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# Wayne council reluctantly puts two charter amendments on Aug. ballot

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Two charter amendments that seek to elect Wayne council members from districts and set terms limits were approved for the August primary ballot Tuesday by council.

But that's doesn't mean council members were happy about putting the questions on the ballot — they didn't have a choice under state law.

Despite being told by City Attorney Keith Madden that not approving the ballot questions would be a violation of the state Home Rule Act, council members initially rejected a motion to put the council district question on the ballot. The city's approximately 17,000 residents would be divided among the districts.

"The attorney says we have to approve it. Why do we need to vote? I disagree with this," Councilman James Henley said.

Councilman Skip Monit asked if council members could abstain. "Not all seven of you," Madden said. "The vote is not in favor of the concept of the proposed change in the charter. It is approval of clear language."

## **Ballot language**

The Michigan Attorney General's Office is required to approve the language for charter amendments. The ballot language, rewritten by the Attorney General to conform with state law, is different than what was on the petitions signed by residents, Councilman Albert Damitio said.

The effect of the ballot question as

written would have council members elected from six districts — half every four years. That means half the city's voters wouldn't vote for council members at each election. The mayor would continue to be elected every two years.

"We have seven voting precincts. This is six districts. How much will it cost?" Henley said. "Can we place that on the ballot? That it is not a cost saving in any way."

"This would be disaster for a small

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## W-W board determines profile for new superintendent

#### By Sue Mason Staff Writer

The Wayne-Westland Board of Education has come up with a profile of who the district's new superintendent should be. Working with Marlene Davis

Working with Marlene Davis and Rod Green, consultants with the Michigan Association of School Board Executive Search Services, the board filled in the blanks on its help wanted ad, focusing on such things as professional background, management and decision making and personal and interpersonal skills at one of several special meetings it scheduled as part of its superintendent search.

Current Superintendent Greg Baracy announced in December his plans to retire on July first. Under a calendar worked out by Davis and Green, the board hopes to have a new superintendent selected by early June.

Green and Davis presented



Chuck Gauss, in his Westland martial arts studio, is one of seven masters in Modern Arnis worldwide. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## LOCAL SCHOOL TEACHES ECLECTIC MARTIAL ART

#### By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Modern Arnis has only seven masters in the world — one of them teaches the martial art at his school in Westland.

"I trained with the grand master who passed. He was sharing Modern Arnis around the world," said Chuck Gauss, owner of Gauss Martial Arts Center. "There are not too many Modern Arnis Schools. It's eclectic and usually secondary."

A retired Taylor police officer, Gauss has spent much of his life training in martial arts, beginning as a youngster in 1965. As an adult, Gauss said he has practiced martial arts daily since 1980.

"My uncle was a police man, he was in martial arts. That was my motivation," Gauss said. "I did judo and competed while I was in college."

Having nearly earned his black belt in Korean martial art Tang Soo Do, Gauss said he began seeing holes in the training when it came to self-defense.

Gauss went on to study the small circle jujitsu developed by Grand Master Wally Jay. Then in 1990, Gauss said he drove to Joliet, Ill., for training with Remy Presas, who developed Modern Arnis and was its grand master.

"He (Presas) was a little Filipino guy. We broke into smaller groups. He picked me out of the group and asked if

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the results of meetings done with the district's staff, administrative leadership and residents and an online survey that attracted 215 responses.

"We had a pretty wide set of people provide input that was used to develop the criteria," Davis said. "What we heard is that the quality of the facilities is topnotch and about the technology. Not all districts have the technology Wayne-Westland has."

She added that the surveys showed an engaged and supportive community, excellent and committed teachers and staff and a variety of quality offerings. The challenges were identified as stable funding, enrollment, an increase in char-

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## Little big man



Jordan Khalaf plays the really short bad guy Lord Farquaard in Wayne Memorial High School's presentation of "Shrek the Musical" Thursday-Saturday, April 10-12. For the story and more photos, see Page A7. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Help us celebrate Mother's Day with a special salute to women.

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city like us. Only half the voters could vote (for district council members). We only get 13-14 percent of registered voters (at city elections)," Mayor Al Haidous said.

Resident Ron Roberts, who circulated the petitions to place the charter amendments on the ballot, said he wouldn't withdraw his petitions but suggested a two-week delay. He called on city officials to work with him on changes, such as moving city elections to even years to coincide with presidential and gubernatorial elections.

"The deaf ear of the council brought this about. I'd had enough," said Roberts of his questions regarding ward voting and term limits. "It's your fault and you have to live with it. I want to put an end to all of the

» Be honest and open;

oriented to the best interest of community and

school district, and have an ability to connect with

others from diverse back-

Davis and Green will

develop questions that the board will use in the

interview process. The

interviews will last one

through April 28. Be-

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applicants. At the May 5

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who it wants to call in for

the superintendent

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» 6 p.m. Monday, May

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invited to interview for

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» 6 p.m. May 19 and 20,

second interview with the

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a final decision on who to

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hire for the position.

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finalists. The week of

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council living in one area.'

## **Show opposition**

The only cities in the area that have a similar council ward or district voting are Detroit and Inkster, said Councilman John Rhaesa, who asked if the minutes could reflect council opposed the ballot questions.

"I don't feel it's a negotiation that should be held here. There was what was sent to the Attorney General and this is what

was sent back," Clerk Matthew Miller said. The motion to place the council district ballot question was initially defeated with only support from Haidous and

council members James Hawley and Susan Rowe. "A no vote is a vio-

lation. The city attorney made it clear we had no choice. You put the city into a wrong position, said Haidous after the vote.

These citizen-initiated ballot questions mean

citizens are unhappy, Rowe said.

"They (voters) may " say they are fine with what we have. The people have to speak. I don't feel we have the right to deny this," she added.

Rhaesa rescinded his no vote which allowed the motion to pass and place the question on the ballot. The second charter amendment on term limits was approved on a 6-1 vote.

"I have a strong feeling about term limits.

Lansing has been struggling from the lack of experience due to term limits," Haidous said. "I think it's a bad idea. It's up to the people." Once all six council

members had voted in favor of the motion, Hadious cast a'no vote. "We've got six votes. Mine is harmless. It expresses how I feel," he said.

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ter schools, student achievement and a disconnect between the community, staff and school board.

Among the criteria agreed to by the board is: » A master's degree

plus administrative certification required, doctorate preferred; a teaching background (preferred) and experience at one or more levels of building administration.

The board also decided that the candidate should be a strong forward thinking decision maker who is an advocate for public education.

"That one bullet looking for a strong, forward thinking decision maker - will catch their attention," Davis said. "It says you want someone who will listen to people. This offers an opportunity to have someone come in with a fresh perspective."

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## Westland girl's first haircut to aid other kids

At 4 years old, Isabella Wright decided to get her first haircut but it wasn't just for a new style.

The Wayne youngster donated her hair to Children With Hair Loss, a non-profit organization that provides free wigs to youngster without hair.

Isabella, who had her hair at Reflections Hair Studio in Westland, was following the example of her mother Kerri, who had donated her hair to the same organization in August.

Headquartered in South Rockwood, Mich., CWHL initially focused on children fighting cancer, until it was a discovered that there was other reasons children lost hair, including alopecia, burns, trichotillomania and rare diseases and disorders. **Children With Hair Loss** has never charged a child and provides a customized human hair replacement and care kit to more 300 children a year

"You only have to donate six inches year. She (Isabella) has hair

## GAUSS

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I wanted to learn something. I said sure,' Gauss said. "He told me to throw a punch. Next thing, I'm on my back."

#### **World traveler**

Presas traveled the world as a sports ambassador for the Philippines. Gauss said he followed him, including

Isabella Wright (right) sporting a new haircut with her mother Kerri.

down to her bottom but it's quite curly," Wright said. "She has quite a bit

was going all over the

world with him (Pre-

By 1998, Gauss

black belt in Modern

Arnis and Presas was

looking to make a

earned a fourth-degree

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motes seven people to the highest rank," said Gauss, a master of Tapi-Tapi, which means counter for counter. "It's the highest achievable rank in Modern Arnis."

of hair. It's so sweet. She

touching that a 4-year-old

asked questions. It's so

Since Presas died in 2001, Gauss said he has done Modern Arnis seminars all over the world. At the school, his students range from 8-74 years old.

"This is one of the

can understand that other people don't have hair.

Hall of Fame.

"A lot of people want to train with a grand master. This isn't like other schools where they just worry about belts," Gauss said. "It's an art. You focus on skills and dedication to the art, the belts will come. The color on the belt doesn't matter, it's what is in your heart."

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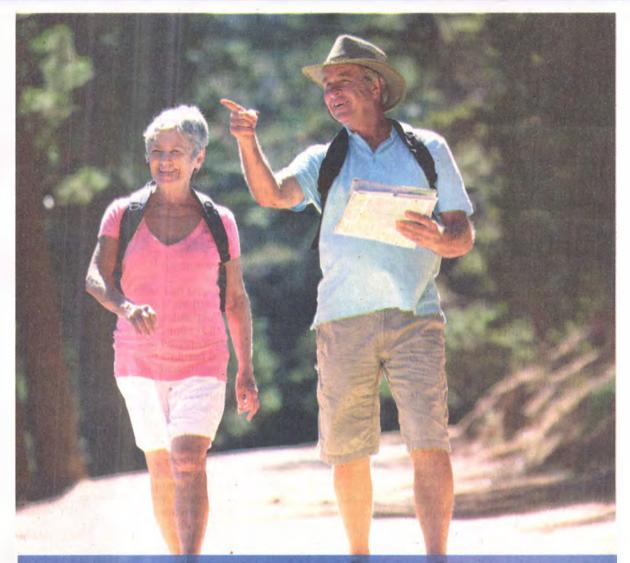
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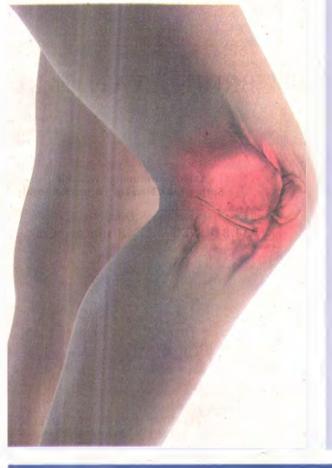


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Surveillance photo showing a suspect in the assault of a 25-year old veteran at a Westland convenience store.

# Suspects sought in attack on veteran outside 7-Eleven

#### By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Westland Police are looking for information on three men suspected of assaulting a military veteran outside a convenience store early Thursday morning.

A 25-year-old Livonia man told police he was at 7-Eleven, 160 S. Venoy, just before 2 a.m. when three men began harassing him inside the store.

A short time later the men followed him outside the store into the parking lot, the Livonia resident told police. The men, described as being in their 20s, apparently noticed military insignias on the man's vehicle and began to make derogatory remarks about the man and the U.S. military.

The three suspects then attacked the victim by punching and kicking him, police said. The suspects left on foot while the Livonia man followed as he attempted to call police. The Livonia man told police the three suspects turned and attacked him again, knocking him to the ground while punching and

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## A surveillance photo of a man sought in the assault.

#### kicking him.

The victim was able to seek assistance from a resident in the nearby neighborhood who called the police. The Livonia man was transported to the hospital by Wayne-Westland paramedics. He had sustained a broken nose, lacerations to the face and mouth and head injuries, police said.

Surveillance video is being reviewed by police in an attempt to identify the suspects. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Westland Police Department at 734-722-9600.

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## **Competency hearing delayed for elderly man charged with killing wife**

#### By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

A competency hearing for an elderly man charged with killing his wife has been delayed as the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office considers seeking an independent evaluation.

Marvin Jones, 76, is charged with first-degree murder and felony firearm in the shooting death of his wife, Sandra Jones, 72. Reported to be suffering from some form of dementia, Jones suffered a stroke while being held in a psychiatric unit of Detroit Receiving Hospital after his arrest.

At a hearing Thursday in Westland 18th District Court, the report on a psychiatric evaluation of Jones found that he was permanently and irreversibly incompetent. However, Wayne County

However, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Daniel Williams refused to stipulate to the mental competency report.

"I can't agree today that he is permanently incompetent. We need more time to evaluate," he said.

When Jones was assessed by the psychiatrist, Williams said Jones was non-responsive following the stroke. At court Thursday, Jones was brought into court in a wheelchair and was able to answer when asked his name. "He (Jones) has had a stroke, he has dementia and other issues consistent with his age of 77," said defense attorney David Lankford. "The report said it is irreversible and unlikely to improve. The report says he appeared to make an honest effort to answer the questions, that he was not malingering."

While Jones can respond to yes or no questions, Lankford said he doesn't seem to remember his arrest.

"He doesn't seem to remember the death of a loved one. That came as a shock to him," Lankford said. "I'd like to take the (competency evaluation) report at face value. Either you agree or ask for another opinion. The prosecutor wants it both ways."

Jones is never going to be a free man again, Lankford said, facing either incarceration or commitment to a psychiatric facility.

After finding Jones permanently incompetent and unlikely to improve, Judge Mark McConnell said he was likely to put little credence in the doctor's opinion, if she says something different now.

The hearing was briefly adjourned so that Williams could seek permission from his office to get an independent evaluation of Jones, who appeared to fall asleep during

## the hearing.

"If the court dismisses the case (due to incompetence) and he (Jones) is released, where will he be housed?" Williams said.

McConnell agreed to adjourn the competency hearing until April 17 at which time Williams is to report on whether an independent evaluation is to be done on Jones.

"I never have had anyone not stipulate to a competency report," McConnell said. "There is nothing in the report that says she (the doctor) might change her mind. It is irreversible."

Westland Police were called Feb. 20 to a home in the 8100 block of Melvin about a woman having been shot. When officers arrived, they discovered that Sandra Jones had been shot to death in her bed and apparently had been dead at least a day. Marvin Jones was also in the house. After investigating, officers found that rounds had been fired into the walls and floors throughout the house.

A neighbor had called police after seeing Marvin Jones knocking on the door of a nearby house where no one was home. The couple had been married about 57 years.

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## Man found competent to stand trial on robbery charges

After being found competent to stand trial, a man arrested in Inkster has waived his preliminary examination on charges of robbing several Westland stores.

Peter Greenway, 39, is charged with multiple felony charges, including armed robbery, attempted armed robbery and felony firearm. He was ordered bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court to stand trial.

Held in lieu of \$250,000

cash/surety bond, Greenway was arrested at a home on Hazelwood in Inkster after police received a tip.in response to surveillance photos distributed to the media.

Police sought to identify a suspect in three reported robberies in which the robber implied he had a gun in his pocket:

» On Jan. 12, an attempted robbery was reported at 7-Eleven, 1826 S. Merriman. The clerk reportedly refused to give him any money and the man fled.

» On Jan. 15, a man was reported to have robbed the Family Dollar, 31926 Michigan Ave. He reportedly implied that he was armed with a gun and escaped with an unknown amount of cash.

» On Jan. 16, a man reportedly robbed the Dollar General, 8208 N. Merriman. Once again, a gun was reported to be implied and the man fled with an unknown amount of cash.

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# EDUCATION

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## **Special visitor**



First-graders at Tipton Academy in Garden City celebrated reading month with special guest reader Dave Rexroth, chief meteorologist at WXYZ TV Channel 7. **Rexroth** read poems from the book, "Where the Side Walk Ends" and answered questions from students.

## School board considers sinking fund renewal

The Livonia school board on Monday night will discuss asking voters to renew the district's sinking fund for another five years.

The board is considering putting the proposal on the August primary ballot, school board president Mark Johnson said. The board is expected to make a final decision at its April 14 meeting.

The sinking fund was last renewed by voters in November 2009. It expires at the end of this year.

The levy for the sinking

fund is 1.12 mills, or \$1.12 for every \$1,000 of taxable value. District-wide, it brings in about \$4.6 million annually. The owner of a home in the district with a market value of \$132,000 pays about \$74 per year for the sinking fund.

Johnson said the sinking fund is needed to fund ongoing repairs. Last May, voters approved a \$195 million bond proposal for enhanced technology, facility upgrades, costsaving energy improvements, new high school auditoriums, safety and security measures and buses.

"We were very, very specific with what we wanted in the recent bond issue," Johnson said in an interview Thursday. "The sinking fund is more ongoing repairs that aren't going to be covered under the bond."

Livonia City Clerk Terry Marecki said the school district would not have to pay for a special election to put the proposal before voters in August because the state primary election will be held at that time.

By Karen Smith

## W-W to accept schools of choice applications

The Wayne-Westland Community School District will be accepting applications from non-resident families for Intra-County Schools of Choice under Section 105 of the Michigan Department of Education for grades K-12 later this month.

Applications will be accepted April 22 through Aug. 22 at the District's Administrative Offices in Westland. Students must be residents of Wayne County. Wayne-Westland schools provide up-to-date technology and resource centers, completely renovated buildings, and 100 percent highly qualified teachers. Each of the district's schools has achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under the U.S. Department of Education's No Child Left Behind Act.

Applications are available to download by clicking on the district's website at www.wwcsd.net/intra-countyschools-of-choice/ and clicking on Intra-County Schools of Choice application under the Resources tab. Frequently Asked Questions and their Answers also can be found on the same page.

For more information, call the Wayne-Westland Community Schools at 734-419-2083 or visit the Instruction Department in the Administrative Offices at 36745 Marquette, west of Wayne Road, Westland.

## Accreditation agency to visit, report on Livonia schools

Livonia Public Schools has been preparing for a three-day visit from the national accreditation agency, AdvancED, for almost a year, and district officials are looking forward to a positive outcome April 7-9.

Formerly known as North Central Association, AdvancED is the national accreditation organization that evaluates a district's ability to meet rigorous standards that reflect the quality of education offered by the school system. The review process is held every five years, and Livonia Public Schools seeks to renew its district accreditation status.

The AdvancED team will present an "Exit Report" at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, at the conclusion of its visit in the Board of Education meeting room, located in the lower level of the Administration Building, 15125 Farmington Road. The meeting is open to the public.

Sheila Alles, director of academic services for LPS, said the district is ready for the visit and report.

"If you do it well, it's a major undertaking," Alles said. "It's a year's worth of preparation."

The AdvancED team evaluates how well the district meets five standards: Purpose and Direction; Governance and Leadership; Teaching and Assessing; Resources and Support Systems; and Using Results for Continuous Improvement.

In preparation, the district completed a self assessment, submitted student assessment data and conducted stakeholder perception surveys with students, parents and staff.

A team of six educators, both in-state and from across the country, will be in the district for three days. During the first day of the visit, April 7, AdvancED officials will meet with the LPS superintendent, administration, board members, principals, parents and community members. They will identify the district's strengths and challenges as they relate to the five standards — and determine what the district is doing to address its challenges.

The group will visit 10 schools on Tuesday, April 8, where team members will observe student engagement in the classroom. On Wednesday, April 9, they will return to the Administration Building to meet with district officials and ask questions about their observations and remaining questions about the standards before presenting the Exit Report.

Livonia Public Schools underwent the accreditation process five years ago with North Central, but Alles said the process has changed quite a bit since then. Instead of being reviewed with a check list, to see if the district has certain items in place, AdvancED will want to see how the district is living those standards.

"It's more about the process now," Alles said. Once LPS is accredited,

Once LPS is accredited, every school is accredited. "It's an affirmation from a third-party, external agency that our district is providing

that our district is providing quality educational programs and services to the students in our district," Superintendent Randy Liepa said. "We are looking forward to a positive outcome, once again, for our district and all of our stakeholders in our community."



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## Airport Ambassadors earn President's Service Awards

Sixty-three Airport Ambassadors at Detroit Metropolitan Airport have been honored with the President's Volunteer Service Award at a banquet luncheon held at the Westin Hotel at the airport.

One Ambassador, Bob Fitz-Gerald of Westland, received gold for the first time in the history of the program. The president issues the award every year to volunteers as a way to thank and honor Americans for their volunteer service

"The level of commitment demonstrated by our Airport Ambassadors is tremendous. We are extremely proud of all of our volunteers for the extraordinary service they provide to the travelers at the airport, many of whom are arriving into Detroit for the first time," Airport Authority CEO Tom Naughton said.

"We're particularly honored to have Airport Ambassador Bob FitzGerald attain gold status for the first time in the program's history."

Metro Airport Ambassadors provide customer service at five locations throughout the airport in both terminals. Ambassadors can be identified by their blue vest or blue polo shirt answering questions or helping connect lost and stranded passengers with their families.

Each Airport Ambassador was presented with a bronze, silver or gold pin corresponding with the level of service reached in 2013, along with a certificate and letter from President Barack Obama.

At the top of the list was



Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Tom Naughton congratulates Bob FitzGerald of Westland on achieving the gold level for the award.

FitzGerald with 585.75 volunteer hours. Also receiving pins were:

#### Silver

» Redford - Dianna Surowiec, 470 hours; Roy Brown, 274.25 hours;

» Livonia - Joe Scafero, 416.25 hours; Daniel Packer, 344 hours; Carla Chupac, 274 hours. » Northville - Ben Miller,

341.25 hours; George Linker, 255.5 hours.

» Novi – Tom Beyersdorf, 298.75 hours.

» Plymouth - Donald Green, 270.75 hours

### Bronze

» Northville - Wes Henrickson, 242.75 hours; Jared Buckley, 188 hours; John Buckland, 157.5 hours; James Aaron, 141 hours

» Westland - Nelson Lowe, 111.75 hours

» Farmington Hills - John Firment, 234.5 hours; Mike Roesch, 190 hours; Chuck Myers, 131.5 hours.

» Redford - Ruth Bumbar, 220.5 hours.

» Garden City - Daisy Lovain, 214.75 hours.

» Plymouth - Traci Sincock, 203.5 hours; Loretta Scappaticci, 108.5 hours.

» Canton - Cheryl Regnier, 188 hours; Mary Pannemann, 174.5 hours; Russ Haines, 144.5 hours; Lonnie Haines,137.5 hours.

» Livonia - Flora Murray, 177 hours.

**Detroit Metropolitan Wayne** County Airport welcomed more than 32 million passengers in 2013 and is one of the world's leading air transportation hubs. In 2010, Metro ranked highest in overall customer satisfaction among large airport in the J.D. Power and Associates North



Daisy Lovain of Garden City receives her silver pin from airport CEO Tom Naughton for 214.75 hours of service as an Airport Ambassador.



Nelson Lowe of Westland received a bronze pin in recognition of his 111.75 volunteer hours with the Airport Ambassadors.

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# 'Incredibly ambitious:' Wayne High School stages 'Shrek the Musical'

**By Sue Mason** Staff Writer

For director Katie Sullivan, the word that best describes this year's spring musical at Wayne Memorial High School is more.

"This is an incredibly ambitious production,' said Sullivan about her choice of Shrek the Musical. "There are more costumes in the show than ever; we have numerous set pieces that move more often; and it's more vocal. It has a ton of musical numbers.'

Sullivan, her cast and crew will have 10 weeks of preparation under their theatrical belts when the curtains go up Thursday evening. The musical will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 10-11, and at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12, in the high school's Stockmeyer Auditorium.

The musical features a return to the Stockmeyer stage by 2013 Wayne High graduate Josiah Ault in the title role of Shrek, with Maggie Abicht playing the part of Princess Fiona, and Jordan Khalaf as Lord Farquaad, who has his shortcomings.

"He's a little tiny guy who wants to be big, so everything I want to do with the character can be over the top," said Kha-laf, who does the entire show on his knees to mimic Farquaad's short stature. "I've created this giant ego that envelops the room. I'm able to go more in depth with his character than you see on the outside."

The production includes prosthetics. Pinocchio's nose grows. Gingy, the gingerbread man, is a puppet operated by Kaitlyn Frawley, who also plays the Sugar



Pinnochio (Tirzah Ault) is flanked by the Big Bad Wolf (Orlando Simpson) and one of the Three Little Pigs (Danielle Glass-Wester). PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plum Fairy. The dragon has large wings and a head piece, and is fueled by LaShara Montgomery's "powerful voice." And to create a short Lord Farquaad, Khalaf's costume includes a pair of stubby legs that fit on his thighs.

#### The challenges

One of the challenges the cast has faced is rehearsal with the music of the Broadway musical.

"Our version has slightly different music, the songs can be shorter," Sullivan said. "They learn with the CD to give them structure, but when they move into the vocal lessons, they get into their character and learn the songs. When we start with the orchestra on Monday, they'll learn another version. They're learning with a piano which is different than with different musical instruments."

Costuming for the show has been a combination of "acquired, de-

signed and repurposed." Some costumes are rented, like those for the Duloc dancers and Lord Farquaad, some are being made and others are pieces from the drama department's collection.

Another challenge is makeup. A lot is specific to the characters. Sullivan will take on the job of doing makeup for Shrek who also has a lot of prosthetics. She has a team of 10 makeup students and alumni who will each be responsible for groups of students in the production.

Working with Sullivan are four assistant directors: Khalaf, who handles publicity; Abicht, who coordinates preparations for rehearsals; Nathan Barker, who manages conflicts and progress reports (students must have a minimum of a C average to be in the show); and Megan Keiper, who's in charge of attendance and contacting cast members.

'It's my second time

as an assistant director," said Keiper, a junior who also plays the White Rabbit and a Duloc dancer in the show. "I did it last fall. I like having a leadership role and having people come to me if they need help."

## 'Out with a bang'

Barker also is a repeat as an assistant director. A senior, he sees his involvement in Shrek the *Musical* as "going out with a bang." He plays a tap-dancing rat, Papa Bear and Papa Ogre in the production, in addition to his assistant director duties.

"The show is going to be an exciting one and a memorable one," he said.

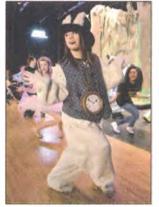
Abicht, a junior, decided she wanted to push herself into "many different aspects of school." In addition to working with the cast, she also plays the adult Fiona, a role she wanted. Sullivan noted that Abicht has red hair, but the young Fiona and teen Fiona don't, so all

three will wear red wigs. "The wig is more like a fiery red color," Abicht said.

The cast also includes students from Edison and Adams elementaries and Stevenson and Franklin middle schools. Among the imports are Sullivan's daughter Madison, who plays a young Fiona.

To help boost attendance, costumed characters will be circulating among the families that will attend the high school's Spring Fling Friday, giving out coupons and inviting them to come to the performance. Spring Fling is for parents and students and includes a bunny pancake dinner, cookie decorating, obstacle course, music, crafts, games, an Easter egg hunt and an opportunity for youngsters to have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Spring Fling is from 5-6:30 p.m. at the high school. Sullivan would like

nothing better than to see Twitter: @SusanMarieMason



Megan Keiper is serving as an assistant director as well as appearing as the White **Rabbit and a Duloc dancer** in "Shrek the Musical" at Wayne Memorial High School.

## **'SHREK THE MUSICAL'**

When: 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 10-11, and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12. Location: Stockmeyer Auditorium on the campus of Wayne Memorial High School, on Glenwood east of Fourth Street, Wayne. Details: Shrek the Musical is a stage adaption of the popular Dreamworks' movie Shrek, the story of an ogre who agrees to the rescue so he'll be left alone in his swamp. Instead he gets a new best friend, Donkey, and falls in love with Princess Fiona. Tickets: \$10 each available at the door.

the theater filled. "This is the biggest show we've put on this stage, and I think the audience will be pleased," she said.

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## Reverse mortgages, used properly, can provide benefits

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A: I disagree with your friend's analysis that reverse mortgages are gimmicky. Reverse mortgages are an effective financial vehicle if used in the right situations

Some of the problems with reverse mortgages are the companies people deal with and ultimately what they do with the money. Reverse mortgages are not for everyone and they could cause problems if used inappropriately

In your case, a reverse mortgage can be an effective financial tool that provides cash flow needed to maintain your lifestyle throughout retirement.

There are costs to obtain a reverse mortgage, however, there are costs to obtain a traditional 30-year fixed rate mortgage. Cost is important and a good reverse mortgage company will always inform you up front what the costs are.

The typical cost of a reverse mortgage is a little more than obtaining a traditional mortgage,



but it is not exorbitant. The key in obtaining a reverse mortgage is to use a quality company. Just because some company uses a celebrity endorser does not mean it is a good company.

As to using a home equity loan, if you needed money on a rare, irregular basis, that may be one thing. However, you need money on a regular month-to-month basis and I'm not sure that a home equity loan makes sense.

The major difference between a home equity loan versus a reverse mortgage is you do not have to make any principal and interest payments with a reverse mortgage. With a home equity loan, if you borrow money you must start making payments immediately.

In addition, with most home equity loans the interest is adjustable. What that means is that as interest rates rise, so will the interest charged on your home equity loan. Therefore, if you access a home equity loan, as interest rises, your monthly payment will also increase.

One other note regarding home equity loans is that the bank can always call in the loan. If that happens, you can be in a tough position. That can't happen with a reverse mortgage.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. If you would like him to respond to your questions, email rick@bloomasset management.com.

### **Marshmallow Drops**

The 35th annual Wayne Marshmallow Drop will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 18, at the Anderson ball fields in Attwood Park on Howe, south of Annapolis.

There will be three drops for walking toddlers up to age 4 and children with disabilities ages 5-7 and ages 8-10. The event is free and is sponsored by Crosspoint Community Church.

» Join Wayne County Parks as it celebrates the 30th anniversary of the Marshmallow Drop. A blizzard of 20,000 marshmallows will fill the sky as they tumble from the Easter Bunny's helicopter. The Marshmallow Drop takes

place at 11 a.m. at Nankin Mills Park in Westland. Nankin Mills is located at the corner of Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

Feel free to bring your own bag/basket but only one marshmallow is needed to receive a prize. The Marshmallow Drop is co-sponsored by Trenton Parks and Recreation and Friends of Wayne County Parks.

#### **Bunny Brunch**

The annual Bunny Breakfast at the Wayne Community Center is also Friday, April 18. The breakfast will be from 10:30 a.m. to noon and include pancakes, sausage, arts and crafts and face painting. Photo packages with the bunny will be available for purchase.

The cost is \$5 for residents and \$6 for non-residents. Tickets are on sale now at the Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe at Annapolis in Wayne. For more information, call 734-721-7400

The Aquatic Center inside the community center will offer extra open swim from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Regular rates apply.

## **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Garden City Public Library will hold an Easter Egg Hunt and movie from 1-2 p.m. April 12 at the library, 31735 Maplewood, west of Merriman, Garden City. There will be a free Easter basket give-away.

Registration is required and can be completed by calling 734-793-1830.

## **Easter Egg Scramble**

The Westland Jaycees will sponsor the 17th annual Easter Egg Scramble on April 12 at Jaycee Park at the corner of Hunter



Marshmallows make their way toward the ground during the annual Marshmallow Drops at Attwood Park in Wayne and the Nankin Mills picnic area of Hines Park in Westland on April 18. FILE PHOTO

and Wildwood in Westland.

The Easter Egg Scramble is targeted toward children age 14 and under from the Westland community and is broken up into age groups. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. for the 1 p.m. scramble.

EASTER EVENTS

In addition to the scramble, the first 100 kids will receive a Kid Care ID Kit donated by local business

The Jaycees have also invited the friends of the MI Animal Rescue Group to come out with some of their adoptable animals.

There is no cost for the annual Easter egg hunt, but the Jaycees are asking the community to bring something from the Rescue Group's Wish List — cat litter. canned dog food, canned cat food and dry cat food. For a complete

list, visit www.fmar1.org. Those who bring an item will be given an extra ticket toward the main prize.

The Westland Jaycees are a local organization dedicated to training young leaders through community service. For more information on the Westland Jaycees, call 734-858-4811 or visit westlandjaycees.org.

#### **Bunny Business**

The Easter Bunny Hop visits Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road at Wayne Road. The bunny will be in the mall's East Court every day through April 19 and will arrive approximately one hour after the mall opens and stay up to one hour before the mall closes. Photo packages are available to capture the memories.



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## Mingle with Marilyn Friday, April 25 1:30 p.m.

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Tours are held promptly at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6, and Saturday-Sunday, April 12-13. Admission is \$6 per person, children age 2 and under are free. Make sure to dress warmly and wear boots.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

PRESCHOOL SIGNUP Location: Westland Free Methodist Preschool, 1421 S. Venoy, Westland

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## **TRI COUNTY CELIAC**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, April 7.

Location: First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.

Details: The next Tri County Celiac Support Group general meeting will hear from Pam King of the Center for Celiac Research about what is happening at Massachusetts General Children's Hospital in Boston. The doors open at 6:30 p.m.

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Contact: Contact Sharon Garcia at 734-728-1088 or send an email to churchoffice@wowway.biz.

## 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 Marguette and Cherry Hill, Westland.

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

## WESTLAND ROTARY

Time/Date: 12:15 p.m. Thursdays.

Location: Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland, Details: Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Visit www.westlandrotary.com for more information about meetings, programs and events. Contact: Jeff at 734-261-5010.

## **WAYNE ROTARY** Time/Date: noon every Tues-

days

Location: Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe at Annapolis, Wayne, except the last Tuesday of the month when the meeting is at 6 p.m. At the US12 Bar and Grill on Michigan Avenue. Details: Be a guest and see what Wayne Rotary is all about. Contact: Call Trish Hampton at 734-890-6934

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **BURROUGHS OLD** TIMERS

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. on the last Friday of the month. Location: Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

Details: Any former employees of Burroughs/Unisys are welcome to join to socialize or renew acquaintances. There is no cost to join or to attend. A cash bar and a fish buffet are available but not mandatory. Contact: John Kusch 734-751-9765 or kuschit@yahoo.com.

#### **LIONS CLUB**

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month.

Location: Rocky's Restaurant at Wayne Road north of Palmer in Westland.

Contact: For more information. call Debbie Dayton at 734-721-4216

#### TOASTMASTERS

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. every Thursday Location: 35613 Michigan Ave.,

Wayne. Enter from parking lot entrance

Details: Wayne-Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club provides a supportive environment where members can overcome the fear of speaking in public. The membership is a diverse group from different walks of life.

Contact: For more information; call Curt at 734-525-8445 or Luddie at 734-414-0034 or visit westlandeasytalkers.toastmastersclubs.org.

## **FISH DIAL-A-RIDE**

Details: Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive. Volunteer phone messengers arrange

Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia. Details: The group is dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome Contact: Colleen Mills at 734-

425-0079 **VETERAN'S HAVEN** 

## Location: Veteran Haven's

Outreach Center, 4924 S. Wayne Road, two blocks south of Annapolis in Wayne. Details: Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate-donation program. Donations are tax-deductible. Food is distributed to veterans once a month throughout the month and there is a supplemental food program from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays. Contact: 734-728-0527.

## **SILVER STRINGS** DULCIMER

Time/date: 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month. Location: Good Hope Lutheran

Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City.

Details: Musicians and listeners are welcome to stop by and visit a traditional music jam. Acoustic instruments include hammered and mountain dulcimer, guitar, banjo, fiddle, harmonica, concertina, autoharp, recorder, pennywhistle, ukulele and upright bass. Contact: 734-482-2902, http:// geocities.com/ssdsociety.

**GARDEN CITY KIWANIS** Time/date: 12:15 p.m. Thurs-

days Location: Amantea Restaurant, 32777 Warren Road, Garden City

Details: Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to bettering the world one child and one community at a time. Guests and potential new members are always welcome.

## **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 headquarters, 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.

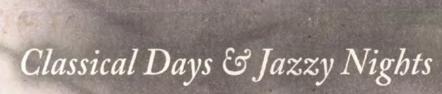
#### LITERACY COUNCIL

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**

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



life care should be nq you are in control of. Five Wishes Advance Directives: Making Your Wishes Known will explain to adults age 18 and older the importance of completing a Five Wishes document to make their medical, personal, emotional and spiritual wishes known.

Contact: For more information or to RSVP, contact Jacivn Klein at jklein@arborhospice.org or at 734-794-5394.

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, April 6.

Location: St. Damian Catholic School, 29891 Joy, between Merriman and Middlebelt. Westland.

Details: St. Damian School offer a prescchol-8 program. with 3and 4-year-old preschool and all-day kindergarten. Academics include Spanish, computer, art and vocal music. Transportation is available for students living in the Livonia Public School District.

Contact: For more information, visit www.stdamianschool.com.

#### **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Saturday, April 26.

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

Details: Doors open at 6 p.m., with play beginning promptly at 7 p.m. Cost is \$20 per team of four. Cost includes 10 rounds of questions, popcorn and six hot dogs and six chips for each team. Beverages will be available for purchase throughout the night. There also will be a 50/50 raffle and other items for purchase. Space is limited to the first 35 teams.

Contact: Register at www.stsimonandjude.com/trivianight.html. For more informa-

## 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

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

client rides with volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is a not-for-profit community service that provides free door-to-door rides to nonemergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia, and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Contact: For more information

call 888-660-2007 and leave a message.

### **CITIZENS FOR PEACE**

Time/date: 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Location: Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between

## **Abandoned Vehicle Auction:** Saturday 04/12/2014 10 a.m.

Sparks Auto and Towing, 34043 Ford Road, Westland MI

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#### **CITY OF WESTLAND**

#### INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before April 17th. 2014 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

Purchase of 7 Garbage Trucks

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Proposals must be submitted by the time stated above or they will be returned. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

> Devin J. Adams Controller

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# Heads up! It's Bat Appreciation Week

t is hard to believe as we emerge from a long, cold, snowy winter, but summer will come and with it the dreaded mosquito, one of many insects considered to be pests that bats eat. Bats also act as pollinators and seed dispersers for plants



all over the world, and are the only mammals that fly. (You might

think animals like flying squirrels fly, but they actually glide. However, that is a whole separate article).

There are more than 1,200 species of bats. Species found in Michigan include the big brown bat, the silverhaired bat, and the eastern red bat. Perhaps the most famous (or infamous) is the vampire bat of which there are three species, all found in Mexico, Central America and South America. Vampire bats do feed on blood. although they bite their prey with their sharp teeth and lick up the blood as opposed to sucking the victim's blood dry as portrayed in vampire stories.

If you'd like to learn more about bats, try these titles from our adult non-fiction collection: Bats in Question: The Smithsonian Answer Book by Don E. Wilson or The Bats of Europe and North America: Knowing Them, Identifying Them, Protecting Them by Wilfried Schober and Eckard Grimmberger. If your kids are interested in



Among bats found in Michigan is the Eastern brown bat.

bats, the youth non-fiction section has plenty of books to choose from, including Vampire Bats by Julie Murray and Bats: Shadows in the Night by Diane Ackerman.

Want to attract bats to your yard to feast on mosquitoes and/or encourage them to stay out of your house? Check out The Bat House Builder's Handbook by Merlin D. Tuttle, Mark Kiser and Selena Kiser.

If fiction is more your style, try reading the classic Dracula by Bram Stoker, or any of the books in the Vampire Chronicles series by Anne Rice (several of which are available are available on CD and/or as eBooks as well as in print).

Whatever you're interested in, connect with the library for help through our website at www.westlandlibrary.org, by calling 734-326-6123, or stopping by the reference desk.

## Highlighted Activities

Food for Fines, April 1-30 - Gleaners Community Food Bank and the Westland library are partnering to alleviate hunger in southeast Michigan. Bring nonperishable, in-date goods to the Circulation Desk and receive \$2 per item off of your fines (up to \$20 total, lost or damaged items not eligible). If you would like to donate, visit any of the service desks in the library or stop by Biggby Coffee on Ford Road or the Westland Friendship Center and deposit items in one of their donation-only boxes. Suggested item lists and bags (limited quantitv) will be available at the Circulation Desk.

Westland Writes .... Help us celebrate National Poetry Month and local writers with your own written creations. Westland Writes ... is the library's sixth annual poet-

ry and short story book collection with works by local poets and authors (previous books can be found in the library's collection). Each writer can submit up to two poems or one short story (maximum 2,500 words) for the book to andy.schuck@westlandlibrary.org (you don't have to live in Westland to participate). Submission deadline is Sunday, April 27. Each writer will receive a copy of the book at the Book Release Party on May 29.

Second Annual Juried Art Exhibit, noon-5 p.m. April 7, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 8, sponsored by Three Cities Art Club – Original fine art and prints for sale, gallery tours and art demonstrations. Enter to win by voting for your three favorites works. Award reception is 1-3 p.m. Sunday, April 6. Come meet the artists. **Money Smart Week** 

Story time, 6:30 p.m.

April 7 – Join us for a special Money Smart Week story time program featuring The Berenstain Bears' Trouble with Money. All attending families will receive a free copy of the book. To promote money smart skills among caregivers, we are also giving away a free copy of Money Rules by Jean Chatzky to each attending family. Sign up online at westlandlibrary.org/kids/events or call 734-326-6123, ext. 2831.

**Rainbow Loom and** Duct Tape Crafts, 6 p.m. April 8, grades 5 and up -Back by popular demand, two of our favorite craft programs. Make a Rainbow Loom bracelet, a duct tape creation, or go crazy and try to combine the two.

**Help for Healthy Mich**igan Plan/Medicaid or **Health Care Marketplace** Application, 6-8 p.m. April 8, And every Tuesday throughout April and May - Meet with a Health Care Navigator from Community Bridges for help filling out your Healthy Michigan Plan/Medicaid application or your Health Care Marketplace Application. You must schedule an appointment. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 734-326-6123 to schedule an appointment. Bring the items with you listed on the Marketplace **Application Checklist** and bring your spouse/ family, if you're hoping to decide on a plan.

Parenting Workshop/ Training: Autism, 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Starfish Family Services' Early Learning Communities pre-



sents a monthly Parenting Workshop/Early Childhood Training. Learn about Autism Spectrum Disorder and its effects on young children will be the topic of this month's workshop. Gather techniques to teach children with autism in an effective way. Attend five workshops and your child is eligible to receive free books from the Imagination Library. Free child care provided for children of participants. Register at westlandlibrary.org/kids/ events or call 734-326-6123, ext. 2831, to reserve a seat. Walk-ins accepted, if space allows.

Academic Enrichment, 3:30-5 p.m. April 9, grades 5 and up - Bring your assignments for free homework help and study help. Geared toward grades 5 and up. No advanced registration needed, however, parents must sign a waiver upon arrival in order for child or teen to participate.

U.S. Citizenship Information Session, 7 p.m. April 9 – Join us for a free informational session to learn about the benefits, requirements, and process of becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen. Afterward, an immigration attorney will be available to answer U.S. citizenship questions for free. Ruby Robinson of the Michigan Immigrant **Rights Center will pre**sent the information session. This is a lead-in to the Citizenship Workshop, which will be held in the library 1-4 p.m.

In the library 1-4 p.m. Sunday, April 27. Fifth-Sixth-Grade Book Club, 7 p.m. April 10 – Our April theme is "Poetry" and there will be a selection of poetry books from which to choose. We will have a poetry cafe with readings, activities, and light refreshments. It's the last book club meeting of the school year

**Budgeting 101: A Bal**ancing Act, 7 p.m. April 10 – Learn the basics of creating and maintaining a household or personal budget, including why to create one, how to create one and, most importantly, how to stick to one. Also, the class addresses the issue of debt - how to manage it and ways to begin eliminating it. Presented by the Financial Planning Association as part of MoneySmart Week @ Your Library. No registration necessary. Friday Night Movies, 7 p.m. April 11 – Come join us for some of the best recently-released DVDs as part of our Friday Night Movies series. Tonight's movie is 12 Years a Slave. "In the antebellum, United States, Solomon Northup, a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery"(imdb). This movie is rated R (134 min). For each movie, we provide movie-related trivia and prizes. Snacks and refreshments. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., movie starts at 7 p.m. **Beginners Computer** Lab, 2-4 p.m. April 12 -During this two-hour drop-in lab, we will provide guided activities and librarian assistance to help you become computer literate for today's digital world. Topics include using a mouse and keyboard; selecting, copying and pasting; navigating the Internet; learning what you can do with email; and getting acquainted with Microsoft Office. **Community Shred**, noon-2 p.m. April 12 -Don't keep those old financial documents hanging around your house. Bring up to 100 pounds of paper documents to be shredded at our third annual Community Shred. General Shredding of Grosse Pointe Woods will be outside the library to assist you.

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Information Central was compiled by Lynne Varcoe. The William P. Faust Public Library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland.

# MAP opens doors to Michigan arts and culture

hile entertaining out-of-town relatives last weekend we decided to visit a local museum. Armed with my library card I was able to visit the Wayne Public Library's



website, find the Michigan Activity Pass, and print a pass to

admit four to the museum for free. All this with just my library card! The passes are not just a perk of library staff members, this is open to all card holders.

The "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" program is a partnership between Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries and 70-plus arts and cultural organizations. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials, and to provide reduced-cost or complimentary access to arts and cultural organizations across Michigan from St. Joseph to Saline

to Saginaw to Sault Ste. Marie to South Range, and all points in between. Dale Kittendorf, St.

**Clair County Library** main branch marketing coordinator, said "the program offers people an opportunity to see attractions they might not otherwise partake in. The program connects people to information, which definitely fits into our mission.

"Public library patrons and our cultural partners were so pleased with the overwhelming reception afforded to the Michigan Activity Pass program during its first year, that renewal for a second year was a no-brainer," said Jim Flury, Technical Services manager and Michigan Activitv Pass administrator at The Library Network in Novi. "That so many of our cultural partners from the first year of the program decided to sign on for a second year, speaks to the success the program has enjoyed."

According to Melissa Davis, Knowlton's Ice Museum director, "the program benefited us because the passes go out to almost 400 libraries

across the state. We had people coming who drove all the way across the state just to visit the museum as a result."

Beginning May 24, the second year of "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" will be available at all of Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries. Some of the participating cultural partners include the Gilmore Car Museum, the Michigan Science Center, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum and many others.

How the Program Works:

Beginning May 24, library users with a valid library card from any one of Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries (including the Wayne Public Library) can print a pass, either from home or at the library, to one of the participating cultural institutions at the michiganactivitypass.info website. Some cultural partners offer complimentary or reducedprice admission; others offer discounts in their gift shop or exclusive offers for MAP pass holders. Each Michigan

Activity Pass expires one week from the date it is printed. Each library will have five passes available per week for each of the participating organizations.

The Library Network (TLN) is a public library cooperative serving 65 libraries in southeast Michigan whose mission is to provide and facilitate quality services developed through collaboration of its member libraries. TLN is funded by the state of Michigan and by its member libraries

If you would like to find out more about what organizations participate or how to print out your passes visit the library at www.wayne.lib.mi.us. The helpful folks at the library reference desks are also available to help with this process, so don't hesitate to ask.

Now go find your adventure!

Information Central was compiled by Kelly Soerens, Children's Librarian. The Wayne Public Library is at 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. For more information, call 734-721-7832 or ao online to www.wayne.lib.mi.us.

## Enter to win Detroit Lions football summer camp

Nine boys and girls ages 4-14 will win a scholarship to the 2014 **Detroit Lions Summer** 

Youth Camps. The Detroit Lions, in cooperation with Observer & Eccentric Media, will award two scholarships to the following camps:

June 7-8, Beverly **Hills Detroit Country** Day, 9 a.m. to noon (OB-WR Academy for youth ages 8-14). June 12-13, Brighton

**Scranton Middle** School, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Fundamentals Camp for youth ages ages 6-14).

July 19, 26, Aug. 2, Southfield Inglenook Park, 10-11 a.m. (Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4-8). July 21-23, South

Lyon Volunteer Park, 6:15-7:15 p.m. (Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4-8).

One scholarship will be offered for the June 30 through July 3 Plymouth Central Middle School Camp from 8:30 a.m. to noon (Fundamentals Camp for youth ages 6-14).

The camps offer age-appropriate highenergy football instruction and technique training by high school and college football coaches and interactive drills, chalk talks and skill competitions.

More than 30 camps are scheduled from June through August. For a complete list of summer camps and academies, visit DetroitLions.com/youthfootball.

To enter the O&E Media's Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights Football Camp Contest, tell us in 50 words or less why you want to attend the camp. Have your parents email a photo of you (jpeg format only and as large as possible), along with your name, age, phone number and community where you live, to cbjordan@hometownlife.com. Subject line is "Football Contest."

Deadline to enter is April 30.

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Dcn. Scott Jablonski, a

soon to be priest

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#### **Break-in**

A man identified as homeless was arrested by Wayne police March 26 for allegedly breaking into a Laundromat and the laundry room of a nearby apartment build-

ing. Police responded to the Surefit Laundry, 33121 Glenwood, about 2:30 a.m. about an alarm that showed front door motion. Officers found the door damaged and footprints in snow leading to and from the building. No one was found inside. Officers followed the footprints south to the Parkhill Apartments.

The officers found the outside glass of a doublepane window broken at the laundry room at 33080 Parkhill. The homeless man was inside, police said. He told officers he was hearing voices telling him to kill himself, police said.

**Officers called Fire** Rescue to transport the man, who had a small cut on his hand, to Oakwood Annapolis Hospital

## **COP CALLS** where he was admitted

for mental evaluation pending criminal charges.

#### Vandalism

» A Dearborn Heights man reported his Chevrolet Traverse was damaged March 25 while parked at E-Z Storage, 34333 Michigan Ave., Wayne. The driver's side window was gouged by a brick and the rear window was smashed.

The owner told police he is a plumber and when on call he parks his personal vehicle at the storage facility, taking the company vehicle home. The E-Z Storage manager spotted the damage March 26 and alerted him. Surveillance video captured a man throwing a brick at the Traverse.

» The ignition was reported damaged on a 1999 Mack box truck parked at Jam Best One Tire and Service, 4995 Hannan, Wayne, March 24. The truck was parked in front of the business offered for sale. It had been left unlocked.

seminarian at Scared Heart "on loan" to St. Michael's Church, shares his journey from Univ. of Wisconsin premed undergrad to Evangelical Protestant ministerial candidate to Catholic deacon,

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# SPORTS

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## Westland John Glenn rallies in dramatic opening day win

Scheffer delivers as Rockets edge Stevenson, 7-6

Westland John Glenn opened the 2014 baseball season in dramatic fashion on Wednesday.

Senior Christopher Scheffer collected three hits, including

the game-winning RBI single scoring Zack Croft as the host Rockets rallied for three runs in the bottom of the seventh to beat Livonia Stevenson, 7-6.

Croft also added two hits as Glenn, now 1-0 overall and 1-0 in the KLAA South Division, rallied from a 5-1 deficit with a run in the fifth, two more in the sixth and three in the seventh.

Brandon Smeltzer, who pitched the final three innings in relief of starter Brendan

Wetmore, earned the victory. Stevenson reliever Billy Bonanno suffered the loss.

Rodney Bies and Mark Pettersson each collected two hits, while C.J. Breen added two RBI for the Spartans (0-1, 0-1 KLAA Central).

## **Churchill survives**

Winning pitcher Steve Szymanski nearly hit for the cycle Wednesday as host Livonia Churchill (1-0, 1-0) outslugged South Lyon East (0-1, 0-1) in a



John Glenn runner Zack Croft (left) is safe as Stevenson first baseman Mark Pettersson takes the throw. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

**KLAA Kensington Conference** crossover, 14-13.

Szymanski paced Churchill's 14-hit attack by reaching base safely five times with a

single, double, triple, walk and hit batsman. He also scored three runs and added two RBI.

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Among the MORC Stars weekly player contingent, included with program director Andy Hannah, include (from left) Brittany Jagodzinski, Livonia; Ricky MacDonald, Wayne; and Shayne Graves, Clawson. BRAD EMONS

# **MORC Stars all**

## Madonna wins pair in twinbill vs. Saints

Crampton leads WHAC sweep against Aquinas

Some late inning theatrics led to two more victories Wednesday for the Madonna University women's softball team, which swept a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference doubleheader from visiting Aquinas College, 2-1 and 4-1.

In the opener, the Crusaders' Erin Mayes' RBI single drove home Morgan Kaiser with the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh. Emma Cook also went 2-for-4 with an RBI for the victorious Crusaders.

Winning pitcher Bree Crampton, the NAIA National Pitcher of the Week, improved to 11-3 with a four-hitter. She struck out nine and did not allow a walk in seven innings.

Losing pitcher Becca Shineldecker (5-3) allowed seven hits, walked two and struck out five. In Game Two, MU rallied

# aligned on the ice

#### **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Eddie Edgar Arena is never quiet on Sunday mornings.

From October through the end of April it's become a beehive of activity thanks in part to the MORC Stars.

So who are the MORC Stars and why have they created such a buzz?

"It's a program designed for individ-uals with special needs," said Livonia native Andy Hannah, who launched the program in 2007. "It gives them an envi-ronment to learn, how to play a sport with sport being hockey. It's how to skate and an environment where they're safe. They're not ridiculed, they're not

teased, they're not picked on. Everyone here is in the same boat. It's designed to let them have fun and play hockey.

MORC is the acronym for the Macomb-Oakland Regional Center, which provides services for people with special needs.

"Our youngest player is 6 years old, our oldest is 42, both males and female on the team." Hannah said. "We started the program seven years ago with seven players. We currently have 135 players. This (Edgar Arena) is actually only one group. We split the program into four different groups. We have three groups that skate every Sunday morning at Eddie Edgar. We have another group that skates at Fraser Hockeyland on

Sundays for an hour and a half. Edgar donates the ice every to us. And Fraser does the same. It's cost-effective for the parents.

The impact of the MORC Stars hockey reaches far and wide, and touches many lives.

#### **Proud parent**

"This program ... I don't know where even to start," said Livonia's Cherie Jagodzinski, who has a daughter Brittany in the program. "To sum it up, I guess I'd have to say it brings so much ... not only joy to each and every one of them. but the confidence level of all of them.

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from a 1-0 deficit with three runs in a sixth and one in the seventh. Mayes doubled twice and had an RBI, while freshman Nicole Salloum (Livonia Churchill) also drove in two runs. Kasey Trierweiler also went 2-for-3 with an RBI.

Winning pitcher Erin Combs (8-2) worked the first five innings allowing one run on eight hits. She struck out four and did not allow a walk before giving way to Crampton, who pitched two scoreless innings to pick up her third save of the year as MU improved to 20-5 overall and 6-0 in the WHAC

Kala Foerster went 3for-4, while Sadie Stowell added two hits and an RBI for the Saints, who slipped to 10-9 overall, 2-2 in the conference.

## Crusaders split in Ilitch Ballpark opener vs. Siena Heights

After 25 straight games on the road, the Madonna University baseball team returned Wednesday to the friendly confines of Ilitch Ballpark.

And the Crusaders were able to salvage a split of their Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference doubleheader dropping the first game to visiting Siena Heights Univer-

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sity, 10-7, before bouncing back with an 11-5 win in the nightcap

John Lauro (3-for-4, two **RBI)** Taylor Grzelakowski (2-for-3, three RBI), Livonia Churchill's Ben Matigian (2for-4, RBI) and Victor Barron (two RBI) sparked MU's 12-hit attack in Game 2.

Travis Schuba (3-1), who

pitched three scoreless innings in relief of freshman starter Alex DeYonker (Livonia Franklin), picked up the victory as MU improved to 15-12 overall and 2-4 in the WHAC. Justin McPherson, in relief,

took the loss for the Saints (9-10, 3-3). Logan Curtis had two hits and an RBI in the loss. In Game 1, Siena Heights

racked up 14 hits, led by Austin Hauck, who went 3-for-5 with three RBI

Joe McWilliams added two hits and two RBI, while Dan Muller (Franklin) also knocked in a run for the Saints.

Travis Mielcarek pitched four innings of scoreless relief, allowing just one hit, to earn the victory.

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Losing pitcher Tyler Schofield, the MU starter, dropped to 1-2 as he allowed seven earned runs on five hits in just one inning.

Catcher Donny Holland went 2-for-4 with three RBI, while Lauro added two hits for MU, which returns to WHAC action at 1 p.m. Sunday at home against Northwestern Ohio.

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## LOCAL SPORTS

## **2 NEW** SAINTS

Siena Heights University track coach Kirk Richards (top right) recently signed Livonia Franklin seniors Sheila and Tasha McKinley, both sprinters and pole vaulters to NAIA letters-of-intent. Also on hand for the signing was Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund (far left) and the twins' mother Carol McKinley (far right). DAN WILLENBORG



## **BOYS TRACK CAPSULE OUTLOOK**

#### LIVONIA CHURCHILL Head coach: Rick Austin, 19th year

League affiliation: KLAA Kensing-on Conference (South Division). Last year's finish: second, Observ-

erland Relays, Livonia City meet; third, KLAA South (3-2); fifth, Division 1 regional KLAA South (5-2), http://www.south.com/ eighth, conference. Notable losses to graduation:

Zach Zoltowski (first-team All-Area, 110 hurdles): Hunter Rimatzki, Kenzel Jeffersor Parys Brown, Andre Abram, Ben Yates, Jon

Leading returnees: Jake Hage Sr. pole vault (first-team All-Area, 14-4;

fifth. Division 1

(third-team

All-Area, 100)

hurdles; Colin

Steven Fedak, Sr.

hurdles-pole vault, Ryan Bragiel, Jr.,

Murphy, Sr., distance; Demarco

McKinney, Soph.

throws: Brett

All-State); Malik Johnson, Sr, sprints

## Hage

Barnum, Sr., throws; Zack Barrick, Sr., throws; Matt Cohan, Jr., middle distance Ethan Burke, Soph., pole vault; Jon Allesandrini, Jr., distance: Andrew Malik, Sr. distance; Patrick Dahlin, Sr., distance; Michael Martins, Sr., hurdles; Caleb Guthard, Jr., pole vault,

Promising newcomers: Jamal Allen, Fr., hurdles; Joan Andoni, Soph., field events: Logan Facione, Sr., sprints: Nick Lombardo, Jr., middle distance; Paul Romain, Jr., sprints; Tim Dulin, Jr., hurdles; Shukur Lockett, Soph., hurdles: Austin's 2014 outlook: 'Pride in

our program continues to run deep. Hage (captain), Fedak and Guthard are working hard to continue our rich tradition in the nard to continue our rich tradition in the pole vault coached by Jordan McClellan. Malik (captain) is leading a great group of hard working distance runners who include McKeon, Murphy, Cohan and Allessandrini coached by John McGreevy, Barrick (captain) will lead the throws featuring Barnum and McKinney, all of whom are very competitive coached by John Filiatraut and Dave Simpson. We have many and Dave Simpson. We have many newcomers who will compete for varsity roles in the sprints led by Johnson (captain) and Romain. Bragiel (captain) and Fedak will make a great one-two punch in the hurdles with LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Head coach: Pat Koelzer, sixth year League affiliation: KLAA Kensing-n (South Division).

Last year's finish: second, KLAA South (4-1): sixth, conference and Division 1 regional

Notable losses to graduation Dan Duncan (first-team All-Area, 100; second-team, 800 relay); Asa Hattar (second-team All-Area; shot put); Jordan Bickham (second-team All-Area, 800 relay), Damon Currier, Dan Duncan, Brett Gutow ski, Asa Hattar, Justin Larkins, Richie

Leading returnees: Keenan Jone Jr., distance (second-team All-Area, 1,600; state qualifier); Nathan Rodgers, Jr., sprints (second-team All-Area, 100; 800 relay). Alex Perelli, Sr., sprints (school record holder 100): Juan Gamboa, Sr. throws Tony Vella, Sr., throws, Dan Koponen, Sr., distance; Jeremy Sheppard, Jr., hurdles; Danny Cebula, Sr., sprints-jumps; Nathan Leonard, Sr., hurdles; Tony Floyd, Soph., distance; Matt Wirick, Jr., sprints; Ross Cecil, Jr., distance; Charles Keith, Sr., hurdles; Tim Nehasil, Jr., throws: Trever hurdles; Tim Nehasil, Jr., throws; Trevor Pianga, Sr., pole vault; Zach Brokaw, Sr., jumps; Spencer Opie, Sr., sprints-middle distance distance

Promising newcomers: Adam Monroe, Sr., hurdles-jumps; Joe Vetula, Sr., middle distance; Denzel Adams, Soph., sprints-jump; Josh Hannah, Soph., hurdles; Brandon Smiley, Fr., sprints; Danny Domzalski, Fr., throws; Bobby Madley, Fr., throws; Zack Fenwick, Fr., distance; Matt Lepper, Fr., distance; Brian Gomez, Fr., distance: Ian Hood, Fr., sprints.

Koelzer's 2014 outlook: 'Our team enters the season with a lot of potential and some ambitious goals. We return a strong sprint and distance core from a season where we were a one-point dual meet loss away from winning the division Perelli has returned from last year's hamstring injury to lead a deep group of sprinters along with Rodgers and Cebula Jones, Floyd, and Cecil should be a three-headed monster in the distance races. We definitely lost some points from last year in the field events, but there is a good amount of raw talent in those areas that should develop as the season goes on. Meanwhile, we will need a lot of success in track events in order to win early dual meets.

LIVONIA STEVENSON Head coach: Scott Shaw, 11th year. League affiliation: KLAA Kensing

ton (Central Division) Last year's finish: first, KLAA Central (5-0); second, KLAA Association; third,

conference: seventh, Division 1 regional Notable losses to graduation: Joe Mims (second-team All-Area, 300 hurdles; third-team, 1,600 relay); Zaid Shareef (second-team All-Area, 3,200 relay); third-team, 1,600 relay); Mike Sopko (second-team All-Area, 3,200 relay); third-team ,1,600 relay); Jacob Colley (second-team All-Area, 3,200 relay); Ryan Paulus (second-team All-Area, 3,200 relay), Leading returnees: Terry Buford-Pendergast, Sr., high jump (third-team All-Area, 6-4); Michael Farner, Sr., pole vault (third-team All-Area, 13-4); Billy Werthman, Sr., middle distance (third-team All-Area, 1,600 relay); Stephen Fenech, Sr., distance (3,200, 9:56.1); Danny Pocalujka, Sr., discus (138-0); Nathan Falzon, Sr., hurdles; Rob Newman, Sr., hurdles; Jack Cole, Sr., pole vault; Matt Boris, Sr., pole vault; Greg Romanczuk Sr. 400: Lamonte Sharp Sr sprints; Austin Petrie, Soph., sprints; Dan Lindenmuth, Sr., sprints; Ben Tabor, Sr., sprints; Chandler Langley, Sr., sprints; Jaleel Jones, Sr., sprints; Jalen Jones, Sr., sprints; Nick Hitchcock, Jr., throws; Dom Ferrera, Sr.,

sprints-jumps); Kevin Callow, Sr., middle distance; Ryan Cole, Sr., middle distance. **Promising newcomers:** Mike Muffler, Jr., high jump-sprints; Erik Grisa, Jr. distance; Christian Sullivan, Jr., long jump-sprints; Mike Licata, Soph., Jong jump; Andrew Bambach, Jr., middle distance; Nathan Sudek, Soph., hurdle Alex Oquist, Soph, distance; Alex Mikonc

zyk, Soph., distance. Shaw's 2014 outlook: "It's a little snaws 2014 outlook: It's a little hard to evaluate things with the slow spring, but we should be pretty solid in most field events. We have many returning performers who have scored points for us in the past. I think our sprinters and hurdlers have improved this year even though it will be hard to replace Mims. Our distance runners have been working very hard and I think we will be solid in most of those events. As in most seasons, our seniors will be pretty good, but our overall success will come down to the younger guys. I'm hoping that several have improved in their specific areas and will be able to contribute in different places where we need them. I think we can be fairly versatile team with many kids.

#### WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

Head coach: Jason Dixon, second year League affiliation: KLAA Kensing ton (South Division) Last year's finish: fifth, KLAA South (1-4): ninth, Division 1 regional; 11th,

ference

conterence; Notable losses to graduation: Jewell Jones (third-team All-Area, 800); Miltin Rickett, Quinn Dupraw. Leading returnees: Micah Orr, Sr., distance (1,600, 4:41.0); Freddie Thompson, Soph., hurdles (300 lows, 44.74); Kimari Johnson II: sprints (400, 52.64) Johnson, Jr., sprints (400, 52.64)

Promising newcomers: Akshay Kommana, Sr. distance; Tyrikh Hunter, Jr., sprints; Jamie Melchor, Jr., sprints. Dixon's 2014 outlook: "I'm highly confident in my team and their abilities. These guys are very talented and have been working hard despite the bad weather. We are definitely looking forward to some high quality performances for the

2014 season

WAYNE MEMORIAL Head coach: Tom Gibson, first year League affiliation: KLAA Ke ton (South Division Last year's finish: sixth, KLAA South (0-5); 12th, conference; 15th, Divisioni 1

Notable losses to graduation Daniel Malcolm, Shane Rambaldo, Jacob Turner, Will Harris, Antoine Battle.

Leading returnees: Montel Hood, Sr. sprints-middle distance (second-team All-Area: 400, state qualifier, 50 34) Shakarri Hill, Sr., sprints (100, 11.09; 200, 23.14; Observerland 100 champ); Martin Ballah, Sr., sprints: Joe Gaton, Sr., sprints Devin Gibson, Jr., distance; Malik Jordan, Jr., distance; Tim Flores, Sr., distance; Quentin Brown, Jr., sprints; Andrew Chant, Soph., middle distance; Davontae Cooper, Sr., sprints: J'lonte Cook, Sr., sprints: Uriel Figueroa, Jr., distance; Michael Gibson, Jr., distance; Collin Malcolm, Sr., throws; LeDell O'Bryant, Jr., sprints.

Promising newcomers: Jah Mir Alonzo, Fr., sprints; DuJon Brown-Deacon, Jr., sprints-middle distance; Jamie Carranza, Fr., distance; Zach Favazza, Soph., distance; Marcelle Henderson, Soph., sprints; Tye Moore, Soph., middle distance; Daniel Mills, Sr., throws; Vincent Morgan, Jr., throws; Tyler Mulligan, Sr., pole vault-hurdles; Chris Starks, Soph., sprints; John Stover, Sr., throws; Jarvis Whitlow, Sr., sprints.

Gibson's 2014 outlook: 'We are starting the season with 46 athletes compared to 65 last year. However, this year's team has come into the season with positive attitudes and ready to work. We are returning two of the top sprinters in the area with Hood and Hill and four of the team's top xis distance runners from last year. We need to work on hurdles and field events, but are looking at improvements from our returnees and addition of our newcomers to fill the gaps left by gradua-tion and attrition. With assistant coach Jamal Johnson (sprints), and I feel we will have a competitive team this year. We are looking to move up in the standings from the last few years. Injuries plagued us last year and that will be the key to our success again this yea

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE Head coach: Brady Gustafson, fifth

year. League affiliation: Western Wayne thletic Conference (Blue Division). Last year's finish: fourth, Division 3 gional; fifth, WWAC; 3-3-1 dual record. Notable losses to graduation: MaSambou latta (first-team All-Area, 300 hurdles), Alec Jones, and Austin Douglass. Leading returnees: Jalen Bryant, Sr., sprints; James Hill, Jr., sprints; Cody Cardoza, Jr., sprints; Nic Ballard, Jr., sprints;

Kimani Dooley, Sr., middle distance; David Vandekerckhove, Sr., distance; Cam Fyffe, Jr., distance: Connor Nolan, Jr., distance: Ibn i, Sr., throws; Brad Davis, Sr., throws. Promising newcomers: Jawan Nelson, Sr., sprints; Larry Fant, Sr., sprints; Chris Bryant, Soph., hurdles.

Gustafson's 2014 outlook: "Leading the way will be Bryant, Dooley and Vandekerckhove, who will comprise three-fourths of our 4 x 400 relay. Bryant will show his versatility running three sprint relays along with the 200. Hill returns from an injury he suffered his sophomore year and looks to get back to form and add depth to our sprint group along with beptin to our sprint group atom with first-year runner Nelson. Jatta had a great year in 2013 and leaves a lasting legacy for a young hurdler such as Chris Bryart. Davis and Ali lead a young group of throwers with a lot of potential who had a strong conference finish last year. They will be looking to build upon it their senior seasons. Our distance group, led by Dooley and Vandekerchkhove, look to improve on last year's strong finish with the addition of will Fyffe and Nolan." LUTHERAN WESTLAND

Head coach: Mike Unger, 27th year League affiliation: Michigan League antification, Michigan dependent Athletic Conference. Last year's finish: first, Division 1 regional; second, MIAC meet; 5-0 dual

Notable losses to graduation: Jacob Bartos, Eric Smith, Dan Bunge and Pete Sillanpaa. Leading returnees: Daniel Roberts,

Sr. jumps-sprints (high jump, 6-1; 200, 23.2); Newman Harper, Sr., pole vault-400-relays (pole vault, 10-0; 400, 52.9); Josh Riegel, Sr., Iong jump; Darrin Brown, Sr., sprints-relays; Chris Kempf, Sr., throws; Austin Olson, Jr., hurdles (110 highs, 16.3) Austin Olson, Jr., hurdles (110 highs, 16.3; 300 lows, 43.90: William McMain, Jr., pole vault, Josh Kuhn, Jr., pole vault; Conner Even, Jr., sprints; Ian O'Banion, Jr., distance; Matt Parent, Jr., distance; Brandon Staton, Soph., throws; Ray Morrison, Soph., throws; Andy Cross, Soph., throws; Weslee Warren, Soph., sprints; Garrett Kempf, Soph., Jurdia: Kunter Roadel Soph. distance hurdles: Hunter Roedel, Soph., distance

Promising newcomers: Jake Kuhn Fr., pole vault; Darryl Nykiel, Fr., sprints-high jump; Luke Smith, Fr., throws.

Unger's 2014 outlook: "Finishing a close second to Southfield Christian in the conference last year has motivated the team to work hard to try and reverse those results. Southfield Christian will be tough to overcome as they return several of their placers from last year's meet. We like what we see from the leaders on the team thus far as they are being excellent examples to the underclassmen. We hope their hard work results in improved performances over last year."

## PREP TRACK RESULTS

#### **GIRLS DUAL MEET RESULTS** LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 74 ROMULUS 31 **April 1 at Romulus**

April 1 at Romulus Shot put: 1. Staneshia Chambers (C'ville), 29 feet, 3 inches; 3: Andrea Hill (C'ville), 23-8; discus: 1. Chambers (C'ville), 23-8; discus: 1. Chambers (C'ville), 28-4; 2. Hill (C'ville), 70-75; 3. Jacqueline Herron (C'ville), 58-11; **long** jump: 1. Micah Willingham (C'ville), 15-6; 2. Kayla Dumas (C'ville), 15-3; **100-meter hurdles**: 1. Lloyd (R), 17.1; 2. Willingham (C'ville), 18: **300** Burdless 1. Willingham hurdles: 1. Lloyd (R), 17.1; 2. Willingham (C'ville), 18.1; **300 hurdles:** 1. Willing-ham (C'ville), 52.4; **100 dash:** 1. Ayanna Buckley (C'ville), 12.9; 3. Mya Banks (C'ville), 14.0; **200**: 1. Davis (R), 27.9; **400**; 1. Davis (R), 102.1; 2. Kamaaria Sanders (C'ville), 1:3.6; 3. Mercedes Gough (C'ville), 1:3.6; 30: 1. Nele Von Daacke (C'ville), 1:3.20; **800**: 1. Nele Von Daacke (C'ville), 3:02.0; 2. Nikita Munguwadi (C'ville), 3:15.0; 3. Rachel Pitz (C'ville), 3:28.0; **1,600:** 1. Von Daacke (C'ville), 6:39.0; 2. Munguwadi (C'ville), 7:03.0; **400** relay: 1. Clarenceville (Sanders, Gough Dumas, Banks), 55.6; 800 relay: 1 Clarenceville ( Banks, Dumas, Wil lingham Buckley), 1:53.9; 1,600 relay: 1. Clarenceville (Gough, Banks, Von Daacke, Sanders), 4:49.3.

Clarenceville's dual meet record: 1-0 overall, 1-0 Western Wayne Athletic Conference FARM, HILLS MERCY 65

## LIVONIA LADYWOOD 63

LIVONIA LADYWODD 63 April 1 at Mercy Shot put: 1. Hayley Caddell (FHM), 32 feet, 7 Inches, discus: 1. Krystyna Kitlinski (LL), 82-9; high jump: 1. Arianna Allman (FHM), 4-10; 3. Molly McClorey (LL), 4-8; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Hannah Gove (LL), 19.77; 300 hurdles: 1. Gove (LL), 64,29: 2. Margaret Harrington (LL) 57, 75; (LL), 19.77; **300 hurdles:** 1. Gove (LL), 54.29; 2. Margaret Harrington (LL), 57.75; 3. McClorey (LL), 59.37; **100 clash:** 1. Charity Green (FHM), 13.43; 2. Riethmiller (LL), 13.9; **200:** 1. Green (FHM), 29.07; 2. Ani Ramon (LL), 29.54; 3. Riethmiller (LL), 29.57; **400:** 1. Green (FHM), 1:06.09; 2. Alli Hill (LL), 1:06.42; **800:** 1. Lauren Lytle (FHM), 2:56.27; 2. Serenity Tyll (LL), 2:59.26; **1.600:** 1. Allysen Eads (FHM), 6:03.65; 3. Sarah Wilson (LL), 6:27.17; **3,200:** 1. Eads (FHM), 12:17.86; 2. Catherine McLauri (LL), 12:17.89; 3. Catherine McLauri (LL), 12:17.89; 3. Katherine Gaffka (LL), 13:26.58; 400 relay: 1. Ladywood, 56.82; 800 relay: 1 Ladywood, 2:03.93; **1,600 relay:** 1. Ladywood, 2:43-33; **3,200 relay:** 1. Ladywood, 4:44.33; **3,200 relay:** 1. Ladywood, 11:15.27. **Dual meet records:** Mercy, 1-0

overall, 1-0 Catholic League Central Division; Ladywood, 0-1 overall, 0-1 Central

### **BOYS DUAL MEET RESULTS LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 80**

ROMULUS April 1 at Romulus

April 1 at Romulus Shot put: 1. Ibn Ali (Civille), 42 feet, 1 inch; 2. Brad Davis (Civille), 38-25; 3. Dylan Gooden (Civille), 38-15; 3. Davis (Civille), 110-3; 2. Ali (Civille), 89-6; 3. Gooden (Civille), 87-7; long jump: 1. Cody Cardoza (Civille), 17-7; 3. Nic Ballard (Civille), 52-5; 110-meter hurdles: 1. Johnson (R), 19.08; 2. Chris Bryant (Civille), 22.1; 3. Rishi Varmon (Civille), 22.1; 300 hurdles: 1. Johnson (R), 45.1; 2. Bryant (Civille), 47.2; 3. Varmon (Civille), 48.5; 100 dash: 1. Brow (R), 11.1; 3. Darryl McConnell (Civille), 12.1; 200: 1. Brow (R), Tut cash: 1. Brow (R), 11.1; 3. Darryl McConnell (C'ville), 12.1; 200: 1. Brow (R), 24.2; 2. Jalen Bryant (C'ville), 25.1; 400: 1. Larry Fant (C'ville), 57.3; 800: 1. Kimani Dooley (C'ville), 2:08.0; 3. Alec Pearson (C'ville), 2:50.0; 1,600: 1. David Vande-kerckhove (C'ville), 5:08.0; 2. Cam Fyffe (C'ville), 5:27.0; 3. Alvin Tong (C'ville), 6:45 0: 3.200: 1. Conpert Nataa (C'ville) 6:45.0; 3,200: 1. Connor Nolan (C'ville) 6:45.0; 3,200: 1. Connor Nolan (C'ville), 11:49.0; 2. Jake Devos Roy (C'ville), 12:28.0; 3. Elijah Spens (C'ville), 12:31.0; 400 relay: 1. Clarenceville (Ballard, Cardoza, McConnell, J. Bryant), 48.5; 800 relay: 1. Romulus, 1:39.1; 2. Clarenceville (Yand-kerckhove, Jooley, J. Bryant), 3:47.0; 3,200 relay: 1. Clarenceville (Yande-kerckhove, Fyffe, Nolan, Dooley), 9:04.0. Clarenceville's dual meet record; 1-0 overall, 1-0 Western Wayne record: 1-0 overall, 1-0 Western Wayne Athletic Conference



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## Zebras boot Belleville in 5-2 triumph

## Glenn topples Dearborn for 1st win of the year

Amiee Hutton scored twice in the first half, while teammate Victoria McKague added a hat trick in the second half Friday as host Wayne Memorial downed Belleville, 5-2, in a nonconference girls soccer match.

McKague assisted on Hutton's first goal, while Hutton notched her second of the first half unassisted. Belleville then countered with a goal to make it 2-1 at intermission.

McKague then struck three straight times over the final 40 minutes notching goals in the 45th (from Katie Kuder); 52nd minute (unassisted) and 71st minute (from Marissa Sdao).

Nikki Tolentino was in goal for the Zebras, who evened their overall record at 2-2.

On Tuesday, Wayne opened KLAA South Division with a 6-0 setback to Canton before losing Thursday at Plymouth, 8-0, after

trailing 3-0 at halftime. JOHN GLENN 2, DEARBORN 0: Sydney Climie scored the game-winning goal with two minutes remaining Friday to give Westland John Glenn (1-2-1) the non-conference victory over the host Pioneers. host Pioneers

Taking advantage of a gale force second-half win, Glenn rallied from a 1-0 deficit as Raven Buck scored the equalizer from Kaitlin McGrath, who also assisted on the game-winner. Goalie Courtney Schaber made a total of nine saves in the victor

saves in the victory. FRANKLIN 7, THURSTON 0: On Friday, senior Michelle Tuyo's hat trick propelled host Livonia Franklin (2-0) to a nonconference victory over Redford Thurston. The Patriots, who led 3-0 at halftime, also got

a goal and two assists from Shannon Murphy. Rachel Dudek, Riley Burnette and Sierra Voice-Robison also added goals for the Patriots. Goalkeeper Katherine MacRae made three

saves to post her first shutout. LUTHERAN WESTLAND 8. LUTHERAN SOUTH 0: Julia Yancy, Noel Pierce and Samantha Benner each tallied a pair of goals Friday leading host Lutheran High Westland (1-1, 1-0) to a MIAC Red Division triumph over Newport Lutheran South (0-1, 0-1). The Warriors, who led 7-0 at halftime, also got goals from Mara McMahon and Sadie Schultz.

Yancy's unassisted goal ended the match with 20 minutes left. Goalkeeper Kylie Goodfellow made one save

to post the shutout for Lutheran Westland

LADYWOOD 2, MERCY 0: Junior Sam Riga and senior Jenna Urso figured prominently as Livonia Ladywood (5-1-1, 1-1) earned a hard-fought Catholic League Central Division victory Thursday over visiting Farmington Hills Mercy (4-2, 1-1).

Riga scored in the 19th minute on a header

Riga scored in the 19th minute on a header from Urso, who in turn scored on a one-time finish in the 76th minute off a pass from Riga. "It was a typical Ladywood-Mercy matchup," said Ladywood coach Ken Shinglecker, whose team outshot the Marlins, 7-6. "Solid defending from both teams and timely finishing when we get the chance. I thought our back line and coalia did a price inb trainist."

goalie did a nice job tonight." Goalkeeper Whitney Bauriedl made three saves to notch her first shutout of the year, while CANTON 8, JOHN GLENN 0: Hannah

Lapko notched a hat trick Thursday as the host Chiefs (2-1-1, 2-0) scored six times in the first half and two more in the second to mercy

## **Chargers pull out 1-0 triumph**

John Glenn (0-2, 0-1). Madonna University signee Erika Randall pitched all seven innings in the opener, allowing six hits while striking out seven to pick up the victory in the 11-1

In the nightcap, junior Natalie Moore went five nnings in the mercy rule win allowing five hits while striking out seven

striking out seven. "I was able to play all 15 girls in both games and it was a balanced team win in both games," Stevenson coach Mike Reilly said. SOUTH LYON 12, FRANKLIN 11: Junior

shortstop Megan Chapman collected three hits, including a double and six RBI Wednesday, but it couldn't prevent host Livonia Franklin (0-1, 0-1) from

couldn't prevent host Livonia Franklin (U-1, U-1) from dropping its season opener to the Lions (1-0, 1-0) in a KLAA Kensington crossover. Another top hitter for the Patriots was junior Becky Giacobbi, who scored five times while getting a double, two singles and drawing a walks. She also assist to home plate on a throw from center field. Freshman catcher Brocke Garbarino also added three singles, while Alaina DeFrain contributed a cure single.

Both pitchers struggled on the mound. Both pitchers struggled on the mound. South Lyon's Maddie Moser allowing 12 hits and two walks while fanning eight, but got the victory. Senior Courtney Garbarino, who gave up eight earned runs on 15 hits in seven innings, took the loss.



Stevenson's Erika Randall fires a pitch to the plate in an 11-1 Game **One victory Wednesday over** John Glenn. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

## **STARS**

Katie Shereda threw a two-

hit shutout and Julia Twiggs's

RBI double in the seventh scoring Victoria Lupher

proved to be the difference

Wednesday as the host Livonia

Churchill girls softball team squeaked out a 1-0 KLAA Ken-

sington Conference win over

Shereda, a senior right-

not allow a walk in seven in-

Losing pitcher Sydney Jones gave up just three hits,

walked three and fanned eight in six innings. STEVENSON 11-12, JOHN GLENN 1-3: On

Wednesday, Livonia Stevenson (2-0, 1-0) collected a total of 23 hits to sweep a KLAA Kensington Confer-ence crossover double-header from host Westland

hander, struck out four and did

South Lyon.

nings

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Where a lot of them were at in October, until now, is just huge. It's just a huge, huge change for everyone of our players. In school, in their social lives, off the ice, on the ice, it's huge.

Brittany, who attends school at the Western Wayne Skills Center, proudly wears jersey No. 35 with her name on the back.

"It's all she talks about dayin, day-out," Cherie said. "If she's sick, she doesn't want to miss, and all the sudden she's better just to come to hockey."

Outfitting 135 hockey players, renting ice and staging tournaments is not cheap, but MORC makes it all happen.

"They're our main sponsor," Hannah said. "No one here works for MORC, but they sponsor us. What makes us unique is that - No. 1 - we don't charge to play and we provide all the players with their equipment, which is unheard of in hockey.

"We spend \$250 per player on both home and away jerseys, their sock, jocks, neck guards, hockey bags. We have main stream teams that do equipment drives for us. They have a bunch of equipment to donate. We have a storage unit at National Storage on Merriman and I-96 where we keep all our equipment in. The National Hockey League Players Association every year will donate brand new equipment. We send them what sizes we need and they'll send it to us, but you have to fill out a whole bunch of paperwork. We did that for three year."

#### **Raising funds**

The MORC Stars also stage an annual fundraiser each year, a dinner-dance and silent auction at Andiamo's in Wa

Volunteer coach David Meador gets the MORC Stars organized on the

hockey component to it," he said. "One of the other organizations that's still around, the Michigan FAR Flyers, who skate currently out of Royal Oak ... I went to a couple of their practices back in 2006, I said, 'Well, this is pretty neat.' I wanted to see if I could do it on my own and had a lot of help with the MORC organization. It was a collaboration to start, very small. And year-by-year we've added staff, we've added players. So from seven players to probably around 130 ... it's been a climb.'

Even though he had success as a hockey player, Ciavaglia sees his involvement with the MORC Stars as an even greater reward.

"Hockey has been really good to me from my youth days to young adult days ... but this is more fun than anything I've did at that level," Ciavaglia said.

There are three special needs hockey organizations in Michigan - one based in Ann Arbor, the FAR Flyers, and MORC. The three teams be outting on international nament in early May at the Fraser Hockeyland. Teams from across the U.S., Canada and even London, England, are expected to play.

"The Stevenson players help with our learn-to-skate, which is where we need the most help one-on-one teaching. Five Stevenson players came out the day after they lost their (state) playoff game. We thought they'd be pretty bummed out Sunday morning, but this is just what they needed to keep everything everything in perspective.'

#### Volunteer help

One Stevenson volunteer is the team's manager, Sean Mulvihill, who plans to study mechanical engineering next year at Michigan State. He has a 23-year-old sister who has Asperger's syndrome, a high functioning form of autism.

"I've been coming out here the last month and a half," Mulvihill said. "One of coaches gave us the opportunity, so I've been out here every week help-

"I think it's really cool to help out with them, give these kids a chance to play hockey because they may not ever have a chance to play at as high a level as we do. It's really worth it to come out, devote our time and help out. Give them the opportunity to get on the ice and have fun.' Yet another passionate volunteer who laces up her skates each week is Jennifer Tairiol. who has been involved with the MORC Stars during the past six years. She is a supervisor of special education for the Livonia Public Schools where a lot of players come from. "It's a wonderful opportunity to see the students in a dif-ferent environment," Tairiol said. "I see a lot of these students throughout the week. They call me 'Coach Jennifer.' It's a different relationship for them and their families outside of the school systems. "They talk about it all the time. They wear their jerseys, they wear their spirit wear all the time. It's absolutely wonderful for all our players. Every Sunday, my youngest son volunteers his time. It's a great experience." The "Controlled Chaos" each week on Edgar Arena ice is really something to see. The players soak up the teaching and coaching likes bees to honey. "A lot of the issues that these players have is with their disability and their ability to focus, to play attention, follow direction," Hannah said. "We're teaching them to play hockey, but along the way we're teaching them how to focus and how to follow direction. How to play as a team, share, some of the characteristics that go along with surviving in the world.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

Monday, April 7 Salem at Churchill, 4 p.m. Stevenson at Canton, 4 p.m. Franklin at Crestwood, 4 p.m. **Tuesday, April 8** Tuesday, April 8 Grosse lle at Clarenceville, 4.30 p.m. HVL at Taylor Baptist, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland at Ecorse, 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 Churchill at Plymouth (2), 4 p.m. Franklin at Wayne (2), 4 p.m. Stevenson at Garden City, 4 p.m. Canton at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Thursday, April 10 Clarenceville at Edsel Ford, 4 p.m PCA at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. HVL at Ypsi Calvary, 4:30 p.m. HVL at Ypsi Caivary, 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 11 Dearborn at Churchill, 4 p.m. Detroit CC at Stevenson, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Franklin, 4 p.m. Crestwood at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Wayne at Garden City, 4 p.m. Luth. Wisld at Franklin Rd., 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12 New Boston Huron Inv, 11 a.m. Edsel Ford at Franklin (2), 11 a.m. Stevenson at Woodhaven (2), 11 a.m. GIRLS SOFTBALL Monday, April 7 Salem at Churchill, 4 p.m. Stevenson at Canton, 4 p.m. John Glenn at RU (2), 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 Belleville at Franklin (2), 4 p.m. Marian at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m. Parkway at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 (all double-headers) (an obubite-neadoers) Churchill at Plymouth, 4 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 4 p.m. **Thursday, April 10** Ladywood at Regina (2), 4 p.m. Srosse IIe at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. PCA at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. HVL at Parkway, 4:30 p.m. **Fridav, April 11** Friday, April 11 Dearborn at Churchill, 4 p.m. Renaissance at Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Luth. Westland at Liggett, 4:30 p.m. Stevenson at Garden City (2), 6 p.m. Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Churchill at Belleville (2), 2:30 p.m. GIRLS SOCCER Garden City at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Fordson at Wayne, 4 p.m. Churchill at Stevensor 7 p.m Tuesday, April 8 Ladywood at Regina, 6 p.m Ladywood at Regina, 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 Thurston at Wayne, 4 p.m. Stevenson at Franklin, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 10 Riv. Richard at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m. Stevenson at Dearborn, 5:30 p.m. Bishop Foley at Ladywood, 6 p.m. Churchill at Dearborn, 7 p.m. Friday, April 11 Friday, April 11 Luth. Wisld at Harper Wds., 5 p.m. Franklin at Crestwood, 7 p.m. Lincoln Park at Wayne, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 12 A.A. Richard at Ladywood, 5 p.m PREP TRACK & FIELD Monday, April 7 Divine Child at Ladywood, 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 Churchill at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m. Wayne at Franklin, 3:30 p.m. Stevenson at Salem, 3:30 p.m. Luth. W'sld at Harper Wds., 4:30 p.m. Liver and a traiger wess, 4-30 pm **Thursday, April 10** Saginaw Valley Invitational, 9 a.m. Livenia Boys CityMeet<QC> at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m. **Friday, April 11** Livenia P.S. Gitls Meet at Scenetic 3:20 o.m. at Franklin, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Charger Inv. at Crestwood, 9 a.m **GIRLS TENNIS** Monday, April 7 Ladywood, Sacred Heart at Grosse IIe, 2 p.m. Stevenson at Northville, 4 p.r Tuesday, April 8 Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 4 p.m. ille, 4 p.m Franklin at Wayne, 4 p.m. Salem at Stevenson, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Plymouth, 4 p.m. **Thursday, April 10** Churchill at Plymouth, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Franklin, 4 p.m. Canton at Wayne, 4 p.m. Ladywood vs. Marian at Schoolcraft College, 4 p.m. **Friday, April 11** Dearborn at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 12 rborn at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 12

bench for a recent scrimmage with the Stevenson players at Livonia's Edgar Arena. BRAD EMONS

ing out since then.

Wes Glenn (0-2 Madison Archibald added two goals, while Rachel Winters, Natalie Winters and Mary Galm each contributed one for Canton.

Courtney Schaber was in goal for the Rockets NOVI 4, STEVENSON 0: Four different players scored Tuesday as the Wildcats (2-0, 1-0) opened KLAA Central Division play with a victory at Livonia Stevenson (2-1-2, 0-1).

Chice Allen (second minute) and Katrina Koomen (26th minute off a corner kick) staked Novi to a 2-0 halftime lead.

Jessie Hamaghi and Megan Riley added goals in the second half to seal the victory. Rylee Jayson made seven saves in the Spartans first loss of the season.

## Jess Snyder stays hot in Blazers' win

## Senior tallies 6 goals in lacrosse win vs. Regina

Senior Jessica Snyder notched six more goals to go along with one assist as Livonia Ladywood cruised to a 21-5 Catholic League girls lacrosse victory Friday at Warren Regina.

The Blazers, who jumped out to a 16-1 halftime lead, also got five and four goals, respectively, from seniors Rachel Donabedian and Megan Leon.

Also getting into the scoring act was junior Danielle Dwyer (two goals, one assist); sophomore Nicole Reece (two goals), senior Hannah Daniels (one goal, one assist); and sophomore Jillian Jacobs (one goal).

Senior goalie Sabine Hutter faced eight shots and made three saves as the Blazers improved to 2-1 overall and 1-0 in the Central Division,

Regina falls to 0-3 and 0-1

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LADYWOOD 14, SKYLINE 5: Livonia Ladywood (1-1) jumped out to a commanding 10-1 advantage en route to a nonleague victory Wednesday at Ann Arbor Skyline. The Blazers were led once again by senior Jess Snyder, who finished with six goals and two assists

Fellow senior Megan Leon added five goals and one assist, while sophomore Jill Jacobs contributed two goals. Senior Rachel Donabe-dian also chipped in with a goal and assist. Senior goalie Sabine Hutter made five saves to earn her first career victory for the Blazers. ren

"We had about 500 people, we had 65 players, they danced, just a great time," Hannah said.

A number of corporate sponsors and private donors have also stepped up to support the MORC hockey program. They're recognized as platinum (\$10,000 or equivelent), gold (\$5,000), silver (\$2,500), bronze (\$1,000), fullyear (\$500) or half-year (\$250) sponsors.

And the MORC Stars couldn't function without a slew of volunteers.

Among those is Peter Ciavaglia, a Buffalo, N.Y., native and 1994 U.S. Olympian who played nine seasons of pro hockey, including six with the Detroit Vipers.

Ciavaglia, who even logged five NHL games with his hometown Sabres, coordinates the teaching and coaching aspect each Sunday at Edgar.

He oversees four different groups that come on-and-off the ice in rapid order each Sunday

"We try and fake it the best we can," Ciavaglia laughed. "We have a lot going on. Our first group has the ice, our middle two groups split the ice. The beginning part of the practice we make sure the kids are all on the ice and in the right spots, assigning coaches to various areas. We'll call it, 'Controlled chaos.' But once you get going it seems to work pretty smoothly.'

#### **Special coach**

Ciavaglia got involved in special hockey in 2007. "I wanted to do something

charitably inclined that had a

## Fun to play

"You want the kids to have a lot of fun, but you want to get them ready what they might expect coming into this tournament," Ciavaglia said. "It's not competitive. The coaches do the best they can to make the game fun for everybody. The score is kept, but on limited basis. So when you go to these tournaments it's just a lot of fun, it's a social aspect.

"Games can get competitive, but there's no incentive to win or lose. It's not like, 'Hey, if you win these three games the you get an extra game.' You match up by ability. You play three-four games, you have a party and go home. It's fun. The kids get super excited for it. The coaches do, too. But it's just about good sportsmanship. As the level or ability increases, the games get a little bit more competitive, but in end it's just primarily about having fun.'

Each week, at least five players from the Livonia Stevenson High boys hockey team volunteer their time to help coach.

At the end of one recent practice session, the Spartan players scrimmaged the Stars.

"We started with three volunteers - myself, my brotherin-law and Peter, who is the head coach," Hannah said. "Now we have 20 regular volunteers. None of our volunteers have anybody on the team. No relatives and we don't allow parents on the ice.

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## **GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS**

Bastas-Janki Patel, 3-6, 6-4, 10-5 (super-breaker). Dual match records: Pinckney, 2-0 overall; Franklin, 0-2 overall. LIVONIA LADYWOOD 4 ALLEN PARK CABRINI 4 April 2 at Schoolcraft College

No. 1 singles: Antonia Ramon (LL) defeated Cabrini, 7-5, 6-3; No. 2: Madison Markwardt (LL) def. Cabrini, 6-2, 6-1; No. 3: Jennifer Cushman (LL) def. Cabrini, 6-1, 6-4; No. 4: Sarah Jabbour (LL) def. Cabrini, 6-0, 6-1. No. 1 doubles: Cabrini def. Genevieve Kobrossi-Michelle Bade, 6-1, 7-5; No.
Cabrini def. Maeve Mott-Tiffany Chen, 6-4, 6-1; No. 3: Cabrini def. Jordyn Rioux-Natalie Grossman, 6-1, 6-1; No. 4: Cabrini def. Lana Mashni-Nicole

Bidagare, 6-1, 6-2 Ladywood's dual match record: 0-0-1 overall, 0-0-1 Catholic League

Livonia Public Schools Inv. at Stevenson & Franklin, 9 a. **BOYS GOLF** Thursday, April 10 N.B. Huron Unseld Invitational at Willow Metropark, 9 a.m. GIRLS LACROSSE Monday, April 7 Ladywood at A.A. Richard, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 10 Ladywood at G.P. North, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Regina at Ladywood, 3 p.m COLLEGE BASEBALL Sunday, April 6 N'western Ohio at Madonna (2), 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 Madonna at Concordia (2), 2 p.m. Thursday, April 10 Madonna at Rochester, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Lourdes at Madonna (2), 1 p.m. Sunday, April 13 Lourdes at Mar COLLEGE SOFTBALL (all double-headers) Sunday, April 6 Davenport at Madonna, 1 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Madonna at N'western Ohio, 1 p.m. Sunday, April 13 Madonna at Lourdes, 1 p.m.

Salem Rocks Invitational, 8:30 a m

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Sophomore Jon Hovermale singled three times, scored twice and knocked in a run, while Zach Glidden collected two singles, walked twice, scored twice had the walk-off single in the bottom of the seventh.

Zach Powers (three hits, two RBI) and Kyle Ziegler (two hits, three runs) paced East's 12 hits attack.

Churchill committed five errors, while the Cougars had three.

#### Franklin romps, 8-0

Sophomore Joe Chinavare went 4-for-4 with a pair of doubles and scored twice Wednesday as host Livonia Franklin (2-0, 1-0) rolled to an 8-0 KLAA Kensington Conference crossover victory over the Lions (0-1, 0-1).

Sophomore Ryan Prohaska also went 2-for-4, including a 2-run homer in the sixth while scoring twice. Mitchell Gonyaw also knocked in two runs.

Winning pitcher Adam Carver, a senior, was sharp going all seven innings while throwing just 79 pitches. He struck out nine, walked none and allowed just three hits.

**DUAL MATCH RESULTS PINCKNEY 5** 

PINCKNEY 5 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 4 April 2 at Pinckney No. 1 singles: Carolyn McCullen (LF) defeated Caroline Piniewski, 6-1, 6-1; No. 2: Kendall Payne (LF) def. Adriana Fabrizion, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Morgan Witherspoon (LF) def. Holly Vasher, 7-5, 6-4; No. 4: Ally Butler (P) def. Carla Yanez, 6-4, 6-3

No. 1 doubles: Emily Minner-Ashley Preston (P) def. Jamie Kalandyk-Grace NO. 1 GOLDIES: Emily Minner-Asniey Preston (P) det. Jamie Kalandyk-Grace Lonczynski, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2; Stefani Hudy-Chelsea McWilliams (LP) def. Macken-zie Knue-Lauren Folk, 6-2, 6-0; No. 3: Cassidy Uchman-Jordan Tyler (P) def. Snigda Thyagaraj-Amanda Hoffmeyer, 6-1, 4-6, 10-8 (super-breaker); No. 4: LeAnne Howe-Justine Lindquist (P) def. Blake Newbery-Ashlee Mahoney, 3-6, 6-2, 10-3 (super-breaker); No. 5: Zoe Hicks-Rachel Flickema (P) def. Sophia

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# **ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS BOWLERS STRIKE IT RICH ON THE LANES**

**FIRST TEAM** Julia Huren, Soph., John Glenn: The 10th grader, who was the MHSAA Division 1 individual singles runner-up, bumped up her average by 14 pins this year, go-ing to a 208 from a 194 en route to first-team all-state and all-Kensington Lakes Activities Association honors.

She also placed fifth at the regional and averaged 223 during the state individual singles qualifying block (second overall). Huren's high game of the year was a 288 with a 520 two-game series.

"She's very determined is probably the best thing about her." Glenn coach Ralph Cabildo said. "She's very determined to be the best

Olivia Cabildo, Jr., John Glenn: The junior, coming off knee surgery, upped her season average this year to 193 after finishing with a 181 last year. She posted a high game of 256 with a best two-game set of 489.

During the state team tournament, Cabildo averaged 218 and averaged 215 during the individual singles qualifying block (seventh place) en route to a top eight finish

Cabildo added a third at the regional and was an all-KLAA and secondteam Division 1 all-state selection.

"One of Olivia's strengths is her mental game," Ralph Cabildo said

Jessica Pate, Jr., John **Glenn:** The first-team Division 1 all-stater was an individual singles state quarterfinalist who finished ninth in the qualifying block.

The all-KLAA selection led the conference with a 212 average and also placed sixth at the regional.

Pate posted a high game of 257 this season and a high two-game set of 505.

"She is a very experi-



Julia Huren John Glenn

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consistent," Canton

coach Karl Brubaker

said. "After the team

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paid off for her as the

next morning she went

out and won the singles

Caylin Doran, Sr.,

Farmington-Harrison:

Doran had an outstand-

ing four-year varsity

career and holds all of

her team's career rec-

She was the perennial anchor bowler for Far-

mington-Harrison, which

and was the No. 1 qualifi-

overall, Doran improved

finished 13-0 in dual

meets, won the OAA

er at the state meet.

White Division crown

Averaging 199 in

league games and 198

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226 in the six games.

higher in 45 of her 65 games and had seven games of 250 or better. Her best game and series scores were 274 and 454

voted the team's MVB, placed fourth in the regional, third at the Cougar Classic, first at the Ladywood Invite and fifth in Oakland County.

"Candyce is a tremen-dous competitor," coach Dennis Hermani said. "Her greatest strength is her mental game as she shows no emotion during the competition. She just maintains a laser-point focus on the game at hand. The sky is the limit for Candyce.

Emily Dietz, Soph., John Glenn: The 10th grader came on strong at the end of the season becoming the first girl in school history to win the coveted Division 1 individual singles title after qualifying with an eightplace finish at the regional.

In the state team finals, Dietz averaged 201 and averaged 209 in the individual singles qualifying block (12th). The all-KLAA selection recorded a high game of 277 this season.

"She is a girl that totally peaked at the right time," Cabildo said. "You get hot for a tournament and that's what happened."



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Candyce Bradley Harrison-Farmington Farmington



Ralph Cabildo Harrison-Coach of Farmington the Year

Rae'ven Turner, Sr., N. Farmington: The four-year standout for the Raiders had a 182 league average and was named to the all-OAA first team for the third year in a row.

Turner is a three-time state qualifier who finished third in this year's regional at 300 Bowl in Waterford.

Her high game and series were 256 and 459. An academic, all-state bowler, she has bowled six of North's 10 all-time top games and seven of the top series.

"Rae'ven has been our anchor bowler and leader for four years," coach Mike Horner said. "During her time at North, the girls have won a regional championship and a league title, and they have finished second in their division three times.

"Her respect for the game and her incredible work ethic were a daily example for the rest of us. Besides being a great bowler, a fine leader and a terrific student, she is also an outstanding individual who made her team, family and school proud every time she competed.

"It is going to be extremely difficult to fill her bowling shoes next season. We will miss her drive, competitiveness, heart and caring spirit." .



**Emily Dietz** John Glenn



Sabine Hutter Ladywood



2014 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS BOWLING FIRST TEAM Julia Huren, Soph., John Glenn Olivia Cabildo, Jr., John Glenn Jessica Pate, Jr., John Glenn Meghan Macunovich, Fr., Canton Caylin Doran, Sr., Farm.-Harrison Candyce Bradley, Fr., Farm.-Harr. Emily Dietz, Soph., John Glenn

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COACH OF THE YEAR HONORABLE MENTION Canton: Kimberly A'Hearr Brianna Bailey; Plymouth: Caitlyn Webb; Salem: Rache Caitlyn Webb; Salem: Rachel Boucha; Farmington-Harri-son: Jackie Danz; North Farmington: Jill Davidson, Amy Doig, Anna Hutchinson; Ladywood: Kailyn Delonis; Mercy: Carly Bartes; West-Iand John Glenn: Ashley Kolb, Shelby Fielding; Wayne: Amy Hoch; Livonia Clarenceville: Eizaheth Ker.

well as the anchor bowler."

Ella Kearney, Sr., Farmington-Harrison: Kearney was a threeyear letter winner and a key member of the OAA championship and stateranked unified team.

She averaged 180 per game, reflecting an 11pin improvement over the previous season.

Kearney, who finished third in the Oakland County tournament, posted scores of 180 or higher in 31 games. Her best game was 244 and high series was 449.

"Ella has been our emotional sparkplug for the past few seasons," Hermani said. "Her passion and enthusiasm rub off on her teamof 180 or better and was second at the Macomb Dakota Cougar Classic.

"Dana was an honorable mention selection to last year's all-area team, and her improvement this year led her to many medalist placings at tournaments," Hermani said. "Dana is another outstanding worker who raised her average 50 pins since her freshmen campaign.

"I believe Dana's best bowling is ahead for her. We are going to count on her to be a leader next season, and I know she is up to the challenge.'

Jenai Teamer, Jr., **Farmington-Harrison:** Teamer made a huge improvement the past season and was a major contributor to her team's success. Her 177 average was 36 pins higher than the previous year.

Teamer, who was named her team's most improved bowler, averaging 191 for the six games, to qualify for the individual state final.

She bowled 26 games of 180 or better. Her high game was 232 and best series was 403 on the middle-of-the-road pattern

"Jenai was easily the most improved bowler this season," Hermani said. "Her hard work has raised Jenai's average an astonishing 60 pins since her freshmen season. She completed our starting lineup this year and made our girls team the powerhouse of the OAA.

"Jenai went from a JV bowler to qualifying for the state singles tournament by placing third at our regional, which is no easy feat. I can't wait to see what the future holds for Jenai."

## **COACH OF THE YEAR**

**Ralph Cabildo, John** Glenn: The second-year coach guided the Rockets to a runner-up finish in the MHSAA Division 1 finals and has an overall dual match record of 30-0 during the past two seasons.

Glenn also captured



ual state meet, averaging

Bradley bowled 190 or

Bradley, who was

enced bowler who has already shot a 300," Cabildo said. "And when you do that it makes everything easier."

Meghan Macunovich, Fr., Canton: It didn't take very long for Macunovich to make a big impact for the Chiefs, with the freshman winning the Division 1 regional at Super Bowl in Canton with a six-game tally of 1,282 pins (including a 255 game).

Macunovich averaged 204 for the season, earning all-conference honors. During KLAA action, her bests were 256 for a game and 483 for a series.

Another highlight for the Canton captain was winning the Clarenceville Doubles tournament with Brianna Bai-

ley. "Meghan is a very hard worker when it comes to her game (and she's) very steady and

time being selected to the all-area team, as well as being a four-time OAA selection," Hermani said. "She has been our rocksolid anchor and leaves our program as the most decorated bowler in team history

"This is Caylin's third

"She is going to continue her bowling career at the next level, and the school she chooses will be extremely lucky to have her. It's been a pleasure to coach Caylin and watch her game develop."

Candyce Bradley, Fr., **Farmington-Harrison:** Bradley had an outstanding rookie season, helping her team win the **Oakland Activities Asso**ciation tournament and the Division 1 regional championship at 300 Bowl.

She led a team full of quality bowlers with a league-leading average of 200 and was the No. 1 qualifier at the individ-

SECOND TEAM Sabine Hutter, Sr., Liv. Ladywood: The **Division 2 regional** champion and Catholic League tournament champ averaged 192 during the season.

Her high game for the season was a 278 to go along with a high twogame series of 469. She also placed runner-up average in the Catholic League East Division. Hutter was also named third-team Division 2 all-state.

"Sabine constantly works to improve her game." Ladywood coach Judy Jaeger said. "She was varsity all four years and plays multisports including volleyball and right now is a goalie for lacrosse."

Hayley Caddell, Sr., F.H. Mercy: The only senior on her team, Caddell carried a 186 average to lead the Marlins to a Catholic League co-championship with Warren Regina.

Caddell, who completed her third year on varsity and served as team captain, had a high game of 243, which she scored twice.

She was named to the All-Catholic team and has been offered a scholarship to bowl at Rochester College.

"We (co-coaches Vicky and Mike Kowalski) appreciate Hayley's dedication to the team and her efforts to improve every year," Vicky said.

"Hayley was definitely the leader of the team this season. She pulled the team together for pep talks and performed

#### mates, which is why she has been our leadoff bowler since she has been on varsity.

"She really challenged her teammates to achieve all the team goals they set this year. Never once do I remember Ella worrying about her individual game. It was all about the team and making the state tournament together."

Dana Iles, Jr., Farmington-Harrison: Iles carried a 180 average throughout the past season, hitting a high game of 258 and series of 414.

She was another key member of one of the best teams in Oakland County and was named to the all-OAA second team with teammates Jenai Teamer and Ella Kearney

Iles finished 11th in the regional and barely missed qualifying for the individual state meet. She had 27 games

the Farmington Early Bird, Ladywood, Plymouth-Canton-Salem, **KLAA Central Division** and regional tournaments as well. The Rockets also placed second at the Wayne County Tournament and set a new state Baker game record (298) this season.

Cabildo also had the state champion (Emily Dietz), the state-runnerup (Julia Huren) and two state quarterfinalists (Olivia Cabildo and Jessica Pate) in the individual singles finals. Ironically, all four return next season.

"I mentioned at the beginning of the year that this could be a really exciting year and it was," said Cabildo, who also serves as Glenn's varsity girls soccer coach. "The goal was to keep these girls focused throughout the year. The results were better than I could of imagined.'

## **Think spring golf**

PGA teaching professional Tami Bealert is offering a series of spring golf classes and events at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3525 Napier Road, Superior Township

Among the first sessions for adults include: Get Golf Ready – 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 8; Thursday, April 17; or 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 7; Senior Casual Golfer - 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 15 or May 6; Senior New Golfer – 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 or May 6; Ladies clinics, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6.

Among the first sessions for youths include: Junior (ages 8-17) – 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 and 5 p.m. Thursday, May 8; Little Linksters (ages 5-8) - 5 p.m. Monday, April 14 and 11 a.m. Saturday, May 3.

Bealert will also host three open houses, which features free golf games for the whole family, from 1-4 p.m. Sunday,

April 13; Saturday, April 26; and Sunday, May 18, at Hickory Creek.

Adult drop-in clinics are also available including: Golf Enhancement sessions - 6:45-8 p.m. each Monday (locations and times subject to change by season); Golf Simulator sessions - 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 1 at High Velocity Sports, 46245 Michigan Ave., Canton; and Golf Conditioning - 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Saturday (Jan.-Nov.) at Hickory Creek.

To register for classes, visit Bealert's Facebook page at TrainwithTamiGolf.com.

For more information, email TrainwithTami@gmail.com or call 734-731-0238.

### S'craft hoop tryouts

Schoolcraft College firstyear men's basketball coach Abe Mashhour will be holding tryouts from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at the main gym.

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For more information, call Mashhour at 734-523-9101 or email amashhou@schoolcraft.edu.

### Varsity pom clinic

The Livonia Stevenson varsity pom pon clinic (grades 3-11) will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 12, at the high school fieldhouse (courts Nos. 1 and 3).

The cost is \$25 (includes light snack, T-shirt and CD). You must register by Wednesday, April 2, to be guaranteed a T-shirt. Students must wear gym shoes and workout clothes.

For more information, email Stevenson athletic director Lori Hyman at lyman@livoniapublicschools.org.

## Women's golfers

The Livonia Whispering Willows Golf League will be expanded to 18 holes for \$28 per week (includes greens fees and cart) beginning at 8 a.m. Thursday, May 1.

Non-residents are encouraged to join the 20-week league.

For more information, call Beth at 248-473-9068 or email tbw4boys@aol.com.

## **MU cross country**

Madonna University will stage its summer cross country base camps for serious high school runners from 8:45-9:45 a.m. July 28 through Aug. 1. The cost is \$75

MU will also hold long runs from 7:30-9 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 19, 26 and Aug. 2, at Cass Benton Park. The cost is a \$2 donation each long run.

For more information, email Madonna cross country coach Pat Daugherty at pdaugherty@madonna.edu.

Daugherty can also be reached during the evenings at 734-658-0226 (cell) or 734-432-5634 (office).

## **Motor City Hoops**

The MetroPCS Motor City Hoops Classic, a new 3-on-3 basketball tournament, will be Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8, on the Detroit Riverfront.

The MetroPCS Motor City Hoops Classic will have divisions for all ages and skill levels with both men's and women's teams invited to compete.

In addition to team competitions, there will also be a 3point shootout and free throw shooting contest for prizes as well as free youth clinics for participants in the 4-8 grade divisions.

Registration is underway with the deadline for team registration Friday, May 23. Early bird registration ends Tuesday, April 15.

To register or for more information, visit motorcityhoopsclassic.com.

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ECCENTRIC MEDIA

## Collectors view buttons as art, historical artifacts

#### **By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Regina Iwata loved to play with her mom's button box as a kid.

Buttons of all sizes, shapes, colors and materials were stored in a tin and beckoned young hands to sort, touch and mix them.

"I was always in that box. As a kid, you just put your hand in there and swish swish swish, pretty pretty, play play play. And that's all you care about."

Iwata still loves buttons and has the Bakelite Scottie dog button from her mother's box — but the Livonia woman has learned a thing or two about them since she began collecting several years ago.

"You never keep your buttons that way because they can scratch. You don't use a jar, either," she said. Instead, Iwata wires buttons to matte board, frames each collection and hangs them on the wall.

"They are like little pieces of artwork. They don't add up (in cost) as quickly as other things do. You can have boxes full

She and fellow button collectors, including Marjorie Fraser of Canton, buy from dealers, auctions, button club shows, antique shops, estate sales and thrift stores that sell vintage clothing. Prices can range from 25 cents to thousands of dollars.

"You can collect for a very low price," said Fraser, who has won ribbons for the button displays she enters into club competitions. One of her award-winning collections includes a button that depicts Balmoral Castle. Fraser said she paid approximately \$500 for the piece, but stressed that beginning collectors can find less expensive items.

"You don't have to have a thousand dollar button. It can be very inexpensive," Fraser said. "It grows on you."

Both she and Iwata are members of the Mayflower Button Club, which meets

monthly at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 33777 Five Mile, Livonia. Its next meeting runs 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26. Members bring buttons for "show and tell" and sometimes for sale. A business meeting begins at 11 a.m. and a program — this month it's about "Victorian Jewels" – starts at 1 p.m.

The club also will present the Michigan Button Society's spring show, "May Flowers" Welcome Button Showers" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Double Tree Hotel Dearborn, 5801 Southfield Road, Dearborn. Admission is \$5 and will include vendors and displays.

Iwata and Fraser, who is club treasurer, started collecting buttons in earnest after attending a meeting

Fraser, who had inherited some of the buttons from her grandmother, initially hoped to sell the items.

"I didn't know what to do with them," she said. "I went to the meeting and had such a good time. I thought, 'I'm coming back."

Although Fraser has collected a variety of buttons, her favorites are glass, particularly ones that look like tiny paperweights.

'You rarely meet someone who is not friendly in the button world," Fraser said.

Iwata also loves glass. One of her favorite displays consists of an assortment of rubyand cranberry-colored buttons. Another collection brings together buttons handmade by Michigan artists. It includes a Michigan-shaped button from Petoskey stone.

"Those people are special to me because they made the button," Iwata said. "For me, collecting is also about the stories I hear. I like variety and I like the (factory) tours and to see if I can get in and see how it's made. I like talking to people about the hobby. Every time I see people and I'm blabbing about buttons they laugh. And then I show them the buttons and they don't think it's so



Marjorie Fraser's prize-winning collections. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



**Regina Iwata holds a collection** buttons for the 50 states. They are made of brass and are gold-plated.

funny after that." For more about the spring show, visit www.michiganbutton society.org. For the Mayflower Button Club, call Iwata at 313-701-9841.



Regina Iwata of Livonia shows how buttons are fixed to cards for display. At left, Marjorie Fraser of Canton, is treasurer of the Mayflower Button Club.





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## Professor pens new book of revised Shakespeare

#### **By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

James Hartman staged easier-to-understand versions of King Lear, Romeo and Juliet and Hamlet over the past few years at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Now he's made them more readable, too.

His second book of revised Shakespeare plays, Shakespearean Tragedies Revisited: An Actor's Edition, has been published and is available from Schoolcraft's book store. Hartman, who has a Ph.D., and is a professor of theater and drama for the college, will sign copies from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, at Henry's in the VisTaTech Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Copies of his first book, An Actor's Edition of Shakespeare Revisited, which includes Othello, MacBeth, Merchant of Venice, Measure for Measure and Titus Andronicus also will be on hand.

"I have the word revisited in the titles. I like that because I feel like that's what I'm doing. I revisit the great masterworks and make them more accessible to the modern audience," Hart-man said. "When Shakespeare was writing plays, he was writing for the 'groundlings,' the uneducated people. Today,

because the language has changed so much it's the educated who understand them.

"I love the research and trying to make (Shakespeare) accessible to audiences and actors ... getting everyone, educated or non-educated to thoroughly enjoy the works of Shakespeare. The plot and characters he developed are remarkable. The language is beautiful. I don't know of any playwright since Shakespeare who handles language as beautifully as he did."

#### Long process

He started editing Shakespeare's works in 1992, beginning with Macbeth. After each revision, which took two-three years to complete, he staged the play at Schoolcraft to test the changes he'd made. "I decided if I wanted

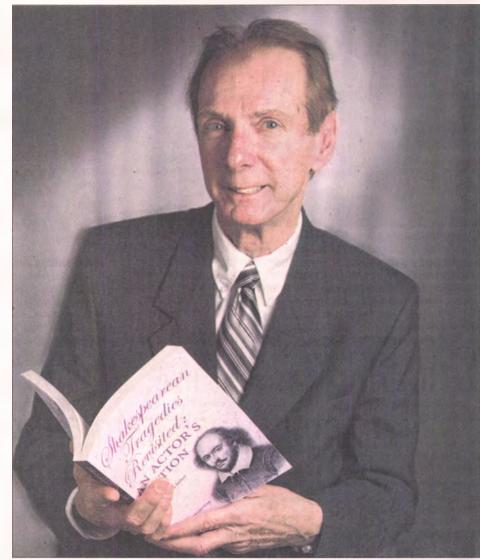
to stage Shakespeare and keep Shakespeare alive commercially on stage, the issue of language had to be addressed. I edited word by word. It's not modern English. It's still Shakespearean," he said. "I was surprised and excited to find that it worked so well on stage. The actors had no difficulty working with the language and the response was unbelievable. Some people told me it was the first Shakespeare play they saw

they could follow." Hartman finished editing and staging the first five plays in 12 years. He said Conway Jeffress, Ph.D., Schoolcraft president, encouraged him to compile the revised scripts into a book. Jeffers even found a publisher. An Actor's Edition of Shakespeare Revisited was published in 2007. Hartman revised and staged three more plays over the next six years and compiled them into his second book. He has begun work on two more plays, but isn't sure which will be staged first nor when the scripts will be complete.

When working at home, he is surrounded by books on Shakespeare, play anthologies, and several busts of the bard. His two cats, as well as Hartman's two cats. Hamlet and Horatio, keep him company.

"It's a long process. I can sit eight to 10 hours a day and edit word by word and sometimes after a 10-hour day I might have just one paragraph finished.'

Hartman preserved the iambic pentameter, the meter that Shakespeare used in his plays. He made the language more understandable by substituting nouns for pronouns and eliminating notes. He also added verbs and subjects where needed.



James Hartman, professor of theater and drama at Schoolcraft College, will sign copies of his new book on April 9 at the college.

"If I had to substitute a word, I had to find a word with the same number of syllables.'

His new book also includes a section on acting Shakespeare's works. It explains iambic pentameter and offers clues to interpreting the dialogue.

Send material for the Garden & Nature Calendar to Sharon Dargay, Observer & Eccentric, sdargay@hometownlife.com.

#### **Butterflies**

Carolyn Sohoza, president of Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA), will talk about ways to attract wildlife and butterflies to the garden, 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for SEMBA nonmembers. 734-223-5510; www.sembabutterfly.com

### **Farmington Garden** Club

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## **Friends of Miller** Woods

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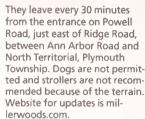
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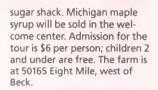
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## Maple sugar

Maybury Farm in Northville holds its Maple Sugar Experience at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday through April 13. Participants take a hayride to the sugar bush to see how trees are tapped and then watch it turn into syrup in the



#### Tree and shrub sale

ReLeaf Michigan, a nonprofit organization with a mission to educate the public on the value of trees and the need to properly select, plant, and maintain them, is taking orders for trees, specialty trees, shrubs and evergreens. Orders must be place by April 11 at www.ReLeaf Michigan.org. Pickup is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at a variety of locations, in cluding Handy Park, 26650 Capitol Ave., Redford Township. Call 800-642-7353 or email info@releafmichigan.org.

## **Heritage Park**

Explore Nature Day, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, is for all ages and will include a guided hike, art projects and nature games. Cost is \$5 per child or \$10 per family.

Register for the programs at http://recreg.fhgov.com. Heritage Park is located on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Call 248-477-1135 or email asmith@fhaov.com for more information.

## **English Gardens**

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a moment, but over time the episodes become more frequent. They often happen when walking stairs or climbing in and out of a car. The person becomes concerned that the knee is developing

arthritis, and makes a doctor's appointment. The doctor will ask about past injuries to the knee, inquire if

the patient has other health problems such as diabetes and what medications the patient takes for their health or to relieve knee pain. The physician is interested if arthritis runs in the family, and the type of arthritis it is. The physician will examine the knee and watch the way the patient walks.

To complete the evaluation, the doctor will take knee x-rays, making sure the x-rays are weight bearing films. The weight bearing feature is essential as that technique is the best way to learn how the knee aligns itself with stress upon it.

In most cases, this work-up will reveal that the person has early osteoarthritis, that is, there is cartilage loss not enough to call for surgery, but sufficient to explain the knee discomfort the person notes.

The patient then asks a number of questions. Will my arthritis get worse? Will it spread to other joints? What can I do to stop progression? The answer is that because so much of arthritis is genetically controlled only time will show if the arthritis will worsen or go to other joints. The best therapy is activity. Walking and staying physically fit strengthens the leg muscles and limits the amount of undue strain on the knee.



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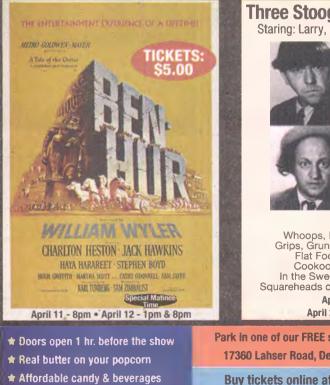
The exhibit of the replica of the purported burial cloth of Jesus Christ will open with a special presentation by Msgr. Todd Lajiness, Rector of Sacred Heart Major Seminary, at 1:15 PM on Palm Sunday, April 13th, in the school cafeteria. Msgr. Lajiness will give a brief history of the shroud, an examination of the wounds, along with some contemporary debate points about its authenticity.

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Samantha Lowry (left) of Livonia and Robyn Taylor of Ypsilanti attended the ADA Gatsby Gala on behalf of Barefoot Productions in Plymouth. Lowry is directing Five Women Wearing the Same Dress, which will be staged April 25-May 4 in Plymouth. Call the box office at 734-560-1493 or go online to www.justgobarefoot.com

## PHOTOS BY JULIE YOLLES, SOCIAL SCENE COLUMNIST



Some of the cast of *The Drowsy Chaperone*, including, Marlee McGinnis (left) of Canton, Anton Koyton of Westland, Jennifer McCay of Canton and Mitch Gillett of Ann Arbor, mingled with guests at the ADA Gatsby Gala. Spotlight Players will stage the musical, *The Drowsy Chaperone*, April 10-13 at the Village Theatre, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. For tickets, call 734-394-5300 or go to www.spotlightplayersmi.org.

# Roaring good time: Gatsby Gala aids diabetes research, education

he MGM Detroit Grand hosted the Gatsby Gala (aka the Commitment for a Cure)



ican Diabetes Association. Bob Binson of Binson's

Saturday,

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29. The

fundrais-

er benefits the Amer-

Home Health Care Centers chaired the event. Since 1992, the ADA's Detroit Gala has raised more than \$4.2 million. Dressed in their 1920s black-tie ensembles, the more than 300 guests danced the night away to the Ben Sharkey Quartet and the Rhoedes Band. The money raised will go to research, educational

15.00



Farmington residents Elizabeth, Madeline, Mark and Matthew Flynn attend the ADA's Gatsby Gala. Matthew, 13, was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes last year. He is the American Diabetes Association's 2014 Youth Ambassador.

be held at the MGM

Grand, on May 2. The

gan Chapter supports

for Type 1 Diabetes.

Tickets are \$300 and

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research and education

\$400. For more informa-

programs, and scholarships to ADA's Camp Midica in Fenton, a camp for children with diabetes.

Next up is JDRF's 29th annual Promise Ball Superheroes Gala, also to



Brian and Katherine Grady enjoy the Gala. They represented Johnson Controls, in Plymouth, event corporate sponsor.

tion, go to jdrfdetroitpromiseball.org.

Contact Julie Yolles by emailing socialscenejulie@gmail.com or leave a message at 248-642-9465.

## Tail Wagger's reaches out to cats, dogs

## **Cats, vaccinations**

If you're looking for a cat, check out Tail Wagger's 1990's felines at the Petco stores at 35725 Warren Road in Westland and 29560 Seven Mile in Livonia. Tail Wagger's formed a partnership with both locations to show cats and kittens in their adoption centers.

All of the animals are vaccinated, tested and spay/neutered before they are adopted into their new homes. Tail Wagger's seeks foster hones for the cats while they await a space at the Petco adoption center. Volunteers also are needed.

Tail Wagger's also offers dog licenses and vaccinations in cooperation with Redford Township. Appointments are available through June for rabies, distemper and bordetella vaccines, microchipping, heart worm tests and licenses at the Livonia Wellness Center, 28418 Five Mile, at Harrison, in Livonia. Vaccinations are \$10 each or \$25 for all. Microchips are \$30, heart worm tests are \$15 and



licenses issued before July are \$10; \$30 after June 30. Call 734-855-4077 for an appointment.

The discounted pricing also will be honored from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday in June at the Redford Township Public Service Building.

## Animal rescue presentations

Representatives from the Michigan Humane Society and Horses' Haven will talk about how their organizations help animals, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, in the meeting room at the Southfield Public Library, 26300 Evergreen, Southfield. For more information, call the Guest Services Desk at 248-796-4224.

## Shower has tips for local moms

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army and Warm Hearts Organization will present their 10th annual Mom's Baby Shower, 9:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 2, at the Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer in Westland. Organizers hope to draw moms living in Canton, Westland, Wayne, Van Buren,

Wayne, Van Buren, Belleville, Romulus, Sumpter, and Huron. The day will feature 9:15-9:45 a.m. registration and continental breakfast (attendees must be on time), followed by guest speakers and a workshop from 10 a.m. to noon. Lunch and a baby shower with gifts and prizes will start at noon. Workshop topics will include self-esteem/positive discipline, family budgeting, nutrition, and safe sleep for babies. The event is for

moms only. Register by calling 734-722-3660.





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#### BECKER. **RUTH LOUISE** (FALLOWFIELD)

Age 80 of Zionsville, Indiana, passed away March 27, 2014. She was born July 15, 1933 in Detroit, Michigan to the late William Henry Fallowfield and Lillie Crozier Fallowfield. She is survived by son Ron (Jane) Becker; granddaughters Hannah and Erica Becker of Zionsville, IN; and sister Mavis Sewell of Trenton, MI. She was preceded in death by her brother Wallace. Ruth danced ballet professional-ly in New York City and Detroit and taught ballet for thirty years afterward while living in Birmingham, MI. A lover of animals, music, nature and people, Ruth found beauty in everyday items and moments. Memorial contributions may be made to the Society Humane or the Alzheimer's Association. A private memorial service will be held at a later date

#### HARPER, ANNE M.

Age 80 of Birmingham, MI, passed away on Tuesday, March 11, 2014. She died in North Woods Nursing Center in Farwell, MI. She was born the of Creswell and daughter Andrina (McIntyre) Micou on April 20, 1933 in New York. She was a graduate of Smith College and taught piano for over forty years. She was active at Christ Church Cranbrook and Kiwanis. Anne loved entertaining, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Anne is survived by her four sons, Clark, Mark (Debra), Frederick and Scott (Lisa). Also surviving are six grandchildren, Mark Gabriel, Melissa. Autumn, Jonathan, Victoria and and one great-Jasmine, grandchild, James Creswell Harper, and her sister, Roswitha Winsor. Anne also leaves behind her nephew, Benjamin Winsor and niece, Alina Winsor. Memorial Service 1 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2014 at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Arrangements for cremation were handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. On-line condolences may be left at www.stephenson-wyman.com



## HAYES. LINDA KATHRYN

Was born on May 30, 1942, to Anna Barbara and Rollie Wallace Murray, and was later adopted by her aunt and uncle, Minnie M. and James B. Jones. She died on March 31, 2014. She preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, adoptive parents, and one daughter, Kathryn Ann Hayes. She is survived by her brothers, James W. Jones and Douglas Murray, and sister, Phyllis Lovett. Linda married Robert E. Hayes on September 16, 1961. The wedding was performed by her brother, Rev. James W. Jones. After marriage, Linda and Bob lived in Wayne, then Plymouth, Michigan until they were transferred to Japan in After returning in 1990, Linda and Bob settled in South Lyon, Michigan, where they refor nearly twenty-four sided years. Linda and Bob have two daughters, Rebecca Ufford (Donald) of Plymouth, Michigan, and Donna Henry (Keith) of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; four grandchildren, Katy Ufford, Taylor Ufford, Joshua Henry, and Joseph Henry; and two granddogs, Windsor and Jasper. During her married life, Linda took a round-trip journey to California, as well as two complete trips around the world. She lived in Tokyo, Japan for three years, and visited numerous cities in Ja-pan as well as Seoul, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok, Syd-ney, London, Paris, Amsterdam and Geneva. Linda was deeply involved in the lives of her children and grandchildren, providing taxi service for children, and made hundreds of pies, which were enjoyed by everyone fortunate enough to taste one. There will be no funeral service, but there will be a memorial service to celebrate Linda's life on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., in the First Baptist Church of South Lyon, 60820 Marjorie Ann Street, South Lyon, Michi-gan, with a gathering time starting at 10:30 a.m. Interment of her ashes will be a private serv-ice. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial donation to the University of Michigan Hospital, Heart Transplant Unit and/or Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU)

#### LOZANO, FRANK "PANCHITO" July 6, 1924 - February 18, 2014 passed away on

Feb 18, 2014 in Walnut Creek CA. Mr. Lozano was born in Joliet, IL, on July 6, 1924 to Inez and Antonia Lozano, the third of eight brothers and sisters. Shortly after his birth the family settled in SW Detroit. Mr. Lozano started playing the trumpet as a young boy, and along with his brothers formed a family band. When WWII began, he joined the army and was assigned to the "great battle of Reno" playing in the military band. Once the war was over, Mr. Lozano joined his brothers and formed Panchito & Orchestra. Panchito & Orchestra became one of the premier dance bands in the city. Riding the crest of popularity of Swing and Latin dance music they appeared in venues across the city as well as into Windsor and Ohio. In the golden age of television Panchito & Orchestra was the "house band" for the "Arthur Murray Dance Show". Mr. Lozano was involved in community activities, frequently volunteering for Father Kern in whatever capacity needed. He and his brothers were clowns for the annual Christmas Day Show for the children of SW Detroit. He never missed a Veterans Day Parade, and played the Shrine Circus every year. He was a founding member of Post 505 and Latinos of Livonia, and served with numerous community organizations throughout his life. As the music scene changed in the 60's and rock and roll and then disco became the dance music of choice, Mr. Lozano decided the time was right to resume his edu-cation. He enrolled in Eastern Michigan University majoring in Music. He received his BA and started his career with the Detroit Board of Education as a music teacher in 1975. He became Asst. Principal at Maybury Elementary School and then Princi-pal of Webster Elementary School, the position he held when he retired. That position was particularly gratifying as he and his siblings had attended Webster as children themselves. When he was appointed principal of Webster Mr. Lozano was the first Mexican American principal in the Detroit School System. There was no greater advocate for education than Mr. Lozano. He believed that an Education was essential to success and never failed to advise people to either start or continue their education. Mr. Lozano finally finished his education in 1990 when he earned his PhD in Education from the University of Michigan Mr. Lozano retired from the school system in 1989, however,



#### MCATEER PATRICIA "PAT" Age 80, of Beaverton, Michigan,

passed away at her home, March 24, 2014. She was born on 1-2-34 to the late Oscar & Theodora (Wilbur) Paul. Pat was the beloved wife of the late James (Benny) McAteer for 57 years. She was the devoted and loving mother of Jim McAteer, Trish (Duke) McAteer Wilson, Tim (Melissa) McAteer, Dot McAteer Villaire, Kathy (Scott) McAteer Taft, and the late Jean McAteer-Falvo; Grandmother of 23 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren; Sister of Wilbur Paul, Alfred (Barbara) Paul; the late Alice Delman; Sister in-law of Thomas "Taso" McAteer; many nieces & nephews. Pat had a special love for family, music, singing and dancing. One of her biggest joys was to sit with her husband as he played the piano, having her loved ones around her singing. She also enjoyed cooking. It was said that she always "cooked for an army", as she never knew how many of her extended family would drop by, or when. She always made sure evervone was welcome and well taken care of. Pat was a special person, and will be greatly missed by all. A Celebration of Life will be conducted on April 12, 2014, at 11:00am. Friends will be received at 10:30am at Our Lady of Grace Church (St. Anne Catholic Church), Edenville, Michigan with a luncheon immediately following the service at the Albright Shores Eagles. Arrangements are in the care of Hall-Kokotovich Funeral Home, Gladwin, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Make a Wish Founda-tion or Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. http://www.hall-kok otovichfuneralhome.com/



## McGRAW, MARY LOUISE KIMBALL

Wife of the late Richard H. McGraw, of Bloomfield Hills, died April 1, 2014. Born July 28, 1923 in St. Paul, MN to the late Alice Marie Cooke and Clarence M. Kimball. She graduated from Royal Oak High School in 1941 and subsequently from the University of Michigan, with a de-gree in education. Mary was a war bride. She and Dick cele-



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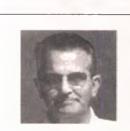
## **NEVILLE, ARTHUR**

Age 82, of Saginaw, for-merly of Detroit, passed away March 27, 2014. Dear father of Marc (Anne) Neville and Barbara Neville. Loving grandfather of Zach Neville. Preceded in death by first wife Mary Catherine (Nevin) Neville, and by second wife Shirley (Bledsoe) Neville. Survived by dear friend Joan Comstock. Actively involved in his church, the American Legion, VFW, and Korean War Veterans. Memorial service at 11:00 a.m., Friday, April 11, 2014 at Coun-tryside Trinity Church, 4690 Weiss St., Saginaw. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Lung Association Trinity ОΓ to Countryside Church.

## PINAZZA, FRANK

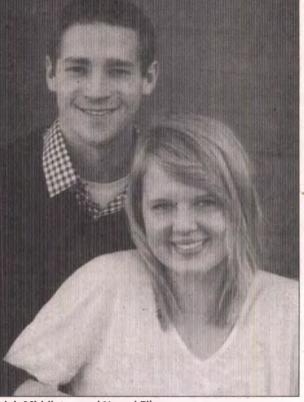
Age 81, April 3, 2014. Beloved husband of Rosalie for 56 years. Loving father of Lisa (Dave) Pompa. Cherished grandfather of Jordan. Visitation will take place at Fred Wood Funeral Homem Rice Chapel, 36100 Five Mile Rd. (E. of Levan), Livonia, Wednesday 4-9 p.m. and Thursday 12-9 p.m. The funeral Mass will be held Friday at St. Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48152 12:00 p.m., in state 11:30 a.m. Please share memories at:





#### WILLOX. **ALEXANDER**

Age 76, April 3, 2014 of West-land. Beloved husband of Elizabeth "Betty". Loving father of David (April), Matthew and Iain (Jennifer). Proud grandfa-ther of three grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. Dear brother of David, John (Ellen) and Margaret (Francis) Young. Friends and family will gather Sunday 4:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. Memorial Service at Kirk of Our Presbyterian Church, Savior 36660 Cherry Hill Rd., Westland. Arrangements carefully made with Vermeulen Fune Home, 980 N. Newburgh Rd., Westland. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfh.com



**Caleb Middleton and Naomi Eikom** 

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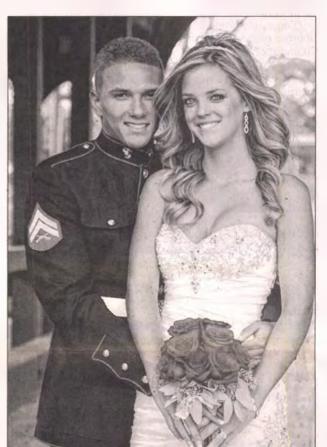
#### **EIKOM-MIDDLETON**

Naomi Eikom and Caleb Middleton announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Don and Inez Eikom of Eagan, Minn., will graduate from

Moody Bible Institute, where she met her fian-cé, Caleb Middleton, son of Matt and Jenny Middleton of Livonia. He will graduate from the In-stitute in May 2014.

The couple plans a July 2014 wedding in Eagan, Minn.





May you find comfort in family and friends

brothers 013), **n**1S Joseph (Joann) and Martin (Lucy) and sister Mary Moomaw (Joe). Mr. Lozano is survived by his daughters Stephanie (Henri) and Antonia, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, sis-ter Natalie Armendariz (Jesse), brothers Albert (Linda), Leon (Lorraine) and Philip (Joy) and numerous nieces and nephews. A Memorial is scheduled for April 11, 2014 at the Laurel Manor at 39000 Schoolcraft Rd, Livonia MI from 1-4 p.m. In lieu of flow-ers, the family requests donations- to the Detroit Musicians Fund C/O Detroit Federation of Musicians, 20833 Southfield Rd, Suite 103. Southfield, MI 48075

he continued to play with his

band until his was in his late 70's when health concerns sidelined

him. Mr. Lozano is preceded in

death by his wife Barbara (1986)

and his companion Marie Lukes

Paying tribute to the life of your loved



brated their nuptials at the Long Beach Naval Base in California during WWII. Their first home was in Royal Oak, where they started a family, but eventually moved to Bloomfield Hills in 1957. Mary was a substitute teacher, volunteered with Head Start, a Girl Scout leader, a Cub Scout den mother, and was very active with Bloomfield Hills school activities and their PTO She acquired her real estate license and worked in the greater Birmingham/Bloomfield area. Mary and Dick built Pudding Stone Farm in Fenton in 1976, where they enjoyed their horses dogs and cats and were heavily involved with animal rescue. She joined the Questers and raised funds for local historic preservation projects. They moved back to West Bloomfield to be nearer to their children and eventually moved to Fox Run in Novi. Surviving are her children, David (Leean and the late Sue Henny), Darcey (Ron) Sevo, Stephen (Mary) and Brian (Jacqueline); grandchildren, Meg McGraw-Scherer, Kristina McGraw-Lyons, Laura Sevo, Erik Sevo, Sean, Whitney, Sloan, Mackenzie, Erin, Alex and Julia McGraw; and great-grandchildren, Evan and Quinn Lyons, Miles and Sadie Scherer. Visitation Monday, April 7, 2014 from 2-8 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E of Wood-ward), Royal Oak. Memorial service and inurnment Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9 a.m. at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Rd. (off Lone Pine), Bloomfield Hills. Memorials to the Michigan Humane Society or Great Lakes Caring Hospice are appreciated. Share your memories at: www.su llivanfuneraldirectors.com

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## WURMLINGER **MARK JOSEPH**

Age 62, of Ogden, died at Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan, Kansas on March 31 Born on March 30, 1952 in Redford, Michigan, he attended Redford Union High School, graduating in 1970. Shortly thereafter he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving in Vietnam in the military police. After an Honorable Discharge he remained as a Civil Service employee with Ft. Riley Army Base in Kansas for 33 years. During his lifetime he was member of both the VFW and the American Legion, where he served as commander, vice commander and finance officer. Preceding him in death are his father Joseph, and grandparents Casper and Barbara Wurmlinger and Nicholas and Mary Dulvick He is survived by his mother, Helene Wurmlinger (Idaho), sisters Donna (Jerry) Swift and Patricia Nothaft (Michigan), and (Rosalynd) brother. Eric Wurmlinger (Idaho). He was uncle to Patrick, Kristina, and Mary-Kathryn Nothaft and Dane and Jillian Wurmlinger. Mark was blessed with dedicated friends who respected, loved and

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cared for him. He will be re-membered for his excellent work

ethic, spirit of generosity and un-

pretentious lifestyle.



#### EILERTSEN HATTIE LIPPMAN

In loving memory of Hattie Lippman Eilertsen who passed away ten years ago on April 2, 2004. Husband John; son Stanley Schwartz and his wife Helle Jorgensen, grand children Alexander and Christopher; brother Noel Lippman and wife Gloria, and nieces Ashley, Katherine and Emma; and stepson Jon Kottler, honor and cherish the memory of Hattie who was a wonderful, loving individual, a caring mother, an outstanding wife and dedicated business partner, an excellent organizer, intelligent, spiritual, fun loving and gracious



Jacqueline Diana Lane and Justin Andrew Dean

## LANE-DEAN

Jacqueline Diana Lane and Justin Andrew Dean were married in August 2013 in Dearborn.

The bride, daughter of Dan and Debbie Lane of Westland, is a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The groom, son of Darrel and Mary Shep-

## **MYSZKOWSKI-MASON**

Betsy and Jerry Myszkowski of Farmington Hills are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kaitlin Mary, to Kevin Michael Mason, son of Darlene and Tim Mason of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 2008 graduate of Mercy High School. She earned a bachelor of business administration in finance and marketing with an emphasis in

herd of St. Clair Shores, recently was promoted to corporal in the United States Marine Corps. He is stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

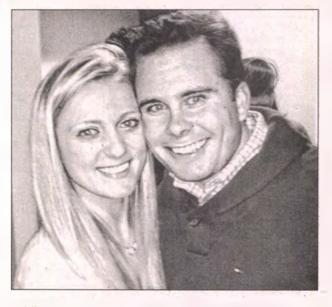
The bride and groom are both 2010 graduates of Franklin High School in Livonia.

This summer, they will make their home at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

distribution and logistics at Grand Valley State University in 2012. She is employed by Title Source Inc. in Detroit.

The future groom is a 2003 graduate of Catholic Central High School. In 2007, he earned a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering at the University of Notre Dame. He is employed at Altair Engineering Inc. in Troy. A summer 2015 wed-

ding is planned.



Kaitlin Mary Myszkowski and Kevin Michael Mason

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# HEALTH

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# Study cautions against transfusion overuse

new study by the Uni-versity of Michigan Health System and VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System found that the more red blood cell transfusions a patient receives, the greater their risk of infection.

The study appears in the Journal of the American Medical Association. The study's authors evaluated all health careassociated infections - including such series infections as pneumonia — that were reported after receiving donor blood in randomized trials. Transfusions often are used for anemia or during surgery to make up for blood loss.

Elderly patients undergoing hip or knee surgeries were most susceptible. They had a 30 percent lower risk of infection when fewer transfusions were used.

"The fewer the red blood cell transfusions, the less likely hospitalized patients were to develop infections," said lead author Dr. Jeffrey M. Rohde, M.D., assistant professor of internal medicine in the division of general medicine at the U-M Medical School.

"This is most likely due to the patient's immune system reacting to donor blood. Transfusions may benefit patients with severe anemia or blood loss; however, for patients with higher red blood cell levels, the risks may outweigh the benefits.'

## Worse with sepsis

**Risks of additional hospital** infections were particularly high for patients who already had sepsis, a condition in which the body's immune system overreacts to an infection and may lead to organ failure. Patients with sepsis were twice as likely to develop additional infections when they received more transfusions.

A nationwide effort called the "Choosing Wisely" campaign recommends that patients planning for surgery or a hospital admission discuss

transfusions and other common medical procedures with their physician ahead of time. Senior author Mary A. M. Rogers, Ph.D., research associate professor in internal medicine and member of U-M's Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation, says patients should ask these questions:

» As a patient, what can I do before hospitalization to prevent or decrease my likeli-hood of developing anemia?

» What are ways that blood loss can be minimized when I am hospitalized? Would any of these options be available for me?

» What are the criteria that the hospital uses to decide whether or not I would need a blood transfusion?

» Would you keep me and my family informed during the hospitalization regarding these options, the number and types of transfusions that I was given, and let me know whether there is anything I can do to help?

## **MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

## UPCOMING

#### Affordable Care Act

Learn about the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), the health insurance exchange or marketplace, and how Botsford Hospital assists patients with its financial resource programs, 6-8 p.m. Monday, April 14, in the hospital's community room, located in the Zieger Center, 28500 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills; 248-442-7986.

## **Blood drive**

Monaghan Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive April 21 at Monaghan Hall, 19801 Farmington Road in Livonia. All blood donors will receive a free gift certificate, for a dinner at the K of C Hall, compliments of Rose Catering. Call 734-591-3237 for an appointment.

## **Cancer screenings**

Henry Ford Health System will offer free head and neck cancer screenings Wednesday, April 23, and Botsford Hospital will offer the screenings Saturday, April 26.

» 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Henry Ford Hospital, 2799 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit » 1-4 p.m., Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane, 19401 Hubbard, Dearborn

» 9 a.m. to noon, Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, 6777 W. Maple, . West Bloomfield

» 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Botsford Cancer Center, 27900 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Exams performed by ear, nose and throat surgeon Dr. Warren Brandes, D.O., and his team of residents.

Head and neck cancer symptoms can be vague, but warning signs include hoarseness, persistent throat and ear pain for more than four weeks, mouth sores that won't heal and a lump in the neck. Make a screening appointment by calling 313-916-3275 or visit www.headandneck.org.

### Caregiving

Wayne State University Shiffman Medical Library Outreach Services will present "Conversations for Caregivers," an all day conference featuring a panel discussion, forum and breakout sessions that will connect caregivers to legal, financial, health care, long-term care and research experts, 9:30-3 p.m. April 16, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit. The event is free but registration is required. Call LaVentra Ellis-Danguah at 313-577-9083.

## **Celiac support**

Pam King from The Center for Celiac Research is the speaker at the Tri County Celiac Support Group, 7 p.m. April 7, at The First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. tccsg.net

## **Childbirth education**

Learn about the stages of labor, managing methods, the partner's role in labor and delivery, medications and anesthesia, C-section and more in classes that meet 7-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, April 10, 17 and 24 at Botsford Hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Register at 248-888-2500 or visit www.botsford.org.

#### **Diabetes support**

The St. Mary Mercy Livonia Diabetes Support Group will present a free educational seminar about the complications that can happen with diabetes, 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, in the North Auditorium at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Guest speaker is Praveen Modi, M.D.; 734-655-8950.

## **Healthy aging**

Aaron Ellenbogen, Garden City Hospital health expert and neurologist, will talk about what's normal and what's not in brain function as individuals age, at a lunch and lecture event, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, in the Westland Mall Community Room, lower level, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. He'll also explain how to take better care of the brain. The free event will include a Q&A lecture, lunch, health screening and prize drawings. Register by calling 734-458-4259.

## **Project Healthy Living**

United Health Organization, a nonprofit organization, will offer health screenings, including tests for fitness, obesity, hypertension, vision, hearing, gluten, food and seasonal allergies at locations throughout southeastern Michigan when it kicks off its "Project Healthy Living" program this month. Most basic screenings are free; blood tests are offered for a fee. Local sites are:

» 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 26, Lahser Ambulatory Surgery Center, 27207 Lahser, Southfield

» Noon to 6 p.m. May 10, Northland Shopping Center, 21500 Northwestern Highway, Southfield

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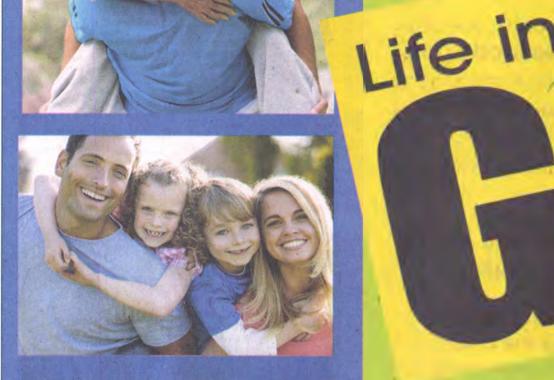
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# JOBS



## By: Robert Half International

Launching your first job search is both exciting and bewildering. You're eager to impress potential employers with your newly gotten experience and degree, but you're afraid that you might botch it. Here are some common job-search mistakes that trip up many new grads -- and tips for avoiding them.

## Mistake No. 1: Neglecting your network

Although online searches, campus career centers and career fairs all have their place, harness the power of professional networking when searching for your first job. Consider joining your school's alumni network or a relevant professional association in your industry. Talk to as many people as you can including neighbors, parents' friends, members of your house of worship, about your career goals, especially if they're in the same or similar industries.

## Mistake No. 2: Being sloppy or too clever

If you're serious about the job search, you will not only carefully edit your résume and cover letter, but you'll ask someone else to take a look, too. Read your documents out loud to make sure they sound professional; this is also an excellent way to catch mistakes. Often, one typo can get your application tossed off the short list.

It also doesn't pay to be cute or clever. Yes, your application materials might stand out that way, but not always in a good way. See Robert Half's "Resumania" column for other good advice and best practices.



## Mistake No. 3: Sending out generic documents

When you come across that cool job post, don't make the rookie mistake of sending out a one-size-fits-all application. If you want to land your first job, you have to do your homework.

Start by clicking through the company's website. Search for recent news articles. You may also want to like their Facebook page and follow their Twitter feed. Then, tailor your resume and cover letter to show how your skills and experience mesh with the job description, as well as the firm's corporate goals and culture.

## Mistake No. 4: Being careless about your online person

Just as you conduct a Web search on the people that you're interested in dating, potential employers will do a search on you. If you haven't already, sign up with LinkedIn, upload a professional-looking profile photo and write a polished summary.

You also need to comb through all your other online profiles and social media posts, and scrub what you don't want hiring managers to see. Even though you may have set all the right privacy settings in the beginning, we all know how frequently they can change. It wouldn't hurt to give everything a thorough once-over as you start searching for your first job.

## job-search <u>mistakes</u> to avoid when finding your first job



## Mistake No. 5: Showing immaturity

After sending out personalized application materials, you'll start hearing back from a few companies. Don't give them reasons to doubt their judgment with unprofessional phone or email manners. That could cost you your first job opportunity.

Start by getting rid of the quirky or brusque voicemail message. Instead, record a pleasant and neutral one that's appropriate for a job search.

Don't forget to give your email the same treatment by having an address that is a variation of your full name -- not a nickname, your hobby, an alternate persona or something worse. And if you have a quote or cute graphic automatically appended to the end of each email you send, you'll want to delete that or change it to just your contact information.

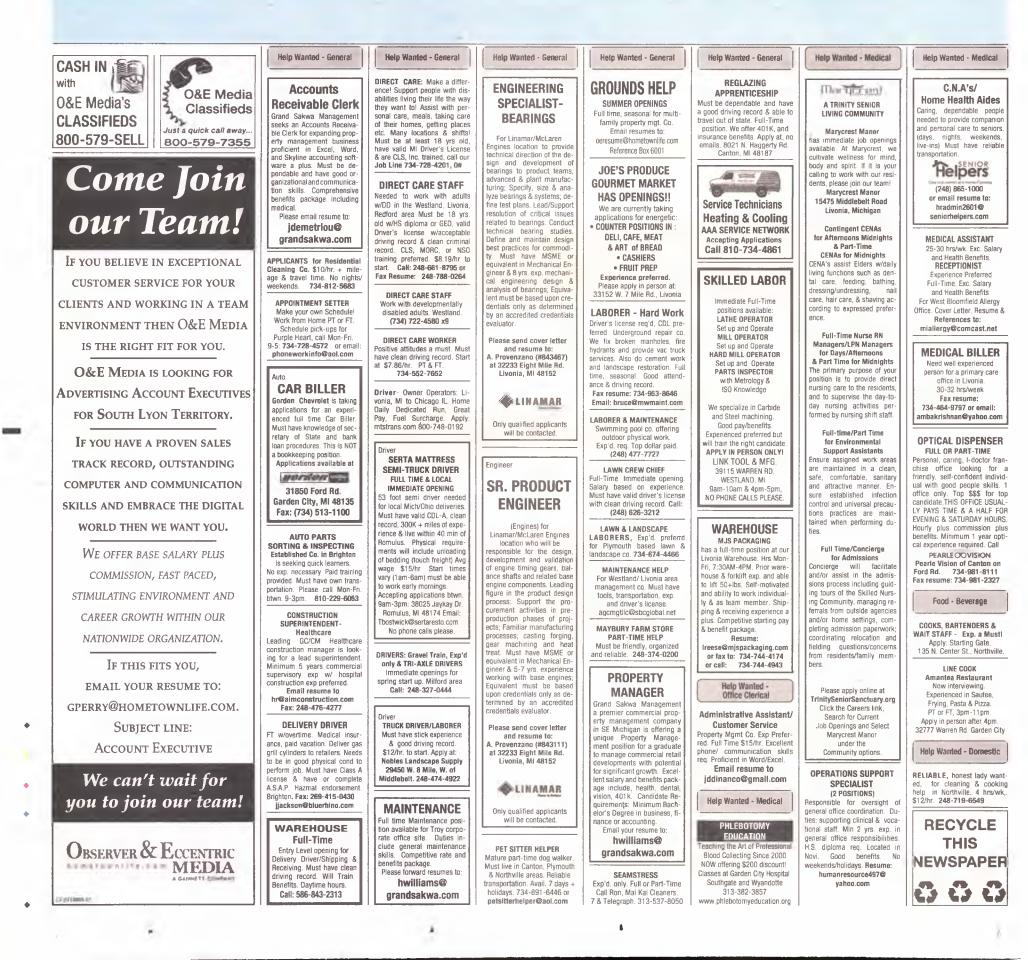
## Mistake No. 6: Being unprepared for interviews

You got a call for an interview, but you can't just show up and expect to ace it. Now is the time to study. Anticipate the possible questions and rehearse the answers. Practice with someone to make sure your delivery is smooth, confident and on point. Realize that the interviewer may throw you oddball questions like, "If you could be any animal, which one would you be?"

Also keep in mind that many preliminary interviews are now done by phone -- and that not all hiring managers will set up appointments before calling. Be prepared for jobrelated calls out of the blue. And when they do call, try to find a quiet location where you won't be interrupted.

You may wonder how to get a first job when there's so much competition for so few openings. By avoiding these common jobsearch mistakes, you'll greatly increase your chances of success and a long, fulfilling career.

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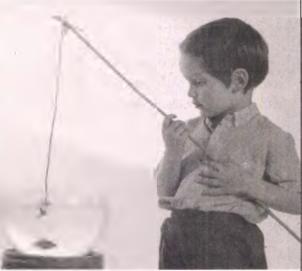
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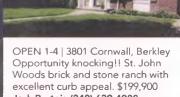
## Open Houses Banker Sunday, April 6



Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel 248-731-5303 | cbwm.com For a complete list of open houses visit www.cbwm.com/openhouses



OPEN 1:30-4 | 4344 Hillside Drive, Ann Arbor - Lovely well-maintained two story boasts beautiful views of a wooded commons. \$234,900 Glenda Gerbstadt (734) 389-7759



Jack Bertoia (248) 639-4988



OPEN 1-3 | 2427 Thomas Ave., Berkley Cute brick charmer, walking distance to downtown Berkley and Catalpa Oaks Park. Well maintained. \$134,900 Diane Shires (248) 817-4569



OPEN 1-4 | 1212 Edgewood, Birmingham - Newly remodeled walk to town beauty! Open floor plan and granite kitchen. \$385,000 Janet Burger (248) 817-4557



OPEN 1-4 | 1303 Cole Street Birmingham - Location! Walk to Downtown and the Rail District from this charming bungalow. \$192,000 Joanna Drukker (248) 639-4903

OPEN 1-4 | 509 Franklin, Brighton

walk downtown! \$200,000

Tracy Slintak (248) 639-7951

First floor master suite and laundry,

with a modern floor plan and a short

OPEN 2-4 | 44 Regal, Grosse Pointe

Shores - Great curb appeal in this

spacious Colonial with three-car



OPEN 1-3 | 775 Brookwood Walke, Bloomfield - Beautiful, four bedroom, two and a half bath traditional home with three-car garage. \$489,000 Wendi Miller (248) 639-4907



OPEN 10:30-1:30pm | 586 Sheffield, Canton - Three bedroom condo with first floor master. Updated kitchen and finished basement. \$224,900 Jessica Tremonti (313) 486-5246

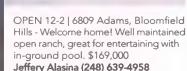


OPEN 2-4 | 2002 Roslyn , Grosse Pointe Woods - Magnificent Quadlevel home. Five bedrooms, possible 6th bedroom. Three baths. \$159,900 James Addison (313) 214-2305



OPEN 1-4 | 39439 E. Archer, Harrison Township - The waterfront home you've waited for! This great home is totally renovated! \$299,000 Mark Dziedzic (586) 554-2307









OPEN 1-4 | 37253 Glenbrook, Clinton Township - Mint condition, many updates. Newer kitchen, refinished cabinets, freshly painted. \$99,800 Nancy Shelby (313) 214-2317



OPEN 2-4 | 19115 Woodland, Harper Woods - So many updates, every detail has been attended to. Spacious open updated kitchen \$48,000 Marsha King (313) 214-2295



OPEN 1-4 | 39363 Canterbury Dr., Harrison Township - Great room ranch model-like new Wildlife area in back of home. \$258,000 Hosted by Misty Weisenberger (586) 782-7945





OPEN 1-4 | 725 Half Moon Road, Bloomfield Village - Handsome Georgian Colonial in much-loved area. 3,227 square feet. \$725,000 Rosalee Hill (248) 365-7138



SALE PENDING | Strawberry Circle, Commerce - This former model home is move-in ready! Located on a culde-sac, backing to a park. \$409,000 Kori Adams (248) 639-4914



OPEN 2-4 | 18980 Roscommon, Harper Woods - Beautiful clean two bedroom gem. Everything has been pretty much done. \$27,900 Deborah Kelly (313) 214-2247



OPEN 1-4 | 28768 Ashland, Harrison Township - Open floor plan makes entertaining easy. Relax in your master bedroom with fireplace. \$244,900 Christine Obarto (586) 522-4450





OPEN 2-4 | 101 W Glass, Brandon Township - Beautiful lakefront setting on private spring fed Bald Eagle Lake. Desirable all sports lake, \$189,900 Margie Kelly (248) 639-4465



OPEN 2-4 | 188 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms - Charming four bedroom updated Tudor with original detail. Newer roof. \$439,000 Dori Daskas (313) 208-7922

OPEN 1-4 | 38563 Lakeshore, Harrison

Township - Magnificent home on

Metro Beach's protected back bay,

OPEN 1-4 | 167 Mark Dr., Harrison

completely updated condominium

with full basement, \$74,900

Don Glomb (586) 554-2388

Township - Beautiful three bedroom

Carol Paton (586) 554-2385

minutes from Lake St. Clair. \$929,000



OPEN 2-4 | 37958 Seaway, Harrison Township - Meticulously kept Tri-level featuring 120' canal space with a covered boat hoist. \$429,900 Matt Mannino (313) 214-2288



OPEN 1-4 | 3851 Red Root Road, Lake Orion - A beautiful home, very clean with neutral decor throughout. Recent updates. \$378,000 Nancy Ritter (248) 365-7114



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OPEN 1-3 | 19 Lana Court, Mt. Clemens - Detached site condo with three bedrooms & two baths provides freedom plus privacy. \$114,900 Rhonda Glefke (248) 817-4588



OPEN 12-3 | 41832 Cantebury Drive, Unit 48, Novi - Great condo living! Spacious with partially finished living area in lower level! \$171,000 Kent Tyrrell (734) 403-4881



OPEN 1-4 | 4806 Goodison Place Drive, Rochester - Prestigious Address of Oakland Township and beautiful 5 bedroom home! \$624,990 Leslie Doran (248) 365-7135



OPEN 1-3 | 13680 Windmoor, South Lyon - Charmer! Welcome to this beautiful, updated home with an inviting open floor plan. \$249,900 Jan Carey (734) 389-7737



OPEN 1-3 | 1491 Glenwood Drive, Sylvan Lake - Lovely Contemporary with easy flowing floor plan. Beautiful entrance deck. \$294,900 Wendi Miller (248) 639-4907



OPEN 1-4 | 59203 N. Bradford, New Haven - Move in ready! Newer construction three bedrooms, 2.5 bath Colonial on corner lot. \$135,000 Bridget Robidoux (586) 690-4696

OPEN 1-4 | 1456 Oakmont Court,

Lake Orion - Most popular layout

in Marina Pointe. Newly refinished

hardwood floors thru-out \$350,000

Hosted by Nan Denis 248-639-7954

OPEN 1-4 | 2192 Rochelle Park Dr.

updated half bath. \$193,000

Rochester Hills - Beautiful, immaculate

condo! Open kitchen, all appliances,

OPEN 1-4 | 40655 Paisley Circle, Novi Move-in ready four bedroom, three and a half bath gracious brick Colonial with finished basement. \$379,900 Kendra McConnell Hurd (248) 639-4924



OPEN 12-2 2551 Bull Run, Oxford Township - Beautiful country living with city benefits. Lots of space 2400 sq. ft. plus finished basement. \$250,000



OPEN 1-3 | 3118 N. Connecticut Ave, Royal Oak - Very clean and updated three bedroom bungalow in highly desirable Red Run area. \$186,000 Justyna Slabosz (248) 365-7107



OPEN 1-4 | 21353 Equestrian Trail,

OPEN 1-4 | 13508 Westbrook, Plymouth - Stunning! Entertain at your own resort! Two-story great room has full length gas fireplace. \$575,000 Chris Patrick (734) 389-7698

OPEN 1-4 | 4354 Arden Place,

Royal Oak - Great location, close to

and events on Woodward, \$239,000

Marianne Prokop (248) 365-7132

Beaumont Hospital, restaurants, shops





OPEN 2-5 | 962 Hartsough, Plymouth Very close to downtown Plymouth. 3 bedroom potential for 4th. Open plan. Gorgeous updated kitchen. \$524,900 Jessica Tremonti (313) 486-5246



OPEN 1-4 | 46759 Vineyard, Shelby Township - Look No Further! This gorgeous home is loaded with updates. Refinished hardwoods. \$149,900 Becky Livernois (248) 817-4554



OPEN 2-4 | 1011 Troon , St. Clair -Love the charm of a Victorian but hate the maintenance? Try this newer, lovely Colonial! \$399,900 Laila Abud (313) 214-2320



OPEN 1-4 | 2358 Pontiac Drive, Sylvan Lake - Completely remodeled Contemporary Shaker. Steps away from the beaches and parks. \$225,000 Cindy Hannah (248) 230-4764



OPEN 2-4 | 20900 Bayside , St. Clair Shores - Kitchen updated 8 yrs. ago. Backyard is perfect for summer entertaining with large deck. \$160,000 Nick Howard (248) 918-0547



OPEN 1-4 | 1842 Delta Drive, Troy Outstanding Colonial has \$70,000 in recent updates. Lives beautifully. Troy schools. Finished basement. \$339,000 Patrick Carolan (248) 365-7129



OPEN 2-4 | 30113 Taylor , St. Clair

OPEN 2-4 | 31317 Hayes, Warren Beautiful Ranch with update kitchen and bath. New stainless steel appliances. Hardwood floors. \$111,000 Kay Rinke (313) 486-9143



OPEN 1-4 | 19913 Edmunton, St. Clair Shores - Beautiful home. Hardwood floors, glass block windows. Lav in the partially finished basement. \$149,900 Jim Hedrick (586) 229-1248



OPEN 2-4 | 391 Waterfall Ridge, Waterford - Lovely home in the popular lake community of Waterford. Open floor plan. \$196,000 Mary Frances McCaleb (248) 639-4947

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