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# Support needed to solve Wayne deficit

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

From 2010-14, Wayne lost over \$26 million in revenue from property taxes, its primary funding source. See story on Page A2.

To address its financial problems, Wayne needs to make changes with the support of the entire community. That was the message at the recent budget kick-off meeting held at the Wayne Public Library.

"It has to be different. If you all participate in a positive manner, it can work," said Brian Camiller of city auditors Plante Moran. "No more roadblocks, no more let's blame the guy from 30 years ago. Every department in the city can do it. You need less expense, not better. You can't afford better."

If Wayne maintains the status quo for the fiscal year that begins July 1, the city general fund will spend \$2.2 million more than it receives

Even with what was called the best-case scenario of ending the current fiscal year with a fund balance of as much as \$1.4 million, the city would still end the 2015-16 fiscal year in

"If you spend more than you take in, you have a structural deficit, meaning there isn't enough 'fat' in the budget to cut in order to balance the budget," Camiller said. "You have to do things differently.

You can't cut your way out of this. You need new revenue. All have to participate; you can't leave out certain employees or departments. You're well past that point."

## Difficult to decipher

Thanks to what Camiller described as a difficult-todecipher accounting system, the city has been able to utilize internal service accounts, set up for uses like risk management and the motorpool, to

balance the general fund bud-

The OPEB Trust, a savings account for retiree healthcare, has been subsidizing the general fund. The fund has \$2.3 million left, which the auditors project will be done in the 2017

fiscal year. "The big message today is you better get ready because winter is coming," Camiller said. "All these pots of money

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# COMING DOWN



Some seven years after students and staff celebrated its 50th anniversary and almost five years after being closed, the wrecking ball came to Madison Elementary School in Westland this week. The school was one of six closed by the Wayne-Westland Community Schools in 2010 and one of four that is being torn down to make the land more valuable. Lincoln Elementary School in the Norwayne community was demolished several weeks ago. Also being torn down is Kettering Elementary in Westland, while the demolition of Vandenberg School in Wayne won't happen until September. The city of Wayne is using the school as a temporary city hall while the roof is being repaired at its building on Wayne Road.

# Life in Go! Save the date for O&E spring expo

Workshops, exhibits, demonstrations and free stuff are all part of the Observer & Eccentric 12th annual spring expo, Life in Go, set for 1-6 p.m. Monday, April 27, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

This annual tradition for active adults features a variety of demonstrations and workshops, local business exhibitors, prizes, free admission, free parking and free refreshments. Learn to

live healthy, make wise financial decisions and enhance life to make it the best

The first 100 attendees will receive a Buddy's pizza coupon for a free four-square pizza. In addition, there will also be drawings throughout the afternoon for other priz-

The hourly gift drawings are sponsored in part by St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Refreshments are sponsored in part by Twisted Rooster. The 2015 spring expo tote bags are made possible in part by sponsors Crystal Creek Assisted Living, Centurion Services Inc. and Twisted Roost-

This year, 10 dynamic demonstrations and workshops feature Rick Bloom of Bloom Asset Management, Dr. Sol Cogan of HealthQuest and HealthQuest's Back &

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# St. Mary Parish, School hold annual fundraising auction

Wonder what it's like to be a television reporter or what the inside of a radio station studio looks like?

You can find out, if you're the highest bidder at the St. Mary Parish and School's fourth annual fundraising auction planned for Saturday, May 2, at the parish, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and a buffet dinner, provided by The Avenue American Bistro, will be

served at 6 p.m.

There also will be live and silent auctions, featuring a Ruth to the Rescue shadow day with Ruth Spencer of Channel 4 News and a studio visit with Blaine and Allyson in the Morning on 96.3

Also available to the highest bidder will be one-of-akind classroom projects, spa packages, tuition packages, a stay at the Drury Inn, a \$2,000 orthodontics gift card

for Awesome Dental Care, a summer 2015 pool party for 50-100 people, including \$100 for food, and four Walt Disney World Florida Park Hopper passes.

The auction is for people 21 years and older. Early bird price for tickets is \$35, if purchased by April 19, and \$45 starting April 20. Email auction@stmarywayne.org or call 734-721-1240 for more information.

# Road work begins this week on Westland's **Central City Parkway**

Construction got underway this week on a stretch of Central City Parkway in Westland. The city project will remove and replace concrete between Warren and Wayne roads with a July 31 completion date ex-

Access will be maintained at all times for all traffic, including emergency vehicles, to all of the businesses throughout the project. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction, with intermittent stoppages of traffic during certain construction activities by flagmen.

The project will be done in three phases. During the first phase beginning April 13, the outside lanes of Central City Parkway will be closed to traffic to perform concrete removal and replacement. The inside lanes and center turn lane will remain open. Once repairs are complete, traffic will be moved onto the outside lanes. At least one access drive to each property will remain open at all times.

Phase 2 has a tentative start date of May 23, and a tentative completion date of June 26. During Phase 2 the inside lanes and center turn lane will be closed to traffic. The outside lanes will remain open, and at least one access to each property will remain open at all times.

The third and final phase has a tentative start date of June 27 and a completion date of July 31. During this phase the pavement joints around the new patches will be sealed. Traffic will be shifted as required while maintaining at least one lane of traffic in each direction at all times. Project cleanup and restoration will also be completed.

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Nankin Boulevard will be closed to thru traffic at Central City Parkway for the duration of the project. Access to all businesses and residences on Nankin Boulevard north of Central City Parkway will be maintained at all times from Wayne Road.

Access to all businesses on Nankin Boulevard south of Central City Parkway will be maintained from Warren Road.

"Central City Parkway is a commonly traveled

road as it cuts directly through the heart of the city's Shop and Dine District. This project is a small piece in the larger picture of improving the quality of travel within the City of Westland, Westland Mayor William Wild said

For specific questions on the road construction, such as scheduling or access to businesses, call Mitch Master, Project Field Engineer for OHM, at 734-855-9876. General questions for related issues should be directed to Hassan Saab, Westland Department of Public Services deputy director, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. week-days at 734-728-7951.

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Neck Solution Centers of America and Colleen McDonald of Senior Helpers.

Bloom, Observer & Eccentric guest columnist and frequent metro Detroit radio and television guest, will discuss "How to Determine What You Will Need to Retire and Stay Retired." Cogan, CEO of HealthOuest and HealthQuest's Back & Neck Solution Centers of America and the official team chiropractor of the Detroit Lions, will speak on "New Technology in Pain Relief." Mc-Donald, director of community relations for Senior Helpers and certified dementia trainer, will present "The Senior Gems: Alzheimer's and Dementia Care.'

Look for a special spring expo section inserted into the Observer, Novi News, Northville Record, Milford Times and South Lyon Herald newspapers Thursday, April 23, and in the Eccentric newspapers Sunday, April 26.

This special publication will feature articles, interests and resources for the today's active adults. The special publi-

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» Understanding Memory Loss by Gerald E. Turlo, M.D., St. Mary Mercy.

» Emergency Preparedness by Arnold Wicker, Schoolcraft College Continuing Education and Professional Development.

» Improving Communication With Aging Parents by Jean Borin, Home Instead Senior

» Social and Emotional Benefits of Art by Grace Karczewski, Schoolcraft College Continuing Education and Professional Development.

» Healthy Smile for a Lifetime by Dr. Bruce Smoler, Smoler Institute of Implant Dentistry.

» Tai Chi by Michigan Tai Chi Association, sponsored by Schoolcraft College Continuing Education and Professional Development.

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# Property value crash hit Wayne hard

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Before a crowd of residents and city employees, Brian Camiller of auditors Plante Moran reviewed some of the factors that contributed to Wayne's current financial crisis and steps already taken to address the problem.

» From 2010-14, Wayne lost over \$26 million in revenue from property taxes, its primary funding source.

That's a tremendous amount of money and tremendous amount of service people were not able to pay for," Camill-er said. "It was an unprecedented drop and the number one biggest reason for this (def-

Even if property values skyrocketed. Camiller noted state law allows property values to increase 5 percent or the rate of inflation, currently 1.7 percent, whichever is less. Recovering the lost revenues would take decades, he said.

Part of the presentation showed a line graph of city expenses and revenues. The last time revenues exceeded expenditures was in 2009. As the revenues dropped each year, expenses increased.

"Focus on the gap between revenues and expenditures — that's the problem," Camiller said. "The city took money from internal funds (to balance the

budget)." Part of the reason the gap widened also was due to accounting standards regarding legacy cost liabilities, he said.

» Since 2006, the city has decreased staffing 39 percent.

That is a significant decrease in head count. The wages and fringes are 61 percent of the budget," Camiller said. "It's usually 70-80 percent. That can indicate the city is running as

lean as possible."

As examples, the police department once had 44 officers but today that number is 24. The fire department staffing is at 12, down from 23 firefighters. The parks and recreation department once had 16 full-time staffers and now has only parttime workers.

That tells me the city has done quite a bit on this, maybe not as much as you want, but it's not like the city stood pat," Camiller

» Covering 40 percent of the city, Camiller said Wayne's Downtown Development Authority District is larger than normal — huge, in fact.

The DDA recaptures taxes paid on improvements within the district to reinvest in the district. That includes tax money that would otherwise go to the city and county

The vast majority of DDA revenues ended up being paid to the city as charges for services provided in the district, which helped balance the city budget. But that meant those funds weren't utilized for DDA projects aimed at improving the downtown

area. Based on property tax values, the DDA revenues have steadily declined from a peak of over \$6 million in 2006 to \$1.2 million currently. With debt service, the DDA contribution to the city general fund will be reduced.

"The DDA could have been handled differently, but there is nothing intrinsically wrong with this," Camiller said. "I'm not suggesting the city did anything wrong The money was needed for city operations. There were some very valid reasons for why it was set up this way.

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# **DEFICIT**

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— they are all gone." Without a clear plan for addressing a structural deficit, Camiller said the governor could declare a financial emergency. That could mean appointment of an emergency financial manager or a consent agreement.

"If you get there (a financial emergency), you will be in trouble. I have yet to see a city go into this and come out smelling like rose,' Camiller said. "There will be severe cuts to public safety and ser-

For the residents who attended the meeting, Camiller named communities with EFMs: Pontiac, Detroit, Ecorse. River Rouge and Lincoln

"Go down the list of communities; do you want to live there?" Camiller said. "You needed to start now five or 10 years ago. You've got to make more progress and do it quicker. I'm talking to the whole room, the whole city. Everyone has to get on board."

## **Short-term** solutions

Among the shortterm solutions, Camiller listed the ballot questions before voters May 5 to create a P.A. 345 retirement plan to fund police and fire pensions. The proposal is to levy 3 mills for five years to

generate just over \$1 million annually. Separately funding the retirement costs would help alleviate the gener-

al fund deficit. The city needs to reconsider recreation, Camiller said. The city has already closed the ice arena and aquatic center at the Wayne Community Center as cost-cutting measures.

The city is looking at health care changes to reduce costs, such as a self-insurance model and cost-sharing for retirees.

Water and sewer rates need to be looked at. Camiller noted the self-sustaining fund has no modified working capital and is facing rate increases from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department.

"This won't solve the problem but it will help. You want to permanently solve the problem,' Camiller said.

Long-term, Camiller said there are no magic bullets. The city needs to look at what are core services and doing less with less, he said.

"You need to look at authorities, joint operations, outsourcing. Maybe you have too many buildings and can consolidate," he said. "Ask local private businesses for help — not cutting a check, but their expertise. You've got very smart people living and working here."

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# Wayne business owners meet, talk with city staff



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PHOTOGRAPHER Wayne Chamber of Commerce President the Rev. Dave Furno talks to guests at the chamber program.

Local business owners had an opportunity to meet with Wayne city officials Thursday during a luncheon hosted by the Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

"The chamber of



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Wayne Mayor James Hawley talks to the crowd.

commerce is trying to let people know Wayne is open for business," chamber board member Don Nicholson said.

A lot of businesses aren't really involved with the city, Nicholson said, so this provided an opportunity to meet

local officials, including Mayor James Hawley and City Manager David Murphy. "People had a chance

to say hi. There were department heads and city staff — we had a good showing of city employees and staff,"

Nicholson said. "It was a good meeting for what we wanted."

Chamber president Dave Furno, pastor at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, made remarks to the crowd along with Hawley.

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# Schools, community support work in Uganda

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Neither Simran Reddy, a Northville High School senior, nor Novi High School senior Ashi Arora have been to the African country of Uganda. Both young women, 17, who are dual enrolled at Schoolcraft College, just might make the trip someday.

They were key in creating Coins to Change in fall 2011 to support the work of Twesigye Jackson Kaguri, author of The Price of Stones: Building a School for My Village.

The students were among speakers the morning of Tuesday, April 14, as Kaguri accepted a check for \$25,000 from Schoolcraft President Conway Jeffress for the Nyaka AIDS Orphan Project. The support came from Schoolcraft College, Novi High, Northville High and their communities.

Schoolcraft first-year student Taylor Struna was among the speakers.

Reddy recalled family friend Anna Maheshwari, who chairs Schoolcraft's English department, speaking of Kaguri and his work in rural Uganda. "She asked me to read Jackson Kaguri's book. I just started working with them and raising money. Here we are today," Reddy said, waiting her turn to take the stage and speak at Schoolcraft's VisTaTech Center.

The Coins to Change began simultaneously at Northville and Novi High schools in 2011. "I reached out to students and specifically to student council," Arora said. Many fundraisers were

"My teachers did wear jeans for \$5," normally not allowed at Novi High for teachers, Arora said. "There were a lot of events on campus.'

Reddy noted many administrators at North-



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Twesigye Jackson Kaguri signs copies of his book at Schoolcraft College.

ville High helped. "It's been fun for us as students," she said. "I hope to continue this when I'm in college.'

Arora is to attend a Wayne State University program to guarantee medical school acceptance, with Reddy in a similar program and both young women planning to be physicians. Arora may also earn a Ph.D. and do research.

"This program helped me make friends and realize how much impact I could make," Reddy said. Arora noted she feels privileged to attend school in the U.S.

"They have these dreams," she said of the students in Uganda. "They need the resources. This program is going to provide the resources.

Struna, an online graduate of Livonia Churchill High, is also a key part of the program's success. He's in his first year at Schoolcraft and got involved initially for extra credit in sociology class.

"People don't have control of what they're born into," Struna said. "This made me kind of want to give back." He lost a parent and can't imagine losing both, as many AIDS orphans

Struna thanked Kaguri for his work, adding that he plans to visit many countries as a volunteer. Struna, 17, plans to study environmental science.

Jeffress said, "People



Novi High senior Ashi Arora are key people in Coins to Change. Reddy and Arora and dual enrolled in Schoolcraft.

have gotten together and they've talked and they've done something. This is a terrific project." He noted the burden on children "who must carry on without a parent."

Kaguri, after graciously accepting the check, spoke of young women who've been orphaned in Uganda but are now headed to medical school, to careers in law and more. "It means life to get a dream realized," Kaguri told the Schoolcraft audience.

His secondary school combines academic and vocational learning, he said, as photos were displayed. "No matter how old you are, you always have an opportunity to come to school," much like Schoolcraft, Kaguri

"You'd be welcome to see the students whose lives you've changed," Kaguri said in encouraging supporters to visit.

Additional information is online at nyakaschool.org. Kaguri lost his brother to HIV/AIDS. leaving three children behind. Shortly after, Kaguri's sister also died, leaving a son. He vowed

to build a school in his village, using the down payment he had saved for his home.

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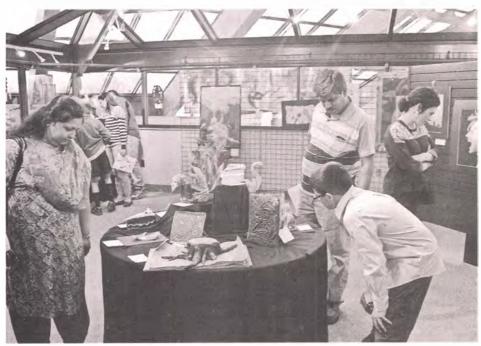
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Visitors on opening night survey the artwork by Livonia Public Schools students.

# Student artwork lights up library for Fine Arts Festival



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Eyes drawing by Abby Jenkins, Franklin High
School



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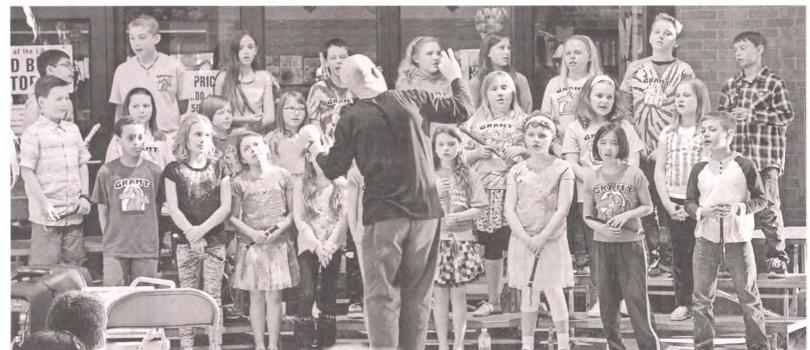
More than 700 pieces of artwork are on display in the gallery and throughout the

More than 700 pieces of artwork are on display at this year's Fine Arts Festival at the Livonia Civic Library.

Artwork by students in grades K-12 is featured in the gallery and throughout the library during normal business hours. The library is at 32777 Five Mile Road.

Grant Elementary fourth-graders helped kick off the Fine Arts Festival at the library on April 13 with a musical performance led by music teacher Don Stromberg. Students sang several songs and demonstrated their new skills on their recorders, or song flutes.

The LPS Fine Arts Festival runs through April 27.



LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Fourth-grade students from Grant Elementary gave a musical performance to those in attendance at the opening night of the Fine Arts Festival at the Civic Library on Monday.

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# Former U-M president to speak at scholarship fundraiser

Former University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman will be the featured guest speaker at the U-M Club of Greater Northville's annual scholarship fundraiser dinner at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

During her 12 years as the university's 13th president, and the first female in that role, Coleman left her mark on campus — from facilities to fundraising to research. Time magazine named her one of the nation's top 10 university presidents. But perhaps the Michigan community will best remember Coleman for her personal touch and the impact she had on the lives of so many students, alumni, faculty and staff.

The event commemorates a milestone event—the 25th anniversary of the U-M Club of Greater Northville. The club

hosts social, cultural, athletic, professional development and community service events for U-M alumni throughout communities in western Wayne and Oakland counties. Since 1990, the club has awarded \$150,000 in scholarship money to area students attending the University of Michigan.

The cost is \$40 for
U-M Alumni Association
members and \$50 for
non-members. A silent



Coleman

Coleman incoming freshman attending
U-M this fall.
Register for the event

on the club's website at umclubs.com/northville or by calling the U-M Alumni Association at 800-847-4764.

The silent auction includes many items and experiences, such as a day sailing adventure on Lake St. Clair, a Pie in the Sky flight on board a classic Emeraude amateur built aircraft, golf for a foursome at U-M's private golf course Radrick Farms, a laptop computer, premium wines, and passes to local cultural attractions, including the Detroit and

Toledo zoos, Detroit Sym-

phony Orchestra, and

Henry Ford/Greenfield Village. All proceeds go to the scholarship fund. The U-M Club of

Greater Northville serves alumni in Western Wayne and Oakland Counties including Canton, Commerce Township, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Highland, Livonia, Milford, New Hudson, Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Salem, South Lyon, Walled Lake, Westland, White Lake and Wixom.

# Knezek bill set standards for human milk banks in Michigan

State Sen. David Knezek of Dearborn Heights has joined with and State Rep. Erika Geiss, D-Taylor to sponsor legislation, Senate Bill 143 and House Bill 4206, which would set standards for

human milk banks in Michigan.

"I'm deeply concerned by the fact that some Michigan cities have infant mortality rates on par with Third World nations," said Knezek

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whose 5th Senate District includes Garden
City and Redford. "Just as members of a community donate to a food pantry to help those in need, mothers have historically been able to donate milk so that atrisk babies can have a better chance at a full, healthy life."

"We owe it to everyone involved to maintain high standards around this practice in order to ensure that our children receive the support they need," he said.

Michigan's infant mortality rate is among



Knezek

Detroit and Saginaw have infant mortality rates as high as 15.3 per 1,000 live births.

One of the top causes of infant death is necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC), which occurs more frequently in premature infants. Using human milk, as opposed to formula, reduces the

incidence of NEC, and results in lower hospital re-admissions and fewer long-term health issues.

"Multiple studies show that feeding breast milk to premature infants, whether from their mother or another source, has significant short- and long-term benefits," Geiss said. "Many mothers are unaware that donated breast milk is an option. I introduced this bill to help premature babies recover and also raise awareness of this critical

issue." In 2011, the U.S. Sur-

geon General's Office issued a Call to Action to Support Breastfeeding. Among 20 action items was "Identify and address obstacles to greater availability of safe banked donor milk for fragile infants." HB 4206 and SB 143 aim to codify standards for milk banking practices in Michigan and ensure best practices for screening mothers; collecting, processing and providing human milk; and directing the donated milk to premature and critically ill infants where it is needed most.

# CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

The City of Westland will hold its public accuracy test on the ES&S M-100 voting equipment for the May 5, 2015 Special Election on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan.

The public accuracy test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the ballot results count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Eileen DeHart, CMC Westland City Clerk

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# CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before <u>May 6th. 2015 at 10:00</u> a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

# Street Sweeping Services

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

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## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On April 21, 2015 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne,

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# Three men arrested in fatal shooting in Westland

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Three men have been arraigned on charges in connection with the March 28 death of a Redford man found shot in his vehicle parked in Westland.

The death of Joseph McClendon, 21, stemmed from an illegal gun sale that went bad, according to Westland Police.

Two Inkster men — Arlandus Nolen II (Jr.), 18, and Daveion Dix, 19 — have each been arraigned on charges of firstdegree murder, armed robbery and felony firearm. Dix also is



Nolen Jr.



Nolen Sr.



Dix

charged as a habitual offender as the result of a December 2014 conviction for carrying a concealed weapon.

Arlandus Nolen Sr., 39, of Roseville, has been charged with felony accessory after the fact, being a felon in possession of a firearm, felony fire-

arm and being a habitual offender. Police said Nolan Sr. has two prior felony convictions: carjacking in 1997 and being a prisoner in possession of a

weapon in 2003.

Not guilty pleas were entered for all three defendants when they were arraigned Sunday. All three were remanded to jail and no bond was

Westland Police responded to the area of Henry Ruff and Annapolis just before 10:30 p.m. March 28 to investigate a call about shots having been fired. Seated in the driver's seat of his vehicle, officers found McClendon dead from multiple gunshot wounds.

Two guns were involved in the shooting, police said, as multiple 9mm and 40-caliber spent casings were recovered at the scene.

The investigation led officers to a home in the 29000 block of Rosewood in Inkster. A search warrant was executed at the location. Police said evidence found at the home resulted in the arrests of the

defendants.

Nolen Jr. and Dix had agreed to meet the victim and sell him a 9mm handgun, police said, an illegal gun sale that turned into a robbery/

The father of Nolen II (Jr.), Nolen (Sr.) was later arrested for allegedly being an accessory to the crime.

A preliminary exam is scheduled for April 30 in Westland 18th District Court.

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# **WAYNE COP CALLS**

## **Counterfeit bill**

An employee at Taco Bell, 32940 Michigan Ave., told police April 9 that at about 1:30 a.m. a drivethrough customer gave her a \$20 bill to pay for an order. She said she became suspicious that the bill wasn't genuine because it didn't feel right.

The male driver, described as approximately 16-20 years old, noticed her examining the bill, she said, and then drove away. He had not received any food or cash from the employee. She said there were two passengers in his vehicle.

The driver's side window on a 2015 Chevrolet Sierra pick-up truck, rented from U-Haul, was reported smashed April 6. The vehicle had been left parked at a home in the 34000 block of Annapolis after the man who had rented it was arrested and jailed.

The resident of the home told police she had gone to do errands about 8:30 a.m. and returned several hours later to find the damage.

## Larceny

A Wayne woman told police April 11 that she had been shopping at the Family Dollar Store, 36113 E. Michigan Ave., and left her purse in a shopping cart in the parking lot. She returned a short time later but store employees reported no purses had been turned

The woman told police the purse was valued at \$100 and contained \$10 in cash, miscellaneous credit cards, sets of house and car keys and a blank check.

By LeAnne Rogers

# GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

## **Theft**

» The owner of DJ's Diner, 33003 Ford, reported about \$8,000 missing from his safe April 9. He said that the safe was unlocked during the previous day. When he left, his brother and two employees who remained continued to work inside the restaurant.

The owner said that he doesn't suspect any one of them because they were too busy working during that time. He also said that an exit door was unlocked.

Police were unable to collect evidence at the scene.

» A woman who lives in the 100 block of S. Venoy Circle and her daughter contacted the Garden City Police Department on April 11 to report an alleged theft that occurred inside the home.

The older woman has some agencies come in to help her. The resident noticed over time that some medication had slowly been disappearing from her prescription bottles, which contain hydrocodone and tramadol. They asked the police to investigate the workers from the agen-

Nothing else was reported

missing from the home.

## **Break-in**

A Garden City woman said that she knew something was wrong when her cat came running into her bedroom in the 1000 block of Rose just after midnight April 14.

When she got up to check things out, she saw a light flickering in her kitchen and an unknown man standing near her kitchen sink holding a flashlight.

The man immediately jumped out of her kitchen window where police later observed the screen had been cut

The homeowner said that she couldn't recognize the suspect's race in the dark but said that he wore dark pants with a darkcolored hoodie pulled over his

She also said that she heard the man say something to another man. Shortly after, she heard a vehicle with a loud muffler drive away.

The officer who responded said that ear muffs were located near the house. He also noted that the house next door was

## **Property damage**

An apartment dweller in the 6500 block of N. Venoy reported that she found four holes in the apartment dry walls when she returned from staying at her grandmother's residence for a short time on April 11.

She said that she had to leave her apartment because of bed bug infestation. She also found her personal property scattered about.

# **Suspended license**

» Garden City Police arrested a 27-year-old Livonia resident about 1:30 a.m. April 11 after he was discovered driving with a suspended license in the area of Ford and Middlebelt. He initially caught the police officer's attention because he had a loud ex-

» Garden City police arrested a 21-year-old Garden City resident following a traffic stop in the area of Ford and Venoy. The man had disregarded a red light, police said.

When the officer ran his driving record, he found that the man had a suspended license.

By Sue Buck

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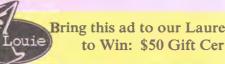
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# **Argument continues over ward voting rules**

By LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

After failing to be approved due to a tie vote, a second attempt by the Wayne Council to adopt procedures for ward voting met the same end last week.

The issue remains the provision that would allow all city voters to elect council members on the general election ballot. Under the proposed procedures, the candidates must run for the council seat in the ward where they reside and only ward residents would vote for those candidates in

the primary election. Residents Ron Roberts, who initiated the petitions to put the charter amendment on the ballot, and Chris Sanders, who financed the charter amendment campaign, argued the proposed procedures violated the intent of the amendment approved by voters.

"I don't think anyone is trying to be corrupt. It seems to some like the ballot question language was purposely vague," Sanders said. "I am certain in my mind what people voted on. To suggest you get another bite at the apple is ludicrous.'

Specifically, the question is over the language in the charter amendment that said only the mayor would be elected at large. Roberts said the intent of voters was clear when the amendment was approved in November 2014.

## **Clarify amendment**

The problem identified by the Michigan Attorney General, which has to approve charter amendment language before it goes on the ballot, was that legally there is at-large residency and, separately, at-large voting eligibility.

"The charter amendment didn't say which (was addressed). The Attorney General didn't solve it. The council needs to pass a resolution to clarify it," City Attorney Keith Madden said. "I had discussion with the Attorney General. Something had to be drafted. Council needs to approve

During the process of getting his petition language approved, Madden repeatedly suggested that Roberts use an attorney due to the complicated legal issues. Madden also noted that resolving those legal issues was the responsi-bility of the person writing the petition - not the city.

The charter amendment was clear that only the mayor - not council members - are to be elected at large, said Councilman Anthony Miller, who voted against adopting the procedures.

"The citizens are yearning for a change; I'm asking my colleagues to reconsider, Miller said. "People are looking for leaders who make doors and windows, not walls. This doesn't increase the confidence level. The council needs to do what the will of the people was.'

Agreeing with Miller's comments, Roberts said it was

council's responsibility to make sure the initiatory petition language was followed.

There is no doubt of the intent. Do we have a council up there that is going to break law and go against the oath they took?" Roberts said. "The law was passed by the majority of voters. There was no ambiguity. The Attorney General approved this; they don't have a dog in this fight."

## Committee recommendations

The recommended proce-

dures for the ward voting came from a committee that included Roberts, council members Skip Monit and John Rhaesa, residents Buddy Shuh and Margaret Harlow.

'We went with what was passed — what did the citizens voted for and what was the best for the city," Shuh said. "We're a small city of less than 20,000 people. I would only get to vote in election — I wouldn't be able to vote for five of you (council members). It's like taxation without representation.'

Because the ambiguity needed to be resolved, Councilman Albert Damitio repeated his earlier suggestion that the council place a charter amendment before voters to resolve the at-large voting/atlarge residency issue.

Mayor James Hawley was absent from the meeting, leaving six members present. Councilwoman Susan Rowe, absent from the previous meeting, replaced Hawley on the opposing side of the votes resulting again in a tie. Monit, Rhaesa and Damitio were again the yes votes.

No action was taken after the proposal failed. Rowe suggested a second committee be formed to recommend ward voting procedures — this time without council members participating.

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# Wish You Were Here



STEVE BODNOVITS

While everyone back home was experiencing very cold weather during mid-winter break, Cindy and Mike Chambers (from left), Diana Ronewicz, Linda Bodnovits were enjoying 80 degrees-plus weather at the Omni Hotel in Cancun, Mexico. "We enjoyed walks, reading, spending time and just plain relaxing," said Linda Bodnovits. "We really did not want to come home." Taking the photograph was her husband Steve. If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason as a jpg at smason@hometownlife.com. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

# Nominations sought for Wayne Rec's Poplin Award

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Nominations are being accepted for the James J Poplin Distinguished Service Award, presented by the Wayne Recreation Advisory

This award is presented to an individual who has been an outstanding recreational supporter. To qualify for the award, the candidate must have a minimum of five years of voluntary service within the city's parks and recreation area.

Poplin, who died of cancer at age 30, had worked in the city parks and recreation department.

"He was a real special young man. We have given

this award since 1980," said recreation advisory board member Janet Olszewski. "We take for granted people know about it. We send out nominating forms to groups. We hope you'll help by nominating outstanding recreation supporters.

The award has been given in 33 years of the 35 years since it was started, she said. The most recent recipient was Kurt Kuban, honored for his efforts regarding the Rouge River and Rouge-apalooza.

"If there is more than one nomination, we will sit down and discuss it. We have had years when more than one person receives the award." Olszewski said.

Nomination forms are

available at the Wayne Community Center, Wayne City Hall — which is temporarily housed at the former Vandenberg school — the Wayne Public Library and on the city's website, ci.wayne.mi.us, under the recreation tab.

The Wayne Parks and Recreation Department also has several upcoming events:

» Tickets for the dance recital for the Wayne Community Center Dance/Gymnastics/Cheer programs are on sale at the community center. The show will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 19, Advance tickets are \$6 until 6 p.m. Thursday, April 16. Tickets will be \$11 at the door.

» A spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit the Wayne

Baseball Association and Wayne Community Center Youth Programs will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, May 8, at the Wayne Community Center. There will also be a silent raffle and a 50/50 raffle and hot fudge sundaes will be sold by Senior Services.

» Summer Day Camp will be held at the Wayne Community Center be June 15-Aug. 21 for youngsters ages 7-12 There will be field trips, camp shirts, arts and crafts and much more. Registration begins May 1. Information packets are available at the front desk at the community center.

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# **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

# **Craft show**

Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia, will hold an indoor and outdoor craft show and craft supply items, by Grange 389, on Saturday, May 2.

There will be homemade items and supplies for sale, also refreshments and raffles. The set-up starts at 8 a.m., and the craft show is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Table space is \$20 each. The deadline for registering and paying to participate is April 18. Make check payable to Grange No.

For more information or to reserve a space, call Sharon at 734-748-0569.

# Lyman benefit

Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia will host Comedy for a Cause on Saturday, April 18, benefiting Lyman Foundation. Show starts at 5:30 p.m., with seating beginning at 5 p.m.

The cost is \$20 per person, 21 years and older. Joey's Comedy Club will give 20

percent of total purchases on appetizers during the show. Joey's Comedy Club is at 36071 Plymouth Road, west of

Wayne Road, Livonia.

Mom2Mom sales » Garden City High School is having a Mom2Mom Sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April

18 — early-bird at 8:30 a.m. There will be more than 85 tables as well as a large item area (strollers, high chairs, etc.). A concession stand will be open throughout the sale

as well as a bake sale. Admission to the sale is \$1 (early bird \$2). All profits from this sale will go to the Garden City High School PTSA. Come shopping to get some great deals on new and gently used kids clothes, maternity clothes, shoes, bouncers, high chairs, bikes, DVDs, books, toys and other kid-

related items. Garden City High School is at 6500 Middlebelt between Ford and Warren Road. Visit www.facebook.com/ gcmom2momsale for information about future sales.

» Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia, will be having a Mom2Mom Sale May 18, sponsored by the Grange 389. The set-up starts at 9 a.m. and the sale is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tables space is \$20. The deadline for registering and paying to participate is April 25. Make check payable to Grange No. 389

For questions or to reserve a space, call Sharon at 734-

# **Boychoir performance**

The Boychoir of Ann Arbor will present a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at the First Congregational Church, 2 Towne Square, Wayne. Admission is free, and there will be a free will offering.

Directed by Dr. Thomas Strode, the Boychoir of Ann Arbor offers a wonderfully varied program of sacred, secular, classical and popular selections.

The choir was first formed in 1986 to provide a boys'

choir for a production of Bernstein's Mass celebrating the reopening of the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor, and in 1987, was formally established as a non-profit choral organization.

# **Friends of Nankin Mills**

The Friends of Nankin Mills will present Native American History Part II: Historic Era from 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18. Learn about the many tribes that settled in the Great Lakes and discuss local native history.

A part of the 2015 Michigan History and Local Heritage programs, the presentation is for those ages 12 and older. The program fee is \$2 per adult for Wayne County residents and \$3 for out-ofcounty residents. Advance registration and prepayment is required. The Nankin Mills Interpretive Center is at 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland.

For more information or to register, call 734-261-1990.

# Church seeks help after fire damage

**By LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Insurance will help rebuild Christ Temple Apostolic Faith Church's meeting rooms and administrative wing, which were destroyed in a Feb. 25

But over the years, the church has acquired commercial stoves and refrigerators along with lots of other equipment and furnishings.

"The insurance pays only so much to get you back to the basics," Suffragan Bishop Luke McClendon said. "We won't be able to replace everything (with the insurance). We lost a

So, the long-time Westland church has launched a Go Fund Me campaign, at www.gofundme.com/christtempleafcw. aimed at raising \$250,000 to restore the church, located on

"We had a lot of appliances and had acquired things over the years. The insurance

those things we could identify,"

McClendon said. Reeves

Westland Councilman Dewey Reeves has joined the fundraising effort for the

inventoried

lost that they

church. 'I'm not part of the church, but that's not relevant at all,' Reeves said. "If places of worship go through a tragedy, we as a city need to come forward

to help them.' Along with the Go Fund Me page, Reeves said other fundraising efforts will be organized.

"We're going to get it done. I'm sure we'll need help in getting it done. I'm just trying to get in front of it," he said.

Located on Eton east of Middlebelt and south of Annapolis, Christ Temple Apostolic Church has been host to community and city events, including Westland's Martin Luther King Jr. Day ceremony.

The destroyed dining center was originally a community center, aimed at providing more outreach and services to the community. It was constructed in 1955.

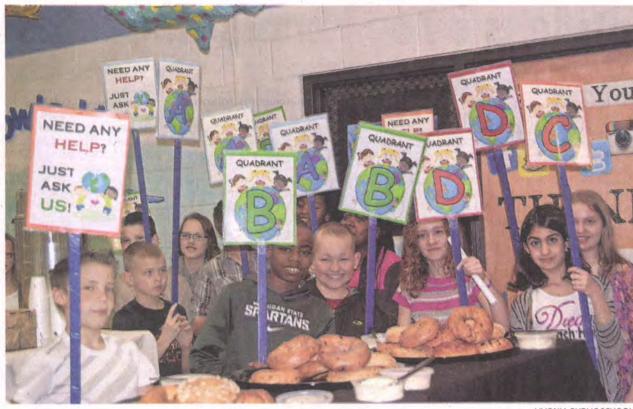
The current sanctuary, which had water and smoke damage, was constructed in 1988 and seats 430 people.

McClendon credits his wife Mary with suggesting the idea of a Go Fund Me page for the church. It was their son Aaron, a sophomore at Western Michigan University, who also suggested the Go Fund Me page and took care of setting it up.

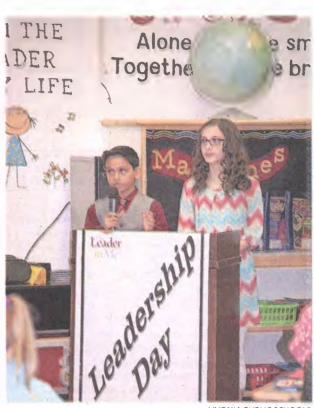
Reconstruction of the building is expected to take 8-10 months. Cleaning and restoring the sanctuary will likely take until July or August.

On a temporary basis, the congregation is holding Sunday services and Wednesday evening Bible study at Sharon Seventh Day Adventist Church, 28537 Cherry, in Inkster.

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LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS



LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS Ramon Reyes and Josie Ransley were two of the student presenters during Leadership Day at Cooper.

# Students actively participated in Leadership Day, serving as guides, hosts and presenters.

# Cooper students shine during Leadership Day

Leaders from the local area and around Michigan were treated to the Cooper Upper Elementary version of good leadership during the fourth annual Leadership Day held recently at the school.

Educators, school board members, city council members, State Sen. Hoon-Yung Hopgood and Westland Mayor William Wild, among others, were invited to experience The Leader in Me process first-hand at the Westland school.

In its fourth year of The Leader in Me, Cooper is teaching and practicing the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.

Cooper students use the Leadership Day to demonstrate their leadership skills and the learning they've achieved. Vocal and instrumental music, cheer leaders. student speeches, parent



Andreana Beard was a student presenter during Cooper's Leadership Day activities.

testimonials and building tours with students explaining the leadership roles in their lives, were all part of the morning.

Students learn the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People and begin the work of intentionally planning for their futures.

Participants were

impressed with the attitudes and skills of the fifth- and sixth-grader who comprise the student body at Cooper. Some of the Leadership Day guests commented that the students were "incredibly poised," "well-spoken," and "on their way to successful lives."



Parents and many visitors from around the community attended Leadership Day at Cooper Upper Elementary, to see how the school is implementing the Leader in Me process.

# Community

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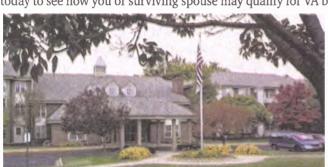
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# Public invited to learn about, join the Lions Club

Ever wanted to learn more about the Lions Club? You'll have that chance from 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at Embassy Suites Hotel, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia.

Lions Club International District 11A1 is sponsoring "Meet the Lions," an informational meeting to provide potential members with a good understanding of the community service organization focused on helping the blind, the visually impaired, the deaf/hard of hearing, special needs children and the community at large.

District 11A1 Lions Clubs serves Wayne and Monroe counties.

Guest speakers include: Jennifer Bugar, President, Cooke School in Northville; Phil Wells, Executive Director, Lions of Michigan Hearing Center; Hannah Heebner, Marketing Associate, Methodist Children's Home; Susan Weston, Board Member, Penrickton School for the Blind and Patricia Loder, Outreach Coordinator, Seedling Braille Books for

RSVP by April 21 to Matt Collins at 248-442-2845 or mcollins782@gmail.com.

# Belle Isle Zoo honors 'snot otter'

"Snot otter" and "slime dog" may sound like something kids call each other on the playground, but they're actually alternative names for the mudpuppy - a large, permanently aquatic salamander native to the Detroit River.

The Belle Isle Nature Zoo will host an event to celebrate the mudpuppy from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26..

Mudpuppypalooza will feature fun and educational activities such as mask making, games and mudpuppy cookie decorating. The event will also include zookeeper talks and the opportunity to view mudpuppies up close while learning about the species and conservation efforts on its behalf.

In 2006, the Detroit Zoological Society (DZS) embarked on a program to monitor the Detroit



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The mudpuppy (Necturus maculosus) is the second-largest salamander in the western hemisphere and is considered an important part of Michigan's aquatic ecosystem.

River mudpuppies, conducting catch-and-release surveys to track and better understand local mudpuppy populations. Mudpuppies are measured, weighed and implanted with small computer chips for identification before being returned to the river.

"While not a threatened species, mudpuppies are considered good environmental indicators of pollution and other potentially detrimental conditions," DZS Chief Life Sciences Officer Scott Carter said. "The data gathered in our mudpuppy surveys provides a valuable baseline for monitoring the health of the Detroit River eco-

The mudpuppy (Necturus maculosus) is the

second-largest salamander in the western hemisphere and is considered an important part of Michigan's aquatic ecosystem. Although the mudpuppy has lungs, it relies instead on the bushy gills behind its head to breathe under water. The slippery salamander is typically brownish-gray with dark spots and a yellowish belly. A mature mudpuppy ranges in size from 8 to 15 inches.

The Belle Isle Nature Zoo is located at the east end of Belle Isle near the Blue Heron Lagoon. The Nature Zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday April through October and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. November through March. It's closed Mondays and

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The event will take place in Wayne this summer 2015 and will be seen by a live audience and a

viral YouTube audience. Kickstarter funds will be used to pay for travel expenses, shipment of materials and cover the costs of having a camera crew document the event.

The builders are creating The Incredible Science Machine with the following goals in mind: to promote STEM education in the metro Detroit area, break the record for the most dominoes toppled in America (169,713) and break the record for the most steps in a Rube Goldberg Machine (300).

Several of the builders involved with The In-

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credible Science Machine have been featured on national TV shows and competitions, have built chain reactions for commercials, hold various records, have designed toys, and host popular YouTube channels. A full list of all involved builders as well as a video explaining the project can be found at http://tinyurl.com/ pj35lfm.

For more information or to learn how to donate to the Kickstarter campaign, contact Steve Price at spricemachines@gmail.com or 734-673-9332.



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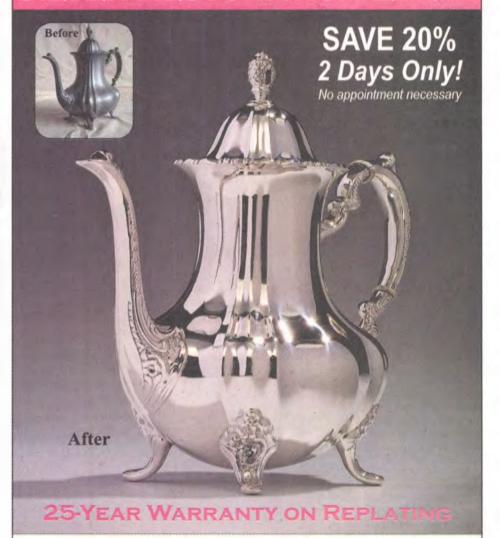
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# **Great Lakes Civil Infrastructure** Conference coming to Livonia

The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Detroit Post and Schoolcraft College **Procurement Technical Assistance Center** (PTAC) are hosting the Great Lakes Civil Infrastructure Conference 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. April 30 at the VisTa-Tech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

The conference will focus on four distinct tracks: energy, environment, civil infrastructure, and small business. Participants will have opportunities to engage with and learn from industry experts, procurement representatives, and firms contributing to regional infrastructure, construction and environmental sustainability and improvement pro-

"Civil infrastructure

impacts a lot more than

work commutes and community expansion," said Alexander Masters, a Procurement Counselor with the Schoolcraft College PTAC and event committee representative. "It requires deliberate planning, innovative material and technological integration, resiliency and continuity planning, and a host of other factors that we may not always consider when thinking about this industry."

Invited and con-

firmed speakers include individuals from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Energy, Michigan Department of Transportation, Wayne County Airport Authority, Siemens Industry Inc., Walbridge, C.A. Hull, and a host of small to midsize firms.

"This is an opportunity for Michigan stakeholders to not only address and discuss the need for investment into our infrastructure systems, but also to engage and support those already active in the industry, this marketplace, and the procurement of these projects and investments," said

Robert Bowman of Siemens Industry Inc. "Siemens is excited to support this venue for small and large firms to network, learn, and grow from one another during this conference."

For full conference details, registration, etc., visit www.GLCIC.com. The National Contract Management Association (NCMA) Great Lakes State Chapter will be sponsoring the VIP networking period held from 5-6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Schoolcraft College PTAC at 734-462-4438 or at ptac@schoolcraft.edu.

# Beware of bogus titles, credentials in financial world

he other day, I received an invitation to attend a free dinner seminar about retirement income. The invitation said I could get a guaranteed 6 percent for life without risk. The invitation said the seminar will be conducted by a senior retirement income specialist.

I receive these invitations all the time and, typically, I just throw them out because they're not worth the paper they're written on. These seminars are not meant to educate, but to sell.

My advice has always been to avoid these seminars. Why put yourself in the position of being subject to high-pressure sales tactics? In addition, the products that are sold almost always have high fees, high costs and are not investor-friendly.

In the financial world - where just about anyone can claim he/she is a financial adviser - there are more than 200 socalled alphabet designations with regard to financial planning. Of those, more than 50 have the word retirement in it somewhere.

I have seen senior retirement income specialists, certified retirement specialists, certified retirement income adviser – the list goes on. The problem is that most of them are nothing more than marketing tools.

I am an attorney and a certified public accountant. For both those designations, I had to complete a set of requirements that took years and I had to pass certain exams. To become a lawyer, I had to pass the bar exam, while to become a certified public account I had to pass the CPA exam. Not only did I have to pass these exams, but I



have rules and regulations that I must comply with to keep my licenses.

Unfortunately, that is not the case when it comes to many of these so-called retirement specialists. There are very few requirements to obtain the designation. For some, all you have to do is pay a fee, while others require a seminar to get your designation.

In addition, with many of these designations, there is no ongoing requirement as to how to conduct business. The bottom line with many of these designations is they're nothing more than an attempt to deceive and fool people. When people use these bogus credentials, you don't want to do business with them.

There's a reason people put credentials after their name; they know it creates an air of respect-ability. The general public assumes that when someone has credentials after their name, they had to earn it. Unfortunately, this is not always the case.

Many people with these bogus credentials know that seniors are more likely to rely on the advice of a professional. When it comes to the financial world, don't be fooled.

Good luck.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloom assetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to your questions, email assetmanagement.com.

# Tech Savvy: Be cautious when using live-streaming applications

eerkat and Periscope are newcomers to a crowded social media block that for years have seen people and brands sharing the minutiae of life. The start-up video streaming companies allow consumers and brands to broadcast their activities in real-time. And because both sites are linked to Twitter (one of the largest social networks) it offers the ability to extend reach instantly.

Live-streaming applications have been used before on websites for conferences, vehicle reveals and other events, but never has it been so easy to share live video The easy-to-use apps will allow the majority of cell phone users the ability to share live videos similar to how Instagram turned everyone into a photographer and Vine turned everyone into a videographer.

Social publishing of live video has many purposes and could be a great way for people to share local news. In recent years, if a local news event occurred in the Detroit metro area, a tech savvy consumer would snap a photo or video, then send it in to a news provider. There would be a natural, builtin delay as the content was taken, sent, received, and published by the news organization for many to see. But with a universal live-streaming app, sharing news is as easy as a news organization Retweeting (sharing a link) to someone's

There are also obvious



downsides to allowing anyone to live stream. Broadcasts of fights, pornographic material and other inappropriate items have already been making the rounds since these sites were launched a short time

ago. Both Meerkat and Periscope allow users to report unsuitable content which will then be removed, but social moderation has never been perfect, especially at a large scale.

Public streaming also lends itself to stalker activity as users can watch the stream without you knowing. Additionally, publishing from a well-known place is also the easiest way to let

people know where you

I don't think anyone would bother to pay attention to my live streams, but what about females, or children?

I've already heard stories about children live-streaming their activities and adults who have nothing better to do but watch and creepily participate by commenting on the streams. If ever there was a social

network to keep private it would be a live-streaming network.

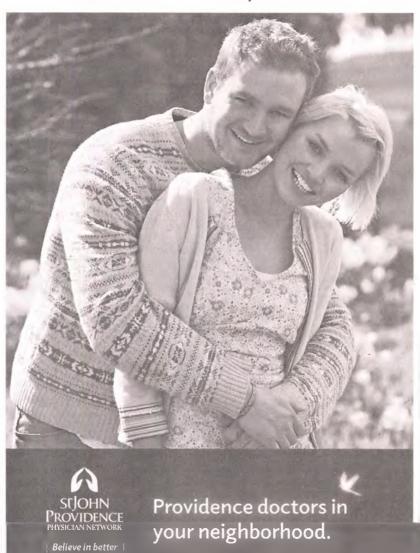
That's not to say kids shouldn't be able to use these sites, but it is important that parents take proper precautions. For example, allow your children to stream their broadcasts only to their connections (friends and family).

Depending on their age, their Twitter accounts should likely be private too. More importantly, make sure your children are old enough to use the technology.

Regardless of age, remember to take time to educate your children about the overall dangers of social media.

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# **Volunteers** have extraordinary impact on others through service

Pick a day, a week or a month, any day, week or month, and you'll find it's been set aside to recognize everything from serious to not so serious. From apples, adoption and autism to ZIP codes and zippers, someone somewhere is celebrating.

This week is no exception. It's the Week of the Young Child, National Library Week and World Homeopathy Awareness Week, but most importantly it's National Volunteer Week, a time when we pause to say thank you to those people "who dedicate themselves to taking action and solving problems in their communities."

National Volunteer Week, a program of Points of Light, was established in 1974 and "is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities. It's about demonstrating to the nation that by working together, we have the fortitude to meet our challenges and accomplish our goals." It is about "taking action and encouraging individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change - discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to make a difference."

We all have a talent we can share with others. It can be spending time helping a child read, being a mentor for a troubled youth through local Youth Assistance programs, or being involved in PTA and Friends groups.

Volunteerism can be as simple as picking up a paint brush and helping fix up the exterior of a home, adopting a stretch of highway to pick up trash, or joining organizations like Habitat for Humanity in building homes and rebuilding com-

Nationally, the Corporation for National and Community Service administers programs like AmeriCorps and Senior Corps and initiatives, such as School Turnaround AmeriCorps, justice AmeriCorps, and STEM AmeriCorps that focus on some of our country's most pressing needs.

President Barack Obama may have said it best in his proclamation for National Volunteer Week: "This spirit of service is deeply embedded in our culture and vital to our national character. It reflects the idea that we are each our brothers' and our sisters' keepers, and it is a core part of being an American.

• To the volunteers in our communities, we offer a heartfelt thank you for all you do, and for those thinking about getting involved, we encourage you to do so. Now is as good of time as any to take the plunge. Be that ordinary person who "through service ... can make an extraordinary impact ... they give new life to the values that bind us together as Americans and to the promise that those who love their country can change it."



HANK JOHNSON | FACEBOOK

Hank Johnson (right) has been at the forefront in helping to bring change and restore pride in the Norwayne community. Vic Barra, president of the Wayne-Ford Civic League, has been actively involved in

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

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**LETTERS** 

# Road tax - not really

It was a welcome relief to read Brad Wolkan's article in the Observer. Taxpayers should become informed about Proposal 1 before they exercise their right to vote on it May 5.

As Mr. Wolkan says, it is not a road tax, as being advertised. It is an increase in the sales tax where the revenue goes into the general fund. The present governor and legislature have said a portion of it will be used to fix the roads with major parts of it going to fund other issues.

No one disputes the fact that our roads are a dangerous mess and need to be fixed.

It is a disappointment that our legislators can only come up with this proposal to solve a problem they have been discussing for years. Apparently, the only way to move a proposal forward and satisfy every legislator is to put a solution to their issues in the proposal. Considering all the horse trading to get to this point, what assurance do we have the portion recommended for roads will stay in that category? Since all the funds go into the general fund, there is no assurance a future administration or legislature may develop a different set of priorities for these funds.

The other changes in the proposal are bothersome. Vehicle registration fees will go up for vehicles older than one year the depreciation schedule currently used will be dropped. Vehicle registration fees will no longer be deductible on federal taxes, as Mr. Wolkan mentions. Also, the new method of taxing fuel will result in high fuel taxes - estimated to be 8 to 9 cents per gallon.

Most agree that additional revenue is needed to address the road issues, but why should we automatically have to agree to additional funding for schools and cities, low-income subsidies and transportation support? The proposal is being sold as all or nothing — do this or nothing will get done. Many legislators are

now not supporting the proposal, and discussing alternative "Fix Roads Only" proposals. A different way to fix the roads can be

Understandably, some won't agree with Mr. Wolkan and myself in our rejection of Proposal 1, but voters need to be informed what this proposal really is before they vote. Hopefully, most will not support Proposal 1

Mike Sullivan Livonia

## Time for solar, wind power

Thank you for printing Keith Gunter's "Michigan's energy future at a crossroads" in the March 19 Observer.

It was most informative about the state of nuclear power plants in Monroe and other operating nuclear energy plants. Gunter underlined facts not too broadly known about the high operating costs of nuclear power plants, the safety risks in their operation and most importantly, the lack of safe disposal sites for their radioactive waste (spent

We live within the 50-mile risk radius of Fermi II should an accident occur. Four years after the disaster at Fukushima, decontamination of the areas has not been completed and the survivors have not moved back to their area and may never be able to. We face a similar risk. Fermi II has requested a renewal of their operating license, which I hope will be denied. It is time to cross the road into solar and wind power for our future and the future generations to come.

# Fix state's unsafe roads

**Rosemary Doyle** 

On May 5, you can vote to fix Michigan's dangerous roads. Vote yes on Proposal 1.

The proposal hikes the state sales tax to 7 percent from 6 percent, while removing the sales tax from fuel sales and replacing the sales tax with another fuel tax that would be spent on roads.

This change is expected to raise an additional and much needed \$1.2 billion a year for roads, \$300 million for our neighborhood public schools, \$100 million for mass transit and about \$95 million for local governments. The proposal would fully restore the earned income tax credit for the working poor. All of these things would greatly benefit the citizens of Michigan.

Clearly it is necessary to repair our crumbling roads, invest in public education and help stimulate job growth. However, mental healthcare for those most in need should not be collateral damage in the process.

I am dedicated to ensuring the success of Proposal 1 and will educate anyone else who will stand still long enough to

We need to fix our broken roads and bridges for obvious reasons — they are a mess. Yet, failure to pass Proposal 1 could have devastating consequences to the people most in need of government's help, including our children, our communities and people who work 40 hours a week, play by the rules but don't earn enough to escape poverty.

Gov. Rick Snyder is to be commended for his leadership to push for funding that invests in our collective future as a state. We applauded all legislators -Republican and Democrats who are supporting safe roads.

The plan and vision of Proposal 1 offers aid in so many ways to Michiganders. We owe it to ourselves to be educated on what supporting Proposal 1 means and the impact on the many lives touched by its results. Put simply, Proposal 1 strengthens the great state of Michigan.

Increasing transportation funding is a crucial investment in moving Michigan forward and will produce continued economic growth while putting people to

Start to educate yourself and others about Proposal 1 at http://www.saferoadsyes.com/ **Tom Watkins** Northville

**GUEST COLUMN** 

# Debunking myths: Here's what yoga isn't

primarily get two responses when people find out I am a certified yoga instructor:

'Cool, can you stand on your head?" and "I can't do yoga because I'm not flexible.

To which I usually reply, "Yes, I can stand on my head, but that isn't the essence of yoga," and "You can breathe, right? Then you, too, can do yoga.'

But more on that in a minute. I want to debunk some myths

about yoga first.

Because amid all the frenzy about yoga, amid all the talk about the benefits, and amid all the debate about whether it should be illegal — yes, you read right, illegal - for women to wear yoga pants in public, there's a little bit of stigma hanging in the ether.

What, at the root of it all, does yoga really mean?

Well, let's start with what

yoga isn't. Myth #1: Yoga is a religion.

Yoga has no gods to worship or services to attend, no institutional structure or leaders, no statement of religious beliefs, and there is no profession of

Yoga, by definition, means to "yoke" or to unite the body and mind in harmony. Yoga, as a practice, seeks to correlate all aspects of living as it relates to those around us. This union is accomplished through physical postures, relaxation and med-

What yoga does have at its core, however, are the Yamas and the Niyamas. These are the moral and internal restraints

that regulate our inner lives. The Yamas are the moral virtues that, if attended to, purify human nature and contribute to health and happiness of society. The five Yamas are nonviolence, truth, not stealing, moderation and non-greed or hoarding or to take only what is necessary.

The Niyamas are personal observances. They refer to an attitude that we adopt for ourselves to live soulfully and joyfully no matter our circumstances. The Niyamas include cleanliness, contentment, disciplined use of our energy (keep-



Courtney Conover **GUEST COLUMNIST** 

ing our bodies fit and healthy), self-study or self-reflection and surrender to a higher power.

And that last bit about a higher power refers to whatever God you may already believe in.

And even if you aren't religious, you can still practice yo-

One of the best explanations (I think, anyway) of the last Niyama comes from mindbodygreen.com:

"Surrendering to a God of sorts is like softening to the universal. One does not need to forsake your individual self, just soften it, paying homage to the universal, acknowledging how we are all connected, biologically, chemically and atomically. When we soften our individual self and open a part of ourselves to the universal, we become more open, more connected to everyone and everything. In this place, what we call love has the opportunity to root and spread its pollen wide and afar.

And that, in a nutshell, is why people think of us yogis as hippies. Well, that and our penchant for cross body handbags and quinoa - neither is required, by

the way.

Now let's move along. Myth #2: Yoga is expensive. Sure, there are classes and retreats that can cost more than a monthly mortgage, but attending said practices is in no way necessary. Not only do many studios offer free community classes, Amazon.com is chock full of yoga DVDs - new and used — for less than 10 bucks. (My favorite is Rodney Yee's Yoga for Energy, by the way.)

But I've found that my favorite way to practice is in the confines of my own home. And while props can come in handy (i.e. blocks, bolsters, straps, etc.) during your practice, they are not mandatory.

Here's what you need to practice yoga: A mat. That's basically it. And even that is optional depending on your flooring. Myth #3: You have to be flexible to do yoga.

Baloney. Yoga is for small and big people; short and tall people; young and old people; women and men.

In other words, yoga is — quite literally — for everybody.

Quick story: Long before I became an instructor, back when I was in college and still a yoga newbie, I used to pore over the pages of Yoga Journal magazine and admire all of the accomplished instructors and worldrenowned yogis who were striking intermediate and advanced poses.

I got swept up in the beauty of it all.

But 16 years later, I would discover what is truly beautiful. When one of my students,

who is old enough to be my grandmother, is so dedicated to her practice that she attends class no matter what - and when the time comes to do Warrior II pose, her breath is calm and even, and she is standing taller than anyone else in the

That is beautiful. When another student is able to find peace and comfort in Mountain pose after sitting hunched over at a desk all day.

That is beautiful. And when a yogi decides that today is the day that she will conquer her fear and attempt Shoulder Stand pose, does it, and then cries after the class erupts

in applause. That, my friend, is beautiful. So all together now: You don't have to be flexible to do yoga!

If you can draw breath, you can do yoga. And you can do it beautifully.

Don't let anyone tell you oth-

Wayne resident Courtney Conover is a mom of two, the wife of former Detroit Lions offensive lineman Scott Conover, and a certified yoga instructor. When she's not on her yoga mat, she's blogging at www.thebrowngirlwithlonghair.com

and oversharing on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/ thebrowngirlwithlonghair.

Wish you were here

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar runs in the Observer as space permits. Nonprofit groups and community organizations are welcome to submit news of upcoming events. Include a daytime telephone number and contact person. Email address is: ksmith@hometownlife.com.

## **PRESCHOOL OPEN** HOUSE

Time/date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 18.

**Location:** McKinley Cooperative Preschool, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland.

Details: Open house for McKinley Cooperative Preschool. Contact: Erin Gibbons, 734-729-7222; mckinleypreschool.org.

# SERVSAFE TRAINING

Time/date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 23 and April 30. Location: Holy Cross Church, 30650 Six Mile Road, Livonia

**Details:** Lapeer County Michigan State University Extension is offering Manager Certification classes through the ServSafe program developed by the National Restaurant Association. The cost is \$145. Upon successful completion of an exam, managers will receive a certificate verifying they are a certified ServSafe Food Protection Manager. Participants must attend both sessions.

Contact: 810-667-0341; msue.anr.msu.edu/events.

## **ALICE IN** WONDERLAND

Time/date: 6:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 24-25. Location: Franklin High School,

31000 Joy Road, Livonia Details: Presented by the Livonia Family YMCA featuring 30 children from the community. Tickets available at the door. Adults are \$5, kids under 3 free.

# FREE HEARING, VISION **SCREENING**

Time/date: 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25. Location: Embassy Suites Hotel, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia.

Details: The Lions Clubs of District 11A1 of Lions Club International will offer free hearing and vision screening tests to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis. Free hearing screenings for all ages will take place in Room 150. Free kids vision screenings will take place in Room 151.

## Contact: 313-279-1494. **HEALTHY KIDS DAY**

Time/date: 1-4 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Livonia Family YMCA, 14255 Stark Road, Livonia.

Details: Free games, crafts, bounce house, snacks, and other

fun activities for kids. Contact: 734-261-2161; ymcadetroit.org/livonia.

## **BODY & SPIRIT AEROBICS MARATHON**

Time/date: 1 p.m. Saturday, April 25.

Location: Civic Center Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road,

**Details:** Fundraiser for Angel House to help raise awareness of domestic violence. There is no charge to attend, but refreshments will be sold. Bring floor/ voga mat and hand weights (optional). Registration starts at 1 p.m., the marathon at 2 p.m. For all fitness levels

## Contact: 313-443-7256.

## **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Time/date: 6 p.m. Saturday,

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

Details: Doors open at 6 p.m. and trivia begins promptly at 7 p.m. Preregister for \$20 per team (maximum of four persons). At the door the cost is \$30, if space available. It includes 10 rounds of questions, popcorn, and one food choice for each team. Food choices are four hot dogs and four chips or one pepperoni or cheese pizza from Marina's. Additional food items and beverages (beer, coolers, pop, water, coffee) available for purchase. There will be a 50/50 raffle, mystery prizes, \$100 for first place, \$80 for second place, \$60 for third place and \$20 for last place.

Contact: Kathy Hansen, 734-

## **JAMMIN' TO END FAMINE**

Time/date: 6 p.m. Saturday, April 25.

Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Ply-

**Details:** The Birchler Family is holding its eighth annual concert to end hunger. Tax-deductible tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students and include free pizza. salad bar and a cash bar. All proceeds will go to Kids Against Hunger (www.kidsagainsthungercoalition.com). Tickets are available at the door or by calling 248-722-1820 or emailing tombirchler1@gmail.com.

## **LIFE IN GO SPRING EXPO**

Time/date: 1-6 p.m. Monday, April 27.

Location: VisTaTech Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600

# Haggerty Road, Livonia.

Details: The Observer & Eccentric's 12th annual spring expo for active adults, Life in Go, features a variety of demonstrations and workshops, local business exhibitors, prizes and refreshments.

Learn to live healthy, make wise financial decisions and enhance life to make it the best ever. Admission, parking and refreshments are all free. The first 100 attendees will receive a Buddy's pizza coupon for a free foursquare pizza. In addition, there will also be drawings throughout the afternoon for other prizes

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

Time/date: 1-7 p.m. Monday, April 27.

Location: Monaghan Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Details: All blood donors who attempt to donate will have the opportunity to win a \$100 Meijer Gift Card. Gourmet desserts will be served. Call 313-670-8861 for an appointment or go to www.miblood.org.

## **MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS OPEN HOUSE**

Time/date: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 28 Location: Holy Cross Lutheran

Church, 30650 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia.

**Details:** The Michigan Treasure Hunters will hold its annual open house. There will be a detector raffle, along with coin raffles, and refreshments. Members will display their finds and demonstrate the art of using and learning the detectors and equip-

Contact: marcisbranton195@gmail.com.

# **RUMMAGE SALE**

Time/date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 30; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, May 1, and 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 2.

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Details: Thursday is the preview sale. Admission is \$2 to shop a day early. Saturday, prices will be half off, and a bag (provided) of merchandise is \$3. The rummage sale benefits charitable organizations.

## **COMMUNITY CARNIVAL**

Time/date: April 30-May 10. Location: Sears parking lot, corner of Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads. Livonia

Details: The Livonia A.M. Rotary will hold its annual community carnival to raise money for its many programs supporting the community. Enjoy rides, games

and old-fashioned carnival food.

www.livoniaAMrotary.org before midnight April 29 to save on ride armbands.

## **WORLD LABYRINTH** DAY

Time/date: 3 p.m. Saturday, May 2.

Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile Road, Livonia.

**Details:** The community is invited to "Walk As One" in observance of World Labyrinth Day. The church's beautiful paved, 11-circuit medieval labyrinth is open to the public. Staff will be on hand to facilitate group walks, provide information and answer questions about labyrinths and their use in meditation and prayer. Weather permitting, a canvas, three circuit labyrinth will be available for younger children.

Contact: Lunice Clay, 734-748-

# **CRAFT-VENDOR SHOW**

Time/date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 16.

Location: Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, west of Beech Daily and north of West Chicago, Redford.

Details: The Garden City American Legion Auxiliary Unit 396 will hold a spring craft and vendor show. Admission is \$1 There will be food available and a bake sale. All proceeds will help local military and their families, including veterans. Table space is \$30 for an approximately 8x10 space, with an 8-foot table and two chairs. Indicate on application if electricity is needed. If electricity is needed, there will be an additional \$5 charge.

Contact: Email detnana@sbcglobal.net; 248-477-8594

## LIVONIA KIDS AND **FAMILIES GOLF CLASSIC 2015**

Time/date: 7:30 a.m. Sunday,

Location: The Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Details: All proceeds from the Livonia Kids and Families Golf Classic 2015 benefit Livonia Kids and Families and the Emerson Food Pantry. Registration fee of \$65 includes 18 holes, cart and lunch. The deadline to register is May 7. The game is comprised of an 18 hole, stroke-play, net-score tournament (per Mulligan Tour rules). Amateurs (quests) compete for low amateur honors. There will be longest drive and closest to pin contests. Players will also have an opportunity to

The Kinney Family of Livonia — Mike, Mary, Madalynn and Gwen — vacationed with their Livonia Observer in Clearwater Beach, Fla., for Easter break

enter the toilet shoot and the marshmallow shoot for a chance to win an HDTV.

## Contact: 734-788-4373. **WIDOWED FRIENDS**

Time/date: 5:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, May 20.

Location: G. Subu's, 20300 Farmington Road, Livonia. **Details:** Widowed Friends is a peer support group. Family style

meal is \$20; includes tax and tip. Must RSVP by May 14. Contact: 313-562-3080; 313-565-

## **SENIOR ALL-NIGHT** PARTY

Time/date: 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 28.

Location: Stevenson High School, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

# New coach brings strong resume to Wayne

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

High school football coaching credentials don't get much better than those compiled by Donald Anderson, who was named Wayne Memorial's third head coach in the past three seasons earlier this month.

Anderson succeeds Tim Finnerty, who resigned after leading the Zebras to a 2-7 record following three consecutive winless seasons.

Following a record-setting career as a defensive back at Purdue University from 1981-84, Anderson was drafted in the second round of the 1985 NFL Draft by the Indianapolis Colts.

He later played professionally for San Francisco and Tampa Bay before embarking on a 20-years-plus high school coaching career in Detroit Public School League.

The high school teams Anderson helped coach racked up seven state playoff berths, two district championships and three PSL titles.

Anderson had 11 career interceptions at Purdue, which tied a since-broken record with former teammate and future NFL hall-of-famer Rod Woodson.

"We had a good turnout when we met with the kids for the first time," said Anderson, who lives in Westland with his wife Sheila. "The No. 1 thing the kids want to see is

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Donald Anderson was hired earlier this month as the new head football coach at Wayne Memorial High School.

## PERSEVERANCE PERSONIFIED



SAN JOSE SHARKS

Livonia native Bryan Lerg is congratulated by his San Jose Sharks teammates after scoring a goal in his NHL debut last week,

Lerg's long, enduring path to NHL pays off with amazing results

By Ed Wright

Of the 6,711 goals scored during the 2014-15 National Hockey League's recentlycompleted regular season, none packed more chillsdown-your-spine emotion than the one Bryan Lerg whistled past Edmonton goalie Laurent Brossoit with 2:52 left in San Jose's 3-1 victory over the Oilers on April 9.

Coming at the end of an otherwise meaningless contest - both teams had already

been eliminated from the playoffs - the game-winning lamp-lighter couldn't have been more meaning ful for Lerg, the 29-year-old Livonia

native playing in his first NHL game following eight seasons in the minors, two knee surgeries (one on each knee) and way too many late-

Lerg

night bus rides. "I had been playing on the fourth line the entire game," recounted Lerg Tuesday afternoon. "There was a face-off with just over three minutes left and coach tells me I'm going in to play with Logan Couture's line for

one shift. Fifteen seconds later, Logan slides me a pass, I score and, well, words cannot explain how I felt.

"I heard Logan talking to the press after the game and he said it's one of the most exciting goals he's ever been a part of, just because of what I've gone through to get here. He's a superstar, so for him to say something like that was amazing."

As dramatic as his Disneyesque goal proved to be, the phone call Lerg made four days earlier to let his parents (Dan and Debbie) know that he was being called up from the Sharks' AHL affiliate in Worcester, Mass., was equally thrilling.

"On Easter Sunday, about 6

p.m., I get a call from my [Worcester] coach and he tells me I'm going up," Lerg shared. "I told him, 'You better not be [messing] with me!' He laughed and said, 'Hey, it's your time."

Moments later, the phone rings at Dan and Debbie Lerg's new residence near downtown Plymouth.

"My dad answers the phone, I tell him the news and all I can hear is him screaming 'He got called up! He got called up!'," Lerg reflected. "My aunt and uncle were there, and I can hear everybody screaming in the background.

"It was just such a special

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# **HOCKEY FUNDRAISER**

# First Coaches vs. Cancer game a winner

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

As far as meeting expectations, Saturday's inaugural Coaches vs. Cancer charity hockey game at Eddie Edgar Arena was twice as nice.

Close to 600 spectators turned out to cheer on the two featured teams, who consisted of current and former Livonia Hockey Association coaches.

The pink team pulled out a thrilling 12-11 victory in overtime, but the final score took a back-seat to the final amount of money raised for the St. Jude's Children's Hos-

pital's pediatric unit. "We were expecting to raise around \$5,000, but we nearly doubled that, so we exceeded our original goal, for sure," said Eddie Edgar arena manager Justin Feldman, who helped orchestrate the event along with members of the arena's staff. "All of the feedback I've receive from players and spectators has been overwhelmingly

positive, so I'm pretty sure we're going to do it again next

The feel-good event was spearheaded by Eddie Edgar employee Jason Bruce, who is battling colon cancer.

"Jason's son plays football in Walled Lake and his team held a similar fundraiser last fall," said Feldman.

Each of the 40-plus skaters were representing a family member or close friend who

has battled cancer. An outpouring of donations and volunteerism made the event a success, Feldman emphasized.

The LHA paid for the players' jerseys and socks in addition to making an additional financial donation. Senate Coney Island and Mexican Fiesta were other Observerland-area businesses who made significant contribu-

"The refs worked the game for free; everybody pitched

in," Feldman added.
There was no admission fee to the game. Money was



Wearing purple and pink jerseys, current and former Livonia Hockey Association coaches squared off in Saturday's Coaches vs. Cancer fund-raising game at Eddie Edgar Arena.

raised by monetary donations and from a 50/50 raffle.

Along with witnessing an exciting game, fans got to watch former Detroit Red Wing John Ogrodnick take turns skating for each of the

Jerry Brown netted the

game-winner in OT for the pink squad.

"The crowd was really into the entire game, but especially in overtime," Feldman said. "They were cheering every shot and save.'

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# Blazers win in lacrosse

Junior Jillian Jacobs and sophomore Colleen Barnes each tallied four goals Monday as Livonia Ladywood earned its first girls lacrosse victory of the season with a 20-2 Catholic League win at Ann Arbor Gabriel Rich-

The Blazers, who raced to a 13-2 halftime lead, also got offensive production from junior Nicole Reece (three goals, three assists); senior Danielle Dwyer (three goals); senior Jaclyn Mullen and freshman Sydney Pilut (two goals each); freshmen Julianne Snyder and Kirsten Karwan (one goal apiece).

Olivia Macarelli and Lauren Layden scored for the Fighting Irish.

Junior goalie Aliya Grandison made four saves for the Blazers, who improved to 1-3 overall and 1-0 in the league.

"We just got back today from our Easter break and I was very happy with our play," Ladywood coach Kris Sanders said. "We had an opportunity to work on many facets of our game both as a team and individually. It's a great win when everyone contributes.'

# **MU** softball team thriving

Mikey Kish and Erin Combs were two of the big reasons why the Madonna University women's softball team remains tied for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Con-

ference race. Kish went 3-for-4, including a pair of 2-run homers, while Combs threw a complete-game 6-hitter as the Crusaders, who stand 24-9-1 overall, gained a split of their double-header Sunday in Grand Rapids with a 7-2 win against No. 16-ranked Davenport University at the Farmers Complex.

Davenport, which captured the opener 2-0 behind the 4-hit pitching of Emily Maves (16-3), is 28-6 overall and 8-2 in the WHAC (tied with MU).

Maves struck out six and walked only one, while losing pitcher Bree Crampton (11-6) gave up two runs on five hits and three walks while striking out five in six innings.

Alyssa Eastman went 2-for-2 with an RBI, while KC Dunne drove in the other run for the Panthers.

Eastman (11-3), the Davenport starter, took the loss in the nightcap as she allowed five earned runs on six hits in 3\% innings.

Combs (13-3), who earned WHAC Pitcher of the Week honors for the second time this season. struck out three and walked three to collect the victory.

Morgan Kaiser also chipped in offensively going 3-for-3 with an RBI. Bri Giordano also knocked in a run.

On Saturday, the host Crusaders (23-8-1, 7-1) swept a twinbill against Cornerstone University, 9-3 and 7-0.

In the opener, Morgan Kaiser went 4-for-4 with two RBI, while Erin Combs went 2-for-3, including her first homer of the season to go along with

Kasey Trierweiler also went 3-for-3 with an RBI, while Mikey Kish contributed two hits as the Crusader racked up 15 hits.

Winning pitcher Bree Crampton (11-5) victory scattered seven hits without a walk and struck out

Alexsandra Szajna homered for the Golden Ea-

In the nightcap, Combs (12-3) threw a 4-hitter in a 7-0 victory. She struck out five and walked only one. She also helped her own cause with a pair of doubles and an RBI.

Kish also collected two hits and three RBI, while Emma Cook, Bri Giordano and Trierweiler also knocked in runs.

**TRACK & FIELD PREVIEW** 

# Chargers off to running start in KLAA South

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

It did not take long for Livonia Churchill's girls track-and-field team to turn the tables on Plymouth, which was the Chargers' No. 1 nemesis last season in the KLAA South Division.

In its only pre-spring break dual meet, the Chargers sprinted past the Wildcats two weeks ago - a victory that veteran head coach Patrick Daugherty hopes will set the tone for the weeks to come.

"I wouldn't call it revenge," Daugherty said of the triumph over the Wildcats, "but they beat us last year for the first time ever, so it was a nice

"Our strength again this year should be our distance crew. We should be pretty good in the 800

The Chargers' cast of talented distance runners is compelling, thanks to the presence of twin standouts Kathleen and Caroline George, and two-sport athletes Addison Mussen and Hailey Pampreen, who will compete in soccer and track this spring.

"Addison is freshman, but she has run our fastest mile so far (5 minutes, 33 seconds)," Daugherty noted. "She'll miss a few meets due to conflicts with soccer, but we're expecting her there about 75 percent of the time.

"Even though Caroline and Kathleen are twins, they have completely



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Pictured (from left) are Churchill track-and-field leaders Chanel Gardner, Lauren Kucharczyk, Odilichukwu Onwudiwe and Samantha Haddad.

different running styles. They're competitive with each other, but in a good

way."
The Chargers expect big point production from another two-sport athlete: sophomore 800meter standout Megan Gendjar, who also plays

club volleyball in the spring.

"First of all, she's a very good athlete," Daugherty said, when asked what makes Gendjar so effective. "She's a very competitive person,

Among the Chargers'

best hurdlers is freshman Mikalia Murphy.

The team's top sprinters are junior Chanel Gardner, who set personal-best times in the 100, 200 and 400 against Plymouth, and senior Odilichukwu Onwudiwe, who excels in the 100 and

Junior Gabby Carter gives the Chargers a chance to pile up points in the throwing events. She's already thrown the discus 107 feet, five inches, and the shot 35 feet.

Junior Olivia Ryktarsyk has established herself as one of the area's top pole vaulters after clearing 10 feet as a sophomore.

Senior Juliet Hope serves as the Chargers' best jumper - both long and high.

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# THE WEEK **AHEAD**

PREP BASEBALL Thursday, April 16 Thurston at Detroit Edison, 4:30 p.m. Thurston at Detroit Edison, 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 17 Churchill at S.L. East, 4 p.m. Franklin at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Luth. Westland at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. John Glenn at Stevenson, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 18 Churchill at W.L. Central, 11 a.m. Lincoln Park at Franklin, 11 a.m. Stevenson, vs Woodhaven (2) 11 a.m. Stevenson vs. Woodhaven (2), 11 a.m. PREP SOFTBALL Thursday, April 16 Franklin at Belleville (2) 4 p.m. Crestwood at RU, 4 p.m. Thurston at Detroit Edison, 4:30 p.m. psilanti at Garden City, 4 p.m Friday, April 17
John Glenn at Stevenson (2), 4 p.m. Churchill at S.L. East, 4 p.m. Regina at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m. Regina at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m. Franklin at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Luth. Westland at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. Truman at Garden City, 4 p.m. Stevenson vs. John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Saturday, April 18 Ladywood vs. Gabriel Richard, 10 a.m. Garden City at Big Reds Clash, 9 a.m. Mercy Invitational, TBA GIRLS SOCCER Thursday, April 16 Churchill at Franklin, 7 p.m. Ladywood at Bishop Foley, 7:30 p.m. Clarenceville at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Friday, April 17 Stevenson at Divisor Child 5 p.m. Stevenson at Divine Child, 6 p.m. Dearborn at Churchill, 5:30 p.m. W.L. Western at Franklin, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 18
Ladywood at Salem, 1 p.m.
Thurston at Trojan Invite, 9 a.m.
TRACK & FIELD Thursday, April 16 Annapolis at Clarenceville, 4 p.m. Thurston at RU, 3:30 p.m. Edsel Ford at Garden City, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18
Patriot Relays, 9 a.m.
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Thursday, April 16
Wayne at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Churchill at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
RU at Thurston, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 17
Garden City at Franklin, 4 p.m.
RU at Ferndale, 4 p.m.
Northville at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 18 Saturday April 18 Livonia City Tournament at Stevenson, 8:30

**COLLEGE BASEBALL** 

# Madonna sweeps Saints in four-game set

It was a clean sweep of a four-game weekend set for the Madonna University baseball team against Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference foe Aquinas College.

On Sunday, the thirdplace Crusaders improved to 27-11 overall and 17-4 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference winning both ends of a doubleheader at Ilitch Ballpark, 5-0 and 1-0 (in 10 innings).

Adam Prashad (5-1), who who earned his second WHAC Pitcher of the Week honor, went all nine innings allowing just three hits, while walking onlyone and recording a career-high 13 strikeouts.

Shane Dokey led MU's 9-hit attack going 3-for-4 with an RBI, while Ryan Lambrecht went 2-for-4 with an

The Crusaders then won the second game as three pitchers combined on a five-hit shutout with reliever Dylan Cooper throwing a scoreless seventh to pick up his first win.

Starter Todd Jones went the first six innings allowing just three without a run. Bobby St. Pierre then pitched three scoreless while allowing two hits.

Dokey went 3-for-4 and scored the gamewinning run in the bottom of the 10th on John Lauro's single.

The two losses dropped Aquinas to 12-21 overall and 7-14 in the WHAC.

On Saturday, MU swept the Saints twice at home, 8-2 and 4-2, as Evan Piechota (Livonia Stevenson) went all nine innings in the opener recording a career-high 13 strikeouts. He gave up just three hits and walked only two while

improving to 5-1. Offensively, MU was led by Lauro (3-for-5, two RBI); Dokey (2for-5, RBI); Lambrecht (2-for-5, three runs); and

Matt Deneau (2-for-4). In the nightcap, sophomore left-hander Alex DeYonker (Livonia

Franklin) tossed six

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strong innings allowing just one run on two hits and a walk. He struck out six before giving way to St. Pierre in the seventh, who picked up his first save despite giving up three hits and

a run. Taylor Grzelakowski's 2-run homer in the fourth inning was the big blow, while Mike Tibbits also knocked in a

## CITY OF WESTLAND SPECIAL ELECTION May 5, 2015

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of Wayne: Notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held in the City of Westland on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time a state-wide ballot initiative will be presented stating - PROPOSAL 15-1 - A proposal to amend the State Constitution to increase the sales/use tax from 6% to 7% to replace and supplement reduced revenue to the School Aid Fund and local units of government caused by the elimination of the sales/use tax on gasoline and diesel fuel for vehicles operating on public roads, and to give effect to laws that provide additional money for roads and other transportation purposes by increasing the gas tax and vehicle registration fees. The proposed constitutional amendment would: eliminate sales/use taxes on gasoline/diesel fuel for vehicles on public roads; increase portion of use tax dedicated to School Aid Fund (SAF); expand use of SAF to community colleges and career/technical education, and prohibit use for 4-year colleges/universities; give effect to laws, including those that: increase sales/use tax to 7%, as authorized by constitutional amendment, increase gasoline/diesel fuel tax and adjust annually for inflation, increase vehicle registration fees, and dedicate revenue for roads and other transportation purposes, expand competitive bidding and warranties for road projects, increase earned income tax credit. Should this proposal be adopted? YES or NO

The places of voting for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 will be as follows:

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The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on said day of election. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote. Voting sites are ADA compliant.

A sample of the ballot may be obtained at the City of Westland City Clerk's Office or on the internet at Michigan.gov/vote

Registrations to vote will be accepted in the following locations:

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 7 4/6/15

Presiding: President Godbout

Present: Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Johnson, Kehrer, Reeves 43: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 3/16/15.

- Appr. Art Van tent sale 5/7-18 & 7/30-8/15/15.

- Appr. Kroger 691 "Garden Center" 4/20/15 – 6/30/15.

Appr. Bid for Jefferson Barns -Trade Svcs. to AMO Mgt., amt. not to exceed \$94,087. - Appr. Bid for Jefferson Barns IT Svcs. to AMO Mgt., amt. not to exceed \$21,978, Telecom Technicians, amt. not to exceed \$24,213, & Actron systems, amt. not to exceed \$61,357. - Appr. Bid for Central City Ok Handicap Access Bridge to World Classs Landscape, amt. not

to exceed \$20,471. - Appr. 1 yr. contract w/Integrys Energy for natural gas; rate \$3.69 per MCF. - Appr. IGA w/Wayne County for improvements to Lions Pavilion; clarifying total grant allocation amt. of \$50,495.

- Adopt Budget Amendment 2015-07; Library Fund \$30,000.

44: Appr. checklist: \$ 7,153,125.23. Mtg. adj. at 8:04 p.m.

Minutes available in the Clerk's Office. James Godbout

Council President Publish: April 16, 2015

Eileen DeHart-Schoof, CMC City Clerk

## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne

Case #2195, Proposed Land Division, Parcel #082-99-0009-003, South of Annapolis Avenue, West of Middlebelt Road, City of Westland)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 6, 2015.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting

Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman Westland Planning Commission



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**HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL PREVIEW** 

# Zebras fortified with experienced nucleus of players

Four-year varsity player Harnos leads Wayne Memorial

> **By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

The transition for first-year Wayne Memorial baseball coach Larry Lankton has been made easier thanks to the return of six seniors and several other first-year varsity players he knows well after coaching the

Zebras' junior-varsity team in 2014.

"It always helps taking over a team when you have a lot of kids with varsity experience, like we do this season,' said Lankton.

The Zebras, who won just one game last spring, will rely heavily on multi-talented senior shortstop Tyler Harnos, who can pitch, play shortstop and serve as the team's No. 3 or 4

"This is Tyler's fourth year on varsity, and it

shows," said Lankton. "He's a very smoothfielding shortstop, he's our one or two pitcher and he's probably our best hitter. He's a very smart player.

"He's not extremely vocal, but he's an excellent lead-by-example guy - and he's a 4.0 student.'

Other key hurlers for Wayne will be senior Beau Smith, who will most likely play third baseman when he's not on the mound, and sophomore Brendan Benton, who is a slick second

baseman, too. Junior Jacob Griffith

can pitch and play the outfield equally well, while the mound staff will be bolstered by the presence of two southpaws: sophomores Devin Pucket and Kent Good-

'They're both smart players who have played a lot of travel ball," Lankton said of Pucket and Goodling. "Devin is a switch-hitter who will lead off for us. Kent is a wise, crafty pitcher. He won't strike out a lot of

guys, but he's great at hitting his spots."

The bulk of the catching duties will be handled by senior Jimmy Hernon, who is headed to Albion College later this year to play soccer and baseball.

"Jimmy has a strong, accurate arm," Lankton

He'll be backed up by junior Nick Rudy, who was promoted to the varsity last year toward the latter stages of the season.

Senior Kyle Gruich is

a stellar defensive first baseman who also carries some pop at the

"Kyle is a big, strong kid who can really dig out balls in the dirt at

first," said Lankton.

Other key players during Lankton's debut season as Wayne's head strategist include sophomore Brandon Przybyla, senior Angelo Wiggins, sophomore Brian Strutpa and juniors Jack Dejack and Conner Weber.

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PREP BASEBALL PREVIEW

# Chargers getting healthy at right time

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

The only sight more welcoming than melting snow earlier this spring for the Livonia Churchill baseball team was its disappearing disabled

Although still not 100 percent healthy, the Chargers are much stronger than they were a few months ago when serious injuries sidelined senior standouts Steven Szymanski (fractured wrist) and Jack Behen (broken ankle).

Szymanski, who is perhaps the team's best all-around player, will be limited to playing shortstop for at least the early portion of Churchill's schedule, while Behen, a hard-hitting first baseman, has been cleared to resume full activity after successfully rehabbing his lower-leg injury.

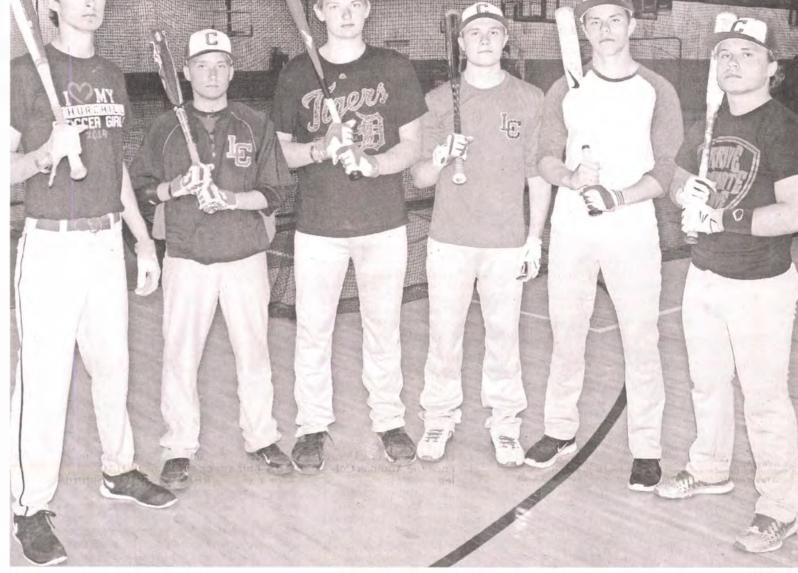
Both players sat out the team's lone prespring break game against Northville.

"Steven was probably our hardest-throwing pitcher and our best hitter, so we'll miss him in those areas, at least until he's healthy enough to resume pitching and hitting," said Churchill head coach Ron Targosz, whose team finished 17-12 in 2014. "Starting out the season, he'll just play short for us, which is huge because he plays the position well and it allows us to play other guys in their natural positions.

"Getting Jack back is huge, too, for us because he's a top-of-the-lineup kind of hitter and he's a solid first baseman.

Along with its versatility, Targosz likes his team's work ethic.

"The thing I like best about this team is that it's made up of a good group of hard-working kids," he said. "Our junior varsity team went 21-9 last year, so we have some good players moving up to varsity from that team, but you never



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Pictured (from left) are Livonia Churchill baseball team seniors Connor Pawlak, Mitch James, Rob Copciac, Jack Behen, Nate Guzowski and Dylan Padget.

know how the transition will work out.'

The Chargers' three top pitchers - senior Rob Copciac and juniors Jon Hovermale and James Rintala - are clear cut: however, where they will fall in the rotation is still up in the air.

"We'll see as the season wears on where they fall as being one, two or three," said Targosz. "Rob is a hard thrower who throws strikes. He was one of our top pitchers last year, so his experience will be a plus for

us.
"This is Jon's third year on varsity, so there aren't many situations he hasn't seen. He didn't pitch a lot his freshman vear, but he started a lot of division games for us last year. He changes speeds well and he's

smart. 'James was one of our top throwers on JV last vear. I'm confident he can come in and do the job.

Speedy junior Matt Jones, the son of former Major League player

Chipper Jones, will serve a late-innings role on the mound, but his most significant contributions will be as the primary third baseman and leadoff hitter.

"Matt can also play second and short, so he's a valuable player for us," said Targosz.

The catching duties will be shared – at least early on - by senior Dylan Padget and junior Joe Hattley.

"They'll rotate a lot early, at least until one of them wins the job," said

Targosz.

Joining Behen on the right side of the infield will be senior second baseman Mitch James.

Depending on who is pitching, the outfield will be occupied by a combination of Hovermale, Rintala, junior Joe Louden, who has a dangerous left-handed swing, senior Nate Guzowski, who will see significant time in right, and senior Connor Pawlak, who can also

Junior Sean Kondra, a high-level hockey player, will pitch and play first base, while junior Griffin Riley is a solid middle infielder and relief pitcher.

The lone underclassman on the roster, sophomore Noah Cross, will provide sufficient power based on the four home runs (and six balls he hit off the fence) he launched for the Chargers' JV team last spring.

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PREP BASEBALL ROUNDUP

# Shamrocks clip Stevenson, 8-7

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central roared to a 6-0 lead against visiting Livonia Stevenson Tuesday afternoon before holding on for an 8-7 victory.

Jordon Jenkins was the hero for the Shamrocks as he laced a game-winning double in the bottom of the seventh inning to plate Dante Toppi.

Sam Hollenbeck earned the win for CC after retiring the only batter he faced in the top of the seventh.

Hitting stars for the Spartans included Jack Ferguson and CJ Breen, both of whom went 2for-3 with two runs scored.

Nate Bunton suffered the mound loss for Stevenson after yielding one run and three hits in an inning and some change

The loss left the Spartans' record at 2-3. CC improved to 3-6.

## John Glenn sweeps **Dearborn**

The Rockets improved to 4-3 Monday afternoon after taking both ends of a twinbill against the Pioneers, 13-3 and 12-4.

Kyle Smith earned the victory in the first game, throwing a sixinning complete game. He struck out four while scattering four hits and three walks.

Offensively, the Rockets were propelled by Brian Martin (2-for-5, two RBI), Bernard Snell (three RBI) and Kevin Brewer, who added two

Jordan Fuchs tossed a complete-game gem in the nightcap, limiting the Pioneers to two earned runs and three hits while fanning six in five frames (the game was halted early due to darkness).

Zach Croft (2-for-3, two RBI, two runs), Reed Zielinski (2-for-2, RBI) and Brewer (2-for-3. three RBI) all hit well for the winners.

## **RU**, Wayne split twinbill.

Solid pitching from Beau Smith (4.2 innings, four runs, four hits, four strikeouts) led Wayne Memorial to a 16-4 victory in the first game of a double-header played

RU bounced back to win the nightcap, 7-4.

Senior Tyler Harnos was a beast at the plate for the Zebras, going 4-for-4 with two doubles, three RBI and three runs. Other key contributors were Jimmy Hernon (3-for-4, two RBI), Brendon Benton (1-for-3, three RBI) and Smith, who helped his own cause with three walks, two RBI and three runs.

Vinnie Diaz and Brandon Pratt both went 2-for-2 for the Panthers.

Brendan Kerkhoff was the winning pitcher for RU in game two. Offensively, the Panthers were powered by Tyler Collard and Diaz, both of whom laced a pair of hits. Brendan McGurk added a two-run double.

Harnos (3-for-3), Hernon ((2-for-4) and Jack DeJack (2-for-4) played well for Wayne.

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commitment from us, and at the same time, we need to see commitment from them. They've heard the rah-rah speeches before; now they want some stability, which we intend to bring to the program.

Anderson has assembled a sterling staff of assistant coaches, including former Public School League head coaches Charles Spann and Mike Marshall.

Among Anderson's early coaching mentors was a young Purdue graduate assistant who has since gone on to build a national power at Michigan State University.

"Coach [Mark] Dantonio worked with me a lot on a one-on-one basis when I was a freshman at Purdue," he reflected. "He really helped me get going. Vernon Brown Sr. had a big impact on me,

Anderson said he will base his offensive scheme on the team's returning personnel.

One key component who won't be returning is 6-foot-6 quarterback Joe Bob Walker, who transferred to Farmington Hills Harrison during the offseason.

"The way I look at it." Anderson said, when asked about Walker, "is that I don't miss something I never had. He had to do what was best for him, and we're moving on

with what we have." Anderson, a former 100-yard dash champion, has hit the ground running at Wayne. On Tuesday afternoon, the school's weight room was buzzing with activity, preparing for

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the 2015 season.

TRACK & FIELD ROUNDUP

# **Churchill girls out-distance Wayne Memorial**

Canton edges Livonia Franklin boys squad

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

The Livonia Churchill girls track-and-field team upped its record to 2-0 Tuesday with a 118-18 victory over Wayne Memorial. The Chargers picked up first-place points in every event but two and had multiple first-place performers.

Chanel Gardner continued her strong start by winning the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes.

Gabby Carter was a double-winner for Churchill in the throws, which the Chargers swept

thanks to strong complementary efforts from Missy Fular and Elizabeth Schenk.

Lauren Kucharczyk was too much for her Wayne opposition in 100 highs, winning in 18.4 seconds, just ahead of teammates Mikalia Murphy (19.7) and Payton

Lenard (21.3).
CHURCHILL 118, WAYNE 18
Tuesday at Churchill
Discus: 1. Gabby Carter (LC), 109 feet, 5 inches; 2. Missy Fular (LC), 76-2; 3. Donte Woodget (LC), 73-2.
Shot put: 1. Carter (LC), 35-2.25; 2.
Elizabeth Schenk (LC), 29-11; 3. Fular (LC), 28-8.5. High jump: 1. Juliet Hope (LC), 4-6; 2.

Sydney Wynn (LC), 4-4. Long jump: 1. Emma Rimanzki (LC), 14-9; 2. Hope (LC), 14-9; 3. Oksana Glover

(LC), 13-5. **Pole vault:** 1. Olivia Ryktarsyk (LC), 10-6; 2. Elizabeth Schenk (LC), 9-6; 3. Ashley Rebain (LC), 8-0.

Rebain (LC), 8-0.

3,200-meter relay: 1. Churchill (Addison Mussen, Caroline George, Kathleen George, Christina Murphy),

10:18.7.

100 hurdles: 1. Lauren Kucharczyk (LC), 18.4; 2. Mikalia Murphy (LC), 19.7; 3. Payton Lenard (LC), 21.3.

100 dash: 1. Chanel Gardner (LC), 12.4; 2. A. Battle (WM), 12.7; 3. Odili Onwudiwe (LC), 13.2.

(LC), 13.2.

800 relay: 1. Churchill (Rimantzki, Lumetta, Onwudiwe, Gardner), 1:51.1; 2. Wayne, 1:55.

1,600 rum: 1. Kathleen George (LC), 5:43.5; 2. Murphy (LC), 5:45.9; 3. Caroline George (LC), 5:48.6.

400 relay: 1. Churchill (Rimanzki, Lumetta, Onwudiwe, Talisha Smalls), 54 seconds; 2. Wayne, 54.8.

400 dash: 1. Gardner (LC), 1:00.4; 2. Kourtney Strong (LC), 1:06.4; 3. K. Lee (WM).

(WM). **300 hurdles:** 1. Mikalia Murphy (LC), 55.3; 2. Kucharczyk (LC), 58.0; 3. Lenard (LC), 1:00.4, **800 run:** 1. J. Leigh (WM), 2:38.2; 2. Caroline George (LC), 2:48.2. **200 dash:** 1. Gardner (LC), 28.1; 2. A. Battle (WM), 28.4; 3. Onwudiwe (LC), 28.5. **3,200 run:** 1. Kathleen George (LC); 2. Christina Murphy (LC); 3. Gabrielle Swider

(LC). 1,600 relay: 1. Wayne, 4:28.0; 2. Churchill, 4:38.1.
FRANKLIN 99, CANTON 38

Tuesday at Franklin Pole vault: 1. Grace Grimes (C), 7-6; 2. Emma Witherspoon (LF), 7-6; 3. Jenna Jacobs (LF), 6-6. **High jump:** 1. Julie Wonch (LF), 5-0; 2. Ryan Sparks (C), 4-10; 3. Briauna Thompson

Shot put: 1. Emily Meier (C), 40-0.5; 2. Sophia Modes (LF), 32-4.5; 3. Pipe Schlief

(LF), 28-8. Discus: 1. Emily Meier (C), 121-0; 2. Sophia Modes (LF), 89-2; 3. Alexis Browning (LF), 83-6. Long jump: 1. Mikaela Hille (LF), 14-4; 2. Shamya Butler (C), 12-9.25; 3. Stephanie Cox (C), 12-6.

Cox (C), 12-6.

3,200 relay: 1. Franklin (Natalie Douglas, Mandy Pokryfky, Ellary Marano, Katlyn Kovach), 10:49.8.

100 hurdles: 1. Aubrey Mavin (LF), 16.8; 2. Nikki Hawthorne (LF), 18.0; 3. Leah

Snyder (C), 18.4. 100 dash: 1. Bryah White (LF), 12.6; 2. Jessica Krone (LF), 13.4; 3. Victoria Richardson (LF), 13.5. 800 relay: 1. Franklin (White, Jenna Jacobs, Mikaela Hille, Julie Wonch), 1:51.4;

1,600 run: 1. Natalie Douglas (LF), 5:47.4;

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2. Ellary Marano (LF), 5:50.1; 3. Camryn Zurawski (LF), 6:04.6.

400 relay: 1. Franklin (Aubrey Mavin, Jenna Jacobs, Victoria Richardson, Brya White), 52.7; 2. Canton, 54.5.

400 dash: 1. Wonch (LF), 1:03.0; 2. Mikaela Hille (LF), 1:05.8; 3. Samantha McGrath (C), 1:06.9.

300 hurdles: 1 Aubrey Mavin (LF), 51.2

2. Ryan Sparks (C), 53.7; 3. Nikki Haw-thorne (LF), 2:47.6. **800 run:** 1. Douglas (LF), 2:43.3; 2. Elaine Bradlee (C), 2:45.1; 3. Katelyn Kovach (LF), 2:47.6.

200 dash: 1. Bryah White (LF), 26.8; 2. **3,200 run:** 1. Ellary Marano (LF), 12:49.6; 2. Mandy Pokryfky (LF), 13:00.0; 3. Allison

2. Midnuy Punyiny (c. ), Putz (C), 13:23:2. **1,600 relay:** 1. Franklin (Hille, Kovach, Mavin, Wonch), 4:30.8; 2. Canton, 4:38.9.

Mavin, Wonch), 4:30.8; 2. Canton, 4:38.9. BOY'S RESULT'S CANTON 73, FRANKLIN 64 Tuesday at Franklin Shot put: 1. Colin Caffisch (C), 41-6; 2. Bobby Madley (LF), 40-8; 3. Davion Jackson (LF), 40-3.5. Discus: 1. Dan Domzalski (LF), 116-11; 2. Caffisch (C), 112-10.5; 3. Bobby Madley (LF),

Pole vault: 1. Ted Lang (C), 13-0; 2. Andrew Koenigknecht (C), 11-6; 3. Derek T

**1,600 relay:** 1. Franklin (Smiley, Hogg, Rodgers, Jones), 3:39.6; 2. Canton, 3:40.5

Long jump: 1. Brett Lee (C), 17-7; 2. Ted Lang (C), 17-1.5; 3. Orozco (C), 16-11.5. High jump: 1. Alec MacDonald (C), 6-0; 2. Brett Lee (C), 5-8; 3. Koenigsknecht (C),

3-3. **200 relay:** 1. Franklin (Grant Rudd, Gage Wheeler, Tony Floyd, Keenan Jones), 8:45.90; 2. Canton, 8:46.90. **110 hurdles:** 1. Vaunado (C), 15.9; 2. leremy Sheppard (LF), 16.0; 3. Pelland (C),

**100 dash:** 1. Davis (C), 11.2; 2. Brandon Smiley (LF), 11.3; 3. Alan Jones (C), 11.3. **800 relay:** 1. Canton, 1:32.40; 2. Franklin (Matt Wirick, Randy Murawski, Sheppard,

(Matt Wirick, Randy Murawski, Sheppard, Quay Calhoun), 1:38.30.

1,600 run: 1. Jones (LF), 4:59.9; 2. Nathan McCall (LF), 5:00.30; 3. Floyd (LF), 5:00.7.

400 relay: 1. Franklin (Wirick, Smiley, Shepparde, Nathan Rodgers), 44.7; 2.

Canton, 44.9.

400 dash: 1. Moraw (C), 53.0; 2. Thornhill

400 dash: 1. Moraw (C), 53.0; 2. Thornhill (C), 53.5; 3. Pennock (C), 55.2. 300 hurdles: 1. Pelland (C), 44.3; 2. Ian Hogg (IF), 44.7; 3. Eastman (C), 45.0. 800 run: 1. Jones (IF), 2:06.80; 2. Ammar Chishti (C), 2:07.40; 3. Bruchnak (C), 2:10.3. 200 dash: 1. Rodgers (IF), 22.5; 2. Davis (IF), 22.5; 3. Alan Jones (C), 22.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.54.20; 2. Misselen (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.54.20; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.54.20; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 10.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12.6. 3.200 run: 1. McCall (IF), 12.55.10; 2. Clask (C), 12. Clask (C), 12. Clask (C), 12. Clask (C), 1 Wheeler (LF), 10:55.10; 3. Clark (C),

PREP SOFTBALL

# Patriots edge Cougars in 8

Garbarino's walk-off sacrifice fly is game-winner

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin's softball team displayed resilience and offensive clout during Tuesday afternoon's 13-12, eightinning walk-off victory over visiting Garden City.

After Garden City rallied from a 9-3 deficit with seven runs in the sixth and two more in the seventh to seize a 12-9 advantage, Franklin scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh before plating the game-winner in the bottom of the eighth when Brooke Garbarino's sacrifice fly scored Becky Giacobbi, who led off the frame with a single and advanced to third on Ashley Kent's

single.
"We showed much determination after losing a 9-3 lead and then falling behind 12-9 in the seventh," said Franklin head coach Linda Jimenez. "Everyone stayed positive and battled. Defensively in the top of the eighth, we got two key runners out at second base. Our bench was very supportive the entire game."

Senior Megan Chapman earned the win for the Patriots with two innings of solid relief. Starting pitcher Alaina DeFrain gave up nine earned runs and 10 hits while striking out two over the first six innings. DeFrain walked 10, including six Cougars in the seven-run sixth.

Giacobbi finished

with three singles, three runs and an RBI, while Kent ripped three hits. walked twice and scored four runs.

Garbarino three hits included a two-run home run in the first inning. Chapman, Tara Trujillo and Sarah Cramton had two hits each for Franklin.

The second game of the double-header was stopped in the third inning with the Patriots on top, 5-4. The game won't be finished or counted in either team's record.

## **Churchill triumphs**

Victoria Lupher's two-run home run in the second inning lit the fuse for the Chargers in their 16-3 landslide victory over host Edsel

Ford Tuesday afternoon. Lupher's fence-clearing no-doubter helped make a winner out of starting pitcher Madison Christiansen, who gave up just three hits and one run over the first three innings. Freshman Paige Hansen pitched the final three innings for the Chargers, striking out three while yielding five hits.

Churchill's big innings were the second and the sixth when they scored six runs both times.

Lupher finished 2for-3 with four RBI. Other big hitters for the winners were Brooke Hansen, who launched a two-run double in her only at-bat; Rachel Mattison, who went 3-for-5, with three runs and three RBI; and Melanie

**ABSTRACT** 

WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-07 **April 7, 2015** 

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne Activity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. MEMBERS PRESENT: Monit, Damitio, Rowe, Rhaesa, James, Miller. MEMBERS ABSENT: Hawley. APPROVED: minutes of reg.

mtg. of March 17; study session for 4/11/15 at 9:00 a.m. at Library; special meeting for 5/4/15 at 7:00 p.m. due to election; purchase a plotter for B&E on emergency basis; rental of Zamboni;

Richardson, who went

Christiansen helped her own cause with a 3-for-3 day at the dish.

# **GC topples RU**

Garden City scored four runs in each of the first three innings to build a commanding lead against Redford Union. The Cougars ultimately closed the deal with a 14-1 triumph.

Cashimere Jones struck out two in a losing cause for the Panthers. Sophie Kanar reached base on a walk, stole second and third bases before scoring on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Kiyonna Hardin.

## **Panthers pound Harper Woods**

Redford Union was running on all cylinders during last week's 25-4 victory over Harper

Woods. Jones was in a groove on the mound, striking out five, including all three batters she faced in the second inning. Jones yielded just three hits.

She also sparkled at the plate, reaching base all five times with two singles, two walks and a double.

Kaitlin Bastianelli hit her first career triple and she reached based four times, adding two walks and a single.

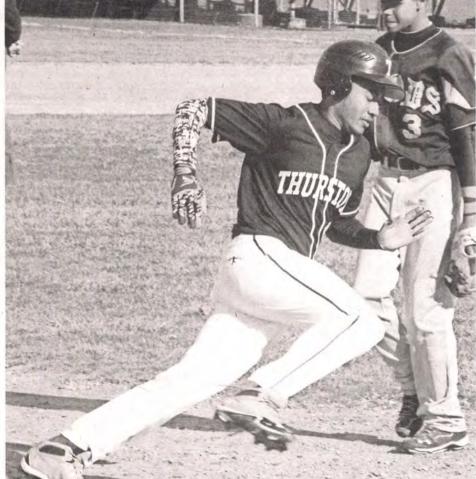
Kanar singled twice and drew a pair of walks, while freshman Danna Archobold-Mejia singled, walked twice and scored three runs.

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A Thurston base-runner motors around third before scoring Monday afternoon.

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# Thurston outlasts Harper Woods

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Fittingly, Monday afternoon's wild game between host Redford Thurston and Harper Woods was ultimately decided by a wild pitch.

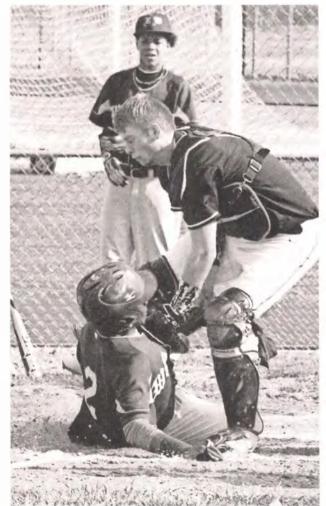
With the game knotted at 13-13 in the bottom of the eighth inning, Eagle junior catcher Austin Benoit scored from third on an errant delivery to the plate.

The game was a rollercoaster ride from the get-go. HW led 5-2 in the top of the third before Thurston exploded for a seven-run outburst to seize a 9-5 lead. Bobby Snell singled and doubled in the big frame, while Austin Slomba, Devonte Phillips and Benoit also came through with big

HW countered with one in the fourth and four in the sixth to deadlock the game at 9-9, however, Thurston responded with a run in the sixth on Snell's single.

Snell finished 4-for-5 with three RBI while Benoit was 3-for-4 with two RBI.

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Thurston catcher Austin Benoit tags out a Harper Woods

runner at the plate Monday afternoon.

farmers market agreement with Chamber and Growing Hope; Adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

CITY OF WESTLAND

# NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Public Hearing for Proposed Resolution to Release a Portion of Stottlemeyer Park from the City of Westland Master Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday,

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.

Westland Planning Commission

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Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman LO-0000238977 3x2

## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE TO THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED VOTERS CITY OF WESTLAND SPECIAL ELECTION MAY 5, 2015

Absent voter ballots are available through the Westland City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan for those persons that are physically unable to attend the polls or are 60 years of age or older. The voter, before the issuance of a ballot, must complete an application for ballot.

There will be ADA compliant equipment for use at every polling place.

The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Persons qualified to vote absentee may vote in person in the City Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015.

> Eileen DeHart, CMC Westland City Clerk

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# **LERG**

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moment because it's something I've been hoping and hoping and hoping for for so long. I had two knee surgeries within a 13-month span a couple years ago, but not once during the rehab did I ever think about giving up on this dream. Not once. My dad always told me it's about being mentally strong, and that's what got me through it." Lerg's NHL debut was

originally set for April 6 in San Jose against Dallas, however, a Shark

who was originally scheduled to sit out due to an illness decided he was good enough to play, which led to Lerg being declared a healthy scratch.

"Yes, that was a little frustrating, because the season is winding down and there are only a couple games left, and my opportunity to finally play in an NHL game this season was shrinking," he said. "But it was also one of those Everything Happens For A Reason' moments because my parents couldn't make it to that game, but they did make it to the Edmonton game."

Now that he has realized the dream every young hockey player strives for, Lerg is even more amped up to continue his career.

"It's like you go from riding buses to games and eating cold meals most nights in the AHL, to traveling on a private jet, eating sushi as a snack, and then being given a choice of five incredible meals to eat on the plane in the NHL," Lerg said. "Now that I got a taste of it, it makes

And he wasn't referring to the sushi.

me want it even more."

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# Pizza time: Domino's, NFPA deliver fire safety message

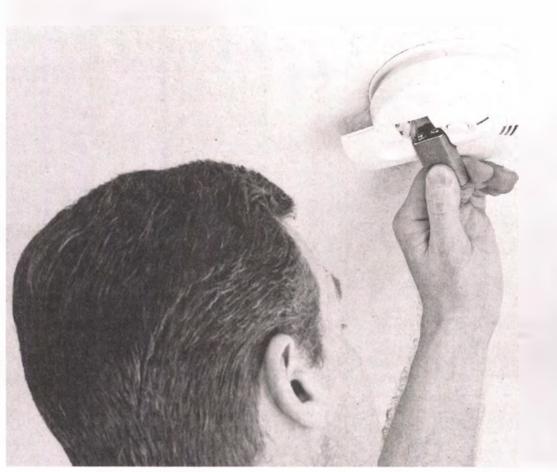
The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and Domino's Pizza used daylight saving time and pizza boxes to encourage people to protect themselves from home fires. The NFPA and Domino's are reminding customers to change their smoke alarm batteries when they change their clocks. Domino's used its pizza boxes to deliver NFPA fire safety tips throughout the month of March in participating markets across the coun-

try.
"Daylight saving time brings a convenient, timely reminder to change the batteries in your smoke alarm, which is an easy, important step to make your home safer," said Jenny Fouracre, Domino's Pizza spokeswoman."Domino's has a great opportunity to reach many people in their homes and we want to use it to share fire safety tips with them. We are excited to work with the NFPA to help make homes across the country a little bit safer.'

As part of the spring campaign, customers who order from participating Domino's stores may be surprised when their delivery arrives aboard a fire engine. If all the smoke alarms in the home are working, the pizza is free. If a smoke alarm is not working, the firefighters will replace the batteries or leave a fully functioning smoke alarm in the home.

According to the NFPA, roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. When smoke alarms fail to operate, it is usually because batteries are missing, disconnected or dead.

"On average, seven people die in U.S. home fires per day," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Outreach and Advocacy. "Working smoke alarms can make a life-saving difference because they give people the time to escape safely. We are thrilled to work with Domino's to remind homeowners to test their smoke alarms and ensure they're working properly."



GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO Domino's Pizza used daylight saving time and pizza boxes to encourage people to protect themselves from home fires.

## Stay safe with these tips from the NFPA

» Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement

» For the best protection, interconnect all smoke alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.

» Test alarms at least once a month by pushing the test

» Smoke rises; install smoke alarms high on a wall or on a ceiling.

» Replace batteries in all

smoke alarms at least once a year. If an alarm "chirps" warning the battery is low replace the battery right

610 Wooddale Rd

» Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they are 10 years old - or sooner if they do not respond properly.

» Be sure the smoke alarm has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.

» To prevent nuisance alarms, install smoke alarms away from the kitchen and at least 10 feet from cooking appliances. If cooking fumes continue to set off alarms, replace the alarm with one that has a "hush" button.

» Develop a home escape plan with all members of your household and practice it regularly, at least twice a year.

## **About the National Fire Protection Association**

NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and education. NFPA develops more than 300 codes and standards to minimize the possibility and effects of fire and other hazards. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed at no cost at www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

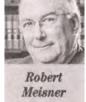
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# **Enforce** standards uniformly, fairly

Q: We live next to an eyesore. Can our homeowner's association validly prohibit the construction of storage sheds?

A: Yes, provided the association has valid covenants and conditions in place prohibiting the storage sheds. For example, in a recent case out of Missouri on similar facts, a homeowner obtained approval

of the architectural committee and built an outdoor kitchen. He then erected a storage shed but did not obtain prior approval. The association notified



the homeowner that the storage shed violated building requirements because these requirements prohibited storage buildings. The homeowner unsuccessfully sought a waiver, and then sued, but lost in

Q: I am on the Board and we have an enforcement problem regarding a member who refuses to remove unsightly wooden pallets from his yard and we want to collect our attorney fees we expended; what do you think?

A: Yes, as long as the declaration of covenants and restrictions so provides. In a recent case, the lot owner had wooden pallets in the front yard, was asked to move them, and then moved them to the back yard, where they remained visible from the road and from a neighbor's drive-way. Because the governing declaration required the lot owner to maintain the lot from becoming "unsightly," including the requirement that de-bris and rubbish be removed, the court found for the homeowner's association, and the appeals court agreed. Enforce your documents uniformly and aggressively.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

# HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

35785 Lone Pine Ln

32485 Nottingham Knls

\$820,000

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 17-21, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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BEVERLY HILLS	
19537 Waltham Rd	\$450,000
19610 Warwick St	\$450,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1573 Bowers St	\$203,000
1930 Bowers St	\$215,000
1655 Dorchester Rd	\$280,000
1711 E 14 Mile Rd Unit A	\$79,000
1982 E Lincoln St	\$185,000
660 Emmons Ave	\$620,000
852 Henley St	\$480,000
964 N Adams Rd Unit 3	\$112,000
544 Oakland Ave	\$410,000
1866 Pierce St	\$690,000
390 S Adams Rd	\$220,000
1436 Washington Blvd	\$495,000
255 Westchester Way	\$790,000
400 Woodland Villa Ct	\$2,040,000
1823 Yorkshire Rd	\$622,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	4
3415 Barlyn Ln	\$244,000
1705 Huntingwood Ln	\$150,000
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679 Kingsley Trl	\$612,000
3955 Lahser Rd	\$845,000
1648 South Hill Cir	\$150,000
6848 Spruce Dr	\$250,000
1042 Stratford Ln	\$185,000

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BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
2962 Aspen Ln
2795 Ayershire Dr
3670 Berkshire Dr
1031 Covington Rd
1960 Cragin Dr
5568 Fieldston Ct
1738 Heron Ridge Dr
1880 Long Lake Shore Dr
547 Newburne Pointe
42347 Woodward Ave
325 Clifton Rd
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
2488 Rocky Top Ct
3210 Royal Blvd
362 Starling St
8297 Tamarron Dr
6100 Warwick Dr
5020 Whitlow Ct
2854 Windwood Ct
FARMINGTON
23006 Frederick Ave
31691 Grand River Ave
33632 State St
33714 State St
FARMINGTON HILLS
31563 Bristol Ln
22081 Colgate St
31127 Country Bif
29043 Creek Bend Dr
26528 Farmington Rd
35154 Gary St
34155 Hunters Row
21513 Jefferson St

**GARDEN CITY** 

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am Rd	\$450,000	1738 Heron Ridge Dr	\$1,400,000	3859 Hillcrest	\$20,000	927 Oak Creek Dr
ick St	\$450,000	1880 Long Lake Shore Dr	\$1,200,000	300 Maplegrove	\$172,000	24618 Ridge Pole Ct
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St	\$203,000	42347 Woodward Ave	\$100,000	LATHRUP VILLAGE		SOUTHFIELD
St	\$215,000	325 Clifton Rd	\$515,000	17310 Coral Gables Ave	\$144,000	29690 Aberdeen Ln
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le Rd Unit A	\$79,000	2488 Rocky Top Ct	\$390,000	MILFORD		27035 Everett St
ln St	\$185,000	3210 Royal Blvd	\$135,000	725 E Commerce St	\$245,000	29686 Farmbrook Villa Ct
Ave	\$620,000	362 Starling St	\$445,000	739 E Liberty St	\$168,000	17440 Gateway Cir
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nd Villa Ct	\$2,040,000	33632 State St	\$264,000	901 Jeffrey Dr	\$230,000	27680 Spring Arbor Dr
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rd Ln	\$185,000	21513 Jefferson St	\$90,000	24823 Jamestowne Rd	\$315,000	
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190,000	25354 Sullivan Ln	\$379,000
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305,000	21234 Wheaton Ln	\$525,000
144,000	SOUTH LYON	
208,000	136 Aspen Way	\$170,000
119,000	22981 Cheyenne Ct	\$522,000
	61017 Evergreen Ct	\$175,000
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	27035 Everett St	\$100,000
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309,000	22502 Ivanhoe Ln	\$70,000
590,000	28705 Marshall St	\$45,000
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47675 Cherry Hill Rd	\$135,000
49887 Courtyard Ln	\$210,000
46755 Creeks Bnd	\$215,000
47352 Fairlawn Ct	\$260,000
472 Filmore St	\$465,000
50104 Grant St	\$286,000
50273 Jefferson St	\$292,000
45280 Middlebury Ln	\$265,000
41032 Northwind Dr	\$85,000
6344 Raintree Dr	\$205,000
3159 River Meadow Cir	\$235,000
42245 Saratoga Cir	\$174,000
42271 Saratoga Cir	\$155,000
46629 Woodside Dr	\$339,000

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33452 Kathryn St	\$96,000	19645
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36609 Ann Arbor Trl	\$133,000	243 Sa
28677 Bayberry Park Dr	\$185,000	50052
32234 Bretton St	\$141,000	39547
9307 California St	\$75,000	42356
15387 Deering St	\$108,000	PLYMO
16536 Fairway St	\$250,000	770 De
15628 Fitzgerald St	\$191,000	11950
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15132 Santa Anita St	\$23,000	17260
18222 University Park Dr	\$74,000	17293
27917 Western Golf Dr	\$250,000	14273
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105,000	39682 Muirfield Ln	\$330,0
\$96,000	19645 Neptune Ct	\$119,0
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133,000	243 Saint Lawrence Blvd	\$325,0
185,000	50052 Venice Ct	\$324,0
141,000	39547 Village Run Dr	\$312,0
\$75,000	42356 W Waterwheel Ct	\$251,0
108,000	PLYMOUTH	
250,000	770 Deer St	\$120,0
191,000	11950 Glenview Dr	\$340,0
174,000	12560 Lighthouse Ct	\$407,0
190,000	11585 N Ridge Rd	\$750,0
235,000	8945 Tavistock Dr	\$175,0
271,000	REDFORD	
190,000	12949 Brady	\$73,0
175,000	9201 Dale	\$63,0
\$23,000	17260 Delaware Ave	\$140,0
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250,000	14273 Dixie	\$83,0
155,000	15490 Dixie	\$30,0
	24625 Elmira	\$75,0
145,000	17462 Garfield	\$30,0
150,000	9197 Garfield Ct	\$86,0

\$165,000	15545 Gaylord	\$77,000
\$330,000	9186 Rockland	\$68,000
\$119,000	11792 Tecumseh	\$81,000
\$76,000	25218 Westfield	\$105,000
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\$324,000	34508 Sims St	\$70,000
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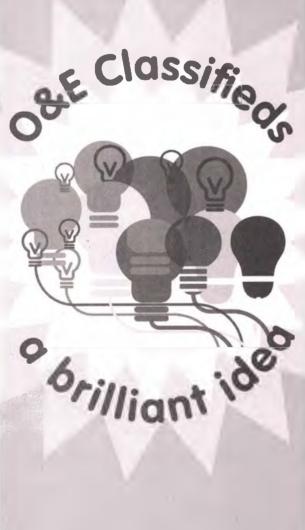
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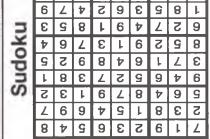
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Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, April 19 Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

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

Contact: 734-425-4421 **COMMONGROUND** 

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

Location: Connection Church, 3855 Sheldon, Canton

Details: Join women from more than 30 Detroit-area churches for an evening of worship, inspirational teaching, outreach and free party. The event will include a kitchen shower for The Well of Waterford. To participate, visit the gift registry at Kohl's, Bed, Bath, and Beyond or Target under the name, Dana Bosnack, Well of Waterford

director, and purchase an item. Contact: Tami@connectionchurch.info

CONCERT

Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22 Location: Biggby Coffee, 36640 Ford Road, Westland

Details: InsideOut Church of Garden City presents a free concert, "The Evolution of Music," featuring Bobby Guskovict. He'll play music from the 1950s to the present and will take requests

Contact: 734-983-8376 CONCERT

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, April

Location: First Congregational Church of Wavne, 2 Towne Square St., Wayne

Details: The Boychoir of Ann Arbor performs a program of sacred, secular, classical and popular music. A free will offering will be accepted

Contact: 734-729-7550 **GENEROSITY SEMINAR** Time/Date: 9-10:30 a.m. Sat-

urday, April 25 Location: St. Michael Lutheran

Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Ron Chewning of Stewardship Advisors presents

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Contact: 734-459-3333 **LEADERSHIP** 

WORKSHOP Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia **Details:** Tracee Swank presents "Leading From the Center of God's Will." The workshop aims to help participants understand how to lead effectively, build a culture of leadership in their church based on biblical world views, how to deal with conflict, facilitate meetings, and more. Fee is \$25 and includes refreshments, lunch, workbook, and resource listing. Fee is \$75 for three or more. Register at 734-464-0211 or email register@holytrinitylivonia.org

Contact: holytrinitylivonia.org **REVIVAL** 

Time/Date: 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 26 and 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, April 27-30 Location: Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill Road, west of Venoy, Westland Details: Preachers will include Brian Williams, a home missionary to Buffalo, N.Y., and Danny Elliott, a home missionary to Quebec, Canada

Contact: 734-721-9040 **RUMMAGE SALE** 

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 17 Location: Salvation Army, 9451

S. Main, Plymouth Details: Rent a table or space and sell your own stuff; tables are \$20. Proceeds to Older, Wiser and Loving Senior Group

Contact: 734-453-5464, Ext. 22 **RUMMAGE SALE** 

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, April 24 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 25 Location: Holy Cross Lutheran

Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia Details: Furniture, home and kitchen items, clothing, books, toys, antiques, dishes, collectibles, along with a bake sale. Proceeds of sale and donations benefit Vista Maria

Contact: 734-427-1414 **RUMMAGE SALE** 

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loved to laugh, visit the gym,

tend his garden and dance. He is

survived by two children, James

(Cathy Ramberg) Shier and Janis

(John) Peterson; two grand-

Carla (Charles) Brady; and two

grand-twins Eva and Iris. He joins his wife Evelyn, parents Levi and Edith and infant twin

brother in eternal peace. No fu-

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Devoted father of Larry (Sally)

Stein and Karen (Joe) Janiga.

Loving grandfather of Elizabeth

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Saturday, May 2 Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia **Details:** Admission for Thursday's preview sale is \$2. Bag sale (\$3) and half-price sale are on Saturday. Bags will be provided

Contact: 734-464-0211 **RUMMAGE SALE** 

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m. Thursday, April 30, 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, May 1, 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 2

Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Newburgh and Wayne Road, Livonia

Details: \$2 admission per adult Thursday only; Free admission Friday-Saturday. Saturday halfprice sale.

Contact: 734-422-0149 **SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** Time/Date: 4-6 p.m, Thursday, April 16

Location: St. Genevieve Catholic School, 28933 Jamison, Livo-

Details: Preschool 3- and 4-yearolds; kindergarten through grade eight. Tours available any day on request in addition to the open house

Contact: 734-425-4420

## MAY **RUMMAGE SALE**

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, May 1 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 2

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, one block east of Farmington Road, north of 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Includes baked goods, clothing, household goods, furniture, small appliances, linens, bedding, jewelry, toys, books and a boutique. \$3 and \$6 bag sale Saturday

Contact: 248-553-3380

## **WORLD LABYRINTH** DAY

Time/Date: Noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 2

Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia Details: Walk the church's 11-circuit medieval-style labyrinth. Staff will be on hand to facilitate group walks and answer questions. Weather permitting, a canvas, threecircuit labyrinth will be available for younger children

Contact: Lunice Clay at 734-748-**ONGOING** 

**CLASSES/STUDY** 

Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township Contact: John Shulenberger at

734-464-9491

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

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township

**Details:** Scripture study Contact: 313-534-9000 **FAITH COMMUNITY** 

WESLEYAN Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday

Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if vou don't have one Contact: pastor Tom Hazel-

wood at 734-765-5476

dolences may be expressed at **CLOTHING BANK** www.schrader-howell.com

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Saturday of the month Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

**Details**: No documentation needed

Contact: info@cantoncf.org for more information

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

Thursday Location: Salvation Army,

27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills **Details:** Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12 **HEALING SERVICE** Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4

p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month Location: The Antiochian

Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.

Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com MOMS

**Christ Our Savior Lutheran** Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

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

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

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

Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships,

receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767 **PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE** 

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911

Five Mile, Livonia Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.

Contact: 313-563-0162

**PRAYER** 

St. Edith Church Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thurs-

day Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223

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St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

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

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests

welcomed. Contact: 734-459-3333 for

additional information **SINGLES** 

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

Redford, Room 304 **Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated

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

Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays. Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

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

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

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is

an informal "peer" group where

men have an opportunity to meet with others. Contact: 313-534-0399

**SONG CIRCLE Congregation Beth Ahm** 

Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

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

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

**Apostolic Christian Church** 

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

daily

Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

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

Contact: 734-261-9000: www.woodhaven-retirement.com

**Connection Church** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday

Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton **Details:** Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

**Detroit World Outreach** Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

**Details:** Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

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

» Farmington Hills Baptist

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

» Merriman Road Baptist Church

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

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

» Fireside Church of God Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program

for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidecho-

g.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org » St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items)

is available Contact: 734-421-8451 » St. Thomas a' Becket

Church Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Contact: Margaret at /34-838

0322 » Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 28660 Five Mile. between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia

**Details:** Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722; www.oa.org for additional information

» Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/ desserts)

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

**Details:** Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.

Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery-.com and www.wardchurch.org/ celebrate

**THRIFT STORE** 

St. James Presbyterian Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information **Way of Life Christian Church** 

Saturday from October through

Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth

Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives

Contact: 734-637-7618

# **TOUR**

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at

1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although

donations are accepted. Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org **WORSHIP** 

» Adat Shalom Synagogue

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays Location: 29901 Middlebelt,

Contact: 248-851-5100 » Bethlehem Lutheran

Farmington Hills

Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

service Location: 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills Contact: pastor Terry Miller at

tshelton@mi.rr.com; 248-478-6520 » Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia Contact: 734-522-6830 » Congregation Bet Chave-

Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Meth-

odist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton **Details:** Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist

Robin Liberatore Contact: www.Facebook.com/ betchaverim or email to be-

tchaverim@yahoo.com » Due Season Christian Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday,

with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia Details: Nondenominational,

multicultural, full gospel church

services. Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit

www.DueSeason.org » Faith Community Wesleyan Church Time/Date: Prayer service, 9

a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays Location: 14560 Merriman,

Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491

» Garden City Presbyterian Church Time/Date: Adult Bible study at

8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking Location: Middlebelt, one block

south of Ford Road Contact: 734-421-7620 for more information » Good Hope Lutheran

Church

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City Contact: 734-427-3660 for more

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# History: 'Gone with the Wind' actor to greet fans at Redford Theatre

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Mickey Kuhn has seen the Oscar-winning film, Gone with the Wind, only once in its entirety, but cherishes memories

of making the Civil War epic.
"I was 7 years old when I saw it. I probably thought it was long and I wanted to go home," said Kuhn, the film's last living cast member in the United States.

The former child actor is grateful for the impact the movie had on this life, and the doors it has opened especially during the past 15 years.

Kuhn, 82, who played Beau Wilkes, son of Ashley Wilkes (Leslie Howard) and Melanie Wilkes, (Olivia de Havilland), has appeared at screenings of the film throughout the country. He'll share the stage with Kathleen Marcaccio, a local expert on the film, 7 p.m. Fri-day-Saturday, April 17-18, and 1 p.m. Sunday, April 19, at the Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser, Detroit. Admission is \$7.

"When the 50th anniversary came up, my wife said 'You've got to go to it.' I reconnected with a lot of people I knew. It has been fun ever since," he

Kuhn's appearance this weekend at the Redford will be his second time promoting Gone with the Wind in Detroit. When Marcaccio invited him to an event a few years ago they

toured the area together.
"I have to admit it was my first time in Detroit. It has such a great history --- the autos, Joe Louis, the record industry there. I was awestruck by everything I saw. I'm excited about coming back. It

will be fun."

He and Marcaccio will introduce the film, greet fans, answer questions and share stories about the movie and its cast. The film debuted in late December 1939 and was released in January 1940. It won Oscars for best picture, director, screenplay, actress, supporting actress, editing, cinematography and art direction.

# On the set

"They paid \$75 a day. In 1939, that was pretty good money. I worked for four or five days. I had to go to school four hours a day and I could only work four hours," Kuhn recalled.

Kuhn, who made his movie debut as an infant in the 1934 film Change of Heart, was cast in Gone with the Wind without a formal audition. He was finishing his last day of shooting on the film, S.O.S. Tidal Wave, when his mother told him him to be ready for another casting call after work that day.

"I walked into this casting office and it was a sea of kids



Mickey Kuhn as Beau Wilkes in "Gone with the Wind."

and parents. I told my mother, I don't want to stay. I'm tired. I was getting cranky. She said give your name and if you're not called in 10 minutes, we'll go home.

"These kids had been there two and three hours. I gave my name at the window and the girl said, 'Oh, Mickey, just a

He was directed to producer David Selznick's office to meet director Victor Fleming, while the other actors were dismissed.

"It was my first adult interview. Usually these directors would hem and haw and look at you and make you stand up, look at me, read this. Mr. Selznick said thank you for coming. We want to talk with you a little bit. We heard about you and wanted to meet you."

Kuhn remembers that Fleming nodded slightly, Selznick smiled back and promised, 'You'll be hearing from us.'

# Flubbing a line

Kuhn said he had a good reputation for remembering his lines and taking direction. Directors seldom had to refilm his scenes.

'The one time I screwed up, really, was Gone with the Wind. I was in a scene with Bonnie Blue (Cammie King) in the play room. I thought she was the cutest thing. I always told her years later that the reason I blew those lines was because I was more enthralled with her."

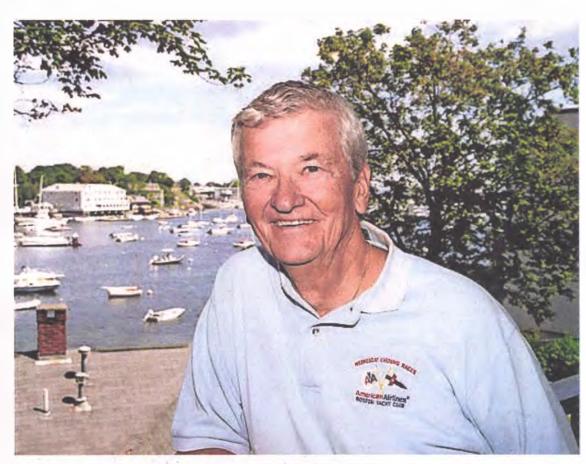
As Clark Gable entered the scene, Kuhn was supposed to say, 'Hello, Uncle Rhett,' but used Gable's name instead.

"Three times it was 'Hello, Uncle Clark.' I thought my mother would go apoplectic."

After a few reassuring words from Gable, Kuhn said the line correctly the fourth

# **Work ethic**

After Gone with the Wind, Kuhn was cast in more than 20 films, including several westerns, and retired from acting in the late 1950s. After a stint



Mickey Kuhn is the last living cast member of "Gone with the Wind" in the United States.



As a child actor, Mickey Kuhn appeared in numerous films, including "Red River," with John Wayne

in the Navy, he spent approximately 30 years in the airline industry.

"I think the lessons learned were primarily work ethic,' Kuhn said, reflecting on his career in film. "My mother

always told me if you go to work and do your job to the best of your ability and do it right, you'll be successful. I always adhere to that philosophy. It proved true for me for my entire life."

For more information about the Gone with the Wind screenings at the Redford Theatre, call 313-537-2560 or visit redfordtheatre.com.

# Pianists, trumpeter play separate jazz shows at Schoolcraft

**By Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Jazz lovers have two chances to hear their favorite music this month at Schoolcraft College.

Pianists Terry Lower and Tad Weed will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 19, in the VisTaTech Center, on campus, 18600 Haggerty, in Livonia. Guest artist Roger Ingram

will perform on trumpet at The Schoolcraft Jazz Program's annual Up Jumped Spring concert, 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 20, in the VisTaTech Cen-

The piano concerts will raise funds for the Michigan Jazz Festival, held in July on the Schoolcraft campus. The Ingram concert will include a tribute to Midge Ellis, a Livonia resident, jazz promoter and founder of the Festival, who died earlier this year.

"Because the festival is free, the only way to raise money is through donations and fundraising," said Pat Minnick, music activities coordinator. The concert and a Father's Day brunch, with John Trudell and his band, are the festival's major fundrais-

Lower plays as a soloist and with his own trio and quintet at concerts, jazz clubs, and festi-



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Roger Ingram will perform at the **Up Jumped Spring jazz concert** Monday, April 20, at Schoolcraft College, Livonia.

vals throughout Michigan. Weed has given educational clinics throughout the country and played concerts, clubs, television and radio around the

"The (Festival) board wanted something different, not a big group. It should be entertaining.'

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. For more information, call Minnick at 734-462-4403.

**Guest artist** 



Terry Lower

In addition to the evening concert, Ingram will lead a music clinic, 2:30-4 p.m. Monday in the DiPonio Room at the VisTaTech Center on campus. The clinic is free and open to

the public. Riccardo Selva, Ph.D., head of the Schoolcraft Jazz Program, received grants from the Schoolcraft College Foundation in 2011-12 to establish a guest artist series. Selva said the series has developed a "life of its own" with donations

from supporters. "I'm hoping we're going to do a great job filling seats in this concert and informing people about what we do,'

Selva said. Ingram, who will be fea-



Tad Weed will perform at a benefit for the Michigan Jazz Festival, Sunday, April 19, in Livonia.

tured on five selections at the concert, has performed and recorded with top jazz and pop artists for several decades. He began touring with the Louie Bellson Big Band at age 16, played with the Quincy Jones Big Band and then performed lead trumpet for Tom Jones. He also was lead trumpeter for the Woody Herman Orchestra and toured with Harry Connick Jr.'s big band, Frank Sinatra, Paul Anka and Ray Charles. Ingram has recorded with Wynton Marsalis, Maynard Ferguson and Arturo Sandoval.

He also played on movie scores, radio and television commercials and subbed on more than 20 Broadway productions. He teaches at the

Chicago College of Performing Arts at Roosevelt University, wrote a trumpet textbook and has designed a trumpet and four different mouthpieces.

"People keep asking me how we get these (artists) in. God works in strange and mysterious ways," Selva said. "From my perspective, if you trust in the Lord's guidance and he opens a door, you've got to take action. These people are nice and they love to share. Roger is very much that way.

The concert will include original songs, jazz standards, Latin and blues tunes and even a rock ballad. Along with the music, Selva will share stories

to commemorate Midge Ellis. 'Midge was a storyteller and I was thinking about what really grips people. Stories grip people. Stories draw them in. Midge's life was a phenomenal journey. Over our friendship she would share with me stories about her interaction with big-name jazz artists. I think people want to hear that.

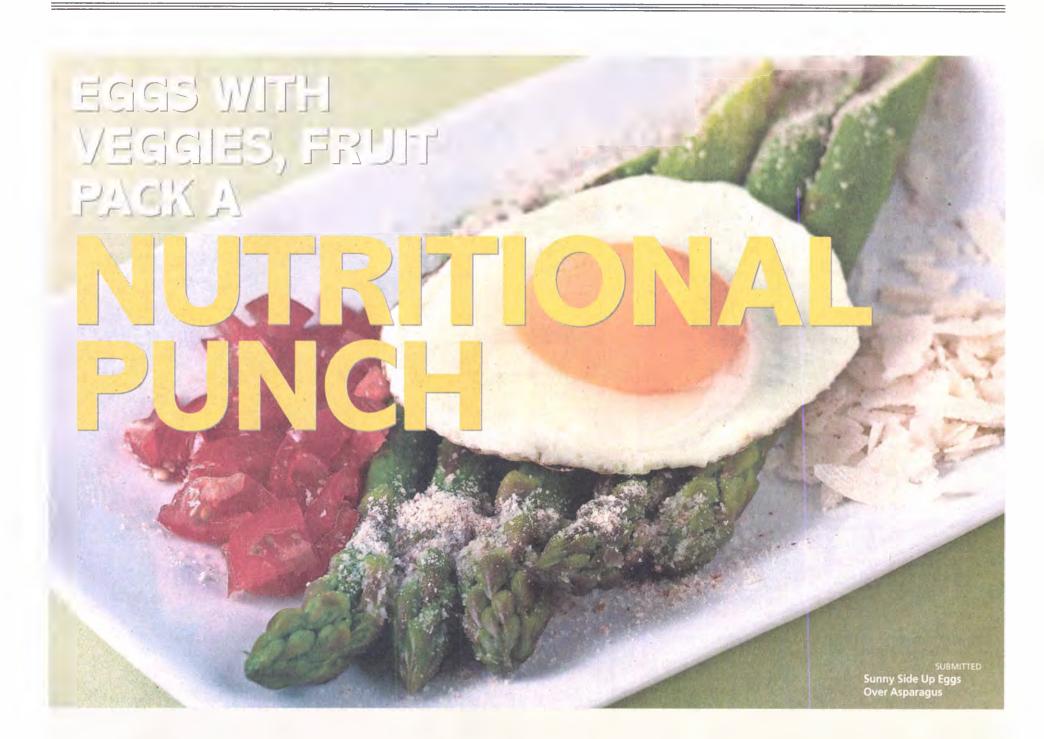
Tickets for the Up Jumped Spring concert are \$15 general admission, \$10 for seniors and students and \$5 for children under 12. Tickets are available at the door and at the Schoolcraft College bookstore. Call 734-462-4409

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# FOOD

## **SHARON DARGAY, EDITOR**

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nstead of cheating on your diet, fall in love with foods that taste great and are full of nutritional benefits.

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## **SUNNY SIDE UP EGGS OVER ASPARAGUS**

Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes Yield: 2 servings

1 bunch asparagus, woody ends trimmed 2 large eggs

Cooking spray 1 tablespoon olive oil (optional)

1 teaspoon Parmesan cheese (optional) 1 teaspoon breadcrumbs (optional) ¼ cup chopped red peppers (optional)

Place asparagus on plate, making an even layer. Remove eggs from the pan using a slotted spatula and place on top of asparagus. Top with a drizzle of olive oil and garnish with Parmesan cheese, bread crumbs or red peppers, if desired. Can also be served on two pieces of whole wheat toast.

Nutrition per serving: 135 calories, 11g fat, 5g saturated fat, 176mg cholesterol, 86mg sodium, 2g carbohydrates, 1g dietary fiber, 7g protein



# **POTATO AND EGG SPANISH TORTA**

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 40 minutes Yield: 4 servings

- 1 ½ pounds russet potatoes, peeled and cut into
- 1-inch pieces 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 medium red bell pepper, thinly sliced
- 8 large eggs 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

Combine the potatoes in a medium saucepan with enough cold water to cover by 2 inches. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat and cook until the potatoes are tender but hold their shape, about 10-12 minutes; drain.

Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a 10-inch nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic and bell pepper; cook, stirring occasionally, until softened, 8-9 minutes.

Whisk together the eggs, salt and pepper in a bowl. Stir in the warm potatoes and onion mixture; let stand 5 minutes.

Heat the remaining 1 tablespoon oil in the skillet over medium-high heat. Add the potato-egg mixture and pat with a spatula to form a disk. Reduce the heat to medium-low and cook until golden on the bottom, 10-11 minutes.

Invert a large plate over the skillet and flip the skillet over to drop the torta onto the plate. Return the skillet to the heat and slide the torta back into the pan, uncooked side down.

Cook until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, 6-7 minutes.

Remove from the heat and slide onto a cutting board or serving platter. Let cool 10 minutes before

cutting into wedges. Serve warm or at room temperature

Nutrition per serving: 337 calories, 15g fat, 9g saturated fat, 350mg cholesterol, 723mg sodium, 36g carbohydrates, 3g dietary fiber, 16g protein



# **SWEET PEACH CUSTARD PIE**

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 1 hour

Yield: 12 servings

Crust: ½ cup unsalted butter

3 tablespoons cold water

1 1/4 cup flour 1 teaspoon sea salt

2 tablespoons sugar Custard:

1 cup sugar ¾ cup almond milk (unsweetened)

1/4 cup nonfat Greek Yogurt

2 large eggs 2 tablespoons gluten-free flour

2 teaspoons cornstarch 1 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups sliced peaches, fresh or frozen Preheat oven to 350°F. Add butter, flour, salt and sugar into food processor and pulse until mixture has a sandy texture. Add water in slowly, and pulse until dough comes together. Remove and form into a disc. Wrap in plastic and refrigerate for 1-2 hours. Roll out dough and place in pie plate. Line crust with parchment paper and fill with dried beans. Bake in oven for 10 minutes. Remove from oven to cool. Discard parchment and beans. Whisk together milk, yogurt, sugar, cornstarch, vanilla, and flour in a saucepan over medium heat for 5-7 minutes or until hot. Do not boil. In separate bowl, whisk eggs until smooth and frothy. Slowly add warm liquid mixture into eggs, a little at a time, whisking constantly. Let mixture stand 3 to 5 minutes until thickened enough to coat the back of a spoon. Add custard mixture to cooled crust and top

with peaches. Bake 55 to 60 minutes or until custard is set in the center. Chill before serving.

Nutrition per 1 slice serving: 237 calories, 9g fat, 52mg cholesterol, 183mg sodium, 34g carbohydrates, 1g dietary fiber, 3g protein



# **VEGGIE FRITTATA BITES**

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes

Yield: 10 servings 6 large eggs

½ cup skim milk or 1 percent milk 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

1 cup (4 ounces) low-fat or fat-free shredded cheddar cheese

½ cup chopped zucchini ½cup chopped mushrooms

½ cup chopped tomatoes ½ cup chopped green bell pepper

2 tablespoons chopped red onion pinch of salt (optional)

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Beat eggs, milk, pepper and salt (if using) in medium bowl until blended. Add cheese, zucchini, tomato, mushrooms, bell pepper and onion; mix

Using a ¼ cup measuring cup, scoop and pour evenly into 10 lightly sprayed muffin cups. Bake until just set, 25 minutes. Cool on rack 5 minutes. Remove from cups by loosening sides with a knife, serve and warm.

Nutrition per serving: 63 calories, 2g fat, 2g saturated fat, 107mg cholesterol, 151mg sodium, 2g carbohydrates, trace dietary fiber, 8g protein