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Grant helps Westland hire four more police officers

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Westland will be hiring four police officers after being awarded a federal grant to cover a portion of the costs. "We hope to hire as soon as possible. Our hiring list just expired and the new list is to be certified at the next (Westland) Civil Service Commission meeting," Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik said. "The top four candidates will be offered positions shortly." The Community Oriented



Jedrusik

Policing Services, or COPS, grant is a competitive grant offered through the federal Department of Justice. The grant will cover about 45 percent of the costs for the officers for three years, with the city required to maintain the four positions for a fourth year. "The city will be reimbursed for up to \$800,000 for three years. The city is re-

sponsible for the final year," Jedrusik said. "In 2018, after the four years, the city will have to decide on whether to maintain the positions." Adding the four officers, who will be assigned to road patrol, will bring Westland's number of officers to 81, up from the current 77 officers. "A lot of work went into the grant. We were fortunate to be selected and be able to add manpower," Jedrusik said. "We're very excited." The council approved a

budget amendment to use \$119,500 from the unreserved fund balance to help fund the city matching portion of the grant for the current fiscal year. "That is required this year but it will be part of the budget and (the amendment) won't be required in the three years going forward," Westland Finance Director Steve Smith said.
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Kosowski heads for second House term

By LeAnne Rogers
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Seeking a second term in the Michigan House, Westland Democratic Robert Kosowski had a sizable lead over his Republican challenger Steve Boron of Westland late Tuesday night.

Running in the traditionally Democratic 16th district representing Westland and Wayne, Kosowski was waiting for more precincts to report before he considered himself the winner in the race.

"This guy (Boron) worked a very, very negative campaign. I have not said one word and neither did my staff," Kosowski said. "I'll never go negative. We'll see the results."

Thanking his family and other supporters, Kosowski noted that Westland city officials were present at the Wayne Ford Civic League as well as members of the Wayne-Westland Board of Education.

"I guess I was surprised by the negative campaigning because I wasn't used to it," Kosowski said. "I look for solutions, not to blame someone. I'm glad the school board members are here. I work with everyone to find solutions."

Issues Kosowski said he expects to focus on in his second term include establishing leaves and tax credits for families adopting children from state care, roads and schools.

"What I do in Lansing is for Westland and Wayne. I think about all of Michigan, but on school funding I will vote for a budget to help this (Wayne-Westland) school district," Kosowski said.

Going forward, Kosowski said he wants to spend more time meeting with local groups to get input and a consensus on issues.

The Wayne County Commission races were effectively decided before voters submitted their general election ballots. Incumbent Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland, whose district includes part of Garden City, had no opposition from either party.

Having defeated Democratic challengers in the August primary, longtime Wayne Mayor Al Haidous had no Republican challenge Tuesday. He is slated to resign as mayor.

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GOING TO THE POLLS



SUE MASON

Westland resident Paul Lehman is checked in to vote by Barbara Scott and Joyce Paddock in Precinct 1 at Schweitzer Elementary School on Tuesday afternoon. Election workers were seeing an increased number of people coming in to vote in the general election.

Wayne voters support ballot questions

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Ballot questions renewing police and fire millage, establishing ward voting and term limits for city elected officials were approved by Wayne voters Tuesday.

With a 36 percent voter turnout, all three proposals passed by comfortable margins. The narrowest margin - 53.7 percent - was with the approval of Proposal 3 to renew a one-mill levy to support police and fire services.

Worth about \$370,000 currently, the one mill was renewed for five years, the same duration as the expiring millage.

"I was most concerned with the public safety millage. It had to pass, we would be devastated without that," said Wayne Councilman John Rhaesa. "It was crucial that it pass. And that is just to maintain us."

Wayne is attempting to deal with an approximately \$500,000 deficit in the current fiscal year and a larger shortfall projected for 2015-16.

With a 57 percent yes vote, Wayne voters approved a charter amendment to

LOCAL RESULTS

WAYNE BALLOT PROPOSALS

Unofficial results for how Wayne voted in Tuesday's primary. **Bold** indicates winner.

PROPOSAL 1

Yes - 2,397

No - 1,780

PROPOSAL 2

Yes - 2,866

No - 1,432

PROPOSAL 3

Yes - 2,302

No - 1,979

establish ward voting in the city. That means the city would be divided into six council districts from which council members would be elected.

The candidates would be required to live within the district and only residents in that district would elect their district council members. The mayor would be the only local position elected citywide.

Districts 1, 2 and 3 will be effective in the primary and general elections in 2015, and districts 4, 5 and 6 shall be effective in the 2017 elections. Candidates for such districts will be required to have their principal residences in their districts at the time of their election or appointment and throughout their tenure.

Proposal 2, to amend the city charter to establish term limits for elected officials, received the strongest support from Wayne voters being approved with 66.6 percent of the votes.

That proposal amends the city charter to make candidates ineligible to run for reelection, if they have previously served a total of 16 years or more as mayor or council member or a combination of service. The term limits are effective beginning in 2014.

Both the ward voting and term limit questions were the placed on the ballot through a referendum headed by resident Ron Roberts.

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LOCAL RESULTS

STATE HOUSE 16TH DISTRICT

Unofficial results for how Westland voted in Tuesday's primary. **Bold** indicates winner.

Robert Kosowski - 12,392

Steve Boron - 5,717

12TH COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT

Richard LeBlanc - 12,124



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Voters favor incumbents, Hines in W-W school election

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Carol Middel didn't take anything for granted in her bid for a second term on the Wayne-Westland school board.

The top vote-getter in Tuesday's election, the Canton resident is surprised and pleased with voters' response.

"I never ever, ever take anything for granted," Middel said. "I kept telling people I need to know what I'm doing in January."

The current school board secretary, Middel is glad "people have faith in my ability to look out for the students, the parents and the community I serve."

"I will continue the hard work I've done in the past 5 1/2 years in the next six years," she said.

Middel received 9,412 votes in the contest for three six-year terms. Placing second in the unofficial results was



Middel

Walker



Griffin

Hines

Shawna Walker with 8,937 votes, followed by Melandie Hines with 8,267 and Tom Froerich with 6,722.

Appointed incumbent Charles Trav Griffin won a partial two-year term, defeating Adam Salam Adamski, 9,921 votes to 4,517 votes.

"I'm excited and honored that people trust me enough to give me another term," said Walker, who is the school board

LOCAL RESULTS

WAYNE-WESTLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Unofficial results for Tuesday's primary. **Bold** indicates winner.

Six-year-terms
Tom Froerich - 6,722
Melandie Hines - 8,267
Carol Middel - 9,412
Shawna Walker - 8,937
Two-year term
Adama Salam Adamski - 4,517
Charles Trav Griffin - 9,921

president. I look forward to continuing to advocate for the community and the students for six more years. I'm excited about the future of the Wayne-Westland schools."

Hines could not be reached for comment. She will fill the seat held by Cindy Schofield who was appointed to serve

until the election, filling a vacancy created by the resignation of John Goci. Hines received a six-year term and takes office immediately.

Griffin is happy with the voters selecting him to serve two more years. He was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board and serve until this election when the remainder of the term was filled by voters.

"I really appreciate residents sending me back for two more years," he said. "I think in terms of this board, we have a team that will work well together for the good of the district. We're going in the right direction and I think people want us to do the best we can with what we have."

"It's a nice win after losing by 217 votes in 2011," he added.

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Developer protests Wayne's landscaping ordinance

By Sue Mason
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The Wayne City Council is hoping a developer will work out his differences over parking lot improvements so that a new food center can locate in a vacant building at Elizabeth Street and East Michigan Avenue.

The council has approved a site plan for Fresh Choice Food Center proposed by Jerry Pattah of Michigan Realty Holdings. The site plan was approved by the Planning Commission with 11 conditions. The one that had Pattah protesting to the city council is the requirement of 5-percent landscaping in the parking area.

The building has been vacant for 1 1/2 years, and according to City Clerk/City Planner Mathew Miller, the site plan landscaping was codified after the Wayne Food Center opened. The site plan requires four islands with plantings on each island.

"The landscaping requirement is meant to reduce the sea of asphalt and soften the appearance of the parking lots," Miller said. "Community Living Services, Michigan Works and the Block Buster plaza have done this."

The site plan requires four islands with plantings on each island; however, Pattah sees the islands a "waste of parking lot space."

"I'm not changing the use of the site, it was a former Farmer Jack and Wayne Food Center," Pattah said. "The others were grandfathered in and then along comes us and we have to do this."

Miller countered that the city isn't giving Pattah a hard time. He is

"We're not willing to sell ourselves. We have standards for the community."

SUSAN ROWE,
councilwoman

being "held to the same standard as other people."

"I think this is about putting in a nice product," he added.

Pattah told the council that Fresh Choice is known for fresh meats. The store will utilize Spartan products and serve as the flagship for the Fresh Choice market chain.

He also hinted that he may rethink his plans, if he has to meet the 5-percent requirement.

The property is located in the downtown area, and Councilwoman Susan Rowe let Pattah know that the city has standards. "We're not willing to sell ourselves," Rowe said. "We have standards for the community."

"For me, it's about making the parking lot and the buildings softer," Mayor Al Haidous said. "This is in the heart of our downtown."

Councilman James Hawley offered a resolution to approve the site plan contingent on working out the landscaping issue.

"He can go back to engineering and planning to negotiate the 5 percent and come up with a reasonable solution," Hawley said.

While the council agreed, Pattah protested, telling the council, "I can't keep waiting. I have to stripe the parking lot. Maybe I won't open it."

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Livonia school board incumbents ace voter test

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

Voters gave a passing grade to the current leadership of Livonia Public Schools when they re-elected incumbent president Mark Johnson and incumbent vice president Colleen Burton Tuesday for another four years.

They also elected Liz Jarvis, who has volunteered in the district for 16 years and is a member

of the LPS District School Improvement Team and LPS Educational Foundation, to the seat that will be vacated by trustee Randy Roulter, who is not seeking re-election.

The trio beat out five challengers: Jake Emerick, Jeffrey T. Jacobs, Steve Johnson, Suzanne Migrin and Gregory E. Zotos.

Burton had 15,541 votes; Jarvis, 11,312; Mark Johnson, 9,961; Migrin,

7,710; Steve Johnson, 5,901; Jacobs, 4,665; Emerick, 4,561; and Zotos, 3,365.

Burton, the top vote-getter, said she was thrilled, honored and humbled to be re-elected to the seat she has held since May 2009.

She said the vote was a referendum on the job the current board has been doing. "Obviously, the voters are pleased," she said.

Burton said she thinks the voters were looking for experience when filling the board seats.

Her priorities for next term will be completing the revisions of the board's policies as needed, a project Burton has headed up, continuing to provide top-quality educational programs despite limited funding and overseeing implementation of the \$195 million bond voters approved in 2013.

Other reaction

Migrin, the top vote-getter among the challengers, said she thinks the three winners are "very high-quality people interested in making sure we have the best schools possible, and that is really good for Livonia."

She said she only ran because she wanted to give people a choice. At the time she filed, Dan Centers was the only candidate. He ran unopposed for a two-year partial term.

LOCAL RESULTS

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD

Unofficial results for how Livonia voted in Tuesday's primary. **Bold** indicates winner.

Colleen Burton - 13,224
Jake Emerick - 3,829
Jeffrey T. Jacobs - 3,829
Liz Jarvis - 9,497
Mark R. Johnson - 8,568
Steve Johnson - 4,888
Suzanne Migrin - 6,232
Gregory E. Zotos - 2,796
Dan Centers - 14,065

Migrin said she accomplished what she set out to do and would run again "if there is a need."

"It was a great experience; I've met so many wonderful people," she said.

Jarvis said she is honored and pleased that the district she believes in so passionately also believes in her. She said her first priority will be to join the Michigan Association of School Boards so she can become trained and certified.

"I'd like to commend all those who ran for a seat on the school board," she said. "Our district is fortunate to have so many people who are concerned about our schools and our children. I hope each of the candidates will continue to actively support our schools as we move forward."

KOSOWSKI

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or later this month and will represent a district that includes Wayne and Belleville, replacing Kevin McNamara, who didn't seek reelection.

"I will continue with my district meetings, attending functions and being everywhere all the time," said LeBlanc,

a former board of education member, Westland councilman and state representative. "It's a real privilege to have an election like this. I have been unopposed four times now — twice as state representative and both times running for Wayne County commissioner."

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Livonia resident, 106, loved dancing, singing

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

Dancing, singing and eating lots of fresh fruit and vegetables – that is what Edna Marie Cannizzaro of Livonia would have attributed her long, healthy life to, her family said.

Mrs. Cannizzaro died Saturday at age 106, 2½ months short of her 107th birthday.

“Grandma lived to an old age because she was very active,” said grandson Patrick Fenech, also a Livonia resident. “She loved music and went (ballroom) dancing every weekend (at the Civic Center Senior Center) for



Edna Marie Cannizzaro

years until she finally stopped sometime in her 90s.”

Mrs. Cannizzaro lived until the day she died in the home she and her husband Frank, a printer, bought in 1965. Her five children took turns staying with her and caring

for her. She started losing her short-term memory a few years ago, but was totally alert and enjoyed watching *Dancing With the Stars* – as well as football and baseball – until a couple of weeks before she died, her family said.

Although she loved to cook her favorite Italian pasta dishes and rich desserts like banana cream pie, she always ate plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables, said her eldest child, Mary Capoferi, 87, of Livonia.

“She had not a wrinkle on her face,” Capoferi said. Mrs. Cannizzaro was

born in Caltagirone, Sicily, in 1908. She and her husband came to the United States through Ellis Island in 1914, settling in Detroit before moving to Livonia. A year after they moved to Livonia, Frank died.

Mrs. Cannizzaro worked in a clerical position for Micromatic Hone Corp. in Detroit before retiring at about age 62.

She is remembered as a loving and caring mother and grandmother. “She loved children,” Capoferi said. “When the little (grand)kids came over, she would just hug them and love them.”

She was patient and kind, too, Fenech said.

“Once as a teenager, grandma let me paint her front room. I spilled a gallon of paint on her carpet. She did not make a big deal of it. She threw a bucket of water on it and we cleaned it up. You could never tell I spilled the paint. We laughed about it for years.”

“She would let me use her movie camera to take movies at family gatherings. I was probably only 11 or 12, but she trusted me.”

A music lover, Mrs. Cannizzaro sang for years in the choir at St. Aidan Catholic Church and was always whistling a favorite tune as she worked around the

house. She also volunteered as a den mother at Madonna University when it was an all-girls college.

Mrs. Cannizzaro is survived by her five children, 23 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation is 2-8 p.m. Thursday at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Road, Livonia. A funeral Mass will be at 9:30 a.m. Friday at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia.

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Colbeck bests Slavens to earn second Senate term

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Michigan Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton Township, won a second term Tuesday, overcoming a challenge from Democrat Dian Slavens in a newly drawn 7th District.

Unofficial results showed Colbeck with 49,146 votes, about 52 percent, to 44,690 votes for Slavens in a closely watched race during which both candidates were supported by campaign spending from outside groups.

“We had a great team and we were surrounded by some of the kindest, hardest-working supporters around and I think it showed when we were out there,” Colbeck said early Wednesday of his campaign efforts.

Colbeck said a priority for his second term will be building a political climate of integrity. “With that you can solve a lot of big problems,” he said.

Repairing the state’s

roads without raising taxes, promoting a “patient-centered” alternative to the federal Affordable Care Act and education reform that includes more local control of public schools, are his top legislative goals, he said.

Wins Livonia

The Tea Party-backed Colbeck built his final margin in the bigger communities. He beat Slavens by nearly 3,000 votes in Livonia, which is new to the district, by more than 3,000 in Northville Township and by more than 2,100 votes in Plymouth Township.

Slavens’ only victories came in her home town of Canton, where she’s been elected to the state House of Representatives three times and beat Colbeck by more than 1,900 votes Tuesday, and in the cities of Plymouth (where she won by a scant eight votes) and Wayne.

Slavens, who is term-limited in the House, said she knew Livonia

would be a battleground for her. “I’ve not represented Livonia ever, so my name was new,” she said Wednesday.

Slavens said her campaign was hurt by negative television advertising that focused on national issues. “We didn’t have the money to refute that,” she said.

Colbeck said his campaign, too, was hurt by negativity. “There were a lot of lies and distortions ... about my voting record,” he said.

Roads in lame-duck?

Slavens said she’d like to see a road-funding package approved during the Legislature’s upcoming lame-duck session, before the new terms begin. The state House has approved a \$500 million package that has not been voted on by the Senate.

“Everyone wants to make sure we’re investing more in our roads, because every year we wait, it’s going to cost us more,” she said.

Colbeck, however,



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Sen. Patrick Colbeck greets his parents, Bill and Leslie Colbeck of Livonia. Colbeck won re-election Tuesday, beating state Rep. Dian Slavens of Canton.

said he favors a longer-term approach on roads – starting with the state’s next budget.

“If you’re focused on lame-duck, you’re focused on tax increases and we don’t need tax increases,” he said.

Colbeck has said he wants to look at road quality standards and how internal savings can

result in more construction funding. He has introduced a Senate bill he says will provide for more transparency about road quality and road construction.

“We need to start talking about (road quality) before we start throwing more money at the problem,” he said.

The senator said he

was thankful for Republican Gov. Rick Snyder’s re-election and the GOP’s continued control of both houses of the Legislature. “We’ll continue responsible government in the state,” he said.

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Stolen property

A resident in the 28000 block of Barton reported Nov. 3 that someone stole two nail guns, valued at \$950 each, that belonged to the company he works. He said he forgot that he left his garage open and unattended where he stored the nail guns. There was no damage done to the garage itself.

Fraud

A Garden City woman came to the police station Nov. 3 to report fraudulent activity on her Huntington Bank account. The account showed a \$78 charge at an undisclosed location of a Speedway gas station. She was advised by the bank to file a police report.

Fraud

A Garden City resident reported fraudulent activity on her charge account Nov. 3. The bank informed her that someone used her card to conduct a transaction in Ohio. Her credit union said it would reimburse her for the amount charged as long as she filed a police report.

By Sue Buck

WAYNE COP CALLS

Shots fired

Just after 9 p.m. Oct. 31, a Wayne police officer was flagged down near Annapolis and Gloria by a 14-year-old boy who reported seeing a man fire a shotgun.

The teen told the officer he was walking on Gloria in front of Taft-Galloway Elementary School when he saw a man get out of a gray Pontiac, remove a shotgun from the trunk, load the gun and fire two rounds into the air. He said the man then drove away.

The officer located a shot gun shell at Gloria and Clinton. No damage from a gunshot was found.

A second youth waved down the officer to also report the incident. He said he had been with his friend, the first teen the officer spoke with about the incident.

The second teen described the suspect as a middle-aged heavyset white male. He also told the officer two or three other males were inside the Pontiac.

Break-in

A resident in the 5000 block of Hayes told police Oct. 29 that someone had stolen items from his garage, including a work light, two saws, a reciprocating saw and three drills valued at \$650.

The resident said all of the garage doors had been closed but the side door had been left unlocked.

Attempted break-in

On Oct. 31, a resident in the 35000 block of Clinton told police that someone had attempted to break into his home overnight.

He said he had locked the doors the night before but when he opened the back door in the morning, the door jamb had been damaged.

The officer noted some type of prying device had been used on the door. No entry was made to the home.

By LeAnne Rogers

Fraud

A Westland woman told police Oct. 30 that someone had attempted to deposit a check for \$1,467 in her account at a bank in Illinois. Because it was an out-of-state transaction, the woman said she was contacted by her bank and asked if the deposit was allowed. When she said it wasn't allowed, her account was frozen. She said her name was misspelled on the check.

Vandalism

On Oct. 31, a resident in the 36000 block of Cherry Oak told police someone had punctured two tires on his 2013 Dodge Dart and covered it with toilet paper. When he had the tires replaced, he said he was told each tire had at least five separate punctures.

Attempted break-in

A resident of an apartment at 31660 Cowan told police Oct. 30 she returned home to find she couldn't secure her door properly. She said she noticed the dead bolt was damaged.

The resident said the knob lock remained secured and she

WESTLAND COP CALLS

thought no entry had been made to the apartment. Nothing was reported missing.

Car damaged

A Westland man told police Oct. 31 that he was driving on Wayne Road north of Palmer in the curb lane when the wind blew over a road work sign. The sign struck his 2008 Dodge Avenger, damaging the passenger side.

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident in the 1600 block of John Hix told police Nov. 1 that overnight someone had stolen his wallet from his pickup truck. The vehicle, parked in the driveway, had been left unlocked. The wallet was reported to contain his driver's license and four credit cards.

Larceny

A 1980s 50cc Suzuki mini bike, a duffel bag containing a paintball gun, goggles and a duffel bag of wally ball items were reported stolen from a garage in the 900 block of South John Hix Nov. 1. The door to the unlocked garage was closed

when the owner went to work just before 7 a.m. but he said his wife found it open about 8:15 a.m.

The wife didn't think anything was amiss so the theft wasn't discovered until later in the day when her husband arrived home.

Vandalism

The rear window of a 1998 Oldsmobile 88 was reported smashed Nov. 1 while it was parked in the street in the 1800 block of Wilshire Parkway.

Larceny from a vehicle

» On Nov. 2, a Dearborn Heights resident told police that someone had stolen four chrome center caps with Cadillac emblems from his 2008 Cadillac Escalade while it was parked at Texas Roadhouse, 36750 Ford. The stolen items were valued at \$280.

» A Canton woman reported all four wheel locks stolen from her 2014 Cadillac SRX Nov. 2 while it was parked on the Westland side of the Emagine Theater, 39435 Ford.

By LeAnne Rogers

Cooking fire reportedly damages Wayne upper flat

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Unattended cooking is being blamed for a fire that damaged an upper floor flat in Wayne Oct. 29.

The fire was reported about 5:30 p.m. at the house at 3926 Brush Court, which has first- and second-floor apartments.

"The young lady living upstairs was deep frying chicken. She ate the first batch while the second batch was cooking," Wayne-Westland Fire Department Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal Kelly Eggers said. "She was out of the room and left the cooking unattended.

Once she realized there was a fire, Eggers said the resident told them her first concern was for her downstairs neighbor, who uses a wheelchair.

"She exited her apartment and helped her neighbor get

out," Eggers said. "She grabbed a fire extinguisher to try to put the fire out but it was too far gone. Then she called 9-1-1 after she tried to put it out."

Firefighters arrived quickly and knocked down the fire, Eggers said, but the kitchen was burned. The first-floor unit had smoke damage and minor water damage, he said.

The entrance to the apartment leads into the kitchen and the fire went out the doorway rather than up through the roof, Eggers said. The first-floor resident has since been able to return to her unit.

The main lesson from this incident was that the fire was avoidable, Eggers said, if the cooking food hadn't been left unattended and if an appropriate size pan had been used.

"We commend her (the second-floor resident) for attending to her neighbor. She could have

put a lid on the pan (to extinguish the fire) and could have avoided the fire," said Eggers, adding the resident should have immediately called 9-1-1 as the fire spread.

» On Oct. 24, firefighters were called to a two-story rental home at 5016 Brush St. The fire, reported about 11 p.m., apparently started in an upstairs bedroom and caused significant damage, including burning through the roof.

In a recent period of about nine days, firefighters responded to about seven fires.

"That's a lot but nothing out of the normal. We might not have any fires for a month, then have several in a week or two," Eggers said. "We didn't see any pattern in the fires."

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Gov. Rick Snyder, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, U.S. Senate candidate Terri Lynn Land and Attorney General Bill Schuette were among the Republicans in Livonia Monday night, the last stop on the "Comeback State" bus tour prior to Tuesday's election.

TOM BEAUDOIN

State Republicans rally before election in Livonia

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

On the eve of Michigan's mid-term election, Republican state Rep. John Walsh addressed a packed room at the Republican field office in Livonia, anxiously awaiting the arrival of the state's top elected officials for a rally.

Walsh, who is term-limited and will leave the legislature at the end of the year, spoke about serving in the legislature under Democratic leadership his first term, and said it was crucial to keep Michigan on the same path it's been on the past four years.

"What we're fighting for is important for our state," he said. "It's im-

portant for our future."

Walsh was one of many speakers at the rally, which featured officials such as Gov. Rick Snyder, Attorney General Bill Schuette, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson, U.S. Senate candidate Terri Lynn Land and U.S. House of Representatives candidate Dave Trott. The event was the last stop on the "Comeback State" bus tour the past several days, which hit more than 15 cities as far north as Traverse City before wrapping up in Livonia on Monday night.

It was a final push for Republicans, who currently control all the statewide offices that were up for grabs Tuesday. Local candidates

were also included in the event, including state Sen. Patrick Colbeck, who won against Democrat Dian Slavens, and state House candidate Laura Cox, who ran to replace Walsh in the 19th District representing most of Livonia in Lansing.

Cox, who beat Democrat Stacey Dogonski, got up to offer a prayer before the event began. In her invocation, she asked for a rainy Election Day, something that many say indicate fewer Democratic voters at the polls.

"We are so hoping for rain tomorrow," she said. "We all know what that means."

Her prayer was answered in the form of a steady rainfall much of

the day.

Snyder, who was the final speaker at the event and defeated Democrat Mark Schauer, told the crowd it was important the state move forward and not go back to the 2000s, a time where many jobs were lost and the state's economy tanked.

"We were too successful, and we didn't realize the world was changing," he said. "It was time to step back and take a look at ourselves and say, 'There's a better way to do things.'"

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Wayne resident featured in 'Clash of the Couples'

On June 24, 2010, in a suite inside the Marriott resort on Florida's Hollywood Beach, an argument took place between lifestyle blogger Courtney Conover and her husband of seven years, former Detroit Lions offensive lineman Scott Conover.

Correction: It wasn't an argument. It was the precursor of an ongoing war.

You see, although there are two very distinct sides regarding what indeed transpired, the crux of the matter is this: Someone took it upon themselves to tinker with the thermostat, which turned the room into an arctic blast. Years later, the disagreement continues to be a thorn in the couple's side, which made it obvious what Conover should do: Write about it.

Conover's story, *The Cold War*, is featured in *Clash of the Couples*, a compilation of "I can't believe that happened" and "the same thing happened to us" stories from 46 diverse writers. The humor anthology, released Nov. 3, is avail-

able in both print and eBook format on Amazon and through other popular retailers.

"The classic case of husband and wife — or any couple, for that matter — squabbling over the temperature is as old as time," said Conover, who, lives with her husband Scott in Wayne. "But I find it baffling how Scott managed to withstand playing in a helmet and full pads in 90-degree temps during his near seven-year career in the NFL, but is now only able to sleep comfortably when it's 30 below."

Who is to blame?

Scott Conover, not surprisingly, blames his wife, stating that one night, she had made it so cold in their bedroom that he swore he saw a cheese head on the bedpost, (a reference to what Green Bay Packers fans wear, particularly in their stadium, which has been dubbed *The Frozen Tundra*).

Taking a cue from the first couple to ever bicker over something as petty as a piece of fruit,



COURTNEY CONOVER

Courtney Conover writes about the argument she and husband Scott have over the temperature in "Clash of the Couples."

Clash of the Couples is a collection of absurd lovers' quarrels and relationship spats. Couples just starting their journeys and those who have been together "for-

ever" will relate to dozens of short stories running the "one said, the other said" gamut.

The book has been endorsed by a number of humor and publishing

heavyweights, including Josh Blue, comedian and winner of NBC's *Last Comic Standing*, and Abby Heugel, popular humorist and blogger at *Abby Has Issues*.

"If you're looking for a fun read, check out *Clash of the Couples*. I could relate to the couples in this honest and hilarious collection of modern relationship tales. *Clash of the Couples* bursts with the real stuff that couples fight about and will make you laugh while shaking your head at the ridiculousness of it," Blue said.

Heugel shares Blue's sentiments: "Married, single, destined for spinsterhood — it doesn't matter what angle you come at this book from, you will find something that you can relate to. And you will laugh, because even if you can't relate to that particular situation, you'll just be glad that it happened to somebody else."

About the author

Raised in Detroit, Conover is a graduate of John Glenn High School and went on to obtain a

degree in communications from the University of Michigan and established a career as a TV reporter. She later served as deputy mayor of Westland before resigning to pursue writing full-time. She has since created the lifestyle blog *The Brown Girl with Long Hair* (thebrown-girlwithlonghair.com), and her work has appeared in 10 *Chicken Soup for the Soul* publications.

A graduate of Purdue University and the Art Institute in New York City, Scott Conover currently serves as the secretary of the Detroit Chapter of the NFL Alumni Association and is an ambassador for USA Football. The couple has two children, Scotty, 3, and Kennedy, 1.

Published by Blue Lobster Book Co., *Clash of the Couples* is available on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Apple, and other places where books are sold. Visit the book's official page at bluelobsterbookco.com/books/clash-of-the-couples for more information.



CITY OF WESTLAND

Representatives of community organizations join Mayor William Wild in showing off the checks they received for helping with this year's Blues, Brews and Barbecue.

11 Westland groups share \$30,000 in Blues money

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Eleven community organizations were on the receiving end of checks, totaling \$30,000, for their help with Westland's fourth annual Blues, Brews and Barbecue.

Last month's two-day event attracted thousands of people to the city's farmers market area of Central City Park to eat barbecue, enjoy beer and listen to the blues. According to Mayor William Wild, who presented the checks at the Westland City Council meeting, "it was a little chilly out there, but we found that the blues sound better when it's chilly."

The nonprofits received the money for their help with the event. The organizations provided the volunteer manpower to serve as greeters, grounds crew, ID checkers and other roles in an effort to make the event cost-neutral to the city.

"I want to thank all of our volunteers, the participating restaurants, our sponsors and the performers for another remarkable event," Wild said. "This annual event has become a staple for Westland families, friends, foodies and music fans alike."

Receiving the money were: Westland Chamber of Commerce, which partnered with city in putting on the event; the Westland Goodfellows; Lions Club; Citivans;

Jaycees; Grange; Rotary; Warm Hearts; Westland Community Foundation; Westland Historic Commission; and the Fire Fighters Public Awareness Committee.

"Thank you for all you do throughout the year to make this happen and help make this city a better community," he said.

Wild said having The Soul Men, a Blues Brothers tribute band, as the headlining act brought a new twist to the event, but the new location had people talking.

"It gave a whole different feel to the event and spoke to a whole new level of amenities as we reinvest in the city," Wild said.

The mayor also praised the work of Chamber President Brookellen Swope who he said was "the driving force in keeping the event going," and Economic Development Director Lori Fodale.

With the fourth installment now history, Wild said organizers are looking to make it a three-day event in 2015, with Friday and Saturday featuring food and music and Sunday an amateur barbecue event and have a cook-off.

"Councilman (Mike) Kehrer I think you'll like that," Wild said. "I've heard about your ribs and I look forward to tasting them."

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Westland increases the limit on the number of bags of leaves put out for composting

Westland residents with a preponderance of leaves can put more bags at the curb on trash collection day.

During the majority of compost season — March 31 to Nov. 28 — residents can put out 10 bags or five cans of compost; however, during the fall months, the city has doubled the amount of compost to 20 bags and 10 cans of leaves.

The increase is done in an effort to help residents dispose of the large volume of leaves experienced during the fall season. Residents are reminded to not put leaves in the street or loose leaves at the curb. All leaves must be in a can marked compost or in brown paper leaf bags.

Residents also should be mindful of the weight of the garbage cans and or compost bags that are being put out to the curb, since wet leaves will become heavy.

Pick-up also has been



SUE MASON

Westland residents can put 20 leaf-filled paper bags or 10 cans labeled compost at the curb for collection.

extended. The last day will be Friday, Dec. 5. Leaves will be picked up on the residents' regularly scheduled trash and compost days until the first week of December when the program ends.

The date is used because typically most composting facilities

stop accepting materials at that time. In the past, some composting facilities have expanded the date due to unseasonable warm temperatures, and the city has allowed residents the ability to dispose of compost beyond the first week of December. If that opportunity

arises this year, the will notify residents through various sources or media, including the newspapers, and its website.

For more information, call the Department of Public Service at 734-728-1770 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

AROUND WAYNE AND WESTLAND

Wrestling Club

Westland Bottle Rocks is a wrestling club for ages 4-14. It meets 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Wrestling Room of John Glenn High School. Practice will begin Thursday, Nov. 18, and run through March 2015.

Registration will take place 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, outside the Wrestling Room at John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette. Membership fee for the season is \$60 and includes a T-shirt.

More information and/or a copy of the registration form can be obtained by visiting the Club link at glennwrestling.com. Any further questions can be directed to the coaches at brclubwrestling@gmail.com or Judy at 734-634-4595.

Christmas Fair

The First Congregational Church of Wayne, 2 Towne Square, is hosting its 68th annual Christmas Fair, "Magical Christmas," from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 6-7, at the church.

A la carte lunches are served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and dinners from 5-7 p.m. Turkey dinners with all the trimmings are \$9 for adults and \$4 for children.

Shops are open all day and include the Country Store, Attic Treasures, Boutique, Christmas Shop, Used Books Store, Hand Made Goods, Coffee Shop, Specialties Shop and Home Made Candy Booth. Shoppers will find Christmas decorations, canned fruits, jams, jellies, and more along with plenty of Christmas gifts.

Parking is on the west side of the building with elevators available at the south entrance.

Used Book Sale

The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland will hold its November used book sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14-15, and noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16. Sunday will be Bag Day. Bring a medium size bag or buy a burgundy reusable Friends bag at the sale for \$2.

Prices are \$2 for DVDs and CDs, \$1 for hard-cover books, 50 cents for large paperbacks, 25 cents for small paperbacks, videos, cassettes and records and 10 cents for romances and magazines. There will be a special sale of hard cover fiction of your one get one free.

The sale features a large selection of from 1800s to the 1940s as well as children's fiction and

non-fiction. There also will be a preview sale for Friends members 3-6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13. Not a member? Join at the door and enjoy the preview.

The library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, north of Ford. For information, call 734-326-6123.

Historical Society

The Wayne Historical Society will have Westland historian Jo Johnson as its speaker when it meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Town Square. Johnson will talk about the Wayne County General Hospital and Infirmary, better known as Eloise.

All are welcome, and no reservation is needed. For more information, call 313-605-0821.

Trivia Night

Ss. Simon and Jude Parish will hold a Trivia Night Saturday, Nov. 8, at the church, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, Westland.

Space is limited to 35 teams. The cost is \$20 per team (maximum four people) in advance and \$30 at the door. It includes 10 rounds of questions, popcorn and four hot dogs and four chips for each team.

There will be mystery prizes, additional food

items and beverages (beer/coolers, water, coffee) available for purchase, and a 50/50 raffle — one ticket for \$1, three for \$2, five for \$10 and 25 for \$10.

To register, visit stssimonandjude.com/newsandactivities/trivianight.html. For more information, call Kathy Hansen at 734-716-4436. All proceeds will go to the Ss. Simon and Jude Building Debt Reduction Program.

Pop with a Cop

The Westland Police Dept. will host "Pop with a Cop" from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, in the cafeteria at John Glenn High School.

School Resource Officer Joseph Bobby will meet with students to discuss any school safety concerns they have. The goal is to create a forum and opportunity for students to feel comfortable expressing and sharing their safety concerns with the police department.

This is an expansion of the "Coffee with the Cops" program that the Westland Police Department holds to meet with Westland residents to discuss neighborhood concerns.

Parents are also welcome to attend. For more information, call Chief Jeff Jedrusik at 734-467-3226.

CITY OF WESTLAND
Local bands rocked out to record attendance at this year's Blues, Brews and Barbecue.



Webb looks forward to working with new county executive

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer



Webb

It will be a familiar face representing Redford and part of Livonia in the Wayne County Commission's 8th District come January. Incumbent Democrat Diane Webb defeated Republican Jeanette Christe, a political newcomer, to represent Redford, Dearborn Heights and a portion of eastern Livonia at the county board. Webb won by more than a 2-to-1 margin, collecting 20,297 votes to Christe's 9,142.

"It's a vote of confidence and a vote of affirmation that they trust me," Webb said. "They continue to have my back. I think that's because they know I have theirs. It's very personal." Webb said her work at the county level is something voters continuously approve of. Her district, she said, is only 46 percent staunch Democrats, meaning some independents and Republicans

crossed over their ballot and decided to vote for her. "To pull 70 percent out of a district overall that's 46-percent Democrat, I'll take it," she said. "I'm thrilled with that." One thing will change for Webb when the new term begins in January; instead of representing a portion of Livonia with Laura Cox representing the rest, she'll now represent Livonia with Terry Marecki, who won election Tuesday night for the remainder of Livonia. Webb represents only 3 square miles of the city,

posed for the seat. It is currently held by commissioner Kevin McNamara, who chose to run for county executive earlier this year and lost in the primary. Christe, who resides in Dearborn Heights, said she was pleased with how the process went for her campaign as a first-time candidate. She said she plans on seeking some sort of elected office again in the future, and that residents should pay close attention to the workings of the Wayne County Commission in future years as issues arise. One of the bigger changes comes at the county executive level, where Robert Ficano will be replaced with Democrat Warren Evans in January. Webb said she was "counting down the days" until Evans becomes county executive, and said his leadership will be valuable for Wayne County in future years. "He's the change we really need to see," she said.

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Schoolcraft College incumbents re-elected for another six years

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer



Broderick



Gebhardt



Gilligan

The three incumbents on the Schoolcraft College board will serve another six years. Joan Gebhardt, Terry Gilligan and Brian D. Broderick were re-elected Tuesday, beating out challengers Robert Breslin and Howard Raymond Petty. The unofficial vote tallies were: Gebhardt, 33,988; Gilli-

gan, 31,251; Broderick, 28,445; Breslin, 24,187 and Petty, 14,082. Breslin, 74, the challenger with the highest number of votes, said he

won't run again because of his age. "It was fun," he said. "I thought I had a decent chance." He said he thinks many voters relied on newspaper and Michigan

Education Association endorsements in making their decisions because they don't know the candidates. He said he got into the race when he thought Broderick, who has served on the board since 1995, wasn't going to run again. Breslin ran on a platform of not raising tuition. "I believe School-

craft has lost sight of its students," he said, adding he opposed the board's decision to raise tuition this year by an amount he said equated to 3 percent. "I think the Schoolcraft growth is great, but it shouldn't be on the back of student tuition." Broderick said he is happy to have been re-

elected. "I would like to thank all of my family and friends who helped with the campaign. We have a great board that works well together and I am looking forward to serving for the next six years." Gebhardt and Gilligan were unavailable for comment Wednesday morning.

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Certified pre-owned Lincoln MKZs are hot sellers at Varsity Lincoln

By Greg Mullin
Staff Writer

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Yankee Air Museum gets its piece of history

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

There was formality in the signing of the documents, but once done, Ray Hunter, chairman of the Yankee Air Museum, was like a kid on Christmas Day. Holding the purchase agreement in the air, he said to the invited guests at the historic signing, "let's go see what we bought."

Held in Hangar 1 at Willow Run Airport, the ceremony was the culmination of a dream hatched three years ago by Dennis Norton, a founder of the museum and president of the Michigan Aeronautics Foundation and the start of phase two of Save the Bomber Plant — fundraising to transform it into the National Museum of Aviation and Technology at Historic Willow Run.

"Just in case you're wondering, the bomber plant is ours," Hunter said. "This is a new milestone for the Yankee Air Museum. The only thing left standing is the home of the new museum. I want to thank RACER, the Wayne County Airport Authority, Ypsilanti and Van Buren Township in helping us preserve our past and build our future."

Norton persisted in convincing Trustee Elliott Laws that RACER Trust should sell the museum 175,000-square-foot portion of the former Willow Run Bomber Plant. Laws eventually agreed and the museum launched an \$8 million fundraising campaign that reached its goal with a last minute push over the top by the State of Michigan.

"It's a dream come true for me and for ev-



Ray Hunter, chair of the Yankee Air Museum Board of Directors (left), and Elliott Laws, of RACER Trust, sign the purchase agreements for the Willow Run Bomber Plant.

everyone in the room," Norton said. "It's been a fantastic volunteer effort, and it has been a very difficult, tear your hair project."

State assistance

Among those who watched the ceremony was State Sen. Patrick Colbeck who worked with his colleagues in the state legislature to include a \$1.5 million line item in the state budget to support acquisition of the bomber plant. With three-quarters of the money raised by volunteers, it made it easy to "rook the senators into going for it," Colbeck said.

"This is an awesome day," said Colbeck who presented an oversized check numbered 8685, representing the number

of B-24 Liberator bombers that were built at the plant during World War II. "I've always been excited about what's happening here."

Colbeck along with State Sen. John Pappageorge and State Rep. Earl Poleski helped get the funding through both houses.

"We made it clear this would benefit everybody in the state and fit in with the push for STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education," Colbeck said. "This was the right thing to do. I'm keen on seeing the kids excited in a few years. It made it easy that it was a professional organization and we were doing it for the right reason."

An aeronautical engineer, Colbeck got another

ride in the B-17 bomber as part of the inauguration of a new runway at Willow Run Airport. The Yankee Lady was the first plane to take off on runway 5R23L on its final flight of the season.

The signing came just over a year after museum officials raised the doors and invited the public in to see what it hoped to buy. With the help of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the environmental concerns have been remediated and now work can begin on enclosing what was the end of the assembly line for the bomber and transforming it into a museum.

Still Yankee Museum

According to Kevin Walsh, the museum's executive director, the Yankee name will continue until the new museum opens. And the planes bearing Yankee names will retain those names.

"When it started in 1981, the Yankee Air Museum name fit the mu-



Bill Tonnah of Westland of the Yankee Air Museum (from left) talks with Tom Carroll of Whitmore Lake and Katrina Stack of Garden City at Willow Run Airport.



State Sen. Patrick Colbeck (from left), Bill Stapleton and Dennis Norton of the Yankee Air Museum celebrate following the unveiling of the museum's future name.

seum, it was reflective of what the museum was about and what it did," Walsh said. "The museum has outgrown its name. It is no longer reflective of what this historical and education institution really is."

"The museum has become so much more and the name no longer reflects what we're doing. We made sure the new name embodied what we're doing and that it refers to the bomber plant. The Yankee Air Museum as it currently exists will continue for years until we move into the new building."

For phase two, the focus will be on fundraising and raising national awareness of the new museum. Story lines have

been developed, focusing on the Willow Run and the Arsenal of Democracy, aviation heritage and science and technology.

Plans are to move into the building in the summer of 2017. For now the new name will be used for fundraising to create the museum's facilities and exhibits through the Save the Bomber Plant campaign. Another \$5 million is needed, and the story lines will be used as avenues of fundraising, according to Norton.

"Save the Bomber Plant phase two kicks off today," Norton said. "The next \$5 million starts today."

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Be merry: Set a holiday budget

The calendar says first week of November – a few weeks away from Thanksgiving. However,



Rick Bloom

MONEY MATTERS

many retailers have their own calendar and are no longer waiting until the day after Thanksgiving to barrage us with their annual buy and buy

more campaign.

The holiday shopping season is starting earlier so it's important to review the basics of holiday shopping.

There is no doubt that the holiday season is exciting and something that we all look forward to. The majority of us look forward to it not because of the gifts that we are going to receive (and have to return) but because it's a time to reflect and spend time with family and friends.

Before heading to malls or going online to buy gifts, set up a game plan ahead for holiday purchases. Decide who you must buy gifts for. Then establish a budget.

The first part of the budget should be an overall spend. Then break it down to what you plan to spend on each individual gift. I recognize that by making lists and budgeting I am taking some of the fun out of the holiday shopping season. However, I'm trying to reduce the pain that the holiday season causes.

It's not unusual for people to continue to pay for holiday gifts they bought a year or two ago. No one that you give a gift to wants you to go into financial difficulties because of their gifts. That is why if you have a game plan you'll have a greater chance of actually enjoying the holidays.

Another reminder about the holiday season and that is to be cautious about how you use your charge card. If you are going to run a balance on your charge card then the interest rate becomes extremely important. Whether you get a new card that has lower interest rates or negotiate with your current charge card company, the bottom line is (if you carry a balance), focus on the interest rate.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. If you would like him to respond, email Rick at rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.



St. Mary Mercy Hospital has prepared in the rare instance that Ebola ends up in its emergency rooms.

FILE PHOTO

Clinics, hospital prep in case of Ebola

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

There's no reason to fear an Ebola outbreak in western Wayne County, but Dr. Mohamed Arsiwala knows it's important to be prepared in case it does arrive.

That's why Livonia-based Michigan Urgent Care clinics, located in 10 locations across southeast Michigan, are taking precautions with patients who come into their clinic in communities such as Livonia, Canton, Novi and, soon, Ferndale.

Arsiwala, the founder of Michigan Urgent Care, said employees at the clinics began Monday asking each patient who came in if they had traveled to or from the west African nations that have seen Ebola, such as Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea. If the answer is yes, that individual is separated and placed in a room until further assistance can be received.

"Emergency services are called. The (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) in Atlanta is called," Arsiwala said. "We have under 200 employees (trained) to do that."

The Ebola virus, which has claimed thousands of lives in Africa in recent months as well as one death in Texas (someone returning from overseas), has had many medical groups on high alert in case it comes to certain areas of the United States.

Arsiwala said while there's no indication to believe an outbreak is imminent, the possibility of the disease is enough for the clinic to take precautions, especially since it does not have the proper equipment to handle such a virus.

"We don't have a vaccine for this disease. We don't have a standard treatment," he said. "Any secretion off that individual could carry the virus."

St. Mary Mercy proactive

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia and the other St. Joseph Mercy Health System hospitals have also prepared in the rare instance that Ebola ends up in one of their emergency rooms, said Garry C. Faja, the system's regional president and CEO.

While there have been no instances of the virus in Michigan, Faja said in a statement

that the hospital system would immediately inform state officials and the public if something were to arise.

"Our infection prevention and control teams are continuously engaged in emergency preparedness and, as with any infectious disease outbreak, we participate with the CDC, local and state public health departments on calls to monitor the current status and risk," he said. "We continue to make updates to our clinical protocols as more information comes in daily so that staff can quickly identify and respond in the event they are faced with a high-risk patient."

Several state officials met last week to discuss the virus and what is being done around the state to prepare.

The state's Department of Community Health has set up protocols that allow for more hospitals to keep in contact regarding the virus.

"It is clear from our assessment that hospitals across the state are working very actively with their staffs over the past several days and weeks to implement the very latest set of

recommendations from the CDC and ensure that their health care workers are informed, trained and prepared," said Dr. Matthew Davis, the state's chief medical executive. "MDCH continues to promote and coordinate hospital readiness, along with preparedness of emergency medical services and community-based health care providers."

Arsiwala said a big reason he has had his clinics prepare is because of the proximity of Detroit Metro Airport, a large travel hub that connects passengers from all over the world. Many who come to the area for work stay in the area, including Livonia, with several hotels along I-275. Many of those workers have come to Michigan Urgent Care's clinic on Seven Mile in Livonia for treatment while they are in town, Arsiwala said.

"I have treated them over the years," he said. "Livonia is a center point for a lot of them to stay there."

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Advance America 'gives back' to Westland school

A Westland elementary school received school supplies provided by Advance America.

Adams Upper Elementary School was among schools around the state to benefit from Advance America's "Give Back to School Drives."

"Our company's support for Michigan communities extends far beyond the walls of our centers," said Patrick O'Shaughnessy, president and CEO of Advance America, the country's leading provider of

non-bank financial services. "Our Give Back to School Drives not only allowed us to connect with families in local communities, but provided valuable supplies for schools and students in need."

Advance America centers used creative measures to attract residents to donate items, including holding Customer Appreciation Days, hosting pizza parties and coloring contests for kids, and partnering with local businesses to promote the Give

Back to School Campaign. Community members who donated to the drives were also eligible to enter to win a backpack full of school supplies.

The "Give Back to School Drives" were a part of the company's unified effort to make a positive impact in the communities it serves. Nationally, Advance America collected more than 120,000 school supplies and more than 1,000 Box Tops to donate to more than 1,300 schools.

Advance America also

works year-round with more than 100 local nonprofit organizations and national foundations to promote academic achievement, job training, financial literacy and involvement in the electoral process.

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OUR VIEWS

Every penny counts toward making Christmas brighter

Thank you to all who participated Oct. 25 in the *Garden City Observer's* Pennies from Heaven fundraiser for the Garden City Goodfellows!

The curbside collection raised more \$619 to help ensure no child goes without a Christmas — but the counting isn't done. Garden City school children also held Pennies from Heaven in their classrooms. They did it last year and raised more than \$3,700.

The collection at Garden City High School was one of several that day sponsored by *Observer & Eccentric*, the parent company of the *Garden City Observer*, as part of Gannett's annual Make a Differ-

ence Day. O&E also partnered with the Goodfellows in Redford, Canton, Livonia, Farmington, Novi and Plymouth.

More than \$3,600 was raised, as of totals available Oct. 30.

This is the second year the event was held and donations were down from last year. That may be because donors who had been saving pennies for years brought them to our inaugural collection, meaning they had only a year's worth of pennies to donate this year. But every penny helps.

As Kim Dold of the Garden City Goodfellows, put it: "The O&E Pennies from Heaven program has been a tremen-

dous addition to the Goodfellows fundraising efforts."

Last Christmas, the Garden City Goodfellows assisted about 225 families which represented about 350 children.

If you missed our Pennies from Heaven event this year, you can still donate to the Goodfellows for this Christmas.

The Garden City Goodfellows will be accepting donations again during its annual paper sale on Wednesday, Nov. 26, Friday, Nov. 28, and Saturday, Nov. 29. People who want to help can send a donation by mail to the Garden City Goodfellows, P.O. Box 2407, Garden City, MI 48136.



John Vega of Garden City dumps his pennies into one of the jugs used to collect donations. SUE MASON

OUR VIEWS

Give thanks, honor all veterans on Nov. 11

For almost 100 years, the nation has paused at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month to honor our veterans. In ceremonies in communities throughout the United States, people will say thank you to our service personnel and the sacrifices they have made in peace time and during war to keep this the land of the free.

The time, date and month for the Veterans Day observance are tied to the signing of the armistice that ended World War I. But the observance now encompasses conflicts ranging from World War II to Iraq and Afghanistan.

As the ranks of veterans who served in World War II and Korea dwindle, a new group of men and women are taking their place. They served in Vietnam, the Persian Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan. They saw action in places like Grenada, Lebanon, Panama, Guatemala and Somalia.

These people are more than just veterans. They are heroes and champions of the American cause.

The somber ceremonies are meant to remember their sacrifices and show gratitude for what they have done for us and for the world. It's a time to make amends for those times in our history, specifically Vietnam, when there was no respect and thank you given to our soldiers when they came home.

A lesson was learned from that conflict. We realize that despite our personal feelings, we must support our troops. We tied yellow ribbons around trees for the Persian Gulf War and to this day continue to send care packages to our troops.

The observance of Veterans Day on Nov. 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on its important purpose: A celebration to honor all of America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

On Friday, Nov. 7, The City of Farmington Hills Special Services Adults 50 & Better will honor community veterans with the annual Stars and Stripes Forever celebration from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. The public is invited to attend the event, sponsored by American House of Farmington Hills.

The celebration will include an honor guard ceremony conducted by The VFW and The American Legion, and a roll call of all veterans in attendance. The celebration continues with a luncheon, dancing to a live band, raffles and prizes, and a special sweets table. Tickets for the 18th annual celebration for adults of all ages are \$10.

The Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346 in Farmington will have its own celebration with a dinner on Veterans Day, while The Grand Court on Grand River Avenue will honor its veteran residents at a special ceremony at .

These ceremonies may pale in comparison to what our military personnel have gone through or are experiencing now. We need to take a moment out of our day say thank you. They are doing a job that has left many maimed and emotionally scarred. They need to know we care about them and that we support them. We all need to take a moment to say thank you.

These people are more than just veterans. They are heroes and champions of the American cause. We need to let them know that's why we celebrate Veterans Day.

LETTERS

Whose money is it?

When did it become common place for agencies that our tax dollars support to try and stiff the taxpayers rather than to serve them? Every government agency you contact these days assumes that you are trying to get over on them or cheat them. It's not their money! It's ours.

I bought a property near Luddington, Mich., as a retirement home for the future. It was appraised at \$75K and I found that at the closing that the SEV had its worth at \$125K. I sent the appraisal along with the proper form to the tax tribunal and was denied. The reason stated was "sale appraisal not acceptable for tax purposes." Seeing this was done by a state licensed appraiser, I wrote back and asked what appraiser would be acceptable. I never got an answer.

I then had to pay \$125 for an appeal that I had to send to Lansing. I again was denied because I had not mailed a copy of the appeal to the tax board of the local jurisdiction that denied me in the first place. I also wrote back to the Lansing address and asked which appraisal service would be acceptable to them. Again no answer and my \$125 was gone.

Phil Solarz
Westland

Thank you, Friends

Oct. 19-25, 2014, was the ninth annual celebration of National Friends of Libraries week. This is a good time to publicly thank the Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland who contribute so much of their time to enhance our services.

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland and the Friends group are sources of pride for our community. Please call the library to find out how you can join and support the Friends group.

Sheila Collins
Library Director

Who canceled Halloween?

Hey, who the heck canceled Halloween? Nobody told me about it!

I gotta admit, I was a bit floored at how much of a bust Trick or Treat night was this year. The trick-or-treaters are already working against the clock as it is with the later time change. But this year, the melodramatic weathermen scared everyone into thinking that the next ice age was gonna hit on Halloween night.

The conditions were less than ideal, it was quite windy, with a slight drizzle, but we've experienced similar nights. The fact is, when you're in costume, nippy weather is actually more comfortable than mild temps.

It was jaw-dropping to see how many people didn't participate, both those passing out candy and those "begging" for it. Very few homes had their porch light on, and many that did, didn't even bother answering the door. If nothing else, people should at least leave a bowl of candy on their front porch. The trick-or-treaters who do come out deserve to be rewarded for their effort.

There were hardly any kids out "begging," be it young or old.

When I was a kid in the 1960s, streets were packed with trick or treaters, and most people passed out candy. I don't know if modern kids think that trick-or-treaters is too lame or if parents are too worried about the dangers out there today, but I have to wonder if one day soon whether trick-or-

treating will even be a tradition any longer and will become obsolete, another relic of the past which no one participates in.

Leo Weber
Livonia

Who's suing whom?

I read where Republican members of the U.S. House of Representatives have voted to sue President Obama.

You know, there may be some merit to that. After all, the president gave millions of our fellow citizens the Ebola virus. Oh, wait, that's wrong. He gave millions of our people health insurance. So scratch that.

All right, let's see what else they can sue him for. How about him pushing to make sure our auto industry didn't survive; he wanted our unemployed neighbors to lose benefits; he wanted college students to pay more for loans; he stalled the job and highway bills and, uh-oh, I have been informed that our president fought against all of those and it was the suers who own them. Now what?

OK, he certainly signed on to give billionaires lower taxes, allow corporate leaders to hide profits and ship jobs overseas, right? Nope, once again his suers are behind those actions.

Well, I guess I'll see if I can sue the right-wingers and tea partiers in the U.S. House on behalf of all the same people in this country that have been harmed. Also, gross incompetence and pandering for the rich should be included in the suit.

James Huddleston
Canton

Fossil fuel response

The recent letter from Jean Gramlich of the Sierra Club is quite interesting.

She talks about the dirty, nasty fossil fuels and nuclear energy and how they are hurting the planet.

Later on in the letter she states, "Our state has a rich manufacturing history and the infrastructure in place to be a leader in renewable energy generation which will create 44,000 jobs in our state, stabilize long-term energy prices, decrease our dependence on fossil fuels and mitigate our impact on the climate for this and future generations."

Does Ms. Gramlich think wind will generate enough energy to manufacture these windmills and solar panels? Does she believe that the materials used to manufacture these products will just magically appear? What will we use to provide the energy to operate the plants to provide the energy to power our electric vehicles?

Like Henry David Thoreau, Ms. Gramlich is an idealist with unrealistic goals. Perhaps she is just ahead of her time.

John Hicks
New Hudson

Education 'reform' a disaster

Let me see if I've got this right.

Milwaukee has had vouchers for 23 years and the United States Department of Education ranks them among the very worst urban schools in the country.

Sweden has had privatization and choice for 30 years. They rank below the United States on international testing and are in the process of changing to a public school system.

Chile was schooled in vouchers and choice by none other than Milton Friedman, the father of choice and vouchers. They are

no longer financing private schools with public money.

Both "No Child Left Behind" and "Race to the Top" have been abject failures. Yet, *Detroit News* columnist Ingrid Jacques, in the face of charter school failure nationwide, wants more choice and vouchers.

Oh yes. On a recent international test that measured creativity and critical thinking, U.S. public schools did better than average.

What passes for "reform" in this country is an unmitigated disaster. For too long, we have listened to corporatists, who wish to profit through privatization of American schools and a few wealthy and well-intentioned citizens who are unschooled in child development and how children learn (Bill Gates and Eli Broad). We need to look for improvement by emulating our high-performing schools (Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut) and Finland, a top-performing nation that is subjected to standardized testing a grand total of once in the educational life of a student.

Al Churchill
Livonia

Political malpractice

President Barack Obama spends a lot of his time these days (when he is not playing golf) making partisan political speeches and attending Democrat fundraisers.

Obama's favorite political ploy is to blame House Republicans for failing to pass anything significant — therefore, he has to take things into his own hands and, in effect, write his own laws to get things done (ignoring the constitution, of course).

This is just a scam and an unparalleled political power grab.

Here are some facts to consider. At the present time, there are more than 350 bills that passed the House of Representatives and are piled up on Harry Reid's desk waiting for a Senate vote (which Reid will not allow). 98 percent of those bills passed with bi-partisan support; 31 of those bills were written by Democrats.

Reid, the Democrat Senate Majority Leader, is working closely with Obama to ensure nothing meaningful passes the Congress this term so that President Obama can blame the "do-nothing Republicans" and therefore make up his own laws.

Moreover, Reid knows that many of these bills would pass the Senate if he allowed a vote. At least 2/3 of these bills had at least 2/3 of the entire House of Representatives behind them. Bills that almost certainly would pass the Senate with big majorities would allow the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline, repeal the onerous medical device tax that no one likes, and toughen the sanctions against Iran.

Obama and Reid do not want these bills to be passed for their own political purposes — forget what is best for America. Unfortunately, many Americans are unaware about what is really going on because the Obama-supporting mainstream media refuses to report these facts.

The only immediate solution for the American people is to elect a Republican majority in the Senate in the 2014 elections and remove Harry Reid from his obstructionist role. Then Obama will have to either sign or veto all the bills that will then be coming out of Congress, and his political scam will be over.

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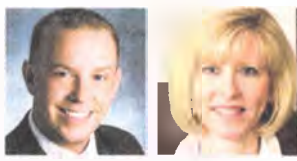
Knezek, Plawecki win seats in state legislature

Residents of the 5th District Garden City will be represented by a new senator, Democrat David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights, who saw promising results, reportedly declaring his win on Facebook.

He said that all factors pointed in that direction.

Following Knezek's hard-fought win against contenders in the August primary in a gerrymandered district that includes Detroit and Redford Township, Knezek found no challenge from Republican Jennifer Rynicki of Detroit.

Rynicki didn't campaign locally or appear for interviews in Garden City although invited by Dan York, manager of the Garden City cable TV station.



Knezek Plawecki

Some 459,704 voters favored Knezek on Tuesday compared to 13,285 for Rynicki.

Knezek was jubilant. The freshman state representative, who is completing his first term, will now serve the Senate 5th District as a freshman senator.

"I'm absolutely blown away by the amount of support I've received in today's election," Knezek said. "It has been an honor to be able to serve our community in Lansing as a state repre-

LOCAL RESULTS

Unofficial results for Tuesday's primary. **Bold** indicates winner.

5TH SENATE DISTRICT
David Knezek - 59,704
Jennifer Rynicki - 13,285

11TH HOUSE DISTRICT
Julie Plawecki - 16,525
Jim Rhoades - 7,027

sentative and I am blessed to know that the residents of the 5th District put their faith in me today to continue serving our communities with leadership, courage and integrity."

The former Marine and Iraq War veteran, who set high goals for

himself since he returned from his tour of duty, said that he will face challenges head on.

"There are many challenges that we must address in the coming days, months and years: improving our system of education, fixing our crumbling roads and bridges, protecting our senior citizens from fraud and abuse, attracting new development while growing our business community and doing everything we can to honor our veterans," Knezek said. "I welcome those challenges and remain focused on serving my neighbors with the utmost professionalism."

As Knezek prepares to conclude his present role in Lansing as state representative in the 11th Dis-

trict, he will turn over the reins to Democrat Julie Plawecki, also a Dearborn Heights resident and former teacher at St. Robert Bellarmine School in Redford Township.

The vote for Plawecki, who ran against Republican Jim Rhoades, was 16,525 to 7,027.

"I'm honored to be the first woman to serve in that seat," Plawecki said Wednesday.

She beat the pavement during the primary season, getting her name out to voters. The Plawecki name is familiar in Dearborn Heights where her husband, Mark, is a district judge but was less so in Garden City, Inkster and portions of Livonia and Westland which she will represent.

Plawecki said that she

also sought the endorsements of the mayors in those communities.

Since the primary, she tried to be visible.

"I attended many events," she said.

Despite her pondering a run for state rep 10 years ago, Plawecki didn't seriously consider it until she was approached by community leaders late last year. After talking to family, friends and elected officials and researching the position, she decided to pursue the possibility.

As an educator for 13 years, she is disheartened by what she considers the poor quality of education that Michigan offers students in some districts.

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DYW OF WAYNE-WESTLAND Andrea Macek (back row, from left), Helen Bishop, Rajanae Haley, Micah Hill, Kendall Isaacs (front row, from left), Kendall Stasser and Dominique Denson will find out Friday, Nov. 7, who will be the new Wayne-Westland Distinguished Young Woman. The program will be at 7 p.m. at John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette, Westland. Tickets are available at the door and cost \$12 tickets for adults and \$8 for students.

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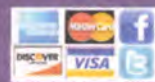
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Livonia parkrun: fun and free fitness

Since June of 2012, a hearty group of "sole" mates have met every summer and fall Saturday mornings for a calories-burning, camaraderie-building run through Livonia's peaceful and picturesque Bicentennial Park.

Members of the group interchange each week, but the purpose of the Livonia parkrun has stayed consistent: Offer a free, volunteer-based weekly timed 5K run (or walk) for the community.

The local parkrun, which is a worldwide event that planted its first North American roots in Livonia, starts every Saturday morning at 9 a.m. Given that it is not a race, the gathering attracts runners of all abilities and ages – although some participants engage in friendly competition each week.

The parkrun activity currently has more than 1 million regis-



Participants in a recent Livonia parkrun event stride across the picturesque grounds of Bicentennial Park.

tered participants in nine countries, including Poland, Ireland and New Zealand. Many foreigners Participants from near and far have attended Livonia's

parkrun to experience the idyllic setting Bicentennial Park has to offer.

"Livonia parkrun is such a simple concept," noted Rick

Brauer. "Turn up every Saturday and run 5 kilometers. It doesn't matter how fast you go. It doesn't matter what you're wearing. What matters is taking part."

"Livonia parkrun is all about inclusiveness and well-being. We want as many people as possible to feel part of a real local community brought together by our events, as well as our global parkrun family. It's why parkruns are never more than 5 kilometers – it's a distance that anyone can complete – even if some of us are walking by the end. The format is simple: register once and turn up and take part wherever you want, whenever you want."

To register and learn more about the Livonia parkrun, visit www.parkrun.us/livonia.

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Thurston wrestling coach

Redford Thurston is searching for a varsity wrestling coach for the upcoming season.

Candidates should e-mail a letter of interest to Thurston athletic director Al Chambo at chambo@southredford.net.

Albion standouts

A pair of Livonia natives are faring well for their respective Albion College athletic teams.

Livonia Churchill graduate Evan Schweizer tallied a pair of goals in Albion's 4-1 victory over Trine last week.

Also excelling is Livonia Stevenson alum Parker Belmore, who helped Albion earn a 155-144 victory over Kalamazoo College when he won the 100-yard backstroke in 55.87 seconds and finished second in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:06.92.

Northside Wrestling Club

Registration for the Northside Wrestling Club will be held 7-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10 in the Redford Union High School library, which is located on the second floor of the school.

For more information, contact the club's director, Rob Rankin, at 313-600-1537.

RU dodge ball

The Redford Union High School's Blue and Gold Club will be hosting its annual fundraising Dodge Ball Tournament on Friday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the school's gymnasium.

Admission for spectators is \$3. Teams will be made up of teachers, alumni and students.

MU cagers dropped

It was no Boston Tea Party for the Madonna University men's basketball season opener on Saturday as the Crusaders committed 22 turnovers and shot only 16-of-47 from the floor (34 percent) in a 62-46 loss to host Fisher College (Mass.).

Tyler Shular wound up with a game-high 25 points for the Falcons, who built 32-25 halftime advantage. Geodice Ortiz added nine rebounds. Fischer shot 21-of-58 from the floor (36.2 percent).

Junior guard Tyler Stewart (Salem) paced the Crusaders with 14 points, while senior center Donald Owens had 13 points and eight rebounds.

PREP FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS



Redford Thurston running back Chris Johnson slices through a seam in the Detroit Mumford defense during the second quarter of Saturday's victory.

THE REAL MCCOY

Thurston's ball-hawking defense fuels 22-18 victory over Detroit Mumford

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Book-ended by huge plays from junior cornerback Alonzo McCoy, Redford Thurston's football team booked a ticket to this weekend's Division 3 district final against Dearborn Divine Child by outlasting host Detroit Mumford, 22-18, on Saturday afternoon.

In addition to returning an interception for a touchdown for the thrilling contest's first tone-setting score, McCoy stymied an

ominous Mustang threat in the game's final seconds when he picked off his second pass of the afternoon in the corner of the end zone.

Now 7-3, the Eagles will host the 7-3 Falcons at 2 p.m. Saturday. Divine Child edged Allen Park, 9-7, in the the district's other semifinal tilt.

Fueled by four first-half turnovers forced by its hard-hitting, opportunistic defense, Thurston carried a 15-0 lead into



Redford Thurston linebacker Dionte Jones forces a first-quarter fumble with a crunching hit.

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PREP CROSS COUNTRY



Franklin's Tony Floyd (front left) and Keenan Jones (front right), and Stevenson's Erik Grisa (pictured at Jones' left) ran in Saturday's D1 state meet.

Local harriers perform well at D1 state meet

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Wayne Memorial senior cross country standouts Malik Jordan and Devin Gibson capped spectacular high school cross country careers by finishing 51st and 66th, respectively, at Saturday's Division 1 state meet held at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

"Both of these boys had very successful seasons," noted Wayne head coach Tom Gibson. "They, along with the other seniors on the team, will be missed next year. I look forward

to seeing what they will accomplish in track this spring and in their college careers."

Livonia Franklin's two boys state-qualifiers – Tony Floyd and Keenan Jones – placed 73rd and 119th, respectively. Floyd, who is a junior, covered the 5K course in 16:21.1 while Jones, a senior, finished in 16:40.8.

Erik Grisa, Livonia Stevenson's lone state-qualifier, placed 141st with a time of 16:52.4.

Rockford (140 points) won the team title with a narrow triumph over runner-up Lake-

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Riveting rematch set for Friday's district final

Chargers, Chiefs aim for quarterfinals spot

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

If recent history repeats itself, Friday night's Division 1 district football final between visiting Livonia Churchill and Canton won't be decided until there's, oh, about 0:01 showing on the fourth-quarter scoreboard.

And based on the two teams' tendency to light up the scoreboard when they face each other, spectators should expect a ton of points.

On Oct. 3, Canton (8-2) survived a late Charger charge to pull out a 40-35 victory in a game played on the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's junior varsity grass field.

The Chiefs prevailed, 35-28, in 2013, after the Chargers chalked up



Livonia Churchill's Steve Szymanski (11) defends a pass during the Chargers' Week 9 victory over Livonia Stevenson.

down-to-the-wire victories in 2012 (43-40) and 2011 (27-26).

"If Friday night is anything like the games we've played against

Canton the past four years, it will be an exciting game for the fans," predicted Churchill head coach Bill DeFillippo, whose team takes an 8-2

mark into the rematch. "Looking back at the film of (the Oct. 3) game, our kids played with great effort. We had a chance to win at the end even though we had four turnovers and 11 penalties.

"There's a long list of things we need to improve on from that game, but the two biggest things are eliminating mistakes and winning the big-situation plays. Every time there was a big play in the first game, they seemed to win it."

The psychological advantage to losing the first game of a same-season rematch is minimal at best, DeFillippo said.

"As a coach, you hope the redemption angle gives you an edge, but who really knows if it will," he said. "There's a tendency to think that the team that won the first game will have a slight mental letdown just be-

cause they won the first time, but that wasn't the case at all when we played Plymouth last week. We beat them pretty good in the regular season and our kids responded well in the rematch (a 38-14 Churchill victory). You just never know how things will play out."

After facing the Chiefs on the grass one month ago, the speed-to-burn, spread-it-out Chargers won't benefit from playing Friday night's game on the PCEP varsity stadium's faster field-turf surface.

"Neither team will have an advantage from the change of fields, one way or another," DeFillippo said. "We're both used to playing on turf. Playing on the grass really wasn't a factor in the first game. We had a couple kids slip in the first quarter, but I didn't see anything after that. It

all comes down to who executes better, not what kind of field we're playing on."

A victory over the Chiefs on Friday night would propel the Chargers into the quarterfinal round of the Division 1 playoffs for the first time since 2004, when they dropped a 31-7 decision to Sterling Heights Stevenson.

Churchill advanced to the D1 district final round in 2012 before getting sidelined by Plymouth, 20-14.

The Chargers have outscored their opponents 406-227 this season while the Chiefs have gained a point advantage of 354-176 over their 10 foes. The winner of the Churchill-Canton matchup (7 p.m. kick-off) will face the victor of Friday night's Monroe (7-3) at Saline (9-1) encounter.

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St. Matthew harriers all-state



Three members of the Westland St. Matthew Lutheran School cross country team earned all-state honors at the Michigan Lutheran State Cross Country Finals held Oct. 25. The three honorees were eighth-grader Riley Daye, who placed first on the moderately hilly 3,200-meter course with a time of 12 minutes and 23 seconds; sixth-grader Victoria Peyrera, who finished second in 15:05; and Lucas Peyrera, who placed sixth in 13:38.

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Clarenceville dominant in district opening win

Curvin's all-around excellence keys triumphant night for Trojans

By Dan O'Meara
Staff Writer

Following another successful regular season in volleyball, Livonia Clarenceville began district tournament play Monday with a three-game victory over Detroit Henry Ford, 25-6, 25-7, 25-11.

The Lady Trojans improved their record to 18-15-4 and will play Detroit Community in a semifinal match at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at Clarenceville.

Clarenceville's dominance Monday was evident in the high number of aces it had. Sarah Curvin served eight, Lindsey Cairns five and Emily Schwartz four. Curvin also had four kills and two blocks. "It was a team effort,"

coach Wendy Merschman said. "Everybody pitched in. It was pretty much an offensive serving game."

"For us to win the district, everyone will be key. We will need to play as one cohesive unit with a lot of communication. I look forward to seeing how we do."

Merschman added the Lady Trojans will need to make fewer mental errors and play their best on defense, too.

Clarenceville defeated Redford Thurston last week to clinch its second consecutive Western Wayne Athletic Conference championship with a 9-1 record.

The match was a dig-pink pinkout that raised \$600 for breast cancer research and

awareness.

"It was a real special night for the Trojans, who worked hard selling shirts, suckers, raffles and donations from the Clarenceville community for the Sideout Foundation," Merschman said.

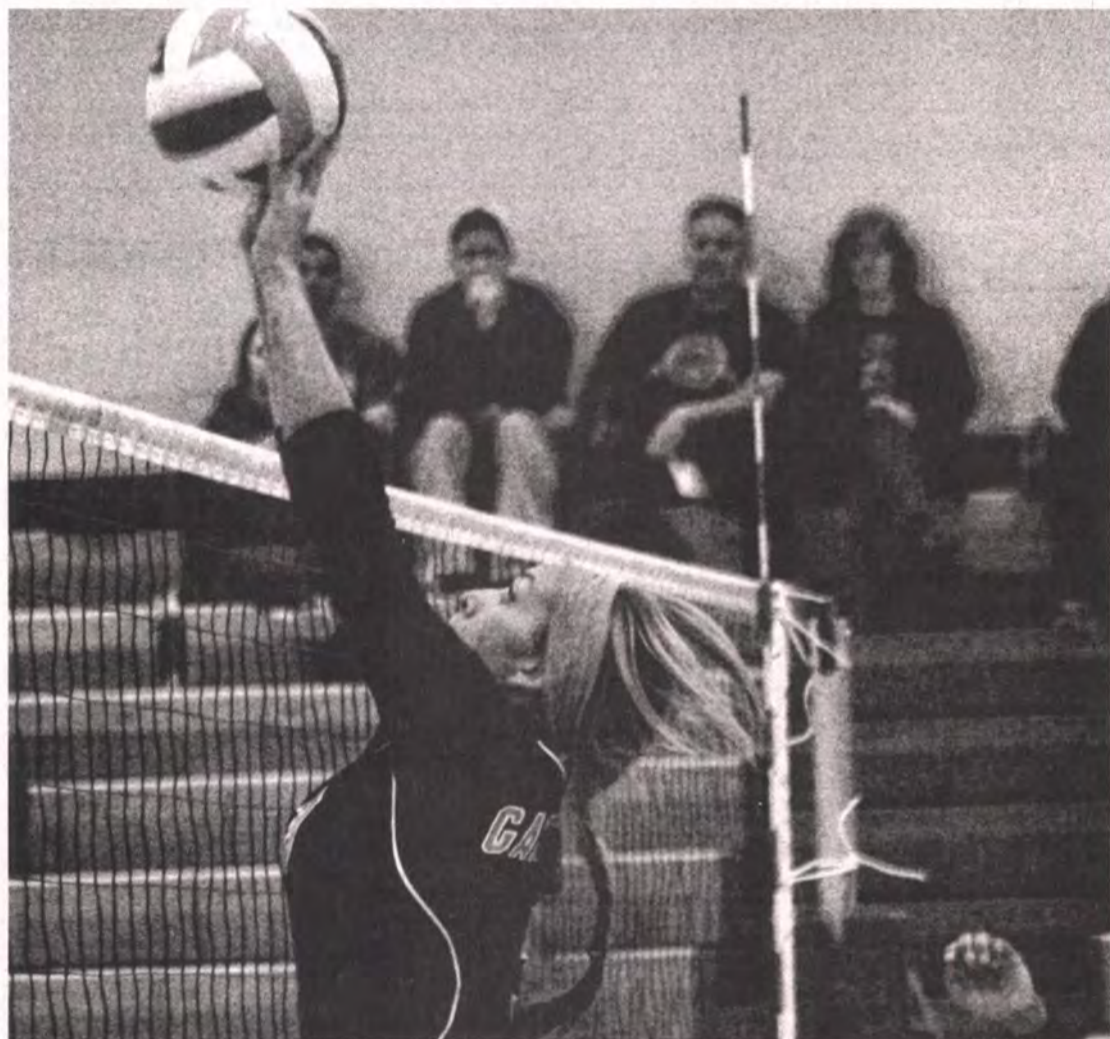
"Senior night included nine seniors, which will sting a little next year. This group is fun and they work hard. I have enjoyed this year; they really make volleyball fun."

Maddie VanDyke was 16-for-16 from the service line with five aces. Curvin also had five aces and nine kills.

Cairns and Lindsey Fosth each added six kills. Mia Sampson and Hayley Abajay turned in strong defensive games, according to Merschman.



FILE PHOTO
The Lady Trojans will play Detroit Community in a semifinal match at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at Clarenceville.



ED WRIGHT
Garden City's Heather Pennington elevates for a block during Monday's three-set victory over Redford Thurston.

SPIKING ON ALL CYLINDERS

It takes GC less than an hour to sideline Thurston, 3-0

Garden City's volleyball team hosted Monday's Class A district dinnertime match against Redford Thurston and served the Eagles a plateful of aces and a side dish of kills.

Playing in the first-round 5:30 p.m. game, the Cougars were an exceptional 96 percent from the service line (72 for 75) with 12 aces while sweeping the Eagles, 25-8, 25-11, 25-7, to advance into Wednesday's semifinal game against Livonia Franklin.

Two other Livonia schools - Stevenson and Churchill - will meet in the 5:30 p.m. semifinal encounter.

Garden City was even better on the receiving end of serves as it handled everything the Eagles launched at them.

Other key statistical numbers compiled by the winners included 33 kills (48 percent success rate), 26 assists and 21 digs.

Not surprisingly, GC head coach John Pace couldn't have been any more satisfied with the effort his surging team turned in.

"This was a great way to start districts," said Pace. "Thurston is a young team and we were able to utilize our experience. We played a very mature match. Our seniors played exceptional. They were 33 for 35 serving and nine for nine on serve receive. They had 17 of our kills and 16 digs."

"You are a very proud coach when your seniors can lead the way they did."

The Cougars' contingent of talented seniors includes Taylor Bejma, Holly Sayger, Emily Hoffman, Ashlynn Caviness and Hannah Vera-



ED WRIGHT
A Thurston player tips the ball over the net.

Burgos, all of whom made mighty contributions to their team's successful night.

Bejma was a perfect 7-for-7 on serve receive in addition to picking up 10 digs. Sayger was nearly unstoppable at the net, producing 12 kills at a .733 success rate. Junior Allie Lynn also played well, knocking down seven kills.

The Cougars never trailed against an inexperienced Thurston team that included just three seniors. GC pounced on the Eagles early in sets two and three when they mounted leads of 11-0 and 10-0, respectively.

Junior Heather Pennington fueled the opening-set triumph when she picked up six straight points at the service stripe to increase her team's lead to 10-3. An 11-0 service run by Hoffman set the tone for the second stanza.

Although Thurston struggled earning points, the Eagles played with a relentless fiestiness - especially junior libero Dasia Johnson, whose

all-out hustle extended several points.

Ladywood advances

Kayla March recorded 14 kills and Haley Moores added 10 as Livonia Ladywood rolled to a 25-2, 25-6, 25-10 victory Monday over Southfield Bradford Academy in the Class B district opener Monday at Livonia Clarenceville.

The Blazers, who improved to 27-18-4 overall, also got 28 assists and nice ace serves from setter Emily Fradette, while Maddy Moschetta contributed 21 digs.

Ladywood returns to action 7 p.m. Wednesday at Clarenceville against Redford Union.

Hawks soar

The Huron Valley Lutheran volleyball team improved to 24-15-5 Monday night when it ousted Lutheran South from the Class D district tournament, 25-10, 25-11, 25-10.

"The girls played well tonight," said HVL head coach Mike Dest. "I was happy with our ball control and our communication on the floor. We have to have a good practice (Tuesday) and be ready to go on Wednesday for the second round of districts."

Senior Madison Dest was spectacular for the winners, racking up 19 kills (on 21 attempts), six aces and five digs. Other standouts for the Hawks were Anne St. John (11 kills, five aces, 17 assists), Nikki Alcini (five kills, four aces, nine assists), Bethany Schaffer (20 service points and three digs), Ashley Setian (three aces and seven assists) and recent varsity call-up Sam Golchuk.

Parent's 2 goals lift MU women to win

Ashley Parent notched her ninth and 10th goals of the season as the Madonna University women's soccer team wrapped up with regular season Saturday with a 3-0 win over host Lawrence Tech.

Parent, a senior from Amherstburg, Ontario, scored at 21:05 from Jessica Witt and made it 2-0 just 2:37 later off a cross from Jennifer Jurcak (Utica Eisenhower).

Senior Katlyn Krysiak (Madison Heights Lamphere) then made it 3-0 at 50:33 with her 12th goal of the year off an assist from Jurcak.

Junior goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg (Warren Cousino) made a pair of saves to post her seventh shutout of the season as the Crusaders improved to 11-6-1 overall and

5-3-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Heather Derstine made four saves for Lawrence Tech (5-10-3, 0-7-2).

MU will open the WHAC playoffs Wednesday in a quarterfinal match at home against an opponent yet to be determined.

MADONNA (MEN) 1, CLEARY 1 (2 OTS): Nine seniors were honored on a frigid Saturday afternoon as host Madonna University (13-4-1) settled for a double-overtime draw against nonconference foe Cleary College (11-6-1).

Senior midfielder Ryan Williams (Auburn Hills Avondale), the WHAC Offensive Player of the Week, scored his team-leading 14th goal of the season off an assist from James Robinson II at 27:26 to give MU a 1-0 lead.

But Cleary tied it at 75:13 on Austin Petty's 13th goal of the season assisted from Hermes Toska.

MU goalkeeper Marcel Schmid (Stuttgart, Germany), the reigning NAIA and WHAC Defensive Player of the Week, made two saves.

Cleary goalkeeper Blair Moore had eight saves. The Crusaders will host a WHAC quarterfinal playoff match on Saturday, Nov. 8, at home against an opponent yet to be determined.

MU spikers sweep volleyball twinbill

The 17th-ranked Madonna University women's volleyball team tuned up for Wednesday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference first-place showdown with No. 15 Davenport by winning a pair of matches Saturday in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Freshman Amanda Hawkins (Livonia Stevenson) finished with 11 kills and setter Spencer Stokes added 36 assist-to-kills and a team-high 10 digs as the Crusaders pounded Concordia University, 25-13, 25-13, 25-12, in the nightcap at Indiana Tech.

Cassie Castro, Amanda Obrycki and Payton Maxheimer each added nine digs as the Crusaders improved to 32-5 overall and 17-2 in the WHAC.

Concordia (9-22, 4-15) got 10 kills from Autumn VanKirk, while setter Hannah Staples (Westland John Glenn) added 17 assists. Julia Szuba (Livonia

Churchill) contributed a match-best 13 digs.

Earlier in the day, Katie Breault had 12 kills and Casey Gates added 10 as MU downed the host Warriors, 25-20, 25-19, 19-25, 25-23.

Stokes collected 38 assists, while digs leaders included Obrycki (14) and Breanna Geile (10).

Indiana Tech (17-13, 8-10) got a match-best 14 kills from Stacy Nagy, while Shanice Richards chipped in with 12.

Other leaders for the Warriors included Katelyn St. Martin (10 kills, 19 digs); Karli Jones (22 assists); Emilee Palka (21 assists); and Taylor Kelso (15 digs).

MU played Wednesday evening in Grand Rapids against Davenport (28-7, 17-2).

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land, which finished with 146. Waterford Mott was right on the top two teams' heels, taking third with 148 points.

Girls results

Livonia Churchill's young and talented girls team put an exclamation point on their ultra-successful campaign by placing 24th at MIS. Birmingham Seaholm won the event with 88 points, followed by Traverse City Central (115) and Northville (135).

The Chargers were paced by senior four-year contributor Lauren Bernhardt, who earned 78th place with a time of 19:52.2. Freshman Addison Mussen finished 87th for Chur-

chill in 20:00.6.

Also scoring for the Chargers were Christina Murphy (104th in 20:12.4), Gabrielle Swider (124th in 20:37.7) and Hailey Pampreen, who took 134th in 20:45.5.

Twin sisters Caroline and Katherine George placed 137th and 139th, respectively, for Churchill, but did not figure in the scoring.

Mandy Pokryfky, Livonia Franklin's lone state-qualifier, placed 136th with a time of 20:04.4, which was the senior's third best time of her career despite the windy, blustery conditions.

"I am really proud of Mandy and all her accomplishments this season," said Franklin head coach Dave Bjorklund.

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Livonia Churchill's girls cross country team, pictured during a meet earlier this season, placed 24th in Division 1 at Saturday's state meet.

OBSERVER FOOTBALL PREDICTIONS

ALL GAMES 7 P.M. UNLESS NOTED

Friday, Nov. 7

Livonia Churchill (8-2) at Canton (8-2)

Farmington Harrison (8-2) at W.L. Western (9-1)

Saturday, Nov. 8

Drbn. Divine Child (7-3) at Red. Thurston (7-3), 2 p.m.

Week's record

Overall record

Ed Wright

Canton

W.L. Western

Thurston

5-3

93-29

Dan O'Meara

Canton

Harrison

Thurston

8-0

105-17

Tim Smith

Canton

W.L. Western

Thurston

5-3

80-42

On guard: Crusaders loaded in backcourt

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Coach Carl Graves won't be in short supply of guards when the Madonna University women's basketball team tips off its 2014-15 season beginning at 5:30 p.m. Friday at home against Point Park (Pa.).

The Crusaders return 10 players, including eight listed in the backcourt, from last year's squad that finished 12-18 overall and 10-12 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

The team's leading returnee is 5-foot-9 senior guard Rachel Melcher (Birmingham Mar-ian), a first team all-WHAC selection who averaged 16.5 points and 8.8 rebounds per game during her junior year.

"Rachel always does a great job and she's playing her best basketball right now," said Graves, who is 114-128 at MU entering his ninth season. "I think we'll have some of the best guard play in the conference ... I'm a little concerned about our post presence, but we've got three kids that are

working hard."

MU should also get a boost from NCAA Division I transfer Michele Hayes (Southfield-Lathrup), a 5-7 point guard from Inkster who played in 22 games, including two starts, while averaging 2.8 points per game last season at Oakland University.



Melcher

Hayes spent her first season at the University of Toledo, where she appeared in 17 games.

Also expected to get a starting nod Friday is 5-9 junior guard Justice Dean (Garden City), who averaged 10.4 points per game before going down in the fifth game last year with a torn ACL.

Lizzy Otten (Grandville), a 5-6 sophomore guard who averaged 8.8 points, will also start along with 6-foot sophomore center Erin Menard (Livonia Churchill), one of two frontcourt returnees.

Graves is expected to get

help up front from Schoolcraft College transfer Tabitha Mann (Salem), a 5-10 junior, along with 6-foot senior center Hayley Stempien (Dearborn Divine Child).

"Between Erin, Hayley and Tabitha — by committee — we hope to get the job done on the court and be a formidable opponent," Graves said.

"We've got to do some things really well in our offense against everybody else's size. We have to rebound with some of these big teams."

Other guard returnees for the Crusaders included 5-1 junior Molly Knoph (Livonia Stevenson), 5-7 sophomore Kelsey Gerhardt (Flushing) and 5-5 junior Sabrina Kent (Dearborn Heights Crestwood/Jackson CC).

MU also has two freshman newcomers in Kacy Robinson, a 5-9 small forward from Clarkston, and Lindsey Henden, a 5-7 guard from Romeo.

Two other Graves recruits will sit out this season: Roosevelt (Ill.) University transfer Devin Talley (Ann Arbor Huron), a 5-8 sophomore forward

who underwent surgery for a torn ACL, and Concordia University transfer Becca Sabol (Harper Woods Regina), a 6-1 center.

Talley, the daughter of former Michigan player Michael Talley, was a back-up guard during the 2012-13 season when Roosevelt finished 28-7 and qualified for the NAIA Division II National Tournament.

MU, meanwhile, was picked sixth in the preseason WHAC coaches poll.

"Davenport is ranked No. 4 right now and they just knocked off No. 12 Cardinal Stritch (Wis.) by double digits," Graves said. "And they just played Michigan tough for a half at Crisler (Arena). And they actually outrebounded Michigan. Then we have Cornerstone and Siena Heights who bring everybody back and they're going to be better than they have been. Both were at the national tournament."

Last year, MU pulled off an upset victory at Calihan Hall against NCAA Division I foe

University of Detroit Mercy. The Crusaders lost Carrie Kloster to graduation, while double-digit scorers Chelsea Williams (14.9) and Tori Duffey (11.3) elected not to return this season.

MU opens WHAC play Saturday, Nov. 15, at home against Cornerstone. The Crusaders will also play two non-conference games, Dec. 30-31, in Hawaii.

"The WHAC, on the women's side, is one of the best in the country, probably top three (NAIA) in the country," Graves said. "So for us to get up and do better than sixth is a huge accomplishment, but I think we're going to be up for the challenge because I really believe we have some of the best guard play, not only in the conference, but in the country. So I'm excited to see what we can put together and what kind of run we can make. We'll be challenged right away because Point Park (Pa.) is just outside the top 25 and that's our first game. We'll find out where we are right away."

Canton captures D1 boys soccer title

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

When Jack Zemanski was a freshman, he was called up to Canton's varsity boys soccer team to soak in the experience as the Chiefs marched to the 2011 Division I state championship.

Three years later, his hustle and persistence made it possible for junior midfielder Jason Ren to score the lone goal in Saturday's D1 final against Rochester Adams at Brighton.

And with Ren's first-half marker holding up for a 1-0 victory, Zemanski was able to once again celebrate a title — this time as one of numerous key cogs to a squad that rolled over all opponents to the tune of 24-0-3.

"It feels amazing; it's what we've been working for all season," said Zemanski, a senior midfielder. "It feels great to accomplish it."

Zemanski remembered 2011, when he got the call from then-coach George Tomasso to move up from the junior varsity. Now he has two state championship medals book-ending his prep career.

"Back then, we saw they had the team to do it and we knew we were just as good as them," he said.

Hustle pays off

With crisp winds Saturday traversing the turf surface at Brighton, the Chiefs were able to get on the board quickly and then hold a clinic in how to possess and move the ball.

Off an Adams throw-in, Zemanski hustled after a 50/50 ball and got to it first — nullifying what would have been a goal kick for the Highlanders.

Zemanski then slipped a pass up to Ren, who broke loose from defenders around the top of the box and drove his shot behind Adams sophomore goalkeeper Dylan Brown.

"Jack had the ball, I overlapped him," Ren said, talking about his title-winning goal. "He laid it off to me and I just hit it the best I could (into the far corner.)"



Rochester Adams defender Alex Kim (left) rushes to kick the ball before Canton senior forward Carter Schenk can get there.

Canton head coach Mark Zemanski, who was one of Tomasso's assistants in 2011, said Ren received the soft pass and drove a "perfect ball, curled it in the corner away from the keeper. It was a beautiful shot."

And for the remaining 64 minutes, the Chiefs' stellar defense rarely was put in tough situations as the Highlanders could not muster much of an attack against Canton senior goalkeeper Andrew Loehnis.

"My defense all year has been stifling," coach Zemanski said. "Shutout in the semis, shutout here. I think that's our 14th shutout."

The Highlanders had control of the ball about only 25 percent of the time in the first half, which ended 1-0.

After the intermission, with the wind at their backs, they made more of a push in an attempt to draw even.

In control

But Loehnis barely needed to make huge stops, with his defenders and midfielders expertly playing keepaway much of the time.

"We got the goal early, so you know the rest of the game they (were) going to be pressing on you," senior defender

Sam Belcher said. "But I felt our team is all about hard work and making sure that (equalizer) doesn't happen."

"I thought we did a really good job of making sure we kept the ball. They weren't able to turn or play any balls on us very well."

Midway through the second half, the Chiefs did have to ward off a series of Adams corner kicks.

When attempts did make it into the 18-yard box, players such as Belcher, junior defender Beau Hoffman and senior defender Chris Dooley were in position to clear the zone.

There was a relatively close call for Loehnis and the Chiefs with about 15 minutes to play. Lennart Zorn spun and sent a shot from the left side of the box over the crossbar.

Canton also survived a scrum following a throw-in with seven minutes to go. After several caroms in the box, senior midfielder Kyle Mettlach and junior midfielder Josh Posuniak teamed up to get the ball out of danger.

For the final minutes, the Chiefs primarily kept the ball in the midfield, with junior midfielder Hunter Olson persevering against Adams' pressure to maintain possession.

And then, with the final

seconds counting down to zero, Hunter booted the ball into the air, turned and triumphantly hugged senior forward Carter Schenk near midfield.

Moments later, they and their teammates wore shiny championship medals as they ran victory laps to and from the frantic Canton student section.

What a feeling

During interviews following the hoisting of the trophy, Schenk and others could barely contain their joy.

For Schenk, being part of the ultimate win was a sweet payoff to dealing with injuries all season — including a rolled ankle in Wednesday's semifinal win over Saline.

"I couldn't miss this game; it meant too much to me," Schenk said. "I've been waiting for this since I found out I was going to Canton and I knew (Zemanski) was going to be my coach."

"He was my coach when I was little (with Canton Celtic), so I always wanted to go to Canton."

Coach Zemanski said Schenk is one of several players on the 2014 champs that he coached in youth soccer. He also listed his son Jack, Olson, senior defenders Andrew Murphy, Nick Wendel and Chris Dooley and Mettlach.

"I actually have five or six boys that when they were U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s, 13s and 14s that I coached," Zemanski said. "So I've known these boys for a long time."

"I've really grown close to these boys between that and having them on JV and varsity. It's been a very special run."

Olson said he couldn't think of "words to explain how I feel right now. I'm so happy, so proud of our team."

Senior midfielder Ammar Chishti also beamed.

"It just feels really great to win the state championship," said Chishti, one of the players who helped control the ball and snuff out any Highlanders hope. "I've been here for three years now and it feels great to win one."

Plymouth Whalers fall flat in Pink Out! game

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Saturday's seventh annual Pink Out! game for breast cancer awareness at Compuware Arena featured pink ice, specially designed pink jerseys and players with pink hair.

But after the Plymouth Whalers lost 6-2 to Kingston before a crowd of 2,713, head coach Don Elland was seeing red.

"From the minute the puck was dropped, we weren't ready to compete," Elland said. "We weren't ready to play, we weren't willing to do the things necessary to win in this league."

"It's not easy winning in this league, this is a good league. You have to play for 60 minutes to win in this league. Right now, we're not willing to do that."

It was the third loss in a row for Plymouth (6-8-1-0).

Elland also said the way the team played on such a special night was "disheartening too, because everyone away from this team, administratively and in the rink, puts a lot of effort into it to get the ice ready, the jerseys ... and for us to go out and play like that just isn't acceptable."

The Whalers fell behind 4-0 midway through the second period, as the Frontenacs chased Plymouth starting goalkeeper Alex Nedeljkovic in favor of backup Zach Bowman. Scoring twice each for the visitors were Spencer Watson and Lawson Crouse.

Plymouth did show some life in the third period, garnering two power-play goals 29 seconds apart (by Matt Mistele and Bryce Yetman) to make it 4-2 with 3:50 left.

Moments later, highly touted Whalers rookie forward Sonny Milano stripped the puck from a Kingston defender and skated in alone on Frontenacs goalie Lucas Peressini with a chance to slice the deficit further and set the stage for a thrilling finish.

But Milano misfired and Kingston (7-5-0-1) got one back at 18:24 on a goal by Juho Lamikko. The Frontenacs tacked on a meaningless power-play goal by Zack Dorval with 1.2 seconds remaining.

No excuse

Elland, meanwhile, discounted the notion that the Frontenacs took advantage of a depleted Plymouth defense. Lost for the season after knee surgery is captain Alex Peters, while veterans Gianluca Curcuruto and Mitch Jones remain on suspension.

Elland and his coaches hope the team can quickly turn the page. The team hosts Owen Sound at 7 p.m. Friday and Kitchener at 7 p.m. Saturday. The Compuware ice — colored pink for the first time thanks to Hines Park Lincoln in Plymouth underwriting the costs — will be white by then.

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the intermission.

With no halftime facilities offered by host Mumford, the Eagles spent the 20-minute break in the two buses that transported them to the game.

The Mustangs regrouped in the second half and seized an 18-15 lead with nine minutes left in the game, but Thurston senior quarterback Travis Wesenberg engineered the ultimate game-winning drive that culminated with an 18-yard Wesenberg-to-Aaron Griffin TD pass with 1:24 on the clock.

"I was very proud of the poise our kids showed in the fourth quarter," said Thurston head coach Bob Snell. "They showed a lot of resiliency down the stretch. Travis made two plays on the last drive that you can't teach a quarterback to make. On the touchdown pass to Aaron, he threw it from the hash mark on the opposite side of the field. He couldn't have placed it in there more perfectly than he did."

Moving against a strong, gusting wind out of the north, the Mustangs pushed the ball into Thurston territory on the first play from scrimmage when quarterback Monte Stewart connected with wide receiver Tee'Ondre Harvey on a 33-yard pass play.

But a train wreck-like tackle by Thurston linebacker Dionte Jones on the next play forced a fumble that was recovered by Griffin.

After the Eagles went three and out on their first possession, Mumford took over on its own 21, but three plays into the possession McCoy stepped in front of a Stewart pass near mid-field, juke a couple would-be tacklers and zig-zagged into the end zone to give the Eagles a 7-0 lead (following Kobe Williams' extra point).

Mumford nearly countered the touchdown when Kameron Pleasant returned the ensuing kick-off to the Thurston 14. However, three plays later, Thurston senior cornerback Robert Thomas intercepted a Stewart pass in the end zone.

The hit of the day was provided by Thurston senior line-

backer Laymon Giddings-Whatley, who separated Stewart from the ball with a ferocious tackle at the Eagles 40. Tyjuan Triplett recovered and six plays later Chris Johnson plowed into the end zone from the 2 to increase Thurston's lead to 13-0.

Mumford was offside on the extra-point attempt, so Thurston chose to bring in its "Rhino" short-yardage crew and go for two with the ball at the 1-and-a-half yard line. With the Mustangs stacking the box, Wesenberg hooked up with Griffin to widen the lead to 15-0 with 9:23 remaining in the first half.

The Eagles moved the ball into the Mumford red zone just before the half, but Wesenberg's into-the-wind pass was intercepted in the end zone.

The Mustangs scored on their opening possession of the second half on a Stewart TD pass, however, their two-point try was stuffed by Thurston.

The Eagles lost the ball on the ensuing kick-off return and Mumford promptly scored to cut its deficit to 15-12.

Mumford then took its first lead of the game — 18-15 — at the 9-minute mark of the fourth quarter on a jet-sweep run.

Following an exchange of possession, the Eagles took over at their own 40 with 3:50 for what would prove to be their biggest drive of the season. A 27-yard pass from Wesenberg to Darryius King put the ball in the Mumford red zone and set the table for the TD pass to Griffin off a wheel route. Williams' extra point made it 22-18.

Mumford was not done. After taking over at its 35, the Mustangs advanced to the Thurston 6 thanks to a remarkable diving catch by Pleasant and a Stewart scramble with 25 seconds left.

But the Eagles survived when their defensive line pressured Stewart, who threw the game-clinching pick to McCoy, who has been stellar for Thurston throughout the season.

Giddings-Whatley was superb on both sides of the ball for Thurston, Snell said.

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Lessons from past: Canton man tours Israel 45 years after living on kibbutz

By Jay Young
Guest Columnist

Forty-five years ago, I spent two months working on a kibbutz in southern Israel near the Gaza strip. I returned last month to a country and way of life that has dramatically changed over the years.

A kibbutz is a collective farm, where land is communally owned and families live together in a sort of utopian combination of socialism and Zionism. Kibbutzim are still important to the country — there were about 270 in 2010 — where factories and farms account for about half of the nation's industrial and agricultural output.

It was into such a setting that I ventured in 1969, along with several hundred other volunteers from across the U.S. During my weekly day off, I traveled around the country, which is the size of New Jersey, visiting many significant historical and cultural sites. On a recent Overseas Adventure Travel tour I saw many of the same sites I visited nearly a half century ago.

Both times my journey began in Tel Aviv, the cultural and commercial hub of the country and home to about a third of Israel's population. Founded in 1909 near the ancient port city of Jaffa, what Tel Aviv may lack in ancient history, it more than makes up for in vibrancy and contemporary culture.

This was illustrated during a tour of Jaffa, now a suburb of Tel Aviv, at the Ilana Goor Museum. Housed in a 280-year-old building that once served as the first Jewish Inn for pilgrims going to Jerusalem, it featured an eclectic collection of contemporary paintings and sculptures.

Traveling along the coast, our next stop was Caesarea, where Herod the Great in 22 B.C. built a royal city, complete with a remarkable artificial seaport. The Roman ruins, some of which were later transformed by the Crusaders into a walled city, are today an Israeli tourist destination with upscale restaurants and a modern sound stage juxtaposed among the ancient remains. In 1969, excavations were just beginning and I remember walking around a site scattered with building blocks that had yet to be reconstructed.

Visiting holy sites

Continuing northward, we visited Nazareth, where Jesus spent much of his childhood assisting his father in a humble carpenter shop. Today it is a bustling Arab city and it is difficult to imagine what it must have looked like in the first century. That is true of most of the "holy" sites in Israel, many of which are attributed to visions by the Emperor Constantine's wife or to ancient tradition.

We concluded our tour of the Galilee region by visiting such familiar biblical sites as Tabha, where Jesus fed the 5,000, Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Tiberias and the Jordan River, where Jesus was baptized by his cousin John, before driving to Jerusalem, Israel's capital and largest city.

We were visiting the

country during Sukkot or the Feast of Tabernacles. The capital was brimming with black-robed Orthodox Jews from across the country and around the world, who were on a pilgrimage that culminated at the Western Wall, one of Judaism's most sacred sites.

Millions of individuals visit the remnant of the wall that surrounded the second temple's courtyard built by Herod the Great in 19 B.C. When I visited in 1969, it fronted a small plaza, recently cleared of housing, that allowed Jews to worship there. Many placed slips of paper containing prayers into the cracks of the wall. Since then, large sections of the wall have been excavated below street level accessible by tunnels running along the whole length of the Temple Mount.

During our five-day stay in Jerusalem we toured the City of David archaeological site, walked the Via Dolorosa, the "Way of Sorrows," where it is traditionally held that Christ carried his cross on his way to his crucifixion and visited the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, built around what is believed to be the site of Christ's burial and resurrection.

Outside the old city we drove to Yad Vashem, the stirring memorial to the more than six million Jews who were victims of the Holocaust. I remember Yad Vashem as a relatively small memorial in 1969. Today it is a huge complex containing several memorials and museums with 50 million documents and artifacts intended for remembrance and study.

We also visited the Israel museum and the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are dramatically displayed in a building representing the clay jars in which the scrolls were discovered. We later went to Qumran and saw the cave where the scrolls were found in 1946 by a Bedouin shepherd.

Low water levels

Heading south, we came to the Dead Sea, the lowest place on earth, and witnessed how large portions of the Sea, which is 9.6 times saltier than the ocean, have been sectioned off into evaporation pans in order to mine the valuable minerals deposited there. As a result the water level is drastically decreasing.

This was particularly evident at Masada, the 20-acre ruins of Herod the Great's mountaintop fortress built on the shores of the Dead Sea. It was here in A.D. 70-73 that a group of Jewish zealots made a last stand against Roman troops besieging the site during the Judean revolt of 66-70 A.D. Nearly 50 years ago, I slept in a youth hostel at the base of the mountain and climbed a serpentine path to the summit to watch the sun rise over the Dead Sea. During my recent trip, we rode a cable car to the top and saw the Dead Sea far in the distance because of the lowered water levels.

Our final stop was the Springs of Ein Gedi, a lush oasis near Masada, where caves served as a hiding place for David (I Samuel 24:1-4) who was

being sought by King Saul. The area is now a nature reserve, but the water levels are lower than I remember when my kibbutz roommates and I swam there.

This trip was a bitter/sweet journey for me. Although I appreciate the modern enhancements to the historical sites, in

many ways I prefer the memories I have of simpler, less commercialized settings. There is truth in Thomas Wolfe's famous quote, and although I tried, I learned "You can't go home again."

Jay Young is a Canton resident.



Submitted photos
Jay Young of Canton rides a horse at kibbutz B'ror Chayil, Israel in 1969 where he spent a summer herding cattle on the communal farm.

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Age 84, of Georgetown, Texas and formerly of Plymouth, Michigan, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 in Lakeway, Texas. She was born on October 7, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois to Carl and Pearl (Osterholm) Green. She married her beloved husband and best friend Kent on August 23, 1952 in Chicago, he passed away on August 18, 2014. Lolly worked throughout her 36 year career in public education, initially as a grade school teacher and eventually as a principal of Tanger Elementary and Miller Elementary Schools in the Plymouth Canton Community School District. Lolly and Kent retired in 1988 and moved, first to Sanford, North Carolina, then to Georgetown, Texas. She was a gracious host and they loved to travel. Lolly was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Georgetown, where she served as an elder and deacon, and led their involvement in Meals on Wheels. She was a proud and active member of the P.E.O. in Georgetown, and served as president of the HY chapter in Sun City. Together, Lolly and Kent had two sons, Robert (Jeanne) Buikema and Todd (Linda) Buikema. They were proud grandparents of Jodi (David) Svoboda, John (Maggie) Buikema, and Will Buikema. They were loving great-grandparents of Kara and Lauren Svoboda. A Memorial Service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Georgetown, Texas, on Saturday, November 15 at 2:00 p.m. Memorials may be made to the P.E.O. Foundation. Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Lake Travis, (512) 263-1511. Obituary and guestbook available online at www.wcfish.com.

May you find comfort in family and friends



CHICKVARA MARY MILDRED (NEE DOWNEY)

83, passed away on October 25, 2014 with family at her side. She was born September 10, 1931 in Toledo, Ohio to the late James A. Downey and Mildred M. Downey. Her brother, J. Patrick Downey and four children, Kathleen Burkart, Joseph Chickvara, Jeanne Szyc, Daniel Chickvara and seven grandchildren survive Mary. Married for 53 years to Joseph G. Chickvara, Mary lived in Toledo, Ohio, Edina, Minnesota, Farmington Hills, Michigan, Keewee Key, South Carolina and Longboat Key, Florida before moving to Ann Arbor in 2011. Mary attended Central Catholic High School in Toledo before working as a graphic designer for Libby Glass in 1956, where she met her husband. Elegant, mild mannered and a devout catholic, she was a loving wife and mother, a painter, sculptor, interior designer, gardener, and Scrabble player. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60601 or St. Mary Star of the Sea 4280 Gulf of Mexico Dr., Longboat Key, FL 34228 Services will be held on November 15 at 11:00am at St. Mary Star of the Sea on Longboat Key. The family will receive friends at the Chart House on Longboat between 1:00-3:00pm.



LARRICK DALE WAYNE

November 2, 2014, age 70 of Manton, Michigan. Beloved husband of the late Glenda. Dear son of Irma James and the late Delbert Larrick. Loving and supportive father of Rhonda Larrick, Vicki (Butch) Stefonski, Paula (Tony) McDaniels, Eddie (Pam) Rundles, Laurie (Tim) Marris and the late David (Denise) Larrick. Dear brother of Lynda (Tony) Thibault, Bonnie Metz, Mona (Jim) Stewart and the late Dick Larrick. Also survived by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In state Friday 10:00 a.m. until 11 a.m. Funeral Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Thursday 2-8 p.m. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Detroit MI Office, 300 Galleria Office Centre, Suite 111, Southfield, MI 48034. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

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VERBANIC, DOUGLAS M.

Age 46, of Farmington, passed away November 3, 2014. Douglas is the beloved son of Dennis (Julia) and Joanne Verbanic; cherished brother of Dennis (Jeanne) Verbanic Jr., Juliana (Carl) Gekle, Dean (MC) Prim, Jason (Dawn) Prim, and Mark (Renee) Prim; loving uncle of Christina (Jeremy) Bowers; Survived by many aunts, uncles, and loving cousins. Visitation Saturday, November 8, 9-11 a.m., concluded by an 11 a.m. Memorial Ceremony, at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (between 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River-474-5200). In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts suggested to the Michigan Humane Society.

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WILLIAMSON VERONICA

Age 93, formerly of Livonia, Michigan, passed away November 1, 2014 at Hospice House in Cheboygan, MI. Ronnie was born in Brooklyn New York on September 1, 1921 to Stephen and Eva (Duriga) Harnos, immigrants of Slovakia. She married Warren C. Williamson of Nottingham, Missouri, who preceded her in death. There was a subsequent marriage to John Nabozny. Ronnie and Warren raised their family in Livonia, MI. They were parishioners of St. Michael's Catholic Church where their children also attended school. Surviving are her children, Warren Williamson, JoAnn Williamson, Patricia Betty (Gary) Graham, Mary Evelyn Williamson, Therese E. Williamson, Kenneth S. (June Bernier) Williamson, grandchildren T. Jason Detwiler and family, Garrett and Ryan Graham and families, Rachel Veronica (Williamson) Molder and family, Zachary and Isaac Williamson. Ronnie's best friend, her sister, Helen (Harnos) DeWulf, and ten great-grandchildren also survive. Ronnie was preceded in death by siblings Frank, Stephen, Mary, Albert, Agnes, Rose, Margaret, Mary and Joseph as well as grandchildren, Sara Beth Monneyham and Stephen L. Schall. Ronnie and Warren both served in the U.S. Army during WWII. Ronnie was a mother and homemaker, a community volunteer and worked as a Nurse Aid for several years. She enjoyed music and dance, cooking, crocheting and pinocle. A private committal service will be held at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, MI.



Community Farewell

SIGOURNEY, VERNON LEON

His Legacy... Sigourney, Vernon Leon, age 77 of Brooklyn, MI, formerly of Westland, MI died Friday October 31, 2014 at his home. He was born August 20, 1937 in Charlotte, MI to Clyde and Elizabeth (Stocckle) Sigourney. On February 2, 1957 he married his wife Janet Scarbrough in Lansing and she survives. Vern was a Captain with the Westland Michigan Fire Department, and a land Surveyor. He loved nature and his family.

His Family...In addition to his wife Janet he will be missed by three children Teresa (Marcel) Pisani of TN, Elizabeth (Michael) Lapum of Pinckney, MI, and Vernon Sigourney II of Brooklyn, MI, sister Rose McLaughlin, brother Rick Sigourney, grandchildren Brent, Blake, Britney Lapum, Matthew and Kaitlin Pisani. Vern is preceded in death by his parents, and siblings Nadeen, Marge, Paul, Velma, John, Butch.

His Farewell... A Natural Farewell has taken place and there will be no public gathering or service. Please sign Vernon's guestbook at www.borekjennings.com or leave a message of comfort for his family by calling 877-231-7900.

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NOVI SINGER-SONGWRITER CELEBRATES NEW EP RELEASE

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Singer-songwriter Amanda Morgan will celebrate her new extended play recording, *Lesson Learned*, on Tuesday, Nov. 11 — and you're invited to the party.

"I'm only going to perform five songs. It's free and anyone who comes will get a free download," said Morgan, 20, of Novi. "It's been in progress for close to two years. I'm excited to get it released."

The EP release party and mini-concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 11 at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile, Livonia.

The EP, with its three songs, *Falling*, *Run and Hide*, and *Something You Know*, is set for release on Nov. 12, but has already gained fans and helped Morgan land her second Indie Music Channel Award in two years. Last spring, she earned four nominations and won the title Best Female Pop Artist for *Falling*. Two years earlier, the same year she recorded a single, *Saturday in June*, she was named Best Young Pop Artist. And two years before that, after recording her first EP, *Land of an Endless Sea*, two of her songs took the top spots in WDVD FM's Radio Cafe indie poll. They were the most requested songs in the state in 2010 and again in 2011, when she was a senior at Roper Upper School in Birmingham.

During the four years separating her early recordings and *Lesson Learned*, Morgan and her music have matured.

"I feel like my music has grown up a lot," Morgan said. "I don't feel like I'm writing kid songs any more. I'm not singing about petty break-ups. The melodies are more mature, because I've matured."

It's also the first EP she has co-written with a producer. Morgan met Chuck Alkazian of Pearl Sound Studio in Canton through an entertainment attorney, about two and a half years ago and started working



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Singer/songwriter Amanda Morgan will release her newest recording at an EP release party, Tuesday, Nov. 11, at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.

on the *Lesson Learned* project while in Arizona, where she started college classes after graduating from Roper.

"I flew back home to Detroit and wrote *Run and Hide* in two days. Chuck is incredible. And then a couple of months later, he flew to Arizona and stayed with us," she said, adding that her mom also made the trip. "We wrote two other songs."

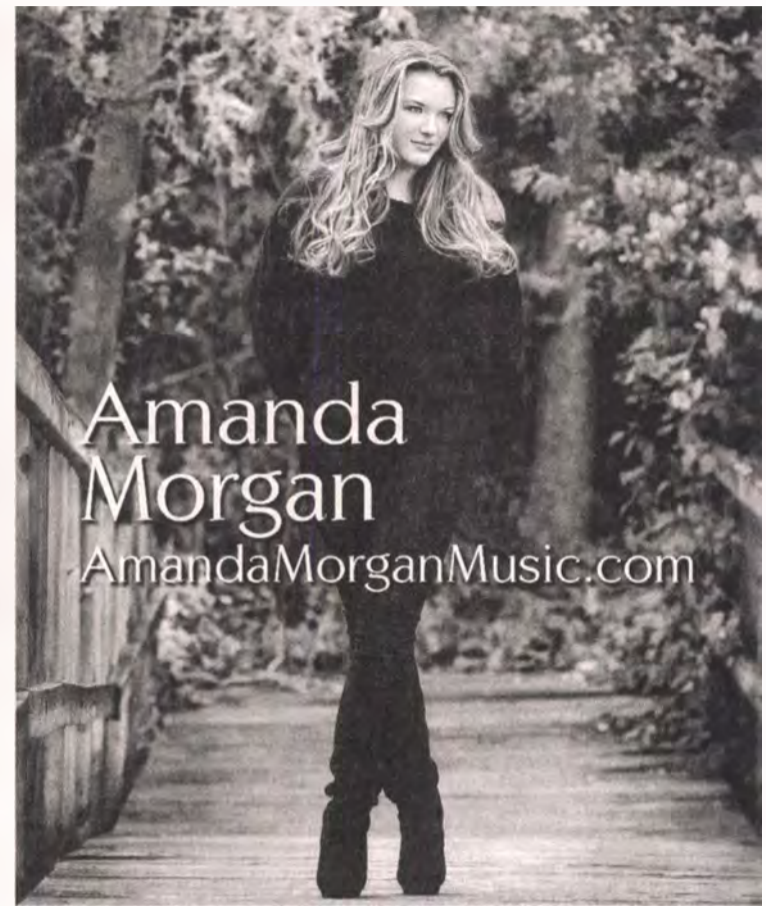
Studying, songwriting

She has since returned to her hometown and is taking business classes at the University of Michigan. She and Alkazian are working on new material.

"I remember being intimi-

dated at first," Morgan said, recalling her initial writing sessions with Alkazian. Morgan, who plays both piano and guitar, had been accustomed to sitting in her bedroom, guitar in hand, and working out music and lyrics on her own. Alkazian introduced piano into studio writing sessions. "The first time I met Chuck we started writing that day. It was kind of weird. Now when I write licks or lyrics, instead of keeping them to myself, I send them to Chuck."

Alkazian said he decided to work with Morgan because of her energy and her passion for both her life and her musical message.



Amanda Morgan of Novi maintains her own website and Facebook page, in addition to writing songs and performing. She is studying business at the University of Michigan.

"She has something good to say. I dig positive people. She has a story to tell and I wanted to help her tell it," Alkazian said.

"When I produce an artist, it's not just the recording. The hard part is finding someone's confidence and bringing that out of them. That is what a producer does."

He plans to work on an acoustic record that will showcase Morgan's vocal abilities.

"I don't want to rely on the technological aspect. There's a lot of smoke and mirrors in this business. You can make a lot of people sound really good, even if they aren't good singers," he said. "That (acoustic work) is about as naked as you

can get. That is a stripped-down Ferrari without paint and a steering wheel."

Morgan, who credits her parents and teachers at Roper for their support through the years, says she is comfortable with herself, the strides she has made musically, and her choice to remain in the Detroit area.

"I've grown so much. I'm proud of that," she said. "I want to make it, hear my music on the radio and tour the country, be successful. But my dream isn't to move to New York or L.A. I never want to move out of Detroit."

"And I don't want the fame. I want fame for the music."

GET OUT! CALENDAR



SUBMITTED

Rick Robinson is a Detroit Symphony Orchestra bass player who composed *Pork 'n Beans (A Detroit Counterpoint)*. The piece debuts Nov. 8 at the Michigan Philharmonic concert in Canton.



SUBMITTED

Dave Attell performs Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 6-8, at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak.

ANIMALS DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily

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

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$10 for senior citizens 62 and older, and for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and parking.

Veterans Day: Free admission for all active military and veterans, both honorably discharged and retired, with ID, on Nov. 11

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 7-Dec. 6; artist reception, 6-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville
Details: 2014 International Mosaic Exhibit and Auction includes 141 mosaic artworks from artists representing 13 countries. The work may be viewed at the Art House and is available for bid in an auction benefiting Doctors Without Borders at the online auction website: <http://www.BiddingForGood.com/DWB-MSF>

Northville Camera Club: "The Art of Light," Nov. 7-Dec. 6 in the lower level gallery

Contact: 248-344-0497

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday; opening reception is 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8

Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: "Levels," a solo exhibit of works painted in acrylics, by Charles Stout

Contact: plymoutharts.com; 734-416-4278

VILLAGE THEATER AT CHERRY HILL

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, Nov. 6-30

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "He Was the President: John F. Kennedy 1960-61" features more than 40 black and white photos of John F. Kennedy, taken by Tony Spina, who spent more than 40 years as a *Detroit Free Press* photographer

Contact: 734-394-5308

AUDITIONS FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Time/Date: 1 p.m. registration, 1:30 p.m. auditions, Sunday, Nov. 9

Location: Players Barn Theater, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Auditions for *Miracle on South Division Street*, which will be performed in February 2015

Contact: Email Sue Rogers at srogers1@hfhs.org

COMEDY JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 13-14, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15

Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: BT with special guest, Connie Etinger; \$12 for show only or \$22 with dinner, Thursday; \$16 show only, \$29 with dinner, Friday-Saturday

Contact: 734-261-0555; catchthefunny.com

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 7-8

Location: Fourth and Troy streets in downtown Royal Oak

Details: Dave Attell; tickets \$25 Thursday, \$30 Friday-Saturday

Contact: 248-542-9900; info@ComedyCastle.com

FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15

Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: The event celebrates Canton's cultural diversity with music, dance and drama from around the world. Cultural exhibits and a sweets table will be stationed in the lobby. Admission is \$2

Contact: 734-394-5300; cantonvillage-theater.org

FILM PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, 7 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 7-8, 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: *The Trip to Italy*, admission \$3
Coming up: *Dolphin Tale 2*, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 and 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 15-16

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penn-theatre.com

GET OUT

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REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Nov. 8

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Ave., in Detroit

Details: *The Man Who Knew Too Much*; \$5

Contact: 313-898-1481

HISTORY

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Dec. 28

Location: Second floor in the Community Gallery at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave., Detroit

Details: Fourteen stained glass windows that were installed at the original St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, built in 1929 and closed in 2005 in Farmington Hills, are on display. Admission is free

Contact: 313-833-7935

KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Dec. 21

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

Details: The exhibit, "Pearls of Wisdom: The Arts of Islam at the University of Michigan," consists of 82 artifacts, including ceramics, glass, metal, textiles, paintings, illuminated manuscripts and wood

Contact: 734-764-9304

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17

Contact: 734-455-8940

LEARN

DULCIMER

Time/Date: 9-10:30 a.m. beginner; 11 a.m.-1 p.m. applying chords; 2-4 p.m. adding embellishments; 6-7:30 p.m. concert; 7:30-9:30 p.m. open jamming, Saturday, Nov. 15

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

Details: Rick Thum, a hammered dulcimer performer and instructor from Missouri, will lead workshops and perform.

Fees are \$25 for the beginner workshop, \$30 for each of the remaining workshops, \$12 for the concert, \$6 for the concert if registered for a workshop

Contact: Rick Thum, 314-406-0690; rthum@rthum.com

MUSIC

BASELINE FOLK SOCIETY

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15; sign up for open mic from 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Open mic performances and featured artist, The Folk Laureates; host Julie Bengtsson; \$5 at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Plymouth Good-fellows

Contact: sctuludwig@aol.com or 734-453-0869

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15

Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills

Details: Dover Quartet performs music by Haydn and Ullman. Jon Kimura Parker joins the quartet on Dvorak's *Piano Quintet No. 2 in A major*. Parker plays a solo concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 at the Seligman Center. Tickets range from \$30-\$60 for adults and \$15-\$30 for students with ID

Contact: chambermusicdetroit.org

MICHIGAN PHILHARMONIC

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8

Location: The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: POPsical mixes classical works with pop tunes. Includes the rarely-performed classical work, *Within the Quota* by Cole Porter and the world premier of *Pork 'n Beans (A DE-troit Counterpoint)* by Detroit Symphony Orchestra bass player, Rick Robinson. Soprano Audrey Kline also performs. Tickets are \$30 general admission, \$25 for seniors, 62 and over, and \$10 for students with ID

Contact: michiganphil.org; 734-451-2112

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Time/Date: Noon Wednesday, Nov. 19

Location: VisiTech Center, on the main campus, located on Haggerty between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia



Photos of President John F. Kennedy are on display at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton

SUBMITTED

Details: Lynn Klock, professor of saxophone at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, performs

Contact: 734-462-4403; schoolcraft.edu/music

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Jon Brooks, Nov. 7; Around the House Variety Show, Nov. 8; Jason Dennie, Nov. 14; Harper and the Midwest Kind, Nov. 15; Mike Mangione and the Union, Nov. 21. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted.

Contact: 734-464-6302 for additional information

THEATER

EMERGENT ARTS

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6-9 and 13-16

Location: The Mix Studio Theater, 8 N. Washington Street, Ypsilanti

Details: *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) [revised]*; \$15 general admission, \$12 seniors and students with ID, online or at the door with cash or check.

Contact: 734-985-0875; emer-

gentarts.com

FARMINGTON HILLS YOUTH THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 and Dec. 7, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6

Location: Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Two casts with local actors in grades one-12 will perform *Rapunzel! Rapunzel! - A Very Hairy Fairy Tale*. Tickets are \$10, free for children 3 and under

Contact: 248-473-1848; re-creg.fhgov.com

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. performance, Nov. 7-8; play only performances are Nov. 14-15

Location: Dinner served in the VisiTech Center, performance in the Liberal Arts Theatre, on the main campus located on Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia

Details: Neil Simon's *Star Spangled Girl*; tickets for dinner and performance are \$27, for Nov. 14-15 shows, \$15, available by phone or at the campus book store

Contact: 734-462-4596

TWO MUSES THEATRE



SUBMITTED

1 Fish 2 Fish, by Debra Hagen, is among the 141 mosaic art pieces on exhibit at Northville Art House, and available through an online auction.

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14-Dec. 7

Location: Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, south of Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: *Jake's Women*, by Neil

Simon; \$20 for adults, \$18 for students and senior citizens, 62 and over. Tickets are \$2 more when purchased at the door

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- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped garlic, divided
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- ¾ cup finely chopped yellow onion
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- 2 cups Hunt's Tomato Sauce
- ½ cup chopped fresh basil
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 12 ounces dry spaghetti, uncooked

Preheat oven to 375°F. Combine beef, ½ cup Parmesan cheese, parsley, egg, 1 teaspoon garlic and salt in medium bowl. Divide mixture into 12 portions; shape into meatballs and place on aluminum foil-lined shallow baking pan. Bake 15 minutes or until done (160°F). Heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Add onion; cook 4 minutes or until tender, stirring occasionally. Add remaining 2 teaspoons garlic, cook 1 minute more or until fragrant. Stir in undrained tomatoes, tomato sauce, remaining ¼ cup Parmesan cheese, basil and sugar. Bring to a boil. Add meatballs to sauce; gently stir to coat. Reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes or until sauce has thickened slightly, stirring occasionally. Meanwhile, cook spaghetti according to package directions. Drain spaghetti; top with sauce and meatballs. Top with extra grated Parmesan cheese, if desired.

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Total time: 45 minutes
Servings: 6 (1 breast with sauce and spaghetti each)

- 1 can (15 ounces) Hunt's Tomato Sauce
- 1 can (14.5 ounces) Hunt's Diced Tomatoes with Basil, Garlic and Oregano, undrained
- 6 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, divided
- 6 small boneless skinless chicken breasts (6 breasts = 1 ½ pounds)
- ¾ pound spaghetti, uncooked
- 1 ½ cups shredded mozzarella cheese

Heat oven to 375°F. Pour tomato sauce and undrained tomatoes into 13-inch-by-9-inch baking dish. Stir in ¼ cup (4 tablespoons) Parmesan. Add chicken; turn to coat evenly both sides of each breast with sauce. Cover. Bake 30 minutes or until chicken is done (165°F). Meanwhile, cook spaghetti as directed on package, omitting salt. Top chicken with remaining cheeses; bake, uncovered, 5 minutes or until mozzarella is melted. Drain spaghetti. Serve topped with chicken and sauce.



CHORIZO BOLOGNESE

Prep time: 25 minutes
Total time: 25 minutes
Servings: 6 (1 cup each)

- 8 ounces dry fettuccine pasta, uncooked
- ½ pound ground chuck beef (80 percent lean)
- 6 ounces fresh pork chorizo (Mexican-style)
- ¼ teaspoon adobo seasoning blend
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- ½ cup chopped yellow onion
- ¼ cup sliced stuffed green olives
- 1 can (15 ounces) Hunt's Tomato Sauce
- Grated Parmesan cheese (optional)

Cook pasta according to package directions, omitting salt. Meanwhile, heat large skillet over medium-high heat. Add beef, chorizo, adobo seasoning and pepper to skillet; cook 3 minutes or until meat begins to brown, stirring once. Add onion and olives; cook 2-3 minutes more or until meat is crumbled and no longer pink. Drain. Stir in tomato sauce; reduce heat and simmer 5-7 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve sauce over pasta. Sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese, if desired.



CLASSIC SKILLET LASAGNA

Prep time: 30 minutes
Total time: 30 minutes
Servings: 6 (about 1 ½ cups each)

- 8 ounces dry bowtie (farfalle) pasta, uncooked
- 1 cup part-skim ricotta cheese
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons water
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 12 ounces Italian pork sausage
- ½ cup chopped yellow onion
- 2 cans (14.5 ounces each) or 1 can (28 ounces) Hunt's Diced Tomatoes with Basil, Garlic and Oregano, undrained
- 1 can (6 ounces) Hunt's Tomato Paste
- 1 ½ cups shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese, divided

Cook pasta according to package directions, omitting salt. Meanwhile, combine ricotta cheese, Parmesan cheese, water and pepper in small bowl; set aside. Heat large skillet over medium-high heat. Add sausage and onion; cook 3-5 minutes or until sausage is crumbled and onion is tender, stirring occasionally. Drain. Add tomatoes (undrained), tomato paste, ¾ cup mozzarella cheese and cooked pasta to skillet; stir to combine. Dollop spoonfuls of ricotta mixture on top of pasta mixture. Sprinkle with remaining mozzarella cheese. Reduce heat to low; cover and cook 2-3 minutes or until ricotta mixture is hot and mozzarella cheese melts.

Hoarding serious safety concern for firefighters

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

There is more public awareness now of hoarding problems, and firefighters are aware of hoarding concerns.

"We see an occasional amount of hoarding on medical runs," said Lt. Larry Gauthier of the Farmington Hills Fire Department. His department doesn't do residential inspections, he noted.

"One would be accessibility," said Gauthier of issues for firefighters. Medical care is hindered by hoarding.

"It could also hinder us with suppression, actually putting out the fire," he said.

Many fire departments are experiencing serious fires, injuries, and deaths as the result of compulsive hoarding behavior, according to the National Fire Protection Association. The excessive accumulation of materials in homes poses a significant threat to firefighters fighting fires and responding to other emergencies in these homes and to residents and neighbors.

Often, the local fire department will be contacted to help deal with this serious issue. Since studies suggest that between 3 and 5 percent of the population are compulsive hoarders, fire departments must become familiar with this issue and how to effectively handle it, the NFPA says.

Gauthier noted excess combustibles are a safety issue for residents, neighbors and firefighters. There can also be cleanliness and hygiene issues, he said.

"You have the danger of overstorage of combustibles," Gauthier said. Surfaces may be uneven for firefighters.

"We may not be able to see what we're going into. It can just present problems for us



getting to the source," added Gauthier, who is a fire inspector.

What is hoarding?

Hoarding is defined as collecting or keeping large amounts of various items in the home due to strong urges to save them or distress experienced when discarding them. Many rooms in the home are so filled with possessions that residents can no longer use the rooms as designed. The home is so overloaded with things that everyday living is compromised.

Why do people become hoarders?

Hoarding is a mental disorder that can be genetic in nature, triggered by traumatic

events, or a symptom of another disorder, such as depression, obsessive compulsive disorder, or dementia. Studies have found that hoarding usually begins in early adolescence and gets worse as a person ages. It is more common among older adults.

Why is hoarding an issue for the fire service?

» Hoarding can be a fire hazard. Many occupants die in fires in these homes. Often, blocked exits prevent escape from the home. In addition, many people who are hoarding are injured when they trip over things or when materials fall on them.

» Responding firefighters can be put at risk due to ob-

structed exits, falling objects, and excessive fire loading that can lead to collapse. Hoarding makes fighting fires and searching for occupants far more difficult.

» Those living adjacent to an occupied structure can be quickly affected when a fire occurs, due to excessive smoke and fire conditions, according to the NFPA.

Gauthier agreed fire departments are boosting their awareness of hoarding concerns. The Metropolitan Detroit Fire Inspectors Society did related training in 2013, to increase awareness "and possible ways to address it."

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Watch for conflicts in hiring attorney, others

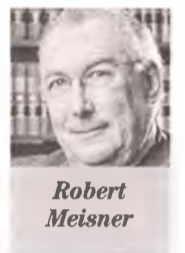
Q: How do you stop a management company from misrepresenting its relationship with a lawyer that it says is their lawyer, but ends up billing the association? Our board relied on the managing agent and now we realize that this is just a pet lawyer of the management company for whom we bear financial and legal responsibility.

A: Candidly, that is the fault of a naive board that has allowed the management company to dictate how the association is to be run and to steer the association to a particular lawyer and, presumably, other contractors or professionals with whom the management company has a cozy relationship. The board should retain independent legal counsel who is not in any way affiliated with the management company and who is not financially dependent upon the management company for referrals. A written fee agreement should be mandatory. You need to make sure that the board gets on the right track and, perhaps, gets a new management company as well as a new lawyer.

Q: What is your opinion about some of these big Realtors, lawyers or hospitals that advertise on billboards? Are they worth pursuing?

A: It all depends. Like any other type of advertising, you need to consider whether the person doing the advertising is worthy of the platitudes which the advertiser espouses. In picking a professional, whether it is a lawyer, doctor, accountant or real estate professional, the more you learn about their background and experience as well as meeting with them directly, the better able you are to make a decision as to whether you are hiring the right person. Just because somebody advertises doesn't mean that he or she is good at what they do. Some lawyers for example, have become successful because they were marketing experts at the proper time and seized upon the opportunity to advertise. That does not necessarily mean that they are qualified to do the things they claim they do. Others advertise because of their recognized expertise, which is totally justified. Look before you leap.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 23-27, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BIRMINGHAM	
2240 Attard	\$505,000
1166 Bird Ave	\$413,000
363 Catalpa Dr	\$570,000
762 Graefield Ct	\$127,000
544 Henrietta St	\$789,000
814 Hidden Ravines Dr	\$850,000
535 Lewis St	\$335,000
1755 Melbourne St	\$468,000
1756 Melbourne St	\$551,000
1926 Sheffield Rd	\$190,000
600 W Brown St # 207	\$210,000
1387 Yosemite Blvd	\$340,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
2635 Hickory Ct	\$135,000
3620 Berkshire Dr	\$348,000
580 Covington Rd	\$488,000
474 Fox Hills Dr N # A-2	\$25,000
1761 Huntingwood Ln # B	\$120,000
5659 Kingsmill Dr	\$299,000
1232 Manorwood Cir	\$244,000
654 Rudgate Rd	\$2,100,000
1150 Trailwood Path # B	\$147,000
3400 W Breckenridge Ln	\$318,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
2835 Aspen Ln	\$355,000
2603 Brady Dr	\$265,000
1910 Cragin Dr	\$650,000
474 Fox Hills Dr N # A-2	\$45,000
1733 Hickory Bark Ln	\$274,000
485 N Glenhurst Dr	\$1,300,000
935 Rockaway Rd	\$225,000

471 N Williamsbury Rd	\$587,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
3224 Belle Terre	\$241,000
6040 Birchcrest Ln	\$60,000
6045 Birchcrest Ln	\$60,000
5200 Bridge Trl W	\$350,000
1901 Cheshire Ln	\$60,000
8312 Hummingbird	\$340,000
212 Starling St	\$111,000
4701 Turtlewood Ct	\$284,000
FARMINGTON	
21408 Birchwood St	\$173,000
33825 James Ct	\$192,000
23373 Liberty St	\$160,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
27159 Arden Park Cir	\$159,000
37263 Aspen Dr	\$315,000
28145 Bellcrest St	\$212,000
31500 Bristol Ln	\$301,000
31162 Carriage Hill Ct	\$255,000
23187 Cora Ave	\$150,000
34520 Fendt St	\$155,000
30112 Fox Club Dr	\$370,000
33686 Heirloom Cir	\$70,000
33698 Heirloom Cir	\$70,000
21741 Jacksonville St	\$200,000
21328 Lauren Ln	\$315,000
25435 Liberty Ln	\$170,000
25517 Lynford St	\$200,000
23432 Middlebelt Rd	\$55,000
31811 Middlebelt Rd	\$160,000
28859 Millbrook Rd	\$387,000
20901 Robinson St	\$168,000
28001 S Harwich Dr	\$280,000
38320 Saratoga Cir	\$165,000
31851 Snowden St	\$240,000
30953 Sunderland Dr	\$330,000
29216 Sunridge	\$287,000
28484 Thorny Brae Rd	\$180,000
30047 W 11 Mile Rd	\$160,000

28418 W Eight Mile Rd	\$25,000
28422 W Eight Mile Rd	\$27,000
Unit B10	
22580 Watt Dr	\$120,000
21604 Woodcrest Ct	\$235,000
38315 Wynmar	\$136,000
FRANKLIN	
24455 N Cromwell Dr	\$206,000
26175 W 13 Mile Rd	\$375,000
HIGHLAND	
2806 Foxgrove Dr	\$315,000
2560 N Milford Rd	\$97,000
266 Nairn Cir	\$360,000
445 Nairn Cir	\$475,000
MILFORD	
865 Bishop St	\$115,000
317 Highland Ave	\$99,000
670 Milford Glen Dr	\$279,000
2601 Old Plank Rd	\$315,000
1003 Riverstone Cir	\$300,000
215 S Houghton St	\$140,000
736 S Milford Rd	\$126,000
1073 Winding Way Ct	\$400,000
NORTHVILLE	
41729 Broquet Dr	\$140,000
49581 Deer Run	\$435,000
42105 Pellston Dr	\$154,000
775 Springfield Dr	\$305,000
37909 W Meadowhill Dr	\$242,000
NOVI	
41452 Belden Cir	\$180,000
41524 Belden Cir	\$176,000
27571 Belgrave Pl	\$266,000
27617 Belgrave Pl	\$332,000
39423 Country Ln	\$136,000
26245 Fieldstone Dr	\$383,000
51112 Hallfield St	\$320,000
51113 Hallfield St	\$255,000
27599 Harrington Way	\$274,000
28751 Hearthstone Dr	\$295,000

44838 Lafayette Dr	\$376,000
23554 N Rockledge	\$100,000
40531 Paisley Cir	\$345,000
24910 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$420,000
27515 Sloan St	\$338,000
41660 Tera Ln	\$205,000
27194 Victoria Rd	\$374,000
39854 Village Wood Cir	\$78,000
45847 Willingham Dr	\$425,000
24130 Willowbrook	\$160,000
SOUTH LYON	
24495 Brompton Way	\$410,000
22510 Clarkshire Dr	\$298,000
26263 Daria Cir W	\$396,000
165 Eagle Crest Dr	\$218,000
809 Eagle Heights Dr	\$215,000
53772 Edgewood Dr	\$342,000
61111 Ladbroke Dr	\$390,000
60640 Lillian St	\$142,000
24636 Padstone Dr	\$81,000
60625 Trebor Dr	\$268,000
951 Westbrooke Dr	\$258,000
440 Whipple St	\$190,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27147 Charles Ct	\$129,000
19351 Filmore St	\$75,000
15914 Jeanette St	\$325,000
17629 Melrose St	\$95,000
27105 Nantucket Ct	\$162,000
29224 Somerset Dr	\$160,000
29177 Wellington Ct	\$74,000
WHITE LAKE	
1144 Casa Loma St	\$65,000
9055 Gale Rd	\$432,000
9045 Huron Bluffs Dr	\$218,000
294 Lakeside Dr	\$242,000
1318 S Williams Lake Rd	\$135,000
9345 Thornside St	\$128,000
1157 Union Lake Rd	\$155,000
8267 W Huron Ct	\$145,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 14-18, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
45749 Bartlett Dr	\$265,000
6689 Brookshire Dr	\$207,000
748 Burlington Rd	\$184,000
2769 Calloway Ct	\$265,000
1908 Cedar Valley Dr	\$162,000
1944 Cedar Valley Dr	\$144,000
2111 Cobra Ct	\$245,000
49028 Crescent Dr	\$365,000
43632 Geri Dr	\$155,000
45277 Glengarry Rd	\$293,000
49595 Great Falls Rd	\$379,000
4749 Grove Ct	\$113,000
49186 Hawksbury Rd	\$250,000
3988 Hunters Cir E	\$99,000
4580 Hunters Cir E	\$110,000
45237 Indian Creek Dr	\$227,000
7748 Kaiser St	\$145,000
1935 Lasalle Rd	\$489,000
1477 Manton Blvd	\$224,000

50141 Monroe St	\$117,000
41331 N Maplewood Cir	\$184,000
1994 Preserve Cir E	\$177,000
42796 Redfern St	\$193,000
2517 River Woods Dr N	\$350,000
41938 Saratoga Cir	\$148,000
417 Shana St	\$165,000
2879 Stanton St	\$315,000
6674 Sturbridge Ln	\$175,000
GARDEN CITY	
31932 Dover St	\$32,000
460 E Rose Ave	\$75,000
6777 Helen St	\$65,000
7030 Helen St	\$116,000
29509 Meadow Ln	\$93,000
31054 Rosslyn Ave	\$80,000
33231 Rosslyn Ave	\$113,000
LIVONIA	
14609 Blue Skies St	\$150,000
29532 Bobrich St	\$63,000
28228 Elmira St	\$112,000
11810 Farmington Rd	\$115,000
15333 Golfview St	\$198,000
34900 Grove Dr	\$156,000
35669 Hees St	\$115,000
9151 Houghton St	\$170,000
33119 Kentucky St	\$153,000

9209 Knolson St	\$145,000
29660 Minton St	\$137,000
9400 Newburgh Rd	\$185,000
30600 Nye Ct	\$200,000
29144 Oriole St	\$130,000
31570 Perth St	\$150,000
27609 Plymouth Rd	\$145,000
9185 W Bassett Ct	\$170,000
28959 W Chicago St	\$150,000
NORTHVILLE	
50900 Six Mile Rd	\$325,000
439 Covington Ct	\$325,000
39710 Foxway Ct	\$460,000
49073 Rainbow Ln S	\$380,000
42713 Steepleview Ct	\$325,000
19353 Surrey Ln	\$108,000
115 Walnut St	\$146,000
PLYMOUTH	
103 Amelia St	\$128,000
15109 Farmbrook Dr	\$220,000
14676 Garland Ave	\$140,000
41052 Greenbrook Ln	\$170,000
378 Joy Rd	\$259,000
47327 Marisa Ct	\$460,000
9251 N Beck Rd	\$347,000
1012 Palmer St	\$272,000
12312 Pinecrest Dr	\$218,000

10726 Pinehurst Rd	\$297,000
50464 Waterstone Ct	\$293,000
REDFORD	
18803 Brady	\$31,000
9055 Columbia	\$77,000
20519 Delaware Ave	\$27,000
25559 Elba	\$43,000
26198 Fordson Hwy	\$62,000
17710 Indian	\$45,000
15415 Kinloch	\$65,000
9612 Lucerne	\$69,000
18277 Macarthur	\$55,000
10059 Seminole	\$28,000
15056 Seneca	\$90,000
9535 Wormer	\$72,000
WESTLAND	
1525 Ackley Ave	\$66,000
8365 Hillcrest Blvd	\$68,000
35231 June Dr	\$28,000
6517 Pembroke Dr	\$149,000
1295 Portland St	\$136,000
8445 Rae Dr	\$96,000
7701 Rivergate Dr	\$84,000
755 Summerfield Dr	\$204,000

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CLERICAL, FULL-TIME

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- ACROSS**
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 - 5 Baste, in sewing
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 - 13 Bruins' school
 - 14 "—! My Soul!" (Little Richard)
 - 15 Up-in-smoke sound
 - 16 Kuwaiti leader
 - 17 Paris street
 - 18 Backstage supply (2 wds.)
 - 21 Country addr.
 - 22 Orch. section
 - 23 Heifer's mouthful
 - 26 Urban transport
 - 28 Not pickled
 - 32 Postal territories (abbr.)
 - 34 Orange root
 - 36 Orchid-loving Wolfe
- DOWN**
- 1 Drain, as energy
 - 2 Folk-dance shoe
 - 3 Nose stimulus
 - 4 Thin cookie
 - 5 Stones' "Ruby—"

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- BATCH
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

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Sudoku

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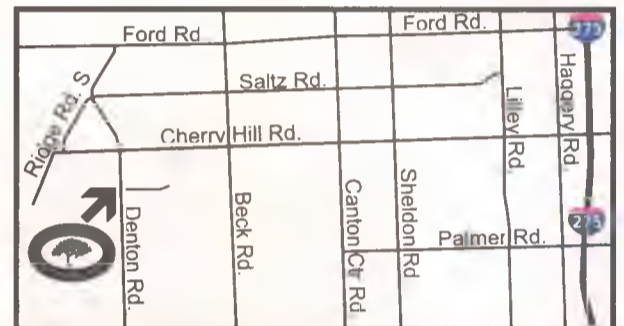
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