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## Council wants to get word out on public safety millage

**By LeAnne Rogers** 

How to inform voters about a proposed 1-mill renewal of police and fire funding that will appear on the Nov. 4 ballot

will be getting attention from the Wayne City Council.

"The purpose of putting this on the agenda is so council can talk about this.

It could contribute more to the budget shortfall (if not approved)," Wayne Police Chief/ Acting City Manager Jason

Wright

Wright said. "I brought it up because no one is talking about

The ballot question seeks renewal of the expiring fiveyear millage approved by voters in 2009.

The millage generates about \$372,000 annually for the police and fire budgets. Wright said the loss of the revenue would force additional layoffs to understaffed departments.

"The city has done nothing to explain it is a millage renewal. If this isn't approved, it would create more police and fire layoffs," Wayne Mayor Al Haidous said. "We can't afford to keep the city safe (without

the millage renewal). We need to send a message to the community loud and clear that we support the renewal."

In 2009, the city formed a committee that provided speakers to service clubs, churches and other community groups, Councilwoman Susan Rowe said. "If we could do something along that order, maybe not as many," Rowe said. "We had town hall meetings. We could almost use the presentation from before other than a few PowerPoint slides."

#### **Getting info out**

The special council meeting when the discussion was taking place wasn't taped for cable television, Councilman James Hawley noted.

"It will help if we can provide a video for the government channel at least explaining the need for the money, the budget issues involved and what it means, if it doesn't pass," he said.

With discussions about a possible 345 millage for February and a fire authority in addition to the police-fire millage renewal, Hawley said it gets confusing.

Volunteering to serve on a committee to get information out about the police-fire millage, Rowe said the other public safety issues like the 345 millage weren't currently before council.

"This millage is critical. This is a millage approved five years ago only for police and fire," she said.

"We cannot use the money anywhere else.'

Resident Ron Roberts commented that five years earlier voters approved the 1-mill to enhance police and fire, only to have council shift non-dedicated money from public safety to parks and recreation.

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## K & S COULD HAVE A FREE CAR FOR YOU

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

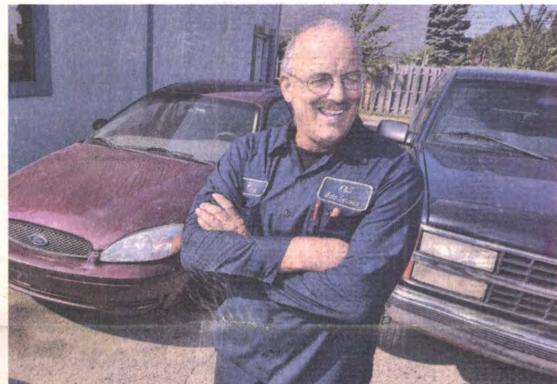
o celebrate 30 years in business, K & S Auto Service owner Ray Kull decided to give a free car to a Wayne family in need.

The idea for the giveaway developed after Kull recently bought a 2006 Ford Taurus at a police auction.
"When I bought it, there

was a rebuilt title so I couldn't sell it and make any money. So, I decided to do something nice," said Kull, who grew up in Wayne and is a 1977 Wayne Memorial High School graduate.
"They are going to get a pretty nice car."

Along with getting the title sorted, Kull is fixing up the car, which has 150,000 miles on it, with the help of Napa Auto Parts and the body shop at Red Holman. Located on Wayne Road at Annapolis, K & S Auto is a Napa care center.

"I think I'll give them a year's service, too. If they can't afford a car, they can't afford repairs," Kull said. "I went to a Napa Auto Care meeting. Two or three dealers got together to give away an old car. I hadn't heard of one dealer doing it. Napa got on board and will give me anything I need."



K & S Auto Service owner Ray Kull is fixing up a decent used car for a family in need.

## For Wayne resident

To be considered for the free car, applicants must be Wayne residents and need to submit a letter explaining why they should get the car to K & S Auto Service, 4614 S. Wayne Road, Wayne 48184 by mail or in person or email to kscargiveaway@comcast.net. The deadline to apply is Nov. 15. The car will be awarded in December.

The letters will be reviewed by Kull and his brother Jim, who also works at K & S.

"We have been working together 31 years," Kull

said. "We grew up six blocks behind the business. I never expected to own this repair

shop." After three years in business further north in Westland, Kull moved to his current location. He remem-

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## Handyman arraigned in Bloomfield Township homicide

By Jay Grossman Staff Writer

William Whitelaw liked to give people second chances. That sentiment might have cost him his life.

Bart Mitchell Spencer, a 45-year-old handyman with an extensive criminal past, was arraigned Wednesday on charges he killed Whitelaw, 77, and then tried to torch the victim's condo in Bloomfield Township to conceal the

Appearing before 48th District Judge Kimberly Small, Spencer was formally charged with open murder, arson, larceny of a firearm, two counts of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony and larceny in a building.

Spencer, who was living



Spencer

with his step father in Wayne, was denied bond and will be given a courtappointed attorney. Authori-

ties describe

him as a habitual criminal who took ad-

vantage of a good person. Bloomfield Township Police Capt. Scott McCanham said Spencer had been working at the condo complex on Maple Hills Drive for about six months. The condo association board reportedly advised Spencer his services were no longer needed after learning he didn't have a license to do the work.

Spencer was already on supervised probation from a 2000 armed robbery conviction out of Ohio. But Whitelaw, who was president of the association, trusted Spencer and continued to use his services.

According to investigators, Spencer was doing work at Whitelaw's condo Sept. 4 when the homicide occurred.

'We do have indications there was some scoping of Mr. Whitelaw's house while he was doing the work," McCanham said, adding Spencer was doing some drywall work and

taking care of some minor

Whitelaw's gun, two Rolex watches, jewelry and a baseball autographed by the 1968 Detroit Tigers team were some of the items stolen. McCanham said a task force caught up with Spencer after he sold some of the stolen jewelry to a pawn shop in Wayne.

McCanham said investigators aren't sure yet how the theft turned to murder. They do know Whitelaw was bludgeoned to death and that a gas line was cut near a fireplace in the condo to set the place on fire.

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## **Presentations** on W-W fire authority set

**By LeAnne Rogers** 

All three potential members of a Western Wayne Fire Authority will hold study sessions this week on the financial and legal ramifications.

The Inkster council will meet Tuesday with the Wayne and Westland councils meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, respectively.



Reddy

"This is the actual nuts and bolts, the financial and legal stuff," Wayne-Westland Fire Chief Michael Reddy said. "This is the

meeting to give them all the information so they can make a decision on if we move to the next level."

Auditors Plante Moran along with attorneys will be at the meetings to explain the financial aspect of the authority. The goals of the authority are cost savings and enhanced

Reddy met recently with representatives from each city council for an update on the authority, which would require voter approval.

## **Combined department**

At a special meeting last week, Wayne Councilman Skip Monit shared some information regarding the authority, which would operate a combined fire department separate from the individual municipal-

If established under state law, the authority would be overseen by an autonomous board. The cities would have to decide if that board is appointed or elected. The annual budget would be adopted by the authority board.

The authority itself would be formed through intergovernmental agreements approved by the councils. Voters would then be asked to approve a dedicated millage to fund the fire authority. Based on 2014 taxable property values, the authority would need 6.24 mills levied in each city to support expenditures. That millage would generate \$2 million.

The expectation is that if voters approve the funding for a fire authority, the city councils would reduce the general

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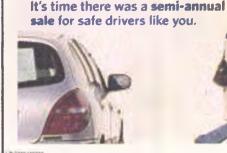
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### **16TH HOUSE DISTRICT**

## Kosowski cites bill success

In his first term as a state representative from the 16th District, Robert Kosowski is pleased to have three bills he sponsored



Kosowski

signed into law the most in the Democratic caucus.

"I have five more possible bills waiting on the Senate. I spend half of my time working the other (Republican) side of the aisle," Kosowski said. "If I have an issue, I get into the issue and

don't let it go.' While he has core values he won't stray from. Kosowski said he didn't go into the legislature with the attitude of fighting with Republican members.

"The biggest thing I have done is work with the other side. Those that tow the line are dead wrong," he said. "I thought it (the lack of cooperation) would be a lot worse. I was going up to Lansing before I was elected. I thought it would be passionate debates and people really going at it.

Some of the areas on which Kosowski has focused are family law — he has two adopted sons — schools, jobs and, especially, improving

Michigan's roads at an estimated \$1.28 billion.

#### **Transportation**

"Transportation is the biggest thing - more than health care or schools," said Kosowski, whose bill proposed doubling fines on overweight trucks. "I think that's the biggest culprits on the roads. It passed the House but the Senate is sitting on it.'

The fines wouldn't generate the amount estimated to fix all roads but Kosowski said it was a start.

"We only had \$450 million for roads from the House. It's a start. The Senate wants all of it (\$1.28 billion)," Kosowski said.

While he describes himself as a big Michigan Education Association supporter, Kosowski said he isn't totally against charter schools.

"I did sponsor a bill to slow down charter schools. Parents should have choices," he said. "I am totally against cyber schools. I have no problem with home schooling. If there is an hour or two a day online I don't have a problem. But the whole curriculum (online) is bizarre. And they shouldn't get the same funding as brick and mortar schools."

While Kosowski said he worked hard to get \$6 million in state funding restored to Wayne-Westland Schools. In the end, he was able to get \$800,000 back in the

schools budget. "That was the hardest thing that I worked on and it almost came through," he said. "I would have voted for some Republican stuff, if they gave us the money back.'

#### **Funding cuts**

A retired Westland Parks and Recreation director, Kosowski said another focus is addressing funding cuts to local government.

"That's where I came from. It's amazing that (Westland Mayor) Bill Wild has been able to do what he has done," said Kosowski. "State shared revenues need to be increased."

Kosowski said he'd like to get the large amount of paperwork connected with Act 51 road money reduced and also seeing prevailing wage requirements maintained to make sure skilled workers are building roads.

"I also don't want to forget the senior pension tax. If you want to start it, start in 20 years," he said. "People just retired and now they've got this

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## **Boron: Common sense needed**

Eliminating what he calls corporate welfare, improving the education system and making Michigan more business friendly are top priori-

ties for Steve Bofor the Repre-

ron, who is running 16th District State sentative.

"I'm a very conservative person. I'm a common man with common sense. I'm a veteran, a union member and a small business owner," Boron said. "I'm not at all like other politicians. I started off as a citizenactivist who ran on a third-party ticket and later took a volunteer leadership role in a nonpartisan grassroots organization.

A Westland resident, Boron is the Republican candidate running against Democratic incumbent Robert Kosowski. Last election, Boron ran as a Libertarian.

Boron describes himself as a supporter of a 19-cent gas tax hike to repair roads, adding there is more than \$1 billion in needed repairs. He is opposed to various tax credits or other incentives through the Michigan Economic Department of Economic Development and similar agencies, which give away \$1 billion.

"It's inherently wrong for the state to pick winners and losers. I would eliminate the corporate welfare," Boron said.
"We need to fix the roads. I'm not in favor of no taxes, but we need to spend tax dollars ex-

#### **Fix roads**

tremely wisely.'

If Michigan gets roads fixed, Boron said companies will locate in the

"We have the talent, the infrastructure. We need to be very business friendly," he said. "I'm in favor of lower business taxes. It spurs people to start small businesses."

Employed at the Ford Motor Company Transmission plant in Livonia, Boron also has a side business installing solar panels. He said excessive government regulation discourages people from starting busi-

"I had to get a master electrician license and a builder's license. I'm dealing with local officials on inspections," Boron said. "Most people would be discouraged. The inspectors are there to make sure you do a good job. Why do you need a builder's license to add something to the roof?"

In part the licensing is

a revenue generator for the state, he said, noting his licenses cost over

"Plus the high-end insurance. We have some of the highest insurance rates in the nation," Bo-

ron said. Regarding schools, Boron said taxpayers should have the ability to pick the schools that are best for their children.

The tax on retiree pensions needs to be repealed, Boron said. "I disagreed with the governor on that. An extra 4-percent tax on a pension is inherently wrong," he added.

#### **Part-time legislature**

With no plans to become a career politician, Boron said he supports a part-time legislature, adding that people need to have a better method for following bills moving through the legisla-

"There were 1,853 bills last year and 159 were passed. What a tremendous waste," he said. "I'd call people out. I'd explain all of my votes, who wasn't working with me and why. My entire campaign is based on wasteful spending. Everyone I've been in contact with agrees."

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Spencer was handcuffed and dressed in orange prison garb at the arraignment. He appeared to show little remorse and had no questions for the judge.

McCanham said Spencer displayed that same attitude throughout the investigation.

"He's been very flippant about the incident," he said.

Spencer will now remain in jail pending an Oct. 7 pretrial hearing

before Judge Diane D'Agostini. If convicted, he faces life in prison without parole.

Several members of Whitelaw's family were present at the court hearing. The family wrote a letter of appreciation to the Bloomfield Township Police and other investigating agencies that assisted in Spencer's arrest.

"Again, our prayers go out to the Whitelaw family," McCanham said, adding "they're doing fine under the circumstances.'

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bers the previous businesses — Long's Auto Service and before that a Standard gas station.

"Someone drove off from the gas pump with the nozzle. It blew up. I came up to watch the fire," he said.

Having worked on the line at Ford, a dealership and in auto parts, Kull said he worked on cars after work at his home. He and his brother were also involved in drag racing.

"I kind of got put into business by Bob Kenyon the best boss I ever had - and my dad. They convinced me to open an auto repair business,'

convinced me to hire my brother, who is five years younger.

Kull said. "Then my dad

#### Hands-on owner After 30 years, Kull

said he continues to work hands-on at the business. "I'm not just an owner.

I road test the cars before the work and after. We have a busy shop," he said.

Before he opened the business, Kull said he talked with Henry Cole, original owner of Henry's Service located further north on Wayne Road. Cole was supportive. "He said he would send me his overflow business and he did," Kull said.

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## **FIRE**

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fund millage currently levied by the same amount. That would mean taxpayers would not see an increased property tax bill due to the authority. However, the councils haven't gotten to a point of making that decision yet.

An alternative of 4.65 mills was also included. A community going with the lower millage would not receive revenues

from ambulance billings. Currently, Westland has 54 firefighters with 18 firefighters in Wayne and Inkster. Under a fire authority, costs of pensions and retiree health

care for those existing firefighters would continue to be the expense of the individual cities.

If an authority is established, new hires would become authority employees with retiree pensions and health care covered by the authority.

Wayne is currently operating with an ar proximately \$500,000 deficit in the current fiscal year with a larger shortfall expected in 2014-15.

"I'm not endorsing this one way or the other. If we decide not to support an authority, we have to decide what to do with the fire department," Monit said. "We are already understaffed. We will have to increase, if we are going to fully

staff the fire department."

#### **Look at alternatives** Charging the council

wouldn't roll back the general operating millage to offset a fire authority levy, resident Ron Roberts said the city hasn't looked at alternanves like paid on-call

firefighters. "If you allow this to happen and give another city the power to tell us what to do, you need to be recalled," Roberts

"Recall is not a threat to me — I don't care. I'll do what is the right thing, as does the rest of the council," Monit said.

Several Wayne-Westland firefighters attended the meeting, including

Capt. Kevin Tomaszewski, who commented that no one was losing any voting rights.

"The big picture is not about power. It's to make sure we (firefighters) are here," he said. "You would gain four employees and pay \$400,000 less (under the authority). Is it worth giving up some control, if you're having a heart attack? To some of you this is about power and that's a shame.'

The proposed time line for the authority calls for intergovernmental agreements to be adopted in November and a millage vote in May 2015.

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## Livonia resident pushes for e-cigarette restrictions to minors

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

Livonia resident Mark Bilger never expected the debate topic he and his fellow Detroit Catholic Central High School students discussed would end up sparking similar discussions on the state Legislature floor.

Bilger, currently a student at the University of Michigan, was a member of the Shamrock Voice, a political discussion club at the high school in Novi. The topic of e-cigarette sales and accessibility of the products to minors was something he saw in his classes at the school and wanted to talk more about the cause for restricting them to those under 18.

"Kids would try and be sneaky and try to puff it behind the teachers, he said. "It's got that kind of faint, sticky-sweet smell, but not very strong.'

After the debate, Bil-

ger wrote an email to state Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland. asking him to consider taking up the issue. To his surprise, that began a correspondence between the high school senior and state senator on legislation that was introduced earlier this year.

Since then, Anderson introduced Senate Bills 667 and 668, which would restrict the sale and possession of e-cigarettes and alternative tobacco products to individuals under 18. The bill, which Anderson said he worked on with Sen. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge, was introduced in November and is still working through Lansing.

Some opponents of the bill say while they would like to ban the sale and possession of these items to minors, they believe it doesn't go far enough. Some argue e-cigarettes are still too new and to separate them from rules pertaining to regular



Bilger

tobacco could be seen to give e-cigarettes a different status.

The Food and Drug Administration was expected to look into the issue by last year, according to a legislative analysis, but that had not taken place by the time

the bill was introduced. Anderson said he an-

ticipates the crux of the bill he sponsored will find its way through the Legislature and to Gov. Rick Snyder's desk before the end of the term.

"It's probably not going to be the exact language of the bill I submitted, but some variation of that," he said. "Negotiations are ongoing as far as coming up with a compromised bill or bills to address some of the concerns. I do expect it will happen."

#### 'Coolest thing we ever heard'

Bilger exchanged emails several times. helping Anderson with the language and pitching ideas. He said seeing the work he and his classmates did end up in Lansing was a great feeling for the students and the club, which was fairly

"The idea of the club was to get kids thinking about political change. It was very exciting and we had accomplished it," he said. "I think it's a great start to solving this prob-

The national Centers for Disease Control estimates that between 2011-13 the number of children who tried using an e-cigarette but not conventional tobacco increased from 79,000 to more than 263,000.

Catholic Central High School junior Alex McLaren, current president of the Shamrock Voice, said the topic was the first one in the group that made its way out of the high school and into the community. He said the fact that it came from discussions among students was thrilling for the members.

"We all thought it was the coolest thing we ever heard," the Brighton resident said. "We're being the people and we're being represented. We're seeing government in action. We're learning something you can't really be taught in a classroom.'

Anderson said while e-cigarettes are becoming a bigger market, more is becoming known about the effects of the product on the human body. He said he could see an argument that the devices can help those looking to quit tobacco, but should be regulated in a similar sense to regular cigarettes.

"I think there is a legitimate argument for this being a tool for people to get off of cigarettes. But it shouldn't be in the hands of kids," he said. "Had it not been for Mark bringing it to my attention, I may have discovered it later on, but he was instrumental in getting in the ball roll-

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## First Michigan Hot Head Burritos opens in Livonia

The first Hot Head Burritos in Michigan has opened in Livonia Plaza at 30975 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

The quick service Mexican chain born outside Dayton, Ohio, offers madeto-order Mexican fare with fresh ingredients and more than a dozen sauces ranging from mild to wild.

Members of the Livonia Fire Department joined Dave Kauscher, the restaurant franchise's owner operator, for a ribboncutting ceremony Saturday. "We're excited to open the first Hot Head Burritos restaurant to Michigan," Kauscher said.

"We're looking forward to bringing the Livonia community Hot Head Burritos' freshly prepared food and terrific customer experiences."

The "How to Order" restaurant operations starts with asking "What's Your Style?" where you decide on a burrito, bowl, taco, nachos, quesadilla or even a meal built for the kids. Next you'll "Add Some Fiber" and "Pick a Protein" as you walk down the service line; you'll also choose lots of other fresh ingredients plus your choice of sauces.

The Livonia Hot Head Burritos seats 42 people

and has 26 employees. The new location's fun decor includes five TV's

Kauscher has bachelor's degree in accounting from Eastern Kentucky University. After a career in the hospitality industry Kauscher decided that opening Michigan's first Hot Head Burritos would be a good fit for him.

The Michigan location is one of 55 locations in six states with many more in development. Coupons and special offers reward fans for their loyalty and can be found on the company's Facebook and Twitter pages as well as the Hot Head Burritos app.



Dave Kauscher is the new restaurant's owner operator.



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## Refresh resumes regularly to prepare for today's job openings

By Sue Buck

Job seekers recently picked up resume writing tips from two Schoolcraft College profes-

The Garden City Library invited Kathleen Cox and Jo-Anne Standicar from the Schoolcraft College Student **Employment Services Center to** give a presentation on how to improve a resume and cover

The free services they provided were a surprise to some.

"There is no cost," Cox said. "We encourage people to follow up with us. We don't do their resume for them. We give them the tools to continue with the process and, down the road, they are able to update it."

Their clients can email their completed resumes back to them or come in for another meeting to make sure everything is thorough.

"Last month, we hit a mile-stone," Cox said. "We had 406 new jobs (listed)."

#### **Found online**

About 25 percent of the people who contact Standicar haven't been college students. Many find her online.

"We do a lot of outreach," she said.

Cox, coordinator for Student **Employment and Career Ser**vices, has worked in outreach for more than a decade. She has developed close working relationships with employers like UPS, Disney, FedEx, the state of Michigan, Home Depot and the Detroit Zoo. Standicar is a certified professional resume writer and has assisted students in their job searches.

Job listings are growing. The department knows of a wide range of job openings, including those for hard-to-fill trade positions.

"Things are so different



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**Garden City residents Darryl** Prestwood and Sarah Waldman are looking to refresh and update their

now," Cox said. "One general resume can't be used for a variety of jobs. Your resume has to be targeted."

Although some resumes can be on one page, other resumes need to be longer. That goes against some advice to keep it to one page.

'You are the author of your resume," Cox said. From years of experience, she can tell who has and hasn't written the resume being reviewed

Standicar closely follows what statistics say are most effective job searches.

"You are marketing to a specific audience," she said.

Sarah Waldman, a Garden City resident, is looking for an administrative assistant posi-

"I am also networking in another way," she said.

### **Include accomplishments**

Job candidates shouldn't sell themselves short. Part-timers are an essential part of an office and these employees often don't write resumes that detail



JoAnne Standicar, a certified resume writing specialist at Schoolcraft College, said that she was wearing the proper attire for a business interview.

all of their accomplishments. "A job is a job, whether it is paid or unpaid," Cox said. 'Whether you are full time is irrelevant, it is what you contribute to the workplace. Emphasize recent experience."

High grade-point averages from the 1970s are accomplishments, but they don't carry as much weight as being able to mention more recent accom-

"If you have even any college at all, even one semester, do not put high school graduate on the resume," Standicar said. Studies show that employers view those who list a high school education as less qualified and less professional. Include education information and determine the best and most relevancy placement on the resume.

Also avoid unprofessional sounding emails and long messages on phones in preparation of a potential employer's call.

Cover letters have made a

resurgence in the last two years. Employers want to see a demonstration of sincere interest. Thank-you letters for an interview should be sent quickly, even by email.

Standicar advises job searchers to Google themselves and see what pops up. Facebook can also be a problem. Employers may ask to pull up social

Attendees talked about why they attended the workshop. Darryl Prestwood, a Garden City resident and systems analyst, said that he is looking to improve his resume to get a better response.

Cox and Standicar are located in Room 105 of the McDowell Center on the Schoolcraft College Livonia campus. The hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday. Call 734-462-

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### **ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS**

Janae K. Strickland of Wayne Memorial High School is among more than 1,600 African-American high school seniors who have been designated semifinalists in the 51st annual National Achievement Scholarship Program announced by National Merit Scholarship Corporation officials.

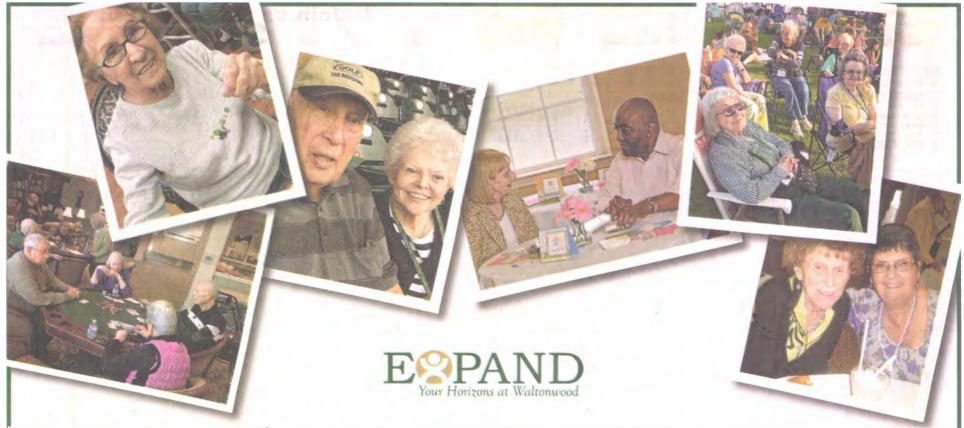
Strickland now has an opportunity to continue in the competition for approximately 800 Achievement Scholarship awards worth about \$2.5 million that will be offered next

spring.

To be considered for a National Achievement Scholarship, semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the finalist level of the competition. About 80 percent of semifinalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and more than half of the finalists will win an Achievement Scholarship award.

Tyler Steele of Garden City and Jessica Klieber, Julie Moffitt and Shannon Pummill, all of Westland, have been named to the Spring Dean's List for the first semester of the 2014-2015 academic year at Concordia University. To be eligible for the honor, they had to achieve a minimum 3.50 grade-point average.

Steele is a junior, majoring in biology. Klieber, a junior, is majoring in Legal Studies Public Policy, while Moffitt is a senior, majoring Health Care Management. Pummill also is a senior and is majoring in Integrated Science Elementary Education.



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## Livonia carjacking case adjourned until Oct. 30

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**By David Veselenak** Staff Writer

A woman suspected of carjacking a vehicle at knifepoint in the Livonia Civic Center parking lot will return to court later this month after her most recent hearing was adjourned.

Tanaia Baker of Detroit, who turned 18 on Friday,, will return at 9 a.m. Oct. 30 to 16th District Court after her Thursday hearing was adjourned in Livonia. A competency exam was slated to take place between Baker's last hearing in early September, but she was not scheduled for an interview with forensics until Oct. 8. Because of the report not being completed, Judge Kathleen McCann adjourned the case.

"Hopefully, she's in-terviewed by then," she

Baker is charged with one count of armed robbery and one count of carjacking in Livonia after police say she took a car from the Civic Center



**COURTESY OF** THE LIVONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT Tanaia Baker

was walking out to her vehicle the afternoon of Aug. 14 and was

approached by Baker. Police say Baker was brandishing a knife and demanded the keys, and then the two struggled before Baker bit the woman, grabbed her keys and drove off with her vehicle.

The vehicle was found several days later by Detroit police, and Livonia police were able to find the suspect and arrest her. If convicted, Baker faces up to life in prison.

The incident has prompted the alleged victim, Alexandra Yarnevich, to call on city leaders to install cameras in the Civic Center area. Mayor Jack Kirksey has

delegated the issues of cameras being installed to police chief Curtis Caid, but has said he anticipates they will be installed around city hall, the library, the senior center and Larry Nehasil Park sometime in the future.

Baker is being held on a \$500,000 cash bond in the Wayne County Jail awaiting trial. Warren McAlpine, an attorney representing Baker who was standing in for her retained attorney, asked McCann to consider reducing bond, as Baker requires medical treat-

"She's a dialysis patient," he said. "She needs treatment.'

McCann said she would not consider reducing Baker's bond and that the treatment needed could be secured without a lower bond.

"She can get treatment at the Wayne County Jail," McCann said.

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## League forum to feature LPS, state House candidates

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County will host a double Candidates Forum at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, at Livonia City Hall. Beginning at 7 p.m., the Livonia School Board candidates will assemble. Seven of the eight candidates running for three four-year terms will attend: Colleen Burton, Mark Johnson, Jeffrey T. Jacobs, Liz Jarvis, Steve Johnson, Suzanne Migrin and

Gregory Zotos. Jake Emerick, the eighth candidate for the four-year term, and Dan Centers, the sole candidate for the two-year term, are unable to attend the forum.

At 8:20 p.m., the second part of the forum will feature Laura Cox and Stacey Dogonski, the candidates running for the 19th District State Representative's seat that covers almost all of Livonia.

The public is invited to attend the forum and submit questions for the candidates, which will be

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asked by a League moderator. The public can also submit questions in advance through the League's email address: lwvmail@yahoo.com. The forum will be filmed and made available for viewing on the League's website.

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## Families educated about Cloud 9 dangers

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

A Westland family knows firsthand what synthetic drugs can do. They went through "four days of pure hell" in helping their daughter overcome her addiction to Cloud 9.

"She became addicted very fast," the girl's mother said. "She couldn't eat. She lost 30 pounds in six weeks. She needed a hit just to sleep."

The parents, who asked to remain anonymous, spoke to a group of parents and children at the Community Forum on Synthetic Drug Use Among Teens.

Held at John Glenn High School in Westland, the forum was organized after two students went to the hospital Sept. 29 after ingesting the clear liquid substance. It was hosted by the Wayne-Westland Community Schools in partnership with the cities of Westland and Wayne and Oakwood Healthcare Systems.

"The success and safety of our students is an important job of this community," Wayne-Westland Superintendent Michele Harmala said. "If one student uses a synthetic drug, it's one too many. If one is hurt and experiences the consequences of using, we all hurt."
The audience heard

from representatives of the Wayne and Westland Police Departments, Westland Youth Assistance and medical professionals about synthetic drugs, their effects and what can be done. They also watched a video that showed a naval doctor talking about the effects synthetic drugs can have on

'Educate yourself'

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"You have to educate yourself," said Joanne McKay, administrator of clinical services for Oakwood Hospital. "Cloud 9 is a liquid, it can cause severe paranoia. This is unlike anything we've seen before. They can be combative, violent, see demons and monsters. The speed of the onset of symptoms is very quick one to 15 minutes.

"This isn't the Calgon bath salts we're talking about. You don't put this in your bath water," she added.

Police responded to the issue of Cloud 9 with police officers visiting gas stations, party stores and smoke shops to make sure they weren't selling the drug.

"Once it became an issue, we went out immediately," Wayne Police Sgt. Matthew Spunar said. "We checked 22 gas stations, party stores and smoke shops and only one had Hookah Relax. The owner voluntarily disposed of it."

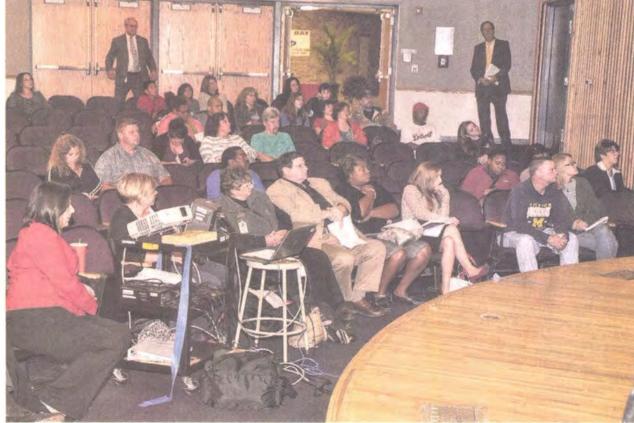
Spunar has gone on blogs and was encouraged to find posts that people couldn't find the drug in the Detroit area.

"I think they kind of learned a lesson not to mess with it," he said. "I think we've gotten the word out that it won't be tolerated."

#### Needs to be a talk

Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik said there needs to be talk about synthetic drugs. Kids are putting the liquid in energy drinks, e-cigarettes and sprinkling it on marijuana and smoking it.

"This isn't a drug, this is a deadly poison," Jedrusik said. "They change the name, they change the chemical and sell it. It's hard to get ahead because they can put out a garage drug very quickly. Next week next month, they'll be selling something differ-



CHRISTOPHER GUDDECK

School board members Carol Middel, Thomas Buckalew, Shawna Walker and Charles Trav Griffin were among those in attendance for the forum on synthetic drugs.



CHRISTOPHER GUDDECK

A Westland couple, who asked not to be identified, tell parents about their experiences with their daughter who was addicted to Cloud 9, a synthetic drug.

"Kids need to know that this isn't a leisure drug," he added.

Paul Motz, director of Westland Youth Assistance, told parents they need to ask their kids questions, go through

their things and call the parents of their friends to be sure they are where they said they are.

"It's a parent's job," he said. "When you find

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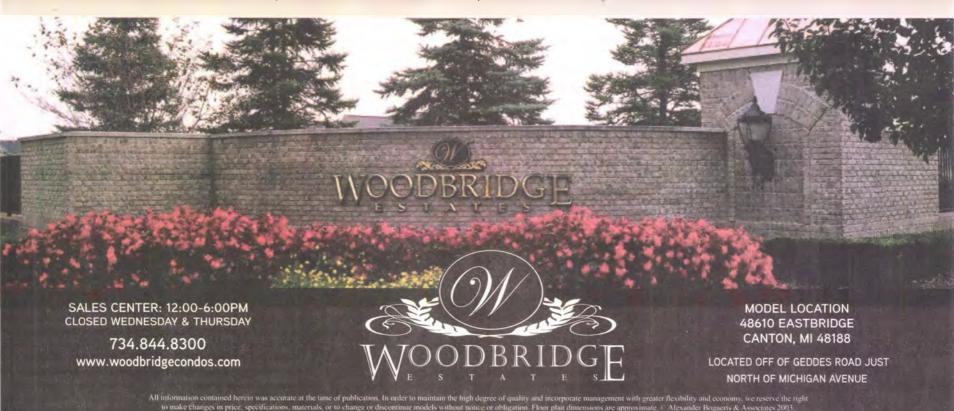


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Deidre Hamel asks the panel a question about synthetic drugs.



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Westland Police Chief
Jedrusik described Cloud 9 as
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out they're using, you have to make a big deal about it. You can't sweep it under the rug. This starts earlier than this. They don't wake up one day and are addicted."

It was the same message the Westland mom had for parents: "You know your kids. Check your children's phones, their Twitter and Facebook accounts."

"I'm mad, I never thought she would do something like this," she said, choking back tears. "I talked to her about drugs. She was buying at a smoke shop at Wayne and Cherry Hill. I went in and asked why they did that and he said it was legal. This drug has been devastating for us."

According to the girl's father, she had a good job and all the money she earned went to buy the synthetic drug.

"One of the proudest days was when she said she needed our help," her father said. "It was hard, she fought through it. The night sweats are gone, she can sleep at night. She's happy and says she feels like a human."

#### Tests don't work

According to Jamie Balavitch, a prevention program supervisor at the Taylor Teen Health Clinic, typical drug screens don't pick up the synthetic drugs.

"There is no way to identify them," she said.
"This drug isn't being made at the CVS on the corner; when six people by it, none are alike. Any illicit drug is a dangerous drug."

In addition to parents and students, representatives from neighboring school districts, the Garden City Community Coalition on Drug and Substance Abuse and Livonia Save Our Youth Coalition attended the forum.

"You want to get involved in policy and ask questions," said Susan Nicholas of the Garden City Community Coalition on Drug and Substance Abuse. "You're going to see a lot of liquids, they're easy to conceal. There's only so much we can do."

"I'm helping organize a parent forum in Redford Union," said Karen Bonanno of the Livonia Save Our Youth Coalition. "This was exactly what I hoped it would be. In Livonia, we're putting together a flier together about the signs and symptoms, what to look for in an addiction."

Bonanno also was doing a community breakfast Friday in Farmington and planned on sharing the same information.

"We have to raise awareness," she said. "We have to link arms and share."

Harmala told the audience that as a school leader, her perception is that Cloud 9 is "everywhere."

"We have to do this together. We have to put the safety of students first and learning will follow," she said.

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## **Commission authorizes county to** join Great Lakes Water Authority

The Wayne County Commission on Thursday authorized the county to join the Great Lakes Water Authority, a new regional entity that will manage water and sewer operations currently run by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department.

The Commission's approval by a 14-1 vote triggers the creation of the authority, which required the city of Detroit and at least one of the three primary counties involved to yote to join. The Detroit City Council previously approved the authority; the Macomb and Oakland county boards of commissioners have not voted yet.

The authority's sixmember governing board will consist of two representatives from the city of Detroit; one each from Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties; and one appointed by the state who will represent the communities not in the tri-county area. If the Macomb and/or Oakland boards of commissioners do not approve the authority, the state will appoint their representatives to the board.

"This is a very good compromise that emerged from the city of Detroit's bankruptcy, and it will give the entire region a say in how the system is run," said Wayne County Commission Chairman Gary Woronchak (D-Dearborn). "Suburban communities and the counties have long wanted seats at



the table because the system has affected them, and now that will happen."

Wayne County's representative on the authority board will be recommended by the Executive's Office within 30 days and is subject to confirmation by the Commission. The authority is to be operational within 200 days of its inception.

The city of Detroit will maintain control of its 3,400 miles of water mains and 3,000 miles of sewer pipes. About 500 Detroit Water and Sewerage Department employees will remain with the department and the remaining 900 will become employees of the Great Lakes Water Authority. All existing union contracts will be honored.

The authority will lease the regional assets from Detroit for 40 years at \$50 million per year. The assets include 400 miles of water mains, 360 miles of sewer pipes, five water filtration plants, the Detroit Waste Water Treatment Plant on West Jefferson Avenue and several retention basins and pump stations. The money is required to be used for system improvements only.

The authority also will fund a \$4.5 million Water Residential Affordability Program, to help residential customers system-wide who are struggling to pay their water and sewerage bills. The city of Detroit will be responsible for its billing, collections and short-

Another provision of the agreement is that the authority will cap water and sewerage rate increases at 4 percent per year for its first 10 years. Any increases above 4 percent would be charged by a customer's municipality.

The Wayne County Commission held two Committee of the Whole meetings in September to deliberate the creation of the Authority. Additional information — including the memorandum of understanding, articles of incorporation and frequently asked questions — are posted at www.waynecounty.com.



This drawing by Grant Elementary student Madeline Mae Shiner is featured in a Consumers Energy safety calendar.

## Livonia student's drawing featured in safety calendar

Consumers Energy has recognized the artistic talents of a student at Grant Elementary School in Livonia by featuring her drawing about electric and natural gas safety in its 2014-15 kids safety calen-

A safety drawing by second-grade student Madeline Mae Shiner was chosen from nearly 2,000 submitted to be featured in the calendar, which is distributed to the winning students and their teachers. The calendar is also featured online at www.ConsumersEnergy.com/kids.

"We make it a priority to teach children about how to be safe around electricity and natural gas, and this calendar is another effective way we can deliver those messages," said Mary Palkovich, Consumers Energy's vice president of energy delivery. "We were impressed by the effort and creativity that kids put into their drawings, and know their work will help inspire their classmates to stay safe."

Every year, Consumers Energy teaches 20,000 students across 28 counties in Michigan about electric and natural gas safety. Students can enter the safety calendar coloring contest after they have seen a safety presentation.

EmPOWERed Kids is a free electric safety presentation for third- and fourth-grade classrooms within the company's electric service territory. Students learn how to stay safe around electricity by staying away from downed power lines and recognizing electrical hazards.

Respect the Flags is a free natural gas safety presentation offered to second-, third- and fourthgrade classrooms within Consumers Energy's natural gas service territory. Students learn how to call 811 before they dig and how to recognize, react and

report a natural gas leak. Fifteen winners and 12 honorable mentions are featured in the 15-month calendar. Calendars are given to teachers who host safety presentations in their classrooms throughout the year.

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Douglas and Carole Peck of Livonia, and Donna and Dale Beamish of Plymouth enjoyed an enchanting evening at the 2013 Light Up a Life Benefit. Both Carole and Donna are also Angela Hospice volunteers.

## Everyone's a VIP at Angela Hospice gala

The annual Light Up A Life Event at Angela Hospice has had themes varying from sports to exotic locations. But this year's theme is a little more personal. "You Are the Star" will be honoring someone very special to Angela Hospice: you!

"It's an opportunity for friends, families, corporations and the like to come together to celebrate the spirit and the mission of Angela Hospice,' said Helen Balmforth, events coordinator. "What better way to give back than to participate in this night of friendship, fundraising and entertainment in celebration of the on-going admirable work of Angela Hospice."

The evening featuring gourmet dining, an open bar, silent auction and raffle will take place at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, at Laurel Manor in Livonia and is being sponsored by The Riley

For volunteer Donna Beamish, the best part of the event is "being with the other volunteers and friends and guests." Listening to good music and getting dressed up are added bonuses.

Speaking of music, this year's guests will get to hear the soothing sounds of classical musicians, violinist Hektor Qytepi and pianist Pierre Fra-calanza. Guests will also get to rock out and dance during a performance by Steve King and the Dittilies. The band earned a special tribute in 2002 by the state of Michigan in which they were dubbed "Michigan's Official

If dancing isn't your thing, be sure to check out this year's silent auction items. Or take part in the raffle drawing. Or just enjoy the food.

Reservations are \$100 per person, required in advance, with all proceeds going to benefit Angela Hospice's programs. Sponsorship opportunities are available, too, and donations are still being accepted for the silent auction. Raffle tickets are also available for purchase and you don't have to be present to win.

For more information, visit Ask-ForAngela.com or contact Balmforth at 734-953-6045.

## **Republicans Going** off the Deep End

Historically, Republicans have represented businesses and their owners while Democrats have represented working people, most of whom are employees.

There are practical reasons that keep each party from going off the deep end for the people they represent. Democrats know that most jobs come from businesses and Republicans know that most of their voters are employees. For years Michigan has looked out for both businesses and workers. This seems to have served the state well.

Yet now here in Michigan the Republicans have gone off the deep end for businesses in two ways.

First, they made Michigan a right to work state. By making collective bargaining more difficult, they hoped to make the cost of labor lower for businesses. Right to work states' businesses generally pay thousands of dollars less for the average employee than businesses do in states that do not restrain unions.

Secondly, they gave a huge tax cut to business while increasing taxes on many working people and retirees. This business tax cut also meant lower spending on government services such as education. Less spending on education means a reduction in the quality of the education our children are getting. This means that our children will be less prepared when they enter the job market than children from states that value education more than we do.

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## **Better Business Bureau warns** fans about playoff ticket scams

Better Business Bu-reau Serving Eastern Michigan joins fans in congratulating the Detroit Tigers for their fourth straight AL Central title but is also warning fans to beware of potential scams by fake ticket sellers seeking to cash in on the Detroit Tigers' success.

The Internet has become the arena of choice for sports fans looking to buy or sell tickets, but unfortunately, it also has become a breeding ground for scammers looking to take advantage of sports fans. The BBB's database of BBB

Business Reviews includes reputable, secondary market ticket firms that provide buyer protections, including money-back guarantees, if tickets are fake. Local BBB Accredited ticket services can be found at www.bbb.org/detroit. Fans can also purchase tickets directly at detroit.tigers .mlb.com/det/ticketing/

postseason.jsp.
The BBB offers the following advice for fans seeking tickets:

» Be careful buying tickets from someone on the street. When you get to the gate and find out

your tickets aren't real, the seller will be long

gone. » Before buying from an online ticket broker, see if there is a BBB seal on the website and click on it to make sure it is real. BBB's dynamic seal

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the BBB Business Review on the company, where you can read about the company's record for responding to complaints.

» Make sure the website has a secure payment processing system, usually denoted by "https://" at the start of its website address or URL or a small closed lock icon at the bottom of the screen.

» Check the ticket broker's refund policy. Only buy from a ticket reseller that provides clear details about the terms of the transaction.

## Pumpkin Fest offers fall fun for all ages

Pumpkin Fest 2014 is going on now through Oct. 30 at the historic Wilson Barn

From 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. weekdays, there are pumpkins, gourds and corn stalks for sale, and pony rides and hay rides, weather permitting. For more information on these activities, call 734-558-5506. Fees for some activities do apply.

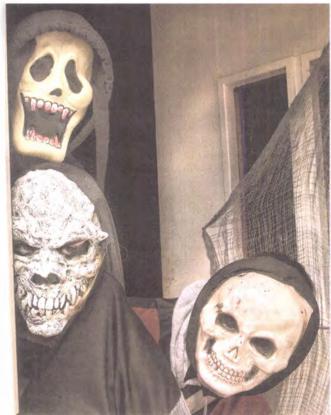
There's more on the weekends. From 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, you'll be able to shop and browse displays of crafts inside and around the outside of the

Also each weekend, fresh apple cider (hot and cold), coffee, hot chocolate, hot dogs, and donuts are available for purchase inside the barn. Net funds from these refreshments benefit the barn's many activities.

Hayrides and pony rides are available on the weekends, too, weather permitting. The Pumpkin Fest Haunted Barn Stroll

for those age 12 and under, where the scariness is based on age and request, takes place from noon to 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 11, Oct. 18 and Oct. 25 and Sundays, Oct. 12, Oct. 19 and Oct. 26. Admission is \$1. For more information, call 734-466-2410. The Barn Stroll is run by Livonia Parks & Recreation Department.

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## Youth who 'brought smiles' is Paws for **Applause winner**

Connor envisioned football clinic

> **By Choya Jordan** Staff Writer

Connor Sherman of Canton is the "true example of an extraordinary kid and he deserves to be applauded." That was the opinion of Cheryl Williams, included in a letter to O&E Media nominating 10-year-old Connor for the Paws for Applause recognition award.

"Not only did he go above and beyond for all kids with special needs in his community, he demonstrated how powerful inclusion can be for everyone involved," Williams wrote. Conner had a vision to create a day camp for special-needs youth to have a special day full of fun and football, despite their personal challenges and limitations. With the help of many in the community, he brought smiles to youth and their parents that warm day in July.

O&E Media sports writer Tim Smith reported on Connor's achievement earlier in the season, writing that Connor stood in the middle of the varsity football field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and addressed event attendees. "Every kid should have the opportunity to play this sport, which is why I came up with this idea,' Connor said.

"True magic happened on the P-CEP varsity football field July 18, 2014, all thanks to Connor's Sunshine's Football Clinic," Williams wrote, reflecting on the memo-



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Connor Sherman of Canton is this season's final Paws for Applause winner.

rable day when her own special-needs son, Tony, was one of the lucky youth to participate in the clinic. "Connor's dream allowed all of us to enjoy football at an amazing level.

O&E Media proudly recognizes Connor Sherman as this season's final Paws for Applause winner. Paws for Applause is a partnership of the O&E Media and the Detroit

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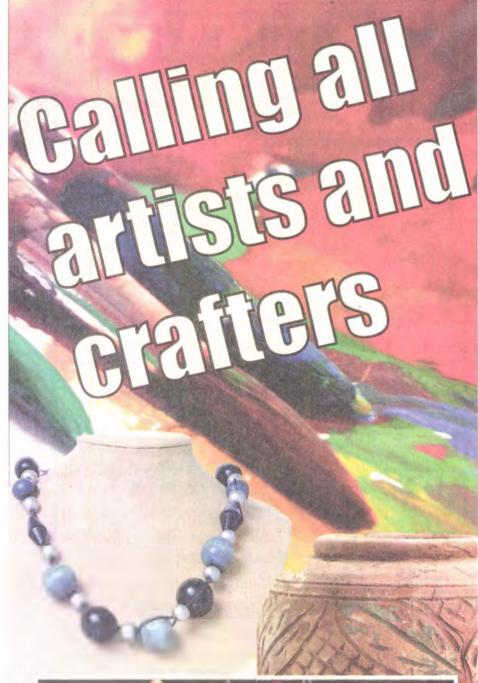


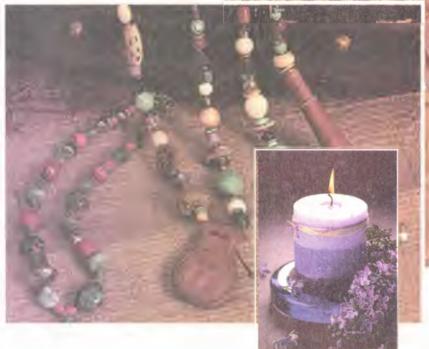
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This year's show will be bigger and better than in the past. There will be train collectors from multiple states with train and toy items to buy and swap plus more than 125 dealer tables. Door prizes will be given away every

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## Education town hall event to be held at Canton Charter Academy

All four major party candidates for the state Senate 7th District seat and state House 21st District seat have been invited to an education town hall event at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at Canton Charter Academy, 49100 Ford Road.

The invited candidates hail from two of the most competitive legislative seats for the November general election. These districts represent the communities of Canton, Livonia, Plymouth, Northville and Van Buren Township. Members of those communities are encouraged to attend this public event.

Candidates invited to participate in the town hall event include Senate

7th District incumbent Republican Patrick Colbeck and his challenger, Democrat Dian Slavens, along with House 21st District candidates Carol Ann Fausone, a Republican, and Democrat Kristy Pagan.

"The purpose of this forum is to give candidates for the state legislature an opportunity to introduce themselves to voters and address education policy issues vital to our state's future," said Gary Naeyaert, executive director at the **Great Lakes Education** Project, one of the event sponsors.

Former longtime Plymouth Township Police Chief Carl Berry, president of the board of di-

rectors at Canton Preparatory High School in Canton, will moderate the town hall portion of the event. Immediately following the town hall will be a meet-and-greet session to give members of the public the ability to directly interact with

the candidates.
Sponsoring organizations include the Great Lakes Education Project, Students First-Michigan, the Michigan Association of Public School Academies and the Michigan Council of Charter School Authorizers.

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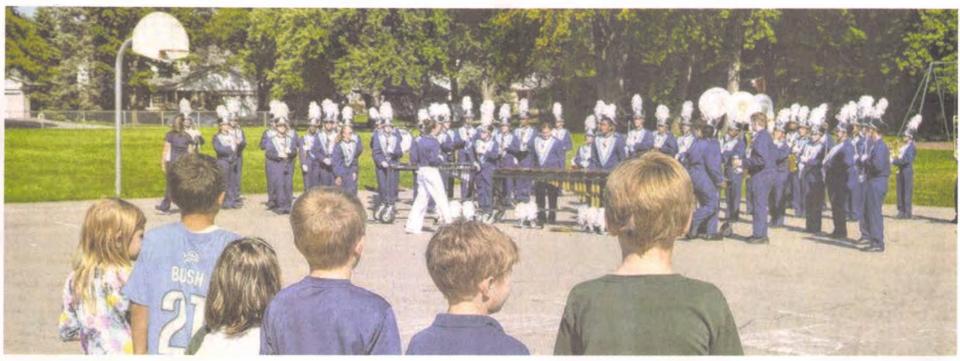
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Cass students watch with anticipation as the SHS Marching Band approaches the school.

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The Stevenson High School Marching Band

paraded through the neighborhood, from the high school to the nearby Cass Elementary, and performed during the school's 30-minute nonstop walk around the school. Cass students

raised pledges for this PTA fundraiser and walked as many times around the school as they could during the halfhour time limit.

Members of Stevenson High School's cheer

and pom pon teams were also on hand to encourage students along the route. In all, Cass students raised approximately \$3,800, which will be used for books, school assemblies and technology.



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But when someone brings the patient to the office, and that person is anyone but a hired driver, it is in the best interest of the patient, unless the matter to be discussed is very personal, to have that person accompany the patient into the examining room

The person can act as a witness to help the patient remember the doctor's instructions, or to add details of events that the patient may have forgotten or misconstrued. For instance, I've had the experience of asking a patient if knee pain kept the patient from activities. The patient said no, but the daughter, who accompanied the patient said: " Mother, be truthful. You haven't gone to church for months because of that knee."

Of course, the person accompanying the patient needs to do so with etiquette. The person should not interrupt the patient interview nor bring up matters related to the person's own medical problems. On the other hand, if the patient does not understand an explanation or medical orders, the person has the right to ask for clarification, just as if he or she were the patient.

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## House panel approves Knezek's veterans bill



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State Rep. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights, testifies before the House Military and Veterans Affairs Committee in support of House Bill 5418 on Wednesday, Oct. 1. The bill was unanimously approved in committee and now goes to the full House.

Law would allow private employers to adopt a preference employment policy

The Michigan House of Representatives Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs took testimony and unanimously voted in support of House Bill 5418, legislation introduced by state Rep. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights.

If the bill becomes law, private employers would have the ability to adopt a veterans' preference employment policy when hiring new employees, an ability they do not currently have. The bill now goes before the House of Representatives for its consideration.

"This issue was first brought to my attention while traveling across the state as co-chairman of the Veterans' Services Task Force," Knezek said. "There are countless employers in Michigan who are ready and willing to offer a veterans hiring preference in order to help our servicemen and women upon their return home. Unfortunately, they are prohibited from doing so without formal state action. This legislation is a monumental step forward in addressing the issue of veteran unemployment in Michigan." Title VII of the Civil

Rights Act of 1964 forbids preferential hiring policies; however, as it relates to offering a veterans hiring preference, Section 712 of the act states, "Nothing in this title shall be construed to repeal or modify any Federal, State, territorial, or local law creating special rights or preference for veterans." In essence, Title VII will not preempt formal state action allowing for the creation of such preference policies for veter-

Michigan currently has no such law on the books authorizing such a practice for private em-

I went without a job after coming home from Iraq. It wasn't until a friend called and offered me a job driving the Zamboni at Redford Ice Arena that I finally was able to gain employment - after six months of dead ends," Knezek said. "Veteran employment has been, and will continue to be, one of my top priorities, especially considering that in 2013, the average unemployment rate among post-9/ 11 veterans in Michigan was 13.5 percent — almost 5 percent higher than the national average. We can and must do

"Veterans do not want a handout — we want a hand up," said retired U.S. Marine Corps First Sgt. Troy Schielein, division director of Wayne County Veterans Services. "I believe this piece of legislation is paramount to driving down veteran unemployment and assisting our veterans and their fam-









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## Wild About Youth celebrates successful summer

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Through the Wild About Youth program, Francess Felix got the part-time job she had been hoping for working at the Westland Grand MJR Theater.

"This was the place I had my eye on. I really wanted to work in a movie theater. I want to be animator and work in graphic design," said the 17-year-old Westland John Glenn High School student. "I live close and come there all the time. Concessions are much busier than tickets.'

Planning to attend the College for Creative Study in Detroit, Felix is among 23 teens who participated in the program aimed at getting first jobs and improving financial literacy.

This year, local companies participating in Wild About Youth included MJR, Culver's, Checkers, Sonic, Wendy's, Cintas and Westland Parks and Recreation where teens worked as rangers in Tattan Park over the summer.

"Meeting people and making friends was the



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Jack Riley, senior vice president at Fifth Third Bank, talks witih students at the Wild About Youth wrap-up dinner.

best part. I had been looking for a job," said Ashley Hall, who works at Sonic. "I will continue working through the school year."

Hall and Felix were among the Wild About Youth participants who attended a wrap-up program and dinner held at Alexander the Great restaurant. Hall won an iPad donated by Fifth Third Bank.

"I'm excited. I didn't have an iPad. It was nice to have everyone here,' said Hall, who attends Wayne Memorial High School and plans to study pre-med.

Fifth Third Bank Senior Vice President Jack Riley told the students that he still remembers advice he received at his first job working at swimming pool concession stand.

"I was a pretty hard-working kid. I had my head down and stern look on my face," Riley said. "The woman who ran the concession stand said, 'You've got to smile, they think you're mad at them.' I tend to scowl when my face relaxes. I have to remember to



Francess Felix (left) got a job at Westland Grand MJR through the Wild About Youth program. Attending the wrap-up dinner with her were twin sister Princess and younger sister Stephany.

The financial literacy part of the program included a requirement that the students open a bank account and save a portion of their earnings.

"I hope this was worthwhile. Some of the kids still have their summer jobs. Some are siblings (of earlier participants)," Mayor William Wild said. "Each year we try to do better. It's difficult to line up jobs. With a 5.9-percent unemployment rate, students are completing with a lot of people for jobs.'

This is the fourth year

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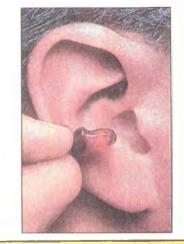
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**PREP SOCCER** 

## Spartans lock down Central crown

No. 5-ranked Stevenson steamrolls S. Lyon East; Canton next on Monday

> By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Considering the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's Central Division has more soccer talent than most counties in Michigan, winning it is an extraordinary achievement.

That explains why members of the Livonia Stevenson boys soccer team had a hard time suppressing their smiles following Thursday night's 6-0 division-clinching thumping of South Lyon East.

In addition to wrapping up a championship effort, the thorough triumph improved the Spartans' record to 12-2-1 overall and 8-1-1 in the division and propelled them into Monday's KLAA Kensington Conference championship game against highly ranked Canton

championship game against highly-ranked Canton.

Monday's opening kick is slated for 7 p.m. at Stevenson.

South Lyon East dropped to 0-14-0 overall and 0-10-0 in the

"I'm so proud of the boys," said Stevenson head coach Ken Shingledecker. "Their focus and

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Members of the Livonia Stevenson soccer team celebrated their first KLAA Central Division championship since 2008 Thursday night.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Livonia Churchill quarterback Brian Alsobrooks stretches the ball toward the goal line while being brought down by Canton's Jared Stephens.

## THE LONGEST YARDS

Canton stonewalls Churchill on the doorstep to survive, 40-35

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Normally, football games that saturate the scoreboard with 75 total points and produce mountains of yardage don't generate rave reviews for either team's defense. But Friday night's Livonia ChurchillCanton clash was anything but normal.
The Chiefs' defense put on a goal-line

clinic in the final minute to stymie the Chargers on four straight plays at the Canton 5 to secure a remarkable 40-35 victory in a game played on the P-CEP's junior varsity grass field.

Canton junior safety Jared Stephens

sealed the deal – and the Chargers' fate — by intercepting a fourth-and-goal Brian Alsobrooks pass in the right corner of the end zone with 54 seconds on the clock.

The victory left both teams with 5-1 overall records. Canton improved to 4-0 in the KLAA South Division, while Churchill slipped to 3-1.

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## Churchill's Martin wears out opponents

Staff Writer

Every athletic program — regardless of the sport or the level — could use a stabilizing force like Jonathan Martin on its

The Livonia Churchill senior tennis player has been a refreshing role model for the Chargers ever since he joined the team four falls ago as a freshman No. 2 singles player.

2 singles player.
Smooth and steady — and armed with a missile-like serve — Martin took over the team's No. 1 singles reins as a sophomore and hasn't let go, racking up impressive records (he was 16-4 this season through Mon-

day's matches) despite a schedule that always matches him up against the opponents' most-

accomplished player.

"Jon success has come from all the hours he puts into the sport — both here and at the club level," said Churchill head coach John Webster. "And he's always going against the best. To be the best, you have to play the best."

When asked for Martin's finest on-court attributes, Webster mentioned three that stood out.

"His consistency, his powerful serve and his ability to get to every ball," said Webster, who has been Martin's head coach all four seasons at Churchill. "He'll just grind opponents down to the ground. He always plays non-



Livonia Churchill senior tennis standout Jonathan Martin has compiled a stellar 16-4 record this season.

stop and he covers the court like no other. He'll slide off the court on one side and get a ball you wouldn't think he could get, then he'll do the same thing on the other side of the court, on the same point."

A top-notch soccer player as a youth, Martin had to decide between the court and the pitch when the MHSAA shuffled its seasons move boys tennis to the fall.

"I was 12 when I decided to quit soccer and focus on tennis," Martin said. "It was a tough decision, but my older brother was playing in high school when they switched seasons, so when he picked tennis, it influenced my decision because he was kind of my coach."

Although it's hard to say how many accolades the fit and fast

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## Volleyball district draw

Garden City High School will host a Class A volleyball district tournament Nov. 3-7. The opening match on Monday, Nov. 3, will feature the host Cougars against Redford Thurston. The first serve is set for 5:30 p.m.

On Wednesday,
Nov. 5, Livonia Churchill will face Livonia Stevenson in a
5:30 p.m. showdown.
The 7 p.m. match
that night will pit
Livonia Franklin
against the winner of
Monday's G.C.-Thurston match. The
district final is set
for Friday, Nov. 7, at
6 p.m.

## Stevenson Clinic

The second annual Livonia Stevenson Athletic Department Youth Development Clinic will be held Saturday, Nov. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Stevenson Fieldhouse. Participants should enter in Door No. 28, on the west side of the school.

The clinic is for boys and girls in grades kindergarten through sixth. The cost is \$30 per child and includes a T-shirt and one free admission ticket to any regular season home Stevenson athletic event. Proceeds will go toward equipment for the Stevenson athletic team room and the general athletic budget.

Contact Stevenson athletic director Lori Hyman at lhyman@livoniapublicschools.org.

## Ladywood field hockey

Livonia Ladywood maintained its grip on second place in the Catholic League with a 1-1 girls field hockey tie Wednesday at home against Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart.

After a scoreless first half, the Gazelles broke the deadlock on Gretchen Lemon's goal with only 18 minutes remaining. But the Blazers would respond four minutes later on senior Emma Smalley's equalizer.

Ladywood had 12 corners to Sacred Heart's four. The shots were even at 4-4. Junior goalie Maddie Haas made three saves as the Blazers stand 5-2-4 overall and 2-0-3 in the Catholic League heading into a 4:15 p.m. Friday showdown for first place at Birmingham Marian with the top seed at stake for the upcoming league play-





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PREP VOLLEYBALL

## Rockets take down Chargers in five

Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn's volleyball team registered an impressive five-set victory over visiting Livonia Churchill Tuesday night: 23-25, 25-19, 25-23, 14-25 and 16-14.

Ryan Clemmons led the Rockets' strong serving performance with two aces and zero errors on 23 attempts. Kelly Epperson had a big night hitting for the winners as she knocked down 18 kills while committing just nine errors on 53 attempts.

Epperson also contributed 24 digs and five blocks.

The loss dropped the Chargers to 14-14-1 overall and 3-3 in the KLAA South Division.

Statistical leaders for Churchill were Alyssa Facione (20 digs), Natalie Panek (17 kills) and Rayna Yetts (45 assists).

#### **Trojans cruise**

Livonia Clarenceville remained unbeaten in Western Wayne Athletic Conference volleyball matches Thursday with a three-game sweep of Redford Thurston, 25-22, 25-18,

The Trojans improved their record to 5-0 in the conference and 6-8-3 overall.

Clarenceville had a good start, but Thurston stayed in the match and challenged every play, according to coach Wendy Merschman.

'We're trying new things with the lineup to get the most from our offense," she said. "We're still making mental

errors, but I think, once we figure out what is working for us and what is not, we'll be able to grind out some more wins and be real competitive.

"Our defense is improving every day, and the girls are working real hard. Thurston played real scrappy and pulled up some real strong hits. (The Eagles) did a good job of defending our offense.

Sarah Curvin led the Clarenceville attack with a dozen kills and served four aces. She also was 10-for-10 on serve re-

"She's putting the ball down for some big plays but, most importantly, her defense has improved so much this year," Merschman said.

She added Emily Swartz did a nice job as the setter with 18 assist to kills and three aces. Maddy Van Dyke and Lindsey Cairns each added five kills.

"Lindsey Fosth turned in a good defensive performance tonight and also added three aces," Merschman said.

The Trojans needed five games Tuesday to put away Dearborn Heights Annapolis and win their fourth conference

Clarenceville had its back to the wall after losing the first two, 18-25 and 22-25, but the Trojans rallied to win out, 26-24, 25-22, 15-9.

"We missed several serves and mishandled on serve receive," Merschman said. "We need to get better at that, or we are going to continue to drop



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Valerie Ernat (pictured during a recent practice) has provided John Glenn's volleyball team with stellar all-around play this season.

"The girls did some really good things in these games, and the front row kept us in it. Sarah Curvin had the hot hand tonight and, when the ball was set to her, she was putting it down with authority."

Curvin had 20 kills and five solo blocks. Fosth added seven kills. Emily Swartz was the team's most consistent server, going 18-for-18 at the line.

Swartz also had 39 kill assists. Hayley Abajay and Mia Sampson were busy on defense, making 18 and 20 digs, respec-

"Ånnapolis did a real good job at keeping the ball alive and playing hard for every point-,"Merschman said. "Sarah was the one they couldn't dig.

"When the third game rolled around, the Trojans battled for every point. We did so much right in the fourth and fifth games, and we really dug deep tonight, rallying back after losing the first two.'

#### **PCA edges Lutheran** Westland

Lutheran Westland turned in a solid performance Thursday night against Plymouth Christian, but came out on the short end of a 25-8, 25-18, 22-25, 25-22 decision to the Eagles.

Emily Hahn was exceptional from the service stripe for the Warriors, making zero errors in 27 attempts with two aces. Allie Lange knocked down nine kills for LW with no errors while Vivian Quitmeyer and Ellie Storck had nine total blocks

"With the exception of the first set and a half, we played our best volleyball of the season tonight," said Lutheran Westland head coach Tom Lange. "Our girls are starting to believe in what's possible for them."

#### **Cougars sweep**

Garden City's volleyball team solidified its grip on first place in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Blue Division Thursday night by sweeping visiting Dearborn,

25-18, 25-9 and 25-12.

The Cougars are now 15-5 overall and 5-0 in the division.

"Playing Dearborn is never easy," said GC head coach John Pace. "They make you earn a majority of the points you get. You really have to have good ball control if you want a chance to win. Tonight was no different."

The Cougars' offensive assault couldn't have been more balanced as five different play-

ers registered at least five kills. Hannah Vera-Burgos led the Cougars with 12 assists while Alex Roffi chipped in with 10.

Defensively, Taylor Bejma led the winners with 14 digs. Roffi (13 digs), Emily Hoffman (eight digs) and Vera-Burgos (seven digs) also sparkled.

"We had a great day at servereceive," Pace noted. "We were able to side-out 77 percent of the time. We also had a great day defensively with 52 digs as a team.'

#### Churchill 2-3 in Northville

The Chargers went 2-3 in a tournament hosted by Northville on Saturday, Sept. 27

Churchill opened with a 25-17, 25-22 loss to Lakeland followed by a 25-12, 25-8 setback to Bedford.

The Chargers rebounded with victories over Stoney Creek (27-26, 25-22) and Farmington (23-25, 25-20, 15-7), but fell to Stoney Creek, 25-21, 24-26, 15-9 in the elimination

- Observer Sports editor Dan O'Meara contributed to this story.

**PREP GOLF** 

## Stevenson golfers defeat Churchill

Livonia Stevenson's girls golf team knocked off host Livonia Churchill, 201-226, in a KLAA cross-over match played Sept. 30 at Whispering Willows Golf Course.

Megan Gronau set the pace for the winners by carding a nine-hole round of 44. Also scoring for the Spartans were Kristen Szebelski

and Jess Crachiola, both of whom fired 52s; and Madi Maurier, who shot a 53.

Non-scorers for Stevenson were Erin Huerta and Julia Malkowski, who turned in rounds of

Kristin McLean and Paige Petersen led the Chargers with rounds of 55. Kelsie Nowicki and

Marin McGowan also scored for the hosts with 58s.

Jackie Haddad (59) and Alyssa Mazur (61) were on the verge of scoring for the Char-

Stevenson improved to 5-3 while Churchill slipped to 1-7.

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**PREP VOLLEYBALL** 

## Blazer spikers cruise past Regina

Livonia Ladywood answered the challenge Tuesday while evening its Catholic League Central Division girls volleyball record at 1-1 with a lopsided 25-7, 25-9, 25-13 win at Warren Regina.

The Blazers, who opened their division season Sept. 25 at home with a 25-16, 25-21 setback to state-ranked Birmingham Marian, improved to 16-9-1 over-

"In my pre-game

PREP FOOTBALL

Salem at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Wayne at John Glenn, 7 p.m. RU at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.

Romulus at Garden City, 7

Crestwood at Thurston, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11 Liggett at Luth. West., 2 p.m.

Ladywood at Gabriel Richard, 6:30 p.m. Plymouth at Churchill, 6:30

Oak. Christian at Luth. West.,

Stevenson vs. Novi, 6:30 p.m.

John Glenn at Franklin, 7 p.m. Wayne at Canton, 6:30 p.m.

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preparation the past two

weeks have been fantas-

tic. We're excited about

Monday. Canton will be

Stevenson, which is

ranked No. 5 in the most-

against the over-matched

Cougars, who were out-

shot 17-1.

recent Division 1 poll,

scored early and often

another great test."

Thursday, Oct. 9

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Oct. 7 PCA at HVL, 6:30 p.m

6:30 p.m.

speech to the team I challenged the squad to make this a statement match and they certainly delivered," Ladywood coach Peter Lau said. "Good teams take care of business. They don't drop their play based on their opponents' skills and that's exactly what the team did. We have the potential to be one of top teams in the state and once the girls truly believe it, they will chal-

lenge anyone. Senior captain Molly

John Glenn at South Lyon, 7

Monday, Oct. 6 Greenhills at Ladywood, 4:15

PREP CROSS COUNTRY

Garden City at Edsel Ford, 4

Churchill at Canton, 3:50 p.m

Stevenson vs. Salem, 4 p.m.

Franklin at Plymouth, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Wayne, 4 p.m. RU at Annapolis, 4 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 10 River Rat Invitational, 4:30

Monday, Oct. 6 Wayne at Hazel Park, 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7

**BOYS TENNIS** 

FIELD HOCKEY

Tuesday, Oct. 7

Wayne Memorial at South Lyon

THE WEEK AHEAD

Ladywood at N.D. Prep, 6:30

Thurston at Robichaud, 7 p.m.

Churchill at Canton, 6:30 p.m. Plymouth at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. HVL at Luth. West., 6:30 p.m.

Garden City at Belleville, 7

Clarenceville at Fordson, 7

Saturday, Oct. 11

BOYS SOCCER

Monday, Oct. 6

. Stevenson vs. Salem, 6:30 p.m. Wayne at John Glenn, 7 p.m RU at Annapolis, 7 p.m.

Howell Invitational, 8:30 a.m Lahser Invitational, TBA

U-M Dearborn Invitational, 9

Canton at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m.

Churchill at Novi, 7 p.m.

Franklin at Salem, 7 p.m.

McClorey, a middle hitter, finished with 16 service points to go along with six kills and hit an amazing .857.

Junior captain Haley Moores contributed seven kills while hitting .429, while junior Kayla March added six kills with a team-best eight digs. Junior Kelcy Son-Servacio was also a perfect four-for-four on kill attempts.

The Blazers return to action Saturday at the Mt. Morris Invitational.

KLAA Conference Tournament,

Thursday Oct 9

Tuesday, Oct. 7 Ladywood at Marian, 6:30 p.m.

Thúrsday, Oct. 9

Churchill at Plymouth, 6:30

Stevenson vs. S.L. East, 6:30

Edsel Ford at Thurston, 6 p.m

N.D. Prep and Bishop Foley at

Ladywood, 6:30 p.m. Franklin at John Glenn, 6:30

Wayne Invitational, 4 p.m.

Wayne Invitational, noon MISCA Meet, noon

Fordson at RU, 4 p.m

Saturday, Oct. 11

Friday, Oct. 10

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Charger would have

piled up on the soccer field, it appears he made the right decision.

playing No. 1 singles is the competition," said Martin. "It's fun playing against some of the kids I hit against in the summer or play with or against at the club leveľ."

Tennis is more grueling than many not familiar with the sport firmed.

"As the level of competition increases, it definitely becomes a more physically demanding game," he said. "Evball rolling in the third minute when he scored off a pass from Brandon Navarro, who also picked up a helper five minutes later when Alex DeFlorio scored. The Spartans padded their cushion to 3-0 25

Brady Brown got the

minutes later on Trevor Furkas's unassisted netfinder. Stevenson carried a 4-0 lead into the half thanks to an Ian Henzi goal from Furkas.

Tyler Gregory (from

Henzi) and Marco Lytwyn (unassisted) wrapped up

Stevenson goal-keepers Turner Miller and Adam Bixby combined to

stopped eight Stevenson shots. This is Stevenson's

first Central Division title since 2008, Shingledecker added.

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"The best thing about

may realize, Martin con-

ery point is a grind, so

you're sprinting after every ball, back and forth, and putting everything you have into every shot. It's more taxing on the body — and the mind — than a lot of people think. I'm pretty fatigued after a long match."

Martin has compiled a list of accomplishments that would fill a decentsized trophy case. Twice he has advanced to the Division 1 state meet as an individual by winning at the regional level. The third time he lost in the regional final to a player from Birmingham **Brother Rice** 

His non-high school career has also been extraordinary.

But when asked about the career highlight he's most proud of, the individual accomplishments

the scoring.

earn the Spartans' eighth shutout of the campaign. Silvio Scappaticci

took a back seat.

"I think I'm most proud of when our team won the regional when I was a freshman," he said. "Whenever you can accomplish something as a team, it's pretty awesome and more memorable than individual

awards." Martin is an ace in the classroom, too, as his 4.52 grade point average

reflects "I'd like to attend the University of Michigan and eventually get into their Ross Business School," he said. "I'd like to keep playing tennis in college, but at the club level.'

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**PREP FOOTBALL** 

## Resilient Spartans stun Northville, 46-21

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Austin Petrie's footprints are all over the most-recent KLAA Central Division football stand-

The hard-running Livonia Stevenson running back also left a cleat marks in the Northville High School football field's end zones.

Petrie ran 24 times for 250 yards and four touchdowns to spearhead the Spartans' significant 46-21 victory over the host Mustangs Friday night.

The bounce-back victory which came one week after a one-sided loss at South Lyon improved Stevenson's record to 4-2 overall and 3-1 in the Central, which is good enough for a first-place tie with the Lions. Northville's second consec-

utive setback drops its record to 4-2 and 2-2, respectively. Stevenson will be looking to

keep its mojo going on Friday when it hosts Salem for home-



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Stevenson's Austin Petrie breaks out a long touchdown run in the second quarter against the Mustangs.

Petrie was an absolute beast. churning out touchdown runs of 35, 48, 56 and 8 yards against an

experienced, usually-stout Northville defense.

"What impressed me the most tonight," said Stevenson head coach Randy Micallef, "was our kids' resiliency after losing like we did last week. We had a great week of practice and we came out tonight and showed a lot of character. The team showed what it's made of and didn't throw in the towel. 'Austin was outstanding

tonight. He is a very skilled running back who always runs hard. He'd rather put his shoulder down and run over you than try to run around you. He's just a 200-pound kid who is tough to tackle.'

Stevenson sophomore quarterback Chris Tanderys continued to impress, completing 12 of 16 passes for 116 yards and a TD to Jack Ferguson.

Chris has done everything we've asked him to do this season," said Micallef. "He's progressed in every game we've played.'

The Spartans' defensive star of the night was linebacker Robert Scheider, who racked up seven solo tackles and nine

"We missed Robert during the first part of the season when he was banged up, but since we got him and Mario [Ferrera] back, we've been a lot better."

Trailing 14-6, Stevenson engineered a 26-0 run to take a 32-14 lead into the half.

In addition to two Petrie TDs, the Spartans scored on C.J. Weiss's 51-yard punt return and a 15-yard pass from Tanderys to Ferguson.

The Mustangs, whose first half scores came from Alec Coppock and Justin Zimbo, closed their deficit to 32-21 in the fourth quarter when Kevin Bak returned a fumble 47 yards to paydirt, but the Spartans' put a stamp on the win thanks to an 8-yard touchdown run by Petrie and a 47-yard pick six by Hyder Mansour.

Ferguson and Sam Davidek also notched interceptions for the winners.

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**PREP SOCCER** 

## Chargers white-wash Rockets, 2-0

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

The Livonia Churchill boys soccer team's defense was as sturdy Thursday afternoon as the decades-old oak tree that is rooted just east of the Westland John Glenn pitch.

Thanks to strong back-line play from Krishna Midathada, Conner McCarthy, Conner Rash and Andrew Moyer, Charger goalkeepers Nathan Guzowski and Brandon Dix combined for a 2-0 shutout victory over host John Glenn in the final KLAA South Division match for both teams.

The Chargers owned possession of the sphere for at least 70 percent of the 80minute contest and used a late first-half goal and an early second-half net-finder to secure the victory.

The ultimate game-winner unfolded with 19 seconds left in the first stanza when Midathada ripped a free kick through the 18-yard box. The ball was settled just inside the box by Riles Dobar who punched in a finely-placed shot just inside the right post to give his team a 1-0 lead.

Dobar came close to breaking the scoring ice with half when his run down the left flank created a one-onone opportunity against Rocket goal-keeper Carlos Santiago, but Santiago managed to deflect Dobar's well-struck shot out of harm's way with a sliding effort.

Santiago and center-back Adam Valentine were the Rockets' brightest stars all day as their nonstop energy helped keep John Glenn at



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Westland John Glenn goal-keeper Carlos Santiago went low to thwart a scoring opportunity for Livonia Churchill's Mario Shkembi Thursday afternoon.

least within striking distance for most of the afternoon.

A dazzling individual effort by Churchill junior forward Erlin Guri accounted for the game's second goal. Guri dribbled through a maze of John Glenn defenders just three minutes into the second half before left-footing a grass-hugger inside the left

The Rockets' best offensive threat on the sometimes-27:30 mark when Noah Said centered a ball in front of the net to Michael Daniels, whose header sailed just north of the cross-bar.

Franklin jolts Wayne

Senior forward Jeremy Sheppard scored a pair of goals Thursday afternoon to lead Livonia Franklin to a 6-1 victory over host Wayne Memorial.

The result was redemption of sorts for the Patriots, who lost to the Zebras at home two weeks ago.

"We played the way we were supposed to play today," asserted Franklin head coach Vic Rodopoulos, whose team improved to 3-8-1 overall and 3-6-1 in the KLAA South Division. "As long as our heads are in it and we're focused as a team, we're going to have great games like this. We still ments, but for the most part the boys played well.'

The Patriots owned a tenuous 2-1 lead at the half thanks to goals by Sheppard and Bobby Williams.

Wayne's goal came when James Herdon took advantage of a communication lapse between a pair of Patriot players.

Goal-scorers in the second half for Franklin were Ryan

Bieth, Jordan Whitt, Sheppard and Robert Jiga.

Rodopoulos praised the play of Nick Curtis, who was filling in at center-back for injured starter Zach Brokaw, who is expected back for the Division 1 district tournament in two weeks.

On Tuesday, the Patriots battled Plymouth to a 1-1 draw. Junior goal-keeper Ryan Prohaska was outstanding between the pipes for Franklin, blanking the highpowered Wildcats until they tallied a penalty-kick goal with just over a minute left in the contest.

Prohaska turned away a penalty kick earlier in the

Trojans rally to win

Clarenceville played one of its sloppier matches of the season Wednesday, according to coach Trevor Johnson, but it still had a good ending for the Trojans, who defeated visiting Romulus, 3-1.

The Eagles scored in the 34th minute with a goal by Martel Green, but the Trojans tied the score 30 seconds later when Kam MacIver converted a corner kick.

In the second half, "the ojans finally showed up, Johnson said, and won the game with a pair of goals by Jake Devos-Roy, who was assisted each time by Cam

Fyffe. The Trojans are 6-9-1 overall going into their last WWAC game Monday at rival Redford Union.

– Observer sports editor Dan O'Meara contributed to this story.

**PREP FOOTBALL** 

## Plymouth survives Rockets' comeback

**By Tim Smith** Staff Writer

For much of the second half Friday night, Westland John Glenn's pedal-to-the-metal offense kept pushing until the Rockets finally broke out in front.

Two lengthy drives — featuring power running by junior Jaylen Smith (254 yards in 225 carries), senior Leon Crawford and senior Jamie Melchor - brought the Rockets back from a 17-3 halftime deficit.

And when Smith's 3-yard touchdown run with 4:20 to play in the fourth quarter capped a 77-yard march in eight rushes, the Rockets were finally in front 22-17. That brought a hush over the Plymouth homecoming game crowd.

But to those fans' delight, the Wildcats responded in the nick of time with a game-winning, 17yard scoring strike from senior quarterback Deji Adebiyi to juwide-out Christian Walls 2:22 remaining to enable Plymouth to reclaim a 23-22 advan-

A two-point conversion pass from Adebiyi to senior tight end Kevin Justice then wrapped up Plymouth's 25-22 win, which gave the Wildcats a 5-1 record (and 3-1 in the KLAA South Division).

"I tell you what, they made some adjustments there when they went to the 3-back and just kind of lowered the blade on us there for a while," Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk said. "We didn't line up correctly a few

"... But they have some big boys on their team and we had to just really get fired up for that last series and come up and make a play instead of sitting there and taking it, like we did on those two drives that they had.'

On Plymouth's winning series, senior fullback Cameron Stella (16-122) bulled forward for 10 yards in two rushes to get it go-

And Adebiyi then fired the ball over the middle that Walls (three receptions, 75 yards, two TDs) dove to reel in at the John Glenn

Adebiyi (5-8, 130 yards, three TDs) found Walls yet again on a slant route for the winning score. The wide-open Walls grabbed the ball while gliding toward the far-left corner of the end zone.

On target

"I would think they would know we were throwing on that down," Adebiyi said. "But coach (Brian) Rochon our offensive coordinator called a great play, Chris just ran a great route and all I had to do was deliver the

"Chris played hard tonight, he never gets tired. He could go for 24 hours straight and I just love

Walls said he wasn't surprised to be so open, nor that "the best quarterback in Michigan" threaded the needle on the pass.

"I was just thankful, really thankful," Walls noted. "I have all the trust in my quarterback."

The Walls touchdown made it two heartbreaking losses in two weeks against Park teams for the Rockets (3-3, 1-3), who lost by a point to Canton on Sept. 26.

## **LONGEST**

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"I said a few prayers before the first-down play down there and then I said, 'I'm ready to do this. We're ready to do this," Canton defensive tackle Richard Lenczewski said, recounting the goal-line stand. "I am so proud of this team. We had to stop them and we did it."

With the ball situated on the right hash mark, the right-handed Alsobrooks rolled to his left on the first three plays from the 5. Tight coverage by the Canton secondary forced him to throw the first two passes into the

On third down, 6-foot-4 Canton linebacker Jalen Cochran came up big when he tipped away a pass in the end zone to set up the all-ornothing fourth-down play.

Alsobrooks rolled right and lofted a tight spiral into the corner, but Stephens was on the spot to make the pick.

That was an unbelievable defensive stand," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said. "They have it first-andgoal at the 5, they have a great quarterback, great receivers, we had match-up problems all over the field, but our kids just stepped up.

"I'll tell you what - everybody who was here tonight got their money's worth. This is a game these kids will never forget.'

Trailing 35-28, Canton pulled to within one point



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Marcus Sanders (2) tries to break free from Churchill's Armonde Yetts (34).

when Charles Turfe rammed in from the 3 with 6:16 left. Much like they did last week in their 22-21 victory over Westland John Glenn, the Chiefs went for two and the lead, but Turfe was stuffed at the one by a mass of Chargers, led by Aaron Kerr.

After a long Churchill kickoff return was called back by a holding penalty, the Chargers started at their own 21. The first two plays produced 9 yards, but Paul Romain was stopped for no gain on third- and fourth-andinches attempts to give Canton the ball on the Churchill

Lenczewski said the fourth-and-one play is the kind defensive linemen like him live for.

"We were in a formation we call 'Hawk'," the senior said. "Some people go down toward their knees and the others blitz in the 'A' gap. I blitzed through the 'A' gap,

got (Romain's) legs and held on. When I got up, I saw they were behind the line of scrimmage and we went Four plays later, Canton

senior quarterback Greg Williams connected with senior tight end Nolan Gilo on a third-and-eight TD pass to give the Chiefs a 40-35 advantage with 2:42 to play.

It didn't take long for Churchill to push the ball into Canton's red zone. Alsobrooks hooked up with Tim Dulin on a 42-yard bomb to give the Chargers the ball on the Chiefs' 20. Another Alsobrooks completion to Dulin put the ball on the Canton 5, but that's as far as the Chargers would get thanks to the Chiefs' inspired perfor-

"That's a tough offense to play against; you just have to do the little things like make your reads and things like that," Canton junior safety

Micah Rinke said. "We weren't perfect tonight; we made mistakes, I know I did. But we came up big when we Despite playing a less-

than-perfect opening 24 minutes, Churchill carried a semi-comfortable 28-14 lead into the half. "When you turn the ball

over three times like we did in the first half, you don't expect to lead by 14," Churchill head coach Bill DeFillippo said. "So I figured if we cleaned things up in the second half, we'd be OK. We just seemed to lose momentum in the fourth quarter and defensively we couldn't get a stop, which is why I went for it there on fourth-and-inches."

Williams had a solid night engineering Canton's offense as he completed 6-of-11 passes for 74 yards in addition to running seven times for 48 yards.

Turfe picked up 94 yards and three TDs on 10 carries. Marcus Sanders (15 carries for 86 yards) and Brian Newton (10 carries, 51 yards) both scored a touchdown for the

Alsobrooks completed 17-of-32 passes for 275 yards. The senior had at least five passes dropped by his usually sure-handed receivers.

Romain ran for 115 yards and two scores on 24 carries.

Steven Szymanski had a night to remember of Churchill. The senior threw a 41yard TD pass to Dulin on a double-reverse pass play. He also caught seven Alsobrooks aerials for 123 yards.

**COLLEGE GOLF** 

## Collura leads Madonna women to golf title

The Madonna University women's golf team climbed back into the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference race Tuesday by winning the WHAC Jamboree Four at the friendly confines of Fox Hills Golf Course.

The host Crusaders shot 328 to better Siena Heights' 332 by four strokes.

Rounding out the 10-team



field was Indiana Tech (334), Aquinas (342), Davenport (348), Lawrence Tech (360), Northwestern Ohio (379),

Lourdes (381), Cornerstone (425) and Concor-

dia (495). The 328 total pulled MU back within one stroke of Indiana Tech in the overall conference race with one jamboree left in the fall sea-

Alicia Flood of Aquinas took individual medalist honors with a 5-over 77 on the 5,509-yard Golden Fox layout, while senior Chelsea Collura (Riverview Gabriel Richard) paced the Crusaders with an

80 to tie for third place.

Junior Holly Laginess (Monore St. Mary Catholic Central) tied for sixth with an 81 while sophomore Ayla Bogie (Clio) was one shot behind Laginess with an 82 and a spot in eighth.

Fellow sophomore Natalie Blazo (Dearborn Divine Child ) finished in a tie for 12th with Other MU players included senior Becca Porter (Temperance Bedford) tied for 19th with an 89 and junior Jordyn Shepler (Churchill) tied for

24th with a 91. The Crusaders return to action Saturday and Sunday in Milwaukee heading to Brown Deer Golf Course for the Radisson Wolfpack Invite hosted by Cardinal Stritch (Wis.).

**COLLEGE SOCCER WRAP** 

## Crusaders earn WHAC men's triumph

Ryan Williams notched his teamleading eighth goal of the season as the Madonna University men's soccer team squared its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference record at 1-1 with a 3-2 victory Wednesday at home over Aquinas College.

The Crusaders, who improved to 6-3 overall, trailed 1-0 at the 14:07 mark on Patryk Biel's unassisted goal, but evened the count at 1-1 at halftime on Danny Swanson's penalty kick, his second of the year, at 28:42.

Aldony Mendez then struck for his 14th of the season off an assist from Juan Torres to give the Saints (6-3-1, 0-1-1) a 2-1 advantage at 46:09

But Williams, a senior from Auburn Hills Avondale, tied it at 60:34 with an unassisted goal followed by Colin Wilden's game-winner at 7:27 thanks to senior Doug Beason's second straight as-

MU goalkeeper Marcel Schmid made three saves,



Wilden

Todd Hall had three stops for Aquinas.

The Crusaders return to WHAC action 7 p.m. Sat-

urday at Siena Heights University. N'WESTERN OHIO 6, MADONNA 0 (WOMEN): It was no contest Wednesday as unbeaten University of Northwestern Ohio (8-0-1,

University of Northwestern Onto (6-0-1, 2-0) romped past visiting Madonna University (5-4, 0-2) in a WHAC women's soccer encounter.

The Racers peppered MU goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg with 17 shots on goal as Pauline Quesson led the way with a pair of goals, her third and fourth of the season.

Other goal scorers for the Racers, who led 3-0 at halftime, included Lauren Stone, Klara Cahynova, Hanna Ruohomaa

and Alice Coyne.

Northwestern Ohio goalkeeper Nadine
Stonjek faced only two shots and didn't
have to make the save in posting the

The Crusaders return to WHAC action oon Saturday at home against Aquinas

College.
SCHOOLCRAFT (MEN) 4, SCHOOLCRAFT (MEN) 4,
MUSKEGON CC 3: Host Schoolcraft
scored three goals in the second half
Wednesday in this MCCAA men's soccer
win over Muskegon Community College.
Muskegon (2-11-0, 1-5-0) grabbed a 2-1
halfitime lead, with a goal by Schoolcraft's
Jeff Drzyzga keeping the Ocelots close at
the break. Peter Arton drew the assist on
Drzyzga's tally. Drzyzga's tally.
Schoolcraft (9-1-0, 4-1-0) then took

Jon Quintana buried a penalty kick at

60:02 and added an unassisted goal eight minutes later to put Schoolcraft up 3-2. Padding the lead at 69:01 was Victor Contreras, with Quintana setting him up. A penalty kick goal by Muskegon's Richard Saldana against Ocelots' goalkeeper Andres Hernandez (three saves) closed out the scoring with 4:43

**WWAC FOOTBALL** 

## Thurston upends Belleville, 17-7

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

With its playoffs backs against the proverbial wall, Redford Thurston's football team rose to the occasion Friday night at Belleville.

Needing to win their final four games to remain playoff eligible, the Eagles hung on for a 17-7 victory over the tenacious Tigers.

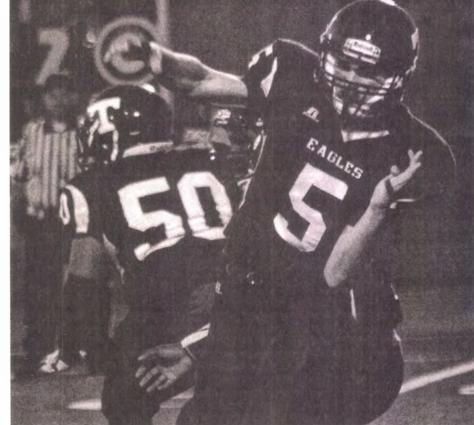
Thurston is now 3-3 overall and 2-2 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Blue Division heading into next week's homecoming game against Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

"This was a very big win for us tonight against a tough, athletic opponent," Thurston head coach Bob Snell said.

"We have to run the table our last five games to make the playoffs just like last year - and we took a big step to-

Thurston set a positive tone early, scoring on a 31-yard pass from Travis Wesenberg to Aaron Griffin. The extra point was no good, but the momentum was squarely on the side of the visitors.

The Eagles took advantage of a poor snap on a Belleville punt moments later and took over at the Tigers' 4-yard line. Laymon Giddings-Whatley powered in from the 3 two plays later to up the Eagles' lead to 12-0; Alon-



Redford Thurston senior quarterback Travis Wesenberg, pictured during a game earlier this season, played well Friday in the Eagles' win at Belleville.

zo McCoy then hit Griffin with a two-point conversion pass to make it

Belleville got back into the game in the third quarter when it scored on a fourth-down pass play.

Looking to draw even, the Tigers then picked off a Wesenberg pass and ran it back to the Thurston 10. However, the Eagles' defense came up big, forcing Belleville to attempt a field goal, which it missed.

The key play on the goal-line stand came when when senior cornerback Manny Parker tackled a Tigers running back for a 7-yard loss.

Thurston gained some much-needed breathing room when Kobe Williams drilled a 21-yard

field goal in the fourth quarter to extend his team's lead to 10.

Wesenberg completed 11-of-18 passes for 189 yards and a TD. The Eagles' ground game was held to just 63 yards on 31 carries.

Thurston's defense was brilliant, holding Belleville to 87 rushing yards and 71 passing yards.

"Our two corners, Alonzo McCoy and Manny Parker, played outstanding," said Snell, who also praised the efforts of Dionte Jones, Giddings-Whatley and Grif-

RU close, but no 'W'

Dearborn Heights Annapolis cashed in on two long touchdown runs

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to upend Redford Union, 16-6, Friday night.

The Cougars improved to 3-3 with the win, while the setback dropped the Panthers to

RU's lone points came in the first quarter - and staked it to a 6-0 lead when quarterback Jason Crowe hit Tyrone Robinson on a 55-yard touchdown pass.

"Tyrone caught the ball about 12 yards downfield and did the rest on his own," RU head coach Miles Tomasaitis said. "Our defense played well tonight. They had a couple big plays, but that was it.

Robinson gained 93 yards on 17 carries. Crowe completed 3-of-11 passes for 64 yards.

#### CITY OF LIVONIA **PUBLIC NOTICE AGENDA**

**Zoning Board of Appeals** October 21, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Livonia City Hall – Gallery (5th Floor) 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI (734) 466-2259

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-54: Wendi Murray, west side of Josie Court (20693) between Sarah Beth and cul-de-sac, seeking to construct a covered rear patio addition, resulting in deficient rear yard setback.

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-55: Allan and Bonnie Prendergast, north side of Elmira (30618) between Milburn and Sunset, seeking to replace an existing fence and extend the new privacy fence into the side yard upon a corner lot, resulting in excess privacy fence height and extending such fence in the side yard, which is not allowed.

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-56: Papul V. Dostal, east side of Edington (15430), between Five Mile and Roycroft, seeking to construct a covered front porch onto a nonconforming dwelling, resulting in deficient front yard setback and constructing an addition to a detached garage, resulting in excess garage area. Nonconformity is based on the existing front yard setback of 35 feet where 40 feet is required.

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-57: Jeff Belanger, east side of Parkville (20308), between Bretton and Morlock, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an attached garage, resulting in excess number of garages, garage area and excess detached garage height.

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-58: Ray and Ann Marie Downey, north side of St. Martins (29138), between Parkville and Middlebelt, seeking to construct an attached garage addition while maintaining an accessory building (i.e. shed), resulting in excess garage area.

APPEAL CASE 2014-10-59: Darlene Morris, west side of Antago (20111), between Fargo and Norfolk, seeking to construct a covered front porch, resulting in deficient front

Public Comments may be sent to the Zoning Board of Appeals Office at 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI 48154 - all comments must include name, address and signature.

> REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT #1 **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Redford Union Schools, District #1 will accept sealed bids for Nutrition Services Equipment as described in the specifications at

Redford Union Schools, District #1 Central Office Board Room 17715 Brady

Redford, Michigan 48240

All bids must be received by the Redford Union Schools, District #1 Nutrition Services Department, as designee of the Board of Education, no later than 2:00 P.M. (EST) on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 (bid closing) at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Nutrition Services Department will make a recommendation to the Board of Education who will award or reject the bids at their next regularly scheduled meeting. No oral, telephonic, telegraphic or facsimile proposals will be considered. No proposals will be considered after the time of closing of bids.

All bids must include a signed "Familial Relationship Disclosure".

All bids must include a signed "Iran Linked Business Affidavit".

Bids must indicate whether they are on the Federal Government's "Excluded Parties" list. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all items in the bid; to accept or reject any or all bids; to award the bid in part or in total; to waive any informalities

therein; or for any reason, to award the contract to other than the low bidder. If either a unit price or extended price is obviously in error and the other is obviously correct, the incorrect price will be disregarded. Prices bid are to be F.O.B. Redford, Michigan. All purchases are to be exempt from all taxes,

including state and federal taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request All bids shall be firm for sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening. For bids to be considered they must meet or exceed all specifications herein. All bids must be submitted on the bid form and signed by the bidder. A copy of the bid proposal

Angela Davis Nutrition Services Supervisor Redford Union Schools, District #1 17715 Brady Redford, Michigan 48240

form to be addressed to the attention of:

"NUTRITION SERVICES - EQUIPMENT BID"

Documents will be available on Monday, October 6, 2014, and may be obtained at Redford Union Schools, District #1 website http://www.redfordu.k12.mi.us/district/business-andfinance/request-for-proposal/

One (1) copy of the bid form should be retained for your files. Any questions should be directed

to Angela Davis at davisa@redfordu.k12.mi.us 313-242-6133.

Sealed bids for Wayne-Westland Community Schools' 2013 Sinking Fund Project, Bid

Package #4 consisting of: Partial Roof Replacement at Ford Career-Technical Center and Wildwood Elementary School **HVAC Unit Replacement at Ford Career-Technical Center** 

Cafeteria Table Replacement Project - PAINTING ONLY

will be received at the office of Dr. David Kaumeyer, Senior Executive Director / Business & Operations, Wayne Westland Community Schools, 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185, until 11:00 A.M. local time on Thursday, October 16, 2014 at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne-Westland Community School Board of Education Office, located at 36745 Marquette, Westland, MI 48185.

Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened. Faxed and E-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

This Bid Package will consist of separate sealed bids for the following Bid Divisions: **142 HVAC** 109 Roofing & Sheetmetal

120 Painting 143 Electrical

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Architecture, Inc. will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335; the Dodge Plan Room, Construction Association of Michigan (CAM), Reed Construction Data, and Builders Exchange, Lansing.

Bid Documents will be available beginning at 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 via the following:

Bidders may obtain one (1) set of ½ size bidding documents for a refundable \$50.00 deposit, beginning at 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 30, 2014, by contacting the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., at (248) 427-8400. Deposit checks should be payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools. Deposit will be refunded upon return of complete documents in good condition to McCarthy & Smith, Inc. no later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the bid opening.

Bidders may download bid documents from Gradebeam.com free of charge by contacting the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., at (248) 427-8400.

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope. The bid division(s) being bid is/are to be

identified on the outside of the envelope.

There will be a pre-bid meeting held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at the Ford Career Technical Center, located at 36455 Marquette, Westland, MI 48185. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the projects, schedule and to answer any questions that bidders may have. Following the meeting, the bidders will have an opportunity to visit the building sites. The pre-bid meeting is not a mandatory meeting, but is highly recommended for bidders to attend.

A sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship existing between the bidder and any member of the school board, school superintendents, or chief executive must accompany each bid. In addition, all bids shall include a completed and signed Certification of Compliance - Iran Economic Sanctions Act form. The Board of Education will not accept a bid that does not include these executed forms.

All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security, in either the form of a bid bond or certified bank check, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder may be required to furnish a Performance Bond

Wayne-Westland Community Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding, and accept a bid other that the lowest bid.

This project is to be bid and the work performed at the prevailing wage rate.

and Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price.

## Meet the Queen of Halloween

By Robin D'Angelo Correspondent

When the mornings are crisp and the leaves begin to turn, Halloween retailers open their doors for the flood of consumers eager to purchase treats, costumes and decor in anticipation of the nation's second-largest spending holi-

However, Halloween enthusiast Karen Cohen is already miles ahead of the pack.

Halloween in the Cohen household isn't just a dollarstore mask and a couple of gourds on the porch. The couple celebrates on a grand scale that requires months of planning, purchasing and preparation. For the past six years, Karen and Jeff Cohen have dished up a Halloween Spooktacular that is the envy of the neighborhood, and it is all done in the name of fun and friend-

"I've always been crazy about Halloween. I love fall, and I love the holiday," said Karen, a senior project manager at Trinity Health in Livonia.

As a child, her father often traveled on Halloween, leaving her, her mother and her sister to handle the festivities.

"My mom would have little Halloween parties for just the three of us. We'd try to eat a doughnut that was hanging on a string from the ceiling, and she'd make us little scavenger hunts and we would tell spooky stories. That might be why I treasure it so much today, the three of us being together like that," she said.

"I don't know when my ob-session started, but I do think it's such a great time. Grownups get to be kids again — to get dressed up and go crazy. There's no family pressure, it's just a fun holiday. And, there's

This year will mark her sixth Spooktacular, and it takes plenty of time to transform the basement of her 3,200-squarefoot Belleville home into a ghostly gala complete with a dance floor and a DJ.

"I send out save the dates in summer so people can start



Even the food is creepy.

planning and getting baby sitters and rides, whatever they need to do to get here," she said, of the 60-plus guests who attend each year.

"When I have parties I just want people to show up and have a good time. I do it for me, but I do it for them and they really, really enjoy it. If I didn't want to do it, I don't know that I couldn't, because people have really come to count on it."

#### **Shopping time**

She spends the off season trolling stores, flea markets and garage sales for discounted Halloween items, or just everyday objects that can be transformed into ghoulish decorations.

"Those old-fashioned baby dolls? Some of them can be pretty creepy. You can pop their blinky eyes out and put a glow stick in the head, so that

the eyes glow," she said. "Last year I received a haunted dollhouse for my birthday, so that's become my new obsession. I bought another dollhouse to add to it, and it has everything you'd expect to see in a haunted house. I even put a graveyard outside.'

For effect, she drapes black plastic on the walls and ceiling, and adds lights, a multitude of monsters ("I add a new monster every year, much to my

husband's dismay") and a large buffet complete with all Halloween-themed foods served on Halloween dishes. "Bat wings" (chicken), "mummy guts" (cheesy potatoes), "goblin gorp" (Fritos, buttered popcorn, pumpkin seeds and taco sauce) and "spider eggs" (meatballs) are among the combinations Cohen has served in the past.

"I try to come with interesting names for my food, but I keep the food itself simple," she explained. "I have tried dying things different colors, also. One year I dyed the rum punch green, but that didn't go over so well. People didn't like drinking green stuff.'

Although the Spooktacular is strictly for guests 21 and over, the Cohens also host a pumpkin-carving party several nights before the bash for their friends who have children.

"I usually get about 10-12 pumpkins to decorate the front porch, so we invite our friends and their kids over to eat pizza and carve up the pumpkins," she said.

### **Costume craze**

Of course, for the Spooktacular, costumes are required. Karen awards prizes for funniest, scariest, sexiest, best couple and best overall.

"I actually create the trophies from dollar-store skeletons, because you can shape them and form them. I spraypaint them silver and mold them into trophies."

The guests at the Cohen Spooktacular clearly go all out.

When it comes to her own costume, however, Karen said her choices must sometimes take a backseat to her party planning. This year, she plans to be Poison Ivy, and has already started her search for pieces to make the costume come together.

According to a survey conducted for the National Retail Federation more than 67 percent of those surveyed plan to purchase Halloween costumes this year — the most in the survey's 11-year history, with the average person spending more than \$77.52. Total Halloween spending for 2014 is expected to reach \$7.4 billion, with Americans spending \$2.8 billion on costumes, \$2.2 billion on candy and \$2 billion on dec-

Jeff Cohen said his wife leaves nothing to chance in her preparations, and that in his opinion, she should have been a party planner.

"People are always impressed with the decor, from the lights to the monsters to the graveyard — as well as the themes," he said.

"My responsibilities are to make sure the tools are ready to go and modify'stuff' as needed to get the effect Karen

wants. Other than that, it's really batteries, ice and last minute preparations. Most importantly, I am the official pumpkin seed taste tester."

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Karen also enjoys bringing the fun of the holiday to her workplace in whatever ways she can — organizing potlucks and small gatherings to create a festive atmosphere.

"I try to get people in the spirit. For me it's like, if you're NOT hanging stuff in your cube for Halloween, then, what is wrong with you??

Karen takes a day off before Spooktacular to finish off her to-do list, and the day after

"The day after Halloween is when all the stuff goes on sale, just like the day after Christmas," she said.

Her advice to would-be party planners? Make as much as you can ahead of time, so that you can enjoy the party as well.

"After every party, I note what worked and what didn't, what we went through and what didn't get eaten. I'm constantly improving to make the party better. It's a little obsessive-compulsive, but (Jeff) tolerates it. He lets me run with it.'

CHARLOTTE LAWRIE Valerie Templeton treasurer of the **Garden City** Garden Club, portrays a woodland fairy on the July page of the club's 2015 calendar.



## Garden club dons paint, glitter, wings for calendar photos

**By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Last year, Garden City Garden Club members appeared to bare all in photos for their first annual wall calendar.

This year they covered up just a tad - with paint and glitter.

"We did body painting. It's different and unique," said Cheryl Partin, recording secretary. "We're excited about

The 2015 calendars, "Garden City Garden Club Paints it up...in the Garden," will debut at the Garden City Downtown Development Authority's seventh annual Chili Cook-Off, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at Town Center shopping center, located at Middlebelt and Ford Road. Calendars cost \$12 and feature 12 monthly photos and a cover photo of club members posed outdoors in body paint.

The 2014 calendar, which raised nearly \$3,000 for local projects, had members peeking out from behind garden implements and strategicallyplaced plants, suggesting nudity, but showing only bare legs, shoulders and arms, in photographs. The club's annual bake sale and decorated pumpkin sale, held at the Cook-Off and nearby fire department open house, brought in an additional \$1,000.

Partin hopes the 2015 calendar repeats last year's success. Initially, she wasn't sure if another calendar sale would muster enthusiasm.

"I thought, how will we top last year, it was so successful. It was brought back by popular demand. We had the interest and decided to go ahead with it.'

## **Painting process**

Adelle Fant airbrushed her models, adding glitter, wings, glow-in-the-dark details and other accessories. Charlotte Lawrie photographed each

"She used mostly acrylic paint and while it was wet added glitter and shimmer. She was very quick, yet detailed. We were shooting in July and August. We did it outside on a beautiful evening," said Partin, recalling her photo shoot for the February portion of the calendar. "One night it was almost too warm and we had a fan going. Sometimes while she was painting the bugs would come

out. But she was very quick."

In addition to Partin, who posed in a Mardi Gras theme, models included Carolyn Sylvester as a monarch butterfly, Della Haydon as a ladybug, Paula Relich and Cheryl Guck as Easter bunnies, Sue Orzel as a butterfly, Bobby Somerville and Joyce Matney as Detroit Tigers, Valerie Templeton as a forest fairy, Ken Polzin as a glow-in-thedark farmer, Julie Slabaugh as a scarecrow, Stacy Karafotis as a glow-in-the-dark skeleton photographed in the moonlight, Debbie Grochowski as a leopard and Tina Wing as Mother Nature. Paula Peck poses as a fairy on the calendar cover.

The calendars also are available at Lucky Dog Luxury Daycare & Boarding, 5921 Middlebelt, in Garden City, 734-261-7387 and at www.gcgc.weebly.com. For more information, visit facebook.com/gcgcmi.

The club also will sell decorated pumpkins in addition to the calendars at the chili cook-off. Their bake sale will run 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Garden City Fire Department Open House, 6000 Middlebelt.

## GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

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

## **Miller Woods**

The Friends of Miller Woods will lead tours 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19 and 26, through Miller Woods, located at Powell and Ridge Road in Plymouth Township. Guides will talk about the history of the Miller family and the ecosystem of Michigan forests. Tours start every half hour, last approximately one hour, and are free. No dogs or strollers are allowed in the woods. www.millerwoods.org; 734-459-7666.

## Livonia Garden Club

Paul Wingert, a member of the Southeastern Michigan Bromeliad Society, will show how to care for and propagate bromeliads and will explain why they make great houseplants, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia; livoniagarden-

club.org or email rmo78jsa@aol.com.

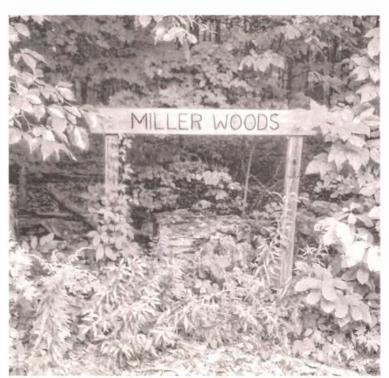
## **Heritage Park**

The park is located on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Pre-register for programs online at recreg.fhgov-.com.

» Organic gardener Jean Smith of the Old Winery Farmer's Market, will talk about fall gardening, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the park nature center. She'll have garlic seeds available for purchase. Her presentation on Nov. 18 will focus on herb-flavored butter and will include an herb drying demonstration. Each workshop costs \$5.

» A naturalist will lead a walk through the park 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12. Participants will learn how and why leaves change color in the fall. They'll also search for animals preparing for winter. Cost is \$3 per

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Mark your calendar for Sunday, Oct. 19 and 26, for a guided walk through Miller Woods, Plymouth Township.

## Living their faith: Local Catholics rally to pray the rosary

**By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Every week for the past six years, Anna Fowlkes of Westland and Laurie Van Hoey of Garden City have gathered with with a dozen other women to pray for everyone they know - and many they don't.

"It takes about an hour. Before we start, we say our intentions. We pray for what's going on in the world. We all believe in prayer," said Van Hoey, who opens her home to the group. "We have a mission.

"You're able to pray for all these people," Fowlkes said. "We keep up with the news and we know what's going on. We try to pray for everyone we know. It's so personal and you can sit and have



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The Rev. Bernard Luedtke and Karen Ervin, cantor, lead a previous rosary rally at Madonna University in Livonia.

a social hour afterward."

They'll make their prayer time public Saturday, Oct. 11, when they stage a "rosary rally" on the front lawn at Garden City City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt. The group will pray the rosary out loud from noon to 1 p.m., in

conjunction with other rallies simultaneously taking place throughout the country. America Needs Fatima, an organization that promotes the use of the prayer beads, helps coordinate the events. The rosary is a Catholic devotion that

honors the Virgin Mary with a prayer recited for each bead.

Fowlkes said the Garden City rally has drawn between eight and 30 individuals over the past five years. She keeps a spare rosary or two on hand for visitors and distributes programs for the event.

"This is our fifth year.

I had a young lady last year who was on her bike. She couldn't have been more than 13 or 14. She was standing there and I said, would you like to join us? She said yeah," said Fowlkes, adding that most attendees are Catholic. "I'm not sure if that young girl was Catholic, but God listens to all prayer. It doesn't matter what denomination.'

The rally has been

held in the rain and against the backdrop of noisy paving equipment.

"We just kept going. Nothing will deter us,' Fowlkes said.

#### Praying for a crowd

In Livonia, Ron Danowski is gearing up for his eighth annual rally, which will be held at noon Oct. 11, at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, at Levan. The event has drawn 200-276 persons each year.

"One of the things I'm doing this year that hopefully will entice people to come, is that I'll distribute prayer cards," he said, adding that each card will encourage its holder to pray for the rally attendees. "How else would you have the opportunity to have 200 people praying for you?

Prayer is one of the best free gifts you can give or receive."

Danowski held his first few rallies at Rotary Park in Livonia and moved the event to the university three years ago. He established the rally after his wife's nephew was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lympho-

"I promised I would do this and hopefully he would recover," Danowski said, adding that the nephew died four years ago. He continues to coordinate the rally, in conjunction with Thomas Dooley Council of the Knights of Columbus at St. Colette Parish, hoping it might help others.

The Rev. David Bechill will lead the prayer. For more information, call 734-432-9744.

## **NATURE**

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» Take a full moon hike 7:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 10 and 7-8 p.m. Nov. 7. The Friday night hikes are for families and children, 5 and up. Cost is \$3 per person payable online or at the door. Meet at the nature center in the park.

» Hayrides run 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, through Oct. 24 and Saturday, Nov. 1. Rides are approximately 30 minutes. The fee is \$5 per person. Pre-register online. A limited number of tickets will be sold at the event. Includes the hay wagon ride, marshmallow roasting over a campfire and apple cider.

» Junior Naturalist Club, for ages 5-11, meets 10-11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of the month from September through June at the nature center. The fee

is \$10 per class in advance and \$12 per class, paid at the door. Register online. The topic is Wilderness Skills on Oct. 11.

#### **Bug hunters** needed

Friends of the Rouge needs volunteers to help look for stoneflies, mayflies and other aquatic insects at the annual Fall Bug Hunt, beginning at 9 a.m. Oct. 25, at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, on Haggerty between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia. Pre-registration deadline is Oct. 10. Volunteers are assigned to teams of four-eight individuals to travel to two sites where they look for living organisms in samples collected from the river under the direction of a trained team leader. Children may attend if accompanied by a participating adult. Sign up at www.therouge.org.

## False labor brings on anxiety as big day nears

ell this could be it. Or, it will be it any time now. My due date is about two weeks away but I have been having contractions pretty consistently for a while now. They aren't close enough to cause me great alarm and send me rushing to the hospital, especially since I have already done that once, but they are strong enough to cause some major discomfort.

I wish I could more easily distinguish exactly what labor feels like. You can read all the books in the world, talk to all the doctors and midwives, but every person is different and there is no black and white when it comes to having a baby.

I've talked to my friends who have had kids. Some had really long labors that lasted days, others got sent home from the hospital

THEN THERE only to return and have their baby within a half hour. Some people had their water break, others did not. And then there is me, sitting here wonder-

Sarah Davies

I was a lot more ner-

vous last week when I today. Today I feel calm, although under extreme discomfort, and I am kind of excited too to get this over with and meet my little girl. I feel more prepared today than any other day in the last nine months, and hope that

this delivery part goes fast and speedy and that there are no problems with the epidural.

that I am going to deliver a human being at any moment or any day. But I have some awesome people who are going to coach me through the delivery and also have a terrific group of supporters who will be there for me to help figure out all the little things I will have to learn. I can't wait to see what my little girl looks like, to look into her eyes, and to tell her how much I have been waiting for her. I wonder who she will grow up to be, but most importantly I hope she is healthy and

last hours, or days, or weeks of pregnancy. It's been an interesting journey and I have discovered a lot out about my-

self. I have found confidence where I didn't know I had it. I have learned about forgiveness and kindness and strength. I have strengthened friendships and found new joy in things I never found joy in be-

Many good days have been mixed with a few random rough ones, all leading up to the birth of my little girl. I wish I could say I knew when she would arrive, but I have no clue. I hope it is soon so I don't have to feel like this for a long period of time, but I also know she will come when

Sarah Davies of Livonia writes

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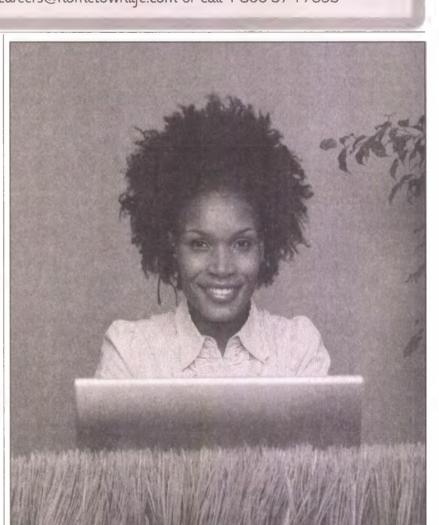
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### **ENGAGEMENT**

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Mr. and Mrs. Ronald M. Florkowski of Livonia are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Katherine Jane Florkowski, to Joshua Brent Crook, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Crook of Jacksonville, Ala.

The bride-to-be is the studio manager for Fred Astaire, Columbus Northwest. Her fiance is a captain for Republic Airways.

An October 2014 wedding is planned in Columbus, Ohio.



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Katherine Jane Florkowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Florkowski of Livonia, is engaged to be married.

### **ENGAGEMENT**



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**BRODIE-TRAUB** 

Lauren Brodie and Taylor Traub announce their engagement.

**Taylor Traub and Lauren Brodie** 

The bride-to-be, daughter of Mark and Theresa Brodie of Livonia, graduated in 2005 from Stevenson High School in Livonia. She graduated in 2009 from Oakland University with a B.S. degree in health science and in 2010 with a B.S.N. in nursing. She is pursing a master's degree in nursing at the University of Michigan.

Her fiance, son of John Traub and Jacquie Traub, both of Rochester Hills, is a 2004 graduate of Rochester High School. He graduated in 2009 with a bachelor of science degree from Oakland University. His major was English and minor was marketing. He also earned a master's degree in urban planning and management from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

A September 2015 wedding is planned in Rochester Hills.

### WEDDING



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Andrew Jonathan Baur and Elizabeth Kelley Kennedy on their wedding day

**KENNEDY-BAUR** 

Elizabeth Kelley Kennedy and Andrew Jonathan Baur were married Sept. 5, 2014, in Roseville, Minn.

The bride, daughter of Tom and Darlene Kennedy of Circle Pines, Minn., is a graduate of Wheaton College in Illinois. The groom, son of Phil and Ann Baur of Farmington, is a 2009 graduate of Farmington High School and a Wheaton College

graduate.

Pastor Morris Vaagenes and the Rev. William Bixby officiated at the wedding. Elizabeth's sister, Jackie Wickman, was the maid of honor, and Andrew's brother, Philip Baur, was the best man.

A reception was held at Kellerman's in White Bear Lake, Minn. The couple took a honeymoon trip to Vero Beach, Fla., and now reside in Carol Stream, Ill.

## Art club offers free painting workshop

Doreen Lawton, a former art teacher in Livonia Public Schools, will conduct a workshop on the technique of reverse painting on glass, 7-9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at D&M Art Studio, 8691

N. Lilley, Canton. Participants should bring a piece of glass. about 8-by-10-inches. Lawton will talk about the history of the art and will walk the group through the process and participants will take home their own unique piece of artwork. D & M Art Studio will provide basic paint colors and brushes but attendees also may bring their own

supplies. Painting on glass is a very old way of expressing artistic talent. Years ago, when everyone had a pendulum clock sitting on the mantle, the glass was often embellished with painting on the reverse side. Very often gold paint was used," Lawton said, in a press release.



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Doreen Lawton's All Creatures Great and Small is an example of painting on

Lawton graduated from Eastern Michigan University as an art major and was certified to teach in K-eighth grades. She is a member of Three Cities Art Club, which is presenting the free workshop.

For more information, call Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939. Visit the club's website at www.threecitiesartclu-

**OCTOBER CROP WALK** LIVONIA/GARDEN CITY

Time/Date: 1:30 p.m. registration, 2 p.m. walk starts, Sunday, Oct. 5

Location: Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: Walkers raise money for hunger relief. Choice of 4-mile, 2-mile and half-mile routes

Contact: Peggy Nelson, 734-422-0834; Rev. Joel Puntigam, 734-464-8844; pastorjoel@sttimothypcusa.org

**CROP WALK PLYMOUTH/CANTON** Time/Date: 1:30 p.m. regis-

tration, 2 p.m. walk, Sunday, Oct. 12

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S Sheldon, Ply-

Details: Walkers raise money for hunger relief

Contact: Gary and Becky Copenhaver at 734-981-6023; bgcopenhaver@yahoo.com

**DRAMA** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Oct.

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

**Details**: Canales Academy presents "An Evening of Sacred Drama." Three biblical stories will be brought to life with song and dance through the compositions of Michael Canales. Champagne reception follows. Tickets are \$20

Contact: 734-427-3660 **FLEA MARKET** 

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25

Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Arts and crafts, vintage flea market and more; proceeds used to fill Christmas baskets Contact: Denise at 248-474-

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 13-15

Location: St. Thomas a' Becket Catholic Church, 555 S. Lilley,

Details: The Rev. Cedric Pisegna is an author, Catholic television and radio personality with a program, Live with Passion that airs on TBN, the Church Channel and Radio Maria

#### Contact: 734-981-1333 **PHOTO EXHIBIT**

Time/Date: Reception and opening 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10; viewing hours 7-9 p.m. Wednesday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday through Oct. 30

Location: Northwest Unitarian Universalist Church, 23925 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield

Details: "Pioneering Voices" consists of photos and stories of transgender persons

#### Contact: 248-354-4488 www.northwest uu.org

**RUMMAGE SALE** 

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17; 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 18

**Location**: The Birmingham Temple, 28611 12 Mile, Farming-

Details: A little something for everyone including specialty boutique, house wares, electronics, toys, books, home decor, linens, shoes, clothing for baby, kids, teens, adults, furniture, sporting goods and more. Cash only

Contact: 248-477-1410

#### **NOVEMBER CRAFT SHOW**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 Location: New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, Redford

Details: Seeking crafters; 8-foot tables available for \$25 each Contact: Sue Makins at 313-516-7249

### **ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY**

Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island,

21200 Haggerty, Northville Township Contact: John Shulenberger at

734-464-9491 **Our Lady of Loretto** Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township

**Details:** Scripture study Contact: 313-534-9000 St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the

second and fourth Thursday. Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia **Details:** Catholic author Gary

Michuta leads a study of Acts of

the Apostles. Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniastmichael.org

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

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington

### RELIGION CALENDAR

Hills **Details:** Free meal Contact: 248-477-1153. Ext. 12

**MOMS Christ Our Savior Lutheran** 

Church Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington

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

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

**Dunning Park Bible Chapel** Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 W. Chicago

Road, Redford Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.

Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767 **PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE** 

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

able after the service. Contact: 313-563-0162 **PRAYER** 

### St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through back. Details: Music, singing, prayer Contact: Grace at 734-464-

1896, Shirley at 734-464-3656 or Geri at 734-464-8906 St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday

Friday Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday Location: 7000 N. Sheldon,

Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed

Contact: 734-459-3333 for

#### additional information **SINGLES**

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

**Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.

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

First Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays.

Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

**Details:** Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

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

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

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

Contact: 313-534-0399 for additional information

### **SONG CIRCLE**

ty to meet with others

**Congregation Beth Ahm** Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

**Details:** Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

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

**Apostolic Christian Church** Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Livonia

Location: 29667 Wentworth,

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

www.woodhaven-retire ment.com

**Connection Church** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday Location: 3855 Sheldon, Can-

Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **Detroit World Outreach** 

**Details:** Celebrate Recovery is a

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202 **Details:** Addiction No More

offers support for addictive behavior problems

Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244, for additional information » Farmington Hills Baptist

Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in

Farmington Hills **Details:** Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011

» Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

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

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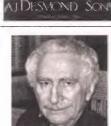
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THOMAS A. September 28, 2014 Age 81 Born in Birmingham, MI and from Birmingham High School and Wayne State University. Proud US Army veteran. Retired after 37 General Motors Corp. Beloved husband of the late Nancy (nee Tucker) for 56 years. Loving father of David (Kay). Devoted grandfather of Cameron and Alexander. Family will receive friends Monday, October 13th 5-8p.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile), 248-549-0500. Memorial Service Tuesday, October 14th 10a.m. at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Memorial tributes to

Alzheimer's Association. View obituary and share memories at www. DesmondFuneralHome.com

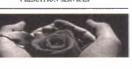


MERTA, RONALD A.

Age 77, passed away September 28, 2014, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on April 25, 1937, in Detroit, son of the late Charles & Ann Merta. Ronald was a very talented artist and owned and operated Creative House Advertising Agency of Metro Detroit. He enjoyed painting and could often be found working on his favorite crossword puzzles or enjoying Polish food. Ronald was a proud member of the Adcrafters Association of Detroit and the Livonia VFW Post 345. He was a true family man and loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He is survived by his loving children: Denise Hayes, Doug (Monika) Merta, and Debbie (Mark Walters) Merta; his grandchildren: Gavin, Owen and Drake Walters, Lauren Guerrero, Danielle, Lily, Rosco and Zosia Hayes. Ronald is also survived by his sisters: Connie Wilkins and Beverly Allevato. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce; his son-in-law, Forrest and his parents. The family received friends on Thursday, October 2, at the Courthouse Grille, Plymouth, MI. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, October 3, at St. Aidan's Catholic Church, Livonia, MI. Donations may be made to: American Dia-Association. guestbook at

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**JERRY LAWRENCE** Passed away on September 30, 2014 surrounded by his loving family. Jerry was born in Cleveland, Ohio to Lawrence and Jennie Motl on July 16, 1930. He graduated from Bedford High School in 1948. It was at Bedford High School where he met his future wife, Phyllis Tremaine. Surviving Jerry is his wife of 63 years, Phyllis; and their three children, Deborah Motl Jones (Gary), Michael McKay (Charlene), Melanie Scott (Christopher); seven grand-children, Laura Jones Morris (Austin), Drew Jones, Michael and Mac McKay, Tyler, Ryan and Haley Scott; and including two great-grandchildren, Olivia and Lucy Morris. Jerry spent two years in the Coast Guard on The USS Mackinaw. After returning from service, Jerry completed his Pharmacy degree from Ohio Northern University. worked 25 years for Cunningham Drugs, and most recently retired from Sav-On- Drugs. Jerry was an avid Tigers fan. However his most important role was being a family man, at which he excelled. Friends can join in a celebration of Jerry's life on Monday, October 6 at noon, at First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, located on 1589 West Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Donations can be made in memoriam to the Endowment



Fund of First United Methodist

**QUANT, EDWARD B.** Age 87, a former long-standing

resident of Plymouth, passed away on August 10, 2014. A pri-

vate family service was held at Oak Hill Cemetery in Indian River, MI on August 23, 2014. Ed was born in Oxford, OH on December 26, 1926, to Leslie and Ruby Quant. Soon after, the family moved to Valley City, ND, where Ed spent his childhood years, graduating from Valley City High School in 1943. Drafted into the U.S. Navy, Ed served as a Petty Officer Third Class on a minesweeper in the South Pacific during World War II. After his discharge from military service, he enrolled at Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, IA, where he met his future wife Alice Marie Briggs. After graduation the couple was married on June 18, 1949, and moved to Iowa City, IA while Ed earned a Master's degree in Labor and Industrial Management from the University of Iowa. His career in the trucking and manufacturing industries caused them to move several times while they raised their children, ultimately settling in Plymouth, MI, where they resided for the last 25 years of their 62-year marriage. While living in Plymouth, Ed was active in the community, working with the Plymouth Literacy Council and the Rotary Club of Plymouth. The one constant in Alice and Ed's married life was the log house her father had built in the early 1920's just outside of Indian River in the woods of northern Michigan. There they returned with their children and grandchildren for annual summer vacations and shared countless months of their autumn years happily puttering around the house and yard, painting and staining, splitting wood, walking in the woods and rocking on the front porch. After the death of his beloved wife Alice in 2011, Ed moved to Waxhaw, NC, to live with his daughter Barbara and her husband Gerry. Ed was a very kind and generous man, a good listener and a source of wise counsel who was never too busy to make time for others. A born storyteller, he had a knack for seeing and sharing the humor in any situation. Above all, however, he was a loving and supportive husband, father and grandfather, as well as a cherished member of his large extended

family. He will be sorely missed

by them all and by the many who

came to treasure his love and friendship. Ed is survived by three children: Kathleen, Barbara

and William; four grandchildren,

Christiane, Andreas, Anthony

and Richard; and one great-

granddaughter, Sina. Memorials

may be made in Ed's name to the Plymouth Literacy Council or to the Rotary Foundation.



## To your health: Flu shot key to reducing your risk of illness

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Dr. James Gordon, M.D., is an infectious disease physician at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital in Commerce Township. He and fellow physicians and other health care pros are urging people to get their flu shots.

"Absolutely," said West Bloomfield resident Gordon, a graduate of Northwestern University's medical school. "Every year, people die from influenza."

Less than half of those eligible get the shot, said Gordon. "It's been clearly demonstrated it's extremely safe," he said.

Some underestimate the significance of flu, he's found. Over 100 kids died of flu in the U.S. last year, and over 90 percent of them weren't vaccinat-

Dr. Deanna Master has a solo practice in Novi, and is a family practice doctor. The Northville Township resident agreed flu shots are key.

"Definitely, definitely," she said. "It prevents the acute illness which is quite severe in some cases." People can be off work or out of school fiveseven days, and complications like pneumonia and even death are possible.

Master noted flu shots come in late September or early October. She's had hers and took her daughter for her shot Sept. 24.

Everyone 6 months and older should get an annual flu vaccine. It takes about two



HAL GOULD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Dr. Jacqueline Sennott gets her flu shot from Dr. James Gordon at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital in Commerce Township.

weeks after vaccination for your body to develop full protection against the flu, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Preven-

Master, a Wayne State University medical school graduate with Providence Hospital affiliation, noted there's now a high-dose shot for seniors 65 and up. Gordon said that highdose shot, available the last few years, was shown effective in a New England Journal of Medicine study. "That was very promising data," he said. There's a nasal spray avail-

able for children 2 and up, and Master noted it can be used in adults up to 49 who fear shots.

Pregnant women are particularly urged to get the vaccine, for themselves and especially for their babies, Gordon said. Health care workers also are urged to get vaccinated.

Gordon said the Detroit Medical Center has mandatory vaccines for staff, with over 99 percent complying last year.

"And that's not uncommon," he said. "I've seen it in other hospitals as well."

The physicians agree frequent hand washing is also essential. "It's the main thing to do," said Master, along with "kind of avoiding people who are sick.'

If you do become ill, don't be a martyr and go to work. "Definitely not, no," she said. "Stay home and recuperate." She recommends Motrin for pain and fluids, along with

Cost concerns some patients, although low-cost options exist for the vaccine, Master said. There can be slight discomfort at the spot of the shot, "but nothing as severe as the flu. Finally, I think there's some concern, urban legend that flu is caused by the flu shot," Master said.

That's untrue, and egg-free origin shots are now offered for those with egg allergies, she said. Master tells her patients to avoid aspirin products for children, citing the Guillain Barre neurological syndrome. She recommends Motrin or Tylenol.

Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory disease that infects the nose, throat, and lungs and can lead to serious complications, hospitalization, or even death. Pneumonia and bronchitis are examples of serious complications. The flu also can cause certain health conditions, like diabetes, asthma, and heart and lung disease, to become worse.

Flu viruses are constantly

### **OAKLAND COUNTY SHOTS**

Oakland County Health Division will offer the flu vaccine that guards against four flu viruses this season. This year's vaccine protects against Type A H1N1 and H3N2 and two Type B strains which are most likely to occur this

Flu shots cost \$20. The high-dose flu shot recommended for those 65 years and older is \$34 and covered by Medicare. They will be available at Health Division offices in Pontiac and Southfield from noon to 8 p.m. Mondays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Residents are encouraged to pre-register for their flu shot at www.oakgov.com/health.

The Health Division will also hold community outreach clinics at the follow-

Oct. 7, 3-7 p.m., Huron Valley Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Dr., Commerce Oct. 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Madison Heights Senior Center, 29448 John R, Madi-

Oct. 14, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, Troy Oct. 15, 3-7 p.m., Clarkston High School, 6093 Flemings Lake Road, Clarkston Oct. 16, 3-7 p.m., Walled Lake Community Ed, 615 N Pontiac Trail, Walled

Online registrants must print out a consent form to bring with them to the clinic where they are pre-enrolled. Payment options include Visa, Master-Card, health insurance, Medicare, and/or Medicaid. Credit card fees apply. One may also pay cash at the time of the appointment. Those who are unable to register online may call 248-858-7350 or 248-424-7120.

changing, and different flu viruses circulate and cause illness each season, according to the CDC. Flu vaccines are made each year to protect against the flu viruses that research indicates will be most common. This is why everyone needs a flu vaccine every sea-

In addition to pregnant women and health care workers, the vaccine is especially important for:

» People who are at high risk of developing serious complications (like pneumonia) if they get sick with the

» People who have certain

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» People who live with or care for others who are at high risk of developing serious complications.

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» Household contacts and caregivers of infants younger than 6 months old.

## **Upcoming**

### **ACA learning session**

Botsford Hospital presents a series of monthly learning sessions on the Affordable Care Act (ACA), 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, Dec. 10 and Jan. 7, 2015, at the hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. The ACA marketplace open enrollment period is Nov. 15-Feb. 15, 2015. The sessions, which are free, will help people learn about their options under the ACA: 248-442-1633

#### **Breast Cancer Month**

Evita Singh, M.D., radiologist and medical director of Garden City Hospital's Center for Breast Care, will discuss lifestyle, breast health, mammogram guidelines and cancer prevention, at the Pampered Pink event, noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at Westland Shopping Center's East Court, 35000 W.

Warren Road, Westland. Pampered Pink is free and also will include lunch, massages, health screening, and prize drawings. 734-458-4259 or visit GCH.org.

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### Gala fundraiser

Sweet Dreamzzz presents A Night to R.E.M.ember, 7-11 p.m. Oct. 24 at The Roostertail, 100 Marquette Drive, Detroit. The event includes dinner. silent and live auctions and entertainment. Tickets are \$100 each. Reserve by Oct. 13 at sweetdreamzzz.org. Proceeds benefit the organization's sleep pro-

### **Gynecologic cancer**

Presented by the Foundation for Women's Cancer, the 2014 Gynecologic Cancer Survivors Course runs 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, 6777 W. Maple, west of Drake, West Bloomfield

Presentations on ovarian and uterine cancer. Register at foundationforwomenscancer.orgt or call 312-578-1439.

### **Hearing loss support**

The Hearing Loss Association of America will present information on induction loops and hearing aide telecoils, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster, Garden City. For more information, call Tony at 734-664-3297.

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## JOBS



## 7 gigs that make good Second jobs

By Debra Auerbach CareerBuilder Writer

Perhaps it's to help cover your bills. Or maybe it's to seek fulfillment not experienced at your day job. Whatever the reason, if you are looking to get a second job, you're not alone. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, more than 7 million Americans hold more than one job.

Here, experts and job seekers weigh in on what they consider to be the best moonlighting gigs. The suggestions run the gamut from child care to cosmetic procedures. but all provide a means for pulling in some extra income.

### 1. Second job: bartender

Details: "I am an attorney who moonlights as a bartender," says Brianna Sadler, partner at a law firm in Minnesota. "It's actually a great way to meet future clients without violating the Model Rules of Professional Conduct, as I am able to have a personal relationship with the guests/clients and help fulfill both their need for a drink and possibly legal advice. As I am a plaintiff's attorney, it's also a great way to pay my rent until I have my 'one big case' we all

Potential pay: Bartenders earn a mean hourly wage of \$10.25, according to the BLS.

### 2. Second job: freelancer

Details: "I recently started my own consulting business in August, and while I was getting that up and running, I was actively seeking freelance writing work," says Sophia Habl Mitchell, principal at Sophia Mitchell & Associates. "Taking small gigs through freelance sites ... can be a great way to supplement income. The best part is that this work can be done at home, before or after a 'regular job.'"

Potential pay: While pay varies based on the type of freelance assignment, Mitchell says she earned \$3,000 in four months by doing a variety of freelance work, including writing for a travel website and ghostwriting blog content.

#### 3. Second job: cosmetic laser technician

Details: "Cosmetic laser technician is a career some people do part time while holding down another full-time job," says Louis Silberman, president of National Laser Institute. "Cosmetic laser technicians work mostly in med spas and doctors' offices as independent contractors. They perform procedures like laser hair removal and laser skin resurfacing. Some RNs have received their laser certification to increase their earning



potential by performing cosmetic procedures.

Potential pay: According to the NLI, the most common scenario is a blend of an hourly rate plus commission. The hourly rates usually range from \$15 to \$25, in addition to a commission ranging from 3 to 20 percent. At med spas, technicians typically receive a gratuity.

#### 4. Second job: child-care provider

Details: My husband and I have two small children, and we juggle going back and forth to the office and staying home with the kids," says Brina Bujkovsky, owner and CEO of The Younique Boutique. "We decided to start a home day care to take advantage of the tax deductions, earn extra income ... and provide playmates for our kids. We are helping the community by providing affordable care for children six weeks and up, and we are earning a nice second income."

Potential pay: Bujkovsky says she makes more than \$2,500 a month through her home day-care gig.

## 5. Second job: Futures trader

Details: A recent survey conducted by TopStepTrader, an international scouting agency that recruits and trains futures traders. found that more than half of the workers surveyed conduct futures trading as a second job. "With the markets open 23-24 hours a day, there is a lot of flexibility and profitability in this career as a second alternative job," says Michael Patak, president and CEO of TopStepTrader.

Potential pay: According to TopStepTrader, part-time traders who trade lightly can earn an estimated \$2,000 a month, while active part-time traders can average up to around \$4,000 a month.

#### 6. Second job: Container/organization sales consultant

Details: If you're outgoing and like organization, consider being a sales consultant for a container company. In this role, you'll help plan or host fun parties -- often held at people's homes -- where guests will have the opportunity to try out and buy your products. Some companies now offer ecommerce options, too.

Potential pay: Earning potential can vary based on company and role. Lee Padgett of Clever

Container says their starting consultants make 20 percent on their retail sales, and after they reach \$1,000 worth of product sales, they make 25 percent on their retail sales.

Child-care Provide

#### 7. Second job: mystery shopper

Details: Bethany Mooradian, author of "The Mystery Shopper Training Program," suggests mystery shopping as a great way to earn extra cash. "To be a successful mystery shopper, a person needs to be reliable [and] honest, have basic Internet skills, decent writing, spelling and observation skills and live in a fairly metropolitan area," Mooradian says. "Any time I've needed money, I just jump right back into mystery shopping ... It's perfect for anyone who wants a flexible way of earning extra income, has basic skills and doesn't want to stay trapped

behind a desk." Potential pay: Mystery shoppers can make up to \$38,520 in annual salary, according to CBSalary.com.

Debra Auerbach is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder.com and its job blog, The Work Buzz. She researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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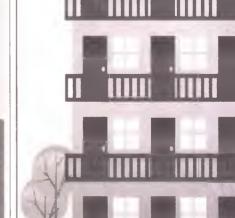
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## Car Report

## In Detroit and New York, Cadillac Now ⊱ **Has A Lot On Its Plate**





By Dale Buss

Motors CEO Mary Barra presented the company's new longterm strategic plan to investors and others at the Milford proving grounds recently, she talked a lot about the need for GM to lead in products and technology, expand in China, continue

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growing GM Financial and improve operating efficiencies.

But when it came to GM's brands, it wasn't the mainstream presence of Chevrolet that she focused on, nor the tremendous recent performance and future promise of Buick, nor the profit-making machine that GMC has become with its large SUVs and robust pickup

It was Cadillac. GM has to figure out how to revitalize its flagship luxury brand, and fast, not just in China but also in the United States,

for Barra and her associates to leave the kind of legacy that she had envisioned when she took the company's helm in January and before she was preoccupied for a half a year by the safety-recall

GM is establishing its flagship brand as a separate business unit headquartered in New York City to pursue growth opportunities in the luxury market with more focus and clarity, she explained. Cadillac expects to introduce four new vehicles in North America in 2015, including the recently announced CT6. In addition, Cadillac plans to introduce nine new models in the next five years in China, which is expected to become the world's largest luxury car market later this

He already has indicated that Cadillac intends to leave behind the brand's traditional customer

base in favor of affluent consumers by fortifying the brand, keeping pricing firm despite dealer concerns, improving the customer experience in Cadillac dealerships, and launching the CT6. De Nysschen also informed dealers that he would be trying to create a new faux "scarcity" of Cadillacs, similar to what he did with Audi, which would mean an end to the current era of incentivizing in which dealers are having to remove several thousand dollars from the lofty prices of Cadillac mainstays such as the CTS sedan.

Meanwhile, de Nysschen also wants to move Cadillac headquarters to New York as he establishes the brand more autonomously and starts a brand "leadership council" that also includes Chief Marketing Officer Uwe Ellinghaus and others. From Park Avenue to Madison Avenue, the city is home to the largest concentration of high net worth individuals in North America. So why wouldn't an ambitious US premium brand want to be headquartered there?

"There is no city in the world where the inhabitants are more immersed in a premium lifestyle than in New York," de Nysschen said in a GM press release. "Establishing our new global headquarters in Soho places Cadillac at the epicenter of sophisticated living. It allows our team to share exper9iences with premium-brand consumers and develop attitudes in common with our audience."

And as noted by Michelle Krebs,



GM CEO Mary Barra explains strategic plan that focuses on Cadillac.

senior analyst at AutoTrader. com, "BMW and Mercedes-Benz are headquartered just outside of New York. The city is the center of advertising and media, and it is where deals are made such as cooperative ventures Cadillac is discussing."

Never mind that Detroit may have a better future than only recently imagined or that it's going to take a whole lot of New York sophisticates to help de Nysschen turn around Cadillac. The brand's sales have been sliding this year despite its best-ever lineup of worthy products and a strong overall luxury auto market in the United States. De Nysschen's challenges include perceptions that Cadillac vehicles don't match up to the price tags on competing German models, and an aging design language based on sharply sculpted exteriors.

Neither does Cadillac have an entry in the hottest luxury segment: compact crossover-utility vehicles. But sibling brand Buick

Yet this kind of mold-breaking move is vintage de Nysschen. He put Audi of America on a robust upward arc with a stronger product line, and bold brand-making moves that established more ambitious investments by dealers and attracted US consumers looking for a hipper alternative to BMW and Mercedes-Benz. De Nysschen was trying to bring some of the same mojo to Infiniti as he helmed the brand over the last two years, but was wooed away by GM recruiters.

GM President Dan Ammann said that Cadillac's "mission is to reinstate the brand to a pre-eminent position among global luxury brands, a bold challenge requiring a distinct and focused new organization." Evidently he and GM Barra agreed that this couldn't be accomplished with the Cadillac brain trust based in Detroit. And now they've got more than ever riding on whether de Nysschen can pull it off in New York.

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