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Wayne to replace outdated water meters

LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

It's not the kind of thing you'd brag about but Wayne has a tremendously outdated water meter reading system. "We have one of the oldest, if not the oldest, meter reader system in southeast Michigan," said Wayne-Westland Department of Public Works Director Ramzi El-Gharib. "It's from the 1980s. It needed to be replaced five or 10 years ago.'

Last week, the council approved a contract with Etna Supply Company of Grand Rapids to replace all of the city's approximately 6,000 commercial and residential water meters. The cost of the

project, spread over 18 months and two fiscal years, is \$2.5 million — \$300,000 less than estimated.

New water meters will be installed along with exterior readers that will send wateruse readings digitally to a tower, which then sends the data to the city water department. The goal is more efficient and ac-

curate water billing. "It's a state-of-the-art system. It's an advanced reader," said El-Gharib, adding that Westland is in process of changing to the same system, one already installed in Livonia and Canton.

With the current obsolete system, El-Gharib said it takes a lot of staff time to go out and manually read meters with faulty readers. And that doesn't include the difficulty in getting parts needed for repairs, he said.

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As in Westland, El-Gharib said the plan is to replace the approximately 1,000 commercial meters first, followed by

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Inspire Theatre ready to show off its new venue

Sue Mason Staff Writer

The countdown is on. Come Friday, the curtain goes up on Inspire Theatre's presentation of Larry Shue's The Foreigner.

It will be a milestone for the theater. On opening night, it will welcome theater goers into its new home on Warren Road in Westland, only a few hundred yards from where it gave its very first performance.

The theater troupe is rent-ing the former WLND cable television studios for \$1 a year with a hope it will be in a position to buy the building from the City of Westland at the end of the five-year agreement.

"We started out as gypsies," said founder and director Len Fisher of Wayne. "Our very first performance was at the Warren Road Light and Life Church next door; we did Godspell. We've also rented space in Grace Moravian Church and did shows in the warehouse district.'

The theater group agreed to do maintenance and repairs as part of the lease. According to Fisher, the building needed a lot of repairs and every room was filled with old equipment. With the help of Vic Barra, who "took us under his wing," the rooms have been cleaned out. Now paper signs hang beside doors, indicating them as the men's dressing room, a makeup room and work room. The front counter is being transformed into a combination will-call ticket counter and concession stand.

Volunteers have been working to get the building ready for the grand opening, scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday, turning two cable studios into a theater with seating for 100. Painters were in last week to spruce up the building, and tile was put down to cover the area where a wall once stood.

"We turned the old stage into risers for the audience and kept the stage floor level,'

BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Marshall Upper Elementary student Lydia Marcum has the answer to a question asked on the first day of school.

W-W's Harmala heads back to school with students

Sue Mason Staff Writer

Michele Harmala isn't quite sure how long it's been since she rode a school bus, possibly 10 years ago as a chaperone on a school trip. But on Tuesday, the Wayne-Westland school superintendent hopped on school buses to ride with students on their first day of school.

Harmala crisscrossed portions of the district, riding buses that were picking

up students headed to Stevenson Middle, Marshall Upper Elementary and Hicks Elementary schools. She chatted with students and got a bird's eye view of what bus drivers do.

She came away with a new appreciation of what the district's bus drivers do.

'I'm glad I don't drive a bus; you don't realize how large they are until they go down a subdivision street,' she said.

The ride-along was a way

for Harmala to connect with the drivers. During the school year, she visits classrooms and in the summer stops by schools to talk with custodians as they get the buildings ready for a new year. But meeting with bus drivers wasn't as easy as dropping by the bus yard in Wayne.

"By riding, I got to see the bus drivers, I got to see the kids and I got to thank

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Director Len Fisher, on the set of Inspire Theater's production, "The Foreigner" by Larry Shue. At left is John Donnelly, playing Ellard.

Vendor Fair at W-W Salvation Army boosts youth Jamboree

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Like to shop and support a worthy cause at the same time? The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army's got your number.

The corps, on Venoy south of Palmer, will host a Vendor Fair/Sell A Bration from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26. The goal is around 25 vendors, said Envoy Jim Hulett, with many already on board.

Vendors signed up include Avon, Jamberry Nails, Connie's Hats Around Town, Premier Designs, Stampin' Up!, Pampered Chef, Mary Kay and Silpada Designs.

"Last year, we did that 25th anniversary thing," Hulett said of a fall dinner that

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the 5,000 residential meters.

There is currently \$1.2 million from a bond sale to help pay for the new meters. El-Gharib said the additional expense has already been built into the water rate model, so there will be no increase in the city's water rate to pay for the new meters.

With the contract awarded, El-Gharib said it will be 3-4 months before the new water meter installations get underway.

In Westland, he said about 75 percent of the commercial meters have already been replaced. That is a \$10 million project, replacing 26,000 water meters citywide over two years.

"We're using the

same contractor in Westland as in Wayne." El-Gharib said. "It's the same job, the same system. We can share parts and information. We can talk to Livonia.'

Westland has two towers for receiving the digital information from the new readers - one at the Westland Police Department along with a new tower installed recently at Middlebelt and Annapolis in the southeast part of the

city. "We'll enter an agreement to put an antenna for Wayne. Both cities will share the costs for installation," El-Gharib said. "That will be a savings for both cities and savings on the meter reading.'

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the drivers for what they do," she said. She also got to see a

few other things. Youngsters were eager to share what they were bringing to school and what they did during the summer, although as the age increased the talk diminished.

"They were more puzzled over me being there," Harmala said. "I introduced myself and we chatted. Most were eager to see their friends again and to meet their new teachers. They all had bags and they shared what they brought on the bus with them.'

"There was a lot of excitement," she added. While Harmala was

saying hello and changing buses, inside Marshall, Co-Principals Mark Cesarz and Kelly Kaminski were in the main hallway, greeting students and parents who came into the building. "I think it went well

this morning," Cesarz said.

It also was a "very busy day" at the district's administrative offices where a steady stream of families were registering their children for school.

"We're thrilled we still have people registering; we're keeping our fin-gers crossed that our count will be up this year," Harmala said. A "fairly quiet day"

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marked the corps' anniversary. "We didn't want to interfere with that.' Such a vendor fair has been held at the corps in

past years, he said. Admission is free, and there will be a silent auction.

All proceeds will suport youth Character Building groups working to attend a Jamboree in

Missouri next summer. The Wayne-Westland corps has Girl Guards, Hulett said, as well as Adventure Corps/Rangers for boys.

The corps also sponsors a Boy Scout troop in Wayne. Hulett noted Salvation Army Character Building groups are similar to Scouts.

"It does cost for kids to go," he said of the July 2016 Jamboree. The youth, sixth through 12th grades, have earned certain badges, with

some focused on camping and outdoors.

"I think we got off to a

Marshall Upper Elementary School Co-Principal Kelly Kaminski sends a student in the right

WWCSD

'You get troops from all over the United States," said Hulett of the Jamboree. He's attended two, in Minnesota and Tennessee.

The young people work on outdoor skills and leadership, and exchange lots of tokens and meet people from other parts of the country, he said. The tokens can be T-shirts and bear images like the Mackinac Bridge.

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pleased with that," she said.

Now that school started, Harmala will get back into the classroom, spending a half day as a teacher at John Glenn High School and a half day as a paraprofessional. Those were the prizes in raffles she had during the two welcome-back programs with the school staffs last week.

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Wayne-Westland School Superintendent Michele Harmala shared the first-day-of-school bus ride with students headed to **Hicks Elementary** School.

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Sister Mary Giovanni retires from Angela Hospice in Livonia

After nearly 30 years of dedicated service, Sister Mary Giovanni has retired from her work with Angela Hospice in Livonia.

"In a way it is the end of an era," Angela Hospice President and CEO Margot Parr said. "But Sister's compassion and commitment to caring for the terminally ill continues to inspire us all." It was in 1985 that Sister

Giovanni founded Angela Hospice with the help of the Felician Sisters. She had already spent 11 years re-searching holistic pain and symptom management, and was a registered nurse with a specialty in gerontology.

Under her leadership, Angela Hospice grew as a pioneer in the hospice movement, developing specialized programs for pediatric and prenatal hospice, and opening the first freestanding hospice facility in Michigan. Her compassionate approach as a Felician Sister formed a caring organizational culture that permeates all levels of Angela Hospice's programs and administration to this day

Sister Giovanni addressed the staff and volunteers at her departure, saying, "There truly are no words to express to all of you how grateful I am for your dedicated service to our patients and families these past 30 years ... I have no doubt that Angela Hospice will continue to be the great program of care that it is.

Angela Hospice has recently seen growth in its programs, just as hospice use has grown nationally. About 43 percent of Americans now use hospice services at the end of life, according to the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization.

Sister Giovanni's long career in hospice care earned her the title of Visionary from the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, as they recognized the 30 most influential leaders in hospice and palliative medicine; as well as a spot in the National Association for Home Care and Hospice's Home Care and Hospice Hall of Fame.

"Sister Giovanni will always be the foundress of Angela Hospice. She has changed the landscape of hospice, and we will continue her legacy going forward,' Parr said.

Sister Giovanni left with a familiar word of encouragement for Angela Hospice's 220 employees and 443 volunteers: "As I would always say at the end of our monthly staff meetings, 'Go out and do something beautiful for God."



Angela Hospice foundress Sister Mary Giovanni holds two Monarch butterflies, emblems embraced by the hospice community and incorporated into Angela Hospice's logo, symbolizing transformation into new life.

Volunteers needed for annual Rouge fall bug hunt

Friends of the Rouge needs volunteers to help look for stoneflies, mayflies and other aquatic insects at the annual Fall Bug Hunt on Oct. 17.

Interested volunteers must pre-register by Oct. 2. Children are welcome when accompanied by a participating adult

The event begins at 9 a.m. at Schoolcraft College in the

VisTaTech Center. Volunteers are assigned to teams of 4-8 people that each travel to two sites to look for living things in samples collected from the river under the direction of a trained team leader.

The number and types of bugs found are used to assess each site and data are submitted to the state and Rouge communities.

The Fall Bug Hunt is part of a long-term monitoring program that was created in 1998 to train local residents to collect information about the health of Rouge streams. It is coordinated by Friends of the Rouge and supported by the Alliance of Rouge Communities

For more information, visit www.therouge.org.



Stoneflies are among the insects being researched during the Rouge fall bug hunt.

Conference of Western Wayne announces new executive director

The Conference of Western Wayne, an association of 18 western Wavne County local governments, has announced a transition in its leadership as **Executive Director Marsha** Bianconi retires Oct. 1 and current CWW Assistant Director Jordyn D. Salmon becomes the new CWW executive direc-

Bianconi has served CWW for 27 years, working on key issues for local

communities such as public safety, workforce development, revenue sharing, transportation funding and substance abuse and youth ser-

vices. She currently serves as chair of the Westland TIFA Board, a member of the Detroit Wayne **County Mental**

Health Board



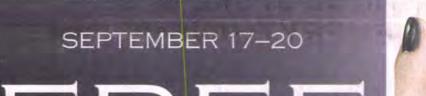
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Salmon and has served

on the Growth Works Board of Directors, SEMCOG, SEMCA and other agencies.

Salmon has served as assistant director since 2013. Prior to joining CWW, Salmon worked for a decade in local, county and state government, including the state House of Representatives, state Senate and Wayne County Commission. Salmon serves on the Growth Works Board of Directors and the Livonia Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee. She plays a key role in coordinating efforts on policy initiatives affecting local governments such as public safety, revenue sharing, juvenile justice, tax policy and road funding.

A celebration of Bianconi's service will take place at the next CWW board meeting at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, in the Inkster City Hall building. For more information, contact CWW at 734-953-8834





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Perez is 2014 Wayne Police Officer of the Year

When Stephan Perez was going through the hiring process to become a Wayne police officer, Chief Alan Maciag recalls thinking that Perez would be a great officer.

After serving as a Detroit police officer, Perez was hired by Wayne Police in February 2013. He was recognized earlier this week as Wayne's 2014 Police Officer of the Year.

"Words can't express the kind of officer that he is. It's not one thing that got him this award," Maciag said. "It's everything he does. He comes to work each day with passion."

Perez not only fights crime, Maciag said, but also serves

the community. The council resolution honoring Perez notes that his proactive approach to policing, including reviewing information on crimes, has resulted in numerous arrests.

"It was a unanimous decision by the citation board. It is a well-deserved honor," Maciag said.

Joined by family members, Perez also received a commendation presented by Westland American Legion Post 251 Commandant Bill Acton.

"It's an honor to recognize our police force who put their lies on the line, protecting us every day," Acton said.

Another certificate was

presented by Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous, D-Wayne. Haidous served 21 years as a Wayne councilman and mayor before being elected county commissioner.

"In my 21-year political career in Wayne, I always wanted a safe and clean com-munity," Haidous said. "I always felt we had the best police force — they are passion-ate about what they are doing. Despite the difficulties we have gone through, the police have done the job the best way they can do it.'

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Wayne Police Officer Stephan Perez (center) was honored as Wayne's 2014 Police Officer of the Year. With him are Wayne Police Chief Alan Maciag (left) and Mayor James Hawley.

WESTLAND COP CALLS

Larceny

A contractor working on burned Woodland Villa Apartment buildings in the 7500 block of Drew told police he arrived to work Sept. 1 to find someone had entered both locations to steal newly installed copper piping. The worker told police he

had been there the previous day and the 10 apartment units were intact. He told police someone smashed the new drywall to access the units. The stolen pipe was valued at \$900.

Hit and run

» A Garden City woman told police Sept. 5 that she parked her car in the 28000 block of Mackenzie for about two hours when someone hit it. She said the driver's side mirror had been knocked off and the car had numerous dents

» On Aug. 28, a resident in the 2100 block of South Linville told police that his neighbor came over to tell him she'd heard the resident's car hit while parked in the street. Checking, he found someone hit the driver's side mirror housing, knocking it off the

vehicle.

Break-in

On Sept. 5, a resident at the Waynewood Apartments, 6737 N. Wayne Road, told police that someone broke into his basement storage area and ransacked it. He said the storage area had been intact the previous day. It wasn't immediately clear

what might have been stolen. The officer noted the storage unit was in a common area with the washer and dryer and accessible to all tenants. He also noted the storage units were put together with chicken wire and particle board.

Fraud

A Westland woman told police Sept. 1 that someone opened DTE Energy accounts in her name at three different addresses in Detroit. She said the accounts were opened Aug. 26, 2014, through July 6, 2015, and she had never lived at any of the addresses.

The accounts had overdue balances ranging from \$710 to \$1,603.

Larceny

» A gas Char-Broil barbecue grill, valued at \$500, was reported stolen overnight Sept. 1 from the patio of a home in the 30000 block of Stewart.

» A resident in the 34000 block of Cherry Hill told police that he left four silver eight-lug Dodge rims in the driveway in front of his garage overnight Sept. 2. In the morning, he said the rims, valued at \$1,500, were gone.

» Following a jewelry sales open house Aug. 25, a resident in the 33000 block of Lynx told police her diamond wedding set valued at \$3,800 and a bottle of prescription painkillers were missing. She said several other rings were missing but only the wedding ring was valuable.

The woman reported about 40 people had been at the home before the theft happened.

» A resident in the 6600 block of Deerhurst told police Aug. 24 that on Aug. 22 someone stolen his bicycle from the garage. He said his garage door opener was on the bike. The officer advised the man to change the code on his garage door.

By LeAnne Rogers

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Counterfeit money

The manager of the Taco Bell at 28993 Ford reported to police Sept. 2 that sometime between 9 p.m. Aug. 26 and 7 a.m. Aug. 27 someone used two fake \$20 bills at the drivethrough window. The manager delayed making the report because he was unaware of company policy.

Larceny

A resident in the 28000 block of Dawson told police that someone removed her purse from her car while it was parked in the driveway Sept 1. She had left the purse on the passenger side floor board while she went into her house for a few minutes. When she returned, the purse was gone.

The purse contained her driver's license, credit cards, her and her son's Social Security cards and \$60 in cash.

Fraud

» A doctor at the Urgent Care Clinic at 6200 Middlebelt told police Sept. 1 that her DEA number had been used on a fraudulent prescription that someone tried to have filled Aug. 18 at a Walgreens

store in Orland Park, Ill. The doctor said she had been

on vacation Aug. 12-22 when the store had faxed the clinic the prescription request it had received, asking that it be verified and if it should be filled. Walgreens was notified that it was a fraudulent prescription and that it shouldn't be filled.

The doctor said she has no idea how the individual obtained her number. She also said she at no time wrote a prescription to the individual on the script and said that it wasn't even written on proper script stationary that the clinic uses.

Intimidation

A resident in the 29000 block of Alvin told police she fears something will happen to her home after a neighbor told her she "better never leave your house."

The woman said she was moving her car from the street to her driveway Sept. 2 when her neighbor pulled up beside her driver side window and made the threat. She told police that she and the neighbor have had several issues during the summer.

By Sue Mason





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Brothers earn rank of Eagle Scout with projects for visually impaired

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Riles, left, and Dash Dobar of Livonia each earned the rank of Eagle Scout on July 27.

Bova VFW hosts lunch to honor veterans

LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

For veterans who served during World War II and the Korean Conflict, lunch is on the Bova VFW Post on Saturday, Sept. 19.

And the veterans are welcome to bring a family member for the annual luncheon at the Westland post.

"This is in appreciation for their service, to honor the veterans," said Beverly Scott, a member of the Bova Ladies Auxiliary which hosts the luncheon.

This is the fourth year Scott has worked on luncheon, which was initially aimed at World War II veterans. It's from 2-4 p.m. at the post, 6440 N. Hix, south of Warren Road in Westland.

"We added the Korean war veterans. We've lost

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three of our World War II veterans," Scott said. "The Korean war veterans are getting up there, too. We wanted to add them."

Despite the age of World War II veterans the war officially ended 70 years ago - the luncheon last year drew 17 veterans last year.

"I don't know how many of the World War II veterans we will have this year," said Scott, who put the word out in surrounding communities and senior residences like Marquette House.

World War II and Korean era veterans are all welcome. There is no restriction based on residency or whether the veteran saw combat.

Bova does ask the veterans or family members on their behalf reserve a spot by name.

"We like to know who

is coming so we can put their name on a certificate of appreciation," Scott said.

Call Dorothy at 904-625-4689. Along with the auxiliary, the post's junior auxiliary helps with the lunch.

An auxiliary member for years due the military service of her father, brother and nephew, Scott was inspired to get involved four years ago by her nephew, who has spent his career in the Air Force.

"He had his goingaway party at the post. Anytime he was here, he would spend a little time at the post," Scott said. "We (the auxiliary) don't have a lot of money but we try to do as much as we can for veterans and veterans' families."

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Riles and Dash Dobar, two brothers from Livonia, each earned the rank of Eagle Scout on July 27 after com-pleting projects that benefit the visually impaired. The brothers are from Troop 889 in Livonia.

Riles will be a senior at Livonia Churchill High School. For his Eagle Project, Riles led volunteers who organized, assembled and distributed therapeutic kits for children with Optic Nerve Hypoplasia. This disease is one of the only vision diseases that improve with therapy. Educating and making therapy tools available to the people affected by and directly helping children with this disease are key to improvement.

Dash will be a junior at Churchill. Being already involved with

volunteering for the Visually Impaired Program in Livonia Public Schools, Dash wanted to continue to give back to that community. His Eagle Project involved coordinating and leading an event that helped teach independent living skills to the visually impaired students in the district. Students were able to use hand tools, screwdrivers and painting supplies to build and paint birdhouses.

Mom Danielle Dobar said her boys didn't intentionally pick projects that both benefited the visually impaired. The family has always volunteered for the Visually Impaired Program in Livonia Public Schools and has donated books to Seedlings Braille Books for Children. "Dash knew he wanted to do something with them for a couple of years now," she said.

Riles was thinking of helping The Miracle League of Plymouth, where the family also volunteers often, she said. "Then a doctor/ professor at Wayne State University reached out asking for help with the therapy kits and asked if Riles would be willing to make it his project. He really enjoyed it," she said.

Both boys are members of Churchill's National Honor Society. Riles earned his varsity letter in soccer and serves as one of the captains on his team. Dash has earned varsity letters in cross country, swimming and track.

The boys started their scout journey with Troop 1539 in Plymouth/Canton.



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GC residents bring home medals at Western Wayne County Senior Olympics

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By Sue Buck Staff Writer

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Garden City seniors proved they had the right stuff, bringing home gold, silver and bronze medals from last week's Western Wayne County Senior Olympics.

The opening ceremony began Aug. 10 at Nankin Mills with breakfast, followed by a parade of athletes. State Sen. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights, and Sheila Sulewski, the new Garden City Senior Activities coordinator, carried the Garden City banner, followed by the senior athletes.

Events were held throughout western Wayne County, and the Maplewood Senior Department hosted the Pinochle Tournament on Tuesday.

"The event was a great success," Sulewski said. "There were 59 participants from various cities scheduled to

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Fisher said. "We've been

the set at the same time."

A core group of about

building the risers and

30 people help and/or

perform in the produc-

tions. For The Foreigner,

Lisa Brawley of Livonia

is the assistant director

and stage manager while

Nancy Rocker of Garden

"Nancy has been able

"There's been a lot going

on with moving in, get-

ting settled and getting

going again. I look to her

for a lot of wisdom. Lisa

brings a viewpoint I don't have. She brings an idea

Brawley and her hus-

who as a foreigner - he's

from Canada — plays the

band Richard Holland,

City is the producer.

to take care of a lot of

stuff," Fisher said.

and we try it.'

Core group

play in the tournament. Everyone had a great time playing Pinochle and enjoyed eating light snacks during the event." Bringing home medals

were » Gold — Norah Fix, bread baking, and David Raimer, soccer kick. » Silver - Lena Boyd,

Wii bowling. » Bronze - Mary Margaret James, Bocce ball; Sharon Hassett, Pat McKarge and Cheryl Partin, golf.

Sulewski said that Fix, who was skeptical about driving to her event, became a gold medal winner and did not find out about it until days later.

"She was so sur-prised," Sulewski said.

For more information about senior programming, contact Sulewski at the Maplewood Senior Department at 734-793-1856.

THE FOREIGNER

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Saturday, Sept. 11-12 and 18-19, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13. Location: Inspire Theatre, 33455 Warren Road, Westland.

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday-

Details: Written by Larry Shue and the winner of two OBIE Awards, The Foreigner is set at fishing lodge in rural Georgia. A British demolitions expert who trains at a nearby army base brings a friend, Charlie, a pathologically shy man. Before departing, Froggie tells all there that Charlie is from an exotic foreign country and speaks no English. Once alone, the fun begins as Charlie overhears more than he should. Tickets: \$13 at inspiretheatre.com and \$15 at the door. Contact: For more information, call 734-751-7057.

David Lee. "Around January or February, I went for an audition for The Addams Family and I met Lisa, said Marmaduke, a senior at Northville High School. "She liked how I read. Around the first week in August she called and said she had an opportunity for me, could I come and try out. As it was, all I had to do was show up and I got the part.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Demolition expert Froggy LeSeuer (Joe Nowaske of Westland) reaches for the detonator that will blow up the Volkswagen van of Brother David Lee (Grant Marmaduke of Northville). Fishing lodge owner Betty Meeks (Judy Cook of Livonia) can't believe



SHEILA SULEWSKI

Garden City Senior Olympics participants Sharon Hassett (from left), Nora Fix, Cheryl Partin, Pam King and Sen. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights proudly display the Garden City banner at the opening ceremonies.

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foreigner in the production, hooked up with Fisher when Fisher did Neil Simon's Rumors several years ago. They in turn snagged Fisher to be in a show they were producing.

Fisher also appeared in a show with Joe Nowaske at Nowaske's church. The Westland resident plays demolition expert Froggy LeSeuer in The Foreigner. And Judy Cook of Livonia hooked up with the troupe after coming to see one of their productions. She's playing fishing lodge owner Betty Meeks with a broken arm

"I stepped back on the edge of a riser and fell," she said.

Grant Marmaduke of Northville is making his first appearance with Inspire Theatre and has been cast as Brother

"He read well," Brawley said.

Many roles

John Donnelly of Redford has been with Inspire Theatre almost from the beginning. In his nine years, he's appeared in 23 shows and played multiple characters, especially when Fisher staged It's a Wonderful Life as a radio show

"John is responsible for a lot of what you see around here," Fisher said. "Over the weekend the mayhem.

"We started out as gypsies. Our very first performance was at the Warren Road Light and Life Church next door; we did 'Godspell.' We've also rented space in Grace Moravian Church and did shows in the warehouse district."

LEN FISHER, founder and director of Inspire Theatre

it was an empty room, but it's come together with the walls and the stairwell. It's amazing to see a set come together."

Later this month, the Inspire Theatre School of Arts will resume offering acting classes for young people. But for now, Fisher and his fellow thespians are focusing on the excitement opening night in a new more permanent venue. "I've learned that if you're not having fun, you're not doing it right," Fisher said. "We try to have enough fun that the audience keeps coming back."

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Ellard (John Donnelly of Redford) pretends to teach Charlie Baker (Richard Holland of Livonia) how to speak English. Lodge owner Betty Meeks (Judy Cook of Livonia) and guest Brother David Lee (Grant Marmaduke of Northville) watch the lesson.

Business Alliance

The Garden City Business Alliance meets on the second Friday of each month. The next meeting will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at the Straight Farmhouse, 6221 Merriman, Garden City. For more information, visit the GCBA gcbiz48135.org, email gcbusinessalliance@gmail.com or call 734-788-9319.

Job Fair

The City of Westland's "Westland Works" employment opportunity team is helping to put residents to work with a job fair from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 12, for employment opportunities with Canton-based Advance Engineering. The job fair will be held in the Grande Ballroom of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road.

Advance Engineering, which specializes in metal stamping for the automotive industry, has a variety of positions available. Applicants must have attained a GED or graduated high school and be able to pass a drug test. Bring a resume and valid driver's license. Interested individuals can fill out an application at the event and possibly be interviewed that day. For more information

on Advance Engineering, visit www.adveng.net.

Children's Sabbath

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne-Westland at 3 Town Square, Wayne, is presenting a special Children's Sabbath during the 10 a.m. worship time on Sunday, Sept. 13.

The special guest speaker will be Mary Browe, director of the Wayne-Westland Dyer

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Senior Center. Browe is a grandparent, and has also raised a grandchild. Many families find themselves in this challenging situation due to a variety of difficult circumstances. The church hopes to begin a grandparent support group as a follow up to the service to lend support to families. Find out even more at coffee hour following the worship service.

Children will be able to make a special prayer bead bracelet after the service. For more information, call the church office at 734-721-4801.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Dyer Senior Center in Westland is holding its monthly spaghetti dinner from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25. Enjoy spaghetti, salad and dessert for \$8 for adults, \$4 for children age 12 and

under. Children age 3 and under are free.

The center will hold its monthly game night at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17. The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh. For more information, call 734-419-2020.

Festival/craft show

St. John's Episcopal Church will hold its annual Festival and Craft Show on Saturday, Sept. 12, at the church at 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland.

The festival features food, a beer/wine tent, entertainment including classic rock, country and Benny and the Jets, silent auction, children's activities and bounce house (free admission ticket with every food/drink purchase). Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. The craft show runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (set-up is at 9 a.m.).

For more information,

call 734-721-5023 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Bova VFW

Westland's annual ceremony remembering the nation's POW/MIAs will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, at the Bova VFW Post #9885, 6440 Hix, north of Ford Road.

A national observance, **POW/MIA Recognition** Day is held on the third Friday of September each year as a time to remember those who were prisoners of war (POW) and those who are missing in action (MIA), as well as their families.

World War II and Korean War veterans also are invited to a luncheon in their honor from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the post. Veterans may bring a family member to the lunch. It is free, but reservations are required. Call Dorothy at

904-625-4689.

Used Book Sale

The Friends of the Westland Library will hold their used book sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, and from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at the William P. Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland.

There will be a Preview Sale from 3-6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, for Friends only but people who would like to join as a friend that evening can shop. Hardcover fiction will be buy one, get one free, and Sunday will be the \$4 a bag sale.

People who would like to help with the September book sale can contact Pat Asquini at patkatmi@aol.com to volunteer for any of the days. Set up for the sale will be on Wednesday, Sept. 16, beginning at 10 a.m.

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LOCAL NEWS

Three Cities Art Club issues call for artists

Three Cities Art Club is seeking artists participating in its fifth annual Festival of the Arts at Westland Shopping Center Mall Friday-Sunday, Oct. 23-25.

The non-juried show with requirements include an annual membership fee of \$25, an entry fee of \$25 for up to three pieces plus \$5 for each additional entry, \$5 for bin work, box of note cards, table display of up to three-by-four feet.

Participants also must be at least 18 years old and work at least one four-hour shift during the show but more shifts, if possible, with special consideration for those with health restrictions. Go to threecitiesartclub.org to download the specific requirements, a membership form and entry form.

Hundreds of visitors attend the festival to enjoy the art, take a free class and to take in the sights and sounds of a variety of musical acts on the Rotary Club of Michigan stage. Guest judges select their favorite piece of art with prizes awarded to the artists at 1 p.m. Oct. 24. Visitors also vote for their favorites for a chance to win prizes, too.

Currently 50 members strong, Three Cities Art Club was founded in Plymouth almost 60 years ago — the cities don't matter as residency is not a restriction. Adults are welcome to join, no matter the skill level. There are a few artists who have been members over 50 years and some are just now tapping into their creative nature.

The monthly events are usually the first Monday of the month in Canton and feature free workshops, demonstrations and informative presentations plus members bring new art for attendees, see and vote



Soprano soloist wows the crowd at Westland Shopping Center during the 2014 Festival of the Arts presented by Three Cities Art Club.

on with winning artists collecting points for a chance to win cash at the end of the season.

Attend up to three meetings free. The minimal \$25 annual membership fee includes a full color monthly newsletter by mail (and email which anyone can sign up for), art supply discounts plus opportunities to exhibit in at least two art shows a year.

The Festival of the Arts is free and runs from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 23-24 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 25. For more information, contact Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939. To learn more about the art club, visit www.threecitiesartclub.org.



Artist Nancy Poat of Plymouth poses with her painting chosen by guest judge Mayor William Wild at the 2014 show garnering Poat the "Wild About Art" \$100 cash prize.



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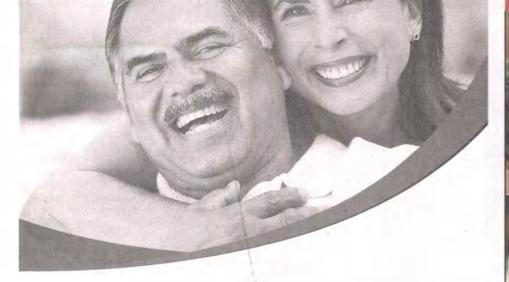
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Better Business Bureau introduces Wedding **Resource Center**

A person's wedding day is the biggest day of their life. In an effort to assist in making this memorable day as joyful and simple as possible, Better Business Bureau (BBB) Serving Eastern Michigan has launched its BBB Wedding Resource Center.

BBB receives thousands of inquiries from individuals involved in planning a wedding looking for trusted vendors and ways to save money while avoiding scams and bad businesses.

The BBB Wedding **Resource** Center offers tips, advice and helps to quickly connect consumers to trusted businesses as they maneuver through the process of planning a wedding.

"Getting married is one of the biggest transitions in a person's lifetime; we want to provide support and insight as they prepare for this major change," said Melanie Duquesnel, president and CEO of **BBB** Serving Eastern Michigan. "BBB is unique in its ability to assist couples, event planners, and others with access to trusted vendors during the planning process, as well as support in the life changes surrounding marriage such as protecting yourself from identity theft and pre-paring for financial changes.'

On the site, the following is available:

» Buying a Home



GETTY IMAGES The BBB Wedding Resource Center offers tips, advice and helps to quickly connect consumers to trusted businesses as they maneuver through the process of planning a wedding.

Find tips on what you should and should not do as you look to purchase a home for the first time.

» Budgeting and Planning - Get insider information on scams, ways to save money, what you should include in your registry and wedding etiquette. » Planning for Life -

Get information on how to change your name, prepare for tax season, health and life insurance changes to consider, and so much more.

» Your Engagement - Find tips on how to shop for the perfect diamond and what insurance you should have to protect your purchase. » Groom Zone – Find

information specifically designed for grooms as they prepare and plan for the big day.

» Honeymoon tips – Get information to help when planning destination weddings and honeymoons.

» Direct Access to **Trusted Businesses** -Get a list of BBB Accredited Businesses in the wedding and events planning field such as jewelers, photographers, caterers, florists, limos, retail stores and more.

BBB Wedding Resource Center is the third in a series of microsites designed to help inform consumer on a specific topic. You can find more information on these and other topics as well as connect with trusted businesses at www.bbb.org/detroit.

Better Business Bureau Serving Eastern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula is a nonprofit organization with the purpose of promoting trust in the marketplace by assisting in the protection of consumers and businesses from fraud and unethical business practices.

In addition to its recognized dispute resolution services, BBB maintains business reviews on the customer service history of more than 85,000 local businesses and provides consumer education materials on numerous topics.

BBB provides its services free to the public and its service territory stretches across Eastern Michigan from Ann Arbor through metropolitan Detroit, Lansing, Flint, upward to Alpena, and covers the entire Upper Peninsula.

Don't panic over August investment statements

ugust statements will be sent to investors in the next week. This is a heads up to investors - do not be surprised if your account has gone south.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average had its worst August in 17 years The Dow was down a little over six percent which means it was the worst performing month in more than five years. In fact, it was the sixth worst monthly performance of the Dow.

Overall, the broader U.S. markets also suffered similar declines. The S&P 500 fell a little over six percent in August, its worst monthly performance in more than three years. The NASDAQ, which is very tech heavy, also showed significant decline. In August, the NASDAQ was down close to seven percent, its worst August performance in 14 years and its worst monthly performance in over three years.

The bottom line, August was a difficult month for investors.

I would like to to tell investors to ignore August statements because for many it will be de-



pressing. There will be very little good news on those statements.

However, to ignore a statement would be irresponsible. It is important to review your statement for accuracy. Confirm that the ending balance of the previous statement is the beginning balance of this statement. In addition, confirm contri-

butions and withdrawals. However, that doesn't mean you have to make any changes in your portfolio.

As I've mentioned in the past, many investors are under the mistaken belief that when markets are volatile, they need to do something with their portfolio. As difficult as this may sound, when markets are volatile, it's a good time to stay put and not make any moves.

When markets are volatile and investors make decisions, generally fear or greed dictates a decision - the two emotions that kill investors and portfolios.

Therefore, my advice as you look at your August statement is don't panic and don't overreact.

Many investors are wondering when the volatility will end. I wish I knew. My view, is it will continue for a while – because later this month the Federal Reserve will sit down and decide what's going to happen with interest rates. No matter what the fed decides the market will react.

In addition, the market will continue to be concerned with global growth and the slowdown in China. Volatility is going to be the buzzword for a while.

However, I believe there is a silver lining to everything and that is why when markets are volatile, investors should look for opportunities. Whether it's investing unproductive cash that is sitting in the bank or doing a Roth conversion. Good luck.

Rick Bloom is a feeonly financial advisor. If you would like him to respond to your questions, please email rick@bloomasset management.com.

Understanding Uber, other transportation technologies

iving in metro De-troit doesn't lend itself to being an Uber power user, but between business trips, vacations and nights on the town, I've experienced all that the popular taxi cab alternative offers.

I once scored a \$10 ride in an Audi A6 in downtown Chicago, as well as a \$20 limo ride with 13 friends throughout downtown Grand Rapids. I've gotten re-funds from Uber when drivers got lost and even hailed traditional taxis using the Uber app. Even if you've never used Uber, you've likely heard of its disruptive existence. Uber is a smart phone app-based taxi service that can be used to quickly get a ride wherever you need to go. With Uber, you order your ride, get directions and pay the fare all in one. Using the GPS on your phone, Uber shows the location of your driver and when he/she will arrive It also shows the type of car you will be using, the driver's name and the driver's rating. It gives fare estimates and lets you pay seamlessly through credit, debit or PayPal. You can even split fares with friends. Compared to the usual ride in a yellow 1999 Crown Victoria, Uber is a godsend. The ordering process is quicker and more convenient and payments are a breeze. Because drivers must maintain high ratings from customers, the cars are almost always newer, nicer and cleaner than your local cab company. Even if you've never used Uber, you've likely heard the complaints: Uber drivers are contractors without benefits and are undercutting the industry and their PR outreach regarding safety for women passengers is sketchy. There's been outrage

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in the media against Uber's contractor policies, background check procedures for drivers and, even worse, protests and violence toward Uber drivers in Europe and Mexico. But for all of its faults, Uber is still a much better and safer

companies provide. For \$80 a day, Silvercar will rent you a Silver Audi 86 with free GPS, free satellite radio, free Wi-Fi, app-based toll tracking and a fair mileage plan. That's less than I recently paid at another established company for a Subaru Impreza with no GPS or Wi-Fi during a recent trip to Salt Lake City. And if I forgot to fill up the car with gas, they would have charged \$9 to \$10 per gallon. Silvercar only charges you the

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alternative to traditional taxis. And with great consumer features like digital receipts and appbased customer service, it is a no-brainer for folks in any mid-size or major metro area across the globe.

Uber isn't the only transportation company disrupting the industry. Rival Lyft is a less popular, but established, smart phone-based cab company. You'll know Lyft drivers when you see them — they're the ones with giant pink mustaches on the grill of the car.

Lyft doesn't offer luxury car service like Uber and isn't in as many locations. Lyft drivers, however, are said to be more friendly - encouraging riders to sit in the front seat and often times engaging them in conversation. That's not to say Uber drivers aren't friendly and personable, but Lyft seems to make it a core value.

Business travelers and savvy consumers who need their own car while traveling have recently started turning to Silvercar, a smart phone-based car rental system that allows you to reserve, pick up and unlock your car with nothing more than your phone. Silvercar is in only

about 10 select U.S. markets, but the value is already far beyond what brick-and-mortar rental

market rate for the gas you use, plus a \$5 fill-up fee. That sounds a bit more reasonable, plus the rental experience sounds more convenient and luxurious.

Another transportation trend that is poised to grow as technology allows users to telecommute is the concept of ride-sharing. Ride-sharing is where owners can rent out their cars to other users to make a bit of cash when they aren't driving. The model is great for sellers who need more cash, renters in big cities or single-car households.

Relay Rides is the current leader in the ride-sharing marketplace. Through its website, users in metro Detroit and other cities can exchange car rental services and Relay Rides will take a 25-percent commission.

With gas prices heading lower, you could buck all these transportation alternatives and opt to drive your own car. Using your own car might be so last year, but at least you don't have to fidget with the driver's seat or change the radio presets.

Jon Gunnells is the social and digital media manager at a Detroitbased marketing agency. He can be reached at Jonathan.Gunnells@gmail.com.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

The document shredding event is open to the public with a limit of five bags or boxes of personal documents. American Data Security Inc. will provide the shredding services. Participants are in-

vited to bring donations of canned food items

that will be donated to the Lighthouse Home Mission food bank at 34033 Palmer Road in Westland.

For more information about Zeal Credit Union, visit www.ZealCreditUnion.org or call 800-321-8570.

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6 Guardian students promoted to black belts

Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness in Garden City recently promoted six students to black belt following a two-day testing.

Promoted to firstdegree black belt was Sean Arning. Promoted to junior black belt were Zena Alyasiry, Christopher Brugger, Lincoln Loiselle, Jonah Ostella and Sean Thompson.

The annual promotion takes prospective black belts through a rigorous examination that includes a challenging physical workout. It also tests students teaching and leadership abilities and sparring, which is typically done in one day. Students return the next day to perform their American Kenpo selfdefenses, forms and sets for examiners. That portion of the grading is closed to the public.

The candidates also put together a mini demonstration of their favorite techniques, including board and brick breaking, to perform for their family and friends for an evening extravaganza where the students receive their black belt.

Students train under the instruction of Senior Chief Instructors Kelly and Shelby Perkins. The



Perkins own Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness and have been teaching American Kenpo since 1998. American Kenpo is known for its practical and effective self-defense. Guardian is the only Ed Parker American Kenpo studio in southeast Michigan. Pilates Reformer,

black belt.

recipients in an American Kenpo stance.

Arnis and CPL classes are also taught at Guardian. The studio is at 30942 Ford in Garden City. For

Guardian Martial Arts senior instructors Kelly (center) and Shelby Perkins join the black belt

Senior Instructor Shelby Perkins has a thumbs up for Sean Thompson who received his Junior

more information, call 734-266-0565 or email guardian@guardian martialarts.com.

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Ancestral search is birthday gift for his father

Tuesday, Sept. 8, had special meaning for Scott Barns. It was his father Jonathan's 100th birthday.

While his father passed away nine years ago, Barns wanted to do something to recognize this birthday. One of the thoughts that came to mind was a trip that his family took to Washington, D.C.

ton, D.C. "My dad took me to the National Archives where he tried to do some genealogical research," Barns said. "Unfortunately, we hit roadblocks and my dad's efforts ended. So I decided to try to track my dad's ancestral background."

Barns, whose mother was the late Justine Barns — noted Westland "Census records are released to the public after 70 years; the 1900 records were not released until two years after our visit to the National Archives – 1970," Barns said.

The 1890 records were destroyed in a major fire in Washington, D.C. in 1921, but with Internet searches, he was able to use the 1900 census to follow names back to 1880 and earlier.

"I was able to trace the Barns family that arrived in the U.S. in 1843 back to York, England. I saw a copy of my ancestors' marriage license from an English website and a ship passenger list with their names. The Barns family settled in Van Wert, Ohio, and so I thought I was about done," Barns said. "I then started looking into the families that married into the Barns line.' What he found was that the Evans family his mother's maiden name - had a limited written record. The Ralston family - his grandmother's maiden name however, was an eye opener. "I found that a member of the Blue family had married one of my Ralston ancestors. This

family is so deep in U.S. history I was really overwhelmed," Barns said. "One ancestor not only fought in the Revolution, he later was part of the Whisky Rebellion. The Whisky Rebellion was a group in the 1790s that refused to pay tax on homemade whisky. When the rebellion was over, my ancestor was penalized with a sever penalty of 15 pounds."

The Blue family goes much deeper into U.S. history than that.

According to Barns, the family includes a "Shawnee woman (no name given)" and a couple of name changes. He found that the Blue family has a website which details their ancestry, including his Ralston ancestor. English was that the Dutch, including Barns' Danish ancestor, take on surnames. Initially, the family used the Blaw name which soon became Blue.

He also has been able to trace German, French, Dutch and Danish ancestors to their home towns in Europe as well as ancestors that fought during the Revolutionary and Civil Wars.

Barns believes his father "would have really enjoyed knowing this stuff."

"But then he would have been frustrated that he couldn't find more information," Barns said.

NEXT STOP:



SCOTT BARNS

Scott Barns traced the Barns ancestory back to York, England. However, the Evans family – his mother's maiden name – had a limited written record.

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city councilwoman, state representative and county commissioner — purchased a six-month subscription on ancestry-.com and began his search with three family names — Barns, Evans and Ralston — that he knew as a child from family reunions.

Within hours, he was able to review census records back to 1800. One of the first things he discovered was why his father hit a roadblock in 1968. "The ancestry goes all the way back to the birth of a Danish ancestor in Recife, Dutch Brazil, in about 1649," Barns said. "This ancestor and his family almost immediately after his birth moved to New Amsterdam as the Portuguese were conquering all of Brazil. My ancestor then saw the English conquer New Amsterdam and rename the town New York."

A requirement of the

09-15-0212 Motion by James, seconded by Miller and unanimously carried the, it was resolved to approve the Second Reading and adoption of an amendment to Ordinance No. 270.01: City of Wayne Recreation Advisory Board.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 2015-08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE THE CITY OF WAYNE ORDAINS:

Section 1. THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE BE AMENDED BY CHANGES TO CHAPTER 270 - RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

The entire Chapter is repealed.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall be published as required by law.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and upon publication thereof.

Matthew Miller City Clerk

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Adopted: September 1, 2015 Published: September 10, 2015 Effective: September 10, 2015

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On September 15, 2015 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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2007	INFINITI	FX	SW	JNRAS08W47X208858
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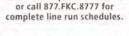
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NO. 2015-25 September 1, 2015

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne Activity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. The City Council interviewed one candidate (Kristoffer Tobbe) for the City Manager position; schedule Special Meeting for 9/3/15 @ 6:00 p.m. Adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Matthew K. Miller

City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI 48185, on <u>September 24th, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.</u> (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

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> Devin J. Adams City Controller

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-27 September 3, 2015

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wayne Activity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. MEMBERS PRESENT: Hawley, Monit, Damitio, Rowe, Rhaesa, Miller. MEMBERS ABSENT: James. The City Council discussed the City Manager position and approved beginning labor negotiations with Lisa Nocerini for the City Manager position; Adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

> Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

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ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-26

September 1, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne Activity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. Presentation of the Police Office of the Year. APPROVED: minutes of reg. mtg. of August 18; Special Event Permit for Rouge-A-Palooza; bid award to ETNA Supply, Grand Rapids, MI for new water meters; second reading of the repeal of the Rec. Adv. Bd.; 4 yr. contract with Great Lakes Recycling for soft recycling; sewer tap for 36345 Van Born, Romulus, MI; 2nd yr. of 5th yr. contract with United Resource for snow removal; donation from Wayne Youth Hockey Assoc; consent calendar. Adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

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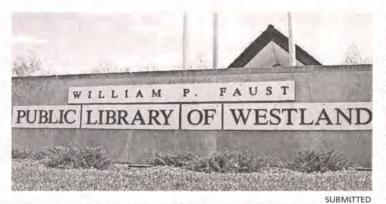
Library card is a cool tool for school

The new school year has started. Students arrived for the first day with plenty of pens, pencils, paper, notebooks and a myriad of other supplies needed to be successful.

But they may be missing another important school supply – a library card.

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all.

The month-long observance was launched in 1987 to meet the challenge of then Secretary of Education William J. Bennett who believed



A library card is a key to a world of information at libraries like the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.

every child should have a library card and be able to use it. Since then, public libraries across the country have joined

have a lible to use sure that happens. libraries According to the ALA, libraries play an important role in the education and development of children. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

Public libraries are considered an essential part of having an educated and literate population. In addition to print books and periodicals, most public libraries today have a wide array of other media including audio books, e-books, CDs, cassettes, videotapes, DVDs and video games, as well as facilities to access the Internet and inter-library borrowing of items from other libraries.

Libraries provide other ser-

vices, such as community meeting rooms, storytelling sessions for infants, toddlers, preschool children or afterschool programs. They have online programs for homework help and for parents and teachers and the always popular summer reading programs for children, teens and adults.

A library card is the key to a world of information. The first step in accessing that information is by getting a library card. It's easy and it's free. There are no hidden charges, no payment due every month for the resources it provides students to compete academically.

A library card is the smartest card you can have and one of the best tools for school.

GUEST COLUMN

What football taught me about autism

t's that time of year again. NFL training camp sessions are winding down, and fans are chomping at the bit to assemble their fantasy football teams.

Football season is here.

And while much of the frenzy is happening on the field, some of the greatest moments pertaining to the game happen in the absence of screaming crowds, referees and bright lights.

Times like when former NFL quarterback Rodney Peete rose from his chair and headed toward the podium to give his keynote speech at the Autism Alliance of Michigan's annual Michigan Shines for Autism Gala.

Peete's autistic teenage son RJ smiled at my husband Scott, who played with Rodney during his tenure at the Detroit Lions. RJ gave Scott a fist bump as if to say, My dad's got this.

And Peete did. From the moment he uttered his first word, Peete held the audience captive as he took us all on the twisting, winding, and uncertain journey that is often all too familiar for parents of autistic children. And although Peete was cool, composed, and tempered his story with just the right amount of humor and candor. there was absolutely no sugarcoating the gut-wrenching impact of the words a therapist hit him and his wife Holly with



when RJ was only three.

The therapist said that RJ would never attend a mainstream school. She said RJ would never speak. And she said that he and Holly should probably resign themselves to the fact that RJ would never say "I love you."

Sitting mere steps away from the podium where Peete spoke were the parents of Jay Granger. Like the Peetes, the Grangers also know what many other parents of autistic children have since learned: You will be told your autistic child will not be able to do something, and then you will celebrate when your child defies expectation.

That's precisely what happened one night on the football field of mid-Michigan's Mason High School, when the school was trailing their opponent, DeWitt, by 22 points.

Mason's varsity head football coach Jerry Van Havel sent Jay Granger, who is autis-



LK PHOTOGRAPHIC

The 2015 Autism Alliance of Michigan's Courage Award was presented to coach Jerry Van Havel, Jarrett Van Havel and Jay Granger by Detroit Lions defensive end Ziggy Ansah (from left), R.J. Peete, former NFL quarterback Rodney Peete, former Detroit Lions offensive lineman Scott Conover, Detroit Lions head coach Jim Caldwell, Detroit Lions running back Joique Bell and WJBK-TV sports anchor Dan Miller.

"I don't score touchdowns in football," said Granger while being interviewed on Lansing, Michigan's WLNS-TV for the station's Player of the Week feature. "I really don't have that much talent in the sport ... it's one of the coolest things I've ever done in my athletic career!"

Also on the field that night was Coach Van Havel's son, Mason High quarterback Jarrett Van Havel, who has been a close friend of Granger's since first-grade. Granger has said that Van Havel pushes him in the classroom as well as in sports. In turn, Van Havel credits Granger for supporting the team with his infectious positive attitude.

Together, Granger, Jarrett Van Havel, and Coach Van Havel were the recipients of the 2015 Autism Alliance of Michigan's Courage Award.

This particular brand of fellowship – which is unique to team sports; particularly football – made it abundantly clear like Jarrett? And if every night they went home to parents like Coach Van Havel?

We can do this by raising our children to be more tolerant of the challenges their autistic peers may face, and we can do this by offering empathy and support – no matter how small – to the parents of autistic children.

By the way, RJ Peete attends a mainstream high school (and rides the city bus to get there); he speaks just fine; and every single day, he looks his parents in the eyes and tells them, "I love you."

At the end of the gala, when my husband told Peete that his favorite part of the speech was indeed the "I love you" part, I will never forget Peete's response.

He said, "Remember what coach (the late Frank Gansz, special teams coach for the Detroit Lions) used to say? 'Celebrate the small wins.' Because they matter, and they're important." They are, indeed.

Wayne resident Courtney Conover is a mom of two, the wife of former Detroit Lions offensive lineman Scott Conover,

tic, onto the field with a special request: Let Granger run a few steps and then stop.

But DeWitt's defense went a step further and allowed Granger to run the ball in for a touchdown, thereby making his lifelong dream come true. to me that autism affects everyone. Not just those who are living with it.

And we all have a responsibility – and the power – to affect the landscape.

How cool would it be if our schools were filled with kids

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LETTERS

Childhood Cancer Awareness

September is proclaimed as Childhood Cancer Awareness month.

I wasn't aware of that. Now I am.

I was not aware that more children are lost to cancer in the U.S. than any other disease and more than many other childhood diseases combined.

I was not aware that before they turn 20, about 1 in 285 children in the U.S. will have cancer.

To expand the problem I was not aware that worldwide, a child is diagnosed every 3 minutes with cancer.

Remarkably, as recently as the 1950s, almost all children diagnosed with cancer died. Because of research, hard work, good science and medicine the 21st century sees us with about 90 percent of kids with the most common type of cancer surviving. For many types, however, progress has been limited, slow or nonexistent.

There are over a dozen types of childhood cancers and countless subtypes, making it more challenging for researchers to find cures for every kid — but when did Americans cringe from a challenge? In 1971 President Nixon said, "... when we consider what cancer does each year in the United States, we find that more people each year die of cancer in the United States than all the Americans who lost their lives in World War II."

In 2015 President Obama said, "I encourage all citizens, government agencies, private businesses, nonprofit organizations, and other groups to join in activities that will increase awareness and prevention of childhood cancer."

It's Sept. 3 as I write this letter. Are you aware now? Alfred Brock

Wayne

Whose grasp?

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck's proposal for fixing roads sounds like it might be an answer and is headlined that a "fix is within our grasp."

However, utilizing his figures and calculating when our roads would be fixed with this plan indicates that we would have good roads in about 21 years. That calculation utilizes his version-2 roads and would build roads that according to him would last twice as long.

At that time about one-third of the roads would be of the higher quality and other roads would be brought up to that quality as they were replaced. If version-1 roads were built it would take over 10 years to get into good roads. Either of these proposals are unacceptable.

The governor's proposals and identification of the \$1.2 billion requirement makes very much sense when used with Senator Colbeck's numbers. Utilizing his numbers with a \$1.2 billion funding it would take less than four years to get to good roads with version-1 roads and if Mr. Colbeck's version-2 roads were built it would take less than six years to get to good roads and have his "sustainable solution."

We got into this mess because we as a state population were unwilling to pay the appropriate taxes to maintain our infrastructure. Mr. Colbeck seems to believe we should continue that. That sounds like "politics as usual" as he likes to say. We need funding that provides \$1.2 billion to roads and it should be one that everyone supports.

I say a 21-year solution to our road problem is no solution or a "politics as usual" solution. It certainly does not sound like a "fix within our grasp."

Joseph Dunkerley Northville

Iran deal not supported by electorate

I read in the papers that Stabenow, Lawrence and Dingell are backing the Iran deal. I had no doubt that they would, because all of them are Obama boot-lickers and the next one that will fall is Peters. Obviously, these so-called politicians do not follow the national polls, where 75 percent of the people feel less safe with the plan that Obama is pushing.

As a World War II vet of Polish heritage, I think the Democrats sold Central and Eastern Europe down the drain to let the Russians take over. My mother had cousins and uncles who were captured by the Germans and they in turn handed them over to Russia, which was in partnership with Germany. The Russians, of course, marched the Polish soldiers into the Katyn forest and put a bulle into their heads. This wasn't known until 1983, when the Russian leader admitted to George H.W. Bush that indeed the KBG did execute more than 12,000 Polish soldiers. You can also read this in Bill O'Reilly's book Killing Patto 1.

All I can say is that the Democrats will go down in history as giving Iran the bomb and letting them wipe out Israel, which is just as bad or worse than the Holocaust We elect people to represent us in Washington and they do not listen to the citizens who elect them.

Robert Siedlik Livonia

Don't be afraid of Hillary

I change the title of a wellknown play and movie, Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe, to Who's Afraid of Hillary Clinton? I answer, everyone! Why?

The former secretary of state is intelligent, knows about and is experienced in many facets and policies of government as wife of a gov ernor, senator and president. She is a humanitarian as wel as a feminist. In 1995 while visiting China she said, "Women's rights are human rights." Meryl Streep says of her, "We are Hillary; she is us."

Hillary Clinton's other strengths include being an outstanding campaigner, discussing issues, staying on message during debates and large gatherings, and remaining strong during confrontations. Her motto is "never give up." She embodies hope.

Since Hillary Clinton appeared on the national stage 30 years ago, she has been plagued with negativity, accusations, suspicion, insulting descriptions, hate and madeup sandals. The scandals include stories/rumors of corruption, dishonesty, lack of natural feelings, phoniness, not being worthy of trust. Some Republican members of Congress have made her the target of "scandals" some of which were unnecessary, unimportant, inconsequential controversies. The current one concerns her private email server for which she has said she made a mistake. The public should be aware that this practice is consistent with State Department practices during the past two administrations in which diplomats sent secret material on unsecured email.

I am sorry we citizens have to endure another long election cycle. I wish we had a system similar to that of Canada. Sadly, I mistrust most of the forms of media except for journalists I admire and trust. We need another Jon Stewart! Maybe Stephen Colbert?

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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Shingledecker set to lead Spartan girls

Ed Wright Staff Writer

On the morning after Labor Day, it was revealed that Ken Shingledecker has agreed to double his workload for the Livonia Stevenson soccer programs.

Already the head coach of the Spartans' boys soccer program, Shingledecker will take over the reins of the girls' team beginning with the 2016 season.

Shingledecker will take

the AC Milan Shingledecker

Detroit Soccer Club, Shingledecker stepped down from his head-coaching position at Livo-nia Ladywood in June.

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"This was completely un-expected," admitted Shingle-decker. "Chris told me he had decided to step down, so he

gave me a call. I talked to (Stevenson athletic director) Lori (Hyman) and told her I was interested. I went through the interview process and was offered the job. It all happened very quickly.

"It's a super-appealing job and the time frame – with Stevenson playing most of its games at 7 p.m. – made it easi-er to work into my schedule."

Shingledecker said he is excited about the opportunity to coach in the talent-packed KLAA Central Division, which

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includes state powerhouses Novi, Northville and Salem.

"The challenge of coaching against that kind of competi-tion was part of the appeal," Shingledecker said.

Although he hasn't officially met with members of his first Stevenson girls team, he has already reached out to a few players and their families.

Shingledecker got a chance to watch the Spartans first hand this past spring when Ladywood and Stevenson met in a tournament.

Langford shines in preseason

Former Westland John Glenn foot-



ball standout Jeremy Langford had a highly-productive presea-son for the Chicago Bears, who selected the

Langford

ex-Rocket in the fourth round of the 2015 NFL Draft.

Langford led the Bears in rushing, picking up 153 yards on 28 carries (5.5 yards per carry). He scored one touchdown and his longest run was 46 yards.

The former Michigan State Spartan also proved he is a receiving threat coming out of the backfield as he hauled in three passes for 30 yards.

Langford will start the regular season as the primary back-up to Bears' all-pro Matt Forte.

Warrior spikers triumphant

Lutheran Westland's volleyball team improved to 2-1 Tuesday night with a 25-22, 25-10, 25-16 victory over University of Liggett. Outside hitter Emily Fairbairn paced the win-

ners' balanced offensive attack with seven kills.

Libero Cailyn Hindle contributed four kills from the back row.

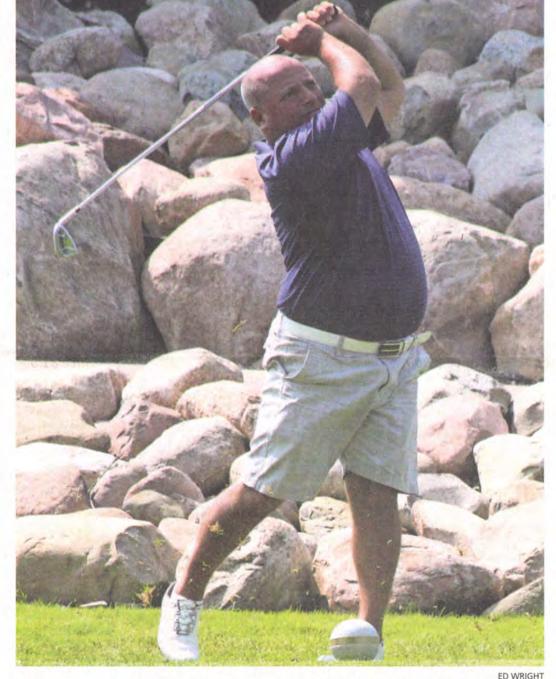
"Individually, we're working on a lot of things, and many individuals did them well tonight, which added up to a very solid all-around match," said Lutheran Westland head coach Tom Lange.



gives Chargers 1-0 win **Ed Wright** Staff Writer

A spot-on crossing pass by Riles Dobar and a textbook header by Kyle Benedict turned out to be the game-deciding one-two punch for Livonia Churchill's boys soccer team Tuesday afternoon against host Westland John Glenn.

Following a scoreless first half, the Chargers ramped up the tempo during the outset of the second stanza before being rewarded when Dobar's perfect left-footed centering pass found the forehead of Benedict, who directed the sphere into the top-right section of the twine for the game's lone goal. The victory improved Churchill's record to 3-2-1 while John Glenn slipped to 2-3, according to KLAAstandings.com. Senior keeper Brandon Dix picked up the shut-out for the Chargers, who were bolstered by strong defensive play from Conner Mc-Carthy, Conner Rash, Benedict and Michael Hudock, among others. John Glenn goal-keeper Andrew Frendo displayed flashes of brilliance, especially late in the first half



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ED WRIGHT Westland John Glenn's Alfredo Vivar (13) and Churchill's Conner Rash arrive at the ball simultaneously Tuesday afternoon.

Raz Boghikian outlasted Matt Wiley and Christopher Treadwell to win his second straight Observer & Eccentric golf title Monday afternoon.

ROCK SOLID

Boghikian defends title with strong finish

Ed Wright Staff Writer

Monday's final round of the Observer & Eccentric men's golf tournament was a threehorse race down the stretch - until Raz Boghikian made like Secretariat and ran away with his second straight title.

Heading into the 26th hole of the 36-hole event - Sunday's opening round was played at Fox Creek Golf Course, while the final round was hosted by Whispering Willows - Boghikian was all even with playing partners Matt Wiley and Christopher Treadwell.

But the West Bloomfield resident proved he was the horse for the course by playing par golf over the final 10 holes while his closest competitors faded in the 90-degree heat.

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IT'S WHAT everyone's talking about.

Reporting results

Local high school athletic coaches are encouraged to report results of their team's games to Observer sports editor Ed Wright, who can be reached at 734-578-2767 or ewright@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for Sun-day editions is Friday at 10 p.m. The deadline for Thursday editions is Tuesday at 10 p.m.

The Lung Run

A trio of high school cross country runners have organized The Lung Run 2015 - a 5k run/walk benefiting the American Cancer Society.

The Lung Run is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, and will begin at Birmingham Seaholm High School.

The course will travel throughout the surrounding neighborhoods. The fee is \$25.

For more information, to register or to donate, visit The Lung Run website at main.acsevents.org/ goto/lungrun.

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PREP FOOTBALL Toledo Whitmer stalls late CC drive for 19-11 win

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Toledo Whitmer scored all 19 of its first-half points off Novi Detroit Catholic Central turnovers and held on for a 19-11 football victory Friday night over the host Shamrocks at Fr. Elmer Stadium.

The Panthers (2-0) racked up 170 of their 178 total yards and all 11 of their first downs during the opening half.

They did not convert a second-half first down, but still earned the victory.

Whitmer, a Division 1 Ohio state playoff qualifier from a year ago, led 7-0 after one quarter when quarterback Chase Bodeman hit Nick Witcher on a 5-yard scoring pass. Eric Filby converted the point-after.

Malik Moore scored on an 18-yard run with 7:58 left in the second quarter to make it 13-0. (Filby's PAT attempt sailed wide.)

Bodeman added a 3-yard scoring run just before the half to put Whitmer up by 19, but the Panthers missed their second straight extra point.

Two of Whitmer's TDs were a result of CC fumbles, while the other came following an interception.

The Shamrocks (1-1) then scored on their second drive of the third quarter, going 86 yards in 12 plays, capped by freshman Austin Brown's 19yard TD pass to Jack Morris with 51 seconds left. CC, however, failed on the two-point conversion attempt.

Just 18 seconds later, CC pinned in the Panthers on their own 1 following a bobbled kickoff return and got a safety when Tyler Morland tackled the Whitmer ball carrier in the end zone to make it 19-8.

In the fourth quarter, CC drove to the Panthers' 13, but stalled and had to settle for a 30-yard field goal by Cole Gingell to trim the deficit to eight. The Shamrocks got the ball

back on their own 37 and drove to the Whitmer 6 late in the final quarter, but two passes

fell incomplete to end the threat.

Catholic Central finished with 300 total yards, including 206 on the ground. Cameron Ryan was the top rusher with 64 yards on 13 carries.

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Brown, who came on late in the first half at quarterback for starter Theo Day, was 3of-10 passing for 43 yards while adding 47 yards rushing on 12 attempts. Morris added three catches for 61 yards.

Day, the season-opening starter in a 15-12 win over Muskegon, was 4-of-10 passing for 51 yards and one interception.

Moore, meanwhile, led all rushers with 117 yards on 18 carries, while Bodeman was 6-of-11 passing for 39 yards.

Tackle leaders for CC included Alex Bock (four solo, two assists); Jackson Ross (two solo, three assists); Austin Darkangelo (one solo, four assists); Morland (two solo, two assists), Isaac Darkangelo (four assists).

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SCOTT CONFER

Catholic Central's Cameron Ryan (right) looks for daylight in Friday's game against Toledo Whitmer.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER Patriots upend Zebras in division opener

Ed Wright Staff Writer

When a team wins a soccer match 7-0 like Livonia Franklin did Tuesday night against visiting Wayne Memorial, there are enough accolades piled up to fill an 18-yard box.

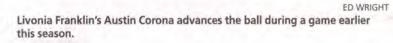
The lopsided result improved the Patriots' record to 2-2-1. It was the first KLAA South Division contest for both teams

Senior Bobby Mandrink received the most praise from Franklin head coach Vic Rodopoulos - and for good reason.

Mandrink scored two goals and assisted on two others in a break-out performance.

"Of all the things Bobby has improved on the most since last year, I'd say his willingness to go forward is No. 1," Rodopoulos said. "His ball control on the dribble has improved tremendously, too. We recently moved him from defense to the midfield and he's enjoying the change.

Single-goal scorers for the atriots were Matt Conley Jordan Whitt, Tyler Forrest, Brandon Sanders and Domenico Pelle.



tween Ryan Prohaska (first half) and Zach Robinson (second half). "I liked the way we were

"I was impressed by how composed Wayne played tonight. And their No. 7 is quick and he has very good bal

included in the rotation were Nate Iacoban, David Shoemaker, Mike Theisen, Trevor Hayes, Sean O'Connell and Nick McNabb.

Spartans blank East

Dominating play to the tune of a 29-1 shot differential, Livonia Stevenson rocked visiting South Lyon East, 4-0, Tuesday night in the KLAA Central Division opener for both teams.

The Spartans improved to 5-1 overall while SLE slipped to 0-3.

Stevenson's Brandon Navarro was in a giving mood as he dished out three assists - two to senior mid-fielder Tyler Gregory and a third to defender Max Hoover.

The Spartans never trailed after Hoover's goal, which came in the 25th minute.

Both of Gregory's net-finders sandwich a Christian Zapata goal, which was assisted by Ian Henzi.

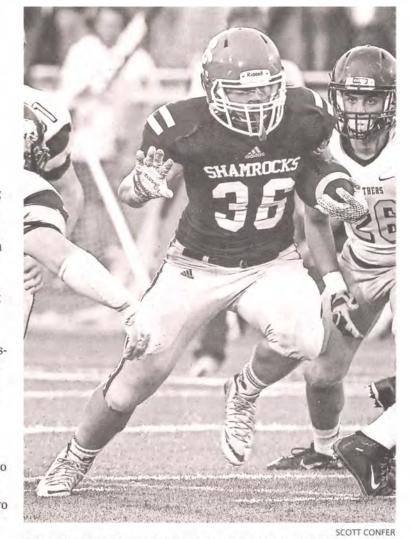
Stevenson's third team shutout of the season was shared by Austin Kaczmarek and Adam Bixby

THE WEEK AHEAD

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PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 11 Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m. Churchill at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Garden City at Thurston, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Novi, 7 p.m. Robichaud at RU, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at Oak. Christ., 7 p.m. BOYS TENNIS Thursday, Sept. 10 Wayne at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Franklin at Churchill, 4 p.m. Stevenson at Northville, 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 Howell Black for the Cardioversity for the Cure Invite, 8 a.m. PREP VOLLEYBALL Thursday, Sept. 10 Clarenceville at G.C., 7 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 6:30 p.m. HVL at Greenhills, 6:30 p.m. Thurston at Dearborn, 7 p.m. Stevenson at S.L. East, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 Novi Invitational, TBA Wyandotte Invitational, TBA adywood Invitational, 8 a.m. **GIRLS GOLF** GIRLS GOLF Thursday, Sept. 10 Canton at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m. Stevenson at S.L. East, 3 p.m. Churchill at Wayne, 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 Grosse lle Invite, 1 p.m. BOYS SOCCER BOYS SOCCER Thursday, Sept. 10 Franklin at John Glenn, 7 p.m. HVL at Parkway, 4:30 p.m. Churchill at Plymouth, 5 p.m. Stevenson at Novi, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11 Truman at Garden City, 4 p.m. GIRLS SWIMMING Thursday, Sept. 10 W.L. Central at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. RU at Edsel Ford, 6 p.m. RU at Edsel Ford, 6 p.m Saturday, Sept. 12 PREP CROSS COUNTRY



The shut-out was split be-

able to progress the ball down the field tonight," Rodopoulos observed. "We had a lot of three touches.

skills."

Franklin's back wall of defenders made life easier than usual for their keepers. Those

Treadwell, who is currently

attending Eastern Michigan

teaching. "I thought it went well; I had a great time.

well off the tee on the front

nine today, so I had to scram-

ble. On number 17, which was

"I wasn't hitting the ball

University, where he is pursu-

ing a master's degree in sports management, and substitute

Nicola Macellan turned away 13 shots for East.

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SOCCER

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when he made a diving stop on Erlin Guri's point-blank shot from five yards out.

The Rockets' superb defensive effort was spearheaded by Stephen Woodhouse, Kyle McCarthy and Nam Bui.

Dix covered the 18-yard box like a blanket for the Chargers, ranging out of the goal crease to smother a few potential daggers. One of the senior's best saves came 10 minutes in when he pounced a ball just as John Glenn's Alfredo Vivar was ready to strike.

Ten minutes later, Rocket sophomore Mitch Richter

made a legitimate shot to snap the goal-less game, but Dix extinguished the netseeking roller with a diving effort.

Warriors win again

Lutheran Westland improved to 4-0 Tuesday afternoon thanks to a 5-0 victory over Lutheran South.

Now 4-0, the Warriors registered their third shutout of the season behind the stellar net-minding effort of Jordan Williams.

Offensively, Kyle Farley paced the winners' with two goals. Bobby Sprague, Drake Snyder and Kyle Downey scored one goal each.

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Westland John Glenn senor goal-keeper Andrew Frendo made a diving, point-blank save on a shot by Churchill's Erlin Guri Tuesday afternoon.

O&E TOURNEY

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Boghikian, who is a teammate of Wiley's in a weekly golf league at Gateway Golf Course in Romulus, carded 141 to out-distance Wiley and Treadwell by six strokes.

Wiley led the 22-player championship flight after the first day by one stroke over Boghikian and Treadwell, thanks to a stellar round of 69 Sunday.

Jordan Andrus finished fourth at 149, one stroke ahead of fifth-place Christian Richard.

The champion's final round was kick-started by a surprising result.

"Right off the bat, I bogeyed the first hole after I drove the ball through the green on a par-4, but I hit it so well that it was like, 'That's OK, let's stay with this swing,'' Boghikian said. "On the range before the round, I decided to stay with a slower-tempo swing and it worked pretty well. My short game was good today, too.'

Boghikian was quick to praise the playing conditions at the two Livonia course, which featured plush fairways and smooth greens.

"I have to hand it to (Whispering Willows head pro) Paul (Worley) and (Fox Creek head pro) Dave (Higham) - both courses are in awesome shape," he said. "Whispering Willows is traditionally shorter than a lot of courses, so it has to defend itself with tough pin placements. You definitely have to know what side of the green to be on, because if you're on the wrong side, it's easy to three-putt.'

Wiley said his opportunity to capture his second O&E golf title (the 58-year-old was the champion in 1981) melted away on his approach shot at the sixth hole (the 15th of the day



Salem alum Christopher Treadwell tied for second in this weekend's O&E men's golf tournament.

for the leaders, who started on hole 10).

"I hit a perfect drive, but I went for the pin when I prob-ably shouldn't have," Wiley lamented. "I should have hit one less club than I did. I flew it up next to the hole and it bounced over the green. I was down three after that hole, so I kind of lost it mentally."

Wiley said the fact that he and Boghikian are good friends didn't take away from the competitive edge they both share.

"Turst me, we both wanted to win," Wiley said, smiling. "I don't think either one of us had our 'A' game today, but Roz played like the champion he is down the stretch.

Treadwell, a 2005 graduate of Salem High School, turned in a solid performance in his first O&E tournament.

"I just moved back to the area from Washington, D.C., so this was my first time playing in this tournament," said

our eighth hole, I had kind of a careless three-putt bogey, which kind of set me off on the wrong foot." Richard won the first-place net score prize with an adjusted total of 142.

Alex Kolpacke was crowned champion of the first flight wiht a 156 - edging runner-up Jeff Orzel by four strokes.

Thomas Mulhern and Tim Kavanaugh tied for the top spot in the first-flight net standings with scores of 140.

The senior division provided the most drama as Bill Himm defeated Brad Ralls on the third playoff hole. Both players shot 36-hole scores of 150.

Martin Stadtmiller won the senior division net championship with a 139.

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OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT Sunday and Monday at Fox Creek and Whispering Willows

at Fox Creek and Whispering Willows Championship Flight 141: Roz Boghikian; 147: Matt Wiley, Christopher Treadwell; 149: Jordan Andrus; 150: Christian Richard; 154: Ron Mendoza, Keith Krochmalny; 157: Charles Marshall; 158: Andrew Baron; 159: Junichi Miura; 160: Greg VanGorp; 161: Kazutoshi Nobuka-wa, Evan Fargo; 162: Paul Otanez; 163: Sam Williams; 164: Michael Lightbody; 165: Mitchell Hosch, Daniel Tacker; 166: Stephen Connolly; 171: Steve Slavton; 176: Inel Hall: 181: Matt Publicht

Hosch, Daniel Tacker, **166**: Stephen Connolly, **171**: Steve Slayton; **176**: Joel Hall; **181**: Matt Rybinski. First Flight **156**: Alex Kopecke; **160**: Jeff Orzel; **164**: Tim Kavanaugh; **165**: Gordon Harrison; **166**: Thomas Mulhern, Kevin Moreno; **167**: Ron Sobczak; **168**: Eric Birkle; **169**: Mike Cavicchio, Arthur Dart, Brian Hanley; **171**: Matt O'Neill; **174**: Ron Ambrose, Tommy Stansell, Zoz Compagnari; **177**: Craig Tripp; **180**: Gordon Stefanick; **182**: Adam Buehner; **184**: Daniel Tonferage; **185**: Alex Westhal.

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150: Bill Himm, Brad Ralls (Himm won playoff); 157: J.B. Brown; 159: Martin Stadtmiller; 160: Don Mullett; 161: Liaryl Stephens; 162: Larry Semczak; 163: Brian Kuehn; 164: Dennis Kitchen, Joseph Schulz; 168: C. F. Bittin; 172: Bick Wheeler; 173: Schulz; 168: C.B. Flint; 172: Rick Wheeler; 173: Doug Harmala; 176: Al Varga; 178: John Harrisc 180: Mark Johnson.

Thursday, Sept. 10 G.C. at Wayne, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 ambling Rock Invite, 9:30 a.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Brother Rice drops second straight, 29-7

Indiana's Penn High School takes down Warriors

Marty Budner Staff Writer

It's been 46 games, four years and three state championships ago since Birmingham Brother Rice last dropped consecutive football games in one season.

But, that's what hap-

YOUTH GOLF

pened Friday evening at Berkley's Hurley Field against visiting Mishawaka Penn High School out of Indiana. Penn came in and stung the Warriors, 29-7

Coupled with Rice's season-opening loss to Chicago Brother Rice, the Warriors are now 0-2 to start out the 2015 campaign. Rice last lost multiple games - three straight - from Sept. 30 to Oct. 14 of 2011.

Brother Rice fell behind 7-0 early in the first quarter when Penn quarterback Camden Bohn scored on an 11-yard run. That's the way the first half ended. Bohn scored again

midway through the third quarter on a 4-yard run to give his team a 14-0 lead.

Rice cut that lead in half when quarterback John Tracy went in on a 4-yard run late in the third quarter.

Penn, however, iced the game with a 15-point fourth quarter on a pair of long runs by Bohn of 57 and 82 yards. For the game, Bohn finished

with a whopping 255 yards on 19 carries. He completed three of seven passes for 25 yards.

Tracy was 18-30 passing for Rice for 171 yards. Matthew Jordan had a dozen receptions for 113 yards while Russell Brown was next with two catches for 28 yards.

Penn accumulated 382 total yards of offense -357 of which came via rushing. Brother Rice

finished with 230 yards of total offense.

Defensively, Rice's standouts were Ryan McWood (nine tackles) and Sterling McCarrell (seven tackles). Jack Saylor accounted for Rice's lone sack.

Brother Rice plays its third straight out-of-state opponent – Elkhart Cen-tral out of Indiana – 7 p.m. Friday at Hurley Field.

PRO GOLF

Pesta set for fourth straight pro national

Looks to improve finish in 2016

Marty Budner Staff Writer

Matt Pesta is planning a golf trip to cen-tral New York next June.

The second-year teaching pro, representing the Springdale and Lincoln Hills golf courses run by the city of Birmingham, will participate in the 2016 PGA Professional National Championship. The 312-player event will be held June 26-29 at Turning Stone Resort in Verona, N.Y., a short driving distance from Syracuse.

Pesta will be playing in his fourth consecutive Professional National Championship.

He missed the cut at that prestigious tournament in 2013 and this year, when it was played in Philadelphia. In 2014, he finished in a six-way tie for 16th overall.

Pesta figures next year is his time to shine again and he plans to make the most of it.

"I'm on the every other year system, Pesta said. "So this year will be another good year for me. Hopefully, the schedule stays the same for me. Pesta, a 1995 gradu-

"It was neat to get into a zone like that. That was the first time I ever remember playing so well while being so down. That was a neat experience." MATT PESTA

Birmingham-based pro after rallying to qualify for Pro National

point. With 15 holes left, I was 6-over, then I had a run of 7-under for the next 14 holes.

"That was by far the best stretch of golf I had played all year," he added. "It was neat to get into a zone like that. That was the first time I ever remember playing so well while being so down. That was a neat experience.

The Michigan PGA was the highlight of his summer.

In the two other tournaments he played, including the National PGA and Michigan Open, he missed the cut. As a result, he wasn't in the greatest frame on mind heading into the Michigan PGA. "With how I played in the tournaments earlier this year, I went into the (Michigan PGA) with zero confidence," Pesta said. "I started off terribly and battled back." Pesta, who is working as an assistant golf coach at Birmingham Seaholm, plans to prepare himself for next year's PGA National. "I have that tournament on the schedule to look forward to this winter, so that makes a huge difference," Pesta said. "There is something on my schedule worth practicing for. The biggest thing for me this year was doing it with no confidence. 'It's been one of those seasons where I haven't had a lot of time to practice and my putting has been rusty," he added. "But I'm very excited for next season and I think it's going to be much better than this year."

Farmington Hills Mercy senior Julia Shaw was the low-scoring female with a stellar 77.

New junior golf league an instant hit

M.B. Dillon Correspondent

A new junior golf league got off to a great competition was great; there were some really good players and some

everyone. The



besting the entire field of 70-plus golfers. Dhruv Kumar, 11, shot an 86 and

Monday through Friday. The cost is \$15 for nine holes; \$21 for 18 holes. On Mondays, parents may golf with their junior golfer(s). Weekend play is also available, with slightly varied rates. For more information and to register, visit IGAJunior-Tour.com.

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start at Fox Creek Golf Course in Livonia, attracting nearly 80 student-athletes who competed in an 18-hole shotgun tournament while turning in some impressive performances Aug. 17.

The Livonia-based Innovative Golf League is being launched by the John Dinan Foundation to give male and female golfers age 21 and younger an opportunity to compete in its fall and spring leagues. It is designed to be competitive and flexible to accommodate students' school schedules - and to be affordable as well.

Atop the IGA Junior Open leaderboard were James Baldwin and Julia Shaw. Baldwin, a senior at Salem High School, took first place among the males with a three-over-par 74. Shaw, a senior at Farmington Hills Mercy, shot 77 to capture the win on the opposite side of the board.

"I thought it was a great event," said Baldwin, who also won closest-to-the-pin honors among males 16-and-over. "It was run well and was at an affordable price for

great scores behind me.

"I thought I James played very well; I just stuck to my Baldwin strategy of hitting fairways and greens, making pars and attacking holes

that could be scored on and being patient on holes that were difficult."

Shaw started out strong and never looked

back. "I had eight pars on the front nine; on my first eight holes I got pars," she said. "It got me off on a good note.

The IGA was a success. The tournament was really well-organized and everyone had fun. The course is in great condition, which enabled me to shoot a low score and have a lot of fun out there.'

Chad Berger and Kristen Szabelski were runners-up, shooting 75 and 80 respectively. Thirdplace finishers were Saahith Mummadi with a 76 and Gabriella Scopone, who shot 84 and also won closest-to-thepin in her division.

Marin McGowan landed a shot just 37 inches from the hole to capture closest-to-the-pin honors,

recorded the longest drive in the youth division. Jack Stanley, 13, took second place in the age group with a

90, Shane Beaufait,12, finished third with a 91. Grace Singh, 13, won

the girls' youth division shooting 116, followed by runner-up Kelsie Nowicki, 15, with 119.

Hitting the longest drive among the girls was Christina Briden. Mike Maiden captured longest-drive honors in boys' competition.

Organizing the IGA Junior League is the Dinan Foundation, named for the late John Dinan, an avid golfer who founded the J.D. Dinan Co., a Livonia-based real estate development firm. His family is starting the league to honor his memory and make it easier for young people to enjoy the sport he loved.

IGA Fall League play begins this week at Livonia's Whispering Willows Golf Course and continues through October. Play is open to males and females age 21-and-under

Golfers may tee off anytime after school

Fox Creek golf pro Tom Welsh was pleased to see such a large field at a first-time event.

"It was a really excellent team effort with a good mix of kids who probably wouldn't cross paths otherwise," said Welsh. "I think it's amazing they got that many golfers. Once word of mouth gets out, parents will really get behind this. It will be great for the kids.

"I'm glad someone is taking up the banner," Welsh added. "It's good for the kids who don't have any place else to play, and who are trying to crack the line-up on their high-school teams. Whether or not they make their high school teams, this gives them an opportunity to get on a golf course and to make friends with kids who have the same interest, and enjoy a little competition. It's great the Dinan family is getting behind it.'

ate of Walled Lake Central High School, qualified for the PGA National by finishing fifth at the Michigan PGA held in mid-August at the Egypt Valley Country Club in Ada Township.

Rally for the cause

The tourney did not start out well for Pesta. as he carded a 6-over opening round of 78. However, in his second round, Pesta scored 3-under to give himself a chance heading into the final 18 holes.

It didn't look good early in that final round, as he scored the dreaded snowman eight on the third hole. However, he responded in brilliant fashion by birdying seven of the next 14 holes. Pesta was in a putting zone, which he said he hadn't experienced since his high school days.

"With time running out, I was on the outside looking in to get that top nine spot to get back to the National club pro tournament," Pesta said. "That was the minimal goal at that

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GREGORY JOHNSON

Matt Pesta qualified for the PGA Professional National Championship by placing fifth at the recent Michigan PGA tournament.

OBSERVER FOOTBALL PREDICTIONS

ALL GAMES 7 P.M. UNLESS NOTED

Friday, Sept. 11	Ed Wright	Dan O'Meara	Tim Smith
Farm. Harrison (1-0, 1-1) at Oak Park (0-1, 0-2), 6 p.m.	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
D.H. Robichaud (2-0) at Redford Union (1-1), 6:55 p.m.	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud
Southfield (1-0, 1-1) at Farmington (1-0, 2-0)	Southfield	Farmington	Southfield
Rochester (0-1, 0-2) at North Farmington (0-1, 1-1)	N. Farmington	N. Farmington	N. Farmington
D.H. Annapolis (0-2) at Livonia Clarenceville (0-2)	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Clarenceville
Plymouth (1-1) at Wayne Memorial (0-2)	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth
Garden City (1-1) at Redford Thurston (1-1)	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston
Livonia Churchill (1-1) at Westland John Glenn (0-2)	Churchill	Churchill	Churchill
Livonia Franklin (1-1) at Canton (2-0)	Canton	Canton	Canton
Livonia Stevenson (2-0) at Novi (0-2)	Stevenson	Stevenson	Novi
South Lyon (2-0) at Salem (1-1)	Salem	South Lyon	Salem
Lutheran Westland (0-2) at Oakland Christian (0-2)	Oakland	Lutheran W.	Oakland
Last week's record	9-6	11-4	8-7
Overall record	20-10	21-9	17-13

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New home construction on upswing in metro Detroit

Julie Brown Staff Writer

New home permit activity shows strong signs in our region.

Based on single-family new home permit data compiled by the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the HBA Southeastern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report, a total of 455 single-family permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in July 2015

Activity in July rose slightly compared to a revised June 2015 total of 453 permits but fell by 8 percent compared to July 2014 (494). July's results mark the fourth consecutive month above the 400-permit threshold during this year's construction season, which traditionally begins in April.

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the HBA of Southeastern Michigan, noted, "When you have people working, it cre-ates that opportunity" to build a home. "There are some other things going along with it The things going along with it. The existing home market continues to look up. They gener-ally parallel," he said of new and existing home markets.

In the last couple of years, Stoskopf said, there's been a return to the normal ratio of six existing homes sold for each new one built. "Obviously, there are some homes that are 200 years old," he said. "It sort of makes sense once you think about it."

At four consecutive months, 2015 is already the third best streak dating back to 2006, the HBA reports. Full-year totals for 2013 and 2014 saw the 400-permit threshold exceeded for seven consecutive months and five consecutive months, respectively.

In July, Oakland County continued to lead the way with 209 single-family home permits issued. Macomb County was in second place with 163 single-family home permits. For the region, the rapid pace of multi-family construction slowed in July with only 82 permits issued in July. Howe er, from a trailing 12-month total, multi-family permits reached 1,007 marking its highest point since July 2005 (1,159).

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The Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan is pleased with its latest report on new home permits. Michael Stoskopf, its CEO, said new and existing home markets generally parallel.

purchased and subcontractors hired.

Once the homeowners move in, they buy such items as a new couch, drapes and more. "When a new home is built, there's quite a bit of retail that goes on," Stoskopf said

Lyon Township and Novi continue to dominate with new in Oakland Count while Canton is strong still in Wayne County. Macomb County's Macomb Township also dominates locally. "All of these areas got off to a good start at the beginning of the year and continue to lead the way," he said. Birmingham and Royal Oak also

have some residential building although it's more infill lots or tearing down of existing homes.

"It's not as easy to do," he said.

Stoskopf agreed career opportunities exist in the skilled trades. His association, others in Michigan and those nationwide are working to subcontractor short addr ages. Industry leaders encourage high schoolers to train in two-year and four-year construction management programs, "and hone those skills a little more."

existing home sales, declining inventories and sales price appreciation - all trends that typically translate into increased new home permit activity.

The HBA/ASA New Housing Permit Forecast projects a total of 2,268 permits will be issued in the six-month, August-to-January time frame, n increase of 1

Lawyer can advise on ATV use, rights

Q: I am disabled and re-quested that my condominium association allow me to use my motorized vehicle (ATV) to get around the com-plex to pick up my mail, visit neighbors, etc. My unit is located in a large-scale complex and ATVs are prohibited on the unpaved roads within the community. My request was denied and I was advised

by the association that there is concern about incurring liability in the event that an accident occurs if they allow unlicensed and uninsured



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vehicles to be driven within the neighborhood. What are your thoughts in this regard?

A: The roads within the complex are intended to be used by everyone that enters the community, subject to proper restrictions. Indeed, the streets also most likely qualify as a "public accommodation" provided by the privately held association under the provi-sions of the Federal Fair Housing Act. As such, the assumption would be that the association has a duty under the FFHA statute to provide a reasonable accommodation to you as a disabled person to drive your unlicensed vehicle on the roadways. However, in a recent case, Scoggins v. Lee's Crossing Homeowner's Association, 718 F.3d 262 (2013), the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that a resident could not operate his ATV on the community roadways. The court focused on whether the proposed accommodation was reasonable, under the circumstances, and concluded that the threat to the health and safety of other individuals on the roads outweighed the request for accommodation by the resident. It should be noted that the court's decision was fact specific. Therefore, it is possible that, if challenged, a different outcome could be the sult in your particular situa tion. A lawyer may give you an even handed prospective on vour rights. Q: My company is planning on investing in Germany for commercial and/or residential construction opportunities. I am wondering whether you have any personal knowledge of what cities would be best suited for that type of development, i.e., a mixed use commercial/residential development? A: Having recently visited Germany, I can tell you that there is much construction going on in the major cities, and even the bombed-out areas of Berlin, Dresden and Munich have been restored in a condition which looks like they were, in some instances, hundreds of years old when they are only 10 to 20 years old. Berlin is very busy with commercial construction and would, in the right location, be an excellent opportunity. Perhaps even better is Munich because the relative sociopolitical and economic composition of the residents is greater and generally it is a more affluent city with more amenities. Dresden is also a place where major reconstruction has occurred. Much new development is needed because of the thriving population. Frankfort is, of course, the business capital of Europe, and is growing at astronomical levels. However, the price of housing and land in all of these cities has gone up appreciably, although the U.S. dollar is much more favorable than was the case even ten months ago.

"It boosts the economy," Stoskopf, a Williamston, Mich., resident, said of new homes going up. Materials are

As the HBA also observed last month, July 2015 saw a continued acceleration in

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the same period in 2014.

"The weather continues to be good through the fall," added Stoskopf, noting residential construction will continue to be strong.

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 20-24, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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000	23606 Stoneleigh Dr
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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 11-15, 2015, at the Wavne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses,

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Livonia

Church

at 313-682-7491

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9

a.m., worship service, 11 a.m.,

contemporary service, 1:30 p.m.,

Sunday school, 12:30 p.m.,

Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays

Location: 14560 Merriman,

Contact: pastor Roger Wright

» Garden City Presbyterian

Time/Date: Adult Bible study at

service, youth Sunday school and

Location: Middlebelt, one block

child care at 10 a.m. Large print

order of service is available

Refreshments in the church

fellowship hall immediately

after service. Elevator and

handicap parking

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Contact: 734-421-7620

» Good Hope Lutheran

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday

school followed by 10:30 a.m.

worship service with Commu-

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill,

» Grace Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional

Sunday service and 10:30 a.m.

contemporary; Sunday school

and adult Bible study at 9:15

Location: 46001 Warren Road,

Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity

and 10 a.m. at Madonna Univer-

Location: Trinity Church, 34500

Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall

Contact: www.HisChurchAngli-

on the Madonna University

campus, 36600 Schoolcraft,

» Holy Cross Evangelical

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10

a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m.

Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livo-

» Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11

Beech Daly, north off West

Chicago Road, Redford

Contact: 313-937-2424

Location: 9600 Leverne, west of

Wednesday worship in the

Contact: 734-427-1414

can.org; 248-442-0HCA

Lutheran Church

between Canton Center and

Beck, Canton Township

Contact: 734-637-8160

» His Church Anglican

Contact: 734-427-3660

nion each Sunday; Bible study 10

8:15 a.m.; traditional worship

SEPTEMBER ALPHA COURSE

Time/Date: 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, beginning Sept. 15 or noon to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, beginning Sept. 17

Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

Details: During the 11-week Alpha Course, sponsored by Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, participants explore the purpose of life and the existence of God in a relaxed setting that encourages discussion. Includes a meal, short talk and discussion. The Alpha Course is free to guests, with the exception of active members of another Catholic church. In addition to Our Lady of Good Counsel, the series also is offered 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, beginning Sept. 16 at the Box Bar in downtown Plymouth and on different days at private homes. Register at PlymouthAlpha.com

Contact: 734-453-0326 BIBLE STUDY

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, through May 2016 Location: St. Priscilla, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia Details: Master Catechist Mary Rice leads the study on the Gospel of Mark, which began Sept. 8

Contact: Mary Rice at 248-308-2474

CHILDREN'S SABBATH

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, during worship time Location: First United Methodist Church of Wayne-Westland, 3 Town Square, Wayne

Details: Mary Browe, director of the Dyer Senior Center program through Wayne-Westland Community Schools, will be the guest speaker. The Children's Sabbath will highlight issues that children face. A grandparent support group will be planned as a follow-up to the service. Children will be able to make a prayer bead bracelet after service

Contact: 734-721-4801 CONCERT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford Details: Christian songwriter and former atheist Chris Driesbach performs. Refreshments follow the concert. A free-will offering will be accepted Contact: 734-968-3523

FESTIVAL/CRAFT SHOW

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Food, beer/wine tent, entertainment, silent auction, children's activities and bounce house. Craft show runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Contact: 734-721-5023 FINANCIAL PEACE

with the support of 15 other churches, and local businesses host a picnic. Families can stop by and get a free meal, cold drink, play a variety of games, have someone pray with them, and even ride a Segway. Music by One Accord and dance by Holbrook interpretive dance group

Contact: 734-464-0990; firesidechog.org

RALLY/HOMECOMING

Time/Date: After 10 a.m. service, Sunday, Sept. 20 Location: First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Games, crafts, prizes, and fun for all ages. Bring a favorite dish to share

Contact: 734-421-8628 WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

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

Details: Mass and light lunch for widowed men and women Contact: Liz at 734-452-9149 or Pat B. at 734-895-6246

OCTOBER RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct 1; 9 a.m. to noon Friday-Saturday, Oct 2-3 Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Newburgh and Wayne Road, Livonia Details: \$2 admission per adult Thursday only; free admission Friday-Saturday. Saturday halfprice sale

Contact: 734-422-0149

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY Our Lady of Loretto

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township Details: Scripture study Contact: 313-534-9000

Faith Community Wesleyan Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every

Saturday Location: 14560 Merriman,

Livonia Details: This informal class

includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one **Contact:** pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

CLOTHING BANK

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Saturday of the month Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton Details: No documentation needed Contact: info@cantoncf.org EXERCISE

EXERCISE Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday

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 Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

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

Contact: 313-563-0162 PRAYER

St. Edith Church

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

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching.

Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223 Contact: 734-464-1223

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

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

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

Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information SINGLES

SHOLLS

Detroit World Outreach Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304 Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated. Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org First Presbyterian Church

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

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

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

Steve's Family Restaurant

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free **Contact**: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **Detroit World Outreach Time/Date**: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202 Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems

Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244 » Farmington Hills Baptist Church

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

Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011 » Merriman Road Baptist

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

fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with

questions at 734-981-2519 » Fireside Church of God

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

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

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

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

» St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Saturday Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: A twice-monthly dropin Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available

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

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

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

Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

» Unity of Livonia

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

Details: Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722;

www.oa.org for additional information » Ward Evangelical Presby-

terian Church Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (op-

tional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. 1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • www.mideathnotices.com

and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted. **Contact:** 313-579-2100, Ext. 149;

www.solanuscenter.org

» Adat Shalom Synagogue Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-851-5100 » Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11

school and youth and adult

Location: 14175 Farmington

Contact: 734-522-6830

Road, just north of I-96, Livonia

» Congregation Bet Chave-

Time/Date: Services are held 7

Location: At the shared facil-

ities of Cherry Hill United Meth-

Congregation with Rabbi Peter

Contact: www.Facebook.com/

p.m. the third Friday of the

odist Church, 321 S. Ridge,

Details: Reformed Jewish

Gluck and Cantorial soloist

betchaverim or email to be-

» Due Season Christian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday,

with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible

Location: Stevenson High

School on Six Mile, west of

Farmington Road, in Livonia

Details: Nondenominational,

multicultural, full gospel church

Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit

» Faith Community Presby-

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

worship; 9 a.m. Bible study

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile,

Details: Women's group meets

12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the

month. Vacation Bible School

Contact: 248-349-2345; faith-

» Faith Community Wesley-

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UNIVERSITY

Time/Date: 7 p.m. beginning Sept. 10

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market, Farmington Hills

Details: The seminar aims to help participants better understand their finances and plan for the future

Contact: Register at 248-553-3380

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

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

Contact: 734-425-4421

MOM2MOM SALE

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept 26

Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia

Details: \$2 early bird admission, \$1 after 9 a.m., strollers welcome.

Contact: newburgmom2mom@gmail.com

PICNIC IN THE PARK

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 12

Location: Nankin Mills, 33275 Hines Park Drive, Westland Details: Fireside Church of God, 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 Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

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

Thursday Location: Salvation Army,

27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills Details: Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4

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

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

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free-will offering in the vestibule of the church. Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran

dmile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all

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

Contact: 313-534-0399 SONG CIRCLE

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

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

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

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

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Apostolic Christian Church Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily

Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

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

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

Connection Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/ desserts), Thursday

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

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

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

THRIFT STORE St. James Presbyterian

Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Contact: 313-534-7730 for

additional information

Way of Life Christian Church Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May

Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth

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

Contact: 734-637-7618 TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month

Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality Deadlines: Friday, 4:00 p.m. for Sunday papers Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. for Thursday papers Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

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BECERRA, VIRGINIA HAMMOND

Formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died Thursday, September 3rd at her home in Port Orange, Florida. Born in Chicago, Illinois in 1923 she moved to Birming-ham in 1975. Ginny was an avid collector of antiques and classic cars, joining the Rolls Royce Owners Club with her late husband Lawrence Becerra who died in August of 1991. She also worked for more than 20 years as Realtor in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area. She retired to Florida in 2009, where she made many friends who share her love of bridge, Mrs. Becerra was predeceased by her son William Warren Pierce of Winnetka, IL and is survived by her four Kathleen Ballard daughters; (John) of Port Orange, FL, Patricia Hutton (Phil) of Phoenix, AZ, Deborah Hammond of Libertyville, IL and Jennifer Hammond (Bradley Morton) of Troy, MI; 10 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Her burial will take place later this year at Lake Forest Cemetery in a private service with family



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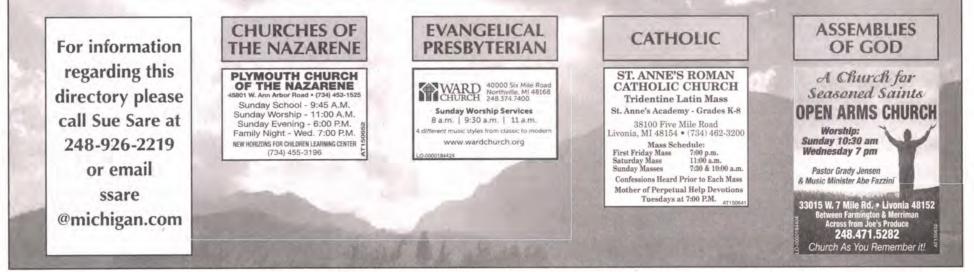
85, passed away on Thursday, September 3, 2015. Husband of the late Doris Chatterley. Father of Mark (Sue) Chatterley, Lauren (Michael) McMillan, Scott Chatterley, Bruce (Nancy) Chatterley, Brian Chatterley and ten loving grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at the Plymouth Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon Rd., Plymouth on Saturday. September 19 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. To read full obituary please visit:

schrader-howell.com





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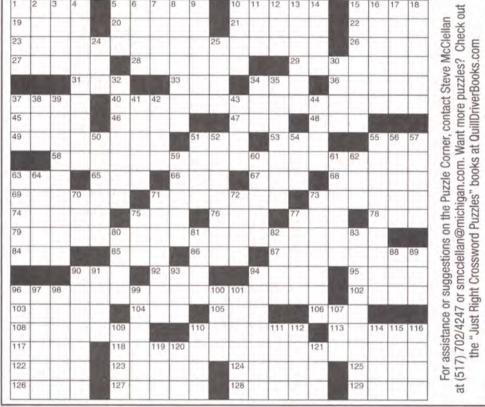




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BB (WGRL) THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 **OBSERVER &** ECCENTRIC MEDIA HOMETOWN LIFE.COM 'Inner Peace Troubadour' to sing 9/11 concert in Livonia

Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Singer-songwriter Cecilia St. King watched the World Trade Center tragedy unfold while in New York City on Sept. 11, 2001.

She saw the North Tower engulfed in flames, the South Tower explode and countless trapped individuals jump from the burning buildings to their deaths. Then,



she ran to the "roar of the lion.' "I don't run

dour, it's my

nature to serve.

away from tragedy. I run toward it. Being a peace trouba-

Cecilia St. King

I wanted to see how I could

help." She gave impromptu con-certs near Ground Zero, sing-ing to "ease heavy hearts" for volunteers and stunned by-

standers, that day. Fourteen years later, St. King still sings about peace, although her focus is more about inner calm than the overwhelming "bigger picture." She'll present the "September 11th Concert for Peace," 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. Admission to the concert, which is sponsored by Livonia-based Citizens fort Peace, is \$15. Call 734-425-0079 or visit citizens4peace.com to reserve tickets.

The performance is part of a Midwest tour that also will stop in Colorado and South Dakota, before ending in Salt Lake City, Utah, where St. King will sing at the Parlia-ment of World Religions, a gathering of individuals dedicated to promoting "interreligious harmony.

While in Michigan, St. King also will sing at two private homes; for Sunday service, Sept. 13, at the Spiritual Life Center in Royal Oak; and she will perform one song for World Peace Prayer Day on Sept. 10 at Detroit Unity TemKing, in a phone interview recently from New York. "There will be a lot of laughter. I'm just going to tell my stories. They are heart-opening stories. Some will make you laugh and others will make you cry. People will leave with a

feeling of hope." Although she has had her share of tragedy — witnessing 9/11 and then being diagnosed with throat cancer - St. King prefers to sing a positive message. Her most recent CD is called "Your Word is Magic," a nod to the notion that "energy follows thought.'

"I believe with all my heart the more you focus on good, the more good you'll get. My job is to give people tools to enable them to find peace. I give them these songs so that when they are hurting and despondent, they can choose to

sing. "I believe where there is music, there can be no harm. I believe that truly.'

Cover tunes, peace songs

St. King grew up in a family where "there was always room at the dinner table" for guests in their Upstate New York home. The self-taught musician began performing after college, achieving a "modicum of success" in her 20s singing and playing guitar in New York City. She moved to Colorado where she sang with a cover band, then spent time in Tennessee before moving back to New York, just six months before 9/11.

She sang for Dennis Kucin-ich's and Howard Dean's presidential campaigns, and has performed at schools, prisons, festivals, churches, and peace vigils. St. King has been the guest singer at the National Peace Academy in California and teaches workshops in Connection Practice, which aims to help its practitioners find release from worry, anger, anxiety and depression, while helping them to resolve conflicts nonviolently.

"I like to share those tools and say when you're beyond frustration, you can learn a new skill set and choose to do something different." St. King said the most important peace message is we're all one, all one family." The last time she visited Detroit she got a chance to embrace that notion when she



Cecilia St. King sings and teaches about inner peace.

ple.

Songs, storytelling

St. King says the audience in Livonia likely will be "pleas-antly surprised" by her songs and stories.

"It's not 'Kumbaya.' I'm not going to proselytize," said St.

encountered a few homeless persons on Belle Isle. King described them as shy, embarrassed and fearful.

"I put on my guitar and I started to sing Under the Boardwalk and Stand By Me. All of a sudden this one guy

started to sing and he had the voice of an angel. It leveled the playing field. He started to smile and laugh. Then we were equal, one family. That is the power of music. I never want to be in a place someone feels less than to me. They are the

same as."

Visit St. King's website at ceciliastking.com. Check out Citizens for Peace on Facebook.

sdargay@hometownlife.com

ANIMALS DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sept. 30; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 1-March

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

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

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS **BIRMINGHAM STREET ART** FAIR

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 19 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 20 Location: Downtown Birmingham

Details: More than 150 jury-selected artists are featured, including Wan-Chuan Kesler of Northville, a painter, Eric Cooper of Farmington Hills, a ceramic artist, Doug Remien of Farmington Hills, a photographer, and Autumn Aslaksan of Novi, a ceramic artist

Contact: BirminghamStreetArtFair.com; 734-662-3382

CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, through Oct. 2

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

Details: Artist Sue Majewski commemorates her love of food and flowers through intricate bead and tile work in a solo exhibit called "Things I Love" Contact: 248-473-1859

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: Exhibit hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, through Sept. 26.

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: "Ten to One - Interpretations of the Studio Model," features works by 10 artists who meet weekly at the studio of artist Mary Step to paint models in costume

Contact: 248-344-0497 or www.North-

GET OUT! CALENDAR



See Greek dancing Sept. 11-13, at the Ya'ssoo Greek Festival in Bloomfield Hills.

villeArtHouse.org

PCAC

Time/Date: Opening reception 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; runs through September

Location: 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth

Details: Photographers John Angus, Amy Lockard and Sylvia Ford exhibit "Different Perspectives." Refreshments will be served, art will be for sale and the photographers will be on hand at the reception

Contact: 734-416-4278; plymoutharts.com

VILLAGE THEATER

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public performances, through September

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "Tell Me, Berenice Abbott," is a fine art digital photography exhibit by Tim Ruane

Contact: 734-394-5300 VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION **OF LIVONIA**

Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. Sept. 18 Location: 37653 Five Mile, in the New Five Shopping Center, Livonia

Details: During "Friday Night Paint Party," participants will choose one of two paintings to serve as inspiration for creating their own work. They may choose the paintings in advance. Janus Benda leads the session, which costs \$35 and will include instruction, canvas, supplies, savory snacks, and beverages including wine

Contact: 734-838-1204; vaalart.org

AUDITIONS FARMINGTON HILLS YOUTH THEATRE

Time/Date: Noon to 5 p.m. Sept. 12 and 1-6 p.m. Sept. 13

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

Details: Students in grades one-12 and adults, should bring a recent photo to their audition for Wizard of Oz. All other materials will be supplied Contact: fhgov.com/YouthTheatre PLYMOUTH UPTOWN PLAYERS

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth Details: Plymouth Uptown Players Youth Theater auditions is for actors age 5-14. The experimental theater program will include weekly Sunday rehearsals that include instruction, team building, improv and more. All participants will get a role in the final production. Register in person, online or by phone. Cost is \$200 with a \$30 PCAC student membership

Contact: plymoutharts.com; 734-416-4278

FESTIVAL YA'SSOO GREEK FESTIVAL

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sept. 11-12 and noon to 8 p.m. Sept. 13 Location: St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 43816 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills

Details: Greek cuisine, homemade pastries, marketplace, dancing, music by Enigma, cooking demonstrations, kids' activities, church tours. Opening ceremonies at 5 p.m. Friday, include lighting of the "World's Largest Sanganaki." A torch bearer will light a cauldron to ignite 20 pounds of Greek cheese. Guests may sample the traditional "opa" cheese afterward. \$2 admission; free admission 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday or with donation of three canned goods

Contact: yassogreekfestival.com

FILM **PENN THEATRE**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, and 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth Details: Mr. Holmes, \$3

Contact: 734-453-0870;

www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Sept. 11 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 12

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit Details: The King and I, \$5 Contact: 313-898-1481

HISTORY **KELSEY MUSEUM**

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Nov. 29

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

Details: "Passionate Curiosities: Collecting in Egypt & the Near East, 1880s-1950s," focuses on the individuals who helped to build the Kelsey Museum collection



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GET OUT

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Contact: 734-764-9304 PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17. Exhibit: The Fair That Changed America runs to Nov. 1, and focuses on the 1893 World's Fair in Chicago, Ill. Many contemporary, commonplace objects were introduced at this World's Fair, including the Ferris wheel Antiques appraisal: Doug Dalton Auctioneer will appraise antique furniture, art, and small objects, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23. No jewelry, coins, or stamps will be considered. Appraisals are by appointment only. Oral evaluations will be given for \$10 per item. There is a maximum of four items to be appraised per

15 minute time slot. Call the museum for an appointment Contact: 734-455-8940 MUSIC

BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE VIVACE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 Location: 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: The Aeolus Quartet with Steve Wogaman on piano; tickets are \$28 general admission. \$25 for members and seniors, and \$10 for students

Contact: Joyce Cheresh at 248-788-9338 or Ann Sipher at 248-661-1348

BLUES@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Details: Bring your dancing

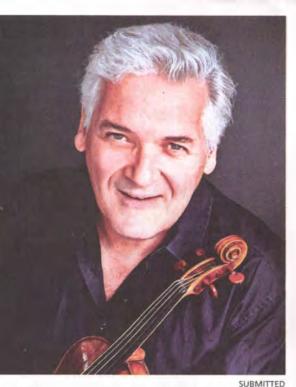
shoes. \$5 donation Contact: 734-453-1780

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19

Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center, on the Detroit Country Day School campus, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills Details: Violinist Pinchas Zukerman and pianist Angela Cheng open the 2015-16 season; tickets from \$32-64 for adults and \$16-32 for students

Contact: 248-855-6070; chamber music detroit.org



Pinchas Zukerman opens the Chamber Music Society of Detroit's 2015-16 season, Sept. 19, in Beverly Hills.



Ronya Mallad, left, of Canton Township, Ken Overwater of Dearborn, Kori Bielaniec of Westland and Kristin Heitmeier of Northville, rehearse a scene from "Boeing Boeing" at Farmington Players. The show runs Sept. 25 through Oct. 10.

CORSI'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT

Time/Date: 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Oct. 17

Location: 27910 W. Seven Mile, Livonia

Details: Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin tribute dinner show; tickets are \$35 and include dinner and show Contact: 248-473-7777

FRIENDS OF UNITY

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3

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

Details: "Posipalooza" features four singer/songwriters, Daniel Nahmod, Sloan Wainwright, Glen Roethel, and Sue Riley.

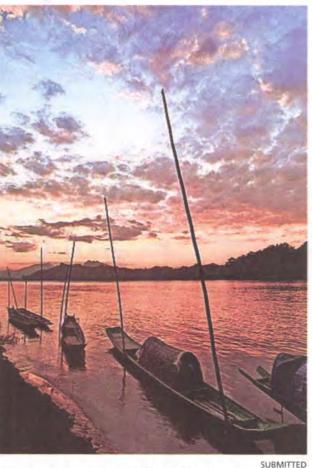
Their songs convey positive messages of peace, love and compassion. Stylistically, the music is contemporary, upbeat, soulful, folksy and jazzy. Tickets are \$20 for adults; \$10 for students with ID

Contact: 734-635-6949; friendsofunity.org

ITALIAN AMERICAN CHORALE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8 Location: Italian American Club of Livonia, 39200 W. Five Mile, Livonia

Details: The Chorale, directed by Viviana Garabello, will debut at Pasta Night. The event will include a pasta dinner from 6-7:30 p.m. Members, \$10, nonmembers, \$15, children, ages 5-12, \$5



Farmington Hills photographer Doug Remien is among the local artists who will show their works at the Birmingham Street Art Fair, Sept. 19-20



James Dapogny appears with Royal Garden at Jazz@The Elks, Sept. 29, in Plymouth.

Contact: 734-953-9724 JAZZ@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Details: The Royal Garden Trio with James Dapogay plays Dixieland and early jazz favorites, Sept. 29; \$10 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres Contact: 734-453-1780 or email

plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m. Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Seth Glier, Sept. 11; The Yellow Room Gang, featuring Matt Watroba, David Barrett, Kitty Donohoe and Annie Capps, Sept. 12; Empty Chair Night, Sept. 13; Open Stage, Sept. 15.

Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted Contact: 734-464-6302 for additional information

THEATER FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26, Oct. 2-3, Oct. 9-10 and Thursday, Oct. 8; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4 Location: Farmington Players Barn, 32332 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Tickets for the comedy, Boeing Boeing are \$16 for adults, \$14 for students and seniors 62 and older Contact: 248-553-2955 or email

boxoffice@farmingtonplayers.org

INSPIRE THEATRE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12 and 18-19; 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 Location: 33445 Warren Road, Westland

Details: The Foreigner by Larry Shue; tickets \$13

Contact: 734-751-7057; inspiretheatre.com

SPOTLIGHT PLAYERS

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18-20 and 25-27

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

Details: Tickets for The Producers are \$16-\$18

Contact: 734-394-5300; spotlightplayersmi.org

TLC PRODUCTIONS

Time/Date: 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12

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

Details: Rock the House: A Rock-and-Roll Cabaret features rock songs grouped according to themes. Tickets are \$15

Contact: tlcprod.wordpress.com **TWO MUSES THEATRE**

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, Sept. 11-12, 25-26, Saturday, Sept. 19, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 and Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 19-20, Sunday, Sept. 27

Location: Inside Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield

Details: Always a Bridesmaid is a comedy about two friends who have sworn to keep the promise they made on the night of their senior prom — to be in each other's weddings no matter what. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for students and seniors, 62 and up

Contact: 248-850-9919; twomusestheatre.org



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FOOD

A FRESH TAKE

Gluten-free flour an easy way to upgrade kids' favorites

s the kids head back to school, there's no better time to make a fresh start in the kitchen, too. Substituting nutritious ingredi-

A ents such as sorghum in your favorite grain-based foods is an easy way to upgrade your family's menu this fall. Some of the traditional snacks kids love most — such as cakes, cookies and doughnuts — can all be prepared using sor-ghum, a gluten-free cereal grain grown throughout the world. This highly versatile ingredient is naturally high in fiber, iron and protein, and can be used in a wide range of preparations. In fact, white food-grade sorghum can be milled directly into whole grain

flour to produce foods such as brownies, breads, pizza dough, pastas, cereals, pancakes and waffles. Whether it's a power breakfast to fuel the day, a sweet lunchbox treat or a tasty after-school snack, these recipes showcase how simple it can be to give your kids' favorite treats a nutritious makeover they'll be thrilled to sample.

For more nutritious back to school recipes and tips for cooking with sorghum, visit www.HealthySorghum.com.

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CHEWY OATMEAL TOFFEE COOKIES Recipe provided by Kate Lange 1 cup butter, softened

2 eggs



SORGHUM PANCAKES Recipe provided by Barbara Kliment 1 ¼ cups sorahum flour 1/4 cup cornstarch teaspoons baki



MILO DOUGHNUTS Recipe provided by Karla Lubben

2 cups light brown sugar 2 teaspoons vanilla extract 1 cup sorghum flour ¼ cup unbleached white flour ½ teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon baking soda % teaspoon allspice 1 ½ teaspoons cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon cloves **3 cups oatmeal** 1 cup coconut flakes 1 (10-ounce) package almond toffee bits

Heat oven to 375°F. Lightly grease cookie sheet. Cream butter, eggs, brown sugar and vanilla in large bowl until light and fluffy. Mix flour, salt, soda, allspice, cinnamon and cloves; add to butter mixture. Beat until well blended. Stir in oatmeal, coconut and toffee bits with spoon. Drop by rounded teaspoons about 2 inches apart onto prepared sheet. Bake 8-10 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cool 1 minute; remove to wire rack.

2 teaspoons sugar ½ teaspoon salt ½ cup powdered buttermilk 2 eggs **3 tablespoons melted butter** 1 ½ cups water

Heat oven to 200°F.

Combine dry ingredients. In separate bowl, beat together eggs, melted butter and water; add to dry ingredients and mix just until well blended. Heat large skillet or griddle over medium-low heat. Spray pan with cooking oil. Wet fingertips under faucet and shake them over hot griddle. If water droplets "sizzle," heat is right to begin making pancakes.

For large cakes pour 1/4 cup of batter into pan; for small use 2 tablespoons of batter. Cook until bubbles form on top; flip and cook until golden brown on bottom. Transfer to baking sheet and keep warm in oven while making rest of pancakes. Serve warm with butter and syrup.

CELIAC-FRIENDLY SUBSTITUTIONS

- » 2 teaspoons vanilla extract: Use 2 teaspoons X-Tra Touch vanilla or any other gluten-free vanilla.
 » ¼ cup unbleached white flour: Replace with 6 tablespoons chickpea (garbanzo bean) flour and 6 tablespoons sweet rice flour, or use ¼ cup commercial gluten-free flour.
 » 3 cups oatmeal: Replace with 3-4 cups of any gluten-free, ready-to-eat flake cereal slightly crushed, or gluten-free. free crispy rice cereal.
- » 1 (10-ounce) package almond toffee bits: Verify product is gluten-free or use 1 ¼ cups chopped almonds or walnuts.

1 egg 1/2 cup sugar ½ cup milk 2 tablespoons melted shortening or lard ½ cup sifted sorghum flour 1 ½ cups sifted all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons baking powder Dash of cinnamon Dash of salt 8 cups vegetable oil Glaze: 1/2 cup powdered sugar 2 teaspoons warm milk 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

In large bowl, beat together egg and sugar. Stir in milk and shortening. Sift together all dry ingredients. Add dry ingredients to egg mixture and stir to combine. Chill dough for 30 minutes. On lightly floured surface, flatten dough to 1/2-inch thickness with your finger-tips or rolling pin. Cut out doughnuts using a doughnut cutter or two sizes of round cookie cutters. Transfer doughnuts to waxed paper and allow to dry for 10 minutes. In deep heavy pot or electric fryer, heat oil to 375°F. Using wire spatula dipped in hot oil, carefully transfer doughnuts into hot oil. Cook 2-3 doughnuts at a time turning them when brown on one side. Remove to paper towel or racks to drain.

For glazed doughnuts, combine powdered sugar, milk and vanilla flavoring. Drizzle on doughnuts or sprinkle doughnuts with powdered sugar or mixture of cinnamon and sugar.

Culinary Extravaganza serves up something for everyone

Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

The list of area restaurants, beverage vendors and pastry shops and bakeries confirmed for this year's Culinary Extravaganza continues to grow.

The event, a celebration of food and wine that benefits student scholarships at Schoolcraft College, runs 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, in the VisTaTech Center on the Livonia campus, 18600 Haggerty, just north of Seven Mile.

What's on the menu?

"I think we're going to be serving some kind of seafood soup from the Sardine Room, maybe a chowder and from Compari's we will feature our lasagna. It's my grandmother's recipe. Nana's recipe," said chef Tony Yaquinto, of Compari's On the Park in downtown Plymouth.

Brown Dog Creamery in Northville plans to serve a selection of its house made ice cream and three extravagant treats.

'Sweet Potato Gnocchi with a toasted rice crispy treat and bourbon caramel sauce," said co-owner Paul Gabriel, describing one of the desserts. The others are a spiced beignet with pumpkin filling and hard cider sauce, and a candied banana chip with mousse and candied bacon.

Compari's and Brown Dog Creamery are among the more than 25 participating restaurants, food and beverage vendors that will serve

unique, signature dishes and drinks at the event.

Other confirmed participants include:

» Birmingham — Big Rock Chophouse, Birdie's Something Chocolate, and The Stand Bistro

» Chelsea - Ugly Dog Distillery

» Detroit — Coach Insignia, Cuisine Restaurant, MGM Grand Detroit, and The Detroit Athletic Club

» Grosse Pointe Park -Atwater in the Park

» Livonia — American Harvest, Main Street Cafe, and Henry's restaurants at Schoolcraft College, Elite Catering Company, and Mitchell's Fish Market

» Monroe — McCormick **Distilling Company**

» Northville - Granite City, and Guernsey Farms Dairy

» Novi — Novi Chophouse

» Plymouth — 5ive Restau-rant - The Inn at St. John's, **Coffee Express Roasting** Company, Karl's Cabin, Old World Olive Company, and The Sardine Room

» Royal Oak - 2 Unique Caterers & Event Planners

» Southfield - Bacco Ristorante

» Troy — Cadillac Coffee Company

» White Lake — The Root Tickets are \$60 per person. For ticket information, contact Mary Holaly at 734-462-4518.

For event or sponsor information, contact Sheri Frader at 734-462-4463.



FILE PHOTO

Christina Tacoma and Brandon Long serve carrot cake from Mitchell's Fish Market at a previous Culinary Extravaganza.