

#### Holiday Gift Guide

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# Woman killed in apartment fire; cause being investigated

**LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

The cause of a fire at a Westland senior apartment that killed an elderly woman Sunday is under investigation.

The problem is the fire originated in a coat closet. There is no outlet or anything in the closet — just the light,"

Wayne-Westland Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshal Kelly Eggers said.

The fire was reported about noon Sunday at Westhaven Manor, 34601 Elmwood. The woman, 78, and her husband lived in a ground-floor unit of the three-story building.

The woman, who reportedly died from smoke inhalation,

was found about two feet from an open door exiting outside.

The closet where the fire originated was right near the front door (leading to an interior hallway), so her best option was to where she was headed," Eggers said. "It's tragic that unfortunately she didn't make

The closet contained char-

coal briquettes for a grill, an iron and ironing board, Eggers said, but nothing that would have caused the fire, which

originated low to the floor. "The husband, who is younger and has dementia, was outside. He had no injuries but was kept in the hospital over-

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WAYNE-WESTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT A fire that killed a Westhaven Manor resident started in the closet of the apartment.



Wayne Main Street volunteers Carolyn Marnon (left) and Cynthia McClure are honored for their efforts.

# Wayne Main Street celebrates its volunteers at gathering

'Sweat and tears went into several projects'

> **LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

Volunteers with Wayne's Main Street program were honored with tea and a preview at a new artist market.

"Tonight is all about celebrating the time spent volunteering. A lot of sweat and tears went into several projects," said Wayne Main Street Executive Director Lindsey Wooten, noting volunteers donated 2,715 hours in the last fiscal year.

Those efforts included the design committee which had a facade grant awarded to Helium Studio, which hosted the event, and six businesses receiving complimentary design services through Michigan Main Street.

Main Street's first fundraising event, Jazz at the Avenue, raised \$5,000.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Westland residents Dave Jenkins and Kim White-Jenkins have opened Helium Studio, an artist's market on Wayne Road in Wayne.

"It's been very exciting to see members of the community to make Wayne a better place," Main Street board chairperson Cindy Schofield said. "We would not be able to do it without you. The city is better place because of

For this first volunteer recognition program, Main Street decided to honor two volunteers of the year: Carolyn Marnon Cynthia Mc-

'These are two individ-

uals who have gone above and beyond. They work but also found time to do lots of volunteering," Schofield

Marnon, design committee chairperson, was described as a driving force in the holiday window program and attended the national Main Street conference.

Having attended multiple training sessions in other communities and being a member of the Wayne Main Street board, McClure took on the project of placing benches along Michigan Avenue. The benches were purchased from Belleville, so McClure oversaw getting the benches disassembled, refinished and put back together.

Along with certificates of appreciation, Marnon and McClure received gift certificates from the Phoenix State Wayne Theater, Wayne

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### Norwayne Hall of Fame plans move ahead

**LeAnne Rogers** Staff Writer

They are successful politicians, police officers, firefighters, teachers and other professionals.

What they have in common is growing up in Norwayne and being selected for induction into the Norwayne Hall of Fame, which is set to be established in the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center.

"One reason for it is to recognize people who made significant contributions to the City of Westland, the state and the entire community," Norwayne Community Citizens Council President Henry John-

But another important reason for the Hall of Fame, Johnson said, is to provide inspiration for current residents.

"They can see there have been very successful people from Norwayne and feel the history of our community,' Johnson said. "There is an opportunity for people currently living in Norwayne to contribute to Westland.

Some of the familiar names of people who spent formative years in Norwayne include Westland Mayor William Wild, Westland City Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof and former Wayne Police Chief Michael Colligan.

The plan is to have the Norwayne Hall of Fame displayed in the Norwayne Community Citizens Council room at Jefferson Barns. It's located in a former kindergarten classroom near the boxing gym.

There are 20 people in the inaugural hall of fame class. Johnson is looking for photographs to accompany biographical information on some of the inductees. The room would be open for members of

the community to visit. For instance, one inductee is Dr. C.K. Dryer, who was president of the board for People's

Community Health Authority. "He was drafted by the Army to serve in Norwayne to provide medical support,' Johnson said. "He had an office on Bay Court and then practiced in Wayne."

Norwayne has a federal historic marker noting its development as housing for

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# Anonymous donation of safety vests helps keep pedestrians, bicyclists safe

This past spring, an anonymous gift made it possible for the city of Westland to offer reflective vests free of charge to city residents. The vests, worn over clothing, make it easier for motorists to see pedestrians and bicyclists in the dark.

The city had experienced several pedestrian deaths in the darkness, prompting the donation and purchase of vests.

The vests are available free of charge at Westland City Hall and at the Westland Police Department. City Hall is on Warren Road near the Westland Shopping Center. The Westland Police Department is on Ford Road between Wayne and Newburgh roads, and does not close.

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Devin Adams, city of Westland controller, and Aubrey Berman, executive secretary for the Mayor's Office, show reflective vests available free of charge at Westland City Hall and the Westland Police Department.



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workers at the Willow Run bomber plant during World War II.

Along with a photo of Dryer, Johnson is also looking for photographs of Colligan, former councilwoman Nancy Neal and former councilman

Ben DeHart.

"I would like to see us add a couple of people each year - we would do it at our (Norwayne Founders) dinner in October." Johnson said

"This time, we would look at doing something early in 2016.

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#### **FIRE**

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night for evaluation. Eggers said. "He was not able to give definitive answers. He kept repeating 'matches.

The fire was limited to the apartment damaging the closet, kitchen and living room, he said, due to the fire safety construction and quick response by firefighters, Eggers said.

Some other Westhaven Manor residents were displaced due to the water in the hallway and the electricity being shut off as firefighters worked to put out the

"The main issue is water damage - there was about six feet of water in the hallway. The management made arrangements to house residents in a section of the (Westhaven) tow-ers," Eggers said. "They have to get the water out before people come

back. It will be two or three days

» No cause has been determined for an Oct. 22 fire at Cadillac Apartments, 32561 Michigan Ave., east of Venoy in Wayne. The building had been vacant for sometime but recently had been purchased by new owners.

There was more than one area of ignition. The property owners had no insurance. It was a complete loss no one will benefit from the fire," Eggers said. "It has been a refuge for transients. I've been over there several times throwing them out and boarding up the build-

The building is a total loss and will need to be demolished. Eggers said it was unsafe for firefighters to try and enter the building to investigate the cause of the fire further.

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Bowl and other local businesses.

The volunteer appreciation event Tuesday with tea catered by Victoria's Tea Salon - offered an advance look at Helium Studio, 3127 S. Wayne Road. The business — which offers jewelry, local handmade items, vintage, home decor and gifts - doesn't officially open until Fri-

"We've been selling online since 2006," said Kim White-Jenkins, who owns Helium Studio with husband Dave Jenkins. The couple makes jewelry and has added about 50 artists to sell their work in the store.

"We are about 98 percent Michigan-based. Everything is handmade or Michigan-made garb and messenger bags,' White-Jenkins added.

Westland residents, the couple purchased the former used book store



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The gathering at the Helium Studio honored Main Street volunteers. The store officially opens

last year and spent several months selling off the supply of books left behind.

"I lost my job in October 2014 and was looking for opportunities. It was our dream to have a brick-and-mortar place," White-Jenkins said. "It

(the store) was in quite a shape. It had drop ceilings, we moved the furnace from the bathroom to the roof. Everything you touch is new.

The counter and some boards on the walls utilize the book shelves that had been in the old store.

Helium Studio will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday with an opening reception from 6-8

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#### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On November 17, 2015 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be

offered for sale to the highest bidder: 2014 CHEVROLET NISSAN 1996 2002 FORD 2006 FORD CHEVROLET 2013 1994 TOYOTA 1997 FORD 2000 CHEVROLET CHEVROLET 1999 CHRYSLER 2006 1999 MERCURY 1999 SATURN 2002 FORD 2000 CHEVROLET 1998 **GMC** 1999 FORD

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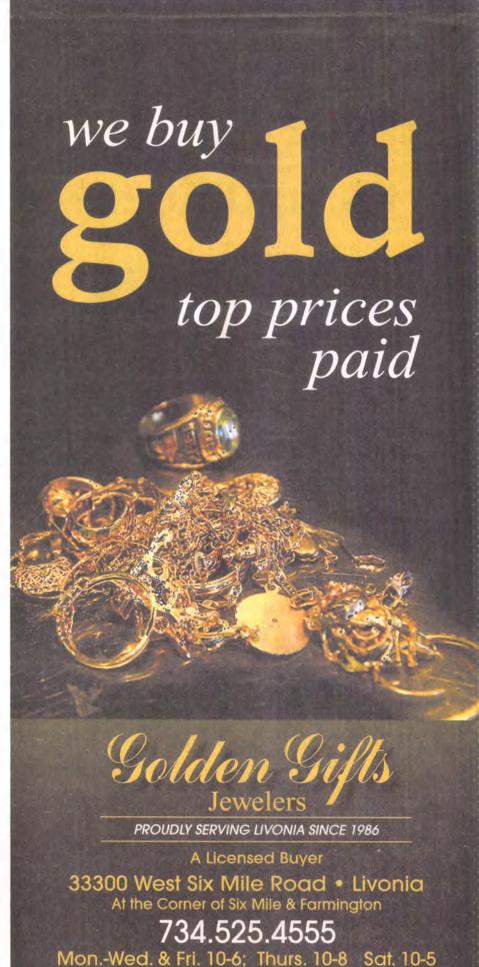
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WRANGLER







The Winter Market returns to the Westland Farmers Market Pavilion on Thursday.

# Winter Market, book sale on tap this week

The season's first Winter Market is set for 2-6 p.m. Thursday at the Westland Farmers and

Artisans Marketplace. It will be warm and cozy for the Winter Market, which is held inside the Westland Farmers Market Pavilion on Carlson south of Ford in Tat-

There is no produce at the Winter Market, but 14 vendors will be there with baked goods, fresh breads, jam, honey, pasties, cheesecake, jewelry,

crafts, gifts and more. Shoppers can grab a hot dog or fresh mini-donuts and enjoy the pavilion

fireplace's glow. A second Winter Market is set for 2-6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10.

For more information, call the Westland Chamber of Commerce at 734-

For bargain reading materials, stop by the Westland's William P. Faust Library for the Friends of the Library book sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Sat-

Sale specials include buy-one-get-one-free hard-cover adult fiction and DVDs.

From noon to 3 p.m. Sunday the sale ends with a bag of books (brown paper grocery bag-sized or comparable)

A preview sale for Friends' members is set for 3-6 p.m. Thursday. Friends memberships, \$5 per year, will be available at the door.

#### WESTLAND, WAYNE, GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### **Train Show**

The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers Club is sponsoring a buy-andswap Railroadiana Train Show from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at the Ss. Simon and Jude Church Social Hall, 32500 Palmer, west of Merriman, Westland.

There will be approximately 100 dealer tables available. The cost is \$10 for an 8-foot table. Dealer set-up is 9 a.m. on the day of the show, and complimentary coffee and donuts will be available for dealers until 10:30 a.m. Food also will be available. Admission is \$2 per person and \$4 per family. Parking is

For more information or table reservations, call Bob at 734-728-1247 or Norm at 734-595-8327.

#### **Collectors show**

A collectors show —including Star Wars, Star Trek, lunch boxes, non-sport cards, G.I. Joe's, hot wheels, comic books, music items, movie posters, games, DVDs, beer signs, models, Hallmark and other items — takes place from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at the Livonia Elks, 3117 Ply-mouth Road (just east of Merriman).

For more information, call Jacquie or Joe at 586-329-8213.

#### **Spaghetti Dinner**

» St. John's Episcopal Church is having a spa-ghetti dinner from 5-7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at

the church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 years and under. Children age 3 and under are free. The dinner includes salad, bread, dessert and beverage.

For more information, call 734-721-5023.

» The Dver Senior Center in Westland is holding its monthly spaghetti dinner from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Enjoy spaghetti, salad and dessert for \$8 for adults, \$4 for children age 12 and under. Children age 3 and under are

The center will hold its monthly game night at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12.

The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland. For more information, call 734-419-2020.

#### **Historical Society**

The public is invited to attend the Wayne Historical Society's general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Town Square.

Come early, the museum will be open from 4-7 p.m. for tours, and stay for refreshments. At 7:30 p.m., Al Damitio will take guests on a fascinating trip back in time with color slides of the city in the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s, showing Parades, sidewalk sales and the 1969 Wayne Centennial Celebration.

#### **Business Alliance**

The Garden City Business Alliance will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at

the Straight Farmhouse, 6221 Merriman, north of

Ford, Garden City. The GCBA meets on the second Friday of each month. New members are welcomed. For more information, visit gcbiz48135.org, email gcbusinessalliance@gmail.com or call 734-788-9319.

#### Grandparents **Support Group**

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne-Westland is holding a Grandparents Support Group from 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the church, 3 Town Square, Wayne. The group meets on the third Wednesday of the month and is for kinship caregivers and all grandparents who are raising grandchildren or have concerns about their grandchildren.

For more information, call Linda Maylone at 734-674-7239.

#### **Crop FUNdraiser**

St. Damian School will hold a 15-hour Crop FUNdraiser from 9 a.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 14, in the community room, 29891 Joy, east of Merriman, in Westland. The cost is \$40 for a full day and \$25 for a half day. Cost includes a light breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and drinks. There also will be raffles and a 50/50 draw-

Contact Karen Crunk at crunk1k@att.net for more information — type 15crop in subject line or call 734-421-2853.

### Winter clothing being collected for Detroit Veteran's Center

The Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 528, will start its 10th annual Winter Clothing Drive for the Detroit Veteran's Center on Sunday, Nov.

The drive will run through Sunday, Dec. 13. The Detroit Veteran's Center transforms homeless veterans into independent wage earners and taxpayers who will have a positive impact on their community,

state and nation, according to a press release. The Detroit Veteran's Center accomplishes this by providing shelter and vocational training.

The items to be collected are winter coats, gloves, boots, hats, jeans, sweaters long underwear, slippers and blankets for both men and women. Please make sure that everything is in good condition and clean.

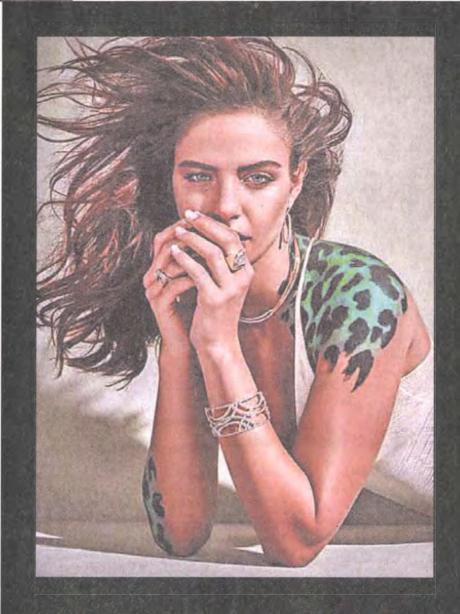
There is also a need for books, toiletries,

used computer equip-

ment and linens. There are two dropoff points:

» First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman Road

» VFW Post 6695 in Plymouth, 1426 S. Mill St. For more information or if you need items picked up, contact John Fleming at 734-604-0227 or John@Fleming FinancialSvcs.com.



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Julie Brown Staff Writer

Michigan first lady Sue Snyder's initiative to prevent sexual assaults on the state's college campuses has taken a step forward, and Eastern Michigan University will play a key role.

The state's Campus Sexual Assault program has awarded a total of \$500,000 in grant money to EMU and 21 other Michigan universities and colleges to help change the overall culture of sexual assault among college students.

Eastern Michigan was awarded \$53,926, the second highest amount among the 22 institutions. Only Lake Superior State University received more — \$60,000.

EMU's winning proposal, "The SMART Project: Sexual Misconduct Awareness and Reporting Tools for a Safer

EMU Community," is designed to enhance survivor safety and services; provide appropriate education programs for the prevention of sexual assaults; offer bystander training to students; and implement university policies and process to respond to incidents of sexual assault.

Ellen Gold, EMU's assistant vice president for student well-being, said, "We are in a better position to address issues of sexual misconduct.' That includes a new Title IX office and coordinator, she said, "to coordinate responses to allegations of sexual misconduct.'

#### Canton student has pivotal role

Canton resident Anjali Martin, an EMU senior in international affairs and Student Body vice president, said, are so incredibly proud of the

Women's Resource Center" at EMU, which put together the grant application. "It was great news to hear before the

EMU among campuses addressing sexual assault prevention

"We're really looking forward to seeing it come to fruition," added Martin, a 2012 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She and other student leaders

are ready to

raise awareness

Anjali Martin of Canton of preventing assaults, as well

as addressing the stigma associated with sexual violence. "It is definitely something we wanted to address," Martin said. "I feel incredibly safe on campus," she added, noting she commutes and is often on

campus from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. There is concern when you step off campus borders,"

Martin said. "This is a huge issue nationally." Locally, EMU has had campus violence, including student mur-

Administrator Gold, an Ann Arbor resident, said "I think it will enhance a lot of the work the university has already done" on safety. EMU is launching a new website with video messaging of an "I Choose" campaign, with related posters and programming.

The "I Choose" can include consent, respect for a partner, and combating rape culture, Gold said. There is also Active Bystander training, such as when a vulgar comment is made or a student is in a potentially dangerous situation. Over 900 EMU students have been trained in the past year and training is ongoing.

'Men of strength also stand up to and address inappropriate behavior," Gold said.

Reports of sexual violence at EMU may come to the Title IX coordinator or the Women's Resource Center, which has support services and consulta-

Some victims/survivors may not want to pursue criminal charges, Gold said, or to report within the university. "What we're able to do is guide that individual," she said. "Trauma takes different forms for different individuals."

EMU officials and students also partner with Washtenaw County's SafeHouse Center. The recent grant has a prevention focus, Gold said, adding, "We found through our data not everybody knew where to go to report.'

Students and staff, with faculty, are addressing the stigma as well "so victims will feel more comfortable. They'll know how and where to seek resources," Gold said.

#### GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

#### Larceny

On Nov. 6, a resident in the 33000 block of Hennepin told police she was getting ready to go to a wedding Nov. 1 when she noticed jewelry missing. She said she doesn't wear the jewelry often and last saw it about two months earlier.

The items reported missing included a gold and diamond tennis bracelet, gold and diamond cluster earrings, a gold heart necklace with diamonds, three gold rings with rubies, a padparadscha sapphire and an amethyst, and an Esquire gold man's watch.

There was no evidence of forced entry, she said, but did recall noticing the back door had been ajar when she arrived home one day. She said at the time she thought someone left it open.

The resident told police she thought someone entered through the back door

and stole the jewelry, which was kept on a stand in her bedroom. The missing items were valued at \$1,750.

» A Garden City man told police Nov. 5 he was notified by his employer that someone filed for unemployment benefits using his name. He said he didn't file the claim, which paid out \$362.

» On Nov. 3, a Garden City man told police he was contacted by Verizon, which was attempting to collect an overdue bill of nearly \$2,000. He said he never opened the account, which used an address in Pittsburgh.

#### Suspended license

arrested Nov. 4 for driving with a suspended license, expired registration and expired proof of insurance and was held on a warrant. LeAnne Rogers

A Detroit woman was

#### WESTLAND COP CALLS

#### Larceny

A resident in the 30000 block of Birchwood told police Nov. 6 that overnight someone stole a leaf blower and snow blower valued at \$300 from his garage. The resident told police he had locked the garage, but there was no sign of forced entry.

On Nov. 7, a resident in the 38000 block of Palmer told police that sometime over the previous two days someone stole four rims from his car port. The rims were valued at \$200.

#### Fraud

» A Westland woman told police Nov. 3 that someone purchased nearly \$200 on her Verizon account without permission. She said the bill was dated to 2014 and linked to an address in Virginia.

» On Nov. 3, a Westland woman told police someone made unauthorized charges

in California using her information. The charges, totaling \$105, were made in seven transactions on three

» A Westland man told police Nov. 5 that someone hacked his Western Union account and withdrew \$1,659 in five transactions. He said he never authorized a password change or the transactions.

#### Larceny

A management company employee told police Nov. 5 that he went to a vacant home in the 200 block of South Byfield to find the central air conditioning unit had been stolen. He said the unit was last seen Oct. 28.

#### **Bicycle found**

On Nov. 8, a resident in the 33000 block of Melton told police he found a bicycle put didn't know who it belonged to, so he turned it in to police.

LeAnne Rogers

#### WAYNE COP CALLS

#### Larceny from a vehicle

A Canton man told police Nov. 5 that someone had stolen a duffel bag from his van Oct. 28 while he was parked at the Fiddle Bar, 35676 Van Born. He said that he is an over-the-road semitruck driver and had his personal items in the duffel bag.

Reported missing were a headset used by truck drivers, a laptop computer, GPS unit, Kindle Fire, diabetes medication, five pairs of socks, five pairs of underwear and three pairs of jeans valued at \$2,395.

The man told police that he thought the van was locked but sometimes the door didn't lock. He said he tried to file an insurance claim but was told he needed a police report.

#### Vandalism

At just before 3 a.m. Nov. 8, a resident in the 3500 block of Winifred told police that she was sleeping when someone threw a rock through her front window breaking the glass. She said she heard the glass break and then a vehicle leaving at a high rate of speed. The damage was estimated at

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# Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund provides outreach to veterans

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Herb Scott of Canton isn't a military veteran, but he does care about them and their stories.

We hear the stories on a daily basis of these soldiers," said Scott, a board member of The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund. He cited examples of a veteran who was two months behind on house payments, as well as those with disabilities like post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I learned very quickly what an important thing it was to celebrate the gentlemen and ladies who served our country,' Scott told Plymouth Rotarians and guests at a Friday, Nov. 6, lunch at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

He was with several friends, a couple of them veterans, about 11 years ago in the wake of the 9/11 attacks. Scott is from upstate New York, the community of Waterloo,

which is the birthplace of Memorial Day.

He wanted to be involved. Scott emphasized veterans want to join the workforce. He added the VA, although it has prob-lems, also has many good employees in its hospi-

tals and clinics. The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund checks backgrounds to make sure claims are legitimate. Its executive director devotes some 60 hours a week working, Scott said, and it has an all-volunteer board.

The organization works with veterans on immediate needs, and aims to respond quickly to those as well as emergencies. Scott, a Canton Lion, would like to see subcommittees for issues like veterans' finances, to help "some of the problems they have and where to go with them."

Scott works in the pharmaceutical industry and has partnered with others to help on medication costs. He noted brand-name medications needed by veterans are often costly.

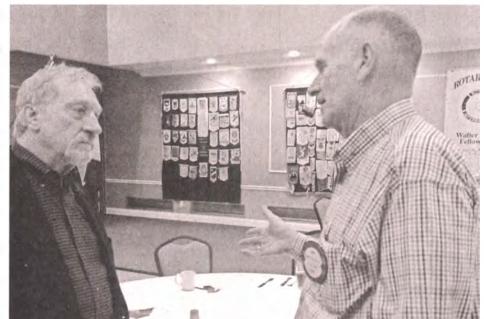
"Winter's coming," he added of another veteran who needs a \$5,000 furnace. "We're hoping we can help."

He praised the American Legion, along with the Marty Feldman Chevrolet dealership, which recently gave \$50,000 to The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund. General Motors also helps, said

He encouraged those present to write to federal representatives, adding state government is helpful. Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth, was at the lunch that day.

Scott also told of a veteran living in Battle Creek battling cancer and being treated at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. That Afghanistan veteran gets housing help for his cancer treatment.

"There's a lot of suicidal veterans out there who are afraid to go" for help, Scott said. "They're not treated with respect."



Herb Scott of Canton (left), a board member of The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, visits with Plymouth Rotarian Win Schrader Jr.

He urged attendance at the organization's fundraising Dinner Dance & Auction April 23, 2016, at the MGM Grand Detroit. It will feature entertainment

and dancing with the Jerry Ross Band.

Oliver North spoke at a past fundraising dinner, as have other prominent people. The organization may go with a local

speaker this year, Scott

For more information, visit www.fwsf.org.

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## Ride 'em cowboy! Beverly Hills man, 84, loves to ride

Jay Grossman Staff Writer

Thomas Faylor knew his life would never be the same after his beloved wife, Alice, died in

He filled that hole in his heart with a Stetson hat and pair of riding boots. At age 84, Faylor is a cowboy.

Once a week, the Bev-erly Hills residents heads out to take riding lessons at the Sleepy Hollow Equestrian Center in Northville. He typically arrives to his lesson early, carrying with him a bagged lunch and a couple of carrots for the horses.

"My granddaughter Sydney got me into it," he said. "She's been riding for over 20 years and convinced me to try it ... before my wife passed away, I never thought about it."

Grow young, ride a horse, let go of the reins once in a while.

Born and raised in Michigan, Faylor graduated from Albion College in 1953. He was a teacher and counselor at Derby Middle School for many years, before starting his own construction business in retirement.

During a typical week, he'll ride Monday and take a Pilates class Wednesday. He's also the third assistant coach for the varsity girls basketball team at Seaholm High School and is eagerly waiting for the season to begin.

"We've got some good players and we're very excited about this coming year," he said.

Mind you, Faylor never played basketball. But his granddaughter had played on the Seaholm team, so one day he walked up to the coach and asked if he could help out. Five years later, he's still a part of the team.

#### Riding lessons

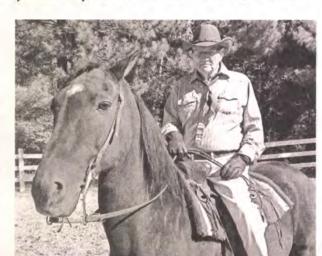
His daughter, Martha Coyne of Birmingham, said her dad was never the type to shy away from a challenge.

"He just always wanted to be part of the action," she said about her dad. "We should all be so lucky to be able to live our dreams at 84. Age doesn't get in his way."

Neither do mountains. This spring, he plans on skiing in Colorado.

"Because of my age, I get to ski for free," he said, smiling.

He's never been tossed from a horse. His son Barton already told the trainers to call 9-1-1 right away if dad should



Thomas Faylor, 84, is a cowboy.

ever take a spill. Faylor himself isn't too concerned.

He rides three different horses at Sleepy Hollow and his favorite mount is a Morgan named Wildmoon - or Moon. His other two favorites are Ellie and

"They're just like a woman," Faylor said. "They're all different."

He competes in shows at Sleepy Hollow and even built a four-step mounting block with a railing, along with a new bridge that leads to the outdoor arena for the stable. True to the cowboy life, Faylor likes to work with his hands.

His encourages new riders to take it easy at first and hire a trainer.

"If a person wants to become a rider, they need to get a trainer," he said. "You can't just get on a horse ... there are certain things you need to learn with the reins and your knees. You can't force a horse to trot or canter - that's when people will get tossed from their horse.'

"You get on a horse and it's just a different feeling," he said. "My advice to anyone is to get off the couch and get on a horse."

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## WWII memorial to retell history

Julie Brown Staff Writer

About a year ago, Debi Hollis and Russell Levine visited Plymouth Rotarians to describe The Michigan World War II Legacy Memorial in the works in Royal

"We were happy to be able to come back and give you an update," Hollis, its president, said Friday, Nov. 6, at a Rotary lunch at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The memorial, in the fundraising stage, is to be on the northeast corner of 13 Mile and Woodward.

Jack Tornga, a World War II veteran and Plymouth Rotarian, was at the lunch that day. "Jack, the World War II Memorial is being built for people like you, Hollis said. "It's Michigan's story. Without the

industrial might of

have won the war."

Michigan, we would not

The Legacy Memorial tells of both the battlefield and sacrifices on the home front. "That story's made up of a lot of individual stories," said Levine, vice president for the memorial. "We want to have as many stories integrated into the memorial as possible."

Hollis and Levine described Walk of Honor bricks that will honor and memorialize loved ones as well as supporting the effort financial-



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The Michigan World War II Legacy Memorial will be at 13 Mile and Woodward in Royal Oak.

ly. They also gave details of a charity challenge in conjunction with Hour Detroit Magazine, running through Nov. 12.

Hollis cited an observance May 8 for victory in Europe, V-E, as well as one Aug. 16 for victory in Japan. She's grateful for a United Auto Workers Fund pledge. "Of course, we need

continued help," said Hollis. Levine added, "We need your help to spread the word.'

Rotarians also lauded club member David Campbell, a World War II veteran, at the lunch.

Royal Oak resident Hollis said in a later interview, "During the war, the whole community was united." She and Huntington Woods resident Levine seek that kind of unity now to share the story, especially with living World War II veterans.

Levine's dad served in

the Army in World War II while Hollis' father served in the Army dur-

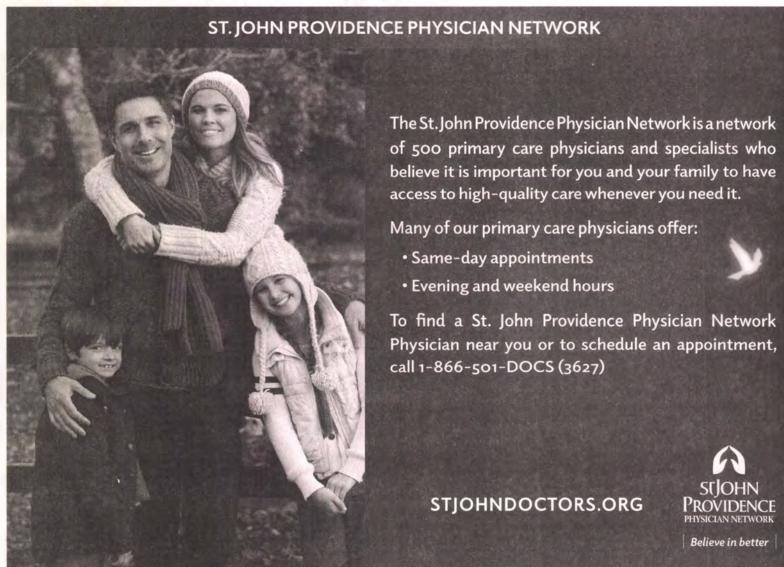
ing the Korean conflict. "We're out and about all the time doing presentations," she said of organizers.

It's nearly two years since fundraising started, with about 10 months of work with the Michigan Legislature on House and Senate resolutions designating it as Michigan's official site, she

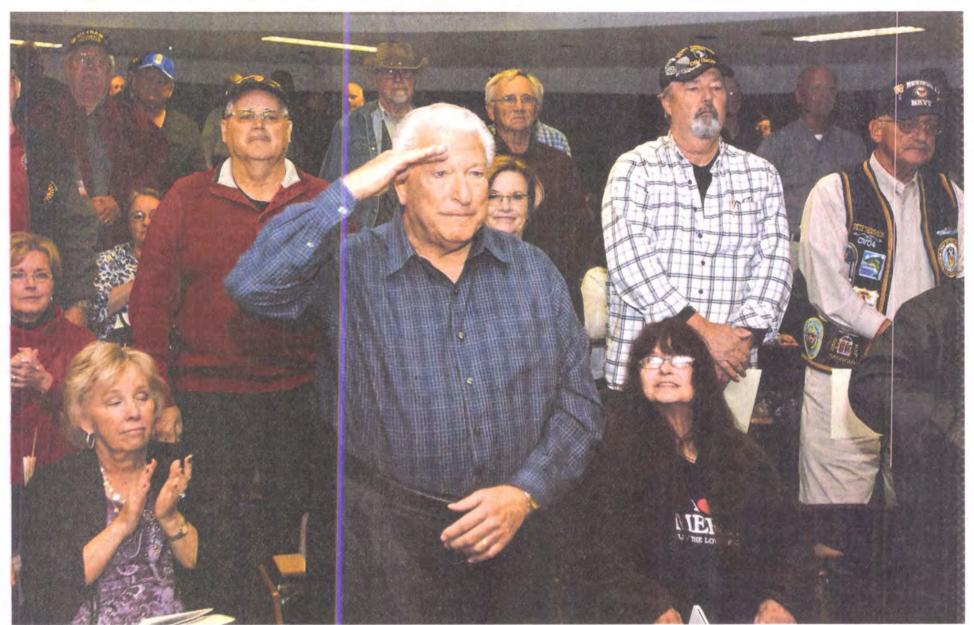
Now, "the veterans have been able to see their bricks" at the memorial. "They can touch it, see it."

For information on buying a Walk of Honor brick or making a donation to the year-round memorial, visit www.michiganww2 memorial.org.

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U.S. Navy veteran Joe Farone of Livonia served on the U.S.S. Intrepid off the coast of Vietnam.

# U.S. representative headlines event honoring Vietnam veterans

Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

It's no secret Vietnam veterans returning from war in the 1960s and '70s didn't get much love from an American public with a strong anti-war sentiment.

Sunday, as the country marked the 50th anniversary of that unpopular war, Vietnam veterans finally felt some love.

U.S. Rep. Dave Trott, R-11th District, headlined an hour-long ceremony that honored more than 130 veterans from all five branches of the service who served at least one tour in Vietnam. The veterans representing the U.S. Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard - were honored with a commemorative pin and a proclamation honoring their service signed by President Barack Obama.

The ceremony took place at Madonna University in Livonia. It featured the Shrine Pipe and Drum Corp and Shrine Legion of Honor posting the colors, Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey, a retired U.S. Air Force lieutenant colonel, leading the Pledge of Allegiance, and a stirring rendition of The Star-Spangled Banner by Madonna University student Alisa Pullum of Redford.

Trott, elected in 2014, said the event was timely in honoring the service of those veterans.

"When they came home, they weren't treated with the respect and appreciation they deserved," Trott said. "Even 50 years later, some (veterans) still don't feel like they get any respect. Many felt the pain of a nation that seemingly turned its back on its veterans. Each of you served with honor and distinction. Each of you deserves our thanks and respect.

Julie Gregg of Westland was one of some 300 people in attendance to see the veterans honored. Her father, Richard Gregg, served as a military photographer for the U.S. Army. He served in Vietnam for a year, from 1967-68.

Gregg said she was glad to see her father get some recognition. "The did amazing things over there," she said. "They did a lot of things nobody gives them credit for. They deserved to be appreciated for what they did. They sacrificed everything for their country. I'm incredibly proud."

During his remarks, Trott noted that a pin and a proclamation 50 years later was a symbolic gesture. But it was one the vets in attendance seemed to appreciate.

"I'm very proud they recognized the Vietnam vets," said Gordon Segal, an infantryman from South Lyon who served in Pleiku, Vietnam, in 1968-69. "They know what happened to us when we came home."

Fellow U.S. Army veteran Richard Mamayek of Canton, who was also in Pleiku from 1968-69, said he "doesn't dwell" much on the reaction he and the other returning vets received when they came home.

Mamayek acknowledged times were different back then and that Sunday's ceremony

"helps" with the healing.
"It was a different
world back then, different times," Mamayek
said. "People didn't believe in the war. (But)
whether (the war was)
right or wrong, we were
there. It's nice our nation
recognizes we were
there for our nation
when we were needed."

That was the message Trott tried to deliver, acknowledging problems in the Veterans Administration as well as other "promises" the country "hasn't kept" with its veterans.

"Everyone recognizes there are promises we've made to these folks," Trott said. "This (ceremony) doesn't solve all the problems, but I think it helps."

Trott told veterans they deserved the thanks

of a grateful nation.

"You were there for America when she needed you," he said in his keynote speech. "You deserve this recognition because you placed the country's needs ahead of your own. When your country asked you to serve, you stepped up and answered the call. Our nation remains forever in your debt."

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The ceremony honoring Vietnam veterans featured the Shrine Pipe and Drum Corp and Shrine Legion of Honor.



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Jack Kirksey, mayor of Livonia, accepted a pin from U.S. Rep. Dave Trout in honor of his late brother, U.S. Navy Admiral Robert Kirksey.



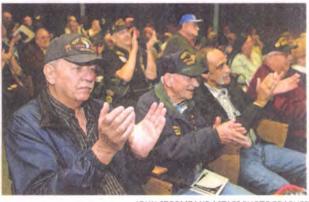
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Mike Martin (left) and Richard Mamayek both served in Vietnam with the Army paratrooper brigade the 173rd Airborne, 503rd Infantry.



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Dave Cobb, who served with the U.S. Marines in Vietnam, shakes hands with Dr. Michael Grandillo, president of Madonna University, after receiving his proclamation.



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Bernie Skonieczny (left) fought with the 101st Airborne from

Bernie Skonieczny (left) fought with the 101st Airborne from 1968-69 in Vietnam.

# It takes a veteran to save a veteran

Jay Grossman Staff Writer

Eric Thompson knew his life was falling apart.

The Army veteran, a Westland resident, had spent a year deployed in Iraq and was now hooked on Xanax after being diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. He was drinking all the time, his personal relationships were in shambles and he started having suicidal thoughts.

It was the toughest of times for a young man who served his country honorably on the battlefield. And then, it grew even tougher.

He was driving around one night with a bottle of booze in his lap when a patrol car in Beverly Hills pulled him over. Thompson panicked, hit the gas pedal and fled from the police officer. Shortly after, he lost control of his car and crashed.

No one was injured, but Thompson faced an OWI charge and a second count c. fleeing and eluding. He was looking at

"With me, the big factor was depression as a result of all my symptoms," Thompson said, looking back on the episode. "But I think a lot of veterans go through it. They may have their different reasons, but it's all for the same cause: just wanting to be numb.

Today, Thompson is in the process of turning his life around. But his battle with drug addiction and mental health issues is a story that resonates with many veterans across Michigan — especially those who fought in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Military veterans make up roughly 7 percent of the U.S. population, yet they constitute around 10 percent of the overall prison population and 18-23 percent of all suicides in the country, according to studies by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Justice Department.

In addition, studies indicate that anywhere from 11-20 percent of all veterans serving since 9/11 have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress, which can cause anxiety and emotional outbursts.

In Thompson's case, it took a veteran to save a veteran.

#### Military men

Tom Danielson is a detective with the Beverly Hills Public Safety Department, and a Navy

veteran. He happened to be working the night that

Thompson was arrested 'I was asked to follow up on the case, so I called the gentleman," Dan-ielson said. "We got to talking and I quickly realized there was some other stuff going on in his life. I learned he was a veteran with the U.S. Army - he had been over in Iraq and was going through PTSD. He told me over the phone he needed help and he didn't know if he wanted to live. I was a veteran myself and I reached out to him and got him some help.

Growing up in Dearborn Heights, Thompson always knew he would serve in the military one

day.
"It's in my blood," he said matter-of-factually.

Both his parents served in Vietnam — his father with the highlyvaunted USMC Force Recon - while his two grandfathers fought in World War II and Korea. Thompson was next: he joined the Army in 2002, two weeks after graduating from Crestwood High School.

He was barely 18 when he enlisted. He was promoted to sergeant at the age of 20 and looked to have a promising career in the military.

Only it didn't work out that way. He began suffering from anxiety attacks and bouts of depression in 2005, the same year he was discharged. He was first prescribed Xanax in 2007 and it didn't take long before he developed a fierce addiction.

Danielson, 47, served in the Navy from 1998-2003 with a special operations force called SWCC. Part of his service included two deployments along the Mediterranean Sea, where he helped enforce U.S. sanctions

against Iraq. A year after he was discharged, Danielson began working in Beverly Hills. Happily married with two young daughters, his life took an unexpected turn in 2012 when his patrol car was struck by a drunken driving who happened to be fleeing from the po-

Danielson recalled how he shared his own accident story with

Thompson. "I was hurt pretty bad," he said. "A lot of people came forward and gave me a hand - people I never met before: doctors, police officers from other agencies, citizens of Beverly Hills ... just



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Tom Danielson, a detective with the Beverly Hills Public Safety Department, played a key role in helping a fellow military veteran.



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Army veteran Eric Thompson and his fiancee, Jo Tyler. Thompson is set to graduate from veteran's court in two

good people. I didn't know these people and they paid it forward, so I paid it forward to him and asked him to do the same thing - help someone out. That's what it's all about.

With the help of his supervisor and the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, Danielson arranged for Thompson to enter veteran's court.

#### A duty to help

The rules of veteran's court are pretty straightforward: veterans who opt into the program are required to complete an intense probationary process that includes drug and alcohol testing, counseling, plus meetings with a probation officer and VA representatives.

Only non-violent offenders are eligible for the program, and if they complete their require-ments they can usually re-enter society with a clean record.

James Badeen is a retired Army officer who volunteers his time for the 17th District Veteran's Court of Redford Township. He coordinates a mentoring program for veterans to help get them reintegrated back into civilian life.

'We as a society have a duty to help the veterans in our community, he said. "These were the kids next door who delivered the paper or ran track at high school. They heard the call of our nation - they went off and served and they've come back to us ... and many of them are not the same kids as they left. They've come back broken somehow."

Badeen then rattles off a number of alarming statistics to drive home his point:

» 1 out of 6 veterans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan suffers from substance abuse.

» 43 percent of those same veterans have doc-

umented brain injuries; 67 percent were diagnosed with depression, and 76 percent reported nightmares and having trouble sleeping.

» Nearly 1.5 million veterans are at risk of becoming homeless. Of those, over 90 percent have earned honorable discharges.

» Each day, an average of 22 veterans take their own lives.

"This is not something new," Badeen said. "We used to call it 'battle fatigue' and for the most part our country turned a blind eye to it. Basically, when you go to war and you come out of battle, you're not the same person as going in. I can also tell you from experience that while it's darn hard to make a civilian into a soldier, it's even harder making a soldier back into a civilian.

He thinks veterans today face even more stress because of multiple deployments. Another factor is the battlefield itself.

"This isn't like WWII where the Allied forces wore one uniform and the enemy wore a different one," he said. "The modern battlefield is not the same — when you step off the plane in today's battlefield you're in a war zone because you don't know who your enemy is and who isn't. You're always kind of on a razor's edge."

There are 22 veteran courts across the state of Michigan. The Redford court opened in 2011 and Badeen said 70 veterans successfully graduated last year. The approach is obviously a lot cheaper than sending someone to

jail.
"There's a practical reason as well as a moral reason to doing this," he said. We're doing the right thing, and at the same time it's saving us money. When these guys finish treatment, they go on to do great things in many cases. They get jobs, they become productive people. They become leaders in our community.'

#### **Brighter outlook**

Thompson, 31, now lives in Westland and is engaged to get married in June. He's been in the court program for about 18 months and is set to graduate in January. His goal is to become a mentor so he can help out other veterans.

"Once I started taking it seriously, it did a lot of good," he said of the program. "I still need help but I'm getting a lot better.'

He admits it was difficult meeting Danielson for the first time.

"I felt terrible to begin with," he said. "And I felt even worse after I heard about his story ... and he still didn't hold it against me. If he didn't get me the help I needed right away, I don't know if I would still be here."

While he's understandably reluctant to talk about his past, Thompson said he hopes his story will inspire other troubled veterans to seek out help. Clear-eyed and confident, he believes a big part of his recovery came from setting personal goals.

There is hope," he said. "If you stay on track, good things come about. It takes a lot of hard work — you just have to be motivated to

There's also a lasting friendship and solid bond that's formed between two veterans. Thompson already invited Danielson to his wedding.

"I'm not sitting here saying he didn't do anything wrong - he obviously did," Danielson said. "But you could tell he comes from good cloth. You hear about the struggles, the guys who are coming back and aren't being taken care of. So when you can help someone out, you do it ... or at least you try.'

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#### ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-31 November 2, 2015

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S.Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. APPROVED: minutes of reg. mtg. of Oct. 20; buyback of two Glenwood Cemetery lots; purchase of five PD radios paid by grant from Ford Fund. Received and filed Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

Published: November 12, 2015

ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2015-32 November 3, 2015

A regular meeting of the Wayne City Council was not held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road as the meeting was rescheduled to Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. due to the General Election.

> Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

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# Health Insurance Marketplace training offered through Garden City-led consortium

Open enrollment for the Health Insurance Marketplace started Nov. 1. Once again, consumers are able to enroll in quality and affordable health insurance coverage on healthcare.gov. More than seven in 10 consumers will find plans for \$75 a month or less by shopping on the Marketplace. There is now local help available to pick a plan that fits your needs and

The City of Garden City is leading the Tri-City Consortium with Dearborn Heights and Westland on a project that will train 10 Marketplace Navigators in assisting consumers with the enrollment process. Navigators provide this service free of charge. Financial help is also available through tax credits making monthly premiums more affordable. In fact, eight out of 10 people who enroll in health coverage through healthcare.gov qualified for financial help with their monthly payments.

Navigators are also trained on the SHOP Marketplace, which offers health insurance plans to small businesses. Small business owners are able to select highquality health and dental coverage that meets the needs of their business and their employees.

"This Tri-City Consortium is unique in that municipalities are not normally the providers of services such as Navigators," Garden City Mayor Randy Walker said. "I am very happy to see Garden City spearheading this project for the region.'

The project is now up and running. Five Navigator sites are available to residents in need of enrollment assistance:

» Maplewood Community Center 31735 Maplewood St., Garden City MI 48135

734-793-1857 » Westland City Hall 36300 Warren Road,

Westland, MI 48185 734-679-7827 » Jefferson-Barns Community Vitality Cen-

32150 Dorsey, Westland, MI 48186 734-679-7788

» Berwyn Senior Cen-

26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

734-679-7833 » Eton Senior Center 4900 Pardee Ave., Dearborn Heights, MI

734-679-7645 Consumers who choose to not enroll in health coverage by Jan. 31, 2016, either through an employer-provided plan, the Marketplace, or Medicaid or CHIP, could face a fine of \$695 per person, or 2.5% of their income, whichever is more. The fine will in-

crease each year, making it more and more costly to delay complying with the law. Without insurance, you could be faced with this penalty, as well as costly medical bills in the event of an emergen-

To schedule an appointment with an enrollment assister, residents can call one of the sites listed above or visit www.getcovered america.org/connector to search by ZIP code and find someone in their community who will meet with them for free.

## Have a holiday shopping plan and stick to it

don't know about you, but I have started to receive all sorts of emails about the upcoming holiday shopping season. It seems every year, retailers are starting their holiday push sooner. In fact, many stores - such as Meijer — are already sending out their Black Friday ads. Unfortunately, the holiday season has be-

come a time where people are under more and more pressure to buy, buy and buy some more. In fact, according to recent reports, a substantial number of Americans have just finished paying for their holiday gifts from last year and now the pressure ramps up to spend this holiday season.

We all know that deep inside the holidays are not about buying gifts, but a time to appreciate family and friends. That being said, we have to accept the reality of the world and that is that during this time of year, there is an inordinate amount of pressure to buy gifts for everyone. Anyone who truly cares about you does not want you to overspend for the holiday season. Therefore, before you start your holiday shopping, there are some things you should do.



Rick Bloom MONEY

The first thing that you should do is set a budget for yourself. You need to know how much vou can spend without going into debt. You need to set a budget for yourself and stick to it. If you say you're going to spend \$1,000, keep to it. It is important to remember you don't have to buy gifts for everyone. As part of your budget, you ought to write a list of who you need to buy gifts for. Just because you know someone doesn't mean that you have to buy them a gift.

One of the realities of holiday shopping is people use their charge cards and, unfortunately, end up paying a substantial amount in interest. If you are going to finance to purchase a gift, you need to make sure you're using the right charge cards. Not all your charge cards charge the same interest rate or compute it the same way. Some charge cards will have a grace period, others will not. Before you begin your shopping, if you are using a charge card, it is

important that you use the right charge card.

Also, your safety is important. If you're shopping online, you need to make sure that you're dealing with a reputable company. Remember, when you're buying something online, you are providing that company with all sorts of information. Before you buy anything online, make sure you do your homework.

In addition, don't forget about your personal safety when you head out to the malls. Pick pockets and thieves are out in numbers during the holiday season because they know that people tend to put their guards down. If anything, you need to increase your awareness during the holiday season because the crooks are out in force.

As you begin your holiday shopping, Remember the holidays should be a time of happiness and to celebrate family and friends. It should not be a time of financial stress.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanage ment.com. If you would like Bloom to respond to your questions, email him at rick@bloomassetmanage ment.com.

### Westland auto supplier gets tax abatement for new plant

Williams-Bayer Industries Inc., a Westland-based, Tier 2 automotive supplier has received approval from the Westland City Coun-

Williams-Bayer, which currently employs 80 people at its existing factory, has had a presence in Westland since 2005. It had considered a number of surrounding communities to locate its second plant, but decided to utilize vacant land adjacent to its current factory.

"We chose Westland to expand our business because we are able to share resources with our existing facility and Mayor (William) Wild and his Economic Development team have been very business friendly, highly compet-



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Williams-Bayer Industries Inc. will build a second facility on vacant land next to its plant in Westland.

itive and have a history of expediting building permits," said Wilbert Williams, President of Williams-Bayer Industries

Williams-Bayer makes CNC bent tubing, catalytic converter shells, metal stampings, component assemblies, suspension bushings and stamped, staked and welded assemblies for the Big 3 as well as Japanese plants.

Total investment for this project is approximately \$8.5 million,

which includes \$4 million for land and building and \$4.5 million for machinery and equipment.

The investment will generate approximately \$50,000 in new tax revenue for the City of Westland and result in 55 new jobs.

"The turnaround of Westland has gotten a lot of attention. We are in the financial position now where we can compete on a larger scale for jobs and investment," Wild said.



Chef Tony Paquette and others, including students, from the William D. Ford Career Technical

### Taste Fest merriment set for Dec. 1 at Hellenic Cultural Center

Mark your calendar for the Holiday Taste Fest, presented by the Westland Chamber of Commerce and Westland Rotary Club.

Center help to make the Taste Fest taste great.

It will be 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road in Westland. Proceeds go to Westland Rotary Charities, Joseph F. Benyo Scholarship Fund and Westland Chamber of Commerce.

The \$25 admission includes food and entertainment. There will be a cash bar.

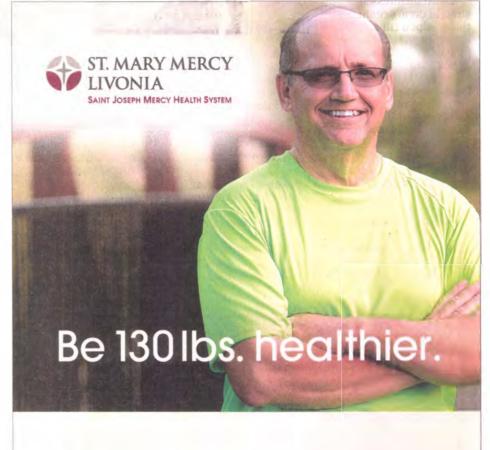
Holiday Taste Fest Rotary Chair Antoinette Martin said in a release: "The Holiday Taste Fest

has become a tradition in Westland. Held during the first week of December, it's a great way to start celebrating the holidays with feasting and shopping for gifts at the auctions, especially since proceeds go to help Rotary charity projects and the Westland Chamber's Joseph Benyo Scholarship Fund.'

Organizers tout the Taste Fest as Westland's premier holiday charity event, citing the food and festive holiday displays. There will be auctions and raffles.

The Marsha Mumm Trio will offer music. Masters of ceremonies are Ralph and Kim Cabildo, RC DJ and Video. For tickets or information, call the Westland Chamber of Commerce at 734-326-7222 or visit www.westland

chamber.com. Sponsorship opportunities remain, at the Platinum Level of \$1,000, Gold Level of \$500 and Silver Level of \$200, with additional information available through the Westland Chamber. Checks payable to the Westland Chamber of Commerce may be mailed to 36900 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185. Credit cards can be used as well; call the chamber for details.



#### Mark

As Mark Layton spent more time at his desk and his activity level decreased, his weight accumulated. Mark was diagnosed with type two diabetes and had high cholesterol and blood pressure. That's when his doctor recommended surgical weight loss surgery at St. Mary Mercy Livonia's Michigan Bariatric Institute. Now, he's committed to a healthier lifestyle - he's a runner and has competed in marathons. His diabetes is resolved and Mark is 130 pounds healthier.

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Four-year-old Cameron Gilmore makes seniors smile as he helps bag leaves this past Saturday morning in Garden City.

# Volunteers make seniors smile in Garden City

**Brad Kadrich** Staff Writer

Statistics from the 2015 version of the Make A Senior Smile event in Garden City are stagger-

Some 230 volunteers of all ages, including a variety of public servants, took part, helping service some 60 homes of Garden City seniors, according to Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc.

Local businesses and several civic organizations helped fill some 2,400 lawn/leaf bags. Some 200 T-shirts were handed out.

And a Maplewood ommunity Center w "packed to the gills" with smiling seniors, LeBlanc said in a Facebook post following the event.

"The generosity of people, businesses, local servants and others is impressive," LeBlanc said in his post. "The Garden City community



TOM BEAUDOIN

Memorial School Principal Mary Pantier gets ready to toss leaves to County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc during a yard cleanup held Saturday. LeBlanc hosted the "Make a Senior Smile pleased with the overall re came out to help.

Garden City High School seniors Shelby Bodnovits and Austin Cole help with the "Make a Senior Smile Day" project that brought out more than 220 volunteers to help clean up some



has such an incredible level of spirit and sup-port. We had several seniors offer varying items of support to our volunteers, and a few even had tears in their

eyes."

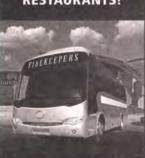
According to LeBlanc, the seniors weren't the

only ones crying.
"A few of our volunteers teared-up while describing it, too," he said. "And these folks did not receive a penny for their efforts."

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Presiding: President Godbout Present: Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Kehrer, Reeves

157: Bid for JB AC Addition/Installation to Temperature Services, amt. not to exceed

Agrmnt w/WWCS Construction Technology Program for rehab of 8732 August.

Agrmnt w/Habitat for Humanity for rehab of 35070 June.
Agrmnt. w/Windstream for Enhancement of Citys' Communication Svcs, amt. \$1,066/mo.

- Change Order to Berkshire Dev. Bid for demo of T. Gist Academy.
- Amendment to Global Green Contract for asbestos removal at T. Gist Academy.
- Rescission of agrmnt. w/City and Mayor's Appt'd Staff MERS Division #12 "Generic Time."
- Placement of winter hazard fees on 2015 winter tax bills.

Proclaimed November "Veteran's History Month."
 158: Appr. request for Closed Study Session 11/16/15 @ 6:30 re. pending litigation.

159: Appr. Atty recommendation for settlement re. pending litigation, Hardy vs. City.

160: Appr. minutes of special meeting held 10/19/15. 161: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 10/19/15.

162: Appr. 2016 Appt'd Officials & Mayor's Office Pay Plan. 163: Conf. appt. of M. Londeau to DDA for 4 yr. term to exp. 11/2/19.

164: Appr. checklist: \$ 2,851,623.90.

Mtg. adj. at 7:20 p.m. Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

James Godbout Council President

Eileen DeHart-Schoof, CMC

Publish: November 12, 2015

#### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne

Case #951B, Proposed Land Division, Parcel #060-99-0003-000, 35900 Palmer Road, Church of Christ, North Side of Palmer Road, West of Wayne Road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 1, 2015.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.

Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman Westland Planning Commission

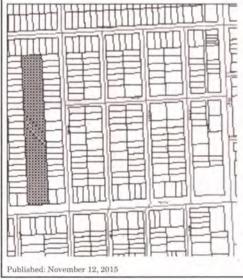


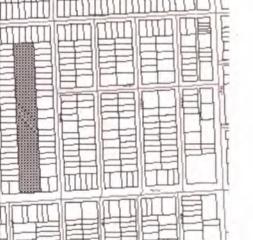
Garden City High School Key Club member Peri Barnes helps

the many seniors in Garden City during the "Make a Senior

Smile Day" held this past Saturday morning.

Garden City High School student Makenna Gauthier cleans up one of the many yards in Garden City's "Make a Senior Smile Day."





**OUR VIEWS** 

# Voter turnout last week disappoints; local elections are key to democracy in action

The Schoolcraft College millage sought in last week's general election was defeated by a narrow

Voters rejected the 0.6-mill tax increase, 21,051 no votes to 19,998 yes votes — a 1,053 margin of loss. The 10-year proposal would have cost the owner of a \$200,000 home about \$60 a year.

It had been years since the community college, which serves the Plymouth-Canton, Livonia, Northville, Garden City and Clarenceville school districts, sought a millage.

The issue of low voter turnout looms.
As he left Garden City's Memorial 1-2 Campus after voting Nov. 4, Garden City's Steven Dodge said, "I hardly ever miss an election. It's my right to vote. The elections that are more local I think they have more effect on your life."

He voted no on the Schoolcraft millage, citing taxes and budget concerns. Dodge took the time and made the effort to have his voice heard.

In nearly every community we cover, voter turnout was low. In Garden City, only about 15 percent of registered voters cast ballots. Westland was only 12 percent. In Farmington Hills, it was all the way up to



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Judging by turnout numbers, there were often more candidates and poll workers at polling places than there were voters.

24 percent.

Take a look at your tax bill if you're a homeowner. You'll see taxes you pay for your schools, library, Metroparks, and more. It stands to reason you should exercise your right to speak up on how that money is

City clerks and their staffs were hard at work on Election Day, making sure all ran as smoothly as possible and voters' voices were heard. Poll workers, too, do their part to make democracy work at the local lev-

We hear a lot about the 2016 U.S. presidential campaign, and some of us are already weary of Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton soundbites. Government on the local levels matters every bit as much if not more, so in future local elections remember to exercise your right to vote.

An informed voter makes his or her choice well, and newspaper coverage and League of Women Voters and other forums provide an opportunity to learn about candidates, their stands and the issues of the day. We endeavor to provide as much information as possible to aid you in making an informed decision. If you didn't vote last week in local elections, pause

a moment before the next time you start to complain and think of what you could have done with a few minutes at your local voting precinct.

### Be considerate — handicap parking spots are for the disabled

n an age of "i This, i That, i Matter," we have become a me, me, me society for real. We need more than ever to remind each other the most joy in life comes with being selfless.

That's hard to do when life is a race in keeping up with the latest this and that. Recently, I was visiting my mom who is

caring for her mother. We were taking my grandmother to her dialysis but couldn't find an available handicap spot to park. Fortunately I was with them this time, so I got out of the car with my grandma and we got dropped off at the door. My mom says this

was common problem. It made me very upset

Nicole Majdali GUEST COLUMNIST

once I found out most of the people taking these spots were walking out just fine. I see this happening on a daily basis where I live.

In Michigan this is a common thing. Especially in the winter. Who wants to walk in the bitter cold on the icy grounds? Not me. Not you. However, we do it because it is the right thing to do. It's the law.

What about the people who actually need these spots? I have seen them full at the grocery stores

and especially strip malls where these spots are

Have we become so insensitive that it's a dog-eat-dog world?

Just because you can get away with something doesn't make it right.

I spoke with the local police and also a lovely couple in Farmington Hills who volunteer to catch these handicap parking offenders. They have an incident every time they are out helping the truly disabled.

This is a mediocre issue to many, but it is a huge problem for some.

I would love to see more people care. However, I know not all disabilities are visible. Be aware of that as well.

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because it is the right thing to do. It's the law.

Leave it to the authori-

There is a special division called Handicap Parking Enforcement for a reason. Report violations to local police. There are fines as high as \$500 and up 30 days in jail. Is walking an extra 15 feet that impossible? Who doesn't need a little more exercise? Most of us are overweight and over sedentary as it is! Try a Fit Bit — it will tell you how unactive you are on daily basis. Mine is downright insulting at times.

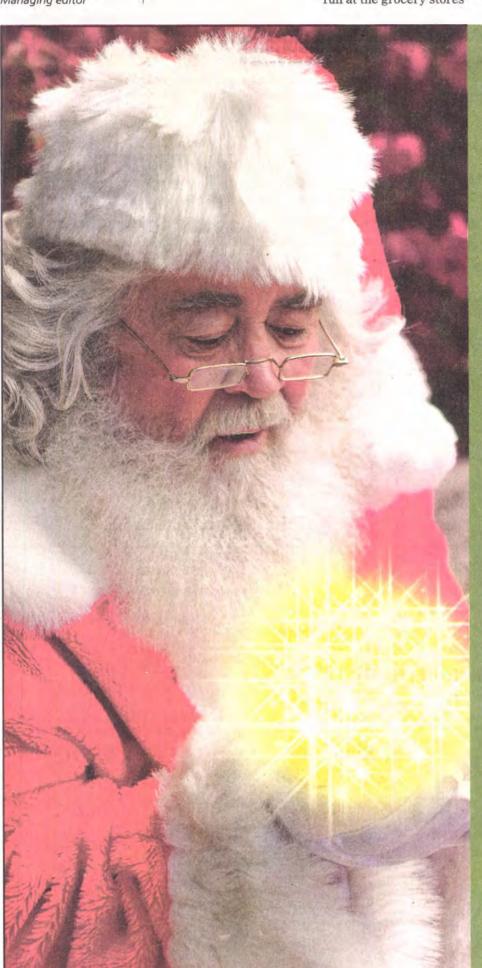
Be kind. Be considerate. Be healthy. Handicap spots are there for the disabled. If you are not disabled DO NOT PARK

Nicole Majdali is a Livonia resident. She writes a blog, prettyfunnynicole. wordpress.com



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# SPORTS

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**Tomasic** 

excelling

Miami University sophomore right-side hitter Katie Tomasic, a former

volleyball standout at Livonia Stevenson, was named to the 2015 CoSIDA Volley-ball Academic All-District

V First Team, the College

Sports Information Direc-

tors of America (CoSIDA)

To qualify for a Capital

award, a player must have a 3.30 GPA or better and be

announced last week.

a significant

contributor

to the team.

By earning

first-team

Tomasic is

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**ALL-STATE ATHLETES** 

# Pair of Patriots run to glory

Cross country stars Floyd and Douglas shine at MHSAA Division 1 state meet

> **Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin senior cross country standouts Tony Floyd and Natalie Douglas capped their storied high school trail-blazing careers Saturday afternoon with emphatic exclamation points.

Competing as individuals in the MHSAA Division 1 cross country championships at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, both Patriots earned all-state laurels by finishing in the top 30 in their respective races.

Floyd earned a ninth-place showing with a time of 15 minutes, 31.8 seconds (less than a second off his personal-best time) while Douglas placed 22nd with a personal-best clocking of 18:27.6.

Saturday marked Floyd's second straight appearance at the state meet while Douglas was one of the few - if not the only - all-stater who was mak-

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Livonia Franklin senior cross country runners Natalie Douglas and Tony Floyd both earned all-state honors at Saturday's Division 1 state meet.

now eligible to earn a Tomasic spot on Cap-

ital One Academic All-America Team that will be voted on later in November.

Tomasic has had a breakout year on the court as she has started all 25 matches for the Red-Hawks. She is second on Miami with 169 kills averaging, 1.86 kills per set. Often playing all six rotations, she also has 60 digs and 46 total blocks on the year. She ranks second on the 'Hawks with 210.5 total points scored, an average of 2.31 per set.

In the classroom, Tomasic has been equally as impressive. She has maintained a perfect 4.00 GPA with a very difficult dou-ble major of chemical engineering and kinesiology. She has earned a spot on the Miami University President's List each se-

mester.

#### **Toys for Tots** archery

Just in time for Christmas, the Western Wayne County Conservation Association Inc. will hold its annual 3-D archery shoot on Dec. 6 to collect new, unwrapped toys as part of the U.S. Marines Corps Reserve Toys for Tots

Program. Each month the WWCCA welcomes local archers to compete on its specially designed course at its Plymouth property. The normal competitive spirit among entrants is set aside for this special

"Every 3-D shoot is a competition, as you can imagine, but at this shoot all the participants are here to have fun and donate for a very worthwhile cause," said Steve Koncz, Archery Chairman for the association. "All year long the association is very active with youth groups and promoting youth shooting sports," Koncz said, "but the Toys for Tots is always one of the favorite events because everyone can donate.'

The 3-D archery shoot is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is open to the public. Participants can either bring a new, unwrapped toy or make a \$10 donation to the Toys for Tots Program. Donations can also be. dropped off until Dec. 6 at

the WWCCA in Plymouth. The Western Wayne County Conservation Association is located at 6700 Napier road in Plymouth. For more information, call the association at 734-453-

#### Reporting results

Local high school athletic coaches are strongly encouraged to report results of their team's contests to Observer sports editor Ed Wright so that their student-athletes can receive the recognition

they deserve. Wright can be reached at 734-578-2767 or ewright@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for Thursday editions of the Observer is Tuesday at 10 p.m. The deadline for Sunday editions is Friday at 10 p.m.

PREP PROFILE



Franklin junior Chris Nehasil rarely leaves the field for the Patriots.

# Nehasil is one tough **Patriot**

**Ed Wright** 

During a mid-August Livonia Franklin football practice, Patriot junior strong safety Chris Nehasil crashed to the turf with a hard and awkward "thud" after breaking up a pass.

He immediately clutched one of his shoulders before walking to the sidelines in obvious pain.

"It turns out I separated my shoulder," Nehasil recalled, three months later. "The pain was pretty bad, but I wanted to tough it out, I wanted to keep going.'

Nehasil was back practicing three days later - a testament to the toughness the 5-foot-9, 180-pound warrior has displayed since strapping on his first set of shoulder pads as a fourth-grader for the Livonia St. Michael's football program.

Nehasil, who confirmed he is 100 percent healthy these days, has been a bigtime catalyst for the Patriots during their eye-opening six-game winning streak that has led them to Friday's Division 2, Region 3 championship game against host Berkley.

A hard-running, sure-handed slot receiver on offense, and a hardnosed, instinctive leader of the secondary on defense, Nehasil only leaves the field during certain special teams situations.

Fantastic journey

The level of the success and the fantastic frenzy it has created in the Franklin community - the Patriots have experienced this season is nearly unprecedented in Nehasil's football life, he admitted.

This season has been unbelievable," said Nehasil, moments after Monday's practice ended. "I've been playing football since fourth grade and I had been on only one other winning team before this year.

"It's cool because everybody at school is getting hyped up. I've had teachers and students come up to me and say, 'I hear you guys played a good game the other night,' and 'I think I'm coming to your game this week.' Each week we've had more and more fans show up. It's been fun."

Football has been a family

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CLASS B VOLLEYBALL

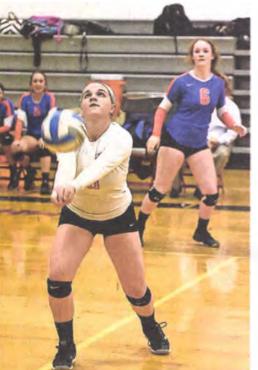


Senior Kayla March delivers a soft set during a match last week at Clarenceville.

TOM BEAUDOIN

# SET FOR SUCCESS

Ladywood marches on into championship match



TOM BEAUDOIN

Ladywood's Abbigale Laurentius passes the ball during a Class B district match last week.

**Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Pass, set, BAM! Pass, set, BAM! That was the rhythm Livonia Ladywood's volleyball team followed Tuesday night that led to Warren Fitzgerald's blues

Sweeping their fourth straight opponent following a trio of no-doubters during last week's Class B district tournament at Livonia Clarenceville, the host Blazers took care of the Spartans in short order, winning 25-7, 25-4 and 25-9 to advance to Thursday's Region 13 championship match against Center Line. The Blazers thoroughly dominated every

facet of the match, serving nearly flawlessly, digging up the few hard hits the Spartans delivered and attacking on offense with the fluidity of a well-oiled machine.

"I liked the way we picked up the energy tonight and held the momentum," said senior captain Kayla March, who led the Blazers with 12 kills.

Everybody who played tonight, including the young girls, contributed a lot to the win, added co-captain Hayley Moores. "We did a good job of maintaining our focus even when the scores weren't that close." The Blazers' pin-point serving was typified

by junior defensive specialist Maggie Shirk's

six-point run that extended the winners' lead

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**DIVISION 2 REGIONAL FOOTBALL FINAL** 

# Patriots need Bear-ish effort against Berkley

**Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Following an agonizing (smile) 52-year wait, Livonia Franklin's football team will finally receive an opportunity to avenge its 19-0 loss to Berkley, which blanked the Patriots in the two teams' only previous meeting on Sept. 20, 1963. Coincidentally, 1963 was the

last time Franklin had played Jackson prior to last Friday's 63-35 triumph at Withington Stadium in Jackson.

"Could be a good omen," joked Franklin head coach Chris Kelbert, smiling.

Actually, redemption will take a back seat to earning a "Final Four" playoff berth for the first time since the 1975 Patriots won the Class A state championship over Traverse City Central, 21-7.

And the Bears (9-2) should provide a strong challenge for Franklin, which has outscored its opponents, 452-312, over the season and 259-153 during its current six-game winning streak.

Franklin and Berkley will kick it off on Friday at 7 p.m. at Hurley Field in the Division 2, Region 3 final. The winner will advance to the following weekend's D2 state semifinal game against the winner of

Saturday's Detroit Martin Luther King-Detroit East English showdown. (FYI: Franklin did not play King or East English in 1963.)

The lone common opponent this season for Franklin and Berkley was Royal Oak. The Patriots rocked the Ravens, 41-13, on Oct. 25, while the Bears handed Royal Oak a 34-21 setback on Oct. 2.

Berkley runs an old-school offense - the triple option with modern-day efficiency, Kelbert noted.

"It's a tough offense to prepare for because you don't see it on a regular basis," said Kelbert. "It's a lot like playing Canton — you have to play assignment football and every player on defense has to be responsible for their assign-

"The speed at which we try to simulate their offense in practice is nothing like what our defense is going to see in the game. They have some big, powerful running backs, a lot like Farmington.

While the Bears don't put the ball in the air much, they can hurt teams when they do decide to air it out.

"Their passing game is a lot like ours, they use a lot of play action and it's effective because defenses are geared to



Franklin's Jake Giacobbi, who hauled in this 28-yard touchdown pass from Denzel Adams, has become a two-way starter during the post-season.

stopping the run," Kelbert said. "If you get lax in your coverage, they will hurt you."

People who were in attendance during Friday's victory over Jackson are still shaking their heads in amazement regarding the Patriots' 35-0 run to close out the Vikings. Franklin outscored its hosts 27-0 in the fourth quarter and trailed 21-14 at the half.

"Us converting the twopoint conversion pass (to put the Patriots ahead 36-35 late in the third quarter) gave us a

nice shot of momentum," said Kelbert. "Jackson made a couple crucial mistakes and we capitalized on them. I think we kind of wore them down emotionally and physically in the fourth quarter."

Franklin junior running back Jacob Clark has emerged as a big-time player since he took over the reins of the Patriots' feature running back position in the wake of inuries to former starters Nate Binkiewicz and Isaac Moore. Clark galloped for 280 yards

on 23 carries against Jackson.

"We used Jacob everywhere before Nate and Isaac got hurt," said Kelbert. "He was a tailback, and when we went to an empty backfield we'd put him in motion. We did whatever we could to take advantage of his skills, so he's been a big part of our offense all season.

'But now, because of the injuries, he's our go-to guy and he's done a tremendous job. He gives us the break-away speed that we didn't have before.'

Kelbert said one of the Patriots' many unsung heroes from Friday's victory was junior receiver/cornerback/ kicker Jake Giacobbi, who did much more than catch a 28yard touchdown pass.

'Jake played a good game on offense and defense," said Kelbert. "Even when we don't throw him the ball, he give us a vertical threat out there at receiver that the defense has

'He's started at corner for us on defense the past two games, and he's really done a nice job. He's also made six out of seven field goals.'

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YOUTH SPORTS

# Eagles win first title since 2003

**Ed Wright Staff Writer** 

The Livonia Eagles junior varsity football team has soared to heights rarely seen in the program's recent histo-

On Sunday at Farmington High School, the Eagles sur-vived a stiff challenge from the Northville Stallions to win the Western Lakes Junior Football League's Super Bowl,

It was the first Super Bowl title for the Eagles' juniorvarsity program since 2003.

"It was a complete team effort," said Eagles head coach Jim Bates. "Our motto



ALL-STAR PRODUCTIONS

The Livonia Eagles junior varsity football team poses for a photo after winning its first WLIFL Super Bowl since 2003.

all season has been: 'One team, One dream', and that's how we finished, as one team.'

The Eagles, whose roster includes players from the Stevenson, Churchill, Franklin and Clarenceville school districts, finished their regular season with a 7-1 overall record and 5-0 mark in the WLJFL's South Division. The Stallions were 7-1 and 4-1,

respectively, while placing second in the North Division

The Eagles defeated the Garden City Cougars, 29-12, in the first round of the playoffs before edging the Livonia Falcons, 14-6, in the semifinal

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**COLLEGE SPORTS** 

### Former Wayne runners earn NAIA bid

Jordan and Gibson headed to national meet

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NA-IA) has announced the qualifiers for the 2015 NAIA Men's and Women's Cross Country National Championships and Madonna University's Devin Gibson and Jessica Reagle have been tabbed as at-large selections.

Lawrence Tech freshman Malik Jordan, Gibson's former teammate at Wayne Memorial (see below), also qualified.

Reagle knew after Saturday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference championships that she was advancing as the freshman finished ninth at the WHAC meet. Reagle will become the third Madonna women's runner joining Sarah Sherwood (2008. 2009, 2010) and Bianca Kubicki (2011, 2012) - to advance to the NAIA Championships.

Gibson's selection was a bit of a surprise for the freshman as he was the last runner selected as a shift in the NAIA Top 25 poll allowed fellow WHAC member Cornerstone to earn an at-large selection as a team and bumped Gibson up after his 14th place finish at the WHAC Championships. Gibson is the fourth MU men's runner to advance to the national summit, joining Tim



Madonna University freshman Devin Gibson, a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, earned a bid to the NAIA National Cross Country Championships later this month.

Boes (2012), Ahron Gunn (2014) and Alec Smith (2014).

#### Jordan excels

LTU's Jordan placed 11th in the WHAC meet to qualify for the Championships. The top 15 in the conference champi-

onship held at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids this past Saturday automatically qualified for the national meet.



Jordan posted a time of 26:19 for the eight-kilometrer race, while helping their team place fifth overall, which is the best placing at the meet in the team's history. Jordan received All-WHAC Honorable Mention honors following the meet.

Jordan's time was a freshman record at LTU.

### LADYWOOD

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to 22-5 in the tone-setting first stanza.

Freshman setter Monique Lamoureux then closed out the game-one win with back-to-back aces that followed a middle kill by Natasha Strze-

Ladywood exploded to a 17-4 lead in the middle game thanks to multiple kills from March and

Madeline Hudson. The Blazers never looked back in the final game after surging to a 10-3 cushion. Abbigale Laurentius had a nice mid-game service run before Moores sealed the deal by serving out the final nine points, ham-

mering home four aces. Notching kills down the stretch were sophomore middle Micaela Kucinski and junior middle Asanti Solomon.

"We've been focusing on three things the past three or four weeks,' said Ladywood head coach Peter Lau. "No. 1 is maintaining our focus no matter what the situation or score is. No. 2 is not being happy with just getting the ball up because we know we have stronger opponents com-ing up. And the third thing is always keeping our minds on the game and not thinking about other things.

"Tonight I thought our focus and level of execution were as good as it gets."

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CLASS A REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL

# Churchill dispatches athletic Phoenix

Several Chargers contribute to semifinal sweep

**Ed Wright** 

Like its name implies, the Detroit Renaissance volleyball team was doing everything it could to revive some momentum during the third set of Tuesday night's Class A regional semifinal match against Churchill, but Charger junior libero Alyssa Facione made sure the Phoenix didn't dig themselves out of their twoset hole.

With the Chargers leading 2-0 in games in the best-of-five match, Renaissance clawed to within 23-21 of the Chargers and appeared to close its gap to one until Facione use her fist to separate a would-be kill from the floor before Megan Gendjar pushed the ball over the net to put Churchill in charge 24-21.

The Chargers closed the lid on a 25-21 third-game victory moments later after taking the first two stanzas by identical 25-14 scores.

"I was really impressed by Renaissance," Churchill head coach Mark Grenier raved following the match. "They have some kids who can really put the ball down. They scored on us, but we were able to keep them off balance and we got them out of system enough

to win.
"Alyssa made a great defensive play late in game

three to prevent them from potentially winning the game and grabbing momentum."

The victory propelled Churchill into Thursday's 6:30 p.m. regional final at Grosse Pointe South against the winner of Tuesday's second semifinal match featuring Allen Park

and GPS. Facione led the Chargers' defense with 21 digs while Yetts had a sterling all-around performance, racking up 14 kills, five assists and 10 digs.

Junior middle hitter Anne Yost was splendid at the net with six kills and three blocks.

"Anne patrolled the net all night with a lot of confidence," Grenier added.

Sam Zonca complemented Yetts on the outside attack with seven kills.

Grenier also praised the defensive performances of Colleen McGowan (11 digs) and Madison Mirabitur, who added four point-extending

"We're playing with a lot of confidence and minimizing our mistakes," Grenier said.

#### John Glenn sidelined

Westland John Glenn's fine season ended with a 3-1 loss to Monroe in a Class A regional semifinal match played at Belleville.

Details of the match were not available as of Tuesday

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season.

**DIVISION 3 FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS** 

# Allen Park sidelines Thurston, 37-14

**Ed Wright** Staff Writer

The Redford Thurston football team's highly-successful season ended Friday night with a 37-14 loss to Allen Park in a Division 3 district championship game hosted by the Jaguars.

The Eagles' final record of 6-5 was deceptive considering six of their nine regular-season opponents qualified for the post-season.

Thurston battled the Jaguars toe-to-toe in the first half and trailed just 16-14.

"Problems on special teams gave Allen Park great field position throughout the night and our defense, which played extremely well, could not overcome the short field," said Thurston head coach Bob

Thurston seized a 7-0 lead early in the second quarter when Zack Crofford hit Alonzo McCoy on a 6-yard TD pass. Antwain Dungy booted the extra point.

Allen Park retaliated swiftly with a 60-yard drive that ended with an 11-yard touchdown run to knot the game at 7-7.

A poor long snap on a punt handed the Jaguars the ball at the Thurston 22 moments later. The hosts scored soon after on a 15-yard run to give them a 13-7 lead (the extra point was missed).

Undaunted, Thurston regained a 14-13 lead.

Late in the first half a blocked punt gave the Jaguars the ball at the Eagles 27, however, Thurston's defense held their opponent to a field goal, leaving the halftime score at

The second half was a defensive struggle, with Thurston unable to sustain offensive momentum, Snell noted.

Allen Park sealed the victory by outscoring its visitors 21-0 in the fourth quarter.

Pacing the Thurston defense were mainstays Kobe Williams, Chalfontae Phillips, Jacob Jenkins, Nathan Hayes and Tyjuan Triplett.

Offensively, McCoy accumulated 136 yards on 14 car-

Allen Park, which improved to 10-1, outgained Thurston, 316-185, in total yards.

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Thurston's Justin Cole finds running room during a game earlier this

**COLLEGE ATHLETE PROFILE** 

# Thurston grad Daniels catching on in Minnesota

Shawn Smith Correspondent

Many kids dream of getting the opportunity to play college football, but only the strong survive to get the chance to

live out that dream. For many of those, it is a grind to get the opportunity, overcoming tough environments growing up to accomplish their dream. This has been the case for University of Minnesota-Crookston senior wide receiver



**Daniels** 

Lamar Daniels II, as he has hurdled the obstacles thrown at him.

Growing up on the north side of Toledo, Daniels didn't have a lot of opportuni-

ties until his parents realized they needed to get their only child out of a negative environment. LaMar Daniels Sr. and Chalyse Daniels moved their son to Detroit and then Redford, where he found the opportunity to attend Thurston.

It was at Thurston that Daniels found an outlet: foot-

"The sport of football really changed me as a man," Daniels said. "I really thank Jesus for being able to have football and to be able to stay away from the negative environment that



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Former Thurston football standout Lamar Daniels lines up as a wide receiver during a recent University of Minnesota-Crookston game.

I had in Toledo.

'When I moved to Michigan, that is when my parents realized how vital it was to get me in a better school. From there football took off. It was to the point where I played football and went to school and that was my life and it was a real positive lifestyle.

From there, Daniels got noticed and was provided opportunities to be a preferred walk-on at Division I programs like University of Toledo and Bowling Green State University, however, when University of Minnesota Crookston defensive backs coach Sean Knox called Thurston head coach Bob Snell, Daniels decided where he needed to be.

While it wasn't easy for Daniels to adjust from growing up in bigger cities like Toledo and Detroit to the fertile farming of the "Red River Valley" and Crookston, Minn., he was able to continue his growth on and off the gridiron.

"When I came here it was kind of a shock," Daniels said. "It was a small town with a lot of farming, something I really didn't know a lot about. It also helped me come to know

All games 7 p.m.

Christ and it changed my life in and out ... .'

Daniels got the chance to play for the Golden Eagles from day one, playing at defensive end for his first three seasons in Crookston, however, he wasn't able to make the impact that he had originally hoped. It was a pick-up basketball game that head coach Mike Fritze happened to be watching that turned the tide for Daniels and moved him over to the offensive side of the ball.

"Coach Fritze saw an ability that I had that was different,' Daniels said. "He always admired my athleticism. He watched me play in an intramural basketball game and from then on he said this guy isn't a defensive end, we have to put him at a more athletic position. I had the hands and the speed and the ability to move to the wide receiver position. It was a tough transition for me, though.

"In the off-season I had to work on my footwork and my hands and my ability to run the routes, and figuring out what kind of player I was. It ended up being a great blessing.

Daniels originally moved to offense prior to the 2014 season, but grade issues forced him to red-shirt his senior season. He then got the opportunity to play as a wide receiver as a red-shirt senior, where

he has started six games and caught seven passes for 77 yards.

"Only the strong can survive these type of seasons that we have been through and it is crucial that we have stayed together like we did," Daniels said. "If we didn't value each other's time and go out to eat together and have fun together and get to know each other's family, we wouldn't have stayed together like we have. It is that brotherhood, that chemistry, that kept us togeth-

Daniels will be one of 15 seniors who will take the field for the last time Nov. 14 against Minnesota State University Moorhead.

"I don't even want to think about it because playing those last 60 or so snaps will be very emotional," Daniels said. "But it will be a joyful time because we contemplated as kids whether we could be able to make it and we did. I thank Jesus for the opportunity. It is humbling in my opinion.

"I know a lot of guys that wanted to play football and couldn't do it. They had more ability than I did, but they had some negative things that stopped them from doing what they wanted to do. It is a humbling experience to know that someone values the gifts that you have athletically and as a man.

**DIVISION 3 CROSS COUNTRY FINALS** 

### Ladywood places 22nd at MIS

Staff Writer

With just one senior among its top five runners, Livonia Ladywood's trip to Saturday's Division 3 state championships at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn may be just the beginning of an annual trek for the Blazers.

Capping a season in which they improved by the week, the Blazers finished 22nd in Saturday's race after compiling 573 points.

Traverse City St. Francis, which was fueled by Holly Bullough's first-place finish in 17 minutes, 41.8 seconds, took the crown with just 69 points.

Ladywood's solid showing was spearheaded by senior Sarah Wilson, who placed 82nd in 21:03.2.

Also scoring for the Blazers were junior Catherine McLaurin, who finished 108th in 21:25.6; sophomore Samantha Horn, who covered the hilly five-kilometer course in 21:29.0, which was good enough for 114th; junior Madelyn Bastin, who was 128th in 21:42.6; and junior Ally Hill, who was 141st in 22:15.4.

Competing but not counting in the scoring for Ladywood were senior Conner Huggins (148th in 22:24.8) and sophomore Madeline Pochowicz (156th in 22:36.2).

The Blazers are coached by Dennis Murray.

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#### OBSERVER FOOTBALL PREDICTIONS

Friday, Nov. 13	Ed Wright	Dan O'Meara	Tim Smith
Canton (9-2) at Saline (10-0)	Canton	Saline	Canton
Livonia Franklin (8-3) at Berkley (9-2)	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
Last week's record	2-1	2-1	1-2
Season record	98-28	90-36	82-44

#### **ALL-STATE**

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ing her debut.

"I've worked for four years to be all-state, so when I crossed the finish line on Saturday and realized I had accomplished my dream, I was happy, relieved and a little surprised," said Floyd. "I came into the meet ranked 10th in Division 1, so I knew I had a pretty good chance, but you never know until you do it. I just went out and ran the race like I normally do.

Douglas registered the second-fastest girls time in the history of Franklin High School and she became just the third Patriot female runner — Kirstian Tyler (2003) and Megan McPherson (2010) are the others - to reach allstate status.

"It didn't feel real when I crossed the finish line," Douglas shared Monday afternoon. "It's just now starting to sink in that it's all over and what I accomplished, and I guess the best way to describe how I

"I accomplished a dream that's been circled on my calendar for a very long time and when you work so hard to achieve the dream, you don't think about anything after that

feel now is bliss.

"I didn't sleep hardly at all Saturday night. I called Tony Sunday morning and asked him, 'Has it hit you yet?' And he said, 'Not really', and I told him it hadn't really hit me yet either.

The Division 1 girls and boys races didn't start until 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., respectively, which was kind of a bummer for Floyd and Douglas, who were forced to endure several nerve-racking hours on Sat-

urday. "I prefer running in the

morning because when you race in the afternoon like that, you have all day to get really, really nervous," Floyd said, smiling.

"The race went pretty much how I expected it to. After two miles, there was a group of about 18 runners packed pretty tightly together. After that point, I started to get a little separation from half of that pack. I never looked back. I always focus on the people in front of me.'

Like Floyd, Douglas tried to make the hours leading up to Saturday's race as normal as possible.

Both runners spent Friday night in their own homes as opposed to spending the night in a Jackson-area hotel.

"I went through my normal warm-up before the race,' Douglas said. "I knew the first mile of the course pretty well, but I wanted to review the second and third mile. The second mile was the most important for me because I knew that's when I needed to

"The first mile is important, too, because you can lose the race in the first third if you don't get out fast, which a lot of girls aren't used to do-

"I ran a 5:32 first mile and was in 27th place, which is just about where I wanted to be. There was a big pack of girls in front of me heading into the second mile, and I figured I had to pass them if I wanted to achieve my goal. The second and third mile I chased down as many pony tails as I could."

Franklin girls cross country coach Dave Bjorklund said he's coached very few runners who possess the positive traits Douglas owns.

This caps off a terrific senior year for Natalie," Bjorklund said. "She had a goal of being all-state and she achieved it.

"Natalie is one of the hardest-working kids I've ever had, and she is definitely the toughest runner I've ever had in the program. She knew she would have to go out hard in the first mile to put herself in position to be in the top 30. She put herself in the top 25 and never let up. I could not have been more proud of her performance.

Franklin boys coach Pat Koelzer was equally proud of Floyd's effort.

"I'm very proud of Tony," Koelzer said. "He got out with the lead pack, stayed in the top 15 to 20 until the last mile, then he started surging and passing runners. He's raced against some of the best runners in the state all season and it really paid off Saturday.'

Koelzer said Floyd has all the attributes it requires to be an elite high school distance runner.

Tony is a natural runner with a very smooth form,' explained Koelzer. "He makes it look easy, yet he still put in a lot of work this season to get where he is. At some point this summer I think he became convinced that he belonged among the top runners in the state. From that point on he became progressively more focused and dialed in to the goal of being all-state.

Both Floyd and Douglas will be competing at the next level, but neither is 100 percent sure where.

Douglas has a recruiting trip line up to the University of Iowa later this month.

Asked what it takes to reach the level they've reached, both runners con-

"A lot of sacrifice, hard work and, above all else, believing in yourself," Douglas said, as Floyd nodded his head in agreement.

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### **NEHASIL**

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tradition in the Nehasil household. Both of Chris's older brothers played for St. Michael's and the middle Nehasil brother, Tim, was a starting offensive lineman for the Patriots before graduating this past June.

"My earliest memory of playing football is of me and my dad (Craig) going up to Kleinart Park and him throwing me passes while my brother practiced," Nehasil reflected. "Last year, after I scored my first varsity touchdown for Franklin against John Glenn, my brother Tim, who was the starting left tackle, came over and lifted me up in the end

#### **Uncle Larry would** be proud

One of the saddest days in Livonia's history Jan. 17, 2011

was unbearably painful for Chris Nehasil as that is the day his uncle, Livonia police officer Larry Nehasil, was killed in



the line of duty while conduct-

ing surveillance on two robbery suspects in Walled Lake. From that day forward, Chris Nehasil has honored the memory of his uncle whenever he steps on a football field.

'I've always worn number 40 because that has the two outside numbers of my uncle's badge number (450)," Chris Nehasil revealed. "He was a big sports fan; he used to come

to a lot of our games. "He was a tough man, but he loved his family and he loved us.

Prior to the start of this season, Nehasil was named one of the Patriots' captains a rare distinction for a junior. "At first it was tough be-

cause I wasn't sure if the older players would respect me," he said. "But at the end of the day, I just try to be the hardest worker out there, and I think my teammates recognize

Nehasil is an excellent student with a grade-point average in the neighborhood of 3.5. In addition to football, he plays baseball at Franklin.

He has a strong desire to play college football and said he has received some interest from NAIA-level schools.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

# South Lyon divers unseat Northville for title

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This time, the KLAA Kensington Conference girls swim meet didn't come down to a photo finish.

South Lyon Unified, using a 170-5 point advantage in diving, reclaimed its fifth conference championship in six years by scoring 901.5 points.

Northville, which last year edged South Lyon for the title by a mere half-point, 886.5-886, finished runner-up with 791.5, followed by KLAA Central Division teams Salem (686), host Novi (608) and Livonia Stevenson (493).

The KLAA South Division filled out the remaining places, led by Canton (390). Plymouth (304), Westland John Glenn (223), Wayne Memorial (172), Livonia Churchill (127) and Livonia Franklin (90).

Northville earned two individual titles and capped the meet with a win in the 400yard freestyle relay as Nicki Pumper, Katelyn McCullough, Gillian Zayan and Laura Westphal combined for a time of

Westphal, the reigning MHSAA Division 1 state champion in the 500-yard freestyle, set a conference record en route to a first-place finish in 4:56.23. She was also runnerup in the 200 individual medley (2:06.67).

"She's great," Northville coach Brian McNeff said. "I mean nothing much you can say about her that I haven't already said. She's not even tapered.

Westphal will defend her state title in the 500 freestyle, but could swim either the 200 IM or 200 freestyle at the Division 1 state meet, Nov. 20-21 at the Holland Aquatic Center.

"I like her in the 200 free; she likes 200 IM," McNeff said. "We're seeing how she did today - 2:06 is a good time, but I think she can score higher in the 200 free and I think that's what she'll do.

Macaddino, a junior, captured the 100 butterfly in 57.11 and also contributed to a school-record time in the 200yard medley relay (1:48.02) as she teamed with Darby Mroz, Erin Szara and McCullough for a runner-up finish to Salem's meet record time of

"We did well," McNeff said.
"Some girls didn't have the time drops they wanted that we're used to, but they came back today, swam strong. We moved up in some spots today. Unfortunately it wasn't there for us, but overall I thought we had a really good meet. I was very proud of the girls and how they performed.

The Mustangs also got Division 1 state cuts from Pumper. fourth, 50 freestyle (25.21); McCullough, fifth, 100 free style (54.47); and Sabrina Lee, eighth, 100 backstroke

(1:00.97). Mroz, who wound up fifth in the 200 IM in Saturday's finals (2:13.87), also made a state cut in Friday's prelims.

But South Lyon's wide advantage in diving proved to be the difference. South Lyon took five of the first eight places and scored in eight of the top 16 to go ahead 422-312 after trailing 307-252 follow-

ing the 50-yard freestyle. We knew that going in, that's what it's been the past three or four years, so the girls know it and if they want to make up for that they have to do it in the pool and, unfortunately, we didn't get it done today," McNeff said. "It was a half-point last year and actually they outscored us by 230 on the board last year.'

#### Novi places fourth

Among the top individual finishers for Novi were McKaela Hill, fourth, diving (337.30); Emily Mayoras,

sixth, 50 freestyle (25.46); Alexandra Cortez, eighth, 200 freestyle (2:01.9); Hanna Dong, eighth, 200 IM (2:17.91); Dana Kilponen, eighth, 50 freestyle (25.61); and Mallory Matlock, eighth, 500 freestyle (5:27.51).

The Wildcats' 200 freestyle relay team of Kilponen, Cortez, Mayoras and Bianchi took third in 1:40.87.

"We swam pretty good, we just didn't have the numbers the other teams had," Novi first-year coach Ken Stark said. "But we swam really good and we picked up places today and got a few surprises. Just missed a couple of cuts, but maybe we'll get them on a second chance (meet), but today was a very good day.

"A couple of the kids that broke through included our 500 freestyle girls. They all improved and that was a lot of fun to see. They're probably the swimmers of the meet.

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D1 BOYS SOCCER FINAL

### Canton stymied in bid for back-to-back D1 boys soccer titles

**Tim Smith** Staff Writer

It was almost exactly like a year ago, Canton playing a tight game in the boys soccer Division 1 state championship game on a crisp afternoon at Brighton High School.

But there would be no winning encore, despite a gutsy effort by the Chiefs. This time, Canton players watched the other team - Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central - receive the championship medals and lift the coveted trophy after the Rangers' 2-0 victory.

The Rangers (23-0-3) became the 10th team in a row to claim the D1 title with a shutout. Stopping a second-half surge by Canton was goalkeeper Jared Ireland.

"We've always been known as a team that works hard and has a lot of skill," Canton senior midfielder and co-captain Jimmy Walkinshaw said when

asked about the legacy left by a stellar two-year run. "Especially the captains this year.

"I just feel a little bit disappointed that we came up close and didn't get it this

Hunter Olson, Canton's top-scoring senior forward and co-captain, said the Chiefs 'expected them to be very good and they deserved the win. Both teams I feel deserved to win, but in the end they came out on top. But they finished, we didn't.

#### Costly miscue

Canton head coach Mark Zemanski said his team knew it would have to play its best game of the season to come away with another champi-

Unfortunately for the Chiefs (20-6-3), Forest Hills Central senior forward Anthony Bowie notched his 42nd goal of the season with 17:25 left in the

first half to become the eventual game-winner.

We kind of made a little mistake, didn't track back. Zemanski said. "We didn't shift fast enough and so they scored

Strong, aggressive goalkeeping by Canton junior Steven Page kept the Chiefs in the game long enough to mount a second-half rally.

"(Page) had to make two big saves to keep us in the game; he made two in a row," Zemanski said.

"He did an excellent job; neither of those goals were his fault.

The Chiefs still trailed 1-0 with about 33 minutes left in the second half, when Olson barely missed scoring on a spectacular bicycle kick from about 10 yards in front of Ire-

"I just saw it pop up in the air perfectly for me, away from the defender," said Olson, who finished his senior year with 26 goals. "And I went for it, fell back, made contact and as soon as I hit it, I thought it was going in. But it went wide."

Then with about four minutes left, Olson chipped a pass in front to senior forward Sam DeLoy, who spun and ripped a low shot.

Ireland dove to his right to bat the ball to the side.

'We came back. We worked hard that second half," Zemanski said. "We had plenty of opportunities to score. We just couldn't put the ball in the net. Sam had the ball eight yards out, Josh (Posuniak) fired one over."

Posuniak drilled a 25-yarder over the crossbar with about two minutes to go.

Any chance at extra time vanished when Forest Hills Central tacked on an insurance goal with 1:30 left. Bowie got to a 50/50 ball and

sent a pass to junior forward

Winning legacy

Mohamed haji, who chased it down and buried a 10-yard shot

into the middle of the Canton

All that was left from that moment on was for the Chiefs to watch the final seconds tick off and then watch their opponent enjoy the same kind of celebration they soaked in just one year ago.

"Even though we came up short this year, I thought we'll still be proud of what we did both years," Walkinshaw said.

Concurring was Page, who will be back for one more season with the Chiefs.

"It's just such a great accomplishment to get back here for the second year in a row,' he said. "I can't complain about the loss; we lost to a great team."

Zemanski tipped his cap to the Rangers, but also to his senior class.



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# Commercial real estate pros lauded

The Building Owners and Managers Association/Metro Detroit (BOMA/Metro Detroit) named its 2015 Exceptional Leaders in commercial real estate. The recipients were honored at The Outstanding Building of the Year (TOBY) and Leadership Awards Program on Friday afternoon, Nov. 6, at the Motor City Casino Sound Board in Detroit.

The Leadership Awards recognize the contributions of industry professionals who have made a difference through outstanding business values, education, engagement, cultural innovation and customer experience in the



Michael Patterson



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local commercial real estate industry. Named to receive this year's exceptional leadership awards are:

» Michael Patterson, RPA, FMA of CBREIFord Land, Property Manager of the

» Brilar, LLC, Service Provider of the Year;

» Sandy Borg of ISC Services, Supplier Member of the Year:

» Bedrock Real Estate Services, Corporate Member of the Year

"We are privileged to recognize and celebrate the collective and individual efforts of these remarkable leaders. It is the generosity of their time and talent that strengthens the BOMA organization, our industry and the communities that we serve," said Brian Salliotte, RPA of Dietz Property Group, president of BOMA/Metro Detroit.

For more information on the 2015 Leadership Awards, contact Emily Keranen or

visit www.bomadet.org.

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# Pricey area of California a consideration in purchase

Q: I am wondering what the real estate market in Coronado, Calif., would be compared to San Diego?

A: Coronado is not an island, although it looks like it, but it reminds me of Balboa Island in Newport Beach, Calif., because the homes are quaint and with the exception of a few high rises, most are single family residences. However, as you might expect, the real estate is

very expensive, even relative to San Diego and prices are increasing, particularly because of the climate and the beautiful beaches that surround Cor-

onado, including the warm water. You are best advised to take advantage of the prices, which are now available given the increasing nature of the market in terms of cost and limited availability.

Robert

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Q: Our community association attorney's law firm just merged with another law firm and I don't know wheth-er to be happy or sad about it. What are normally the circumstances for a merger between law firms?

A: There are a number of reasons why law firms can merge. Generally speaking, the merger of a law firm means that one law firm wants the expertise of the other law firm in a particular area of the law different from what they have. Of course, the merger may be because certain key members of the law firm have left or the law firms themselves are in financial trouble or are not keeping or serving clients the way they should and want to bring in the resources of another law firm to buoy up their client base. While there are certain benefits to a merger, there are obviously consolidation issues with any merger of any business and you may or may not get the same type of service or be serviced by the same attorney with the new merger. You should look carefully into who will be representing you, what changes, if any, have been made in billing, costs and attentiveness to your needs, and whether or not looking for another law firm is advisable. For example, mediocrity, merged with mediocrity, still equals mediocrity.

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# Carbon monoxide dangers rise in winter

With winter approaching, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is reminding everyone to be safe from the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning during the cold weather and heating season. To bring awareness to the issue, Gov. Rick Snyder proclaimed the week of Oct. 19-24 as Carbon Monoxide Safety and Awareness Week in Michigan.

"Carbon monoxide is difficult to detect, however, carbon monoxide poisoning is completely preventable. Now is the time to ensure that furnaces and water heaters are working properly, and that carbon monoxide detectors are installed and have fresh batteries," said Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive at the MDHHS. "If you suspect you have been exposed to carbon monoxide, leave the area immediately and seek medical attention.

Michigan's carbon monoxide poisoning tracking system



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Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness and confusion.

found 34 unintentional deaths and 789 nonfatal unintentional carbon monoxide poisonings

in Michigan in 2013, the most recent year of complete data. Faulty furnaces and water

heaters were the most common cause of the poisonings.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless and tasteless gas that kills more than 500 Americans each year. It is produced by all fuel-burning devices. The warning signs of carbon monoxide poisoning include flu-like symptoms such as headache, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness and confusion.

Never use generators, grills, camp stoves or other fuel-burning devices inside your home, basement or garage. If you use a generator, be sure it is located outside at least 25 feet away from your home. Park your car outside while it is warming, never in the garage. Running a car in an enclosed garage can create deadly levels of carbon monoxide in minutes.

For more information about carbon monoxide poisoning and poisoning prevention, visit www.michigan.gov/ carbonmonoxide.

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 22-26, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses

and sales prices.	
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31678 E Bell Vine Trl	\$380,000
16997 Georgina St	\$296,000
17380 Kinross Ave	\$205,000
31855 Nixon St	\$310,000
32657 Old Post Rd	\$460,000
31338 W Chelton Dr	\$425,000
BIRMINGHAM	and the same
1895 Bradford Rd	\$183,000
1155 Derby Rd	\$116,000
953 E 14 Mile Rd	\$203,000
1793 Haynes St # 95	\$360,000
962 Humphrey Ave	\$510,000
1135 Lakeside Dr	\$524,000
1196 Lakeside Dr	\$1,325,000
533 N Eton St	\$122,000
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621 Ridge Rd	\$372,000
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\$615,000	1570 Boulder Lake Dr
\$150,000	3088 Exeter Dr
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\$85,000	31705 W Chicago St	
\$67,000 \$113,000	9924 Woodring St NORTHVILLE	
\$83,000	50796 Briar Ridge Ln	
\$60,000	44601 Broadmoor Cir N	
200,000	19711 Clement Rd	
200,000 \$91,000	16704 Dover Dr	
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101,000	45730 Fermanagh Dr	
\$140,000	16435 Franklin Rd	
290,000	16988 Lochmoor Cir E	
\$155,000	16010 Morningside	
225,000	16045 Morningside	
237,000	39677 Muirfield Ln	
310,000	46391 Pinehurst Cir	
145,000	19500 Scenic Harbour Dr	
\$113,000	17226 Stonebrook Dr	
\$180,000	39839 Sunbury Rd	
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265,000	9087 Tavistock Dr	
225,000	11774 Wildwing Rd	
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\$110,000	24318 Lyndon	\$92,000
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\$150,000	17212 Olympia	\$93,000
\$140,000	14433 Salem	\$120,000
\$215,000	26747 Student	\$121,000
\$165,000	20404 Woodworth	\$45,000
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\$283,000	4573 Cleveland St	\$82,000
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\$62,000	34280 Harroun St	\$58,000
	34321 John St	\$47,000
\$718,000	3840 Mildred St	\$55,000
\$510,000	5168 Niagara St	\$70,000
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\$285,000	7434 Harrison St	\$84,000
\$489,000	32129 Hazelwood St	\$80,000
\$140,000	38050 Hixford Pl	\$80,000
\$520,000	38110 Hixford PI	\$79,000
\$290,000	8226 Huntington St # 23	\$39,000
\$120,000	1276 Judith St	\$105,000
\$205,000	37601 Laramie St	\$225,000
\$225,000	28926 Manchester St	\$44,000
\$330,000	7656 Maple Dr	\$250,000
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\$515,000	32711 Merritt Dr	\$124,000
\$435,000	5769 N Berry St	\$105,000
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\$223,000	7453 N Kingston Ct	\$99,000
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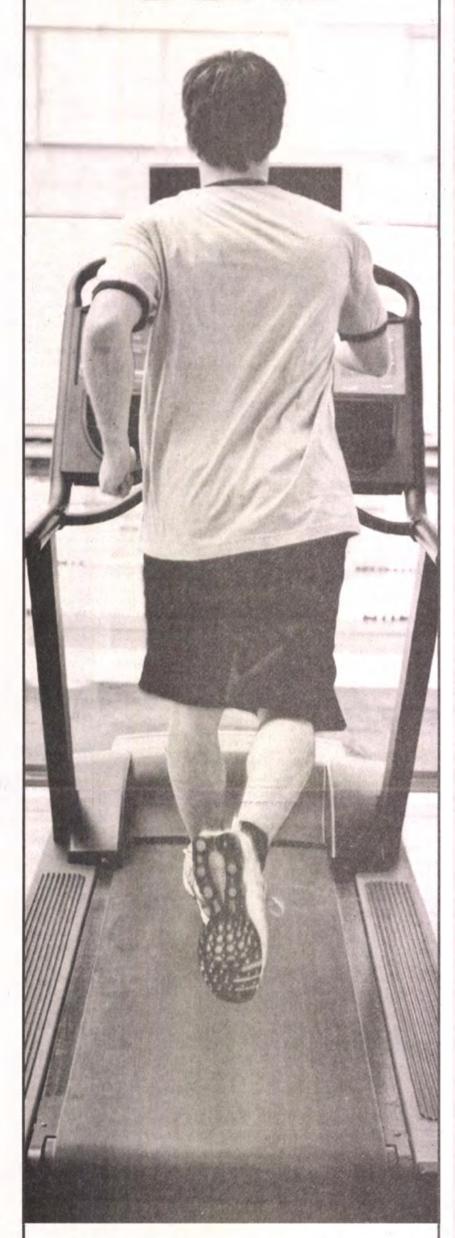
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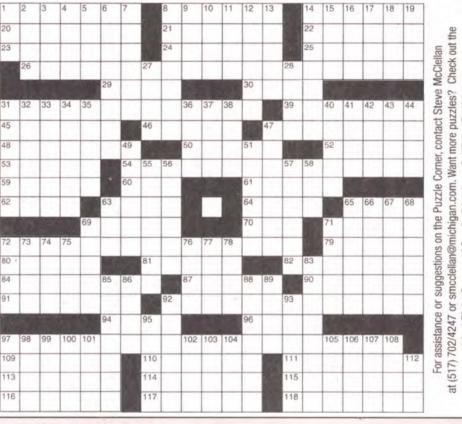
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#### NOVEMBER **BREAKFAST**

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 15

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

Details: French toast, pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, milk, juice; \$3 adults, \$1.50 children Contact: 734-425-4421

#### **FAIR TRADE BOUTIQUE**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15

Location: St. Regis Catholic Church, 3695 Lincoln, Bloomfield

Details: Guests can buy merchandise from around the world through Catholic Relief Services and Ten Thousand Villages, and speak with ministry representatives from local organizations that assist the poor in southeastern Michigan

Contact: 248-646-2686

#### POMERANATE GUILD

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov.

Location: Rachel's Needlepoint & Judaic Gifts, 29260 Franklin Road, Southfield

Details: The Guild, a group that studies and creates Judaic needlecraft, will learn how to make a beaded kippah. Rachel's will provide kits for \$25

Contact: Judy Galperin at 248-661-5337

#### SINGLES DANCE

Time/Date: 6:30-10 p.m. 5aturday, Nov. 14 Location: Livonia YMCA, 14255

Stark, Livonia Details: Livonia Christian Singles Community's annual square dance is \$12 per person. No

partner needed, but RSVP requested. Includes refreshments. Contact: catholicsingles@livo-

niastmichael.org

#### WIDOWED FRIENDS Time/Date: 11 a.m. Thursday,

Nov. 12 Location: AMC Livonia 20,

19500 Haggerty, Livonia Details: Movie and lunch.

Widowed Friends is a peer support group of Archdiocese of Detroit. RSVP required Contact: Elaine at 734-717-0303

#### DECEMBER WOMEN'S EVENT

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4

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

Details: A Cup of Christmas Tea - A night of tea, carols, crafts, and fun for women and girls. ages 8 and up. Event is free but reservations are requested. RSVP by Sunday, Nov. 29 at crossroadsnow.org and click on the "get involved"

Contact: 248-890-5718

#### **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,

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, 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

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 kindergart-

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. Thurs-

Location: Parish office, 15089

Newburgh, Livonia Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching.

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

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

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests

Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information

#### RECYCLING RISEN CHRIST **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. third 5aturday of the month Location: 46250 Ann Arbor

Road, between Sheldon and Beck roads, Plymouth Details: Recycle your cell

phones, laser cartridges, inkjet cartridges, laptops, iPods, iPads, tablets, eReaders on the third Saturday of each month. Use the doors on east side of church. Contact: Lynn Hapman at 734-466-9023

#### 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;

#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

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, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all

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

#### Contact: 313-534-0399 **SONG CIRCLE**

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

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

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

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

#### SUPPORT **Apostolic Christian Church**

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily Location: 29667 Wentworth,

Livonia Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding

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

available from TSA, AAA 1-C

**Connection Church** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday

Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **Detroit World Outreach** 

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

**Details:** Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

» Farmington Hills Baptist Church Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second

Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt. between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills

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

» Merriman Road Baptist Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and

fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

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

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 Sen-Contact: Margaret at 734-838-

» Unity of Livonia Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday

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

**Details**: Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722: www.oa.org for additional information

» Ward Evangelical 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

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

THRIFT STORE St. James Presbyterian

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

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

Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in

Location: 9401 General Drive,

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 frian 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 wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although

donations are accepted. Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

#### 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

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

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

Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month

Location: At the shared facil-

ities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, **Details:** Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter

Gluck and Cantorial soloist

Robin Liberatore Contact: www.Facebook.com/ betchaverim or email to betchaverim@yahoo.com

» Due Season Christian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible

study Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church

services. Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit www.DueSeason.org

» Faith Community Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

worship; 9 a.m. Bible study Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile, Details: Women's group meets

runs Aug. 10-14 Contact: 248-349-2345; faith-

12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the

month. Vacation Bible School

community-novi.org » Faith Community Wesley-

an Church

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays

Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia Contact: pastor Roger Wright

at 313-682-7491 » Garden City Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking

Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road Contact: 734-421-7620

» Good Hope Lutheran Church Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Commu-

nion each Sunday; Bible study 10

a.m. Wednesday Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

Contact: 734-427-3660 » Grace Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15

a.m. Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township

Contact: 734-637-8160 » His Church Anglican Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna University Location: Trinity Church, 34500

Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall

Livonia Contact: www.HisChurchAnglican.org; 248-442-0HCA

on the Madonna University

campus, 36600 Schoolcraft,

» Holy Cross Evangelical

**Lutheran Church** Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10 a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship in the

Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livo-

Contact: 734-427-1414 » Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church

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

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a.m. Sunday Location: 9600 Leverne, west of Beech Daly, north off West Chicago Road, Redford

Contact: 313-937-2424 » In His Presence Ministries

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday Location: 26500 Grand River Ave., Redford Contact: 313-533-1956; detroi-

tinhispresence.org » Nativity United Church of

Christ

Time/Date: 11 a.m. service with Plumb Line Church with the Rev. JoAnn Bastien, Praise Group, Sunday school and child care. Coffee at 10:45 a.m. Traditional Sunday worship service at 2 p.m. with Bastien. No Sunday school or child care. Coffee after the service at 3 p.m.

Location: 9435 Henry Ruff Road at West Chicago Road, Livonia Contact: 734-421-5406

» New Beginnings United **Methodist Church** 

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Location: 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford Contact: 313-255-6330

» New Life Community Church Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville

www.newlifed ommunitychurch4u.com » Our Lady of Good Counsel

Contact: 734-846-4615 or

Roman Catholic Church Time/Date: 6:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. weekday Masses; 8 a.m. Saturday Mass; 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass; 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon and 5 p.m. Sunday Masses; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 7-8 a.m. Monday-Friday; Eucharistic Adoration, 9 a.m. Monday through 3 p.m. Friday in the Day Chapel; Sacrament of Reconciliation, starting at noon Thursday and 2-3:45 p.m. 5aturday or by appointment Location: 47650 N. Territorial

Road, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-453-0326 » Plymouth Baptist Church Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 10:45

a.m. Sunday

Location: 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Haggerty Details: Both services feature contemporary and traditional worship music and in-depth Bible teaching. Full nursery and preschool programs available at both services.

Contact: 734-453-5534 » Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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ber 9, 1923 in Royal Oak, Michigan. He retired to Arizona in 2009. Mr. Jones was a veteran of World War II, having served in the American Army across Europe with General Patton's tanks corps. Mr. Jones was a graduate of the University of Michigan law school and was a lawyer in Detroit, Mich., belonging to the Michigan Bar. His practice of law extended for over 50 years. A me-

morial service for Mr. Jones will

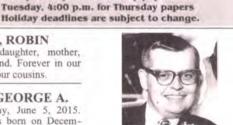
be held at St. John's Episcopal

Church in Royal Oak. The service will be on Saturday, Novem-

ber 14th at 11:00 a.m. The fami-

ly welcomes all friends to attend.





of Plymouth passed away Saturday, November 7th. Loving husband of the late Molly. Beloved father of Robert Beth) Mundt, Kathleen (John) Whitney, Peggy (Timothy) Morelli and Pete Stacey) Mundt. Proud grandfather of eight grandchildren. Dearest brother of Tim (Ann) Mundt and Mike (Terri Musick) Mundt. Visitation Wednesday, November 11th 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main Street, Plymouth; Rosary service 7 p.m. Funeral Mass, Thursday, November 12th at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth. In state at Church 10-10:30 a.m. Share memories at www.schrader-howell.com

O'NEILL, ELEANOR

Age 94. November 7, 2015. Beloved wife of the late Raymond. Dear mother of the late Terry. Predeceased by her brother and sister. Mass November 24, 11 a.m. St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Redford.

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# SLOW COOKED,



# TRAVEL-FRIENDLY SIDES

or the millions of Americans traveling this Thanksgiving, figuring out how to get homemade side dishes to your host's house can be tricky. Portable sides, made by slow cooking, can make the turkey day trek a little easier.

"Whether you're heading to a family get-together or going to a 'Friendsgiving' feast, you can bring holiday dishes that are just as delicious as they would be at home," said Chef Kevan Vetter of the McCormick Kitchens. "Use a slow cooker to make mashed potatoes by slow-simmering potatoes in

stock and bay leaves, then whipping them up with black pepper, garlic, milk and some butter. Take it on the road then plug in to keep warm once you get to the gathering."

Slow cook the sides. Save the oven for the bird. Prepping side dishes in a slow cooker not only allows for easy travel, but also makes cleanup quick and simple — no prep bowls, pans or serving dishes required. Plus, slow simmering gives the spices and herbs ample time to infuse the dish with pure flavor.

For more Thanksgiving Day recipes, visit mccormick.com.



#### **SLOW COOKER CRANBERRY APPLE STUFFING**

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 3 hours

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter

2 cups chopped celery

1 cup chopped onion 2 medium apples, cored and chopped

1 cup dried cranberries 2 cups Kitchen Basics Original Chicken Stock

2 teaspoons sage, rubbed 2 teaspoons parsley flakes

1 teaspoon garlic salt 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, coarse ground

Melt butter in large skillet on medium heat. Add celery and onion; cook and stir 5 minutes or until softened. Stir in apples and

Spray inside of slow cooker with no stick cooking spray. Add stock and seasonings; stir to blend. Stir in bread cubes and vegetable mixture. Cover.

Cook 3 hours on low or until desired tex-

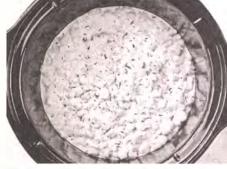
» For best results, use crisp sweet-tart red apples, such as Empire, Baldwin or Honeycrisp. » For moister stuffing, increase chicken stock to 3 cups.

» For drier stuffing, allow bread cubes to

air-dry overnight. **Optional Ingredients:** 

» Cook ½ pound crumbled sausage with the celery and onion.

» Add ½ cup chopped pecans when adding the apples and cranberries



#### **SLOW COOKER CREAMED**

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 3 hours 2 pounds frozen corn kernels

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, cubed 1 cup milk

1 teaspoon garlic salt

1 teaspoon thyme leaves 1/2 teaspoon McCormick Paprika, Smoked

Spray inside of slow cooker with no stick

cooking spray. Place all ingredients in slow

cooker. Cover. Cook 3 hours on high or until desired consistency, stirring halfway through cooking. (Corn will thicken upon standing.) Stir well



#### SLOW COOKER MASHED

Serves: 16

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 4 hours

5 pounds Yukon gold potatoes, peeled and

cut into cubes 1 cup Kitchen Basics Original Chicken Stock

2 McCormick Bay Leaves ½ cup (1 stick) butter, cut into chunks

1 teaspoon salt ¼ teaspoon black pepper, ground

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder 1/2 to 1 cup milk

1 teaspoon parsley flakes Spray inside of 6-quart slow cooker with

no stick cooking spray. Add potatoes, stock and bay leaves. Cover.

Cook 4 hours on high or until potatoes are tender, stirring after each hour. Remove bay leaves. Stir in butter, salt, pepper and garlic powder. Cover. Let stand 5 minutes. Beat potatoes with electric mixer on medium-high speed or mash with potato masher, gradually adding milk, until smooth. Stir in parsley. Top with additional butter, if desired. Serving Tip: Mashed potatoes can be kept on warm setting in the slow cooker. Stir before serving. If potatoes get too dry, stir in

additional milk until desired consistency. For Loaded Potatoes: Stir in 1 cup sour cream and 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese with the butter and spices. Mash potatoes as directed in recipe. Stir in 12 slices bacon, crisply cooked and crumbled, with the parsley.



#### SLOW COOKER BUTTERNUT **SQUASH AND APPLES**

Serves: Makes 15 %-cup servings Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 4 hours

2 small butternut squash, peeled and cut

into 1 1/2-inch chunks (about 8 cups) 2 apples, such as Braeburn or Gala, peeled, cored and cut into 1-inch chunks (about 4

1 large red onion, cut into 1-inch chunks 1/2 cup chicken broth

1/4 cup apple cider

1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, melted 1 tablespoon McCormick Pumpkin Pie Spice

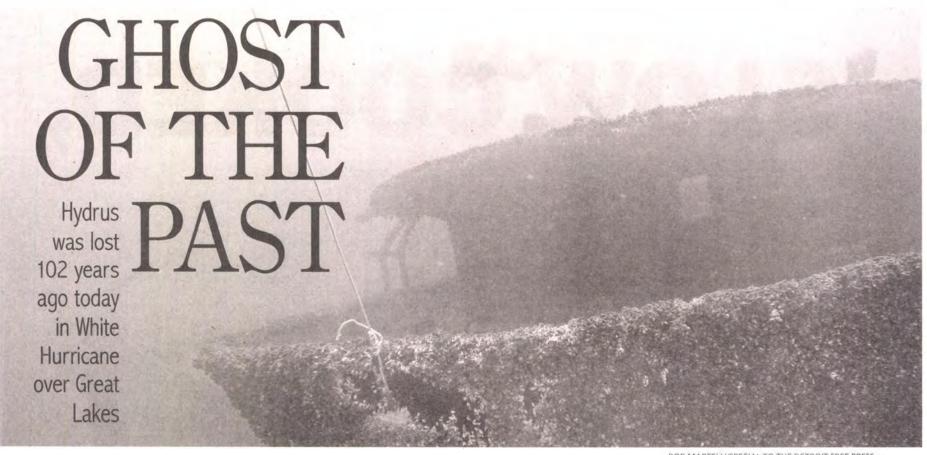
1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon thyme leaves

½ cup toasted flaked coconut

Place squash, apples and onion in slow cooker. Mix remaining ingredients except coconut in small bowl until well blended. Pour over squash mixture. Cover. Cook 3 to 4 hours on high, stirring after 2 hours. Stir before serving. Sprinkle with toasted coconut.

# ENTERTAINMENT

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**SCREENING** 

**THURSDAY** 

David Trotter is the subject of "Graveyard of the Great Lakes: A Shipwreck Hunter's

Quest to Discover the Past," an original documentary by

Detroit Free Press photog-

ran Place Sports & Entertain-

ment Center at 701 McMorran

rapher Eric Seals. The 50minute film is screening at 7 p.m. Thursday at the McMor-

Blvd. in Port Huron. Tickets are \$10 through

ticketmaster.com.

JOURNEY TO THE HYDRUS: Diver Greg Grieser swims by the stern of the ship that sank in a storm on Nov. 9, 1913. It was found in July.

#### By Jim Schaefer Michigan.com

The diver descended, slowly, the sun's rays refracting as he dropped toward the floor of Lake Huron. The shimmering green-blue water turned navy as he swam down 50 feet, then 100. And finally, near 150, the diver saw a dark mass materializing in the murk.

A broad, flat expanse with two big black rectangles on it came into focus.

He knew that expanse was a ship's deck. That

those rectangles were cargo hatches.

This was exactly what he had come to find, and there he was, swimming right down to it, the first person to see it, 102 years after it van-

Since the Great Storm of 1913, the 436-foot steamship Hydrus had been lost. It sank, most likely on Nov. 9 of that year, during a storm so ferocious it has been called the "White Hurricane." The sky unleashed a blizzard over the Great Lakes, hitting Lake Huron hardest with wind gusts up to 90 m.p.h. and waves to 35 feet. The Great Storm, even today, is the worst recorded on the lakes. Not even the weather that sank the Edmund Fitzgerald, 40 years ago this week compares to the 1913 disaster. There were a dozen major shipwrecks from Nov. 7 through 10, and eight of them were on Lake Huron. More than 250 people perished.

The Hydrus had been headed south toward the St. Clair River, iron ore in its belly. The ship lost everyone on board, a crew of 22, including five found frozen to death in a lifeboat that washed up in Canada.

Since that time, every ship believed to have discovered except the Hydrus. Veteran shipwreck hunter David Trotter, a 74-year-old former Ford financial man who lives in Canton, has had it on his wanted list for 30 years. Along the way, he has found scores of other ships and even a few airplanes as he scours Lake Huron's bottom every year with his crew. It was Trotter who, in 1985, found another of the 1913 casualties, the John A. McGean, which was heading north in Lake Huron with a load of coal when it went down.

On the day they dove the Hydrus, he and his crew set out on his 32-foot dive boat, the Obsession Two, bringing along a Free Press crew. Trotter remains tight-lipped about the locations of some of his finds, so all that can be revealed here is that Trotter's boat ran 32 miles out on the lake to the spot where the Hydrus lay waiting. He plans to share the location only after he is done investigating the wreck.

On that clear, blue July afternoon, there he was, aboard his Obsession, waiting for his longtime diving friend Marty Lutz to come back up from below. Trotter gave up deep diving a few years ago because of the toll it takes on the body. But he still captains the boat and runs the show. On this day, Lutz and another diver, Greg Grieser, had the honor of diving to confirm what everyone on board hoped. Lutz was the one who got to the Hydrus first, the one who saw the expanse of deck materializing from the murk.



This historical photo provided by a diver shows the Hydrus freighter at a unnamed port being loaded with iron ore.

Grieser made their way slowly back up, following their bubbles to the surface. Trotter could hardly stand the wait as he leveled a video camera at the returning team. "Is there a shipwreck down there, Mr. Lutz?"

After a short time on the bottom, Lutz and

Trotter asked.

"Yes, sir," Lutz said. "It's an awesome wreck, too."

"I love it," Trotter said.

If this sounds easy, and fun, that's because this story has been about the endgame — the initial discovery on sonar, the confirmation dive, the celebratory beers with dinner afterward. But Trotter got here by putting in the work - and accepting the risk. He has seen injuries associated with deep diving. And one of his longtime friends died in 2014 after a disastrous dive with another crew.

ring, he assembles his divers, a rotat ing bunch that this year included a policeman and a doctor who all share a dedication to this all-consuming hobby. Many are longtimers. It's Trotter's boat, and a fill-up can run in the hundreds of dollars (\$228.53 on a recent day). The expenses are broken down and shared at the end of a season. The group spends weekends, as it has for 35 years, plowing Lake Huron like a farmer's field. The divers follow a grid, a backand-forth pattern, with a side-scan sonar, keeping meticulous records of water they've covered and water they haven't. Trotter said he has logged about 2,500 square miles of the 9,100 square miles of U.S. water on the lake.

These trips, weather permitting, are around the clock, generally from Saturday mornings till Sunday nights. Trotter, who retired in 1997, still made it to work on Mondays, though he concedes his production level on those days may

have been suspect. This routine is how the group found the Hydrus last summer. It was a Friday in early July, and there they were again, plowing the farmer's field. Trotter happened to be watching the sonar image of the lake bottom a little after 7 p.m., as the boat was piloted by Jared Daniel, a young man from Casco Township who joined the team five years ago and was obsessed with finding the Hydrus. When an outline of the ship popped onto the screen, so detailed one could count the cargo hatches, there were shouts and high-fives and backslaps. They had a video camera run-

"Holy ... mackerel, that's a big freighter!" Trotter yelled. "That could be the Hydrus."

It certainly appeared to be. Today, long after the sonar discovery, the virgin dive that followed and a half-dozen more since, Trotter and his crew are convinced. There isn't another ship of that size unaccounted for in the area. The number of hatches matches. Divers found iron ore still in the ship. And best of all, they dove into the engine room and found a sign, partially covered in zebra mussels, that appears to read: "Hydrus."

On Friday, when told about the find, Russ Green, deputy superintendent of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary in Alpena, called the Hydrus an "iconic shipwreck" and a great find.

It says a lot about tragedy and risk and commerce and ecology," Green said. "To see something big on the lake bottom, it sort of rekindles that connection we have with the past.'

Back on that bright, blue day in July, everyone safely ashore, the group gathered at a restaurant table. Food was not the main event. There was underwater footage to watch on a laptop. The massive Hydrus sat upright on the bottom like it was just stopping for a rest, except for devastating tears in its hull. The bow canted to the port side, twisted almost 45 degrees from the rest of the ship. Thanks to the preservative-effects of icy water, much of the ship is intact, if coated with zebra mussels. The small round pilothouse still stands on the bow, the ship's wooden wheel clearly visible inside. There's also an engine-order telegraph, a device that communicates with the engine room, stuck in the "AHEAD" position. The mast at the bow still extends upright, a steel bell hanging from

Other ships from this storm have been found turtled, or upside-down, and collapsed to the point where they are tough to explore. The video Trotter's team shot confirms the Hydrus is a divers' dream.

"This is great stuff," Trotter said, mesmer-

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#### GET OUT! CALENDAR

#### **ANIMALS DETROIT ZOO**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through March 1 Location: 1-696 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

Wild Lights: 5:30-9 p.m. Nov. 20-22, 27-29 and Dec. 4-6, 11-13, 18-23 and 26-31. Admission is \$9 in advance and \$11 at the gate for ages 2 and older. Parking is \$6 per car. Features illuminated sculptures, holiday entertainment and activities, ice carving and arts and crafts. Buy tickets online at detroitzoo.org/events/wild-lights Contact: 248-541-5717

#### ARTS AND CRAFTS

#### **NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE** Time/Date: Exhibit hours are noon to 5 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, through Dec. 12

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: "Small Works," an all-media juried art exhibit consists of 120 pieces that are no larger than 12-by-12 inches. A Northville Camera Club exhibit is located in the lower gallery.



Lake Michigan Blues, along with other pieces by Leslie Sobel, are on display this month at the Village Theater in Canton.

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

#### VILLAGE POTTERS GUILD

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21; and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22

Location: 326 N. Main, behind the Crossings Restaurant, in Plymouth.

Details: Annual Holiday Sale includes functional and decorative pottery created by 25 members of the Guild. Shoppers will find mugs, ornaments, tiles, dinnerware, vases, jewelry and platters ranging from \$4-\$200

Contact: 734-207-8807; villagepottersguild.org

#### VILLAGE THEATER

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public performances, through Nov. 29 Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "Sky/Ground" features abstract landscapes from above and below by artist Leslie Sobel, who uses a combination of scientific imaging, including satellite and photomicrographs, computer code and maps to create her work

Contact: cantonvillagetheater.org; 734-394-5308

#### DANCING WITH THE DETROIT STARS

Time/Date: 7 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Nov. 14 Location: The Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend Street, Birmingham

Details: In this charity event for South Oakland Shelter, area movers and shakers will pair up with professional dancers in a celebrity dance competition. Includes strolling dinner, cocktails and a silent auction. Tickets are \$200

Contact: southoaklandshelter.org

#### COMEDY

#### MR. B'S PUB Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13

Location: 215 S. Main, Royal Oak Details: Comedian/storyteller Greg Martin, per-

forms a new stand-up special, "Flaky," with pro-

ceeds of the show going to his Waterford-based charity, DRAW, which helps communities hit by disaster. Admission is \$10 at the door. Reserve a spot on the Flaky: Greg Martin Comedy Show Facebook page

#### Contact: 248-399-0017

#### FILM **PENN THEATRE**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12 Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth Details: The Man From U.N.C.L.E., \$3 Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

#### HISTORY

#### KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Nov. 29 Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

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

Contact: 734-764-9304 PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday

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# Novi Pet Expo comes to town Nov. 20-22

The Suburban Collection Showplace presents the 12th annual Novi Pet Expo Nov. 20-22.

This fun family event is a celebration of all furry, feathered and finned family members, featuring a wide variety of pet rescues with adoptable pets from across the region.

The expo features "America's Veterinarian" Dr. Marty Becker, resident veterinary contributor on Good Morning America for 17 years, member of the Board of Directors of the American Humane Association as well as its Chief Veterinary Correspondent, a founding member of Core Team Oz for The Dr. Oz Show, and a member of the Dr. Oz Medical Advisory Panel. Dr. Becker has written, or contributed to 22 books that have collectively sold more than 7 million copies, including three New York Times best-sellers - one of which is the fastest-selling pet book of all time, Chicken Soup for the Pet-Lovers Soul. He has been a contributor to Parade magazine, Reader's Digest and AARP.com.

The Michigan Humane Society will

be on site during the pet expo, and a pet food or supplies donation can knock \$2 off a full-price entry fee. Clinicians will be presenting forums about their fully supported, in-home pet foster programs, and other volunteer programs that support the Southeast Michigan animal welfare community.

"Shelters and rescues across our entire region are exploring new ways to work together to care for homeless animals in need," stated MHS coordinator Ryan McTigue. "As our collective network of support for them becomes stronger, it also creates more need and opportunity for volunteers and also for homes that can foster pets for finite periods of time. The Michigan Humane Society provides all food, care advice and veterinary support, and we are spreading the word about how easy and rewarding it can be to help animals along the way to their eventual forever

Premier Pet Supply of Beverly Hills offers its sprawling Pet Expo Superstore, with a special emphasis on products made in Michigan and the U.S.

The expo also offers dazzling displays of agility from the Rock N Roll K9 Performance Group, fabulous feline fun with The International Cat Association Show, plus Performing House Cats, and splashy dock diving excitement with the Ultimate Air Dogs.

Several non-profit pet rescue organizations will be on hand, adopting pets. Look online for more information about those groups.

Well-socialized "canine citizens" are welcome at the Novi Pet Expo, but must be pre-registered, either in advance with the form on the website or filling one out onsite. Dogs must be at least six months of age, and current with all

vaccinations

The Novi Pet Expo is open noon to 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 20; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 21; and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday Nov. 22. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 5-11. A \$5 discount is available Friday for seniors 55 or older. The Suburban Collection Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Ave. in Novi. Call 248-348-5600 or visit www.novipetexpo.com.



SUBMITTED

Dr. Marty Becker, veterinary contributor on Good Morning America, member of the Board of Directors of the American Humane Association and a founding member of Core Team Oz for The Dr. Oz Show will be at the Novi Pet Expo Nov. 20-22.

#### **GET OUT!**

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Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages

Contact: 734-455-8940

#### MUSIC

#### **BLUES@THE ELKS**

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

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Erich Goebel and the Flying Crowbars perform Nov. 10. Bring your dancing shoes. \$5 donation

Contact: 734-453-1780

#### JAZZ@THE ELKS

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

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Kate Patterson and Friends perform Nov. 24. \$10 donation at the door includes hors

Contact: 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

#### MAMA'S COFFEEHOUSE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21

Location: Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills

Details: Annie and Rod Capps; \$15 general admission, \$13 for students and seniors Contact: mamascoffeehouse org

#### **MICHIGAN PHILHARMONIC**

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14 Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: Brazilian Blast! concert features a preconcert talk at 6:45 p.m. and a mix of jazz, classical and Brazilian music, Brazilian-American composer Clarice Assad will be featured as composer, jazz vocalist and piano soloist with her pieces, Scattered: Concerto for Scat Singing, Piano & Orchestra and The Last Song. Tickets are \$30 general, \$25 seniors, 62 and over, and \$10 students

Contact: michiganphil.org

#### TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Twangtown Paramours, Nov. 6; The Michigan Fingerstyle Guitar Society presents Al Petteway and Amy White, Nov. 7; Empty Chair Night featuring Annie and Rod Capps, Joel Palmer and Beverly Meyer, Nov. 8, Lou and Peter Berryman, Nov. 13, Michael on Fire, Nov. 14, The 77's, Nov. 15, Open Stage, Nov. 17, Around the House - A Variety Show, Nov. 20, Cold Tone Harvest with The Whiskey Charmers, Nov. 21. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted Contact: 734-464-6302 for additional information

#### SPOKEN WORD

#### MOTH STORY SLAM

Time/Date: Doors open 6 p.m., stories start 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17, Ann Arbor

Location: Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave., Detroit and Circus Bar, 210 S. First Ave., Ann Arbor

Details: Prepare a five-minute story on the theme, toss your name in the hat, and if your name is pulled, step up and tell your true personal story live without notes. Volunteers from the audience



SUBMITTED

Terry Viviani of Westland is "Carter" and Pat McKane of Canton is "Wyatt" in Barefoot Productions' staging of "Things My Mother Taught Me."

judge the stories. This month's theme at Cliff Bell's is payback. The theme for Circus Bar is gifted. Admission is \$5 in Detroit, \$8 in Ann Arbor Contact: themoth.org

#### **TELLEBRATION!**

Time/Date: 6 p.m. silent auction, 7 p.m. storytelling, Nov. 13

Location: Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Gwendolyn Lewis, Alma Petrini, and Judy Sima tell stories during this annual night of story-telling for adults. Elizabeth Najduch is the maestro. Includes silent auction and refreshments. Admis-

Contact: 248-476-8515; judy@judysima.com

#### THEATER

#### **BAREFOOT PRODUCTIONS**

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Nov. 13-14 and 2 p.m. Nov. 15 Location: 240 N. Main, Plymouth

Details: Things My Mother Taught Me, a new romantic comedy by Katherine DiSavino, tells the story of Olivia and Gabe, a young couple moving into their first apartment together, and what happens when their parents show up to help them move in. Tickets are \$15

Contact: 734-404-6889; justgobarefoot.com

#### **FARMINGTON PLAYERS**

Time/Date: 12:30 p.m. check-in, 1 p.m. auditions, Sunday, Nov. 15

Location: 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Auditions for The Diary of Anne Frank, adapted by Wendy Kesselman. Email for an electronic preview copy of the script or for more

Contact: annefrank@farmingtonplayers.org

#### **PAUL'S PLAYERS**

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Nov. 13-14, and 2 p.m. Nov.

Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: The Diary of Anne Frank, adapted by Wendy Kesselman tells the story of eight persons hiding from the Nazis in a storage attic. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for students, 18 and under

Contact: 248-347-4134; paulsplayers.com

#### PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Nov. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28 and Dec. 4-5 and 2:30 p.m. Nov. 15, 22, 29 and Dec. 6 Location: 21730 Madison, Dearborn

Details: White Christmas, featuring Denise Kowalewski-Tucker of Livonia in the role of Martha Watson. Tickets are \$20 with a \$2 discount for student with valid ID

Contact: 313-561-TKTS; playersguildofdearbor-



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