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Wayne Council OKs shared court services with Westland

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

A plan to have Wayne's 29th and Westland 18th District courts share services and jurisdiction has been approved by the Wayne council. The agreement, aimed at reducing expenditures and

increasing services, still needs to be approved by the Westland council, which is expected to consider it later this month. Among the changes already in place has been to have 18th District Court handle probation for 29th District Court along with the court

work program. "We started that Oct. 1 and it has worked out well. Our part-time probation officer had left and 18th District Court has five full-time people (in probation)," 29th District Court Judge Laura Mack said. The 18th District work program has a van to trans-

port people and other equipment 29th District didn't have for their program, Mack said, along with operating seven days a week. She noted defendants do work in both cities. Additionally, both courts offer specialized courts open

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No charges planned in convenience store 'assault'

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

No charges will be filed against three men involved in an altercation with a Livonia veteran, who was found to be the aggressor in the fight. Based on the investigation of Westland Police into the April 3 incident outside a convenience store, Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy issued a statement Tuesday outlining the reasons for her decision. "The alleged facts in this case that are credible and supported by evidence in no way support a charge of any kind in this case," Worthy said. "The complaining witness is a military veteran who was the initial aggressor in a fight with three men."

Adam Wagner, 25, of Livonia told police that he was punched and kicked by three men in the 7-Eleven parking lot on Venoy in Westland. Police tracked down the three men — two Westland residents and a Wayne man — through store surveillance photographs released to the media.

A U.S. Army veteran, Wagner had told police that he had intervened when the three men were giving the female store clerk a hard time. He said the altercation began in the parking lot when the men noticed military insignias on his vehicle and began making derogatory remarks.

In her statement, Worthy said, "The complainant was the largest man and he began the fight by striking the smallest of the three men. After being hit, the smallest man fled the scene. A fight continued with the complainant and the other two men. This is where this whole scenario should have ended, since the two men fled the scene.

"The complainant then continued to pursue them for over a half mile on foot while the two men tried to hide from him. When the complainant found the men, he started the fight all over again."

"During the altercation the complainant sustained some injuries consistent with a fist fight, but was treated at a hospital and was released. Since the veteran was the initial and only aggressor, the actions of the other three men are not a crime and we are declining to issue any charges."

"You cannot in this state start a fight, and when others disengage, track the people down to continue the fight and then claim that you were the victim," Worthy said.

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Rubber bands, tape: Teens try out crafts at library

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Grace Wrubel admits that if she isn't talking, she's making rubber band jewelry in record time. Tuesday evening she poked, pulled and stretched rubber bands over pegs, an activity known as Rainbowing, short for the popular Rainbow Loom.

"I 'Rainbow' a lot," said the Westland teen, who stopped by the William P. Faust Library for an hour-long tween Rainbow Loom and Duct Tape craft program. "I'm making the starburst bracelet. It's really popular. I also know how to do some animal charms. A friend from church taught me how to do single 'Rainbow.'"

Wrubel credits the Westland library in fueling her Rainbow passion. She attended a library program last year and "that's where I learned to do fish tail bracelets."

Teen Librarian Jody Wolak was on hand to help tweens, directing them to two tables set up for looming and two well-stocked with colored duct tape to make flowered pens, wallets and whatever they could find in a book about duct tape projects.

"We did both before and were asked for more, so we decided to bring it back again," she said. "We've had kids make wallets, jewelry and purses with the duct tape. We even had someone make flip-flops last time."

Teen programs

The library's teen programming is for youth in fifth-grade and up. Most events are sans parents, but the duct tape and looming crafts were more



Meggan Morin of Westland cuts long strips of duct tape to wrap around bubble wrap to create a pillow. PHOTOS BY SUE MASON

relaxed. Parents are allowed. Meggan Morin was in the process of making a flower pen when she heard Wolak say there was cardboard for projects.

"I have to go get my mom. Last time we made a robot out of boxes and duct tape," she said.

Meggan didn't get the parental assistance she hoped for and started making a wallet, but when Wolak came up with bubble wrap, she dropped what she was doing to make a bright pink duct

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Grace Wrubel of Westland moves rubber bands around the Rainbow pegs to create a flower bracelet.

Wayne council approves downtown design standards

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Design standards for the downtown area and rules for accessory structures are among zoning ordinance amendments recently approved by the Wayne City Council.

"There are four sections we are looking at as part of the Master Plan process. We have been working for years to implement the Master Plan," Wayne Clerk/Planning Direc-

tor Matthew Miller said. » The Downtown Design Standards are applied to new or renovated buildings. The standards are aimed at ensuring aesthetics are maintained and connections are made between existing buildings and new construction, renovations and additions.

Standards include allowing two or more predominant finish materials, such as brick, clay, stucco, natural stone or ornamental concrete/fiber cement siding.

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Transparent glass must be at least 50 percent of the total wall area of the first floor elevation unless the original building design was less. Historic storefronts are to be maintained and repaired with

the same level of transparency, if replacement is required.

"When people walk downtown, bricked-over areas take away from the appeal," Miller said.

The design standards also

address setbacks which aim for consistency.

"They will build to the existing setback of the buildings in the block," Miller said. "Saying just zero setback, if a building was built five years ago, it would not have zero setback. It (a zero setback new building) would jut out."

Some concerns were raised about illegal banners and a currently allowed tent that covers an outdoor seating area

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GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Vandalism

A resident who parked his 1996 Ford 150 on the street in the 28000 block of Beechwood reported that sometime between 3 p.m. April 4 and 11:15 a.m. April 5 someone damaged his car. Both front and rear left side tires had punctures and were flat.

The police officer who responded said he believed the damage was caused by a knife or a similar object.

Theft

A resident who lives in the 31000 block of John Hauk came to the station April 2 to report his mailbox was stolen.

Because the mailbox sat on a metal stand, the owner thought the thieves were after scrap metal.

The owner reported the theft to a U.S. Post Office representative who said that mail was delivered prior to the theft.

Suspended license

A Garden City police officer stopped a 30-year-old Inkster man about 5:45 a.m. April 3 on northbound Inkster Road near Warren, where he was driving 55 mph in a 40 mph zone, police said.

After the driver showed a Michigan identification card and the officer checked his record, he learned the man had a suspended license, police said.

The man was arrested and transported to the police station, where he was processed and cited for speeding, driving with a suspended license and for not having proof of insurance.

After he was processed in Garden City, he was transported to the Livonia police department, where he had a traffic warrant, police said.

» A Garden City police officer arrested a Westland man about 12:30 p.m. April 1 when he found out that the man was driving with a suspended license. The man was stopped at Middlebelt and Beechwood because he disregarded the traffic signal, police said.

By Sue Buck

Westland pharmacist loses license, faces deportation

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs has summarily suspended the pharmacist license of Narendra Cheraku of Westland after convictions in the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan.

On Dec. 10, 2013, Cheraku was convicted of one felony count of health care fraud and one felony count of possession with intent to distribute con-

trolled substances. Cheraku was sentenced to probation for six months or until deportation, and ordered to pay an assessment and restitution totaling \$9,645.

On March 26, 2014, LARA issued an order summarily suspending Cheraku's license pursuant to the Public Health Code, which provides for the mandatory suspension of a health professional upon con-

viction of a felony

Narendra was among 26 people charged in a 34-count indictment at U.S. District Court in Detroit, alleging a fraudulent billing ring led by Canton resident Babubhai "Bob" Patel, owner and controller of 26 pharmacies statewide.

The charges were that kickbacks, bribes and "other inducements" were provided

for physicians to write prescriptions for patients with Medicare, Medicaid or private insurance coverage to be presented at a Patel pharmacy for billing.

Sentenced to 17 years following his convictions, Patel was ordered to pay \$17.3 million restitution to the Medicaid and Medicare programs and \$1.5 million restitution to Blue Cross Blue Shield.

WESTLAND COP CALLS

Pipes stolen

A Northville woman told police April 5 that someone stole a large amount of copper plumbing from a home she owns in the 32000 block of Parkwood.

The woman said she had been at the home April 3. A large landscaping brick had been thrown through the glass door wall.

- Vandalism

On April 6, a Westland man told police he was parked in the 30000 block of Hiveley when he heard the alarm on his car go off. He said he checked the car and found a racial slur keyed into both doors.

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident of the Colonial Village Apartments, 8181 N. Wayne Road, told police April 5 that overnight someone stole all four tires and rims from her 2007 Ford Fusion, leaving it sitting on bricks. The officer noted that the car doors were still locked.

Vandalism

Police were called to the Old Landmark Church of God in Christ, 35248 Palmer, April 1 about several youths attempting to climb on the roof and possibly trying to get into the building.

The youths were gone when officers arrived but two windows were found broken.

Due to the size of the broken windows, officers noted entry couldn't be made.

Vandalism

A contractor working on a vacant home in the 31000 block of Hiveley told police April 2 that a worker arrived March 28 to find someone had thrown brick through a window. No one had been at the house since March 1.

Stolen vehicle

A resident in the 34000 of Frances told police April 2 that she saw on Facebook that a neighbor's vehicle had been stolen, so she decided to check her vehicle. She said she had parked the 1993 GMC Suburban on the street March 31.

Both door handles on vehicle were damaged but no entry was made to the vehicle.

Identity fraud

» A resident in the 180 block of Fudge told police April 1 that she had her taxes prepared but when the preparer tried to file the return it was discovered that someone already filed a return under her name.

» On April 3, a resident in the 7900 block of Moonwood Place told police his tax preparer attempted to file his income tax return and found someone had already used his Social Security number to file a return or claim a refund.

By LeAnne Rogers

WAYNE COP CALLS

Break in

A Wayne man told police April 2 that someone had broken two windows and cut a screen on a third window at a home he owns in the 31000 block of Stellwagen. The damage was set at \$600.

While he doesn't live at the home, the man said he had miscellaneous items in the home and it appeared someone had gone through his belongings.

Nothing appeared to be missing, he said. A neighbor had alerted him to a broken window. There was a brick on the floor near the window.

Larceny

A Detroit woman told police April 4 that someone had stolen Vicodin, Adderal and

Valium pills, along with \$80 cash, from her room at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital, 33155 Annapolis. She said she had been in the hospital March 28-31 and reported the thefts to hospital staff.

Vandalism

On April 1, a resident in the 5600 block of Lincoln told police she arrived home at 6:30 p.m. from the grocery store.

As she was unpacking her groceries, she said she heard a loud noise.

When she looked outside, she said a woman she didn't know was standing next to her 2009 Mercury Sable. The woman got in a vehicle and drove away.

Thinking it was suspicious, the resident said she checked

her vehicle and found an X mark on each side of the car along with a large scratch on the driver's side door.

The officer noted the damage appeared to have been caused by a key or other sharp object.

The resident told police she didn't recognize the woman.

The resident said she serves on the Hickory Hollow Association Board and it was possible the woman was someone upset over not being approved to live in the complex.

Larceny

Miscellaneous baby clothing and a baby changing station valued at \$425 were reported stolen on March 30 from an apartment at the

Park Hill Apartments, located at 33080 Park Hill.

The resident, who police described as highly intoxicated and difficult to understand, said she had left her apartment unlocked when she left on March 26 because she had lost the key.

When she returned on March 30, she said the items were missing.

The officer reported that the woman also attempted to report other items stolen but was too intoxicated to remember what else was missing.

She also told police that she suspected her former boyfriend, a Wayne man, was responsible for the theft.

By LeAnne Rogers

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Wayne High band jazzes it up for seniors

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

It's become a tradition at Wayne-Westland's Dyer Senior Center, where musicians from Wayne Memorial and John Glenn high schools visit to present mini concerts.

This year's musical presentations kicked off with the Wayne Memorial High School Jazz Band, which stopped by Tuesday to perform four songs during a lunchtime concert.

"Thank you for the opportunity to perform," said Matt Diroff, head of the instrumental music department at the Wayne High School. "This is all extracurricular; it's done in the afternoon after school. They meet one hour a week after school and have done it seven-eight times, so they had pretty much one or two rehearsals for each song they're performing."

The jazz band includes a variety of brass instruments, including the contrabass clarinet, a \$10,000 musical instrument with an unusual nickname.

"It's known as the paperclip because of its shape," said student Linda Martin. It comes with a stand to support it because of its weight. "There's no way I can stand up and play, it's too heavy."

Diroff chose four "little more well-known pieces" for the concert — *Moondance* by Van Morrison, the theme to cable TV's *Family Guy*, Gershwin's *Someone to Watch Over Me*, which included a trumpet solo by Alana Savage, and *Wizard Wheezes* from *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince*.

"You'll recognize the beginning of *Wizard Wheezes*, it sounds like Benny Goodman's *Sing, Sing, Sing*," Diroff said. "You'll recognize the beginning with the tom-tom drums. It sounds a lot like *Sing, Sing, Sing*."

At the request of Ed Turner, the band also pulled off a rendition of the Wayne Memorial fight song even though many were playing instruments other than what their used to, Diroff said.

"This is going to be interesting," Diroff said.

"It's been awhile since I played it," added one student. "It's gonna be rough."

When asked about students pursuing music in college, Diroff said that only a few do that, but playing a musical instrument is something they can continue to do in community bands and orchestras.

"We have some students who have gotten some national TV appearances because of playing in the band at the University of Michigan," he added.

Up next month for the seniors will be musicians from John Glenn High School.



Michael Denard (right) talks over the musical score with pianist Joseph Wise. PHOTOS BY SUE MASON



Macey Wolf and Austin Cuvlier play drums for the band, which meets once a week after school.



Kevin Martin plays the baritone saxophone in the band.



Linda Martin plays the contrabass clarinet, better known as the paper clip because of its unusual shape, in the Wayne Memorial's Jazz Band.



Jeremy Williams works the slide on the trombone while warming up for the concert.

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US Ecology to purchase EQ in Wayne

US Ecology Inc. has announced that it has entered into a definitive stock purchase agreement to acquire the Wayne-based EQ — The Environmental Quality Company. The transaction, valued at \$465 million, is expected to close in the second or third quarter of 2014 and is subject to customary closing conditions, and a purchase price adjustment based on working capital.

EQ is a comprehensive solutions provider offering a broad line of environmental services, including the treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes, recycling, field and industrial services and total waste management. EQ's facilities include one hazardous waste permitted landfill located outside of Detroit, 13 waste treatment and recycling facilities and 21 dedicated service centers.

EQ is a fully-integrated environmental services and waste manage-

ment company based in Wayne, with facilities throughout the Eastern United States. EQ is owned by an affiliate of New York based private equity fund Kinderhook Industries, LLC. EQ employs more than 1,250 employees and services more than 6,000 active customers.

"The addition of EQ to US Ecology's family of permitted facilities will provide us with an expanded environmental services platform, broadening our geographic footprint and providing for a greater array of services to better meet the needs of our customers," said Jeff Feeler, president and CEO. "In addition to its high quality, complementary assets, like US Ecology, EQ has a strong, uncompromising commitment to environmental, health, and safety compliance, engendering the trust of customers, employees and the broader community."

"We expect that the



EQ offers a delisting treatment process which converts hazardous inorganic wastes into non-hazardous, delisted residuals.

combination of US Ecology and EQ will result in cross-selling opportunities, transportation synergies and efficiencies of scale, delivering compelling value for our customers and stockholders as well as further opportunities for long-term

growth," he added.

EQ generated revenue of approximately \$376 million after an adjustment for its 2013 acquisition of Allstate Power Vac Inc. and adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization of

approximately \$54 million for the year that ended Dec. 31.

Although US Ecology is not updating guidance at this time, the transaction is expected to be immediately accretive to adjusted earnings per share before synergies.

Adjusted earnings per share, excludes transaction expenses and other nonrecurring items.

The total purchase price of \$465 million will be financed using a combination of cash on hand and committed debt financing, consisting of a new \$540 million credit facility made up of approximately \$415 million in a 7-year term loan and a \$125 million in 5-year revolving credit.

US Ecology Inc., through its subsidiaries, provides radioactive, hazardous, PCB and non-hazardous industrial waste management and recycling services to commercial and government entities, such as refineries and chemical production facilities, manufacturers, electric utilities, steel mills, medical and academic institutions.

Headquartered in Boise, Idaho, US Ecology is one of the oldest radioactive and hazardous waste services companies in North America.

Westland man gets implant to treat breathing disorder

By Aileen Wingblad
Staff Writer

A Westland man diagnosed with central sleep apnea is the first patient in Michigan enrolled in a new trial using a novel implantable device to restore more normal breathing patterns during sleep.

As part of the remed System Pivotal Trial sponsored by Respicardia®, Matthew Kemppainen recently received a remed System implant at Botsford Hospital. He is enrolled in the study through the Detroit Clinical Research Center.

The Detroit Clinical Research Center is one of 25 centers in the United States and nine in Europe participating in the study to evaluate respiratory and cardiovascular benefits of this new therapeutic option — the first of its kind — for patients with moderate to severe CSA.

According to a statement released by Botsford Hospital, the



Anton

study's goal is to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of the device in patients with CSA.

CSA is a type of sleep disordered breathing which occurs when the brain fails to send appropriate signals to breathing muscles.

This can result in excessive daytime sleepiness, reduced exercise capacity and irregular or rapid fast heart rhythms — particularly among patients with heart failure or atrial fibrillation. One-third of patients with heart failure have central sleep apnea.

Research suggests that people with sleep disordered breathing and heart disease may be at risk of ventricular arrhythmias and sudden death due to decreased blood oxygen levels.

Kemppainen, who has a history of insomnia

and breathing issues, was diagnosed with CSA through a polysomnography.

After Detroit Clinical Research Center's Dr. Salwan Anton and his study team discussed the device trial with him, Kemppainen decided to proceed. The implant was performed in January by Bostford Hospital's cardiologist, Dr. Nathan Foster.

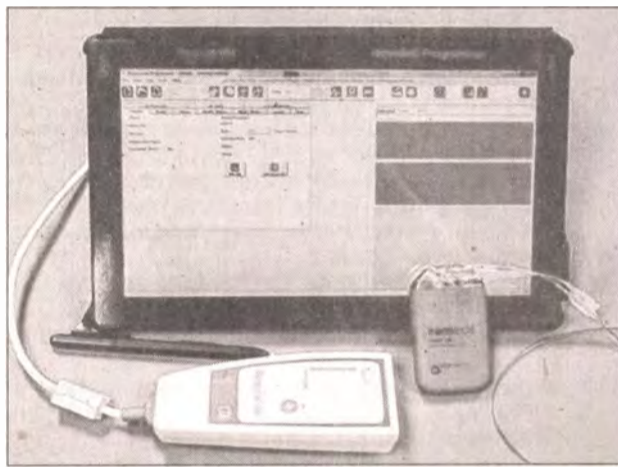
The remed System is an implantable pacemaker-like device designed to improve Respiratory Rhythm Management™ and to restore a more regular breathing pattern during sleep.

It works by delivering to one of the body's two phrenic nerves, prompting the diaphragm's response of a more natural, less disrupted breathing pattern.

The intent is to restore quality sleep, improve oxygenation, and it could lead to improved cardiovascular outcomes for patients with heart failure.

"Demonstrating our commitment to patients, Detroit Clinical Research Center is proud to announce its participation in the remed System Pivotal Trial," Anton said. "We recognize the potential benefits to patients suffering from central sleep apnea by restoring regular breathing and improving respiratory and cardiovascular health. We look forward to contributing to the trial in a meaningful way."

For information on local sleep apnea screenings and possible inclusion in this study,



The remed® System implant.

contact Candice Shallal, project manager, at 248-716-7010 or candice.shallal@dcrc.us.

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Volunteers needed

St. Mary Mercy recently started a new program for senior patients and is looking for volunteers to help. Based on the proven success of the Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP) at Yale University, St. Mary Mercy has created the Patient Assistance Liaison (PAL) program.

PAL implements evidence-based strategies three times a day, seven days a week as a preventative measure to reduce delirium and instances of physical and functional decline in high-risk patients 70 years and older.

During hospitalization, seniors often develop delirium and functional decline. Delirium, the sudden change in how someone thinks and acts, may occur due to a change in medication, during illness or after an operation. With proper support, delirium can be prevented and treated.

The volunteer program provides patients with a companion throughout their hospitalization to maintain cognitive and physical functioning. Volunteers will provide assistance in four areas:

» Daily Visitor Program — Uses communication techniques and socialization to prevent confusion and maintain cognitive functioning.

» Therapeutic Activities Program — Engages the patient in activities to stimulate and maintain

cognitive and physical well-being.

» Mobilization Maintenance Program — Provides daily companionship during ambulation or exercise program.

» Mealtime Companionship Program — Gives patients mealtime assistance and companionship.

If you are interested in volunteering for PAL or want to more information, contact Jessica Thomas at 734-655-2474 or Jessica.Thomas@trinity-health.org.

Oral cancer screenings

Studies show that one person dies from oral cancer every hour. Historically the death rate associated with oral cancer is particularly high because the cancer continues to be discovered late in its development due to a lack of oral health screenings.

To help reduce the number of oral cancer related deaths, Great Expressions Dental Centers at 38110 Michigan Ave., Wayne, will be offering free oral cancer screenings to the public throughout the entire month of April — Oral Cancer Awareness Month.

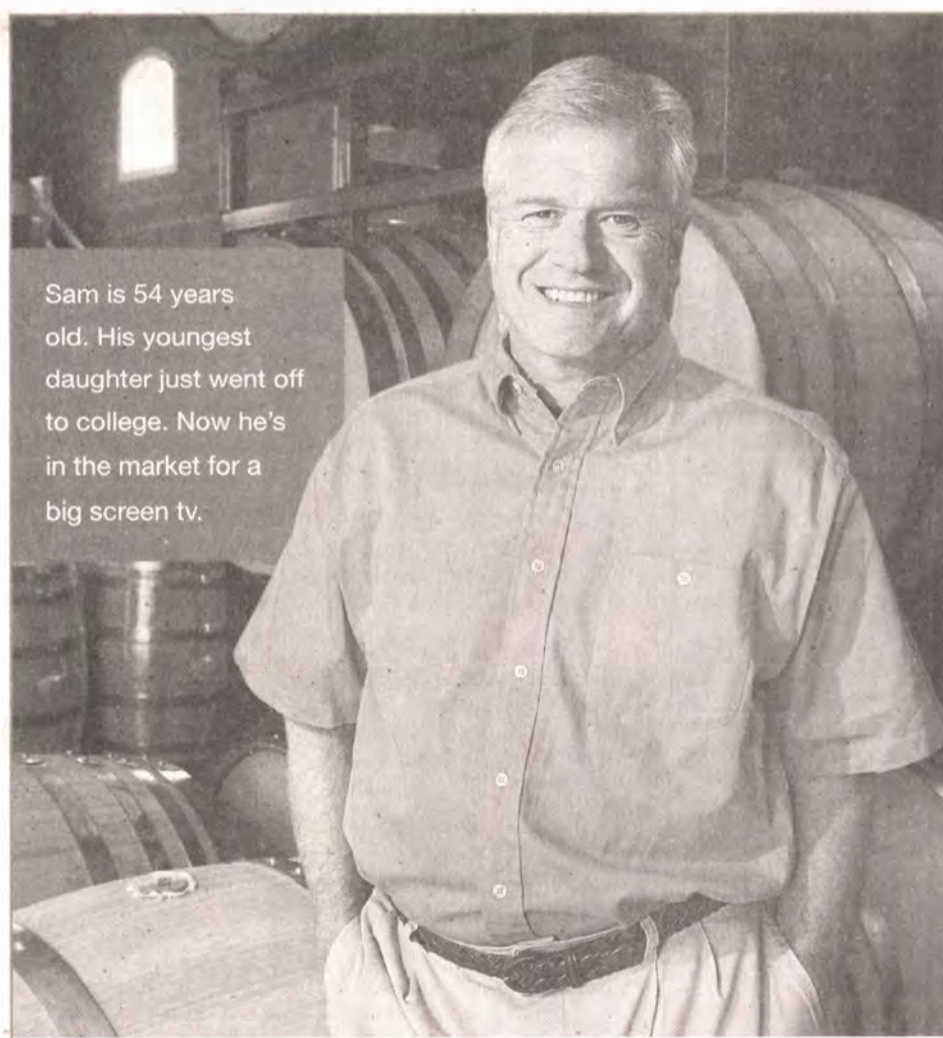
"It's extremely important to be proactive about the prevention of oral cancer and work to detect signs in the early stages of development," said Dr. Vincent Lizzio with Great Expressions Dental Centers. "Oral

cancer, which can be life-threatening, can easily go unnoticed in its early stages as it can be painless and physical changes might not be very noticeable. We urge everyone to get an oral cancer screening; it's something that's quick, painless and could save your life. Prevention begins with knowing what to look for and being mindful of causes."

Early indicators of oral cancer include red or white discolorations of the soft tissues of the mouth, any sore that does not heal within 14 days and hoarseness which lasts for a prolonged period of time. Advanced indicators of oral cancer include a sensation that something is stuck in your throat, numbness in the oral region, difficulty in moving the jaw or tongue, difficulty in swallowing, ear pain in one side only, or a lump that develops in the mouth or on the neck.

GEDC performs visual cancer screenings on all of their patients as part of their standard practice and to support Oral Cancer Awareness Month, GEDC is offering free screenings to the public. The screening consists of an examination of the face, neck, lip and mouth for signs of cancer, as well as checking the tongue for any lesions or discolorations.

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OUR VIEWS



The average lead time for a tornado warning is 13 minutes, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association. That's not much time to get to safety, especially if you don't get the warning right away.

Make sure you're prepared for severe weather

After a long and brutal winter, it's nice to see warm temperatures, but with the change in seasons comes a change in the type of severe weather that can occur. Last year, we were reminded that severe weather can strike at any time.

While most Michigan tornadoes occur from May to August during the afternoon and evening hours, a November 2013 severe weather outbreak hit Michigan with three reported tornadoes. There were no deaths and only two injuries in Michigan from severe weather in 2013, according to the National Weather Service. The injuries resulted from severe thunderstorm winds; however, flooding, severe thunderstorms and tornadoes were responsible for about \$277 million in damages in 2013, compared to \$210 million in damages in 2012.

Surprisingly, the most widespread severe weather damage across the Lower Peninsula didn't occur in the spring, but Nov. 17-18 as the result of a combined severe thunderstorm and wind event that included several small tornadoes. The combination of the tornadoes, severe thunderstorm winds and winds left more than 775,000 homes and businesses without power and about \$70 million in damages.

That's why the state of Michigan is again observing this week as Severe Weather Preparedness Week. With the shift to outdoor activities, it's important to keep an eye on the sky and be prepared to take cover when severe weather strikes.

The Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness recommends that you check the weather forecast before leaving home and check for the nearest shelter when you arrive at your final destination. It also recommends that you:

» Seek shelter when you first hear thunder or see dark threatening clouds developing overhead or lightning.

» Count the seconds between the time you see lightning and hear the thunder. You should already be in a safe location if that time is less than 30 seconds.

» If you can't find a shelter, get into a fully enclosed vehicle. Put your head down below the windows, covering it with your hands or blanket.

» Stay inside until 30 minutes after you last hear thunder. Lightning can strike more than 10 miles away from any rainfall.

It is also important to be familiar with severe weather alerts. A tornado watch or severe thunderstorm watch simply means that severe thunderstorms and tornadoes are possible. A tornado warning means that a tornado has been sighted or is indicated on Doppler radar. Go immediately to the basement or a small interior room on the lowest level. Keep away from chimneys and windows. Leave mobile homes and find shelter in a sturdy building.

The average lead time for a tornado warning is 13 minutes, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association. That's not much time to get to safety, especially if you don't get the warning right away.

When a thunderstorm warning is issued for your area, get indoors immediately and do not use the telephone or electrical appliances. Keep away from windows. Do not take shelter in sheds or under isolated trees. If you are out boating and swimming, get to land and find a sturdy shelter immediately.

To prepare for severe weather, the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness suggests that you:

» Plan ahead. Be sure everyone in your household knows where to go and what to do in case of a tornado or thunderstorm warning. Know the safest location for shelter in your home, workplace and school. Load-bearing walls near the center of the basement or lowest level generally provide the greatest protection.

» Have emergency supplies on hand, including a battery-operated radio, a flashlight and a fresh supply of batteries.

» Know the location of designated shelter areas in local public facilities, such as schools, shopping centers and other public buildings.

» Have emergency supplies on hand, including a battery-operated NOAA Weather Radio, flashlight and a supply of fresh batteries, first-aid kit, water and cellphone.

» Create an emergency plan for your pets.

Even with the most sophisticated meteorological equipment, predicting the weather isn't easy. But being prepared for the worst can take the guesswork out of what to do. Don't wait until the sirens sound - make your plans. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Roads, young minds will define much of future in Michigan



Remember the oil filter ad from the 1970s, where the gruff, grease-stained car mechanic scowls at the camera and says, "You can pay me now, or you can pay me later?"

That's exactly what we are facing in Michigan. Only it's been that way for a decade when it comes to dealing with the stuff — the fancy word is "infrastructure" — that will define much of our future: the condition of our roads and the quality of our young people's minds.

Roads first. It's been a long and terrible winter, and the thaw we're seeing these days sure is welcome. But today's thaw means tomorrow's potholes. The harder the winter, the more and the deeper the potholes. And the more expensive, especially when you discover that big thud you heard when you were driving home means a trip to the shop for a tire and a maybe a new wheel.

To his credit, Gov. Rick Snyder has been pushing for years for the big money needed to fix our roads. But it's an election year, so, of course, the Legislature has been doing everything possible to avoid facing facts and coming up with the money everybody knows we need to fix our concrete ribbons.

The first step in this year's political pander dance was for a couple of Republican senators to propose — what else? — a tax cut. But when it turned out that would pay for, maybe, a couple of lattes at the local Starbucks, support cooled. And when we got the thaw and as people gasped at the potholes, the political class began to rethink.

I'm told by Lansing insiders that legislators, regardless of party, are being pounded big-time to do something about the roads. "Something" may not mean the

\$1.2 billion per year that the governor has been talking about, but it's got to be a serious, long-term program to bring our roads into the 21st century, not just a few slaps of cold patch and a thin skin of new paving.

If it's ever going to be done politically, it will have to be done pretty quickly, while folks are seeing firsthand just how much it costs everybody to shirk taking care of basic infrastructure.

Now consider our colleges and universities. They are just as basic as the roads to our future, since they have to do with the talent and skills of our young people.

Disgracefully, over the past decade, state spending on higher education has been cut by more than half. The result has been rapidly rising college tuition and mushrooming student debt, which is now an average of \$29,000 per graduate, according to the higher-education website College-Insight.org. The nonpartisan House Fiscal Agency reports state support used to cover more than half a college degree's cost. Today, it's only around 20 percent. Michigan is one of the few states in the nation that spends more on warehousing felons in our prison system than on educating our young people.

In his State of the State message in January, the governor proposed increasing support for higher education by 6.1 percent. Many people, led by Business Leaders for Michigan, are saying it's about time. But politics has a way of getting in the way, especially in an election year.

Much of the debate has been dominated by some legislators who seem to think an uneducated labor force will guarantee prosperity for us all.

Democratic lawmakers, who usually favor increased support for higher education, have been largely silent on the subject, probably because they don't want to make the governor look good.

How come? Democrats think it is good politics to bash Snyder for

shortchanging the schools. Because spending on both schools and colleges is bundled in an "omnibus" bill, they don't want to join in a bipartisan vote for passage — even at the risk of hurting our universities, young people, their families and our future.

Higher education increases lifetime earnings. According to the Anderson Economic Group, median wages for Michigan workers with a bachelor's degree are \$20,000 higher than those with only a high school diploma; the gap widens to \$40,000 for those with advanced degrees.

And according to the Lumina Foundation, which is designed to increase the number of Americans with degrees, we'll need an additional 900,000 workers with an associate's degree or higher to meet the work-force demands of the next decade.

So here we have two cases — roads and colleges — in which partisan politics is preventing our lawmakers from taking long-overdue, essential actions for our long-term good.

To be fair, most lawmakers are good people who start out by running for office to make things better. But as their re-election dates draw near, their calculus has a way of changing.

Maybe we should arrange to play that old "pay me now or pay me later" ad at party caucuses and in both houses of the Legislature.

For its message is even more relevant than ever: Paying now for long-term essentials makes far more sense and is far better — and cheaper — than paying later.

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LETTERS

Children need direction

If you live in the United States, you've got it good in the world.

It is best for us to recall our roots.

Religious tolerance among our peoples here in America and in the United States is important because we all must depend on each other.

The other night the daughter of a friend of mine went on her first sleepover at the home of one of her own friends. During the sleepover some decided to gossip. Gossip has an acid flavor and is used as a bullying technique.

You see it on TV every day. She did not want to gossip but wanted to pray a little as their meeting began. She wore silver earrings in the shape of a cross. For these three things, the others mocked and laughed at her and made her feel apart in an environment she had been invited into. Bullying.

She went to her bed cried all

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night until her mother came to her in the morning.

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I am overcome by her courage and that she chose to offer her

faith rather than vicious words. Children need direction.

Are these empty phrases or expressions of life?

Alfred Brock
Wayne

Let them take a ride

How about having the three punks who beat up the veteran take a ride on a float in the Memorial Day parade.

Gus Joly
Westland

We salute our carriers for their extraordinary efforts

Twice a week, a cadre of people delivers the Wayne-Westland and Garden City Observer print editions to the homes and businesses of our valued newspaper subscribers. They're like mail carriers, making their rounds in all kinds of weather.

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Newspaper carriers date back to the early 1800s and today's celebration commemorates the very first paper boy! On Sept. 10, 1833, 10-year-old Barney Flaherty delivered the first newspaper. He had been hired by Benjamin Day, the publisher of the *New York Sun*, to sell papers for his penny press. The only job requirement was to show that he could throw a newspaper into the bushes.

Today, few kids deliver papers anymore, but the tradition lives on. The job today is done mostly by adults, many delivering the paper from their cars.



There is a Newspaper Carrier Day that is celebrated Sept. 4 and an International Newspaper Carrier Day, established by the Newspaper Association of America, that this year will be observed Oct. 18. But we don't want to wait that long to show our appreciation to our carriers for their service, especially this winter.

In spite of the near record-breaking snowfall, polar vortexes, ice and poor road conditions, our

carriers made sure the newspaper came through. Certainly, it's easy to read our product online, but there's something special about sitting down to a cup of coffee and the hometown newspaper that a screen and a keyboard can't ever replace.

We have many fine carriers who stuck with it and delivered excellent service in January, February and March for our readers and our advertisers. We want to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedicated service.

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Cleaner future depends on breaking our oil addiction



Kurt Kuban

The Detroit Free Press ran an interesting story a couple of weeks ago detailing the failings of the state's infant battery industry, despite the injection of \$861 million in Obama administration stimulus grants and \$543 million in Michigan tax credits awarded by former Gov. Jennifer Granholm's administration in 2009.

One of the local companies that received money was A123 Systems, which secured a \$249 million U.S. Department of Energy grant and more than \$100 million in state tax credits. After collecting about \$132 million of its U.S. grant, the company filed for bankruptcy in 2012 and was acquired by Chinese auto supplier Wanxiang Group. Despite promising to create 5,000 jobs, the company, while still operating, has delivered a fraction of that.

Conservatives around the state were almost giddy after hearing the news, which they believe validates their conviction that government shouldn't "pick winners and losers." It's up to the free market, they say, noting the battery program has been a big waste of taxpayer money.

I can't even tell you how many times I've heard the "you'll be blown away" joke about Granholm's time as governor. And I have to say, it was kind of funny the first 500 times I heard it from some of my conservative friends. I happened to be at the State of the State address when Granholm used that phrase, which she probably wishes she had never uttered. When she made that statement, she was actually discussing a future Michigan where its battery manufacturing would lead the world.

It was a grand vision. But, as the Free Press story points out, politicians can't just snap their fingers and speed up the technology necessary to transition America from its reliance on oil to more sustainable sources of energy like batteries, or wind and solar power.

Some people say Granholm and President Obama simply wasted taxpayer money to fund green projects — in this case, trying to jumpstart lithium-ion battery manufacturing in hopes of making electric vehicles more affordable.

But that is just one component of the president's green initiatives. The Brookings Institute, after extensive research, estimated the federal government, from 2009 through this year, will have spent \$150 billion to prop up the renewable energy industry and other green initiatives.

No doubt, that is a vast amount of money. But, as I like to remind my more conservative friends, it is drop in the bucket compared to the money the federal government spent to invade Iraq, which the more cynical among us say had a lot to do with securing an oil supply.

Whether that is true or not will be for historians to debate. However, what is not debatable is how much the Iraq War has cost this nation. Despite initial estimates from Bush administration officials that the invasion of Iraq would only cost between \$50 billion and \$100 billion, it has cost us infinitely more — and continues to cost us. But then again, most claims the Bush

administration made about Iraq turned out to be nowhere near reality (remember the claim about us being met as "liberators"?).

By some estimates, the Iraq War, when all is said and done, will have cost us more than \$1 trillion. That's trillion with a 'T'. The Christian Science Monitor estimated we have spent on average \$9.5 billion a month in Iraq, including more than \$60 billion for reconstruction efforts.

But I would think most of us would argue the bigger treasure we sacrificed in Iraq was our military personnel.

More than 4,800 Americans were killed in Iraq, with thousands more suffering injuries, some so debilitating that they will never be able to lead a normal life. How many countless military families were impacted by this war?

Maybe the next time my conservative friends use their "blown away" jokes, they will think of the American soldiers that were sent to Iraq. It's not so funny, is it?

Most sane Americans must ask themselves why.

And that's also the question I think we should be asking ourselves about the Obama administration's decision to spend so much money on renewable energy and trying to get ourselves off of our reliance on foreign oil. Even George W. Bush, who orchestrated the Iraq War, said we were addicted to oil.

Some people still think oil and other fossil fuels (like coal and natural gas) are the answer. We just need to allow oil companies to tap into our own oil reserves here in America. Others believe we should build the Keystone pipeline to allow more Canadian tar sands oil to cross our country so it can be refined in the southeast U.S.

Those people are ignoring the evidence about what our reliance on fossil fuels is doing to the planet. Despite the dire warnings from the vast majority of climatologists about global warming, many in America choose to believe it is a political issue.

Perhaps it is. I'm no scientist; I can only listen to those who are. But I have certainly seen some dramatic, destructive weather in recent years.

Even if one thinks these weather patterns are normal and global warming is an Al Gore-inspired conspiracy, how can one ignore the other forms of damage oil is doing to our planet? A couple weekends ago, which oddly enough was the 25th anniversary of the disastrous Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska, an oil barge collided with a ship in the Houston (Texas) Ship Channel and spilled nearly 200,000 gallons of oil near a wildlife refuge. Of course, that is just a small fraction of the 10 million gallons spilled by the Exxon Valdez in 1989 or the estimated 210 million gallons of oil dumped into the Gulf of Mexico by BP's Deepwater Horizon leak in 2010.

Those of us in Michigan, who should be most worried about such calamities due to our proximity to the precious Great Lakes, may think this kind of thing only happens in other places. Guess again. Last week, BP admitted that its Whiting refinery in Indiana (just a few miles from the Chicago city limits) spilled an unknown amount of Canadian tar sands crude into Lake Michigan. And does anyone remember the Enbridge Energy pipeline disas-

ter in 2010 that spilled more than 843,000 gallons of tar sands oil into the Kalamazoo River? I can promise you the people of western Michigan sure do. It was the largest and costliest inland oil spill in U.S. history.

It seems every week there is a new story about another major spill around the country. How long is this sustainable?

Despite all the criticism directed toward President Obama for spending so much trying to kick-start the renewable and green energy industry, the fact is we are starting to make progress because of that

investment. Renewable electricity generation has nearly doubled since Obama took office, as more homeowners and businesses change over to solar energy. Wind turbines are popping up all over the country, including right here in Michigan.

Personally, I would rather we spend our money on these projects than continue going down the oil-slicked road we're on now. And before you start shouting "Solyndra," yes, some of these projects may fail, some even because of fraud.

But we are slowly making progress. Technology is improving.

Perhaps a generation from now, our lithium battery industry will be the pride of the world. Without the government infusion of capital and incentives, there is little chance of this happening. The fossil fuel industries are just making too much money — they have no incentive to change.

Hey, I drive a Ford pickup truck and am as dependent upon the fossil fuel industry as the next guy.

But I also realize the damage such dependency is doing to our planet. If you choose to ignore all the evidence and want to roll the dice on your grandchildren's

future, that is your prerogative. I don't hold it against you. Yet, I think my generation does have a responsibility to future Americans. Instead of doubling down on our addiction to fossil fuels and almost assuredly becoming entangled in future wars, I would rather we as a nation bet on American ingenuity and our ability to adapt for a cleaner, more secure, future.

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GIRLS SOCCER

Red cards fly as Stevenson stops Churchill, 1-0

El-Sabeh's goal stands up as 2 Churchill coaches are ejected

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

There was more than one subplot to Livonia Stevenson's 1-0 girls soccer victory Monday night in the cold and rain against rival Livonia Churchill. Junior defender Aliya El-Sabeh's direct free kick from 25 yards out with 34:08 left in the second half proved to be the difference, but the fireworks that ensued following the goal certainly cast a giant shadow on the victory as Stevenson improved to 3-1-2 overall.

Both Churchill head coach Reid Friedrichs and assistant Eric Puroll were both red-carded by head referee Jaafar Fakhruddin following the game-winner El-Sabeh.

They were ejected after disagreeing about a call on a foul which gave Stevenson the restart and resulted in El-Sabeh's goal, which held up the rest of the way as the Spartans recorded the one-goal triumph.

With Friedrichs and Puroll asked to leave the grounds just 5:52 into the second half, Churchill was forced to use an emergency coach — ironically from the bleachers.

"The ref made a questionable call and the two coaches felt they needed to express their opinion, so they both got red cards, so I decided to come in and help," said John Fallu, a Churchill parent. "My daughter (Rylie) plays on the team and she asked me to come down. It was a very weak foul in an unfortunate position that led to a goal, which led to Stevenson winning. That's unfortunate thing about it."

When asked if Fakhruddin was "trigger happy," Fallu simply said, "I think he liked to express his opinion on the field, yes."

Twice during the second half following the coaching ejections, Fakhruddin

also tried to clear the few brave fans who remained in the stands on a miserable weather night, but to no avail.

A total of seven yellow cards were thrown, including two to Churchill and one to Stevenson during the final 20 minutes of action frustrations grew on both sides.

Following the match, Fakhruddin declined to discuss his red card calls with the *Observer* after being hustled away by a fellow linesman, who barked, "You can't talk to them."

El-Sabeh's goal was a rocket blast that Churchill freshman goalkeeper

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COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Mayes' walk-off gives 1st-place Crusaders split

MU tied in the loss column with No. 23 Davenport University

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

With a name like first name like Erin and a last name like Mayes, how can a hitter go wrong?

And in Sunday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference women's softball first-place showdown, the Madonna University senior first baseman Erin Mayes put on a Hank Aaron and Willie Mays-like performance as she went 4-for-4, including a walk-off homer to give the host Crusaders a dramatic 4-3 win and split of their double-header against co-leader Davenport University.

That came after the Panthers held on in the first game, 3-2, thanks to Alyssa Eastman's 3-run homer in the fourth inning.

Mayes' homer, a no-doubter over the left-center field wall into a stiff wind off Eastman, broke a 3-all deadlock in the eighth inning to win the nightcap.

The split leaves MU at 23-6 overall and 9-1 in the WHAC, while No. 23-ranked Davenport is 21-5 and 7-1.

Mayes, a left-hander hitter who hails from Ida, leads MU with a .420 batting average, five homers and 24 RBI.

The walk-off homer came despite nursing a tender hamstring, which limited Mayes on the base paths, but not at the plate.

"I pulled it (hamstring) a couple of days ago against Siena Heights," Mayes said. "She (Eastman) was mostly trying to go outside on me, but on that last one she kind of left it over the plate. So I was just thinking swing as hard as I could because they had been pitching me outside all day."

Davenport jumped out to a 2-0 lead, but MU tied it in the bottom of the second on a double by Kristen Drabek,



Madonna's Erin Mayes watches the flight of her walk-off game-winning homer in Sunday's victory over Davenport. ADAM BOUTON | MADONNA ATHLETICS

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COLLEGE BASEBALL



Madonna senior right-hander Travis Schuba threw 95 pitches to beat Northwestern Ohio, 6-2. ADAM BOUTON | MADONNA ATHLETICS

MU's Schuba throws gem as Crusaders avoid sweep

Madonna is 3-7 in WHAC action after losing 3 of 4

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Trying to halt a three-game slide, Madonna University coach Greg Haeger turned to senior Travis Schuba on the mound to stop the bleeding in a four-game Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference baseball set Sunday at Ilitch Ballpark against University of Northwestern Ohio.

And the right-handed submariner, normally a reliever, didn't disappoint as he threw a complete-game five-hitter for the Crusaders, who bounced back to salvage a split of their double-header against the Racers in the second game with a 6-2 win after losing the opener 10-6.

With the split, MU now stands 16-15 overall and 3-7 in the WHAC. Northwestern Ohio is 20-10 and 8-2.

Schuba, who improved to 4-1, did not allow a walk in his seven innings of work.

Victor Barron paced MU's eight-hit attack going 3-for-4 with two RBI, while

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PREP TRACK

Stevenson boys 1st at Patriot Relays

Salem seizes girls team crown; host Franklin winds up in 3rd

After going down 73-46 in its dual meet track opener last Tuesday at Novi, the Livonia Stevenson boys track team rebounded nicely Saturday by winning the Patriot Relays hosted by Livonia Franklin.

The Spartans captured three events in the all-relay format en route to a team-high 84 points to lead the 12-school field.

Salem (62), Dearborn (57), Novi Detroit Catholic Central (48) and Lincoln Park (41) rounded out the top five team. Host Franklin placed seventh with 38, while Wayne Memorial was ninth with 22.

In the field events, Stevenson took the discus (Jalen Jones, Nick Hitchcock, Danny Pocalujka) and pole vault (Ryan Cole, Steve Loba, Matt Boris) relays with marks of 367 feet, 9 inches and 33-6, respectively.

Stevenson's distance medley team of Kevin Callow, Mike Jaafar, Erik Grisa

and Stephen Fenech also added a first in 11:27.4.

On the girls side, Salem captured the team title with 103 points followed by Plymouth (91), host Franklin (78) Warren Regina (60) and Stevenson (43) rounding out the top five.

Salem won four events including the shuttle hurdle, 3,200, 400 and 1,600 relays.

Franklin, meanwhile, captured four events as well, highlighted by the pole vault relay of Sheila and Tasha McKinley, along with Helen Moore, who com-

bined for a total of 28-9. Sheila McKinley, a senior, cleared 11-3 to break Emily Quint's school record of 11-2.

The Patriots also captured the shot put (Kayla Carwile, Sophie Modes, Alexis Browning), 84-8.5; long jump (Brianna Gutkowski, Jasmine Crowley, Cierra Davis), 40-4; and sprint medley (Aubrey Mavin, Bryah White, Crowley, Julie Wonch), 1:56.3.

Stevenson's Audrey Stahrr, Morgan Waters and Maddy Petipas won the discus relay (258-2).

See track results on B3.

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GIRLS TENNIS

Churchill nets 1st in 'Queen of the Courts'

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Livonia Churchill girls tennis team can officially call themselves "Queens of the Court" followed Saturday's first-place finish hosted by Dearborn and Edsel Ford high schools.

The Chargers, winning two singles and one double flight, scored a team-high 18 points to lead the eight-school field followed by Taylor Kennedy, 16; Dearborn and Carleton Airport, 15 each; Southgate Anderson, 13; Dearborn Edsel Ford and Detroit Cass Tech, 7 each; and Wayne Memorial, 5.

Going 3-0 on the day and winning singles titles for Churchill included Arvika Triveni (No. 2) and Kayla Gruich (No. 3). Rylie Fallu (No. 1) and Madison White (No. 3) added thirds.

Churchill's No. 2 doubles team of Maggie Trinka and Jessica Bannini also went 3-0.

Lexi Fata and Kristen Reault (No. 3) took runner-up honors, while Julia Marsh and Aishwarya Handa (No. 4) contributed a third.

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No. 1 singles: Aimee Moccia (LS) defeated Chiseta Yu, 6-1, 6-1; No. 2: Bianca Ghita (Salem) def. Arryn Dochenetz, 6-2, 6-2; No. 3: Kylie Enright (Salem) def. Jill Weiland, 6-1, 6-4; No. 4: Danielle Marzec (LS) def. Tiffany Chan, 7-6, 3-6, 6-3.
No. 1 doubles: Maddie Chimento-Sam Cyrus (LS) def. Ashmi Nagar-Ashley Henderson, 6-3, 6-4; No. 2: Kiley Flynn-Madison Kulik (Salem) def. Lauren Larson-Sarah Morse, 6-3, 6-0; No. 3: Kendall Berghofer-Rachel Herschok (Salem) def. Caitlyn McCamant-Clairessa

Smith), 7-6, 6-1; No. 4: Natalie Hay-Alyssa Ayyash (LS) def. Alyssa Bucciarelli-Grace Martin, 6-1, 6-4; No. 5: Allison Malkowski-Molly Cormier (LS) def. Alyna Schwartz-Celine Kremer, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.
Stevenson's dual match record: 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLAAS Central Division; Salem, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAAS Central.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 9 WAYNE MEMORIAL 0 April 8 at Wayne

No. 1 singles: Carolyn McCullen (LF) defeated Janae Strickland, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Kendall Payne (LF) def. Breanna Pate, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Madison Eisenhower (LF) def. Clara Casey, 6-0, 6-1; No. 4: Morgan Witherspoon (LF) def. Kendelle Hood, 6-3, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Samantha Voss-Carla Yanez (LF) def. Danielle Lynn-Taylor Mowry, 6-0, 6-2; No. 2: Stefani Hudy-Chelsea McWilliams (LF) def. Tiffany Baker-Ryleigh Strong, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Kaitly Swenson-Sniga Thyagaraj (LF) def. Rachel Cherian-Savannah Mowry, 6-2, 6-2; No. 4: Blake Newberry-Ashlee Mahoney (LF) def. Brittany Nahle-Macey Wolf, 6-1, 6-0; No. 5: Kelsey Hansen-Janki Patel (LF) won by default.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 1-2 overall, 1-0 KLAAS South Division; Wayne, 0-1 KLAAS South.

PLYMOUTH 9 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 0 April 8 at Plymouth

No. 1 singles: Sarah Gamble (P) defeated Francesca Spallari, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Swetha Duraiswamy (P) def. Makayla Hines, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Miranda Cerny (P) def. Floriana Bebrri, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Amber Tseng (P) won by default.

No. 1 doubles: Teahn Horton-Emma Mullenax (P) def. Leanna Carreon-Gifty Tawrah, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Katie Weyers-Nisha Patel (P) def. Andrea Edwards-Ashley Ilonze, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Alyssa Lopez-Lauren Conley (P) def. Gema Gomez-Anna McEimeel, 6-0, 5-0 (retired); No. 4: Justin Ko-Ria Mahesh (P) def. Camille Hollins-Stella Blair, 6-0, 6-1; No. 5: Sindhu Borra-Amanah Fatima (P) def. Kiara Holmes-Khila Williams, 6-0, 6-0.

Dual meet records: Plymouth, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAAS South Division; John Glenn, 0-2 overall, 0-1 KLAAS South.

NORTHVILLE 7 LIVONIA STEVENSON 1 April 7 at Northville

No. 1 singles: Aimee Moccia (LS) defeated Reeshma Kumar, 6-1, 6-2; No. 2: Emma Worley (N) def. Arryn Dochenetz, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Joanne Gao (N) def. Jill Weiland, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Emilia Albanelli (N) def. Danielle Marzec, 6-1, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Annika Mulkerji-Danielle Romano (N) def. Maddie Chimento-Sam Cyrus, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Claudia Ma-Paige Baal (N) def. Lauren Larson-Sarah Morse, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Alex Jeanotte-Jordan Hermiz (N) def. Caitlyn McCamant-Clairessa Smith, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Libby Quinn-Molly Bis (N) def. Natalie Hay-Alyssa Ayyash, 6-1, 6-1; No. 5: Chloe Paige-Mallika Sachdev (N) def. Allison Malkowski-Molly Cormier, 6-0, 6-2.

Dual match records: Northville, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAAS Central Division; Stevenson, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAAS Central.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Head coach: Denise Berg-Grant, 20th year.

League affiliation: KLAAS Kensington Conference (South Division).

Last year's finish: third, KLAAS South (3-2); Division 1 regional; tied for 10th, KLAAS Association "A" Tourney; 3-5 overall.

Notable losses to graduation: Mara Karageozian, Claire Rose, Rujuta Patil, Sneha Patil, Erin Strayhorn.

Leading returnees: Rylie Fallu, Sr., No. 1 singles; Triveni Arvika, Soph., No. 2 singles; Jessica Bannini, Jr., No. 2 doubles; Madison White, Soph., No. 3 singles; Allison Hill, Sr., No. 1 doubles; Maggie Trinka, Jr., No. 2 doubles; Lexi Fata, Jr., No. 3 doubles.

Promising newcomers: Kristen Reault, Sr., No. 4 singles; Kayla Gruich, Jr., No. 3 doubles; Julia Marsh, Jr., No. 4 doubles; Aishwarya Handa, Jr., No. 4 doubles; Victoria Perez, Jr., No. 5 doubles; Clara Bielawski, Fr., No. 5 doubles.

Berg-Grant's 2014 outlook: "We had quite a few losses due to graduation, but we also have a fairly strong number of girls put some time in over the summer and improved their game, so we should be pretty competitive. Fallu looks strong. She's been playing a lot of tennis. She's looking good."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Head coach: Rick Clack, fifth year.

League affiliation: KLAAS Kensington (South Division).

Last year's finish: fourth, KLAAS South (2-3); fifth, Division 1 regional; eighth, KLAAS Association "B" Tourney; 2-6 overall.

Notable losses to graduation: Laura Shureb, Batool Hussian, Josie Abdulbaki, Julia Grammatico.

Leading returnees: Aimee Moccia, Sr., No. 1 singles (first-team All-Area, 20-5, regional runner-up, Division 1 state qualifier); Kendall Payne, Soph., No. 2 singles (16-7, KLAAS 8 tourney champ); Madison Eisenhower, Sr., No. 3 singles; Morgan Witherspoon, Sr., singles; Samantha Voss, Sr., singles; Carla Yanez, Soph.,



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Leading returnees: Carolyn McCullen, Sr., No. 1 singles (first-team All-Area, 20-5, regional runner-up, Division 1 state qualifier); Kendall Payne, Soph., No. 2 singles (16-7, KLAAS 8 tourney champ); Madison Eisenhower, Sr., No. 3 singles; Morgan Witherspoon, Sr., singles; Samantha Voss, Sr., singles; Carla Yanez, Soph.,

GIRLS TENNIS CAPSULE OUTLOOK

singles: Stefani Hudy, Sr., No. 2 doubles; Chelsea McWilliams, Jr., No. 2 doubles; Kaitly Swenson, Jr., No. 3 doubles; Sniga Thyagaraj, Jr., No. 3 doubles; Blake Newberry, Sr., No. 4 doubles; Ashlee Mahoney, Jr., No. 4 doubles; Ki-Jana Malone, Jr., doubles; Janki Patel, Jr., doubles; Kelsey Hansen, Sr., doubles.

Promising newcomers: To be determined.

Clack's 2014 outlook: "We should be stronger this year with a record turnout of 43 players this year. We have improved over the off season and are ready for a competitive season. We have a rock-solid combination at No. 1 and 2 singles with McCullen and Payne. Eisenhower will play No. 3 with No. 4 undecided between Witherspoon, Voss and Yanez. These three will continue to play their challenge matches as the weather breaks. Each have made extra efforts in summer play with Jack Kingsbury and we will let it be decided on the courts. I am very pleased with efforts put forward in the two matches of the season."

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Head coach: Don McCathney, fifth year.

League affiliation: KLAAS Kensington (Central Division).

Last year's finish: first, Division 1 regional; second, KLAAS Association "B" Tourney; fourth, Central Division (2-3); 6-3 overall.

Notable losses to graduation: Laura Shureb, Batool Hussian, Josie Abdulbaki, Julia Grammatico.

Leading returnees: Aimee Moccia, Sr., No. 1 singles (first-team All-Area, 23-2, regional champion, Division 1 state qualifier); Arryn Dochenetz, Jr., No. 2 singles (first-team All-Area doubles, 16-5); Maddie Chimento, Jr.; Sam



Moccia



Dochenetz

Division 1 state qualifier); Arryn Dochenetz, Jr., No. 2 singles (first-team All-Area doubles, 16-5); Maddie Chimento, Jr.; Sam

Cyrus, Soph.; Sarah Morse, Jr.; Danielle Marzec, Jr.; Lauren Larson, Soph.; Caitlyn McCamant, Jr.; Clairessa Smith, Jr.; Cindy Grammatico, Soph.

Promising newcomers: Jill Weand, Fr.; Natalie Hay, Fr.; Molly Cormier, Fr.; Alyssa Ayyash, Fr.; Allison Malkowski, Fr.; Noelle Hillert, Fr.

McCathney's 2014 outlook: "This is a very young and untested team. We hope to improve a lot over the season so that we are competitive by the end of the year. We are once again in a favorable regional, which we were able to win last season. This is a nice group of players to work with."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

Head coach: Rebekah Pummill, first year.

League affiliation: KLAAS Kensington (South Division).

Last year's finish: sixth, KLAAS South (0-5); tied for 10th, KLAAS Association "B" Tourney; 11th, Division 1 regional, 1-12 overall.

Notable losses to graduation: Keyarra Jackson.

Leading returnees: Francesca Spallari, Soph., No. 2 singles; Makayla Hines, Jr., No. 3 singles; Leanna Carreon, Jr., No. 1 doubles; Andrea Edwards, Soph., No. 2 doubles.

Promising newcomers: Malaysia Martin, Fr., No. 1 singles; Floriana Bebrri, Jr., No. 4 singles.

Pummill's 2014 outlook: "We have a promising season ahead of us. We have a young team with a lot of newcomers. Of the 15 girls on our roster, only seven have played before. The new players are picking up quickly and everyone works very well together. They are all looking to improve and are willing to help each other out. This season we actually have enough players to fill an entire team with a few extra, so that in and of itself is a good thing. Despite a slow start due to the bad weather, having to practice in the gym for two weeks, and only practicing with nets one time before our first match, we played well. We are all very excited for our upcoming season."

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Head coach: Zoe Calderon, second year.

League affiliation: KLAAS Kensington (South Division).

Last year's finish: fifth, KLAAS South (1-4); ninth, Division 1 regional; KLAAS Association "B" Tourney; 2-6 overall.

Notable losses to graduation: Angela Baker, Sarah Surge, Kira Leach.

Leading returnees: Janae Strickland, Jr., No. 1 singles; Kendelle Hood, Jr.; Tiffany Baker, Jr.; Breanna Pate, Sr.; Clara Casey, Soph.; Taylor Mowry, Jr.; Daniala Lynn, Soph.

Promising newcomers: Rachel Cherian, Jr.; Ryleigh Strong, Jr.; Brittany Nahle, Jr.; Macey Wolf, Soph.

Calderon's 2014 outlook: "We have a young team, but they are all very enthusiastic about the game. I have seen vast improvements since the season began. The potential for growth on our team is going to allow us to be competitive in the coming seasons."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD

Head coach: Kim Ervin, first year.

League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).

Last year's finish: fifth, Central Division (1-4); Division 4 regional; sixth, Catholic League A Division tournament.

Notable losses to graduation: Nicole Salter, Stephanie Hampe, Abbie Pope-Starnes.

Leading returnees: Jennifer Cushman, Sr., No. 3 singles (captain); Genny Kobross, Sr. (captain), No. 1 doubles; Michelle Bade, Jr., No. 1 doubles; Madison Markwardt, Soph., No. 2 singles; Sarah Jabbour, Sr., No. 4 singles; Maeve Mott, Fr., No. 2 doubles; Tiffany Chen, Soph., No. 2 doubles.

Promising newcomers: Antonia Ramon, Sr., No. 1 singles; Natalie Grossman, Fr., No. 3 doubles; Jordyn Rioux, Fr., No. 3 doubles; Lana Mashni, Soph., No. 4 doubles; Nicole Bidagare, Soph., No. 4 doubles.

Ervin's 2014 outlook: "Ramon is starting her first year on the team at No. 1 singles and won her first match against (Allen Park) Cabrini. Markwardt returns for her second season in singles. Cushman played doubles the last three seasons and is moving to singles, as will Jabbour, who played doubles in the past. Kobross and Bade have been doubles teammates before and have grown to be strong competitors. Although they lost their first match, they show promise."

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Crusaders sign Goodrich guard

Madonna University men's basketball coach Noel Emehiser announced the start of his 2014 recruiting class on Tuesday with the signing of Grant Smith, a 6-foot-3 guard from Goodrich. Smith, who hails from Davison, scored 300 points as a senior while adding 60 assists and making 56 steals to earn All-Genesee Area Conference first-



Smith

team honors. Smith was a GAC honorable mention selection as a sophomore and junior. "Grant displays all of the qualities that we look for in our players. He displays great character, is a tireless worker and a dedicated student," Emehiser said of Smith, who also earned an Academic letter at Goodrich. "Grant has shown that he is capable of leading a team and at times making the necessary sacrifices for his team to win."

Smith also helped the Martians to Class B district and regional titles in 2012 and 2014.

"We are fortunate that we are getting a great player who has received great coaching from coach Gary Barns at Goodrich and we know that will help prepare him for a successful experience here at Madonna," said Emehiser, who guided the Crusaders to their second 20-win season in 2013-14 before losing in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference tournament semifinals.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

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.

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. W'sld at Franklin Rd., 4:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Woodhaven (2), 11 a.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

Thursday, April 10

Ladywood at Regina (2), 4 p.m.
Grosse Ile at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
PCA at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
HVL at Parkway, 4:30 p.m.

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

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

Luth. W'sld 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

Thursday, April 10

Saginaw Valley Invitational, 9 a.m.

Livonia Boys CityMeet-QC- at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, April 11

Livonia P.S. Girls Meet at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12

Charger Inv. at Crestwood, 9 a.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

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

Salem Rocks Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Livonia Public Schools Inv. at Stevenson & Franklin, 9 a.m.

BOYS GOLF

Thursday, April 10

N.B. Huron Unsel Invitational at Willow Metropark, 9 a.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Thursday, April 10

Ladywood at G.P. North, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12

Regina at Ladywood, 3 p.m.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Thursday, April 10

Madonna at Rochester, 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 12

Lourdes at Madonna (2), 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

Lourdes at Madonna (2), 1 p.m.

COLLEGE SOFTBALL (all double-headers)

Saturday, April 12

Madonna at N'western Ohio, 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

Madonna at Lourdes, 1 p.m.

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PREP BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Salem pitching quartet silences Churchill

Breen's grand slam gives Spartans win

Four different pitchers combined on a five-hitter Monday as Salem downed host Livonia Churchill in a KLAA Kensington Conference crossover baseball game, 4-1.

Nick March started and went the first two innings followed by Andrew Hunt and Eric Scott, who also went two apiece before Josh Penn finished up. The quartet

combined for five strikeouts and walked only one. Jack Driscoll had a 2-run single, while Brandon Gillen and Colin Savage each added RBI singles for the victorious Rocks, who were playing their season opener.

Gillen had two of Salem's eight hits.

Zach Glidden, who pitched the first five innings, took the loss for the Chargers, who slipped to 1-1 overall and 1-1 in the KLAA's South Division. Jon Hovermale struck out three over the

final two innings. Nick Misiak drove home Andrew Summers for Churchill's lone run.

STEVENSON 10, CANTON 4: C.J. Breen's grand slam sparked a six-run seventh inning Tuesday as host Livonia Stevenson (2-2, 1-1) won a continuation Kensington Conference crossover game against the Chiefs (0-1, 0-1).

The game was halted by rain after five innings Monday with the two teams deadlocked 4-4.

Mitch Deacon also added an RBI, while C.J. Weiss scored twice for the Spartans.

Rodney Bies, who pitched 2½ innings of scoreless relief on Tuesday, picked up the victory.

Nick Schnur collected two hits for Canton, which out-hit the Spartans, 8-4.

FRANKLIN 9, DEARBORN 4: Hunter Sellers went 2-for-4 with three RBI and Daniel Johnson added two RBI Tuesday as host Livonia Franklin (5-0-1) downed the Pioneers (0-2) in a nonconference game.

Adam Carver also went 2-for-4 with two runs to help starter Ryan Prohaska get the win. In six innings, Prohaska allowed four runs on six hits and four walks. Nick Mardeusz came on to pitch the seventh.

FRANKLIN 4, CRESTWOOD 4: On Monday, host Dearborn Heights Crestwood (0-1-1) and Livonia Franklin (4-0-1) battled to a draw after the nonconference game was called after six innings because of wet weather.

Colton Dawdy went 3-for-4 with two RBI and Jacob Hagan added two hits for the Chargers, who tied the game with a run in the bottom of the sixth.

Crestwood out-hit the Patriots, 11-7. Adam Carver (RBI) and Daniel Johnson each collected two hits for the Patriots.

Mitchell Gonyaw pitched the first 4½ innings before Hunter Sellers went the next 1½ for the Patriots.

FRANKLIN 4-13, THURSTON 2-3: On Saturday, host Livonia Franklin (4-0) swept a nonconference double-header against Redford Thurston (0-3).

In Game One, winning pitcher Colby Dewhirst scattered three hits and six walks

over six innings in a 4-2 Franklin victory. Dewhirst struck out six before giving way to Jordan Stasser, who came on in the seventh to fan three and walk to pick up the save.

The Patriots scored three times in the bottom of the sixth to break a 1-1 deadlock as C.J. Garrick singled home Mitchell Gonyaw with the go-ahead run followed by Joe Chinavare's 2-run single.

Austin Benoit singled home Thurston's lone run in the seventh.

In Game Two, Hunter Sellers went 3-for-3 with four RBI as Franklin beat the Eagles in five innings, 13-3. Tyler Camp and Chinavare also sparked Franklin's 10-hit attack with two RBI each.

Winning pitcher Andrew Montie went all five innings allowing three runs on three hits and one walk, while striking out five.

Thurston, which committed three errors, got an RBI from Jake Paulsin.

STEVENSON 5-11, ANN ARBOR HURON 4-13: On Saturday, host Livonia Stevenson (1-2) and Ann Arbor Huron split a nonconference double-header.

Stevenson captured the opener, 5-4, as freshman C.J. Breen drove home Jack Ferguson with the game-winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Top hitters for the Spartans, who rallied to send the game into extra innings with a run in the seventh, included Mitch Deacon (3-for-5), Ferguson (2-for-3, two runs), and Breen (2-for-3, RBI).

Gabe McBay, who threw three innings of scoreless relief, got the victory.

Austin Henry and Kyle Psychas each collected two hits for the River Rats, who came back to win the nightcap, 13-11.

Psychas collected three hits for Huron. Top offensive producers for the Spartans included Sean McCann and Breen (2-for-4, one RBI each), Mike Warner (four runs); Kyle Gaimpaola (two runs, RBI).

GROSSE ILE 16, CLARENCEVILLE 0: David Curvin had the lone hit Tuesday as host Livonia Clarenceville (0-3) fell to the Red Devils in a non-leaguer.

On Saturday, the Trojans fanned 21 times and managed just two hits, a double by Evan Greeg and a single by Ryan Menlie, in a double-header setback to visiting Franklin Road Christian, 12-0 and 11-0.

GIRLS SOFTBALL WRAP

Rockets orbit by Panthers in 14-1 romp

Ladywood sweeps Marian in opener

Chelsea Gilbert collected two hits, knocked in four runs and scored three Monday as Westland John Glenn rolled to a 14-1 girls softball non-conference victory at Redford Union.

Seven of nine Rockets collected hits with other offensive leaders being Megan Buford (two hits, three runs); Bailey Hamill (two hits) and winning pitcher Lexi Lester (two hits).

Lester worked the first four innings, allowing one run on just one hit with no walks.

Reliever Mackenzie Huren went the final inning and struck out all three batters she faced as Glenn improved to 1-2 overall.

Rozier Gains took the loss for the Panthers.

LADYWOOD 5-6, MARIAN 4-5: Livonia Ladywood (2-0, 2-0) opened its season Tuesday at home by sweeping a pair of one-run games against Birmingham Marian.

Lauren Holdsworth went 3-for-4 with the game-winning 2-run single in the bottom of the eighth to give the Blazers a 6-5 win in the nightcap.

Enika Selakowski added two hits and scored twice, while Michaela Warner also had two hits and an RBI.

Winning pitcher Rozlyn Price allowed six hits, walked only two and struck out 14.

She was also the winning pitcher in the opener going all seven innings scattering eight hits in a 5-4 victory.

Selakowski and Warner each had two hits and two RBI in the victory.

BELLEVILLE 10-12, FRANKLIN 6-2: In a non conference twinbill Tuesday, host Livonia Franklin (0-3) dropped a pair to the Tigers (2-0).

Sarah Cramton had four hits and two RBI, but it wasn't enough as Franklin fell in the opener, 10-6. Losing pitcher Courtney Garbarino, Brooke Garbarino, Megan Chapman, Becky Giacobbi and Lauren Michael also added two hits apiece.

Belleville also won Game Two in five innings, 12-2, as Megan Chapman took the loss allowing nine hits and nine walks.

Danielle Hoskins, who had an RBI, and Cramton Giacobbi each had two hits in a losing cause.

GROSSE ILE 5, CLARENCEVILLE 0: Megan Burr threw a 3-hitter and struck out 15 to lead the Red Devils to a non-conference win Tuesday at Livonia Clarenceville (0-2).

Casey Nellenbach paced Grosse Ile with a triple and double. Losing pitcher Emily Schwartz allowed five runs on six hits and five walks while fanning six.

Senior Mikala Kieling reached base twice with a single and hit by a pitch.

CHURCHILL 17, SALEM 7: Victoria Lupher went 3-for-4 with three RBI and Julia Cavagnini went 3-for-5 with three RBI Monday as host Livonia Churchill (2-0, 2-0) downed the Rocks in a KLAA Kensington Conference crossover.

Also contributing to Churchill's 17-hit attack was Julia Twigg (3-for-4, three runs), winning pitcher Mellanie Richardson (2-for-4, three RBI), Katie Shereda (2-for-3, two RBI), and Reagan Payton (2-for-4, RBI).

Richardson earned the victory going all seven innings allowing 16 hits.

CANTON 12, STEVENSON 2: On Monday, the host Chiefs (2-0, 2-0) scored seven times in the fourth inning to roll to a Kensington Conference crossover win over Livonia Stevenson (2-1, 1-1).

Stevenson starter Ericka Randall, who allowed four hits, took the loss in going the distance.

Senior Alex Knorp collected two of Stevenson's four hits. "We played a little sloppy in the rain and that led to a bad inning, but no excuse," Stevenson coach Mike Reilly said.

MADONNA

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John Lauro also knocked in two runs as the Crusaders jumped out to a 3-0 first-inning lead and never looked back.

In the first game, Zylor Crosby and Alex Leach each went 3-for-5, while Brandon Collins added two hits and three RBI to pace the first-place Racers.

Top hitters for MU included Barron (3-for-5, two RBI); Ryan Lambrecht (3-for-5); and Taylor Grzelakowski (2-for-5, RBI).

Reliever Justin Hicks (1-2), who gave up five earned runs on six hits and 2½ innings, took the loss.

Reliever John Schreiber (3-1) got the win for the Racers, who rallied for five runs in the top of the eighth to erase a 6-5 deficit.

N'WESTERN OHIO 7-6, MADONNA 1-2: On Saturday, Northwestern Ohio (19-9, 7-1) took two in a WHAC twinbill from the host Crusaders (15-14, 2-6) at Ilitch Ballpark.

Pichi Torres (6-1), with relief help from Tyler Eaton, pitched seven strong innings allowing just six hits while fanning five to earn the victory in a 7-1 Northwestern Ohio triumph.

Alex Leach, Ryan Lozada, Cory Cook, James Cardona and Ben Schubert each collected two hits for the Racers, who out-hit MU 13-7.

Losing pitcher Adam Prashad (3-2) allowed five earned runs in 6½ innings for MU, which got two hits apiece from Taylor Grzelakowski and Ryan Lech.

In Game Two, Perth, Australia native Brodie Mitchell (5-2), a junior left-hander, allowed just three hits over seven innings in a 6-2 Racers victory.

Brandon Collins (two RBI) and Jose Cruz each collected three hits for Northwestern Ohio as MU starter Alec Padilla, who lasted 4½ innings, suffered the loss.

Victor Barron had both Madonna RBI, while Shane Dokey contributed two hits.



Madonna's Victor Barron went 6-for-9 on the day with four RBI in a twinbill split Sunday with Northwestern Ohio. ADAM BOUTON | MADONNA ATHLETICS

PATRIOT RELAYS

April 5 at Livonia Franklin

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Salem, 103 points; 2. Plymouth, 91; 3. Livonia Franklin, 78; 4. Warren Regina, 78; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 43; 6. Allen Park, 24; 7. Dearborn, 22; 8. Redford Union, 17; 9. Garden City, 15; 10. Wayne Memorial, 10; 11. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 12; 12. Lincoln Park, 0.

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

Shot put: 1. Franklin (Kayla Carwile, Sophia Modes, Alexis Browning), 84 feet, 8.5 inches; 2. Plymouth, 84-7; 3. Allen Park, 79-7; 4. Garden City, 79-4; 5. Stevenson, 77-11; 6. Salem, 74-8.

Discus: 1. Stevenson (Andrew Staher, Morgan Waters, Maddy Petipas), 258-2; 2. Plymouth, 253-0; 3. Salem, 230-1; 4. Franklin, 228-7; 5. Allen Park, 219-7; 6. Regina, 215-6.

High jump: 1. Plymouth (Harris, Clemens, Priebrough), 13-9; 2. (tie) Dearborn and Regina, 13-5 each; 4. Stevenson, 13-4; 5. Franklin, 13-3; 6. Salem, 8-11.

Long jump: 1. Franklin (Brianna Gutkowski, Jasmine Crowley, Cierra Davis), 40-4; 2. Plymouth, 40-1; 3. Salem, 39-11; 4. Stevenson, 39-2; 5. Regina, 38-6; 6. Dearborn, 38-4.

Pole vault: 1. Franklin (Sheila McKinley, Tasha McKinley, Helen Moore), 20-9 (Sheila McKinley, 11-3, breaks Emily Quiret's 2009 school record of 11-2); 2. Plymouth, 27-6; 3. Stevenson, 22-0; 4. Garden City, 20-0; 5. Allen Park, 12-0; 6. Salem, 11-0.

6,400-meter: 1. Salem (Hughes, Arquette, Cho, Kavulich), 23:33.9; 2. Regina, 23:47.0; 3. Stevenson, 24:01.1; 4. Franklin, 24-41.1; 5. Plymouth, 25:13.7; 6. Garden City, 26:13.3.

Shuttle hurdle: 1. Salem (Falzon, Essien, Edgar, Fairchild), 1:13.5; 2. Franklin, 1:13.5; 3. Regina, 1:13.8; 4. Plymouth, 1:13.8; 5. Redford Union, 1:19.5; 6. Dearborn, 1:20.1.

3,200: 1. Salem (Tipp, Kavulich, Arquette, Cho), 10:19.7; 2. Regina, 10:40.5; 3. Plymouth, 10:53.0; 4. Stevenson, 11:07.3; 5. Franklin, 11:16.5; 6. Crestwood, 11:37.1.

400: 1. Salem (Johnson, Samuels, Ogarek, Rodriguez), 52-5; 2. (tie) Plymouth and Redford Union, 53.9 each; 4. Garden City, 54.0; 5. Franklin, 54.5; 6. Wayne, 55.7.

Sprint medley: 1. Franklin (Aubrey Mavin, Bryah White, Crowley, Julie Wonk), 1:56.3; 2. Plymouth, 1:58.9; 3. Salem, 2:03.8; 4. Allen Park, 2:07.5; 5. Wayne, 2:07.8; 6. Regina, 2:09.4.

Distance medley: 1. Regina (Diehl, L. Bloch, Pon-

kowski, C. Bloch), 13:29.1; 2. Salem, 13:31.7; 3. Franklin, 14:12.8; 4. Stevenson, 14:30.1; 5. Dearborn, 14:38.3; 6. Crestwood, 14:38.3.

800: 1. Salem (Johnson, Samuels, Ogarek, Rodriguez), 1:50.8; 2. Plymouth, 1:51.3; 3. Dearborn, 1:55.0; 4. Wayne, 1:55.6; 5. Garden City, 1:56.7; 6. Stevenson, 1:58.8.

Co-ed 400: 1. Allen Park (Fish, Gamble, Kobik, Andrade), 49-5; 2. Salem, 50-2; 3. Franklin, 50-6; 4. Dearborn, 52-7; 5. Plymouth, 53-6; 6. Regina, 53-9.

Throwers 400: 1. Regina (Bremerkamp, Reno, Capoferri, Oles), 1:01.1; 2. Redford Union, 1:01.7; 3. Salem, 1:03.3; 4. Plymouth, 1:03.8; 5. Stevenson, 1:05.6; 6. Wayne, 1:07.4.

1,600 relay: 1. Salem (Johnson, Cho, Rodriguez, Kavulich), 4:13.5; 2. Plymouth, 4:20.2; 3. Regina, 4:22.5; 4. Franklin, 4:31.4; 5. Wayne, 4:37.6; 6. Dearborn, 4:38.6.

ROYAL OAK SHRINE OPEN

April 5 at Livonia Ladywood

Shot put: 1. Kristy Smrcka (Lutheran South), 33 feet, 6½ inches; 5. Krystyna Kitlinski (Ladywood), 25-9½; 6. Emily Brown (Ladywood), 25-9½; 7. Smrcka (Luth. South), 107-5 (meet record); 2. Kitlinski (Ladywood), 64-8; 6. Brown (Ladywood), 64-8; 8. High jump: 1. Clare Romano (Shrine), 4-8; 4. Emily Fairbairn (Lutheran Westland), 4-6; 6. Molly McCloyre (Ladywood), 4-4; 4. Long jump: 1. Elaine Haggard (Oakland Christian), 14-5; 3. Callan Tigani (Ladywood), 13-0; 5. Elisabeth Ivey (Luth. Westland), 12-9; 10. 100-meter hurdles: 1. Irene Peaslee (Shrine), 18-69; 3. Sabrina Morrison (Luth. Westland), 18-8; 4. Hannah Gove (Ladywood), 19-09; 6. Shala Murray (Luth. Westland), 20-91; 300 hurdles: 1. Gove (Ladywood), 51-93; 3. Morrison (Luth. Westland), 55-68; 4. Margaret Harrington (Ladywood), 55-84; 5. Eleanor Stork (Luth. Westland), 58-62; 6. McCloyre (Ladywood), 58-68; 100 dash: 1. Madison Jerome (Liggett), 14-08; 2. Amber Riehmiller (Ladywood), 14-21; 6. Ani Ramon (Ladywood), 14-56; 200: 1. Taylor Kilgore (Shrine), 27-87; 2. Ramon (Ladywood), 28-38; 400: 1. Hill (Ladywood), 1:06-79; 3. Riehmiller (Ladywood), 1:08-52; 4. Hill (Ladywood), 1:08-88; 800: 1. Michelle Partipilo (River-view Gabriel Richard), 2:42.15; 2. Hill (Ladywood), 2:45-0; 4. Furlong (Ladywood), 2:45-99; 6. Sarah Wilson (Ladywood), 2:48-09; 1,600: 1. Tess Fornari (Waterford Our Lady), 5:37-73; 2. Jenna Wisner (Luth. Westland), 5:42-75; 3. Catherine McLaurin (Ladywood), 5:42-99; 5. Wilson (Ladywood),

5:50-91; 3,200: 1. Fornari (Our Lady), 11:55-72 (meet record); 2. Wisner (Luth. Westland), 12:21-96; 3. McLaurin (Ladywood), 12:26-72; 800 relay: 1. Bishop Foley, 2:06-81; 3. Ladywood, 2:14-52; 1,600 relay: 1. Ladywood, 1:01-79.

DUAL MEET RESULTS

DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD 80 LIVONIA LADYWOOD 44

April 7 at Ladywood

Shot put: 1. Rachel O'Neill (DDC), 31 feet, 7 inches; 3. Krystyna Kitlinski (LL), 27-11¼; discuss: 1. Mariah Fuquid (DDC), 83-2; 3. Kitlinski (LL), 80-10; high jump: 1. Hannah Gove (LL), 5-1; long jump: 1. Shannon Rice (DDC), 14-2¼; 3. Callan Tigani (LL), 13-10; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Hannah Korpius (DDC), 18-38; 2. Gove (LL), 18-57; 300 hurdles: 1. Korpius (DDC), 51-06; 2. Gove (LL), 52-63; 100 dash: 1. Kelsey Kinder (DDC), 13-54; 2. Amber Riehmiller (LL), 13-7; 200: 1. Ani Ramon (LL), 28-53; 2. Riehmiller (LL), 29-51; 400: 1. Erin Drabicki (DDC), 1:04-35; 3. Alyson Hill (LL), 1:06-32; 800: 1. Liz Julen (DDC), 2:31-09; 3. Pilar Furlong (LL), 2:47-84; 1,600: 1. Ella Lawson (DDC), 6:02-79; 3,200: 1. Catherine McLaurin (LL), 12:30-36; 3. Katherine Gaffka (LL), 13:30-36.

400 relay: 1. Divine Child, 1:56-2; 2. Ladywood, 57-04; 800 relay: 1. Divine Child, 1:56-2; 1,600 relay: 2:01-97; 3,200 relay: 1. Divine Child, 10:38-73; 2. Ladywood, 10:57-59.

Dual meet records: Divine Child, 2-0 overall; 2-0 Catholic League Central Division; Ladywood, 0-2 overall, 0-2 Central Division.

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April 8 at Franklin

Shot put: 1. Sophia Modes (LF), 31 feet, 8 inches; Madison Young (WM), 29-4; Kayla Carwile (LF), 27-6; discuss: 1. Modes (LF), 93-2; 2. Brooke Bagazinski (LF), 77-1; 3. Kaitlaine Stabler (LF), 68-6; high jump: 1. Andrea Wickens (LF), 4-0; 2. Sheila McKinley (LF), 4-0; long jump: 1. Jasmine Crowley (LF), 14-11.5; 2. Cierra Davis (LF), 14-0.5; Brianna Gutowski (LF), 13-8.75; pole vault: 1. 5. McKinley (LF), 10-0; 2. Tasha McKinley (LF), 9-0; 3. Helen Moore (LF), 7-6; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Lexi Anagnostopoulos (LF), 18-1; 2. T. McKinley (LF), 18-3; 3. Wickens (LF), 18-4; 300 hurdles: 1. Nikki Hawthorne (LF), 53-4; 2. T. McKinley (LF), 53-9; 3. Wickens (LF), 56-5; 100 dash: 1. Bryah White (LF), 13-0; 2. Crowley (LF), 13-5; 3. Honia Williams

(WM), 13-6; 200: 1. Honia Williams (WM), 28-2; 2. Crowley (LF), 29-3; 3. White (LF), 29-5; 400: 1. Danielle Robbins (WM), 1:06-0; 2. Gutkowski (LF), 1:08-6; 3. Jenny Perelli (LF), 1:09-3; 800: 1. Natalie Douglas (LF), 2:42-7; 2. Riley Shine (LF), 3:06-3; 3. Kaitlyn McWilliams (LF), 3:06-3; 1,600: 0:1. Mandy Pokryfky (LF), 5:52-8; 2. Natalie Martinez (LF), 6:12-5; 3. Sarah Albus (LF), 6:45-6; 3,200: 0:1. Camryn Zurawski (LF), 13:09-9; 2. Emma Devine (LF), 13:53-4; 3. C.C. Shoemaker (LF), 14:56-4; 400 relay: 1. Franklin (White, S. McKinley, T. McKinley, Crowley), 53-5; 2. Wayne, 54-1; 800 relay: 1. Wayne, 1:53-0; 1,600 relay: 1. Franklin (Gutkowski, Katelyn Kovach, Mikaela Hill, Douglas), 4:51-2; 2. Wayne, 5:06-4; 3,200 relay: 1. Franklin (Shine, Paityn Santi, Katelyn Kovach, Martinez), 11:08-5; 3,200 relay: 1.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAASouth Division; Wayne, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLAASouth.

TRI-MEET RESULTS

April 8 at Harper Woods

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Lutheran Westland, 97; 2. Harper Woods, 34; 3. Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, 5.

Shot put: 1. Larkins (HW), 28 feet, 1¼; 2. Emily Brown (LW), 26¼; 3. MacKenzie York (LW), 26-2½; discuss: 1. Caitlin O'Banion (LW), 68-9; 3. Brown (LW), 63-10; high jump: 1. Emily Fairbairn (LW), 4-3; long jump: 1. Chelsea Kovacs (LW), 11-1; 2. Crawford (LW), 11-6; 3. York (LW), 11-2; 100-meter hurdles: 1. Sabrina Morrison (LW), 18-3; 2. Fairbairn (LW), 20-4; 3. Rachel Wiggins (LW), 20-6; 300 hurdles: 1. Morrison (LW), 55-9; 2. Eleanor Stork (LW), 58-0; 3. Claire Gordon (LW), 1:00-2; 100 dash: 1. Tab (HW), 13-0; 3. Abby Schaffer (LW), 14-2; 200: 1. Cook (HW), 29-0; 3. Schaffer (LW), 14-2; 400: 1. Ani Ramon (HW), 28-53; 2. Krystyna Kitlinski (LW), 27-11¼; 800: 1. Jenna Wisner (LW), 2:33-0; 3. Allie Lange (LW), 3:11-0; 1,600: 1. Alana Hill (LW), 6:53-8; 3,200: 1. Michelle Greening (LW), 14-28-3; 2. Allison Crawford (LW), 18:12-4; 400 relay: 1. Harper Woods, 5:51-2; Lutheran Westland, 57-2; 800 relay: 1. Lutheran Westland (Kovach, Johnson, Taylor Jones, Morrison), 2:04-2; 1,600 relay: 1. Lutheran Westland (Kovacs, Wiggins, Gordon Stork), 5:13-9; 3,200 relay: 1. Lutheran Westland (Wisner, Lange, Greening, Gwen Ulrey), 12:33-8.

Lutheran Westland's dual meet record: 2-0 overall.

BOYS TRACK RESULTS

PATRIOT RELAYS

April 5 at Livonia Franklin

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 84 points; 2. Salem, 62; 3. Dearborn, 57; 4. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 48; 5. Lincoln Park, 41; 6. Plymouth, 40; 7. Livonia Franklin, 38; 8. Allen Park, 30; 9. Wayne Memorial, 22; 10. Garden City, 21; 11. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 12; 12. Redford Union, 10.

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

Shot put: 1. Dearborn (Carell, Daajara, Ya-coobi), 140 feet, 0.75 inches; 2. Stevenson, 127-11.75; 3. Catholic Central, 126-1.75; 4. Salem, 120-6; 5. Plymouth, 116-5.5; 6. Lincoln Park, 113-10.5.

Discus: 1. Stevenson (Jalen Jones, Nick Hitchcock, Danny Pocalujka), 404-10; 2. Catholic Central, 3

All-area boys bowl over top-of-line competition

FIRST TEAM

Steven Cadwell, Sr., Salem: The Rocks' senior captain once again demonstrated his ability to come through in the clutch.

Cadwell was the anchor bowler as Salem rolled to a 15-0 regular season record, including 11-0 in the KLAA Central Division to win the title.

At the Division 1 individual regional at Super Bowl in Canton, he finished seventh overall with a total of 1,196 — enabling him to again qualify for the state finals.

"He bowls very well under pressure," coach Kathie Hahn said. "He proved to be a good captain leading his team to an undefeated season in the KLAA. As Steven is a senior, he will be greatly missed."

Cadwell registered an average of 211 and tallied a high game of 279 and high two-game series of 475.

Josh Pozan, Sr., Canton: The Chiefs' co-captain was dependable and often stellar during his senior season, averaging 209.

Pozan, an all-conference selection, qualified for the D1 individual finals with his third-place tie at the regionals (1,248).

At the state finals, he registered a total of 1,232, good for 37th place overall.

Other highlights included a high game of 267 and a high series of 492.

"Josh is a true leader for the Canton team, always there to rally the troops and always doing what is best for the team and his teammates," coach Karl Brubaker said. "When you have a young man like this on your team you never want to lose him but he will be missed and will be a leader in the next phase of his life."

Nolan Rudis, Jr., Salem: Another strong season for Rudis nearly concluded with a spot in the D1 state finals.

But the junior came up just 28 pins short when he finished 14th with a 1,140 tally at individual regionals. He also averaged 212 per game.

"Nolan had an exceptional season," Hahn said. "He had his first 300 game and also bowled a 557 series, which was the third highest in the state."

"We look forward to having him return next year as a senior."

Nick Bell, Jr., John Glenn: The junior, voted team MVP, averaged 208 this season for the Rockets while reaching the Division 1 state singles tournament and the round of 16 before losing to eventual state champion Josh Kukla of Grandville.

Bell took 10th in the regional with an 1,167 total including a high game of 244. At the state singles qualifying block he finished 13th with a 1,325 (257



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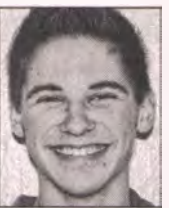
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high game). "Nick was our anchor bowler and always went against the opponents' best guy," Glenn coach Ron Staples said. "Many times Nick needed to strike to get us a win, or just as he did when he threw two strikes in the tenth to qualify the team for the state tournament. We look forward to see him bowl again next year."

Kody Wojewski, Sr., Wayne: The senior averaged 202 this season and qualified for the individual state singles after a third-place regional finish.

At the state finals, Wojewski placed 12th in the qualifying block with a 1,330 total, including a 264 high game.

Wojewski also teamed up with teammate Conner Weber for a second place in the Clarenceville Doubles Tournament.

"Kody was an outstanding addition for us after his transfer from John Glenn where he was one of the team leaders in average every year," Wayne coach Bob Jawor said.

Tyler Ridgeway, Jr., Salem: Another Salem junior with plenty of individual and team success under his belt is Snyder, who averaged 210 with a high game of 256 and high series of 488.

At the individual regionals, Snyder came in 20th with a total of 1,124 pins, including a 220 game.

"Tyler is a great team member," Hahn said. "He bowled in several positions in the lineup this season and perfected them. He consistently helped keep his team in the game throughout the year."

SECOND TEAM
Aaron Madsen, Jr., Canton: The co-captain and all-KLAA selection finished with a high game of 287. He averaged 209 per game and 498 per series.

At the D1 individual regionals, the junior finished 27th with a score of 1,084.

"Aaron is my anchorman for the team and is a steady performer, always around the pocket and always working on his game to get better," Brubaker said. "He will be a part of next year's team that looks to be

strong again. A great teammate and leader."

Mike Russom, Sr., John Glenn: The senior posted a team-best 209 average for the season as the Rockets finished third in the Division 1 regional and 10th in the team qualifying block.

"Mike throws the ball with two hands and it works very well for him," Staples said. "He has the instinct to adjust as he moving toward the approach line and find the pocket. Mike is a 4.0 student and his mental toughness really shows. Mike was calm under any circumstances and it was a pleasure to have gotten to know him."

Tyler Ridgeway, Jr., Salem: In just his first season with the Salem varsity, Ridgeway proved to be a great addition, averaging 201 pins per game.

He finished second at the individual regional at Super Bowl with a six-game series of 1,258, featuring a 267 in his sixth game.

With that, he qualified for the D1 finals at Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights, where he finished 43rd overall with a tally of 1,199.

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Matt Mikulec, Sr., Wayne
Nick King, Jr., Farm.-Harrison
Steve Brusseau, Sr., John Glenn
Billy Wicker, Sr., John Glenn
Clark VandenBosche, Sr., North Farm.
Garrett Sockow, Jr., Farm.-Harrison

COACH OF THE YEAR

Kathie Hahn, Salem

HONORABLE MENTION

Canton: Mitchell Zelenak, Trent Montgomery, Nick Blain; Plymouth: Charlie Anderson; Salem: James Campeau, Zachary Gonyea, Mitchell Rusinek; Farmington-Harrison: Matt Helisek; North Farmington: Adam Gould, Terence Robinson; Westland John Glenn: Dante Fischer, Jared Stevens; Wayne: Brandon June, Cody Gilbert; Clarenceville: Samuel Moore.

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Hahn said "He works very hard to improve his game. He has another year with us as he returns as a senior next season."

Ridgeway threw a 276 game and 491 series for his best showings in those two categories.

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was viewed by Hahn as the "glue" that holds a team together.

"Brandon had a strong season bowling mostly in the fourth position," Hahn said. "Brandon will be successful in whatever he chooses to do."

He wrapped up his final year with an average of 203, and enjoyed a high game of 246 and high series of 446.

Conner Weber, Soph., Wayne: The 10th-grader averaged 204 for the season and teamed up with Kody Wojewski for a second-place finish in the Clarenceville Doubles Tournament.

Weber took 17th overall in the regional with an 1,136 total. "Connor has had a solid first two years at Wayne and he is just starting to reach his potential," Jawor said. "I predict the next two years will be great seasons for him."

COACH OF THE YEAR
Kathie Hahn, Salem: Although Salem did not make the D1 team finals for the second year in a row, the Rocks enjoyed another outstanding regular season under the guidance of coaches Hahn, Glenn Clark and Crystal Webb.

Salem — rolled over the competition in the KLAA Central Division, finishing first with a 15-0 record.

According to Hahn, Observer Coach of the Year for the second straight year, a key factor to the Rocks' continuing success is team camaraderie.

"One of my kids put it the best way," Hahn said. "He said 'We are more of a family than a team.' The team will go out to breakfast before tournaments and out to dinner after tournaments. The families are close, the kids are close."

"... Ever since I've been doing this, for six years, my teams have always clicked and have always been close."

Hahn added that there is a pretty good chance the 2014-15 team will be very competitive, too.

"I just had an awesome group of boys, and I'm glad I only lost two (to graduation)," she said. "I have three coming back."

All five of her starting lineup made the All-Observer team, including seniors Cadwell and Allison, juniors Rudis, Snyder and Ridgeway.

RED CARDS

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Brittany Hayes had no chance to make a save on.

"It was beautiful, just wrapped it around the goalie," Stevenson coach Chris Grodzicki said of the game-winner. "I told her (El-Sabeh) to try and wrap it around the (10-yard) wall and let it skip on this turf and see if it could just race past her (Hayes). But she had a better idea than what I had, so good for her."

Grodzicki said he "didn't think much about it" after a foul was called on the left flank just outside the box, which led to the game-winner.

"I thought it was a questionable call at the top of the box," the Stevenson coach said. "I thought their coach (Friedrichs) had a good argument and the rest is out of my hands. But good for us for scoring and not letting one in. That's all I care about."

Meanwhile, Stevenson's back line — made up of Maddy Caves, Jenna Thom, Alyssa Benvenuti and El-Sabeh — was able to contain Churchill's top scoring threat Kelsey Parrinello, who is bound for the University of Cincinnati.

"I thought they were absolutely awesome against her," Grodzicki said. "I thought we did a great job of neutralizing her and what they wanted to do. Most of what they got forward came from the wings and the outsides. You can't ask for more from the back five tonight. And when anything did get through, (goalie) Rylie Jayson was calm

and up to the task."

After the match had ended, Friedrichs and Purroll returned to the field and addressed their squad. The Churchill coaches will have to miss Friday's non-conference match at Dearborn.

"I told him he (Fakhruddin) was intervening in the game when he didn't need to," Friedrichs said. "But I should have realized how the game was being called and acted in a better way. I just have to realize how the referee wants it to be called, what he will tolerate and what he won't, and act more appropriate according to the situation."

But what Friedrichs was able to witness during the first 45 minutes and 52 seconds, he definitely liked.

"We played great defensively," said the Churchill coach, whose team slipped to 1-2 overall. "They (Stevenson) really didn't have any serious chances besides that one. We played great, but we couldn't find that final pass in the third third (of the field). And that was due to them playing very well defensively."

Stevenson swings back into action Wednesday at Livonia Franklin.

"I thought we did a better job in the second half of getting to that last step," Grodzicki said. "We just had a hard time recognizing when it's time to shoot and when it's time to make that extra pass. And we need to learn it soon because we've got some tough tests coming down the road."

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GIRLS SOCCER

Ladywood settles for 0-0 draw against Regina

Tuesday's Catholic League girls soccer match between Livonia Ladywood and host Warren Regina ended up in a scoreless stalemate.

With the 0-0 tie, Ladywood stands 5-1-2 overall and 1-1-1 in the Central Division, while Regina is 1-2-1 and 1-2-1.

Ladywood goalkeeper Whitney Bauriedl made two saves to notch her second shutout of the season.

Regina's Sarah Hirschmann made three stops.

"Kind of a crazy game, but it usually is at their place," said Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker, whose team held an 8-7 shot advantage.

"That small field really takes any skill out of the game and it becomes a physical battle. I have no complaints about our work rate."

WAYNE 9, FORDSON 1: The scoring came early and often Monday as host Wayne Memorial (3-2) invoked the eight-goal mercy rule to beat Dearborn Fordson in a nonconference encounter.

Crystal Fletcher scored two unassisted goals, including the second coming with 12 minutes remaining to halt the nonconference encounter on a

cold and rainy night. Aimee Hutton led Wayne's attack with two goals and three assists. Victoria McKague also scored twice, while Gillian Abicht added a goal and assist.

Both Savannah Monette and Amber Parrish each converted penalty kicks for the Zebras, who led 5-1 at halftime.

JOHN GLENN 3, GARDEN CITY 1: Second-half goals by Susie Bryan and Savana Nicoscia enabled host Westland John Glenn (2-2-1) to earn a nonconference victory over the Cougars.

The Rockets jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the seventh minute on Kendra Pennington's free kick, but the Cougars tied it nine minutes later on Madison's Lilla's goal.

Bryan then scored unassisted with only 21:43 left for the game-winner and Nicoscia iced the victory with 11:10 remaining off an assist from C.C. Said. Goalkeeper Courtney Schaber made seven saves for the Rockets.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

MU women golfers 4th

Led by all-tournament selections Natalie Blazo and Jordyn Shepler (Livonia Churchill), the Madonna University women's golf team placed fourth Sunday at the Ohio Valley Invitational at Marietta Country Club (Ohio).

The Crusaders shot round of 343 and 337 for a 680 total over the 36-hole event. UM-St. Louis won the event with a 644 total.

Blazo shot rounds of 83-82, while Shepler added a 80-85, each carding 165s to tie for seventh.

Other MU finishers included Chelsea Collura, tied for 12th (84-83-167); Holly Laginess, tied for 24th (91-83-174); Kaitlyn Brasher, tied for 28th (88-89-177); and Ayla Bogie, tied for 32nd (88-90-

178).

Lightning strikes twice

The Livonia YMCA Lightning, an under-13 girls select soccer team, recently captured back-to-back Futsal Indoor Winter II and III division championships.

Team members include: Niki Berridge, Caroline Bimberg, Sydney Boyce, Abby Daoust, Rachel Glovatsky, Miranda McIntosh, Sydney Millis, Rachael Morgan, Addison Mussen, Nivene Razkalah, Alex Thomas and Lauren Wilson.

The Lightning are coached by Sarah Daoust, Dana Millis and Gene Boyce.

S'craft hoop tryouts

Schoolcraft College first-year men's basketball coach Abe Mashhour will be holding

tryouts from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 12, at the main gym.

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

Varsity pom clinic

The Livonia Stevenson varsity pompon 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). Students must wear gym

both shoes and workout clothes.

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

Consulting minister trained in stress reduction, labyrinth

The Rev. Leonetta Bugleisi has been appointed to serve as the consulting minister for the Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington.



Bugleisi

ing related to treatment of post traumatic stress disorder and mindfulness-based stress reduction.

Her continuing education has included labyrinth training, meditation and yoga training, and Heart Sutr training with the Dalai Lama.

For more information about the Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, visit uuFarmington.org.

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BUERS, PHYLLIS

Age 75, passed away April 6, 2014, at her home surrounded by her loving family.



McDERMOTT JOHN DAVID

Of Garden City. April 1, 2014. Age 51. Beloved husband of Anita.

SILVIS, MARY

Of Chelsea, Michigan, age 95, died Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at Chelsea Retirement Community.

SWAIN, BETTY

Age 71. Died April 2, 2014. Beloved Wife of William. Loving Mother of Bob (Terri) and Debra Swain.



TOWNSEND, ROBERT JAMES

67 years old, died March 1, 2014 after a long painful battle with head and neck cancer.

RYCKEBUSCH, FRANK

April 3, 2014 age 76 of Plymouth, MI. Loving husband of the late Dorothy.



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GIBSON-PIERSON MICHELE

Age 58, of Wayne, MI died Thursday, April 3, 2014. Beloved Mother of Charles Lawrence, Justin Pierson, and Saranda (Adam) Silvenis.

McCLUNG, Madeline M.

April 6, 2014, age 90, of Plymouth. Loving wife of the late Donald.

SHAW, JUDITH

(formerly Judith Yuschak, Judith Quayle) Age 58, passed away suddenly on Thursday, April 3, 2014.

McCULLOCH, DANIEL P.

January 6, 2014, age 88. Beloved husband of Dorothy. Dear father of Daniel Jr., Christopher (Connie) and Dorothy (Robert) Sawyer.

SIMOS, JAMES CHARLES "JIM"

Of Westland, Age 47. March 27, 2014. Jim was born on July 27, 1966 to Thomas and Sandra Simos.



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RELIGION CALENDAR

APRIL BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, April 13

Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, milk, juice. Adults pay \$3; children 2-10 pay \$1.50

BREAKFAST, EASTER FAIR

Time/Date: Pancake breakfast, 8:30-10 a.m.; Easter activities, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Saturday, April 19

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Free community breakfast; Easter Fair includes crafts, egg hunt, egg decorating, cookie decorating and more. Parents must accompany their children

Contact: 734-522-6830; christoursavior.com

EASTER WEEK

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday, April 17; 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Good Friday, April 18; 9:30 a.m., Easter Sunday

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford

Details: A free Easter breakfast will be served from 8-9:15 a.m. All visitors will receive a free DVD, "Come Follow Me"

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

EASTER WEEK

Time/Date: 7 p.m. April 17, Maundy Thursday worship; 7 p.m. April 18, Good Friday worship; 8 p.m. Saturday, April 19, Easter Vigil; 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 20, Easter worship

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

Details: Easter Sunday events include a pancake breakfast at 9 a.m. and Easter egg hunt at 9:30 a.m.

Contact: 734-427-3660

EASTER WORSHIP

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 20

Location: St. Theodore of Canterbury Catholic Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

Contact: 734-425-4421

EASTER WORSHIP

Time/Date: 6:30 a.m., Service of Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, April 20

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 34175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Contact: 734-522-6830; christoursavior.org

LENTEN SERVICE

Time/Date: Noon to 1 p.m., Wednesday through Lent

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Worship followed by a light lunch

Contact: 734-522-6830 for additional information

FILM

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, April 11

Location: Sts Simon and Jude Catholic Community, 32500 Palmer, Westland

Details: Bishop Thomas Gumbleton: A Prophet Among Us? part 2 screens, following Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.

Contact: 734-722-1343

LENTEN REFLECTION

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 11

Location: Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

Details: Includes dinner at 5:30 p.m. and concert at 7 p.m.

Contact: 734-427-3660

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8 a.m. April 18

Location: St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

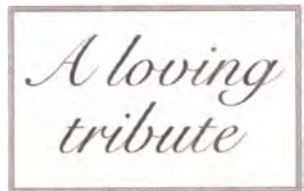
Details: 39th Men's Good Friday Breakfast includes full breakfast and guest speaker, Rev. Sunil Noah, founder of Emmanuel Bible School and pastor of Emmanuel Indian Fellowship.

Tickets are \$6 for men, \$3 for boys, 10 and under

Contact: 734-459-3333



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Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights



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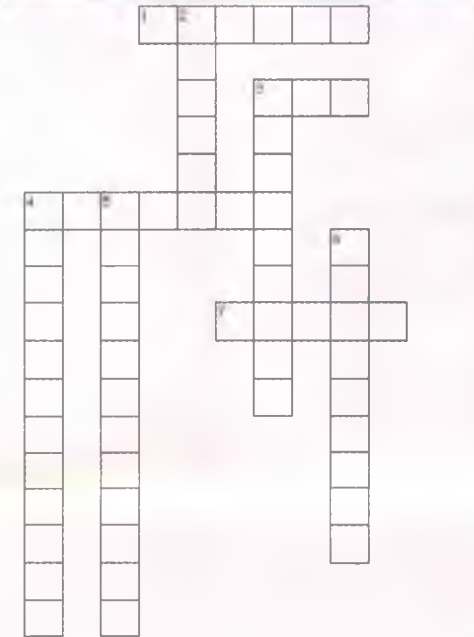
Football Camp CONTEST

Here is your chance to win a scholarship to Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp.

Nine lucky girls and boys will have a chance to win. Tell Scoop in 50 words or less why you want to attend the camp. Have your parents email a photo of you, along with your name, age, community of residence, and phone number to cbjordan@hometownlife.com with the subject line "Football Camp Contest".



Detroit Lions Football camp puzzle



Across

1. Wear this for protection
3. Number of points for a touch down
4. Team trying to stop opponent from scoring
7. Name of Detroit's Professional football mascot

Down

2. Number of players on the field at 1 time for a team
3. The BIG GAME
4. Detroit's Professional League Football Team
5. Summer activity were boys and girls can learn and play football
6. Stadium Detroit's football team plays in

Answers Across: 1: Helmet, 3: Six, 4: Defense, 7: Roary

Answers Down: 2: Eleven, 3: Super Bowl, 4: Detroit Lions, 5: Foot Ball Camp, 6: Ford Field

Contest Camp Dates & Locations

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- **June 7- 8:** Beverly Hills, 9 a.m. to 12 noon QB-WR Academy for youth ages 8 -14.
- **June 12-13:** Brighton, 9a.m. to 5 p.m. Fundamentals Camp for youth ages 6 -14.
- **July 19, 26, Aug. 2:** Southfield, 10 a.m. -11 a.m. Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4 - 8.

- **July 21- 23:** South Lyon, 6:15 -7:15 p.m. Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4 - 8.
- **1 winner for this location**
- **June 30 - July 3:** Plymouth, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon Fundamentals Camp for youth ages 6 -14.

See complete camp schedules at www.detroitlions.com/youthfootball

How they SAY that in...

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- ITALIAN:** Gioco
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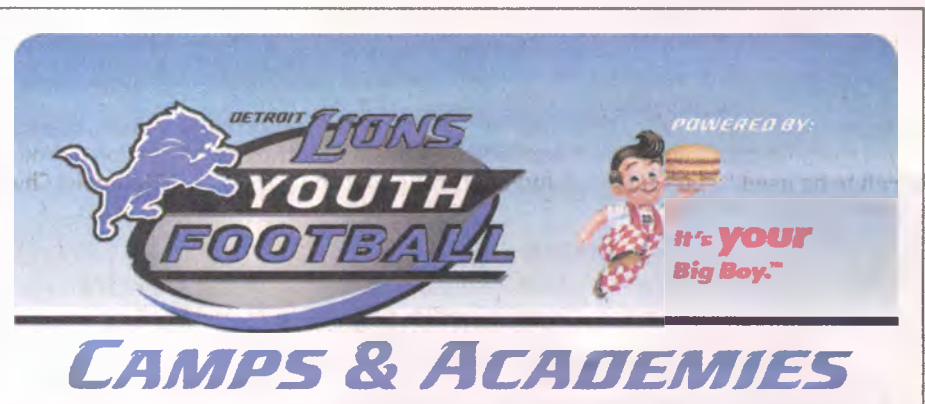
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Preston Bognear, 4 years old of Wayne.

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Sierra Haran	Northville	4/ 8
Elizabeth Ho	Farmington	4/ 9
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KIDS HUNT EGGS FOR FUN, CHARITY AT LOCAL EASTER EVENTS

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Forget the chocolate and jelly beans.

Kids will swap their found Easter eggs for pancake flippers, dish cloths and other household goods during Newburg United Methodist Church's second annual Easter Fair, 11:30-2 p.m. Friday, April 18, at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. They'll place the items in buckets bound for young men in a transitional housing program at Methodist Children's Home in Redford.

Sarah Alexander, director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries at the church, says the free fair — which is open to the public — includes crafts, prizes, a photo booth, cookie-decorating, lunch, games, a drama and an Easter egg hunt with a missions-focused twist.

"We hide different colored eggs throughout the playground. Red, green, blue, yellow ... they all correspond with a colored table," Alexander said. "If you find a red egg, you go to the table with the red tablecloth. You put the item on that table into a bucket. We have things like cooking utensils and sponges. Our goal is 75 of these transitional buckets."

The buckets will give the teens the tools they need to learn how to care for their own apartments.

"The Methodist Children's Home started an apartment complex on their grounds ... it gives young men an opportunity to spread their wings while still being cared for."

Youngsters who complete a Bingo card by visiting all of the activity stations at the fair will receive prizes, including candy and a bracelet.

Alexander said the first annual fair drew approximately 200 individual. Many were not church members.

"There were many more people in the fellowship hall last year that I didn't know. That is the best way for our church to be used," she said. "We were happy with the turnout. The community loves it. The Hines Drive marshmallow drop is the same day. Some people last year told us they stopped by the marshmallow drop and couldn't find a parking space, so they came here."

"I think parents want something free and fun for their children."

The Wayne County Parks Marshmallow Drop starts 90 minutes before the church event. Chautauqua Express kicks off the fun at 10 a.m. at Nankin Mills, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, at Hines Drive, in Westland. At 11 a.m., a helicopter will drop thousands of marshmallows. Youngsters use their own baskets or bags to collect the treats and get a prize. Visit waynecounty.com for more information.

Can't get enough Easter egg hunting? Here's a sampling of other upcoming events:

Canton

Teens, 11-17, can search for eggs at night during Canton Leisure Services' first glow-in-the-dark egg hunt, 6:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, April 11, in Heritage Park, Canton. Participants meet at the B.L.O.C.K., teen center, located in the Canton administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

"Teens are encouraged to dress for the weather and bring a flashlight," said Stephanie Pavlo, recreation specialist, in an email. Teams will follow clues to find their eggs hidden throughout the park. Pizza and pop included. The fee is \$5. Visit cantonfun.org for more information.

Canton Leisure Services also runs an "Easter Eggstravaganza" 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12, at Heritage Park and in the Summit on the Park gymnasium. Egg hunts in two age categories, for youngsters under 11, run continuously during the event, which also includes carnival games, a performance by the Kerfuffles, the Easter Bunny and a petting farm. Fee is \$5 per family. A food truck will offer lunch items for purchase and D&M Art Studio will paint faces for an extra charge. Summit on the Park is located at 46000 Summit Parkway, west of S. Canton Center Road, Canton.

Farmington

The 59th annual Spring Egg Hunt runs 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 12 at Shiawassee Park, 32340 Shiawassee, Farmington. RSVP by noon Friday,



Christian Mumbiro and Bridgette Chick stop at a jelly bean activity station during Newburg United Methodist Church's first egg hunt last year.

April 11, to www.fajc.org for free admission to this event, sponsored by the Farmington Area Jaycees. Pay a \$2 registration fee onsite if not registered. Includes the egg hunt, carnival games and prizes. Donations of nonperishable food items to benefit Neighborhood House also will be accepted.

Livonia

Youngsters, 10 and under, can hunt for eggs noon Saturday, April 19, at Rotary Park, located at Six Mile and Hubbard, in Livonia. Registration runs 10:30-11:30 a.m.. The event, co-sponsored by the Livonia Rotary Club and Livonia Parks and Recreation, is free.

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Road, will have crafts, stories, an egg hunt, and games for children, 2-12, from 10 a.m. to

noon Saturday, April 12; 734-422-1470.

Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Road, offers a Children's Easter Fair, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 19. The event includes an egg hunt at 11 a.m., egg decorating, crafts, cookie decorating and more. Parents must accompany their children. www.christsaviorsavior.org.

Plumb Line Community Church, 9435 Henry Ruff will run an egg hunt, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 19, along with games, crafts, face painting, prizes, lunch and photos with the Easter Bunny, for youngsters, 12 and under; 734-522-7916.

Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, presents an egg hunt, games, crafts for children, 10 and under, and the Easter story, Saturday, April 12. Registration starts at 12:45 p.m. Youngsters should bring their own baskets; 734-466-8694.

Plymouth

Children, 10 and under, will collect eggs in the Plymouth Lions Club egg hunt, 10 a.m. Saturday, April 19, at Township Park, 46640 Ann Arbor Trail. They'll hunt in four age categories and are encouraged to bring their own baskets for this free event. Lions collection boxes will be on hand for used or unwanted eye glasses, cell phones and hearing aids.

Milford

Kensington Metropark holds its "Great Egg Hunt," 11

a.m. Saturday, April 19 at Maple Beach in the park, 2240 Buno Road, north of I-96. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for photos and the Farmer John and The Barnyard Express Animal Show" runs at 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Participation fee is \$5 per child, payable at the event; babies 12 months and under are free; 810-227-8910.

Northville

Maybury State Park's annual egg hunt starts at 11 a.m. for ages 5 and under and at 11:10 for ages 6 and up, Saturday, April 19, at the park, located on Eight Mile, west of Beck. The free event also includes games, face painting, crafts and seed planting from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and appearances by Smokey Bear and the Easter Bunny. Vehicles must have a Recreation Passport for entry into all state parks. Cost is \$11; michigan.gov/recreationpassport or call 248-349-8390.

First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile, will scatter 15,000 eggs for collection at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 19. Children hunt in five different age groups. The event includes a hot dog lunch, pictures with the Easter Bunny, games, prizes, music and "eggcellent experiments" with Madam Scientist. Bring an Easter basket to collect eggs. Registration is required at dfcnazarene.org. Closes after 600 children sign up or on April 16, whichever comes first.

Novi

Kids, 3-12, can hunt for eggs, take a hayride, meet the Easter Bunny, make crafts and visit a petting farm at Eggstravaganza, 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 12, at Michigan State University Tollgate Farm Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road. Participation cost is \$8 for residents and \$10 for non-residents. No charge for parents. Registration deadline is Thursday, April 10, at the Novi Parks, Recreation and Clutural Services office inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile. Call 248-347-0400 for more information.

Royal Oak

The 23rd annual Bunnyville runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 18-19, at the Detroit Zoo, located at Woodward Avenue and the I-696 service drive. This family event will include an egg hunt with prizes, games, crafts, face painting, photos with the Easter Bunny, live entertainment, animal enrichment activities, and zookeeper talks. The Bunny Follies, a musical, runs at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Visitors who bring a canned or other nonperishable food item for Gleaners Community Food Bank will receive a reduced admission price of \$8, parking not included. Regular admission to the zoo is \$14 for adults, 15-61; \$10 for seniors, 62 and over and children, 2-14. Children under 2 are admitted free. Parking is \$6.

Drama with Farmington roots brings Easter story to Music Hall

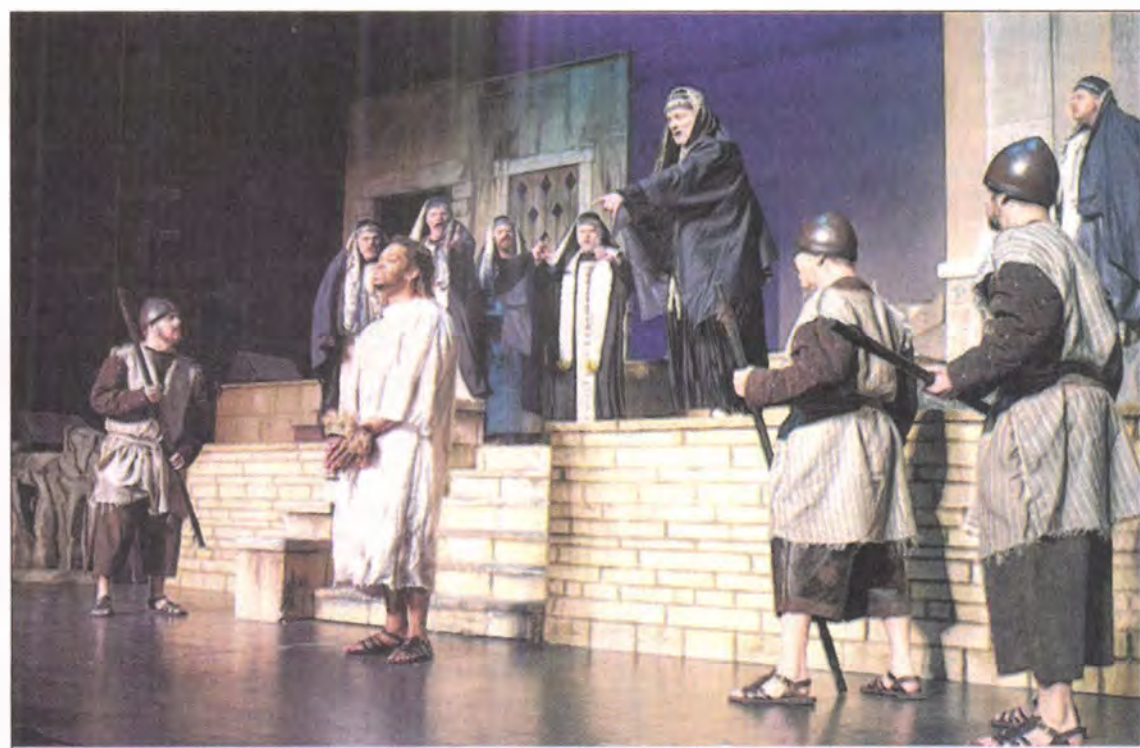
The Cross and the Light, the musical production of Christ's passion, death, and resurrection, returns to Detroit's Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts April 10-13.

Kelly Nieto of Farmington is executive producer and co-director.

"Six new songs and 30-minutes of new arrangements by Nashville arranger, John Hinchey, has dramatically improved the show this year," said Brian Leduc, co-director and music director. "New audiences will love it, and returning fans will have something new to experience."

Included in the cast is Capitol Records recording artist Tim Bowman Jr., son of smooth jazz legend Tim Bowman and nephew of Gospel icons CeCe Winans and Vicki Winans. Bowman will portray "Apostle Thomas," alongside Keisia "Kiko" Hardison, who recently opened for Charlie Wilson at the Fox Theater, and Kenny Watson, Detroit vocalist, who will play "Jesus" for the second year.

"I'd never seen Jesus portrayed on a professional stage in skin that I could identify



Kenny Watson (center) portrays Jesus Christ in last year's production of *The Cross and the Light*. He is cast in the role again for performances April 10-13 at Music Hall in Detroit.

with," said Watson. "The more knowledgeable I became, I realized that I was programmed to view Jesus as

European. The picture that we have of Jesus, in itself is a false depiction."

Nieto created *The Cross and*

the Light after staging *The Living Stations of the Cross* for 10 years at Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington and for

two years at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit. After its 2012 performance, Nieto decided to extend the story beyond the death of Christ to Pentecost. She changed the name of the revamped show to *The Cross and the Light* for its debut at Music Hall in Detroit last year.

Nieto said she was called by God to create the live theater experience while praying *The Stations of the Cross* on Good Friday in 2000.

"I saw his love and sacrifice firsthand. This show is my attempt to give others that same experience. In addition to raising my five children, it's my life's mission."

A student show is set for 10 a.m. with a preview performance at 8 p.m., Thursday, April 10. A show for senior citizens and students is set for 10 a.m. Friday, April 11. Other performances are at 8 p.m. Friday, April 11; 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, April 12; and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 13. Tickets are \$25-\$55.

Get tickets at CrossAndLight.com, Ticketmaster.com, or call the Box Office at 313-887-8501.



SIMPLIFY PARTY, ENJOY TIME WITH GUESTS

GRILLED FLATBREAD WITH HUMMUS & MIXED VEGGIES

Prep time: 5 minutes
Total time: 30 minutes
Serves: 4

1 tablespoon olive oil
1 clove garlic, minced
1 sweet onion, thinly sliced
1 red bell pepper, thinly sliced
8 large mushrooms, thinly sliced
1 cup baby spinach
4 Indian flatbreads (naan) or pocketless pita
1 cup Sabra Hummus
4 teaspoons grated Parmesan cheese
1 cup part-skim mozzarella cheese, shredded
2 teaspoons dried oregano
Red pepper flakes, optional
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

Heat oil in skillet over medium heat. Add garlic, onion, bell pepper and mushrooms. Cook, stirring frequently, for about 8 minutes or until veggies are soft. Remove from heat and stir in spinach. Set aside. Place flatbread on grill or stovetop gas flame; grill for a couple of minutes or until lightly browned, turning once. Place all four flatbreads on baking sheet. To assemble flatbreads, evenly spread surface with hummus. Sprinkle parmesan cheese on top of hummus. Top with veggies then mozzarella cheese. Sprinkle with oregano and red pepper flakes. Place in oven and bake for about 5 minutes or until cheese is melted. Drizzle with balsamic vinegar.

Simplify your spring entertaining routine with quick, easy-to-make dishes that feature fresh, scrumptious ingredients.

Laid back and lovely, parties call for wonderful friends, flavorful foods and refreshing beverages. But having company over to enjoy the mild spring weather doesn't mean you have to stress over time-consuming meals that can take all day to prepare. Luckily, there are yummy options available.

Keeping it simple and fresh is the key. Make a spring gathering great by incorporating creative dishes. With the temperature outdoors finally beginning to climb, consider firing up the grill. Simple grilled recipes, or those that require no cooking, allow you to cut down on the prep and clean up time. Your guests will love these recipes, which feature hummus, a better-for-you dip. Visit www.sabra.com for more recipes that please guests and save on time while entertaining.

LOADED CHOPPED SALAD WITH CHIPOTLE-HUMMUS DRESSING

Prep time: 15 minutes
Total time: 15 minutes
Serves: 4-6

For salad:
2 heads romaine lettuce, washed and torn into bite-sized pieces
1 red bell pepper, diced
2 celery ribs, diced
2 carrots, peeled and diced
10 grape tomatoes, halved
½ small red onion, diced
½ English cucumber, diced
2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese

For dressing:
½ cup Sabra Chipotle Hummus, including all of topping
¼ cup reduced fat milk
1 tablespoon rice wine vinegar

Place all ingredients for the salad in large bowl and toss gently to combine. Whisk all ingredients for dressing in small bowl. Pour half of dressing on top of salad and toss well to coat. Add more dressing as desired or serve extra on side.



MEDITERRANEAN BURGERS

Recipe by Colombe Jacobsen
Total prep time: 20 minutes
Serves: 8 small burgers or 6 larger burgers

1½ pounds ground beef or lamb
1 medium onion (diced)
1 egg (lightly beaten)
¼ cup minced parsley
¼ cup minced mint
1 tablespoon paprika
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon ground cumin
Juice of 1 lemon
3 tablespoons olive oil
1 large pickle sliced thinly in rounds
4 romaine lettuce leaves
1 large tomato (thinly sliced into rounds)
8 hamburger buns, (split and

lightly toasted)
½ cup hummus

In a medium sized bowl, combine ground beef or lamb, spices, lemon juice and egg. With wet hands shape into 8, 3½ inch diameter, patties. In a large grill pan, warm 3 tablespoons olive oil over medium heat. Grill burgers until nicely browned on each side, about 3-4 minutes. Place the bottom of the buns on plates. Spread a layer of hummus on the bun. Top with burger, sliced pickles, lettuce and sliced tomato. Spread more hummus on top of the bun. Then press on the bun tops and enjoy.



CHICKEN SKEWERS

Recipe by Colombe Jacobsen
Prep time: 30 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes
Serves: 3

1 pound chicken squares
1 medium zucchini, cut half
1 medium red bell pepper
1 medium green bell pepper
10-12 large button mushrooms
Salt and black pepper
Olive oil
3-5 fresh garlic cloves
3 tablespoons Sabra Roasted Pine Nut Hummus

Cut vegetables into 1-inch squares. Whisk salt, pepper and olive oil in a large bowl. Add the cubed chicken, vegetables and mushrooms. Marinate for 30 minutes, tossing occasionally. Prepare a fire in a charcoal grill. Thread the peppers, mushrooms and chicken alternately. Arrange the skewers, grill until browned. Serve with grilled mushrooms and 3 tablespoons Sabra Roasted Pine Nut Hummus.



BASIL PESTO HUMMUS PASTA SALAD

Prep time: 15 minutes
Total time: 15 minutes
Serves: 4-6

1 pound Fusilli pasta (cooked according to package instructions)
1 cup pitted kalamata olives, rough chopped
1 cup fennel (2 small bulbs), finely chopped
½ cup sundried tomatoes in olive oil, drained and chopped
1 (10 ounce) container of Sabra Basil Pesto Hummus
¼ cup sundried red pepper (1 whole pre-roasted red pepper)
½ cup chives, minced

1 cup pasta cooking water, reserved
2 tablespoons olive oil
Fennel fronds for garnish

Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain, reserving 1-cup pasta cooking water. Prepare all of the vegetables. In a big bowl, toss the vegetables with the Basil Pesto Hummus. Add pasta, and pasta water and stir to combine. Sprinkle with black pepper. Serve at room temperature, drizzle each portion with a little splash of olive oil and sprinkle fennel fronds over top.

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14 Language suffix
15 Tender cutlets
16 Envoy
18 Chestnuts
20 Wisdom tooth
21 Phony physician
23 Soyuz launcher
25 Negative prefix
26 Jiffies
28 Livy's "it was"
32 Prickly sensation
35 MGM workplace
36 — Moore of films
37 Extinct bird

DOWN

1 Give it the gas
2 Flamenco shout
3 Dalai Lama's city
4 Soft purple
5 Tacks on
6 — kwon do

38 Part of MIT
40 NYSE ratio
41 Feds (hyph.)
43 Gown
46 Chocolate bean
49 Cold — icicle
50 South Pole conqueror
53 Industrial giant
56 Watch pocket
57 Thus
58 Lira successor
59 NASA counterpart
60 "Yield," for instance
61 Fender mishap

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