

Regional building to replace four K-8 Catholic schools in 2016-17

With enrollment declining and the financial picture fading, Ann Tonissen knew changes would be coming to the Archdiocese of Detroit Catholic schools serving western Wayne Coun-

The Archdiocese will close four schools in the area — St. Genevieve in Livonia, St. Robert Bellarmine in Redford, St. Raphael in Garden City and St. Damian in Westland — and combine them into one regional K-8 school, beginning in August for the 2016-17

Divine Mercy Roman Catholic Regional School opens its doors on the campus of the current St. Raphael, near Merriman and Ford in Garden City. Tonissen, currently the principal at St. Genevieve, will be the principal at Divine Mercy.
To prepare, Divine Mercy has

scheduled an open house noon to 2

p.m., Sunday, Jan. 31, on the grounds of St. Raphael, 3500 Beechwood in Gar-

den City.
"We knew in advance this decision was coming," said Tonissen, in her fifth year at St. Genevieve. "In order to make it a stronger school, (the Archdi-

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The international auto show in Detroit had nothing on the preschool auto show at Willow Creek

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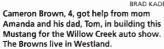


BRAD KADRICH Stephanie Zann of Westland helps her

on the "Pete the Cat" book series



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Tessa Pettit (right) had plenty of room for

DETROIT CAR SHOW HAS NOTHING ON WILLOW CREEK PRESCHOOLERS

Brad Kadrich

While thousands of people streamed through Cobo Arena in downtown Detroit last week to get a look at the North American International Auto Show, dozens of others were viewing a much smaller — but infinitely cuter — car

show miles away

At Willow Creek Cooperative Pre school in Westland, 3-year-old and 4year-old students were lining up behind the cars they designed for the school's annual car show, which featured every thing from a Batmobile to the classic Ford Mustang.

'We've been doing this for years,'

said Darlene Taig, the school's teacher/director. "When it started, it was pretty much all cardboard boxes. It

has really evolved."

The car show ties in with a unit of education on transportation, and serves a dual purpose: Teach the

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Wayne fatal accident trial rescheduled

An April 25 trial has been scheduled for a Detroit woman charged with sec-

ond-degree murder in a crash that killed a Romulus woman. Onika Adrenelle-Cannon Fields, 40. is also charged with driving while her license was suspended causing a death in the Aug. 12 incident.

The jury trial had been scheduled to begin Mon-day before Wayne Coun-ty Circuit Court Judge

where she died.

Richard Skutt. Free on bond, Fields is charged with running a red light at the intersection of Merriman and Van Born in Wayne. Her vehicle then collided with a vehicle driven by Alzada Dolencic, 67, who had to be cut from car by the Jaws of Life. A recent Livonia Schools retiree, Do-lencic was airlifted to the hospital

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Trial set for Wayne man accused in fire

David Veselenak

A Wayne man is set to go to trial before a Wayne County jury next week on charges of attempted murder for an incident that took place in Livonia.

Jonathan Darlington, 46, has a jury trial scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Tues day morning before

Wayne County Judge Dana Hathaway in Detroit's Frank Murphy Hall of Justice a to online court records. Darlington is charged with two counts of attempted murder, two counts of first-degree arson, two counts of plac-



Darlington

ing offensive substance with intent to cause physical injury, one count of arson-preparation to burn a dwelling and habitual offender fourth offense.

If convicted, he faces up to life in

Livonia police said Darlington and several other individuals were squatting

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ocese) decided to make it a regional school

As it has been at most public schools, enrollment in the Catholic schools has been declining in recent years. Tonissen said when she started at St. Genevieve five years ago, the school had some 175 students. Enrollment there now hovers around 100.

Students from those four parishes will now make up the student body of Divine Mercy, Tonissen said, though students from outside those areas will certain ly be welcome. She said the school has a top goal of about 250 students, and she'll be happy if it opens with about 200.

Tonissen was one of seven candidates to interview with the pan-el, which included pas-

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Ann Tonissen, currently principal at St. Genevieve in Livonia, will head the new regional school in Garden City

tors from the three churches and a couple of representatives from the Archdiocese. She said she wanted the job because it provided an opportunity to start a building from the

ground up.
"It's very exciting to

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OPENING DOORS

What: Divine Mercy Roman Catholic Regional School open house When: Sunday, Jan. 31, noon to 2 p.m.

Where: On the grounds of the current St. Raphael, 3500 Beechwood, in Garden City

Who: Any parents/students interested in learning more about the school, which replaces St. Genevieve in Livonia, St. Damian in Westland, St. Raphael in Garden City and St. Robert Ballarmine in Redford.

Details: For more information, call 734-425-9771

open a new school," she said. "I've had the unfortunate experi-ence of being at a couple of schools that have been closed. It's exciting to be there to open a new entity."

Divine Mercy will retain the same tenets of Catholic school teachings that happen at the four schools now — "It'll be the same rigorous and challenging curriculum," she said — and will look to add some "enrichment" courses
— maybe a Space
Camp, a LEGO camp,
etc. — during the summer, something that isn't offered now.

Still, she said it's "sad" to think St. Genevieve, which started some five decades ago, will no longer be part of the educational community. Teachers at the school will try to make its final year a

special one. "There's a sadness any time you see a school have to close," Tonissen said. "The goal is to make this year extra special, so when they leave, they know they had fun."

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Of course, with all those cars, the kids took in a drive-in movie, complete with popcorn.

CAR SHOW

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kids about transportation, and give the fam-ilies —who actually have an ownership stake in the school — a project they can work on together. Parents help their

kids, but give the kids the final say in the design of the car. One grandfather got in on the act, helping his grandchild build a Zamboni.

Four-year-old Clare Zann of Westland built her car, with help from her mother, Stephanie Zann, based on the pop-ular "Pete the Cat" book series. Clare did the painting and chose the elements; Mom had to determine how it all

came together.
"Clare likes 'Pete the Cat,' they have one at school that she likes to bring home," Stephanie said. "It was fun, because we got to do it together. Clare enjoyed picking out stuff, and Mom enjoyed trying to figure out

how to put it together. The school serves families in Westland, together the classic Mus-

BRAD KADRICH

Maribel Michaeli of Garden City closes the door once she's inside her car.

Canton, Garden City and surrounding communities. Parents at Willow Creek, located on the grounds of Kirk of Our Savior Church (though the school is not affiliated with the church), own and operate the school "They all have jobs
here," Taig said —so
getting involved in the car show was nothing

It was 4-year-old Cam-eron Brown who put

tang, with lots of help from Mom and Dad

(Amanda and Tom Brown of Westland). "We did it as a family project," Amanda Brown said. "Tom did the body, we all painted it, and it was my job to do the detailing. (But) Cameron had the final say on ev-erything."

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TRIAL

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According to police, Fields had crashed into another vehicle after running a red light at

Middlebelt and Van Born in Westland and fled, causing a second acci dent after running anoth-er red light, this time at

Merriman and Van Born. A not guilty plea was entered for Fields at her arraignment. If convicted, she could face up to life in prison.

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FIRE

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Sept. 19 in a building in the 27800 block of Plymouth Road, just west of Inkster, last fall when Darlington set the building on fire.

One witness, an indi-vidual staying in the building with Darlington, said during his preliminary examination last fall that Darlington had gotten into an argument with her and asked her to leave the building. She said he then struck her with a wrench. She and another individual then went to another part of the building and proceeded to go to sleep. The two later woke up to smoke and fire in the building.

Police and firefighters were called to the scene that morning by one of the victims. Crews put out the fire and Darling ton was later arrested by police under suspicion of starting the blaze. The Livonia Fire Depart-ment's report indicated

some kind of accelerant was poured onto a stack of paper and books before was set ablaze.

Darlington was bound over to circuit court back in October by 16th District Judge Sean Kava-nagh, who found there to be probable cause for all the charges. He remains locked up in the Wayne County Jail without bond, where he has been since September.

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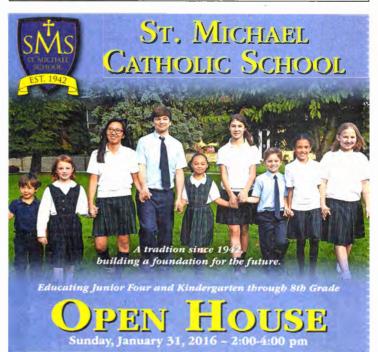
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Teen's 'outside the box' project benefits Humane Society

Ray Morrison, 17, of Westland held a can and bottle drive to benefit the Michigan Humane Society in Westland. He's a senior at Lutheran High School Westland.

He is the son of Lau-ra and Bill Morrison of Westland. This is the second can and bottle drive he's done for the

His mom explained her son needed community service hours at Lutheran High West-land. "He does a lot of community service. He

He contributed over \$500 last year and over \$1,000 this year to the Michigan Humane Society. Morrison increased the number of neighborhood fliers he used this year.

wanted to do some-thing outside the box," Laura Morrison said.

Morrison distributed fliers in his neigh-borhood seeking cans and bottles. "He just couldn't believe, the whole neighborhood people contributed," she said

He contributed over

\$500 last year and over \$1,000 this year to the Michigan Humane Society. Morrison increased the number of neighborhood fliers he

"It was a lot of fun," the teen said. "I al-ready beat my goal." He raised \$1,088.40 this year and agreed

his neighbors were a

big help.
"I would tell them it's a lot of fun. It's a great way to give back the communit Morrison said when asked his advice on another young person doing such a project. His home has a cat, Dingo, and he noted it's especially good for pet owners.

Morrison plans to study computer science in college, and doesn't know yet where he'll attend col-

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPH Ray Morrison and Buttercup, a just-adopted shepherd mix.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Toys and trains

The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers' Club is sponsoring a buy-andswap Railroadiana Train Show from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at the Ss. Simon & Jude Catholic Church Social Hall, 32500 Palmer Road, between Merriman and Venoy, in Westland.

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

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

Daddy/daughter banquet

Warren Road Church announced a Valentine Daddy/Daughter Banquet on Friday, Feb. 12, from 7-9 p.m. The event will feature dinner, a DJ will feature dinner, a DJ providing music and a photographer to capture a special keepsake mem-ory of the evening. Tickets are \$15 per fam-ily and space is limited. Call Warren Road Church at 734-458-7301 to purchase tickets

purchase tickets.

Motown Sound

The Livonia Civic Center Library, in cele-bration of Black History Month, is hosting a celebratory and informative program on the "Origins of the Motown Sound" presented by Joel Stone

T-shirt donation



David Malhalab of Dearborn Heights and his sister, Ruth. donated more than 300 brand new T-Shirts to Vista Maria Girls Home in Dearborn Heights, with Kelly Chytry of Westland right), a VM staffer, accepting them on behalf of the 160 girls who live on the campus. Vista Maria has programs that provide abused and neglected girls with emotional, education, psychological and spiritual guidance to facilitate their transition to adulthood as productive, contributing members of society. The T-Shirts were purchased for donation to Vista Maria at the MSU Surplus Store in Lansing.

of the Detroit Historical

Society. Stone is senior curator of the Society, which oversees the Detroit Historical Museum, and roughly some 250,000 artifacts in the City of Detroit's collection.

This is a free event and will take place in the library's auditorium Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. The presentation will last approximately 45 minutes followed by a brief question and answer session.

Used book sale

The Friends of the Livonia Civic Center Library is sponsoring three-day used book Sale Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5-6, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 7, from 1-5 p.m. There will

be many books including fiction, history, mystery, religious, and cookbooks as well as special books. Good prices will be on all the books.
On Sunday February

7, a bag of books can be purchased for \$5. All proceeds go back into the libraries. The Civic Center Library is located at 32777 Five Mile Road. For additional information call the library at 734-466-2495.

Coffee and conversation

Livonia's elected officials are inviting residents out for coffee and conversation.
The "Coffee and Con-

versations" event takes place Thursday, Jan. 28, from 6-7:30 p.m., at the Livonia Senior Center,

15218 Farmington Road

in Livonia. The goal, organizers said, is to offer a mean-ingful, casual evening with conversations among our local elected officials and our citizens. All of Livonia's elected officials - Mayor Dennis Wright, Treasurer Lynda Scheel, Clerk Susan Nash and city council members Kathleen McIntyre.

Brandon Kritzman, Maureen Miller Brosnan. Brian Meakin, Jim Jolly, Cathy White and Scott are slated to be

Eighth-grade Parent Night

there.

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

Students do not have to be currently attending a Wayne-Westland Com-munity School to attend. The event will be held

Feb. 10, at 6:30 p.m., in the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer Auditorium. Topics cov-ered will include scheduling, graduation requirements, testing out requirements, direct college courses, AP courses, extra-curricular activities, and much

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

Video games rated

The Westland Public Library started offering video games rated M (for mature) for patrons to borrow following a launch party Saturday.

Patrons can borrow popular games like Fall-out 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 bor-

rowed for seven days. 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.

'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 1:30-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 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

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

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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. February 9th, 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 **Thursday, January 28th, 2016** at **3:00 pm** at the Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, MI 48152. Please meet at the South Cafeteria. **This walk through is not mandatory, but highly recommended.**

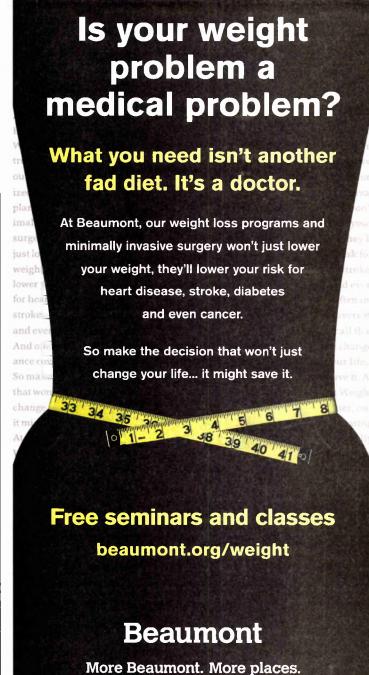
All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at a meeting convened at the Livonia Administrative Offices Lower Board Room starting at 2:00 pm February 9. 2016. Post-bid interviews will be held on February 10th - February 19th at the office of the George W. Auch Company OR Livonia Administration Office; 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.

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Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance



Man, teen charged in purse snatching

LeAnne Rogers

Two Romulus residents are facing charges stemming from a purse being snatched from an elderly woman in West-

Westland Police aren't releasing the name of the defendant who actually grabbed the 83-year old woman's purse outside

Value World, 35400 Central City Parkway, Dec. 9. He is a 16-year-old facing charges as a juvenile. Brent Gray, 18, is

charged with participat-ing in the purse snatch-ing and identified as being the getaway driver during the incident, along with using the victim's stolen credit cards.
Entering a not guilty

plea, Gray was ar raigned in Westland 18th District Court on charges of un-

Gray

armed robberv larceny from a person, stealing/retaining another's financial transaction device without their

consent and the illegal sale/use of a financial transaction device. He posted \$20,000/10-percent bond and is required to wear a GPS tether until his arraignment in Wayne County Circuit

The victim told police that as she was exiting her vehicle and putting her purse on her shoulder when someone ran up behind her, grabbed the purse and ran away from the scene on foot

Officers investigating at the scene were able to obtain surveillance footage from another nearby business. It showed the suspect fleeing into a vehicle that was parked nearby. The vehicle was already occupied by an

unknown driver.
The Westland Police

Detective Bureau obtained information about the victim's credit card being used in multiple cities. The subsequent investigation resulted in the identification and arrest of the two sus-

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GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Larceny

Just before 7 a.m. Jan. 22, police were called to a home in the 32000 block of Kathryn about a woman refusing to leave. The homeowner identified the Plymouth woman as his former girl-

The woman had called the Garden City man for a ride from her job at the Hustler Club when her expected ride fell through. The man said he used Uber to pick the woman up along with another couple and all returned to the Garden

City home.

The former girlfriend had initially told him she had no money, the home-

owner said, then waived around several hundred dollars in cash. When asked to pay for the ride, the man said she told him that she only had hundreds. The man said he paid for the ride.

The woman told police she counted her cash
over \$400 — in the
bathroom and then put it inside her bra before going to sleep on a love seat in the living room. She said the former boyfriend slept on a couch nearby. When she woke up, the woman said the money was missing.

After the woman got angry and was yelling, the homeowner told her to leave but she refused. He denied taking her

money and suggested that she may have lost

Larceny from a vehicle

On Jan. 23, a Livo-nia man told police that someone had smashed the window on his vehicle while it was parked at Roma's, 32550 Cherry Hill. The stereo had been

The man told police that a utility bill found in the car, addressed to a woman at Port Huron address, didn't belong to him or any-one he knew.

LeAnne Rogers

WAYNE COP CALLS

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident in the 4000 block of Fourth told po-lice Jan. 25 that someone had broken into her vehi-cle while it was parked on the street. The vehicle had unspecified damage and the woman reported some medications had been stolen.

Suspicious circumstances

WESTLAND COP CALLS

On Jan. 25, a resident in the area of Garfield and Madison told police that there were two men going around the neighborhood knocking on doors claiming to be taking surveys for Wall-side Windows. They were gone in an unknow<mark>n</mark> direction when officers responded.

Larceny

Police were called to 7-Eleven, 33920 Van Born, Jan. 22 after an employee reported a man had stolen a \$5 bottle of wine. She said two men entered the store and she kept an eye on one due to previous problems with

him.

The employee told

watched the police she watched the man go down an aisle, take the bottle of wine and conceal it inside his clothing before leaving the store.

The other suspect had stopped to talk with the clerk while the shop-

lifting was taking place. Surveillance video showed the two talking outside the store with the the second suspect giv-ing an unknown amount of money to the man who took the wine. The men then can be seen walking off in different direc-

Community meeting

Wayne Police Chief Alan Maciag will hold his monthly community meeting at 7 p.m. Thurs-day, Jan. 28 at the Wayne Police Department, 33701 E. Michigan Ave., just east of Howe. Everyone is invited to attend.

LeAnne Rogers

Fraud

» A Westland man told police Jan. 22 that some one had used his debit card to make a purchase of \$142 on Jan. 20 at an H&M clothing store in New Jersey. He said he still had the card in his possession.

» On Jan. 21, a West-land man told police that the previous day some-one had used his debit/ credit card without his permission to spend \$150 at Macy's in Edison, New

Jersey.

» A Westland man told police Jan. 19 that on Jan. 1 someone had used his debit/credit card without permission to spend \$196. He said one charge was in Indiana, the other in Ypsilanti. He said he didn't know how anyone got his card information.

» After being alerted to an overdraft on her debit card account, a Westland woman told police Jan. 21 that she

found someone had used her card number Jan. 19 to spend nearly \$700 without permission at Sam's Club in Grand Blanc.

» A Westland man told police Jan. 21 that he was contacted by phone about an unpaid balance on his PayPal account, but the man said he's never had a PayPal account.

Break-in

The furnace and water heater were reported

stolen from a vacant HUD home in the 1500 block of S. Carlson on Jan. 21. A management company employee re-ported the theft, which had happened since Jan. 18. The missing items were valued at \$700.

Counterfeit bills

An unidentified woman told police Jan. 21 that she had \$20 and \$100 bills she suspected were counterfeit. The officer said it was immediately

clear that the bills were phony with the wrong type of paper and no embedded security strip.

A Detroit man told police Jan. 20 that he lost his state unemployment benefits debit card at a gas station in Detroit on Dec. 24. While the card was missing, he said about \$240 was spent, including \$43 at a Westland Little Caesars store. There were other transactions in Romulus, Farmington and Dearborn/ Dearborn Heights.

Vandalism

On Jan. 22, a resident in the 32000 block of Muskegon Court told police that someone had apparently shot a rear window on her home with a BB gun causing a divot. She said it was recently noticed but had no idea when it happened

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Former Schoolcraft culinary chief remembered as 'good soul'

Brad Kadrich

When officials at Schoolcraft College were contemplating establishing a culinary program in the mid-1960s, they brought in a man named Herman Breith aupt to design it.

Then they brought his son, Robert Breithaupt, in to run the program. The younger Breithaupt ran the program for 29 years until his retirement in 1987. The program has grown into a renowned destination for

culinary artists.
Schoolcraft College President Conway Jeffress, who came to Schoolcraft in 1981, remembered Breithaupt, who died at age 89 on Jan. 16 in Charlevoix, as an "affable, pretty laidback guy."
"He was a very easy-

going guy," Jeffress said.
"He was a good soul."
According to informa-

tion provided on the Winchester Funeral Home website, Breith aupt was born Sept. 1, 1926, in Des Moines, Iowa, to Herman and Ida (Seltzer) Breithaupt. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, from 1944-1946, in the

Asiatic Pacific, and the Philippine Liberation. He received a Master of Science degree from Schoolcraft College, and spent his whole life working in the food service industry. First as an apprentice, later as a certified culinary educa tor, owner of his own business, and twenty five years as Dean of Culinary Arts at School-craft College in Livonia. In 1948, he married

Jovce Connie Nations in Detroit, and she preced-



Former Schoolcraft College culinary program director Robert Breithaupt with his wife, Ann. Breithaupt passed away Jan. 16.

ed him in death on April 8, 1990. Following Jovce's death, he made his home in Charlevoix, where he married Gloria 1995.

Jeffress remembered Breithaupt's fondness for John Wayne movies and how he incorporated The Duke into his teach-



COURTESY SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE Robert Breithaupt in his heyday as the culinary director at Schoolcraft

ing.
"He would refer to students as 'pilgrim,'" Jeffress recalled. "He was just a good guy.'

Breithaupt is survived

by his wife, Ann; children, Suzanne McCon-nell of Dearborn, The-resa (John) McPherson of Livonia, Janet (Jerry) Samples of Pisgah, Ala.; step-children, Pamela Rivard of Harrison Township, John Moore of Holly, William Moore of Cadillac; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister, Mary Ann Reed of Sco-trun, Penn.; daughter-in-law, Janet Breithaupt of Wilmington, N.C.; son-inlaw, Michael George McConnell of Redford.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, Robert Breithaupt Jr.; daughter, Catherine; son-in-law, Robert McConnell; brothers, Charles and Herman Breithaupt.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Georgia House, 5191 M-66 Hwy, N., Charle-voix, MI 49720.



Pastor Monica Villarreal at Salem Lutheran Church in Flint with some of the water that's been donated.

Holy Trinity continues sending water to Flint

Long before Gov. Sny der recognized the need for safe water in Flint, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church member Marga-

ret Ash went into action.
After hearing of the
water crisis in Flint last
October, Ash contacted
Pastor Monica Villarreal
at Salem Lutheran
Church in Flint and Church in Flint and asked her if they needed donations of water from Holy Trinity. Pastor Vil-

larreal happily accepted The first delivery of bottled water was made Nov. 3 by Ash and Holy Trinity members Sandy Retz and Jim Robertson There were so many donations of water, church officials said, that the entire bed of Rob-ertson's F-350 truck was

completely full. More water was collected during the church's Thanksgiving food drive and all was delivered to Salem. On Christmas Eve, 1-year old La'Marri was christened at Salem with bottles of clean water that were

with the need for water still strong, Ash is organizing another water drive at Holy Trinity, this time asking for gallon jugs of water to be dropped off at the ch by Jan. 30. Volunteers from Holy Trinity will then take the donated gallon jugs of water to Flint to help provide safe drinking water to that community. Church officials point out a gallon of water doesn't go very far when families have to cook with it, use it to make their morning coffee, brush their teeth with it, drink it and mix it with formula for babies

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is located at 39020 Five Mile in Livonia. For more information, call 734-464-0211 or visit www.holytrinitylivonia.org

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Farmington teen leads coat drive for NSO

When Amanda Hall attended the Leadership and Global Health program at Brown University in summer 2014, she conceived a community service program that would help get stray dogs off the

street. But when a professor suggested she come up with an idea that would take less time to implement and have a quicker impact on the people in her community, the 16-year-old North Farmington junior turned her attention to the weather. That's when she

decided the way she could help was to organize a coat drive, to help those in need make it through diffi-cult Michigan winters.

Working with members of her church, Brightmoor Christian Church in Novi, and the Neighborhood Service Organization in Detroit, Hall orga-nized a drive that saw some 2,000 articles of winter clothing make



Amanda Hall, a 16-year-old junior at North Farmington High School, spearheaded a coat drive at her church, Brightmoor Christian Church in Novi, to help those in need with the Neighborhood Service Organization in Detroit.

it to the hands - and backs - of those who

need it the most.
"I was very happy (with the drive's success)," said Hall, who originally thought the drive might net "a couple of coats." "Michigan weather can be really cold, and (the coat drive) is what came to mind. It

was bigger than I'd ever imagined. I thought it would be just a couple of coats. My church was

very supportive."
NSO hosted the kids from Brightmoor earlier this month for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service at the NSO Bell Building in Detroit. Doz ens of volunteers from

the church wound up distributing nearly 1,000 coats, along with hun-dreds of hats, gloves and scarves

Sheilah Clay, president and CEO of NSO, said the dignity with which the volunteers mostly students, handled the drive was impres-

Students acted as personal shoppers" to those needing help, using the NSO's gym as the shopping destination. Clay said the effort helped those in need, many of whom don't like to ask for help. "When you're working with children in low-

income homes, some-things they don't want to ask (for things like coats) because they know their families can't really af-ford it," Clay said. "The high school students handled it in such a digni-fied manner. I was very impressed" impressed.

Hall said members of her church came through in grand fashion, not only donating coats but also supplying a bus down-town for the volunteers and renting a truck to haul the coats. She said the drive was so successful she'd like to it an

annual thing.
"The congregation
was very generous," Hall
said. "Not only did they
donate a lot of coats, they
surprised me with the
bus and the U-Haul."

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Child support collection strengthened with state law

Family

Support Act by not

only en-suring the

collection

A four-bill package that will help ensure collection of child support pay-ments when parents live in different states or countries was signed into law as 2015 ended.

"In divorce and child custody situations, we must make sure the child's best interests are being preserved," said State Rep. Robert

Kosowski, D-Westland, a bill sponsor. "Just because a parent moves out of the state or even out of the country doesn't mean the re-sponsibility to provide for his or her child should end. This legislation brings Michigan in line with federal child support guide-

The bipartisan pack-age legislation amends the Uniform Interstate



of child support payments, Kosowski but also streamlining the process for collecting both international and interstate

payments.
It also takes the burden of determining the

legality of international child support orders off of employers. The UIF-SA provides universal and uniform rules for the enforcement of family support orders This legislation repeals the current UIFSA and reenacts the 2008 version, which brings

Michigan in line with federal guidelines. "When it comes to child custody, Michigan should not be an out-

lier," Kosowski said. "We must protect the needs of our most innocent residents — our children. That's why I was proud to work with my Republican co-spon-sors in both the House and Senate on this important legislation. I could not be happier that Gov. Snyder signed my legislation into law on the last day of 2015. This is a great way to start the New Year."



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Bottled water donations arrive at a steady pace Saturday evening as Carly Costello and Jessica Still of Garden City add to the mountain of water that the Garden City Ice Arena was collecting to help the residents of Flint.



Garden City residents Brody and Megan Funk come out for the Glow Skate at the Garden City Ice Arena Saturday night and help Flint residents with a case of water. Admission was waived with every case of water donated.

'Very giving community' of GC steps up with Flint water donations

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Caring Garden City residents came through with water donations for the people of

Flint this past weekend at the Garden City Ice Arena.

"It went really well," said
Dan Plamondon, Garden City's Parks and Recreation director, on Monday morning, referencing the rink collection of bottled water over the week end for the city of Flint. Flint has faced a safe water crisis in recent years after its leaders switched over to the polluted

Flint River as a water source. Plamondon said some 439 cases of water were collected this past weekend at the Garden City Ice Arena. The free admission with water donated for the Saturday night Glow Skate wasn't a huge success, however, the men's over 30

league did a lot.
"Their league donated \$500 so we're going to utilize that money to purchase water, Plamondon said of that Friday night league, which includes

City Councilman Mark Jacobs.
The men's over 30 league donation led to 255 cases of water, with the Sunday men's league providing 70 cases, the Garden City Youth Athletic Association 27 cases, and the balance from those who stopped by to donate over the

weekend. "I'm very ecstatic we were able to do that," Plamondon said

He anticipates delivery this Friday to Flint residents of the donated water, done in conjunction with a Redford event as part of a collection coordinated through the office of state Sen. David Knezek.

Plamondon came up w his idea last week while using the treadmill to work out. He grew up in Flint and still has

family there. "It means a lot," he said of the donations. "I know our water is going to families that need it. I'm really proud for Garden City stepping up and helping the cause. Garden City's a very giving communi-

ty. Added Jacobs at Monday night's City Council meeting, "Dan at the ice rink has done a really good job." The Garden

really good job." The Garden
City Fire Department and
public library also served as
water drop-off points locally.
"We are donating well over
700 cases," added Mayor Randy Walker. He urged residents
to stan but the fire station and to stop by the fire station on the east side of Middlebelt, north of Ford Road, to donate bottled water through noon this Friday.

"The people of Garden City are fantastic," Walker added.

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Former Garden City residents Cece Camp and Pat Guziak came in from Ortonville with 15 cases of water for Flint residents. It was part of a three-day water drive held at Garden City Ice Arena



TOM BEAUDOIN

Stamper are ready for Glow Skating but first they have bottled water to



TOM BEAUDOIN

Garden City Recreation Coordinator Tori Butler and Parks and Recreation Director Dan Plamondon stand with the mountain of water that was donated Saturday night to help Flint residents.



Mariam Safah, Zeina Mariam Haddad and Rana Safah of Garden City come out to help the residents of Flint with bottled water collected at the Garden City Ice Arena over the weekend



Marti Wojciechowski of Livonia brings water to the Garden City Ice Rink Saturday as part of the bottle water drive for the residents of Flint.

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Holland speaks at joint chamber event

General Manager Ken Holland will speak at a breakfast gathering Tuesday, Feb. 9, for the Livonia, Greater Far-mington Area and West land chambers of com-

The program sored by Bright House Business Solutions, PNC Bank, Lis, McCallion, Raymor and Co. and St. Mary Mercy Hospital

a.m. at the Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Cen-

Holland is in his 19th season as the team's chief personnel officer During that time, the Wings won three Stanlev Čup championships. He previously held roles as a scout and assistant general manager during his 32 years with the organization.

He played professional hockey until 1985, primarily in the American Hockey League as a

goaltender.
The Red Wings are in contention for their 25th consecutive berth in the Stanley Cup play-offs, which would maintain the longest such streak among all professional sports teams. Holland will talk

about the current team,

the competitiveness of the National Hockey League, answer audience questions, and sign autographs at the event. Admission is \$35 per person, or \$25 for members of either chamber.

For more details, call the Livonia Chamber at 734-427-2122, the West-land Chamber at 734-326-7222, and the Greater Farmington Chamber at 248-919-6917



Detroit Red Wings General Manager Ken Holland is the featured speaker at a chamber of commerce event Feb. 9 at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center.

Botsford Commons celebrates 'fullness of life'

National Activity Pro-fessionals Week is an opportunity to honor activity professionals and the significant role they play in bringing joy and a fullness of life to seniors. This year, Bots-ford Commons Senior Community celebrated their staff, the Fullness of Life team, during the nationally celebrated week, Jan. 17-23.

Botsford Commons' residents are the priority for the Fullness of Life team, including Suzanne Lipar, Barb Smith and Leslie Drielts. Each of these devoted activity professionals engage in person-centered activ-ities and specially designed programing with their residents.

Botsford Commons is especially proud of their activities staff as all three have their National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (CTRS), the premier credentialing organiza tion for the profession of Therapeutic Recreation.

» Barb Smith, Full-ness of Life and Volunteer Services Coordina-tor for the independent community plans fre-quent trips all around Michigan, elaborate community meals and one-onone time for those residents who have individ-



COURTESY BOTSFORD COMMONS

Botsford Commons' Fullness of Life staff — (from left) Suzanne Lipar, Barb Smith and Leslie Drielts — celebrate National Activity Professional Week

ual needs. Working with independent community residents keeps Smith busy and feeling grate-

» Leslie Drielts, Full-ness of Life coordinator for the assisted living community is gifted in creativity, exceptional arts and crafts skills and a sense of humor to turn any frown upside down. She has a strong back-ground in working with residents moving through the aging process and her kind demea-nor comforts residents and their families.

» Suzanne Lipar, Fullness of Life Manager for Botsford Continuing Care Center works with a wide variety of residents

including physically challenged seniors to those with severe Alzheimer's diseases. She understands the aging process and how to communicate with residents when they may need extra social interaction or a change in their day-to-day routine.
It is the different

blend of gifts and talents all three of these professionals bring to the residents of Botsford Commons, allowing them to live the mission state-ment every day, "to cre-ate a fullness of life through the joy of relationships, the art of caring, and the spirit of living," Botsford officials

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Social security event

Thrivent Financial is hosting a free educational event to help attendees start to develop a strategy to maxi-mize social security benefits. The 60-minute event will be held at:

» Redford District Library, 25320 W. Six Mile Road, Redford, Tuesday, Feb. 2, 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Westland City Hall 36300 Warren Road Westland, MI 48185, Feb. 4, 2;30 p.m. » Westland City Hall,

36300 Warren Road, Westland, Thursday, Feb. 4, 4:30 and 6:30

p.m.
The event is presented by the Huron Valley Group with Thrivent Financial in Plymouth and will seek to answer common questions about Social Security, such as:

» Five factors to consider when deciding when to apply for bene

» How to minimize taxes on Social Security benefits » How to coordinate Social Security with

your other sources of retirement income. The event is available to the public. To register for this free event, call Matt Cren

shaw at 734-455-9272 or email huronvalleygroup@thrivent.com Redford

scholarships The Redford Cham-ber of Commerce's Scholarship applica-tions are available for pick-up at the chamber office, located at 26050 Five Mile Road in Red-

Any high school senior who has been a Redford resident for at least two years may apply.

Call Marti at the chamber office, 313-535-0960, for more informa-

Holland breakfast

Detroit Red Wings General Manager Ken Holland will be the guest of honor and keynote speaker at the

chamber-sponsored Breakfast with Ken Holland event, 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty in Livonia.

Enjoy a buffet break-fast with Holland, whom organizers call "one of the most inspirational managers in professional sports over the past 16 years." Autographs and photos to follow.

Cost is \$25 for chamber members, \$35 for guests. To register, call Cheryl at 248-919-6917.

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Down market good time to convert to Roth IRA

here's no doubt that markets have recently taken a re-treat. How long markets will stay low is anyone's guess. As I've mentioned in the past, when mar-kets are volatile, investors need to be cautious. That being said, investors should also look for opportunities when markets temporarily head south. One of the oppor tunities investors should explore is a Roth conversion.

There are two basic types of IRAs: a tradiional IRA and a Roth IRA. The main differis how they are taxed. In a traditional IRA, money grows on a tax-deferred basis; when money is withdrawn, it is subject to ordinary income tax. In addition, in a traditional IRA, once you turn 70½, you must begin taking required minimum distributions. In a Roth IRA, the tax consequences are totally different. First, money in a Roth IRA grows taxfree; when money is withdrawn, there are no taxes owed. In addition, Roth IRAs are not sub-ject to required minimum distributions. You can let a Roth IRA grow tax-free for as long as you choose.

For those who have money in a traditional IRA a conversion is where you take money from the traditional and move it into a Roth. The advantage is that you've converted tax-deferred money into tax-free mon-ey and you're not subject to the 70½ rule. Doing a Roth conversion not only



Rick Bloom MONEY MATTERS

makes sense economically, but also from a tax standpoint. When markets are down, it allows you to convert more shares from a traditional IRA into a Roth IRA.

Let's say you owned a stock that a few months ago was selling for \$15 a share, but it is now sell-ing for \$10 a share. If you owned 100 shares of that stock and you converted it when it was \$15 a share, you would have a \$1,500 tax consequence. If you did it at \$10 a share, the tax conse quence would only be \$1,000. Because markets are temporarily low. it creates opportunities for more and more people to take advantage of a Roth IRA conversion.

My general rules for doing a Roth IRA conversion are 1) You have to have the money to pay the tax on the amount converted without touching any of the converted funds; 2) Paying the tax on the conversion would not throw you into a high er tax bracket and 3) You can leave the money in the Roth IRA for at least five years. If you meet those requirements converting into a Roth IRA can make sense

I am a big fan of Roth IRAs and I encourage more and more people to look into them. My reasoning is twofold. Money growing tax-deferred is not worth nearly as much as money growing tax-free. Also, I believe they give you greater flexibility than a traditional IRA There are many people who, once they turn 70½, don't need the money and would prefer to it in the traditional IRA, growing on a tax-deferred basis. You can't do this because of required minimum distributions. In a Roth IRA, you have flexibility because you can let it grow tax-free for as long

as you choose. Many people who consider a Roth IRA conversion generally wait until the end of the year. Why wait? If you're thinking about doing a Roth conversion, the down market creates an excellent opportunity for

Like everything else in the financial world, Roth IRA conversions are not for everyone. If you meet the three criteria that I've outlined above, a Roth IRA conversion can provide an excellent opportunity for

You and I cannot control the market, but we can look for opportuni-ties to take advantage of it. The key is, don't pro-crastinate or try to time the market. Since the market has taken a significant downturn, now is a great opportunity to take advantage of a Roth conversion

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

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An arctic fox roams on a naturalistic habitat at the Detroit Zoo.





Rofu, a red panda, scampers around the 200.

DETROIT ZOO STAYS WILD FOR WINTER

Temperatures may be frosty, but there's still plenty of wildlife to see this time of year at the Detroit Zoo, which is coming off a recordbreaking year of atten-

dance.
The family-friendly
"Wild Winter" weekends
are returning from 11
a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 6-7 at
the Ford Education Center in Royal Oak. The events are free with zoo admission.

Gray wolves, wolverines, Japanese macaques, tigers, camels, polar bears, arctic foxes and red pandas can all be see outside, according to a press release.

Visitors can also ex-plore various indoor areas, too, including the Edward Mardigian Sr. River Otter Habitat, the Matilda R. Wilson Free-Flight Aviary, Butterfly Garden Holden Reptile Conservation Center. National Amphibian Conservation Center, Great Apes of Harambee and Penguinarium



Kisa the tiger prowls the icy terrain.

The zoo is open 362 days a year.

"When it's too cold for the giraffes and rhinos to be outside, there are

indoor viewing areas where visitors can see these majestic animals year-round," Detroit Zoological Society executive director and CEO

Ron Kagan stated. In 2015, a modern-record of 1,476,378 people came to the zoo,

breaking the 1997 record by more than 100,000. It's also the ninth straight year that attendance has topped 1 million, the zoo

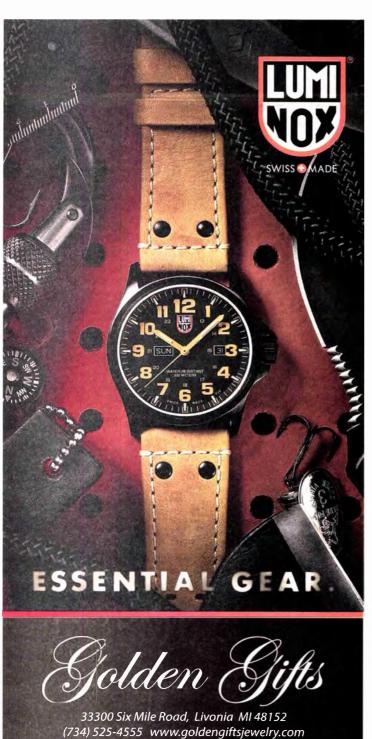
Popular attractions this year included: the annual Wild Lights holiday light display, which attracted more than 144,000 people; the Cotton Family Wolf Wilderness, which opened in June; and the Dinosauria exhibit with 40 anima-tronic dinosaurs, the zoo

said.
"Good weather for most of the year, Wild Lights, wolves, dinosaurs and continued improve-ments in operations and facilities are all contrib-uting factors," Kagan stated. "We're grateful to our community for another fantastic year and look forward to provid-

ing even more outstanding experiences."

The zoo is home to 2,500 animals representing 270 species that live on 125 acres of naturalistic babitats ralistic habitats.

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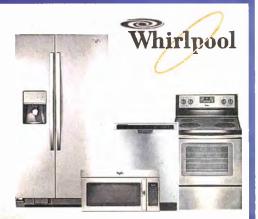
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OPINION

Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

State law limiting officials' right to speak a mistake

Free speech issues arise often in our country. They can be thorny for courts to resolve in many cases, in which competing and often valid interests and viewpoints must be balanced.

Newspapers, which have a particular interest in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, often rally to the cause not merely for self-interest but for the larger principles investigation.

the larger principles involved.

Public officials, such as mayors, city council members, school superintendents and library directors also have their free speech rights under the U.S. Constitution. A new law signed by Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder has many of them concerned about their speaking as it relates to millage and bond

Derek Fisher, superintendent of the Garden City Public Schools, said, "The sad irony is the spirit of the initial legislation started out solid" with election

reform. "In my estimation, it makes it incredibly difficult" to inform voters on millage renewals and

ficult" to inform voters on millage renewals and bond issues, Fisher said.

"We're about transparency, we're about educating the public," said Fisher, citing the Garden City Schools millage renewal about a year and a half ago when he was Garden City High School principal. Voters wanted to know how money was to be spent, and educators explained purposes such as the high

and educators explained purposes such as the high school parking lot and elementary school boilers. Other public officials have spoken out as well against the new law. On the millage and bond measure, state Rep. Julie Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights, said, "We (legislators) were given 10 minutes. I never even saw the bill. School districts are very upset, which I do not blame them. I personally

think there are going to be a lot of lawsuits."

The law limits discussions on the millage and

bond measures 60 days out before an election. Certainly it's inappropriate for officials to use their plat-

form to strong arm voters into voting a certain way.
Factual information on why money is needed, such as Fisher's explanation of the high school parking lot and elementary school boilers, is a different matter. In those cases, civic leaders have every right, we believe, to share their views and make

their case before voters.

An informed electorate is the best electorate, and voters can make informed decisions only with facts. Professional organizations for school administra-tors, the Michigan Library Association and others re now mulling their options on this law.

Democracy is rarely easy, but we believe in this case the law should be repealed and basic First Amendment rights restored to those who serve in a public capacity

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to school boards

As you may know, the month of January is designated as School Board Appreciation Month and, as such, this is a time for all of us to recognize the good work of our elected officials

who advocate for public education.

To say that this is a challenging time for public education would be an understatement. The fact of the matter is. school boards across our great state are working through issues that are unprecedented. Each day, board members are faced with ensuring that rigorous and competitive programs remain in

place and each day they advocate for the success of every student. Their mission is made all the more difficult when we reflect on the fact that while our economy rebounds, per pupil fund-ing has not surpassed

2007 levels.
The Garden City
Board of Education, and
their colleagues from school boards across the state, preserve the core values of our democracy by advocating for public education. Ultimately, it is the school board mem ber, who through the local governance model, ensures that school programming represents our community's values. culture and vision.

The position of a

school board member is not easy, and the duties of the job bring numerous challenges. Consider-ing this, our district is asking all members of our school community to take a moment and thank a school board member. Thank them for their commitment to public education, thank them for their perseverance during challenging fi-nancial times and thank them for advocating for our children.

Derek Fisher

Garden City Public Schools

Family affair

I have lived in what now has become West-land for 58 years and have paid attention to and enjoyed knowing members of our local

memoers of our local government. But, good grief, read-ing the story about our newly elected councilpersons could cause one to think that local gov-ernment in Westland is a family affair.

I suppose this could be a workable idea, but thinking about how diffi-

cult it is to tell a fellow worker that his cocka-mamie idea is not going to work could be partic-ularly difficult if he is your brother-in-law. If you doubt its value, do

you doubt its value, up you support it anyway? How do you keep from discussing city business when you're having a beer and the wives are fixing dinner? Maybe there is a reason for the concern about nepotism.

James Cook

Technology combats hunger

Worldwide hunger is likely to be the preeminent issue of our time. The world's population is growing exponentially and that means more mouths to feed. Yet, as we are building shelter for our new inhabitants, we are simultaneously destroying our natural resources. Additionally, entire harvests are lost because bacteria and viruses have found new ways to overcome the natural defenses of many crops. Modern

technology allows us to combat this adversity, using genetic engineer ing and biotechnology to create Genetically Mod-ified Organisms (GMOs). This innovation will benefit not only farmers, but communities worldwide by increasing the amount of food produced

for consumption.

Since ancient times, mankind has attempted its own style of genetic modification using selec-tive breeding. For example, if a farmer was trying to yield more crops, they would breed the seeds that were most resistant to disease and pests. That is no longer necessary as genetic engineering has led to

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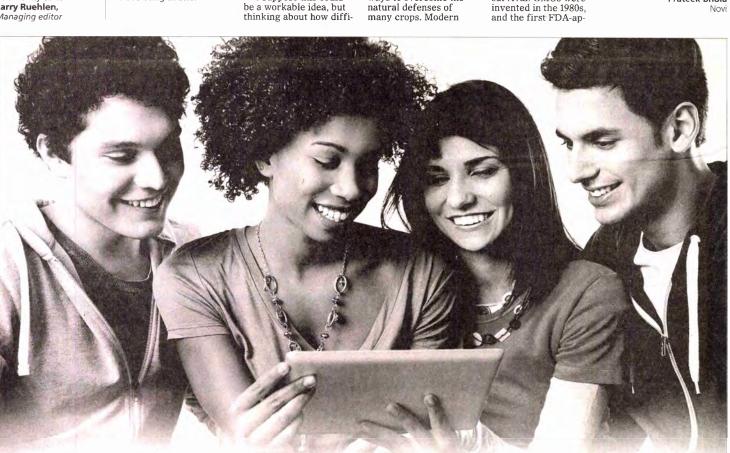
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MHSAA HONOR

Spartan Oquist finalist for award

Hockey player lauded for dual excellence

Livonia Stevenson senior hockey player Alex Oquist epitomizes the term "studentathlete," a fact that is reflected in a special honor the Spartan recently received from the Michigan High School Athletic Association.
Oquist is one of 120 finalists

for the MHSAA's Scholar-Athlete Award — an honor hundreds of high school students from across Michigan were nominated to receive.

The program, celebrating its 27th anniversary, will ultimately honor 32 individuals from MHSAA member schools who participate in at least one sport in which the association sponsors a postseason tournament.



Oquist

ance underwrites the Scholar-Athlete Awards and will present a \$1,000 scholarship to each recipient. Since the beginning of the program, 672 scholarships have been awarded.

"Alex Oquist is a tremen-dous young man who is an asset to our team, our school and our community," said Stevenson hockey coach David Mitch in both academics and athletics. He has extremely high

character and is so very de-serving of this recognition. "The Stevenson High School hockey team, school and community are very proud of him and are honored to be associat ed with such a fine young individual."

Scholarships will be present-

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HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

COLLISION COURSE?

Franklin wrestling teammates could face daunting encounter

Ed Wright

If the absolute worst-case scenario unfolds next month for Livonia Franklin wrestling teammates Joe Fortin and Josh Retting, the hard-hitting term "blood round" will never hold a deeper meaning.
Once the Michigan High

School Athletic Association Division 1 individual wrestling state tournament rolls around in just over three weeks, the longtime friends may be facing a career-ending (or career-extending) face-off against the person who has been most responsible for sharpening their finely-tuned mat skills.

If the cards are dealt the way some foresee, the Patriots' pair of 215-pound aces — who push each other relentlessly in practice — will be pitted in a do-or-done showdown against one another.

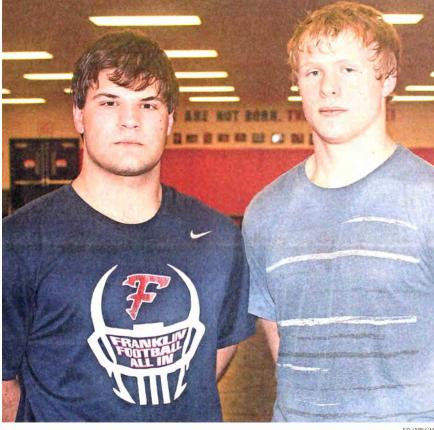
Both Fortin and Retting share nearly identical records of high-twenties wins against three losses, so they're both expected to advance to the quarterfinal round of the individual and regional rounds, where only the top four wrestlers in each weight class ad vance, placing them on a colli-sion course with the other. And there's nothing they, nor

Franklin head coach Dave Chiola, can do about it — except go down (or move on) battling.

The way high school wres-tling weight classes are slotted, if one of the two Patriots were to relocate to the next-heaviest bracket (285), he'd be giving up too much weight and strength to potential opponents.

Moving down to the next-lightest class (189) isn't an option either, given the 20-some pound weight loss that it would demand.

"If we do end up meeting in the blood round at regionals, it would [stink] because one of us



Livonia Franklin senior wrestlers Joe Fortin (left) and Josh Retting have excelled at the 215-pound weight class this season. They were also linemates for the Patriots' final-four football team.

would be knocking out a friend and a teammate," said Fortin. But we both know that if it does happen, we have to go out there on the mat like the other one is an opponent, not a

A Patriot-vs.-Patriot bloodround match would be excruciating to watch for Franklin head coach Dave Chiola, who

lists Fortin and Retting among his favorite competitors

"I've been coaching for a long time, and both of these guys are two of the hardest workers I've had," Chiola said. "They come every day ready to work and make themselves better. They have different backgrounds. Josh comes from a wrestling family, whose dad

and brother wrestled. Joe was just a big, strong ninth-grader that we had to convince him and his family to give wrestling a chance.

"They are both great kids the type of guys you hope your daughter brings home one day. I've had both of them in my

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HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Spartan goalie Barber cuts down Trenton, 3-0

Ed Wright

As high school hockey's stretch run approaches, Livonia Stevenson appears to be in full-

gallop mode. On Friday night at Eddie Edgar Arena, the Spartans short-circuited state power Trenton, 3-0, thanks to some timely scoring and 51 minutes of lock-down goaltending from senior Cullen Barber.

"Anytime vou get a win over Trenton, it is special," emphasized Stevenson head coach David Mitchell. "They are such a tradition-rich program and this year is no exception. They have some great players and

are really well-coached. "Our team played a solid, complete hockey game and when we did break down. Cullen Barber was there; he was

outstanding in net for us. Hopefully, we can keep this going as our schedule just keeps getting tougher going forward. We have

Stevenson out-shot the Tro-jans, 33-27. Trenton's goalie Anthony Lemerand kept his team in the thick of things by making 30 stops.

Stevenson led 2-0 after one period thanks to goals from Adam Olson and Shane Leonard. Olson's power-play goal was assisted by Ben Kowalske and Joe Alcantara.

Alcantara and Alec Allen

picked up helpers on Leonard's

Stevenson fortified its lead when Brendan Hall netted his first goal as a Spartan. He was assisted by Nick Beers and

Trenton started the opening 1:48 of the third period with a



Nick Beers, pictured during a game earlier this season, picked up an assist in Livonia Stevenson's 3-0 victory over Trenton.

five-on-three advantage, but the Spartans were able to kill it off, which Mitchell noted was "a huge turning point" in the

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Churchill pom coach wanted

Livonia Churchill is in immediate need of a varsity pompon coach.

Interested parties should email their resume and qualifications to Churchill athletic director Marc Hage at mhage@livoniapublicschools.org.

Mike **Donnelly** Recognition Night

On Wednesday, Feb. 3, the Livonia Franklin hockey program will host a Mike Donnelly Recognition Night, that will include a brief pregame cere-mony that will honor the former Patriot record-setting icer.

During the 1981 season

Franklin, Donnelly set the school record for points in



Donnelly

a season with 98 — a mark that still stands 35 years

Donnelly moved on to play hockey for Michigan State University, where he scored the game-win-ning goal in a nationalchampionship game against Harvard, Donnelly finished that season with 59 goals, a Division 1 record that still stands.

Donnelly continued on to carve out a stel-lar 10-year career in the National Hockey League, which in-cluded a season with the Los Angeles Kings when he played on the same line with Wayne Gretzky.

Redford Union **swimming**

The Redford Union boys swimming and diving team improved its record to 3-2 last Thursday with an 89-64 victory over Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

Double winners for

the Panthers were Mac Keyandwy, who touched first in the 200-yard freestyle and 100 backstroke; and Ryan Mangipudi, who won both the 50 freestyle and 100 free style.

"Ryan just started swimming with us as a senior this year," noted RU head coach Stuart Mair, "I recruited him out of the community swim program last summer and he swam through the fall with the girls, so it has been enjoyable to watch Ryan progress so much over the months."

Raymond Samuel also picked up firstplace points in the grueling 500 freetyle

race.
"We have twelve swimmers this year, up from seven last year, and it had made a huge difference," said Mair. "Our core from last year is back and we simply have more bodies. In addition, we are getting the diving going again as we are one of the few pools left that has a board and has the legal depth as well

We just keep chipping away, from all angles, and that's all you can do and we are having fun, along the

LIVONIA CITY SWIM MEET

Host Stevenson rules the pool

Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson senior swimmer Jackson O'Dowd made sure his final Livonia City Meet would be one to

remember.
Led by O'Dowd's two individual first-place efforts and his contribu-tions to a pair of successful Spartan relays, Stevenson out-pointed Livonia rivals Franklin and Churchill in the

annual tri-meet held at Stevenson. O'Dowd won the 50 freestyle in a lightning-quick time of 21.59 seconds
— nearly two seconds faster than teammate Parker Wasielewski — and the 100 free in 47.19 seconds, close to eight seconds ahead of Stevenson's Connor Beck (54.89).

O'Dowd swam the first leg of the Stevenson's first-place 200 freestyle relay team, which also consisted of Beck, Luke Santi and Benjamin Rojew-ski; and its second-place 400 free relay quartet of Blake Beck, Rojewski and

Bryce Reinhart. Junior Kevin Taylor enjoyed a productive night for Churchill as he won the 200 individual medley in 2:09.0, out-stroking Santi by just over nine seconds. He also captured the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:04.65, touching ahead of Stevenson's Nolan O'Dowd (1:07.17).

Churchill senior Ethan Burke continued his dominance on the diving board, accumulating 314.10 points to nearly double up his closest compet-itor, runner-up Patrick Holton. Several youngsters shined, includ-ing Stevenson freshman Rojewski,

who won the 200 freestyle by over 10 seconds with a clocking of 1:54.67.

Stevenson sophomore Benjamin
LaPorte gave the upper-classmen all
they could handle as well, winning the
100 butterfly with a time of 58.42 over freshman teammate Santi.

Ethan Nordstrom was one of many bright spots for Franklin.

LIVONIA CITY MET
Tuesday at Stevenson
200-yard medley relay: 1, Stevenson (Bryan Reppenhagen,
Nolan O'Dowd, Parker Waselewski, Like Santi), 1-48,59; 2,
Churchill (Nathan Surton, Kevin Taylor, Ethan Stack, Dash Dober),
1-54,29; 3, Stevenson (Brandon Kerbu, Hans Anderson, Benjamin
LaParte, Blake Beck), 1-55,71; 4, Franklin (Ethan Nordstrom, Bryan
Hives, Patrick Selix, Andrew Niemiec), 2-03,44; 5. Churchill (Alex
Babut, Anthoni Campbell-LaGilzi, Jason Henzi, Andrew Saltzmann), 2-03,44.
200 freestvile: 1. Replamin Policy of March March Saltz-

mann), 2:03.44, 200 freestyle: 1. Benjamin Rojewski (S), 1:54.67; 2. Joey Ferracciolo (S), 2:05.82; 3. Joel Nagle (C), 2:07.66; 4. Colin Dillon (C), 2:09.99; 5. Patrick Seliz (F), 2:12.17. 200 individual medley: 1. Kevin Taylor (C), 2:09.00; 2. Luke Santi (S), 2:18.07; 3. Nathan Sutton (C), 2:19.47; 4. Brandon Kerby (S), 3:23.23

(S), 2:23.03.
50 freestyle: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (S), 21.59; 2. Parker Wasie-



Livonia Stevenson's Jacob Fuher has his eyes on the prize during Tuesday night's 100-yard butterfly race.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Churchill's Tim Ohtake shows good form during a freestyle race Tuesday night.

lewski (S), 23.37; 3. Dash Dobar (C), 25.34; 4. Andrew Niemiec (F), 26.99; 5. John Kerstein (C), 28.61; 6. Daven King (F), 33.18. **Threeter divings: 1. Ethan Burke (C), 314.10 points; 2. Patrick Holton (C), 163.58; 3. Kevin Tarta (C), 161.70; 4. Jacob Hall (S), 311.63; 5. Victor Huang (S), 105.38; 100 butterfly: 1. Benjamin LaPorte (S), 58.42; 2. Luke Santi (S), 59.37; 3. Ethan Nortstorn (F), 1:04.09, 4. Ethan Stack (C), 1105.96; 5. Patrick Selix (F), 1:06.47; 6. Jason Henzi (C), 1:14.80. 100 freestyle: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (S), 47.19; 2. Connor Beck (S), 54.89; 3. Dash Dobar (C), 56.18; 4. Andrew Niemiec (F), 1:02.93; 5. Steven Haywood (C), 1:07.88; 6. Bryan Hives (F), 1:08.12.

500 freestyle: 1. Benjamín Rojewski (S), 4:55.27; 2. Nathan Sutton (C), 5:14.96; 3. Bíake Beck (S), 5:21.38; 4. Colin Dillon (C),

5:52.84. **200 freestyle relay:** 1. Stevenson (Jackson O'Dowd, Connor Beck, Luke Santi, Benjamin Rojewski), 1:35.62; 2. Churchill (Dash Dobar, Joel Nagle, Jason Henzi, Colin Dillon), 1:46.44; 3. Stevenson

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TOM BEAUDOIN

Franklin's Patrick Selix puts everything he has into the 200-yard freestyle race.

(Zachary Bouzas, Gabe Curtis, Blake Beck, Bryce Reinhart),
1:46.68; 4. Churchill (Tim Ohtake, Anthoni Campbell-LaClair,
Steven Haywood, Devin Belanger), 2:00.50.
100 backstroke: 1. Parker Wasielewski (5), 56.20; 2. Benjamin
LaPorte (S), 59.67; 3. Ethan Stack (C), 1:05.21; 4. Ethan Nordstrom
(F), 1:06.38; 5. Alex Babut (C), 1:17.14.
100 breaststroke: 1. Kevin Taylor (C), 1:04.65; 2. Nolan
O'Dowd (S), 1:07.17; 3. Joey Ferracciolo (S), 1:13.06; 4. Bryan
Hives (F), 1:25.52; 5. Anthoni Campbell-LaClair (C), 1:26.47,
400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Connor Beck, Brandon
Kerly, Benjamin LaPorte, Parker Wasielewski), 3:40.58; 2.
Stevenson (Jackson O'Dowd, Blake Beck, Benjamin Rojewski,
Bryce Reinhard; 3:42.23; 3. Churchill (Nathan Sutton, Joel Wagle,
Colin Dillon, Kevin Taylori, 3:46.51; 4. Franklin (Ethan Nordstrom,
Bartick Selfx, Andrew Miemier, Bryan Hiwe), 4:11.59; 5. Churchill
(Devin Belanger, Steven Haywood, Ethan Stack, John Kerstein),
4:22.26.

COLLISION

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class and they are model students: high

standards and very intelligent."
Selfishness is not in either wrestler's

vocabulary, noted Chiola.

"They are both extremely selfless," he emphasized. "For two years now, each would do great at 215, but they know the team is better if one of them goes heavyweight (285), so they alternate. It's not an ideal situation for me as a coach, because you want every kid to have the best year he can have. It's not an ideal situation for them, because sometimes they go out there giving up 70 pounds. But neither complains."

Both wrestlers offered similar responses when asked how their teammate has improved his own skill set over the past

"Joe does whatever it takes to help make me better — whether it's critiquing me for things I should be doing differently, me for things I should be doing differently, to pushing me as hard as he can in practice," said Retting. "It's definitely been helpful having someone as good as he is to go up against in practice every day."

"We wrestle with completely different styles, for the most part," Fortin added.
"Lech wrestles like a big many he wants to

"Josh wrestles like a big man; he wants to throw guys, while I wrestle more like a little guy with a mix of upper-weight moves. I like to shoot more than he does, so he's pretty good at defending that, just because he sees it a lot from me in workouts. We both try to push each other as hard as we can because we know it's going

to make both of us better."
While a potential bittersweet match looms in the distance, Chiola said he wouldn't be surprised if both Patriots advanced to the individual state finals at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

"I watch them help each other while drilling in practice, cheering each other on while the other wrestles," Chiola added. "And in the end, they may face off with only one spot open for the state tournament. Obviously the goal is to get both of them through they are both good enough." them through; they are both good enough and deserving. It's a unique situation. Many teams double enter kids at weights, but sometimes there's an upper-classman and a lower-classman, or deep down a coach knows that one kid is more deserving, or sometimes, one kid is just significantly better. I've gone through all that as a coach.

"This situation is a bit different. These two are really even, both seniors, both deserve it and both are dedicated. Their parents even sit together and cheer both on. I've jokingly said that if they squared of in the blood round, I would probably leave the gym. Whatever happens, I can guarantee that each will be happy for the other, and will help that one achieve his goal. I just hope it's both of them."

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

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Will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at which time, candidates of the Republican and Democratic parties for the following office will be voted upon in the City of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan:

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16B	Buchanan School	16400 Hubbard Road
17A	Hoover School	15900 Levan Road
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34B	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
34C	Grant School	9300 Hubbard Road
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35B	McKinley Center	28030 Cathedral Avenue
35C	McKinley Center	28030 Cathedral Avenue
36A	Emerson Center	29100 West Chicago Ave
36B	Cleveland School	28030 Cathedral Avenue

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

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SUSAN M. NASH LIVONIA CITY CLERK

ABSTRACT WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2016-04 January 19, 2016

January 19, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. Presentations: Police Commendations to Lindberg & McKay; Certificates to the 2016/2017 Distinguished Young Women Scholarship Winners; Lindsey Wooten with an update from Wayne Main Street APPROVED: minutes of spec. mtgs. of Jan. 5 & 12; reg. mtg. of Jan. 5; reappt. Donald Toms to Library Bd; appt. Michael Smith to Nankin Transit Comm.; appts. of Christopher Chytry, Kevin Dowd, Cynthia Graham, Jason Kuczynski, Jill Lezotte-Kates, Frank Robak, Sean Staley, David Story and Kristen Wolf to the Community Financial Task Force Committee; appts of Willie Coleman, Albert Damitio, Deborah Wass, & Terry Shenk to the 2016 Bd. Of Review; purchase of Force LMS Software; establish receiving bd. for 2016 elections; accept parcels formerly known as 3241 Third & 34834 Glover from WC right of 2nd refusal; calling two public hearings for CDBG pgm for 2/2/16 & 2/16/16 at 8:00 p.m.; Bd. of Review guidelines for 2016 poverty exemption; creation of MERS division & defined benefit plan; New Hire Dept. Hd. Compensation Plan; appoint Lori Fodale as Comm. Dev/Econ Dev Director; opposed to PA 269; call special meeting for 2/3/16 at 6:00 p.m.; consent calendar. Received and filed Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 9:35 p.m. Communications and Reports. Adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller City Clerk

ary 28, 2016

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN FOR THE MARCH 8, 2016 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Please take Notice that the Presidential Primary Election in the City of Westland will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

The last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote at the Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, is Monday, February 6, 2016. Persons registering after 4:00 in the evening on Monday, February 6, 2016 are not eligible to vote at this Presidential Primary Election.

On the ballot for the Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 will be Democratic and Republican candidates for the office of President of the United States in order to select the nominee for each party.

You may register at the Westland City Clerk's office or at any Secretary of State Office.

RICHARD LeBLANC Westland City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 2 1/19/16

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Coleman, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
13: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 1/4/16.
- Bid for Demolition of various Norwayne Properties to Oakwood Building Co.cost not to exceed \$54,590.

Bid for Asbestos Remediation of various Norwayne Properties to Environmental

Maintenance; cost not to exceed \$3,360.

NSP acquisition for 2 properties (33622 Calumet & 32018 Cheboygan).

NSP acquisition for 1 property (31903 Calhoun).

NSP disposition for 1 property (1148 N. Hanlon).

15: Belgian Beer Festival 2/12-13 @ Ashley's Beer & Grill, 7525 N. Wayne Rd.

16: SLU for prop. Adult Education Ctr., 6615 N. Venoy w/contingencies.

Warren Rd. w/contingencies.

18: StU for prop. Limousine Service/Storage, 38167 Abruzzi.

19: Ste Plan for prop. Multi-Tenant Retail Building, 36403 Warren Rd. w/contingencies.

20: Prop. Rezoning from CB-4, CB-3, CB-1 & R-5 to PUD, SW corner of Ford Rd. & Newburgh

Rd. w/contingencie

Rd. w/contingencies.
22: Conf. re-appt. of Plante Moran & Assoc. as City Auditors thru 12/31/17.
24: Appt. of M. Harris to Nankin Transit Comm. thru 12/31/17.
26: Appt. of C. Cicirelli Bryant to Nankin Transit Comm. thru 12/31/17.
27: Appr. checklist: \$ 2,824,856.34.

Mrg. adi at 8,32 pm.

Mtg. adj. at 8:32 p.m.

Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

James Godbout Council President Published: January 28, 2016 Richard LeBlanc City Clerk

HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

Livonia Blue sails past Walled Lake teams

Several standouts lead the way in Livonia's sweer

Ed Wright

Livonia Blue's gymnastcs team reeled in a pair of deisive victories during Monlay night's Walled Lake tri-met.

Blue proved to have wy too much depth for their KLA counterparts as it piled φ 133.125 points to out-distance Northern (115.275) and (entral (89.825) by lengthy magins.

Blue's premier all-apun-ders, Bri Rhoad and Jesica Weak, took a step backso to speak, so that some of he team's younger stars ould

The duo competed nly on the uneven bars, whin Rhoad won with a score of 95. Weak

placed second with a 8.825. Emily Chatterjee8.575) and Katie Grover (825) placed third and forth, re-

Blue's Kyria Gowman proved she was more than up to the challenge of performing at the varsity level on the vault, as she earned a scored of 8.60, which tied her at the top spot with Central's Marie G

Other vaulting standouts for the winners included Lindsey Dilworth (8.50), Claire Chapski (8.50) and Emilie Wassermann, who registered an 8.45.

Chapski and Dilworth went one-two on the balance beam with scores of 8.50 and 8.10, respectively. Paige Smalley was in the thick of things, too, posting a score of 7.60.

Chapski continued her stellar performance with a firstplace showing (8.525) during the floor-exercise competition. Wassermann was fourth with an 8.225

Blue wins Holt Invite

Livonia Blue was second to none at Saturday Holt Invita-

tional, piling up 141.700 points to edge runner-up Farmington (139.850).

Linden was third with 136.950, just ahead of fourth-

place Northville (134.925). The champions were fueled by strong performances from Rhoad (a meet-high 36.55 all-around points) and Weak, who was third in the individual all-around standings with 35.575 points.
Weak was second on the

vault with a score of 8.975, edging out teammate Chapski (8.9) and Rhoad (8.8).

Rhoad proved to be unbeatable on the uneven bars (9.025) and balance beam (9.25). She capped her sparkling day by taking second in the floorexercise competition (9.475) Grover was fourth on the

beam with a 9.0. Weak was eighth at 8.75.

Weak placed fourth on floor with a 9.35.

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during a meet earlier this season.

BOYS HIGH SCIOOL BASKETBALL

Spartans push it to the limit, win 88-62

Stevensorcontrols tempo, soreboard at Chrchill

Ed Vight

Livonia Strenson's boys basketball tea lived by two Tuesday nighs game at Livo-nia Churchilrebound-and-run and catch-ar-shoot.

Rarely pasing to catch their breathhe speedy Spar-tans lived irhe fast lane during their 882 triumph.

Stevense, which improved to 7-4, frayl the nets from just about 'errywhere they shot, nailinseven three-point rainbows at 17 of 24 free-throw attepts.

Inflictiz most of the damage to the hargers' chances of winning ws slender Stevenson junior gu'd Ian Knoph, who scored 280ints, 19 of which

came in p first 16 minutes.

Knopt points came on an array of uick-release beyond-the-arc impers, fade-away mid-ran: teardrops and quick-tche-rack drives.

Most the Spartans' interi-or prodition was provided by senior singman Kyle Mal-kowskivho used his savvy post sks to muscle in 21 points in spite of his modest-

for-theaint 6-foot-2 height. Spaan senior Gino D'Agos-tino caributed 10 points, 10 rebouls and tons of energy, while remiah Easton buried a trio triples.

Chrchill was led by senior guarcoan Andoni, who mate d his uniform number with points. Charger backcourpeedster Dayton Davis chipid in with 14 points and five bounds

Waiors roll

Liheran Westland woke up ra sluggish firs scong 34 third-quarter points durg Tuesday night's 71-42 triuph over Taylor Baptist

'ie victory improved the Waiors' record to 10-0 overall ano-0 in the Michigan In-dendent Athletic Conferen's Red Division.

aptist Park slipped to 2-6

an2-3, respectively. ach Burk continued his toid play for the winners by scring 19 points and grabbing 14ebounds — eight of which we on the offensive end.

Senior captain Brent Croft a) contributed some serious sts, pouring in a game-high 250ints and adding four

Luke Smith was a warrior in t paint for Lutheran West-ld as he blocked five shots al snatched 12 rebounds. LW held a semi-comfortable 19 lead at the half before samrolling Baptist Park 34-13

the decisive third stanza Teven Mojume led Baptist

rk with 14 points.
"We were really sluggish in e first half," said LW head ach Jim Hoeft. "We just had intensity or enthusiasm. The ird quarter looked more like e team I know. They ramped) the defensive intensity, not



Stevenson's Devin Dunn drives hard to the basket against Churchill's Joan Andoni and Evan Cummins.



ED WRIGHT Stevenson's Gino D'Agostino defends a Joan Andoni shot during the second half of Tuesday's game.

allowing Baptist Park to get comfortable.

"It's a win, but we need to make sure we play with a lot more intensity Friday night at Parkway Christian. We're going to need it.

Thurston tumbles

Dearborn Edsel Ford repelled a furious Redford Thurston rally Tuesday night to hold on for a 70-67 victory. The Eagles slipped to 5-6 with the loss.

We actually came back from being down 14 points and we took a four-point lead in the fourth quarter, but they an swered and took a four-point lead just as quickly and we couldn't recover," said Thurston head coach Brian Bates. I liked the way we fought back

and played hard, but, honestly, Edsel Ford deserved to win."

Thurston was led by senior forward D'eauntae Jackson, who scored 23 points. Brandon Marshall contributed 15 for the

Chad Galliard led Edsel Ford with 21 points.
One of the pivotal phases of

shooting. The Thunderbirds knocked down all 18 of their freebies while Thurston managed to can just nine of 17 at-

GC edged

Host Dearborn High scored the game's final eight points and went on to post a 75-70 victory over Garden City Tuesday night in a Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Divi-

sion match-up.
The outcome dropped the
Cougars to 6-5 overall and 3-3 in the Red. The Pioneers improved to 5-6 and 4-2, respec-

Garden City was led by senior guards Vinnie Bakerian and Robbie Moyers, who scored 21 and 17 points, re-spectively, Jacob Sadowski also played well for the Cougars,

contributing 14 points.
"It was a fun game; it was up and down with both teams ap and down with both teams making good basketball plays," said GC head coach Ron Pummill. "We only hit two threes, which is low for us, but credit

Dearborn. They played hard.' GC led 39-32 at the half before the Pioneers whittled their deficit to 56-55 with eight minutes left.

HIGH SCHOOL

Spartans go 3-2 at **UD-Jesuit**

Ed Wright

Livonia Stevenson's wrestling team continued its string of solid weekend performances Saturday when it placed fourth with a 3-2 record at the University of Detroit Jesuit Team Duals.

After suffering a 72-3 set-back to No. 1-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central, the Spartans rebounded with a 60-21 shellacking of Grosse Pointe South.

Stevenson maintained the momentum in its next two matches — convincing victories over Berklery (54-27) and the host Cubs (60-15) — before dropping its finale, 59-21

to Plymouth.
The day's above-.500 result left the Spartans with an overall record of 18-12. They were 3-5 in the KLAA as of Tuesday and 1-2 in the Central Division.
"The effort was there for

some of our guys, however, there is plenty of work to do," Said Stevenson head coach
Dan Vaughan. "We got a look
at two very good teams
(Catholic Central and Plymouth) who were each missing a few starters.

Stevenson was led by 140-pound standout Tarik Al-codray, who finished the day with a 5-0 mark. Other toplevel performers for the Spartans were Taylor Droste, who went 4-1 at 119 and 125; Jared Wilkinson, who was 4-1 at 160; Dante Lamb and Dennis Austel, who were 3-2 at 171; and 285-pounders Matt Brown and Devlen Kuschel, both of whom went 4-1.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan. 28

Trutsday, Jan. 28
Parkway at HVL, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Clarenceville at Annapolis, 7 p.m.
Churchill at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Parkway, 7 p.m.
HVL at Luth. South, 730 p.m. Plymouth at Wayne, 7 p.m. Stevenson at S.L. East, 7 p.m. Fordson at Thurston, 7 p.m.

Fordson at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Cantion at Franklin, 7 p.m.
GRILS BASKETBALL
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Lodywood at Regina, 7:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Parkway, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Crestwood at Garden City, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
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Redford Union at Belleville, 7 p.m.
HVL at Luth. South, 6 p.m.
Franklin at Cantion, 7 p.m.
Annapolis at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
S. L. East at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Fordson, 7 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY
Thursday, Jan. 28

Thurston at Fordson, 7 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY
Thursday, Jan. 28
Ladywood at 6P. North, 4 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Saturday, Jan. 30
Stevenson vs. Rochester at Clark Park, TBA
HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING
Friday, Jan. 30
Saturday, Jan. 30
Canton Invite, 9 a.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30
John Glenn at Yaie Tourney, 9 a.m.
Clarenceville at Annapolis Invite, 9 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Jan. 28
Churchill at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
Franklin at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
Rat It at Belleville, 6 p.m.
Crestwood at Thurston, 6 p.m.
Dearborn at Garden City, 5:30 p.m.

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Pioneers race past Garden City, 61-33

Speed the big factor in WWAC battle

Ed Wright

Dearborn High's girls bas-ketball team had its foot on the accelerator for most of Tues day night's Western Wavne Athletic Conference Blue Divi-

sion match-up at Garden City. Once the Pioneers got their battery charged, they over-came a 16-13 first-quarter deficit before posting an emphatic 62-33 victory over the Cougars.

The result dropped Garden City to 4-9 overall and 2-4 in the division while the Pioneers improved to 8-5 and 4-2, respectively.

Dearborn blew the game open in the second quarter when it outscored its hosts 17-2. Halftime didn't dry up the momentum for the the Pio neers, who put the win on ice with a 20-point third stanza.

"Their speed just wore us down," lamented GC head coach Michele Tyree, whose team suffered a 51-19 loss to Dearborn in December. "I thought we played better than we did the first time we faced them, but their defense is very

aggressive and quick."

Tyree estimated that the Pioneers forced her team to turn the ball over close to 40

Senior Lindsey Michalak was one of the few bright spots for the Cougars, scoring a team-high 12 points, including the majority of her team's firstquarter points. Kaylee Hewer added six points and a team-

leading six rebounds.

Amber Swisher and Cassie
Leleniewski scored four points
a piece while Tatum Spears added three

Dearborn made nine of 13 free throws while the Cougars found net on half of their 20 attempts from the stripe.

Thurston soars

In a WWAC Red Division encounter played Friday night, Redford Thurston won its second straight game, 46-29, over Livonia Clarenceville.

Bryanna Burton was tough to contain for the Eagles, scoring a team-high 15 points.
The Trojans were led by Axia Whittaker's 10 points.
The win improved the Eagles' record to 4-6 overall and 2-3 in the division.

Panthers post victory

On Tuesday night, Redford Union out-shot Clarenceville, 33-14. Cassidy Sandelin led a balanced scoring attack for the winners with 10 points.

Stars edge Bishop Foley

St. Catherine of Siena earned a 44-40 victory over visiting Bishop Foley Tuesday night. The triumphant Stars improved to 8-2 overall and 5-1 in the Catholic League's East Division.

Becca Wyeth led the winners with 10 points. Ally O'Do-nohue, Gabby Green and Grace Gulowski scored eight points a piece for Siena

Defense key for Mercy

The Marlins prevailed in a defensive struggle Tuesday between Catholic League Central Division contenders with a

32-23 win at Warren Regina.

Mercy had a 16-14 lead at halftime, held the Saddlelites to two points in the third quarter and won the second half, 16-9.

"It was one of those nights when points are at a premium and every possession is impor-tant," coach Gary Morris said. "Fortunately for us, we made a few more plays than they did."



TOM BEAUDOIN

Garden City's Mikaela Smolar drives to the basket dung a game earlier

Schoolcraft clicking on all cylinders

Triple-double by Black, big game by Biles, key Schoolcraft's 94-65 win

Tim Smith

The disappointment of for-feiting six early-season wins is long gone as far as Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team is concerned. Saturday's 94-65 victory

over visiting Delta Community College merely provided the Ocelots another opportunity to move back up in the conference standings and keep pushing toward what they hope is

another crack at a national title.
"It's on us; we definitely
have it in us," Schoolcraft head
coach Abe Mashhour said about whether his team could turn the page from the forfeits. "It's just a matter of getting everybody to buy into their role and give everything they have for the team and not look for their own stuff, which some-times we fell into the trap of doing in some of our games earlier."

Sparked by the first triple-double in the Schoolcraft career of sophomore guard Dre Black (Westland John Glenn), the Ocelots were in full-on share-the-ball mode against the Pioneers

Eleven of 12 Schoolcraft players registered at least one point in the victory, which upped Schoolcraft's forfeitadjusted record to 9-10 overall and 4-2 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association. Schoolcraft led 4 -33 at halftime and never had less than a 14-point edge the rest of

Delta dropped to 3-16 overall

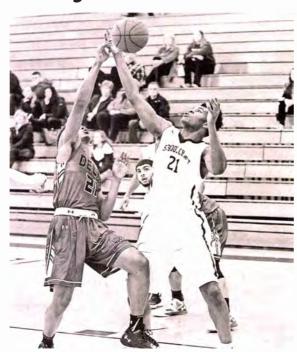
and 3-4 in the conference. "Dre was very good and that's exactly how we need him to be," Mashhour said. "I think some games, he was looking to score a little too much. When he's moving the ball, when he's passing the ball, we're much, much better offensively as a group and that's the most im-portant thing."

Black registered 12 points along with 10 rebounds and 11

"This was my first one (triple-double); it feels great,' Black said.

He didn't hesitate when asked which of the three categories (points, rebounds, assists) he felt best about suc-

ceeding in.
"Probably assists, because that means I'm just getting my teammates the ball at the right time to make a play," Black said. "We always try to get everybody in, that's part of our game plan, make sure the ball's moving at all times, no over-dribbling. You see good things happen.



Battling for a rebound Saturday are Delta's Allante Wheeler (left) and Schoolcraft's Davon Taylor. Wheeler and Taylor faced each other during their high school careers, with Salem and Canton, respectively.

Schoolcraft also rode the hot hand of sophomore guard Ja-'Christian Biles, who has com-mitted to play Division I men's basketball next year at University of Detroit Mercy.

Biles led all players with 25 points, connecting on 5-of-8 trey attempts — including four in a row during a torrid twominute span in the second half.

"It was nice to see him get going again," Mashhour said. "It's been a while since he's been playing in good rhythm. Today, he got his rhythm a little

After Biles drained his first triple of the streak, Schoolcraft was up 60-41 with 14:50 remaining. His fourth consecutive 3-pointer padded that lead to

69-41 with 12:45 to go. Meanwhile, strong work on the glass by sophomore for-ward and Canton alum Davon Taylor (11 rebounds, five points and three steals) and sopho-more forward Anthony Wartley Fritz (13 points, nine boards) helped keep the Pioneers down

Schoolcraft enjoyed a 46-31 rebounding edge, including 19 on the offensive end.

For Delta, it was a homecoming of sorts for freshmen Johnathan Swift and Allante Wheeler (both Salem grads). Swift scored 21 points and pulled down eight rebounds,

while Wheeler scored six. Mashhour said Taylor was pumped up during the week about facing two of his former

Plymouth-Canton Educational Park rivals.

"(Taylor) was talking with me yesterday about that (fac-ing the ex-Salem players)," Mashhour said with a slight chuckle. "He's excited; we're all excited to get back after it."

And that also means focusing on the rest of the regular season, not dwelling on the unfortunate loss of six nonconference victories from November and December.

Schoolcraft athletic director Sid Fox is optimistic about the Ocelots having no problem doing just that.

The National Junior College Athletic Association slapped the penalty on Schoolcraft following an eligibility audit during which it was discovered that there was a clerical error involving a player who had transferred from an out-of-

state college.
Although that Dec. 23 decision hurt the Ocelots' chances of being at the top of the NJCAA Division II rankings, the forfeits do not impact Schoolcraft's spot in the conference because MCCAA games

began in January.
"No one even discusses it anymore, because at this point, we're looking forward to the state tournament, hopefully, and then the district tourna-ment," Fox said prior to the Schoolcraft-Delta game.

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Franklin icers stymie Nivi, 4-1

Brendan Whitney and Corey Linser each notched a pair of goals Saturday giving Livonia Franklin a 4-1 Kensington Conference boys hockey crossover victory over Novi at the Novi Ice

With the win, Franklin improved to 11-4 overall and 6-2 in the KLAA's South Divi-

After a scoreless opening period, Whitney scored at 0:28 of the second off assists from from Chase Wallis and Trevor Lassaline followed by

Linser's power play goal at 13:11 from Kolby Dewhirst. Novi's Jake Cyr scored on an unassisted short-handed goal at 14:07 of the second to cut the deficit to 2-1, but Whitney notched his second just 34 seconds later from Wallis on a power play.

The Patriots put it away at 6:15 of the third on Linser's second from Max McCrory. Franklin goaltender Jake

Penny made 5 saves, while Novi's Josh Rehardson had

The loss drpped to the Wildcats to 4-71 overall and 1-7 in the KLA Central.

Bulldogs nipPatriots

Brighton, raked No. 3 in the Division 1 pll, overpowered visiting Fmklin (ranked No. 11 iDivision 2), 6-2, Monday nigt at the Kensington Valley It Arena.

The Bulldogset the tone just 40 seconds to the confor the contest of the contest when Lee Pidla scored from Nick Foran approximately 16 minutelate, Brighton closed \(\alpha \) the first period with a 2-0 tvantage thanks to Tim Erilla's net-

finder from Ben Person.
"Our guys comitted and although they're ujet and disappointed with 'e outcome, they should every proud of their effor" said Franklin head coacDennis Gagnon.

AWARD

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ed proportionately by school classification, with 12 schol-arships to be awarded to Class A student-athletes, six female and six male; eight scholarships will be awarded to Class B student-athletes, four female and four male: six scholarships will be awarded to Class C studentawarded to Class C student-athletes, three female and three male; and four schol-arships will be awarded to Class D student-athletes, two

female and two male.
In addition, the final two scholarships will be awarded at-large to minority recipients, regardless of school

Every MHSAA member high school was encouraged to submit as many applica-tions as there are scholarships available in its classification, and could have more

than one finalist. East Grand Rapids has five finalists this year, Grosse Ile has four finalists and Birmingham Seaholm and Marquette each have three. Fourteen schools each have two finalists: Ann Arbor Pioneer, Bellaire, Bronson, Dearborn Edsel Ford, Farmington Hills Harrison, Grand Rapids For-est Hills Central, Grandville, Hudsonville, Laingsburg, Scottville Mason County Central, Onsted, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, Portland and White Cloud.

Multiple-sport participation remains the norm among applicants. The average sport participation rate of the final-ists is 2.51, while the average of the application pool was 2.14. There are 62 three-plus sport participants in the finalists field, and all but one of the 28 sports in which the MHSAA sponsors postseason tournaments are represented.

Of 374 schools which submitted applicants, 45 submitted the maximum allowed. This year, 1,425 applications A ceremony ull take place dumg halftime of theClass C Boys Basketall Final, March 2, at the Breslin Stuent Events Center.

were received. All appeants will be presented with rtificates commemoratingheir achievement. Addition; Scholar-Athlete informion, Scholar-Athlete informion, including a complete lisof scholarship nominees, on be found on the MHSAA wsite at the following address. The applications were judged by a 58-member injudged by a 58-memb

mittee of school coaches counselors, faculty memers, administrators and board members from MHSAA member schools. Selectic of the 32 scholarship recipits will take place in early Firu-

Class C and D scholarsp recipients will be annound Feb. 2; Class B scholarshi recipients will be annound Feb. 9, and Class A scholarship recipients will be a nounced Feb. 16. All announcements will be maden

the MHSAA website. To honor the 32 Scholar Athlete Award recipients, ceremony will take place during halftime of the ClasC Boys Basketball Final, Man 26, at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lan-

sing. To be eligible for the award, students must have cumulative grade-point ave age of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale), and previously have won a varsity letter in at least one sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a postseason tourn

Students also were asked to respond to a series of shoressay questions, submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanshij in educational athletics.

Winter fire safety: Space heaters, fireplaces present dangers

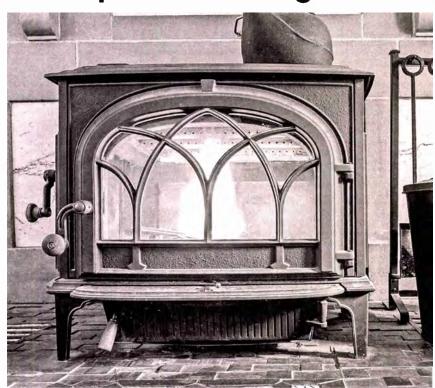
The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is reminding homeowners abou the fire dangers associated with heating equipment. Im-proper use of such equipment like portable or stationary space heaters, wood burning stoves and fireplaces can be incredibly dangerous, and their misuse is a leading cause

of U.S. home fire deaths.
According to NFPA, half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January and February. More than half of the home heating fire deaths resulted from fires that started when something that could burn — like uphol-stered furniture, clothing, blankets and bedding — was too close to heating equip-

During the colder months there is also an increased risk of carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. Fuel-burning equipment, including vehicles and generators running in an attached garage, can produce dangerous levels of CO and should be vented to the out-side to avoid it from building up in your home. In a 2012 NFPA report, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine such calls per hour in 2010. The number of incidents jumped 96% from 40,900 incidents reported in 2003. This surge, according to NFPA, is most likely due to the increased use of CO detectors, which alert people to the presence of CO.

presence of CO.
Some heating equipment
requires proper installation to
reduce the risk of fire injuries. When installing wood
burning stoves or gas heaters,
NFPA recommends following the manufacturer's instruc tions or having a professional

perform the installation.
Installing and maintaining CO alarms can also help reduce the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. If you smell gas in your gas heater or other appliance, do not light it.



High-efficiency cast iron wood stove burning firewood

and call your local fire depart-

ment or gas company. To ensure a safe and cozy winter this year, NFPA offers

some easy tips to follow:

» Use your oven to cook food only. Never use it to heat

» Hire a qualified professional to clean and inspect heating equipment and chim-

neys every year.

» Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.

» Place a sturdy screen in front of your fireplace to prevent sparks from flying into the room, and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing them in a metal container, and ensure

that they are kept a safe distance from the home.

» If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with

» During and after a snowstorm make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fire-place are clear of snow build-

» Test smoke alarms and CO alarms monthly. Properly maintained alarms can save

lives in the event of a fire. Find additional resources including tips sheets, videos,

reports and more about heating safety and carbon monoxide by visiting NFPA's website.

Founded in 1896, NFPA is a global, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission. For more information, visit www.nfpa.org. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for free at www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

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Consult attorney on leasing prohibition

Q: We manage a condo and one unit in our project is listed with AIRBNB. We have a prohibition on short-term or transient leasing. What do you recommend?

A: Consult with your community association lawyer as to whether your restriction regarding "short-term leasing or transient tenant" fits the description set forth in AIRBNB.

Determine whether the co-owner is attempting to anticipatorily breach the Condominium Documents and have your attorney ad-

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should be done. Also, you may want to tighten your restrictions to deal specifically with this type of situation if you wish to preclude it more effec-

Q: I am an attorney relatively new in real estate, but have been retained by a homeowner-run board re cently turned over from the developer. The developer still retains control of the architectural review board and also has to consent to any covenant amendments. The developer is getting ready to construct homes that are significantly smaller than the homes originally constructed by the developer in the sub-division. These smaller division. These smaller homes are being built in both the next phase and the vacant lots still being built in the first phase. This means that significantly smaller homes are being built directly across the street from larger principal homes. The began the street from larger principal homes. er original homes. The home owner-run board is concerned that the smaller homes may negatively affect the value of the larger homes and that the smaller homes are not in harmony with the appearance of the original homes. What is your opinion?

A: You, as their attorney, should thoroughly review the deed restrictions and bylaws, hopefully to find a provision that requires the developer and/or the architectural control committee to approve only homes which are substantially similar to the original homes constructed and are aesthetically in compliance with them. In the absence of such a provision, you may also make the argument that there must be a good-faith undertaking by the architectural review committee before they approve homes significantly smaller than the homes presently in the subdivision and, perhaps, you can claim that there was an intentional diminution in value of the present homes by asserting that claim against the developer. You also may wish to seek the advice of an attorney who has had more experience in this area. Good luck

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY 25848 Cheyenne Dr 39431 Country In

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 24-28, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
16080 Dunblaine Ave	\$306,00
16008 Hummel Dr	\$177,00
16966 Kirkshire Ave	\$235,00
31174 Pickwick Ln	\$340,00
8 Riverbank Dr	\$590,00
32323 Sheridan Dr	\$265,00
BIRMINGHAM	
969 Bennaville Ave	\$540,00
1064 Bennaville Ave	\$713,00
411 Bryn Mawr St	\$465,00
848 E Lincoln St	\$685,00
1524 Emmons Ave	\$190,00
1548 Hazel St	\$215,00
820 Hazelwood St	\$850,00
1391 Humphrey Ave	\$210,00
2313 Pembroke Rd	\$350,00
662 Purdy St # 322	\$230,00
1332 S Bates St	\$425,00
1332 S Bates St	\$375,00
1789 Washington Blvd	\$357,00
111 Willits St Unit 49	\$815,00
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	£255.00
1758 Saint Johns Ct	\$355,00
1350 Conge Dr	\$640,00
774 Kingston Ct	\$1,635,00
1333 Knollcrest Cir # J-40	\$225,00
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	£350.00
6081 Eastmoor Rd	\$350,00
3832 Far Hill Dr	\$365,00
2418 Heronwood Dr	\$695,00

38 Meadowglen Ct	\$320,000
883 Mulberry Sq Apt 71	\$100,000
4 N Valley Chase Rd	\$444,000
56 Orchard Hill Dr	\$483,000
60 Provincial Dr	\$440,000
94 Rocky Spring Rd	\$450,000
383 Top View Ct	\$395,000
860 W 14 Mile Rd	\$367,000
OMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
83 Bay Mist Ln	\$372,000
05 Bentwood Ln	\$405,000
75 Bluebird Dr	\$515,000
170 Bridge Trl E	\$234,000
322 Cascade St	\$205,000
730 Ellisia Rd	\$157,000
16 Glen Iris Ct	\$209,000
55 Harry	\$115,000
55 Kara Ct	\$288,000
554 Massena St	\$65,000
376 Wintercove Dr	\$310,000
ARMINGTON	£3.43.000
201 Drake Heights Dr 8812 James Ct	\$247,000 \$169,000
2008 Valley View St	\$35,000
2010 Valley View St	\$160,000
ARMINGTON HILLS	\$100,000
1487 Barfield St	\$138,000
7162 Cambridge Ln	\$485,000
1941 Cedar Creek Dr	\$260,000
863 Colgate St	\$75,000
2335 Diamond Ct	\$175,000
9240 Fieldstone	\$321,000
9435 Glen Oaks Blvd E	\$145,000
3600 Longwood Dr	\$176,000
8840 Longwood Dr	\$201,000
779 Manchester Ln	\$350,000
700 River Ridge Trf	\$270,000
5666 Rose Hill Dr	\$279,000
0123 S Stockton Dr	\$145,000
0222 S Stockton Dr	\$142,000
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320,000	28324 Timberview Ct
100,000	37205 Timberview Ln
444,000	22040 Tredwell Ave
483,000	36463 Valley Ridge Dr
440,000	21602 Wheeler St
450,000	FRANKLIN
395,000	27198 Gardenway Rd
367,000	32949 Grimsby Ln
	HIGHLAND
372,000	119 Aberdeen
405,000	4598 Desert Bridge Ct
515,000	4556 Ethel Dr
234,000	1392 Ludean Dr
205,000	3657 Tara Dr
157,000	1165 W Highland Rd
	LATHRUP VILLAGE
115,000	26825 Meadowbrook Way
288,000	MILFORD
\$65,000	804 Bishop St
310,000	1841 Burns Rd
310,000	2875 E Commerce St
247,000	3175 Hillside Dr
169,000	3901 Lone Tree Rd
\$35,000	1787 Mystic Hills Dr
160,000	841 Old Milford Farms
100,000	969 Panorama Dr
138,000	1023 Pearson Dr
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279,000	22669 Bertram Dr
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\$320,000	22267 Heatherbrae Way S	\$309,000
\$110,000	41761 Independence Dr	\$165,000
	40688 Kingsley Ln	\$360,000
\$107,000	118 Maudlin St	\$110,000
\$358,000	42591 Park Ridge Rd	\$250,000
	22114 Picadilly Cir	\$548,000
\$270,000	24278 Roma Ridge Dr	\$355,000
\$222,000	23615 Stonehenge Blvd	\$60,000
\$370,000	22368 Worcester Dr	\$454,000
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	875 Huntington Dr	\$318,000
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	56515 Nine Mile Rd	\$225,000
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\$425,000	SOUTHFIELD	
\$82,000	27295 Berkshire Dr	\$128,000
\$180,000	28545 Brentwood St	\$38,000
\$525,000	29673 Farmbrook Villa Ct	\$78,000
\$660,000	30128 Marshall St	\$91,000
\$142,000	30625 Nadora St	\$212,000
\$264,000	23592 Plumbrooke Dr	\$155,000
\$259,000	22717 S Bellwood Dr	\$170,000
\$187,000	28755 San Carlos St	\$130,000
\$260,000	29946 Sparkleberry Dr	\$370,000
	29918 Spring River Dr	\$67,00
1,350,000	17266 W 11 Mile Rd	\$70,00
\$162,000	29504 Westbrook Pkwy	\$68,00
\$158,000	30035 Wildbrook Dr # 205	\$68,00
	WHITE LAKE	
\$157,000	9291 Camelot St	\$312,00
\$96,000	9701 David Ln	\$255,000
\$429,000	625 Island Dr	\$479,00
\$629,000	79 N Hu!bert St	\$290,000
\$195,000	490 N Ponchartrain St	\$174,00
\$286,000	8034 Wildwood Ln	\$238,00

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\$215,000	19445 Lexington	\$80,000
\$141,000	16996 Norborne	\$58,000
\$207,000	11422 Royal Grand	\$77,000
\$260,000	14112 Shamrock Dr	\$197,000
\$205,000	9065 Tecumseh	\$83,000
\$227,000	9160 Tecumseh	\$100,000
\$153,000	9963 Virgil	\$106,000
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\$145,000	33935 Harroun St	\$40,000
	4001 Niagara St	\$48,000
\$396,000	WESTLAND	
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\$165,000	32527 Avondale St	\$104,000
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	528 Ethan Dr	\$191,000
\$635,000	35817 Farragut Ave	\$51,000
\$300,000	35852 Fernwood St	\$144,000
\$355,000	502 Forest St	\$83,000
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\$220,000	33208 Melton St 632 N Brandon St	\$65,000
\$250,000		\$140,000
\$137,000	340 Pattingill St	\$133,000
\$157,000	8111 Pickering Pl 448 Ravencrest Ln	\$245,000
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\$240,000	2610 S Linville Ave	\$140,000
\$273,000	32640 Sandra Ln	\$140,000
\$325,000	30921 Somerset St	\$100,000
\$400,000	31000 Somerset St	\$65,000
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\$55,000	35670 Thames St	\$105,000
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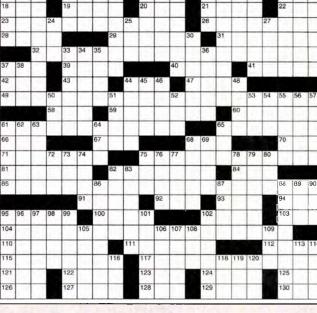
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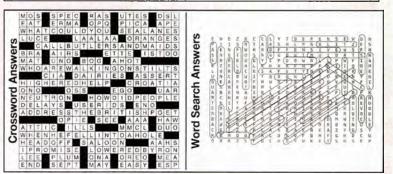
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"The Church must do more than pray for Flint in our meetings and worship services. We must step up and demonstrate living faith," said Rev. Todd Lackie, pastor. "We must meet the physical need of our brothers and sisters. We must live out the reality Jesus proclaimed to his disciples in John 13:35, 'All men will know that you are my disciples if you love one another.' We must help the city of Flint by demonstrating our faith and love."

Donations can be dropped off at any time on the pallet stationed under the canopy at the church's main entrance, 20200 Merriman, Livonia.

For more information call 248-476-8222. Here's a sampling of other faith-related activities

JANUARY COMMONGROUND

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Jan. 29 **Location**: Connection Church, 3855 S. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Join women from more than 30 churches for worship with a live band, giveaways, and a party with appetizers and a coffee/cocoa bar. The outreach focus is Blessed Hope, which serves hot meals to the homeless daily in Lincoln Park. Participants should bring a white T-shirt in any size, large black socks or men's heavy winter gloves to donate at the event

Contact: 734) 397-1777

Time/Date: 3:30 p.m. doors open, film starts at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farming-ton Road, Livonia

Details: View War Room Contact: 734-522-6830 FILM

Time/Date: Food and fellowship at 6:45 p.m., followed by movie, Friday, Jan. 29

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills **Details:** The event starts with a loaded potato bar. The film, *Joyful Noise* is about a small town that has fallen on hard

times and looks to the church choir for a pick-me-up as it enters the National Joyful Noise Competition. RSVP if you plan to attend dinner

Contact: 248-553-3380 **LADIES CRAFT NIGHT**

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Friday,

Location: Crossroads Church, at

Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Details: Ladies Craft Night is for

women of all ages. Bring one pair of good cutting scissors and a donation for the homeless from a list on the church's web-site. Admission is \$5 if registered in advance by Jan. 27, \$6 at the

Contact: crossroadsnow.org or Pastor Steve at 248-890-5718

LUNAR NEW YEAR

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: Zhong Shu Temple, 23845 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

program at 10 a.m., followed by a noon incense ceremony at noon and traditional Chinese New Year food tasting

Contact: RSVP to michigan-

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Date: Noon-2 p.m. Sun

day, Jan. 31 Location: Divine Mercy Roman

Catholic Regional School, 31500 Beechwood, Garden City Details: Tour the school, meet

the principal, pick up a registration packet Contact: 734-425-4420

FEBRUARY AUCTION

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb.

Location: Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, West-

Details: Auction supports Concordia Lutheran School. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$270 for a table of 10 and includes appetizer, dinner, des-serts, drinks and auction. Dead-line is Feb. 8. Order by calling 248-474-2488 or 313-937-2233. Contact: Laura Goodman at 313-937-2233

CLOTHING COLLECTION

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sunday, through Feb. 14 Location: Crossroads Church. which meets at Trinity Church, 34500 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The church is collecting winter survival gear, including men's used work boots, men's new and gently-used white socks, ladies new and gently-used turtleneck tops. Contac the church to arrange additional drop-off times

Contact: crossroadsnow.org; Pstor Steve at 248-890-5718

CONCERT

Date/Time: 1:30-3 p.m. Sunday,

Location: Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: "The Donut Man" Rob Evans and his puppet sidekick Duncan will perform original Bible story-songs. The concert will have a Lenten theme. Ad-mission is \$5 per person at the door, children ages 3 and under admitted free

Contact: Rev. Joseph Marquis, 734-522-3166

FILM

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11

Location: Congregational Church of Birmingham, UCC, 1000 Cranbrook Road, Bloom field Hills

Details: The film, Seeds of Time, focusing on the global food system, is part of the Life on Earth @ Risk documentary series Contact: 248-514-8746

MARDI GRAS PARTY

Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. Tuesday,

Location: Plymouth Knights of Columbus, 150 Fair Street, Plymouth Details: Dixieland music by The

Tabasco Cats, a light buffet-style dinner, cash bar, beads, trinkets, drawings and a shrimp and oyster bar staffed by senior Boy Scouts from Troop 743. Tickets are \$10, available in advance at the hall

Contact: 734-516-0648

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER-DANCE

Time/Date: 7-11 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills Details: 1950s theme dinnerdance will include hamburgers, hotdogs, fries and desserts and music for dancing. The event benefits Camp Hope, a bereave-ment camp for kids, ages 6-17. Tickets are \$20 per person and available at the church office Contact: 248-553-3380

BUSINESS CALENDAR

ONGOING HEALING SERVICE

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month

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

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and in-tercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick.

Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010

TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month Location: The Solanus Cases Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin frian Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted.

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

WORSHIP

» Adat Shalom Synagogue

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays

Location: 29901 Middlebelt. Farmington Hills

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

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

a.m. services: 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible

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

» Congregation Bet Chave-

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

Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton

Details: Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Pete Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore

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

» Due Season Christian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study Location; Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia Details: Nondenominational. multicultural, full gospel church

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

» Faith Community Presby terian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile,

Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 10-14

Contact: 248-349-2345; faith-

community-novi.org

Faith Community Wesleyan Church

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays Location: 14560 Merriman,

Contact: pastor Roger Wright at

» Garden City Presbyterian

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

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

Good Hope Lutheran Church Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

Contact: 734-427-3660 » Good Shepherd Evangelical

Lutheran Church (WELS) **Time/Date**: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school/adult Bible study; 10 a.m. Sunday service

Location: 4145 W. Nine Mile,

Contact: Rev. Thomas E. Schroeder at 248-349-0565; GoodShep-

herdNovi.org » Grace Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and

Beck, Canton Township Contact: 734-637-8160 » His Church Anglican Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna Univer-

Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia

Contact: www.HisChurchAngli-can.org; 248-442-0HCA

» Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livo-

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

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

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

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

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday Location: 26500 Grand River Ave., Redford

Contact: 313-533-1956; detroi-» Nativity United Church of

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

or child care. Coffee after the service at 3 p.m. Location: 9435 Henry Ruff Road

at West Chicago Road, Livonia Contact: 734-421-5406

» New Beginnings United Methodist Church

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday **Location**: 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford

Contact: 313-255-6330 » New Life Community

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: 734-846-4615 or www.newlifec

ommunitychurch4u.com » Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Church

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appointment Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-453-0326

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» Prince of Peace Lutheran

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m Sundays, with an education hour 9:30-10:40 a.m. Social hour follows each service.

Location: 37775 Palmer, West-Contact: 734-722-1735

» Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 5 p.m. every second

and fourth Sunday

Location: 11771 Newburgh Details: "Sunday Night Lights'

service designed for younger families; other services are 10 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednes-day. Contact: 734-464-0990

» Salem Bible Church Time/Date: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wednesda Location: 9481 W. Six Mile,

Contact: 248-349-0674:

sbc4christ.org

» St. Andrew's Episcopal

Time/Date: 9 a.m. Sunday Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Contact: 734-421-8451 or standrewslivonia@mi rr.com

» St. John Lutheran Church **Time/Date**: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday; traditional worship at 9 a.m. Sunday; and contemporary service at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Beginning Oct. 11, one 10 a.m. service Sunday.

Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-474-0584

» St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Time/Date: Contemporary service, 11:30 a.m. fourth Sunday of the month

Location: 30900 Six Mile, Livo

Contact: 734-422-6038 » St. Paul's Presbyterian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday

Location: 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia Contact: 734-422-1470

» Trinity Episcopal Church **Time/Date**: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 6:15 p.m. Wednesday; 6 p.m. Sunday Bible studies and worship center for all ages includes dinner, child care is provided.

Location: 11575 Belleville Road, our miles south of Michigan

Avenue Contact: 734-699-3361

» Unity of Livonia Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. and 11

Contact: 734-421-1760

a.m. Sundays Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster

» Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. liturgical in

the chapel; 9:30 a.m. contemporary in the sanctuary; 11 a.m. traditional in the sanctuary; 11 a.m. post-contemporary in Knox Hall, all on Sunday. Location: 40000 Six Mile, North-

ville Contact: 248-374-7400 Way of Life Christian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday; 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday Bible study; 7:30 p.m. Friday intercessory prayer. Location: 9401 General Drive. Suite 100, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-340-5551;

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ARMSTRONG, MARY ELIZABETH

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passed away on December 29,
2015 in Los Angeles, California
at the age of 85. She was a longtime resident of Northville,
Michigan before moving to Los
Angeles, CA. Born on February
17, 1930 to Constance Blanche
Loveday and Walter Ingles 17, 1930 to Constance Blanche Loveday and Walter Ingles McKenzie, Mary was raised in Detroit and graduated from Redford High School. She is survived by daughter Robin Armstrong-Hugg (Larry) from Los Angeles, CA; son Randal (Becky Wangeman) Armstrong from Northville; granddaughter Courtney. Armstrong. Gordon. from Northville; granddaughter Courtney Armstrong Gordon (Patrick) and great-grandchildren Jack and Lily from Novi; three sisters: Nancy Keller (Tucson, Arizona). Dorothy Urban (Stratford, Ontario), and Peggy Midener (East Jordan, MI). She was preceded in death by another son, Walter Cyril Armstrong (1984) and her oldest sister. Barbara Holmquist (1976). Mary's ashes will be interred in the Memorial Garden at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth, MI on her birthday.



CREWE, MICHELE D.

children, Carin-Lynne Haen (Al Begotka), Corey (Nicole) Weise, Christopher (Shelly) Weise, and Jamie (Rod) Gennrich: 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and her sister, Denise Van Every. She was preceded in death by her narchis Robert and Leapetty Van and Jamie Van Every. Blaney Funcral Home, Green Bay, assisted the family with arrangements. Visitation and the Mass of Christian Burial took place on Wednesday, January 27 and Thursday, January 28. To Jamie Van Every and Thursday, January 28. To send online condolences, please go to www.BlaneyFuneralHome.



CREWE, MICHELE D.

67. of Green Bay passed away peacefully in her sleep Friday, January 22, 2016. She was born on December 4, 1948, in Redford Township, Michigan to Robert and Jeanette Van Every. Michele is survived by her children, Carin-Lynne Haen (Al Begotka) Corev. (Nicole)

parents, Robert and Jeanette Van Every; and her brothers, Patrick



HOCK, MARGIE LOU (NEE PERKINS)

(NEE PERKINS)
Age 85, of Rochester Hills,
passed away January 20, 2016.
She was born August 3, 1930 to
George and Lillian Perkins in
Louisville, Kentucky. Wife of
Dr. Kenneth W. Hock, DDS, for
over 63 years; mother of Judith
Hock, Jim (Julie) Hock, and
Lisabeth (Michael) Coakley;
grandmother of Kate (Gerald)
Narkiewicz. Kevin (Rachel)
Hock, Brian (Linh) Hock, Jack Narkiewicz, Kevin (R Hock, Brian (Linh) Hock, Hock, Brian (Linh) Hock, Jack Coakley and Annie Coakley; great-grandmother of Eliana, Raina and Keaton; and sister of the late Carol Murphy. A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 30, 2016 2 p.m. at Pixley Funeral Home, 322 W. University Drive, Rochester. Reverend Penny Lowes officiating Visitation Rochester. Reverend Penny Lowes officiating. Visitation Friday 5 -8 p.m. Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army. Condolences may be shared on-line at www.pixleyfuneral.com.



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Duo plays mellow marimbas at Schoolcraft College

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As Michigan Philharmonic percussionists, Lynn Koch and Kristen Tait play everything from triangles to cymbals, drums to tambourine to xylophone and chimes.

xylophone and chimes.

Tait once even played a 10-speed bicycle in concert, coaxing sound from its revolving wheel. And Koch is familiar with playing car brake

drums.
"A lot of composers write for brake drums. Often when we play contemporary pieces, they come up with unusual instruments," said Koch.

When they crave a more mellow

sound they reach for their marimba

"I think its a warm, liquidy sound, organic. It's not a forced sound," said Tait, describing the marimba, her favorite percussion instrument.

She and Koch formed a marimba

duo 10 years ago known as Musica Batteria. They offer school assembly programs in both orchestral percus sion instruments and in marimba They also perform concerts together on Koch's 6-foot, vintage rosewood marimba, which formerly was owned by her late college music teacher.

"There's a long history of the ma-rimba playing Bach and baroque mu-sic. I think it sounds lovely on the marimba. There's something about that music that attracted me. It sounds luscious," Tait said.

The pair will play some classical music, as well as jazz and Latin pieces, when Musica Batteria per-forms the noon classical concert series Wednesday, Feb. 3 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The free concert will run approximately one hour, in the Kehrl Auditorium in the VisTa-Tech building on Schoolcraft College's main campus, located on Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in

Music and movement

Koch arranges most of the music they play. She choreographs, too, making sure their hands won't collide.
"I write the arrangement on the

computer and then try it on the in-strument. I try both parts," she said, adding that if notes cause mallets to cross, she re-writes. "We do well play-ing around each other. It's fun. We try to position ourselves so people can see us play. They are curious about what we're doing with those mallets. It's a

we to doing with those manters to a visual experience, too."

Koch and Tait play with up to two mallets in each hand. Koch likens the experience to having "four long fingers" and playing piano.

Both women began playing piano



Lynn Koch and Kristen Tait play the marimba.

as youngsters, before taking percussion classes at school.

Tait, who lives in Birmingham, graduated from from Lakeland High School in White Lake, where she first began playing marimba. She graduated from Kent State University and the Eastman School of Music and holds a doctorate degree in percussion perfor-

After college she taught at both Olivet College and Adrian College, and performed in the U.S. and abroad. She enjoyed a stay in "very percus-sion-oriented" Ball and hopes to some day establish the first Balinese-style percussion ensemble in Michigan

In addition to performing with the Michigan Philharmonic and Musica Batteria, she also occasionally plays snare drum with the Celtic Pipes and Drums of Birmingham. She teaches online classes in music appreciation and music business for Oakland University and Macomb Community College. Tait also works as head of circulation for the Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham.

Playing the floor

Koch, who describes herself as a freelance percussionist, lives in Troy and grew up in Detroit.

"I grew up immersed in music

"I grew up immersed in music because of parents who loved music," Koch said, adding that she took up percussion in fifth grade because she thought it looked easy.

"Boy, was I wrong. The way we did it in school was we sat in a circle and we played the floor. At home, I played a magazine. At the end of the first year we found a private teacher and year we found a private teacher and we rented a real drum. I discovered

keyboard percussion in seventh grade and it snowballed from there." After graduation from Detroit's Redford High School, she studied music at the University of Michigan, where she played snare drum in the marching band. After college, she taught band at a private school in Hawaii for three years, and then re-turned home to Michigan. Koch also taught at Cranbrook's Brookside School, in Royal Oak Schools and in Troy Schools.

In addition to playing in Musica



Kristen Tait and Lynn Koch are Musica

"... We try to position ourselves so people can see us play. They are curious about what we're doing with those mallets. It's a visual experience,

LYNN KOCH, Musica Batteria

Batteria and for the Michigan Philharmonic, Koch plays piano at First Church of Christ Scientist in Milford twice a month, and has led the choir at Gilda's Club in Royal Oak for 14 years.

She shares arranging and rehearsal sessions with her cat who enjoys

sessions with her cat, who enjoys walking on the marimba bars and

swatting at the mallets as she plays. Koch loves the history of the marimba and the stories she hears from audience members about the instru-

"We've met a number of people who played marimba in the 1930s and '40s. It's fun to hear their about their experiences," she said. "It's fun to find connections through the instru-

Watch a video of her cat in action on the marimba, as well as other videos of Tait and Koch in perfor mance, on Musica Batteria's Facebook page. Visit the duo's website at musica-

sdargay@hometownlife.com Download our free apps for iPhone, iPad or

GET OUT! CALENDAR



PATTI TRUESDELL

A red panda enjoys the snow at the Detroit Zoo. Check out the zoo's Wild Winter weekend activities,

ANIMALS

DETROIT 700

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through

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

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults

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

Wild Winter weekend: Family-friendly events and activities, including music, zookeeper talks, games and crafts, run 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Feb. 6-7 at the Ford **Education Center**

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS **HERITAGE PARK STABLES**

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7 and Location: Heritage Park, 24915 Far-

mington Road, Farmington Hills Details: Sue Majewski, a mosaic glass artist, will lead the workshops, which will focus on creating a mosaic frame on Feb. 7, and decorating three-dimen-sional letters on March 13. Participants will design their project, set colorful glass fragments, and will grout. All supplies will be included. Cost for each workshop is \$65 for non-residents and \$55 for residents.

Contact: https://recreg.fhgov.com; 248-473-1856

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: Exhibit hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, through Jan. 30

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: Fiber artists Barbara Bushey and Susan Moran exhibit textiles and mixed media works

Contact: 248-344-0497 or www.NorthvilleArtHouse.org

RUSSELL EXHIBITION

urday, Feb. 12-13 and 19-20, and 6 p.m.-midnight, Sunday, Feb. 14 Location: 1600 Clay Street, Detroit

Details: The Dirty Show, marking its 17th year, includes an erotic art exhibit stage performances, and a film festival. Sculptor/painter Colin Christian is special guest artist. Tickets are \$30 in advance. Must be age 21 or over, with valid photo ID

Contact: dirtyshow.org

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. through May

Location: 525 S. State Street, Ann

Details: "I am sitting in a room," is a sound installation by American compos-er, Alvin Lucier, on loan for the first time by the Museum of Modern Art, New

Contact: 734-764-0395, umma.umich.edu

VILLAGE THEATER

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public performances, through Jan. 31

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road,

Details: "Dream Creatures" is a mixed media solo exhibition featuring the works of Took Gallagher

Contact: cantonvillagetheater.org

CONTEST MARCH THE PARK

Time/Date: Enter from Jan. 29-Feb. 26 Location: Upload a video through the March the Park tab on Comerica Cares

Details: High school marching bands based in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, and Livingston counties are eligible to enter the contest. Videos should show the band performing the national anthem. A panel of judges will narrow the entries to the top 10. The public will vote on the final contestants from March 8-20. The winner will be announced March 21. The winning marching band will be invited to per-form a a Detroit Tigers game on April 9. It also will receive 130 tickets to the game and a \$5,000 grant

Contact: facebook.com/ComericaCares

FILM **PENN THEATRE**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday Jan. 28-29, 3:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday



High school marching bands, like the P-CEP Marching Band above, can compete online for a chance to perform at a Detroit Tigers game

Sunday, Jan. 30-31 Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth Details: "Spectre," \$3 Contact: 734-453-0870;

www.penntheatre.com REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Feb. 5, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 6 Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit **Details:** "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly," featuring Clint Eastwood, \$5

HISTORY

Contact: 313-898-1481;

KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 5-May 15

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor Details: "Leisure and Luxury in the Age of Nero: the Villas of Opiontis near Pompeii," explores the lavish lifestyle and economic interests of some of ancient Rome's wealthiest and most powerful citizens, who vacationed along the Bay of Naples. Includes more than 200 items on loan from Italy. Admission is free

Contact: 734-764-9304 PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2

Contact: 734-455-8940

for ages 6-17.

MUSIC BLUES@THE ELKS

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

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

Details: Bring your dancing shoes. \$5

Contact: 734-453-1780

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 **Location**: Seligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills **Details:** Pianist Richard Goode performs Beethoven's last three sonatas. Tickets range from \$32-\$64 for adults, and \$16-\$32 for students

Contact: 248-855-6070; CMSDetroit.org

JAZZ@THE ELKS Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday

of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Details: \$10 donation at the door

Contact: 734-453-1780 or email ply-

mouthelks 1780@yahoo.com MICHIGAN PHILHARMONIC

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 **Location:** Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton **Details**: Broadway Valentine will include songs from such Broadway shows as *Rent*, Les *Miserables*, *Grease*,

Jersev Boys and more, Includes vocal performance by Geff Phillips and Kylee Phillips. Tickets are \$30 general, \$25 seniors, 62 and over, and \$10 students Contact: michiganphil.org

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m.,

doors open at 7:30 p.m Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Billy Brandt and the Sugarees, Feb. 5; UnValentines Day with John Latini, Jamie-Sue Seal, and Dave Boutette, Feb. 6; Empty Chair night with Annie and Rod Capps, Joel Palmer and Alison Donahue, Feb. 7; Nessa, Feb. 12; May Erlewine, Feb. 13. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted

Contact: 734-464-6302 for additional

SPOKEN WORD

MOTH STORY SLAM **Time/Date**: Doors open 4:30 p.m., stories start 7 p.m. Feb. 4, Detroit; doors open 6 p.m., stories start 7:30 p.m. Feb. 16, Ann Arbor

Location: Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave., Detroit and Circus Bar, 210 S. First Ave., Ann Arbor

Details: Prepare a five-minute story on Details: Prepare a five-minute story on the theme, toss your name in the hat, and if your name is pulled, step up and tell your true personal story live without notes. Volunteers from the audience judge the stories. The theme at Cliff Bell's is "movies," and the theme at Circus Bar is "love hurts." Admission is \$5 in Detroit, \$8 in Ann Arbor

STORY NIGHT

Contact: 734-665-2757

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Feb. 11 **Location**: Crazy Wisdom Bookstore & Tea Room, 114 S. Main, Ann Arbor **Details:** Ann Arbor Storytellers' Guild members tell stories for an adult audience. The performance is free, although donations will be accepted.

THE ARK

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Feb. 27 Location: The Ark, 316 S. Main, Ann Details: 29th Annual Storytelling

Festival featuring Kevin Kling, from Minneapolis, Minn., whose commentar-ies are heard on NPR's "All Things Considered," Tickets are \$20 Contact: theark.org; 734-761-1818

THEATER

BAREFOOT PRODUCTIONS

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Feb. 12-13 and 19-20 and at 2 p.m. Feb. 14 and 21. Location: 240 N. Main, Plymouth Details: Tickets for "Sylvia," a romantic comedy, are \$15

Contact: 734-404-6886; just gobare foot.com

INSPIRE THEATRE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29-31, Feb. 5-7, and 12-14 Location: Westland Center for the Arts,

33455 Warren Road, Westland Details: "The Lady Pirate of Captain Bree" is a musical comedy about a group of female pirates who take over a defenseless ship that is transporting wealthy passengers, and is manned by a motley crew of prisoners. Tickets are \$16 Contact: InspireTheatre.com; 734-751HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Dried peas, beans, lentils make hearty comfort meals

Dried peas, beans and lentils are nutritious, protein-packed ingredients that can take on starring roles in hearty dishes when they're paired with spices and herbs McCormick's annual "Flavor Forecast" identified legumes like pigeon peas, cran-berry beans and black beluga lentils, all known as "pulses," as featured ingredients this year.
"The United

Nations named 2016 the 'International Year of Pulses,' and we couldn't agree more," said Chef Kevan Vetter of the McCormick Kitchens.
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Meet the Pulses

Discover the possibilities of pulses brought to life with delicious flavors: » Pigeon Peas (6 grams of protein per ½cup cooked), are small legumes

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canned and common in soups, stews, rice dishes and salads, pigeon peas are traditionally paired with cumin and coconut in Latin and Southern

Indian cuisines.

» Cranberry Beans (8 grams of protein per ½ cup cooked), also known as Borlotti or Roman beans, are avail-

lentils are quick to prepare — no need to soak, and they cook in just 25 minutes. Uniquely accented with peach and mustard, black beluga lentils enrich salads, chili and appetizers or can be enjoyed simply braised.

able dried or canned and are a beige color with red

streaks, which fade during cooking. Popular

in Italian and

other European cuisines, their

creamy tex-

mild chestnut-like

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make them an ideal

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CARIBBEAN COCONUT AND PIGEON PEA RICE

Serves: 8 Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 40 minutes

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil % pound sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into %-inch cubes (about 2 cups)
- %cup chopped red bell pepper
- x cup chopped onion
 cup finely chopped fresh
 cilantro, divided
 cup finely chopped
 pimento-stuffed green olives,
- tablespoon finely chopped Scotch bonnet chilies or
- habanero chilies, divided
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 2 teaspoons McCormick
 Gourmet Cumin, Ground
 1 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet
 Garlic Powder, California
 1 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet
 Oregano, Mediterranean
 1 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet
 Sicilian Sea Salt
- Sicilian Sea Salt
- Teaspoon McCormick Gourmet Paprika, Smoked 1 cup medium grain white rice 1 can (15 to 16 ounces) pigeon peas, drained and rinsed
- 1 can (13.66 ounces) Thai Kitchen Coconut Milk 1 ½ cups water
- 1/2 cup toasted flaked coconut

Heat oil in 4-quart Dutch oven on medium-high heat. Add sweet potatoes, bell pepper, onion and 1 tablespoon each of the cilantro and olives, and 1 teaspoon of the chiles; cook and stir 3 to 5 minutes or until bell pepper and onion are softened and sweet potatoes are lightly browned. Add rice, cumin, garlic powder, oregano, smoked paprika and sea salt; cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes or until rice begins

to look translucent. Stir in pigeon peas, coconut milk, water and tomato sauce. Bring to boil on medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 20 minutes or until rice is tender and liquid has been absorbed. Remove from heat. Let stand, covered, 5 minutes. Uncover and let stand another 5 minutes. Fluff rice with a fork.

Mix toasted coconut, the remaining cilantro, olives and chilies in small bowl. Serve rice with

coconut mixture. Tip: To substitute dried pigeon peas for the canned peas, rinse, soak and cook a heaping ½cup of dried pigeon peas according to package directions until tender. Drain peas. Prepare recipe as directed using the pre-cooked



TACOS AL PASTOR WITH COCONUT LIME

Serves: 6; serving size is 2 tacos Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 6 minutes

- Coconut Lime 5law:
- tablespoons lime juice tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon honey 2 cups shredded cabbage
- cup flaked coconut
 tablespoons chopped fresh
 cilantro
 Pigeon Pea Tacos al Pastor:
- 2 teaspoons olive oil 2 plum tomatoes, chopped 1 cup finely chopped pineapple 1 can (15 to 16 ounces) brown
- pigeon peas, rinsed and drained teaspoons ground oregano ½ teaspoons garlic powder
- l teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika 12 taco shells, warmed

For the Slaw, mix lime juice, olive oil and honey in medium bowl until well blended. Add cabbage, coconut and cilantro; toss to coat. Cover. Refrigerate until

ready to serve. For the Tacos, heat oil in large skillet on medium heat. Add tomatoes and pineapple; cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes or until softened. Add pigeon peas and seasonings; cook and stir until heated through. Serve pigeon pea mixture in warm taco shells topped with Coconut



CRANBERRY BEAN, SAGE AND ORZO SOUP

Serves: 7; serving size is 1 cup Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 50 minutes

- 1 cup coarsely chopped pancetta 1 cup chopped onion 1 cup chopped carrots ½ cup chopped celery
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder 1 cup Albariño wine or another
- dry, white wine 4 cups (1 quart) Kitchen Basics Original Chicken Stock 1 can (14.28 ounces) cranberry
- beans, (also called borlotti beans), drained
- cup orzo pasta, uncooked
- 2 thick strips lemon peel 2 teaspoons paprika 1 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet Sage, Dalmatian
- ½ teaspoon coarse ground black
- pepper
 % teaspoon crushed red pepper
- ¼ teaspoon sea salt 2 cups chopped kale

Cook and stir pancetta in 5guart saucepot or Dutch oven on medium heat 4 minutes or until browned. Add onion, carrots, celery and garlic; cook and stir 6 to 8 minutes or until vegetables

Stir in remaining ingredients, except the kale. Bring to boil Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 20 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasional-

Remove lemon peel; discard With center part of cover removed to let steam escape, puree 1 cup of the soup in blender on high speed until smooth. Return pureed mixture to pot. Stir kale into soup. Simmer, uncovered, 10 minutes or until kale is tender and soup is slightly thickened, stirring occasionally. To serve, ladle into soup bowls. Garnish with thin twists of lemon peel, grated Asiago cheese and Asiago Crostini (recipe fol-

lows), if desired, Tip: Asiago Crostini: Place thinly sliced baguette in single layer on baking sheet. Brush lightly on both sides with olive oil. Bake in preheated 350°F oven 5 minutes or until golden brown. Sprinkle with grated Asiago cheese. Bake 2 minutes longer or just until cheese

Tip: To substitute dried cranberry beans for the canned beans, rinse, soak and cook ¾ cup dried cranberry beans according to package directions until tender. Drain beans, Prepare recipe as directed using the pre-cooked



VEGETARIAN BOLOGNESE WITH BORLOTTI BEANS

Serves: 5; serving size 1 cup Prep time: 25 minutes Cook time: 45 minutes

2 cans (14.28 ounces) cranberry beans, (also called boriotti

beans), drained and divided 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided

1 cup finely chopped onion 1 cup finely chopped carrots 1/cup finely chopped celery 1 cup Albariño wine or one cup of another dry, white wine 1 can (14 1/2 ounces) petite diced

1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce

4 cup water

2 bay leaves 2 teaspoons McCormick Gourmet Sage, Dalmatian 1 teaspoon plus ½ teaspoon garlic powder, divided

1 teaspoon paprika

teaspoon paprika teaspoon plus ¼ teaspoon black pepper, coarse ground,

% teaspoon plus % teaspoon sea salt, divided

% teaspoon red pepper, crushed 2 pounds summer squash, such as vellow squash or zucchini

For the Bolognese, mash 1 can masher. Set side. Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in large nonstick skillet on medium heat. Add onion, carrots and celery; cook and stir 6 to 8 minutes or until vegetables just soften. Add wine and mashed beans; cook and stir 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in remaining beans, toma toes, tomato sauce, water, bay leaves, sage, 1 teaspoon of the garlic powder, paprika, ½teaspoon each of the pepper and salt, and red pepper. Reduce heat to low; simmer, uncovered, 25 to 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally.

Meanwhile, for the Squash Spaghetti, trim squash ends. Cut squash into spaghetti-shaped strands using a julienne peeler or spiralizer until you reach the seeds Discard squash core. It should yield about 1 pound of "spaghetti." Drizzle remaining 1 tablespoon oil over "spaghetti" in large bowl; toss gently to coat. Season with remaining 1/4 teaspoon each salt, pepper and garlic. Heat large nonstick skillet on high heat. Add "spaghetti," and cook and stir gently about 30 seconds or just until heated through.
To serve, place "spaghetti" in

large serving bowl or individual serving bowls and top with Borlotti Bean Bolognese. Sprinkle with shaved Parmesan cheese and chopped fresh parsley, if desired.



PICKLED PEACH AND BLACK BELUGA LENTIL TOASTS

Serves: 12, 2 toasts each

Pickled Peach:

2 tablespoons white wine vinegar 2 teaspoons sugar

I teaspoon yellow mustard seed

1 ripe peach, pitted and finely chopped Black Beluga Lentil Toasts: ½ cup dried black beluga lentils

1 ½ cups water

l teaspoon sea salt 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh chives, divided ½teaspoon thyme ¼ cup crème fraiche 24 thin baguette slices, toasted

For the Pickled Peach, bring vinegar, sugar and mustard seed to simmer in small saucepan on medium heat. Reduce heat to low; cook 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes to cool. Pour over chopped peach in small bowl; toss

gently to coat. Refrigerate 1 hour

or until chilled. leanwhile, for the Lentil Toasts, rinse and drain lentils. Place lentils, water and sea salt in small saucepan. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 20 minutes or until tender. Remove

from heat and uncover. Cool to

room temperature in remaining liquid. Drain. Mix drained lentils, oil, 1 tablespoon of the chives and thyme in medium bowl until blended. To serve, spread about 1 teaspoon crème fraiche on toasted baquette slice. Top with about 1 tablespoon lentil mixture and 1 teaspoon Pickled Peach. Garnish with re

maining chives. Tip: To substitute frozen peaches for the fresh peach, thaw 1 1/2 cups frozen sliced peaches; pat dry and finely chop. Use as directed in

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