitch, T-Ball

The city of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage walk-in or fax-in registration for 2014 co-ed instructional T-ball (ages 5-6) and coach-pitch (ages 7-8) for those living in the Livonia or Clarenceville school attendance area through Feb. 26.

Mail-in registration is through Feb.

Enrollment is limited to the the first 640 participants in each division. Regis-

tration forms have been sent to schools or can be picked up at the Livonia Community Recreation Center. The season runs from May though

July with T-Ball scrimmages Monday evenings and coach-pitch scrimmages Thursday evenings.

Late registration for Livonia or Clarenceville school district residents will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 29, at the LCRC, 15000 Hubbard (at Five

at 9 a.m. Monday, March 31, at the CRC's Parks and Recreation office. Openings will be filled on a first-

Nonresident registration will begin

come, first-served basis through April 30 or until teams are filled. Open registration fees are \$40 per

child (resident) and \$50 (nonresident). Late registration fees are \$50 (resident) and \$60 (nonresident)

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role to be, and I'll be more happy to do

"Everything is moving very quickly right now. The 6-foot-6 Bedell, primarily used

as an attacking midfielder and forward at Detroit, was named to the first-team All-Horizon League for the second straight season in 2013. In 2012, Bedell won the Horizon League Player and Offensive Player of the Year honors and its first Horizon League regular season championship since 2005.

In 2013, Bedell finished tied for third in the Horizon League in points (21), fourth in goals (eight), while tying for

sixth in assists (five), respectively. Bedell, a biology major, finished his Titan career among the leaders in several major statistical categories that include sixth all-time in career points (67), goals (23) and assists (22)

This is a proud day for Detroit Titans soccer to have a player drafted to the MLS," said Detroit men's coach Nick Deren, a Livonia Stevenson High grad. "It's a big step for our program and we're looking forward to watching him play with the Columbus Crew. It could not happen to a more class-act person. He is always setting high standards for himself and his hard work and determination is what what led him

On Dec. 14, Bedell was a participant in the Crew's College Combine, hosted by the Crew's first team technical staff. He also played for the Crew Soccer

Academy Wolves program in Michigan. "Adam stood out at our Combine last December and is a good example of the depth of this region's player pool," Berhalter said.

At Churchill, Bedell ended high school career with 26 goals, which is fourth all-time in the Chargers' record books, along with 31 assists, which is second all-time. He played club soccer six years for the Michigan Wolves

He also earned two letters in basketball and helped Churchill captured the Kensington Lakes Activities Association championships both in basketball and soccer as a senior.

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS HOCKEY

## Blazers score late to forge 1-1 tie with Penguins

PCS stymied by Ladywood netminder

> By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Ladywood's varsity girls hockey team scored in the final minute of regulation Tuesday night to salvage a 1-1 tie against the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins at Arctic Edge

Yet Penguins head coach Mary Beth Smith was in a good mood following the fast-paced, well-played Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League tilt. PCS out-shot Ladywood 31-21, but could not get more than one puck behind Blazers goalie Michaela War-

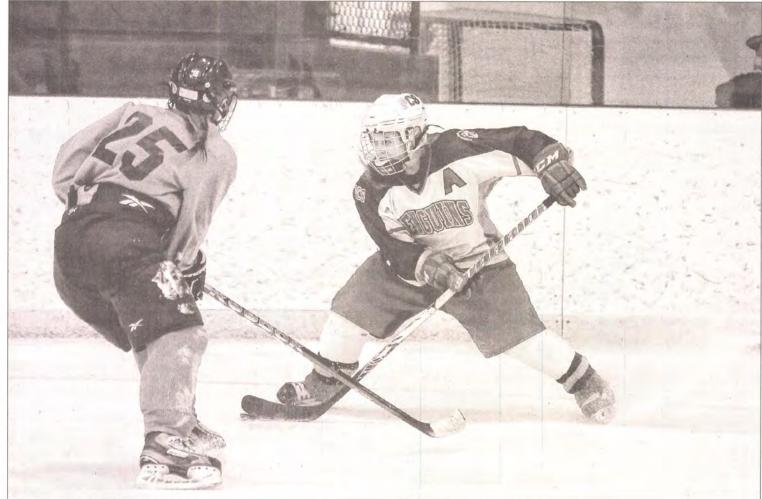
"It was a great game, both teams played really hard," said Smith, whose team is 5-4-1 overall. "I think that was the most offense we've generated thus far. They came out fired up and ready to play, definitely not a bad tie to come out of here playing against Lady-

Johnson wasn't down about her team losing a point thanks to the goal by Abby Pelon with 36 seconds to go in the third period, with Warner pulled for an extra attacker. She emphasized that the Penguins were strong throughout against the Division 1 Blazers. PCS is a D2

"You never know until the buzzer goes, so you got to fight through the end of that peri-

od," Johnson said. "But, I'm definitely not disappointed with the tie. I think we can build momentum off that. We play (D1) Liggett on Tuesday.

According to Ladywood assistant coach Ethan Graham, coming back to get the late goal and earn a tie continues a recent trend of improved play.



Squaring off for the puck are Livonia Ladywood's Katie Hayward (No. 25) and Morgan Cusamano of the Penguins. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

His team is 2-10-1 overall, but more competitive since the Christmas break, he noted.

"We didn't have the start we wanted," Graham said. "But the girls battled the whole game. And we got better as the game went on.

"We kept digging, and we told them to keep shooting, keep moving your feet. We got the goal at the end to tie it up.'

The Penguins had just expertly killed off a penalty, with solid work checking and clearing the puck by senior defenseman and captain Alexis

O'Flynn, senior forward Jenna Carter, sophomore forward Megan Brace and junior forward Elizabeth O'Donohue.

### Forcing OT

Then with about one minute remaining, the Blazers wearing pink jerseys for breast cancer awareness pulled Warner in a final stab at scoring the equalizer.

About 20 seconds later, defenseman Colleen Lynch sent the puck from the left point that reached PCS senior goalie Gwen Gadulka (who also played a strong game, with 20 stops).

Battling on the doorstep were Ladywood's Kylie Doyle and Pelon with the latter finally punching the puck into the net. Lynch and Doyle earned helpers on the play

Both teams had to kill off

penalties in overtime. One of Ladywood's major threats throughout the contest was forward Katie Hayward, who had several prime scoring chances against Gadulka.

'She (Hayward) pushes the pace in a lot of games and she

gets a lot of chances," Graham said. "She's definitely a spark plug for us."

He added that the netminding performance from Warner bought the Blazers the extra time needed to earn the point.

"Our goalie always keeps us in a lot of games and she was good tonight," he said. "She saw the puck through traffic a couple different times."

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PREP HOCKEY ROUNDUP

### 13-1 Troy escapes Patriots on late goal

Stevenson wins on Kelly OT tally in Traverse City

The Livonia Franklin boys hockey team just can't seem to get a break this season.

The Patriots battled one-loss Troy even for 50 minutes before losing in the final 23 seconds to host Colts, 2-1, in a nonconference game Saturday night at the Troy Sports Center.

Troy, now 13-1, tallied the game-winner during the final minute on Jake Howard's even strength goal from Jacob Smith.

Troy scored first at 3:34 of the second period on Jordan Sowerby's goal from Nik Bester, but the Patriots knotted the count at 1-all at 8:46 of the same period on Corey Ferrier's goal from Greg Bo.

Troy goalie Michael Fisher stopped 16-of-17 Franklin shots, while Patriots netminder Matt Monendo made 30 saves.

Franklin took six penalties, while Troy stayed completely out of the box for 51 minutes.

"Our team showed a lot of grit coming off of arguably our best game of the year the night before against Northville," said Franklin coach Dennis Gagnon, whose team slipped to 2-11 overall. "We had to kill nearly 14 minutes of penalties on some questionable calls, nearly a full period worth against a team that has already beaten 12 teams this

"The first half of the season

has been tough record wise, but I really like the way we bring it every game and can't wait to sing our fight song after our next victory. Our guys deserve

STEVENSON 3, T.C. WEST 2 (OT): Devin Kelly West (7-9) at North-South Showcase held at Centre Ice

Kelly's goal with only 44 seconds left from Ray Chartier, Ir. knotted the game at 2-all and the senior tallied the game-winner from Dominic Lutz and Tyler Irvine with 1:15 left in overtime. Irvine's second period power play goal from Lutz at 3:16 of the second period tied it at 1-1.

Jake Saxton had a goal and assist in a losing cause, while Ryan Roehler also added a goal. Titans goaltender Tyler Buchanan made 35 saves, while Brad Couts had 16 stops for the defending

MHSAA Division 2 state champions.
"It was a great game for us to play," Stevenson coach
David Mitchell said. "It was very hard fought and competitive. It had a bit of everything. We had some calls go against us, the opposing goalie was great and even a goal disallowed. But we overcame all that

adversity and found a way to win. It wasn't pretty, but we grew up tonight. Also, I'm very happy for Brad Couts, our senior goalie. He was great in net to get the win." PLYMOUTH 8, CHURCHILL 2: Alex Bump tallied a pair of goals and Mike Schultz added three assists Saturday as the host Wildcats (7-5-1, 6-3-2) exploded for four goals during the final period to beat KLAA South Division foe Livonia Churchill (5-10-2, 4-4-1) at Arctic

Colin Staub, Charlies Supernois, Andrew Jossey, Corey Smith, John Vandenbeurgeury and Antony Sloan also added goals for Plymouth, which led 2-1 after one period and 4-2 after 34 minutes.

period and 4-2 arter 34 minutes.

Zach Tavierne also chipped in with two assists.

C.J. Cromie scored both goals for the Chargers, who were outshot 50-19. Dan Hudy and Drew Puishes assisted on the first goal, while Joe Wozniak and Puishes added assists on the second.

David Turel started in goal for the Chargers before Grant Klimiqueter, and goals the final 10 minutes.

PORT HURON 2, LADYWOOD 1: Devin Tom-linson had a goal and assist Saturday as the Ice Hawks (7-1, 7-1) edged host Livonia Ladywood (2-10, 2-10) in a Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League

Division 1 encounter at Plymouth's Arctic Pond.

Dana McLeod had the other goal for Port Huron,
which led 1-0 after one period and 2-1 after two periods. Freshman Katie Hayward scored her team-leading 16th goal of the season in the second period from junior Jackie Kristofik for the Blazers.

Sophomore Michaela Warner went all the way in goal

**BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP** 

## 1st-place John Glenn trips up Wildcats in South test, 66-53

Churchill smashes Wayne to keep pace in KLAA South Division standings

Westland John Glenn proved efficient with the basketball Tuesday night as the host Rockets earned a 66-53 KLAA South Division boys victory over visiting

The first-place Rockets, who improved to 7-4 overall and 5-0 in the division, got a game-high 22 points from 6-foot-4 senior forward Isaac Everette, while senior guard Mo Foani made six 3-pointers and finished with 18 points.

Senior guard DeAngelo Kirksev contributed nine points and nine assists, while junior forward James Pruitt added eight points and 16 rebounds.

John Glenn made 4-of-7 free throws on the night.

"We had a good start and good assist-to-turnover ratio," said Glenn coach Dan Young, whose team led 32-20 at halftime. "We probably had 20 assists and around eight-to-10 turnovers. We were moving it and both of our bigs, Pruitt and Michael Edwards, played well on the boards. It was our chemistry, ball movement and connectiveness that enabled us to

get the job done."

Plymouth, which made 14-of-26 foul shots on the night, received a team-high 16 points from Randall Aikens along with 15 from Josh Reynolds.

CHURCHILL 70, WAYNE 40: Senior guard Donte Jackson scored a game-high 22 points and Jalen Davis chipped in with 19 to carry Livonia Churchill (5-5, 4-1) to a KLAA South Division triumph Tuesday over host Wayne Memorial (2-8,

The Chargers jumped out to a 22-13 first-quarter advantage and opened up a 42-20 halftime lead before coasting home. Jackie Muhammad led the Zebras with 13 points

CANTON 47, FRANKLIN 30: Davon Taylor scored 15 points and Jordan Nobles added 14 as the Chiefs (8-2, 3-2) exploded in the third quarter Tuesday to subdue host Livonia Franklin (1-10, 0-5) in a KLAA South Division clash.

Wayne made 6-of-11 free throws, while Churchill

Taylor, a 6-foot-6 senior, also grabbed 11 ebounds, while the 6-foot-7 Nobles added eight. Franklin led 8-6 after one quarter and trailed by only three, 18-15, at halftime before Canton wen

on a 19-5 run in the third period.
Adam Monroe paced the Patriots, who shot only
28 percent from the floor (10-of-35), with 11 points,
while Charles Keith added six.

STEVENSON 53, NOVI 49: Junior guard Jailen Webber hit two big free throws with 14 seconds left to seal the victory en route to a game-high 19 points on Monday as Livonia Stevenson (2-8, 1-4) turned back the host Wildcats (2-8, 1-4) in a KLAA Central Divison clash. Junior guard Noah Campbell added 11 points for

the Spartans, who led 31-21 at halftime and 45-34 fter three quarters.

Nolan Bradford, who started for Campbell contributed valuable minutes and finished with six

Just like the South Lyon game we knew Novi would pick up the intensity in the third quarter," Stevenson coach Brandon Sinawi said. "We

Stevenson coach Brandon Sinawi Said. We sustained it for the most part.

"Our effort defensively was good, but offensively we couldn't match what they were doing and we had trouble putting the ball in the hoop, especially in the fourth quarter where made only three

baskets."
Erik Biberstein and Billy Ulle paced Novi in

scoring with 15 and 12 points, respectively. Novi was only 12-of-24 from the foul line, while Stevenson made 9-of-18.

CLARENCEVILLE 81, ANNAPOLIS 58: Junior Jermell Johnson pumped in a game-high 29 points to lift Livonia Clarenceville (6-5, 3-2) to a Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division victory Tuesday at Dearborn Heights Annapolis (1-8, 0-3).

Junior James Hill and senior Kimani Dooley added 20 and 15 points, respectively, for the victorious Trojans, who jumped out to a 12-2 lead after two minutes.

We played our best defense of the season in the first quarter," said Clarenceville coach Justin Johnson, whose team led 23-13 after one quarter and 44-30 at halftime. "And it's the first time we

came right out of the gate. We got deflections, steals and scored in transition." Bryan Collins and Juwan Banks tallied 21 and 15,

respectively, for the Cougars, who were 8-of-11 Clarenceville, meanwhile, connected on 15-of-20

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 74, PARKWAY 54: P.J. Gusè scored 16 points and Jake Davenpo chipped in with 11 points and eight rebounds as Lutheran High Westland (5-2, 3-2) stopped host Sterling Heights Parkway Christian (1-7, 1-2) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red

The Warriors, who shot 55 percent from the field (30-of-55), jumped out to a 24-5 first guarter lead

(30-o1-55), jumped out to a 24-5 tirst quarter lead and never looked back. Caleb Schmake and Nathan Schick each scored 13 points in a losing cause. "We had the foot on the gas from the opening

tip tonight," Lutheran Westland coach Jim Hoeft said. "It was also refreshing to see us hit some shots tonight. We were able to break their full-court pressure allowing us to get easy buckets throughout the entire game. We still need to limit our turnovers, but overall I'm pleased with our

GREENHILLS 87 HURON VALLEY 45: Ross Scheinberg scored 18 points and Emmet Kulka added 16 Tuesday as MIAC Red Division leader Ann Arbor Greenhills (8-0, 4-0) defeated visiting Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (1-6, 1-2). Collin Wagaman had 11 points, while Ryan Schaffer added 10 points and nine rebounds for the Hawks, who trailed 48-30 at halft

STEINER 65, HURON VALLEY 32: On Monday, Miles Greenstone tallied 19 points and Ben Hadlock added 13 as host Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner (7-2) rolled past visiting Westland Huron Valley Lutheran 91-5) in a non-conference game. Huron Valley Lutheran, which trailed 22-11 after one quarter and 39-18 at halftime, got 12 points and eight rebounds from Milan Monk. Ryan Schaffer chipped in with nine points Steiner made 27-of-60 shots (45 percent).

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL** Thursday, Jan. 23 nson at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 Luth. Westland at Luth. South, 6 p.m. Baptist Park at Huron Valley, 7 p.m. Churchill at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Wayne at Franklin, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.i GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Jan. 23 Stevenson at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Franklin Road at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Oak, Christian at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 Plymouth at Churchill, 7 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 7 p.m. Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Sacred Heart at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Huron Valley at Baptist Park, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at Luth. South, 7:30 p.m. Ladywood at Marian, 7:30 p.m. PREP HOCKEY Thursday, Jan. 23

Churchill vs. Howell at Grand Oaks Arena, 6:50 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 Saturday, Jan. 25 (Mich. Metro Girls Showcase) Ladywood vs. Northville City Ice Arena, 11:30 a.m.

PREP WRESTLING

Saturday, Jan. 25

Observerland Invitational at Churchill H.S., 9 a.m. lis Team Tourney, 10 a.m. BOYS SWIMMING Thursday, Jan. 23 Plymouth at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. John Glenn at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Wayne at Canton, 6:30 p.m. Stevenson at S.L. East, 6:30 p.m. PREP BOWLING Thursday, Jan. 23 Wayne at Novi (Bowl), 3:30 p.m. Ladywood vs. Divine Child at Drakeshire Lanes, 3:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 John Glenn vs. Lakeland, Wayne vs. Hartland

Saturday, Jan. 25 Tri-County Tournament COMPETITIVE CHEER Saturday, Jan. 25 W.L. Western Invitational, 1 p.m. Lake Orion Invitational, 3 p.m. Northville Invitational, TBA. PREP SKIING

Thursday, Jan. 23 Ladywood Giant Slalom MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS Saturday, Jan. 25 Marygrove at Madonna, 3 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS Saturday, Jan. 25

Marygrove at Madonna, 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Crusaders cage Cardinals, 75-67

Schoolcraft decked twice in MCCAA Eastern action

Junior center Donald Owens paced a balanced attack with 13 points and eight rebounds as Madonna University took over sole possession of second place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a 75-67 men's basketball victory Saturday over host Concordia University in Ann Arbor.

The Crusaders, who improved to 14-6 overall and 10-2 in the WHAC, also received 12 points off the bench from Jordan Short, while Travis Schuba and Bobby Naubert (Livonia Stevenson) added 11 points

Naubert, who was named WHAC Player of the Week, also dished out nine assists as the Crusaders trail No. 6-ranked Cornerstone (17-3, 11-1) by only a game in the conference standings.

Concordia (8-11, 6-7) got a game-high 16 points from Josh Fugate, while John Schaffer and Jesse Schienke added 13 and 12, respectively.

MU, which led 38-29 at halftime, shot 26-of-62 from the floor on the game (41.9 percent) and 17-of-22 from the foul line (77.3 percent). ST. CLAIR CC 117, SCHOOLCRAFT 79: Thirty-eight turnovers was the story Monday as Schoolcraft College (10-6, 3-3) fell to host St. Clair County Community College (9-8, 2-4) in an

MCCAA Eastern Conference game at Skippers Gym in Port Huron.

Marques Pool led the winners with 29 points, while Everette Boone came off the bench to add 14. Matthew Van Dyke and Matthew Russell contributed 13 apiece. Schoolcraft was led by Redford Thurston's

Terrence Coles (16 points, 10 rebounds) and Andrew Mapley (13 points, 12 rebounds). Basel Ibrahim added 12 points, while Terrell Sewell (Canton) and Devonta Riley each added

Schoolcraft, which trailed 64-40 at halfti only 44.4 percent from the foul line (12-of-27) and 40.5 percent from the field (32-of-79). MACOMB CC 94, SCHOOLCRAFT 74: Brandon Hicks scored a game-high 29 points Saturday as host Macomb Community College

(9-6, 3-2) pulled away in the second half for an MCCAA Eastern Conference triumph over Schoolcraft College (10-5, 3-2).

DeAngelo Brown chipped in with 16 points and 11 rebounds, while Rayshawn Griffin and Lavell McKnight added 15 and 14 points, respectively, for the victorious Monarchs, who led 50-43 at Terrence Coles (Redford Thurston) paced

Schoolcraft with a double-double (16 points, 15 rebounds), while Terrell Sewell added 10 points. The Ocelots, outscored 48-31 in the second half,

committed a total of 31 turnovers.
Schoolcraft shot 40 percent from the field (26-of-65) and only 63.3 percent from the free throw stripe (19-of-30).

## Lady Trojans rally for big WWAC Red victory

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

Livonia Clarenceville remains atop the Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division girls basketball standings thanks to a stirring second-half

The Trojans, who trailed 21-13 at halftime and 25-23 after three quarters Tuesday, outscored visiting Dearborn Heights Annapolis 18-11 in the decisive fourth period to pull out a 41-36 victory.

Ayanna Buckley, a 6-foot senior center, helped orchestrate the comeback scoring a game-high 23 points to go along with 19 rebounds, seven blocks and four steals.

Erica Katz also chipped in with eight points and 11 boards as the Trojans improved to 7-4 overall and 5-0 in the WWAC

Clarenceville made just 16-of-31 free throws on the night, but was clutch down the stretch hitting 7-of-8 in the final quarter.

Annapolis (7-4, 3-2) was led by Dawnielle Dixon, who fin-

ished with 13 points.
HURON VALLEY 52, GREENHILLS 48: Taylor Rea's 14 ponits off the bench sparked Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (5-2, 4-0) to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division win Tuesday at home over Ann Arbor Greenhills (5-4,

3-3). Rea, a junior forward made 6-of-9 shots from the floor and both free throws.

"She knows the offense well, made great cuts to the hoop and found great shots," HVL coach Kris Ruth said.

Julie St. John, another junior forward, finished with 15 points, nine rebounds and five assists.
"We shot better from the floor tonight, finding some better shots," said Ruth, whose team led 24-13 at halftime. "Their trapping defense did give us some troubles, but when we moved the ball quick, we found the open girl. We need to eliminate more turnovers. Our defense in the second quarter, especially our press made the difference tonighte for her." 15 points, nine rebounds and five assists.

Kirin Cromer tallied 20 points and had nine steals to lead Greenhills, while Bridget Cummings added 16

Francesca Delicata netted 18 points and Kim DeClair added 10 as Sterling Heights Parkway Christian (3-2 MIAC Red) downed Lutheran High Westland (3-7,

Parkway led 9-4 after one quarter and 26-12 at CABRINI 27, LADYWOOD 23: On Tuesday,

Allen Park Cabrini (6-4) held off a late rally to beat host Livonia Ladywood (1-9) in a Catholic League inter-sectional battle.

inter-sectional battle.

The Monarchs jumped out to a 14-2 halftime lead and led 23-9 before the Blazers hit four quick triples to close within six. Junior Morgan Larkin added a layup to cut it to four, but that was as close as the Blazers would get.

Freshman Maggie Shirk led Ladywood with 10 points, while Erika Selakowski added seven points, eight rebounds and three steals. Junior Jessica Hasaneau pulled down a team-best 12 rebounds.

Carlee Alley scored 13 for Cabrini?

STEINER 29, HURON VALLEY 22: In a low

scoring non-conference game Monday, host Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner (7-2) turned back Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (4-2). Senior Angie Andrews and sophomore Georgie Andrews tallied eight and seven points, respectively, for the Storm, who overcame a 14-6 first quarter

Junior Julie St. John and freshman Sam Golchuck each scored seven for the Hawks, who made only

"7-of-13 free throws.
"We only played one good quarter tonight, and you can't win games like that," HVL coach Kris Ruth said.
"They (Steiner) really packed in a tight zone, and we did not adjust well."



Clarenceville's Erica Katz grabs the loose ball in front of Mary Lewandowski of Annapolis. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Trio propels MU women past Concordia, 85-73

Senior guard Rachel Melcher scored 29 points while grabbing 12 rebounds to lift the Madonna University women's basketball team to an 85-73 victory Saturday over host Concordia University in Ann Arbor.

The Crusaders, who improved to 8-11 overall and 6-6 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference also received a double-double from Livonia Franklin's Chelsea Williams (21 points, 12 rebounds), while Tori Duffy added 20 points.

MU made 29-of-37 free throws on the afternoon (78.4 percent) led by Williams (9-of-10) and Melcher (14-of-19).

The Crusaders shot 48.1 percent from the floor (25-of-52).

Concordia (8-11, 6-7) got a team-high 23 points from Brook Adams, while Collen Szakacs added 10 points. Megan Stone

contributed 12 rebounds.

MU led 44-42 at the half and outscored the Cardinals 41-31

during the second half.
ST. CLAIR 104, SCHOOLCRAFT 67: Sheyna Deans scored a game-high 31 points and grabbed 12 rebounds as 51. Clair County Community College (13-2, 5-0) rolled to an MCCAA Eastern Conference win Monday over visiting Schoolcraft College (6-10, 2-4) at Skippers Gym in Port

St. Clair, which led 52-25 at halftime, also got 18 points St. Clair, Which Jed 52-25 at halftime, also got 18 points from Andrany Beverly, while Lariah Stevens added 15. Whitney Currie chipped in with 13 points and 13 boards as the Skippers shot 51.2 percent from the floor (43-of-84). Brianna Berberet (Salem) and Alexis Smith (Livonia Franklin) paced the Lady Ocelots with 20 and 18 points, respectively. Tabiltha Mann (Salem) added 13 points and eight reloyands.

Schoolcraft made only 10-of-22 free throws (45.5 percent), 25-of-67 field goal attempts (35.8 percent) and

MACOMB CC 70, SCHOOLCRAFT 44: Carly D'Almeida scored 17 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to propel unranked Macomb Community College (12-1, 5-0)

propel unranked Macomb Community College (12-1, 5-0) to an MCCAA Eastern Conference victory Saturday over visiting Schoolcraft College (6-9, 2-3).

The Monarchs, who led 41-31 at intermission before pulling away in the second half, also got 14 points from Breanna Kidd and 12 from Rashaun Hankins.

Schoolcraft, the victim of 31 turnovers and 28.8 percent shooting from the floor (15-of-52) got 10 points from Livonia Franklin's Alexis Smith.

Tabitha Mann (Salem) and Jessica Parry each added eight points.

KLAA KENSINGTON GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Novi's McMahan shoots down Spartans in KLAA Central clash

Novi senior point-guard Kerri McMahan proved to be a major thorn in Livonia Stevenson's side in Tues-day's KLAA Central Division girls basketball encounter.

The Akron University signee scored 10 of her game-high 26 points during the final quarter to propel the Wildcats to a 45-40 win over the host Spartans.

Novi, now 9-2 overall and 4-1 in the Central, outscored Stevenson 15-10 in the final eight minutes to break a 30-all deadlock after three quarters.

"She hurt us. She just finds a way to the basket," Stevenson coach Jen Knoph said of McMahan. "I thought at times we did a good job of containing her,

but she got some steals and some transition baskets. She's a great player."

Senior forward Kyra Johnson paced Stevenson (6-3, 3-2) with 17 points and eight rebounds, while sen-ior center Charlesann Roy added 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Stevenson made only 8-of-16 free throws, while Novi was 13-of-23.

"They also got three or four offensive boards that killed us in the fourth quar-

ter," Knoph said.
PLYMOUTH 67, JOHN GLENN 55: Shelby Cheston poured in a game-high 27 points Tuesday as the host Wildcats (9-2, 4-1) pulled away from a 34-all halftime deadlock to beat Westland John Glenn (4-7, 3-2) in a KLAA Carb Divide power for the programmer of the prog

South Division game. Leah Kliczinski and Kylie Robb chipped in with 13 and eight, respectively, for Plymouth which outscored Glenn 33-21 in the second "Plymouth is a good team, they pushed the ball and we did not get back on defense,"
Glenn first-year coach Derrick Jordan said. "The
third quarter we had three or four opportunities right at the rim. We gave them transition
baskets. It put us in the hole and we couldn't
get out of it."

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Kaira Barnes led Glenn with 18 points, while Victoria McCloud and R'Mani Garrard chipped in with 12 and 11, respectively. Sierra Mosley

Plymouth was 11-of-15 from the foul line, while Glenn was 13-of-20.

CHURCHILL 50, WAYNE 40: Junior CHURCHILL 50, WAYNE 40: Junior forward Hannah Pummill scored a game-high 18 points and freshman center Annie Yost added 13 Tuesday as host Livonia Churchill (5-5, 2-3) downed Wayne Memorial (0-10, 0-4) in a KLAA South Division encounter:

Churchill jumped out to an 18-6 first-quarter advantage and led 41-23 after three quarters. Senior quard Ashley Bland led the Zebras.

Senior guard Ashley Bland led the Zebras with 16 points, while Shukeina Willis added

Churchill was 5-of-10 from the foul line,

CANTON 63, FRANKLIN 20: Paige Aresco scored 16 points, while Shannon Perry and Alanna Brown each added nine Tuesday as KLAA South Division leader Canton (8-3, 5-0) rolled past host Livonia Franklin (0-10, 0-4). The Patriots, who fell behind 27-0 after one quarter and 44-8 at halftime, got five points

Both teams shot well from the foul line with Franklin going 12-of-14 and Canton 14-of-17.

### WRESTLING

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Brandon Harris, 112 pounds (honorable mention); senior Mohamad Youssef, 119 (third); senior Jon Conn, 140 (ninth); and junior Hussein Youssef, 171 (seventh).

Mohamad Youssef was the Observerland champ last year at 103, while Conn was runneryear in his weight class and the 130 pound champ in

Franklin is led by senior Jordan Atienza, the state runner-up at 152 pounds in Division 1. Atienza, who went 58-1 a year ago, is unbeaten this year and ranked No. 2 in his weight class (160) by MichiganGrappler.com. Thirty-seven of Atienza's 38 wins this season have come by either pin, technical fall or by major decision.

Meanwhile, younger brother Nathan Atienza, a freshman, is ranked No. 8 this season at 125. One of the most competitive

weight divisions will be at 119. That class features four ranked wrestlers including Youssef (No. 3), Belleville senior Austin Koehler (No. 8), Churchill senior Josh Perez (No. 10), the defending Observerland champ; and Glenn junior Chase Spanos (honorable mention).

### Other top talent

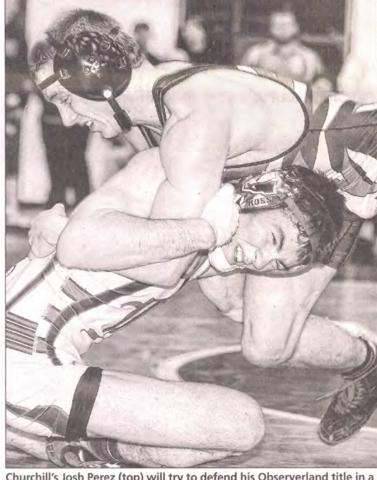
Other ranked Glenn wrestlers include freshman John Siemasz (103), who is ranked 10th; senior Kevin Huynh (125), who is ranked No. 6; and senior Jordon Brandon (215), who is ranked No. 1 after finishing runner-up at 215 in last year's Division 1 state finals.

Brandon, who may wrestle up at 285, has only two losses this season - one to Lowell 215-pounder Josh Colegrove and the other in a upset firstperiod pin by Plymouth sophomore heavyweight Michael Jordan.

Making a return to Observerland after a three-year absence is Canton, which boasts two outstanding talents in seniors Ben Griffin (ranked No. 1 at 130) and Alec Pantaleo (ranked No. 2 at 152)

Lutheran Westland has two wrestlers ranked in the top 10 in Division 4 by Michigan-Grappler.com led by senior Zach Francis, who is third at 135. Francis captured Observerland last year at 125. Teammate Caleb Richter (140), a

junior, is ranked No. 10. Yet another threat is Farmington Harrison junior Michael Volyanyuk, a state runner-up at 103 last year and now



Churchill's Josh Perez (top) will try to defend his Observerland title in a highly competitive 119-pound weight class. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

### **MAT EXTRAVAGANZA**

What: 23rd annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament. When: Saturday, Jan. 25 (first-round matches start at 9 a.m. followed by the finals at approximately 5 p.m.)

Where: Livonia Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh Road (between Joy Road and Ann Arbor Trail). Admission (all day): \$5.

Participating schools: Livonia Churchill, Franklin, Stevenson, Farmington, Farmington Harrison, North Farmington, Canton, Plymouth, Salem, Garden City, Redford Union, Lutheran High Westland, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Belleville, Northville, Novi-Detroit Catholic Cen-

Past champions: Catholic Central (1993, '96, '99, 2000, '02, '03, '09, '10, (11); Franklin (2005, '06, '07, '12); John Glenn (2004, '12, '13); Canton (2001, '08); Churchill (2004); Salem (1998); Farmington (1992).

in the 112-pound class (honorable mention).

### **Highly regarded**

Meanwhile, Wayne senior Aaron Mauldin is ranked No. 4 in the 285-pound class in Division 1, while Salem junior Mitchell Gross is No. 7 at 189.

Picking up bonus points with pins, technical falls and major decisions is one key to a team title, along with first places.

But that's only one part to the puzzle, according to Guern-

"It's not so much the champs," he said. "We're going to do well at this tournament with number of thirds, fourths and runner-ups, and kids we have in the semifinals. I don't really expect anybody on my

team to go 0-2. Everyone is going to score points. At the end of the day we want 12 guys finish in the top six. That would kind of be a solid goal for us. That would be a great scenar-

But one area coach believes it's going to be a one-horse

"After Plymouth, I think we're in the mix with John Glenn, Wayne, probably maybe Churchill and the CC 'B' team," Chiola said. "Everybody is pretty much the same after that. That next tier there are probably five or six teams all vying for second and third

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### Clarenceville's novice grapplers place 4th

Livonia Clarenceville's wrestling team stayed busy Saturday, sending its upper-classmen to the Westland John Glenn novice tournament en route to a fourthplace finish in the eightschool field.

Livonia Franklin and the host Rockets finished one-two in the team standings, while the Trojans, hampered by a depleted lineup, placed just 20 points out of third. Clarenceville's Seth Soto

was the champion at 125 pounds with an 18-16 decision, while Bryce Cozart (130) and Kareem Stewart (145) took second and third, respective-

Third place finishers for the Trojans included Dyland Brigham (103), Zack Richards (119) and Kevin Marzolo (130).

Adding fourths were Darin Topolewski (103), Sam Wakefield (119) and James Ascott

### BOYS SWIM RESULTS

WAYNE MEMORIAL BOYS SWIM INVITATIONAL

Jan. 17-18 at Wayne TEAM STANDINGS: 1. South Lyon Unified, 440 points; 2. Wayne Memorial, 237; 3. Westland John Glenn, 172; 4. Dearborn Fordson, 170; 5. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 126; 6. Garden City,

200-yard medley relay: 1. South Lyon (Nick Van Dyke, Mikhail Wisman, Joel Bischoff, Max Wilkinson), 1:42.05; 2. Wayne (Ethan Drouillard, Wilkinsop), 1:42.05; 2. Wayne (Ethan Drouillard, Jacob Griffith, Noah Karson, Zack Williams), 1:56.33; 3. Fordson, 1:57.02; 4. John Glenn, 2:00.91; 5. Garden City, 2:09.37; 6. Crestwood, 2:18.24, 200 freestyle: 1. Wilkinson (SL), 1:54.42; 2. Ryan Yazback (DF), 1:58.71; 3. John Stover (WM), 2:01.41; 4. Oliver Joy (SL), 2:04.12; 5. Michael Gibson (WM), 2:04.74; 6. Williams (WM), 2:06.85, 200 individual medley: 1. Wisman (SL), 2:13.14; 2. Karson (WM), 2:23.09; 3. Mazen Hajazi (DHC), 2:28.33; 4. Mohammed Faraj (DF), 2:32.53; 5. Matt Setula (SL), 2:35, 04.6 (John Erdings).

5. Matt Setsuda (SL), 2:35.04; 6. Josh Eddings (WJG), 2:49.07.

50 freestyle: 1. Bischoff (SL), 23.08; 2. Cody Hodges (WJG), 23.25; 3. Devin Gibson (WM), 25.12; 4. Anthony Delgreco (DHC), 25.25; 5. Michael SanMillan (SL), 25.53; 6. Griffith (WM), 26.37. 5. Nicholas Martin (DHC), 214.65; 6. Dakoda Darocha (GC), 211.60. 100 butterfly: 1. Ryan Perczak (SL), 59.32; 2. SanMillan (SL), 1:00.64; 3. Connor Pogue (SL), 1:01.59; 4. M. Gibson (WM), 1:06.8; 5. Mustafa

Teik (DF), 109.17; 6. Hijazi (DHC), 1:12.12.

100 freestyle: 1. Wilkinson (SU, 51.04; 2. Nick VanDyke (SL), 51.4; 3. Hodges (WJG), 51.86; 4. Karson (WM), 54.42; 5. Wisman (SL), 54.78; 6. Delgreco (DHC), 58.01.

500 freestyle: 1. Bischoff (SL), 5:13.45; 2.

Yazback (DF), 5:23.04; 3. Perczak (SL), 5:36.8; 4.

Jacob Deering (WJG), 5:37.64; 5. John Perry (SL),

5:38.62; 6. Stover (WM), disqualified.

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1,00.96; b. Drountard (WM), 1:07.88. 100 backstroke: 1. Setsuda (SL), 1:14.27; 2. Faraj (DF), 1:14.94; 3. Zreik (DF), 1:15.04; 4. Griffith (WM), 1:10.02; 5. Jeff Ball (GC), 1:19.32; 6. Chris Gorman (SL), 1:20.75. 400 freestyle relay: 1. South Lyon (SanMillan, Pogues, Joy, Perczak), 3:37.39; 2. Wayne, 2:37.5; 3. John Glenn, 3:47.54; 4. Crestwood,

### 1-meter diving: 1. Ethan Schmidt (SL), 383.40 points; 2. Matt Meadows (SL), 249.10; 3. Levi Oxner (SL), 336.80; 4. David Cunningham (WJG), 293.40; 3:54.27; 5. Fordson, 4:12.55; 6. Garden City,

### **GYMNASTS**

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girls are remaining strong and positive. Marissa (McVey) has been exceptional this season as well tonight. I'm so proud of all the girls. The Flip for a Cure event

raised a total of \$225.

DUAL MEET RESULT

LIVONIA BLUE 139.80 **LIVONIA RED 133.25** 

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Jan. 20 at Churchill H.S.
Vault: 1. Marissa McVey (Red), 9.05; 2. Alexann
Zahara (Red), 8.95; 3. Julia Twigg (Red), 8.9; 4. Jess
Weak (Blue), 8.75; 5. Mikaela Hillie (Red), 8.7.
Uneven bars: 1. Weak (Blue), 9.05; 2. Bri
Rhoad (Blue), 9.0; 3. McVey (Red), 8.8; 4. Emily
Chatterjee (Blue), 8.65; 5. Alex Zukowski (Blue),
81 Balance beam: 1. Caite McDougall (Blue), 9.15; 2. Weak (Blue), 9.0; 3. McVey (Red), 8.85; 4.

Jillian Zafarana (Blue), 8.7; 5. Jackie Dziurgot (Red),

Floor exercise: 1. McVey (Red), 9.35; 2 Chatterjee (Blue), 9.05; 3. Rhoad (Blue), 9.0; 4. Zukowski (Blue), 8.85; 5. Weak (Blue), 8.4. All-around; 1. McVey (Red), 36.05; 2. Weak (Blue), 8.4. As and (Blue), 3.4. Driurgot (Red), 32.90; 5. Olivia Ryktarsyk (Red), 32.50. Dual meet records; Livonia Blue, 4-1 overall 2-1 KLAA Kensington Division; Livonia Red, 4-4 overall, 1-2 Kensington.



Livonia Blue's Jess Weak took first on the uneven bars with a score of 9.05.

# Try dance, improv or set design at Motor City Theatre

'Trying some different things' helps beat winter blahs, cabin fever

> By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

If you've ever wanted to learn a few tap dance moves without making a major commitment to classes — it's time to click up your heels and head to Motor City Theatre.

Nancy Florkowski, artistic director and founder, plans to roll out a series of arts sampler workshops on Sundays in February at the Livonia playhouse.

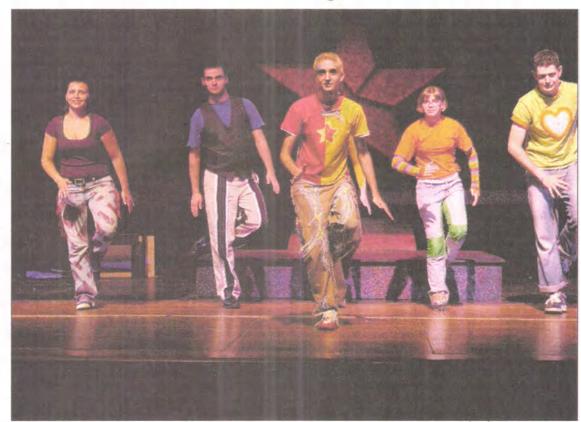
"The kids have been asking for dance, so we're trying some different things. We did try something like this a year or two ago, but it never got off the ground," Florkowski said. "We're hoping now that we have an adult theater company,

more people will notice."

Both Motor City Players, an adult troupe, and Motor City Youth Theatre perform and rehearse at the former Grantland Street Playhouse, now the Motor City Theatre, 27555 Grantland. All of the upcoming workshops will be held at that

The schedule includes:
» Improvisation for Theater, 1:30-4:30 p.m. for middle school to age 15, and 5-8 p.m. for age 16 to adult, Sunday, Feb. 2. Improv performers Mike Meike and Mark C. Holden will teach improv basics, including warm-up exercises, listening skills and group trust. The second half of the session gives participants to apply what they've learned by playing games seen in the television show Whose Line Is It Anyway? Cost is \$35 per per-

» Tap, Jazz and Broadway dance is a two-part class, Sunday, Feb. 9 and 16. It's open to children and adults. Beginners and youngsters in grades foursix will meet from 1-2:30 p.m.; moderately experienced dancers and grades seven-nine will meet from 2:40-4:10 p.m. and advanced dancers and grades 10-adult will meet from 4:20-5:50 p.m. An optional dance placement workshop will be held from 2:30-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, to help determine skill levels. Cost is \$35 for the twosession class. Molly Zelesky



Adults can sign up for tap, jazz and Broadway dance workshops at Motor City Theatre.



A drawing by Fred Florkowski shows a scenic design. He'll teach a design class for adults next month at Motor City Theatre in Livonia.

will teach the dance workshop. » Florkowski's husband,

Fred, will teach a scenic design class for students, 16-adult, 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23. He'll talk about visual images, script research, developing scene renderings and floor plans. Students should bring graphite pencils, colored pencils, ers and paper. Cost is \$35.

"Fred will take them at whatever level they are," Florkowski said, adding that some

experience is preferred but not required.

### **Audition tool**

Florkowski said the dance classes are helpful for actors who want some step and movement knowledge when they audition for musicals.

"They can go to an au and not feel like a klutz. It's always nice to have at an audition. It gives you a little backbone if you're not going in

She said Motor City Theatre may offer monthly classes if there's enough demand.

"Another reason we're doing this is we want to see what interest there is in classes," she said. "We want to do at least another four weeks after this. We'll do some crazy

She hopes to offer a puppet-building class in the next round of workshops. A monster makeup class is in the works and Florkowski plans to teach a session in harmonica.

'We're there to inspire people. Things happen by serendipity. You take a puppet class and you may end up having a puppetry troupe. Or improv troupe. We're trying to generate interest to build more

things. Class reservations are due Feb. 1. Walk-ins will be allowed if there's room. Make checks payable to Motor City Youth Theatre and send payment along with a form available at www.mcyt.or - and mail to Nancy Florkowski, 15498 Meadowbrook, Redford, MI

Ouestions? Call 313-535-8962 or email nancy@mcyt.org.

### Perform Shakespeare for a chance to win scholarship

The Michigan Shakespeare Festival will hold regional contests next month - with statewide finals set in March — for its 13th annual Michigan Shakespeare Festival High School Monologue Competition.

The event is open to all Michigan high school students in grades nine-12. Entrants are required to memorize one monologue, one to two minutes in length, from a Shake-speare play of their choos-ing. Four finalists will be asked to compete in the statewide final and have the opportunity to win a financial award up to \$625 to spend toward higher education goals.

The Eastern District Regional,. which includes Wayne and Oakland counties, will be held Saturday, Feb 15, at the Mallets Creek Library, 3090 E. Eisenhower Parkway, Ann Arbor. Signup will begin at 11 a.m. The Statewide Final Competition is set for Saturday, March 29, in Jackson.

Invitations to the finalists will be made after the regional competitions are completed.

Applications are available by emailing msf@acd.net and by download at www.MichiganShakespeareFestival.com. Deadline for registration is Feb. 8. Entrants also pay a nonregulation for the property of the tion fee of \$5. For more information about the competition, call the festival office at 517-998-3673.

Founded in 1995, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival is a not-for-profit professional theater company dedicated to entertaining and educating a broad-based audience through professional performances of Shakespeare's works and other classic plays. It presents a repertory season of three productions annually at The Baughman Theatre, located in Jackson College's Potter Center.

### **GET OUT! CALENDAR**

### ANIMALS

**DETROIT ZOO** 

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through March 31

Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$12 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$9 for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and parking

Contact: 248-541-5717 **ART & CRAFTS** 

### ARAB AMERICAN MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1

Location: 13624 Michigan Ave., Dearborn Details: Pewabic Pottery

instructor Victoria Shaheen will lead a bowl-making workshop. Participants will handmold bowls from clay and decorate them with a slip-glaze technique. Includes a docentguided tour of the Museum focusing on Arab artistic heritage in America and the role of food and hospitality in culture. Fee is \$35 and advanced registration is required. Appropriate for adults and children 11 and over

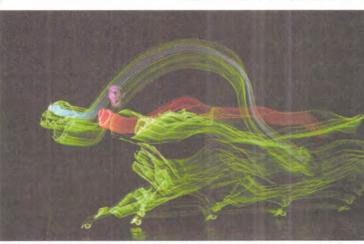
Contact: 313-582-2266; arabamericanmuseum.org **GALLERY@VT** 

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

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: Glass sculpture by JB Wood is on display through

Contact: 734-394-5300 NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE



Light Wire Theatre brings its electroluminescent wire puppets, Feb. 9, to Music Hall in Detroit.

Time/Date: Gallery hours, 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, opening day reception is from 6-9 p.m.; show runs Feb. 7-March 1

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: 8th Annual Member Exhibition Contact: 248-344-0497;

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM

http://www.northvillearts.org:

Time/Date: 5:30-8 p.m. Fri-

day, Jan. 31 Location: 315 E. Warren,

Details: Premiere of Madman or Martyr, a documentary about abolitionist John Brown and the Underground Railroad in Detroit. Luke Jaden, a Detroit Country Day student wrote, directed and produced the film. A Q & A with Jaden and some of the cast will follow the screening. Free

Contact: 313-494-5800 MATRIX THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. screenings and 9 p.m. reception, Thursday, Jan. 30; 8 p.m.

screening, Friday, Jan. 31; 3:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. screenings, Saturday, Feb.1; 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. screenings, with award ceremony at 6:45 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 2

Location: 2730 Bagley, De-

Details: Second annual 2014 Detroit Dreaming Film Festival showcase the diversity, struggles and triumphs of the City of Detroit, through narratives, documentary, and shorts. Tickets are \$7 per screening block

Contact: 313-967-0599; www.matrixtheatre.org

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9:25 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24; 4:10 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 25-26; and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30

Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth Details: The Book Thief, admission \$3

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Jan. 31 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 1

Location: 17360 Lahser, north of Grand River Avenue, Detroit

Coming up: Casablanca, 8 p.m. Feb. 14 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 15; free admission; Contact: 313-537-2560 **FUNDRAISER** 

Details: True Grit: \$5

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m., Fri-

day, Jan. 31

COUNCIL

Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: 45th Birthday Party & Silent Auction Fundraiser features wine, hors d'oevres, dessert, music by Rose Paulus

and Jeff Davis, You-Art photos with Christina Evans, door prizes, silent auction. RSVP recommended, but tickets are not required. Donations will be accepted at check-in

Contact: 734-416-4278 PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: Doors open at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15 Location: Golden Fox at Fox

Hills Golf and Banquet Center, 8768 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township

Details: "A Night FOR the Museum" will include appetizers ,gourmet dinner, dessert, cash bar, live auction and raffle, entertainment by 12-yearold Makenzie Ryder and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps. Tickets are \$75 and are available at the Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth or online at www.plymouthhistory.org. Ticket deadline is Feb. 7 Contact: 734-455-8940

MUSIC

**BASELINE FOLK SOCIETY** 

Time/Date: Open mic sign up, 6:15-6:45 p.m.; performances 7-9 p.m., the third Saturday of the month through

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

Details: Includes a featured performer and several open mic spots. Open mic musicians may perform two songs, original or cover. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Annual memberships are \$25 for individuals and include free admission.

Contact: Scott Ludwig at BFSpresident@aol.com BERMAN CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Feb. 20 Location: On the campus of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloom-

Details: The Haifa Symphony Orchestra performs music by Mozart, Dvorák, and Uri Bracha. Tickets are \$67; \$62 for members

Contact: 248-661-1900 **BLUES@THE ELKS** 

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month **Location**: Plymouth Elks Lodge 1780, 41700 Ann Arbor

Road, Plymouth Details: \$5 donation at the

Contact: 734-453-1780 CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 3 p.m. Sunday,

Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center, located on the campus of Detroit Country Day School, 13 Mile at Lahser, Beverly Hills

Details: Cellist David Geringas and pianist Ian Fountain

perform. Contact: 248-855-6070

## CLASS TEACHES VEGETARIAN NUTRITION, MEAL PREP

**By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Arthur Weaver, M.D., will talk about one of his favorite subjects — the plant-based diet — on Sunday, Feb. 2, at Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist

His wife, Natalie Weaver, will cook up some vegetarian dishes to illustrate the topic.

And everyone in their audience at "Vegetarian Cooking and Nutrition School" will get a chance to taste the results.

"We've been doing these classes for about 45 years,' said Weaver, 90, who also leads stop-smoking classes and an annual weeklong health camp.

"The less meat one eats the greater the reduction in the risk for diabetes, cancer and a dozen other chronic diseases.

'Studies show the vegetarian diet has a significant advantage and the vegan diet even more significant. But we don't try to make vegetarians out of them (class attendees). We try to inform them and give them the information and let them decide what to do with it. They become educated. The reason for doing this is to share some good news with the community.

Weaver and his wife are vegetarians who attend the Seventh-day Adventist church. He said about half of Seventhday Adventists are vegetar-



Natalie and Arthur Weaver of Northville will hold "Vegetarian Cooking and Nutrition School" Feb. 2 at Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist Church.

ians. He'll cite some of the studies that have tracked the health of church members, both vegetarians and meateaters, as well as data from other research projects.

He'll also answer questions about nutrition and vegetarianism. He said nonvegetarians often ask about protein sources in a plant-based diet. They also want to know how a meatless diet will affect their children.

### Becoming a vegetarian

He suggests that individuals gradually reduce their meat consumption and "re-educate their sense of taste" as they work their way toward a plantbased diet. Keeping portions under control is important, too. Weaver also prefers fresh fruits and vegetables over processed fare.

"Ideally I think fresh, and

then frozen, then maybe dried and then canned. If you can get it locally, fine. But it's better to get it than not get it at all," he

"The average meat-eater can't picture a plate that doesn't have meat as a central item," he said. "They also don't know how you can make up various entrees they don't have meat. My wife will talk about menu planning and a (vegetar-

### TASTY BEAN BAKE

Many different kinds of beans could be substituted, and home cooked beans also work well.

- 1 (15.5 ounce) can kidney beans
- 1 (15.5 ounce) can lima beans 1 (15.5 ounc.) can French-cut
- green beans 115.5 ounce) can yellow wax beans
- 1 can condensed tomato soup 1 pound can vegetarian baked
- beans
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup barbecue sauce 1 small onion chopped
- 1 small green pepper chopped

Partially drain and do not rinse the kidney, lima, green and yellow beans. Add the remaining ingredients to the beans. Stir all ingredients and place into deep baking dish or

Bake at 350 degrees for 11/2 hours or crock pot 2 hours on high and then a half hour on low.

ian) balanced diet."

Sample recipes and cook books will be available at the class. It will run from 2-5 p.m. Feb. 2, in the community room at the church, 4295 Napier, south of Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth Township. Admission is a suggested donation of \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. RSVP by calling Weaver at 248-349-5683

Here's one of the Weavers' bean recipes:

## Manage hunger with wholesome foods

hether you're following a weight loss plan or simply maintaining healthy habits, finding foods that are nutritious sources of protein and promote satiety can help curb your urge to snack throughout the day.

Wholesome soyfoods can replace other foods in your diet that might be adding too much fat, sugar and cholesterol. Soyfoods also provide highquality, complete protein, shown to increase satiety, the feeling of fullness.

"Soy protein can play a major role in satiety," said Russ Egbert, director of protein research at Archer Daniels Midland Co. "We know that diets that are high in protein are more satiating than diets that are high in carbohydrates or high in fat."

Regardless of your lifestyle or age, protein is an essential nutrient your body needs, and compared to other common protein sources, the soybean is a giant. The soybean is upwards of 38 percent protein, said Karl Weingartner, director of the International Soybean Program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Fish such as salmon contain about 18 percent protein, while a T-bone steak is about 22 per-

In addition, a recent study published in Molecular Food & Nutrition Research found that soy fiber has "favorable effects on body weight, body mass index and fasting LDLcholesterol levels in overweight and obese adults," all factors that are helpful in weight loss and managing high blood pressure.

"The soybean by its nature is a complete food. It's very high in protein, it contains valuable oils, essential fatty acids, fiber, even the sugars in it are considered to be prebiotics,' said Peter Golbitz, director of international business development for the SunOpta Grains and Foods

Simple substitutions make it easy to incorporate soy into your favorite

- » Combine an avocado, a cup of extra-firm tofu and salsa for a lighter guacamole
- » Substitute soymilk into garlic mashed potatoes
- » Energize your child's morning breakfast with protein-rich soy yo-
- » Fix a quick, healthy dinner with soy-based burgers in place of traditional ground beef
- » Toss fresh edamame on top of
- your favorite salad » Select delicious whole soy nutrition bars as snacks

Or, you can experiment with new recipes for guilt-free indulgence. For more recipes featuring soy protein, visit www.soyfoods.org.

Courtesy of Family Features



### SOY AND SPINACH ARTICHOKE DIP

- 12 servinas
- 1 pound silken tofu, crumbled
- 1 pound low-fat cream
- cheese, cubed 1 cup low-fat mayonnaise
- 1/2 teaspoon ground
- pepper 1 pound frozen
- thawed and drained 1 pound marinated artichoke hearts, drained and coarsely chopped

chopped spinach,

- 1/2 cup green onions, chopped Parmesan cheese,
- Beat tofu until smooth. Mix in cream

grated for garnish cheese, mayonnaise and pepper in mixer bowl.

Fold in spinach, artichokes and green onions. Divide mixture equally into 12 (4-ounce) au gratin dishes. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese on top, if desired. Bake at 350°F for 15 to 20 minutes or until bubbly and browned on top. Serve with low-carb crackers or bread for an all-around low-carb snack or lunch!

### TOFU "PUNKIN" PIE

- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 can (16 ounces) cooked
- pie crust

Preheat oven to 350°F. In add all ingredients and blend thoroughly. Pour mixture into pie until set. Serve chilled.

- tofu
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- pumpkin

- 1 package (14 ounce) firm
- 1 prepared graham cracker

a blender or food processor, crust; bake for 45 minutes or

### 4 ounces grated Parmesan, Romano or soy cheese Preheat oven to 350°F. Butter or oil a 9- by 13-inch casserole

squash, peeled, seeded, and

2-2 ½ pounds butternut

Salt and freshly ground

thinly sliced

pepper to taste

Place a medium-sized skillet over medium-low heat. Add olive oil and cook fennel and onion until both are translucent, about 10 minutes. Add garlic and cook

an additional 2 minutes. Stir in nutmeg, Silk and salt. Bring mixture to a boil and remove from heat.

Chop 3 tablespoons of the reserved fennel fronds. Spread half of the squash in the bottom of prepared casserole pan. Top with half the fennel/onion mixture and half the fennel fronds, then lightly salt and pepper. Repeat, ending with the fennel/ onion mixture and remaining chopped fronds. Salt and pepper

Cover casserole with foil and place on a sheet pan in the middle of the preheated oven for 30 minutes. Remove the foil, top with grated cheese and bake for an additional 15 minutes. Allow to cool for 10 minutes before eating.

RELIGION CALENDAR

### **JANUARY**

### CONCERT

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Friday, Jan.

Location: Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, Redford

Details: Performances by Ammunition Band, This Fire Within, The Savior's Army and Lost & Found; free admission, although donations are welcome

Contact: 313-937-2424

CONCERT Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday,

Location: St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill, between Grand River and Freedom Road, Farmington Hills

Details: Rachel Kurtz, singer/ song wrinter, performs. She has sung with such groups as Agape, the Restoration Project, Black Audience, and many others. Admission is \$5. Refreshments served after the concert Contact: 248-474-0584

### CONCERT

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan.

Location: First Presbyterian

Church of Farmington, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

Details: Cliff Monear Trio with guest vocalist Ja Freanco perform at this rescheduled event. Admission is a suggested donation of \$15 per person or \$25 per

Contact: 248-4746170, Ext. 208

### **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Time/Date: 7-8:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2-March 25

Location: Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14 Mile, at

Drake, Farmington Hills Details: Free; presented by New

Hope Center for Grief Support. Register by calling Amanda Haelterman at 248-661-9191 Contact: pastor Dennis Carlson,

### SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Monday,

dennis.carlson@4fcc.org

Location: St. Michael Lutheran School, 3003 Hannan, one mile north of Michigan Avenue,

Details: Tour the school, meet with teachers and learn more

about Christian education. Bus service is available for residents of the Waye-Westland Community School District. Child care is available before and after school

Contact:734-728-3315; www.stmichaellutheran.org

### SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: 2-4 p.m. Sunday,

Location: St. Michael the Archangel School, 11311 Hubbard. just south of Plymouth Road,

Details: Tour the K-8 parochial

school's facilities, meet staff members, and meet other parents and students. Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 226; livoniastmichael.org

**SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** 

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 Location: All Saints Catholic School, 48735 Warren Road,

west of Beck, Canton Details: Open house for new families. All Saints includes preschool through eighth grade Contact: 734-459-2490

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### BENTLEY, NEWELL FRANCIS, JR.

74, a 46 year resident of Livonia, Michigan passed away on January 19, 2014. Newell was born on April 6, 1939 in Flint, Michigan, the son of Newell and Jane (Rose) Bentley. He married Margaret Sweeney on July 13, 1968 at St. Clement Catholic Church in Romeo, Michigan. Newell (Beve, Francis, Bevo) loved playing with his grandkids, cooking, fishing, hunting, woodworking, drinking coffee and "exercising" at the Farmington YMCA. Newell retired from YMCA. General Motors after 33 years of service. Then, one day later, he the Farmington YMCA. He was very active in the community and all of his children's activities. Newell Jr. is survived by his wife of 45 years Margaret; children: Ann (Robert) Brumar, Barbara (John) Hol-comb, Cathleen (Tom) Sweder, and Newell (Marla) Bentley III Grandchildren include Daniel, Andrew, Margaret, Natalie, Julia, Hannah, Braeden, Jaret, and Maia Newell. Sister Christine Connor of Redford, MI, and beloved extended family also survive. In lieu of flowers donations to American Diabetes Association or The "Farmington YMCA Senior Programs" would be appreciated. Arrangements by the Henry M. Malburg Funeral Home, Romeo, Michgian.

### Let others know...

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### (WOLCOTT)

Age 98 of Livonia, passed away in her sleep January 20, 2014, at Woodhaven Retirement Community where she had lived since 2009. She was married to Alexander Calder for 74 years until his death in 2007. A 1933 graduate of Highland Park H.S. she was an accomplished seamstress, a devoted mother, a loving wife, and a proud homemaker. She will be deeply missed by her four sons: George of West-land, Neil (Michele) of Henderson, Nevada, Gary (Debra) of Okemos, Michigan, and Kenneth of Livonia. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. According to her wishes, there will be no viewing or visitation, she will be cremated, and her ashes will be combined with her husband's in Livonia's Parkview Cemetery. memorial service will be held later, probably in April, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church. Donations in her memory can be made to St. Matthew's Memorial Fund, 30900 Six Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48152, or to Woodhaven Retirement Community, 29667 Wentworth, Livonia, MI 48154. Arrangements in the care of Fred Wood Funeral Home Livonia, MI.



### CLOR, JOHN J.

Born July 20, 1954, passed away January 14, 2014. Survived by Perry; two sons, John C. Clor and Andrew Clor; step-daughter Casandra; two grandchildren Carly and Braiden. John will also be missed by extended family and all friends.



### LINDBERG. ISABELLE

96, of Kohler, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 16, 2014, at Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice in Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. She was born July 24, 1917, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Isabelle was married to Oscar Lindberg on December 31, 1936. Oscar preceded her in death on May 29, 1994. They lived in Grand Rapids for 38 years. In 1955 they moved to the Detroit area, where they were actively involved with Covenant Church and made many life-long friends. In 2007, Isabelle moved to Kohler to live with her daughter, Mary Isabelle is lovingly remembered by her four children, Fred Lindberg (Betty Jo) of Brighton, Michigan, Carol Henderson Michigan, Carol Henderson (Mark) of Rochester, Michigan, Mary Buchan (Bruce) of Kohler, and Richard Lindberg of Scottsdale, Arizona; four grandchil-dren, Lisa Haverkate, Ken Lindberg, Chris Lindberg, and Buchan; four grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Marie Lindberg. She was predeceased by her husband, Oscar, and son, Robert. In accordance with Isabelle's wishes, a memorial will be held in Michigan at a later date. Please visit www.zimmerfuneralhome.com to sign her guestbook. In lieu of flowers, a memorial to Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14

Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI

48331, would be appreciated.



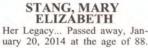
### MANCHESTER, MARY M.

Passed away January 16, 2014 at the age of 87. She was born December 24, 1926 in Detroit to Joseph and Rachel (McLeren) Bar-low. She was the beloved wife of William "Bud" Manchester for over 66 years and the dear mother of Linda (Richard) Walther, Jill Manchester, Cynthia (Eric) Matchette, Crystal Mazzarella, Mary (Roger) Bloedel and the late Ronald Manchester. Dearest grandmother of Patricia (Donald) Gerbert, Richard Walther Jr., Matchette Jr., Alyssa Matchette, Mazzarella, William Samuel Mazzarella and the late Rachel and Sarah Bloedel and great grandmother of Brenden Walther and Maddix Gerbert. Mary is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews and her beloved poodle "Sweetie". Funeral Services were held Monday, January 20, 2014, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Rd., Livonia. Arrangements entrusted to the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Share memories at schrader-howell.com. Entombment Glen Eden Cemetery.

### ROBBINS-LeBLANC, BETTE

21, 2014. Mother of Kimberly (Mark) Walker-Esper. Full obit at: www.rhusband.com.

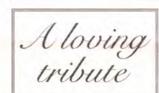




Mary Beth was born December 7, 1925 in Sandusky, Ohio to Herman R. and Alena I. (Simon) Bryant. On May 28, 1949 Mary Beth married Charles Stang in Sandusky, Ohio. Lovingly married for 60 years, he preceded her in death in 2010. Mary Beth will be remembered as a loving spouse and mother who was generous to all. Her Family... Mary Beth is survived by sons, David (Mary) of Morganton, North Carolina; Thomas Friendswood, Texas; and daughter Barbara (William) Fleszar of Brighton, Michigan; grandchildren, Matthew, Andrew, Meghan and Morgan; and brother Thomas Bryant of Farmington Hills, MI. Her Farewell... Family and friends will gather on Friday, January 24, 2014 from 3 - 8 p.m. at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel. A Rosary will be held at 5:00 p.m. Mass will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brighton. Interment will be at Calvary Cemetery in Sandusky, Ohio. Please leave a message of comfort to Mary Beth's family by calling 877-231-7900 or visit our website at:

www.borekjennings.com.







### STOWELL, JOHN GREGORY

71, of Northville, passed

away suddenly on January 2014. He was born on July 18, 1942 in Garden City, Michigan; son of Theodore and Evelyn (nee Nolte) Stowell. John worked as a Diesel Mechanic with Ryan Transportation for 30 years before retiring. He was united in marriage to Joyce Pankow on September 23, 1966; they spent 47 loving years together. He was an elder with the First Baptist Church of Novi. John liked to do handy work. He was always fixing something or building some-thing new. He loved spending time with his grandchildren; especially giving tractor/trailer rides. John was a very determined, motivated and strong man. He was very giving and an easy going father. John was a devoted husband and gave Joyce the life she wanted. John is survived by his beloved wife Joyce; his loving children Tammy Stowell and Todd (Michelle) Stowell; his brother George Stowell, his sister Donna (Dave Harden) Stowell; and his grandchildren, Maekirra, Cheyenne and Korwyn. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Steven Stowell. A Funeral Service was held Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at Casterline

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# Cooking, home heating fires increase in winter

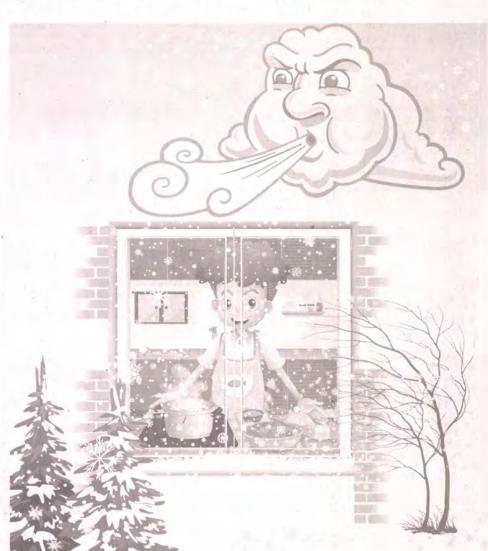
The National Fire Protection Association and the United States Fire Administration are teaming up on a campaign to promote fire safety during winter months. There are typically more home fires and home fire deaths in cooler months. Safety information being offered on a host of topics under the umbrella "Put a Freeze on Winter Fires" is aimed at raising awareness of winter fire risks and providing tools and information that can be used to reduce these risks.

Preparing for a new season is the first step in addressing safety. NFPA and US-FA offer 10 Tips to Get Ahead of the Winter Freeze, a printable checklist of reminders, such as checking that vents have been cleaned and inspected, and furnaces have been inspected and ser-

The campaign will begin with a focus on cooking fire safety and heating fire safety. Cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries, and the third leading cause of home fire deaths. November usually signals a time of increased cooking fires as Thanks-giving is the peak day for cooking fires with roughly three times the average number of cooking fires. It also marks the beginning of the holiday season and a lot of cooking. In fact, Christmas and Christmas Eve rank second and third in cooking fires. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires. Most cooking fires involve the range or cook-

Heating is the second leading cause of home fire deaths, behind smoking, and the second leading cause of home fire injuries. In 2007-11, most home heating fire deaths (81 percent) and injuries (70 percent) involved stationary or portable space heaters.

For tip sheets, videos and other information on how to prevent cooking, heating and other types of fires, visit www.nfpa.org/winter and www.usfa.fema.gov/winter for an extensive list of resources. Check out the new online quiz and stay tuned to www.nfpa.org/winter or follow NFPA and USFA on social media for updates, new



materials and other interactive ways to brush up on fire safety.

The "Put a Freeze on Winter Fires" campaign will run through mid-March and other topics will include holiday dec-orations, candles, electrical, winter storms and carbon monoxide.

NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit

organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and educa-tion. NFPA develops more than 300 codes and standards to minimize the possibility and effects of fire and other hazards. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed at no cost at www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

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### N.J. case is handicap parking Q: I live in an apartment complex and I am disabled. Initially, I was given an assigned parking spot. Now, I am asking the landlord to give me a handicap accessible spot closer to my apartment. Can I still keep my non-accessible parking spot?

A: Probably not. In a case in the early 2000s out of New Jersey, the federal court held that the association had acted reasonably in offering a disabled owner a handicap accessible parking space closer to his unit upon the condition that he surrender his non-acces-sible parking space, since each unit owner only had one assigned space. This case should be helpful to all associations dealing with this question. Q: I am thinking about

developing a live-work condominium and I am wonder-ing whether you are aware of any potential problems with that type of develop-

A: It is a difficult question to answer in the short time allotted, but it is clear that the development of a so-called live-work condominium building is picking up speed throughout the country in response to the proliferation of professionals who work from home. A condo hybrid creates a space that is suited to work and residential needs. However, there are zoning and build-ing code challenges largely because communities don't know whether to treat livework condos as commercial or residential. Buyers need to understand what uses they can and cannot have which usually are enumerated in the condominium documents. In general, as far as the uses of the units are concerned, it is buyer beware especially in develop-ments where there are fewer live-work units than traditional residential units. Buyers need to look very carefully at the governing documents to make sure that any amendments to them that would affect their rights would have to be approved by a majority of the live-work unit owners and not the owners of traditional units. You are best advised to consult with an experienced community association attorney before entering into any purchase agreement and/or design decisions with respect to any con-

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dominium development.

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

\$164,000

\$366,000

14133 Westmore St

15507 Williams St

These are the area residential re- estate closings recorded the wee of Sept. 23-27, 2013; at the Wayr County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.		ed the week t the Wayne eds office.
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	42630 Addison Ave	\$180,000
	39446 Bart St	\$137,000

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7711 Charrington Dr	
7910 Charrington Dr	
467 Cherry Orchard Rd	
50334 Colonial St	
1557 Commodore Cir	
2483 Cranbrook Rd	
42129 Echo Forest Dr	
5885 Fairborn Dr	
50678 Federal Blvd	
51285 Federal Blvd	
7037 Foxridge Dr	
48835 Gyde Rd	
1144 Hampshire Dr	
1982 Hawks Nest Ct	
2480 Hogan Way	
2720 Hogan Way	
2768 Hogan Way	
3897 Hunters Way Ct	
50412 Lansdowne Rd	
2336 Leigh Ct	
1663 Mclaine St	
7485 N Beck Rd	
3928 Palace Ave	
7340 Parkway Ct	
6254 Pickwick Dr	
254 Princeton St	
7432 Provincial Rd	
5926 Runnymeade Dr	
2109 S Pennfield Ln	
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44461 Savery Dr	
644 Sorel Dr	
1811 Steeplechase Rd	
377 Sylvan Dr	
45303 Turnberry Dr 46596 Waddington Rd	
5705 Wedgewood Rd	
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30024 Cherry Hill Rd
6445 Fairfield St
6036 Gilman St
32207 Marquette St
LIVONIA
28700 Seven Mile Rd
38814 Allen St
36713 Angeline Cir
34001 Ann Arbor Trl
18999 Bainbridge Ave
9063 Beatrice St
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29656 Clarita St
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18014 Country Club Dr
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36101 Curtis Rd
15430 Edington St.
14851 Ellen Dr
39004 Elsie St
9833 Fairfield St
33009 Fargo St •
18978 Glengarry Dr
15317 Green Lane Ave
29200 Grove St
31510 Haldane St
15045 Hix St
9268 Houghton St
15015 Knolson St
38478 Lapham Ct
18525 Loveland St
39194 Minton Ave
36705 Munger Dr
34614 Navin Ct
15060 Nola St
29801 Richland St
30840 Schoolcraft Rd
15536 Shadyside St
18369 University Park Dr
9245 Virginia St
27540 W Chicago St

7640 Wheaton Dr

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		495 East St
Rd	\$90,000	39876 Harbert Dr
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Ave	\$108,000	240 Burroughs St
	\$143,000	42257 Hammill Ln
	\$143,000	837 Harding St
	\$130,000	9410 High Pointe Ct
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	\$170,000	647 Kellogg St
	\$256,000	359 McKinley St
t .	\$185,000	42207 Mill Race Cir
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	\$136,000	42211 Old Pond Cir
	\$320,000	895 Palmer St
	\$120,000	12510 Pinecrest Dr
	\$142,000	233 Pinewood Cir
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	\$510,000	9920 Grayfield	\$15,000
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	\$295,000	9084 Lenoré	\$48,000
	\$269,000	15480 Lexington	\$75,000
	\$543,000	11639 Marion	\$72,000
	\$283,000	25447 Ross Dr	\$75,000
	\$467,000	26210 W Chicago	\$73,000
	\$514,000	19403 Wakenden	\$29,000
	\$310,000	11392 Wormer	\$47,000
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	\$640,000	34333 Annapolis St	\$30,000
	\$70,000	34930 Elm St	\$108,000
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	\$682,000	WESTLAND	
	\$1,425,000	32915 Avondale St	\$64,000
	\$504,000	31656 Birchwood St	\$55,000
	\$265,000	8661 Cardwell St	\$140,000
	\$734,000	7728 Carrousel Blvd	\$85,000
		32750 Chapman Cir	\$115,000
	\$255,000	7315 Cheyenne St	\$175,000
	\$362,000	35442 Farragut Ave	\$90,000
	\$400,000	31540 Grandview Ave	\$100,000
	\$650,000	5131 Julius Blvd	\$10,000
	\$190,000	341 Larchmont Dr	\$135,000
	\$148,000	2370 McGee Ct	\$95,000
	\$325,000	5835 N Berry St	\$56,000
	\$265,000	8300 N Hix Rd	\$225,000
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	\$121,000	7806 Rivergate Dr	\$80,000
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15975 Reedmere Ave	\$270,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1751 Birmingham Blvd	\$415,000
622 Chesterfield Ave	\$683,000
677 E Lincoln St	\$262,000
1569 E Lincoln St	\$219,000
1778 Graefield Rd	\$123,000
1221 Hillside Dr	\$280,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
7118 Cathedral Dr	\$376,000
1015 Eastover Dr	\$255,000
260 Guilford Rd	\$1,798,000
941 N Reading Rd	\$234,000
<b>BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP</b>	
542 Cambridge Way	\$526,000
1320 Covington Rd	\$995,000
776 Great Oaks Dr	\$435,000
6731 N Adams Rd	\$204,000

7200 Parkhurst Dr
1116 S Timberview Trl
1887 Squirrel Valley Dr
2540 W Hickory Grove Rd
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	33577 Colony Park Dr
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\$75,000	26750 Halsted Rd
\$60,000	21418 Hamilton Ave
\$100,000	27281 Hystone Dr
\$405,000	28927 Kirkside Ln
\$240,000	37538 Legends Trail Dr
	35735 Lone Pine Ln
\$299,000	23011 Middlebelt Rd
\$83,000	31111 Misty Pines Dr
\$175,000	26117 Pillsbury St
\$246,000	32361 Red Clover Rd
\$715,000	22451 Shadowglen Dr
\$400,000	32237 Tall Timber Dr
	36729 Tanglewood Ln
\$213,000	23630 W Newell Cir
\$215,000	31371 W Stonewood Ct
\$270,000	FRANKLIN
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23966 Lyon Ridge Dr	\$455,000
51921 Red Cedar	\$374,000
51957 Red Cedar	\$358,000
58698 Swing Beam Ct	\$80,000
SOUTHFIELD	
19695 Albany Ave	\$69,000
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20905 Mapleridge Ave	\$140,000
30841 Marshall St	\$97,000
29465 Somerset Dr	\$130,000
29569 Stellamar Dr	\$190,000
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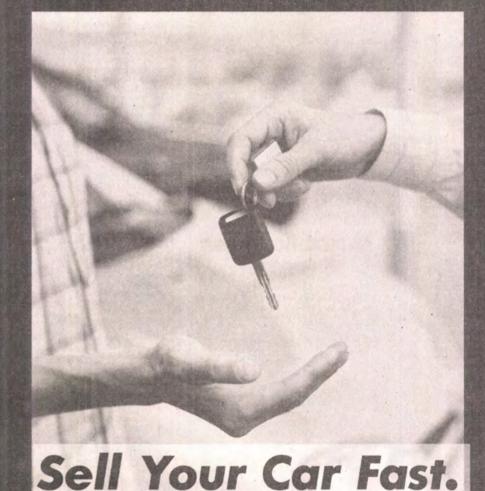
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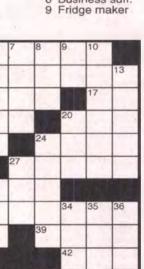
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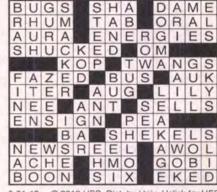
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