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Website aids ordinance enforcement

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Wayne's ordinance enforcement has changed how it operates in recent years, but city officials are concerned that residents don't know how the system works.

The Wayne-Westland Fire Department oversees ordinance enforcement with complaints being made through their tab on the city website ci.wayne.mi.us or by calling 734-467-3201.

To address that concern, Wayne-Westland Assistant Fire

Chief/Fire Marshall Kelly Eggers recently made a presentation to council about how residents can get ordinance issues resolved.

"We noticed a communications problem. Wayne residents were having difficulty making complaints," Eggers said. "I'll

be filming a public service announcement on how to access the website."

Complaints sent through the website are seen right away, Eggers said, then assigned to an inspector within 1-2 days.

"You can enter your name if you want. If you do enter your

name, we don't communicate your name (to the subject of the complaint)," Eggers said.

"Ninety-nine percent of complaints are from neighbors. You can imagine the kind of trouble it would cause if people knew

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2015 First Citizen

Johnson honored for efforts in Norwayne

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Throughout his life, Westland's 2015 First Citizen Henry Johnson has been active in the community, including resurrecting the Norwayne Community Citizens Council in 2009.

"I decided we needed to do something in Norwayne when Jefferson-Barns and Lincoln elementary schools were closing," said Johnson, a lifelong Norwayne resident. "That was a major concern. One resource that brings a community together is local schools."

Concerned about a downward spiral in Norwayne, Johnson said he felt there needed to be a group to bring hope to the community.

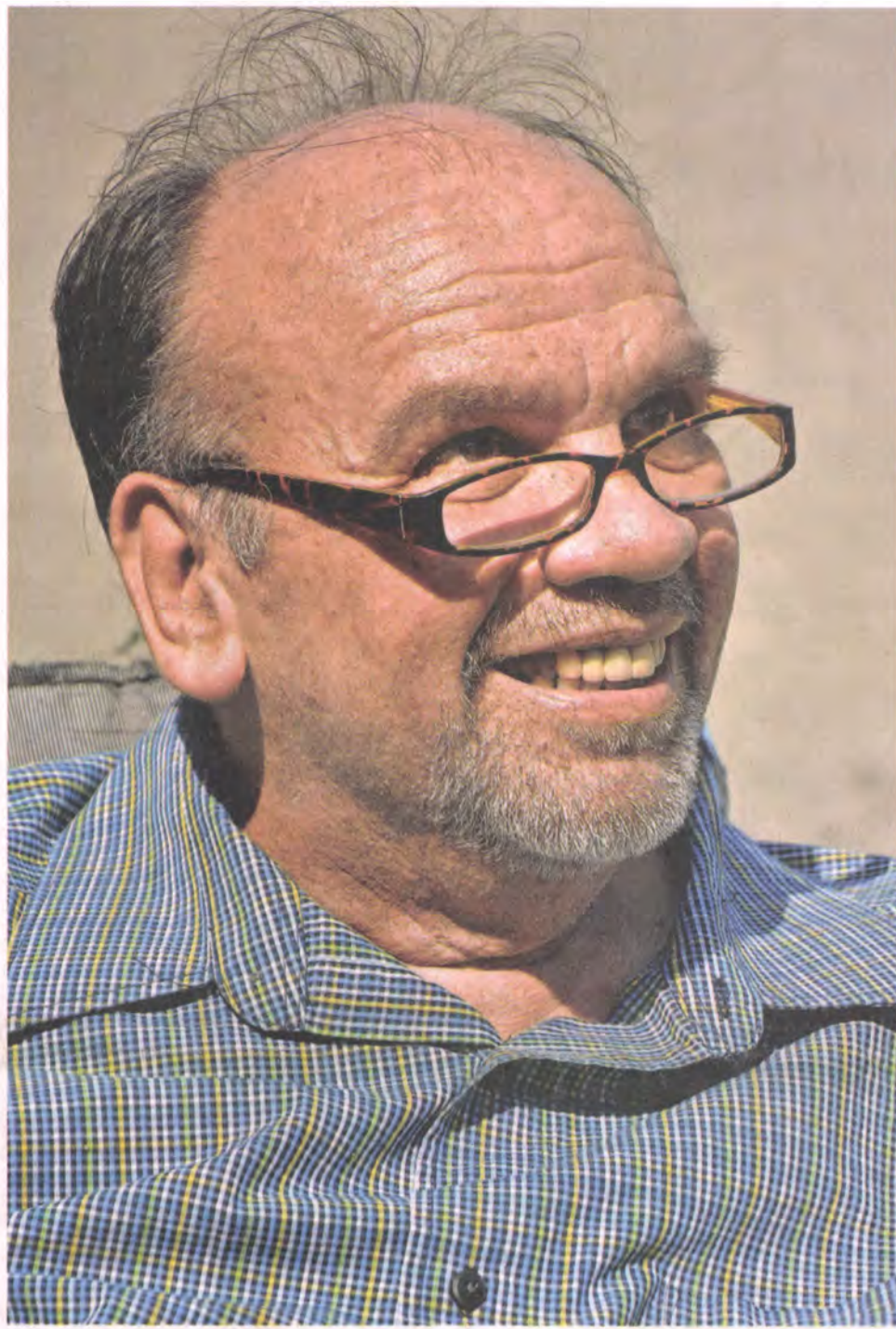
"The recommendation was well-received by the mayor (William Wild)," said Johnson, who was introduced to Westland Community Development Director Joanne Campbell. "She was working on Norwayne issues. We have developed a productive partnership with the community and the city."

Wild, along with Wayne-Ford Civic League President Vic Barra, provided First Citizen nominations for Johnson. Wild noted that in 2009 the city began focusing on Norwayne, the city's most economically challenged area, with the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

"While the city focused on demolition of blighted buildings and rehabilitation of sound structures, Henry stepped forward to focus on the human element of building community pride for the Norwayne residents," Wild said.

Organizing events

Those efforts through the Norwayne Community Citizens Council have included organizing an Octoberfest, Com-



Westland First Citizen Henry Johnson was honored for Norwayne volunteer efforts.

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"I have been energized by his commitment and actions to restore his community's pride and participation."

VIC BARRA, Wayne-Ford Civic League President

munity Garden and Community Watch.

"Having worked closely with Hank for the last several years, I have been energized by his commitment and ac-

tions to restore his community's pride and participation," Barra said. "He has truly been the driving force behind so many positive changes, they are too numerous to list for fear that I might miss one."

But topping the list of achievements for the community, Johnson said, is obtaining a historical district designation for Norwayne.

"I think the biggest improvement is the improvement in attitude towards

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Barbecue bragging rights up for grabs

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Westland's annual Blues, Brews and Barbecue event is a month away, but the challenge for grill bragging rights has already been issued.

The Westland Area Jaycees group is holding the All-American Barbecue Throwdown on Saturday, Aug. 15, as part of the two-day event that begins Friday, Aug. 14.

The cost is \$20 per entry in categories, including ribs, chicken, pork and beef brisket. Jaycees president Jim Hart invited everyone to compete and issued a call for volunteer judges.

"We're looking forward to all those wonderful smells in the park," Hart said.

Westland council members Dewey Reeves and Bill Johnson were quick to volunteers as judges.

"My mother-in-law owned a barbecue restaurant in Inkster for 25 years. I know good barbecue, so I'd like to be a judge," Reeves said.

"Dewey is not the only one who knows barbecue. Free barbecue is even better," Johnson said.

The deadline to enter the Barbecue Throwdown is Aug. 5. Entries can be emailed to bbq@gmail.com. Entry fee checks should be made out to the Westland Chamber of Commerce and mailed to P.O. Box 85191, Westland MI 48185.

Change of dates

This year marks the first time Blues, Brews and Barbecue will be held in August. The Aug. 14-15 dates are about a month earlier than last year.

"We moved it up in the summer just to take advantage of the weather," Westland Mayor William Wild said.

When the event began, it was held in September and the long-running Westland Summer Festival was held in July. The festival was discontinued in 2013.

"When we started Blues, Brews and Barbecue, we still had the Westland Festival. We

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Candidates for clerk, council express views about election

Westland voters face a crowded ballot in the Aug. 4 primary election for city clerk and city council.

Four candidates are vying for city clerk — Wayne Commissioner Richard LeBlanc, Christopher Cox, Jody Rice-White and Zivka Wojtowicz — following incumbent Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof's announcement that she won't seek reelection and will retire

at the end of the year.

Two candidates will advance to the November general election where the winner will receive a four-year term.

Voters also face a crowded field in the city council race where three 4-year terms and one 2-year term are



up for grabs.

Incumbents James Godbout, Adam Hammons, Bill Johnson and Dewey Reeves are being challenged by Steve Boron, William Campbell, Chris Coldron, Peter Herzberg, Dennis LeMaitre, Judy McKinney, Kevin Miller and Charles Pickering.

Eight candidates will advance to the November general election where voters will decide who will get the three 4-year terms and one 2-year term.

In covering the primary election, the Observer has more information about the candidates and their answers to questions on the Westland homepage at hometownlife.com.



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Museum ice cream social is Saturday

Cool off with some ice cream and then work off the calories with a hula hoop Saturday at the Wayne Historical Museum.

The Wayne Historical Society is hosting an ice cream social from 1-3 p.m. Saturday. Tours of the museum will be offered along with free ice cream and activities. Donations will be accepted.

"It's been a couple of years since we have had an ice cream social. It used to be an annual event," Wayne Councilman Albert Damitio said. "It's amazing how many residents have not been to the museum."

Everyone is invited, and no registration is



FILE PHOTO

Stop by the Wayne Historical Museum for ice cream and tours Saturday.

needed. The museum is located at 1 Towne Square in downtown Wayne.

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who is complaining."

With the start of the fiscal year July 1, Eggers said the additional funding was included for ordinance enforcement. A dedicated ordinance inspector will be working in Wayne four days each week, he said, addressing issues with trash, grass and ordinance enforcement sweeps.

"The presentation is helpful for me. It's exciting. There were a number of complaints that I've had that people have not known how to call in complaints," Mayor James Hawley said. While complaints can

be made over the telephone, Eggers said the preferred reporting method is through the website.

"It's easier to manage. We get thousands of complaints. Grass (not cut) is the number one complaint this time of year," Eggers said. "Last year, we got 100 complaints a day. We got ahead of it this year with grass cutting. It's down 70 percent."

The ordinance enforcement staff will miss some violations, he said, so help is needed from the community in reporting blight or other issues. But Eggers said sometimes the resolution isn't as quick as people would like.

"We're the fire depart-

ment — our job is to help people," Eggers said. "Unless it is a life-safety issue, we need to give people time to address the problem."

For high grass, Eggers said 72 hours is allowed to get it mowed. If there is a problem like a fence needing to be repaired that is more costly, he said reasonable time is needed to correct it.

The communication problem regarding ordinance enforcement became clear during discussions with interim City Manager Lisa Noceri, Eggers said, which resulted in the efforts to publicize the service.

"Part of the officer's job is to educate people. With a dedicated Wayne ordinance officer, you'll

see more proactive enforcement," Eggers said. "The community has to help themselves — we can't cover the whole city (alone)."

Council members thanked Nocerini for scheduling the presentation on ordinances and other departments.

"The website has been here since the beginning. Part of it is a communications problem," Councilman John Rhaesa said. "We didn't inform the public. We passed a \$50,000 communications budget. Administration dropped the ball on this. I appreciate what Lisa has done to rectify this."

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Norwayne," Johnson said. "I think very few people knew about Norwayne's contribution to the world. Norwayne played a significant role in the Arsenal of Democracy."

Norwayne was developed in 1943 as housing for workers at the Willow Run Bomber Plant during World War II.

"The message was lost. To acknowledge 70-plus years' contribution to Westland and the nation was the greatest achievement," Johnson

said. "All the rest is icing on the cake."

Mother's example

Residing in the home that had belonged to his parents, Johnson cites the example of his mother Rose, who died in 2004, when it comes to being involved in the community. She founded Women of Norwayne, which raised money to assist needy children around the holidays and help meet other family financial needs.

Like his mother, Johnson is active at St. Simon and Jude Catholic Church and also in politics.

"I could tell my moth-

er anything and it wouldn't bother her, except if I said I was a Republican. She was a dyed-in-the-wool FDR Democrat," said Johnson, president of the Westland Democratic Club.

Recently retired after 15 years as executive director of the Detroit Association for Retarded Citizens, Johnson is also a member of Westland Rehabilitation Review Board and the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee.

"I was very surprised to be First Citizen. Not only surprised. There are so many people who work so hard in this

community. I am very honored," Johnson said.

Johnson will be among the honorees at the Westland Chamber of Commerce Awards Celebration at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, at Joy Manor. The cost is \$15 per person, which includes appetizers and open bar.

Sponsors for the event include the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* and Joy Manor. For more information or to reserve tickets, contact the chamber at 734-326-7222 or westlandchamber@yahoo.com.

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didn't want to take away from that," Wild said. "Now there was no reason to go later and chance the weather."

Once again, Ashley's Beer and Grill will be providing the craft beers. Joining crowd favorites like Famous Dave's and Texas Roadhouse will be joined by newcomers Hammon's Kitchen, featuring organic, gluten-

free and raw food choices, Detroit Mini Donut and Heavenly Hot Dog.

Other restaurants scheduled to return include Beaver Creek, Knox Catering, Max & Erma's, Biggy Coffee and Kona Ice.

Singing the blues

Once again headlining the two-day event is the Soul Men, a Blues Brothers tribute band, which drew raves last year from their steadfast following of fans and from those

who heard them for the first time. The lineup also features the Alligators, the Boa Constrictors, Broken Arrow, Dirty Basement Blues, the Front Street Blues Band and the Randy Brock Group.

"The Soul Men were a big hit. They may come early for some promotions," Wild said. "The 2015 Blues, Brews and Barbeque will be better than ever."

In addition to being a fun way to spend an August weekend, the goal of

the event is the fundraising generated through food, beverage and swag sales that will benefit a number of Westland charities including the Goodfellows, the Salvation Army, the Westland Community Foundation and the Westland Historical Society. "Other than covering expenses, all funds raised are given to charity to be put back into the community," Wild said.

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Firefighter competes on 'American Ninja Warrior'

By Laura Colvin
Staff Writer

Dennis Lappin was a gold-rimmed-glasses-wearing nerd who got picked on by the cool kids while he was growing up; a self-described dork who spent his free time jumping BMX bikes on ramps he and his friends built in the woods.

Things have changed. Recently, the Milford resident – a 1993 Livonia Stevenson grad and a 17-year firefighter with the Redford Township Fire Department – had a chance to compete on NBC's highly rated *American Ninja Warrior*.

Lappin, 39, competed last month, making it to the city finals round in Kansas City, but not before suffering a debilitating injury that required major reconstructive surgery, months of physical therapy and the use of all his sick, vacation and personal time at the fire department.

When the competition airs Monday at 8 p.m., fans will learn if Lappin was among those to make it to the national finals in Las Vegas for a shot at the \$1 million dollar prize.

Early start

Lappin developed an affinity for extreme sports alongside his father at a young age, entering his first motocross race at the age of 5.

"I wasn't in the cool crowd," he said. "I didn't drink because the people I hung out with didn't do that. My drug was adrenaline."

As the years went on he also took up snowboarding, rock climbing, mountain biking and even gave skydiving a shot – four times.

His career choice was no coincidence.

"It's an adrenaline rush every time you go into a burning building,"



Dennis Lappin leaps through the quintuple steps he built in the back yard of his Milford home while wife Beth and daughter Parker look on.

Lappin said. "When you've had a ceiling collapse on your head and you come out in one piece, you're like, 'Oh my God, that was awesome.'"

So it seemed like a natural fit when his wife, Beth – whom he met on a fitness singles dating site and married on a rock-climbing trip to Thailand – suggested during a snowboarding excursion that he submit an application to *American Ninja Warrior*.

"I've always been a fan of the show," he said. "I just thought it looked really fun."

The show

American Ninja Warrior follows competitors through a series of challenging courses that test endurance, balance and upper body and grip strength.

The show is filmed in a series of city qualifying rounds and city finals across the country. Those who successfully complete the finals course move on to the national finals in Las Vegas, to face what producers call

a "stunning four-stage course modeled after the famed Mt. Midoriyama course in Japan."

The winner – if there is one – takes home \$1 million. Although many have come close, no competitor in the show's six-season run has been able to claim the prize.

Lappin started the application process in 2013, but didn't have time to produce the required four-minute video. In 2014, the show's producers emailed to see if he was still interested. When they told him they weren't looking for any more gym rats, Lappin couldn't resist.

"I'm not a hard-core gym guy," he said. "I'm a firefighter. I'm just your average adrenalin-junkie, mountain-biking, snowboarding rock climber. That was my selling point."

When the acceptance call came, Lappin scrambled to build quintuple steps so he could train in the back yard of his Milford home. The he built a salmon ladder, then a warped wall.

"I didn't want to be that guy that fell on the very first obstacle," he said.

Injury

Lappin made his first appearance on the *American Ninja Warrior* set – clad in his firefighting gear – in 2014 in Denver.

First the quintuple steps. No problem – he wasn't the guy to fall on the first obstacle.

But when he jumped and hit the warped wall, something went terribly wrong. His toes nearly touched his shin. The pain was excruciating.

With Beth cheering from the sidelines and pain carved deep in his face, Lappin pushed on and never considered quitting. Then, dragging his foot behind him, he was left with no choice as he tumbled from the spinning log. His run was over.

"I felt like I got shot," he said. "I wasn't sure what happened, I've never had that kind of pain before."

The medics said it was a bad sprain; the doctors at urgent care said the same thing. That night, his calf tripled in size and

began to change color. At home, he saw his own doctor.

"I was in the office less than 30 seconds when he said, 'Yep. You're going to need surgery. You'll be out of work six months.'"

The diagnosis: a double-ruptured Achilles tendon. Nine days later, he was in surgery.

All in all, the 14-inch scar on the back of his calf meant five months out of work and six months of extensive physical therapy – three days a week, two-three hours at a time.

A goal

Early on, the physical therapy team asked about his goals.

"My main goal obviously was getting back to work," Lappin said. "But maybe even more important, was to get back on the show and prove to everyone I could do it."

So he pushed himself. He got a knee scooter and used it while pushing his daughter on a stroller through town. Or running at Kensington.

When he got the green light at every level, he pushed and pushed to

regain his strength.

"It was my golden ticket to get back onto the show," he said. "I knew full well I could have completed that course, and I wanted to prove I belong in this sport."

His application video for the 2015 season shows footage from his injury in Denver. It shows the long, ugly scar, the rehab and the recovery.

It worked. Again, the call came, and last month Lappin went to Kansas City. The triumph carved in his face as he completed the course hit the buzzer in the qualifying round and earned himself a spot in the city finals round rivals the pained expression he bore just last year in Denver.

Those finals air Monday on NBC. Lappin doesn't know how much airtime he'll get, but he feels accomplished just making it back to the show.

"I've had people from around the world commenting, saying I'm an inspiration," he said. "It's kind of mind blowing."

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Vandalism

Vehicles brought in for detailing were reported damaged at Stevens Automotive, 33003 Michigan Ave., overnight July 11. The owner said there was no damage to the vehicles when he left the previous night.

A 2006 Chevrolet Cobalt had no damage, but he said the hood was up and it appeared someone attempted to steal the battery.

A 2005 Ford Explorer, 2004 Ford Explorer and 2004 Ford F-150 were all reported to have damage to their steering columns. The truck also had both tail light covers smashed.

Alarm call

Just before 4 a.m. June 26 police responded to an alarm call at Stockdale's on the Avenue, 32317 Michigan Ave. The officers found the rear door to the business had been pried near the deadbolt. The door was still secured.

The manager arrived and was able to open the door, but

it appeared nothing had been disturbed.

Attempted break-in

Police responded to an alarm at Muffler Dave's, 32216 Michigan Ave., at 3:42 a.m. June 27. Officers found the glass door on the south side of the business was shattered near the deadbolt. The tempered glass had not fallen out of the door frame and appeared to have been damaged from the inside, the officer noted. The door was unlocked.

The point of entry appeared to have been through a garage door that had been pried up using a jack. The door was bent and the wood molding was damaged. Officers had been unable to contact the business owner, so it was unknown at the time if anything had been stolen.

Vehicle damaged

On June 27 police were called to Michigan Collision, 31657 Michigan Ave., after someone broke into a 1992

Toyota Camry owned by the business.

The owner told police that nothing was missing from the car, but the area around the radio was damaged from someone attempting to remove it and the interior of the car was ransacked. The damage was set at \$1,000.

Police watched a surveillance video that showed two males riding bicycles along the sidewalk in front of the business just after 2:30 a.m. The pair got off their bikes and urinated near the dumpster, police said.

The pair start to leave when one suspect looks over and notices the vehicle, which was parked behind the dumpster. Both suspects can be seen trying the vehicle door handles before one breaks a vent window to reach in and unlock the door, police said.

The officer said the video showed both suspects being inside the vehicle at some point and opening the trunk before riding off on their bicycles.

By LeAnne Rogers

Man and woman charged after two reported break-ins

A Wayne man and a Taylor woman have been charged with breaking into two Wayne homes on July 8.

Police had taken reports on two break-ins of homes in the area John Hix and Covington. Property was reported stolen from each home.

Wayne officers, with the assistance of Dearborn Police, identified two possible suspects and subsequently recovered property identified as having been stolen from the two homes, Wayne Police Sgt. Matthew Spunar said.

Kevin Cunningham, 19, of Wayne and Kourtney Scherlitz, 18, of Taylor were both arraigned in Wayne 29th District Court. Both entered not guilty pleas.



Cunningham



Scherlitz

Cunningham is charged with two counts each of home invasion and receiving/concealing stolen property. He is being jailed in lieu of \$10,000 cash bond.

Scherlitz is charged with two counts of receiving/concealing stolen property. She was released on personal bond. Both are scheduled for probable cause hearings July 21.

By LeAnne Rogers

WESTLAND COP CALLS

Larceny

Police were called to the 1400 block of Westchester just before 8 p.m. July 11 when a resident reported seeing three teenagers walking down the street. One of the teens went into a neighbor's yard and returned from the backyard riding a bicycle, she said. Because the teens didn't live at the home, she called police.

The homeowner told police the gate was closed and her son's bike had been in the backyard. The gate was open and the bike was reportedly missing.

Vandalism

A resident in the 7400 block of Maple told police that overnight he found the passenger-side mirror broken off and two dents in the door of

his 2011 Chevrolet Camaro while it was parked in the street. He said he thought the mirror was broken off in an attempt to gain access to the door-locking mechanism.

Larceny from a vehicle

On July 10 a resident of an apartment at 8540 N. Hix told police he came out in the morning to find someone stole the catalytic converter from his 2010 Cadillac DTS.

Vandalism

A resident in the 5700 block of N. Walton told police July 9 that she found large dents and scratches on the front and rear passenger doors on the top edge near the window base trim. The officer noted the damage was consistent with a heavy abrasive object like a rock or cement being thrown at the vehicle.

On July 6 a resident in the 31000 block of Charlevoix Court told police that he returned home to find someone had smashed the windshield of his 1997 Ford F150 pick up truck.

A resident in the 34000 block of Glenwood told police July 6 that someone smashed the passenger side sliding door window on her 2004 Ford Windstar mini van.

Larceny from a vehicle

Overnight July 8 a resident of the Sky Gate Apartments, 6501 Yale, told police that someone stole the stereo from his 2006 Pontiac Grand Prix while it was parked in the lot. The stereo was valued at \$127.

A resident in the 200 block of South Marie told police July 6 that someone stole a touch-screen stereo,

GPS unit and alcohol-interlock device valued at over \$1,400 from his vehicle July 3-5. The car had been parked in front of his home, he said, and was unsure whether it had been locked.

Found property

A resident in the 2600 block of Ackley told police that early July 8 she found a Stihl edger and a Honda lawn mower that didn't belong to her sitting next to her trash cans in the backyard. She told police that the property didn't belong to her neighbors either.

Vandalism

About 11:30 p.m. July 8 a resident in the 32000 block of Joy told police he heard a loud noise from the living room window. Checking outside, he said he found the exterior

pane of his window had been smashed. The officer noted shattered glass and a piece of concrete on the porch.

Fraud

A Westland man told police July 7 that he checked his credit report and discovered unauthorized inquiries from Verizon and T-Mobile. Verizon told him there were six iPhones and six phone lines opened under his name. The accounts had been opened June 8. He said nothing appeared to be opened at T-Mobile.

On July 6 a Westland man told police that he learned that unknown people made unauthorized purchases using his debit/ATM card in Queens, New York. He said the two transactions totaled \$1,300.

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Student opera group hopes performance hits high note

Vocal students at Madonna University are keeping their singing voices in tune through the summer, as they prepare for performances of Henry Purcell's Greek tragedy *Dido and Aeneas* this week.

The summer show helps voice students hone their skills between spring and fall semesters and gives them a chance to expand their repertoire, explained senior vocal performance major Brittany Dimmitt.

"Everyone wants to keep performing," Dimmitt said. "It's a good opportunity."

The summer performances were started because students found it difficult to get back into the groove in the fall, when they had not sung all summer. Several came up with the idea for a summer recital, which morphed into a

concert version of *Car-men* last summer.

Students chose *Dido and Aeneas* for this year's summer performance because they had recently discussed it in a music history class, it has a relatively small cast and the music is challenging but not too difficult for a vocal performance student.

They're performing the whole opera, including staged set and costumes. The Madonna students hope to make the summer opera performance an annual event and want to set up the summer opera group as an official student organization by next year.

Participation does not involve credit or pay — in fact, each student chips in to cover costume costs — but it includes a chance to have fun and keep singing over the summer, Dimmitt explained. Plus, it's



The cast of "Dido and Aeneas," directed by Aaron VonAllmen (far left), includes (left to right) Alisa Pullum, Andrea Wozniak and Viviana Garabello.

a more manageable commitment than a part in a professional theater and may give some students the opportunity to perform roles they wouldn't otherwise. They also can help with costume or lighting design.

Madonna music professors have shown their support of the project by giving advice or loaning costumes.

Dimmitt believes people who aren't necessarily opera fans will still enjoy the perfor-

mance, as it's in English and, although a Greek tragedy, does have some lighthearted moments. Staying true to the period in which the piece was composed, students located a harpsichord and a Baroque cello for accompaniment.

Performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 17, and Saturday, July 18, in Madonna University's Kresge Hall. General admission is \$8, \$5 for students and seniors.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Wayne, Michigan will hold a Public Hearing on August 4, 2015 at 8:00 P.M., or soon thereafter as may be heard, in the Wayne Activity and Banquet Center (WABC), 35000 Sims Avenue, Wayne, MI 48184, to consider the establishment of an Industrial Development District pursuant to Michigan Act 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, as requested by Wayne Commons Associates, Inc. relating to certain property, commonly known as 36111 Michigan Avenue, Wayne, MI. The public is invited to attend and be heard. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, the City Council may act upon this matter.

Jennifer A. Wagner
Deputy City Clerk

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Scrub Smith and his dog Buddy sit along Wayne Road in Westland with his 1937 Dodge and watch cars during the Westland All-American Car Cruise held Saturday.

WESTLAND, WAYNE CRUISES FUN FOR ALL

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

The weather was perfect for showing off classic cars Saturday as the annual Westland and Wayne car cruises hit the streets and some parking lots.

In Westland, the All-American Cruise took over Wayne Road. "When people say the weather was great, I say I ordered it. I'll get blamed for bad weather, so I take credit for great weather," cruise organizer Don Nicholson said.

At six miles, the Wayne Road route is long, he said, so the classic cruisers tend to be a bit spread out.

"We had a great turnout — it gets a little bigger each year," Nicholson said.

The All-American Cruise kicked off the previous night with drive-in movies shown in the parking lot at the Wayne-Ford Civic League. Live music from Leah and the Troublemakers along with Eddie Cooper and the Exit Band followed the movies.

"We had 200-300 people for the movie. We didn't get as much as I would have liked," Nicholson said. "We tried to do too much. There were too many things going on. We'll do a movie and a concert again."

The early cruisers gather at the Westland Historical Village Park, but as the day goes on events are held at other spots like Westland Bowl, St. John Episcopal Church and Town and Country Bowl.

"There are so many different cool cars. I'm partial to the Model T era — the single-cylinder engines," said Nicholson, when asked about his favorite car from the cruise. "The hot rods are cool but I'm a real old car guy. The cars from the 1900s and 1910s are my favorites. I'd want to drive a Rolls Royce or a Dusenberg."

As the name says, Cruisin' US12 focuses on Michigan Avenue in Wayne with Merriman to Newburgh. It's the largest one-day event in Wayne, drawing about 30,000 people to the downtown area.

WCSX was on hand to broadcast from the parking lot of McDonald's, which was celebrating its one-year anniversary.

Along with live music and other activities, the Wayne cruise also featured the Just Hearse'N Around hearse club and a Corvette club that gathered to show off their cars.

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The Wayne car cruise brought out Ken and Cynthia Wiggle of Farmington Hills, along with friends Julienne Hall and Jason Kuhn from Garden City on a beautiful Saturday afternoon.



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One of the many cars on display was a 1940 Ford Panel Truck along Wayne Road in Westland Saturday afternoon.



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Frank Decker of Westland with his beautiful 1946 Ford Coupe at this year's All-American Car Cruise in Westland.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Westland residents Tom and Cathy Riney pose with their 1932 Ford three-window coupe as they take a break from the Wayne cruise.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Paul Caudill's beautiful 1957 Chevy four-door 150 turned was on display at this year's Wayne Car Cruise.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Tammy and Dan Nairn of Westland sit along Michigan Avenue with their 1967 Ford Mustang as they watch cars go by at Cruisin' US-12 held in Wayne on Saturday.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Ron Tiburzi of Livonia (left), Jim Fineran of Redford and Harold Tiburzi Casco Township sit along Wayne Road during the All-American Car Cruise held Saturday in Westland.



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Classic cars for everyone's taste cruised at this year's event held in Wayne.



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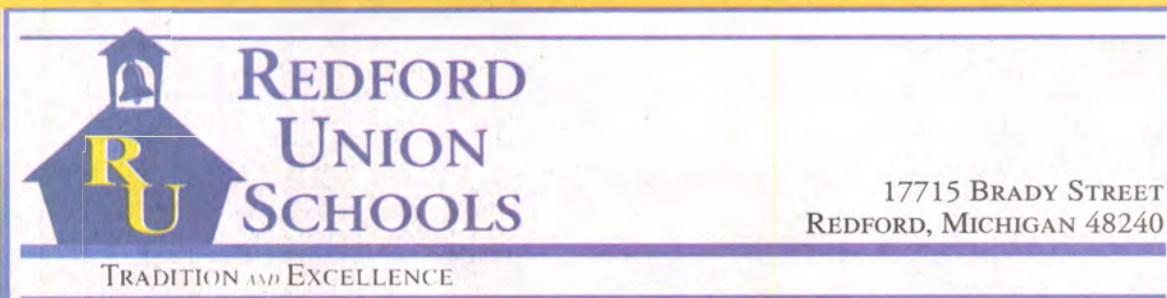


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Hickory BBQ & Grill caters to meat lovers

By Mike Lammi
Michigan.com

Nobody has more fun on the job than Dale Lockwood.

He is the owner and pit master of Hickory BBQ & Grill, serving ribs, brisket, pulled pork and more at catered events and celebrations in Livingston County and beyond.

"Every time we go to work, we are at a party. Who can say that?" Lockwood asked.

Barbecuing wasn't always his full-time profession.

"It started out as a hobby. I had like five different grills on my porch, and on a Sunday I would decide to make barbecue. I would call people about noon, and by 2 o'clock the house would be full of people," Lockwood said. "Every time they were like, 'You have to do this for a living.'"

That's just what he decided to do nearly 10 years ago when his construction business fell on hard times due to the



Dale Lockwood of Hickory BBQ & Grill slices beef for beef brisket slider sandwiches last month during the Livingston County Home & Garden Show's Taste of Livingston.

flailing economy.

"I could see the handwriting on the wall. I thought if I'm going to be broke, I'm going to do something that I love doing," he said.

Lockwood bought a large smoker and started Hickory BBQ out of his Westland home. As the business grew, he moved to the Brighton area

several years ago.

Hickory BBQ has continued to grow so much that Lockwood recently built a 1,200-square-foot facility next to his Brighton Township home. The building includes a large kitchen to prepare his many side dishes, a walk-in freezer and refrigerator, an office, laundry facilities,

and a shower.

"Having this here is like a dream come true," he said.

Hickory BBQ has catered events ranging in size from small parties of 10 to weddings, graduations and corporate gatherings with thousands of people.

Lockwood's wife, Michelle, is the event plan-

HICKORY BBQ & GRILL

» **Owner:** Dale and Michelle Lockwood
» **Phone:** 734-673-8889
» **Website:** hickorybbq.net

ner for Hickory BBQ. "I couldn't have done it without her. We make a good team," he said.

The secret to good barbecue, Lockwood said, is having the proper equipment, cooking meat slowly and using good wood — he prefers hickory and cherry. His brisket is smoked for about 16 hours, pork about 12 hours and ribs about six hours.

"Everybody's got an uncle that makes great barbecue, but in order to do it and take the time to do it right ... that's another thing," Lockwood said.

He has even created his own line of sauces and rubs. His Daley's sauces come in five flavors: original, hot, apple, cherry and mustard. The sauces are bottled by a

company in Chicago and can be found at Jonna's Market in Howell and some other stores. Other caterers and restaurants also purchase his sauces, he said.

Lockwood is constantly honing his craft, learning more from popular pit masters such as Mike Mills, Big Moe Cason and Ray Lampe, aka Dr. BBQ.

"A lot of the barbecue guys you see on TV or hear about their books, I've met them and take their classes," Lockwood said. "I think it's important to be trained by the best."

Business is good, he said, noting he already has jobs booked all summer long.

"On any given week, we can do 10 or 12 jobs," he said. "We are doing really well."

To learn more about Hickory BBQ & Grill or to have an event catered, go to <http://hickorybbq.net> or call 734-673-8889.

Mike Lammi writes for the Livingston Daily.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

School supplies collection

Jack Demmer Ford is sponsoring a Drive School Supplies Drive Edition now through Aug. 10 at its dealership at 37300 Michigan Ave., to benefit students in Wayne-Westland Community Schools. Similar drives will be held at Jack Demmer Lincoln and Jack Demmer Collision in Dearborn for students in the Dearborn Public Schools.

School supplies and monetary donations are

being accepted to help local families who cannot afford school supplies.

Visit demmer.com and Demmer's Facebook page for dates of upcoming Hot Dog Sales. Proceeds will go toward purchasing more school supplies. For more information, call Jack Demmer in Wayne at 734-721-2600.

Backpack giveaway

Residents in Westland are about to benefit from a national backpack giveaway campaign. TCC, the largest Verizon Premium

Wireless Retailer in the U.S., will be donating 100,000 backpacks full of school supplies to children through its annual School Rocks Backpack Giveaway. Since 2013, the company has donated 260,000 backpacks filled with supplies to ensure children are well-prepared for the start of the school year.

More than 400 participating TCC stores across the U.S. are inviting local families to bring their children to the store between noon and 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, to pick

up a backpack filled with pencils, paper, a pencil box, folders, glue and other school supplies. One backpack per child present will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

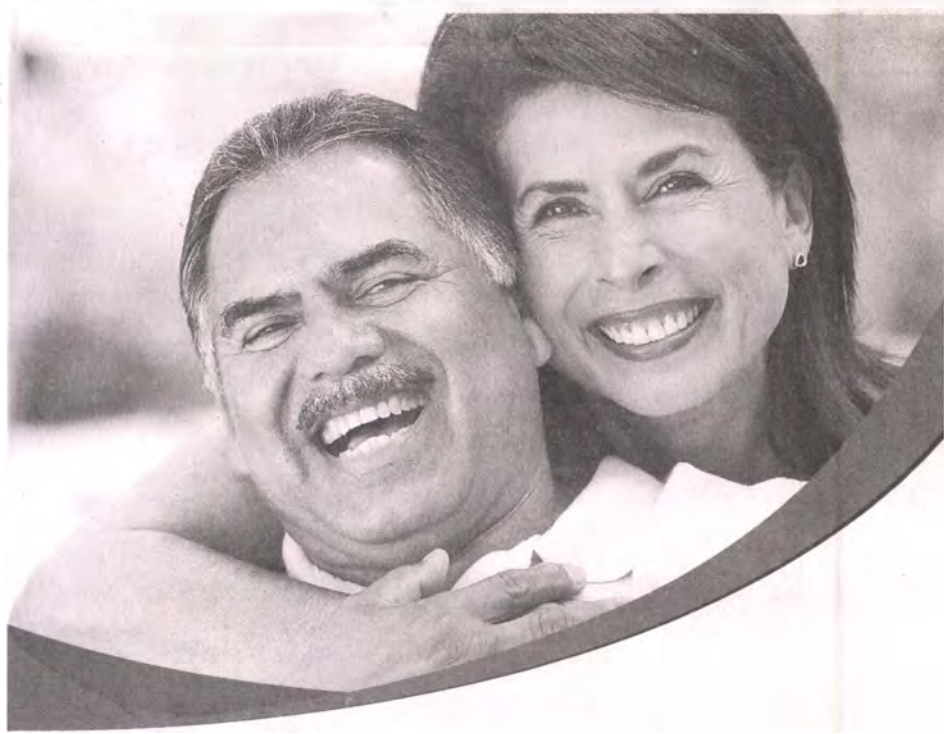
The participating store in Westland is at 36610 Ford Road. Each

participating TCC store will donate 200 backpacks. All leftover backpacks will be donated to local schools.

In 2014, the National Retail Federation predicted the average person with children in grades K-12 would spend \$101.18 on school supplies, such as notebooks, pencils and

backpacks, compared to \$90.49 in 2013. With nearly 16 million children in the U.S. living in poverty, TCC is working to alleviate the rising costs of school supplies through this annual program.

To learn more about the company, visit www.TCCRocks.com.



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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 13 7/6/15

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Johnson, Kehrler, Reeves
95: Traffic Control Order 2015-11: Install (1) Handicap sign @ 1324 Sharon.
- Traffic Control Order 2015-12: Install (3) "No Parking Loading Zone" signs w. side of Parent St. n. of Ford Rd.
- Bid for 1 ambulance for FD to Mercy Sales; amt. \$157,536.
- Bid for Demolition of Economic Growth Center to Berkshire Development; amt. \$9,850.
- Bid for Repair Svcs. for Fire Svc. Vehicles to Cuda Automotive, Apollo Fire Apparatus, West Shore Fire & LTM Fire Sales & Service; hourly rate \$70, \$75, \$74, & \$80 respectively.
- Bid for Sand, Slag, & Gravel to Ellsworth Industries; amt. \$106,910.
- Change Order to Bid for Trade Svcs. at JBCC; increase of 15% for contingency items; amt. \$114,113.
- Easement & Assignment Agrmnt. w/American Tower Asset Sub. LLC; amt. \$700,000.
- Adopted Prep. Resolution to approve Option Agrmnt. to purchase Communications Easement.
- Annual Svcs. Agrmnt. w/West Shore Fire; amt. not to exceed \$3,250 annually.
- 1 yr. Contract w/MHS.
Svcs. Agrmnt. w/Stryker; one-time fee amt. \$17,580.
- 1 yr. Contract w/Ritter GIS; amt. not to exceed \$210,000.
- Contract for Community Center/Y.
MCA Feasibility Study; amt. \$18,950.
- Reprogram CDBG HOME Funds
- Adopt Ord. 29-W-43, an ordinance to amend Ch. 22, Art. XVI, Sec. 22-634 of the City Code re. registration of vacant properties & to provide penalties for violating Article XVI.
- Adopt Ord. 29-W-44, an ordinance to amend Ch. 22, Art. XV, Sec. 22-607 of the City Code re. registration/inspection of rental dwellings & to provide penalties for violating Article XV.
- Adopt Community of a Lifetime Prepared Resolution.
- Proclaimed week of 9/11/15-9/17/15 as "Patriot Week".
96: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 6/15/15.
97: Appr. Land Donation of 3.82 acres of PID #060-99-0003-000 to the City of Westland.
98: Conf. appt. of D. Peck as City's FOIA Coordinator.
99: Appr. checklist: \$ 3,324,341.50.
Mtg. adj. at 8:15 p.m.
Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

James Godbout
Council President

Eileen DeHart-Schoof, CMC
City Clerk

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City of Livonia - 6/15/2015 Regular Meeting Synopsis

Present: Meakin, Toy, Scheel, Nash, Kritzman, Pastor, Brosnan
Absent: None
Items were received and filed.
#175-15 Approving the minutes of meeting on 06/01/15.
#176-15 Referring the subject of parking in the Willow Woods Subdivision to the Traffic Commission for its report and recommendation.
#177-15 Approving a waiver of the City noise ordinance for Rev. Fr. Tony Massad, Pastor, Saint Rafka Maronite Catholic Church for August 1, 2015.
#178-15 Confirm the reappointment of Gregory G. Coppola to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
#179-15 Confirm the reappointment of Matthew Henzi to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
#180-15 Grant permission to use Greenmead for the Highland Games for 2015, 2016, and 2017.
#181-15 Approve increases for annual passes, summer passes and EFT membership fees for the Livonia Community Recreation Center.
#182-15 Accept the bid of RW Mead & Sons for HVAC Maintenance at the Livonia Community Recreation Center.
#183-15 Adopt the City of Livonia Freedom of Information Act Procedures and Guidelines.
#184-15 Approve a request to retain an architect to design a building for the DPS Campus.
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 040 of Title 13, Chapter 08 (Water Service Rates and Revenues).
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 050 of Title 13, Chapter 08 (Water Service Rates and Revenues).
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 180 of Title 13, Chapter 08 (Water Service Rates and Revenues).
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 120 of Title 13, Chapter 20 (Livonia Sewage Disposal System).
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 130 of Title 13, Chapter 20 (Livonia Sewage Disposal System).
First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 050 of Title 13, Chapter 28 (Industrial Waste Surcharge).
#185-15 Approve a Special Assessment for unpaid charges connected with the 2014 Sidewalk Program, Contract 14-G.
First Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 20 of the Zoning Map. (2015-03-01-02)
First Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 20 of the Zoning Map. (2015-03-01-03)
#186-15 Establishment of City of Livonia Industrial Development District No. 117.
#187-15 Approving a request for a block party from Derrick Rodriguez on Allen Court.
#188-15 Confirm the appointment of James Baringhaus to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
Full text of the official minutes available in the Office of the City Clerk.
Susan A. Hoff
Livonia City Clerk

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Hundreds of patriotic items displayed at home of Canton man

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton resident Walt Montgomery, 85, is patriotic to the core.

"I've been around the world and there's no country in the world like the United States," he said. "I love this country so much."

It shows. Montgomery has collected more than 700 items of Americana reflecting his dedication to patriotism — enough to fill two rooms of the home he shares with his wife of 50 years, Janet. He started his hobby around 1970 and never stopped.

"That's what keeps me young," he said. "I compare myself to an old car that used to be a luxury. The tires went bad, but I'm still going."

Montgomery said the significance of his collection is even stronger during holidays such as the Fourth of July weekend — and he wanted to share it.

A staunch Democrat, he has letters from Presidents John F. Kennedy, Bill Clinton and Barack Obama and posters or photos of presidents such as Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

His favorite? Kennedy.

"I just liked him. He knew what he was doing with the Russians (during the Cuban Missile Crisis)," Montgomery said. "He wasn't taking nothing from them."

A Detroit native, he worked as a teenager taking pictures on the Boblo boat and later served in the U.S. Army in 1947-50 and 1956-59. His service took him to Canada, where he helped



Walt Montgomery has collected patriotic memorabilia since the early 1970s.

build hangars for planes arriving from Europe.

Montgomery joined the U.S. Merchant Marines in 1961-70, delivering cargo to places such as Saudi Arabia and ammunition to troops serving in Vietnam. He accumulated a few medals of his own for his service —

medals that complement his vast collection of American bald eagle statues, a Civil War-era poster of President Lincoln, a thick book of Americana pins, brass seals for every U.S. state, a long saber knife, old newspaper articles — even a red, white and

blue lampshade.

Montgomery, a Canton resident of 25 years, built his collection by visiting places such as flea markets, garage sales and U.S. Army and Navy stores. Some items he



Walt Montgomery's collection includes statues of bald eagles.

found during service to his country and others were given to him by family and friends, including a hand-carved, wooden bald eagle from the Philippines.

A retired construction worker, Montgomery also has collected Americana such as old Coca-Cola buttons, a toy fire truck, historical books and a red, white and blue quilt, spread over a chair. He dusts and cleans his collection — and that's just fine with Janet.

"As long as I don't have to clean it," she said with a smile, "we're all set."

One wall of the Montgomery house displays pictures of the three children they raised and their grandchildren. As for his bald eagle collection, Montgomery recalls one time he found a \$60 ceramic statue, but didn't have enough money on hand to buy it at the

flea market.

"I gave the man \$20 for it and he let me take it," he said. "I took the other \$40 to him the next week."

Montgomery has traded and bought his collection while finding sometimes-rare items. He finds it puzzling that someone would have sold items such as a Medal of Honor.

Montgomery said it appears many people simply aren't as patriotic as the generations that came before. But as long as he is alive, he said, his Canton home will proudly display his love of country.

"I like to show my things," he said, looking around a room filled with patriotic memorabilia. "I'm proud to be an American."

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On July 21, 2015 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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1999	DODGE	RAM	PU	1B7HC16Y1XS146645
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2004	BUICK	RENDEZVOUS	SW	3G5DA03E84S517736
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The Wayne Housing Commission has developed its Annual Plan for the year 2016 in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. The Plan is available for review at the Wayne Housing Commission office located at 4001 S Wayne Rd, Wayne, MI 48184. The Commission's hours of operation are 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. In addition a public hearing will be held, to give interested parties the opportunity to comment on the Plan on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. at the Wayne Housing Commission Office.

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-20 July 7, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 8:04 p.m. at the Wayne Activity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT Presentations by State Rep. Robert Kosowski, ARC, Wayne Main Street, Rotary Club, Fire Marshal and DPW and B&E. APPROVED: minutes of Reg. mtg. of June 16, Spec. mtgs of June 16, 26 & June 30; proclaim July as P&R month; assign water service from DWS to the Great Lakes Water Authority; agreement w/ Main Street to move to Hist. Museum; call a public hearing for Aug. 4, 2015 @ 8pm to establish an Industrial Dev. Dist. for 36111 & 36121 East Mich. Ave.; 3 year MOU bet. the Housing Comm. and the Police Dept.; acceptance of MMRMA Risk Avoidance Grant (RAP) for Livescan Upgrade proj.; Taxi Town License renewal; Mat. Recov. Fac. License for Weiser Recycling; consent calendar. TABLED: bid award for Fire Rescue vehicle; Received and filed Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

Jennifer A. Wagner
Deputy City Clerk

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OUR VIEWS

Voters pick final candidates for clerk, council

For the first time in many years, Westland voters must decide who will be on the general election ballot for city clerk and city council.

Incumbent Eileen DeHart Shoof, the city's first elected city clerk has decided to retire. There are four candidates vying for the four-year term: Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc, Christopher Cox, Jody Rice-White and Zivka Wojtowicz.

Shoof has served the city well during her 12 years as city clerk, and the person who replaces her will need to hit the floor running. We believe LeBlanc is the person to take over in January.

LeBlanc as a council member, state representative and now county commissioner has proven to be nimble and responsive to his constituents. He displays a clear under-



Hammons



Johnson



LeBlanc



Pickering



Godbout

LeMaitre, Judy McKinney, Kevin Miller and Charles Pickering.

Eight candidates will advance to the November general election

where three 4-year terms and one 2-year term will be filled. In looking at the candidates, we believe James Godbout, Adam Hammons, Bill Johnson, Dewey Reeves and Charles Pickering should advance to the general election.

They are all experienced in the workings of the city. The incumbents have proven a clear understanding of what needed to be done to address Westland's looming financial crisis. They asked the difficult questions and made the difficult decisions and the end re-

sult is a city that is on sound financial footing with an improving infrastructure.

Pickering offers a different view of what the current council has done differently. He believes the residents have suffered a reduction in services and an increase in taxes. His top priority would be to restore the services that have been lost, including public safety, street maintenance and trash pickup.

With such a large field of candidates, residents have many choices. We encourage voters to do their homework and find out who would best represent them. In the council race, **James Godbout, Adam Hammons, Bill Johnson, Dewey Reeves and Charles Pickering** deserve that consideration.

standing of what it will take to meet what he calls "new service delivery demands, technological advancements, as well as changing requirements for accountability and record keeping."

His proposed to-do list includes the digitization of records, which would benefit the city and residents, and an on-line business licensing and permit process.

LeBlanc also has pledged to provide consistent delivery of service while maintaining a high level of professionalism,

transparency and accountability. In looking at his track record in the State House and Wayne County Commission, we believe he will do just that.

Two candidates will be selected from the field of four to advance to the November. We believe that one of those two must be **Richard LeBlanc**.

In the city council race, incumbents James Godbout, Adam Hammons, Bill Johnson and Dewey Reeves are being challenged by Steve Boron, William Campbell, Chris Col-dron, Peter Herzberg, Dennis

OUR VIEWS

Public safety millage renewal, Walker deserve Garden City's support

Garden City voters will face two decisions when they go to the polls on Aug. 4: Do they want to renew the public safety millage for five years, and who are the best candidates in a three-man mayoral race?

The city is asking residents to extend the current 3.5-mill tax levy for five years. The current millage was approved in 2012 and expires in 2016. The millage provides operations and equipment for the Garden City Police and Fire departments. It's estimated that 3.5 mills would cost the average homeowner would pay about \$121 based on current taxable values. It would raise \$1,704,445 the first year.

When it was approved in 2012, the millage stemmed the tide of police and fire layoffs

and eliminated the need for employee furlough days. It has helped stabilize the departments, which maintained the services residents have come to expect of their police and firefighters.

There are those who argue that the renewal request isn't a renewal but a tax increase because it is for five years, not the original four. We disagree. The amount — 3.5 mills — being requested hasn't changed neither has the intent of the millage changed. It is the same as it was when it was approved 2012 — to provide funding for the police and fire departments.



Walker

We hope residents don't buy into rhetoric. The millage needs to be renewed to maintain current services. The council has extended three fire positions funded through SAFER grants through the current budget year, but staffing will depend heavily on the results of the election.

We believe the prudent decision is to approve the tax renewal. Keep Garden City safe and well-protected. Vote **YES** on the public safety millage request.

In the mayoral race, incumbent Mayor Randy Walker is seeking a fourth two-year term as mayor. He's being challenged by former city council member David Fetter and longtime resident Buddy Wallace, whose name is ap-

pearing as E. Wallace on the ballot.

Each candidate believes he is the best for the job. But we believe Walker is the best at serving as head of the city council and representing the city in the community.

Walker is all about the business of the city and conducting in a professional manner. He has worked hard to bring order to council meetings, and in the process has incurred the wrath of those who disagree with his policies. In the end, the tenor of the meetings has changed and the city's business being conducted in a more civil and orderly fashion.

Walker is committed to improving Garden City and has been proactive in identifying blight in the city. It doesn't

come under the responsibilities for the job of mayor, but Walker has gone out weekly with Police Chief/City Manager Robert Muery to identify problem areas in the community.

He also wears his heart on his sleeve when it comes to the nation's military. Under his guidance, the city's annual Veterans Day and Memorial Day ceremonies have expanded to involve religious and the Garden City Public Schools.

Residents can only vote for one candidate in the mayoral election. The top two vote-getters will advance to the November general election. In looking at these three candidates, we believe that **Randy Walker** is the best choice in the mayoral election.

GUEST COLUMN

Trade pacts, income tax hurt U.S. economy

Understandably, Americans prefer paying less for the products they purchase, rather than paying more — the main reason foreign-made products have increasingly become more popular. Many products are primarily available from foreign manufacturers because these products come from countries with lower — in some cases, much lower — labor and materials costs. Trade agreements with foreign countries are to some extent responsible for this phenomenon.

Personal income taxes

In general, the problem with trade agreements is a lack of consideration of the U.S. income taxes, personal and corporate, in conjunction with the labor cost differentials. The labor involved in the manufacture of products made in the U.S. is subject to U.S. personal income taxes, while products manufactured in foreign countries are not.

Far more labor and materials costs are incurred in the manufacture of products than there is in the distribution and sale of imported products. Let's consider the labor costs of Mexico and China (two of the major exporters to the U.S.), in comparison to the U.S.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Modified June 7, 2013), using the "U.S. hourly compensation costs of manufacturing employees," at a theoretical 100, comparatively, Mexico's is about 20 percent and China's is about 5 percent of U.S. costs.



Michael Hansel

GUEST COLUMNIST

In addition, the U.S. imposes a personal income tax on all manufacturing employees.

If we assume a hypothetical situation — a U.S. worker paid \$25 per hour and paying an income tax rate of 25 percent (the tax rate commensurate with that pay rate) equals \$6.25 income tax. A Mexican worker is paid about \$5 per hour, while someone in China is paid about \$1.25 per hour, in equivalent U.S. dollars. The U.S. employee pays more in U.S. income tax than a worker is paid, in either country.

With the costs of labor and materials not subject to U.S. income taxes for foreign-made products, U.S. policy not just benefits foreign countries economies because of the lower labor costs, but penalizes U.S. workers through the imposition of personal income taxes. The U.S. Income Tax Code consists of 74,608 pages of regulations. It is impossible for an ordinary taxpayer to understand the complexities of these regulations, requiring many small businesses and individuals to utilize the services of an experienced income tax accountant. Key legislators have violated tax regulations because of their complexity.

The only way to resolve this imbalance is by eliminating all personal income taxes and

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replacing them with sales taxes. All products, regardless of the country of origin, would be subject to the same taxes as U.S. manufactured products. By eliminating all U.S. personal income taxes, assuming labor costs/wages remain the same, the actual costs to U.S. workers could be reduced as foreign products would come under greater scrutiny, as they presently have a very definite cost advantage.

Corporate income taxes

Our corporate income tax is the highest of all industrialized countries at 39.1 percent; all U.S. competitor countries have a tax advantage. There are 14,767,419 fewer jobs today than there were in 2000, with a labor force participation rate of 62.7 percent, the lowest since 1977.

Nationally, there are one million fewer Chapter "C" corporations than there were in 1986. More small companies are going out of business than there are start-ups. Where have those jobs gone? Michigan, in particular, having experienced the bankruptcy of General Motors and Chrysler, recognizes companies and corporations need to generate profits or fail. No doubt, smaller and medium-sized companies and major corporations take into consideration the

39.1-percent corporate income tax burden in establishing product pricing.

Corporations are expected to be successful in order to prevent investor losses, to pay a dividend and, preferably, increase the company's value. Larger companies establish operations overseas, in order to grow or to be competitive. Multi-national corporations, U.S. corporations having operations in foreign countries, have to pay corporate income taxes to the country where their operations are located, but must also pay U.S. corporate income taxes when they bring profits to the U.S., a double tax. For this reason, massive sums, billions of dollars, are parked overseas.

There are massive regulations in place, consisting of more than 270,000 pages, creating severe complexities of understanding and limiting the ability to have knowledge of all regulations. The cost impact is more than \$2 trillion in annual compliance costs. Legislators with business experience need to be involved in writing legislation and regulations, not attorneys or inexperienced bureaucrats with no experience in manufacturing or business.

Corporate income taxes should be eliminated; this would, in fact, reduce the costs of U.S. manufactured products and bring profits generated in foreign locations back to the U.S. This would create massive numbers of jobs in the U.S., as companies would have an incentive to invest in and create a growth environment, in the U.S.

There are agreements that could both benefit the U.S. population from a cost standpoint, but also increase employment, by eliminating onerous income taxes on U.S. workers and companies.

Michael Hansel is a Canton Township resident.

LETTERS

KISS road plan

As our legislators in Lansing "work" on a solution to fix our roads, we can only hope that they remember how complicated Proposal 1 was. Keeping it simple should be the best approach. We can also hope that it is remembered that everybody will benefit from better roads, in varying degrees, not just those who may own a car and buy gasoline.

The Mackinac Center has stated that an increase of sales tax and use taxes from 6 percent to 7 percent would generate \$1.427 billion extra income.

Unfortunately the Michigan Constitution requires that any change to the sales tax law requires a public vote. The attempt to do that with the last complicated proposal failed and cost the tax payers millions of dollars.

Our legislature has the authority to pass a tax bill that could increase revenue earmarked for road repair. This process has been implemented many times in the past, as an "excise" tax on: cigarettes, gasoline, diesel fuel, beer, wine, airline tickets, tires, etc., all applied in addition to an existing sales tax.

To avoid another complicated plan the Michigan House should take a simple approach that does not disrupt or cut any current programs. Authorize a 1 percent excise tax to those transactions that are now at 6 percent and earmark the additional 1 percent for road repairs.

However, in my view, the 1 percent add-on should expire in four years and be subject to a renewal allowing for an evaluation and review by the legislature. All proposals thus far have not included a period for review or an end date.

Jim Brenner
Redford

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PRESERVING HISTORY

GC event to help fund 'Wall of Fame'

Aug. 22 extravaganza will raise funds and fun

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Equal parts reunion, fundraiser and history preserver, next month's Garden City Alumni Flag Football Extravaganza will be as multifaceted as the Cougars' offense. Orchestrated by current head football coach Scott Murray, the inaugural event Saturday, Aug. 22, is expected to attract hundreds of former Garden City high school football players, regardless of which school — East, West, the

original high school or the current one — in a joint effort to raise funds to build a "Wall of Fame" that will honor past (and future) GC gridiron greats. The action-packed day's agenda will kick off at noon with a flag football contest pitting Garden City police officers against members of the city's fire department. Other highlights on the docket include a matchup between players from East and West, and games featuring



Pictured from left are Garden City head football coach Scott Murray and former players Ben Ferguson and Matt Combs.

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Young ace

Thirteen-year-old Livonia golfer Petyon Grainer registered a hole-in-one on July 10 on the 100-yard seventh hole at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia. Grainer, who used a 7-iron for his memorable shot, fired a 45 for his nine-hole round. It was the teenager's first ace in his five-year golf career.

Another ace for Hills man

Longtime golfer Daniel Grippo of Farmington Hills recorded his second hole-in-one Monday at Farmington Hills Golf Club. The 69-year-old Grippo used an 8-iron to ace the 127-yard eighth hole. He shot 80 for the 18-hole round.

Epic shot

Livonia resident Bill Enoch, 66, registered a hole-in-one July 11 on the 174-yard fifth hole of Fox Hills Lakes Course. Enoch used a 3 hybrid club and a Noodle ball to record the memorable feat.

MWGA state championship

The 31st Michigan Women's Golf Association State Championship will be held at Links at Gateway in Romulus on Saturday and Sunday, July 25 and 26. The tournament, which is open to all female amateur golfers, will begin both days with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The championship flight course yardage will be 5,250 with a course rating of 70.1 and slope rating of 119. All other flights will have a yardage of 4,810 yards, a course rating 67.7 and a slope rating of 114. Pairings for the individual stroke play event are compiled using the player index. Golf, cart, time on the range, prizes, awards and a buffet lunch on Sunday are included in the \$63-per-day members fee (\$83-per-day for non-members). The student rate (ages 18-30) is \$98 for both days. Caddies are allowed. An additional optional \$10-per-day, paid-in-advance fee is required to participate in games such as skins, closest to the flagstick and chip-ins. Registration is available online. A first-time one-year new membership cost is \$35, so after playing in just two events this cost can be recouped. Direct questions to Cynthia Pinkard at 248-227-8170 or pinkard@mwgolf.org. To learn more about the MWGA, visit mwgolf.org.

ATHLETICS

Triathlete's travels are much more than pleasure trips

Farmington Hills retiree combines sporting challenges with vacations

By Dan O'Meara
Staff Writer

Travel has always been about more than just seeing the sights for Walt Phene. When he goes somewhere, he's also running, biking, swimming and maybe more. The Farmington Hills resident and veteran triathlete has been to some of the most remote and exotic places on earth for the added purpose of doing an extraordinary and challenging athletic event. Phene, 72, is always accompanied by his wife Phyllis, who is along for the vacation aspect of the trip and not the sporting side of it. "We call them adventures," Phene said. "Almost everywhere we go, there's always something going on there. I was really into triathlons and was doing them all the time. I enjoyed them."



Walt Phene runs the rocky Inca Trail in the Andes Mountains of Peru.

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CLUB SOCCER

SWEET SIXTEENTH

Area players help last-seeded Michigan Hawks claw way to ECNL championship

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

The Michigan Hawks were the last of 16 Elite Clubs National League teams to qualify for a crack at the national championship. They didn't let that spoil their fun, as the Livonia-based under-18 girls soccer team won all five games in the national tourney, capturing the title with a 2-0 victory June 30 over West Coast FC. "When you only take 16 teams from across the country,

everybody's pretty good, so it's a huge accomplishment," Hawks head coach Doug Landefeld said. "It's a really cool accomplishment. "But we felt pretty good once we got out there. We had a motto of, 'Why not us?' Everybody has Cinderella stories all over the place. So why can't we be the ones holding the trophy at the end?" The Hawks went 5-0 during the tourney, which was held June 25-30 at 60 Acre Park in



The Michigan Hawks celebrate their ECNL championship.

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LIVONIA COLLEGIATE BASEBALL LEAGUE

Rams push winning streak to 14 games

Kinch, McGuire combine to shut out A Green, 3-0

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

To say the Michigan Rams have been hotter than the weather would be an extreme understatement.

On Monday at Bicentennial Park in Livonia, the Rams blanked A Green, 3-0, to extend their Michigan Collegiate Baseball League winning streak to 14 games and improve their

record to 20-5-1. A Green slipped to 11-16-1.

Starting pitcher Alex Kinch was the winners' main man Monday, tossing five innings of two-hit ball and keeping his foes off the scoreboard despite issuing five walks. Zack McGuire was splendid in his two-inning save effort, yielding just one hit and one walk.

Max Le Brato was the hard-luck loser, scattering five hits and four walks while striking out three during his complete-game performance.

The most impactful swing of the game was delivered by Ben Hart, who clouted a two-run home run in the second inning.

Anthony DiPonio cashed in an RBI single in the third to give Kinch more breathing room.

Other key offensive stalwarts for the victors were Sean Winkelseth (2-for-3) and Westen Price, who went 1-for-3 with a run scored.

Matt Blunk, Ryan Blake-Jones and Chris Houle all had one hit for A Green.

On Sunday, the Rams silenced the Storm, 13-5, as Jack Driscoll laced three hits — missing the cycle by just a home run — while knocking in two and scoring two runs.

Other pivotal contributors at the dish included McGuire (2-for-4, two RBI, two runs),

Danny Kerr (2-for-4, RBI, three runs), DiPonio (four RBI, run) and Nolan Page, who had two ribbies and a run scored.

Jake Balicki was the winning pitcher as he gave up three earned runs while striking out 10 over six innings. Page pitched a perfect seventh, fanning one.

Ben Snizek suffered the setback on the hill for the Storm after giving up nine runs and nine hits in four innings.

Alex Peczynski was the only Storm player to notch two hits.

The Rams swept a double-header from the Hurricanes on Saturday, 8-4 and 5-4.

Winkelseth, Kerr and Price

all ripped two hits for the winners in game one while Jake Weshalek and Al Oleszkowicz each chipped in with an RBI hit for the Hurricanes, who were out 10-2.

The Rams scored two runs each in the fifth and sixth innings to take the nightcap. Page swung the hottest bat, going 2-for-4 with two RBI. Sean Martens earned the pitching win with 2.2 innings of solid relief.

Dan Cameron was 1-for-3 with three runs for the 'Canes, who also received a solid effort out of Oleszkowicz (two RBI).

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Team Michigan second to none



SUBMITTED

The Team Michigan 14U softball team captured first place in the Michigan ASA "A" State Girls Fast-pitch tournament held June 25-28 in Mount Pleasant. Pictured are (front row from left) coach Livingston, coach Mills, Renee Hoffman, Molly Likins, Aleah Marra, Olivia Young, Casey Edmonds, Ashley Kent, coach Marra, coach Munson, (bottom row from left) Melina Livingston, Leah Munson, Sammi Mills, Sara Moos and Kara Likins.

ORDINANCE NO. 29-W-44

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE XV, SECTION 22-607 OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE, CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION OF RENTAL DWELLINGS, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING ARTICLE XV

Section 1. That Chapter 22, Article XV, section 22-607 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

" Sec. 22-607. - Penalties; municipal civil infraction.

Failure to timely register a rental dwelling, or any other violation of this article shall be a municipal civil infraction. The requirements of this article are in addition to, and not in lieu of all other city ordinances, rules and regulations.

The first offense or any subsequent offense shall be subject to a \$500.00 fine and any other costs authorized by the Court pursuant to MCL 600.8727, MCL 600.8335, or state law. As authorized by MCL 600.8731, in the event such fine and costs are not timely paid, they may become a lien on the property and be placed on the tax roll, or result in a suit for collection of judgment."

Section 2. That all other provisions of, Chapter 22, Article XV of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law.

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CITY OF WESTLAND PRIMARY ELECTION August 4, 2015

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of Wayne: Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Westland on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time local city offices of **City Clerk** — one (1) to be elected and **City Council** — four (4) to be elected with the top three (3) candidates to receive a four (4) year term next candidate to receive a two (2) year term will be on the ballot.

The places of voting for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 will be as follows:

Precincts	Locations
1, 13, 18 & 19	Schweitzer School, 2601 Treadwell
2, 11, 23 & 32	Elliott School, 30800 Bennington
3 & 7	Stottlemeyer School, 34801 Marquette
4 & 8	Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road
5, 24 & 29	Edison School, 34505 Hunter
6, 9 & 10	Adams Middle School, 33475 Palmer
12, 25, 30, 31 & 35	Cooper School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail
14	Marshall Middle School, 35100 Bayview
15	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct
16	Holliday Park Club House, 34850 Fountain Blvd.
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20	Wildwood School, 500 N. Wildwood
21 & 42	Johnson School, 8400 Hix
22	Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born
26 & 33	Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman
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34 & 38	Dyer Social Service Center, Senior Wing — 36745 Marquette
39	Landings Apartment Club House, 7000 Lakeview
40 & 41	Hellenic Cultural Center at St. Constantine Church, 36375 Joy

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

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

Registrations to vote will be accepted in the following locations:

- City or County Clerk's offices during normal business hours
- Secretary of State Offices located throughout the state during normal business hours

Eileen DeHart-Schoof, CMC, CMMC
Westland City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

The City of Westland will hold its public accuracy test on the ES&S M-100 voting equipment for the August 4, 2015 Primary Election on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan.

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

Eileen DeHart-Schoof, CMC
Westland City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE TO THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED VOTERS CITY OF WESTLAND PRIMARY ELECTION AUGUST 4, 2015

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

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

The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Saturday, August 1, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Persons qualified to vote absentee may vote in person in the City Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 3, 2015.

Eileen DeHart, CMC
Westland City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 29-W-43

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 22-634 OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE, CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION OF VACANT PROPERTIES, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING ARTICLE XVI

Section 1. That Chapter 22, Article XVI, section 22-634 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

"Sec. 22-634. - Penalties; municipal civil infraction.

Failure to timely register a vacant property, or any other violation of this article shall be a municipal civil infraction. The requirements of this article are in addition to, and not in lieu of all other city ordinances, rules and regulations as well as the requirements of MCL 125.539(i), which allows for demolition of vacant structures, or nuisance abatement by the city.

The first offense or any subsequent offense shall be subject to a \$500.00 fine and any other costs authorized by the Court pursuant to MCL 600.8727, MCL 600.8335, or state law. As authorized by MCL 600.8731, in the event such fine and costs are not timely paid, they may become a lien on the property and be placed on the tax roll, or result in a suit for collection of judgement."

Section 2. That all other provisions of Chapter 22, Article XVI of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law.

Adopted: July 6, 2015
Effective: July 16, 2015
Published: July 16, 2015

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TRIATHLETE

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"But I find now there are other adventures I can do. I try to find something in a different place every year because I can. I'm retired; I have the time. Why not while I still can?"

More than a decade ago, Pheneay ran a marathon in Antarctica. In a more recent excursion, the former civil engineer did the Machu Picchu Ultra-Marathon in the Andean Mountains of Peru.

"The group I went to Antarctica with said: 'Let's try to find something that's equally challenging,'" Pheneay said. It was, maybe more so given the extreme altitude.

The group spent several days getting acclimated to it before running the 27½ miles to Machu Picchu — the ancient Incan city that was only rediscovered in the last century — at an elevation of 8,000 feet.

"Machu Picchu was just mind-boggling," Pheneay said. "It wasn't too many years ago they didn't even know it was there. They were still uncovering parts of it while we were there."

Only halfway there

Pheneay and some of his fellow runners weren't done. With the help of Inca guides, they went on a five-day, 100-mile run across the Andes after that, reaching a height of 17,000 feet.

"The Inca Trail is not a nice, paved trail," Pheneay said. "It's pretty rocky; it's a challenging trail. You're not really running (at that altitude). You're just trying to move along."

"The peaks were in snow. We camped each night. It was June, but that's their winter. There's nothing up there but the vicuna (smaller version of the llama) and alpaca. I loved it. That was quite memorable."

Another adventure was the rim-to-rim run across the Grand Canyon, covering a distance of 24.7 miles over 10 hours. Pheneay has done that a number of times; he also has hiked across the canyon with his grandchildren.

The event started at 8,800 feet on the north rim, went down into the canyon, across the Colorado River and up the south side to 7,400 feet.

"As you keep going down, the temps keep going up, up, up," Pheneay said, adding it reached 125 degrees at the bottom. "There was so much snow melt. We had to ford streams. Because of the snow melt, they were raging. Rocks and trees were coming down."

"That was the hottest one I've ever done. We brought water, but that went instantly. There are places along the way you can get water at little springs. We also brought iodine pills, so we could fill up canteens and purify it."

"We brought powdered electrolytes, so we could have some fuel. It's a full day. We started as soon as it was light and came out about 4 in the afternoon."



Walt Pheneay (left) and his son, Mark (right), compete in a Tough Mudder event.



Walt Pheneay checks his equipment during a break in the 215-mile bike ride over the mountains.

Other adventures

Pheneay also did the world's longest triathlon — the 530-mile Border to Border from southwest Minnesota to the Canadian boundary waters.

He was part of a four-person team that biked 430 miles over two days, ran 50 miles the next and ended with 50 miles of canoeing.

On another overseas trip, Pheneay represented the U.S. at the World Championships in Sweden and earned a silver medal in the triathlon. His entire family was there to witness the feat.

"As I was going to the finish line," Pheneay said, "my son yelled, 'Dad, Dad.' He took our then 5-year-old granddaughter, Alexis, and lifted her over the fence."

"He had given her two American flags, one for me and one for her. She crossed

the finish line with me. That was cool. The crowd went wild."

Tough Mudder, too

Pheneay, who has biked across the Rocky Mountains and done the Big Foot snowshoe race in northern Michigan, has competed alongside his son, Mark, in two Tough Mudder events.

"My son's team was looking for a fourth member," Pheneay recalled, "and Mark said: 'How about my dad?' 'Your dad?' one of the guys asked. 'Don't worry, he'll kick your butt.'"

Tough Mudders are grueling. The 13-mile course included obstacles such as jumping through fire, swimming through an ice bath, crawling through tunnels and under barbed wire, running through a chute with electric wires hanging down, etc.

"It was a challenge; it also

was a lot of fun," Pheneay said. "I had a heckuva good time doing it. We knew we were doing well (third place), because we kept passing the ones who were 20 minutes ahead of us (on the staggered start)."

And what did his son's buddies think of the elder Pheneay's performance?

"They bought me beers afterward," Pheneay said.

French vacation

He also has done an Ironman — a longer version of the triathlon — in Nice, France. That involved biking in the Alps and swimming in the Mediterranean Sea.

"I have a very good friend who is French," Pheneay said. "His wife is Italian. He did the race with me, and they took us to Monaco. But that was a vacation. In the middle of vacation, we did the triathlon."

He has since given up doing Ironman competitions because of the time needed to train for the 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike and marathon. He has cut back on triathlons, too.

"There was a time in my life when I did a triathlon every weekend," Pheneay said. "I can't do that now. My body says, 'No, you can't do that, Walt.'"

Staying in shape

While he may have slowed down a little, Pheneay, who will turn 73 this year, remains active and fit. He trains with a group of fellow runners and belongs to a swimming club at the Farmington YMCA.

"It's a mindset, I believe," Pheneay said. "I do watch what I eat and take care of myself. I keep myself physically active. I do think a lot of it is luck. You don't get hurt. I've been able to keep doing this at my age, so I'm pleased with that."

"I try every year to do a major event, and I fill it in with anything from a 5K run to a marathon. The people I associate with usually meet in the morning and work out. If you have a group you work with, you're more apt to do these things."

Pheneay's military background served as preparation for his athletic endeavors, providing him with stamina and discipline. A former Army paratrooper, he is a combat veteran of the 1960s fighting in Southeast Asia.

"I have a little bit of a motivator, too," he said. "Everybody I was with, I lost them all — everybody in my unit. I've often thought the reason I do this is because I can. So many people I knew can't."

Next on the agenda

In addition to a couple 5K races, Pheneay's future plans include the Great Turtle Race on Mackinac Island in October and the Big Foot again in the winter.

"I've decided I'm not going to quit," Pheneay said. "I want to keep doing this. We all take vacations; I just include these adventures."

Wherever that might be, you can be certain Pheneay will be either running, biking, swimming or canoeing, too.

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recent Cougars alumnae.

There is no admission fee for fans, but each player will be asked to donate \$25. All money collected from the entry fees and from raffles throughout the day will go toward the costs of building a "Wall of Fame," which will initially include plaques commemorating the accomplishments of all former Garden City football players who played four years of college football and earned a degree.

All of the city's high school athletic directors and head football coaches will also be recognized on the monument, which will hold a temporary home on the exterior wall of the football coaching office, facing the field.

"We've lost touch with some of the guys who achieved greatness here, and I'm afraid we're letting our history here slip away from us," said Murray, explaining the purpose of the project. "I want our current and future players to be able to recognize some of the older guys who went on to do great things. We need to preserve our history, whether it was the original school, East, West or the current school."

Among the former players who will be strapping on a set of flags will be Matt Combs, a 1997 graduate who still calls Garden City home.

"I think this is an awesome idea, and I'm really looking forward to it," Combs said. "I still look at Garden City as a small town surrounded by bigger cities like Livonia and Westland. I think part of that small-town feel went away for a while, but events like this can help bring it back."

Combs said some of his former teammates are all in when it comes to playing in the extravaganza, while others have needed a little convincing.

"A few have said, 'I'd play, but my knee is sore and I'm getting old,'" Combs said, smiling. "But I told them, 'hey, we're going out there to have a good time, not get banged up.'"

Murray, with the help of several volunteers, including Jim Neve, is spearheading a project that would line the entry-way to the stadium with a brick-paver path. For a \$50 fee, supporters of Garden City athletics or the community in general — not just the football program — can purchase a brick and have their name etched on it.

"Initially, there won't be a lot of profit because the money will pay for the installation, but after a while it will be a fundraiser," he said. "It's just an idea to raise money and to spruce up the entrance to the stadium."

Murray said it's not too late for former players to register to play in the extravaganza. For more information, visit gcccougarcountry.com.

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HAWKS

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Redmond, Wash., outscoring opponents by a 13-4 margin.

Landefeld added that his players "really bought in and they're a great group of kids. ...You know club soccer, it's seven, eight, 10 years of doing the same thing over and over again. And to win your last game is a really, really neat thing for these kids."

Getting the championship game off on the right foot for the Hawks was forward Maya Piper (Macomb), who converted a perfect cross from midfielder Courtney Petersen (Canton) to open an early 1-0 lead.

That goal was all the Hawks needed as goalkeeper Bethany Kopel (Novi) stymied West Coast at every turn, although strong defensive support from the back line also showed no cracks in the armor.

Aerial assault

To add icing to the cake, the Hawks added an insurance goal at the 49th minute mark when forward Alexis Warner (Ypsilanti) threaded a pass in front to Piper for her second of the contest.

"She scored both with her head; she's as good as anybody I've coached in the air," Landefeld said. "She's got fantastic timing. I think she's very unique when it comes to the



The Michigan Hawks U-18 elite girls soccer team defeated West Coast FC 2-0 to win the national title. Team members include (back row, from left): Lauren Spencer; Kylie Knight, Plymouth; Taylor Lambouris, Farmington; Alexis Warner; Maya Piper; Zoe Morse; Brenna Lovera, Milford; Rachelle Topolewski; Bethany Kopel, Novi; and head coach Doug Landefeld; and (front row, from left) Justine Lynn; Courtney Petersen, Canton; Erin Emmanuel, Livonia; Malia Berkely; Marissa Viggiano; Shannon Magnan, Brighton; and Erin Doster.

girls game."

Petersen — training this year to qualify for the 2016 FIFA under-20 Women's World Cup with the United States national team — also came up big in the June 29 semifinal against Crossfire Premier. She scored both Hawks goals in a 2-1 victory.

"She's fantastic, she really put it all together," Landefeld said. "She had a couple good assists earlier in the weekend, she had a great assist on the

first goal in the final. After we got scored on in the semi, she came down about five minutes later and had a great shot."

"And that proved to be very unique. We have a lot of good soccer players that come here, but in terms of a left-sided player, she's about as good as I've ever seen with us."

Stellar defense

Landefeld also noted the play of 16-year-old goalkeeper

Kopel and a standout back line featuring Plymouth's Kylie Knight, Farmington's Taylor Lambouris, East Lansing's Zoe Morse and Grosse Pointe's Justine Lynn.

"They pretty much played every minute of every game," he said. "And we had four goals scored on us (total) in the five games ... they were tremendous."

And Landefeld said Kopel "was terrific all weekend, all five games. She just was very,

very, very reliable. Every time there was a dangerous moment, she seemed to read it and clean it up."

Other area players who contributed to the national title were midfielders Erin Emmanuel (Livonia), Brenna Lovera (Milford) and Shannon Magnan (Brighton) and defender Kate Morris (Plymouth).

Rounding out the roster were midfielder Malia Berkely (Ohio), forward Hannah Cady (Oxford), midfielder Erin Doster (Okemos), forward Paige Duda (Shelby Township), goalkeeper Emily Purdy (Lake Orion), goalkeeper Lauren Spencer (Oxford), midfielder Rachelle Topolewski (Waterford) and midfielder Marissa Viggiano (Macomb County).

Injuries forced goalkeeper Megan Bricely (Troy/Marian), forward Samantha Riga (Plymouth/Ladywood) and midfielder Jaclyn Engel (Macomb) to the sidelines. Landefeld said they were unable to compete at the tourney after sustaining injuries playing for their respective high school teams during the spring.

The championship marked the "12th star" for the Livonia-based Michigan Wolves-Hawks Soccer Club. That represents a dozen national championships between the Wolves (elite boys program) and Hawks.

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PDL SOCCER

Bucks can clinch division Saturday night at Ultimate

Cicerone lifts Great Lakes leaders past Lions, 6-1

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The defending Premier Development League champion Michigan Bucks ended their five-game road swing in style last Saturday night with a 6-1 soccer victory over the host Dayton Dutch Lions at DOC Stadium.

The first-place Bucks, who improved to 10-1-2 (32 points), can clinch their record 12th Great Lakes Division title in the PDL's Central Conference with a victory over the same Dutch Lions in the regular season finale beginning at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at Pontiac's Ultimate Soccer Arenas.

The Bucks are currently four points of clear second-place Kitchener-Waterloo United (9-2-1, 28 points), which finishes its schedule this week with a pair of games.

The Great Lakes champion moves on to the Central Conference championships, while the second-place team will be forced to participate in a play-in game Tuesday, July 21. While the Bucks have bid to host the PDL playoffs (venue and teams still to be determined), this could be their final home match of their 20th PDL season.

The Bucks came out on fire Saturday night, scoring in the sixth minute when Russell Cicerone (Birmingham Brother Rice/University of Buffalo) took a pass from Calvin Rezende, beat his defender down the left flank and buried his first shot of the game in the upper corner for a quick 1-0 lead. It was his eighth goal of the year.

In the 21st minute, Bucks goalkeeper Drew Shepherd saved a Dayton penalty kick, but the Lions' Tayron Leandro smacked home a rebound off an ensuing corner kick just a minute later to



Western Michigan University's Nick Wysong (left) has been a mainstay on defense this season for the Bucks.

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make it 1-1.

The Bucks then scored five unanswered goals – captain Tom Owens on a penalty kick (27th minute); Calvin Rezende from David Goldsmith (42nd minute); Gerald Ben from Rezende (54th minute); Goldsmith unassisted (78th minute); and Alex Adelabu from Ben (88th minute).

On July 9, the Bucks rallied from deficits of 2-0 and 3-1 to earn a 3-3 deadlock with the last-place Derby City Rovers (1-8-3, six points) in a match played at Woehrle Field in Louisville, Ky.

Goals by Myles Norville (10th minute) and Ace Gonya (26th minute) gave the Rovers a two-goal cushion, but Cicerone scored in the 40th minute off an assist from Owens to make it 2-1 at intermission.

Goyna struck again in the 50th minute, but the Bucks climbed back on goals by Goldsmith (from Rezende and Cicerone) and Owens (on a free kick) in the

55th, and 70th minutes, respectively.

Hall of Fame

Among the inductees into the Bucks' fourth Hall of Fame class for Saturday night's match against the Lions are the PDL's all-time leading scorer Kenny Uzoigwe, who will be joined by fellow 2006 PDL championship goalkeeper Steve Clark (now with the MLS Columbus Crew).

Current Bucks director of coaching and former Oakland University men's soccer coach Gary Parsons also goes into the hall, along with Joe Malachino, who is the first player-coach to be inducted after representing the Bucks in their very first PDL season played in Saginaw in 1996.

Tickets at the door for this Saturday's match are \$10 (adults) and \$7 (youths 16-and-under).

Special pre-sale tickets can also be purchased online for only \$6 (all ages) at buckssoccer.com.

MHSAA

Whistle while you work

State accepting registrations for 2015-16 school year game officials

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is accepting registrations by mail and online for game officials for the 2015-16 school year.

The MHSAA annually receives registration by more than 10,000 officials, and had 10,305 during the 2014-15 school year. The highest total of officials registered for basketball, 4,469, with football, baseball and softball all with more than 2,000 registered officials during this school year.

For all new and returning officials, those who register online again will receive a \$5 discount off their processing fees. A \$12 fee is charged for each sport in which an official wishes to register, and the online processing fee is \$30.

Officials submitting registration forms by mail or on a walk-up basis will incur a \$35 processing fee. Officials registered in 2014-15 will be assessed a late fee of \$30 for registration after Aug. 3. The processing fee includes liability insurance coverage up to \$1 million for officials while working contests involving MHSAA schools.

Online registration can be accessed by clicking "Officials" on the home page of the MHSAA Website at www.mhsaa.com. Forms also are available online that can be printed and submitted by traditional mail or hand delivery to the MHSAA Office. More information about officials registration may

be obtained by contacting the MHSAA at 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI, 48823, by phone at 517-332-5046 or by e-mail at register@mhsaa.com.

There is an officials' registration test for first-time officials and officials who were not registered during the past school year. The test consists of 45 questions derived from the MHSAA Officials Guidebook, which also is available on the officials page of the MHSAA website. Additional 50-question exams must be taken by those registering for football or basketball for the first time or those who were not registered for those sports during the previous school year. Manuals for both sports also are available on the officials page.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by more than 1,400 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract more than 1.4 million spectators each year.

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Each team member has a pet charity, Tony Schippa noted, and this event is for Allan Moltmaker's parents who both have Alzheimer's. Schippa's father-in-law has it as well.

Realtor's team takes to bicycles for Mind Over Matter benefit

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

The 11th annual Mind Over Matter event is set for Saturday, Aug. 1, at the Par 3 Shelter, Lake St. Clair Metropark, 31300 Metro Parkway, Harrison Township.

Contact is Kelly Bailiff, kbailiff@alz.org, 248-996-1060. Organizers urge people to pedal their way along to support the Alzheimer's Association at the 2015 Mind Over Matter Bike Event.

Among those supporters is Tony Schippa of Plymouth, a Realtor with Remerica United Realty in Novi. Schippa's been in real estate since December 2000 and grew up in Milford.

The team members are Schippa, Allan Moltmaker, Henry Zawacki and Megan Coultas.

Each team member has a pet charity, Schippa noted, and this event is for Allan Moltmaker's parents who both have Alzheimer's. Schippa's father-in-law has it as well.

Schippa, diagnosed in his 40s with diabetes, got on his bicycle and did the Tour de Cure for the American Diabetes Association soon after. He looks at the 2013 *Observer* story about that on a plaque in his workplace.

"We support each other's charities," Schippa said of a close friend he rides with. "Just to give back to the com-

"We support each other's charities. Just to give back to the community. Just being able to help someone is rewarding."

TONY SCHIPPA
Local Realtor, Plymouth resident

munity. Just being able to help someone is rewarding."

"She is just a positive person. She does it to keep the money right in Michigan," Schippa said of the woman who started the Mind Over Matter Alzheimer's Association benefit. "Team Schippa will be out there riding again. It's all been grassroots," he added.

That woman's family has been through a lot with Alzheimer's, Schippa noted.

Team Schippa will ride for 40 miles on Aug. 1 at Lake St. Clair Metropark. His team has about eight riders, half of whom are now facing health issues that make bicycling more difficult.

"It's just really great," he said of the charity rides. "We enjoy it."

His first ride, to help in the diabetes fight, was 25 miles. "I think 'It was going to kill me,'" he recalled. "A year later, we did 100."

On his next 100-mile ride, Schippa pulled a muscle. "Not worth going for a permanent

injury," he said. "I had to call it quits."

He's controlling his diabetes through diet and exercise only. "I'm on no medication," he said. When he orders salad, he has the dressing on the side and uses little.

"A couple people were picked up on that. It's just about the choices and working out a couple days a week," he said. He's busy in the booming real estate market, but continues to walk and ride his bicycle.

"It's good therapy for me to get out and ride," added Schippa, who puts his cell phone on vibrate for his workouts.

He and a friend met a youth fighting diabetes and were blunt with him. "Do you want to be able to walk?" they asked him. "It's nothing to play with. Diabetes does so much damage to the body."

African Americans and Hispanics are particularly likely to become diabetic, Schippa said. "Some of it has to do with diet and exercise,"

as well as genetics, he said.

Schippa's physician told him, "Whatever you're doing, just keep doing. A big guy like me, scared of needles, yes."

Schippa and wife Denise adopted a son, now 17, some 15 years ago. He's now a senior at Plymouth High and considering college in the Virgin Islands. His parents say do what you want and live your own life.

"I want him to hear that same thing," Schippa said of his own dad's message.

Michigan Real Estate Masterminds / Women's Council of Realtors 275 Corridor Chapter will hold a fundraiser Thursday, July 23, at the Granite City indoor/outdoor patio at Seven Mile and Haggerty in Northville Township. All proceeds benefit the Alzheimer's Association Mind Over Matter bike ride on Aug 1. Granite City will be giving a portion of all proceeds all day on July 23 (you need to present the flier for this event or mention this *Observer & Eccentric* story) to the Alzheimer's Association as well as during the Mixer, including raffles throughout as well. Sponsor information is at keith.franklintitle@yahoo.com or call/email Schippa at 734-637-8221, tonyschippasells homes@gmail.com.

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Commercial costs in Las Vegas vary

Q: I am thinking about opening up a high-end commercial retail outlet on the strip in Las Vegas. What can I expect in terms of paying rent, if you know?

A: Based upon my checking with some tenants, the price for commercial space in a prime area can range from \$45,000 to \$110,000 per month for a 1,000-1,500-square-foot store. Obviously, if you are renting space in a high-end hotel, the per square foot cost will be much greater than in an outside strip area between two hotels, by way of example. The cost of space may be getting more competitive, because of a new major retail development which is in the process of being constructed. As with any situation, you need to consult with a marketing expert, as well as a local commercial retail real estate broker, together with a good real estate lawyer before making any commitments for leasing.



Robert Meisner

Q: I understand that there was a massive federal investigation into a scheme on the part of some to take over and defraud certain homeowner associations in Nevada. Do you have any information on that and could it happen here?

A: The issue that you brought up is still being batted about as was depicted on the front page of the *Las Vegas Review/Journal* newspaper of June 10, 2015, wherein the paper noted that the scale of corruption in these HOA cases "is almost unimaginable." The newspaper was complaining about its failure to be able to gain access to all of the documents that were involved in the case based on protective orders entered into by a federal judge. During the investigation, the persons targeted included judges, lawyers and former police officers. Basically, the scheme involved a construction company executive trying to take over a dozen HOAs. He got straw buyers to buy into the project, rig the elections to place these buyers on HOA Boards where they could then steer millions of dollars in construction defect repair contracts to the contractor's company. Most of those involved in the matter have now been either prosecuted or pleaded guilty. It could happen anywhere under the right circumstances.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-11, near Trenton Road.

Any questions or concerns, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the *Observer & Eccentric*-area residential real-estate closings recorded the weeks of Feb. 23 - 27, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Beverly Hills
16026 Lauderdale Ave \$230,000
32873 Norchester St \$365,000
20185 Plantation Ln \$200,000

Birmingham
1111 Emmons Ave \$699,000
1574 Maryland Blvd \$380,000
1035 N Old Woodward Ave Unit 7 \$220,000

1530 Northlawn Blvd \$799,000
779 W Southlawn Blvd \$435,000

Bloomfield Hills
391 Cranbrook Ct \$1,400,000
5437 Lahser Rd \$460,000

Bloomfield Township
256 Bloomfield Blvd \$178,000
4336 Far Hill Dr \$370,000
4839 Inveray Rd \$290,000
1136 Norminster End \$1,200,000
1955 Squirrel Rd \$247,000

Commerce Township
5542 Hillsboro Ct \$414,000
1726 Pondview Ln \$369,000

Farmington
22109 Hawthorne St \$42,000

Farmington Hills
29525 Ashford Pkwy \$215,000
29090 Birchcrest Way \$305,000

28989 E King William Dr \$175,000
22532 Heathersett Cres \$315,000
30222 Kimberly Ct \$331,000
39358 Plumbrook Dr \$270,000
23171 Tulane Ave \$318,000
28578 Venice Cir \$80,000
28415 W Greenmeadow Cir \$205,000
29350 Wellington St \$312,000

Highland
349 Naim Cir \$525,000

Lathrup Village
27055 Eldorado Pl \$149,000

Milford
641 E Huron St \$64,000
521 Napa Valley Dr \$295,000
53941 Pontiac Trl \$203,000
1370 S Hickory Ridge Rd \$172,000

Novi
41732 Brownstone Dr \$193,000
39555 Burton Dr \$300,000
41330 Cornell Dr \$190,000

24009 Glen Ridge Ct \$160,000
24850 Olde Orchard St \$45,000
21711 Shadybrook Dr \$274,000
31028 Silverdale Dr \$215,000

South Lyon
24461 Forest Dr \$425,000
18700 Bainbridge Dr \$187,000

Southfield
19611 Hilton Dr \$98,000
17115 Lee St \$85,000
27450 Lexington Pkwy \$82,000
17310 Melrose St \$94,000
28458 Tavistock Trl \$181,000
16983 W 10 Mile Rd \$40,000

White Lake
1112 Castlewood St \$325,000
8168 E Huron Ct \$176,000
34 Myrick St \$40,000

Redford
9998 Palmoor St \$190,000
8385 Pontiac Lake Rd Bldg 2 # 15 \$55,000
8576 Sandycree St \$120,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the *Observer & Eccentric*-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of March 16 - 20, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton
42528 Beechwood Dr \$187,000
48183 Deer Trail Dr \$360,000
46488 Glengary Blvd \$355,000
3855 Norwich Dr \$143,000
1931 Preserve Cir E \$170,000
1841 Ranier Blvd \$172,000
3273 River Meadow Cir \$196,000

431 Roosevelt St \$375,000
1525 Rustic Ridge Rd \$181,000

Garden City
32117 Chester St \$172,000
30733 Dawson St \$170,000
30875 Dawson St \$66,000
33140 Donnelly St \$87,000
29957 Elmwood St \$65,000
28829 Ford Rd \$205,000
6639 Golfview St \$91,000
31409 Hennepin St \$76,000
31739 Pierce St \$46,000

Livonia
28721 Bayberry Ct W \$170,000
9575 Cardwell St \$135,000
30461 Five Mile Rd \$145,000
29241 Meadowlark St \$128,000
18775 Merriman Rd \$168,000

9058 Newport Way \$125,000
14322 Nola St \$192,000
9360 Stonehouse Ave \$331,000
15756 Sutherland Ct S \$195,000
18297 University Park Dr \$88,000
11315 W Clements Cir \$95,000
14587 Yale S \$154,000

Northville
50905 Belmont Park Ct \$526,000
16887 Dover Dr \$165,000
437 Grace St \$676,000
44105 Greenview Ln \$540,000
725 Randolph St \$124,000
20303 Rippling Ln \$220,000

Plymouth
9461 Alpha Dr \$425,000
50508 Beechwood Ct \$205,000
8956 Briarwood Dr \$165,000

9033 Cobblestone Cir \$346,000
12411 Duxbury Ct \$415,000
289 E Pearl St \$168,000
40693 Newport Dr \$78,000
8894 Northorn Ave \$200,000
49942 Plymouth Way \$115,000

Redford
19592 Dalby \$19,000
20438 Macarthur \$31,000

Westland
1245 Abbey Ct \$143,000
2146 Ackley Ave \$26,000
327 Brookfield Dr \$193,000
30763 Cherry Hill Rd \$20,000
6840 Deerhurst Dr \$110,000
7848 Ritz Ave \$130,000
1347 S Carlson St \$22,000
8410 Shari Dr \$130,000

RELIGION CALENDAR

JULY

COMMONGROUND

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. July 24

Location: Connection Church, 3855 Sheldon, Canton

Details: This girl's night out "with focus" draws women from throughout the metro area and includes worship, inspirational teaching, appetizers, giveaways, coffee bar, and book launch for a women's devotional. The group will collect \$5 coffee gift cards from Tim Hortons Starbucks, McDonald's and other restaurants, to give to parents of elementary school students on the first day of school

Contact: 734-397-1777

HOSANNA PALOOZA

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, July 25

Location: Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverage, Redford

Details: Free Christian music festival and arts and crafts fair includes 10 musical acts in 10 hours, crafters and vendors will be on site 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; 3 p.m. gift drawings

Contact: 313-937-2424

LECTURE SERIES

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, through July 28

Location: Congregation Beth Ahm, 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: Howard N. Lupovitch, director of the Cohn-Haddow Center for Judaic Studies at Wayne State University, will explore through video clips and readings what the Jewish presence on television reflects about the complex relationship between American Jews and American culture. Topics are Laughing at Jews, Laughing with Jews, July 21 and Beyond the Yiddish Mama, July 28. Free for Beth Ahm members. Cost is \$15 per lecture for nonmembers. Advance registration requested, but walk-ins accepted

Contact: Alison Blau at 248-851-6880 or email ablau@cbahm.org

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday, through Aug. 23

Location: Grounds of the Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse, at Ridge and Cherry Hill Roads, Canton

Details: St. Michael Lutheran

Church holds worship services in a casual, outdoor setting. In case of inclement weather, service will be held at the church, 7000 N. Sheldon Road, Canton

Contact: 734-459-3333

SOCCER CAMP

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. July 27-30

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

Details: For boys and girls, 5-12, of any skill level. Cost is \$25 per student and includes water bottle, instruction, snacks and a soccer ball to take home. Register at christoursavior.org

Contact: 734-522-6830

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. July 20-24

Location: Hosanna-Tabor Church, 9600 Leverage, Redford

Details: Camp Discovery theme, with Bible stories, crafts, snacks, games and fun

Contact: 313-937-2424

AUGUST

DEMENTIA SERIES

Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26

Location: St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren Road, Canton

Details: Fourth session on dementia in a series of educational meetings sponsored by the Northwest Wayne Vicariate, focuses on ending the negative social stigma and isolation of someone with dementia and empowering the person who still is there

Contact: Sue Massey at 734-455-5910; smassey@sjncanton.org

FREE STUFF

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15

Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Clothes, home and yard goods, pictures, jewelry, toys and more. Take what you need. No charge

Contact: 734-421-1760

SOCCER CAMP

Time/Date: 1-2:30 p.m., Aug. 3-7

Location: Crossroads Church, at Sacred Heart Conference Center, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Soccer Camp for boys and girls, 5 and up, any skill

level. Nonrefundable fee is \$25 per student. Includes water bottle, instruction, snacks, and a T-shirt. Register at www.crossroadsnow.org

Contact: info@crossroadsnow.org or Pastor Steve at 248-890-5718

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 3-7

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

Details: Theme is Market Place — Jerusalem AD; for kids age 4-grade five. Register at vbs.connectingwithgod.org

Contact: 734-459-3333

ONGOING

CLASSES/STUDY

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, Livonia

Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one

Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood 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

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia

Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more in-

formation, email Motta through zumba.com

Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

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

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month

Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

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

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

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

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

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

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays

Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

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

Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

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

Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows

Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223

St. Michael Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.

Contact: 734-459-3333 for

additional information

SINGLES

Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

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

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

First Presbyterian Church

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

Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

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

Steve's Family Restaurant

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 14 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.

Contact: 313-534-0399

SONG CIRCLE

Congregation Beth Ahm

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

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

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

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations

Contact: www.metrofibrogroupp.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

Fireside Church of God

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center

Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available

Contact: 734-421-8451

St. Thomas a' Becket Church

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

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton

Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322 for additional information

Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia

Details: Overeaters Anonymous

Contact: 248-559-7722; www.ooa.org for additional information

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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

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

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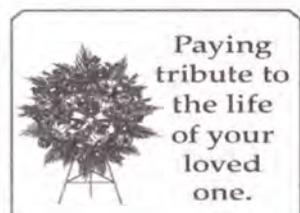
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INGRAHAM, DOUGLAS H.

Passed on to a heavenly world on Friday, July 10, 2015 at Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven, Connecticut. Douglas was born on September 17, 1948. He was raised in Birmingham, Michigan and graduated from Seaborn High School in 1966. Doug spent most of his adult life in California, Colorado, and Idaho. He later moved to Deep River, CT. Doug had suffered a stroke in 1996 and had failing health since then. Doug leaves his daughter, Arin Inghram of Ashland, Oregon, his sisters Liz Wessolek of Westbrook CT, and Sarah Inghram of New Haven, CT., his sister-in-law, Karin Inghram of Oakland, Michigan and several nieces and nephews. Doug also leaves many dear friends in Deep River, CT. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Kirkland Commons Kitchen Fund, 60 Main St. Deep River CT. 06417, a residence for elderly and disabled where Doug had happily lived for the past 12 years. A memorial service will be held at 2:00p.m. on Thursday July 30, 2015 at the Deep River Congregational Church, 1 Church Street in Deep River. Arrangements by Robinson, Wright & Weymer Funeral Home, Centerbrook



McALLISTER, BRUCE HOWARD

Went to be with the Lord July 6, 2015. Born Dec. 28, 1923. Survived by his wife Beverly McAllister, four children Dawn, Brad and Brian McAllister, and Diann Ording. For info call Dawn 248-921-7778.

SCHIPANI, LENITA E.

Age 87, of Howell, died Saturday, July 11, 2015. Funeral Services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, July 17, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Frank C. Schipani officiating. Burial immediately following in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitation will be held 1-9 p.m. Thursday and 10:00 a.m. until the time of service Friday at the funeral home. For full obituary go to www.sharppfuneralhomes.com

WESTFALL, CAROLYN S.

Hear nine hours of live music at Michigan Jazz Festival

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Vocalist Meri Slaven will bring a show-must-go-on spirit to her Michigan Jazz Festival solo debut this weekend in Livonia.

"I know by Jazz Festival I'll be OK. I'll be on crutches," said Slaven, who broke her leg on vacation this month. "I'm wearing an immobilizer brace. I'll be sitting on a stool singing. I'm slowly on the mend."

Slaven, named best jazz vocalist at the Detroit Music Awards this year, will sing from 4:45-5:45 p.m. Sunday, July 19, at the free festival, which runs noon to 9 p.m. at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

The Dearborn resident is a member of Metro Detroit Voices, a four-part harmony vocal jazz group that sang at the festival last year. This year she's on her own as a solo artist, with back up by Scott Gwnell on piano, Jordan Schug on bass and Stephen Boegelhold on drums.

Slaven's one of three women who are featured performers or are playing solo at the festival. April Tini of Farmington Hills will sing with the Dennis & April Tini Quintet, 1:45-2:45 p.m. Her husband, Dennis, on piano, leads the band, which includes Russ Miller on sax, Jeff Halsey on bass, and Dave Taylor on drums. Ellen Rowe, jazz pianist, composer, and professor and chair of the Jazz and Contemporary Improvisation Department at the University of Michigan, will perform at 6:30 p.m.

Performing, arranging

Rowe, of Ann Arbor, leads her own quintet, but will appear solo at the festival.

"The last couple of years I've played a solo set," she said. "My intent is to do half standards and half my own tunes. The audience wants to hear pieces they recognize. It's enjoyable to mix it up."

She's still working on her set list, but it's likely to include some Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Charlie Parker and Thelonious Monk.

"More often than not I'll take a standard and find a slightly different take on it. I'll do it in a different groove, add a new baseline, give it a different treatment."

Rowe began arranging professionally for big bands and then saw a need for quality jazz arrangements for junior high and high school music programs. In addition to performing and teaching, she also has composed and arranged for grades two-five and has

ALL THAT JAZZ

» Meri Slaven will perform with The James Hughes Quartet, July 17, at the Onyx, 208 W. Fifth, between South Washington Avenue and South Main, in Royal Oak. She also performs frequently at Page's Food & Spirits, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington; and Crews Inn, 31988 N. River Road, Harrison Township.

» Five o'clock Rush is a free jazz music concert at 5 p.m. Tuesday, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Slaven books the musicians for the weekly event.

» Dennis and April Tini will perform July 24 at Friday Night Jazz, the weekly jazz program at Top Dog Coney Island & Bar, 13342 Michigan Ave., Dearborn.

» Ellen Rowe's recordings include the Ellen Rowe Quintet's "Courage Music," the Ellen Rowe Quartet's "Wishing Well," and "Denali Pass," along with the Ellen Rowe Trio's "Sylvan Way." Check out her website at ellenrowe.com. She'll have some on hand at the Michigan Jazz Festival.

» Meri Slaven's CDs are "Get Out of Town" and "Dream Dancing." Check out her website at merislaven.com. They'll be available at the festival.

received commissions from schools around the country.

Tini's day job also focuses on middle school students. When she's not singing with her husband's band, she teaches students and leads several choirs at Orchard Lake Middle School.

"I love working with students and I always learn from the students when I'm teaching," Tini said. "When I'm performing, the students come out to hear me."

Jazz standards

Dennis & April Tini Quintet will focus on the theme, great American songbook, for their festival appearance. They'll likely perform music by George Gershwin, Hoagy Carmichael, Cole Porter and other great American jazz composers.

Although she loves all kinds of music, Tini said she gravitated toward jazz because it resonated with her as a singer.

"It's a joy to perform," she said. "I loved the sound of the music and the personal expression it allowed. I loved the lyrics of the songs."

Slaven's interest in jazz was an evolutionary process. The daughter of two music teachers, she listened to everything from polkas to classical music to show tunes while growing up.

"I was listening to opera singers, which I knew wasn't



Meri Slaven sings at The Onyx in Royal Oak. Catch her act July 19 at the Michigan Jazz Festival in Livonia.

cool with my friends. But even at the age of 10, I knew that if I could do that, I could do anything."

Slaven studied classical voice at Florida Atlantic University and then moved to New York where she started "hanging out with jazz musicians" and listening to jazz music. She eventually worked her way into clubs as a performer, but had to re-build her singing career after moving back to Michigan. She juggles both a day job and weekend and weeknight gigs.

"It's a labor of love," she described her vocal work. "I like singing because I like lyrics. I like the words and I have a passion for lyrics and melody."



Ellen Rowe will perform solo at the Michigan Jazz Festival in Livonia.

Film star and world traveler Paris Themmen heads to Detroit

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

By age 30, Paris Themmen had backpacked his way through more than 30 countries.

"I went to Brazil for five weeks, Indonesia for four months. One year, later in life, I spent the entire year traveling. Nepal, the Serengeti, the Taj Mahal, the pyramids, most of the things you'd see on the Travel Channel I've had a backpack and gone and done. Board games and travel are my hobbies."

Themmen, 56, is up to 60 countries on six continents and will return to France, England and Italy next month for his honeymoon, after marrying last year for the first time. But first, he'll visit Detroit, making appearances this weekend at screenings of *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* at the Redford Theatre.

Themmen, who portrayed Mike Teavee in the 1971 film, and Peter Ostrum, who was cast as Charlie Bucket, will meet fans and autograph photos for sale at each screening, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 17-18 and 1 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 18-19, at the theater, 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue. A meet-and-greet event is set for 5



Paris Themmen portrayed Mike Teavee when he was 11 years old.



Paris Themmen

p.m. Saturday, July 18 and will include an autographed photo signed by the celebrities, desserts and early seating for the evening film screening.

"It's a beautiful space with a nice organ," said Themmen, who attended a *Willy Wonka* screening at the theater two years ago with Ostrum. "The last time we were here we had a nice time. We packed the house the last time. It was filled to capacity on Saturday night. We did three shows over two days. Two were half full and one show filled up...1,300 people."

Themmen spends most of his time with photography and pop culture conventions these days, but has made appearances at *Willy Wonka* screenings nationwide with Julie Dawn Cole, who played Veruca Salt in the film. He and the other four "Wonka kids" will attend Spooky Empire, a horror convention in Orlando, Fla., this fall.

"We were fortunate to be in this movie. It was not only a magical and fun film to make, but it has had enduring popularity for 45 years now."

Young actor

At 11, when he took on the role of Mike Teavee, a bratty, television-obsessed boy, Themmen had already appeared in numerous television commercials, had voiced radio spots and acted on the Broadway stage. His parents were classical musicians who often played for Broadway shows in New York. During a trip to Michigan, where his parents were performing a season of summer stock, Themmen appeared in a few of the shows. When the family returned to New York, he began hired an agent. He began his acting career at age 6.

He was in *Iphigenia in Aulis*, at the Circle in the Square Theatre, in *Mame* with Ann

Miller on Broadway, and after the *Wonka*, which was filmed in Germany, Themmen joined *The Rothschilds* on Broadway and then for its first national tour.

"I was pretty independent. I was taking the bus often to the theater from the upper west side. My mother, as a pianist, would play for me at auditions. The accompanist at an audition is a professional and makes you look good, but there's nothing like having your mom there."

By age 14, Themmen took a break from acting, but took it up again, along with dancing, in college. He studied theater at New York University, which led to his passion for travel.

"When you are an actor, you're reflecting life. But because I started acting at such a young age, some teachers thought I didn't have enough real life experience," Themmen said. "They said Paris, go out and see the world. That is what I knew I wanted to do."

On the go

At age 22, he and a business partner formed a company called International Access, which booked backpackers on standby flights to Europe. It gave him a chance to travel, too.

"I love New Zealand, Italy

and France for the food, culture and cathedrals. Thailand is amazing and Laos. Even when something is unpleasant, you're learning stuff. The more you do it the more patient you become.

"When you're out for a year with a backpack, you recognize your own self-reliance. When you've been in countries where you don't have a real toilet and you're sleeping in a room on a dirt floor ... where people in tribes wave their hand when they want the wind to move along, it changes your perspective and you realize you can make do with less."

In addition to traveling, Themmen has dabbled in real estate and retail, worked in film production and directed casting sessions. He did a stint at Walt Disney Imagineering, and worked as a financial consultant for Smith Barney.

"If I go on a job interview, I've got all of this stuff to draw on," he said, adding that he'd like to try his hand at directing and writing.

"I've written business letters and promotional communications. But the stuff of living in the world, the stuff of real writing, I haven't done a lot. But I could draw a lot from my experiences."

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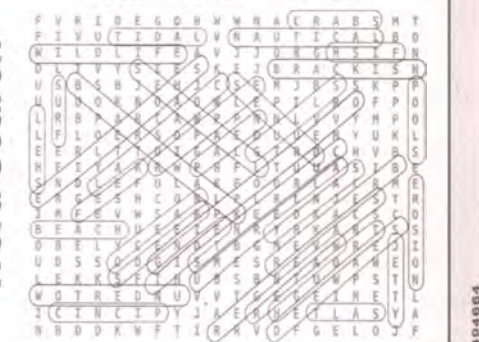
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THE BEAUTY FRUIT

If summertime brings visions of fresh fruity flavors to mind, remember that what you eat has an impact on the health and beauty of your skin. Choose your fruit wisely and enjoy the bonus benefits of skin-supporting nutrients and compounds.

Mango is a beauty fruit, containing more than 20 different vitamins and minerals, including several nutrients that stand out when it comes to skin health — vitamin C, vitamin A (or beta carotene) and folate.

» Vitamin C supports many different functions in the skin, including collagen formation, regeneration and wound repair. One cup of mango delivers a whopping 100 percent of the daily requirement for this important antioxidant. Vitamin C intake also has been associated with improved appearance of aging skin. According to the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, in a study involving 4,025 middle-aged women, researchers found that higher intakes of vitamin C were associated with lower prevalence of wrinkled appearance, dryness associated with aging and skin thinning.

» Beta carotene is an antioxidant pigment that the body converts to vitamin A. Mangoes deliver 35 percent of the daily vitamin A requirement in the form



of beta carotene. Research published in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition has shown that lower levels of vitamin A in the diet have been associated with a wrinkled appearance. In addition, a number of studies in the same journal have shown that an elevated intake of carotenoids, such as beta carotene, may provide protection from sunlight, lessening sunburn.

» Folate supports many different processes within the body. One cup of mango contains 20 percent of the daily requirements for this B vitamin. A study by researchers from the Department of Cancer Prevention and Control, The University of Arizona Cancer Center and Dermatology Professionals Incorporated, suggests that some of these may have an important impact on the maintenance and function of healthy skin and that exposure to UV radiation can break down folate, resulting in lower levels in the skin.

The distinctive flavor of fresh mangoes makes them the perfect ingredient for a summer beauty boost. With a burst of nutrients, vivid color and taste of the tropics, they are ideal for salads, yogurt, grilled meats, side dishes and drinks.

For more delicious mango recipes visit www.mango.org.

Courtesy of Family Features



MANGO TURKEY SLIDERS

Servings: 10
Prep time: 30 minutes
Cooking time: 15 minutes

2 mangoes (about 2 pounds), peeled and pitted
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 ½ pounds 95 percent lean ground turkey
½ cup panko breadcrumbs
2 green onions, white and light green parts chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
salt and pepper
10 whole-wheat burger "slider" buns
½ red onion, thinly sliced
½ head butter lettuce, washed and torn into large pieces

Dice 1 mango. In a blender or food processor, puree it with olive oil until smooth. In a large bowl, combine pureed mango, ground turkey, breadcrumbs, green onions, garlic, thyme, and mustard. Season with salt and pepper. Preheat outdoor grill or indoor grill pan over medium-high heat. Clean and oil grill grates.

Form turkey mix into 10 small patties. Cook until internal temperature reaches 160 degrees, about 15 minutes total, flipping halfway through cooking. Remove from grill and place on clean platter, tent with foil and set aside. Peel remaining mango with vegetable peeler. Cut a small section off the bottom of the remaining mango so it sits on cutting board. Slice mango from the cheek in, creating small disks. Place turkey burgers on whole-wheat buns and top with sliced mango, red onion and butter lettuce.

Nutritional analysis per serving: 278 calories, 17 g protein, 34 g carbohydrates, 9 g fat, (14 percent calories from fat), 50 mg cholesterol, 325 mg sodium, 407 mg potassium, 4 g fiber



TROPICAL S'MORES

Serves: 4
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cooking time: 5 minutes

8 marshmallows
8 3-inch soft molasses cookies
1 large mango, peeled, pitted and sliced

Toast marshmallows on long metal skewers over hot coals until golden brown on the outside and soft on the inside. Place marshmallows on four cookies (2 marshmallows per cookie) and top with mango slices. Drizzle with caramel sauce and sprinkle with coconut and nuts, as desired. Top with remaining cookies.

Serving tips: Optional toppers are caramel sauce, toasted coconut, chopped macadamia nuts

Nutritional analysis per serving (without toppers): 342 calories, 5 g protein, 69 g carbohydrates, 7 g fat, (18 percent of calories from fat), 20 mg cholesterol, 287 mg sodium, 88 mg potassium, 1 g fiber

TOMATO, CHIVE AND MANGO SALSA

Servings: 3
Preparation time: 10 minutes

1 cup fresh mango, diced
1 ½ cups ripe tomatoes, diced
2 tablespoons fresh chives, minced
1 tablespoon lemon juice
½ teaspoon lemon zest
½ teaspoon fresh oregano leaves, minced
½ teaspoon sea salt
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and stir. Serve or cover and refrigerate until needed.

Nutritional analysis per serving (1/2 cup salsa): 31 calories, 0 g fat (0 percent calories from fat), 1 g protein, 7 g carbohydrates, 1 g fiber, 0 mg cholesterol, 121 sodium, 191 mg potassium



GRILLED CORN MANGO SALAD

Serves: 6
Prep time: 20 minutes
Cooking time: 5 minutes

3 tablespoons low-fat mayonnaise
2 limes, zested and juiced
1 small Serrano chili, ribs and seeds removed and minced
½ teaspoon chili powder
4 ears corn, husks removed
2 teaspoons vegetable oil
3 mangoes (about 2 pounds); 2 mangoes peeled, pitted and diced, save hollowed mango cheeks for bowls. Cut cheeks off of remaining mango and scoop out enough mango flesh to form a shallow bowl, dice for garnish.
1 red bell pepper, finely diced
¼ cup crumbled cotija, queso fresco or feta cheese
2 tablespoons chopped cilantro
Salt and pepper

In a large bowl, whisk mayonnaise, lime juice and zest, Serrano, chili powder and ½ teaspoon salt. Preheat outdoor grill or indoor grill pan over medium-high heat. Brush corn with vegetable oil and season with salt and pepper. Grill corn, turning occasionally to char all sides, 5 to 6 minutes. Remove from grill and using chef's knife, cut corn from cob into large bowl containing dressing. Fold in bell pepper and diced mango; top with mango, cheese and cilantro. Serve at room temperature or chilled in individual mango cheek bowls.

Nutritional analysis per serving (for 6 servings): 220 calories, 5 g protein, 39 g carbohydrates, 7 g fat, (11 percent of calories from fat), 7 mg cholesterol, 248 mg sodium, 513 mg potassium, 5 g fiber

CITY BITES

Eat your veggies

Farmington Hills — Michigan Zhong Shu Temple celebrates its first annual Vegetarian Festival, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 19, at the temple, 23845 Middlebelt. The festival's theme is "Simplify Your Life, Simplify Your Diet." The event will give guests an opportunity to sample and learn to

prepare vegetarian dishes from around the globe. They'll also get recipes, shopping lists and tips on embarking on a vegetarian lifestyle. The program will include talks on the health benefits of a vegetarian diet and its



relationship to the mind, body and spirit. A children's program will run concurrently. Admission and parking are free. RSVP at 248-579-4791.

Market fundraiser

Canton — The second annual Rally on Ridge Road, runs 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, in the Cherry Hill Village District, located at Cherry Hill and Ridge

roads. A portion of the event proceeds will benefit Canton Farmers Market. Rally on Ridge Road will include live music, a variety of food trucks, a bouncer and lawn games. Visitors will get a chance to buy and decorate a canvas tote bag that's perfect for shopping the Market. For more information, visit cantonfun.org or call Tina Lloyd, Market manager, at 734-394-5375.