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## Westland focused on buildings in 2015

**LeAnne Rogers**  
Staff Writer

When it comes to the city's accomplishments in 2015, Westland Mayor William Wild's list highlights reinvestment in the community's brick-and-mortar facilities.

That includes Westland's new City Hall, which officially opened in fall 2014, but the awards recognizing the project came in 2015. First came the Community Excellence award from the Michigan Municipal League recognizing the city's success

in retrofitting a former big-box store as a new city hall. "MML was probably the most rewarding award — it was voted on by cities across the state," Wild said. "They looked at it without the politics, so that makes it the most rewarding."

Located on Warren Road east of Central City Parkway, the new City Hall also was recognized by the American Public Works Association, Downriver Branch, as Project of the Year. Like the MML award, the APWA award highlighted the

innovation of taking a blighted big-box store in the middle of the city's Shop and Dine District and renovating it to create a modern, energy-efficient city hall. This retrofit saved a significant portion of the 64,000-

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Westland opened the newly renovated Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in July 2015 in a vacant elementary school. FILE PHOTO

## Westland streets, parks get attention

**LeAnne Rogers**  
Staff Writer

As a kickoff to celebrations of Westland's 50th anniversary as a city, Mayor William Wild will be giving his State of City address early on Feb. 23.

"I'll be talking about how we are going to celebrate the 50th anniversary," Wild said. "We'll have put together a series of events — they aren't all nailed down right now."

The State of the City address will be held this year at the Westland Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Hellenic Cultural Center. Some festivities are planned for May 16, the actual day the city incorporated, which falls on a regular city council meeting date.

Along with 50th anniversary celebrations, Wild has a long list of projects and goals for 2016. Like projects from 2015, there is a heavy focus on upgrades to city buildings and infrastructure.

Seeking development for the soon-to-be cleared former site of city hall, fire station one and the Bailey Center tops the list, along with hiring a new economic development director.

"I'm asking people to keep their powder dry — we want to see what the market is like," Wild said. "We're talking about a mixed use with commercial, residential and other uses. We're probably looking at two or three partners on the deal."

There are currently no set plans for the city-owned Ford Road property. The city has had talks with the YMCA about a potential project, including a survey on what residents want in recreation.

Wild is in the process of hiring a new Parks and Recreation director. "One of the first tasks of the new director will be to see what residents are looking for," Wild said. "If the Y is a fit or others' information like HYPE Athletics. We'll see if maybe they can fill some of the needs."

An expansion of Mike Modano Ice Arena, adding locker rooms gets underway mid-March. The bids came in at just over \$800,000, having been budgeted at \$1 million. Wild said the city is now looking whether the roof will need to be replaced.

Thanks to state funding, the city plans to break ground this year on a new ballfield and other recreational facilities at the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in Norwayne. The city is also required to update its citywide recreation master plan. "We'll do a Norwayne mas-



Wild

## Jefferson Barns gets national honor

Westland's Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in Norwayne is being recognized with a national award.

The city is receiving the 2015 Audrey Nelson Community Development Achievement Award from the National Community Development Association. Westland Mayor William Wild and Community Development Director Joanne Campbell will be in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 22 to accept the award at the association's winter conference.

"I was born in Norwayne. This was an exciting project for me to see this former school building undergo a rebirth to the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center that will be the hub of community activity in the Norwayne neighborhood," Wild said. "We are honored to accept the Audrey Nelson Community Development Achievement award on behalf of the city."

Westland is one of 16 award winners nationwide. Established in 1987, the Audrey Nelson Community Development Achievement Award recognizes exemplary uses of the Community Development Block Grant Program and the partnerships between local governments and nonprofit organizations to assist low- and moderate-income people.

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**WESTLAND MAYOR WILLIAM WILD**

The award has been expanded in recent years to include projects funded with the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, Neighborhood Stabilization Program and other funding sources.

Westland opened the newly renovated Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in July 2015 in a vacant elementary school. Closed since 2010, the school was built during World War II to educate the children of parents working as part of the Arsenal for Democracy war effort.

Renting the building from the

Wayne-Westland Community Schools for \$1 per year, renovations were made possible when the city received a loan from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development that will be repaid over 15 years from Community Development Block Grant funds.

New tenants to Jefferson Barns include the Westland Housing and Community Development Department, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, Nankin Transit and Norwayne Boxing Gym.

"It is a wonderful opportunity to work on this project with so many dedicated people and organizations," Campbell said. "Almost every week another group is calling to schedule a new class or activity. This is a significant impact on the revitalization of the Norwayne community."

Constructed in 1942, the Norwayne neighborhood is Westland's oldest subdivision. It was added to the National Registry of Historic Places in July of 2013. Erected during World War II for the workers at the Willow Run Bomber Plant, during its peak was home to over 20,000 residents.

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## Wayne Police Department hires new officer

**LeAnne Rogers**  
Staff Writer

Just weeks after graduating the police academy, Chad Colwell had several conditional offers from area police departments. "I applied to a lot of differ-

ent departments. I had the best vibes from the officers here," said Colwell, recently sworn in as the newest officer with the Wayne Police Department. "It was the first interview where they were nice. I also like that it's a small department but there are a lot

of calls." An Ypsilanti native, Colwell just graduated last month from the police academy at Washtenaw County Community College. Earlier this year, he earned a degree in business from Eastern Michigan University.

"I'm lucky — I didn't have to sit around," said Colwell, 24, who credits a mentor with spurring his interest in law enforcement. "I had no male role model around and had a mentor in fifth grade. He was



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## OFFICER

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a Novi police officer. I did a ride along with him every week for a year. Being a police officer has been my dream."

So far, Colwell said being a police officer has been pretty much what he expected. He's riding with a field training officer for about four months before he will work patrol solo.

"I have probably learned more in the last week and a half (with an

**"I'm absolutely pleased to bring him (Colwell) into the department. He's got all of our core values — integrity, honesty and respect. He will be a future leader in the department."**

**WAYNE POLICE CHIEF ALAN MACIAG**

FTO) than I did in all of school at EMU or the academy," he said.

One of the bigger challenges, Colwell said, has been remembering all of the various user names and passwords to access different computers and databases.

"I'm absolutely

pleased to bring him (Colwell) into the department. He's got all of our core values — integrity, honesty and respect," Wayne Police Chief Alan Maciag said. "He will be a future leader in the department."

The police department is budgeted for 24 offi-

cers, but Colwell's hire brings that number up to 22 sworn personnel. One vacancy was created with the recent retirement of Lt. John Buffa.

"We have a great group working here — it's a very good department," Maciag said. "I'm looking to rebuild and get the department to where we once were. He's (Colwell) definitely a part of that."

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SUBMITTED  
New Wayne Police Officer Chad Colwell (right) is congratulated by Chief Alan Maciag after being sworn in.

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square-foot commercial building from being land-filled and solved a decades-old problem of replacing the former under-sized City Hall.

This green minded-

ness, along with features incorporated into the design by OHM Advisors, included installing window walls along the length of the southern wall, skylights and self-extinguishing lights, gained high marks from the judging panel.

» City Hall wasn't the only city project honored

by the APWA. Westland was also recognized for the Cherry Hill-Newburgh roads widening project.

"It was a small project but it took three branches of government to pay for it because money was so tight," Wild said. Funding came from the city, state and federal government. "Both these awards were for projects that solved problems."

» Early in 2015, the new Ralph Savini Fire Station 1 officially opened on Central City Parkway. The old station, located on Ford at Carlson, is currently being demolished, to be fol-

lowed by the vacant former city hall and Bailey Recreation Center.

» Wild and Community Development Director Joanne Campbell will be in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 22 to accept an award honoring the conversion of a closed elementary school into the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in Norwayne.

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nonprofit organizations to assist low- and moderate-income persons.

» A project started in 2015 and soon to wrap up includes \$2.2 million of renovations to the Westland Police Department.

The scheduled renovations include a total reconstruction of the area housing the Traffic Bureau and Special Operations.

For the lock-up facilities, there were new corridor security barriers, ceilings and lighting, improvements to the staff locker room and added security devices throughout the building. The Police Depart-

ment also expanded to take over the connected building that was vacated by Westland Youth Assistance last year when it moved into the new city hall.

"The Police Department remodel is just about done. There are just a few minor things left to do there," Wild said.

It was the first renovation at the police station since it was constructed in 1975.

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ter plan and look at the needs and renovations at the Historic Village Park," Wild said. "With the Elise Museum (being established) there is the potential need for new parking. Those will be in the budget after July 1."

» Road projects on the schedule for 2016 include reconstruction and landscaping on Central City Parkway between Warren Road and Ford; repairs to Newburgh between Warren Road and Ford; and a Wayne County project repairing Cherry Hill between Wayne

Road and Merriman.

» Westland will be looking converting streetlights to LED lights and a sidewalk repair program.

"I think the street lighting assessments are expiring this year. They are a hodgepodge that have been set up over the years," Wild said. "We want consistent assessments. We will take the LED savings into account. If we know that there will be savings from the LEDs in two years, that can be factored into the rates."

» An art gallery will be established in pre-function area near the Grand Ballroom in City Hall. Three Cities Art Club members will provide the

artwork for the gallery.

"Nine months a year the club will show their art and be able to offer works for sale," Wild said. "Three months a year, the city controls it. We would like to have student art, etc. It would be open when city hall is open."

» As a \$2.2 million renovation project wraps up at the police station, the Westland Police Department is also completing the process of earning accreditation from the Commission for Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies.

Also scheduled this year is the launch of a 911 text service and the start of restructuring the police command staff to get


more officers on the street.

» At the State of the City, Wild said he will announce a new neighborhood initiative. "We've had a lot of focus on City Hall. Since it's the city's anniversary, we will go through all the neighborhoods," he said. "We're still putting this together."

» The city is also looking at a partnership with Wayne-Westland Schools to build the district, improve test scores and attract new families.

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# Tips help Westland police arrest suspect in theft

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Staff Writer

With help from the public, Westland Police have arrested a Garden City man for allegedly shoplifting over \$350 worth of merchandise from a Lowe's store. Tips received after surveillance photos of



Fry

the suspect were released resulted in the arrest of James Fry, 32, police said.

Fry was arrested on charges of retail fraud, receiving

and concealing stolen property and other unrelated warrants unrelated to this case Jan. 11. He was arraigned the following day in Westland 18th District Court. A not guilty plea was entered for Fry with bond set at \$15,000/ten percent. A preliminary examination was set for

Jan. 21. In the Dec. 20 incident at the Lowe's store, 6555 N. Newburgh, two suspects were seen arriving at the store together in a red Dodge Ram pickup truck with a white cap. While inside one of the suspects is reportedly seen removing multiple power tools

from their packaging, concealing the tools in his clothing and exiting the store. When the two men exited the store, the security sensor reportedly activated, sounding an alarm. Both men left together in the pickup truck. Police report that the

second man was found to have no knowledge of the crime and would not be identified because he was not facing charges.

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## WESTLAND COP CALLS

### Fraud

» On Jan. 10, a Westland man told police he received a call about purchases on his credit/debit card in New York. He said he didn't authorize the \$172 charged in two purchases.

» A Westland woman told police Jan. 8 that someone made unauthorized purchases with her credit/debit card that totaled \$677. She said she has the card and was contesting the charges.

» Also Jan. 8, a Westland man told police that someone withdrew \$100 from his checking account without permission in Georgia using his debit card, which he had in his possession. The man said his bank denied an attempt to deposit \$800 into his account.

» A Westland man told police Dec. 30 that

his 83-year-old mother in-law was a possible identity theft victim two days earlier. He said he received an email from Amazon reporting unusual activity on her account and asking to verify personal information.

When told about the email, the mother-in-law told him to respond, he said, so he filled in her information. But looking closer at the email, the man said there were misspellings that made it appear to be fraudulent.

The man contacted Amazon and confirmed the email was fraudulent. He said Amazon advised him to make a police report. The man contacted the IRS and canceled his mother in-law's credit card.

### Vandalism

» A resident of an apartment at 7021 W.

Bonnie told police that overnight Dec. 29 someone smashed the passenger-side window of her vehicle. The dashboard was damaged in an attempt to steal the GPS/radio unit.

» On Dec. 30, a resident in the 2800 block of Cadmus reported that someone smashed the rear window of his car with a brick.

» A resident in the 600 block of Lansdowne told police Dec. 30 that overnight she found the hood of her vehicle was crushed with a large cut. She wasn't sure if someone damaged the vehicle intentionally or it was a hit-and-run

### Vandalism

A Dearborn woman told police Jan. 10 that she was driving her boyfriend's car and parked at Value World, 35300 Central City Parkway, while shopping.

When she returned, she said the passenger door lock was damaged.

### Hit and run

» On Dec. 29, a Plymouth man told police that someone had struck his vehicle while it was parked at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road, on Dec. 24. He said there was damage to the right front fender.

» A Carleton woman told police Dec. 28 that she was on westbound Warren in the left turn lane waiting to turn onto to Middlebelt when a vehicle rear-ended her. She said the driver failed to stop. Minor damage to the rear bumper was reported.

*LeAnne Rogers*

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## Defendant found competent in home invasion case

**LeAnne Rogers**  
Staff Writer



Binyard

With that stolen pistol, police allege the suspects eventually entered an occupied home in

A woman charged in a series of home invasions, including one in which a Westland family was allegedly robbed at gunpoint, has been found competent to stand trial.

After being ruled competent, Darlene Binyard, 25, waived her right to preliminary examination in Westland 18th District Court on Thursday. She is charged with four counts of armed robbery and one charge of first-degree home invasion. A charge of felony firearm was dismissed.

Binyard and co-defendant Duan Crawford, 26, are also facing charges in Garden City and Inkster stemming from a series of incidents Sept. 28.

A parole absconder, Crawford is also charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and being a fourth-degree habitual offender in addition to the armed robbery and felony firearm charges in Westland.

The alleged crime spree began when a couple forced entry into an elderly man's home in the 27400 block of Beechwood in Garden City, stole his pistol and then drove away in the man's vehicle, police said. This incident was reported just after midnight.

the 30800 block of Somerset in Westland and robbed a family of four at gunpoint. This incident was reported at 6:10 a.m.

In between those incidents at 5:48 a.m., the same suspects allegedly kicked open a door at a home in the 1500 block of W. River Park in Inkster, police said. A female resident reported being robbed of money, credit cards and a laptop.

The same couple allegedly attempted to rob another woman in the 28500 block of Somerset in Inkster at 6:39 a.m., police said, but the woman was able to shut the door on the pair before they could enter her home.

The suspects were identified after the pair eventually ran out of gas in the vehicle stolen from the Garden City man, leaving behind evidence that led to their identity and arrest by the Westland Police Department, police said.

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## POLICE BRIEFS

### Retail fraud suspect caught

Livonia police were called Tuesday afternoon to Menards, 12701 Middlebelt, on the report of a retail fraud suspect in custody.

An employee at the business said there was a suspicious return that had taken place at the store where the suspect attempted to return a

laser level without a receipt. When security footage was reviewed, it reportedly showed the suspect selecting the level from the store's shelf and attempting to return it while in the store.

When the suspect tried to leave, they were stopped by a store employee and held at the store until police arrived and arrested her.

### Police arrest suspect leaving store

Police were dispatched Tuesday afternoon to Home Depot, 13500 Middlebelt, on the report of a retail fraud in progress.

When police arrived, they positioned themselves outside the doors and waited for the suspect to walk out. When

he did, police stopped him and arrested him. A store employee told police that the suspect placed several items in his pockets and on his person, concealing them and not paying for them.

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Twenty-one high school junior and senior young women from Michigan will compete for \$8,000 in college scholarships and the chance to represent Michigan at local events and the national finals in Mobile, Ala. This scholarship program is based on academic scholastics, leadership, physical fitness and talent.

At the state program, contestants will perform an opening number and compete in a performing arts talent routine, a physical fitness routine and self expression. Contestants are also evaluated on academic scholastics and interview.

"New this year, we are opening this scholarship program up to high school juniors. We will be selecting two winners, one representing the class of 2016 and one representing the class of 2017. We invite the public to come and support these accomplished young women" said Angela Bobo, Distinguished Young Women of Michigan State Director.

A final performance by the current Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan, Vivian Zhong, will also be part of the event. Zhong currently attends the University of Michigan. The emcee will be Christina Maxwell, the Distinguished Young Woman of America 2012, who also attends the University of Michigan.

Competing this year are

seniors Amanda Fischer from Ann Arbor, Mackenzie Fairbanks from Napoleon, Jenna Stahl from Monroe, Samantha Beattie from Dearborn, Sarah Shapley from Saginaw, Paige Libres from Canton, Dasia Mattson from Addison, Kelsie Wyson from Wayne, Riana Hardyniec from Wayne, Marisa Stafford from Ypsilanti, Kenzie Hogle from Brooklyn, Diana Davis from Clawson and Emma Seidel from West Bloomfield.

Junior contestants are Antrunika Alonzo from Wayne, Kaitlyn Balko from Westland, Cameron Daniels from Brooklyn, Taleya Taylor and Adaeze Ogbuaku from Inkster, Carley Fields from Dearborn Heights, Claire Burton from Birmingham and Alexus Warchock from Napoleon.

Tickets can be purchased at [www.smallvenueicketing.com/23828](http://www.smallvenueicketing.com/23828). Presale reserved seating tickets are \$19. General admission tickets are available the day of the event at Saline High School for \$20. All proceeds go toward scholarship awards. Come out to cheer on our contestants.

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The junior group includes (front, from left) Antrunika Alonzo, Claire Burton, Cameron Daniels, Adaeze Ogbuaku; and (back, from left) Kaitlyn Balko, Carley Fields, Taleya Taylor and Alexus Warchock.



SUBMITTED  
The senior group includes (front, from left) Kelsie Wyson, Paige Libres, Amanda Fischer, Diana Davis, Riana Hardyniec and Jenna Stahl; and (back, from left) Kenzie Hogle, Marisa Stafford, Sarah Shapley, Dasia Mattson, Mackenzie Fairbanks, Emma Seidel and Samantha Beattie.

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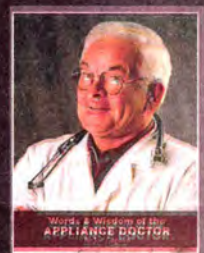
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# Educator's career spanned more than 50 years

Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Mary Breen, whose career in education in Wayne County spanned more than 50 years, is being remembered as a positive, outgoing woman who retained an air of authority befitting a public school principal.

Mrs. Breen, 82, a longtime Plymouth Township resident, died Dec. 27 after battling health problems for several years.

She had been a teacher, school administrator and a longtime Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees member, serving on the board from 1983 to 2011. She was family-oriented, loved to cook and travel and was proud of her Italian heritage, said a daughter, Moira Haas.

"She was just a very, very friendly, personable person," said her husband, Maurice Breen, a former Plymouth Township trustee and supervisor. "She just never got mad at anybody. She was a people person."

The two would have celebrated their 55th anniversary next month. "She was my best friend," Breen said.

"Mom always had a very positive attitude," said Haas, of Plymouth Township, adding that her mother loved having the family together.

"She was a true Italian cook," and made sure to pass that culinary tradition to other family members, she said.

Mrs. Breen was born Mary Volante in Port Chester, N.Y., in 1933 to immigrants from Italy who had met in the U.S., Haas said. The family moved to the Detroit area in 1936.

She graduated from Fordson High School in 1951, earned an associate's degree from Hen-



Mary Breen, a 28-year Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees member, receives an honorary degree from Conway Jeffress, president of Schoolcraft College, in 2013. Breen died Dec. 27.

ry Ford Community College in 1953 and a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University in 1956.

Mrs. Breen's career in education included stints in adult education in the Detroit Public Schools, five years with the Dearborn Public Schools, five years with the Wayne-Westland Community Schools and 18 years with the Livonia Public Schools, for which she taught at Riley, then a junior high school, and was principal at Frost, also a junior high, and an assistant principal at several schools, including Stevenson and Churchill high schools. She retired from the district in 1986.

Haas said she remembers accompanying her mother to work on occasion.

"It seemed like the students really liked her," she said. "They would tell me how much they loved my mom."

Mrs. Breen earned a master of arts in educational leadership from Eastern Michigan Uni-

versity in 1976.

## 'She loved Schoolcraft'

Schoolcraft, Haas said, was her mother's passion.

"She loved Schoolcraft College. She would talk about the project they were doing or the people she worked with," she said. Mrs. Breen kept up with developments at Schoolcraft even after she stepped down from the board, she added.

Conway Jeffress, Schoolcraft's president, said Mrs. Breen was very helpful to him and acted as the board's unofficial liaison with the larger community as well as an advocate for the college's teaching staff.

"She was fun, but at the same time she was a solid thinker. Straightforward," Jeffress said.

Mrs. Breen obtained her real estate license in 1986 and worked in that field for many years. She had also been involved with homeowners groups in Plymouth Township

and in many educational organizations. She had attended St. Kenneth and Our Lady of Good Counsel, both in the township, and most recently Brightmoor Christian Church in Novi.

In addition to her husband and daughter Moira and her husband, Thomas Haas, Mrs. Breen is survived by another daughter, Melinda Hale of Farmington Hills; a son, Maurice Breen II of West Hollywood, Calif.; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Anthony Volante, in 1967.

Mrs. Breen's remains were cremated.

A memorial service, officiated by the Rev. Tim Gambino of Brightmoor Christian Church, is planned for 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, in the DiPonio Room at Schoolcraft's VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Flowers can be delivered there between 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Feb. 6.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to a scholarship fund, the Mary Breen Award of Excellence. Mail checks to: Schoolcraft College Foundation, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia, MI 48152, and note the Mary Breen Award of Excellence on the memo line.

Contributions can also be made online by going to <http://scf.schoolcraft.edu> and clicking on the orange "donate" button. Under "Designation," choose "Other" from a drop-down list and type in "Mary Breen Award of Excellence."

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# Teen builds church labyrinth to earn Eagle Scout rank

**Darrell Clem**  
Staff Writer

Down the hill from two churches, next to a wooded area, Canton teen Prescott J. Vayda led a team that built a meditation labyrinth where church-goers can find a peaceful place to pray.

"It's a tool for people to connect with God and it gives them a method of prayer that was not previously there for them," Vayda, 18, said. "The idea is that you kind of walk the trail and it's a peaceful place to go."

Vayda's efforts helped him earn his Eagle Scout rank, culminating a journey that began when he was a first-grade Tiger Cub with Pack 440 at Bentley Elementary School.

"I'm very proud of him," his father, Alan Vayda, said. "As an Eagle Scout myself, I know how much it means, even as an adult looking back. It's great for him to accomplish this goal."

The younger Vayda, a 2015 graduate of Canton

High School, wanted to help St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor, where he is an active member, and another church, Northside Presbyterian, that shares the same building.

"I thought it would benefit the churches and be reasonable for an Eagle Scout project," he said.

Vayda enlisted his fellow scouts from Troop 735, based at St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne, to help build a meditation labyrinth, built of stones and mulch, that is more than 20 feet wide. They finished the project in July, but Vayda's Eagle Court of Honor was set for this Saturday.

An aspiring paleontologist, Vayda said he didn't realize how much his project meant to him until he arrived for his freshman year at Ohio State University, where he and a group of students introduced themselves and talked about their lives, including his Eagle Scout project.



Prescott J. Vayda earned his Eagle Scout rank with a project to build a church-based meditation labyrinth.

"It really tells a lot about me, who I am and how large a part of my life that was," he said. Vayda has earned 38 merit badges — 17 more

than the 21 required for Eagle Scout rank, said his father, who is Troop 735 scoutmaster. Vayda has served in leadership roles, including senior

patrol leader and junior assistant scoutmaster. He served as crew leader during the troop's high-adventure backpacking trip in 2014 to Philmont

Scout Ranch in Cimarron, N.M. He also is a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

Vayda also played tuba in the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band and served as section leader for two years. He played in concert band and achieved the highest rating in district and state solo and ensemble competitions. He was a National Merit commended scholar.

His family includes his father, mother Kim Zaugg and a brother Nelson, who is starting to think about his own Eagle service project.

Vayda, an assistant scoutmaster, led a team of 22 volunteers for his Eagle Scout project. The meditation labyrinth has only one path to the center and back out — intended to provide a peaceful, meditative and spiritual experience.

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# Livonia sailor Seager honored as latest Veteran of Month

Jim Seager of Livonia, a Cold War/Vietnam Era veteran, was honored as the January 2016 "Veteran of the Month" by the Sons of the American Legion Squadron of the Myron H. Beals American Legion Post 32 in Livonia.

Seager served in the military from 1956-1966. Raised in Pittsburgh, Pa., he was a teenager at the end of the Korean War, and during the escalation of the Cold War. Upon completion of high school his uncle, himself a World War II veteran, convinced Jim he should join the Pennsylvania National Guard.

In the early 1960s the Vietnam War was building up and Jim was working as a claims adjuster for Maryland Casualty when his uncle told him it



Jim Seager was honored as the Veteran of the Month for January.

was time to quit "nickel and diming" with the guard, so in 1962 Jim joined the Navy. He was shipped off and spent eight weeks in boot camp at Great Lakes near Chicago. He was then sent to

Argentia Naval Station in Newfoundland, Canada. He worked in the Provost Office, was given "top secret" status and was responsible for issuing IDs and performing background checks for foreign personnel at the base.

In spring 1964 he was sent to Norfolk, Va., and assigned to the USS Vulcan (AR-5). USS Vulcan was the lead ship of her class of repair ships of the United States Navy. The Vulcan was 530 feet long, had a crew of 1,200 and was armed with 4 x 5" guns and 4 x 50 cal machine guns.

Seager was assigned the ship's massive library. They had repair manuals and parts to repair most anything on any ship in the Navy. Many Navy repairmen spent hours in

training learning how to repair ships at sea. Jim kept busy keeping track of training of personnel and their field of expertise.

Seager sailed all over the Atlantic from the Mediterranean to the Caribbean. The thing he remembers the most is the poverty and poor living conditions in many of the ports. It made him feel fortunate to be living in the United States. He also remembers the time they pulled up next to the USS Enterprise (CVN-65) for repairs. He will never forget how huge that ship was, at 1,123 feet long and a crew of more than 5,000, it is the largest ship in the US fleet. In late 1964, Vulcan participated in

NATO exercise "Teamwork" and then proceeded to take part in "Steel Spike I," the largest amphibious exercise since the end of World War II.

In May 1965, Vulcan served as flagship for a mobile logistic support group and provided repair support to units of the fleet engaged in the Dominican Republic intervention. President Johnson eventually ordered 30,000 U.S. troops to maintain order in the Caribbean nation. Jim wasn't sure what was happening but all leaves were canceled and they were all told this was a top-secret operation told not talk about what they saw or where they had been. It was a scary time

for Jim as they cruised past Santo Domingo so quietly Jim said, "You could have heard a pin drop."

Jim was honorably discharged in 1966. He married, has two children five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He moved to Michigan in 1980 and retired from Hollywood Supermarkets after 36 years, in 2001. He has been a member of the American Legion for 36 years.

Jim was interviewed and presented a plaque with his picture and service information by members of the S.A.L. Veteran of the Month Committee.

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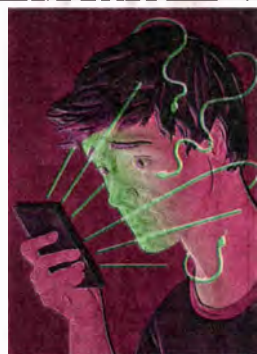
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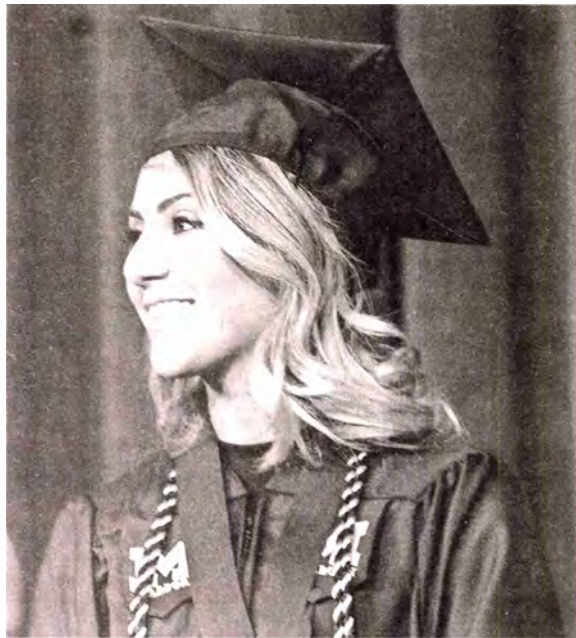
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**Hula classes**  
**Times/Dates:** Wednesdays, starting Jan. 20 (10-week winter session)

**Details:** Instructor Fran Price offers a Hawaiian "Hula" dance class in which students will enjoy exercising and having fun while learning the culture of the Hawaiian Islands. The beginner/family class runs from 6-6:55 p.m. (cost is \$50 for adults; \$25 for children under 8). The adult intermediate and advanced classes run from 7-8:30 p.m., at a cost of \$75. There is a material fee of \$5.

All classes are conducted at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road in Livonia. For more information and to register, call 248-547-3109 or email [franprice@wowway.com](mailto:franprice@wowway.com)

**Livonia Town Club**

**Time/Date:** From 11:30 a.m. to approximately 2 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May.

**Details:** December's program features David Passalacqua, musician/accordion player. It's a nonprofit women's organization bringing together women for social interaction. Enjoy informative speakers, bingo, a fashion show, music and more. Contact Vicki at 734-591-3254 for more information.

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Eighth-grade Parent Night

Wayne Memorial High School hosts an eighth-grade parent night for those transitioning to ninth grade or interested in getting more information about Wayne Memorial High School for the 2016-2017 school year.

Students do not have to be currently attending a Wayne-Westland Community School to attend. The event will be held at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 10 in the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer Auditorium. Topics covered will include scheduling, graduation requirements, testing out requirements, direct college courses, AP courses, extra-curricular activities and much more.

All are welcome to attend, and questions are encouraged. Parking is available in the Glenwood Street parking lot and guests should enter through the front of the auditorium. Any additional questions should be directed to the Counseling Department at 734-419-2215.

Skate and debate

"WayneWestland for Bernie" is hosting a Debate-and-Skate party from 7-11 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 17, at Skateland West, 37550 Cherry Hill, in Westland.

The event is open to the public. Admission to Skateland is free; there is a \$5 fee for skate rental.

"This one-of-a-kind event is an opportunity for volunteers and supporters of Senator Bernie Sanders' campaign for president of the United States to get together and have some fun roller skating before watching the Democratic debate that evening," said Joe Schaefer, co-organizer of WayneWestland for Bernie. "We wanted to do something unique and to open the door wide to anyone interested in learning more about Senator Sanders and meeting other Bernie supporters."

Food distribution

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, the City of Livonia will distribute, through the State of Michigan Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) beef stew, dried cranberries,

bran flakes, UHT milk, tomato juice, sliced carrots and macaroni. Other items will also be provided from Forgotten Harvest.

The distribution is from noon to 2 p.m. at the vacant district court building, 15140 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile. This distribution is offered to Livonia residents who are currently enrolled in TEFAP with a TEFAP identification card. Distributions are scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month. Senior housing residents should check with their housing office for TEFAP information.

For more information, contact the Community Resource Department, Commodity Food line at 734-466-2673. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Video games rated 'M'

Starting Saturday, Jan. 23, The Westland Public Library will offer video games rated M (for mature) for patrons to borrow. A launch party will take place at the library from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23.

Patrons can borrow popular games like *Fallout 4*, *Call of Duty*, *Assassin's Creed*, *Gears of War*, and *Metal Gear Solid 5*. Video games rated M will be available for PS4, Xbox One, PS3, Xbox 360 and Wii U consoles. Video games can be borrowed for seven days and patrons can borrow three video games at a time.

Adults are invited to attend the Adult Video Game Launch Party. Adults can play games on PlayStation and Xbox consoles, borrow games and enjoy pizza and snacks. Patrons must be 18 years or older and show a valid driver's license or state ID to attend the Launch Party. To sign up for the Launch Party, patrons may visit <http://www.westlandlibrary.org/node/8501>.

'Donut Man'

"The Donut Man" Rob Evans and his puppet sidekick Duncan will perform original Bible story-songs in a "Donut Man" Children's Concert set for 1:30-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile in Livonia. The concert will have a Lenten theme. Admission is \$5 per person at

the door; children age 3 and under admitted free.

For more information, call Rev. Joseph Marquis, 734-522-3166.

Library meeting

The Library Commission of the Livonia Public Library will hold its regular meeting on at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 25, at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road.

As always, the public is invited to attend all Library Commission meetings. In accordance with Title II of the American with Disabilities Act as it pertains to access to Public Meetings, the Library Director's Office of the Livonia Public Library, upon adequate notice, will make reasonable accommodations for persons with special needs. If you need assistance, call Library Direc-

tor Toni LaPorte at 734-466-2451 or email [laporte@livonia.lib.mi.us](mailto:laporte@livonia.lib.mi.us).

Annual auction

Concordia Lutheran School hosts its annual auction, "With One Heart," at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road in Westland. Tickets are \$30 (\$270 for a table of 10) and must be ordered by Feb. 8. Ticket includes appetizers, dinner, dessert and drinks.

For more information, call 248-474-2488 or 313-937-2233.

Tail Waggers drive

Tail Waggers is calling all animal lovers to participate in its Winter Fund Drive. The group's goal is to raise \$25,000 by March 31 so that it can continue to provide wellness services at an affordable rate.

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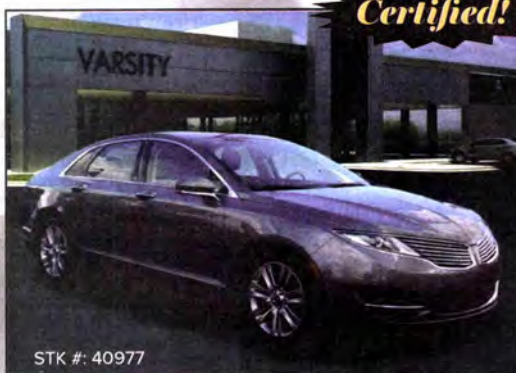
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# Peters: Michigan to play a key role in automotive technology

**Jay Grossman**  
Staff Writer

U.S. Sen. Gary Peters, D-Mich., wants to make sure Michigan plays a key role in helping the automotive industry take some giant leaps in technology.

"It's not about torque and horsepower — although those are my two favorite things and they're still incredibly important," Peters said Monday while touring the floor of the 2016 North American International Auto Show. "We're going to see computer technologies and self-driving capabilities and communication between cars that's going to revolutionize how we think about automobiles."

Peters noted how 2015 saw record-breaking auto sales with nearly 17.5 million vehicles sold in the United States. He expects the growth to

continue through 2016. "It's wonderful to be here to see the lineup of automobiles," he said. "Today is a testimony to the fact the auto industry is alive and well and experiencing incredible growth ... so this is all good for Michigan and the greater Detroit area."

In the long term, Peters said the industry needs to continue to focus on some of the new technologies that are quickly emerging, such as vehicle-to-vehicle communications (V2V) and vehicle-to-infrastructure technology (V2I).

"It's estimated in the next few years that with some of the safety applications that are coming online that we could eliminate up to 80 percent of all car crashes, which is really a big deal, especially when you consider over 30,000



U.S. Sens. Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters (left), touring the Fiat Chrysler exhibit at the North American International Auto Show with Head of Quality Mark Chernoby.

people die on the highways each year," said Peters, a member of Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation

committee. "If you can eliminate those accidents, you're saving tens of thousands of lives."

Peters said new technology will allow roads and bridges to "communicate" with vehicles and provide adequate warn-

ing, for example, when there's a spot of black ice on the road ahead.

In terms of automated vehicles, Peters said the University of Michigan already has a 35-acre test track for driverless cars that opened last

summer. A 300-acre testing track is in the planning stages at Willow Run.

"So we want to make sure Michigan is at the forefront of it," he said. "So that's our auto suppliers, our auto manufacturers and our universities ... the University of Michigan is taking a major international leadership role."

Looking forward, Peters is endorsing Hillary Clinton as the country's next president.

"I believe she's going to be the nominee and she's going to win in the fall," he said. "I think you look at what's happening on the Republican side and they're all pushing to the far right and being extreme on issues — it may help them win a Republican primary, but they're out of step with where the majority of the American people are."

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All proposals shall be sealed in envelopes, plainly marked with: CITY OF LIVONIA, MICHIGAN OWNERS REPRESENTATIVE / PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR THE CLEMENT CIRCLE POOL RECONSTRUCTION, name of vendor and shall be addressed to the City Clerk, City of Livonia, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154.

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# Yankee Air Museum maintains prices on flying experiences

The Yankee Air Museum will hold the line on Flyable Historic Aircraft Experiences pricing in 2016. The decision to keep prices stable on the meticulously restored World War II B-17 Flying Fortress, B-25 Mitchell, C-47 Skytrain and Waco Bi-plane comes in the midst of ambitious winter maintenance. YAM members will continue to be rewarded with generous discounts on flights.

Flying on vintage aircraft has become a seasonal favorite with many aviation enthusiasts in southeast Michigan. The museum hopes even more people will take their first "ride on the historic side" when the flying season opens with the Waco and C-47 flights Saturday, April 9, at Willow Run Airport. The B-17 and B-25 flights will begin in May.

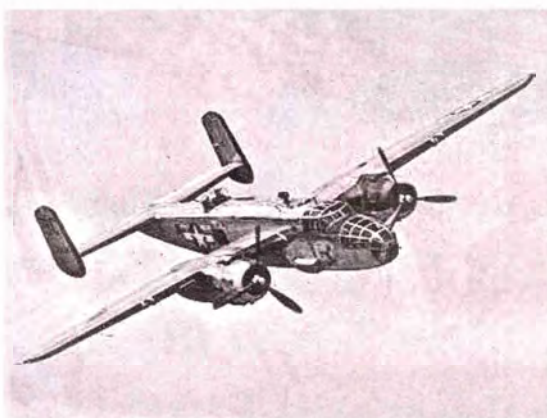
"Our operating expenses have risen, largely due to the cost of parts for these rare aircraft," said Ray Hunter, YAM chairman of the board of directors. "However, the price of fuel has been lower, which allows us to keep our rates stable."

Hunter said that a 30-minute living history flight experience on board the B-17 Yankee Lady will remain at \$450 and on the B-25 Yankee Warrior stays at \$400. The cost of a 15-minute air tour on the C-47 is \$195 and on the Waco biplane it stays at \$325 for two passengers or \$225 for one passenger.

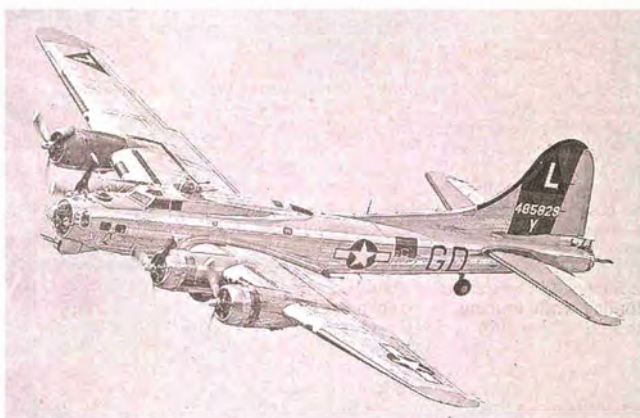
Hunter calls the aircraft "flying history books." He says scheduled maintenance is paramount and the museum is always taking extra steps to freshen the restorations on the aircraft. Keeping the airplanes in pristine condition is just one way the museum honors veterans and pioneers of aviation.

"Visiting an aviation museum is one thing; flying on one is totally another thing," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum. "We want the visitor experience to be as unique and rich as possible."

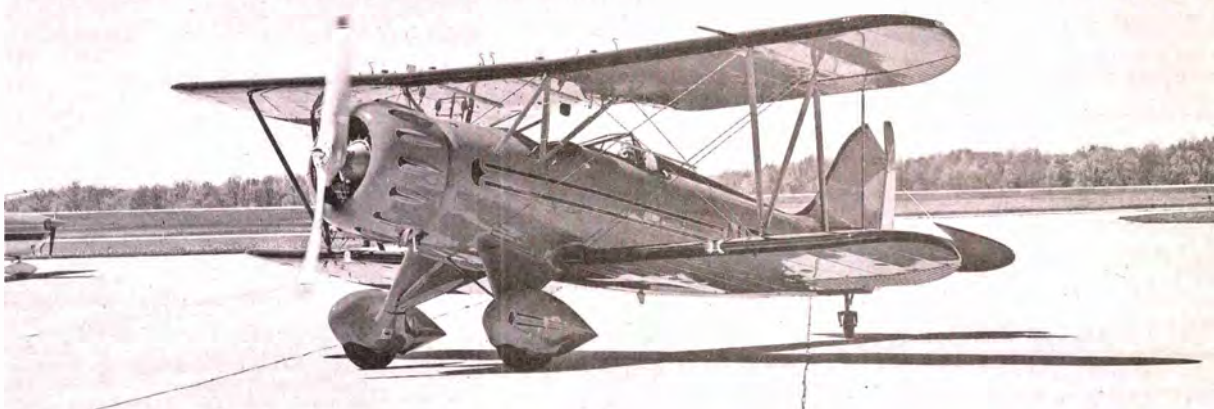
Walsh added that by holding the line on pricing, the YAM is also giving a nod to the many people last year who said, "maybe next year."



The B-25 Yankee Warrior.



The B-17 Yankee Lady



The Waco Bi-plane.

"In 2015, we set yet another ridership record on the B-17. These were people of all ages, male and female. People came from all over," Walsh said. "For some it was a chance to connect with history, for others it was the thrill of flying low and slow in an important plane that transcends any airliner."

Walsh said that each of the four planes in the museum's stable provides a unique flying characteristic and people always walk away smiling. The heritage of Yankee Air Museum is based on principles allowing visitors to get up close to the airplanes and make it personal with a ride like none other. The museum exists to stimulate the imaginations of kids, honor veterans and pay tribute to pioneers of aviation.

"Weather permitting,

we intend to start flying passengers on Saturday April 9, with our C-47 and our Waco Biplane," Walsh said. "Our flight operations team is busy creating the schedule for the B-17 and B-25 bombers now and those dates should be available on our [www.yankeeairmuseum.org](http://www.yankeeairmuseum.org) website by the end of February."

Walsh added that people can reserve an April 9 ride on the C-47 and the Waco now by writing to: C-47rides@yankeeairmuseum.org or biplane-rides@yankeeairmuseum.org and communicating directly with the scheduler.

Guests are encouraged to book the rides early as Saturday, April 9, promises to be very busy at the Yankee Air Museum Hangar with both the 21st annual Bomber Buffing event and the inaugural

Detroit Aviation and Airline Collectibles Show beginning at 9 a.m. Hangar One is on the west side of Willow Run Airport at

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

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

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GARTH J. CHRISTIE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Redford

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR BIDS**

**CITY OF LIVONIA, MICHIGAN**  
**LIVONIA FIRE DEPARTMENT - TURN OUT GEAR**

Sealed bids will be received at the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154 until **2:00 P.M., local time on Tuesday, February 2nd, 2016** at which time the RFB's will be secured by the City Clerk. Each bid shall be recorded together with the name of the vendor. Bids shall be in accordance with the requirements of this notice in order to be deemed "responsive." Late bids will be returned unopened.

Instructions and specifications may be obtained by registering with the Michigan Inter-Governmental Trade Network (MITN) at [www.mitn.info](http://www.mitn.info)

All Addendums will be posted on the MITN website. Any information not obtained from the MITN website should not be relied upon. Each response to the bid must be provided to the City of Livonia electronically in Adobe (PDF) format. Faxed bids in response to this request will not be accepted.

All bids shall be sealed in envelopes, plainly marked with: **CITY OF LIVONIA, MICHIGAN LFD - TURN OUT GEAR, name of vendor and shall be addressed to the City Clerk, City of Livonia, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154.**

No vendor may withdraw their bid within 120 calendar days after the date set for opening thereof.

The City of Livonia reserves the right to reject or accept any or all bids in whole or in part and waive any irregularities therein. Acceptance of any bid does not constitute a binding agreement until a written Contract is signed by both parties.

John Unsworth  
Livonia Fire Department  
Published: January 17, 2016

Dennis K. Wright  
Mayor  
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**CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE**

**AGENDA**  
**Zoning Board of Appeals**

**February 2, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Livonia City Hall - Auditorium (1st Floor)**  
**33000 Civic Center Drive**  
**Livonia, MI**  
**(734) 466 2259**

**APPEAL CASE 2016-01-04 (Tabled on January 5, 2016): Alma Real Estate Investments, LLC, 2951 Long Ridge Court, West Bloomfield, MI 48323, seeking to erect a ground sign upon property located on the south side of Six Mile (29721) between Middlebelt and Oporto, resulting in excess sign area. No wall signs proposed. Also, the sign will contain a portion which will be a bulletin board (i.e. changeable copy) which is not allowed.**

**APPEAL CASE 2016-02-09: Lisa Vitti, east side of Gill (18502) between Southampton and Seven Mile, seeking to erect a five (5) foot tall privacy fence upon a corner lot, resulting in the fence being located within the side yard, which is not allowed.**

**APPEAL CASE 2016-02-10: Michael R. Michalski, west side of Wayne (18311) between Curtis and Pickford Court, seeking to maintain a privacy fence, erected without a permit, and such fence placed within the side yard, which is not allowed. Privacy fences cannot extend from the rear line of the home toward the front lot line.**

**APPEAL CASE 2016-02-11: Michael R. Michalski, west side of Wayne (18311) between Curtis and Pickford Court, seeking to store a recreational vehicle (i.e. boat and trailer) within the side yard, which is not allowed. Recreational vehicles must be stored in the rear yard, which is to the rear of the back line of the dwelling.**

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

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**LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**INVITATION TO BID**  
**STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION AND ADDITION**

The Board of Education of Livonia Public Schools is accepting firm prime contractor bids for all labor, material, equipment and all other services to complete the work at Livonia Public Schools - Stevenson High School.

Plans and specifications may be obtained electronically via PlanWell through George W. Auch and are available for review at the office of the George W. Auch Company, 735 S. Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341, 248.334.2000, on or after **January 8th, 2016**. The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications as prepared by Stantec. Complete sets of printed documents may be purchased from ARC Document Solutions, 1009 W. Maple St., Clawson, Michigan 248-288-5600 or email [michigan.troy@arc.com](mailto:michigan.troy@arc.com).

The envelope bearing your proposal must identify your company and the proposal being bid and addressed to the attention of Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance, Livonia Administrative Offices, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154. Bids must be delivered no later than **12:00 noon, January 26th, 2016** to Livonia Administrative Offices (address above), Attn: Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance. Each proposal must be submitted on the forms furnished by the construction manager and must be completed in full. Each proposal shall be sealed in an opaque envelope and marked with the name of the bidder. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

A Bid bond executed by a U.S. Treasury listed surety company acceptable to the owner, or a cashier's check in the amount of at least 5% of the sum of the proposal payable to Livonia Public Schools shall be submitted with each proposal in excess of \$23,230.00. All proposals shall be firm for a period of ninety (90) days. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

Contractors will be required to meet the Prevailing Wage requirements which are provided with the project manual.

A pre-bid walk through is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 3:00 pm** at the Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, MI 48152. Please meet at the South Cafeteria on the South side of the school. **This walk through is not mandatory, but highly recommended.**

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at a meeting convened at the Livonia Administrative Offices Lower Board Room starting at **2:00 pm January 26, 2016**. Post-bid interviews will be held on January 27th - February 5th at the office of the George W. Auch Company OR Livonia Administration Office; the low responsive bidder must be prepared to meet on these days.

Successful bidders whose proposals are \$50,000 or more will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of their bid. The cost of the Bond shall be included in each proposal.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board or Superintendent of the Livonia Public Schools. All bids must be accompanied by a signed and notarized statement to comply with the Iran Economic Sanctions Act of 2012. Also include the Equal Opportunity Form. Forms are included in the bid proposals.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

Nick Armelagos  
Administrator of Finance  
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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

## Patriots prevail in rivalry showdown

Atienza's late point flurry topples Churchill foe

Ed Wright  
Staff Writer

The robust cross-town rivalry element would have been more than enough to make Wednesday night's Churchill-Franklin wrestling dual match beyond compelling.

Once several quickly-developing story lines were tacked on, however, the encounter grew into a must-see event for local wrestling fans.

When the sweat had dried, the Patriots had earned a 50-21 triumph to improve to 2-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division. The match-up was the division opener for the Chargers.

"What I liked the most was how much improvement we made since we wrestled against Churchill in the Livonia City Meet," said Franklin head coach Dave Chiola. "As a coach, you always want to see your wrestlers going in the right direction."

Although the Patriots and Chargers cross paths regularly

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ED WRIGHT

Franklin's Nathan Atienza (bottom) and Churchill's Chase Gardner were scoreless after two periods before Atienza stormed back to win.

## Clarenceville grapplers win

Clarenceville wrestlers defeated Dearborn Heights Robichaud 60-6 and lost to Dearborn Fordson 60-15 in a pair of Western Wayne Athletic Conference matches Wednesday.

The Trojans had four double winners - Dylard Brigham (119), Joseph Sanchez (125), Zack Richards (152) and James Ascott (215).

— Dan O'Meara

## MU's streak halted

The Madonna men's basketball team's winning streak was curtailed at three after the Crusaders dropped a 73-60 decision to the University of Michigan-Dearborn earlier this week.

The loss dropped the 4-7 Crusaders' record to 7-12 on the season and into a sixth-place tie with the Wolverines and Northwestern Ohio in the Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference play.

The loss is the first of 2016 for the Crusaders and the game was the team's first conference action since a Dec. 19 setback to Aquinas.

After the teams engaged in a back-and-forth battle early, the Crusaders and Wolverines were tied, 17-17, when junior guard Khalil Malone (Pontiac, Mich./Waterford Mott High School) sank a jumper from just outside the lane.

Malone's jumper, coming with 8:48 remaining in the first half, was one of only two field goals for the Crusaders over the final eight-plus minutes of the opening stanza, allowing the Wolverines to pull away behind a 26-4 run.

The run resulted in a 43-23 lead for the Wolverines at the half as Emehiser and the Crusaders looked to regroup at the break.

The Crusaders pushed back to within single digits late in the second half, but could not overcome a Wolverines' lead that grew to as large as 26 points.

Xavier Crofford (Redford Thurston) and Marcus Williams combined for 30 points, leading the Wolverines to a 48-percent shooting effort in the win.

The Crusaders struggled from the floor, knocking down 26 percent of their shots while shooting 20-percent from three-point territory.

The Crusaders were led by Malone, who contributed 19 points, eight rebounds and four assists.

Senior wing Tyler Stewart (Salem High School) recorded 10 points on a 6-for-6 night from the charity stripe to round out the double-digit scorers for the Crusaders.

Despite suffering the home setback, the Crusaders enjoyed one of their best nights at the free throw line all season, connecting on 25-of-32 attempts.

RECREATIONAL SPORTS

# ROLLING THUNDER

Nonagenarian bowler still toppling pins

Ed Wright  
Staff Writer

A few days before his Jan. 14 birthday, Irv Muldowny got his driver's license renewed, just like all diligent American motorists.

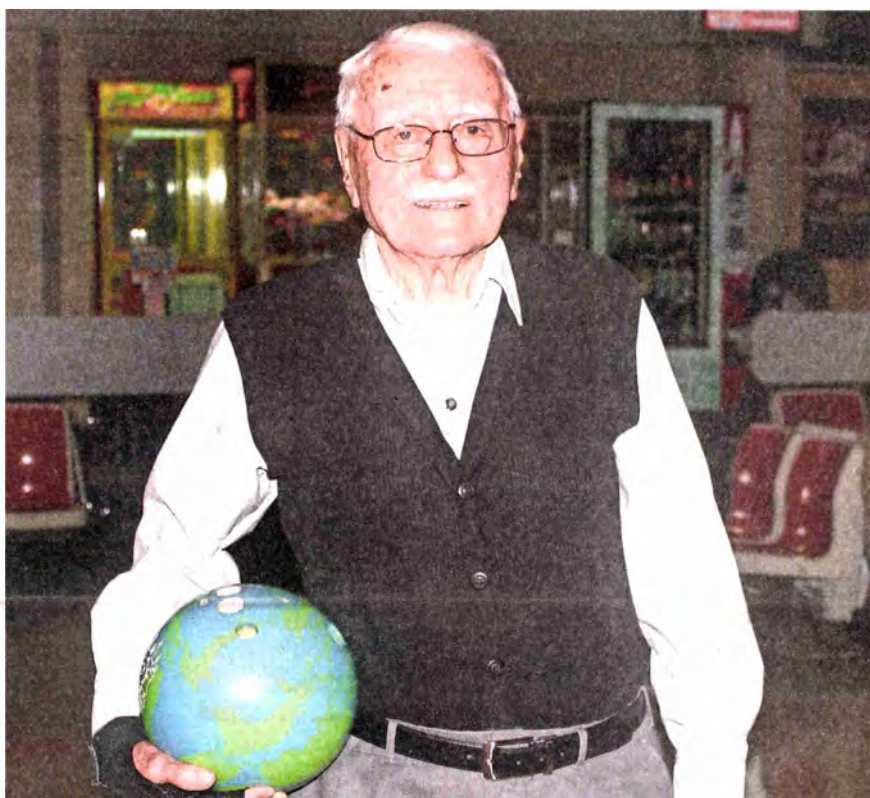
Muldowny won't have to visit the Secretary of State's Office again until 2020 — the year he celebrates his 100th birthday.

There's no guarantee Muldowny will still be driving in 2020 — although those who know him best wouldn't best against him — but he'll almost certainly still be bowling in the Thursday afternoon league at Livonia's Woodland Lanes.

The 96-year-old pin-buster first rolled a bowling ball down a lane in 1950 and — except for a stretch when he had to care for his ill wife — he's been doing it ever since, at least once, if not twice a week.

"The main reason I do it is because it's fun," said Muldowny, who currently carries a 147 average and recently regis-

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ED WRIGHT

Irv Muldowny, who now resides in Northville, has been a regular bowler at Woodland Lanes in Livonia for close to 30 years.

HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING

## Rockets running on all cylinders early on

Ed Wright  
Staff Writer

All systems are go for the Westland John Glenn girls bowling team, which enjoyed a pretty spectacular few days this past week.

Last weekend, the Rockets stocked the school's trophy case with the championship trophy handed out after the PCS Tournament, which John Glenn won by 10 pins over Tecumseh in the day's final two-game, total-pin Baker sets.

John Glenn led 169-131 after the opening game before holding off the Indians, who rolled a 195 in the nightcap.

Farmington Harrison and Woodhaven both advanced to the semifinals.

"The oil pattern was the new

Allen Pattern at Super Bowl, which played tough the entire day," said John Glenn head coach Ralph Cabildo.

Earlier in the week, the Rockets defeated rival Wayne Memorial, 22-10, to improve their record to 8-0. Julie Dietz registered a high game of 178 while the Kolb sisters — Ashley and Alyssa — contributed a 186 and 193, respectively.

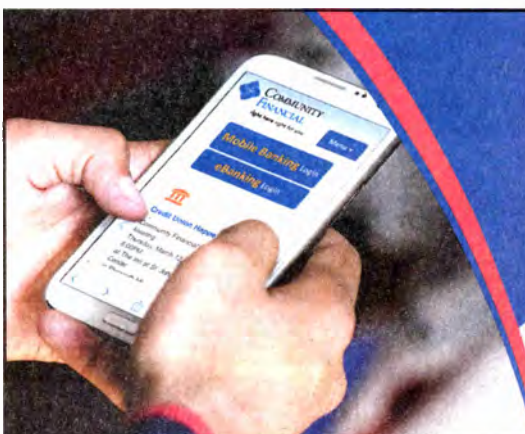
The Rockets most valuable bowler was senior Julia Huren, who found the pocket consistently while posting scores of 226 and 243. Christina O'Harris led the Zebras with games of 192 and 235. Kayla Thompson added a 227 and Miranda Holmes turned in a solid 192.

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Westland John Glenn senior Julia Huren lines up a practice shot during a December match at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton.



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HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

# Pats drop high-voltage 9-7 decision to Romeo

Bulldogs net nine goals to barely escape with win

**Ed Wright**  
Staff Writer

Wednesday night's non-conference hockey game featuring host Livonia Franklin and Romeo went from just a wildly entertaining match-up after two periods to "Jenuwine-ly" crazy during the final 17 minutes.

Fueled by Logan Jenuwine's seven-point night (four goals, three assists), the Bulldogs barely out-dazzled the Patriots, 9-7, in a game that had no shortage of high-wattage offensive action.

Jenuwine was having an ordinary night until the third

period when he blew up for six points. The teams combined for nine goals during the final stanza — five of which came in the final 4 minutes and 22 seconds.

With 2:41 left in the game, it appeared as if the Bulldogs would skate off with a comfortable triumph as that's when Jenuwine deposited an empty-net goal to up his team's advantage to 8-5.

But the Patriots ramped up their motors and scored twice in a matter of 63 seconds — Trevor Lassaline scored from Brendan Whitney and Nick Salisbury at the 1:26 mark and Zack Nelson filled the net with 23 seconds left from Chase Wallis and Jack Engel — to claw back to within 8-7.

Romeo's Nick Blankenburg clinched the visitors' victory with an empty-netter from Jenuwine two seconds after

Nelson's goal to close out the scoring flurry.

Brian Hubbard made 29 saves for Franklin against the team ranked No. 5 in the Division 2 polls.

The first period ended with the teams deadlocked at 2-2. Romeo's Jenuwine and Logan Ganfield sandwiched goals around Engel and Whitney (from Wallis).

Franklin actually carried a 4-3 lead into the second intermission thanks to lamp-lighters from Wallis (from Whitney) and Wallis, whose power-play goal was assisted by Whitney and Lassaline.

However, the Bulldogs broke off a three-goals-in-six-minutes spree to take a 6-4 lead they would never relinquish.

Whitney tallied the fifth goal of the night for the Patriots.

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MICHAEL VASILNEK

Livonia Franklin's Trevor Lassaline was one of several Patriots who enjoyed a productive night against state-ranked Romeo.

HIGH SCHOOL HOOPS

# Charged-up Churchill edges Wildcats

Seniors pace high-energy win

**Ed Wright**  
Staff Writer

Fans of old-fashioned, get-after-it defense would have loved Friday night's KLASA South Division battle featuring visiting Livonia Churchill and Plymouth.

If high-voltage offense and soft defending is your thing, well, there's always the NBA.

In a game that featured very few uncontested looks, the high-energy Chargers earned a down-to-the-wire 34-31 triumph over the feisty Wildcats.

With the win, Churchill remained a contender in the South Division standings as it improved to 2-1 (3-5 overall).

"Tonight was the first game this season that I felt we played great as a team," Churchill head coach K'Len Morris said. "I mean, the girls on the bench were enthused and supporting their teammates. I can't tell you how proud I am of these girls.

"It's a great group. We've lost some games this year we probably should have won, but they come to practice the next day and they're as upbeat as you can be."

The game was deadlocked at 25-25 after three quarters, setting up a fierce and furious down-the-stretch struggle.

The Chargers never trailed in the fourth quarter after senior guard Alivia Kondrath drained a pair of free throws 30 seconds in, but by no means were they ever able to relax against the Wildcats' full-court pressure defense.

Senior guard Molly Pummill was the winners' fourth-quarter catalyst, as she converted a left-handed fast-break layup before notching a steal and a driving bank shot to put Churchill ahead, 32-26 with three minutes left.

"Molly played a great game," Morris said. "She's such a smart player, which is why I put her on their best shooter (Alexa Ebeling). I'm happy for her because she's a senior and I don't think she's beaten Plymouth too many times."

Plymouth clawed back quickly, cutting its deficit to 32-31 with 35 seconds remaining on senior Jordyn Chouinard's short put-back.

Churchill earned some breathing room with 12.5 seconds to go when Shae Smith calmly sank to free throws — just moments after missing a pair — to extend her team's lead to 34-31.

Plymouth's Hannah Badger managed to get off a 22-foot 3-point try as the buzzer sounded, but like most shots taken in the game, it was well-contested by the Chargers.

"What a fun game to watch as far as effort-wise from both teams," first-year Plymouth head coach Ryan Ballard said. "Both teams played very, very hard."

"There were plays there to be made, but I couldn't get us to execute and that's on me."

Kondrath led the winners' balanced attack with 10 points. Junior post player Anne Yost added eight, while three others



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Churchill's Shae Smith delivers a pass to the post during Friday night's victory over Plymouth. At right is Jordyn Chouinard of the Wildcats.

players (Pummill, Gabby Carter and Smith) all had four.

Topping the offensive ledger for Plymouth was senior Bailey Brown, who scored 10.

The game started out like it may be a shootout as Brown banked in a long triple from the right wing in the opening minute.

The Chargers were relatively efficient offensively during the opening eight minutes, with five different players hitting shots while the visitors grabbed an 11-7 lead.

Both teams clamped down defensively from that point forward, making it seem like the rim was about the circumference of a Dixie cup.

Churchill made 12-of-28 field-goal attempts and 11-of-18 free throws. Plymouth found net on just 9-of-30 shots from the field and 10-of-23 free throws.

"I love the way Kondrath plays for them," Ballard said. "She's gritty and she can shoot."

The Chargers' schedule doesn't ease up much as they will travel Tuesday to Canton to battle the perennially-tough Chiefs.

"When I came here, I wanted to change the culture of Churchill basketball and I think the girls are finally understanding what I'm looking for," Morris said.



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Churchill's Alivia Kondrath drives hard to the basket Friday night at Plymouth.

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

## Franklin freshmen win GC Novice crown

**Ed Wright**  
Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin's up-and-coming wrestlers proved the future is now during the annual Garden City Novice Tournament held Jan. 9.

### GARDEN CITY NOVICE TOURNAMENT Saturday, Jan. 9

**FRESHMEN STANDINGS:** 1. Livonia Franklin, 143.5 points; 2. Westland John Glenn, 126.5; 3. Canton, 107.5; 4. Farmington Harrison, 93; 5. Livonia Clarenceville, 85; 6. Novi Catholic Central, 81; 7. Belleville, 75.5; 8. Redford Union, 75; 9. Southgate Anderson, 72; 10. Northville, 71; 11. Dearborn Fordson, 68; 12. Livonia Churchill, 56; 13. Allen Park, 44; 14. Wayne Memorial, 39; 15. Dearborn Heights

**103 pounds:** 1. Haunting Wong (FH) pinned Chad Johnson (AP) in 3:57; 3. Russel Russell (LF) pinned Andrew Asquini (CC) in 2:06; 5. Austin Noe (SA) pinned Anthony Marchione (LC) in 4:43.

**112-1:** Aseel Almuhalala (DF) pinned Allan Van Zant (DC) in 3:13; 3. Khalil Turner (B) won by major dec. (10:0) over Mason Opie (S); 5. Drew Bush (LC) pinned Anthony Gill (LC) in 4:49 seconds.

**119-1:** Justin Fields (LCL) pinned Logan Evanchuck (LF) in 1:29; 3. Alex Nesovski (C) won by major dec. (9:0) over Parker Dietrich (N); 5. Joseph Nagy (N) pinned Ed Tomlin (DHA) in 5:30 seconds.

**125-1:** Evan Jaynes (LF) won by major dec. (20:6) over Logan Collins (AP); 3. Ricky Strong (SA) dethroned Will Herman (CC), 4-2; 5. Graden Bowen (JG) won by major dec. (8:0) over Conner Gotzfried (SA).

**130-1:** Michael Merritt (N) pinned Dan Oberman (LF) in 2:24; 3. Joshua Hawkins (BLV) pinned Ben Ramsay (CC) in 2:14; 5. Caleb Garcia (DF) pinned Connor McNally (LC) in 4:06.

**135-1:** Marino DiPonio (LF) pinned Xavier Madrid (FH) in 4:55.

**140-1:** Brenten Poik (JG) pinned Eliontra Figueroa (JG) in 5:11; 3. Jaiil Traylor (JG) won by major dec. (16:3) over Ethan Gaidikas (N); 5. Davante Byrd (BLV) dethroned David Miller (BLV), 9-7.

**145-1:** Chris Little (C) pinned Kane Schuler (CC) in 1:35; 3. Vincent Rawls (FH) pinned Trey Bellamy (WM) in 30 seconds; 5. Richie Garcia (LF) won by major dec. (16:6) over Thomas Reid (P).

**152-1:** Dante Marzolo (LCL) pinned Tanner Rhodes (JG) in 1:26; 3. Nick Zajdel (LF) dethroned Trevor Williams (RU), 6-3; 5. Gasper Havier (RU) pinned Jon Havier (RU) in 2:31.

**160-1:** Jalen Adams (WM) dethroned Nick Reina (LCH), 11-6; 3. Ryan Phillips (RU) Jeremiah Loewen (FH) in 3:49; 5. Cameron Wells (RU) pinned Austin Rosenau (C) in 2:41.

**171-1:** Noah Van Berkel (C) pinned Saner Ajami (DF) in 4:42; 3. Kyle Bray (SA) pinned Niko Przeslanski (FH) in 3:41; 5. Jacob Johnson (LF) pinned Andrew Kelley (SA) in 46 seconds.

**189-1:** James Deese (C) won by major dec. (10:2) over Collin Salas (P); 3. Anthony Hall (JG) dethroned Matteo Huvaere (FH), 11-5; 5. Joey Bloom (DHA) pinned Grant Schils (S) in 5:01.

**215-1:** Quinn Zacharias (CC) pinned Justin Williams (FH) in 1:04.

**285-1:** Jalen Rice (BLV) pinned Kellen Adler (C) in 4:7 seconds.

**SOPHOMORE STANDINGS:** 1. Fordson, 87 points; 2. Ann Arbor, 58; 3. John Glenn, 47; 4. Belleville, 44; 5. Farmington Harrison, 43; 6. Canton, 36; 7. Plymouth, 30; 8. Livonia Franklin, 29; 9. Garden City, 20.5; 10. Dearborn, 18; 11. Allen Park, 15; 12. Livonia Clarenceville, 13; 13. Wayne Memorial, 11; 14. Northville, 9; 15. Redford Union, 7.5; 16. North Farmington, 6; 17. Catholic Central, 2.

**125 pounds:** 1. Ian Donovan (NF) pinned Dylak Hunter (LCL) in 3:56.

**130-1:** Ben Samoy (C) dethroned Emilio Sanchez (F), 6-4; 3. Louie Gaty (AP) dethroned Jonathan Puddock (WM), 16-15; 5. Cole Bagwell (JG) pinned Aaron Bartlett (FH) in 2:33.

**135-1:** Zack Dehne (C) defeated Brenden Wheeler (GC).

**145-1:** Artis Jackson (P) won by forfeit over Dan Zelikov (NF).

**152-1:** Tyler Mareno (JG) dethroned Caleb Forga (BEL), 6-2; 3. Angel Del Toro (P) pinned Zack Richards (LCL) in 4:27; 5. Luke Losh (FH) pinned Frank Cooca (N) in 24 seconds.

**160-1:** Shane Jackson (BEL) won by major dec. (9-1) over Artan Tagani (N).

**171-1:** Mo Zhawi (P) pinned Jaywon Adams (D) in 2:20; 3. Mo Cheiab (F) pinned John Benbow (GC) in 1:31; 5. Brian Sadler (JG) pinned Rene Huanosta (AP) in 19 seconds.

**189-1:** Divine Filemu (FH) won by injury default over Joe Loftus (D).

**215-1:** Manny Willie (LF) won by major dec. (19-6) over Khalil Makki (F); 3. Brad Barnett (A) pinned Ronald Coleman (FH) in 2:55; 5. James Torres (A) dethroned Nigel Hooper (BEL), 4-2.

**285-1:** Rigo Silva (A) pinned Zaki Marini (F) in 24.3.





## BOYS BASKETBALL

# Mustangs cruise past Stevenson, 59-49

Northville now 9-0, takes division lead

Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

It only took a highly efficient 3:40 stretch Friday night, but that was more than enough for Northville to run its unbeaten boys basketball record to 9-0.

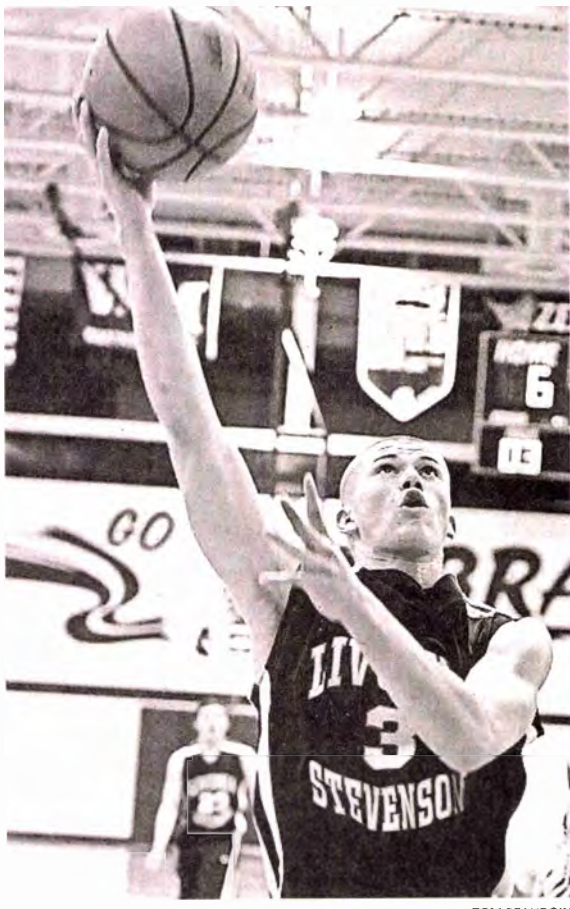
The Mustangs, who led host Livonia Stevenson by only one at halftime, 23-22, went on a 10-0 run to start the third quarter, keyed by senior guard Justin Zimbo's back-to-back 3-pointers, and went on to earn a 59-49 triumph.

Northville made 9-of-18 third-quarter shots to out-score the cold-shooting Spartans, 22-6, and then withstood a late Stevenson push in the final 1:06 to run its KLAACentral Division mark to 3-0.

"I was proud of the guys," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "Not a lot of our scheme changed. We just needed to make a lot better decisions against their trap. They (Stevenson) are really scrappy, they're really active. They make it difficult. I thought a lot of our turnovers in the first half ... we had 13 of them ... it's the most we've had in a half this season. A lot of them were unforced. But the guys responded, it led to open looks and they knocked them down."

Zimbo finished with a game-high 17 points, while junior guard Kevin Morrissey scored 13 of his 16 in the opening half for the Mustangs.

Morrissey was radar, going



Stevenson's Sam Davidek lays in a short-range shot during a game earlier this season.

6-of-8 from the floor, including four 3-pointers. Nick Wilds, a senior forward, also

contributed 11 points. Northville won despite an off-shooting night by senior

forward Justin Gibbons, the team's second leading scorer, who went 1-of-8 from the floor and finished with just two points.

But Gibbons contributed in other areas with his timely passing and rebounding.

"So far, that's been the story of our team," Sander said. "We got great balance and guys keep picking each other up. We're weathering storms when a guy has an off-night. That's part of what makes this team so fun."

Zimbo's triple at the buzzer to end the third quarter gave Northville its biggest lead of the game, 45-28.

"I don't think we were composed coming out of half-time," Stevenson coach Kareem Smart said. "We were only down one, but guys kind of had their heads down. They thought it was the end of the world and it wasn't. We kind of fell in a little hole, not coming out aggressive. Northville came out and did a good job and came out more aggressive than we were and got out to that lead."

The Spartans (5-4, 2-1) made a late push, getting two free throws from Ian Knoph and back-to-back baskets off Northville turnovers by Jacob Cremen and Devin Dunn (10 points) to cut the deficit to 55-49 with under a minute left.

But Stevenson missed a triple try after another Northville turnover and Zimbo made a pair of free throws in the final 17 seconds to seal the win.

"We'll take it," Sander said. "We're on the road. It's been a tough week and we're in a

tough stretch. We have to clean up end-of-game situations, absolutely, moving forward. But we made enough free throws down the stretch."

Northville went 10-of-13 from the foul line (76.9 percent), while Stevenson was 14-of-18 (77.7 percent).

But the Spartans' biggest problem was poor shooting from the field - 15-of-61 (24.4 percent), compared with Northville's 22-of-48 (45.8 percent).

"That will never make it," Smart said. "We like to put up shots but today our shots weren't falling. We were getting to the basket and those shots weren't falling, so sometimes you got those days and will be back in the gym working on those tomorrow."

"Some guys were getting to the basket and some guys were just watching instead of making shots to the basket like they normally do. In the fourth quarter, we started making those cuts and then we started making layups."

Gino D'Agostino and Knoph contributed nine and eight points, while Nader Kandalaft added seven.

"We have to make sure these guys lay a complete game," Smart said. "They played in spurts when they played good and then they had spurts where they took it easy and got lax, so we're going to work on it so these guys will play a whole game. And we have two tough games with Salem and Novi coming up. We want to be ready."

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## GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

## Warriors upend HVL in rivalry match-up, 42-38

Reddeman's 18 points help power Lutheran Westland to victory

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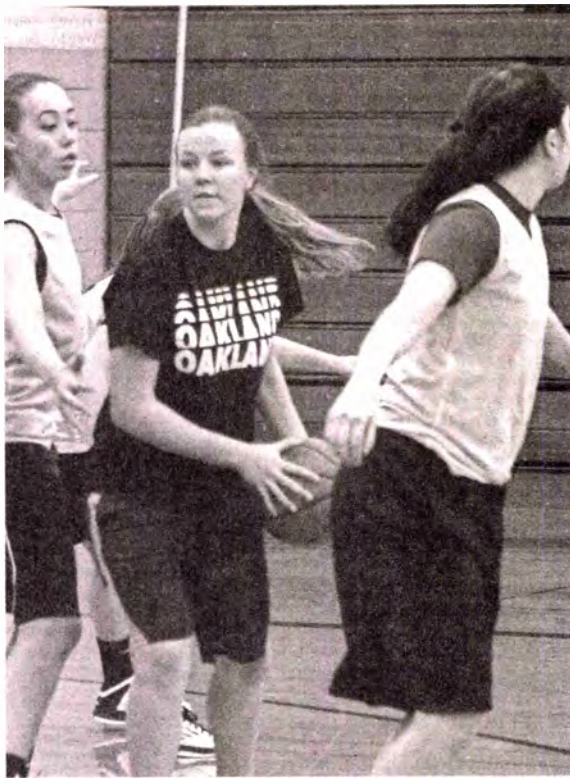
On Tuesday, Lutheran Westland's girls basketball team notched a hard-fought 42-38 victory over rival Huron Valley Lutheran.

Warriors sophomore forward Rachel Reddeman led the winners with 18 points, 10 steals and 10 rebounds. Makayla Wyly added eight points for Lutheran Westland.

"It wasn't the prettiest win, but it's a win," Warriors head coach Sandi Wade said. "We controlled the game and the tempo for three quarters. We need to get better at handling ball pressure and making better passes in the half-court setting."

The Hawks were led by guard Sam Golchuk, who had 30 points, 10 steals and seven rebounds.

"We let their post players do whatever they wanted in the first half, which led to many easy baskets in the first half," HVL head coach Kris Ruth said. "We played physically tougher in the second half and our defense brought us back in the game."



Lutheran Westland's Rachel Reddeman (pictured with ball during a recent practice) registered a rare triple-double Tuesday night against HVL.

Mustangs' record to 8-1 overall and 3-0 in the division, while Stevenson fell to 5-4 and 1-2, respectively.

The Mustangs scored 13 points in each of the four quarters.

"We just couldn't put the ball in the basket in the second quarter," Stevenson head coach Tim Newman said. "Northville's a tough team. They came out pressing and we actually played well against the pressure. But once we went into our half-court offense in the second quarter, we struggled."

"Offensively, they spread it out and dribble-drive against you. They're a good shooting team, too, so you can't leave them open."

Sarah Tanderys was the lone bright spot offensively for Stevenson, scoring 10 points, eight of which came in

the first quarter.

Jessica Moorman was nearly unstoppable for Northville, torching the nets for a game-high 22 points. Kendall Dillon added nine points for Northville.

### Hawks soar against Washtenaw

HVL ousted Washtenaw Christian, 52-11, Thursday night in a non-conference contest. The Hawks led 32-5 at the half.

HVL junior guard Rosie Runstadler scored 15 points, while Golchuk added 10 points and six steals. Freshman Sophie Doerher also impacted the game with six points and 10 rebounds.

"We had a total team effort (Thursday night) as nine of 10 girls scored," Ruth said. "Our press in the first quarter led to some early offense for us."

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during the regular season, Chiola said the divisional dual matches are always special.

"It's always a good match when we face them," said Chiola. "A lot of the kids know each other, and some take classes together at the career center. Whenever we can beat them, it's a good win for us."

Churchill head assistant coach Mike Gaffke saw some positives at the outset when Ethan Engelhart and Josh Mussen's back-to-back pins at 112 and 119 gave the Chargers a short-lived 12-6 lead.

"We had a strong start, but we have to be tougher in some of the weights that were close," said Gaffke, whose team slipped to 6-2 overall. "We were up in the 125 match, then got pinned, and the 189 match was tied until we gave up a take-down at the end."

The night's undeniable marquee match-up was the 152-pound showdown featuring Franklin's Nathan Atienza and Churchill's Chase Gardner.

With the match scoreless as the final seconds of the second period ticked down, Gardner came close to registering a two-point reversal, but it wasn't to be.

Atienza scored early and often in the third period before earning a 9-0 victory.

"Nathan is tough to beat on the mat," said Chiola.

The most noble comeback — and most impressive display of resilience — of the night unfolded in the 125-pound encounter between Franklin's Carlos Ferreira and Churchill's Isaiah Kozak.

As if trailing 4 in the second period wasn't enough, Ferreira was overcome by a bout with nausea, which necessitated a time-out and quick trip to an off-mat garbage can.

His stomach cleared, Ferreira rebounded to notch a third-period pin that evened the scoreboard at 12-12.

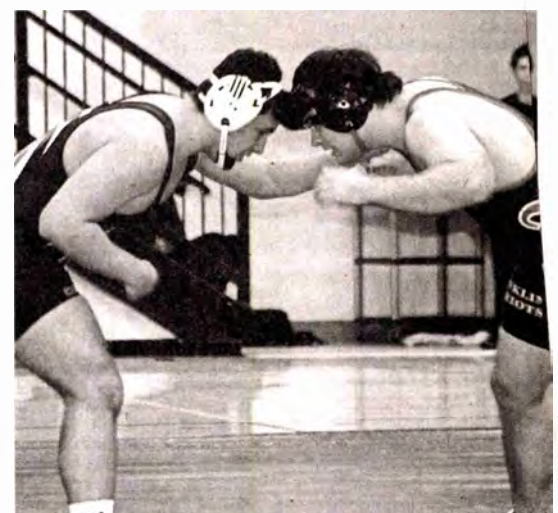
Franklin's John DiPonio gave his team a lead it would never yield when he pinned his 130-pound opponent 1:15 into the second period.

Churchill's Spencer Blanchard gave his team brief spurts of momentum when he out-pointed Marin DiPonio, 13-11, in the 135-pound match, but the Patriots followed with a 16-0 run to put a head-lock on the victory.

Among the key improvements Chiola noted was 189-pound Manny Willis' 3-1 win over Churchill's Collin Englehart and Marino DiPonio's narrow loss to Blanchard.

"Marino got destroyed by that kid in the city meet so to come back and see him make it close was nice to see," Chiola said. "And Manny got pinned in the city meet by (Englehart) and came back and won tonight."

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Churchill's Desard Derpisi and Franklin's Joe Fortin stare each other down early in Wednesday night's 285-pound match.





Angel and James Taylor of Southfield enjoy the seclusion of winter camping at the Brighton Recreation Area's Bishop Lake modern campground with their Brussels Griffon dog, Hickup, and a shih-tzu named Sassy (not pictured). The couple set up camp Christmas Day and planned to stay through New Year's Day.

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## WINTER CAMPING

Some outdoor lovers unfazed by weather

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While some prefer to camp in the spring or fall, others seem to enjoy camping when there is snow on the ground. No thanks, that is too cold for the liking of many outdoor enthusiasts.

"It takes a special kind of person to camp in the wintertime," laughed Mike Donnelly, Brighton Recreation Area park supervisor. "But people do it and really enjoy it."

Camping is something many do in state parks during the winter months, and it is something the Brighton Recreation Area started offering to its guests two years ago.

"We had some people who were requesting it and decided

*"There are people who truly enjoy camping in the wintertime. We usually only get five to six people camping at any given time, but they come — and we are providing for them."*

MIKE DONNELLY,  
Brighton Recreation Area park supervisor

to open a certain amount of campground spots for those who enjoy camping during this time of the year," Donnelly said, noting that the park isn't as crowded as usual around the wintertime. "There are people who truly enjoy camping in the wintertime. We usually only get five to six people camping at any given time, but they come — and we are providing for them."

Typical activities people do at the park while camping include cross country skiing, snowshoeing, ice fishing, riding fat-tire bikes, hunting and sledding.

"We typically see the cross country skiing the most," Donnelly said.

The lower portion of the campground is where the sites are available for winter camping.

However, the state park doesn't always see a large turnout.

"We have roughly 82 sites available right now," Donnelly said. "Once we get a real heavy snow, however, we cut that number in half because not a lot of people are out camping." Two winters ago, Donnelly

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Bundled in layers, the Taylors keep warm in a heated camper, protected from the wind in their canopy or by fireside. Angel Taylor keeps Sassy, her shih-tzu, warm by wrapping her close in Taylor's jacket. The sleet storm that hit Dec. 28 sounded "like somebody was cooking a deep-fryer turkey on the roof" of their camper, according to Angel.

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## Former EMU broadcaster finds new audience at Fox Run

Meghan Streit  
Correspondent

John Fountain, the former broadcast voice of Eastern Michigan University football and basketball, today has new audiences at Fox Run in Novi, where he now records two sports shows each week that air on the retirement community's in-house TV channel.

Fountain has always loved sports reporting and play-by-play broadcasting. Throughout his life, he has found opportunities — both paid and unpaid — to do what he loves most.

When Fountain was in the U.S. Navy and stationed in Libya, he volunteered on top of his regular duties as an electric technician to keep his fellow service members up to date on sports back home. He discovered a radio station at a nearby military base, so he started a regular sports show that was broadcast from the facility.

"One of the coolest things I did was a play-by-play of the 1955 World Series," Fountain said. "It was on a 10-second delay and I was being fed information from Yankee Stadium."

When Fountain returned to the U.S., he worked his way through college with sports broadcasting gigs. After he graduated, he took a job broadcasting University of Michigan basketball and got to travel with the team. He said that job was rewarding



John Fountain, who worked and volunteered as a sports broadcaster for almost 50 years, now records two sports shows each week that air on Fox Run's in-house TV channel.

RICK COULTER

but, like so many of the coolest jobs, it wasn't lucrative enough to support his growing family. So Fountain took a job as an administrator at Eastern Michigan University.

He never gave up on sports broadcasting. He continued to broadcast Eastern Michigan football and basketball on a National Public Radio station based in Ypsilanti.

Now retired, Fountain and his wife Marge live at Fox Run, where he has discovered a new way to explore the field of sports broadcasting.

He records two sports-related shows each week that air on the community's in-house television station. He does one scripted show that takes a look at the week ahead in sports, while his other show is an unscripted

talk show that he films with two staff members. Both shows are recorded in Fox Run's state-of-the-art studio.

"It's a wonderful facility," Fountain said of the studio. "It's one of the benefits of living here — to be able to do something you love."

The Fountains were living in a condo in Ann Arbor before they moved to Fox Run five years ago.

"Once I really retired, I found as the years went by, I was spending more time at home, getting up in the morning, going to the gym to work out, occasionally going out to lunch or dinner, but I had the feeling that my mind wasn't being challenged," he said.

Recording sports shows in

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## Using a 1940s Maytag wringer washer is dream come true

Way back in time I wrote a column about wash day in my family when I was a young boy. I recalled the log cabin that my father built back in the mid 20s and the fast-moving spring running beside it into Kamiskotia Lake. There were two large aluminum tubs, one with a scrub board for washing and the other for rinsing. The old wooden wringer head was mounted onto a large tree stump and my small, 7-year-old arm turned the handle as my mother inserted each piece of clothing through the rollers. On occasion I would take the bed sheets to the creek where my father had dug a hole, 3 feet deep, and sit in the cool water and make sure the sheets would smell like a clear spring morning.

Is it any wonder I feel in love with a washing machine?

Can one ever go back to those sorts of days where life seemed so much simpler than today and love was in the air, everywhere? Ask yourself, would you really want to? Well, I do and those years of yesterday are knocking at my door as I have been invited to spend some time living a few days in an Amish home. While I'm there, I will be doing the wash with the lady of the house, using a square tub Maytag wringer washer that was built around 1940.

### Amish home

My next column will tell the story about how well it cleaned the clothes and how we dried them. I am going to describe so



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many ways of life that are sacred to these good people and have been for centuries. These are not secrets to be held behind closed doors as these folks are very proud of their lifestyle — and look at how successful they have been for all these years.

My visit will satisfy my need to know. For years I have wondered just how such people can always be so nice, and I'm sure their answers would be many and deal with the subject of our Lord and the golden rule. In my three hours of conversation with the elders last week, I left with such a feeling of love for this family and I am just getting to know them.

I will give you just one example of how gracious they are. I offered money for my upcoming three-day stay and I was told that they have never taken dollars from a visitor to their home and I could not argue about this subject. I am thinking hard about how I can turn this around to their benefit in my cunning ways. I'll think of something I'm sure.

### No electricity

Staying with the purpose of this column, I am going to go through their appliances, their age and how they all operate. What they use to store food for

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# The man who almost broke David Bowie's nose

**Jay Grossman**  
Staff Writer

As the world mourns the death of David Bowie, meet the artist who almost broke the nose of the legendary rock star.

Gerard Marti, director of the Robert Kidd Gallery in Birmingham, enjoyed a personal friendship with Bowie, as the gallery carries several of the musician's original paintings, along with some limited prints that are numbered and autographed.

The two first met in 1983, a meeting Marti will never forget.

Marti was working as a sound engineer for EMI Records at the time. He was at a studio in France with a young French band that had just finished recording its first album. Marti was getting impatient with the lead singer's behavior and decided it was best that he step outdoors to get some fresh air.

"Because I was on the verge of committing a homicide, I opened and pushed the studio door fairly abruptly and immediately realize that by doing so,

I just hit a person who was coming in on the other side," Marti said. "I saw a man slightly bending over, holding his face in his hands."

It turned out the man was Bowie.

"The man double-checked that his nose wasn't fractured, then slowly removed his sunglasses and said, 'I think I'm OK.' At this point, like everyone else around us, he probably noticed the air of terror and sorrow painted on my face, while I recognized the pair of alien eyes looking at me under these infamous platinum blond locks. He smiled at me and said in a British accent, 'Bonjour! I am David.' I murmured, 'Bonjour! I am Gerard and I am so, so sorry ...' That was my first encounter with David Bowie."

Bowie was in Paris to perform at the Hippodrome D'Auteuil during his 1983 Serious Moonlight Tour. A couple of days later, Marti received a backstage pass to the concert.

"I found myself standing backstage watching (Bowie) setting the Paris crowd on fire with his freshly released No. 1 hit, *Let's Dance*," Marti said. "Around my neck, an all-access

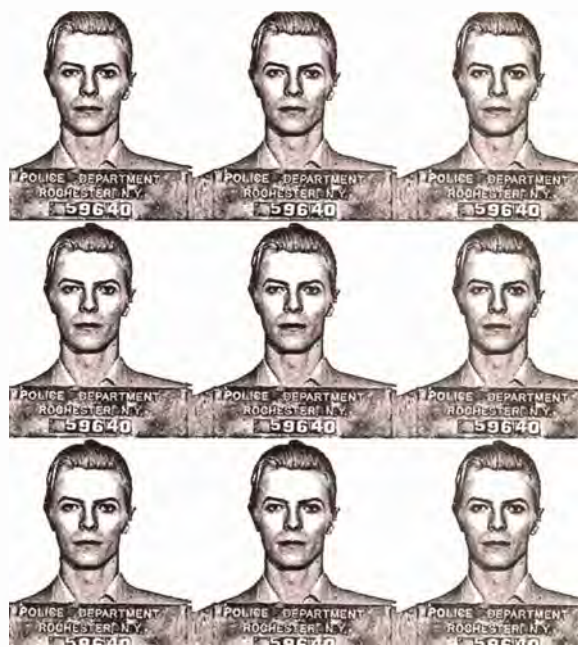
VIP pass is hanging and where my name is supposed to be printed, someone has handwritten, 'The man who ALMOST broke my nose!'"

Bowie is one of several musician/artists showcased at the gallery, which also carries original works and limited prints from John Lennon, Paul McCartney, Jerry Garcia and others.

Marti, who's an accomplished artist, even created a painting out of Bowie's mug shot, taken when he was arrested with Iggy Pop for possession of marijuana.

"David used to say, 'I don't know where I'm going from here, but I promise it won't be boring' and he was right," Marti said. "From Ziggy Stardust to Aladdin Sane, Mr. David Jones took us for the ride of our life. Today, the China Girl is crying, Major Tom has left us and our Heroes are gone to meet the Man Who Sold the World and see if there is Life on Mars. From Ashes to Ashes, rest in peace, David. We will miss you."

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ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Artist Gerard Marti, director of the Robert Kidd Gallery, created this painting from David Bowie's mug shot. The rock star was arrested with Iggy Pop for marijuana possession.

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the on-site TV studio is just one of Fountain's many activities. Together, he and Marge belong to the political awareness committee and the genealogy club and they take classes through the community's Center for Continuous Learning. Fountain is also a member of Fox Run's Hot Stove League, a group of baseball fanatics who get together every week to discuss the Detroit Tigers and other

teams.

The Fountains have four daughters, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, who all live in Michigan. Fountain says the farthest family member lives just 45 minutes from Fox Run, so there is not a week that goes by that he and Marge don't see their kids or grandkids. Recently, the entire clan took a trip to New York City, where they visited the Brooklyn Bridge and Yankee Stadium.

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said Michiganders experienced "extreme cold temperatures" and the park didn't see but one or two people camping that winter.

"It was a rough one," he said. "Last winter we had a large amount of snow, but we still saw several people, so I think it just depends on what people prefer when it comes to camping in this type of weather."

Even though there hasn't

been much snow, the campground has seen quite a few people already on site.

"They just want to be out in the wintertime because people like the beauty of the snow and it's not a large crowd of people at the campground," Donnelly said.

Donnelly said a vast majority of the campers who come out in the winter travel in a recreational vehicle.

"By the time it gets really cold is when we see the tent campers leave," he said.

The park has electricity available to keep the RVs heated.

"The walk to the bathroom building can be cold," laughed Donnelly. "Most of the challenges I think campers face are weather related. Every morning we get the snowplow out there at 7:30 a.m., but sometimes people can get stuck until we plow over to them."

Donnelly said the staff is happy to provide winter camping to those who thoroughly enjoy it.

"If we are offering, people will stop on by," he said.

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periods of time and how they provide water to a beautiful bathroom with shower and the works. As we all know, there is no electricity hooked up to

their houses and yet the homes are as clean as a whistle and the barns etc. have insides that shine like a new model. I have already experienced a dinner there and the food was as good as any fine restaurant.

As for the Maytag wringer washer they use, it brings back memories of the old days when

I first started working in the appliance repair business. I used to work on those washers and they were much easier to tear apart than what is produced today. I have always said that the best washer made was the Maytag square tub wringer. Not only did it have an agitator but each square

corner of the tub acted like an extra agitator to beat the clothes. As clothing manufactured today is not as rugged as the garments of yesteryear, I think it might cause a problem with the life span of certain items of wear. I do know that the clothes worn by the Amish are as clean or cleaner

than what comes out of the new washing machines. So are the kitchen dishes and the old fashioned family values that once were taught at the kitchen sink, are still alive. Stay tuned.

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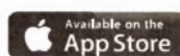


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### Say goodbye to calorie counting

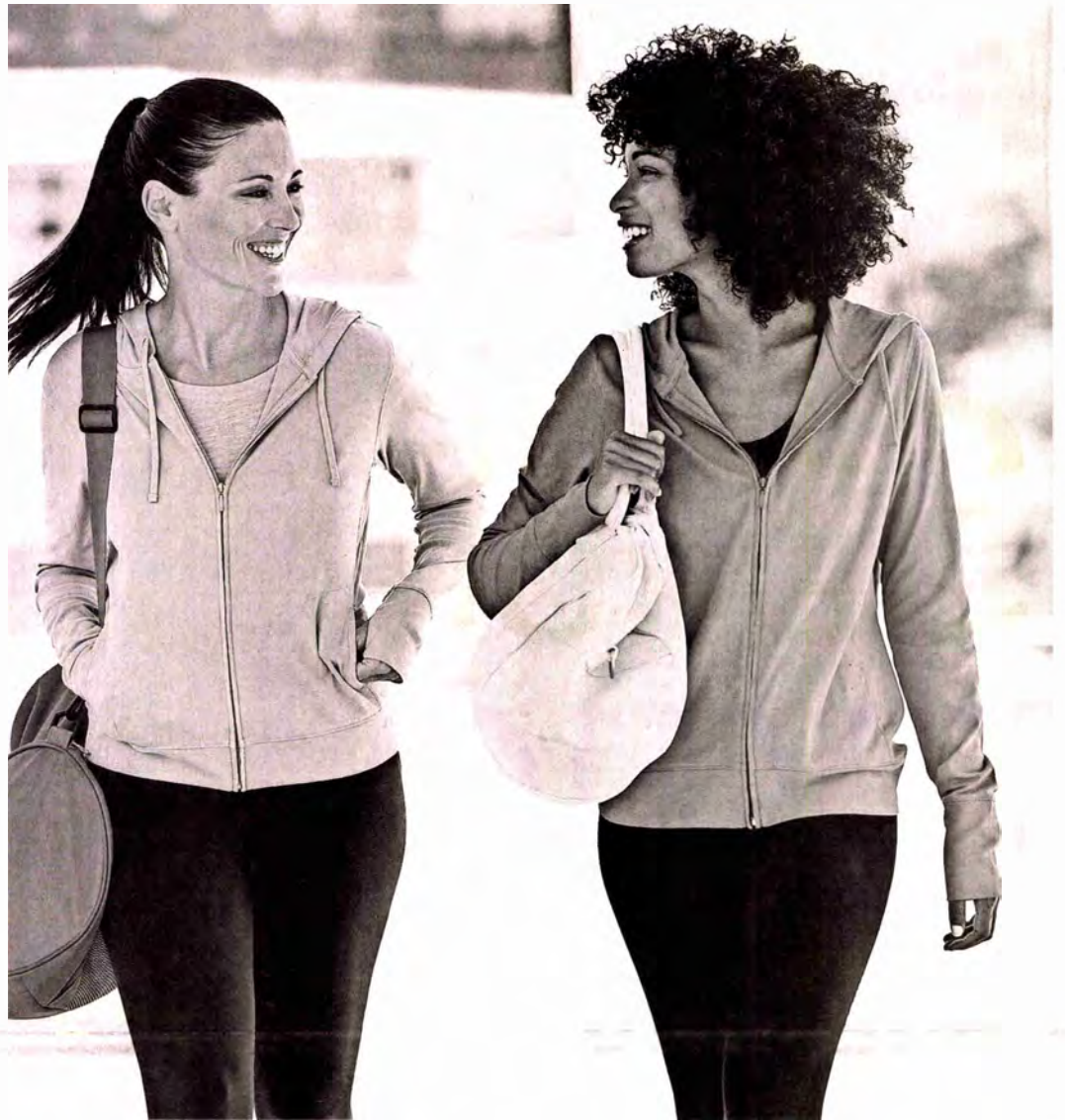
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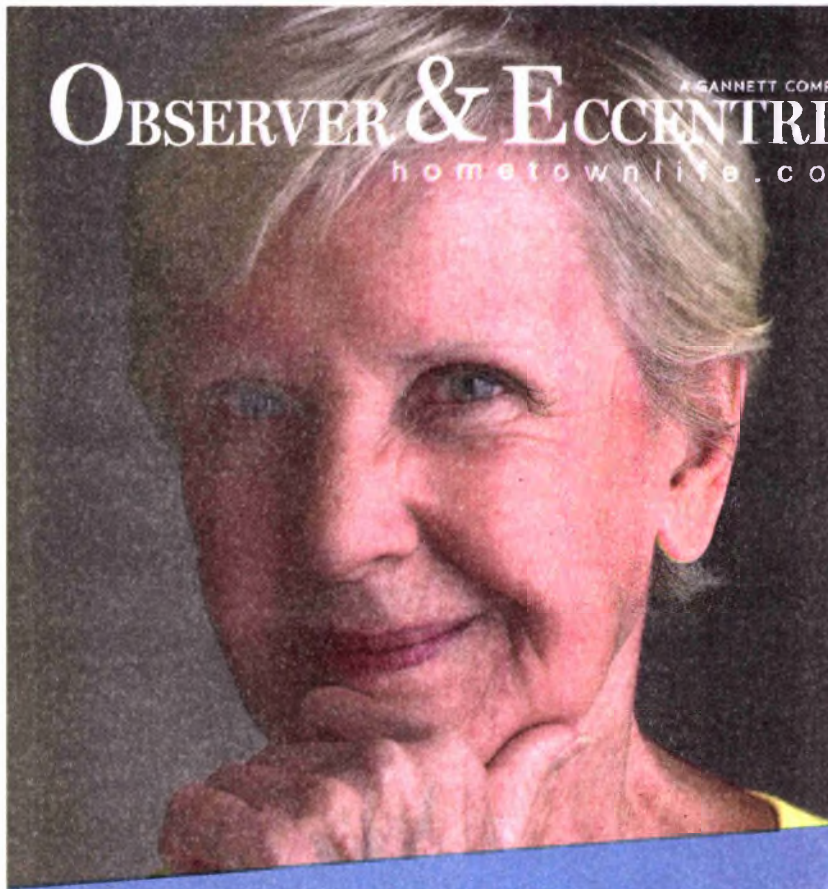
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## Take the next step after job rejection

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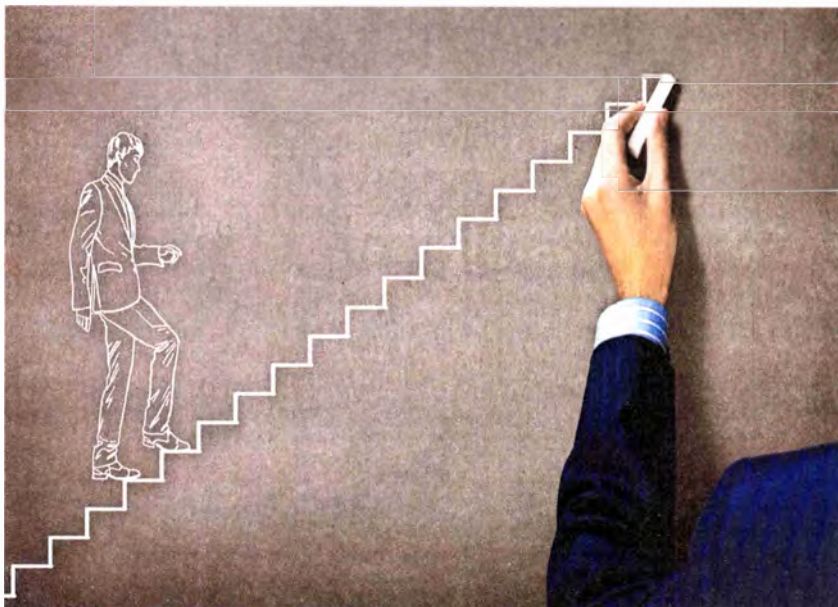
Nobody is immune from rejection — especially in the unfortunate circumstance of getting passed over for a job opportunity. What will set you apart, however, is how you handle the rejection and, more importantly, how you move forward with your job search.

Here are some tips for getting back on your feet after a rejection.

### Don't take it personally.

The job market is tough — not everybody lands the ideal job on the first try. If you've been rejected by an employer, do yourself a favor and try not to take it personally.

"The reality is there are a lot of people applying for jobs, and there are a lot of reasons organizations reject people for jobs. It might have nothing to do with you personally," says Joanie B. Connell, an author and founder of consulting firm Flexible Work Solutions. "One of my colleagues recently went through 16 interviews for a particular job, and at the last second, the organization decided to cancel the position. Resilience is key for the job seeker. It's important to remember it's a process that requires time and patience."



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### Maintain a positive attitude.

Andrew Fennell, director of résumé-writing company StandOut CV, urges job seekers not to get disheartened. "You need to remain positive and upbeat when speaking to recruiters and employers," he says.

It may be easier said than done, but try to keep your chin up even in the face of rejection.

"Don't let one — or 10 — rejections cause you to give up," advises Kelly Poulson, vice president of talent and operations at advertising agency Allen & Gerritsen. "Take a break for a day or two? Sure. But don't let it lead you to wallow

in self-pity. That's not helping anyone. Each rejection leads you to the role that you're actually supposed to be in. Try to think of it that way."

### Turn your weakness into a strength.

Fennell recommends following up and asking the employer for feedback to help you improve your employability.

"It pays off to find out the core reasons the employer decided not to hire you," he says. "Maybe it was a skills gap on your (résumé) that you could fill with training, or maybe it was a few poor answers at the interview stage that you

could learn how to handle better next time. Always look to understand your weaknesses and turn them into strengths."

### Think, reflect and talk it out.

Ashley Gary-Roper, a senior HR business partner at Mercedes-Benz Research & Development North America and a certified career coach, suggests setting aside some time for self-reflection. "Gathering constructive criticism about what went wrong from a mentor or trusted adviser is key to preventing the same mistake from happening again," she says.

Thinking about it and talking

it out could even lead you to experience an "aha" moment.

"Maybe you need to consider whether you are applying to jobs you want to do versus jobs you are qualified to do," says Jill Tipograph, co-founder of Early Stage Careers. "Either reconsider your current job goals or find new and stronger ways to reach out to those who are seeking someone like you."

### Don't give up on the employer that rejected you.

"Remain on good terms with the rejecting firm and stay on their radar, (because) you may be in a better position the next time they are hiring," Fennell says.

You may not have been a good fit for the position you applied for, but other, more relevant opportunities could open up at the same company.

"Never burn bridges; hiring managers remember finalists," Poulson says. "You might not have been right for that immediate role, but leaving a solid last impression leaves you top of mind when the next opportunity arises."

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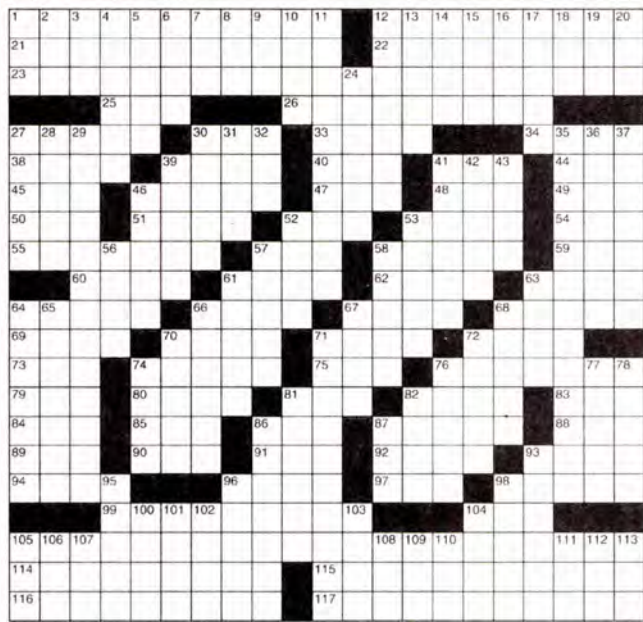
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  - 50 Triceps site
  - 51 Fired
  - 52 Hooting bird
  - 53 — Van Dyke
  - 54 Maple stuff
  - 55 Dried out, with "up"
  - 57 Constricting serpent
  - 58 Window components
  - 59 Pub draft
  - 60 "Zounds!"
  - 61 Thickly fibrous
  - 62 Sneaky guy?
  - 63 Lab helper with a hump
  - 64 "Hammerin' Hank"
  - 66 Sharp changes of direction
  - 67 Sharp changes of direction
  - 68 Seniors' dances
  - 69 Reduced
  - 70 Zestfulness
  - 71 Claudius I's successor
  - 72 Italian "Eye!"
  - 73 Audit org.
  - 74 Zestful
  - 75 Limonite, e.g.
  - 76 Dad's dad
  - 79 Jon — Jovi
  - 80 Scottish sort
  - 81 L-P middle
  - 82 Renoir of film
  - 83 Put a label on
  - 84 Quiet — mouse
  - 85 Bush spokesman
  - 86 Holiday tree
  - 87 Bizarre, slangily
  - 88 Capacious coffeepot
  - 89 — choy
  - 90 Viking's place
  - 91 Verb suffix in Sussex
  - 92 Amiss
  - 93 Tribe of Canada
  - 94 Baldwin of "To Rome With Love"
  - 96 Spiteful
  - 97 Suffix with infant
  - 98 Frog locales
  - 99 Really hitting the sauce
  - 104 Water, in Toulon
  - 105 #1 Beatles hit of 1970
  - 114 Actress who co-starred in "The Help"
  - 115 Very simple business
  - 117 2011-13 secretary of defense
- DOWN**
- 1 Deed
  - 2 AAA job
  - 3 Prefix for "three"
  - 4 Revolver, in old slang
  - 5 With 56-Down, secondary personalities
  - 6 Classic Liz Taylor role
  - 7 Pothole fill
  - 8 Foul up
  - 9 Italian for "God"
  - 10 Relate
  - 11 Capital in Scandinavia
  - 12 Seat of North Carolina's Edgecombe County
  - 13 Old Peruvian
  - 14 Christian —
  - 15 Somewhat
  - 16 Scottish girl
  - 17 Actress Amie
  - 18 Poem type
  - 19 Boat paddle
  - 20 Fleur-de- —
  - 24 "Bam!" chat
  - 27 Entry stamps
  - 28 Houston ballplayer
  - 29 Pipe-clearing tool
  - 30 Chatted
  - 31 "Get — to it!"
  - 32 A Kennedy
  - 35 Acts the Samaritan
  - 36 Favorite son of David
  - 37 Some cured herrings
  - 39 Tormented
  - 41 See 72-Down
  - 42 Quitter's cry
  - 43 Acorn bearers
  - 46 Food wrap
  - 52 "My bad"
  - 53 San — Zoo
  - 56 See 5-Down
  - 57 Swamplike
  - 58 Meager
  - 61 Rock Starr?
  - 63 Shah's land
  - 64 "Arabian Nights" figure
  - 65 Spray can suspension
  - 66 Bright, showy flower
  - 67 Not a one!
  - 68 Sprint, say
  - 70 Old name of the Congo
  - 71 Bad news for magazine publishers
  - 72 With 41-Down, patchworks
  - 74 — the night before ...
  - 76 Music class
  - 77 Whittled
  - 78 De Mille of dance
  - 81 Total up incorrectly
  - 82 Dewlap
  - 86 Actor Ralph
  - 87 Moo goo — pan
  - 93 Route
  - 95 Tab and RC
  - 96 — my big mouth!"
  - 98 Wiccan, e.g.
  - 100 Snout
  - 101 Opening
  - 102 Weed — (lawn care product)
  - 103 Go upward
  - 104 New Age superstar
  - 105 Rolodex no.
  - 106 Med. service
  - 107 Comic Phillips
  - 108 Prefix with conservative
  - 109 Veep Quayle
  - 110 MSN, e.g.
  - 111 Go (for)
  - 112 Bit of land in a river
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