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Wayne council votes to dissolve Parks and Rec Advisory Board

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

With the Wayne Community Center leased and operated by HYPE, the Wayne Council has voted to abolish its Recreation Advisory Board.
"I believe the original in-

tention of the Recreation Advisory Board was parks and recreation," Councilwoman Susan Rowe said. "Over the years, that became the community center. Maybe that's where some of the issues came from."
With HYPE taking over

operations at the community center, where financial problems had resulted in reductions such as closing the aquatic center and ice arena, the city will no longer have a parks and recreation director.
"There will be no one for the advisory board to report with-

out a parks and recreation director," Rowe said. "I understand the rationale of re-vamping it. Maybe at this time, we need to disband it and set up a parks board. We need to take a new approach for the duties of the board."
Councilmen Albert Damitio

and Skip Monit voted against the motion to repeal the ordinance establishing the Recreation Advisory Board.
"We can reconstitute it (the advisory board). We have recreation and parks. We need
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Rouge-a-Palooza organizer Mathew Mulholland wades through the river with an armful of boats for last year's boat races.

ROUGE-A-PALOOZA

Wayne Rouge-a-Palooza coming to Goudy Park Oct. 10

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Rouge-a-Palooza is back at Wayne's Goudy Park on Saturday, Oct. 10.
It's the third year for the Rouge River-focused event that features canoe races and

rides, a rubber duck race, educational displays, live music, food and a beer tent. Along with fun on the river, the event is aimed at promoting recreational opportunities on the Rouge in downtown Wayne.
But before that day of fun

on the Rouge River, a cleanup day has been scheduled for 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, for Goudy Park and other locations.
It's a lighter type of cleanup than is done by a handful of Rouge-a-Palooza supporters who get into the river

and clear obstructions with chain saws.
"When we get log jams, it takes a special person. It's an especially physical and dirty job. Once you are on the river, there is no way to get off
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Westland couple gets helping hand from police officer

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

A car accident brought together a struggling Westland couple and a police officer who decided to lend a hand.

Westland residents Henry and Valli Smith live on fixed income — his Social Security disability payments. A car repair bill on their 1998 Pontiac Sunfire caused the couple to run short of money.

"Usually, I can fix the car myself, if I have the tools," said Henry Smith, disabled due to heart problems. "The car needed a new alternator, it was a \$235 repair. It came out of my check. We cut some bills to manage through it."

Despite trying to make adjustments, the Smiths said they ran out of food and money before the next disability payment arrived. A neighbor had loaned the couple \$20 and they were on their way to buy food late Sept. 1 when another car hit them at Ford and Newburgh.

The couple weren't physically injured but their newly repaired car was totaled. One of the officers responding to the accident, Officer Matt Allen, said he began talking with the couple after hearing they hadn't eaten for days.



Allen



Smith

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Westland mayor to deliver State of City Address Sept. 22 at city hall

Westland Mayor William Wild will deliver his annual State of the City Address on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at Westland City Hall.

The doors open at 5:30 p.m. with Wild set to speak at 7 p.m. During this year's State of the City, Wild will reflect on the Westland's accomplishments and outline his vision for the future.

"I can say with conviction



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have been remarkable," Wild said. "We are building a city that is vibrant, safe and wel-

that the state of our city is as strong as ever and continues to grow stronger with no signs of slowing. Our accomplishments over the past year alone

coming to all residents, friendly to families and businesses, and a leader both on the national and international stage for investment and homeownership."

During his speech, Wild will:
» talk about investments that have been made with the new city hall and fire station;
» provide an update on the first major renovation and

expansion of the Westland Police Department since 1975;
» highlight the opening of historic Norway's newest hub of community activity, the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center;

» outline details about the acquisition of two key federal grants the city received to hire 17 new public safety personnel;
» discuss the influx of pri-

private investment in the city's Central Business District.

"If you look around, so much is happening in our All-American City. I look forward to sharing the highlights," Wild said.

Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the address and seating will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis with overflow rooms available.



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BOARD

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citizen input for managing it," Damitio said. "I'm completely against eliminating the Parks Advisory Board at this time."

During his four years on council, Councilman John Rhaesa said he never heard from anyone on the advisory board about problems in recreation or parks.

"We have issues with our parks. We should eliminate the board and figure out what to do — we need to reinvent it," Rhaesa said. "There are homeowners groups, neighbors who could adopt a park. We need to reevaluate our parks."

Damitio defended the advisory board, noting the body had worked on the city's five-year recreation master plan.

"The Recreation Advisory Board is more than the community center. We do a lot of recreation in a dozen or so parks, the river, trails" Damitio said. "We need citizen input on recreation programs. It goes beyond the recreation center."

Rather than disbanding the board, Damitio proposed revising its charge. No one from the board or the community spoke at the council meeting.

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ROUGE

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the river until the end," said Mathew Mulholland, a Rouge-a-Palooza organizer. "We have a great group of volunteers working lately to get the river cleared for canoe races. We have spent so much time cleaning the river."

On Sept. 27, Mulholland said there will be plenty of opportunities for less strenuous clean-up on dry land in Goudy Park, along Washington Trail and other locations.

The Rouge-a-Palooza Festival kicks off at 10 a.m. Oct. 10 with the Log Jam Classic Canoe Race. Participants, who can bring their own canoes or rent one, register at 9 a.m. The race starts upstream and ends at Goudy Park.

"It's a fun race; we do have some ringers," Mulholland said.

The Friends of the Rouge will host a group



Rouge-a-Palooza kicks off each year with the Log Jam Classic Canoe Race, which starts upstream and ends at Goudy Park.

canoe ride at noon for guests who don't want to paddle their own canoe. There is also a drawing to win a kayak — advance tickets are on sale at the weekly Wayne Farmers Market on Wednesdays in Goudy Park.

There will be three heats by age for the rubber duck races. The Wayne Rotary Club is again hosting a build-

your-own boat activity — all materials provided.

Wayne Main Street is getting more involved in Rouge-a-Palooza this year, Mulholland said.

"The Civitans and Goodfellows have been involved," he said. "We're open to anyone who wants to get involved."

The beer tent and live music begin at noon and continue until 9 p.m.

The Wayne City Council waived fees and a \$1,000 deposit for the event.

Visit www.rougeapalooza.org or its Facebook page for more information.

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'Heart-wrenching'

"It was really heart-wrenching to hear them talking about not eating. I probed them a little about what they were going to buy," Allen said. "Over the years I've passed people on the street, obviously, who were down on their luck. They (the Smiths) really touched me. It was like they had really lost hope."

When asked how they would get home — their car had been towed away — Smith said they'd have to walk. Instead, Allen drove them home.

"We were really shook up. When we got home, I just dropped to the floor crying uncontrollably. We stayed up until 5:30 or 6:30 in the morning," said Smith, a former mechan-

There was a knock at the couple's door about 8:30 a.m. It was Allen with bags of groceries for the couple.

"It was too help tide us over. We shook hands and hugged; we cried," Smith said.

That gesture prompted Smith to call a local television station. He said he wanted to show another side to police officers in light of shootings and other problems giving a bad name to officers.

"I was embarrassed when the chief called me. People do this all the time helping out people, single moms (and others)," Allen said. "It's not that big of a deal. I hope people wouldn't hear about this (situation) and walk away. I don't know how I could have walked away and done nothing."

A Westland police officer for 18 months, Allen spent 17 years as an Inkster police officer.

"I went back and forth

about how much to spend (on groceries) and whether they would appreciate it," Allen said.

Positive story

A negative story involving police will get attention, said Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik, and sometimes a positive story that has been prearranged for media coverage.

"But a story like this we seldom hear about. In fact, the public and I only heard of this incident because the family felt the need to share it with the media," Jedrusik said. "The reality here is that Officer Allen silently performs these generous and caring acts on a regular basis, not looking for attention but simply because he wants to help those in need. I am very proud to be chief of such a caring police department and to have an officer like Matt Allen serving the City of Westland." Smith, who is now

trying to find an inexpensive car, wanted to make sure that Allen, as a police officer, got recognition for helping the couple.

"I'd rather make the story about them (the Smiths). I do want a positive story about law enforcement," Allen said. "It's a horrible time to be a police officer. We need positive police stories."

The Smiths got some gift cards for food from police and also a donation from Westland Car Care, where their wrecked car had been towed.

Allen, who has set up a Go Fund Me account to help the couple, and Sgt. Robert Wilke are trying to figure out how to help the Smiths locate another inexpensive car so they can again have transportation.

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Sale of old Spring and Bumper plant property on Eckles Road completed

Ashley Capital LLC has completed its purchase of the former GM Delco Chassis property in Livonia from RACER Trust, with plans to develop a multi-tenant industrial park on the 116-acre property.

The property is located at 12950 and 13000 Eckles Road on the west side of Livonia, near I-96 and I-275.

"The sale and eventual redevelopment of this property represents the fulfillment of RACER's mission to attract buyers whose investments will create new jobs and other economic benefits for the community," said Elliott P. Laws, of EPLET, LLC, Administrative Trustee of RACER Trust. "We strive to maximize the redevelopment potential of each RACER property, and in Ashley Capital, we have a buyer with a strong record of success and job creation."

Susan Harvey, Senior Vice President for Ashley Capital, said Ashley sees its purchase of the property as an opportunity to create a first-class industrial project that will attract new businesses and opportunities and



A sign on the fence of the 116-acre property faces Amrhein in Livonia. The property, which was the site of the old Spring and Bumper plant on Eckles, was sold from the RACER Trust to Canton-based Ashley Capital last year.

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strengthen the community economically. "We look forward to capturing new investment and jobs for Livonia," she said.

A groundbreaking is expected next spring. Ashley Capital is in discussions with a company that would use the property for manufacturing,

distribution and office space.

Ashley Capital already has a strong presence in Livonia, where its projects include redevelopment of the former Peregrine plant (now the 1.1 million-square-foot Plymouth Road Technical Center, where tenants

include Roush Industries and FedEx); redevelopment of the former Ladbroke/Detroit Race Course (now the 1 million-square-foot Livonia Corporate Center); site preparation and construction of a 367,000-square-foot freezer/cooling building now occupied

by Mastronardi Produce; and a major renovation of Laurel Park II, a 130,000-square-foot office building.

Together, these Livonia projects have led to the creation of more than 2,400 local jobs, according to Ashley Capital. "Ashley Capital's rec-

ord of successful development and job creation has made a significant and positive impact on the City of Livonia," Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey said. "We look forward to working with Ashley Capital to maximize the redevelopment potential of the former GM Delco Chassis property so that it is once again producing jobs and other cascading economic benefits to the city and our larger community."

Ashley Capital also has executed successful redevelopment projects in Detroit and Grand Rapids, among other Michigan locations.

Ashley Capital manages approximately 22 million square feet of industrial and office space in the United States and has the largest industrial property portfolio in Michigan.

RACER (Revitalizing Auto Communities Environmental Response) Trust was created to clean up and position for redevelopment properties and other facilities owned by the former General Motors Corp. before its 2009 bankruptcy.

Navy band makes veteran proud to be American

Sam Gagliano couldn't be prouder to be an American and a Navy veteran who served in the Philippines during World War II.

That was how the 90-year-old Westland resident felt after watching the U.S. Navy's touring Band, Horizon, perform on the steps of Livonia City Hall on Aug. 30.

"It was a wonderful concert enjoyed by everyone who attended," said Gagliano who posed for a photograph with

active-duty sailors from the Great Lakes area.

Gagliano lived in Livonia for 50 years before recently moving to Westland. A lifetime member of the Romanowski VFW Post 6896, he has a grandson, Petty Officer 1st Class Jason Forster, who has been in the Navy almost 10 years and is now stationed at the Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

"I'm proud to be an American — go Navy," he said.



Sam Gagliano (center) meets with four sailors from the Great Lakes Region during a recent concert by the U.S. Navy Band Horizon in Livonia.

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Storyteller to give free performance at Wilson Barn

The Detroit Story League will present a free program from 11-11:30 a.m. Saturday at historic Wilson Barn in Livonia.

Gwendolyn Lewis will tell the stories of The Monkey's Heart and The Traveler with interactive participation from the audience. She will also perform a short song about friendship.

The program is part

of the free activities at the Farmers Market at the barn, held 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 10.

The market features locally grown produce, honey, home-baked items and American-made crafts.

Wilson Barn is at 29350 W. Chicago, Livonia.

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WESTLAND COP CALLS

Vandalism

» A resident at Colonial Village Apartments, 8181 N. Wayne Road, told police Sept. 14 that someone scratched the rear quarter panel of his 2015 GMC Terrain and caused a small hole. The radio antenna on the roof was also stolen.

» On Sept. 10 a resident in the 31000 block of Hazelwood told police that overnight he heard popping noises. He looked outside to see three unknown people running away.

Checking his vehicle, the resident said he didn't notice any damage. The next morning, he said he found all four tires had been cut and were flat.

» A resident in the 35000 block of Glen told police that overnight someone slashed the rear passenger tire on her vehicle.

Larceny

» On Sept. 14 a resident in the 7900 block of N. Beatrice told police that someone stole her 10-speed mountain bike from the backyard. She had

last seen the bicycle two days earlier.

» A Wayne man told police Sept. 10 that he stopped at the BP gas station at Michigan Avenue and Merriman and left his wallet on the counter while he walked away to play a quarter matching game. When he returned, he said his wallet was gone.

Officers watched security footage that showed a woman walk up to the counter, look around and then put the wallet into her purse before leaving the gas station. She was described as in her 20s, wearing a blue jean jacket and pink slacks.

The man told police his wallet contained \$70 in cash and a debit/credit card.

Vandalism

» A resident in the 300 block of Marigold Circle told police that early Sept. 9 a pickup truck had left the road where Hix dead ends and drove on her lawn all the way to her window, nearly striking the house. When she came outside, she said the truck had

turned around and went back out onto northbound Hix.

The damage to the lawn was estimated at \$500.

» On Sept. 12 the property manager at the Waynewood Apartments, 6631 Yale, told police that she found two sidelight windows shattered by a BB gun. She said she wasn't sure when the damage occurred or who did it.

Fraud

A resident at the Huntington on the Hill Apartments, 8220 Valley View Circle, told police Sept. 9 that someone fraudulently opened an account for Comcast service to an address in Warren using his personal information. The account had an outstanding balance of \$243.

Theft

A resident in the 33000 block of Hiveley told police Sept. 11 that someone stole the license plate from his vehicle.

By LeAnne Rogers

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Larceny from vehicle

» A MacBook Air, aviation and college textbooks and backpack were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on the street in the 30000 block of Florence overnight Sept. 14.

There were no signs of forced entry, and police surmise that a door had been left unlocked.

» A resident in the 20000 block of Leona told police that his wallet and an envelope containing \$900 in cash were stolen from his vehicle overnight Sept. 12. The car had been left unlocked in the driveway.

The owner told police that he found his car registration, insurance and other papers on the lawn of a home on Harrison and a \$10 bill on Harrison east of Leona. Police recovered the man's wallet in front of another home on Harrison during a search by a police canine.

» A wallet containing a driver's license, Social Security card and credit cards, and a pair of sunglasses were stolen Sept. 15 from an unlocked car parked overnight in the driveway of a home in the 20000 block of Kathryn.

Larceny

» A Garden City resident was the victim of fraud Sept. 3. She told police she received a voice message from a man who said she won \$450,000 and that she needed a \$1,000 money order to pay the taxes on the prize. She was told to contact a second man, but was unsuccessful in several attempts.

She obtained the money order from Western Union and the money was still in the Western Union account.

» A Dearborn Heights woman reported her purse stolen after she left it under her seat at Burger King, 28333 Ford, on Sept. 12. The purse contained \$200 in cash, credit cards, her driver's license and cell phone.

Break-in

An observant neighbor scared off a group of males who were reportedly attempting to break into the garage of a home in the 30000 block of Florence on Sept. 14.

The neighbor was in his yard when he saw the males. When they saw him, they fled. The man chased them for a brief distance, retrieving a weed whipper, edger and black bag the men had dropped. He placed the tools on the patio of the home and alerted the homeowner who found the unlocked side door to his garage open and the light was on.

Police reported that the bag contained an Apple MacBook Pro, Texas Instruments calculator and a pair of Nike sandals. A canvass of the area also turned up a leaf blower, left in Florence Park, that also was reported missing from the garage.

Fraud

A resident in the 200 block of Arcola suspects her daughter climbed into her apartment Sept. 12 and stole two checks from her checkbook. The woman closed the account with her credit union, but a check on Sept. 14 showed a \$187 payment was made online to Comcast.

The woman said the payment was to an account in the name of a man who is her daughter's boyfriend who is currently in prison in Pennsylvania. She also told police her daughter has stolen from her before and abused prescription drugs.

Suspended license

A West Bloomfield woman was cited for driving with a suspended license following an accident at Ford and Middlebelt on Sept. 12. A check showed that the woman had four current license suspensions and one prior conviction.

By Sue Mason

WAYNE COP CALLS

Larceny from a vehicle

» On Sept. 10 a Westland man told police he was cutting the grass at the UAW 900 Hall, 38200 W. Michigan Ave., and left his truck parked in the parking lot with a utility trailer holding his equipment.

As he mowed on the north and west sides of the building for about 20 minutes, he said the truck and trailer were out of view. During that time, he said someone had stolen a backpack blower, hand blower, stick edger and two weed whackers valued at \$1,450. Some of the equipment had been locked in a bracket on the side of the trailer, he said, with a steel cable, which was also stolen.

The man also told police

that he believed the thief had pulled a vehicle alongside his trailer because there were too many items to be carried away on foot.

» A resident in the 34000 Harroun told police Sept. 15 that someone had stolen her debit card and three Social Security cards from her vehicle, which had been left unlocked.

» On Sept. 14, a resident in the 35000 block of Currier told police that miscellaneous coins had been stolen from her car, which had been left unlocked overnight. She said about \$2 was missing.

Vandalism

A resident in the 34000 block of Phyllis told police Sept. 10 that she went outside

just after 10:30 a.m. to find someone had spray painted "Hi" along with a smiley face on the front of her house. The damage to the brick was set at \$50.

Community meeting

Wayne Police Chief Alan Maciag will host his monthly meeting with community members to provide information and answer questions on various topics. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at the Wayne Activities and Banquet Center on Sims at Michigan Avenue.

By LeAnne Rogers

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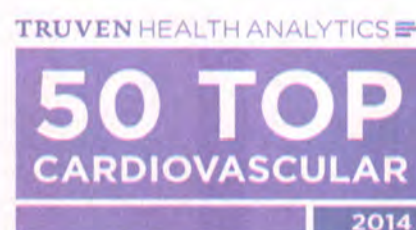
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Investigators trace source of Garden City house fire to laundry room

A home in the 31300 block of Pierce in Garden City sustained substantial damage from a fire that began in a laundry room and spread to the roof.

The fire happened Sept. 8 and required Automatic Aid from the Wayne-Westland and Inkster Fire Departments.

According to Garden City Fire Chief Catherine Harman, Wayne-Westland Deputy Fire Chief Patrick Harder was driving in the area and saw the smoke.

"The fire had been called in already, but he went to every window and door banging on them to notify any possible occupants," Harman said. "Neighbors reported that both vehicles were gone, but they were not sure if anyone was inside."

Firefighters found a large amount of smoke was coming from the east and south sides of the home as well as two areas at the back of the house and a thermal imager showed additional hot areas of the roof and one window on the west, Harman said.

Firefighters were able to extinguish the fire in the laundry room, which is believed to be where the blaze started. According to Harman, the homeowner had left in the morning and his adult son had just left the house about 20 minutes before the fire started. The son had reported that he'd left the dryer on, Harman said.

However, it didn't appear that the fire started near the washer or dryer. Fire crews reported that there was no vent on the dryer, which was about a month old, and the clothes in the dryer were not burned. The point of origin appeared to be low to the ground between the hot water tank and the furnace.

"The owner reported there was a plastic basket with paint supplies near the water heater," Harman said. "We were unable to locate the basket, but found other items — rollers without plastic handles — and a paint can with a small hole in it."

The owner told fire investigators Captains Gary Gallo and Derek LaPerriere that the ceiling of the laundry room was paneling and that there was an open area.

"The open area in addition to paneling gave the fire an open path to travel into the roof," Harman said. "There is a lot of damage as a result of the fire getting into the roof. Unfortunately, the owner is uninsured."

The fire was the first since the department put its new self-contained breathing apparatus in service. The packs, according to Harman, "worked fabulously."

She added that having a full crew of six firefighters and Automatic Aid, it was easier to rotate crews in and out because of the high heat and humidity. A resident also brought a five-gallon bucket of ice and bottled



Fire Capt. Gary Gallo investigates the area around the hot water heater to find the source of the fire.

CATHERINE HARMAN

water.

"I'm very grateful for the water," she said. "We had already emptied our bottled water supply. 1 800 Board Up was called for the board up and brought additional beverages for the firefighters."

According to Harman, the lesson to be learned from the fire "is that we should never store items within 3-4 inches of the furnace and hot water tank. Open spaces of any kind should be properly and completely sealed."



CATHERINE HARMAN

There was heavy charring of the wood joists in the home's living room, indicating a hot burn.

Friends hold fall used book sale

Due to repairs at the William P. Faust Library, the fall used books sale has new hours.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Westland Library, the sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, and from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway.

Hardcover fiction will be buy one, get one free, and Sunday will feature a \$4-a-bag sale.

There will be a Preview Sale from 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, for Friends only, but people who would like to join as a friend can shop. Memberships are \$5 for individuals and \$10 for families. The fee for a business is \$25, business professionals \$50 and \$100 for patron of sponsor.

Friends of the Library meet at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at library. For more information, email friends@westlandlibrary.org.

Lego Club, movie palaces on tap at Garden City Library

By Lisa Kleinert
Guest Columnist

Here at the Garden City Public Library we all took that short moment to breathe in and enjoy the little bit of time to relax after the enjoyably crazy period of the Summer Reading Club had concluded.

That relaxation didn't last long though, because soon afterward it was time to start preparing to bring our patrons several fun opportunities this September, and the lineup we came out with is pretty great, if I do say so myself.

Our new Youth Services Librarian Erin Look has set up pre-school storytimes, a Lego Club meeting (she is still seeking donations of gently used Legos to help grow the club), Back to School-themed

crafts and even a teen "Banned Book Week" night to take us through the month.

All of the times and dates for these programs are available in our quarterly newsletter. Those interested can pick up a free copy of the newest edition — which covers September, October and November — in the library or view it at garden-city.lib.mi.us.

Ms. Look has also begun reaching out to the Garden City school district to ascertain what areas of youth nonfiction will be most requested for student research in the upcoming school year. She will take this information and order new, up-to-date, age-appropriate books on the subjects in order to make our collection even more valuable to the community.

Daniel Lodge, Adult Services librarian, has been hard at work, too. After seeing the wonderful presentation on the history of Hudson's department store, Mr. Lodge was able to book presenter Michael Hauser again at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16. This time around Mr. Hauser will discuss the history of downtown Detroit's movie palaces, such as the Fox Theater and Music Hall.

Registration is requested, as his last program brought in a full house. To register, simply call the Library at 734-788-1830 and let our staff know your name and how many attendees will be in your party.

The Friends of the Library are still sponsoring their own Book Club, which is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

This month they will be discussing *Middlemarch* by George Eliot at 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, at the library. If this is too short of notice to read and fully absorb the book, the next scheduled discussion will be in November and the book will be *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline.

You can check out book club titles at the library, as Librarian Daniel Lodge always makes sure to have plenty in stock. The Friends would also like to publicize that they are still collecting book donations for the ongoing used book sale, which is used to fund many of the library's activities. If you would like to purchase a membership to join the Friends it is only \$5 per year and includes a punch card to receive a free used book from the sale each month.

When you do stop in for the festivities, or just to check out a book, be sure to listen for the chirping of the Garden City Public Library cricket, who is living somewhere in our collections. Better yet, if you can find him us know so we can catch and release him outside, as he is driving us crazy!

We can't wait to see you!

Lisa Kleinert is a library aide at the Garden City Public Library. She can be reached at kleinert@gardencitylib.org. When visiting the library, enter the Balmoral side of the Maplewood Center located at 31735 Maplewood, Garden City. Library hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and noon to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Homecoming Day

First United Methodist Church of Garden City will hold its annual church rally and Homecoming Day on Sunday, Sept. 20, immediately following the 10 a.m. Worship Service.

It will be a day of games, crafts, prizes and fun for all ages. There will also be a variety of delicious food for all appetites, so bring your favorite dish to share. Family, friends and neighbors are invited. No reservations required.

For more information, contact Susie Miller at 734-522-1217 or the Church Office at 734-421-8628 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday-Thursday. The First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriam Road, Garden City.

Nature Hike

Wayne County Parks will hold a Fern and Flora Fall Hike from 1-4

p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Holliday Nature Preserve in Westland.

The western section of the Holliday Nature Preserve features a rich forest habitat with many different fern species, large beech and tulip trees and other botanical wonders. The hike starts at the Koppernick section of the Holliday Nature Preserve, which is off Koppernick Road between Joy and Warren Road.

This program is recommended for ages 12 to adult. The cost is \$2 per adult and pre-registration is required at www.parks.waynecounty.com.

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.

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. Vet-

erans may bring a family member to the lunch. It is free, but reservations are required. Call Dorothy at 904-625-4689.

Casino Trip

St. Mel Women's Club is sponsoring a trip to Motor City Casino on Sunday, Sept. 20. The cost is \$30 and includes deluxe motor coach transportation and \$25 in Reward Play, plus beverages, snacks and Share the Wealth on the bus.

The bus will depart the parking lot of St. Mel Catholic Church, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights, at 11:45 a.m. and depart from the casino at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are available in the Parish Office or by calling 313-274-0684. All proceeds to benefit St. Mel Parish.

Craft/Vendor Show

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 396 will hold its fall craft and vendor show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday,

Oct. 24, at St. Mel's Catholic Church, 7506 Inkster Road, north of Warren Road, Dearborn Heights. Admission will be \$1.

There will also be a bake sale, 50/50 and raffle. Food also will be available. All proceeds will go to help veterans and their families.

For more information, visit the craft show page in Facebook or send an email to AmericanLegionAux369CraftShow@yahoo.com.

Chili Cook-Off

The Westland Democratic Club will host its annual Chili Cook-Off fundraiser from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Jefferson Barnes Community Vitality Center, located on Grand Traverse, east of Grand.

The club is looking for chili cooks and volunteers. Call Debra Fowlkes, secretary of the Westland Democratic Club at 734-326-9242 for

more information.

Farmers markets

» The Westland Farmers and Artisans Market is open from 3-7 p.m. each Thursday through Oct. 8 in Central City Park on Carlson, south of Ford.

There will be a variety of food and crafts, special events and music. EBT accepted. For more information, call 734-326-7222 or email westlandchamber@gmail.com.

» The Wayne Farmers Market is open from 3-7 p.m. each Wednesday through Oct. 28 in Goudy Park behind Wayne City Hall. It features more than 25 vendors providing Michigan-made and Michigan-grown products, homemade soap, candles, garden art and more.

For more information on the farmers market, contact Olivia at 313-510-7061 or market@growinghope.net.



In larger Best Buy stores, the AT&T shop will have a larger space.

Westland Best Buy to get new AT&T shop

Customers look to Best Buy for the latest selection and service of tech gadgets; and AT&T is known for helping them stay connected anytime, anywhere.

Now, the two are joining forces. By the end of October, AT&T will open more than a dozen AT&T shops within Best Buy stores throughout Michigan. The Novi Best Buy store, 21051 Haggerty, is among the Best Buy locations that will have a new AT&T shop aimed to give customers a fully #ConnectedLife experience.

Shoppers can get their hands on in the new

AT&T space and see how they can easily connect to all of their favorite things — whether that's their home, car or TV. In addition to the great selection and prices of the latest smartphones, tablets, wearables and connected car plug-ins, they can learn how to connect and manage their home from virtually anywhere via their device with AT&T's home security and automation service, Digital Life.

And soon, with the help of some high-definition 4K TV's, AT&T plans to show shoppers the great TV and video

entertainment options available through its nationwide DIRECTV service.

The new space also includes dedicated employees who are expertly trained on the ins and outs of the products only offered from AT&T.

By expanding its in-store presence and depth of products sold at Best Buy, AT&T is giving customers another convenient way to fully experience what it has to offer. AT&T looks forward to everyone stopping by one of the select stores and seeing the new changes for themselves.

Start year-end tax planning now

It may seem a little early to start thinking about the end of the year, but before you know it, the leaves will fall and you will be rushing to buy year-end holiday gifts. That's why this is a great time to start year-end planning. Don't wait until you are rushed and forced to make a knee-jerk decision. Start now to make decisions when you have the time to accumulate the necessary information.

Like everything else in the financial and legal world, there is no one piece of advice that fits all. Everyone's situation is different and what may be good for your next door neighbor or best friend, is not necessarily good for you.

It is important to take information and apply it to your individual situation. In that regard, one area that many people should consider before the end of the year, is a Roth conversion of some or all of their traditional IRAs.

The main benefit of this transaction is twofold. The first is that money in a Roth IRA grows tax free versus money in a traditional IRA that grows tax deferred. In addition, money in a Roth IRA is not subject to required minimum distribution rules at 70½.



Nothing comes without a cost. The cost of converting money into a Roth IRA is that you are paying taxes on the amount that you are converting. You will always pay taxes on the amount, however, by converting you are paying the tax earlier.

The rules I have lived by in deciding whether to convert existing IRA money into a Roth IRA are:

1). By converting the money and paying the tax on the amount converted, it won't throw you into a higher tax bracket.

2). You have the money (other than the money you are converting) to pay the additional tax liability.

3). You won't need the money for at least five to seven years.

If you meet these three rules then a Roth conversion would make sense. Contact your IRA custodian and they can assist you.

Other year-end tax moves that make sense are to accelerate itemized deductions into this tax year or to delay them

until next year. For example, if you are charitable in nature and you traditionally make year-end charitable contributions, do those deductions make sense this year or do you delay them until next year? There's no right answer because it all depends upon your individual situation. If you are not itemizing your deductions this year, then certainly you want to delay those deductions until next year. On the other hand, if you are itemizing your deductions and you're in a higher bracket this year than you anticipate you'll be next year, then it pays to take those deductions this year.

Before you know it, 2016 will be here. If you plan to do any year-end planning, don't procrastinate — start the process as soon as you can. By giving yourself the time to study your situation and talk to your professionals, you'll make the right decision for yourself.

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Using the Web to understand credit

Credit monitoring sites want us to forget the adage that nothing in life is free. Constant ads for Credit Karma and commercials with that singing millennial from FreeCreditReport.com® have reinforced the notion that our credit reports can in fact be free.

But did you know there is also a free way to learn your business credit score, or the business credit score of a service provider or contractor you may look to do business with?

My position as a digital and social media manager for a Detroit-based agency recently turned me on to a company that can help you navigate business credit for free. Creditera is a Salt Lake City-based company that is aimed at helping small businesses understand business credit and navigate through the difficult process of being a small business.

In about the same time it takes to get your personal FICO® score, you can get your business FICO score and begin to access, understand and build your credit. From there, Creditera will work with partners to help you secure funding — and at better terms than you may get from your local bank or lender. By helping businesses build credit, they also improve the chances that those companies will receive funding, which means less paperwork. The time savings alone can be very efficient for small, lean companies. For a nominal fee, Credi-



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tera also offers more detailed and advanced reports for businesses.

Creditera also has great merit as a background check tool for consumers. Interested in having a contractor come over to remodel your house, landscape your yard or provide another expensive service? If you have the business name, the owner's name and the address you can access their business score. It is completely legal, completely free and adds a layer of safety between you and an unfamiliar contractor. It won't mitigate all risk involved with hiring someone to do a job but if the tool identifies a sketchy score, it could be a red flag.

Using social media to assess risk

Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg has never been one to miss out on a money-making opportunity. His newest patent, which was filed in early August allows lenders to assess risk based on a user's Facebook profile. Using social networks to analyze credit is not new. Affirm, an insurance company, has been using sourcing social sites like LinkedIn and Twitter for data for more than two years.

I can't speak on what impact this practice or Facebook's patent has on a consumer. But from a business perspective, I

think it is a slippery slope for an industry dependent on exact data. Not everything on the Internet is real and that holds true for Facebook profiles, Twitter accounts and even LinkedIn. Does having more friends or having certain interests make you more risky, or less risky? I'm sure the insurance companies know. But do they have the digital know-how to parse through the fake profiles, or page likes and interests people forgot about? Sounds unlikely.

Facebook has been around for more than 10 years now and if my interests hadn't been changed since I signed up as a college sophomore, my profile would tell insurers that I like cheap beer and pizza. What about my Twitter followers from 2009? Are they indicative of my risk? Maybe I should stop following parody accounts and handles for Las Vegas casinos.

LinkedIn appears to be the safest data source but again not everything put in a profile means it is true. I believe what most professionals put on their LinkedIn account, but I wouldn't use it to assess their risk and I don't think insurance firms or lenders should either.

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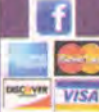
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build a personal travel itinerary.

"This technology makes our advertising spots truly interactive, providing viewers with real-time information on the destinations highlighted throughout the ads," said David Lorenz, vice president of Travel Michigan, part of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. "We are proud to be working with this growing Michigan company and to be the first adopter of this technology for tourism marketing."

While the Clicktivated content is interactive, it does not disrupt the original video content and viewing experience through pop-ups or other distractions. The Pure Michigan Clicktivated videos will work across

all devices and browsers, as well as inside Facebook. Videos featuring the Clicktivated technology can be found at www.michigan.org/explore.

Pure Michigan is a brand representing business, talent and tourism initiatives across Michigan. These efforts are driven by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, which serves as the state's marketing arm and lead advocate for business growth, jobs and opportunity with a focus on helping grow Michigan's economy.

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New date, venue for annual veterans summit

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

If you've attended previous veterans summits — hosted by the Canton Community Foundation — get ready for the sixth annual event as it is designed to better meet the needs of younger vets who served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"We are really hoping to draw the younger men and women," said Beth Meade, foundation managing director, donor relations.

To do that, the popular summit, which is totally designed to help veterans, has been moved from its former September date to Saturday, Oct. 3, and will be at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

The free event also will feature a craft beer and barbecue lunch. Each registered attendee will receive two free tickets for the craft beer



Retired Brig. Gen. Carol Ann Fausone speaks with a summit guest at last year's event.

and then can follow up at a cash bar. "We'll have two breweries there and for lunch we'll have sliders, coneys and brats," Meade said.

On a serious note, the summit, which has annually provided practical

information to help veterans with benefits and other needs, will follow suit this year. The set-up, however, will be somewhat different.

This year, information will be distributed by way of panel discussions.

"There will be plenty of time for Q&As," Meade said.

On tap this year are panel discussions regarding the following:

» Veterans Health Care Options Panel: With retired Brig. Gen. Carol

Ann Fausone and a number of other experts.

» Community Engagement Panel: Features Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America; Team Red White Blue with Kim Wanous; Michigan Fitness Foundation with J.J. Tighe and a VA Hospital volunteer coordinator.

» Advancement in Civilian Job Force Panel: Features the Michigan Department of Military & Veterans Affairs with Dichondra Johnson; Quicken Loans, Rob Ells; Roush, David Dunckel; and Arrow Strategies, Jeff Styers.

» Advancement in Civilian Education Panel: Features Phil Larsen of the University of Michigan; Association Of Women Veterans, Abigail Hartge; Michigan Department of Military & Veterans Affairs, Dichondra Johnson.

» Service Connected Disabilities Panel: Attorney Kristina Derro and Gary Putinsky with

Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Veterans will also have time to talk one on one with Veteran Service officers during the summit.

While this year's new date and venue and other changes are designed to encourage younger veterans to attend, the information will also be useful to World War II and Vietnam veterans, Meade said.

The summit, which is co-sponsored by the Dewitt C. Holbrook Charitable Trust, is also open to veteran-owned businesses and businesses that support veterans. The foundation is also seeking additional sponsors. If interested, contact Meade at 734-495-2100.

Because space is limited to 270 people in the VisTaTech auditorium, registration is required by going to the foundation's website at www.cantonfoundation.org.

Citizens corps disaster training planned in Livonia

The Wayne County office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will conduct an annual training exercise at 8 a.m. Saturday at Livonia's Rotary Park for volunteer community response teams.

Currently, 90 volunteers have registered to participate in the Wayne County 2015 Citizen Corps Disaster Exercise in the park at 32300 Six

Mile Road.

The upcoming exercise will provide training for two units of the Wayne County Citizen Corps: the CERT team, which includes volunteers in disaster preparedness, basic first aid/triage, light search and rescue, terrorism awareness, disaster psychology; and the Medical Reserve Corps, which consists of volunteers

with medical backgrounds.

"By testing these capabilities this exercise will assist our CERT teams in identifying and correcting any gaps in team response," Director of the Wayne County Homeland Security and Emergency Management department Tadarial J. Sturdivant said.

The training is free to CERT teams and will

involve two exercises designed to sharpen response readiness during times of emergencies:

» **Grid Search:** volunteer teams will walk an area to search for clues and evidence. Police volunteers will guide the team on how to properly handle evidence and what to do with the evidence.

» **Search and Rescue:** volunteer teams will

conduct a search for missing persons in a wooded area. Once recovered, the team will triage the victims and define a strategy to exit the woods.

With more than 400 volunteers, the Wayne County Citizen Corps has been deployed to assist with the 2014 flood disaster for damage assessment and flood clean-up and recovery. The team

has also been called to assist first responders to search for missing persons and to help ensure the community's safety during large community events.

The Wayne County Citizen Corps is comprised of five separate units assembled to prepare individuals through education, training and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to threats of terrorism, crime and public health issues.

For information on joining the Wayne County 2015 Citizen Corps, contact Danielle Elzayat, Wayne County Citizen Corps Chairperson, at 734-728-3711 or visit www.waynecounty.com.



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Livonia Symphony collecting used instruments for Westland students

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra is collecting used musical instruments for Cooper Upper Elementary School in Westland.

Several students have an interest in music classes but cannot afford the rental fee for an instrument. In an effort to engage these children, the LSO is asking Livonia-area residents, their families and friends to look in their basement and storage areas for gently used instrument (s) that someone in your family may have played. Instead of letting them take up room and collect dust in your basement or storage area, you can donate them to the LSO/Cooper Upper Elementary Music Awareness Project.

Now a youngster can bring them back to life again by participating in general music classes and maybe even in band or orchestra classes.

If you don't have a used instrument to donate, the LSO will accept monetary donations toward refurbishing donated instruments that may need a bit more than dusting.

Make your check out and mail to LSO Student Outreach, c/o 18720 Blue Skies, Livonia, MI 48152. For more information on how to donate an instrument, contact LSO Board Member and Student Outreach Chair Janice Newsome at jnewsome@alphausa.com or 313-658-0263.

Angels Above holds Homecoming Dress Drive

Sue Mason
Staff Writer

The homecoming season is on the horizon and girls in need of dresses can find them at a Homecoming Dress Drive being sponsored by Angels Above Baby Gowns with Paul Visingardi of Vizzy's Pizza.

Visingardi is providing the space at the Law Office Complex at 3023 Wayne Road, east of Glenwood, in Wayne for the dress drive. It will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Sept. 19.

More than 200 long and short dresses will be available to anyone in need, free of charge. AABG is asking for a \$10 donation to cover the cleaning cost incurred in preparing for the event. This donation will go to the nonprofit group to defray the costs involved in creating angel gowns for families experiencing infant loss.

"We're trying to do this before homecoming," Dawn Lafferty said. "We have some gowns that are new with tags, some slightly used that may have been worn once. The dresses are for anybody; there's no income guideline."

Lafferty collects unwanted wedding gowns that disassembled and turned into burial gowns. Prom dresses are used to make outfits for boys. Those dresses that can't be used, are given away.

This is the second dress give away AABG has held this year. It was able to give out 50 gowns at one held in April at the Wayne Masonic Lodge, but with many gowns left, a second was set up. And if Lafferty can find a location, there will be one



FILE PHOTO
Dawn Lafferty has more than 200 dresses that will be given away Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Homecoming Dress Drive in Wayne.

held Downriver this fall.

Because several collections planned this month, Lafferty will not be collecting wedding gowns at the dress drive. Although if someone shows up with one, she won't say no.

"We're at the TEARS Rock and Walk event Sunday collecting dresses and on Monday we'll be at Allegiance Health in Jackson delivering baby gowns and picking up dresses," Lafferty said.

The Michigan Chapter of the TEARS Foundation provides financial assistance to help families pay for their baby's funeral expenses. The Rock and

Walk, which was held Saturday at Plymouth Christian Academy, lets families and friends walk in memory of a child while raising funds for the chapter.

Angels Above Baby Gowns also will feature Wednesday on the WJBK-TV (Channel 2) segment Amy's Angels.

For more information about the dress drive, contact Lafferty at 734 421-2322 or by email at angelsabovebabygownsmi@gmail.com.

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734-674-2332
Twitter: @SusanMarieMason

Take a constellation tour at Astronomy at Beach event

The Great Lakes Association of Astronomy Clubs and the Huron-Clinton Metropark system will present the 19th annual Astronomy at the Beach public event from 6 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25-26, at Kensington Metropark's Maple Beach.

Astronomy at the Beach is southeast Michigan's largest and best attended public astronomy outing. This event has introduced tens of thousands to the world of science and astronomy through evening lectures, telescope observing and hands-on activities.

This year's event celebrates the moon and planets. Dr. Nicolle Zellner from Albion College will pose the following questions: Why do we have a moon? Would we even be around if there was no moon?

Zellner also will guide participants from our close, familiar moon to exotic hydrocarbon seas, and to the most distant reaches of human exploration.

Other activities will include looking through telescopes and taking a

constellation tour (weather permitting); comet making; 3D tour of the solar system and the Michigan Science Center's STARLAB portable planetarium, providing kids a view of the stars no matter what the weather.

Activities also include The Rescue of Andromeda interactive kids' performance, plus vendor and astronomy club tables.

Astronomy at the Beach is provided by the Great Lakes Association of Astronomy Clubs, the Huron-Clinton Metroparks, regional planetariums, and academia and retail businesses.

For more information, contact Kensington Nature Center at 810-227-8917 during business hours, visit GLAAC website at www.glaac.org/kensington or email contact@glaac.org.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
September 28, 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on **Monday, September 28, 2015 at 7:00 pm.** regarding the proposed ordinance amendment below.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE
CITY OF GARDEN CITY**

ORDINANCE NO: _____

TAX FORECLOSURE PROPERTY CONVEYANCE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORITY OF CITY COUNCIL TO CONVEY OR AUTHORIZE THE CONVEYANCE OF TAX FORECLOSED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY, HAVING ACQUIRED THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY FROM WAYNE COUNTY PURSUANT TO MCL 211.78(M); PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. AUTHORIZATION OF COUNCIL TO CONVEY PROPERTY

Garden City having considered a neighborhood stabilization program, having exercised its rights under MCL 211.78(M) in connection with the purchase of certain tax foreclosed parcels located within the city limits, in furtherance of the objective of neighborhood stabilization to restore blighted buildings and forestall future blight, the City Council of the City of Garden City is hereby authorized:

To convey or authorize the conveyance of the following parcels of real property it has acquired pursuant to its right of refusal under MCL 211.78(M), and to do so in accordance with existing contracts with JSR Funding LLC and Enterprising Real Estate LLC, executed on or about June 30, 2015, copies of which are available through the Clerk for the City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135, during regular business hours:

35-010-02-0510-000	28922 Krauter
35-013-01-0175-000	29104 Marquette
35-011-04-0262-000	5844 Gilman
35-016-02-0319-003	29724 Marquette
35-017-03-0988-001	30706 Hennepin
35-018-03-1577-002	30431 Marquette
35-018-03-1580-002	30500 Barton
35-019-04-0122-000	29700 Winter Drive
35-021-01-1342-003	33123 Donnelly
35-009-03-0002-000	
35-009-03-0003-000	28401-411 Warren,
35-009-03-0008-000	including vacant lots
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35-009-03-0012-000	
35-017-01-0345-000	
35-017-01-0349-000	30479 Ford,
	including vacant lots
35-017-01-0350-000	
35-017-01-0351-000	
35-004-01-2767-000	6339 Merriman
35-009-01-2412-300	6940 Central
35-011-04-0342-002	5825 Helen
35-011-03-0060-000	6110 Harrison
35-022-05-0015-000	33191 Kathryn
35-018-04-0103-000	31245 Sheridan
35-022-05-0094-000	32957 Florence
35-022-07-0074-002	920 Venoy

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

SECTION III. REPEAL.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Garden City at its regular meeting called and held on the _____ day of _____, 2015, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

Allyson M. Bettis, Clerk/Treasurer

Introduced: 9/14/2015
ADOPTED:
Resolution#:
Published: September 17, 2015

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OUR VIEWS

Keep Schoolcraft College moving forward: Voters urged to OK November millage

Officials at Schoolcraft College in Livonia are asking in the November general election for an additional .06 mills for 10 years, an increase they say will allow the college to continue capital improvements, help add programs and pursue additional partnerships.

The college has helped hundreds of thousands of students achieve their career goals. It has delivered on its promises—keeping tuition affordable so that everyone can take advantage of higher education.

We believe the college has made a solid case for millage request. Voters should approve the increase and keep Schoolcraft moving forward.

The 10-year millage will cost homeowners an additional \$30 per year for every \$100,000 of a home's taxable value.

According to the National Center for Educational Statistics, Schoolcraft tops the lists of community colleges in Michigan for combined graduation and transfer rates to four-year colleges or universities. And Schoolcraft does it more efficiently than all local



Pastry chef Heather Moore is a Schoolcraft College student. The school is seeking a 0.6-mill increase on the November ballot.

competitors.

There are good reasons to give Schoolcraft the additional funding. First, it's been nearly three decades since the college has asked for any kind of increase, a 0.5-mill hike voters approved in 1986. Despite the stagnant funding, Schoolcraft

— under the leadership of current President Conway Jeffress and former President Richard McDowell — has built solid programs, including renowned culinary and nursing programs.

The college has established partnerships with four-year

universities such as Wayne State and the University of Toledo. It has improved facilities and programs. And it has done so with decreasing funding. Because of the economic downturn that started in 2008, the decline in property values meant the college received \$6.3 million less in 2013 than it had in 2008.

But school officials say the time has come where programs and facilities will begin to suffer with continued dwindling funds. Capital improvements and technological advances will be slowed or eliminated, making degree completion a more difficult prospect for students.

The college isn't the only beneficiary of the additional funding. Schoolcraft has been a successful economic partner to the western Wayne County area. The college has helped eliminate a variety of vacant or underdeveloped parcels in surrounding neighborhoods. The Business Development Center has helped southeast Michigan companies access more than \$16 million in capital formation and another \$385

million in government contracts in the last year alone.

Local businesses also benefit from a better-educated workforce. Studies show community college graduates generally stay in the local community to live and work. And there are a lot of them at Schoolcraft: Nearly 23,000 students took continuing education and professional development classes last year.

Schoolcraft officials over the years have proven to be good stewards of taxpayer money. The additional millage will allow college leaders to make strategic improvements in the years to come.

Given the college's performance over the years, approving the 0.6-mill increase for which the administration is asking would be money well spent by voters in the college district, which includes residents in the Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville and Plymouth-Canton public school districts.

We urge voters to support the college's continued improvement. Vote **YES** Tuesday, Nov. 3.

GUEST COLUMN

Invisible disabilities are just as real as those you can see

I have read many posts and articles about children with special needs. They always focus on people staring and being rude. I get that, I totally do, but what about the people who look normal but are unable to form a full thought or take forever to get a sentence out? How about those who prefer younger toys than their same-aged peers? They are considered weird.

When you tell others what invisible disabilities the child has they say, "But there is nothing wrong with her." They say, "You are wrong and need to stop thinking that way." I have lived both scenarios with visible and invisible disabilities and neither is fair or right.

When my daughter was very young she was diagnosed with mild Cerebral Palsy (CP). She presented in curling hands and had to wear braces to keep her hands straight. One time at the store she and her 4-year-old brother were in the shopping cart. My son was using American Sign Language to communicate with her since she did not yet talk. A woman in the store came up to my son



Sarah Thorn

GUEST COLUMNIST

and said it would be his fault if she did not talk. She then asked what happened to my daughter's hands. I told her they were braces and she accused me of lying insinuating that I did something to her.

I was trying to walk away from the woman when my 4-year-old said, "She has CP, you may ask questions." I was so proud of him because he knew it was okay for people to ask us about her but we did not like staring and gawking. I just walked away completely appalled with this lady. That was when she was presenting physical and visible symptoms of the condition. She is now 10 and does not present physically.

At age 2, my daughter was diagnosed with epilepsy as well. Epilepsy has been our main focus since then because it has been the ailment that has given us the most issues. Most people recognize epilepsy as

seizures that make you fall and shake. There are several other types of epilepsy. My daughter has two of the other types. She has absence seizures, which are also known as staring seizures. During these seizures, she stares off into space and you cannot get her attention. She also has myoclonic seizures. Those present as shivers like a cold chill and last 3-5 seconds. You would think, "No big deal, right just a few seconds and done." Not the case for my daughter. They last just a few short seconds each time they occur; however they happen constantly all day, every day. They are so short, even I have a difficult time seeing them happen all the time. Sometimes they are only visible on an EEG. When we do see them, unfortunately there is very little we can do for them.

Since they happen so often, upwards of several hundred small ones a day, she is cognitively behind. These constant seizures make her daily living very difficult. Things we take for granted like conversation can be very difficult for her because she cannot form a

complete thought. She tries to plan things and forgets. Some things that are simple for others are hard for her like following directions. She still is a little young in the mind and loves to play with dolls and watch television shows for younger children. People do not understand why she likes Doc McStuffins still or why she can't understand something simple. When I explain I am often told, "Well she looks fine." I also have been told, "She looks normal; are you babying her?" She has had adults and kids tell her things like, "You're not a baby," "You should like this," or other mean things.

I am not sure how to make people understand that just because someone looks normal on the outside that does not mean anything. Also, just because they act younger than their actual age this doesn't mean you can't interact or play with them. I understand sometimes it is frustrating to sit and wait for my daughter to finish a thought or to get out what she is trying to say but if you do sit, wait, and listen you would be amazed by her ideas and

thoughts.

In third grade she was doing kindergarten work. We have made great strides using a special diet, medications, and surgery. She is now going into fifth grade and doing third-grade work. She loves art and is very crafty. She has great ideas and can come up with things I would never think of. She also plays with a huge, beautiful imagination and wants to be friends with anyone who will be nice to her. Her speech has improved and she is a wonderful kid.

Since the surgery, her personality has really blossomed. She will tell people about her CP and how they can help her. She is not afraid of questions and welcomes them. If she cannot answer them she will come to one of us for help. She will hopefully catch up with her same aged peers completely but if not who cares. She is still a person and most importantly, she is my daughter.

Sarah Thorn lives in Livonia. She can be contacted at sarah@itsallaboutthatblog.com.

LETTERS

Shot in the arm

The new requirements to get an immunization waiver might just save my life.

Failing to immunize your child could be a major risk for your child and other children. As a middle school boy, I hate immunizations as much as the next person, but I would rather get poked and be safe from a disease than risk getting a disease and possibly dying.

I think it's a great idea that parents have to learn about the consequences of not immunizing their child to get the county waiver. As a student, I do not want to ruin my life by getting sick from a parent's wrong or misinformed decision.

In today's society, some parents are getting incorrect information from the Internet. This could lead to not immunizing a child, which could get him/her or others sick. On a positive note, a trained professional now must teach these parents about the consequences of not immunizing a child.

Diseases like measles are coming back in the United

States, so we have to arm ourselves by getting a shot in the arm, but on the bright side, sometimes we get a lollipop in the end.

Sam Adler, age 13
Meads Mill Middle School
Northville

Addition by subtraction

We can only conclude that the resignation of GOP Rep. Todd Courser and the expulsion of GOP Rep. Cindy Gamrat can only be interpreted as addition by subtraction.

After a twisted and bizarre night of political maneuvering, conspiracy theories and just bizarre theater of the absurd, these two hypocritical social conservative tea baggers are no longer a distraction.

Now that the state GOP-controlled House no longer has these bums as distractions, perhaps now after a year of failures, the House can summon the courage to pass a permanent fix to our crumbling roads and bridges. The state-controlled House has been a consistent failure to pass the long-since-passed Senate road repair bill.

Gerald Maxey
Farmington Hills

Give peace a chance

The International Day of Peace is observed around the world each year on Sept. 21. Established in 1981, the United Nations General Assembly declared this date as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples. The theme this year is "Partnerships for Peace - Dignity for All."

Much has been said and written about the Iran Agreement. When it was first announced, I thought it a little premature for people to condemn it before it was even released. I also thought about the five other countries sending representatives to negotiate for almost two years. Would they all put their countries in danger by accepting an agreement that is greatly flawed? I don't think so.

The day after the "no" vote in the Senate was defeated President Hassan Rouchani of Iran stated that "Tehran will sit at any table with regional countries and world powers if the outcome will be a safer, stable and democratic future for Syria." I understand that Iran does not have a good track record of keeping its word, and recently their Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has made statements indicating he will not support the Agreement. People who study Iranian politics are saying that he is

appealing the hard-liners who are afraid of any improved relations with the U.S. If they end up ignoring the Agreement, sanctions will be imposed again.

Nelson Mandela once said, "If you want to make peace with your enemy, you have to work with your enemy. Then he becomes your partner." After 12 years of war, I still feel it is time to give peace a chance. Let's stop the fear mongering and start building partnerships in the Middle East. Let's celebrate the International Day of Peace on Sept. 21 by thanking Sens. Peters and Stabenow for supporting the Agreement. Contact your congressperson with the request not to undermine our opportunity for a more peaceful Middle East.

Ann Abdoo
Livonia

Deal is a turning point

Republican war hawks like Dick Cheney are beating their chests over a deal to stop Iran from getting a nuclear weapon. Rather than listen to those who led us into the foolish war in Iraq, look at the facts.

The deal cuts off every pathway for Iran to obtain nuclear material, with surveillance at all steps from uranium mines through manufacturing centrifuges. Iran must get rid of 97 percent of its enriched uranium. Any facility known to be used for nuclear development will be monitored around the clock forever.

Suspicious sites can be inspected with 24 days' notice. The notice respects Iran's rights as a sovereign nation to develop conventional weapons without allowing them to cheat and develop nuclear ones. Monitoring systems are so sophisticated that even with advanced notice they still could detect any nuclear residue. If Iran does cheat, the sanctions immediately snap back into place.

Without a deal, the sanctions would unravel since our allies are ready to drop them. Iran would be able to develop a nuclear weapon within a few months.

The deal is a turning point in our relations with Iran. As we work with Iran to implement the deal, we may develop business, cultural and other ties that make war less likely.

That would benefit everyone.

Judy Daubenmier
Genoa Township

Wake up, America

I read with amusement that one of your regular readers and contributors stated that she followed journalists like Jon Stewart and Steve Colbert and valued their opinions. I hate to tell her that they are comedians, not journalists. One of the problems with America is that people don't know the difference between comedy and journalism and these people vote. Wake up America before it is too late.

Brian Perks
White Lake

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Yankee Air Museum vows to reclaim Rosie world record

In March 2014, 776 women, children and even babies gathered at Willow Run Airport to claim the Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of women dressed as the iconic World War II poster girl Rosie the Riveter.

The record stood until Aug. 15 when 1,084 women gathered at the National Rosie the Riveter Park in Richmond, Calif., for the "Keep the Spirit of '45 Alive!" celebrations.

Inspired and challenged by the phenomenal result, the organizations of Willow Run are coming together to reclaim the world record and prove that Michigan is the physical and symbolic home of the original Rosie the Riveter.

The Michigan Aerospace Foundation, Yankee Air Museum and Wayne County Airport Authority have announced that, as part of the effort to save a portion of the original Willow Run Bomber Plant, an attempt to reclaim the world record will happen Saturday, Oct. 24.

Co-chaired by U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-12th District, and Ypsilanti Township Supervisor Brenda Stumbo, the challenge will take place in Hangar 1 at Willow Run Airport, 801 Kirk Profit Drive.

"We are humbled yet thrilled that so many people in California came out to honor the women of WWII by breaking our world record," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum. "Now we ask the women of Michigan to take pride in this historic local trea-



FILE PHOTO
Eighteen original Rosies had front row seats for the official Guinness Book of World Records photo taken at Willow Run Airport in March 2014.

sure and bring the record back home to Rosie's factory, because victory started here."

Sign-in will begin at 10 a.m. with the record-setting photo to be taken at 2 p.m. Early arrival is encouraged due to an expected large turnout. There will be special guest speakers and entertainment throughout the day. The event is free and participants should register at www.SaveTheBomberPlant.org. Costume instructions and recommendations also are available online.

"Michigan Aerospace Foundation, Yankee Air Museum and the women of Michigan are doing tremendous work to make sure that the Willow Run Bomber Plant in Ypsilanti Township is known worldwide as the home of Rosie the Riveter," said Michael Conway, director of public affairs for Wayne County Airport Authority. "Willow Run Airport and

the Wayne County Airport Authority are excited to once again help sponsor the Rosies as they set out to reclaim the title as world champions."

According to Dennis Norton, president of the Michigan Aerospace Foundation, the Save the Bomber Plant campaign is well into the beginning stages of restoration of a significant part of the plant. He said the project demonstrates the resilience of the entire community.

"The March 2014 Rosie record helped focus millions of people on our effort and I look forward to being there when these women retake the record and bring it back to Willow Run," Norton said. "There is widespread 'can do' optimism inspired by these ladies."

During World War II the Willow Run Bomber Plant produced 8,685 B-24 Liberator Bombers and employed more than 40,000 men and women.

estimated to be the end of 2017, the Yankee Air Museum will move from its current location on the east side of Willow Run Airport to the former bomber plant, and become known as the National Museum of Aviation and Technology. For more information about the "Save the Bomber Plant Campaign," visit www.savethebomberplant.org.

Yankee Air Museum is a tax-exempt 501 (c)(3) charitable organization founded in 1981 to preserve and honor aviation history and its participants. The museum works to positively excite kids and stimulate interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) to help meet the challenges facing America. The annual Girls TEAM Summit on Oct. 3 is an example of the museum's

ROSIE RED ALERT

What: Yankee Air Museum's Save Our Record, Save Our Factory

Where: Hangar 1 of Willow Run Airport, 801 Kirk Profit Drive, Ypsilanti

When: Saturday, Oct. 24. Doors open at 10 a.m., registration ends at 1 p.m. Photo will be taken at 2 p.m. sharp.

What to wear: Red and white polka dot bandana, dark blue work clothes, red socks, dark work shoes or boots

Register: Sign up at www.SaveTheBomberPlant.org

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Yankee Air Museum, located at Willow Run Airport, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. For more information, visit www.yankeeairmuseum.org.



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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Blazers 'March' to championship



Members of the Livonia Ladywood volleyball team pose with their championship trophy following Saturday's 5-0 effort.

Senior captain's 32 kills power Ladywood to crown

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

It was a "Home, Sweep Home" kind of Saturday for the Livonia Ladywood volleyball team, which swept to a 5-0 record and the championship trophy in the Blazer Invitational.

The hosts' triumphant performance came one week after they lost a heart-breaking match-deciding 15-13 decision in the final round of the Perry Invitational.

Ladywood, now 10-1-2, was energized by strong play from senior captain Kayla March (32 kills), junior Abbi Laurentius (30 digs) and junior Maggie Shirk, who racked up 13 kills, 15 digs and six service aces.

"This was a complete team effort," said Ladywood head coach Peter Lau. "Everyone made plays, everyone contributed." The tournament field was solid and included several Class A high schools, and a couple of state-ranked teams – St. Mary's Catholic Central (ranked No. 1 in Class C) and Plymouth Christian Academy (ranked No. 6 in Class D). The Blazers endured the

entire day without losing a single set. They rolled through pool play with victories over Royal Oak (25-10, 25-5), Franklin Road Christian (25-6, 25-4) and PCA (25-18, 25-21).

In win-or-go-home bracket play, Ladywood sidelined St. Catherine of Siena Academy, 25-20 and 25-20, before taking the rematch with PCA, 25-16, 25-22.

In addition to the players mentioned previously, Monique Lamoureux (27 assists) and Natasha Strzelewicz (seven aces) contributed mightily to the title-winning performance.

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PREP PROFILE



LITTLE O'S ROAD TO REDEMPTION

Livonia Churchill junior Omar Morris has been a model student since an April 2014 fight in the school's cafeteria resulted in a three-month suspension and six months of probation.

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Morris working hard to grow from infamous cafeteria fight incident

What if the absolute worst decision you made during the 15th year of your life was captured in choppy, horrific detail by a nearby cell phone, then broadcast later that night as the lead story on the local news for hundreds of thousands of

people to see? What if the result of the decision – and the level of attention it received – embarrassed yourself, your family and your school?

Would you let it destroy you or would you use it as fuel to help make you a better person? These questions are not hypothetical ones for Livonia Churchill

junior football player Omar Morris.

On April 11, 2014, the then-high school freshman sat down to eat lunch in the Churchill cafeteria when an argument ensued.

"A kid was saying things to me that got to me," said Morris, who had never been in any level of trouble prior to the incident. "I let my anger get the best of me."

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PREP TENNIS

DUNNE DEAL: Brothers bolster Spartans

Tennis a family affair for four Livonia Stevenson siblings

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Close to 30 percent of the Livonia Stevenson boys tennis team's starting lineup eat breakfast together almost every day, drive to and from school together and hit an astronomical number of tennis balls with one another during the summer.

You could say the foursome have some seriously strong chemistry working in their

favor. While it's rare to find a high school athletic team these days with even two siblings competing together, the Spartans' net team is bolstered by four Dunne brothers – senior Jack, sophomore twins Tom and Kevin, and freshman Steve.

Jack Dunne is taking his swings as the team's No. 3 singles player this season while the younger three excel at doubles – Tom and Steve comprise

the No. 3 doubles duo while Kevin is one-half of the Stevenson No. 5 pairing.

When asked about the unique dynamic of playing on the same varsity team as their three brothers, each Dunne used one common adjective to describe the experience: fun.

"I never have a problem finding someone to hit with in the summer," said Jack, smiling. "It's

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Pictured are the four Dunne brothers – from left: Jack, Kevin, Tom and Steve – who make up over a quarter of the Livonia Stevenson varsity tennis team's line-up.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Patriot harriers roll to individual titles

Douglas, Floyd continue their winning ways

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin senior cross country stand-out Natalie Douglas remained unbeaten during the Patriots' early-season schedule after placing first in Saturday's Ramblin' Rock Invitational at Willow Metropark with a personal-best 5-kilometer time of 19 minutes and six-tenths of a second.

Douglas, who now owns the third-fastest girls 5K time in Franklin history, was also the medalist in last week's Livonia City Meet.

The boys' race was won by Franklin's Tony Floyd in an eye-opening 15:55. The tireless senior was also the champion of last week's boys' Livonia City Meet.

Franklin's boys placed sixth out of 19 teams with 188 points – 150 more than champion Novi. Placing ahead of the Patriots were runner-up Hartland

(105), Salem (131), Livonia Stevenson (137) and Saline (140).

Livonia Churchill finished seventh with 194 points.

Grant Rudd placed 23rd for Franklin in 17:18, 20 seconds ahead of teammates Matt Lepper.

"Our guys ran well today," said Franklin boys coach Pat Koelzer. "We had a lot of season bests. Tony went out against some really strong competitors. He stayed in the mix for the first two miles, then started pushing the pace and separating during the final mile."

The Patriot girls placed fifth overall with 138 points. Brighton won the event with 31 points, 33 fewer than host Salem. Livonia Churchill (97 points) and Walled Lake Northern (122) rounded out the top-five spots.

Livonia Stevenson finished eighth with 204 points while Garden City

was 11th with 324. Westland John Glenn was represented at the invite, but did not have enough runners to qualify for the team standings.

Douglas was joined on the hilly trails by teammates Erin Seibert (26th in 20:50.2), Camryn Zurawski (29th in 20:57.0), Riley Shine (44th in 21:49.2), Emma Devine (52nd in 22:19.2), Ally Stabler (53rd in 22:25.8) and Natalie Martinez, who finished 54th in 22:30.5.

"As a team, I thought we performed very well in what turned out to be a pretty competitive meet," said Franklin head coach Dave Bjorklund. "Natalie ran an outstanding race."

Patriot boys topple Zebras

Livonia Franklin out-strided host Wayne Memorial, 17-46, Tuesday in a KLA South Division dual meet.

The Patriots were paced by perpetual front-runner Tony Floyd, who

posted a first-place time of 17:21.

Also scoring for the winners were runner-up Grant Rudd (19:19), third-place Matt Lepper (19:26), fifth-place Logan Evanchuk (19:37) and sixth-place Trevor Doyle, who was clocked in 19:52.

Junior Jamie Carranza paced the Zebras with a fourth-place finish in 19:36.7. Seven of the other 10 Wayne runners posted with home-course and overall personal-best times.

Sophomore Kaleb Allen placed 10th in 20:30.3, junior Tyler Westfall was 14th in 21:41.8 while senior Jesse Jarvis ran a course PR time of 25:12.4.

Also competing for Wayne were Sagib Garcia (22:53.4), Cody Macuga (23:44.2), Andrew Winters (25:00.4), Trever Lloyd (25:18.8), Dennis Williams (26:24.3), Kolby Hood (26:31.4) and Joshua Harper (26:38.5).

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Livonia Franklin's Tony Floyd and Natalie Douglas won their respective races at Saturday's Ramblin' Rock Invitational at Willow Metropark.

WWAC SOCCER ROUNDUP



Garden City's Maxwell Frederick, pictured during last year's victory over Clarenceville, scored two goals in the Cougars' 8-0 win over Romulus on Monday.

Garden City posts two straight shutouts

First-year goalie sparkles by keeping net clean

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Garden City's first-year junior net-minder Ian Tesarz is getting the hang of this goal-keeping gig – much to the dismay of the Cougars' last two opponents.

On Monday at home, the Cougars overcame a sluggish first-half performance to mercy Romulus, 8-0, in the opening Western Wayne Athletic Conference match for both teams.

The shutout by Tesarz, who played the field prior to this season, came on the heels of a 2-0 triumph over Taylor

Truman on Friday. Garden City improved to 2-4 overall and 1-0 in the WWAC.

GC head coach Jeff Szyplula said he wasn't completely satisfied with his team's first-half performance, even though it held a 2-0 lead over the Eagles.

"We came in with a poor mindset; I think we were looking past Romulus a little bit," Szyplula said. "We gave them a good talking to at half-time and they went out in the second half and communicated better and moved the ball better."

Senior Zachary Ball was the Cougars' spark plug, netting three goals.

"He energized us tonight," Szyplula said of Ball. "He was the only one on the field I could hear in the first half. He

played hard and earned more playing time."

Senior Maxwell Frederick also had a big night for the Cougars' offense as he deposited two shots in the back of the net and added an assist.

Scoring single goals for the winners were Tommy Fisher, Emmanuel Mulbah and James Falk.

Szyplula said the play of the night was disallowed by the officials: a slick bicycle-kick goal by Mulbah.

Senior sweeper Vinnie Bakerian anchored the Cougars' defense while AJ Staley chipped in with two assists.

Jacob Sadowski was the star of Friday's 2-0 victory over Truman as the defender moved into the box for corner kicks and tallied the game's only two goals.

Trojans win again

Clarenceville improved to 1-0 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference and 4-0-1 overall by beating a physical Redford Union team in boys soccer Monday, 1-0.

The only goal of the night was scored by junior Armin Andelija on a free kick with 12 minutes left in the second half.

Clarenceville junior goalkeeper Jon Murphy earned his third shutout of the year with seven saves.

Junior Joe Sanchez, senior Elijah Spens and junior Dante Marzolo played well defensively throughout the game, according to coach Trevor Johnson.

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fun having them all on the team. I help them a little bit when I see something, since I've been playing high school tennis longer than they have. "I'm probably a little bit better than they are now, but they're catching up – fast."

The Dunne tennis legacy at Stevenson was ignited by the youngest brother, Steve, who set the dominoes in motion when he showed an interest in the sport in fourth grade.

"I was looking for a sport I could fit into, saw some matches on TV and thought it looked fun, so I asked for a racquet for my (ninth) birthday," the freshman recounted. "I started taking lessons, then each of my older brothers bought racquets so I'd have somebody to hit with."

Eventually, all four Dunes started taking lessons together and the extra work paid dividends as their level of play progressed.

Following two years on the junior-varsity squad, Jack Dunne was promoted to No. 1 doubles as a junior before moving up to singles this year.

All four brothers make significant contributions to the team's success, Stevenson head coach Don McCathney emphasized.

"Jack is a very, very steady player," McCathney said. "He keeps a lot of balls in play. He's more of a blue-collar player than a guy who has taken lessons for a zillion years. He's the kind of kid you love to have on your team because he doesn't beat himself. If he gets beat, it's because the other guy is better."

"Tom and Steve play great together. I wasn't

going to put siblings together on the same doubles team, but they did so well playing together during tryouts that we kept them together.

"Kevin is such a motivated kid. He's always trying to get better – and he does whatever he can to help his brothers get better. He runs a lot and he tries to get his brothers to run with him. He was the one brother who was on the outside looking in as far as varsity goes during tryouts, but he worked his way into the No. 5 doubles position."

Kevin Dunne said living with three like-minded tennis players has helped sharpen his skill set.

"Since I'm not as high up on the varsity team as my brothers, I'm always learning stuff from them," he said. "Jack takes me to the gym and shows me what to do, and he helps me with tennis, too."

"I love playing in the summer against Tom and Steve because they're a great doubles team, which only makes me better."

While singles players may attract more of the spotlight, Tom Dunne said he thoroughly enjoys playing doubles – especially with someone he knows so well.

"The thing I like best about playing doubles is that it's more strategic than singles," he said. "You really have to work together and communicate with your teammate if you want to be successful. Being able to practice together like we have at home gives Steve and I an advantage over some of the teams we play just because we've known each other longer."

All four Dunes are excellent students, with grade-point averages on the north side of 4.0.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Lutheran Westland improves to 6-0

Warriors take down Parkway 3-1 in OT

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

The Lutheran Westland boys soccer team has started the 2015 season like a cannon ball being shot from a cannon.

On Monday, the Warriors improved to 6-0 with a gutsy 3-1 overtime victory over Parkway Christian.

Kyle Farley gave the Warriors' a 1-0 lead when he knocked home a

corner kick that was delivered by Kyle Downey.

Parkway answered with a Ben Turner goal that knotted the game at 1-1 and necessitated overtime.

A short time into the second 10-minute span of the 20-minute extra session, LW's Drake Snyder scored off an assist from Jake Kuhn.

Snyder tacked on an insurance goal a few minutes later off an assist from Bobby Sprague.

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Lutheran Westland's Kyle Downey (4) contributed an assist during the Warriors' 3-1 victory over Parkway Christian.

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Patriots sweep downriver net foes

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin tennis players won 15 of 16 matches Saturday while dominating a double-dual competition against downriver opponents Carleton Airport and Monroe.

Patriots singles players Lukas Pekorius (No. 1), Adam Alger (No. 2) and Jon Montie (No. 4) all won both of their matches while No. 3 player Justin Crawford split his encounters, falling to Monroe before registering a victory against Airport.

Franklin's first three doubles team – No. 1 Kyle McCullach and Reo Tang; No. 2 Keyur Patel and Eric Liberati; and No. 3 Stephen Lai and Graham Schuerman – swept their opponents.



Livonia Franklin No. 4 singles player Jon Montie went 2-0 during Saturday's double-dual event against Monroe and Carlton Airport.

Mike Cebulski and David Fitch notched a triumph at No. 4 doubles against Monroe while Fitch teamed up with Michael Bagazinsky to defeat Airport's No. 4 pairing.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Cougars rule in Wyandotte



CHRIS GUDDECK
Garden City senior Heather Pennington led the Cougars with 44 aces during Saturday's Wyandotte Invitational.

Seniors lead GC to invitational title

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Garden City's volleyball team left Wyandotte Saturday night with a little more "luggage" than what it arrived with early that day.

Spearheaded by a spectacular all-around effort by senior Allie Lynn and several other standout contributors, the Cougars earned the first-place trophy at the event by delivering several clutch performances in the win-or-go-home

playoffs.

Garden City opened the day with a momentum-gaining 25-6, 25-16 triumph over Lincoln Park. However, the Cougars suffered a temporary setback in its middle pool-play match when it lost to Grosse Ile, 25-12, 25-17.

The Cougars bounced back nicely in their final pool-play contest as they bumped Warren Cousino, 25-22, 25-8.

In the quarterfinal playoff round, Garden City held off Detroit Renaissance, 30-28, 25-14, before earning some redemption against Grosse Ile, 25-23, 25-23. GC capped its day

with a golden 25-15, 25-23 effort against Dearborn Edsel Ford.

Lynn was dynamic, racking up 51 digs, 41 kills and 11 service aces while successfully receiving 40 of 43 serves.

Jayne Laws was a defensive dynamo for GC as she was nearly perfect on serve-receive (34-for-36) while picking up 27 digs.

Heather Pennington was tough all day at the net, accumulating a team-high 44 kills to go along with five aces.

Other pivotal players in the title run were Alea Montgomery (18 kills) and setter Alex Roffi, who chalked up 98

assists.

"What a great day," said GC head coach John Pace. "The day started great as we were very efficient against Lincoln Park, but we allowed Grosse Ile to push our buttons. They controlled the entire match.

"In the quarterfinals against Renaissance we needed a solid effort to pull it out. In the semis, we were more driven against Grosse Ile. Our serves were better and we played well. The final match was very exciting. It was nice to see the girls play hard."

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KLAA SOCCER ROUNDUP



ED WRIGHT
Franklin goal-keeper Ryan Prohaska stretches his 6-foot-3 frame high above the fray to secure a first-half save.

UP FOR GRABS

Franklin holds off late Churchill charge to win rivalry match-up 4-3

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

There was no shortage of drama during the closing moments of Tuesday night's high-intensity crosstown soccer rivalry between host Livonia Churchill and visiting Franklin.

Charger senior Devin McCulley's goal in the latter stages of the second half closed the Patriots' lead to 4-3, which they managed to secure to the final horn thanks in large part to some acrobatic goal-keeping by senior Ryan Prohaska.

Franklin's fourth straight victory improved its record to 5-2-1 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA South Division heading into Friday's 5:30 p.m. showdown at Canton.

"I applaud the job Ryan did tonight," said Franklin head coach Vic Rodoupolos. "He played a really good game. Defensively, our entire team played well."

"It was a battle right down to the end, but I knew it would be. We've developed a really good rivalry with Churchill in recent years."

Franklin drew first blood just two minutes and 41 seconds into the contest when senior Bobby Mandrink - who has been lighting up the scoreboard for the Patriots the past two weeks - ripped a left-footed rising liner from the left flank just inside the right post to make it 1-0.

Churchill's Erlin Guri came within inches of deadlocking



ED WRIGHT
Churchill's Uthman Babatunde shields Patriot Nathan Jacoban from the ball.

the game 20 seconds later when his sizzling shot from 12 yards out banged into the right post before Prohaska smothered the bounding rebound in front.

The Chargers kept the pressure on and it paid off three minutes later when Riles Dobar punched home a penalty kick - moments after a Charger was fouled in the 18-yard box - to even the game at 1-1.

Churchill defender Conner Rash, who has been rock solid during the early season, defused a Patriot threat with a nice clearing effort less than a minute after Dobar's PK.

Franklin's defense received a timely boost from David Shoemaker, who separated

Uthman Babatunde from the ball just 15 yards from the goal crease at the 29:20 mark. Forty seconds later, Churchill keeper Brandon Dix ventured from the goal line to stuff a chance by Mandrink.

Two goals - one by each team - just 13 seconds apart left the game tied at 2-2. Junior Austin Corona headed in a one hopper from just 10 yards out before Charger Uthman Babatunde countered a couple heartbeats later.

The Patriots never trailed after Thomas Hamilton booted home the rebound of a Ryan Bieth free kick with 3:12 showing on the first-half clock.

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LITTLE O

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A fight broke out between Morris and another Churchill freshman.

When teachers and administrators moved in to separate the two, they were initially pushed away, with one hitting the back of his head as he fell backward to the floor.

A student with a cell phone taped the entire confrontation, which later became the lead story on a local television newscast.

The fighters' faces were blurred out in the video, but that didn't lessen the severity of Morris's humility.

"I realized it was really bad when people started to tell me it was on the news that night," Morris remembered. "I was embarrassed for my family, because they had to see me on TV like that."

Following an administrative review of the incident, Morris was suspended for the remainder of the school year and forced to complete his class work at home.

He was also placed on six months probation and faced the possibility of getting expelled from the school.

Morris, who is affectionately nicknamed "Little O" by his Churchill football coaches and teammates, had reached an unpleasant turning point in his life - one he readily admits was self-inflicted.

"Every day I'd wake up (during the suspension), and I'd focus on doing my school work and getting it together," Morris said. "Mentally, I'd put myself here, at the school."

"Honestly, I didn't think they were going to let me come back."

Humbled and regretful, an admittedly nervous Morris faced a hearing that required him to answer a series of tough questions from a panel of Churchill teachers and administrators.

"Basically, they asked me if they let me back in, how would I act and what would I do differently," Morris said. "I told them I was determined to be a better person and a better student and that

playing football would help me focus on changing my life."

A relieved Morris was re-instated, knowing full well that one more slip-up would be unacceptable.

"Omar is a young man who has done a complete 180 over the past 14 months," revealed Churchill assistant football coach Allen Feigel. "I think maturity has helped, and growing up has helped. But I also like to think that the No. 1 reason he's on the right track is because he has good parents. They made it very clear that this was never going to happen again."

"He made a poor choice - an egregious mistake - and like everything else in life, there are consequences, both positive and negative. He could have taken the easy way out and walked away from Churchill. But we weren't about to turn our backs on him. I believe everyone is entitled to a second chance."

The sensationalized approach the media chose to cover the fight left a bitter taste in Feigel's mouth.

"What Omar did was bad, don't get me wrong, but there are fights in high schools every day," he said. "Honestly, we've had worse fights at Churchill that didn't get near the attention this one got. He didn't shoot anyone. He's not a terrorist."

"Omar is a good young man and he's accepted the fact that he needs to keep working hard. Every day is a process; it's a daily grind and he has to keep his head down and keep grinding."

Morris has taken full advantage of his second chance. He has improved his grade-point average to 2.8 - substantially higher than his pre-fight academic standing - and he's excelling on the gridiron.

On Friday, the back-up running back scored three touchdowns in the Chargers' 46-21 victory over Westland John Glenn.

"If someone was in the situation I was in," Morris advised, "I'd tell them to think before they react. Don't just jump into the situation because you don't know what the outcome will be."

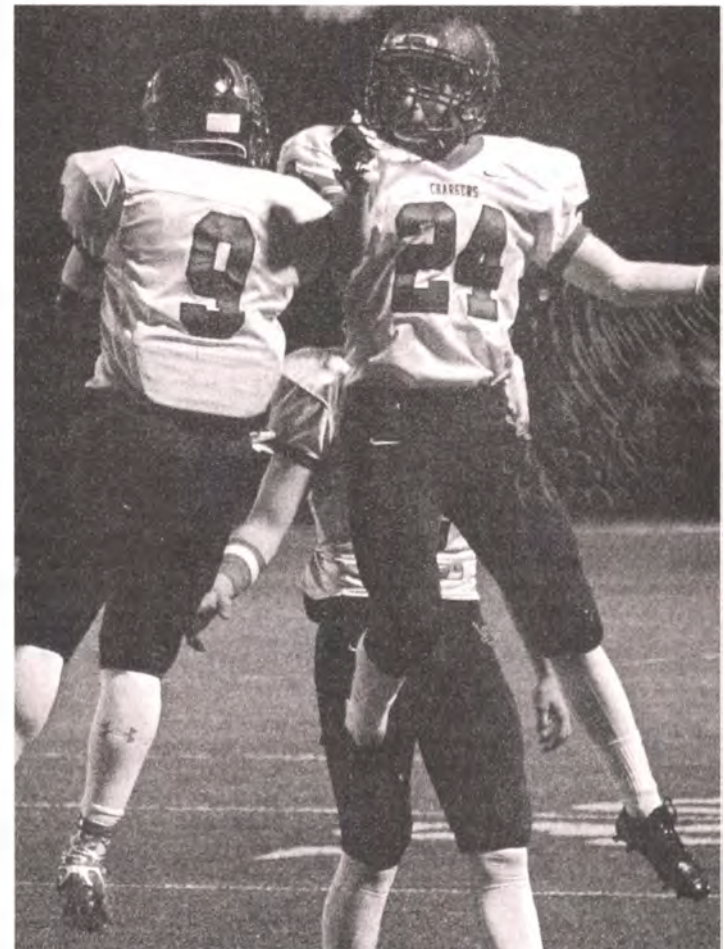
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North Farmington (1-1, 2-1) at Southfield (2-0, 2-1), 5:30 p.m.	Southfield	Southfield	Southfield
Birmingham Seaholm (1-1, 1-2) at Farm. Harrison (2-0, 2-1)	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
Farmington (1-1, 2-1) at Rochester Adams (1-1, 2-1)	Adams	Adams	Adams
Canton (1-0, 3-0) at Wayne Memorial (0-1, 0-3)	Canton	Canton	Canton
Livonia Churchill (1-0, 2-1) at Plymouth (1-0, 2-1)	Plymouth	Churchill	Plymouth
Salem (1-0, 2-1) at Novi (0-1, 0-3)	Salem	Salem	Salem
Livonia Stevenson (1-0, 3-0) at South Lyon East (0-1, 0-3)	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson
Westland John Glenn (0-1, 0-3) at Liv. Franklin (0-1, 1-2)	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
Livonia Clarenceville (1-0, 1-2) at Romulus (1-0, 2-1)	Romulus	Romulus	Clarenceville
Dearborn Thurston (0-1, 1-2) at Garden City (0-1, 1-2)	Fordson	Fordson	Garden City
Redford Thurston (1-0, 2-1) at D.H. Robichaud (1-0, 3-0)	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud
Redford Union (0-1, 1-2) at Belleville (1-0, 2-1)	Belleville	Belleville	Belleville
Lutheran Westland (1-0, 1-2) at Lutheran Northwest (0-1, 1-2)	Northwest	Northwest	Luth. Westland
Last week's record	11-1	10-2	10-2
Overall record	31-11	31-11	27-15



ED WRIGHT
Omar Morris (9) celebrates his second of three touchdowns Friday night with teammate Jake Mushinski.

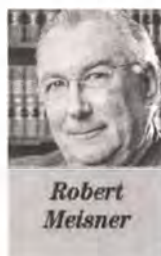


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A: Corporate law and, no doubt, your community association documents provide that a decision of the board must be made by a majority of the board members. The presumption is that all board members participate in that decision, and it would be irresponsible for board members to abdicate their roles or responsibilities to one board member irrespective of whether that person is an officer or not. Board members who follow the lead and do not, in any way, participate in the decision making process are breaching their fiduciary duties. Demand that the board change its position or get a lawyer to consider bringing a derivative action against the Board of Directors on behalf of the association.



Robert Meisner

Q: I am a board member of a condominium association where our association sustained substantial fire losses as a result of the negligence of an owner. Although the damage, including the deductible, was covered by various insurance policies, the association is now faced with a substantial premium increase. The Condominium Declaration contained a provision stating that an owner is liable to the association for any increase in the insurance premium caused by that owner's "use and occupancy of the unit." The declaration also otherwise contains the usual waivers between owners and association for damage to units and the common elements to the extent such damage is covered by insurance. What do you think we have a right to do?

A: If there is a fire in a unit which is exacerbated by the owner's failure to replace the battery in the smoke detector, by way of example, and the insurance premiums increase, then the owner should not be responsible for the increase. On the other hand, if the co-owner undertakes risky behavior such producing meth or explosives, (or more likely some other risky but legal activity), then the owner clearly should pay the increase, but legal counsel should be obtained to confirm this conclusion.

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

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The Meisner Law Group, P.C., will have attorney Robert M. Meisner conduct a four-week course Tuesdays from Oct. 6-27, 7-9 p.m., covering Introduction to Successful Community Association Operation. This seminar is designed for board members and officers, managers, developers and association members living in or working with a condominium, subdivision, cooperative, or community association. Course discussion includes the new 2015 amendments to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act. Cost is \$95 (\$85 per person when two or more enroll from the same organization). For registration information, contact 248-644-4433 or 800-470-4433, via email at bmeisner@meisner-law.com, or visit the seminar page on Meisner-law.com.

Industry survey: Real estate pros see growth, profits in future

Real estate firms are confident in the industry's future growth and their increasing profitability, according to the 2015 National Association of Realtors *Profile of Real Estate Firms*.

"A majority of firms have a positive view of the future, with 95% of all firms expecting their net income to either increase or stay the same in the next year," said NAR President Chris Polychron, executive broker with 1st Choice Realty in Hot Springs, Ark. He cited job growth and other factors.

That's true in metro Detroit as well, said Sheila Suppes, 2015 president of Commercial Real Estate Women Detroit. Suppes said in an email, "All sectors of commercial real estate have been busy across metro Detroit," citing "tenant improvement, retail, and medical."

The annual survey found that commercial firms are the most optimistic, with 75% expecting net income to increase, and 22% anticipating it to stay the same. Residential firms are only slightly less optimistic; 69% report that they expect to see an increase in their net income next year, 25% expect it to stay the same, and 6% predict a decrease. Only 3% of commercial firms predict a decrease in net income in the next year.

Suppes, when asked about

impact of downtown Detroit and Midtown growth, noted "Detroit and Midtown are both exciting areas to keep an eye on in the upcoming years. Businesses continue to move downtown, including national retail. With the new arena and the transformation of the Woodward corridor it is getting harder to find qualified subcontractors that are not already at capacity with their workload."

"I encourage anyone who has not visited Detroit in the last year to take another look at the city. It is amazing to see all the renovations that have occurred and the amount of people walking along the corridor excited to be in Detroit," she added.

Suppes is a licensed Realtor who began her career in residential new construction. She began working in the commercial construction industry for almost eight years doing business development for Sachse Construction. A graduate of Central Michigan University, she has a degree in graphic design with a minor in advertising. She's been a member of CREW Detroit for eight years.

The NAR found the typical residential firm has been operating for a median of 13 years, and the typical commercial firm has been in busi-

ness for 20 years. The average firm, 79%, has one office and two full-time real estate licensees, while 9% of firms are larger with four or more offices and have a median of 125 full-time licensees.

In 2014, a typical residential real estate firm's brokerage sales volume was \$5.6 million, and the typical commercial real estate firm's brokerage sales volume was \$4.4 million. The size of a firm has a large impact on its sales volume; firms with only one office had a median brokerage sales volume of \$4.1 million in 2014, while those with four or more offices had a median brokerage sales volume of \$250 million.

According to the survey, 82% of firms specialize in residential brokerage, making it by far the most popular specialization. Residential property management follows at 7%, and commercial brokerage comes in third at 4%.

When asked to name the biggest challenge facing their firms in the next two years, 51% of firms named profitability. The second most common responses, at 46% each, were keeping up with technology and maintaining sufficient property inventory.

Firms were also asked to predict the effect of the different generations of home buyers on the industry for the next two years. The most

common concern named, at 54%, was the millennial generation's inability to buy a home because of stagnant wage growth, a slow job market and their debt-to-income ratios. This was followed by baby boomer agents retiring from the real estate industry, and, conversely, the recruitment of millennials and Gen Xers into the real estate profession.

Forty-five % of firms expect competition to increase over the next year (from mid-2015 to mid-2016) from nontraditional market participants, while 41 % expect to see increased competition from virtual firms. Only 16% expect increased competition from traditional brick-and-mortar firms.

However, these concerns are not preventing firms from growing. Also, 45% of firms are actively recruiting new agents, with 88% citing business growth as their primary reason for hiring new agents.

The 2015 NAR *Profile of Real Estate Firms* was based on an online survey sent in July of this year to a national sample of 138,669 executives at real estate firms. This generated 4,555 useable responses with a response rate of 3.3%.

Staff writer Julie Brown and the NAR website contributed to this report.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 27 to May 1, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
18195 Bivwood Ave	\$250,000
20135 Cobblestone Ct	\$440,000
17130 Dunblaine Ave	\$283,000
31021 Old Stage Rd	\$380,000
19710 W 13 Mile Rd # 205	\$161,000
31632 Waltham Dr	\$415,000
BIRMINGHAM	
364 Baldwin Rd	\$483,000
1965 Bradford Rd	\$244,000
1671 Cole St	\$200,000
2414 Dorchester Rd	\$881,000
2512 Dorchester Rd	\$370,000
1253 E Lincoln St	\$435,000
1452 Henrietta St	\$388,000
1352 Linden St	\$188,000
820 Humphrey Ave	\$590,000
437 Linden Rd	\$1,720,000
1051 N Old Woodward Ave	\$224,000
1564 Penitence St	\$209,000
1340 Puritan Ave	\$782,000
1351 Ruffner Ave	\$640,000
1905 Shipman Blvd	\$748,000
1678 Yosemite Blvd	\$377,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1190 Kemper Ave	\$90,000
1820 Marie Cir	\$270,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
2639 Brady Dr	\$220,000
1583 Clarendon Rd	\$1,055,000
756 E Fox Hills Dr	\$60,000
780 E Fox Hills Dr	\$60,000
468 Fox Hills Dr S # A-1	\$78,000
3523 Raven Ct	\$376,000
355 S Cranbrook Cross Rd	\$402,000
931 S Shady Hollow Cir	\$418,000
628 S Spinningwheel Ln	\$271,000
4113 Telegraph Rd # A-214	\$91,000
1060 Trailwood Path	\$162,000
260 Woodwind Dr	\$1,200,000
3896 Top View Ct	\$435,000
2750 Turtle Bluff Dr	\$700,000
1710 Ward Rd	\$135,000
3650 Tuckahoe Rd	\$565,000
COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP	
2077 Applebrook Dr	\$350,000
8435 Buffalo Dr	\$168,000
9231 Commerce Rd	\$150,000
8457 Lagoon St	\$258,000
8265 Lake Pine Dr	\$290,000
3273 Mandrake St	\$174,000
3273 Mandrake St	\$15,000
4951 Oakwood Ct	\$420,000
5253 Riverview Trl	\$290,000
3130 Royal Blvd	\$113,000
5222 Sandalwood Dr	\$400,000
5863 Strawberry Cir	\$75,000
FARMINGTON	
31841 Lamar Dr	\$145,000
33119 Orchard St	\$80,000
23247 Prospect Ave	\$143,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	

25700 Blue Creek Ct	\$255,000
35320 Blue Spruce Dr	\$220,000
37266 Brentwood Cir	\$147,000
38936 Country Cir	\$114,000
33950 Edna St	\$40,000
36379 Fredericksburg Rd	\$216,000
36812 Kenmore Dr	\$400,000
30280 Kingsway Dr	\$359,000
29446 N Meadowridge	\$141,000
25325 Rutledge King	\$362,000
28205 Statter Ln	\$220,000
30448 Sunderland Dr	\$230,000
24121 Tana Ct	\$158,000
30074 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 117	\$45,000
28455 Wellington St	\$280,000
HIGHLAND	
2527 Foxgrove Ct	\$259,000
5666 Jada Dr	\$275,000
3238 Lakeview Dr	\$295,000
MILFORD	
2987 Shirley St	\$184,000
2952 Stone Meadow Dr	\$666,000
376 Stone Wood Ct	\$355,000
617 Village Ln	\$125,000
2605 W Commerce Rd	\$175,000
NORTHVILLE	
21112 E Glen Haven Cir	\$103,000
21309 E Glen Haven Cir	\$150,000
22375 Innsbrook Dr	\$269,000
NOVI	
24491 Bashian Dr	\$128,000
47539 Beckenham Blvd	\$570,000
22736 Bertram Dr	\$413,000
47313 Butler Ln	\$252,000
41474 Cornell Dr	\$165,000

22704 Cortes St	\$95,000
1313 E Lake Dr	\$229,000
44658 Ellery Ln	\$237,000
44875 Huntingcross Dr	\$340,000
27009 Ladbrooke St	\$347,000
27999 Middleton Dr	\$234,000
24564 Park Ridge Ct	\$228,000
41325 Singh Blvd	\$237,000
1127 South Lake Dr Unit 110	\$50,000
22616 Summer Ln	\$530,000
24710 Terra Del Mar Dr	\$700,000
SOUTH LYON	
23586 Stoneleigh Dr	\$399,000
23640 Stoneleigh Dr	\$467,000
53627 Valleywood Dr	\$309,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27685 Arlington Dr	\$145,000
27080 Bell Rd	\$150,000
29206 E Chanticleer Dr	\$180,000
27155 Fairfax St	\$118,000
20970 Glenmorra St	\$155,000
28720 Inkster Rd	\$100,000
15920 New Hampshire St	\$120,000
17239 New Jersey St	\$175,000
29863 Spring Hill Dr	\$115,000
28031 W Kalong Cir	\$165,000
24100 Wildbrook Ct # 101	\$78,000
WHITE LAKE	
10185 Lakeside Dr	\$425,000
10295 Northridge Ct	\$35,000
10342 Riverwood Ct	\$55,000
9215 Southeastern St	\$109,000
9195 Twin Lakes Ct	\$233,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 18-22, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
7416 Andover Dr	\$505,000
6852 Bunkerhill Ln	\$200,000
45440 Embassy Ct	\$260,000
47179 Glenhurst Dr	\$314,000
50319 Grant St	\$405,000
49131 Hawksbury Rd	\$192,000
45193 Horseshoe Cir	\$159,000
3870 Hunters Way Ct	\$113,000
536 Meadowlake Rd	\$201,000
45745 Morningside Dr	\$209,000
47855 Pavillion Rd	\$477,000
745 Pinhurst Dr	\$358,000
47627 Royal Pointe Dr	\$400,000
1682 S Tannytown Rd	\$400,000
4747 Sherwood Cir	\$277,000
51014 Sleepy Hollow Ln	\$249,000
41070 Southwind Dr	\$81,000
320 Stonehenge Dr	\$265,000
42238 Trent Dr	\$298,000
479 Tyler Ln	\$190,000
2656 Woodmont Dr E	\$185,000
4183 Wrenwood Ln	\$295,000
GARDEN CITY	
29612 Dawson St	\$28,000

200 Harrison St	\$88,000
32503 James St	\$113,000
28915 John Hawk St	\$120,000
33723 Marquette St	\$105,000
30429 Sheridan St	\$112,000
LIVONIA	
14390 Barbara St	\$135,000
9952 Bassett St	\$180,000
36280 Curtis Rd	\$250,000
17732 Deering St	\$105,000
14007 Denne St	\$170,000
38204 Donald St	\$150,000
14877 Ellen Dr	\$173,000
15619 Ellen Dr	\$270,000
34820 Fairfax Dr	\$325,000
17941 Fairfield St	\$153,000
10219 Farmington Rd	\$195,000
11742 Farmington Rd	\$120,000
27430 Five Mile Rd	\$420,000
11281 Garden St	\$122,000
19048 Gary Ln	\$375,000
11961 Hartel St	\$165,000
36294 Hees St	\$173,000
14400 Hik St	\$180,000
9905 Hubbard St	\$158,000
9336 Iowa St	\$148,000
37461 Ladywood St	\$280,000
14939 Marsha St	\$180,000
30476 Minton St	\$152,000
37680 N Laurel Park Dr	\$182,000
37669 Newburgh Park Cir	\$255,000
39240 Orangeblawn St	\$175,000
34283 Pembroke Ave	\$250,000
30981 Puritan St	\$181,000

31653 Saint Martins St	\$150,000
16124 Swathmore Ln	\$265,000
9031 Texas S	\$165,000
27740 Westminster Golf Dr	\$265,000
30048 Westfield St	\$125,000
18931 Whittby St	\$173,000
NORTHVILLE	
17386 Briar Ridge Ln	\$725,000
17475 Briar Ridge Ln	\$701,000
50333 Briar Ridge Ln	\$650,000
50748 Briar Ridge Ln	\$700,000
16725 Country Knoll Dr	\$326,000
17209 Orchard Ridge Rd	\$625,000
317 River St	\$240,000
42105 Timberlane St	\$290,000
PLYMOUTH	
9433 Ball St	\$235,000
9497 Baywood Dr	\$182,000
505 Byron St	\$375,000
48100 Colony Farm Cir	\$190,000
14545 Eccles Rd	\$155,000
10549 Fellows Hill Dr	\$512,000
546 Herald St	\$359,000
40340 Newport Dr	\$112,000
14437 Robinwood Dr	\$195,000
9263 Rocker Ave	\$253,000
1217 W Ann Arbor Trl	\$510,000
12436 Woodgate Dr	\$151,000
REDFORD	
16658 Beech Daly Rd	\$55,000
17157 Brady	\$50,000
17615 Centralia	\$73,000
15994 Denby	\$95,000
17405 Denby	\$88,000

17301 Fox	\$82,000
18445 Indian	\$33,000
17320 Lennane	\$67,000
9199 Riverview	\$62,000
11412 Royal Grand	\$59,000
9208 Sarasota	\$81,000
WAYNE	
4127 1st St	\$67,000
5240 Howe Rd	\$36,000
3032 Rivers Edge Dr	\$123,000
31530 Taft St	\$50,000
3054 Winifred St	\$68,000
WESTLAND	
31459 Alcona Ct	\$20,000
37222 Amhurst Dr	\$127,000
33667 Avondale St	\$122,000
36719 Canyon Dr	\$190,000
626 Darwin St	\$101,000
7428 Deering St	\$95,000
738 Easley Dr	\$107,000
36515 Fairchild St	\$129,000
32431 Grandview Ave	\$125,000
31473 Hazelwood St	\$35,000
34660 Hazelwood St	\$124,000
8203 Huntington St	\$41,000
29286 Manchester St	\$39,000
6742 Moccasin St	\$136,000
7115 N Willowood St	\$115,000
36333 Oregon Ave	\$80,000
33724 Pawnee St	\$70,000
8138 Randy Dr	\$139,000
7716 Ritz Ave	\$135,000
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Estates Sales

LIVONIA ESTATE SALE 11140 Oxbow. Sept 19-20th. 9-4pm. household items, tools, Christmas items, & home furnishings.

Northville Estate Sale

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Garage/Moving Sales

Birmingham Estate Sale 675 N Eton Street - Saturday, Sept 19th - 9am-4pm. Furniture, Antiques, collectibles, and household.

Canton - CARRIAGE HILLS SUB SALES

Thurs-Sat., Sept 17-19. N of Ford Rd., S of Warren, btwn Canton Center & Lilley Rds.

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Canton - Unique Garage Sale. Saleman Samples. Sept 17-19. 9a - 5p. 6827 Weatherfield Way E. Of Beck. S. of Warren, Housewares, electronics & more.

Farmington - Garage Sale

Baby & children clothing M/F large baby items some brand new. Antiques, books collectibles & Children outdoor equipment. 25547 Bridlepath LN, 11mi btw Drake and Halstead Thur - Sat 9am -4pm

Farmington Hills - Garage Sale

Sept 18-19, 9-3pm cut-de-sac in Farmington at Whittaker & Whittaker Ct, off Gr. River by Panera. 5+ homes. Cross stitch, VHS tapes, kids toys & clothes, books, old magazines & much much more!

Garden city: Garage Sale

-treasures, tools and much, much more!! 5829 Harrison Saturday, September 12th 8 - 5

Highland: Oakland County's BIGGEST SALE

Sept 16th, 3-8pm, with \$5.00 admission. Sept 17-18th, 9-4pm, Free. Sept 19th, 9-2pm, Free. "THE APLO CENTER" 2029 N. MILFORD RD

LIVONIA Garage Sale

18453 Parklane. Sept 17 & 18th. 9-4pm. S off 7 Mile Rd. Furniture, luggage, vintage costume jewelry & variety of household items.

Livonia - Multi-Family Garage Sale

Baby item household items, clothing & misc. Sept 17th-19th 9-5pm. 6 mile & S. Wayne Rd. look for signs.

LIVONIA SALE

Thurs. 9/17- Sat. 9/19 9am-5pm Vintage kitchenware, furniture, kids stuff & MORE! 17412 Stamwich - off 6 Mile Rd.

Milford: BARN SALE

Full Size trampoline, outdoor swing, bar stools, treadmill, pool ladder/supplies, oak tables, and much more. Also, teacher sale. Children's books and furniture. 3750 W. Buro Rd., Milford Sept. 18th and 19th (9-5)

MILFORD: SATURDAY 9/26

8 am-2pm and Sunday 9/27 8 am-12 pm. MOVING SALE!! EVERYTHING MUST GO!! 495 OUR LAND LANE. MAKE OFFERS! Furniture, Household, Pool Table, Air Hockey, Fossball, Piano, Trailer, HARBORLY! NO EARLY SALES

MILFORD Three Family Sale

Sept 18 & 19th. 9am-5pm. Motorcycles, antiques, furniture, boat, housewares.

NORTHVILLE: HUGH MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE

SEPT 16TH-19TH 9 - 6 49650 W 8 MILE Rain or Shine 1 mile w. of Buro Rd & Across from Mayberry State Park. Look for LG PINK SIGNS. Don't miss this sale. ANTIQUES OF ALL KINDS, MEN'S ITEMS, HOUSEWARES, LONGBERGER, LINENS, SEASONAL DECORATIONS, KIDS STUFF, LOT OF P.E.L.T. GRAPE VINTAGE SNOWMOBILES & MUCH MORE

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NORTHVILLE Sat. 9/19 & Sun. 9/20

9am-5pm Lots of Woodworking power tools, good condition. 43780 Westridge Lane

NORTHVILLE TWP. Villas of Northville Hills Condo Sub Sale.

Sat., Sept. 19th, 9am-3pm. 5 Mile & Sheldon. Many participants, 185 Units. Furniture, Antiques, Household, etc.

NOVI-Garage Sale - Thurs-Sat

9/17-9/19 9a-4p. Toys, boys clothing, furniture, and games. 43268 Asbury Dr.

NOVI-Hundreds of Puppets

sound systems, excellent condition. Household items. Miniatures Sat. 9/19 - Sun. 9/20 9am-7pm. 24472 Bonnie Brook Dr. btwn 10 Mile & Taft. Simmons Orchard Sub.

South Lyon: EVERYTHING MUST GO!

furniture, household items, Early American, accent pieces, fly & regular fishing equip, 2 wooden table sets, old music LPs/tapes, most items \$30 or under, Cash & Carry, park in the center of lot. Fri. 9-4, Sat. 9-3 pm 25313 Potomac Dr.

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Sept 17, 18 & 19th. 9a-5p 3033 MILDRED north of Michigan Ave btwn Venoy & Merriman. Many many items.

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2004 Jaguar

sajwa71c24ag32604 1996 Honda 1g6dw52p1713616 1994 Pontiac 1g2ne55m3rm594917 1999 Mercury 1mefm53u1xg659473 1997 Chrysler 2c3h56f1v4h501230 2004 Honda 5fm18084b036213 1994 Ford 1fte14nxma05075 1995 Chevrolet 1gkfk16r1tj706879

2002 Buick

2g4ws52j621281716 2005 Chevrolet 1g1zu64845f328307 1996 Cadillac 1hgc5687m094616 2003 Pontiac 3p7da03e03e507188 2006 Subaru jf1gg67636h804753 2007 Ford 1fahp34n97w157464 2003 Buick 2g4ws52j31262957 1998 Jeep 1j4f6880wt218666

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FORD F-150 2013

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FORD F-150 Super Cab XLT

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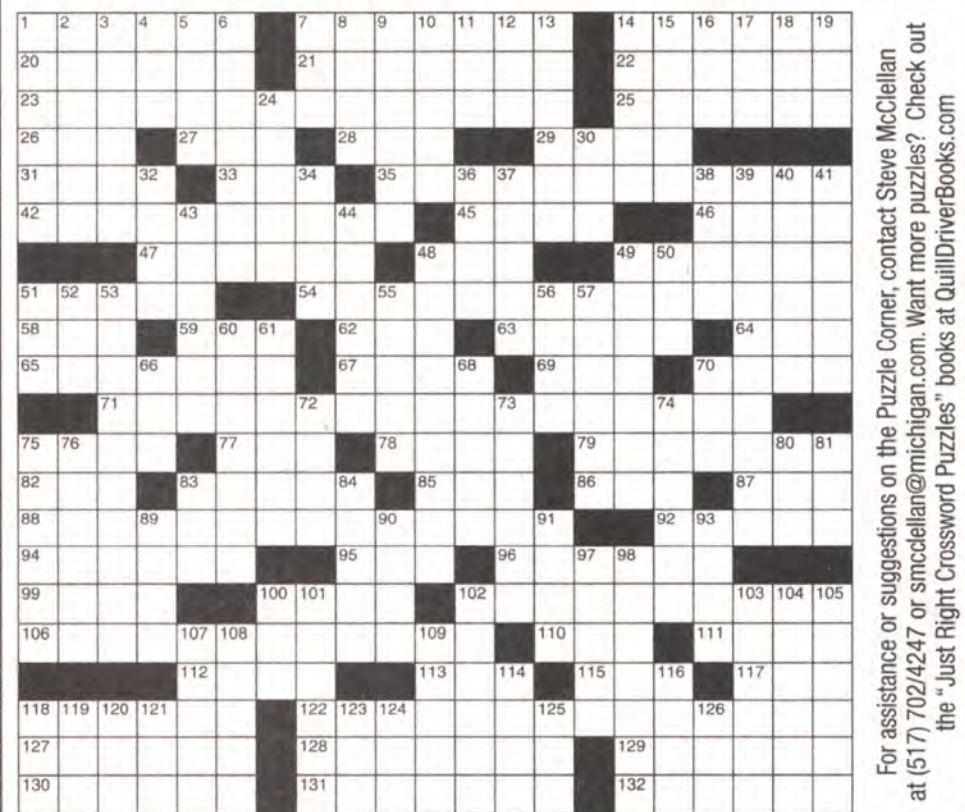
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THURSDAY PUZZLE CORNER

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- Thick-skinned river critters
 - Women's soft hats of old
 - Crouches, as a catcher
 - Dream up
 - Turkey's landmass
 - Career-track type
 - British hero sandwich?
 - Cut in half
 - Aunts, e.g.
 - Maglie of the old Giants
 - Be sickly
 - Give off
 - Certain tennis edge
 - "America" contraction
 - Person born to be an apartment manager?
 - Car made in an Alabama port?
 - Schoolyard rejoinder
 - Gap
 - Small brawl
 - "Drop — line"
 - Place for petri dishes
 - Hold tightly
 - Syringe causing a bad skin reaction?
 - Gmail rival
 - World finance org.
 - Holiday quaff
 - Thin, white mushroom
 - CBS drama
 - Advil rival
 - "Yipes!"
 - Printer resolution stat
 - Kids' author Silverstein
 - Pepsi or RC
 - Easily duped sort
 - Body filled with eau
 - Old TV's Desi
 - The, to Jules
 - Pitchfork-shaped letter
 - Trim grass
 - Put-down during a visit
 - John of plows
 - Takes as one's own
 - Tar's "Help!"
 - Doofus
 - Any of three English rivers
 - Pets that purr
 - Gregarious protester?
 - Beloved big rig?
 - Pal, to Jules
 - Big name in faucets
 - Process part
 - "As I see it," online
 - Ending for percent
 - Harass
 - Like rabbis and shuls
 - PC shortcut used by inflation calculators?
 - Broad road
 - Celestial body
 - Let the wind freshen
 - Not as bold
 - Deluge
 - Vagabonds
- DOWN**
- "October Sky" memoirist Homer
 - Eager volunteer's repetitive response
 - Ballpoint tip
 - Butter unit
 - Big name in elevators
 - State political bodies
 - GQ target
 - Take — loan
 - Brief mental glitch
 - Arum lily
 - Equine beast
 - More, to a maestro
 - Duel tools
 - 1976 Sally Field title role
 - Packs it in
 - FedEx rival
 - Kong, e.g.
 - Small jerk
 - TV unit
 - Koteas of "Crash"
 - China's — Zedong
 - Future lice
 - 1973 novel by Toni Morrison
 - Theater level
 - Data plan datum
 - "Whoops!"
 - Multicolored
 - Tick by
 - Bring past a simmer again
 - Ida of old films
 - Early online protocol
 - Units of a million watts per ampere
 - Skimpy swimsuits
 - Here, to Jules
 - Gun, in slang
 - Senator
 - Blunt
 - Very versatile
 - Rationale
 - Inner: Prefix
 - Like bit-free orange juice
 - Folks not living in the past
 - Spoken with ease
 - Suffix with northeast
 - Struck out in editing
 - Realize
 - Quahog or geoduck
 - Spot for slots
 - Big small-screen star
 - Sgt. Friday catchphrase
 - Get from a pitcher anew
 - easter
 - She-sheep
 - British islet
 - Gives relish
 - Big oil gp.
 - Muzzle part
 - "The Bicycle Thief" director
 - De —
 - Dutch cheese
 - Act like
 - Denounces
 - Stage signal
 - Angle
 - Playwright de Beauvoir
 - PFC, e.g.
 - Rip to shreds
 - Bullion bars
 - Time release
 - Alternate
 - Underage
 - Arab country
 - Arab bigwig
 - Gridlock
 - Day before
 - Really little
 - Sign
 - Cote sound
 - Rink great
 - Bobby
 - Banjo finale?
 - Coaching great
 - Parseghian



For assistance or suggestions on the Puzzle Corner, contact Steve McClellan at (517) 702/4247 or smcclellan@michigan.com. Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at QuillDriverBooks.com

SUDOKU

5		8				6		2
9			4		7			8
	4			2			6	
			9		1			
	9			7			5	
6			8		3			9
1	2					3		4

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

4	7	3	6	9	5	2	8	1
9	2	1	3	4	8	7	5	6
6	8	5	7	1	2	6	3	4
5	1	8	7	4	9	3	6	2
3	2	4	1	6	8	5	9	7
7	9	6	5	2	3	4	1	8
5	6	7	8	9	2	1	4	3
8	2	6	4	5	7	1	3	8
2	6	4	2	1	3	8	5	7

CARDIOVASCULAR WORD SEARCH

WORDS

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

Crossword Answers

1 THICKSKINNED RIVER CRITTERS
2 WOMEN'S SOFT HATS OF OLD
3 CROUCHES, AS A CATCHER
4 DREAM UP
5 TURKEY'S LANDMASS
6 CAREER-TRACK TYPE
7 BRITISH HERO SANDWICH?
8 CUT IN HALF
9 AUNTS, E.G.
10 MAGLIE OF THE OLD GIANTS
11 BE SICKLY
12 GIVE OFF
13 CERTAIN TENNIS EDGE
14 "AMERICA" CONTRACTION
15 PERSON BORN TO BE AN APARTMENT MANAGER?
16 CAR MADE IN AN ALABAMA PORT?
17 SCHOOLYARD REJOINDER
18 GAP
19 SMALL BRAWL
20 "DROP — LINE"
21 PLACE FOR PETRI DISHES
22 HOLD TIGHTLY
23 SYRINGE CAUSING A BAD SKIN REACTION?
24 GMAIL RIVAL
25 WORLD FINANCE ORG.
26 HOLIDAY QUAFF
27 THIN, WHITE MUSHROOM
28 CBS DRAMA
29 ADVIL RIVAL
30 "YIPES!"
31 PRINTER RESOLUTION STAT
32 KIDS' AUTHOR SILVERSTEIN
33 PEPSI OR RC
34 EASILY DUPED SORT
35 BODY FILLED WITH EAU
36 OLD TV'S DESI
37 THE, TO JULES
38 PITCHFORK-SHAPED LETTER
39 TRIM GRASS
40 PUT-DOWN DURING A VISIT
41 JOHN OF PLOWS
42 TAKES AS ONE'S OWN
43 TAR'S "HELP!"
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45 ANY OF THREE ENGLISH RIVERS
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47 GREGARIOUS PROTESTER?
48 BELOVED BIG RIG?
49 PAL, TO JULES
50 BIG NAME IN FAUCETS
51 PROCESS PART
52 "AS I SEE IT," ONLINE
53 ENDING FOR PERCENT
54 HARASS
55 LIKE RABBIS AND SHULS
56 PC SHORTCUT USED BY INFLATION CALCULATORS?
57 BROAD ROAD
58 CELESTIAL BODY
59 LET THE WIND FRESHEN
60 NOT AS BOLD
61 DELUGE
62 VAGABONDS
63 "WHOOPS!"
64 MULTICOLORED
65 TICK BY
66 BRING PAST A SIMMER AGAIN
67 IDA OF OLD FILMS
68 EARLY ONLINE PROTOCOL
69 UNITS OF A MILLION WATTS PER AMPERE
70 SKIMPY SWIMSUITS
71 HERE, TO JULES
72 GUN, IN SLANG
73 SENATOR
74 BLUNT
75 VERY VERSATILE
76 RATIONALE
77 INNER: PREFIX
78 LIKE BIT-FREE ORANGE JUICE
79 FOLKS NOT LIVING IN THE PAST
80 SPOKEN WITH EASE
81 SUFFIX WITH NORTHEAST
82 STRUCK OUT IN EDITING
83 REALIZE
84 QUAHOG OR GEODUCK
85 SPOT FOR SLOTS
86 BIG SMALL-SCREEN STAR
87 SGT. FRIDAY CATCHPHRASE
88 GET FROM A PITCHER ANEW
89 —EASTER
90 SHE-SHEEP
91 BRITISH ISLET
92 GIVES RELISH
93 BIG OIL GP.
94 MUZZLE PART
95 "THE BICYCLE THIEF" DIRECTOR
96 DE —
97 DUTCH CHEESE
98 ACT LIKE
99 DENOUNCES
100 STAGE SIGNAL
101 ANGLE
102 PLAYWRIGHT DE BEAUVOIR
103 PFC, E.G.
104 RIP TO SHREDS
105 BULLION BARS
106 TIME RELEASE
107 ALTERNATE
108 UNDERAGE
109 ARAB COUNTRY
110 ARAB BIGWIG
111 GRIDLOCK
112 DAY BEFORE
113 REALLY LITTLE
114 SIGN
115 COTE SOUND
116 RINK GREAT
117 BOBBY
118 BANJO FINALE?
119 COACHING GREAT
120 PARSEGHIAN

Word Search Answers

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RELIGION CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER ALPHA COURSE

Time/Date: Noon to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, beginning Sept. 17
Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township
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. Register at PlymouthAlpha.com
Contact: 734-453-0326

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

GRIEF SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Sept. 25 and 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday Sept. 26
Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township
Details: Grieving with Great HOPE is a weekend grief support series for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Presenters will include the Rev. John Riccardo as well John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization. Visit www.goodmourning-ministry.net for registration details. Advance registration by Sept. 21 is \$15, after is \$20
Contact: 734-453-0326

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25
Location: Crossroads Church, at Sacred Heart Conference Center, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia
Details: \$5 if paid by Sept. 23 and \$6 at the door
Contact: pastor Steve at 248-890-5718; cwm@crossroadsnow.org

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: newburg-mom2mom@gmail.com

MOVIE

Time/Date: Doors open 7 p.m., movie starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18
Location: Warren Road Light and Life Church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland
Details: Free Showing of *Do You Believe?* The film tells the story of a dozen different persons, all who long for something more
Contact: 734-458-7301

PEACE POLE PLANTING

Time/Date: Following the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, Sept. 20
Location: Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia
Details: The congregation will place a peace pole at the entrance to the church's prayer park and labyrinth in recognition of the International Day of Peace. The pole includes the phrase "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in English, Arabic, Hebrew, and Hindi
Contact: 734-427-1414

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

SCIENCE AND FAITH

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 19
Location: Faith Community Presbyterian Church, 44400 N. 10 Mile, Novi
Details: Deborah Haarsma,

Ph.D., president of Biologos and former professor and chair of the Calvin College Department of Physics and Astronomy, and several panelists, will discuss science and faith, specifically evolution and its implications to faith. Registration fee includes lunch and is \$12 for ages 10 and over; \$6 for ages 9 and under. Child care will be available. Register online at www.faithcommunity-novi.org/seminar15.html
Contact: 248-349-2345

SCIENCE AND FAITH

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. first and third Thursday, beginning Sept. 17
Location: St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: The five-part series is based on the writings of the Rev. Robert J. Spitzer, Ph.D., which looks at modern scientific evidence and finds no contradiction between faith and reason. The series looks at intelligent design, evolution and more. Registration required
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200; livoniastmichael.org

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 half-price sale
Contact: 734-422-0149

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: Grand opening with 20% mark up on items, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9; and bag sale, 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday Oct. 10
Location: The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Farmington Hills
Details: Includes specialty boutique, housewares, electronics, toys, books, home décor, linens, shoes, clothing for baby, kids, teens, adults, furniture, sporting goods and more. Cash only
Contact: 248-477-1410

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township
Details: Scripture study
Contact: 313-534-9000

Faith Community Wesleyan

Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one
Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

CLOTHING BANK

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

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday
Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia
Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more 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 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

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

First Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays.
Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville
Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5
Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 14 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.
Contact: 313-534-0399

SONG CIRCLE

Congregation Beth Ahm
Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat
Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield
Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.
Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield
Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.
Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

SUPPORT

Apostolic Christian Church
Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily
Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia
Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.
Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

Connection Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday
Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton
Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free
Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202
Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems
Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

Farmington Hills Baptist Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August
Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills
Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group
Contact: 248-433-1011

Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City
Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations
Contact: www.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 drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available
Contact: 734-421-8451

St. Thomas a' Becket Church

Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton
Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia
Details: Overeaters Anonymous
Contact: 248-559-7722; www.ooa.org for additional information

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/desserts), Thursday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.
Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebratercovery-

.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

THRIFT STORE

St. James Presbyterian
Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford
Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information

Way of Life Christian Church

Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May
Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth
Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives.
Contact: 734-637-7618

TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month
Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit
Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted.
Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

WORSHIP

Adat Shalom Synagogue
Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays
Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills
Contact: 248-851-5100

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday

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GLOVER, ELTEASER

of Southfield, Michigan, sunrise November 14, 1930, sunset September 11, 2015. Beloved mother of Judith Stevens of Detroit and Yvonne Rogers of New York, NY. Viewing Thursday, September 17th from 2-8 p.m. at Haley Funeral Directors (24525 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield, MI). Funeral at noon on Friday, September 18th at Peoples Community Church (8601 Woodward Ave. Detroit, MI). Online condolences may be made at www.haleyfuneraldirectors.com

LUCE, LAURIE M.

59, of Farmington, MI, died Sunday, September 13, 2015 at Providence Park Hospital, Novi, MI. Laurie was born on September 2, 1956 to the late Harley and Margaret (Walmsley) Henson in Elkhart. On November 30, 1990 she married Steven Luce. He survives. Laurie is also survived by a daughter Robin Luce, Rochester; son Dustin Reese (Becky), Koshkonong, MO; grandchildren Daniel Fischer, Michelle Fischer, and Hannah Luce; sister Linda Hapner (Mark), Elkhart; brother Harlie Henson Jr. (Janet), Huntsville, AL. She was preceded in death by her parents, a son Westley Powell and a grandson, Alexander Fischer. Laurie was a customer services associate with Lowes. She was the former vice president of the Batten Disease Support Research Association (BDSRA). Laurie loved the outdoors, especially working in her yard or garden. She enjoyed traveling, antiques, and road trips. She and Steve spent many days camping and RV'ing. Laurie will be remembered as one who spoiled those she loved. Friends may call from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., Thursday, September 17, 2015 at Hartzler-Gutermuth-Inman Funeral Home, 403 W. Franklin Street, Elkhart, IN. Services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, September 18, 2015 at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Grace Lawn Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be sent to Batten Disease Support and Research Association 1175 Dublin Road, Columbus, OH 43215. Online condolences may be directed to www.hartzlerguter-muthinman.com.



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Heart, soul, hands



Roger Kashou of Westland plays the doubek drum during an interview in his Westland home.

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Westland man puts heart, soul, hands into Middle Eastern drumming

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Roger Kashou's fingers flew across the stretched plastic skin of a goblet-shaped drum resting on his lap. They coaxed a bright, melodic series of "tek tek tek" sounds from the sweet spot along the rim of the drum. Then they flicked and tapped the center of the skin, alternating with strokes along the edge, making the drum sing in rapid-fire pops and raps as Kashou's hands seemed to blur with acceleration.

"They don't bleed anymore. This used to cut open when I used to hit," he said, showing his fingers and open palm after a drum demonstration during an interview at his Westland home. "So I went through the pain to get my hands to accept what they are doing. I have been playing a long time so all the cuts I used to have are calloused. Now it is smooth sailing."

The Wayne Memorial High School graduate has played the Middle Eastern doubek drum in the National Arab Orchestra since 2010. He's one of five percussionists in the group and will perform with the Orchestra during the Haflah Arab Fusion Festival concert, Saturday, Sept. 19, at The Music Hall Center for Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit. The show features the National Arab Orchestra and the Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra, along with the world premiere of a composition by Kareem Roustom, Emmy Award-winning composer.

Kashou's fascination with Middle Eastern drums formed years before he joined the National Arab Orchestra. His father, Raja Kashou, drummed during the 1970s and 1980s, playing in clubs, at weddings and other gatherings. Kashou said he remembers feeling chills just watching his father perform.

Teaching himself

When he was 9, and his father was on a trip to visit his native Jerusalem, Kashou asked his mother, Hala, where his father kept his drums.

"I picked it up and never let it go since that day," he said. "I used to practice every single day. I'd lock myself in the bathroom. I tried to keep it private, especially when I was young. I liked to focus on my craft. No one really showed me the guidelines on the drum. I just picked it up and never let it go. It's like a love."

He said he felt embarrassed at first to let anyone watch him play. He eventually

showed his parents and older sister, Jaclyn, and occasionally played at family gatherings.

After high school he took on a temporary job with a wedding band after its percussionist got sick. His first gig was in New York playing with the band that also took him to New Orleans, La., and Iowa.

"That was my first experience on stage and he was the best around, too. I was lucky to play with him."

He played in a club for about a year and then joined another wedding band. Four years later, he was at another club when Michael Ibrahim asked if he wanted to join his new orchestra. Kashou told Ibrahim, founder and director of the National Arab Orchestra, that he would join.

"It's beautiful, beautiful music. I love the orchestra because it taught me to be disciplined on the drum, because I was a little wild monkey," he said, with a laugh. "The Orchestra taught me to respect every musician."



GETTY IMAGES

Feel, sound

Kashou buys his drums from Egypt through the Internet. He's not sure what happened to his father's drums, which were made of fish skin, a material that broke easily.

"You have to put me in a room with 100 of them so I can feel them. It's all about feel and sound," he said. "I'm ordering from overseas. Every time I buy them it's a chance I'm taking."

Although he played clarinet while in school, Kashou hasn't read music in years. Familiarizing himself with it is his next big challenge, along with increasing his knowledge of the Arabic language. He understands some Arabic, but isn't fluent like his parents.

"You can play a little better if you understand the words. Now that I am surrounded by more Arabic people, I'm picking it up. I'll get there. Every day is a challenge."

When he's not practicing, Kashou helps out behind the customer counter at his family's shoe repair store in Canton. He also teaches doubek.

What makes a good drummer?

"Good ears, good tone and not to be too much with the drum because you don't want to hear blap blap blap all day. Discipline on the drum is very important."

Tickets for the Haflah concert range from \$30-\$65 and are available at michiganphil.org.

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Open mic draws friendly crowd at BaseLine Folk Society

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

BaseLine Folk Society will try a new format for its monthly acoustic concerts this year.

"Up until this point we had open mic until 9 p.m. and then the featured performer for a half hour. We found out the open mic was running long. So, the featured performer would wait and wait and wait. We decided to split up the open mic," said Cathy Fitzpatrick, BaseLine president. "I think it's a good plan."

Open mic performers will take the stage for an hour before and after the featured musicians this year. The new format will start

in October, although BaseLine's first show of the new season — which features all open mic performances — is 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 Sheldon, Plymouth. Open mic registration runs from 6:15-6:40 p.m.

Fitzpatrick, a Northville resident, will emcee the show, kicking it off with two original songs. She joined BaseLine, which is starting its 11th season, in 2007 after singing during open mic. She's also part of a trio, the Folk Laureates, that will perform as featured artists next year. BaseLine, headed by an eight-member board, chooses the main act for each monthly session. Thirteen open mic spots are available at each show, but if more than 13 performers sign up a lottery is held.

"If there's a new person, we let them play. It takes a lot of courage to bring yourself to that point," Fitzpatrick said, adding that shows draw an average 60 music lovers the third Saturday of the month.

She doesn't get nervous in front of a crowd if she has her guitar in hand, but Fitzpatrick recalls being a little edgy the first time she performed for open mic.

"My fear was that I would goof or they wouldn't be receptive. I wasn't sure what I was getting into. But it was wonderful. The audience is so welcoming and appreciative and forgiving that you really feel at home," she said.

Music, stories

Maggie Zakem of Plymouth strummed guitar and her husband played banjo for their first open mic appearance in 2005 at BaseLine. They've since appeared as featured players and have both held board positions.

"What I love about folk music is I love telling stories with music," Zakem said, pointing out that the BaseLine series draws a "friendly" audience.

She encourages musicians to sign up for open mic. Her advice is to practice, be prepared, and bring sheet music on stage if needed.

"Don't be proud. Just go up there and give it your best. We'll respect that," she said. "I remember one incident when an open mic person got nervous and couldn't go on. The audience said, don't stop, keep going. He finished. That is the kind of atmosphere there."

Fitzpatrick tells newcomers that playing a BaseLine show is like "sitting in the family room and playing at home."

"If you're there singing what you love, and you love it, the audience will, too," Fitzpatrick said. "It's a great place to pour out your heart in a song."

Admission is \$5. Yearlong family and individual memberships also are available. Visit BaseLine Folk Society on Facebook or at plymoutharts.com and click on the "programs" tab.



Cathy Fitzpatrick

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GET OUT! CALENDAR

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 1

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.NorthvilleArtHouse.org

PCAC

Time/Date: 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; plymouthart-s.com

VILLAGE THEATER

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



The Russian band, Otava Yo, plays the Russian Festival Sept. 19-20.

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

BAREFOOT PRODUCTIONS

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Sept. 21-22

Location: 240 N. Main, Plymouth

Details: The gothic thriller, *Rebecca*, has roles for six men and two women. Find character descriptions at just-gobarefoot.com

Contact: Craig Hane at 734-276-9075

FESTIVAL

TIN CAN TOURISTS

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: Camp Dearborn, 1700 General Motors Road, Milford

Details: Annual fall gathering and open house of vintage trailers and motor coaches. Camp entrance fee is \$5

Contact: tincantourists.com

RUSSIAN FESTIVAL

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19; 1-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

Location: St. Vladimir Orthodox Church, 9900 Jackson Road, Dexter

Details: Performers from Russia include

the band Otava Yo and vocalist and dancer Anastasia Klimzo. The event will include a children's puppet theater, chess tables, church tours, Nikolai Morschakov with Russian Vaganova-style ballet, Moscow Nights, a Russian folk music group, Diana Turner, a Ukrainian vocalist, St. Vladimir Adult dance group and bell ringing at the opening ceremony. Children's activities will include hair braiding, a bounce house, crafts and games. An infused vodka tasting will be held 2:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday. Food includes Russian specialties such as borsch soup, piroshki, blini, shashlik and more. \$1 admission

Contact: russianfestival.stvladimiraa-mi.org

FILM

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18 and Thursday, Sept. 24; and 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 19-20

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: *Minions*, \$3

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Sept. 25 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 26

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit

Details: Three Stooges Festival includes *Half Shot Shooters*, *I'll Never Heil Again*, *Spook Louder, If a Body Meets a Body*, *Sing a Song of Six Pants*, *Cents Without Cents*, \$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



Wendy Hedstrom, left, of Clarkston, Nancy Penvose of Davisburg, Amy Morrissey of Northville, and Sonja Marquis of Brighton rehearse a scene from "Always a Bridesmaid" at Two Muses Theater.

who helped to build the Kelsey Museum collection

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

Nostalgia sale: Buy artifacts no longer needed at the museum along with donated items, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 17-19

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. 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 Cheresch 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; chambermusicdetroit.org

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. 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

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Fruit snacks

Add more fruit to your diet with easy-to-make treats

When you're snacking, it can be tempting to skip the fuss and grab a bite on-the-go. Keeping healthy and convenient snacks at the ready helps you stay disciplined without sacrificing taste and enjoyment.

These three-step healthy snack ideas show how easy it can be to serve up a variety of tasty treats in just a few minutes while adding more fruit to your diet. Make the most of your snacking experience with this advice:

» Stock the pantry with versatile options that let you prepare a range of snacks, from sweet to savory combinations.

» Look for quick solutions that help trim prep time and skip the cutting, peeling and mess.

» Avoid worrying about waste or spoilage with convenient, re-sealable lids that let you use what you need for a single serving and save the rest for later.

Find more quick and easy snack ideas at dole.com/jarredfruit.



BANANA SPLIT ON-A-STICK

Serves: 1

1/2 cup Dole Jarred Pineapple Chunks, drained
1 slice pound cake, cut into 6 cubes
1/4 small banana, cut into 4 slices
2 teaspoons bottled chocolate sauce
2 tablespoons light whipped topping
1 maraschino cherry

1. On two wooden skewers, alternate threading four pineapple chunks, three cubes of pound cake and two banana slices.
2. Drizzle each skewer with one teaspoon chocolate sauce.
3. Serve skewers with whipped topping and a maraschino cherry.



LEMON-BLUEBERRY PARFAIT-TINI

Serves: 1

1 cup reduced-fat or fat-free cottage cheese
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1/2 cup Dole Jarred Mixed Fruit, drained and diced
1/2 cup fresh blueberries
2 teaspoons sliced almonds

1. In small bowl, combine cottage cheese with lemon peel.
2. In another small bowl, combine mixed fruit with blueberries.
3. In martini glass, alternately layer lemon cottage cheese with blueberry and mixed fruit combination. Top with sliced almonds.



ORANGE-CHIPOTLE AVOCADO TOAST

Serves: 1

1 slice whole-wheat bread
1/2 avocado, diced or smashed
Salt and ground black pepper, to taste
1/2 cup Dole Jarred Mandarin Oranges, drained
1/2 teaspoon chipotle peppers in adobo sauce, finely chopped
1 lime wedge

1. Lightly toast bread and top with avocado. Season with salt and pepper, to taste.
2. In medium bowl, toss oranges with chopped chipotle peppers.
3. Spoon oranges over avocado toast and finish with a squeeze of lime.

Note: For a spicier flavor, include pepper seeds. For more mild heat, remove seeds. A sprinkle of ground chili pepper can also be used to easily add spice in place of chipotle peppers.



PEACHES AND CREAM WAFFLE BITES

Serves: 1

1 whole-wheat frozen waffle
2 tablespoons reduced-fat whipped cream cheese
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup Dole Jarred Sliced Peaches, drained and diced
2 teaspoons chopped walnuts, toasted

1. Toast frozen whole-wheat waffle and cut into quarters.
2. In small bowl, combine cream cheese and cinnamon. Spread over waffle bites.
3. Top each bite with peaches and sprinkle with walnuts.



PINEAPPLE AND SHRIMP SKEWERS WITH THAI PEANUT SAUCE

Serves: 1

1/2 cup Dole Jarred Pineapple Chunks, drained
6 medium cooked shrimp
1 small lime, halved
1 teaspoon chopped fresh cilantro
2 tablespoons bottled Thai peanut sauce

1. On two wooden skewers, alternate threading four pineapple chunks and three shrimp.
2. Squeeze lime over prepared skewers and sprinkle with cilantro.
3. Serve with bottled Thai peanut sauce for dipping.