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Hawthorne Valley property draws proposals for art center, church

By LeAnne Rogers

Proposals for the former Hawthorne Valley restaurant and golf course, including a possible art center, will be the subject of study sessions by the Westland City Council.

Closed at the end of 2010 when the business went into foreclosure, the Hawthorne Valley property went to tax

auction in 2014. The city acquired the building and the frontage along Merriman north of Warren Road. Other buyers acquired other parts of the property, areas largely landlocked.

"We've got that proposal (for an art center), a proposal from a church and we are working with one other developer," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "We figured we

Wild

can tell us their idea and concept, then we can see what the consensus is."

would start with

on the art center

a study session

proposal. They

At a recent council meeting, former Westland resident Don Wakefield said he was working with a team of residents and Westland John Glenn High School alumni to create a contemporary art museum, art gallery, sculptural garden and other amenities at the former restaurant.

"It would be self-sustaining
— we would not ask for government funding," said Wakefield, a Glenn graduate and
artist who has lived in California for a number of years.
"I would request that the may-

or and council commit to leasing or selling the building to

Major place maker

Accompanied by supporters, Wakefield described his proposed arts center as a major place maker that would attract people through arts and culture.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Woolf Aircraft Products fabrication cell leader Ryan Martin works with students Bradley Baggett, Tyler McKiddy, Jamon Higgins and Adam

Day-long competition lets students try welding skills

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

Guajardo as they TIG weld.

Once a year, Woolf Aircraft Products shuts down production and turns its facility over to students who show off the skills they've acquired in Nick Regets' welding classes at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center.

They fabricate, inspect parts, weld parts and solve math in hopes of winning prizes like an arc welder with tools and a cart, helmets, bags, gloves, T-shirts and skull caps. The event is set up by Joe Pavilanis, process/quality engineer at Woolf Aircraft Products.

"I try to find partners that are interested in helping the children," Regets said. "How many companies shut down production and bring kids in for a real-world experience? This is one of our best relationships with business."

"The most important thing we do, even above a college education, is connecting these kids to real life. We have to show them how money is made; how business succeeds and fails. It's a connection

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Jamon Higgins uses measuring tools and engineering drawings to determine which parts don't meet specifications.

Suspects sought in four robberies

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Four strong-arm robberies, including three in which the victims were assaulted by a large group of males, are being investigated by Wayne Police.

Three of the incidents were reported at the Westwick Square Cooperative, located near Annapolis and Venoy. The other incident occurred near Attwood Park, which adjoins the Wayne Community Center, 4901 Howe.

All of the incidents happened in the evening hours—two on Sunday, May 3, including the Attwood Park robbery, and two on Wednesday, May 6.

In each incident, police said the victims were approached by a large group of males who demanded their property. Three of the victims told police they were assaulted by the suspects and property was taken from them.

One victim voluntarily gave the property to the suspects

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Wayne seeks reserve police officers

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

The Wayne Police Department is looking for volunteers interested in becoming reserve officers

serve officers.

"We have three reserve officers currently; we'd like to add a few more," said Wayne Police Lt. Ryan Strong, who heads the reserve program.

"Their main duties are to assist at special events. There are about six events a year."

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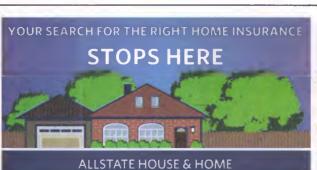
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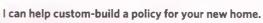
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Lawmakers, mayor hold monthly coffee hours

Local lawmakers will hold district office hours next week.

State Sen. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights, will be hosting an office hour Monday, May 11, in Garden City with State Rep. Julie Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights, and Wayne **County Commissioner** Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland.

They will be at the Maplewood Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Residents will have the opportunity to meet with Knezek, Plawecki and LeBlanc to discuss

their concerns about state and county gov-

at a coffee hour in Westland from 9-10:30 a.m. May 11 at Mr. Mike's, 6047 N. Wayne

Residents can also contact:

» Knezek at 517-373-0994 or sendknezek@senate.michi-

» Plawecki at 844-347-8011 (toll-free) or juliepla-

» LeBlanc at 313-224-8855 or District12@wavne

The group of sus-

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after being approached, police said. The other victims told police they were approached from behind and knocked to the ground before their

One victim reported minor injuries, according to police. The stolen items were described as cell phones, a purse and whatever items the victims happened to have in their posses-

No weapons were used or reported in the incidents, said Wayne Police Sgt. Matthew

ernment.

Plawecki will also be

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Spunar, adding that the ROBBERIES four robberies are believed to be related.

pects involved in these incidents are described as black males between the ages of 18 and 20, Spunar said. A silver Chevrolet Cavalier or Cobalt may be connected to the robberies, he property was taken. said.

All of these incidents are currently under investigation. Anyone with information on these incidents is asked to call the Wayne Police Department at 734-721-

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WELDING

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kids make that lets them have hope for themselves," Regets said.

He credits Pavilanis in setting up the annual competition, getting donations of welding equipment for the prizes and lining up employees to work with the students. It's career technical education at its best, but gets little hype at a time when the buzzword is STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics). It's something Pavilanis would like to see other companies do.

"Politicians don't realize the connection that can be made," Pavilanis

Hands-on experience

Fifty students participated in this year's daylong program at Woolf, which provides custom precision-tube fabricating and bending services for commercial, military and aerospace applications. The students were divided into three groups and rotated through five different 15-minute welding stations, where Woolf employees like Ryan Martin worked with them and assessed their finished work.

At the fabrication station, teams worked to assemble and weld a product based on a blueprint. At the inspection area, they were given 10 samples and had to identify seven defects based on blueprints. At the math station, the students' ability to measure was put to the test.

Martin is a William D. Ford success story. He graduated from the center and was hired by Woolf. According to Pavi-



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Woolf Aircraft Products lead fabricator Bill Edwards watches Derek Middaugh and J.C. Swezene identify defective, out-of-spec parts.

lanis, he worked in the tool room and learned to be a tool and die maker. He now is the first person in Woolf's 73-year history who can fabricate and weld.

"He's a huge, huge success story," Pavilanis said. "He does everything. He can fabricate and produce, show how to put the model together and help explain the process. This is more like being a mentor and being able to share what he's learned with the kids."

Welding is the most in-demand occupation in the country and, for Rya Bark, the opportunity to visit Woolf was a chance to see what's going on in the industry.

"You get exposure to what they're doing," she said. "It's really important to get out and see what's going on. It's also good to know what you're going into.

Bark didn't know anything about welding until she attended an open house at the Career Technical Center two years



David Halm works on welding stainless steel to a metal plate.

ago. She realized she needed to do something and decided that it would be welding. Now she wants to go to Schoolcraft College and get a degree

in welding. "This is my life; this is what I want to do," she said. "It's so exciting."

Give it a try

Rick Laurence points to his uncle, a CSX welder, for his interest in welding.

"He talked me into it, so I thought I'd give it a try," he said. "I did and I

love it. It's exciting to see a lot of different aspects of the industry."

Students started the day with doughnuts, juice and milk and finished it with a pizza lunch. That's when Pavilanis handed out the prizes. First place went to Richard Spicer, followed by Charles Elam, Danny Thacker, Cruz Alvarez, Ignacio Alvarez and Michael Alderman.

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Those special events could include the annual Red October Run, parades and events at the Wayne Community Cen-

"They also do ridealongs with officers at their discretion. We do ask them to do ridealongs once month to stay familiar with the operations of the department," Strong said.

Potential reserve police officers must successfully complete the Police Reserve Offi-

cer Training Program at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. It's a one-semester that begins July 28 and meets for 16 weeks, mainly Tuesday and Thursday evenings but also some Saturday and Sunday sessions for range qualifications, first aid and CPR. The cost is \$500, but Strong said successful applicants can be reimbursed.

The first step is to fill out a city employment application, which is available on Wayne's municipal website at www.ci.wayne.mi.us. The completed application should be turned in to Strong at the Wayne

Police Department. Once the academy is

completed, applicants must complete a physical and written test from the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. Information on those tests is available at michigan.gov/mcoles. "What I find interest-

ing about the reserve program is the wide range of people who participate," Strong said. "Some have an interest in law enforcement. Others want to volunteer. We get autoworkers, carpenters — a full, wide variety."

Some of the department's best reserve officers aren't actually interested in a full-time career in law enforcement, he said.

"Most people want to give back to the community. It's a volunteer position," Strong said. Applicants for reserve

police officer positions must be 21 years old, pass a criminal background check and have an excellent driving record in addition to the training requirements. For more information, email Strong at rstrong@ci.wayne.mi.us.

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"It's by far the best use of the property. It would be the only arts destination in western Wayne County," he said. "It would place Westland on the cultural map. There would have economic and social benefits."

Several people spoke to support Wakefield's proposal. Roxanne Miller had started an online petition urging Wild and

the council to support the arts center proposal. The petition had over 100 supporters, most of them not Westland residents.

"I think it is a fantastic opportunity for the Westland community and see it as having a huge impact," she said. "I would urge you to work with our group to make it a reality.

Shortly after Hawthorne Valley closed, it was offered for sale at \$1.5 million. The property was described as a golf country club with a large banquet/bar area,

lower-level restaurant, dinner theater room and pro shop. Constructed in 1947, the structure housing the banquet facility is

24,126 square feet. "We've been saying all along that we want to develop a strategy for the north end (of Westland)," Wild said. "We wanted to be cautious. We will give the proposal full consideration and due diligence."

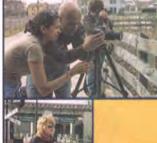
Wakefield and his supporters approached the city with their proposal several months ago, Wild said, as did the church groups.

"We have asked them to be patient. We are trying to identify the use to fit our strategy for the north end," Wild said.

Some interest has been shown in property at Merriman and Ann Arbor Trail, Wild said, noting Livonia Public Schools has put out a Request for Proposals for redevelopment of Nankin Mills School.

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Livonia school board may close, raze Perrinville Center

By Karen Smith Staff Writer

The Livonia school board is considering closing and razing the Perrinville Center and moving the early childhood programs housed there to K-4 schools. It is also considering closing and razing the McKinley Building at Franklin High School and relocating the programs there as well.

Razing the two buildings would save the district an estimated \$300,000 annually, Superintendent Randy Liepa said.

The board discussed closing and tearing down the two buildings during a committee meeting April 27 as one of several revenue-enhancement and cost-saving measures to preserve programs and keep the district operating in the black.

On Monday, the board discussed at another committee meeting expanding its limited schools of choice program for general education students next school year by another 50 students to 100 students for an additional \$400,000 in revenue and entering into an in-perpetuity lease agreement for the cell tower at Stevenson High School for a one-time payment of \$900,000.

Liepa said the board met with about 300 community members to discuss the budget at the beginning of this year, and the majority preferred that the board explore revenue-enhancement and costcontainment measures over cutting programs "that make up the brand of who we are."

The 15,000-student district has a general fund budget of \$146.5 million but is expected to end the school year with just over \$1 million in fund equity.

Kristin Noel, the Perrinville PTA president, said the PTA is against closing the school but more against separating the programs. The PTA Executive Board was expected to vote on an official position statement last Wednesday that will be sent to the school board.

The center at 28201 Lyndon, between Middlebelt and Inkster Road, houses the Great Start Readiness Program, the Early Childhood Special Education program and centerbased programs for children with autism and visual impairments, among other programs.

Noel said the PTA, while understanding the district's financial situation, is especially concerned about separating the Early Childhood Program and the Autism Spectrum Dis-

order Program. 'Perrinville ECC is a preschool unlike any other preschool you will find ... any-where," she said. "They figured out how to create the most incredible environment for children with various special needs and allow them to learn and grow. The staff thrives on having students interact with each other and learn new social strengths and appropriate play from their peers. Separating the Autism Spectrum Disorder Program from the Early Childhood Program and placing them in two different locations will not only be devastating to the future of our children, but it is taking so many steps backwards. It's losing all the progress we have worked so hard to build."

Liepa said there are educational benefits as well as financial benefits to moving the programs to K-4 schools. For example, many of the students eventually are able to attend the general education program in their home school; placing them in some of those buildings now would help them get to know the teachers and vice versa, he said.

Liepa said the board could vote on closing the two buildings as part of its budget vote in several weeks or in a separate motion.

Schools of choice

The board will also consider offering 50 additional seats next school year to generaleducation schools of choice students, bringing the total number to 100.

The board had 108 applicants for the first 50 seats, so it is considering offering another application period from May 19 through June 2 for 50 more seats for up to \$400,000 in additional revenue. Those seats include 25 in kindergarten, 10 in first-grade and five each in second-, third- and fourth-

This year, 60 seats in kindergarten through sixth-grade were made available to general education schools of choice students in a pilot program.

Burton said the district is losing 300 students a year due to declining enrollment; the 100 schools of choice students will help make up for the lost revenue from the state.

Board Secretary Tammy Bonifield said the board can decide year to year if it wants to offer seats to new schools of choice students. "I think under the circumstances we can take these kids on," she said.

The board also instructed administrators to continue hammering out the terms of a lease agreement with American Tower for the cell tower on the football field at Stevenson. American Tower has proposed a one-time payment of 900,000 to lease the tower in perpetuity. Currently, it is leased for \$60,000 a year.

Liepa said administrators did their due diligence and found that the price was fair.

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Competing in the state SkillsUSA were Austin Cline (front row, from left), James Rini, Arica Morley, Bryan Drake, Austin Taylor, Michael Gibson, Uriel Figueroa, Sandra McCrea (back row, from left), Cheyenne Thacker, Zachary Riehl, Kiara Pendleton, Lavail Nolan, Dominique Henderson, Julio Mayfield, Kaitlyn Kobos, Jacob Hill and Megan

3 Wayne-Westland career tech students win gold at SkillsUSA competition

Three students from the William D. Ford Career Technical Center won gold medals at the state level SkillsUSA competition.

Earning gold were Uriel Figueroa, CADD Technical Drafting; James Rini, Construction Carpentry; and Arica Morley, Graphic Printing Advertising Design. They will compete at SkillsUSA National Conference set for June 22-26 in Louisville, Ky.

Winning silver in the state competition were:

» Bryan Drake, silver, Electronics-Electronics Tech;

Michael Gibson, EMT-Firefighting; and Austin Cline, Graphic Printing-Graphic Communications.

Austin Taylor received a bronze in EMT-1st Responder/ CPR, and Megan McCurry was a top 20 medalist in the SkillsUSA Knowledge Test.

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Expo's success 'a tribute to city's community spirit'

More than 120 companies contributed and/or participated in the 29th annual Livonia Business Expo on Wednesday at Laurel Park Place mall.

"It was a good day for many companies and organizations who collected leads and branded themselves as part of the Livonia community," said Dan West, president of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. "We were grateful to the many who contributed to our event and the many kind words that were heard from those who joined us. The success of such an event is another tribute to our city's community spirit."

More than 90 booths, including several cars, were on display inside the mall for the day-long event, which was open free to the public.

West said the expo is the chamber's biggest annual event that supports business-to-business and consumer-tobusiness activity.

The expo featured four programs in one day. It began with a Busi-



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Leslie Petty of Schoolcraft College speaks with John Paluchniak.

table in the Marriott Hotel banquet room, attached to the mall. The roundtable was sold out with 120 people attending. There was "lots of talk about Proposal 1's failure, regional development and ideas to support Detroit Public Schools," West said.

The roundtable was

networking opportunity for chamber members.

The day concluded with the "Tastefully Livonia" program from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Marriott Hotel banquet room, attended by about 150 people. It featured food samples from Livonia's leading restaurants, music and a silent auction.



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Absopure sales manager Michael Kochenderfer speaks with Tracey Mangram.



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Livonia City Council goes with low bid on water main work

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

A split vote Wednesday night by the Livonia City Council on which contractor to work with on impending water main improvements resulted in the city going with the low bidder.

The council voted 3-2 to approve Jupiter, Fla.-based Rohl Networks to handle more than \$7 million in work to portions of the city's water mains. Council members John Pastor,

Susan Nash and Laura Toy voted to approve the contract, while council vice president Brian Meakin and councilwoman Lynda Scheel voted no. Council president Maureen Miller Brosnan was not at the meeting Wednesday, and councilman Brandon Kritzman stepped down during the agenda item, as he works for OHM Advisors, which consults with the city on these types of

The approving vote for Rohl Networks goes against the original recommendation of the city's engineering department, which recommended Sterling Heights-based DVM Utilities Inc. That agency's bid was about \$365,000 more than Rohl Networks, prompting a discussion over which company was best to go with on the project. Work

bids.

is scheduled to begin later this spring in areas between Inkster and Farmington south of Plymouth.

DVM Utilities bid about \$7.49 million to do the project, while Rohl Networks bid about \$7.14 million for the work.

Concerns from the city's engineering department over the level of experience Rohl Networks had in Michigan was one reason DVM Utilities Inc.'s bid was recommended.

Pastor said after reviewing both companies, he believed either could do the job and motioned to go with the low bidder in Rohl Networks.

"I know that we have great contracts and great attorneys if things do go wrong," Pastor said. "I don't see that happening.

"I cannot see spending \$400,000 more for the next bidder. That's one of

the main reasons I'm going with the low bid."

Scheel said while she is not an expert in engineering projects, she trusts the reasons behind the city staff and engineering consultants in recommending DVM Utilities.

"I depend heavily on what our city engineers have and what the engineering firm that we hire brings in and lets us know," she said. "Even though the company they recommended is a little bit higher, they recommended them for a reason."

Subcontracting with local company

Rohl Networks has indicated it intends to subcontract with Jackson-based Hard Rock HDD, which will conduct most of the day-to-day operations at the site.

Toy said she wanted to

know more of why there was such a big difference in the bid figures, something CEO David Marinelli said comes from a smaller markup with the subcontractor, as they've done work together before.

"We would go with him and take less, knowing that the job is going to come out right and knowing that we won't have any problems down the road," he said.

That answer appeared to convince Toy, who cast one of the "yes" votes.

"It's a lot of money for the taxpayer," she said. "I appreciate your honesty with me and why that bid is different."

"Three hundred thousand dollars is a lot of money in my view."

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Crash on Eight Mile sends two to hospital

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

Two people were transported to Botsford Hospital Thursday afternoon following an accident on Eight Mile west of Farmington Road in Farmington Hills.

According to Farmington Hills Police Sgt. Michael Fluhart, the driver of a silver Mercury, an 87-year-old woman, was pulling out of a parking lot on Eight Mile around 12:14 p.m. when her vehicle was struck by a pickup truck heading west-bound on Eight Mile.

The woman and her passenger in the Mercury were taken to Botsford Hospital, while the



PHOTO BY DAVID VESELENAK

Two people were transported to Botsford Hospital on Thursday afternoon following an accident on Eight Mile Road west of Farmington Road in Farmington Hills.

pickup truck driver was treated at the scene. The

injuries were not be-

The accident is still under investigation.



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this is the official kickoff to golf season as well as the first outing of the year," said Helen Balmforth, Angela Hospice events coordinator. "Rain or shine, we will be there to support Angela Hospice, but hopefully sunshine will be in the forecast."

The event will begin at 11 a.m. Monday, May 11, at Northville's prestigious Meadowbrook Country Club and be an all-day outing. The day will include a lunch buffet, access to the driving range and 18 holes of golf played on 125 acres of impeccable fairways and greens on the private course. Foursomes can be all-men, all-women or mixed. Angela Hospice will also help organize teams for single golfers or twosomes.

The dinner reception following golf includes a silent auction and raffles, and dinner-only tickets are available for those who want to participate without golfing.

Another way for nongolfers to support the event is through the Winner Takes All Raffle, which includes \$3,000 worth of prizes that will go to one lucky winner. Prizes include tickets to a Red Wings game and a post-game tour of the Red Wings locker room, an autographed "KRON-WALLED" poster, a gift card to Iridescence restaurant at Motor City Casino, rounds of golf at various courses, tickets to Cedar Point and more. The drawing will be held between 6-8:30 p.m. on the evening of the event. Tickets are \$25 each, and only 500 tickets will be sold. You need to be present to win.

"Our golf outing supports the much needed programs at Angela Hospice," said Margot Parr, Angela Hospice president and CEO, "such as



Golfers at Angela Hospice's 2014 outing included Fran Fields and Gwen Fedrigo of Livonia, Jimmie Oliverio of Northville and Eleanor Johnson of Commerce Township.

our bereavement programs, which are available to everyone in the community, and the My Nest is Best pediatric programs.'

Golfer packages are \$200 per person, while dinner-only tickets are \$50. To register, purchase raffle tickets or find sponsorship information, call 734-953-6045 or visit AskForAngela.com.

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Tickets going fast for Livonia Symphony Garden Party luncheon

Last call to purchase tickets for the Livonia Symphony Garden Party Luncheon, which is set for 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The event will feature lunch, a box auction filled with many fresh

flowers, annuals and perennials, and unique garden items and a floral-themed silent auc-

Keyboard entertainment will be provided during the luncheon by Ryan Jones, a student representative on the

Livonia Board of Directors who will be heading off to Michigan State University to pursue a career in music.

For ticket information or to order tickets online,

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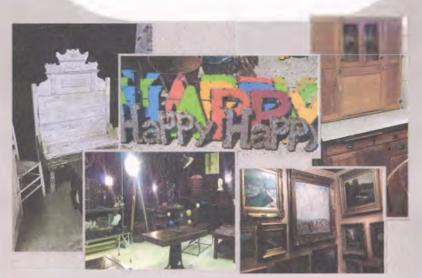


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Tree dedications at Ford's Michigan Assembly Plant honor Workers Memorial Day

By Ryan Vetter Correspondent

Henry Ford once said, "Trees are among the most useful things grown." Taking a page from Ford Motor Company's founder, Michigan Assembly Plant planted two maple trees in honor of Workers Memorial Day on April 28.

In two simultaneous ceremonies - one on the Final Assembly side of the plant and one on the Body and Stamping side -crews planted and dedicated trees in memory of Robert Conley and Michael Hardman. Both men both sustained occupational-related injuries - Hardman in 1991 and Conley in 2007, at what is now known as Michigan Assembly Plant in

Wayne. "Today we honor those folks we lost here at the site and the hard work that they did. It means a lot to not just me but to the entire (UAW Local 900) membership," UAW Local 900 President Anderson Robinson Jr. said.

Conley's wife, Susan Bowen, who has since remarried, said not a day goes by that she doesn't think about him.

"Every day is still tough. My daughters are growing up without a father. It changed our lives forever, and I think about what he's missed since he has died," Bowen said.

Reminder of late husband

Bowen feels that the tree is a reminder that her late husband will live on at MAP.

"It's a tree of life, and people won't forget Rob. I don't want people to forget Rob and what a great guy he was and what he did for his workers when he was here,' she said.

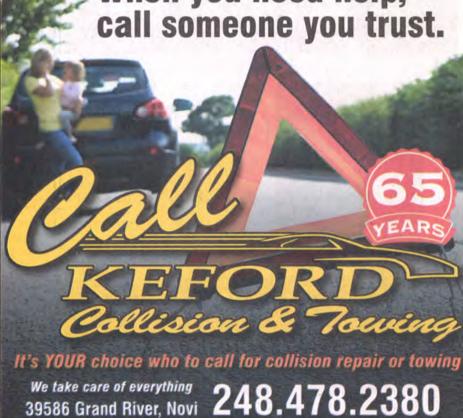
UAW Bargaining Representative Dwayne Walker has vivid memories of that ominous day.

"It seems like it was just yesterday, you were coming in and you saw the ambulance coming in and you're thinking 'What's going on?" Walker said. He remembers



UAW Local 900 President Anderson Robinson Jr. (right) and MAP Plant Chairman Bill Johnson pay their respects during the ceremony.

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getting closer to the accident and just turning around because it was the last thing he expect-

"You just expected it to be a normal day," he

Meeting Conley's oldest daughter is bittersweet for Walker.

"She never saw her dad. She was very young and he didn't get a chance to watch her grow up, and that puts it all in to perspective," Walker said. "We think about all the things in our lives and we take it for granted, there's nothing in our lives that could compare to hers."

'Safety Corner'

In recent years, MAP has created the "Safety Corner," an area of the plant dedicated to the Safety Operating System (SOS). Each day, plant leadership meets to hear reports on all incidents that happen around the site. The hope is that for each incident that's investigated, the knowledge gained will make



A tree was dedicated to Michael Hardman who suffered

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occupational-related injuries in 1991.

people more aware, and safer.

"Safety is of the utmost importance to me. **Workers Memorial Day** is a somber reminder that unfortunately, accidents do happen, but all of us need to do everything we can to create a safe work environment so that we all return home to our loved ones the same way we left,"

said MAP Site Manager-Philip Calhoun.

In addition to the tree dedications, MAP also stopped the assembly line on all three crews to hold moments of silence, allowing workers to reflect on the day.

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Woman expands care for sex assault victims

By Terry Jacoby Correspondent

Sometimes statistics tell a story better than words. And when it comes to sexual assaults. the numbers add up to a horrific and disturbing problem that is only increasing at an alarming

Sexual assault by the numbers includes:

» A person in the United States is sexually assaulted every two min-

» One out of every six American women has been the victim of an attempted or completed rape in their lifetime.

» Approximately 66 percent of rape victims know their assailants.

» Almost 2.78 million American men have experienced an attempted or completed rape in their lifetime.

Kimberly Hurst, 42, of Royal Oak, learned about the pain and suffering behind these numbers in a very personal way. While numbers tell an overall story, the victims and their own stories are what Hurst has gotten to know over the past 10 years.

She can put a face to the statistics, and it was this experience of getting to know victims of sexual assault that caused Hurst to get involved in a lifechanging way. And lifechanging not only for her but the thousands of people her organization has helped since 2006.

"While I was a student physician's assistant in the emergency room at Detroit's St. John's Hospital, I was handed a rape kit by one of the attending doctors and told that I needed this for my next patient," Hurst said. "We had no training on how to do rape kits. I know that I did her a huge disservice, and I will never forget her as a patient. I never knew that this sub-spe-



Molina Healthcare of Michigan recently honored Royal Oak resident Kimberly Hurst for her extraordinary work with victims of sexual assault. Pictured above are Stephen Harris from left, president of Molina Healthcare of Michigan; Hurst, Wayne County SAFE; Heidi McGlinnen of Molina Healthcare of Michigan; Shoma Pal, Wayne County SAFE; and Zarina Shockley-Sparling, Molina Healthcare, inc.

cialty of care even existed until after I graduat-

Lack of care

Even months later, Hurst couldn't forget about that patient and the lack of care and services offered by the hospital that night.

"I decided to take classes and training to become a sexual assault forensic examiner," she said. "I was working with an organization in Oakland County helping victims of sexual assault while at the same time working the ER at St. John's in Wayne County, and it was frustrating because there wasn't the same level of care in Detroit and Wayne County that was available in Oakland County.'

Hurst noticed that some victims of sexual abuse in Wayne County would even take a cab or drive to clinics in Oakland County or Macomb County to get the services and help they needed and deserved.

There was a huge gap in medical care services between the three counties," she said.

So Hurst decided to change that by starting her own clinic and crisis center in Wayne County. The organization became known as Wayne County Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner's Program (WC SAFE). In 2006, the first year of the program, WC SAFE had 120 patients, a \$23,000 grant from Blue Cross/Blue Shield and one clinic site.

"I thought it would be something I and a few others could do on the side to help people who have been victimized by this horrible crime," she said. "I never realized it would become what it is today."

Care evolves

What it is today is an organization with nine full-time staff members and more than 20 forensic examiners who provide comprehensive and compassionate medicalforensic care to Wavne County survivors of sexual assault in a timely manner with immediate crisis advocacy, followup care and counseling, and provision of expert

witness testimony. They not only help the victims but are able to provide evidence, counseling and services to put the offenders in jail.

"We have an over 90 percent conviction rate on cases that make it to trial," Hurst said. "And these are the toughest cases to prosecute. A lot of the credit goes to not only our forensic exams and the work we do with the victims but also the prosecutor's office, which has made these cases a priority.'

WC SAFE is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week and provides a safe, quiet and confidential environment with specially trained forensic examiners in order to provide medical examinations and forensic evidence collection for rape victims.

Hurst points out that these exams are effective up to 120 hours after the assault takes place.

"Our budget today is now over \$1 million a year to help us do what is needed in Wayne County," Hurst said. "It's been a tremendous and re-

WC SAFE

What: Wayne County Sexual **Assault Forensic Examiner's** Program (WC SAFE) is a nonprofit, 501(c)3, specialty organization that provides compassionate and comprehensive care to victims of sexual assault throughout Wayne County.

Where: Main office is located at 2727 Second Ave., Suite 120, Detroit.

Phone: 313-964-9701. Founded: 2006.

Local connection: Kimberly Hurst of Royal Oak founded WC SAFE and now helps run an organization that includes a staff of nine full-time employees, a group of dedicated volunteers and four clinic sites in Wayne County. Online: wcsafe.org

warding experience. We grew because the need is there."

The need grew to more than 700 patients in

All law enforcement and local emergency rooms now refer all sexual assault cases to WC SAFE. There isn't one emergency room in the county that does its own rape evaluation.

"They call us," Hurst One of the more diffi-

cult aspects of running such an organization is the emotional side effects that come with helping people in need. Hurst has been able to deal with that like she does everything else.

"I have a wonderful support group at home," she said. "There is something called secondary trauma for people who do this kind of work and how you can take these cases home with you. It's something I have had to learn over the years to leave work at work — as hard as that can be sometimes.

"I have two young kids and a wonderful and supportive husband at

home, and that's what I focus on when I leave

Hurst honored

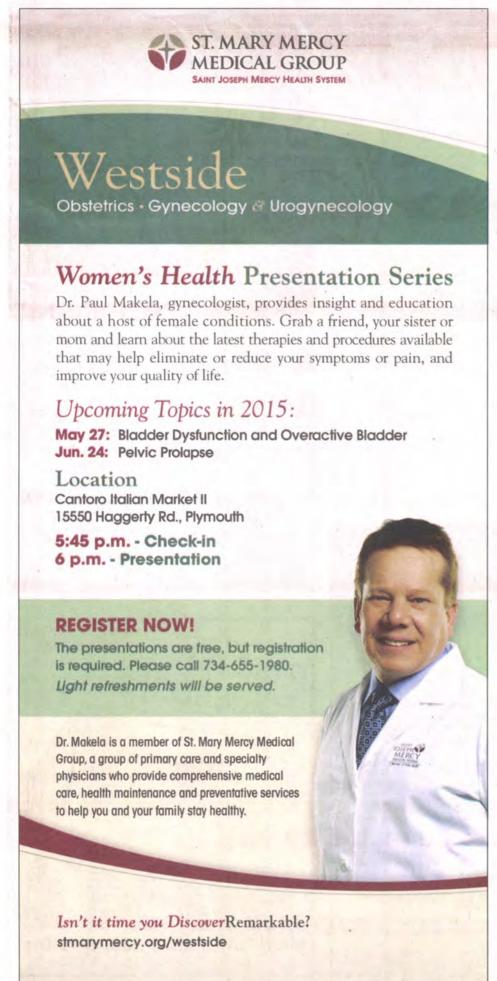
Hurst and WC SAFE were recently one of six community heroes presented a Community Champions award from Molina Healthcare of Michigan.

"Kimberly is an extraordinary example of someone who truly cares about the health and well-being of others,' said Stephen Harris, president of Molina Healthcare of Michigan. "Her commitment to help ensure medical care and resources are available to victims of sexual assault has made a positive impact in the community. Molina is proud to recognize her as Community Champion."

The criteria used when reviewing each nomination for Community Champions include: overall community contributions, length of community service and involvement; achievements or qualities of a nominee that shows his or her commitment to serving those in need; and specific results demonstrating the positive influence a nominee's activities have had on the community.

The Community Champions program celebrates the vision of Dr. C. David Molina, the founder of Molina Healthcare, as well as community partners who work together to care for society's most vulnerable individuals. Each community champion was nominated by a community-based organization and also received a \$1,000 grant to give to a deserving nonprofit organization of his/her choice. Hurst will donate her \$1,000 grant to Wayne County SAFE.

To get involved or find out more about WC SAFE, visit wcsafe.org.





Hospice volunteer honored for 'generous' service

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

Perhaps no one was more surprised that Georgia Scappaticci was named Angela Hospice's volunteer of the year than Scappaticci herself.

The Plymouth Township woman was listening to a description of the yet-unnamed volunteer's service during Angela's recent appreciation dinner and later said there were no immediate clues that it was her, because so many volunteers there do so much valuable work.

"Everyone deserves one," she said of the award.

But when the presenter got to the part about the top volunteer making "the best lemon tarts" and notarizing patient documents, Scappaticci knew who they were talking about.

"I was crying. I didn't know," she said. "I can't believe this is happening to me," was her thought at the time.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Georgia Scappaticci of Plymouth Township is Angela Hospice's

volunteer of the year.

Scappaticci, a 17-year volunteer, received the award last month to a standing ovation at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. Angela Hospice is a Livoniabased not-for-profit that cares for terminally ill people in their last days and provides support for

their families.

'She has touched lives'

Scappaticci does a variety of work for the hospice, helping with fundraising events, reaching out to bereaved families to offer continuing support and, as a

longtime notary public, helping dying patients get their important papers in order.

"Her gifts to the patients and families of Angela Hospice are so numerous and generous," said Syndie Best, volunteer coordinator at the hospice. "She has touched the lives of so many people through her volunteer work here.' But it's the weekly

teas, which she and two other women founded a few years after she started volunteering, that Scappaticci finds the most rewarding. Each Thursday, she and other volunteers serve high tea, complete with sandwiches and treats, to hospice patients and the people visiting them. Often, there's even entertainment: a keyboard player, a singalong, a children's choir.

The high teas lighten what is often a heavy mood for people who are visiting terminally ill loved ones.

"It just gives people

sort of a change," Scappaticci said. "It's just a nicer setting." If a patient cannot make it to the tea room, she said, they'll sometimes bring the tea to the patient.

People who've attended teas sometimes run into Scappaticci later, she said, and tell her they won't forget them. Many families involved with the hospice are so grateful for the teas, she added, they've donated equipment for them, like cups, cabinetry and accessories.

'Like family'

She's gotten close to some of the Angela patients, even attending their funerals, and their family members. "They get to be almost like family," she said.

Scappaticci also volunteers in the bereavement ministry at her church, Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth Township.

She got involved with Angela Hospice in the 1990s, when a friend at

the Italian American Club of Livonia asked her to co-chair a fundraiser for the hospice. She later took the hospice's volunteer course and began as a volunteer in 1998.

She has recorded 4,953 volunteer hours at Angela, with almost 300 of those hours worked during 2014. The average volunteer at Angela worked 91 hours in 2014, almost twice what the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization says is the national average for hospice volunteers.

The appreciation dinner saw more than 80 other volunteers recognized for reaching service milestones.

For more information becoming an Angela Hospice volunteer, go to www.AskforAngela.com or call toll-free at 866-464-7810.

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Several Westland residents among hospice honorees

There was a running theme at the annual Angela Hospice Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. Held on April 13, the message was that volunteers are a gift to Angela Hospice.

"You are a gift, and what you do is a gift," said Syndie Best, Volunteer Services manager for the Livonia-based nonprofit, to the packed room of volunteers and

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Hospice volunteers answered in droves. In 2014, they served 37,538 hours and drove almost 180,000 miles to help Angela Hospice patients and families. Volunteers help in every area imaginable - gardening, giving haircuts, delivering supplies, helping with fundraisers and events, singing in the choir, creating quilts and afghans, providing companionship for patients and their families, baking, funeral visits, and sorting mailings. In other words, they do whatever needs to be done in order to help patients and their families.

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Georgia Scappaticci of Plymouth was named Volunteer of the Year.

Westland residents honored this year included: Jan Armstrong for five years; Jane Halliwell for five years; Norm Nettle for 10 years; Joanne Neu for five years; and Jennifer

Perniciaro for 15 years. Livonia residents honored this year included Deborah Antosiewicz for 500 hours total and 300 in the last year; Colleen Butka for five years and 1,000 hours; Janet Conway for 2,000 hours; Jane Cuba for 2,500 hours total and more than 300 hours in one year; Mike Cuba for 2,000 hours total and 300 hours in the last year; Marion Dagg for 300 hours in one year; Betty Diethorn for five years; Susan Flatley for 500 hours; Bob Friar for 7,000 hours total and 300 hours in the past year; Joanne Friar for 15 years and 6,500 hours, plus 300 hours in the last year;

Also, Fran Gillis for

five years and 500 hours; Sherry Giordano for 10 years; Cecelia Hartsock for 1,500 hours; Donna Jasin for 2,500 hours; Dorothy Larco for 20 years; Sandy Liebertz for 1,000 hours; Mary Jo Lipon for five years; Sharon McDougald for 1,000 hours; Elizabeth McGill for 500 hours total and 300 in the last year; Jackie Mitchell for 500 hours; Betty Moore for five years and 500 hours; Cathy Myszka for 2,000 hours; Mary Anne Ralko for five years and 1,000 hours; Geri Renaud for 2,000 hours; Rosanne Stark for 300 hours in one year; John Stern for 500 hours total and 300 in the last year; Connie Vokal for five years; David Werton for 20

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Jennifer Perniciaro of Westland was among volunteers honored by Angela Hospice for five years of service.

years and 1,000 hours; Mary Ann Wiegel for 500 hours; and Patricia Zygner for 300 hours in one

At the dinner, which was hosted by the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland, volunteers received a staff tribute as a thank you for all they do, including a song-and-dance number and a skit. Botl received with cheers of applause from the volunteers. More than 80 volunteers were also recognized for reaching milestones per five years and/or 500 lifetime hours of service.

"Angela Hospice volunteers are wonderful!

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They are caring and generous people who faithfully give their most valuable commodity their time — to help others. Our volunteers are hardworking and flexible, willing to do whatever is needed," Best said. "The compassion they have for others is obvious in all they do. I am touched by the way our patients and families, but also for each other. The volunteers here are like family."

For more information about Angela Hospice or to become a volunteer, visit www.AskforAngela-.com or call toll free 866-464-7810.

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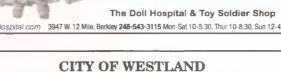
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Brian Wilson (right), Livonia's superintendent of public service, accepts congratulations from

DEQ recognizes Livonia for recycling excellence

The DEQ and Governor's Recycling Council recognized the City of Livonia for excellence in recycling at the Governor's Recycling Summit

in Kalamazoo May 5. Gov. Rick Snyder has set a goal of increasing diversion of waste from landfills from 15 percent to 30 percent statewide. The City of Livonia, DEQ officials noted, has achieved a recycling rate of over 50 percent for many years through efforts such as curbside recycling, household hazardous waste/electronic waste drop-off events, wood waste-toenergy efforts and other programs.

"Livonia's commitment to recycling and waste diversion goes back many years," said Brian Wilson, Livonia's superintendent of public service. "As we head into the 25th year of curbside recycling, we continue to gain in the economic and

environmental benefits that result from the tremendous efforts in recycling and waste reduction of Livonia's residents and businesses."

The DEQ honor adds to Livonia's reputation as an environmentally friendly city. Livonia was recently recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Founda-

"Our local leaders and staff, but more importantly our residents and business owners, understand the importance of a healthy environment," Mayor Jack Kirk-sey said. "The success of our recycling program is another indication of how seriously Livonia takes its responsibility to the environment."

Livonia was one of 28 honored at the event. The awards are designed to honor organizations excelling in several key categories, including providing leadership,

improving measurement tools, expanding recycling rates, focusing on outreach and education, increasing access to recycling, and "closing the loop" by designing or creating new products that can be recycled or by purchasing and using products made of recycled content.

"(Livonia's) program includes some pretty unique materials, such as woodchips from tree maintenance, composting, paper shredding days and electronics collection days," said Rhonda Over, chief of the DEQ's sustainable materials management unit. "Strong communication and accepting a wide variety of material is what they attribute to the success of the pro-gram."

Snyder outlined these components in his April 2014 statewide plan to increase the state's recycling rate to 30 percent.

City of Livonia to distribute food

The City of Livonia will distribute beef stew, mashed potatoes, spinach, green beans, apple sauce, raisins and grape juice from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 19, to residents enrolled in the State of Michigan **Temporary Emergency** Food Assistance Program (TEFAP).

The distribution will take place in the vacant district court building at 15140 Farmington Road, just south of Five

Other items will also be provided from Forgotten Harvest.

Distributions are

scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month. Senior housing residents should check with their housing office for

TEFAP information. For more information, call the Community Resource Department, Commodity Food line at 734-466-2673.

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FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Community Development Block Grant Program 2015-2016

May 10, 2015

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about June 1, 2015 the City of Livonia-Housing Commission will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL93-383) to be used for the following projects which are categorically excluded or require an Environmental Assessment under the National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) requirements:

SECTION 1: CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED ACTIVITIES (58.35(a) AND (b)

1) HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

The activities described below are continuing programs that take place on a city-wide basis.

MAJOR HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM: The City of Livonia's Major Home Rehabilitation Program is operated out of the Housing Commission Office and provides deferred loans from CDBG funds to low/moderate income families or individuals who own and occupy single family homes. The purpose of this program is to complete major repairs that extend the useful life of a home. Homes rehabilitated under the Major Home Rehabilitation Program may require extensive repairs in order to comply with local code and federal requirements. Loan recipients eventually pay back the money rather than receiving an outright grant, therefore, the program provides for the future return of funds, thus preserving the program over time. Applications are accepted on a first-come first-serve basis and the amount of the loan shall not exceed \$15,000. Loan limits may be waived to make emergency improvements or to address lead based paint hazards. Recipients must be Livonia residents and fall within federal income guidelines (incomes which are equal to 80% or less of the average income of the Detroit Metropolitan area). Home ownership and income verification are required. Loans are offered at 0% and 3% interest rates, depending on household income. The loan becomes due when a home is sold. Liens are placed on the property in the amount of the loan and are recorded with the Wayne County Register of Deeds. Funding for this program (including administration and city building inspections) in the amount of \$43,194 has been budgeted for PY2015-16, with an estimated 3-5 homes

B. EMERGENCY HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM:

The Emergency Rehabilitation Program provides rehabilitation loans to low/moderate income households for the repair of sudden or unexpected damages to a home that immediately threaten a household's health or safety. Emergency repairs are given priority over all other applicants for rehabilitation loans. Loans for emergency repairs are deferred and offered at 0% or 3% interest rates, depending upon household income. Funding in the amount of \$26,194.00 has been budgeted for PY2015-16, with an estimated 3-5 homes

C. MINOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM: The City of Livonia maintains a Minor Home Repair grant program. CDBG funds are used to provide minor repairs for low income resident households who own and occupy single family homes. The purpose of the program is to affect minor repairs and maintenance to these houses on behalf of the occupants, many of whom are elderly and female headed households, to avoid code violations and dangerous conditions so as to maintain safe and adequate housing units. The program also provides for limited accessibility improvements on behalf of persons with disabilities. The program includes permanent improvement of a residential home to prevent or correct sub-standard conditions, or to remove safety hazards, including the installation of smoke detectors. Work consists of restoration and/or renovation extending the life of the structure. Home maintenance does not involve any aesthetic improvements to a home unless such work also contributes to the extended life of the structure. Repairs are generally limited to \$1,500/home/year. Recipients must be Livonia residents and fall within income guidelines. Home ownership and income verification are required. This program works closely with the Major Home Rehabilitation Program for cross-referrals. Funding in the amount of \$49,514 has been allocated for PY2015-16, with an estimated 33 homes repaired.

2) ACQUISITION/REHABILITATION/DEMOLITION OF TAX REVERTED PROPERTIES

According to Section 570.202, the rehabilitation of privately owned buildings is an eligible CDBG activity. Also according to 24 CFR Part 58 under 58.35(a) (5), federal funds used for rehabilitation are Categorically Excluded from NEPA environmental review requirements.

Funding will be available for PY2015-16 permitting the City of Livonia to acquire 1-2 tax foreclosed properties from Wayne County. Upon notification by the County through the Treasurer's Office the City/Housing Commission has the right of first refusal to purchase single family homes and vacant parcels of land. Acquisition of the homes will enable the Commission to rehabilitate the structure and utilize the homes for low/moderate income families or demolition where determined necessary. A total of \$19,958.00 is allocated for this

3) PUBLIC FACILITIES

A. CITY-OWNED SINGLE FAMILY RENTAL UNITS: The City has fifteen (15) singlefamily homes to provide affordable rental housing for low/moderate income families. An estimated \$30,000 will be allocated to the continued maintenance of these properties, and \$2,000 will be allocated to the management of these properties. This funding is not derived from the current grant allocation, but rather from rent receipts generated by these 15 rental homes. Federal regulations found at 58.35(b) (3) state that operating costs (including maintenance) is categorically excluded from NEPA requirements.

The building which houses the Community Development Office and the Housing Choice Voucher Program, located at 10800 Farmington Road, is a public facility in which regular public service activities take place. Weekly intake sessions conducted by a contractor for utility assistance, Housing Choice Voucher pre-selection meetings, landlord and contractor meetings and monthly homebuyer information sessions require use of the building. Under 24 CFR 58.35 acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction or rehabilitation of public facilities are categorically excluded when the facilities and improvements are in place and will be retained in the same use without change in size or capacity of more than 20 percent.

SECTION 2: ACTIVITIES REQUIRING AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

According to Section No. 58.36 of 24 CFR Part 58, Environmental Review Procedures for Title I Community Development Block Grant Programs, none of the proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project(s) for the City of Livonia, Michigan require an environmental assessment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for these projects is on file at the Livonia Housing Commission-Community Development Office located at 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan 48150 and may be examined weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Livonia Housing Commission at the address listed above. All comments received on or before Thursday, May 25, 2015 will be considered by the Livonia Housing Commission prior to authorizing submission of request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Livonia-Housing Commission certifies to HUD that Jack E. Kirksey in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Livonia-Housing Commission to use CDBG Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Livonia-Housing Commission's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later). The anticipated period of review by HUD is June 1, 2015 to June 16, 2015. HUD will consider objections only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Livonia; (b) the City of Livonia-Housing Commission has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with established procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Grant Administration Office at Patrick V. McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48226. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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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

LIVONIA DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETING

Time/date: 7 p.m. Monday, May

Location: The Quality Inn & Suites, 30375 Plymouth Road,

Details: The Livonia Democratic Club will meet for its general monthly meeting.

Contact:

livoniademocraticclub.com. **3D PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB MEETING**

Time/date: 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13.

Location: Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Learn to make 3D pictures. Meetings include a 3D program, refreshment break and competition among members. Stereo cameras, 3D movies and educational videos are available for members to rent. The program for the meeting will be a presentation on how to produce your own Phantograms, 3D images that seem to stand up above the surface of the photo. An "open" club competition will conclude the evening's events. The meetings are free to attend, and visitors are always welcome. Contact: Detroit3D.org; Dennis at 248-398-3591.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL **OPEN HOUSE**

Time/date: 4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13. Location: St. Michael's School, 11311 Hubbard Road, Livonia. Details: Livonia's oldest and largest K-8 parochial school invites families to tour the school, meet with staff and share refreshments and conversation with other parents and students. St. Michael's serves students from young 4s through eighth grade. It offers full-day kindergarten, latch-key programming and an extended curriculum that includes computer science, art, music and Spanish

Contact: 734-261-1455, ext. 226; livoniastmichael.org. **SPRING FESTIVAL**

Time/date: Thursday-Sunday, May 14-17.

Location: St Robert Bellarmine Church, 27101 Chicago W, Red-

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Details: The Parish community of St Robert Bellarmine Church is hosting their 2015 Spring Festival. Thursday night will feature carnival rides only. Friday, Saturday and Sunday will feature carnival rides, game tent, food, beer tent, bingo, live entertainment and grand prize raffle drawing.

Contact: 313-937-1520, ext. 142 **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.

REDFORD SYMPHONY CONCERT

Time/date: 3 p.m. Sunday, May

Location: Grace Lutheran Church 25630 Grand River Ave., Redford.

Details: The Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra will present a free concert. "Heroic Concert," for patrons of all ages to enjoy

Contact: redfordsymphony.org

LIVONIA KIDS AND FAMILIES GOLF CLASSIC

Time/date: 7:30 a.m. Sunday, May 17.

Location: St. John's Golf Course, Plymouth.

Details: Enjoy fun golf challenges, food and friends. Prizes and trophies going to the best, and worst, golfers. All proceeds benefit the Emerson Food Pantry and Livonia Kids and Families which assists Livonia residents in need of assistance.

Contact: 734-788-4373. **LIVONIA KIDS AND**

FAMILIES GOLF

CLASSIC 2015 Time/date: 7:30 a.m. Sunday, May 17.

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, netscore tournament (per Mulligan Tour rules). Amateurs (guests) compete for low amateur honors. There will be longest-drive and closest-to-pin contests. Players can enter the toilet shoot and marshmallow shoot for a chance to win an HDTV. Contact: 734-788-4373.

BLOOD DRIVE

Time/date: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, May 18.

Location: St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livo nia.

Details: In partnership with the American Red Cross, St. Mary Mercy Hospital will hold a blood drive in its North Auditorium. The public is invited to join hospital employees and volun teers in donating blood. Walkins are accepted, but appointments are preferred. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or visit redcrossblood.org

SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

Time/date: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 19.

Location: New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, Redford.

Details: All-you-can-eat cold and hot salads, plus rolls and beverage. Cost is \$7; \$5 for teachers and educators, who can go to the front of the line if on a lunch hour. Boutique and bake sale, too

Contact: 313-255-6330.

WIDOWED FRIENDS Time/date: 5:30-9 p.m. Wednes-

day, 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-

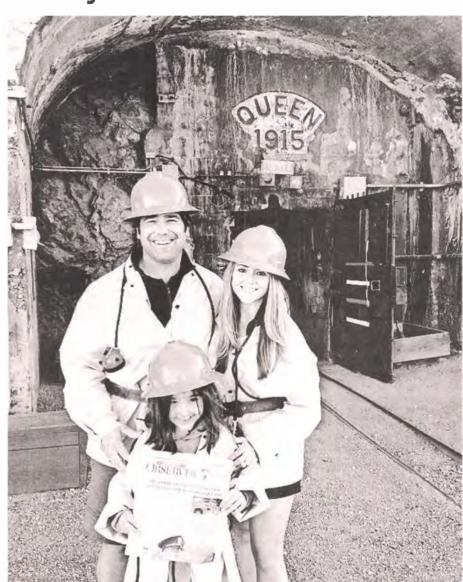
LIVONIA HISTORICAL **SOCIETY ANNUAL BANQUET**

Time/date: 6 p.m. Thursday,

Location: Alexander Blue House, Greenmead Historical

Park, Livonia. Details: Joe Grimm, author of Coney Detroit, will speak on why Michigan is the coney capital of the world. Enjoy coney dogs, broasted chicken, cole

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slaw, roasted potatoes, fruit cups and cheese cake. Tickets are

Contact: Greenmead office. 248-477-7375; Barbara Mansfield, 734-464-0450.

SENIOR ALL-NIGHT

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

Location: Stevenson High

School, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. **Details:** Discounted tickets are \$60 until March 7 for the Class of 2015 All-Night Party. For

further information and to obtain a ticket order form, visit http://stevenson. livoniapublicschools.org then

click on the PARENTS tab and select "Senior All Night Party." **FOREVER FAMILIES 5K**

WALK/RUN Time/date: Saturday, May 30. Location: Hines Park, North

Merriman Road, Westland **Details:** Forever Families is a nonprofit licensed foster care and adoption agency in Livonia. Funds raised will go toward meeting the needs of foster children in Michigan including clothing, hygiene items, Christmas and birthday gifts for the children, school supplies, backpacks, cribs, strollers, etc. Various sponsorship levels are available. The goal is to raise \$15,000.

Contact: Amber Ogden, 734-762-0909, ext. 103; aogden@forever-families.org

FLEA MARKET Time/date: Saturday, June 6.

Location: Our Lady of Loretto, 17116 Olympia St., Redford.

Details: Antique dealers, artists and crafters, and those who would like to sell their yard/ garage sale items are invited to participate in Our Lady of Loretto's Flea Market. Visit ourladyoflorettoparish.org, look the church up on Facebook, or call the church office at 313-534-9000 for details and application forms.

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK GOLF OUTING

Time/date: 7 a.m. Saturday, June 6.

Location: Idyl Wyld Golf Course, 35786 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Details: Swing your clubs to combat childhood hunger at the first-ever benefit Blessings in a Backpack-Livonia, a communitybased program run by volunteers to address the problem of weekend childhood hunger in Livonia Public Schools. Fourperson scramble, 18 holes of golf with cart, free use of range in the morning, various golfrelated contests, a 50/50 raffle, silent auction, and dinner at the

tration for golf and dinner is \$100, while the fee for dinner only is \$30. Registration at 7 a.m., shotgun start at 8 a.m. Contact: Audra Rons at audrarons@gmail.com or call 248-701-3277.

SUMMER FLEA MARKET

Time/date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 7.

Location: Greenmead Historical Park, Eight Mile and Newburgh roads, Livonia.

Details: Hosted by the Livonia Historical Commission, the Flea Market is a rain or shine event with plenty of free parking. All proceeds benefit Greenmead Historical Park. More than 180 vendor spaces, refreshments on site. Village tours start at noon. Cost is \$2 per person, free for children under 12. Bring a wagon/cart. No dogs permitted at

this event. Contact: 248-477-7375

PARKING LOT SALE

Time/date: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 13. Location: St. John Bosco Church, 12100 Beech Daly Road,

Details: Sell your stuff at our site. One parking space, \$15; two spaces, \$25; and three spaces, \$35. This will be the church's

only sale this year. Contact: 313-937-9690.

Liyonia Public Schools Opens Renowned Academically Talented Program To Out-Of-District Students

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Limited Registration window: May 5-May 22, 2015.

Livonia Public Schools is opening its Alternative Classrooms for the Academically Talented (ACAT) program to Limited Schools of Choice for the 2015 - 2016 school year.

This program is geared toward academically talented students looking for a specialized learning experience.

Registration will be open from May 5 - 22, 2015 at Webster Elementary School, 32401 Pembroke, Livonia, MI 48152 from 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. Monday - Friday.

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Long-term investment: Give the gift of education, help family thrive

Q: Dear Rick: We just had our first greatgrandchild and we want to do something for him. I was at the **Observer & Eccentric Expo in April and I** asked you this question. You said put money away for his future education in a Michigan college savings plan. Over the next couple of years we're expecting more great-grandchildren and we figure what we do for one we have to do for all. Because of this, we figure that we can only afford to put in about \$500. Does it make sense to open a plan for only \$500? My husband thinks we should just buy U.S. Savings Bonds. What do you recommend?

A: Congratulations on the birth of a greatgrandchild and for thinking about his future. I cannot think of a better gift from a grandparent or a great-grandparent than the gift of an educa-

What you are doing to help your great-grandchild is something that will pay dividends throughout his life. As a side note, just think about how lucky that great-grandchild is because somewhere in the future he will be able to tell people that he knew his great-grandparents. I know how lucky I am that I can tell people that I knew all four of my grandparents.

I believe it is a slam dunk that you should use the Michigan Education Savings Plan (MESP) vs. U.S. Savings Bonds. Look at the returns U.S. Savings Bonds are paying -0.3 percent.

The bottom line is the



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cost of a college education is increasing considerably more than 0.3 percent a year. By investing in U.S. Savings Bonds you are not keeping up p with college cost inflation.

In the past, people purchased bonds for their returns, but also as a sign of patriotism. As a red, white and blue flagwaving American, I understand and embrace patriotism. However, the issue at hand is what is a good investment for your great-grandchild, and, considering the returns, that is not in U.S. savings bonds.

When you consider that your great-grand-child won't need this money for at least 18 years, it makes sense to invest a portion of the money in the stock market and that is exactly what investing in the MESP will do. It will give you a diversified and balanced portfolio that is geared for the long run.

The MESP (www.misaves.com) is a 529 Plan. It allows money to be invested for someone's post high-school education. The money can grow tax free and be withdrawn tax free as long as it's used for a qualified education ex-

There are numerous 529 Plans on the market, however, they're not all the same. Some of these plans are state-specific in that you can only use the money for schools in that state. Other plans have commissions and high

If you're saving for college education, you must recognize that the cost of college is increasing faster than just about anything else in our economy.

fees. Obviously, those plans should be avoided.

One of the reasons I like the MESP is that you can use the money for basically any public or private institution in the country. In addition, it is commission-free and very low cost. Vanguard and Fidelity also offer very good 529 Plans.

If you're saving for someone's college education, you must recognize that the cost of college is increasing faster than just about anything else in our economy. To keep up with the increase you must have a long-term prospective.

Yes, the stock market is volatile and your prin-cipal can fluctuate up and down. However, if you are saving for a new-born's education 18 years away, your only realistic opportunity of keeping up is to make sure a portion of your money is invested in the stock market.

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 rick@bloom assetmanagement.com.

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015 AT 8 P.M.



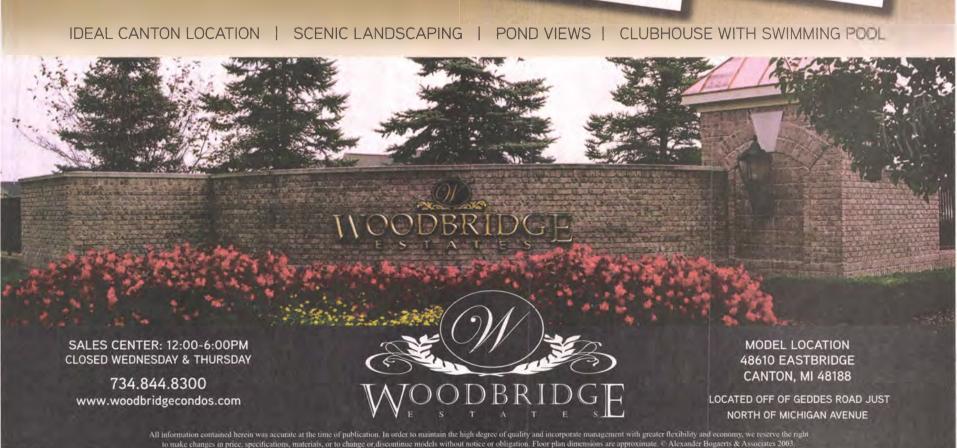
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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Wetmore-led John Glenn surging



ED WRIGH

John Glenn shortstop Reed Zielinski secured the flip from his second baseman to get a force-out on Franklin base-runner David Milican during the sixth inning of Wednesday's game. By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn senior pitcher Brendan Wetmore had his usual nasty stuff working during the first game of Wednesday's doubleheader against visiting Livonia Franklin.

Wetmore struck out 10 Patriots, including Franklin's clean-up hitter with two outs and runners on second and third in the seventh inning, to lead the Rockets to a 2-1 victory.

The hard-throwing lefty scattered six hits

and the only run the Patriots scored was unearned.

Results of the second game were unavailable. Patriots starting pitch-

er Adrian Reed suffered the game-one loss despite yielding just two runs over 4 % innings. Jay Hopson held John Glenn scoreless over the final 1 % frames.

Franklin struck first in the second when, with two outs, Tyler Camp reached on an infield single. After Hunter Sellers singled, Camp scored

on an error.
John Glenn tallied its

only two runs in the bottom of the third. Wetmore, who finished 2-for-2 with two stolen bases, was hit by a pitch to lead off the frame. After Wetmore was sacrificed to second, he stole third and scored on Brian Martin's double to straight-

away center field.

Martin advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored on Zach Croft's single to center.

Franklin constructed a big-time threat in the top of the fourth when Ryan Prohaska and Camp led off the inning with sin-

See BASEBALL, Page B4

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE TRACK & FIELD MEET

RUN-AWAY!

Chargers boys continue hot streak; Northville girls capture crown

> By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Livonia Churchill's boys track and field team is having a "relay, relay" good month of May.

On Friday, just six days after winning the Observerland Relays on their home track, the Chargers made themselves feel right at home again by running away from the 12-team field in the Kensington Conference Meet.

The Chargers piled up 99.5 points to out-distance runner-up Westland John Glenn by 15.5 points. Northville was third with 76, one point better than fourth-place Canton.

Churchill was powered by several strong individual efforts, including its lone first-place finish: Shakur Lockett's triumph in the long jump (21 feet, 1¼ inches). Jamal Allen placed second in the 400-meter dash and the Chargers' 3,200-meter relay team nipped Plymouth for the gold by just over a second.

Franklin's Keenan Jones won the 1,600 in a duel with Salem's Chaz Jeffress.

John Glenn's Austin Hickerson (200 and 400) and Freddie Thompson (both hurdles events) were the only two individuals in the boys meet to win twice.

The Mustang girls raced to the decisive title by winning



ED WRIGHT

See RUN, Page B4 Livonia Churchill's Shakur Lockett (background) passes the baton to Paul Romain during Friday's 400 relay.

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Churchill edges Franklin; Stevenson 4th at Wayne Co.

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Consistency was the name of the game for the Livonia Churchill boys golf team Wednesday as three Chargers registered rounds of 42 to lead head coach Paul Worley's squad to an every-shot-counts 171-172 triumph over host Livo-

nia Franklin at Idyl Wyld Golf Course.

The three low-scorers for the winners were Sam Spayd, Aaron Walton and Peyton Elleins. Mike Palumbo's round of 45 also counted toward the Chargers' third-straight victory. Davis Coughlin shot a 48, while Blake Ebling came in with a 62. Franklin's Will Hettel was the match's medalist after shooting a sizzling 39. Also scoring for the Patriots were Matt Wiebelhaus (41), and Jeremy Haist (46) and Jacob Kenward (46).

Also playing at the varsity level for Franklin were Zack Nelzon (48) and Trevor Van Vliet (53). Stevenson excels

Led by Connor McQueen's sterling round of 76, Livonia Stevenson placed fourth at Wednesday's 19-team Wayne County Invitational.

McQueen's four-over-par performance earned him a

See GOLF, Page B2

MU softball Cal-bound

The Madonna University softball team learned its NAIA National Softball Championship destination Thursday and the Crusaders are headed to Irvine, Calif., for the four-team Concordia University-Irvine opening round.

Madonna, the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference regular season co-champion with a 34-12-1 overall record, is making its first appearance in the opening round and fifth overall in the NAIA National Tourney (1994, 2009, 2010, 2012).

MU coach Jerry Abraham is taking his second team this school year to the nationals. It's his second for softball and 16th overall (including volley-

On Monday, the fourthseeded Crusaders will take on top seed Concordia, ranked third nationally, while second-seed and No. 13 ranked Cal State San Marcos takes on third seed Dickinson State. Times for the matchups for the double-elimination format have not been announced.

The winner of the Concordia bracket advances to the NAIA World Series in Sioux City, Iowa.

Hole-in-one

Livonia resident Roger Pattee, 67, aced the 171yard fifth hole at Whispering Willows Golf Course on Wednesday using a five iron.

Pattee, who had recorded one previous hole-inone in his 56 years of playing the sport, finished his 18-hole round with an 87.

Blazers rout Regina, 17-3

Senior Dani Dwyer and junior Jillian Jacobs led a parade of scorers with four goals apiece Thursday as host Livonia Ladywood rolled to a 17-3 Catholic League semifinal victory over Warren Regi-

The Blazers, who led 12-1 at halftime, advanced to Saturday's championship final at Notre Dame Prep while improving to 7-3 overall.

Other Ladywood goal scorers included junior Nicole Reece, junior Jaclyn Mullen and freshman Sydney Pilut with two goals apiece. Senior Kristen Karwan, sophomore Colleen Barnes and freshman Julianne Snyder chipped in with one each.

Ladywood junior goalie Aliya Grandison made 12 saves.

"Right from the first draw we took the lead and never looked back," said Ladywood coach Kris Sanders, whose team is 6-0 in the league. "We played with intensity and poise, executing our game plan."

The loss drops Regina to 3-8 overall and 0-6 in the league.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL Monday, May 11 S.L. East at Franklin, 4 p.m. Northville at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Thurston at Annapolis, 4 p.m. Fordson at RU, 4 p.m. Novi at Wayne, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Robichaud, 4 p.m. Garden City at Crestwood, 4 p.m. **Wednesday, May 13** Plymouth at Franklin (2), 4 p.m.

Churchill at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Canton at Wayne (2), 4 p.m. Annapolis at RU, 4 p.m. Amapois at Ru, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Thurston, 4 p.m. Garden City at Dearborn, 4 p.m. Friday, May 15 Clarenceville at N.B. Huron, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16 Franklin at Truman Tourney, TBA John Glepn at Kennedy Tourney TBA John Glenn at Kennedy Tourney, TBA Wayne at Dearborn (2), 11 a.m Allen Park at RU, 1 p.m. Clarenceville at Clawson Tourney, 10 a.m. Sunday, May 17 Franklin Alumni Game, 6:30 p.m.

Franklin Alumni Game, 6:30 p.m.
PREP SOFTBALL
Monday, May 11
Garden City at Crestwood, 4 p.m.
Stevenson vs. Churchill at Ford Field, 8 p.m.
Northville at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Thurston at Annapolis, 4 p.m.
Catholis Leave puratefinal 4 p.m. Catholic League quarterfinal, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Robichuad, 4 p.m.

Churchill at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Garden City at Dearborn, 4 p.m. Catholic League semifinal, 4 p.m. Friday, May 15 Clarenceville at Cranbrook, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16 Clarenceville at Southfield Christian (2), 11

John Glenn at Skyline Tourney, 8:30 a.m. Hits for Heroes Tournament, 9 a.m. GIRLS SOCCER Monday, May 11
Clarenceville at RU, 6 p.m.
Edsel at Thurston, 6 p.m.
Garden City at Romulus, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, May 12
Franklin at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Wayne, 5:30 p.m.
Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13 Clarenceville at Garden City, 6 p.m. RU at Edsel Ford, 6 p.m. Thurston at Crestwood, 7 p.m. **Thursday, May 14** KLAA cross-overs at Central Division Friday, May 15

ton at Franklin, 7 p.m. Crestwood at RU, 6:30 p.m.

BOYS GOLF Monday, May 11 Stevenson at Brighton Invite, 8:30 a.m. Redford Union at Garden City, 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 12 South Lyon at Franklin, 3 p.m. Novi at John Glenn, 3 p.m. Stevenson at Canton, 3 p.m Wednesday, May 13 Garden City at Romulus, 2:45 p.m. Fordson at RU, 3 p.m. Thursday, May 14 Franklin at Novi, 3 p.m. John Glenn at Salem, 3 p.m Friday, May 15
Garden City at News Herald Invite, 8:30

PREP TRACK & FIELD Tuesday, May 12 Clarenceville at Crestwood, 4 p.m. Thurston at Annapolis, 3:30 p.m. Fordson at Garden City, 3:30 p.m. Friday, May 15 nal at Canton, 9 a.m Division 1 regional at GIRLS LACROSSE Monday, May 11 Heritage at Ladywood, 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 Ladywood at Marian, 4:30 p.m. **GIRLS TENNIS** Monday, May 11 Ferndale at Garden City, 4:30 p.m.

GOLF

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sixth-place overall stand-

Also figuring in the scoring for Stevenson were Jon McDonald (79), Connor McCarthy (81) and Hyder Mansour (84) Noah Pappalardo played well, shooting an 87, but only the four lowest

rounds counted in the scoring.

Rockets prevail

Westland John Glenn outscored Wayne Memorial, 221-237, in a KLAA South Division match held Thursday at Fellow Creek Golf Course in Canton.

Chase Anderson led the Rockets with a 44. Also scoring for John Glenn were David Hickson (48), Chase Storm (60) and Nick Butkovich

The Zebras' low man was Daniel Kosick, who fired a 49. Nick Jefferson carded a 53, while Cameron Salt (63) and John Hicks (72) also figured in the scoring for Wayne. Zack Boland added a 79 while Jacob Sterling shot

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Place: **Board of Education** Garden City Public Schools

1333 Radcliff Garden City, MI 48135

Attn: Drew McMechan, Chief Financial Officer

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60,000 48,000 HOME funds (\$227,994; program income \$100,000): Grant Administration 30,299 Housing Rehabilitation 55,000 Homebuyer Assistance 94,400

Housing Acquisition & Rehabilitation Environmental Review Records are available for review, Housing & Community Development Department, 32715 Dorsey Road, Westland, MI. 48186, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. No further environmental review of said projects is proposed prior to Request for Release of Federal Funds. All parties disagreeing with the decision may submit written comments for consideration by the City of Westland by 5:00 p.m., June 15, 2015. The City will not request the release of federal funds or take administrative action on the above projects prior to June

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William R. Wild, Mayor City of Westland



John Glenn's Megan Buford sprints into third base during the second game of Thursday's doubleheader sweep of Wayne Memorial.

Rockets soar to twinbill sweep of Zebras

John Glenn's Huren stars on mound, at plate

> By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn's softball team flexed its muscles during Thursday's makeup doubleheader against visiting Wayne Memorial.

Riding the pitching of Mackenzie Huren, the Rockets swept the Zebras, 4-0 and 15-0, to earn Wayne-Westland bragging rights, at least temporarily. The second game last just four innings due to the MHSAA

mercy rule. Huren allowed just

one hit in the first game while striking out seven. Huren went 2-for-3 with a double, Chelsea Gilbert went 2-for-3 with two RBI while Hannah Udell had two hits (including a double) and two RBI.

Huren brought her "A" game to the nightcap as well, yielding just two hits while fanning five.

Leading the winners' hitting attack were Heather Gains (2-for-2, doubles two RBI), Megan Buford (2-for-2, triple, three RBI), Chelsea Gilbert (3-for-3, three RBI) and Huren, who went 2-for-2 with two ribbies.

On April 24, the Rockets shrugged off a weeklong, weather-induced

layoff to wallop Dearborn Edsel Ford, 14-2. Gains made a highlightreel catch in center field to lead the winners' defensive charge. She also ripped two singles at the

Huren earned the win on the mound, striking out seven in five innings. John Glenn scored six runs in the second inning to given Huren some breathing room.

Huren was 3-for-4 at the plate with two doubles and four RBI. Also shining offensively for the Rockets were Jasmine Pickens, Buford, Julia Mickalowski, Gilbert and Udell.

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Twenty Livonia Churchill senior student-athletes who will be playing sports in college gathered in the school's media center Thursday afternoon for a first-of-its-kind joint signing ceremony. Pictured along with Churchill athletic director Marc Hage (back row, seventh from left) are (seated from left) Rosie Garvin (Schoolcraft C.C., softball), Baker Hadwan (Muskegon C.C., wrestling), Alexis Lubonja (U-D Mercy, soccer), Rachel Mattison (Cuyahoga Co. C.C., softball), Jonathan Murray (Trine University, baseball), Sediqa Nedam (Indiana Tech, soccer), Odilichukwu Onwudiwe (Oakland University, track & field), Dylan Padget (Kalamazoo College, football), Victoria Perez (Johnson & Wales, hockey), Armon Perham (Adrian College, football), (back row from left) Jon Alessandrini (Madonna University, cross country), Nick Davis (Wayne State University, football), Matt Cohan (Madonna University, cross country), Tim Dulin (North Dakota University, football), Erin Emmanuel (St. Louis University, soccer), Brian Alsobrooks (Eastern Michigan University, football), athletic director Marc Hage, Amanda Rybak (Schoolcraft C.C., volleyball), Natalie Spala (University of Michigan-Dearborn, basketball), Matt Skibinski (Miami of Ohio, football) and Dylan Smith (Lawrence Tech University, hockey).

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL



Brooke Garbarino had a big day at the plate Wednesday against Westland John Glenn.

Franklin sweeps John Glenn

Clarenceville commits 8 errors in 13-12 loss: RU tops Thurston

> **By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

It was "Patriots Day" Wednesday on the Westland John Glenn softball diamond as visiting Livonia Franklin earned a doubleheader sweep of the Rockets.

Franklin set the tone early by winning the opener, 16-1, in three innings before taking the nightcap, 8-5.

The pair of victories improved the Patriots to 10-9 overall and 8-5 in the KLAA South Division.

Starting pitcher Alaina DeFrain was sharp in both games, but especially in the first when she no-hit the Rockets while yielding just one walk.

Freshman Ashley Kent was an offensive force, ripping two singles and a double while knocking in three runs and scoring once. Sarah Cramton blasted an overthe-fence home run for the winners while Megan Chapman and Lauren Michael contributed two hits a piece.

DeFrain tossed a sev-

en-inning complete game in the second game, yielding five runs (three earned) and 12 hits while striking out a pair of Rockets. DeFrain was in control as she did not issue a walk.

In a wild start, Franklin scored three runs in the first inning before the Rockets countered with a pair in the bottom of the first. The Patriots tacked on three in the third to expand their lead to 6-2, but John Glenn came back with two in the third and one in the fifth to cut its deficit to

The Patriots scored twice in the seventh thanks to DeFrain's twoout, two-run single.

Franklin managed just five hits, but took advantage of six John

Glenn walks. Sophomore catcher Brooke Garbarino singled, walked twice and scored three runs. Cramton pitched in with a

two-run single. "Today we played some outstanding defense as Sarah, Lauren, Jessica Banks and Tara Trujillo all had diving catches," Franklin head coach Linda Jimenez added.

Tractors trip Trojans

Dearborn Fordson scored two runs in the top of the seventh inning Wednesday to defeat host Livonia Clarenceville, 13-12.

The Tractors shut out the Lady Trojans in the last three innings. Clarenceville took a one-run lead into the fifth but could not hold on to it.

Winning pitcher Dabaja Niveen went the distance, allowing seven hits and nine walks. She struck out five and hit

five. **Emily Schwartz took** another tough loss (2-6), allowing six earned runs on nine hits and three walks. She also fanned

Clarenceville's defense was the difference, committing eight errors compared to Fordson's

Claudia Moore reached base four times (single, two walks, hit by pitch) and scored three runs for the Lady Trojans, who are 2-2 in the WWAC and 2-6 overall.

Schwartz had an RBI double to help her cause, and sophomore Janie Wagganer collected three singles and scored two

Diala Elhallak was

3-for-4 with a walk for the Tractors. She also reached base on an error and scored four runs

FD WRIGHT

RU beats Thurston

Redford Union's bats were on fire Wednesday during its 22-12 fiveinning victory over crosstown rival Redford Thurston.

The loss dropped the Eagles' record to 3-5 overall and 1-5 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Red Divi-

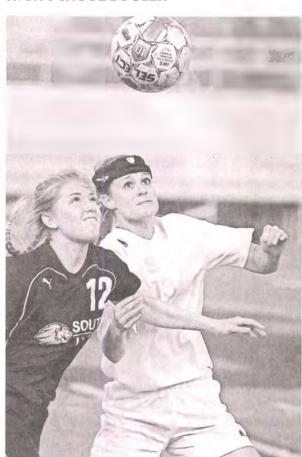
"Our defense struggled a bit in the first two innings when RU scored 13 runs on just two hits and six walks," noted Thurston head coach Scott Gray. "The other batters and runs scored on Eagle errors.'

There was nothing wrong with the Thurston offense as Chelsea Williams (three hits, two RBI), Sydney Taylor (two hits, two RBI), Ronay Peguies (two hits, two RBI) and Ivory Mamo (two hits, RBI) all swung productive bats.

Amanda Roach, Rachel Pegouske and Gillian Drake all added one hit while Drake knocked in a team-high four runs.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Stevenson's Jenna Thom eyes a 50-50 ball during Thursday's 4-1 victory over South Lyon.

Late goal lifts Canton over Patriots, 2-1

Stevenson, Churchill win decisively

> By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin struck first Thursday night against visiting Canton, but the Chiefs rallied to earn a 2-1 victory in a KLAA South

Division match. Five minutes into the contest, Franklin's Madison Kean scored on a well-struck shot that was assisted by Rachel

Dudek. "Both girls worked very hard for the team Thursday night," said Franklin head coach Dean Kowalski, giving a nod to Kean and Dudek.

Canton knotted the game at 1-1 approximately 15 minutes later when sophomore forward Hannah Lapko found the net on a rocket from 30 yards out.

"She caught our keeper, Kat MacRae, off her line and tied it up with a beautiful strike," said Kowalski.

The game remained tied until Canton scored off a cross with under

four minutes left. "We misplayed the hop and wish we could have that one back,' Kowalski said. "We worked hard all game. I felt we deserved a result, but the soccer gods had different plans.

The Patriots close out the KLAA South regular season Tuesday at Plymouth.

Spartans rebound

Livonia Stevenson bounced back from Monday's loss at Northville by upending South Lyon, 4-1, Thursday night. Details of the game were not available at press time.

Churchill rolls

Livonia Churchill mercied Wayne Memorial 8-0 in a KLAA South Division matchup Thursday night.

The Chargers' junior varsity team won 4-0.

RU defeats **Thurston**

Redford Union defeated Thurston, 3-1, in a WWAC Red Division matchup Wednesday night.

Clarenceville

victorious Livonia Clarenceville earned its fourth victory of the season Wednesday with a dominating performance against Romulus, 6-0.

Sarah Curvin scored two goals; Dawn Longoria, Jordan See, Nickendra Thomas and Jillian Bunker added one each. Ry'Ver Alvin, Kaitlyn Denny and Allison Lay had one assist apiece.

"Melayna Heller, Kyla Johnson and Ashli Hearns played a great game defensively for the Trojans," coach Amanda Moody said, "and Samantha Franco and Hannah Colbert played a great game offensively, providing multiple scoring oppor-

Amanda Drain was in goal for nearly 60 minutes and stopped all three shots directed at her. The Trojans (4-7) play at 6 p.m. Monday at Redford Union.

- Staff writer Dan O'Meara contributed.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL



ED WRIGHT

Sophomore Jacob Gagnon has been a key part of the Redford

Redford Union erupts late against Eagles

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

Redford Union took a huge step toward securing its second straight Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division baseball title Wednesday by upending host Redford Thurston, 14-0, in a game that was close until the Panthers scored eight runs in the fifth inning.

The victory improved RU's record to 14-4 overall and 6-0 in the Red.

"The two keys to this team's success are pitching and defense," RU head coach Bob Miller said. "If you don't pitch the ball well and don't catch it, you can't win.

"Our hitting hasn't been the best, but we're scoring enough runs to win. We have six sophomores and one freshman in our starting lineup, so for these young guys to be able to accomplish what they've accomplished is amazing.

The Panthers' lone senior starter is Vinnie Diaz, who improved to 5-2 after limiting the Eagles to just three hits while striking out six over six innings. Diaz also notched a couple of hits to raise his batting average to .420.

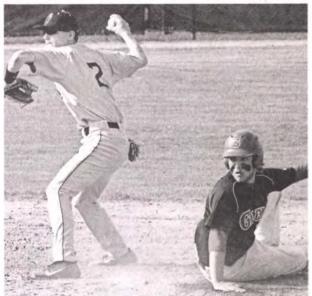
Defensively, second baseman Tommie Lewis made a couple of outstanding plays to take away hits, Miller said.

On Sunday, May 3, the Panthers gave stateranked Dearborn Divine Child a major scare before dropping a 7-5 deci-

RU led 2-0 in the fourth inning before the Falcons rallied to pull out

the win. Diaz was spectacular on the mound in the early innings, keeping the Falcons' hitters off-balance with a mixture of well-placed fastballs and breaking pitches.

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Franklin second baseman Hunter Sellers looks to turn a double play during Wednesday's game at John Glenn.

BASEBALL

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gles and Prohaska moved to third on a passed ball with no outs.

However, the Rockets turned a hard-hit line drive to the second baseman into a double play. With Prohaska still at third, Jake Fry walked, but Wetmore struck out the next batter to subdue the rally. With one out in the seventh, Franklin lead-off hitter Joe Chinavare walked and went to second on a sacrifice bunt. After Reed was hit by a pitch, both runners advanced a base on a passed ball, but Wet-

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more got the final out on

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Churchill sweeps Canton in KLAA South doubleheader, 4-2 and 7-5

GC's Montroy throws gem at Edsel Ford

By Ed Wright

Livonia Churchill remained in the hunt for a KLAA South Division title Wednesday by sweeping host Canton, 4-2 and 7-5, in a key divisional doubleheader.

The Chargers improved to 11-7 overall and 8-5 in the South, just 1½ games behind frontrunner Plymouth. Canton slipped to 11-11 and 5-8, respectively.

The Chargers plated two runs in the top of the eighth to win the extrainnings opener. Winning pitcher Rob Copciac held the Chiefs to just four hits and three walks while striking out two over the first seven innings. Steve Szymanski walked one and struck out two in the bottom of the eighth to earn the save – his first of two on the afternoon.

Pacing Churchill's eight-hit attack were Jon Hovermale (2-for-3, walk, run, stolen base), James Rintala (2-for-4, RBI) and Copciac, who aided his own cause with two hits and a walk.

Nick Romanauski ripped two of the Chiefs' four hits.

Led by Szymanski's 4-for-4 effort, the Chargers' bats exploded for 15 hits in the nightcap to back the solid pitching of starter Hovermale, who gave up just two runs and seven hits over the first six innings. Szymanski walked one and struck out one in the seventh to preserve the victory.

Tyler Byers suffered the loss after yielding six runs and 10 hits over five innings.

In addition to Szymanski, who also scored three runs, the Chargers were led at the dish by Copciac (2-for-3, four RBI), Jack Behen (2for-4, RBI, run) and Mitch James (2-ior-3,

Cody Zidzik had two hits for Canton.

Garden City blanks T-Birds

Garden City starting pitcher Nick Montroy was nearly untouchable Wednesday afternoon against Dearborn Edsel Ford, which managed just three hits off the righthander in the Cougars' 4-0 triumph.



Wayne Memorial first baseman Justin Johnson nearly made a diving, over-the-shoulder catch on a foul ball hit during Thursday's double-header against John Glenn.

Montroy struck out six and walked only two to help the Cougars improve to 10-7 overall and 4-2 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Blue Division.

"Nick had them offbalance and we played solid defense behind him," said Garden City head coach Steve Herman. "They only threatened in one inning (the third) when we had runners on first and second with nobody out. He got a short fly out to left, and then a ground out and a pop out to get out

Montroy helped himself at the plate with two hits and an RBI. Matt Kindred had two hits and a run while Vinnie Bakerian was on base three times (two walks and a hit-by-pitch).

Brandon Thompson picked up an RBI by walking with the bases iuiced.

John Glenn sweeps Wayne

Westland John Glenn swept a makeup doubleheader from visiting Wayne Memorial on Thursday, 6-3 and 7-2. The Rockets improved to 11-11 overall and 5-8 in the KLAA Kensington Conference.

Spartans go 2-1

Livonia Stevenson dominated a double header against South Lyon East on Wednesday, winning 13-2 and 7-1. On Thursday, Stevenson dropped a 9-8 decision against Salem in the conclusion of a game that was suspended on April 24.

Stevenson is now 9-3 in the KLAA Kensington Conference and 16-6 overall. The Cougars dropped to 3-9 in the conference.

Gordon Ferguson turned in a strong effort in the first game, limiting the Cougars to one earned run and four hits over five innings to pick up the win. Ferguson struck out three and walked four.

Kyle Fletcher suffered the mound loss after giving up 10 runs over 3.1 innings.

The visiting Spartans removed the drama from game one quickly by plating three runs in the second and third innings before tacking on seven more in the

Spearheading the 14-hit attack were Ferguson (3-for-3, two RBI, three runs), C.J. Weiss (3-for-3, two RBI, two runs), Danny Morris (2-for-3, two RBI, two runs), Austin Petrie (2-for-2, RBI, run), and Frank Carlin, who went 2-for-2 with an RBI and two runs.

Zac Powers and Eric Rabb both laced a pair hits for the hosts.

Dan Bullard tossed a complete-game five-hit masterpiece in the nightcap, striking out six while not issuing a

The big inning for Stevenson was the third when it scored three runs to seize a 4-0 lead.

Pacing the winners' 11-hit attack were Chris Tanderys (3-10r-5, three runs), Morris (2-for-4, RBI, run), Dan Bos (3for-3, two RBI) and Jack Ferguson, who contributed an RBI double.

Thursday's resumed game against Salem was knotted at 7-7 with one out in the top of the sixth. The Spartans scored once in the top of the frame to take an 8-7 lead, but Salem answered with two runs in the bottom of the inning

to earn the win.

Jordan Heaslip was the winning pitcher after throwing the final 1 1/3 frames. Bos took the

Jack Ferguson was 3-for-3 with three runs for Stevenson, which also received strong plate performances from Breen (2-for-4, two RBI) and Carlin (2-for-2, RBI)

Erich Payne led Salem with three hits, two RBI and two runs.

The game-winning run scored on Brandon Gillen's sacrifice fly.

Tractors nip Trojans

After the teams combined for 28 hits and 27 runs, Dearborn Fordson edged Livonia Clarenceville in a baseball slugfest Wednesday, 14-13.

"This game was not about pitching," Clarenceville coach Craig Cotter said, adding the teams combined for two home runs, one triple, eight doubles and 17 singles. "Neither team pitched well.

"We gave up way too many hits, walks and hit-by-pitches. We had a chance to win. Bottom line: They played to win and we played not to lose. Their aggressiveness was the differ-

Offensively, the Trojans got it done. Kyan Menifee hit a homer, three doubles and a single. Mitch Kubiak had three hits; Ronnie Topolewski, Kam MacIver and Matt Drain chipped in two hits apiece.

The Trojans drop into a two-way tie with Annapolis in the WWAC Red Division with a 4-2 record.

– Staff writer Dan O'Meara contributed.

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three of the four relays (Salem spoiled the relay sweep by taking the 400). Northville was bolstered by Lexa Barrott's victories in the 1,600 and 3,200.

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE MEET

FINAL STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill
BOYS RESULTS

FINAL STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill, 99.5 points; 2.
Westland John Glenn, 84; 3. Northville, 76; 4. Canton, 75;
5. Salem, 72; 6. South Lyon, 54; 7. Plymouth, 45; 8. Livonia
Franklin, 43; 9. Livonia Stevenson, 41.5; 10. Novi, 33; 11.
Wayne Memorial, 21; 12. South Lyon East, 19.
SHOT PUT: 1. Nick Hitchcock (LS), 50 feet, 1 inch; 2.
Happil's Chmit (S). 498: 3. Michael Jordan (P). 48-7: 4 SHOT PUT: 1. Nick Hitchcock (LS), 50 feet, 1 inch; 2. Hannik Schmitt (S), 49-8; 3. Michael Jordan (P), 48-7; 4. Deshawn Baker-Williams (WJG), 48-3.25; 5. Max DeDona (N), 47-11.5; 6. Michael Grabda (LC), 45-17. 7. Trevor Tank (SL), 45-8.5; 8. Demarco McKinney (L), 45-3.5. DISCUS: 1. Trent Willenborg (SLE), 166-5 (meet record); 2. Jordan (P), 154-3; 3. Baker-Williams (WJG), 151-4; 4. Hitchcock (LS), 146-8; 5. Collin Caflisch (C), 142-8; 6. Tank (SL), 137-3; 7. Schmitt (S), 136-0; 8. Austin Simpson (LC), 131-0.

POLE VAULT: 1. Nick Burkhalter (SL), 14-6; 2. Ethan POLE VAULT: 1. Nick Burkhalter (SL), 14-6; 2. Ethan Burke (LC), 13-6; 3. Caleb Guthard (LC), 13-0; 4. Andrew Koenigsknecht (C), 13-0; 5. Theodore Lang (C), 13-0; 6. Scott Sawyer (NOVI), 12-0; 7. Kyle Reppenhagen (LC), 12-0; 8. Derek Triebwasser (C), 11-6.

LONG JUMP: 1. Shakur Lockett (LC), 21-1.25; 2. Mike Licata (LS), 20-1.5; 3. Jacob Miller (S), 19-10.75; 4. Jamaraqui Reid (SL), 19-7.75; 5. (tie) Christian Sullivan (LS) and Lee Yetts (LC), 19-7.5; 7. Dhruv Patel (S), 19-7; 8. Miles Mason (S), 19-0.25.

HIGH ILIMP: 1. Nathan Harris (P), 6-6; 2. Alex MacDon-

HIGH JUMP: 1. Nathan Harris (P), 6-6; 2. Alec MacDon HIGH JUMP: 1. Nathan Harris (P), 6-6; 2. Alec MacOonald (C), 6-0; 3. (tie) Patel and Allante Wheeler (S), 6-0; 6. John Hamilton (NRV), 6-0; 7. Josh Travis (SL), 5-10; 8. Sawyer (NOVI), 5-10.

3,200-METER RELAY: 1. Churchil, 8:12.52; 2. Plymouth, 8:13.74; 3. Novi, 8:14.58; 4. Salem, 8:19.69; 5. Stevenson, 8:24.49; 6. Northville, 8:28.44; 7. Wayne, 8:36.45; 8. John Glenn, 8:41.56.

110 HURDLES: 1. Freddie Thompson (WJG), 15.44; 2. Kevin Schopa (SL), 15.63; 3. Jeremey Sheppard (LF), 15.67; 4. Tim Dulin (LC), 15.91; 5. Jemal Vaunado (C), 16.40; 6. Nathan Sudek (LS), 16.48; 7. Ryan Bragiel (LC), 16.72; 8. Steve Hartlep (SL), 17.37.

Natinal Sudek (15), 10.48; 7. Nyan Bragiel (LC), 16.72; 8. Steve Hartlep (51), 17.37. 100 DASH: 1. Adam Ghabra (NRV), 11.21; 2. VerShawn Patrick (5), 11.32; 3. Montel Hood (WM), 11.33; 4. Darren Davis (C), 11.35; 5. David Graham (WJG), 11.38; 6. Jawon Thompson (WJG), 11.39; 7. Jacob Miller (5), 11.39; 8. Jacob

800 RELAY: 1. John Glenn, 1:29.46; 2. Churchill, 1:29.88; 3. Franklin, 1:31.36; 4. Salem, 1:32.06; 5. Canton, 1:32.79; 6. Stevenson, 1:34.45; 7. South Lyon, 1:34.91; 8. S.L. East,

 1,600 RUN: 1. Keenan Jones (LF), 4:30.59; 2. Chaz 1,600 NON: 1. Keenan Jones (LF), 4:30.59; 2. Chaz Jeffress (S), 4:33.31; 3. Jerod Allen (SL), 4:34.49; 4. Malik Jordan (WM), 4:35.47; 5. Scott MacPherson (NOVI), 4:37.74; 6. Matthew Pahl (P), 4:38.16; 7. Nathan Hall (NOVI), 4:42.55; 8. Sean McCullough (NRV), 4:43.61.



ED WRIGHT

Churchill's Kathleen George battles for position during the opening lap of the 1.600-meter run.

400 RELAY: 1. Salem, 43.28; 2. Churchill, 43.98; 3. John Glenn, 44.69; 4. Canton, 44.77; 5. Stevenson, 45.08; 6. S.L. East, 45.27; 7. Franklin, 45.40; 8. South Lyon, 45.41. 400 DASH: 1. Austin Hickerson (WJG), 50.27; 2. Jamal Allen (LC), 50.91; 3. Diff Thornhill (C), 51.19; 4. Alec Przybocki (NRV), 51.76; 5. Sean Flanagan (NRV), 51.79; 6. DuJon Deacon-Brown (WM), 52.07; 7. Andrew Chant DuJon Deacon-Brown (WM), 52.07; 7. Andrew Chant (WM), 52.08; 8. Josh Holcomb (NOVI), 52.38.

300 HURDLE5: 1. Thompson (WJG), 39.09; 2. Vaunado (C), 40.64; 3. Dulin (LC), 40.69; 4. Schopa (SL), 40.78; 5. Bragiel (LC), 42.25; 6. Hartlep (SL), 42.97; 7. Jacob Waranauckas (SLE), 43.27; 8. Justin Days (NRV), 43.42.

800 RUN: 1. Jonny Dalton (P), 1:55.14; 2. Jason Ferrante (NRV), 1:55.20; 3. Jones (E), 1:55.88; 4. Jacob Kamm (NRV), 1:57.74; 5. Matt Cohan (LC), 1:58.88; 6. Allen (SL), 2:01.45; 7. Josh Smith (SLE), 2:01.65; 8. Jeffrey Baxter (NRV), 2:03.84

200 DASH: 1. Hickerson (WJG), 22.99; 2. Ghabra (NRV), 23.13; 3. Davis (C), 23.21; 4. Mallad (C), 23.23; 5. Carrington Smith (LC), 23.32; 6. Nathan Rodgers (LF), 23.35; 7. Ty ton Smith (LC), 23.32; 6. Nathan Rodgers (LF), 23.35; 7. Ty Traylor (S), 24.09; 8. Johnathan Parker (WJG), 24.28, 3,200 RUN: 1. Joost Plaetinck (NOVI), 9:32.14; 2. Conor Naughton (NRV), 9:32.51; 3. Tony Floyd (LF), 10:00.50; 4. Ben Cracraft (NRV), 10:07.96; 5. Adam Ditri (NOVI), 10:09.22; 6. Jordan (WM), 10:09.68; 7. John Landy (NOVI), 10:10.98; 8. Adam Caruso (SLE), 10:19.52. 1,610 RELAY: 1. Northville, 3:24.39; 2. John Glenn, 3:26.12; 3. Churchill, 3:29.57; 4. Canton, 3:29.85; 5. Franklin, 3:32.48; 6. South Lyon, 3:34.95; 7. Salem, 3:35.55; 8. Stevenson, 3:38.56.

GIRLS RESULTS
FINAL STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 141; 2. Salem, 99; 3. Livonia Churchill, 95; 4. Plymouth, 75; 5. Novi, 68; 6. Livonia Franklin, 40; 7. South Lyon, 37; 8. Canton, 31; 9. (tie) Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial, 22; 11. South Lyon East, 19; 12. Livonia Stevenson, 13. SHOT PUT: 1. Emily Meier (C), 42-2.25; 2. Gabrielle Carter (LC), 38-7; 3. Shara Long (S), 33-6.5; 4. Sophia Modes (LF), 33-2.25; 5. Rebecca Falzon (S), 32-11.5; 6. Marissa Dunn (NOVI), 32-7; 7. Gabrielle Bird (SLE), 32-6.5; 8. Elisabeth Schenk (LC), 32-5. DISCUS: 1. Meier (C), 134-2; 2. Falzon (S), 117-4; 3. Carter (LC), 116-11; 4. Long (S), 115-7; 5. Dunn (NOVI), 110-0; 6. Jessalyn Smith (SLE), 109-0; 7. Emma Hammelef **GIRLS RESULTS**

(NOVI), 104-2; 8. Melissa Fular (LC), 99-6

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POLE VAULT: 1. Emma Bauer (SL), 11-0; 2. Olivia Rytarsyk (LC), 11-0; 3. Kayla Janevski (P), 4. Elisabeth Schenk (LC), 10-0; 5. Emily Caragay (P), 10-0; 6. Nicole Sokolosky (LS), 10-0; 7. Sommer Pappas (LS), 9-6; 8. Alexann Zahara (LC), 9-6.

LONG JUMP: 1. Gracie Goble (NRV), 16-1.5; 2. Carlie Fernandez (SL), 15-0; 3. Juliet Hope (LC), 15-9; 4. Kate Prisby (NOVI), 15-9; 5. Diane Senkowski (LS), 15-4.25; 6. Christy Hogue (SL), 14-11.75; 7. Emily Anderson (NRV), 14-10.25; 8. Mikaela Hille (LF), 14-8.75.

HIGH JUMP: 1. Katherine Harris (P), 5-1; 2. Bailey Brown (P), 5-0; 3. Hannah Hood-Blaxill (NOVI), 5-0; 4. Hallie Holllister (SLE), 5-0; 5. Ryan Sparks (C), 4-11; 6. Jillian Betts (P), 4-10; 7. Prisby (NOVI), 4-10; 8. (tie) Maggie Law (LS), Jessica Hogan (NRV) and Julie Wonch (LF), 4-8.

3,200 RELAY: 1. Northville, 9:45-66; 2. Churchill, 9:59-62; 3. Salem, 10:15-05; 4. Franklin, 10:32-87; 5. Stevenson, 10:38-59; 6. Novi, 10:53-47; 7. Plymouth, 11:11.05; 8. Canton, 11:15-43.

Stevenson, 10:38.59; 6. Novi, 10:53.47; 7. Plymouth, 11:11.05; 8. Canton, 11:15.43.
100 HURDLES: 1. Lauren Rodriguez (NRV), 15.03; 2.
Aubrey Mavin (LF), 16.51; 3. Karenna Roest (NOVI), 16.65; 4. DeAnna Martynenko (NOVI), 16.66; 5. Brianna Essien (S), 17.57; 6. Kourtney Strong (LC), 17.62; 7. (tie) Aleah Rogalski (P) and Kirsty McInnes (P), 17.66. 100 DASH: 1. Anavia Battle (WM), 12.6; 2. Asia Gardner (WJG), 12.66; 3. Bryah White (LF), 12.73; 4. Shekinah Johnson (S), 12.87; 5. Odilichukwu Omvudiwe (LC), 13.12; 6. Kristen Bailey (NOVI), 13.24; 7. Madeline Kernahan (S), 13.44; 8. Erin McCallum (NRV), 13.65.
800 RELAY: 1. Northville, 1:42.63; 2. Plymouth, 1:43.37; 3. John Glenn, 1:47.66; 4. Salem, 1:47.94; 5. South Lyon, 1:47.97; 6. Canton, 1:49.46; 7. Churchill, 1:49.49; 8. Novi, 1:52.39.

1:52.39.
1,600 RUN: 1. Lexa Barrott (NRV), 5:08.16; 2. Ana Barrott (NRV), 5:14.79; 3. Lauren Arquette (S), 5:15.85; 4. Hannah Lonergan (NOVI), 5:22.87; 5. Rachel Zimmer (NRV), 5:36.70; 6. Christina Murphy (LC), 5:38.95; 7. Kathleen George (LC), 5:40.89; 8. Madalyn Simko (S), 5:47.27

5:42.32.
400 RELAY: 1. Salem, 51.20; 2. Wayne, 51.31; 3. South Lyon, 51.56; 4. John Glenn, 51.64; 5. Churchill, 51.76; 6. Northville, 52.38; 7. Novi, 52.52; 8. S.L. East, 52.61.
400 DASH: 1. Shekinah Johnson (S), 58.11; 2. Lindsay Walters (NRV), 58.79; 3. Chanel Gardner (LC), 1:00.23; 4. Jewel Davis (P), 1:00.32; 5. Wonch (LF), 1:00.38; 6. Ryen Draper (P), 1:01.26; 7. Madison Swiatlowski (SL), 1:01.48; 8. Vickia Hayton (SL), 1:02.24

Jewel Davis (P), 1:00.32; S. Wonch (LF), 1:00.38; 6. Kyen Draper (P), 1:01.26; 7. Madison Swiatlowski (SL), 1:01.48; 8. Vickie Hartlep (SL), 1:02.24.

300 HURDLES: 1. Rodriguez (NRV), 46.41; 2. Roest (NOVI), 48.42; 3. Mayin (LF), 48.97; 4. Waranauckas (SLE), 50.28; 5. Strong (LC), 50.92; 6. McInnes (P), 51.08; 7. Sparks (C), 51.83; 8. Rogalski (P), 51.48.

800 RUN: 1. Kaya Knake (S), 2:16.58; 2. Lonergan (NOVI), 2:21.54; 3. Megan Gendjar (LC), 2:23.91; 4. Gabrielle Swider (LC), 2:24.25; 5. Ana Barrott (NRV), 2:24.51; 6. Emma Smith (NRV), 2:25.35; 7. Addison Mussen (LC), 2:28.73; 8. Erin O'Donnel (SLE), 2:29.24.

200 DASH: 1. Chloe Abbott (NRV), 25.27; 2. Davis (P), 25.94; 3. Goble (NRV), 26.05; 4. Draper (P), 26.11; 5. Battle (WM), 26.32; 6. Gardner (WJG), 26.89; 7. Onwudiwe (LC), 27.47; 8. Brynna Samuels (S), 27.55.

3,200 RUN: 1. Lexa Barrott (NRV), 11:05.95; 2. Cayla Eckenroth (NRV), 11:08.01; 3. Lauren Arquette (S), 11:25.07; 4. Kathleen George (LC), 11:41.64; 5. Emma Herrmann (NRV), 11:45.06; 6. Murphy (LC), 12:33.16; 7. Madalyn Simko (S), 12:38.04; 8. Amanda Pokryfky (LF), 12:41.34.

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12.41.34. 1,600 RELAY: 1. Northville, 3;57.05; 2. Salem, 4:10.50; 3. Plymouth, 4:12.63; 4. Novi, 4:12.94; 5. Franklin, 4:16.28; 6. South Lyon, 4:20.15; 7. S.L. East, 4:22.57; 8. Canton,

Mother's Day takes on new meaning for first-time mom



The moment my daughter was born, I became a member of an exclusive group of women who are mothers. Unless you are a mother yourself, you cannot understand the feeling of being part of this group. Moms help other moms out, and regardless of what a mom is going through, it's very reassuring to know there are other people going through the same thing.

Some people think I have it tough. I am a single mom who works full time. I don't think I have it easy, but I don't think I have it any worse than any other mom. I have a mom friend whose 3-year-old child has cancer. I'm thinking she might have it a little tougher than I do. I have another mom friend who has three kids under age 6 at home, is pregnant with her fourth, and is having a pregnancy so rough she can't pick up any of them. I know moms of twins, and a mom whose husband became an amputee after an accident. Some of my friends have to work from home while taking care of their kids, and some moms I know have to travel for work and have to be away from their kids for days at a time.

None of us has it easy, but none of us has it so hard that we can't handle it. Because you know what moms do? They PUSH THROUGH. They take the challenges, even the worst, awful challenges, and they just fight through them. No mom wants to go back to work after maternity leave, but we do it.



Sarah Marie Davis and her daughter, Grace.

And we stand in the stalls at work and cry and then push through, and every day gets a little easier. Because a mom, she won't back down. She is tough, and strong, and much more confident than she ever

imagined she would be.

Kids are priority

The moms I know aren't going to let anything stand in their way of raising a wonderful kid. Every one of them

would take the life obstacles that come their way and crush them. They would stand up to whatever challenges they encounter and do things they never imagined they would do in order to better the lives of their children. This Mother's Day, I think of all those moms I know. I am almost certain they all agree with me when I say the moment our children came into the world, everything as we knew it changed. But nothing, not one terrible, awful situation or moment will ever make our children become anything less than what's most important in our lives. This is what motherhood is about -LOVE. About rearranging everything you had thought your life might be, and making your child come first. The golf clubs will collect dust, the bartender will forget your name, and you will be the happiest you ever imagined as you watch your child grow.

This Mother's Day is my first Mother's Day. It's like I've crossed the bridge like I did when I was a Girl Scout, graduating from Brownie to Junior, or in this case from daughter to mother. I feel so lucky to be a mom and so grateful for my little girl.

I wish the happiest of all Mother's Days to all the moms I know, especially my own, who has taught me so much about motherhood and continues to help me along the way. And an extra special wish to my incredible sister Meaghan, and my other "new mom" friends, who share this year as their first Mother's Days too. And to all the other moms, remember that we all are facing some sort of challenge. Keep being extra nice to all the other moms, and help out when you're needed. We are moms. Strong, brave and confident, but still in need of each other.

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Ricki Lake relishes her roles as mom, filmmaker

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Ricki Lake says her performance as Tracy Turnblad in John Waters' 1988 film, *Hairspray*, changed the "entire trajectory" of her life, taking her from obscurity to film and television stardom.

Her resume includes 40 acting credits, appearances on numerous television shows, including Dancing with the Stars, two talk shows — one netted an Emmy Award for Outstanding Talk Show Host — and three documentary films.

But her most prized role has been as a mom to her sons, ages 17 and 13.

"Two boys," Lake said, when asked about her greatest achievement last week at a fundraiser for Congregation Shaarey Zedek Sisterhood. "They are turning out to be remarkable people."

Lake, 46, was the keynote speaker at the Lois Linden Nelson Woman's World, an annual benefit luncheon and boutique at the Southfield synagogue. Robin Beth Lash of Farmington Hills, Sisterhood president, said proceeds will help pay for the organization's projects.

projects.
"You enjoyed the sound system today? We helped fund that sound system," she said.
"Every Saturday after services we have a lunch program. We do things like Leader Dogs for the Blind, Heart to Heart in Detroit. We do educational things. The list is varied."

The organization supports Yad Ezra, a kosher food pantry, Penrickton Center for Blind Children, and scholarships for Jewish camps, among other charities.

"We try to be a diverse helping organization."

Jewish identity

Lash said the Sisterhood generally picks a Jewish speaker for its annual Woman's World benefit and has welcomed author Jean Chatzky, sex expert Ruth Westheimer and matchmaker Patti Stanger, to the event in the past.

Although Lake told the Woman's World audience she wasn't raised "particularly religious," she identifies with being Jewish and credits her



SHARON DARGAY

Julie Nelson-Klein, left, moderated a Q&A with with Ricki Lake, actress and documentary film producer, during Lois Linden Nelson Woman's World, a benefit for the Sisterhood at Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

grandmother for maintaining tradition and ritual in her fam-

"I am who I am today a lot because of how she raised me," Lake said. "I feel like she is here today watching over me."

Lake took questions from moderator, Julie Nelson-Klein, about her movie career, talk show and family. She was a freshman in the musical theater program at Ithaca College when she heard about the *Hairspray* audition.

"I had never heard of John Waters. I didn't know who Devine was," she said, referring to her co-star in the film. "I hated college and I hated the musical theater department, so I drove five hours down to meet this John Waters.

"I remember him looking over the table to see if I really was big. I was 200 pounds at the time. I was like, yeah, this is all me"

She nabbed the role and spent eight days shooting in Baltimore, Md. Making her first movie was "like summer camp." When she wasn't on camera, she learned and rehearsed the mashed potato and other dances, which made her shed pounds. She ate Dove bars to maintain her weight for

the role.

"It was a lot of fun but it was Devine's last film. He died eight days after *Hairspray* opened," Lake said. "So here I was, this 18-year-old. I was becoming a star, all my dreams are coming true and my co-star dies in his sleep. He was 42 years of age."

Lake credits Devine for teaching her how to walk in high heels, which she wore on her talk show for 11 seasons, starting in 1993, and Waters for advising her to "be humble, be authentic, and don't believe all the things people say about you."

"I'm so grateful and everything I've gotten in my career since, I've got John Waters to thank for it."

Director's muse

Waters directed Lake in five films, including *Cry-Baby* with Johnny Depp and *Serial Mom* with Kathleen Turner. Lake said Turner wanted a younger actress to play the role of her teen daughter. Lake was 24 at the time.

"I was John's muse. The role was written for me. And John said if anyone is going to be replaced, it's not going to be Ricki."

Lake said she enjoyed her long-running talk show because it focused on "real people talking about real issues." She had completed a documentary, *The Business of Being Born*, just a few years before launching her second talk show in 2012, hoping it would be a platform for discussing thought-provoking issues.

"The company I was doing business with didn't really want to do that. The show lasted one season. It was really disappointing," she said.

She returned to documentary filmmaking and completed Breast Milk in 2013. Sweetening the Pill, which looks at the long-term effects of hormonal birth control, is set for release this year.

Lake described herself as the "most unHollywood Hollywood person you'll ever meet." She left New York for California with her sons after watching the second airplane slam into the World Trade Center from her Manhattan apartment during 9/11.

"That was a real turning point for me. I had an epiphany. I thought, if I live through this day, I'm leaving New York, leaving my job and leaving my husband. It was clear as day."

Lake said she has raised her children with a "sense of normalcy," sometimes forgetting that she is famous. She is among a handful of women who will receive a "Mother of the Year" award Monday from Helping Hand of Los Angeles, a support group at Cedars-Sinai Hospital.

"I think the harder thing is dealing with a broken family. I'm a divorcee. I've been a single mom for a number of years. So that's a lot more challenging than living in Hollywood and dealing with privilege," she said.

"My children are grounded and have a sense of the big picture."

'Chicken Soup for the Soul' co-author speaks to Kadima

COMMUNITY LIFE



Julie **Yolles** SOCIAL SCENE

adima is a Southfield-based nonprofit organization that has provided support services to adults and children with mental illness for the past 30 years. Their tag line is "healthy body, healthy mind." In that spirit, Kadima hosted a luncheon at the Townsend Hotel recently to help women find balance in their lives.

"You never know somebody's story," said Barbi Bell, a senior teacher at Yoga Shelter, which has eight locations in metro Detroit. "Yoga creates a sense of balance in my life.'

Bell introduced University of Michigan graduate Marci Shimoff, who is the New York Times #1 best-selling author and co-author of Chicken Soup for the Soul series.

"Are you a victim or a victor?" Shimoff asked the sold-out crowd. "The victim mentality is to blame, shame and complain and not take re-



PHOTOS BY JULIE YOLLES

Robin Tobin-Murav of Farmington Hills, event chair, with keynote speaker Marci Shimoff, who spoke about balance and finding the power of inner strength at a Kadima benefit.

sponsibility for your own happiness.

Instead, Shimoff recommends "living your life with all your heart and all your soul."

"Have a kind mind. Give love, service and appreciation" and, she added, "live your passion and dreams." A really big night

While cancer is certainly no laughing matter, the late comedian Gilda Radner tried to find the funny in life while living with the disease. So, Gilda's Club Metro Detroit Chapter is holding its annual funny

fundraiser with stand-up comic Johnny Beehner as the headliner of the evening, 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in Detroit. Patrons will enjoy a strolling dinner with some of the area's top restaurants, silent auction and the performance. Tickets are \$75-



Franklin resident and event sponsor Kari Alterman and Farmington Hills resident Patty Haron enjoy the luncheon to support Kadima's mental health programs and services for adults and children.

\$500 and can be reserved by calling 248-577-0800 or email mcrosslin@gildasclubdetroit.org

Dueling Davidsons

It will be a busy weekend for Ethan and Gretchen Davidson. The artistic couple are the **Entertainment Sponsors** for the College for Creative Studies (CCS) Student Exhibition Opening Collectors' Preview on Friday, May 15, from 5:30-10 p.m. Besides getting the opportunity to

purchase graduating students' artwork, guests are likely to hear a set or two from the Davidsons during the strolling party and exhibition at the A. Alfred Taubman Center for Design Education in Detroit. Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.collegeforcreativestudies.edu/seo or calling 313-664-7464.

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

Michigan Philharmonic concert set for broadcast Sunday

Missed the Michigan Philharmonic concert with Marcia Van Oyen, on March 1? You can listen to a broadcast of the performance, noon Sunday, May 10, on WRCJ 90.9 FM.

Van Oyen, minister of music, worship and fine arts at First United Methodist Church of Plvmouth, where the concert was recorded, performed Camille Saint-Saens' Symphony #3, the Organ Symphony, with the Michigan Philharmonic, directed by Nan Wash-

Chris Felcyn hosts the broadcast.

The Michigan Philharmonic plays music from video games, sci-fi and adventure films, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at Steppingstone School,

30250 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills.

The concert will include music from Jurassic Park, Lord of the Rings, Star Trek and more.

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Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford Details: The service will be followed by a free ice cream

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BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, May 17 Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road,

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

Contact: 734-425-4421 **CARD PARTY**

Time/Date: 6:30-10 p.m. Friday,

Location: SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland Details: Play cards and games of your choice. Includes door and table prizes, along with 50/50 drawing, light meal and snacks. Admission is \$8

Contact: 734-722-1343 **CONCERT**

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

Location: St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon, Canton **Details: Mitch McVicker Concert** will support Kids Against Hunger. Free will offering. A food packaging event will be held 9:30 p.m. May 16 for Kids Against Hunger

Contact: 734-459-3333; connectingwithGod.org

DEMENTIA SERIES

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 27

Location: St. Colette Parish, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia Details: "Aging in Place Successfully" looks at the cognitive symptoms of dementia-related diseases, treatment options and staying in one's home. The program is part of an ongoing series, featuring a team of dementia care specialists and ministry facilitators. Each session is held at a different church in the Northwest Wayne Vicariate Contact: Nancy at 734-464-4436

FILM SERIES

Time/Date: 11:45 a.m. May 20 Location: Northwest Unitarian Universalist Church, 23925 Northwestern Highway, South-

Details: The film, China Blue, takes a look inside a blue jean factory in China, where teenage employees work around the clock.

Contact: 248-354-4488; northwestuu.org

LIVING ROSARY

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 20

St. Michael the Arch Location angel Catholic Church, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: In this candlelit service, a person or small group represents a bead of the rosary and leads the prayer that bead

Contact: 734-261-1455

represents

POMEGRANATE GUILD Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, May

Location: Prentis Apartment Community Room, located on 10 Mile east of Greenfield in Oak

Details: Nadine Eder will lead a workshop in making a quilted

challah cover

Contact: Judy Galperin at 248-661-5337 **RUMMAGE SALE**

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 15, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 16 Location: Atonement Lutheran

Church, 6961 Mead, one block south of Warren, east of Greenfield, Dearborn Details: Clothes, shoes, linens, toys, household items. \$2 bag

sale on Saturday Contact: 734-855-4477

RUMMAGE SALE Time/Date: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat-

urday, May 16 Location: School gym at St. Valentine, 25875 Hope, west of Beech -Daly, south of Five Mile, Redford

Details: Drop off items from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, May 15. Bag sale runs 1-2 p.m. on Sat-

Contact: Cecilia Gallagher, 313-531-3220

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Time/Date: 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13 Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11311 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Tour the school, meet with staff, other parents and students. St. Michael's serves students from young 4's through eighth grade. It offers full-day kindergarten, latch-key programming, and an extended curriculum which includes computer science, art, music, and Spanish

Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 226; livoniastmichael.org

WIDOWED Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 17

Location: St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township

Details: Mass, fellowship, light lunch. Helpers needed to assist with the Mass and lunch.

Contact: Pat at 734-895-6246 or Liz at 734-452-9149

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville

Township Contact: John Shulenberger at 734-464-9491

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

Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township **Details:** Scripture study

Contact: 313-534-9000 **FAITH COMMUNITY**

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

Saturday Location: 14560 Merriman,

Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All

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wood at 734-765-5476

CLOTHING BANK 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 **FAMILY MEAL**

RELIGION CALENDAR

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.

MOMS **Christ Our Savior Lutheran**

Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub

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Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

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

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-Location: Parish office, 15089

Newburgh, Livonia Details: Group meets for sing-

ing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223

Contact: 734-464-1223 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

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

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. Contact: 313-534-0399

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

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield **Details:** Sing zemirot (Shabbat

songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

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

SUPPORT Apostolic Christian Church

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. 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 » Farmington Hills Baptist

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

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

» Merriman Road Baptist

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 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

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» St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday Location: 16360 Hubbard,

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.

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton Details: Take Off Pounds Sen-

Thursday

Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

» Unity of Livonia Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 28660 Five Mile,

between Middlebelt and Inkster, **Details:** Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722;

information » Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

www.oa.org for additional

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 Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through

May Location: 9401 General Drive, 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. 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, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-851-5100 » Bethlehem Lutheran 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-

» 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

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia Contact: 734-522-6830

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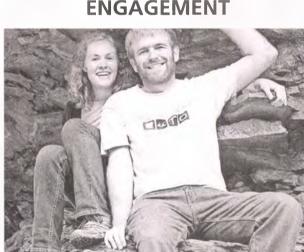


Asher Reed Travers

ASHER REED TRAVERS Asher Reed Travers was born April 27, 2015. He weighed 8 pounds and

measured 21 inches.

He joins his parents, Aaron and Rachel Travers, and brothers, Alex and Aaron, at home in Farmington.



Elisabeth Mueller and Brian Reed

Elisabeth H. Mueller and Brian G. Reed announce their engage-

The bride-to-be, daughter of John and Claire Mueller of Westland, graduated in 2001 from Ladywood High School and earned a bachelor's degree in material science engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. She received a master's degree in education from the College of Notre Dame in Maryland. She works as a campus minister at Calvert Hall College High School in Baltimore, Md.

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Her fiance, son of Charles and Barbara ated in 2001 from Rockford High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engisity of Michigan Ann Arbor and is employed by Connections Educa-

MUELLER-MCKINNEY

Margaret L. Mueller of Westland and Keven W. McKinney of Ann Arbor announce their

Claire Mueller of Westland, graduated in 2007 from Ladywood High School. She earned bachelor's

Ann Arbor as a solutions analyst.

Her fiance, son of Dennis and Cheryl Mc-Kinney of Mentor, Ohio. graduated from Mentor High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in music/saxophone performance from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in jazz performance from the University of Nevada, Reno. Kevin performs and teaches music locally and is proficient in saxophone, piano, clarinet

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A June 2015 wedding is planned at St. Mary

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ELAINE JOY Died on April 30, 2015 at the age

ABLESON.

of 89. Her love, warmth, and compassion for others reflected back on her by family and care-givers at the end. Elaine is survived by her husband of 69 years, Hugh; children Hugh, Joy, and Sharon; grandchildren Orpheo, Bea, Ian, Zora, Meggen, Jazcinda, and Toshi; great-grandchildren Kylee Joy, Zivah Sophia, Dresden, Hugh Patrick, Natalia Joy. She predeceased by her brother, Ron, and parents Freda and Frank Werda. Elaine was born on February 6, 1926 in Alpena, Michigan. She became a grade school teacher and with husband Hugh, raised three children in Plymouth, Michigan. The couple moved to Mexico City for 5 years then retired up-north to Boyne City. Elaine's descendents are all gifted by her legacy: she believed in loving family; raising kids to be independent and responsible; having a strong, clear sense of right and wrong; and accepting others as they are. A memorial service will be held on May 13 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church ın Boyne City (1303 Boyne Ave/M75.) Please join us for a 10:00 a.m. visitation and a Memorial Mass at 11:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon in the church hall. You may go to

stonefuneralhomeinc.com

more information and a more

detailed description of her life.

JOHNSON, DONNA

Age 96, May 8. 2015, of Redford. Beloved wife of the late James B. Johnson. Beloved mother of Connie (Rick) Brown, Jan (Jerry) Ingram, Lori D'Cruz, and Debi (Mark) Cutshall. Loving grandmother of Stephanie Christesen; Brian Laycee, Cody, Callie and Levi Ingram; Olivia Borja; Erin Jarvis; and Andrew Cutshall. great grandmother of McKenna, Dylan, Ashley, Kayla, Matthew and Jenalyn. She was preceded in death by her mother, Maude Lee. Visitation Tuesday from 1pm until 8pm, with a funeral service at 7pm, at the RG & GR Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Her family suggests donations to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society. Please share a memory of Donna at www.rggrharris.com

In Memoriam



IN LOVING MEMORY OF **NICK COLLINS** Feb. 18, 1993 - May 10, 2012 You are greatly missed and remembered with love by your family and friends You will be with us always.

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An August 2015 wed-

Ambrose Roman Catholic

Church in Baltimore, Md.

ding is planned at St.

Margaret L. Mueller and Keven W. McKinney

engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of John and

and master's degrees in biomedical engineering from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Margaret is employed by Torrent Consulting in

Student Parish in Ann Arbor.

and guitar.

HEALTH

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New midwife offers birthing option at St. Mary Mercy

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

When Susan Greenlee was pregnant with her first child, she met a midwife who dared her to join the profession.

Greenlee had been studying public health at the time, with no plans to become a midwife. But the experience of giving birth to her son with the midwife's help, changed both her career and her outlook on

The Northville resident finished her public health degree at the University of Michigan, earned a nursing degree, and finished the master's degree midwifery program at U-M's School of Nursing in 2002. After 13 years practicing midwifery at health centers and hospitals in Southfield, Ypsilanti and Detroit, Greenlee is developing a midwife program at St. Mary Mercy Livonia. She's the only midwife currently in the program, but plans to hire another certified nurse midwife this year.

"I love midwifery. I'm always pushing midwifery because I believe in the midwife

Susan Greenlee of Northville is developing a midwife program at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. She's a certified nurse midwife.

model," said Greenlee, who pitched the idea to St. Mary Mercy. "I have this mar. You see you have this big area that doesn't have the option of midwifery care within a half-hour drive. I saw St. Mary as being in a good location."

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Ann Arbor, U-M Health System, Beaumont Hospital, and Oakwood Hospital are some of the Detroit-area hospitals that offer certified nurse mid-

wives.
"I became a midwife because as a mom, I recognized the tremendous power of that moment when you're becoming a parent for the first time." The experience can empower the mother and make her feel strong enough to advocate and provide for her children, Greenlee said.

"Being a mom is the hardest job on earth."

In addition to assisting at births, Greenlee also sees patients, age 12 to adult for women's health exams and treatment. It makes up about 30 percent of her practice. Prenatal, delivery and postdelivery care make up the other 60

Team member

percent.

Greenlee gave birth to her first and second sons with midwife assistance in the hospital. Because she had a lung infection during her third delivery, she gave birth with a physician in attendance.

"When you are healthy and strong, you should be with a midwife. When you're sick and weak, it's better to be with a

physician," she said. "The midwifery candidate is low risk generally. But we work as a member of the team with physicians, which is the beauty of it. Lots of people think midwives and doctors are at odds, but we're not. Patients benefit when we work together.'

The American College of Nurse-Midwives and American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists issued a joint statement in 2011 to promote collaboration between doctors and midwives.

Greenlee said an obstetrics research group in England also issued a report in 2009 saying midwife-led teams had fewer C-sections and other interven-

"If we're serious about improving outcomes and reducing costs, why not look at mid-wifery?"

Patient care

Touch and the time spent with a patient during delivery sets midwives apart from most physicians, according to Greenlee. She also offers care options.

"For example, if a woman

doesn't want to have her water broken, I can say, here are the pros and cons and you decide. I generally don't make the decision," Greenlee said. "This is her baby, her birth and I'm there to be a servant to serve her."

When attending to a woman in labor, Greenlee is likely to sit with her, sometimes holding her hand, touching her hip,

chatting or just sitting quietly. "It's a high touch, low intervention approach. I spend more time with patients.'

A common misconception about certified nurse midwifeassisted births is that they occur in the home. Greenlee said about 96 percent of certified nurse-midwife-assisted births happen in the hospital.

She stressed that certified nurse midwives are trained registered nurses who have completed graduate studies in midwifery, passed a state board exam and are licensed by the state.

For more about the program, visit stmarymercy.org.

Aging parents

When Aging Parents Need Your Help, a panel discussion, will run 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, in the South Auditorium at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Attendees will get a chance to ask questions and get advice from Audra Frye, community placement specialist, Alisa Kwang, attorney, Paula Swain, financial consultant, Jessica Weathers of the Senior Wellness Center at St. Mary Mercy, and Bruce Webb, senior real estate specialist. Free, but registration is required at 734-738-6300.

Blood drive

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will hold a blood drive 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, May 18, in the North Auditorium at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or visit redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins also are accepted.

Breastfeeding class

Botsford Hospital's Breastfeeding Clinic offers a threehour course to help expectant parents get breastfeeding off to a good start, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Cost is \$35. Register by calling 248-888-2500 or visit botsford.org.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Celiac support

The Tri-County Celiac Support Group sponsors a 5K Walk/Run Sunday, May 17, at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe. Registration at 8 a.m. Runners start at 9 a.m. and walkers at 9:30 a.m. Gluten free food samples, raffle prizes, trophies for top runners and more. Proceeds go to the Center for Celiac Research. For more information, contact April Kretchman at kretchmanaj@gmail.com or call 586-202-5586

Hearing loss

» The Hearing Loss Association of America will present information on the care and

cleaning of ears and hearing aids, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, at Garden City Hospital, 5245 Inkster, Garden City. For more information, call Tony at 734-664-3297; aferack@comcast.net.

» The Hearing Loss Association of America sponsors the Southeast Michigan Walk4Hearing, Saturday, May 16, at Kensington Metropark in Milford. Registration will start at 9 a.m., followed by the 5K walk at 10 a.m. The event is for all ages. For more information, visit walk4hearing.org. Email Barb at bquart@hearinglossmi.org or Tony at aferack@comcast.net. Or call Audrey at 313-562-5937.

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