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## Neighbors complain about loud music

By LeAnne Rogers  
Staff Writer

This is the third summer for the outdoor beer garden at Ashley's Beer & Grill in Westland, which also makes this the third summer of complaints from neighbors.

Three residents from Shellye Court — about a half mile northeast from the restaurant's location on Wayne Road east of Westland Shopping Center — came to a recent council meeting to air their unhappiness with the situation.

"This is what I have had to listen to in my neighborhood since the summer of 2013," said Richard Graham, playing loud music he described as emitting from Ashley's and recorded on the deck of his home. "It's shameful and disrespectful for the mayor and council to allow this."

His wife Lisa Graham commented, "It feels like such a waste of time, three years complaining about Ashley's. It's just as loud as the first year they had music in the beer garden. Not every citizen

can hear it. The city issued the permit without thought for the impact on the neighbors."

Mayor William Wild and council members were sympathetic about the ongoing complaints agreeing to seek a resolution. The city attorney and police are working on the complaints also.

"I know you are extremely frustrated. Throughout this, we have been trying to find a win-win solution," Wild said. "Promises were made, but they



LEANNE ROGERS

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Ashley's Beer & Grill in Westland

## Good, bad and yummy



SUE MASON

## Wayne sells homes for rehab, resale

By LeAnne Rogers  
Staff Writer

Wayne is purchasing 23 properties — two commercial sites and 21 residential properties — from Wayne County tax foreclosure.

The residential properties and one commercial site were sold to Global/JSR Funding for \$110,250, the amount it cost the city to acquire the properties. It is the same arrangement as in 2014, when the city sold 16 blighted homes to the company for rehabilitation and resale.

"This strengthens Wayne's residential neighborhoods," Wayne Community Development Director Peter McInerney said.

Global/JSR Funding recently reported on 16 homes, 14 of which were sold to owner/occupants. The company agreed to lease one home back to the person who had lost it to foreclosure while the remaining building was a multiple-unit building with tenants.

"I'm in real estate. You often see homes sold to companies in China or Phoenix, Arizona," Councilman David James said. "They just let the houses sit there."

"It's an important step to remove blight," Councilman Skip Monit said.

The city is acquiring a long-vacant two-story commercial building at 35132 W. Michigan Ave. west of Wayne Road. It's east of the also vacant former Bank of America building.

### Owned for six years

"We've owned the frontage for six years. We had hoped to get the companion piece (to the north) so that we could combine it," McInerney said. "The building is in a horrible state of disrepair. It's currently before the dangerous building board."

The city engineer determined the structure is a dangerous one, he said, and the hearing officer is to make a determination for a recommendation to the board.

"Wayne Main Street wanted to access the building; I think they wanted to satisfy themselves (about the condition)," McInerney said. "The roof has collapsed. It is dangerous, dangerous."

Agreeing, Wayne-Westland Department of Public Works Director Ramzi El-Gharib said

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**A**aliyah Al-Mamory (above) holds a plastic slice of watermelon and Tatsean Moore looks through a doughnut, learning about food during summer school at Hamilton Elementary. (At right) Teacher Sarah Pinto and Superintendent Michele Harmala watch Anthony Hollowell. For more, see A4.



## Win special prizes in Christmas in July contest

Try your luck at our holiday icon contest as part of the Christmas in July special section. Search carefully each page in the July 23 edition for the holiday icon pictured here. Then fill out the entry form found on page 4 in the July 23 edition or go online to the Facebook link at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

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# Kyyba Kidz donates 100 books to Detroit students

Through late spring this year, Farmington Hills-based Kyyba Kidz Foundation, an organization launched by Kyyba Inc., collected 100 books for all reading levels for Detroit Public Schools' Schulze Academy for Technology and the Arts. The school is where

volunteers tutor first-graders, and Pro-Literacy Detroit is an organization that provides GED and literacy tutoring for young adults.

The students at Schulze received 30 books, while Pro-Literacy got 70.

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the building had been declared dangerous over a year ago.

"The structure has failed. It has no floor," he said, adding once the dangerous buildings board has made a determination, the city will begin moving to demolition of the structure. Like Main Street,

Wayne Councilman John Rhaesa said he was concerned about preserving the building.

"Main Street had an engineer look at it. It would cost too much to save it. Main Street backed off," Rhaesa said. "Now we need to see how to best redevelop it as part of Main Street."

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# Concerts return to Wayne's Goudy Park

By LeAnne Rogers  
Staff Writer

The Wednesday night Concerts in Goudy Park return to Wayne on July 29.

There are five concerts in the series, which is held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays through Aug. 26. The concerts follow the weekly Wayne Farmers Market, also held in Goudy Park, which is behind Wayne City Hall on Wayne Road just north of Sims.

The free concerts will kick off with classic rock performed by Dead in Dog Years. That night will also feature the drawing for the Wayne Goodfellows Camaro raffle at 9 p.m.

Tickets to win the 2010 Chevrolet Camaro are \$20 each and a maximum of 3,000 will be sold. Tickets are still available at Henry's Service Center — where the car is on display — Icon Computer Solutions, Wayne City Hall and the Wayne Community Center.



The Wayne Goodfellows are raffling off this 2010 Chevrolet Camaro. Tickets are \$20 and still available.

"The raffle has the potential to raise \$60,000. We're just hoping to make \$10,000 to cover the costs for our other fundraiser," Wayne Goodfellow Jennifer Gietzen

said. If the costs for the annual Wayne Goodfellows dinner and raffles on the first Friday in December is covered, all the money from that

event would go to assist needy local residents," she said.

Henry's Service, owned by Gietzen's family, is buying a raffle ticket for customers who spend over \$200 on automotive repairs.

"Wayne City Hall and the community center are getting a lot of sales. It seems to be picking up," Gietzen said. "When the tickets went on sale in late April, people figured they had a lot of time to buy tickets."

Here's the concert schedule:

- » July 29 — Dead in Dog Years
- » Aug. 5 — The Blackjack Band
- » Aug. 12 — The Backbeats, Michigan's number one Beatles tribute band
- » Aug. 19 — 50 Amp Fuse
- » Aug. 26 — TC and the Katz performing oldies and classics.

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(Ashley's) didn't keep them."

### Tickets issued

Westland Police have issued two misdemeanor tickets to the restaurant manager over the loud music. The citations carry a fine of up to \$500 and/or 90 days in jail.

"We know it's an ongoing complaint for the residents. Whether it's Ashley's or another complaint, if you call we will go out there," Westland Deputy Police Chief Brian Miller said. "The officer will go out and document it. We sent it to the prosecutor's office. Hopefully this will resolve it."

Reached later, Ashley's owner Roy More said he thought the noise

issue had been resolved last summer with \$4,000 spent on special noise-abatement equipment. The business also hired an acoustic consulting firm to address the complaints, he said.

"Professional sound engineers are scratching their heads at the sound going that far (to Shellye Court)," More said. "We're trying to create a fun community gathering space for people to enjoy themselves in a comfortable environment."

Based on that concept, More said the goal with live music is to have it at a sound level where people can talk comfortably.

"We certainly don't intend to play terribly loud at any time. We want to be a good neighbor. We want to do something good for our customers," he said. "We are trying to do something interesting

and innovative. We gave maps to the sound consultant. We installed special speakers with a very tight field of focus."

### Different equipment

More also commented that different bands bring different equipment for their performances, which can make it more difficult to keep the sound level consistent.

"One year ago at a meeting, we were told they would not amplify music and make it a reasonable level," Lisa Graham said. "The amplified music is back. We can hear it with the air conditioning on, the windows closed — our living room in the basement — and with the television on."

Commenting that the council and he personally had failed the residents, Councilman Dewey Reeves said speaking for

himself, he would work aggressively to find a solution.

Based on discussions with the city attorney, Council President James Godbout said the city has extremely limited options after the permit allowing music in the outdoor beer garden has been issued.

Issued in 2013, the permit allows music Thursday through Saturdays until 11 p.m.

"I don't recall any residents having a big concern or issues with the permit," Godbout said. "Ashley's is on a main road with five lanes and plenty of traffic. No one thought sounds would bounce to a neighborhood half a mile away."

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# Paul's Players present 'Fiddler on the Roof'

They say it takes a village, and Paul's Players Community Theater is bringing people from many local "villages" together to re-create the small Russian town of Anatevka in their production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. The musical will be presented at 7:30 p.m. July 30-31 and Aug. 1 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Paul's Players is based in Livonia but the cast and crew for this summer's musical hail from numerous surrounding communities, including Garden City, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Ypsilanti and Westland. One of the missions of Paul's Players summer musical is to give entire families the opportunity to participate in a musical theater experience together.

This year, the Kain family from Livonia —

Rachel (Golde), her husband Mike (Constable) and their sons Ethan and Austin (townsboys) — are all on stage in this production. Livonia music teachers Steve Olsen (Tevye) and his wife Marilee (Music Director/Pianist) are spending a big part of their summer vacation working with this show. Rebecca Borsodi of Redford (Yente) and her daughters Sarah (Shprintze) and Abby (Bielke) are cast members, and while Kat O'Donnell (Tzeitel) of Livonia is on stage, her mother Tina works behind the scenes as a production administrator.

Pam Gunderson sings in the chorus, while her mom Joyce designs costumes and helps decorate the set. Even the musicians get into the family act, with Brian Buckmaster playing percussion and his brother Don

playing clarinet. Patrick Yee (Lazar Wolf) and Kayla Younkin (Hodel), students from the Eastern Michigan University School of Music "family" also join the production.

"*Fiddler on the Roof* is a wonderful show about families and the value of friendship and community," said Pat Hutchison, artistic director of Paul's Players. "I love having so many families participate in our summer musical. Plus, every time we do a show, we create new families and new communities of people who work together to make it all happen. That's one of the great things about theater."

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors/students. Tickets can be reserved by calling 248-347-4134, emailing paulsplayers@gmail.com or visiting Eventbrite.com.



"Fiddler" cast members, clockwise from top: Michael Kain, Livonia; Patrick Yee, Ypsilanti; Kat O'Donnell, Livonia; Sarah Borsodi, Redford; Amber Killingbeck, Garden City; Abby Borsodi, Redford; Max Trombley, Livonia; Rachel Kain, Livonia; Aaron Abramson, Livonia; and Cole Nelson, Livonia.

## New Beaumont signs reflect Botsford transition

Earlier this summer, the names, color and logo of the four former Oakwood Healthcare hospitals changed to reflect Beaumont Health — the new not-for-profit health care organization formed through an affiliation of Beaumont Health System, Botsford Hospital and Oakwood Healthcare last fall.

Oakwood's green, Beaumont Health System's burgundy and Botsford's blue and rust were recently replaced with a new Beaumont Health blue. Research shows that blue is universally well-liked, is highly visible, and represents trust, dependability and stability to consumers.

As of late June, all eight Beaumont Health hospitals began using the Beaumont name to bring them together under one brand. The hospital names also include the city where the hospital is located: Beaumont Hos-



A new sign announces the new name of the former Oakwood Annapolis Hospital. It's now Beaumont Hospital-Wayne.

pital-Dearborn, Beaumont Hospital-Farmington Hills, Beaumont Hospital-Trenton, Beaumont Hospital-Taylor and Beaumont Hospital-Wayne.

To maintain brand connection with their local communities, three of the hospitals will include a campus name on their signs: Beaumont-Dearborn, Oakwood Campus; Beaumont-Farmington Hills, Bots-

ford Campus; and Beaumont-Trenton, Southshore Campus.

Permanent signs will be installed throughout the organization, including hospitals, major medical centers, employed physician offices, outpatient sites and private physician offices, starting later this year and continuing until early next year.

Beaumont Health was chosen as the name for

the new, combined organization as part of the affiliation agreement, completed in 2014. That name builds upon the strength of the Beaumont name in the health care market. Beaumont is the most-preferred health system for all health care needs throughout the state, according to research conducted by the National Research Corporation.

Beaumont Health consists of eight hospitals with 3,337 beds, 163 outpatient sites of care and nearly 5,000 physicians. With almost 35,000 employees, Beaumont Health is southeast Michigan's largest health care employer.

In 2014, Beaumont Health had \$4 billion in revenue with 174,675 inpatient admissions, 16,213 births and 492,073 emergency visits.

## Concert series to feature Steve King & the Dittlies

The Music From the Heart outdoor concert series in Livonia continues from 7-9 p.m. Thursday with a performance of oldies music by Steve King & the Dittlies.

All concerts are free for the public to attend and are held on the grounds of City Hall at Five Mile and Farmington roads.

Jimmy John's of Livonia provided free sandwiches to those in attendance at the July 16 concert featuring the Dan Rafferty Band. On July 23, Duna Sweets (located at Five Mile and Inkster) distributed more than 200 lady finger pastries to the audience during intermission of the performance by The Millionaires.

The concerts are sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission and the Parks and Recreation Department.

Following is the remaining schedule:

Aug. 6 — Motor City Soul, classic rock

Aug. 13 — Billy Mack and the Juke Joint Johnnies, '50s oldies

Aug. 20 — Comic Groove Band, dance music

Aug. 27 — Comic Groove Band, country

To stay updated on concert schedules or find more information on the bands, follow the Livonia City Arts Commission on Facebook. Cancellations due to inclement weather are posted there as well.

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## Summer school ends with show and tell

By Sue Mason  
Staff Writer

Aaliyah Al-Mamory held up a plastic slice of watermelon and Tatsean Moore peeked through the hole of a plastic doughnut to show the difference between food you should eat often and food that should be consumed less frequently.

"You can only have a doughnut sometime," said Tatsean, an incoming first-grader at Hamilton Elementary School.

"Watermelon is a fruit and it makes you feel healthy," Aaliyah said.

The youngsters are among 110 students who spent part of their summer at the Westland school getting a head start on the new school year. As incoming students, they spent four weeks in Jump Start, a program designed to give them an academic leg-up on kindergarten.

The first- through fourth-graders were more hands-on in a five-week High Tech Academy that focused on math and science and had reading and writing integrated into the course work. Each week, students selected a different aspect of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathe-

atics) to focus on. "The kids greatly loved it," site coordinator Kelley Michels said. "STEM for summer school is more hands-on. It kept the program exciting. The kids were really enthusiastic."

This is the second year the district has offered Jump Start and High Tech Academy in its four priority schools — Hamilton, Hicks, Hoover and Schweitzer. The schools had been identified as being in the bottom 5 percent of the statewide Top-to-Bottom School Rankings. However, after two years, Hicks is the district's only priority school.

Hamilton moved out of priority status quickly, moving from 2 percent to 26 percent two year's ago, while Schweitzer and Hoover moved out last year. Now the focus is one getting Hicks off priority status.

"We work with Wayne RESA and the state school reform officers, they shake their heads when they see what we're doing," said Jennifer Munson, Executive Director of School Improvement and Innovation in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. "We've gotten a lot of kudos."



The Hamilton staff invited Laura Flaherty (left) and Claire Mueller from the William P. Faust Public Library to participate in the gallery walk.

According to Munson, the "program went over huge last year," and got plenty of good feedback from the parents.

"We have such a solid group of teachers and paraprofessionals. Our curriculum is aligned and our assessments are aligned. The goal is to support everybody."

Some form of summer school is offered at almost every building in the district. MARS is for

outgoing fifth-graders through seventh-graders, SMART for non-priority elementary buildings and the Tinkham Center is handling traditional summer school for high schoolers.

Even the Bright Futures and Champions after-school programs have something going on this summer for students and free lunch programs are available for students up to eighth-grad-

ers.

Thursday was the last day of Jump Start and the High Tech Academy, so students took to the hallways of the school to show off what they had learned to parents with Community Gallery Walks. Aaliyah and Tatsean were talking about healthy foods, while soon-to-be first-grader Anthony Hollowell was showing how far a skateboarding armadillo can

go, depending on the incline of the ramp to Wayne-Westland School Superintendent Michele Harmala and teacher Sarah Pinto.

"If you put the ramp on the top bar, it goes fast," he said.

"They start with different predictions if it will stay on or go off the mat," Pinto said. "They try different mats and heights to see if it stops where they think it would."

The youngsters also got to make superhero bookmarks and gather stickers and tattoos at a table manned by Claire Mueller, youth service associate, and Laura Flaherty, youth service librarian, at the William P. Faust Public Library.

"We were invited by the school to come," Mueller said. "We want to get the kids excited about reading and put library calendars in the hands of parents."

With the summer reading program ending this week, there's still a children's nonfiction challenge for youngsters to get involved in. They can earn weekly coupons and prizes. It runs Aug. 1-29, and information and challenge sheets are available at the library's youth desk.

### STUDENT ACHIEVERS

» Kendra Maxon of Westland has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Olivet Nazarene College.

» Marius Ficut, Gregory Gaskin, Carleton Green, Steven Hartsell, Jarret Williamson and Zachary Williamson, all of Westland and Cassandra Ford and Josh Selin-

ski of Garden City, were among the students named to the Dean's List at Saginaw Valley State University for the winter 2015 semester.

» Seven Westland residents were among students graduating May 9 from Lawrence Technological University.

The graduates were Ryan James Albright,

UG Certificate in Graphic Design; Justin Thomas Hartsaw, Bachelor of Science in Media Communication; Seth James Klein, Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering; Kimberly Ann Klieber, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and UG Certificate in Entrepreneurial Skills; Joel Allen Mac-

Fadyen, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Game Art; John Phillip Marnon, Bachelor of Science in Robotics Engineering, and James Harold Pollington, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

» Brooke Zywick of Garden City has been named to the Marist College Dean's List for

the spring 2015 semester. Zywick is majoring in Political Science.

» Avory N. Pawlak, Kathryn C. Pepera, Rachel L. Rochowiak, Kyle C. Stamper and Sabrina L. Sweeney, all of Westland, were among some 3,000 students who participated in commencement ceremonies April

25 at Grand Valley State University.

Pawlak received a Bachelor of Science degree; Pepera, a Bachelor of Social Work degree; Rochowiak, Bachelor of Science degree in nursing; Stamper, a Bachelor of Science degree, and Sweeney, Bachelor of Music Education degree.

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### City of Livonia - 7/8/2015 Regular Meeting Synopsis

Present: Toy, Scheel, Nash, Kritzman, Pastor, Meakin  
Absent: Brosnan

Items were received and filed.

- #189-15 Approving the minutes of meeting on 06/15/15.
- #190-15 Approving a request to waive the City noise ordinance from Richard McLain, Old Rosedale Gardens for July 17, 2015.
- #191-15 Approving a request to hold a block party from Ray Franges for August 15, 2015.
- #192-15 Approving a request to hold a block party from Michael Johnson for August 15, 2015.
- #193-15 Approving a request to hold a block party from Connie Myler for August 8, 2015.
- #194-15 Referring the request from Woodhaven Retirement Community to purchase City-owned property to the City Engineer, Planning Commission and Parks and Rec Commission for their report and recommendation.
- #195-15 Accepting the bid of Redstone Architects, Inc. for the Police building lobby renovation.
- #196-15 Accepting the bid of Temperature Services, Inc. for the replacement of the Civic Center Library Cooling Tower.
- #197-15 Authorizing a Transportation Economic Development Fund grant application to MDOT on behalf of McLaren performance Technologies, Inc. for improvements to Hubbard Road.
- #198-15 Approving the development agreement with Livonia West Commerce Center, LLC for the reuse and maintenance of 13000 Eckles Road.
- #199-15 Approving a motion to suspend the rules.
- #200-15 Authorizing the Department of Law to resolve claims brought on behalf of Alyssa Pelloni v Robert Zarras.
- First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 180 of Title 13, Chapter 08(b) Water Service Rates and Revenues.
- First & Second Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 20 of the Zoning Map of the City of Livonia (Petition 2015-03-01-02)
- #201-15 Approving SAD No. 230, as revised, in Sherwood Forest Estates Subdivision to convert nine(9) HPS Street lights to LED.
- #202-15 Approving a motion to suspend the rules.
- #203-15 Approving a Refunding Contract between the City of Livonia and the Municipal Building Authority to refinance 2005 MBA Recreation Bonds.
- Reading was given to an ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of revenue bonds to pay the costs related to the water system.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.  
Full text of the official minutes available in the Office of the City Clerk.  
Susan A. Hoff  
Livonia City Clerk

Published: July 26, 2015



# Strategies for taking your required minimum distributions

**Q: Dear Rick: I will turn 70 later this year. My wife turned 70½ earlier this year. We don't need the money from our retirement account and prefer not to take it. My wife is retired and has an old 401(k) Plan as well as an IRA. I plan to work for another few years. I have three 401(k)s — two from old employers and one from my current employer which I continue to contribute. In addition, I also have an IRA.**

**Do we have to take required minimum distributions from both the 401(k) and the IRA or can we just take it from one? I know there are ways to donate a required minimum distribution to a charity but I would prefer to transfer my retirement account to my kids who can use the money. Is**

**there a way I could do that so I can avoid the required minimum distribution and let the money continue to grow for my children's benefit? I was also told there's a way that you can gift your required minimum distribution into a 529 Plan for your grandchild. How does that work?**

**A:** Since your wife turned 70½ this year, she does not have to take a required minimum distribution until April 1, 2016. For your first required minimum distribution you can actually delay it until April 1 of the year after you turn 70½. The downside of that is by delaying your first minimum required distribution, you would be required to take two required minimum distributions in the same year. For most people it works better to take your



**Rick Bloom**  
MONEY MATTERS

first required minimum distribution in the year you turn 70½.

In reviewing your situation, you do have to take required minimum distributions from 401(k)s and IRAs. You cannot take the entire distribution from one of those accounts. Therefore, for this year your wife would have to take her required minimum distribution from her IRA and 401(k) Plan.

As to gifting your required minimum distribution or your retirement accounts to your children. That is not possible. The exception is the one you mentioned where you donate your required minimum distribution to a charity.

In addition, you cannot donate your required minimum distribution or an IRA into a 529 plan to pay for your grandchildren's college education.

There is, however, an exception to the rule that would benefit you as opposed to your wife. According to our tax laws you can delay a distribution from a 401(k) Plan if you are still working for that company after 70½ and you own less than 5 percent of the company. Therefore, on the 401(k) Plan for your current employer, you would not have to take a required minimum distribution from that account as long as you stay employed with them and you do not own more than five percent of the company.

In addition, you may consider directly transferring your two old 401(k) Plans into your current employer's plan.

If your employer allows this, you can move your old 401(k)s into your current 401(k) and avoid required minimum distribution until you retire. Of course, this would not affect your IRA, as you would still have to take required minimum distributions from your IRA; but, you can at least delay it for your 401(k) Plan.

The majority of employer-sponsored plans do allow this; however, it is important that you check with your current plan to confirm. If it is possible, the key is to do a direct transfer. A direct transfer is where money goes from one custodian to another. By doing so there are no adverse tax consequences and there's nothing that you have to report to the IRS.

I recognize there are many seniors who would prefer not to take a required minimum dis-

tribution and let the money continue to grow tax deferred. Unfortunately, the law is the law.

Keep in mind that if you have a Roth IRA, required minimum distributions are not required. Therefore, something many people should consider before they turn 70½ is to do a Roth conversion. It can be a great tax saving and financial move.

Good luck.

*Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com). If you would like him to respond to your questions, email [rick@bloomassetmanagement.com](mailto:rick@bloomassetmanagement.com).*

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**  
A public accuracy test will be conducted at the time and location listed, for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the tabulating equipment, and programs, which will be used to record and tabulate voted ballots for the City Primary Election, to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 in Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan.

Location: Civic Center  
6000 Middlebelt  
Garden City, Michigan 48135

Date: July 29, 2015  
Wednesday

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Contact: Allyson M. Bettis  
City Clerk  
734-793-1620

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**CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LIVONIA COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:**  
A public accuracy test of the election software and tabulation equipment will be held at 3:00 P.M., on Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan.

The accuracy test will be conducted for the **CITY PRIMARY ELECTION** to be held on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015**, in the City of Livonia.

**SUSAN A. HOFF, CITY CLERK**

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# Snyder: County financial emergency exists

By Eric D. Lawrence  
michigan.com



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Evans

Gov. Rick Snyder has agreed with the findings of a state review team about Wayne County's financial situation, and declared a financial emergency exists, meaning the state likely will have some level of say-so in how the county operates.

"After thoroughly reviewing the report of the review team, I concur with their conclusion," Snyder wrote in a letter Wednesday addressed to Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and the Wayne County Commission, one day after the review team wrapped up its work.

Now, the commission gets to choose one of four options for dealing with the emergency: entering into a consent agreement with the state; having an emergency manager; neutral evaluation, which is mediation; or bankruptcy.

It's not immediately clear when the commission will meet on the issue, although a Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Tuesday.

A message seeking comment was left for Commission Chair Gary

Woronchak, D-Dearborn.

In Michigan, a consent agreement is entered between the state and a local municipality or school district to provide a remedy to local financial problems and create financial stability. Unlike with an emergency manager, a consent agreement allows elected officials to remain in power, though they must adhere to conditions and actions prescribed by the state to alleviate the financial crisis.

The City of Detroit entered into a consent agreement in April 2012 and operated under it until filing for Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection in July 2013.

Snyder's letter detailing his decision gives the commission or county executive until 5 p.m. July 29 to request a hearing on the matter. If a hearing is requested, it would be held the following morning before State Treasurer Nick Khouri or his designee.



The Wayne County Building Authority voted to cancel contracts for the firm on the \$300-million Wayne County Jail project in Detroit, Thursday, Aug. 15, 2013.

Such a hearing would not be an original fact-finding proceeding, according to Snyder's letter.

"Its purpose would be to afford county officials an opportunity to indicate whether the findings of the review team report were supported by competent, material and substantial evidence on the whole record," Snyder

wrote.

The governor's decision comes a little over a month after Evans requested that the state review the county's finances. He has said he wants a consent agreement, which would allow him to impose cuts to employee benefits even as the county is in negotiations with its unions.

Evans' spokesman, James Canning, issued a statement reiterating the administration's desire for a consent agreement.

"We maintain the position that a consent agreement is the best option going forward. We will seek a consent agreement that respects the roles of the Wayne County

executive and commission, and gives us the tools to focus our efforts on resolving the \$52-million structural deficit," Canning wrote. In an e-mail, noting that the administration "has been aware and fully transparent about the county's financial challenges."

Despite some recent improvements in Wayne County's financial picture, such as an increase in property tax collections and a settlement over retiree healthcare, the state's review team found enough dire news to conclude that a financial emergency exists.

In addition to an underfunded pension sys-

tem and heavy health care costs, the review team noted that the county underestimated expenditures in three of the last four fiscal years by \$16.7 million to \$23.7 million, has not identified a resolution for its money-draining unfinished jail and struggles with ineffective communication.

After Snyder's decision was announced, two state legislators weighed in on the county's situation.

Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, said the declaration of a financial emergency is no surprise and he hopes the situation can be resolved without the need for an emergency manager or a bankruptcy.


"It's really the balance sheet," Colbeck said. "It's all the stuff we've promised that we simply can't afford."

Colbeck said Evans has been trying to confront the issues head-on and he is hopeful he can do that through a consent agreement.

State Rep. Wendell Byrd, D-Detroit, said the county needs financial help from the state, or Evans would never have asked the state to conduct a review. But an emergency manager is not the answer, Byrd said.

"If you need help, you need help," he said. "But just because you need help doesn't mean you have to give up your rights to govern."

Eric D. Lawrence writes for the Detroit Free Press.




**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to solicit public comments on a request to open a new child care facility at the property located at 5721, 5727, 5731 and a portion of 5755 Inkster Road. Child care centers are a special land use in the C-1 Local Business District.

Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing and should be addressed to: The Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**MINUTES OF REDFORD**  
**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the approved Minutes for meetings of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Redford for the month of June 2015 are posted at the following public places within the Township:

- Community Center, 12121 Hemingway
- Fire Department, 15145 Beech Daly
- Library, 25320 Six Mile Road
- Department of Public Services, 12200 Beech Daly
- Police Department, 25833 Elsinore
- Town Hall, 15145 Beech Daly

Approved Minutes may also be viewed on-line at [www.redfordtwp.com](http://www.redfordtwp.com)

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Redford

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**Notice of Election**

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan:  
Notice is hereby given that the City Primary Election will be held in the City of Garden City on,

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015**

Candidates for the following office are to be voted upon:  
Mayor

The following proposal will be voted on:  
**PROPOSED POLICE AND FIRE MILLAGE RENEWAL**

A proposal to authorize the renewal of a levy of 0.35 percent of the assessed value (3.5 mills) on all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City as new additional millage of 5 years duration for the sole and exclusive purpose of providing for the operation and equipment of the Garden City Police and Fire Departments. It is estimated that 3.5 mills would raise approximately **\$1,704,445.00** when first levied in 2016.

Yes No

I, **RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ**, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of June 5, 2015 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

Taxing Authority	Date of Election	Voted		Years Increases Effective
		Increases	Years	
County of Wayne	11/03/2009	1 mill		2019
Wayne County Jail	08/07/2012	1 mill		2021
Wayne County Parks	11/02/2010	0.25 mills		2015
<b>OTHER TAXING AUTHORITIES</b>				
Schoolcraft Comm College	10/07/1985	.05 mills		Unlimited
<b>GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS</b>				
Garden City Schools	06/11/2001	3.1 mills		2005 thru (not to exceed 30 years)
	06/10/2002	18 mills		2012 non-homestead
	11/2014	2 mills		2020
<b>CITY OF GARDEN CITY</b>				
City of Garden City	05/08/2012	3.5 mills		2015

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

Precincts 1 and 6	Farmington School 33411 Marquette
Precincts 2 and 5	Memorial School 30001 Marquette
Precincts 3 and 4	Lathers School 28351 Marquette
Precinct 7	Maplewood Center 31735 Maplewood
Precinct 8	Henry Ruff School 30300 Maplewood
Precinct 9	Civic Center 6000 Middlebelt
Precinct 10	Douglas School 6400 Hartel

All polling places are handicapper accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 734-793-1620 prior to Election Day. If you anticipate difficulties at your normal polling place please phone the City Clerk's Office to arrange an alternate location. Absentee Ballots for this Election are available at City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt, through 4:00 P.M., Monday, August 3, 2015, to anyone who meets one of the following requirements: Electors age 60 or older; Electors who expect to be absent from Garden City the entire time the polls are open on Election Day; Electors who are physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another; Electors who cannot attend the polls due to tenets of their religion; or Electors who are confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial. Furthermore, any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union. In addition to our regular hours, the City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, August 1st, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the sole purpose of absentee voting.

**ALLYSON M. BETTIS**  
CITY CLERK  
CITY OF GARDEN CITY, MICHIGAN

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# UP AND AWAY

Salem graduate soars to new heights in women's Air Race Classic



Katie Vena of Plymouth and instructor and flying partner Sara Karsten on the runway as the Air Race Classic is about to begin.

By Joanne Maliszewski  
Staff Writer

You have to believe Amelia Earhart would be proud of Salem High School grad Katie Vena. She and her flying partner placed 11th out of 54 teams in the annual Air Race Classic in June.

Women pilots of all ages got their wings on for the race that began in Fredericksburg, Va., and ended four days and more than 2,100 nautical miles later in Fairhope, Ala., not all that far from the Gulf of Mexico.

Not only did Vena take 11th place, but Western Michigan University, where she is studying flight science in the college of aviation, took fifth place in the collegiate rankings.

Vena's dad, John Vena of Plymouth and a career pilot with Delta Airlines, aptly noted that the race occurred on the second anniversary of her first flight lesson. "I could see the difference in her before and after the race," John Vena said.

Proud? That's an understatement for John and Naoko, Katie's mom. "They came to the finish line," Katie said, recalling the race that took her and her partner pilot and instructor Sara Karsten of Rogers City, Mich., 2½ days to finish.

"I am so proud of what we did. We (she and Karsten) split (the flying) half and half," said Vena,

who made it clear that Karsten was the lead pilot. "I learned so much about the weather. I also learned how to take care of myself physically. And I learned how to work with a crew."

For Vena, the race and her team's rank is just the beginning of what she plans as a career in aviation. In fact, as her father noted, she signed up for flight lessons the day after she turned 17. "The very next day I went to Ann Arbor Airport," Vena said.

There she worked with an instructor and obtained her flying license in 50 short days. Her dad was stunned.

When Vena made the decision to be a pilot, the reaction was overwhelming: "My dad was psyched and my mom was happy I found something I loved."

Vena admits that she hadn't really thought of flying as an option, but she had an opportunity to fly with someone involved in the Experimental Airplane Association. She was hooked. And it led to her decision to major in flight science at WMU, where she could also obtain all necessary licenses on her way to becoming a commercial airline pilot — like her dad.

Sure, there is plenty of course work, but Vena also flies some four to five times a week at college — it has an airport in



Instructor Sara Karsten (left) and Katie Vena of Plymouth getting ready for the 2015 Air Race Classic.

Battle Creek — and works as a dispatcher at the facility, which has about 30 planes. A tough program, but she loves it. "I wouldn't say STEM is crucial, but you need basic math," she said. "There is a lot of science, mostly aerodynamics."

Vena is one of the few women in the program and she has had her share of difficulties. "This is definitely a male-dominated field," she said. "Some men are just programmed a certain way about women. There are times I am just not happy with it."

But her mom and dad and siblings have her back. "There's no doubt about it, it's hard because

she's a woman (in a male-dominated field)," John Vena said.

Her family also has no doubt Vena will succeed — that's just the stuff she is made of. "We love what she is doing. We support her 100 percent," her father said.

Vena takes pride in a long line of women pilots, including Earhart and

others, who began the Air Race Classic. "It has the most amazing history," she said. "It started in 1929 as a Powder Puff Derby. Women in those days were not allowed to race with men."

She stood proudly with the other women pilots for a group photo during the air race in June. The race required the pilots

to stay out of the clouds — flying was only in the day using visual flight rules. "You plan out however you want to get there (to finish line)," she said. "It was a zigzagged route."


Like most young adults, Vena would one day like a family. She said flying is a perfect career for balance because there are days to fly and days to be at home.

"It can be a tough job at the start," her father said. "But this is a job that with seniority she can make a balance."

Vena is accustomed to questions of safety, particularly with news of plane crashes and mishaps in the past couple of years. But she is not worried. She knows what she's doing.

"I think it is incredibly safe. The more you learn the more you realize how safe it really is," she said. "Flying is the coolest thing. It is so freeing. It is just a lot of fun and it is rewarding."

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on **Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to solicit public comments on the following:

- Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment** to §154.142, Child Care Centers, to remove the requirement that a child care center shall have a minimum side yard setback of 25 feet.

Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing and should be addressed to: The Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135.

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Attention: Transportation Services Management Companies

The Garden City Public Schools is requesting proposals for transportation services management companies.

Transportation Services Management Companies and/or their representatives may submit proposals to:

**Garden City Public Schools**  
**1333 Radcliff Street, Garden City, MI 48135-1126**


Attn: Drew McMechan, Chief Financial Officer

The Garden City Public Schools Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or to accept the proposal that it finds, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the school district.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for **Thursday July 30, 2015 at 1:30 pm at 1333 Radcliff Street, Garden City, MI 48135-1126.**

All proposals must be submitted no later than 2:00 pm on August 6, 2015. All proposals should be delivered in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Garden City Public Schools and be clearly marked: Transportation Services Proposal.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD**  
**WAYNE COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015**

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD:**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a special election will be held in the Charter Township of Redford, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern time, at which time the following proposal shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the Township of Redford:

**CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

This proposal, if approved by the electors, will authorize the School District to levy millage on all property, except principal residences and other property exempted by law, in an amount not more than the number of mills required for the School District to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation guarantee.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the Clarenceville School District, Wayne and Oakland Counties, Michigan, exempting therefrom principal residence and qualified agricultural property, as defined by law, be increased in the amount of nineteen (19) mills (\$19.00 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of ten (10) years, the years 2016 to 2025 inclusive, to provide funds for general operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the School District will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2016 is approximately Two Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,350,000)?

Yes  No

Each person voting in the special election must be a citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) years of age and a registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides.

The place of voting for the special election to be held on August 4, 2015, will be as follows:  
Precinct 4 Beech Elementary School, 19900 Beech Daly Road, Redford, MI 48240

Absentee ballot applications are available by contacting the Clerk's Office at (313) 387-2750 or online at <http://www.redfordtwp.com/clerk-election>.

The location is handicapped accessible and is equipped with handicapped voting machines with the availability of voting instructions in alternative formats (Audio and Braille).

**GARTH J. CHRISTIE, MMC**  
Clerk, Charter Township of Redford

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**CITY OF LIVONIA**  
**ELECTION NOTICE**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LIVONIA,  
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A

**CITY PRIMARY ELECTION**

Will be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, at which time, candidates for the following office will be voted upon in the City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan:

**MAYOR**  
**CITY CLERK**  
**CITY TREASURER**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

Plus the following proposal:

**CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

This proposal, if approved by the electors, will authorize the School District to levy millage on all property, except principal residences and other property exempted by law, in an amount not more than the number of mills required for the School District to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation guarantee.

**THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Precinct	Location	Address
1A & 1B Consolidated	Clarenceville JHS	20210 Middlebelt Rd.
2A	Clarenceville HS	20155 Middlebelt Rd.
3A & 3B Consolidated	Webster School	32401 Pembroke Street
4A	Webster School	32401 Pembroke Street
7A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
8A & 8B Consolidated	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
9A & 16A Consolidated	Cass School	34633 Munger Avenue
10A & 24B Consolidated	Stevenson HS	33500 6 Mile Road
11A & 12A Consolidated	Coolidge School	30500 Curtis Avenue
13A & 14A Consolidated	Stevenson HS	33500 6 Mile Road
15A & 16B Consolidated	Buchanan School	16400 Hubbard Road
17A & 17B Consolidated	Hoover School	15900 Levan Road
18A	Holmes School	16200 Newburgh
19A & 19B Consolidated	Randolph School	14470 Norman Avenue
20A & 21A Consolidated	Frost School	14041 Stark Road
22A & 22B Consolidated	Frost School	14041 Stark Road
23A & 23B Consolidated	Stevenson HS	33500 6 Mile Road
24A	Roosevelt School	30200 Lyndon Avenue
25A & 36A Consolidated	Cleveland School	28030 Cathedral Avenue
31A & 31B Consolidated	Rosedale School	36651 Ann Arbor Trail
32A & 33A Consolidated	Garfield School	10218 Arthur Avenue
34A	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
34B & 34C Consolidated	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
35A	Cleveland School	28030 Cathedral Avenue
35B & 35C Consolidated	McKinley Center	9101 Hillcrest Avenue
36B	Cleveland School	28030 Cathedral Avenue

**RELATIVE TO THE OPENING AND CLOSING OF POLLS**

The polls of said election will be open at seven (7:00) o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight (8:00) o'clock P.M. Eastern time of said day of election.

**VOTER INSTRUCTIONS IN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT**

To comply with the voting accessibility requirements, the voting instructions will be provided on a CD. Any voters who request the voting instructions in an "alternative format" in advance of the election will be supplied with a copy of the CD. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in an "alternative format" should be made by contacting the clerk in advance of the election no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Friday preceding the Election. In an instance where a voter contacts his or her local clerk in advance of the election to request that the voter instructions be available in an "alternative format" in the polls, the clerk will arrange to have a cassette player available in the polling place.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR CITY OF LIVONIA RESIDENTS**

Voter's may obtain an absentee ballot by submitting an application to the Livonia City Clerk's office. Applications may be printed from the City of Livonia website ([www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us)), you can call the Clerks office at 734-466-2121 and leave your name and address to have an application sent to you, or you can pick up an application at the City Clerk's office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI, 48154. The last day we can mail an absentee ballot is Saturday, August 1, 2015. Voted Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Livonia City Clerk's office by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

**SUSAN A. HOFF**  
**LIVONIA CITY CLERK**

**STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964**  
Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, **RAYMOND J. WOJCIOWICZ**, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of June 08, 2015 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

WAYNE COUNTY Wayne County, Michigan City of Livonia			
Taxing Authorities Effective	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	November 2, 2010	0.25 mills	2015
Wayne County Community College	November 6, 2008 November 6, 2013	1.25 mills 1 mill	2020 2022
SCHOOL DISTRICT			
Livonia Public School (homestead only) District	November, 2009	18.4568	2015 (non-
Clarenceville School (homestead only) District	May, 2005	18 mills	2016 (non-
	May, 2006	4.5	2016
	May, 2005	1.1210	2016

Signed:  
**RAYMOND J. WOJCIOWICZ**  
Wayne County Treasurer

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# World War II radioman was trained for Japanese invasion



Edward White

**Edward James White served in the Navy from 1943 to 1946. Raised in Detroit, he graduated from Cooley High School in the spring of 1943.**

World War II veteran Edward James White of Westland was honored as the July Veteran of the Month by the Sons of the American Legion Squadron of the Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32 in Livonia.

White served in the Navy from 1943 to 1946. Raised in Detroit he graduated from Cooley High School in the spring of 1943. He was drafted in December and decided to join the Navy. He was sent to Great Lakes Naval Base, north of Chicago for basic training. After basic training he was sent to Indianapolis for Radio School where he learned Morse code, radio theory and procedures.

On June 6, 1944, White was about to celebrate his 19th birthday when he heard about the Normandy invasion. The word around the school was that they would be heading to Europe but when his orders came they showed differently. He was then sent to Ocean-side, Calif., where he received additional training at the Camp Pendleton Assault Amphibian Battalion. Their training was rigorous and designed to prepare them for the eventual invasion of Japan.

After training he shipped out to Hawaii where he was assigned to JASCO (Joint Assault Signal Company). His unit consisted of eight

radiomen, four signalmen and a chief. During the planned initial invasion of Japan, their unit would be part of the initial landing group and would be responsible for setting up communications with ground, air and naval support. Needless to say, White was very nervous about the upcoming invasion and knew they would be in for a rough time.

The invasion date had not been established yet so White was temporarily assigned to FMORU (Fleet Maintenance Ordinance Radio Unit). His group's main function was to repair radio gear for the fleet. While in Pearl Harbor, he witnessed the destruction that two 550-pound bombs can do to a ship. He watched as the USS Franklin Aircraft Carrier limped into Pearl Harbor for repairs. The ship was hit while operating 50 miles off the Japanese

coast and sustained major damage with 724 crew killed and 265 wounded. His crew worked to repair the damage to the radio systems. He kept very busy going from ship to ship repairing radio equipment on a daily basis but was always thinking about the day they would leave to invade Japan.

Fortunately for White and the rest of the invasion force, that day never came. Six days after dropping the atom bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan surrendered. White was then sent to San Diego where he was assigned to tele-type maintenance school. He was discharged in May of 1946.

Upon returning home White worked as a rough carpenter. In 1962, President Kennedy signed the "Manpower Development and Training Act," authorizing a three-year program aimed at re-

training workers displaced by new technology. White took the opportunity to better himself and went back to school and became a Sheet Metal Layout Technician. He later got a job working for Ford Motor Co. and retired in 1995.

Ed vividly recalls the night of May 1, 1950. He was taking a neighborhood friend home and accidentally hit the fender of his friend's sister's car, damaging it quite severely. Turns out he had been wanting to meet her but couldn't come up with a good reason. He apologized the next day and six months later they were married.

Ed and Helen eventually settled down in Inkster and have nine children, three sons and six daughters, 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Ed and Helen loved camping with their children and are proud that they are all college graduates.

White was presented a plaque with his picture and service information by members of the S.A.L. Veteran of the Month Committee. An additional plaque was also put on display in the vestibule of the American Legion Hall during the Month of July for all to see.

The S.A.L. invites local residents to attend their monthly meetings to listen to the Veteran of the Month. The public is also encouraged and to nominate veterans to be honored at its meetings. Nomination forms can be picked up at the American Legion Hall, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48150.

**CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE**  
AGENDA  
Zoning Board of Appeals  
August 11, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.  
Livonia City Hall - Auditorium (1st Floor)  
33000 Civic Center Drive  
Livonia, MI  
(734) 466-2259

**APPEAL CASE 2015-06-30 (Rescheduled from July 14, 2015):** Reza Gharibi, north side of Taylor Blvd., (15222) between Five Mile and the Cul-De-Sac, seeking to maintain a covered porch, however, now proposes its use as a carport, resulting in this structure being considered a second garage, which is not allowed.

**APPEAL CASE 2015-07-37 (Rescheduled from July 14, 2015):** Ronald Battani, east side of Renssler, (19980) between Pembroke and Fargo, seeking to erect a detached garage, resulting in excess garage area. Existing garage to be removed.

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

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The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of:

**Replacement (2) Roof Air Handlers**  
Livonia Technical Career Center  
Bid for the 2015-2016 School Year  
(See Attached Specifications)

Request for Proposal (RFP) documents can be obtained at the Livonia Public School Website, [www.livoniapublicschools.org](http://www.livoniapublicschools.org) under the section titled DISTRICT, Purchasing Bids, 2015-2016 school year, open bids OR Buy4Michigan Website, [www.buy4michigan.com](http://www.buy4michigan.com). Please feel free to include additional pages of information if necessary. For bids to be considered they must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

**Sealed bids marked Replacement (2) Roof Air Handlers will be received until 10:00 a.m. on the 11th day August, 2015, in the Business Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan.** Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. **Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.**

**There will be a mandatory site walk thru on Wednesday, August 5, 2015, 10:00 a.m. at Livonia Career Technical Center, 8985 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48150.**

The Bid Opening will take place at 10:00 a.m. on the 11th day of August, 2015, at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement of disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner and any employee of the bidder and any member of the Livonia Board of Education, the Livonia Public Schools Superintendent or Director of Business Services, any member of the Wayne RESA Board of Education or the Superintendent of Wayne RESA. **No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.**

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Affidavit of Compliance - Iran Economic Sanctions Act. **No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized statement.**

All bids must be accompanied by the Equal Opportunity Statement. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this statement.

All bids must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Livonia Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each bid over \$23,127.00 and must be submitted with the bid forms furnished with specification. All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet and all sheets must be returned for the bid. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part: to award to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the district, including awarding by line item, with rationale to support such a decision. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

Prices bid are to be **F.O.B. Destination**. All purchases are to be exempt from all taxes, including state and federal taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

**Any bid submitted will be binding for ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of the bid submission.** All bids must be submitted on the attached bid form and signed by the bidder. Two (2) signed copies of the bid package are to be addressed to the attention of:

Nick Armelagos  
Administrator of Finance  
Livonia Public Schools  
15125 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48154-5474

**"Replacement (2) Roof Air Handlers Bid"**

One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files.  
Any questions regarding bid specifications should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations, [hlu@livoniapublicschools.org](mailto:hlu@livoniapublicschools.org), 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. EST.

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The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of:

**Furnace Replacement (2 each) Franklin and Stevenson High Schools - Annex Buildings**  
Bid for the 2015-2016 School Year  
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**Sealed bids marked Furnace Replacement (2 each) Franklin and Stevenson High Schools - Annex Buildings Bid will be received until 10:00 A.M. on the 13th day August, 2015, in the Business Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan.** Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. **Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.**

**There will be a Mandatory, Pre Bid site walk thru on Monday, August 10, 2015, 9:00 a.m.**

The Bid Opening will take place at 10:00 A.M. on the 13th day of August, 2015, at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

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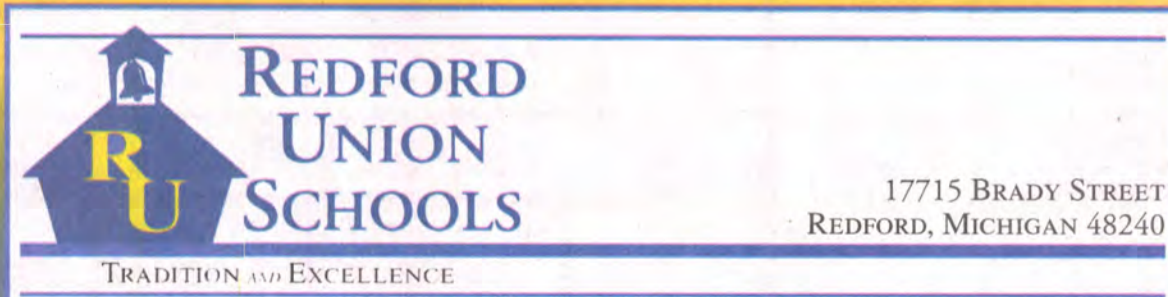


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Bone In Center Cut Pork Chops <b>\$2.99</b> lb	Bone in Pork Shoulder Butt Roast <b>\$2.49</b> lb <small>Great for Pulled Pork</small>	Pork Baby Back Ribs <b>\$3.99</b> lb	Pork Spare Ribs <b>\$2.99</b> lb
City Chicken (Veal & Pork) <b>\$5.99</b> lb	USDA Choice Beef Baby Back Ribs <b>\$6.99</b> lb	Dearborn Meats 5 to 1 Hot Dogs, Natural Casing Hot Dogs, Skinless Hot Dogs or Smoked Kielbasa <b>\$5.99</b> lb	

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Whole Mushrooms <b>2/\$3.00</b> 8 oz.	Bananas <b>49¢</b> lb.	Michigan Corn <b>5/\$2.49</b>	Boar's Head Beef Pastrami <b>\$8.99</b> lb	Kowalski Hot or Mild Hunter's Sausage <b>\$9.99</b> lb	Hoffman's Hard Salami <b>\$4.99</b> lb	Kowalski Garlic Bologna <b>\$4.99</b> lb	Guernsey Ice Cream <b>\$5.99</b> 1/2 Gallon
			Albies Made in Gaylord, Michigan Beef or Chicken Pasties <b>2/\$5.00</b>	Fully Cooked Buffalo or BBQ Wings <b>\$6.99</b> lb	Kowalski Coleslaw, Potato Salad, or Macaroni Salad <b>\$5.00</b> 2 lb	Yoder's Assorted Shredded Cheese <b>2/\$4.00</b>	Sweet Baby-Ray's Barbecue Sauce <b>3/\$5.00</b> 18 oz.

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REC-KING IT



Tossing the 'heavy' ball during warmups is Mudville pitcher Bill Springer of Canton. At right is Livonia's Marc Baron.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lakers tryouts

The Livonia Lakers 14U travel baseball team will hold tryouts 6-8 p.m. Monday, July 27, at Livonia Franklin High School. For more information, email coach Aaron Rumberger at ccrumberger@yahoo.com.

Today's the day to bowl

The Intensity Track Club is hosting a bowling fundraiser at 4 p.m. Sunday at Merri-Bowl Lanes in Livonia (Five Mile near Merriman).

Tickets to bowl will be \$20 and there will be a 50/50 raffle, basket raffle and Detroit Lions preseason tickets to be auctioned off.

Money generated by the event will help Intensity, based at Wayne Memorial High School, to make an August trip to the AAU Junior Olympics in Norfolk, Va.

Rams win two

The Michigan Rams broke out early Monday night against the Southfield Lightning at Ford Field in Livonia, scoring three runs in the first inning and four more in the second en route to a 11-1 victory.

Sparking the Rams to the five-inning Livonia Collegiate Baseball League win were Zack McGuire (2-for-3, double, three runs), Westen Price (2-for-3, three runs), Ben Hart (1-for-3, three RBIs) and Nolan Page (1-for-3, three runs).

Other hits were collected by Danny Kerr (1-for-2, two runs), Anthony DiPonio (1-for-3, one RBI), Kevin O'Malley (1-for-3, one RBI) and James Hall (1-for-2).

Josh Bays started and gave up one run before winning pitcher Alex Kinch came on with one out in the third with the Rams up 7-1. He gave up just two hits the rest of the way.

On Wednesday, Price went 3-for-4 and drove in two runs as the Rams defeated the Storm 6-2, improving to 24-8-1.

Also chipping in with multiple-hit games for the victors were Sean Winkleseth (2-for-3, two RBIs), Hart (2-for-4, two runs) and McGuire (2-for-3, run). Jared Tobey pitched four shutout innings and got the win, finishing up with three innings of work was McGuire.

## STILL IN THE GAME



Peering out in the direction of the Capitol Park baseball field before the game starts is Bill Springer.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Middle age doesn't cramp his style when it comes to playing rec baseball

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Bill Springer can barely keep from grinning whenever he steps onto a baseball diamond to compete.

Rocking wraparound sunglasses and his gray-and-green Mudville uniform, the 50-year-old Canton resident did just that recently in a Detroit Men's Senior Baseball League game at Capitol Park in Redford, Twp.

Oh sure, the southpaw —

CHECK IT OUT

Canton's Bill Springer said the Detroit Men's Senior Baseball League always is looking to recruit players age 18 and older who maybe didn't know fastpitch leagues existed.

"Come out and take in a game; see what you think," Springer said. "We've got levels of play for everybody in this league."

League fees for Mudville this season are more than \$300 per person. For info about the DMSBL, go to [www.detroitmsbl.com](http://www.detroitmsbl.com).

who returned to the game of his youth in 2008 after deciding slow-pitch softball wasn't for him — knows his days as a hard-throwing pitcher are long gone.

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PRO BASKETBALL

## Dezelski's getting it done over in Luxembourg

Former CC, Hillsdale standout excels in first season

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Tim Dezelski wouldn't exactly call it a European vacation, but for the former Novi Detroit Catholic Central High and Hillsdale College basketball standout, it was the next best thing.

The 6-foot-6, 228-pound forward from Farmington Hills landed in the tiny country of Luxembourg playing for Residence Walferdange, a second-division team.

He averaged more than 17 points and a league-best 15-plus rebounds per game in his inaugural pro season.

Dezelski was stationed five minutes outside the capital city of Luxembourg and helped his team to a 30-3 overall record and an 11-3 mark in the playoffs.

"It was great," Dezelski said. "I was playing in a little village and it was awesome. Very nice city and the whole country is beautiful. But Luxembourg city is a really cool place, too."

The nine-month experience overseas left nothing but a positive impression in Dezelski's eyes, not to mention the fringe benefits and getting paid

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HILLSDALE COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Tim Dezelski (left), now playing professional basketball in Luxembourg, was a four-year standout at Hillsdale College and also played at Novi Detroit Catholic Central High School.

Softball tryouts

The NFWB Impact will have tryouts for its 14U, 12U and 10U travel softball teams in early August. The day and time will be the same for all three levels.

Tryouts will take place 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at Pioneer Park in Farmington Hills and 6-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 10, at Drake Park in West Bloomfield.

Players should arrive for registration at 12:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Pioneer Park is on Farmington Road, north of 13 Mile; Drake Park is on Drake Road, south of Maple.

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PGA CHAMPIONSHIP AWAITS

# WALKING THE WALK

## Fox Hills teaching pro Cairns takes 'par-fect' approach to PGA success

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

With his gray-speckled Van Dyke beard and glasses, Brian Cairns looks more like a college professor than a guy who is about to make his third trek to the PGA Championship.

He sounds like one, too. Well-measured words are spoken in a low voice, but his message is always on point.

That's just how the 51-year-old Walled Lake resident and PGA teaching pro at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth approaches the game he excels at enough to be on network television with a galaxy of big-time stars.

Not a long hitter off the tee, Cairns relies on smarts and a penchant to turn potential problems into solutions (he calls them "tide-turns"), as well as his proficiency with irons, wedges and putters.

"You really that good? You really that good to play in the PGA?" Cairns said, responding to a question about what his high school students often ask him these days. "How'd you get into that? Most of the kids don't fathom the difference between me and those guys."

Cairns then mentioned the names of Jordan Spieth and Tiger Woods, who incidentally are not among approximately 150 golfers competing Aug. 10-16 in the PGA Championship at Whistling Straits Golf Course in Kohler, Wis.

"It's unbelievable how good those guys are," Cairns said. "And just to kind of be able to walk the same grounds and hit the same shots and feel the same thing they're feeling for a little bit of time is kind of cool."

**He belongs**

At the 48th PGA Professional National Cham-



VICKI FOLEY

One thing Brian Cairns would rather do than golf is teach the game to high school kids at Fox Hills Learning Center in Plymouth.

He registered a four-day tally of 283 (including 69 in both middle rounds) to finish in a tie for fifth place. With that performance, Cairns qualified a third time for the PGA Championship.

He also made the cut in 2011 and 2012, at Atlanta Athletic Club and Kiawah Island, S.C., respectively.

This time around, he figures to be better equipped than the first two times at just focusing on each shot as it comes. "I won't look around as much, that's for sure," Cairns said during an interview Thursday at Fox Hills. "I definitely looked around, just the mass and size of the event. It's pretty amazing."

"But it's just a golf tournament with all those people. And in '12, I think I competed better because I had Jordan (Young) with me, director of instruction here. I was a lot calmer. But this year, I expect to at least compete right out of the gate and not be so awestruck."

With a knowing nod, Cairns credited Young for enabling him the chance to concurrently enjoy

**THE CAIRNS FILE**

**Who:** Brian Cairns, PGA teaching professional at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth.

**What:** The 51-year-old Walled Lake resident will compete Aug. 10-16 in the PGA Championship at Whistling Straits Golf Course in Kohler, Wis. He qualified by finishing in a tie for fifth June 28 through July 1 at the PGA Professional National Championship at the Philadelphia Cricket Club.

**Third time:** He also competed in the PGA Championship in 2011 and 2012.

**Honors:** Cairns was named the Michigan PGA Player of the Year in 2000, 2011, 2012 and 2013 and was Michigan PGA champion in 1996, 2000 and 2013.

A Champions Tour member in 2014, he also was a National PGA of America Top Ten Player of the Year in 2000, 2012 and 2013 and earned Maxfli National Player of the Year honors in 2000.

careers as a golf instructor and PGA pro.

**Double-duty**

None of what he is doing now would be possible without that go-ahead.

"(Young) said you should pursue that, but you still got to be active here a little bit," Cairns said. "But in a few years, I'll have to make up my mind. Kind of hang up the clubs and teach."

"I got a few more years, I think, and if I keep getting better, it's going to be a few more years after that, so Jordan will have to wait."

That last sentence was punctuated at the end by a hearty chuckle.

Cairns turned serious again and spoke from the heart.

"It's really hard to let go of it when you get inside those ropes; it's a high," Cairns said. "I can see what those guys on TV feel."



MONTANA PRITCHARD | PGA

Brian Cairns follows the flight of an iron shot July 1 at the Philadelphia Cricket Club. He finished in a tie for fifth at the PGA Professional National Championship.

The way things went at the Philadelphia Cricket Club also left Cairns feeling euphoric. Yet he quickly pointed out how things could have played out differently without his trademark even-keeled mindset.

On the seventh hole in the second round, Cairns was faced with another tide-turning scenario.

"It was probably the only time I missed the fairway all week," he said. "I hit it (to the) right, then I slashed another one left. The flag was back-right."

"I hit it above the flag stick about 20 feet. The ball stayed up on this hill, so I had this severe downhill putt. And my caddie said, 'Just keep this close and let's move on.'"

Even better was that the ball rolled into the cup.

"And I make it," Cairns said. "I looked at him (the caddie) and said, 'That's the turning point.' From then on, I was good."

Cairns finished that round with a 69 and was well on his way to qualifying once again for the PGA Championship.

It was a momentum swing that went in his favor.

**Feeling confident**

"And that's how I teach," Cairns said. "I teach how you have to take advantage of your

tide-turns. And that was a tide-turn, even my caddie (agreed). That could have been a mess."

The way he performed in Philadelphia will give him extra confidence as he sets his sights on Whistling Straits.

"It definitely gives you a good feeling, that your short game can help when you're not hitting it very well," Cairns said.

In Wisconsin, he intends to play well enough to earn a spot on the prestigious PGA Cup Team.

"That's something that eluded me; I lost in a playoff at the Cricket Club," Cairns said. "The Cup Team is comprised of the top 10 golf professionals in the United States against the top 10 club professionals in Britain and that's in late September."

"I pretty much have to make the cut to make that. It's still a goal. That would be a tall task to make the cut at a major — very tall task. (With) my age and my lack of distance, I'd have to play pretty smart."

Cairns will likely need to average in the low 70s to have a shot at making it to the final rounds of the PGA Championship. It helps that he is sporting the best average per 18 of his career — 70.37 strokes.

**Words of wisdom**

Of course, the way things unfold at Whistling Straits won't deter Cairns from using the experience — good or bad — to serve up new lessons for his golf students.

"The best player I have, James Piot, he goes to (Novi Detroit Catholic Central) and lives in Canton," Cairns said. "He is amazed that somebody can kind of slap it around and play in a major."

"You can still impress kids at times with knowledge and not just mechanics. Experience gets you everything in this game."

Then, as softly as he might loft a wedge shot onto the green, Cairns bottom-lined what it really comes down to for golfers of any age, any skill level.

"It takes a lot of work, a lot of reps, a lot of reps at everything — putting, chipping, pitching," he said. "You name it, drivers, woods, irons. There's a lot that goes into it."

"But confidence and being very comfortable with where you are and who you are has a lot to do with it, too."

Piot and others his age might want to heed that message. After all, Cairns is a man in the ultimate comfort zone these days.

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24TH GAM WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

## Area golfers among top 20 at GAM event

A number of Hometownlife.com-area golfers participated in the 24th GAM Women's Championship, which concluded Wednesday in Owosso.

Linden's Julie Guckian, a golfer at Grand Valley State University, carded a two-round total of 139 on the par-71 Owosso Country Club to capture top honors. Jennifer Elsholz of Grand Rapids, the defending champion, shot a final round of 66, but still fell two shots short of Guckian with 141.

Ashley Crain (Bloomfield Hills) and Katie



GREG JOHNSON

Julie Guckian, a Grand Valley State University golfer who hails from Linden, captured top honors in the 24th GAM Women's Championship.

Childers (Northville) were the top area performers, as they each

finished at 151 and were part of a five-way tie for 14th place. Crain shot 78 Tuesday and followed with 73 Wednesday for her 151, while Childers went 77-74.

South Lyon's Caroline Harding also placed in the top 20 among the field of 80 players with 152 (81-71).

Canton's Kelsey McDougall tied for 41st with 162 after consecutive rounds of 81. Elizabeth Harding (South Lyon) tied for 64th at 174 (89-85) and Priscilla Harding (South Lyon) tied for 70th at 179 (93-86).

## 'Sunshine's' is back



TIM SMITH

Friday marked the second annual Sunshine's Skills and Drills Camp at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Here, 8-year-old Peyton Domzalski slams into a blocking dummy held by Plymouth football player Alan Farmer. For the story and photos, please see an upcoming issue of the Observer or go to www.hometownlife.com.

PWBA BOWLING

## PWBA tour headed Aug. 27-30 to Canton

Super Bowl in Canton next month will be the host of a stop on the inaugural tour of the new Professional Women's Bowling Association.

The Detroit Open will take place Aug. 27-30 with a field of some of the best women bowlers in the country. Qualifying rounds will take place Friday, Aug. 28, then match play Saturday, Aug. 29, culminating in Step-Ladder Finals that evening at 6:30 p.m.

A Pro-Am will also take place with sessions Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, providing an opportunity for local bowlers, women, men and youth, to bowl with the pros.

This will be a fun 9 Pin No-Tap event, giving the bowlers a chance to meet

the pros, get autographs and possibly some tips for their bowling. Pro-Am participants will also receive a souvenir bowling pin and have many chances to win great prizes. All this for just \$35 per adult or \$30 per youth.

As a closing event on this stop on the tour, the PWBA will present a youth clinic Sunday, Aug. 30, open to all youth bowlers for just \$20. Entries into this clinic are limited.

The PWBA opened its new tour with an overflow of entries in the tournament in Sacramento, Calif., last week and an enthusiastic crowd to cheer them on. The tour will continue to work its way across the country, arriving in metro

Detroit at the end of August on the way to the East Coast for the last two events of this season.

"We're expecting a full turnout of both the professional bowlers as well as the spectators for this exciting event," said Mark Voight, owner of Super Bowl. "Detroit is still the bowling capital of the country and a big supporter of bowling, as both a sport and recreation."

Entries are available to participate in the Pro-Am, which is open to women, men and youth. Tickets to watch the competition are also available with proceeds to support Strike Bowling Youth Bowling in this area.

For more information, contact Super Bowl in Canton at 734-459-6070.

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Bill Springer rips a line-drive single to left to score a run during the first inning for Mudville.

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## SPRINGER

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Instead, he rears back and delivers a mix of tantalizing breaking pitches, slow, slower and slowest. Regardless of what happens after that, it's still a slice of heaven to Springer, even though on a particular Friday night against the Yankees in a 45-plus league matchup he got shelled.

"It used to be a fastball, change-up and curve," Springer said during a pregame interview. "Now it's more like a slow ball, change-up and a curve. I can't throw nearly as hard as I used to. I'm lucky if I get it over the plate."

"It gets over the plate on the fly and that's all I worry about. At this age, you just change speeds and try and keep them off-balance. I don't worry about radar guns anymore; that's for the younger guys."

### Still loves it

But for Springer, results matter less than being out with baseball-loving friends, playing the game they've been around for years.

"Competition's a lot of fun and half of it's getting out here and also hanging out with the guys," he said. "We've had this team (Mudville) since 2011 and I've played with these guys since 2008."

Asked about how long he hoped to continue playing in the adult rec baseball circuit, Springer looked up.

"Until they won't put a number on my back," he said. "Until no one wants to have me on a team."

That might take a few years, because Springer isn't about to stop doing what he loves.

Springer, who played high school and college baseball near Pittsburgh, still enjoys getting into the batter's box and swinging the lumber. Unlike adult softball leagues, DMSBL players swing wood bats.

In his first at-bat against the Yankees, he laced a line drive to left-center to score a run. A half-hour before game time, he talked about the joy of hitting.

"When you can't feel the bat hit the ball and it goes out there, that's the best feeling in the world," Springer said.

### The real deal

Before the contest began, Springer loosened his left arm by throwing a "heavy ball." Watching the pitcher get warmed up was another teammate, 47-year-old Marc Baron of Livonia.

Baron, who played high school baseball at Redford Bishop Borgess, echoed Springer and others about what drives them to still put on the spikes.

"Love to be able to play baseball, that's why I come out as much as I can," Baron said. "I like it a lot better than softball, it's still fastball-curveball; it's real baseball."

Springer's check mark also goes into the baseball column.

"I played softball for a few years after I moved here, but it just wasn't the same," Springer said. "The fact that, being a pitcher, that's the big difference, pitching (in) softball and baseball."



After pre-game tuneups, Bill Springer wraps his arm to keep it warm.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

## ABOUT THE SERIES

**What:** "Rec-king It" is a series about adult recreation that will be published as space permits in the *Observer* as well as hometownlife.com.

**Who:** Looking for adults (age 21 or older), who have a potential story to tell. They can detail their leagues, activities or other recreational pursuits.

**Why:** High school and college athletes get heavy coverage and that is understood. It would be nice to spotlight older people and what they do to remain healthy and active.

**Contact:** Email sports editor Tim Smith at [tsmith@hometownlife.com](mailto:tsmith@hometownlife.com) with a thumbnail overview about the athlete and rec activity or sport. Include a phone number for any follow-up contact.

"Stealing 90-foot bases rather than 60-foot bases, outfield dimensions, you have three (outfielders) rather than four. It's just a much different feel."

Of course, middle-aged men have to deal with middle-age issues. For Baron, it was tearing his Achilles' tendon last summer. He now is getting back into gear following surgery and physical therapy.

Injuries for any of the players could happen on any pitch, any swing, any attempt to go first-to-third on the bases.

### Having fun

But the possibility of that happening doesn't dim their enthusiasm one bit. Playful banter common in their boyhood years still resonates around the dusty diamond.

"Go get him kid," first baseman Baron yelled to Springer during the Yankees game.

When a Springer pitch sailed well out of the strike zone, Baron barked a Bob Uecker impersonation: "Just a bit outside."

One base runner later, Baron implored his teammates to go for a double play: "Twist it boys, twist it."

Even though the Yankees wound up routing Mudville, it was still a great night for Springer and his teammates, just because they were playing baseball.

"It's nice to get out on a summer night and play a game that you played for a while and compete," said Springer, who is a partner at Conrad Insurance Agency in Canton.

Baseball with his buddies also provides exercise, as well as a way to let off steam from day-to-day issues.

### For their friend

Still, real life is hard to shut out for guys in their 40s, 50s and 60s. Cancer struck Mudville teammate Mike Gordon of Pleasant Ridge, who just had surgery.

During good games or bad, Mudville players are thinking about Gordon as he begins his long road ahead.

And soon, a reminder of Gordon will be there with them at every game. Batting helmets will sport decals with Gordon's uniform No. 7.

"We have already dedicated the season to him," Springer said.

Somehow that mission will enable Mudville players to maintain perspective as they ward off errors, injuries and slumps.

After all, life — and baseball — changes fast, especially for guys who just don't move all that quickly these days.

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## REMEMBERING WIDZINSKI

# Widzinski's legacy carries over

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

A childhood friend of the late David Widzinski since the third grade, Ed Szczypka said the Detroit Catholic Central High weight room was the perfect place to dedicate and honor his name.

"Whenever you needed to find him, just go look in the weight room and he'd be there," Szczypka said. "It's good they named it after him."

Widzinski, a promising sophomore linebacker for the Shamrocks who made a team-high 15 tackles in the 2012 MHSAA Division 1 state championship game in a 36-21 loss to Detroit Cass Tech, was only 16 when, just days later, he tragically died in his sleep due to natural causes Dec. 3, 2012.

Hundreds, including his parents Paul and Barb, along with brother Stephen and sister Emily, were joined by other family members, friends and classmates who recently just inside the weight room, where a brief dedication ceremony was held in Widzinski's honor.

A special plaque was unveiled and the entrance to the weight room bears his name as well.

Widzinski, who grew up in Northville, would have been

a graduating senior in 2015.

Dan Collins of CC's alumni association made the opening remarks.

"We are here to remember David, to make sure his family knows that we remember him and we'll remember him forever, to make sure that they know that he will continue to motivate and inspire the men of Catholic Central forever," Collins said. "This is more than just a name outside a door that we've done this room. It bears David's name, but he inspired and continues to inspire us. There are words around this room that David would be proud of. I know he continues to be proud of all of you."

One long inscription on the left wall quotes the New Testament Bible passage from Phillipians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

There will also be a golf outing in Widzinski's honor Sunday, Sept. 6, at Tanglewood Golf Course, 53503 W. 10 Mile Road, South Lyon.

The third annual David Widzinski Golf Classic begins at 9 a.m. with a Mass at the high school, followed by registration at 11 a.m. and shotgun start at noon.

For more information, visit [davidliveson.com](http://davidliveson.com).

## DEZELSKI

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handsomely as well.

"I loved every second of it," he said. "Luxembourg is a pretty wealthy country and I really didn't have much of a transition issue because there's a lot of English spoken there. All my practices were in English. All my teammates spoke English, so as far as that goes, that was relatively easy."

"The people there were super-friendly and they're used to Americans coming over and playing there every year, so they're really welcoming and will help you out with whatever you need. If there was a little problem with my apartment and my car, it was easily handled and they were willing to help me out."

### New lifestyle

During his down time, Dezelski stayed occupied outside of basketball, trying to soak up as much of Europe as possible while keeping in contact with his family.

"Luxembourg is awesome because it's pretty much the center of Europe, so I could drive 30 minutes to Germany, France or Belgium, so I was able to do a decent amount of traveling and see different cities," he said. "That was one thing I really enjoyed doing, too. I'd go to Amsterdam and a couple of the other bigger cities in Germany just to see. Every city has beautiful, old architecture and it's pretty cool stuff to see."

"There was a lot of Skype and phone calls home. There was a lot of Netflix watching. I was a finance major, so I was able to follow the markets. The time difference messed me up a little bit because it was six hours ahead, but I tried to keep my brain activated. I was reading books and following the markets and stuff, too. Not just watching Netflix all day, just a couple of hours."

As a senior at Hillsdale, Dezelski was an NCAA Division II third team All-American. He averaged 22.9 points and 9.6 rebounds per game while shooting 57 percent from the field.

During his four-year career with the Chargers, he ranked ninth in career rebounds (713) and fifth all-time in single-season total points (617).

### Star teammate

With Residence Walferdange, Dezelski shared the spotlight with the Luxembourg-Total League's leading scorer Everage Richardson, a 6-3 guard from Coastal Carolina who averaged nearly 29 points per game.

"(Richardson) is amazing," Dezelski said. "He was really great to play with. He shot 50 percent from (beyond the arc) and hit 10 threes a game."

The basketball culture in Luxembourg, however, was the biggest shock, something that he had to get acclimated

to. "The two Americans on the team were the only two professionals," Dezelski said.

"And then everybody else either worked or went to school. That was kind of like their high school and college basketball. They'd come all day from working or at school and come to basketball. I thought it was really a test of my professionalism, because we really wouldn't work on defense or discipline or anything like that. You just had to take it upon yourself to work hard on defense and play team defense. It was interesting. It was a lot less intense than college basketball-wise, that's for sure. It was an adjustment from that aspect."

And the import players find themselves more under the microscope.

"The year before I got there, (Residence Walferdange) were in the first division and they had six different Americans in one year," Dezelski said. "They shuffled them out because, as a professional, a lot is expected of you. And if you don't get along with the team, they can just send you home at any time. There's a little pressure from that standpoint."

### New destination

While Richardson plans to return for his second season with Residence Walferdange, Dezelski will be headed elsewhere in 2015-16. He hopes to learn within the next couple of weeks.

"I really wanted to go back, but it just didn't work out," Dezelski said. "My negotiations for my second year kind of fell through, so now I'm waiting for my agent to get me something else. I'll be in the same area probably, but I don't know exactly where. The last I heard from my agent was either Germany or the Netherlands, somewhere around there. Hopefully, I have another job. I'm planning on it. We'll see how long I can keep it going."

After playing 43 games, which included 10 during the preseason, Dezelski made sure he got plenty of rest after returning home before resuming his summer workouts at Lifetime Fitness in Novi.

"The body is holding up, but when you come back, you have to take a little time off because pretty much it's nine months of straight basketball over there, every day," he said.

Dezelski, a 2009 CC grad, played his final game in Luxembourg on May 2 and flew home immediately the following day.

"Obviously, my family and my girlfriend I miss the most, but food-wise ... coney islands for sure," Dezelski said. "I think I might have gone straight to a coney island. The food over there is good, but not quite the same. Been getting in my Buffalo Wild Wings fix and stuff like that."

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MID AMERICAN POM CAMP



Plymouth literally got a leg up on the competition at the Mid-American Pom Camp at Davenport University. The team shared Grand Champs honors.

MICHAEL VASILNEK

# POM CAMP'S A KICK!

Canton, Plymouth programs share Grand Champs honors at Davenport University-hosted camp

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Literally getting a leg up on the competition during the recent Mid American Pom Camp at Davenport University were the Canton and Plymouth pom squads.

The Chiefettes and Wildcats — displaying uncanny athleticism and synchronicity, along with artistic flair — each were named Grand Champs both in the varsity and junior varsity competitions.

It marked the first time two Plymouth-Canton Educational Park pom programs shared top honors at the prestigious event, held July 9-12.

To earn Grand Champs status, a team must finish first in all three categories — speed learning, kick line and original routine (which teams began perfecting prior to going to Davenport).

With the success, both teams will send large contingents to the Mid American Pompon All-Star team and travel to Hawaii in December to perform in the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade.

"The girls worked very



Displaying big-time athleticism and synchronicity, Canton's varsity pom squad shared Grand Champs honors.

MICHAEL VASILNEK

hard, grew closer as a team and had a great time," Canton pom coach Jenny Kesler said. "This was a great start to our year and it will motivate the team to continue to reach our goals and vision for the remainder of the season."

Taryn Holowicki, director of the Plymouth pom program, said earning Grand Champs honors "is not an easy task and takes a lot of hard work and focus, both ahead of time and especially during the four days of camp."

"Maintaining a positive atmosphere as a team both in

and outside of practice is what really makes a difference in the strength of a team," Holowicki added. "Our teams (varsity and JV) think of themselves like family first and as coaches we can really see that reflected in the way they perform when they get on the floor."

Canton and Plymouth also scored big in other categories, such as the senior kick competition. Abby Crippes and Micala Tafelski of the varsity Chiefettes finished first in the kick event, with the Wildcats taking second.

Awards were given out daily per category, with overall trophies presented at the camp's conclusion.

The Canton varsity team also won the overall Peppy Pom award for "being the most spirited and cheering other teams on at camp," said Kesler, assisted by Gabby Cayao.

Canton's JV, coached by Brandee Amick and Nikki Battaglia, captured Peppy Pom, Knock Your Socks Off and Showmanship awards.

For Plymouth's varsity (coached by Lauren Fisher and Christie Wilde), senior Ryan

Fisher won the Smile, Sparkle, Shine Award. Meanwhile, the JV Wildcats (coached by Holowicki and Jillian Covault) came away with overall Peppy Pom and Team Unity awards.

Programs from all over the state participated, including Livonia Franklin.

**Park rosters**

**CANTON:** (Varsity) Grace Brekke, Maigan Byars, Claire Carrier, Emily Cesario, Abby Crippes, Jessi Dawson, Alexis Faught, Morgan Fillmore, Danielle Guerra, Alia Jones, Clara Mason, Arianna Mattioli, Sophie Mekied, Jenna Milewski, Kendall Milo, Stacey Partain, Shelby Petersen, Nicole Piontek, Brenna Shaw, Micala Tafelski, Mia Tavarian, head coach Jenny Kesler, assistant coach Gabby Cayao; (Junior Varsity) Rachel Allen, Jenna Anheuser, Caitlyn Carrigan, Nikki Christensen, Rani El-Amin, Sydney Gruczelak, Ke-Era Jordan, Brooke Macintyre, Olivia Mueller, Payton Rasmussen, Danielle Sullivan, Chloe Vela, Samantha Yono, coach Brandee Amick, coach Nikki Battaglia.

**PLYMOUTH:** (Varsity) Erin Berger, Courtney Bryden, Kelsey Connell, Lily De Santis, Olivia Dillaha, Emily Divens, Ryan Fisher, Kylie Foster, Sarah Gamble, Kaytlyn Glud, Jessica Hall, Jessica Isaacson, Kenzie Jones, Chelsea Justice, Urara Kaneko, Jordan Kelley, Brittany King, Makenzie Kreyer, Emily Lindbloom, Kehney Parker, Nina Pasqua, Anastasia Pwko, Alyssa Salloun, Haley Shawver, Kara Timko, Ryan Traver, Taylor Tyszkiewicz, Michelle Zydeck, coach Lauren Fisher, coach Christie Wilde; (Junior Varsity) Kayleigh Belanger, Madison Cashero, Allison Farenger, Madeline Justice, Jillian Koviak, Maggie Lloyd, Lian Martin, Alexa Maruszewski, Lauren Merkle, Susan Shelton, Camryn Solomon, Rachael Stoeckle, Rachel Vasilnek, Olivia Walker, Celina Winkler, Delaney Woodard, coach Jillian Covault, coach Taryn Holowicki (PHS program director).

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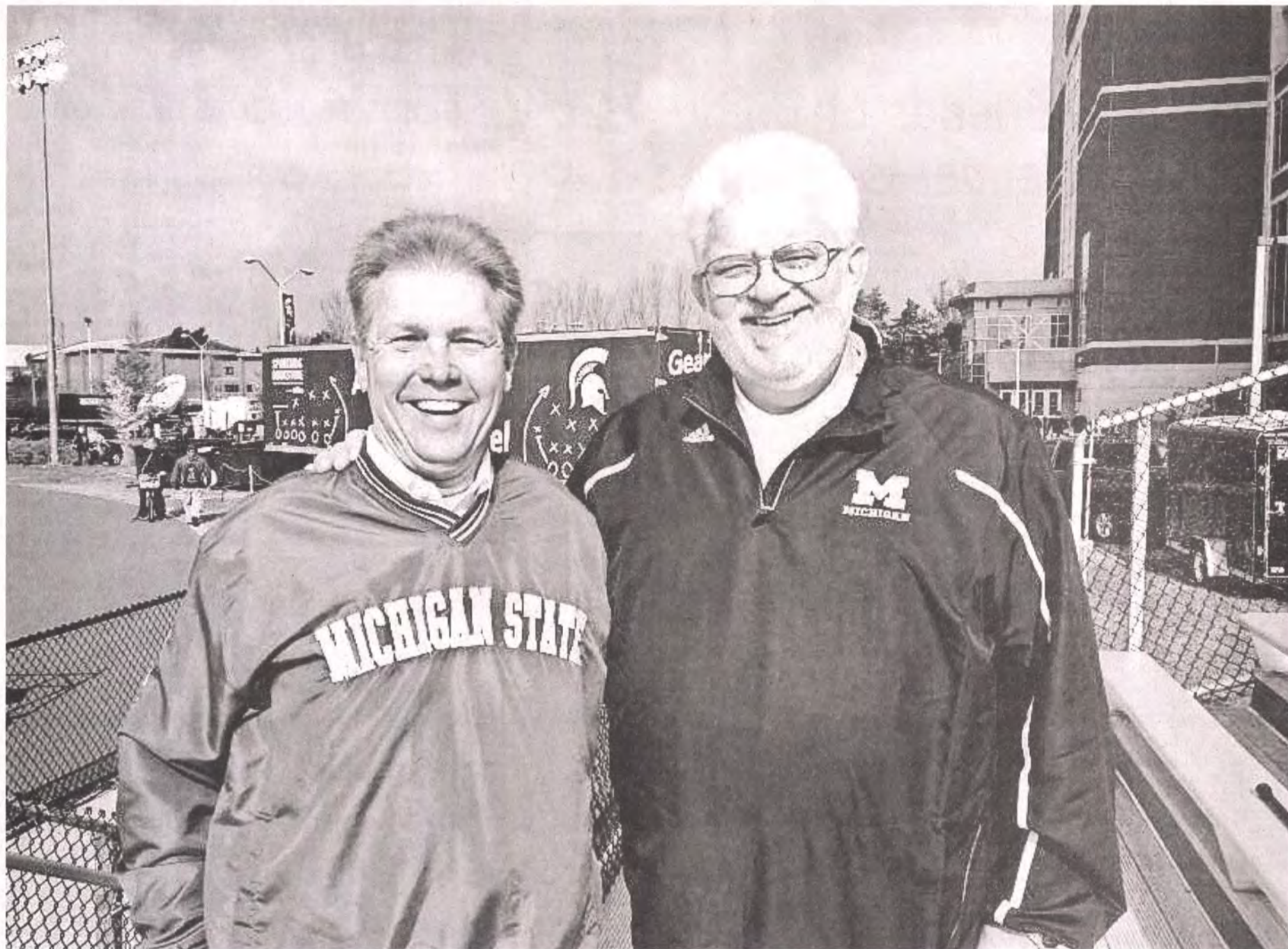
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John Stewart of Plymouth Township, left, with Carl Grapentine, voice of University of Michigan football and marching band.

## 'GO BLUE' FOR P-CEP BAND AT KELLOGG PARK IN PLYMOUTH

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

Stop by Kellogg Park in Plymouth this Thursday, close your eyes, listen and you'll swear you're at Michigan Stadium on a Saturday afternoon in Ann Arbor.

You'll hear a marching band that will have you cheering, "Let's Go Blue!" and "Hail to the Victors."

The beat of a drum line will get you to your feet. And that familiar-sounding voice? That will be Carl Grapentine, public address announcer for the Michigan Marching Band and Wolverines' football program, calling the action.

"The real rock star is Carl Grapentine. He has a marvelous bass voice that energizes everyone," said John Stewart, the Plymouth Township resident and attorney who suggested pairing Grapentine with the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park (P-CEP) Marching Band, the Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps and Plymouth Community Band in a free concert, 7 p.m. July 30 at the park in downtown Plymouth. "Let's Go Blue" aims to raise awareness of the P-CEP band, garner financial support for its appearance next year in the

Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Calif., and to entertain the 1,500-2,000 visitors Stewart hopes will be drawn to the park to hear the legendary announcer and local bands.

"People aren't thinking of Jan. 1 yet ... it will be five months and those kids will be marching 5.5 miles. Those are Michigan children that you and I will be watching on New Year's Day morning." The P-CEP Marching Band, with more than 200 members, is the first Michigan band in more than 12 years to march in the parade. Estimated cost for the trip is approximately \$500,000.

"The band parents will tactfully hand out offering envelopes. It's a free concert but if you want to donate to the band, bring your checkbook and put a little in an envelope."

Stewart said the marching band will perform on stage in concert formation. In addition to the three bands, which will play the pre-game music to U-M football

games, and Grapentine's announcing, the concert will include an appearance by Matt Cloutier, University of Michigan Marching Band drum major and the P-CEP Marching Band drum line.

"They will get everyone's attention," Stewart said, referring to the drum line. "It's going to be loud."

### Rock star

The concert began to take shape in February when parents with Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters invited him to a meeting. He suggested they consider

a concert with the Plymouth Community Band and bring in a "rock star" to emcee.

"No one is loved or admired more than Carl," he told the group. "Let me call my friend."

Grapentine, who grew up in Walled Lake, has been the morning program announcer at WFMT in Chicago, Ill., for 30 years. He attended U-M from 1966-71, where he played oboe in the sym-

phony band and was a music education major with a broadcasting minor. Both he and Stewart sang with the Men's Glee Club at U-M.

"I ran into John at a Michigan-Michigan State game in East Lansing and we hadn't seen each other for a few years and we connected on Facebook," Grapentine said. "He came up with the idea of doing it (the concert). I said I would."

Grapentine, the voice of the University of Michigan Marching Band for 45 years, began announcing the Wolverines football games 10 years ago. During football season, he makes the four-hour drive from Chicago to Ann Arbor on Thursday evening, before every home game to watch the band rehearse, pull a basic script together and "get timing down and see how it all fits together."

"Friday night, I'm holed up in the motel making changes and looking at phonetic pronunciation and memorizing numbers (of football players)," he said.

### 2015 season

Since he began announcing at Michigan Stadium, Grapentine

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*The P-CEP Marching Band is the first Michigan band in more than 12 years to march in the parade.*

### GUEST COLUMN

## On the job: Appliance technician's role gets racy, unpredictable

Some 25 years ago, I began writing this column and I can still remember the thrill of it all. Not having any education in the field of journalism, you can't even imagine the guidance I received from editors with this paper. I must have been listening because I'm still here and love to hear from so many of you.

But I'm going to switch the format a bit, to give you honest-to-goodness true stories that happened in my lifetime as an appliance technician. I expect you will let me know whether they're educational, funny or too serious in nature. I will start with the



Joe Gagnon  
THE APPLIANCE  
DOCTOR

topic of sex which is the biggest selling part of many advertising campaigns. It's titled, "The lady who tried to seduce the Appliance Doctor."

Years ago while I was the service manager for the Amana Corp., I was told by one of my service technicians that an owner of an Amana side-by-side refrigerator was not happy with her product. This lady wanted to speak with a company representative because her white refrigerator

was almond in color. This was before there even was an almond-colored appliance in the industry.

In my position, I was not supposed to ever go into a home by myself but I was short a few employees so I ventured alone into the western part of the Detroit area and knocked on the woman's door. I could hear about five or six bolt locks being opened and the door opened to reveal a very beautiful young lady inviting me in. We sat at the kitchen table as she gave me details on the refrigerator and how it changed colors from white to almond. She had purchased the product from a longtime Amana

dealer who sold meat and refrigerators and freezers and this particular refrigerator had been sitting in the showroom in the direct sunlight for two years and this resulted in the color change.

### Shocking incident

After offering this woman a new product or money in exchange for keeping it, she chooses the dollars. In my endeavor to educate her on the care of this product I gave her a refrigerator condenser brush and got on my hands and knees and physically showed her how to clean the condenser. She stood

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### SUDDEN BACK PAIN

For a doctor, any patient over age 70 with sudden back pain represents an emergency. Unless the patient has experienced a sudden fall, the two most important causes are 1) an insufficiency fracture or 2) a cancer, most likely one that has metastasized from its original location.

Patients who have a slipped disk and are feeling the first pangs of sciatica are readily separated as sciatic pain radiates down a leg. The sudden pain I am discussing is a sharp unrelenting pain that remains in the back or moves about in a small area, likely one or two vertebrae up or down, between the shoulder blades, or next to the spine initially feeling the pain.

If the pain came on with a trivial movement such as bending over to pick up a newspaper, or bending forward slightly to put a key into a door lock, then the most likely cause is an insufficiency fracture sometimes called a mini-fracture. Another feature of this type of vertebral fracture is that the pain radiates not down the leg but back to front. The fracture may be so small an x-ray of the back will not reveal it.

A fracture associated with a cancer usually does not come on so suddenly. The person previously felt a discomfort that then suddenly intensified. Another feature is that the back pain lessens when going to bed but returns in the middle of night sufficiently severe to awaken the person. Arising from bed and walking about clears the pain to allow the person to go back to sleep. In this case, x-ray of the back may show an area of density in the back that indicates the presence of the tumor.

A physician's approach to sudden back pain illustrates how important history is to diagnosis.



# Signup deadline for Miss Wayne County pageant is Aug. 10

Applications are being accepted for the 2015 Miss Wayne County Scholarship Pageant, an official Miss America preliminary. Any woman age 17-24 who

lives, works full time or attends school full time in Wayne County is eligible to apply. Contestants will compete in interview, lifestyle and fitness in swimsuit, eve-

ning gown, talent, and on-stage question. The winner will receive a \$500 cash scholarship and will represent Wayne County at the 2016 Miss Michigan

Pageant to be held in Muskegon. The application deadline is Aug. 10. To apply online, visit [www.misswaynecounty.org](http://www.misswaynecounty.org). For more information, email

SheilaMae116@aol.com. The pageant is set for 4:30 p.m. Aug. 22 at St. Valentine Catholic School, 25875 Hope, Redford. Tickets will be available at the door.

## Local Friends of Unity Church leader is ordained

Florence Ernzen of Plymouth Township recently was ordained as an interfaith/inter-spiritual minister at the One Spirit Seminary in New York.

Ernzen is the spiritual leader of the Friends of Unity Church in Plymouth. As an interfaith/inter-spiritual minister, Ernzen is committed to deepening her relationship to "the Divine" and supporting others in discovering and deepening their relationships. She celebrates both diversity and unity and is of service to anyone in need, no matter what their worldview or traditions are.

She has led Friends of Unity for five years. The congregation meets at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.



The Rev. Florence Ernzen with Joseph Hambor, seminary dean. Ernzen recently was ordained.

### GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

#### Friends of the Rouge

The seventh annual Rouge Cruise is set for 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, starting at Stroh River Place in Detroit. Orin Gelderloos, professor of biology and environmental studies at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, will narrate the tour. Cost is \$55 per person and it includes a dinner buffet. Register and pay at [therouge.org](http://therouge.org).

#### English Gardens

» Get low-maintenance gardening tips at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1.

» Kids can learn about succulents and create a succulent garden to take home, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4. The fee is \$29.99.

» Learn to keep bugs at bay, 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8.

» Make a container garden that repels mosquitoes, 11:30 a.m. Aug. 8. Cost is \$29.99.

» Learn about plants you can use for screening at a free presentation, 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 15.

Events are held at all stores, unless indicated. Nearby stores are located at 155 N. Maple at Jackson in the Maple Village Shopping Center, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road at Outer Drive, Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 248-851-7506.

#### Master Gardener

Michigan State University Extension is accepting registration for the fall session of the Master Gardener program. Classes will meet 6-10 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31 through Dec. 7, in Room 201 at Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty, Belleville. Cost is \$300, which includes a training manual. Registration deadline is July 31 for payment by check and Aug. 14 for credit card payment. Visit [msue.anr.msu.edu/events/master\\_gardener\\_program](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/master_gardener_program) or call Shawn



### RELIGION CALENDAR

#### JULY LECTURE SERIES

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, 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, wraps up a series on the Jewish presence on television with the topic Beyond the Yiddish Mama. 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](mailto: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](http://christoursavior.org)  
**Contact:** 734-522-6830

#### 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 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](mailto: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

#### MOTORCYCLE RIDE

**Time/Date:** Building tours at 9:30 a.m., ride departs at 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 22  
**Location:** The Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, 9451 Main, Plymouth  
**Details:** Ride for the Red Shield is a motorcycle ride to benefit the Salvation Army of Plymouth and Downriver. The group will depart from Plymouth and ride to the Downriver Corps in Wyandotte. Cost is \$20 per rider by July 31, \$25 after, and \$15 per passenger. Includes a T-shirt  
**Contact:** Sandy Kollinger at 734-453-5464, Ext. 24

#### 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](http://www.crossroadsnow.org)  
**Contact:** [info@crossroadsnow.org](mailto:info@crossroadsnow.org) or pastor Steve at 248-890-5718

#### STUDY SERIES

**Time/Date:** 6 p.m. Sunday, beginning Aug. 2  
**Location:** Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia  
**Details:** The Fault Lines series, an eight-week study, will focus on life's

periods of upheaval and how they can either make you better or worse, depending on how you respond. The series looks at how "God forms you best where life's breaks go deep"  
**Contact:** pastor Roger at 313-682-7491

#### 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.connectingwith-God.org](http://vbs.connectingwith-God.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](mailto: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 information, email Motta through [zumba.com](http://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. Offerory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.  
**Contact:** Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at [sbadeen@tbosm.com](mailto:sbadeen@tbosm.com)

#### MOMS

**Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May  
**Location:** 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia  
**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners  
**Contact:** Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

#### Dunning Park Bible Chapel

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays  
**Location:** 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford  
**Details:** MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.  
**Contact:** Amy at 313-937-3084 or

#### 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  
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#### 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](mailto: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](http://www.singleplace.org)

#### 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:** 313-534-3399

#### 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](mailto: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](http://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  
**Time/Date:** Jonathan@Connection-church.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  
**Contact:** 313-255-2222, Ext. 244



Time to reminisce with classmates at a high school reunion.

### REUNIONS

#### DETROIT CODY CLASS OF 1965

50-year reunion is scheduled for Sept. 19. January and June 1965 classmates can email [codyclassof1965@yahoo.com](mailto:codyclassof1965@yahoo.com) or call Christine Snopkoski Nashlen at 734-561-3501 for more information.

#### DETROIT COOLEY CLASS OF 1965

Looking for classmates from January and June for 50th reunion on Oct. 3 at Livonia Marriott Hotel. For information, email [reunioncooley65@aol.com](mailto:reunioncooley65@aol.com) or call 734-397-3308.

#### FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1954

61st reunion lunch, noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at the Stitt American Legion Post Hall in Dearborn Heights. For information, call Nancy Barlow Gaspar at 313-581-6623 or 318-399-7718 or email Pat Gaston Chiesa at [patc629@aol.com](mailto:patc629@aol.com)

#### GARDEN CITY WEST CLASS OF 1973

A 60th birthday party is set for July 25 at Garden City Park Pavilion, east of Merriman, north of Cherry Hill Road in

Garden City. Tickets are \$10 at the location. Participants should bring their own food and beverages. Grill will be provided. Bring a gag birthday gift. For info, call 734-776-0024 or email [blybe7@aol.com](mailto:blybe7@aol.com).

#### NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1995

20th reunion is set for Saturday, Aug. 1, at Genitti's Hole in the Wall in Northville. Email Sandra Borante Brock at [borantes@msu.edu](mailto:borantes@msu.edu) for more information.

#### NOVI HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1995

Seeking classmates for a 20-year reunion Saturday, Aug. 22, at the Embassy Sites in Livonia. For more information, email [melissacohn8@gmail.com](mailto:melissacohn8@gmail.com) or visit [facebook.com/groups/Noviclassof95/](http://facebook.com/groups/Noviclassof95/).

#### ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE ALL CLASSES

6-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at The American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple, Troy; \$45 per person. For more information, call Rose Ann Filar at 248-770-1271.

### BAND

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has missed only three home games, including the last home game of 2014 when leg surgery kept him home.

He's looking forward to the upcoming Wolverines season, when he'll be back at the mic. In the meantime, he said he'll likely recreate his signature U-M marching band introduction at Kellogg Park, tailoring

it for P-CEP.

Grapentine and P-CEP Marching Band fans alike should get ready to hear "Ladies and gentlemen, presenting the Michigan Marching Band ... band, take the field," with a Plymouth-Canton twist.

For more on the P-CEP Marching Band's upcoming trip to the Tournament of Roses Parade, visit [pcmb.net](http://pcmb.net) or check out the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters Facebook page at [facebook.com/PlyCanMuboo](http://facebook.com/PlyCanMuboo).

### GAGNON

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behind me and when I turned around she was completely naked. It took me about three seconds to make it to the front door and as I passed, a 1-year-old baby standing up in his crib made a rude gesture. The woman laughed and said that his father had taught him how to do it. Regardless, I was out the door.

For the next few days I worried that my boss in Amarna, Iowa, might hear of this and I was sure I would lose my job. Then my phone rang and it was the woman's husband calling to talk about my affair with his wife. I suggested we meet and I assured him that nothing happened. I went back to the house the next day and this time I took with me a young

man I was training in sales who played football for the University of Iowa.

We walked into the home and the husband started to laugh and said it was all a put-on. He wanted me to follow him downstairs and I told my friend that if he heard me yelling or gunshots to take off and get help. Nothing of the sort happened, but the wife's husband invited me to come over on Friday night and showed me all these gambling tables with sheets over them that would be filled with action. Don't plan on leaving until Monday, he stated, and it was all on the house. You may ask why he did this and the answer was simple at the time. I had offered his wife a new refrigerator. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. Saturdays on WAAM 1600. You may email your problems and questions on [appldr@twml.r.com](mailto:appldr@twml.r.com).



## Food allergies can cause nutrition gaps

The first mission in creating safe meals for children with food allergies is avoiding the offending ingredient. But there can be a downside to diets that miss out on the nutritional value found in foods kicked off the menu, according to Carolyn O'Neil, a registered dietitian and nutrition adviser to Best Food Facts.

A study in *The Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics* cautions that such diets can induce vitamin and mineral deficiencies, anemia and other symptoms affecting a child's growth and nutritional status.

"Food allergies and intolerances are on the rise," said registered dietitian Vandana Sheth, representative for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. "But it's important that we identify that kids are actually allergic (through proper testing) before we avoid those foods unnecessarily."

### Common food allergies

The eight foods that account for more than 90 percent of childhood cases of food allergies include milk, eggs, soy, peanuts, tree nuts (such as walnuts, almonds, pecans), wheat, fish and shellfish. Food intolerances such as lactose and gluten add even more children to the at-risk list for nutrient deficiencies.

"A parent should always offer a variety of different foods within a food group," said registered dietitian Cheryl Orlansky, president of the Greater Atlanta Dietetic Association. Gluten-free grains include rice, corn and quinoa. If a child is allergic to peanut butter, substitute sunflower seed butter, advised Sheth.

"If you skip dairy you skip its nine essential nutrients," said registered dietitian and author of *The Greek Yogurt*



Food allergies can cause nutrition gaps.

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Carolyn O'Neil, registered dietitian, author and journalist

*Kitchen Toby* Amidor. "Studies show people with lactose intolerance may tolerate up to a cup of fluid milk, which has 12 grams of lactose. Cheeses, Greek yogurt and cottage cheese are much lower in lactose."

### Mind the gap

The food allergy study in *JAND* measured the benefit of dietary counseling in preventing and correcting nutrient

deficiencies in children with food allergies. Results from the multi-center study in Italy showed that advice on what foods to eat to help fill in the gaps helped kids get enough calories, protein and other needed nutrients.

"I think it's fascinating," said Sheth. "They showed that dietary counseling really helped and growth patterns were improved."

Sheth added, "A lot of kids outgrow allergies to eggs and milk by age 16. But other allergies such as nuts may be lifelong." Her knowledge comes firsthand, as her own son was diagnosed with over 20 food allergies as a child.

"Now he's a healthy JV football player. He's down to four or five allergies, including all nuts. I always feed the team so I can keep an eye on what he's eating."

When parents are equipped with the proper knowledge of common food allergies, they can help their kids enjoy a healthier childhood. To learn more about food allergies, visit [www.bestfoodfacts.org](http://www.bestfoodfacts.org).

Courtesy of Family Features

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### Bereavement Camp

Henry Ford SandCastles is accepting registration for its annual Camp Erin - Detroit grief support weekend for children and teens who have experienced the death of someone close to them. The free camp for youth in grades one-12 will be held Aug. 14-16 at Camp Tamarack in Ortonville. The camp will include fun activities combined with grief education and emotional support. A weekend highlight is an evening memorial service on the beach. Grief professionals and trained volunteers from the SandCastles Grief Support Program, part of Hospices of Henry Ford, lead the program. To register for camp or get information on volunteering, call 313-874-6881.

### Birth classes

A four-part class designed to help prepare parents for childbirth runs 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, 12, 19 and 26, at Beaumont Hospital-Farmington Hills, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Participants will learn the stages of labor, relaxation and breathing methods, strategies for managing discomfort, the partner's role in labor in delivery, C-section deliveries, medications, anesthesia and more. Cost is \$75. Register at [botsford.org](http://botsford.org) or call 248-888-2500.

Garden City Hospital offers a one-day class to prepare mothers-to-be and their coaches for the birthing experience, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at the Medical Office Building, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. \$50 fee for mom, coach is free. Pre-registration is required. Call 734-458-4330.

### Diabetes management

Learn about meal planning, blood sugar control and medication management at a free seminar on diabetes, 5-7 p.m. July 29 in the Oakwood Physical Therapy & Wellness Center, 17101 Rotunda, Dearborn. Register at [Oakwood.org](http://Oakwood.org) or call 800-543-9355.

### Exercise for seniors

"A Matter of Balance," a discussion and exercise class for adults, 60 and over, runs for eight weeks from 1-3 p.m., beginning Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. The workshop is designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. During the free class, participants will learn to: view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risk at home and exercise to increase strength and balance. Register by calling 734-458-4259.

### Look Good Feel Better

Look Good Feel Better is a nonmedical public service program that teaches beauty techniques to cancer patients to help them with cancer treatment. The group program is open to all women with cancer who are undergoing chemotherapy, radiation or other forms of treatment. The program runs 10 a.m. to noon the second Monday of the month at the Beaumont Cancer Center-Farmington Hills. For more information or to register for the session on Aug. 10, call 248-471-8120.

### Pink Out tickets

Tickets are available for the fourth annual Pink Out at the Park, the Detroit Tigers vs. Kansas City Royals game, 7:08 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, at Comerica Park in Detroit. The event raises awareness of breast health and helps raise funds for breast cancer research at the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Ticket packages range from \$28-\$51 and include a free Pink Out at the Park T-shirt. Buy tickets at [tigers.com/pinkout](http://tigers.com/pinkout). The event will include a pre-game ceremony honoring breast cancer survivors. Survivors who plan to attend the game can visit [karmanos.org/pinkoutsurvivors](http://karmanos.org/pinkoutsurvivors) to find out more about being included in the ceremony.

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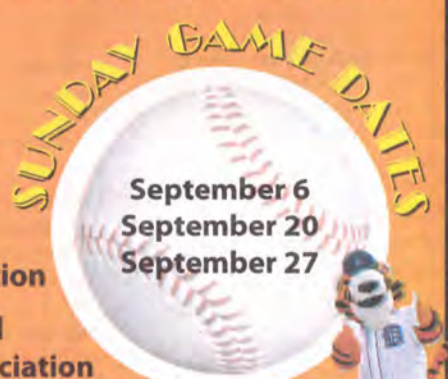
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