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One dead, one wounded in shooting

LeAnne Rogers Staff Write

Warrant requests have been submitted to the Wayne County Prose cutor's Office seeking charges in a shooting that left one man dead and another man wounded at a Westland home

It's possible that the men could be arraigned over the weekend on any charges that are issued. The dead man is identified as a

Westland resident, 24, whose name Westland Police haven't released. The wounded man is identified as a Westland man, 23. Police reported being

dispatched to the home in the 34000 block of Glenwood near Second on home invasion call at about 9:30 a.m. Thursday.

The homeowner, the man shot in the leg, told police that he had shot some-one who had forced his way into the home. The suspects were no longer in the area when officers arrived, West-land Police Sgt. Robert Wilke said.

The homeowner suffered a gunshot wound to the leg and was transported to Dearborn Beaumont Hospital for treatment. After receiving treatment and being released from the hospital,

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PHOTOGRAPHER Neighbor Jose Valdez watches Westland Police officers at the scene of a shooting in the 34000 block of Glenwood Thursday morning. One man was killed, a second wounded and two others taken into custody.

Caring: Disabled veteran from Westland, family receive new home from builders



Compo custom home builder owners Chris and David Compo are happy to help Army veteran (center) Leonard Addison as they stand in front of his new home in Redford.

Scott Daniel Staff Writer

For Leonard Addison, life changed forever in a single moment. During an Army training mission in 2000 at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, he was preparing to rappel off of a Black Hawk helicopter to the battle-field. Instead, he fell more than 30

feet to the ground on his back 'The helicopter went hard left and I was on a rope at the time," Addison said. "When it moved so fast, I lost my balance and fell."

The Westland resident has been trying to regain balance in his life ever since. Fortunately, one piece of that puzzle is about to fall into place. In August, Addison and his family will

move into a brand new home in Redford - free of charge.

Since meeting him in 2012, brothers David and Christopher Compo have been on a mission to provide the home as a way of thanking him for his service to the country. "This guy has been through hell and

back," said David Compo, who helps run Novi-based Compo Builders. "If

there's someone that's deserving, it's

him. He still had a great attitude, a loving attitude. I don't see this rela-tionship ever changing. He's a part of our family."

Addison was an Army specialist at the time of the accident, a year away from completing a four-year

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Wayne teen sentenced to probation for role in Eloise fire

LeAnne Rogers Staff Write

A Wayne teen has been sentenced to 18 months probation after entering a guilty plea in a fire that destroyed the former bakery building at the historic Eloise property. Trevor Bauer, 18, was also sentenced

to 80 hours of community service to be performed at the Disabled American Veterans thrift store in Westland. He

had pleaded guilty to charges of third-degree arson and possession of burglary tools. A 16-year-old West

land boy was also charged in connection

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with the April 6 fire as a Baue juvenile.

Wayne-Westland firefighters responded to the fire at the vacant building joined by firefighters

from Garden City and Inkster. Due to the fire coming through the roof of the two-story building, fire-fighters reported the fire likely started on the upper floor. Firefighters were not able to enter the building while battling the fire due to the second-level floor sagging.

The former bakery building is west of the Kay Beard Building and the Wayne County Family Center. It's ex-pected that the burned building will

need to be demolished. Wayne County owns the Eloise prop-erty and has offered it for sale. The Wayne County Family Center

which recently changed its name to Samaritas Home and Community Campus) and a building with the Wayne County Sheriff's Office road patrol division and a county clerk satellite office are not part of the sale.

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the homeowner was taken into custody as part of the ongoing investigation. The issue with the homeowner is reportedly related to the

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bakery, a cannery, its own post office and fire

Over time, various buildings were closed

and most were demol-

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gun used to shoot the intruder.

Officers later discovered that one of the suspects involved in the incident, a Westland man, was at Beaumont Wayne Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Two additional suspects, a 24-year-old Belleville

hospital closed in 1979 followed by the clo-sure of Wayne County General Hospital in 1984

The Westland His-torical Commission is developing an Eloise Museum to be located at the Westland His-toric Village. Wayne County entered an agreement to loan artifacts to Westland for the museum.

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"All these people ap-

isting relationship," Wilke said. "This was not

a random incident. There

is nothing people need to worry about."

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enlistment. Up until then, he had been extremely active, playing sports like basketball and foot ball

But that all changed when he lost his grip on the rope. Falling on his weapon, an M4 assault rifle, which was slung over his back, didn't help.

Medics rushed him to the base hospital. Knee and back surgeries fol-lowed. But it wasn't his broken body he was thinking about after the accident.

"When it occurred, I felt bad that I didn't have a chance to complete the mission," Addison said. "I felt like I let everyone down

His injuries went beyond his knee and back. Addison suffered inflammation of the sciatic nerve, a hyperten-sive vascular condition and degenerative arthritis of the spine, which means some days are better than others as far as his mobility. He now suffers from a major depressive disorder as

Addison is classified as 100-percent disabled of his tour, which he did complete, he met and married Nicole. Addison described her as his an-

gel. "She has helped me with a lot of the pain I've gone through," he said.

And given him his biggest joys in life, sons Nicholas and Lathan and daughter Lola. The

The incident was reportedly related to the homeowner having evicted a girlfriend and her child from his home.

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"It feels good to help," David Compo said. 'Leonard has had a tough lot in life."

It was nearly a mir-acle that the two even met

Addison was at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Detroit when he happened to spot a brochure the Compos had left offering their help. He called and heard back from David a few weeks later

An interview followed. Compo talked to other vets in the early going, but a second interview

convinced him Addison was the right choice. "He came to our house and took pictures," Addi-son said. "I wasn't expecting anything."

When he learned that his family would get the house, he said he was in complete shock. His thanks to the Comparison thanks to the Compos goes beyond gratitude, however.

nowever. "Serving my country," Addison said, "to get respect back ... I wasn't expecting it. To see it makes me feel good, really good." really good.



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youngest of the three, Lola, 2, battles her own



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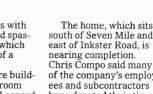




TOM BEAUDOIN Tri-Star volunteer Andrew Shultz helps Compo Builders as he completes the finished carpentry on the steps to a home built for a local Army veteran in Redford.

physical problems with cerebral palsy and spas-tic quadriplegia, which requires the use of a wheelchair.

The Compos are building the three-bedroom brick ranch with Leonard and Lola's mobility challenges in mind. Door ways are extra wide. bathrooms are barrier free and stairs going to the lower level will have



nearing completion. Chris Compo said many of the company's employees and subcontractors have donated their time to make construction possible. Some materials have also been donated.

The Compo family owned the lot the home now sits on for more than

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Play ball! Buddy-baseball time at Miracle League

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Adriana Dillon, 10, of Wayne was with "buddy Kris Janevski, a Michi-gan State University senior who grew up in Plymouth, enjoying baseball fun last weekend at the Miracle League of

"Since day one," mom Candice Dillon said of Adriana playing at the field on the edge of downtown Plymouth, with its soft surface designed for soft sufface designed I special-needs players. "She's been one of the original players," in-cluding spring and fall seasons.

"To be able to watch her, she's so much happier," Candice Dillon said.

"It brings her alive. She's a big grand slam home run hitter. It's something her brother can watch her do," Dillon added of Gavin, 7. Of the ballpark, which

took much blood, sweat and tears from volunteers along with business support, Dillon said, "It brings awareness to so many people. To see the abilities of these kids. They can prove they have all kinds of abilities."

Deb Madonna, Miracle League of Plymouth president/commissioner, said the spring season started May 7 with about 106 players age 5 through adult. "It's going good," said Madonna, a Plymouth Township resident. "Everybody seems

happy to be here. As you can see, we've got a lot of buddies. Everybody's happy to be outside." The volunteer buddies

work individually with players, coaching them along through plays and games. The field opened Aug. 20, 2011, and has many volunteers.

"Sometimes we'll double-buddy. It's nice if someone's new," both for the buddy and player, Madonna noted.

"And the kids enjoy when the buddies come out," she added.

Buddy Kris Janevski was volunteering his first time May 21 for the Miracle League. "I decided to volunteer because I was previously employed as a respite care provider in



Lansing. I worked at a group home that housed individuals with varying degrees of autism. The people in the home were wonderful and I miss the relationships that I was

JULIE BROWN Adriana Dillon, 10, of Wayne is about to take to the Miracle League of Plymouth ballfield with Buddy Kris Janevski, a Michigan State University senior. Volunteer **Buddies** help on the field, with new volunteers always welcome.

able to build," Janevski

"I learned how varied life can be and enjoyed the challenge of understanding others. I'm in a fortunate position where I am able to give my time to the community and thought it would be fun to play baseball!" added Janevski, who went to school in Plymouth. He's a chemistry major at MSU and plans on apply-ing to medical school this spring. Additional information

on the Miracle League of Plymouth is at www.miracle leagueplymouth.org

Parents watched from the bleachers, cheering one and all on the sunny spring day. The announcer gave the lineup, fol-lowed by the national anthem. "Play ball!" then rang out to cheers.

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At 100 years: A wonderful life for longtime Wayne resident

LeAnne Rogers Staff Write

As she celebrated her 100th birthday May 23, Marion Beasley wanted to make one thing clear.

'I have had a good and wonderful life. I had wonderful parents, I had my boys and my hus-band," said Beasley, a longtime Wayne resident now living at American House in Westland. Born in Salem, Beas-

ley later moved to North-ville where her parents had a farm. She graduat-ed from Northville High School, as did her hus-band, George.

"We didn't go out then," she said. The couple married in 1938 and eventually moved to Wayne when George Beasley became man ager of the C.F. Smith grocery store, which was located on Michigan Avenue next to the State Wayne, He later worked for Garwood's factory after the store closed.

With sons Kenneth and Norman, the family



lived for many years on John R in Wayne, back-ing up to the Rouge Riv-

er. "I worked for the schools as a secretary at different schools. When I had retired, my husband and I would spend the winters in Arizona. We had a cottage at Rifle Lake," said Beasley, who worked longest at Madison Elementary School.

For many years, Beasley was active in the First Congregational Church of Wayne where she was guest of honor at a birthday party re-cently. About 90 people attended the open house held in Beasley's honor.

"I had loads of friends (at the party)," said Beasley, who also had a smaller celebration with fellow American House

lt's a happy 100th birthday for Marion Beasley, celebrating with American House residents, Executive Director Elizabeth

Churnesky and

Life Enrichment Director Sara

Kenvon.

Throughout her life,

of clubs and hobbies like

quilting and crocheting.

She and George, who died 13 years ago, were

active dancers hitting the floor every Saturday

Beasley said she remained active with her family, church, a variety

residents.

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brother passed away very young," she said. "And here I am. I didn't expect to live to be 100. My grandfather lived to be over 100."

Daughter-in-law Linda Beasley noted Marion Beasley always had good habits - never smoking, eating well, cooking from scratch and keep-

"She is very upbeat and loves life. She is a very positive person. I think that has contrib-uted to her longevity," said Linda Beasley, the secretary at First Congregational Church. Her husband Norman, retired from General Motors, is the church custodian. Marion Beasley's

other son, Kenneth, served first as a Wayne firefighter and later as a Wayne police officer during the 1970s. An Army veteran and re-servist, he worked as a corrections officer and currently works with the Jackson Schools junior ROTC program.

Along with her sons and daughters in-law, Beasley has two grandsons, two granddaughters and seven greatgrandchildren.

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Technology center students visit local businesses



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Recently, M.C. Gutherie Lumber Co. and Premier Pan-el, both located in Livonia, and Jim Mackie Distribution Center in Romulus, hosted 48 students from Livonia Career and Technology Center.

The event was sponsored by the Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club in an effort to educate high school students on the careers available in the forestry industry, and to give participating com-panies a pool of young people to offer internships and open positions to when available. The students started at M.C.

Gutherie Lumber, where they were exposed to different areas of operation such as dispatch, yard operations, sales, millwork, accounting

procedures and credit management.

Next, they took a tour of a specialty manufacturing com-pany, Premier Panel. There the students were exposed to what it takes to run a specialized business. They were able to watch from start to finish the process of making wall panels and how they are used in construction.

For lunch, they went to a park in Garden City where they had boxed lunches cater ed by Deluxe Sweet Treats. To end the day, the students

went to Jim Mackie Distribu-tion Center in Romulus. That stop introduced students to the decisions a wholesaler makes on what products to stock and

sell to a retail customer, and how items are sold, packaged and delivered.

The goals of this day were to increase area high school graduation rates by encourag-ing students to finish school, work hard and succeed; to help encourage students to pursue a career in the forest products industry after graduation; and to give experience completing an employment application and applying for internships avail-able during the summer months if interested and available

The students at the Livonia Career and Technology Center are studying carpentry, and help rebuild houses for the City of Livonia.

Summer reading at Westland library fun for entire family

Julie Brown Staff Write

For Andy Schuck and col-leagues at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, summer reading adds up to

fun. "We're really excited about it," said Schuck, who heads up youth services at the library on Central City Parkway north of Ford Road. "It's always a fun time of year for us." Several programs are of

fered, including for babies through age 5, pre-readers. "We engage them in early liter-acy activities," Schuck said.

Children ages 6-12 are in the Readers program. "We're en-couraging them to read 600 minutes over a six-week period," which works out to rough 15 minutes a day, he said ly 15 minutes a uay, no out "We're going to have lots of fun stuff."

Activities for kids 6-12 in-clude life-sized games, such as Candy Land, as well as a pro-gram with a "Bubble Man."

"He can make square bub bles, caterpillar bubbles, bub bles within bubbles," Schuck said. "All sorts of fun stuff." That age will also enjoy a sports vehicle program. The Westland library will

offer Monday storytimes in different city parks, with a

"All ages can benefit from this and it's a real boon to their next year in school. We like to give it a well-rounded experience." ANDY SCHUCK, librarian

meal provided for those age 18 and under. Adults can buy a meal for \$3, Schuck said

The library's teen and adult summer reading will also start with a June 18 program. Themes this year are "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" for kids, "Get in the Game!" for teens and "Exercise Your Mind" for adults

"It's all sports and healthrelated," Schuck said. Adults at the Westland library can enjoy a summer walking club and yoga classes

Some 1,200 children, school-age and preschool, participat-ed last summer at Westland. "We let them read whatever they like to read," he said. "There's a lot of adventure fiction the boys like to read.' The library will display

sports fiction, biographies and how-to books on playing sports



Librarian Andy Schuck is looking forward to summer reading time at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland.

as well, and he anticipates those will circulate well. Harry Potter titles remain popular, too.

"All ages can benefit from this and it's a real boon to their next year in school," said Schuck, noting even solving math problems is worked in to

"We like to give it a well-rounded experience," he said. Adults and teens will sign

up for summer reading in per-son at Westland. Parents can sign younger kids up in person as well or visit westland.bean-stack.org for online signup. Beanstack is a new e-re-source that offers weekly per-

sonalized book recommenda-tions and learning tips for kids featuring books in the West-land collection. It also offers learning tracks that kids and families can follow at their own pace to earn badges, along with book lists and app lists. Call the library at 734-326-6123 for more information.

At the Wayne Public Li-brary, registration begins June 7 for summer reading at the Youth Desk. There will be weekly programs ranging from magic to the Flying Aces Pro Frisbee Team. The Wayne Public Library is at 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, 734-721-7832.

Wavne's library will also offer adult and teen reading programs.

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Police: Lock doors, windows to reduce risk of home break-ins **LeAnne Rogers** Staff Write

Wayne residents have reported several residential break-ins over the past two months and many have a common denominator.

'In many of the cases, the suspects are gaining entry into the residence through unlocked doors and windows," Wayne Police Lt. Ryan Strong said.

Specifically, the break-ins were reported in the east end of Wayne. More recently, on May 23, police were called to investigate two separate home break-ins: one in the 3600 block of Barry, the other in the 34000 block of Poplar. The Wayne Police Depart-

ment encourages everyone to lock their doors and windows, Strong said. Residents should also contact the police department if they observe any suspi-cious activity. Anyone with any information regarding these break-ins is asked to call 734-721-1400.

» Wayne Police are also reminding residents to be care-ful about who they let into their homes

On May 21, police received a larceny report from a resident on Harrison. The suspect posed as a neighbor, was invited in-side the residence and stole

several items from the home. Residents shouldn't allow strangers into their homes, Strong said. "If a person comes to your door for assistance, please contact the police department and the police will assist the subject," he said. » Wayne Police Chief Alan Maciag and other officers

participate in monthly meeting with residents at 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursdays of the month. Various law enforcement topics are discussed and residents have an opportunity to asked questions

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The site of the proposed brewery and distillery in Livonia

Brewery, distillery plans October opening

David Veselenak Staff Write

First Schoolcraft College prepares for a brewery in Livonia. Now, another company is looking to set up a brew-pub at the site of a closed restaurant in Plymouth Road. The Livonia Planning Com-

mission recommended approv-al for a waiver use at the for-mer Midtown Grill and Bar, 36685 Plymouth Road, for Supernatural Spirits and Brew-ery to move into the space. It now moves on to the City Council for its review and approval.

Ernie Pacsai, a Wixom resi-dent and co-owner of the brew ery, said he and his partners wanted to bring a brewery to Livonia, since the city doesn't currently have one. They went looking and discovered the zoning for the former restaurant on Plymouth Road between Levan and Newburgh was appropriate for such a brewery and are in the process of finalizing the purchase of "I know it's a great city for

families and the kind of people who don't mind going out for a beer in the evening," said Pac-sai, a Livonia native and Bentley High School alumnus. "How can it be the 10th largest city in Michigan and not have a brewpub?"

He said while some renovations would be made on the exterior of the building, in-cluding the removal of the brightly colored paneling that has adorned the facility for several years, the interior would remain essentially the

same. "There was quite a substantial renovation made on the building, and it's quite nice inside," he said. "We would like to keep that." He said at least one wall

would need to be removed inside in order to get brewing equipment into the building, which will also be showcased by adding a window to allow patrons to see the vats that will make the beer.

"Being a brewpub, the brew area is your showpiece," Pac-sai said. "That is the equipment we'll be using to prepare the delicious brew."

Standards plus unique offers

Pacsai said standard beers, like Scotch ale and wheat ale, would be brewed at the restaurant, though the facility plans on having rotating taps of more unique offerings, such as a ghost pepper stout. They plan on distilling such spirits as rum and whiskey as well.

Once open, the restaurant plans on serving traditional American pub fare in addition to the beer and spirits created on site, though Pacsai said they hope to add their own signature twists to dishes. It would be open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m Tuesday-Sunday once opened. Pacsai said the plan is to open by October. Midtown Grill and Bar

ing the building vacant since. If approved, it could be Livonia's first brewery to open

a restaurant in the city. Schoolcraft College, as a part of its brewing and distillation program, is in the process of adding beer to its restau-rant. The barrels for brew-ing at the college were de-livered to the Livonia cam-pus earlier this month. While it doesn't cell bear

While it doesn't sell beer on site, Plymouth-based Liberty Street Brewing Co., opened a production facility on Levan in Livonia last spring.

Pacsai said he and his partners are enthusiastic home brewers and decided they wanted to make a business out of their hobby. He said the Michigan craft beer community has been very supportive and he knows it will be difficult, but excit-

"It's a little crazy, it's a little risky," he said. "We're a bunch of home brewers that have loved brewing at home for years and years."

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Rogue is an appealing compact SUV with a robust exterior and a high-quality look. Its sporty appearance is complemented with updated interior features. You can check out the the available models at Nissan of Canton located at 42175 Michigan Ave., just west of I-275.

Styling

Nissan has definitely succeeded in crafting a compact SUV that many find appealing. The Nis-san-family look is in full force, with more than a passing resemblance to the bigger Pathfinder. The look is more aggressive than its competitors, with bulging wheel arches and a bigger nose than the Honda CR-V or Toyo-ta RAV4. Seventeen-inch steel wheels are standard on the base S trim, with 17-inch alloy wheels standard on the midlevel SV trim and 18-inch alloy wheels standard on the topline SL trim. New LED running lights up front and angular taillights make the Rogue distinctive even in the dark.

How it drives

The Rogue's powertrain is a 2.5-liter four-cylinder engine making 170 horsepower and mated to a continuously variable automatic transmis-sion. Front-wheel drive is standard and all-wheel

standard and all-wheel drive an option. Handling is sharp. The thick steering wheel delivers excellent feed-back to the driver. Brakes are very strong and firm, with excellent pedal feel and no noticeable fade. The standard front-

wheel-drive Rogue gets an EPA-rated 26/33/28 mpg city/highway/combined.

Interior

Nissan paid a lot of attention to the interior.



The 2015 Nissan Rogue's bold, sharp bodylines offer a sporty and confident appearance, balancing its sleek style with an aggressive stance provided by large wheelwells and available 18-inch wheels and tires.



Nissan paid a lot of attention to the interior, creating a cabin that is inviting, attractive and comfortable for a variety of body types.

creating a cabin that is inviting, attractive and comfortable for a variety of body types. Slide into the driver's seat and the combination of command seating and low dashboard creates excellent visibility to the front and sides.

Seating is flexible, spacious and comfortable

The second row of seats is also quite spa-cious at 37.9 inches, with much more legroom than

expected for a compact SUV, stadium-style layout and long, tall win-dows for rear seat passengers.

Ergonomics and electronics

Gauges are easily visible through the steering wheel and include a 5-inch color LCD, the largest in any Nissan product, to display a variety of customizable vehicle information. A full complement of

information and entertainment electronics are available, including navigation, satellite radio and Bluetooth streaming audio and phone connec-tivity. The Rogue features not only a backup camera but Nissan's Around View Monitor, which uses cameras to display a 360-degree live feed of the Rogue's environment on the touchscreen

Cargo and storage

Pop the rear hatch (a power liftgate is optional) to reveal a spacious cargo area with low bumper liftover. The second-row seats fold flat in a 40/20/40 split, and the levers are accessible with a stretch from the cargo area to unlatch the seatbacks. Fold the front passenger seat flat as well to get a cargo area able to accommodate an 8-foot ladder. For models without the thirdrow seat, under-floor storage is presented with two reconfigurable dividers that can also act as package shelves.

The Rogue cargo volume area is 39.3 cubic feet of space available behind the second row of seats.

Some notable features of the 2015 Rogue include the following:

Exterior highlights

» 17-inch steel wheels; 17- and 18-inch alloy wheels available

- » Halogen headlights » LED daytime run-
- ning lights » Rear spoiler
- » Available power moonroof
- » Available fog lights
 » Available power
- liftgate » Available heated
- outside mirrors

Interior highlights

- » Available front seat warmers » Six-way adjustable
- driver's seat » Six front storage
- areas » Available Nissan-Connect™ with naviga-
- tion » Available Nissan
- Voice Recognition » Available Travel

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Under the Hood

» 170-horsepower, 2.5-liter four-cylinder

engine » Continuously Variable Transmission » Front- or all-wheel

» Active Trace Con-trol, Active Engine Brak-ing and Active Ride Control

Safety features

» Required in every new car: front airbags, anti-lock brakes and an electronic stability system

- m » Blind spot warning » Lane departure
- warning » Forward collision

 » For the
 warning
 » Rollover sensor
 » Child safety rear door locks

» Traction control » Hill start assist

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LOCAL NEWS





Canton author honors U.S. veterans in new book

Darrell Clem

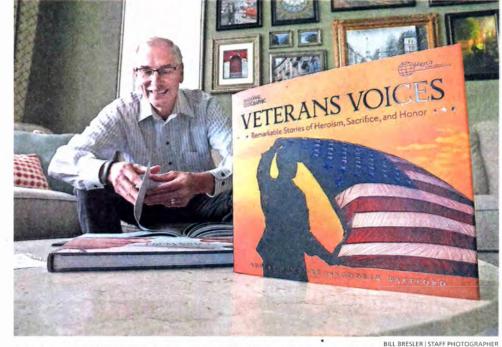
Canton resident Thomas Houdek was a U.S. soldier fighting in Germany during World War II when he was cap tured and forced into hard labor in a prisoner of war camp, Stalag 4B "I spent five months

in the prison camp," Houdek, 90, said. Retired U.S. astronaut

Jerry Linenger was a U.S. Navy flight surgeon before he was involved in missions aboard space shuttles Discovery and Atlantis, working 132 days with two Russian cosmonauts in isolation on space station Mir. "I believe it was a

privilege to fly in space and represent our coun-try," Linenger, 61, said, during a telephone in-terview from his home near Traverse City. Houdek and Linenger are among 72 veterans wnose stories and photographs have been respectfully captured by Canton author Robert H. Canton author Robert H. Miller and co-author Andrew Wakeford, who lives in Germany. Their new book with National Geographic, "Veterans Voices: Remarkable Sto-ries of Heroism, Sacri-fice, and Honor," re-rounts wartime eventicounts wartime experiwrenching, inspiring, horrific, heroic and, above all, an emotional tribute to the brave men and women who grace its 256 pages. The authors wove

Together stories of U.S. II and every war since. "I never thought I'd over have something like this," said Houdek, whose 10 children, 28 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren have gotten multiple copies of the book. "They are so happy to know that these authors put me in that book. It's some thing I'll never forget



Canton author Robert Miller has now been involved in writing three books - all about veterans.

and neither will my fam-

ily." Linenger, despite his soaring accomplish-ments, is clearly hum-bled that he was among the veterans sought out and interviewed by Mil-ler and Wakeford for their book. "It's a proud moment.

It's a proud moment. It's a provide to be in-cluded among those vet-erans," Linenger said, adding that many featured in the book sacri-ficed far more than he did. "I'm very proud of my military career, but I'm just kind of the back-ground in that book compared to the other veter-ans who have seen the

tough side of things." Miller, who has now penned his third book, developed a love of photography when he was 13 years ago and nurtured it. He also has traveled the world as a consultant

in the field of LED lighting and technology for the global auto market.

Miller wrote his first book, "Hidden Hell: Dis-covering My Father's P.O.W. Diary," (Patton Publishing) after his father, who spent nine months in captivity as a prisoner of war in Nazi Germany, died in 1995. Miller found his prison-er-of-war journals, wrapped in brown paper, which contained his fa-ther's wartime drawings.

"They were filled with his drawings of despair,' he said. During his work trips

to Europe, he retraced his father's travels and eventually penned his award-winning "Hidden Hell." That was followed by "Portraits of Service: Looking into the Faces of Veterans" — Miller's first collaboration with Wakeford. It, too, snagged publishing awards. The second book

caught the attention of National Geographic, which approached Miller at a New York City book

at a New York City book fair and pitched the idea for "Veterans Voices." "I was really honored by this. It's beyond my wildest dreams to say I'm a National Geograph-ic author," he said. Miller and Wakeford, who given dy bag streng

who already had strong ties to the veterans community, sought a wide array of people for the book. Among those fea-tured:

» Emma Didlake, who, at age 110, was the oldest living U.S. veteran before she died three weeks after Miller in-terviewed her. A West Bloomfield resident, she served stateside in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps during World War II and was honored by President Barack Obama one month before she

died. » Robert "Rocky Bleier, who helped the Pittsburgh Steelers win four Super Bowl champi-onships despite warnings he might never play after he was shot in the leg in Vietnam in 1969 while serving in the U.S. Army. » Vernice Armour -

the first African-American female combat pilot — who served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Iraq in 2004 and whose quick thinking and bravery saved a group of Marines trapped in a perilous

situation. » Jas Boothe, who started Final Salute in Alexandria, Va., an organization that has helped more than 10,000 homeless female veter ans find transitional

housing. Boothe, a dis-abled veteran, served in the U.S. Army in Iraq in 2008-09.

Miller said he is ap-palled that the United States has allowed veter-ans to be homeless: "How we let that happen, I'll never know." » Carlos "Chuck" Norris, the famous actor,

filmmaker and martial artist who served as a U.S. Air Force military policeman in Korea in 1958-62.

Miller's work brought him into contact with Helen Patton, grand-daughter of U.S. Army Gen. George S. Patton. They met on Utab Beach in 2009 — a meeting that occurred on the augming ni 2009 — a meeting mat occurred on the evening before the 65th com-memoration of D-Day in France's Normandy region. Miller served as executive director of the Patton Foundation in America. With their newest

book, Miller and Wake ford have been lauded by the likes of television journalist Bob Woodruff, who wrote the book's foreword to introduce "Veterans Voices.

"If photographs can help us stand in someone else's shoes and bring their world to our living room, then this book will give you a glimpse of American life that all of us need to respect, no matter what our political leanings," he wrote. Miller lives with wife

Colleen in Canton and they have five children and three grandchildren. The new book has been well-received. Miller just hopes it brings some much-deserved attention to the veterans it features. "It's really important

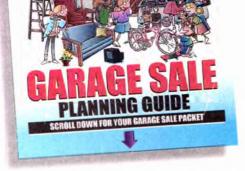
that these stories are shared because this is the legacy of our country," he said.

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Chain-reaction team aims to shatter U.S. record

Darrell Clem Staff Write

Aiming to beat its own U.S. record, a team of chain-reaction experts led by Steve Price of Canton hopes to topple 250,000 dominoes.

It's called the Incred-ible Science Machine World Edition and it's coming to Westland Shopping Center in July. It would shatter a U.S

record set last July when the team built a chain reaction that toppled 197,598 dominoes at the Michigan Science Center while camera crews from The Discovery Channel and Detroit Public Television filmed it.

"It's just a lot of fun to get together with other builders who share the same passion," said Price, a recent graduate of Michigan State University and its Honors College who earned his degree in mechanical engineering. This year's theme will focus on world cultures

and incorporate all seven continents. It is expected to include designs of Chinese scrolls to represent Asia, soccer balls for South America and possibly a tribute to Route 66 for the United States, among other segments

The 18-member team will complement its 250,000 dominoes with everything from Hot Wheels tracks to ping pong balls to string. Price said the chain reac-tion will have a 70,000domino "circle field" — a large circle of dominoes that topples from the center and outward – that could break the Guinness World Record for circle fields. An attempt to break a

Guinness record for Rube Goldberg chain-reaction machines fell short last year.

Builders from across the United States, Canada, Austria and Germany are expected to partici-pate in July. Some in-volved in last year's team

Price's chain-reaction events on "America's Got Talent" prompted then-judge Howard Stern to call him a "genius."

are returning. "We've become really good friends," Price said, adding the team aims to "intrigue and excite the audience."

The team is expected to build the project start-ing 10 days before the event, which is set for 1 p.m. Saturday, July 23, in front of a live mall audi-ence at Westland Shop-ping Center's east court.

Admission is free. Here's the official trailer for the event: youtube.com/watch?v= FDozs8PnpnM. Zeal Credit Union has

announced on its website that it is once again sponsoring the event, as it did last year at the Michigan Science Center. Price gained a nation-

al following in 2013 as a contestant on "America's Got Talent" and per-formed at Radio City Music Hall. He also has appeared on Rachael Ray's cooking show and has built chain-reaction machines at museums such as The Strong, or the National Museum of Play, in Rochester, N.Y., where he was featured in the Toy Hall of Fame.

More recently, he has been working on building chain reactions for mu-seums, advertisements and films, expanding what was once a child-hood hobby.

"I've started doing this full-time," he said. Price and his team last July received accolades from Lisa Fawcett, Zeal Credit Union vice presi-dent, who said the company supports the efforts because of "the hard work and passion required to pursue a dream

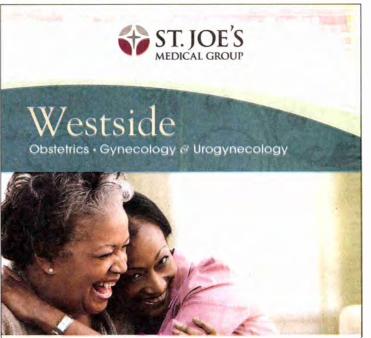
of this magnitude." Price's chain-reaction events on "America's Got Talent" prompted then-judge Howard Stern to call him a "genius." For more on the In-credible Science Machine and last year's

chain reaction, visit incrediblescience For more on the team's Facebook event,

visit facebook.com/events/ 554256258089785/ For more on Price's website, visit

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A team of chain-reaction builders hopes to break its own U.S. record this year with 250,000 dominoes

Below: Last year's event used just under 198.000 dominoes



LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS 15125 FARMINGTON ROAD LIVONIA, MI 48154-5474 (734) 744-2500

The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of:

Fieldhouse Lighting Replacement - 3 Sites Bid for the 2016-2017 School Year (See Attached Specifications)

Request for Proposal (RFP) documents can be obtained at the Livonia Public School Website, <u>www.livoniapublicschools.org</u> under the section titled DISTRICT, Purchasing Bids, 2015-2016 school year, open bids OR Buy4Michigan Website, www.buy4michigan.com. Please feel free to include additional pages of information if necessary. For bids to be considered they must et or exceed all specifications herein.

Mandatory Walk Thru is May 27, 2016, 2:30 p.m. starting at Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, MI, 48152, proceeding to: Franklin High School, 31000 Joy Road, Livonia, MI, 48150; Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI, 48150.

Sealed bids marked <u>Fieldhouse Lighting Replacement - 3 Sites</u>, will be received until 1:00 p.m. on the 7th day of June, 2016, in the Business Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan. Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

The Bid Opening will take place at 1:00 p.m. on the **7th** day of **June**. **2016**. at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement of disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner and any employee of the bidder and any member of the Livonia Board of Education, the Livonia Public Schools Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, any member of the Wayne RESA Board of Education or the Superintendent of Wayne RESA. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Affidavit of Compliance Economic Sanctions Act. No hid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized statement.

All bids must be accompanied by the Equal Opportunity Statement. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this statement.

All bids must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Livonia Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each bid over \$23,230.00 and must be submitted with the bid forms furnished with specification.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet and all sheets must be returned for the bid. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) days

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part: to award to other than the low bidder: to waive any irregularities and/ or informalities: and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the district, including awarding by line item, with rationale to support such a decision. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

This is a Prevailing Wage project.

Prices bid are to be **F.O.B. Destination**. All purchases are to be exempt from all taxes, including state and federal taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request

Any bid submitted will be binding for ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of the bid submission. All bids must be submitted on the attached bid form and signed by the bidder. Two (2) signed copies of the bid package are to be addressed to the attention of:

Nick Armelagos Administrator of Finance Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road Livonia, MI 48154-5474 "Fieldhouse Lighting Replacement - 3 Sites"

One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files. Any questions **regarding bid specifications** should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations, hlau@ivoniapublicschools.org. 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. EST.

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OBSERVER COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community conversation

The League of Women Voters of NW Wayne County and Livonia Citi-zens for Peace are cohosting a Center for Michigan Community Conversation at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 9. The event is co-spon-sored by the American Association of University Women of Livonia. The topic is "Restoring Public Trust in State Government." Partici-pants will be discussing state government services, management of the public purse, and oversight of Michigan's political system.

The conversations are conducted throughout the state by Center for Michigan, a nonprofit organization. Everyone who attends can partici-pate in the discussion. Center for Michigan gathers the data from the various conversations, prepares a report of its findings and pre-sents it to the State Legislature.

Islature. Seating is limited; RSVP to Angela Ryan at cruiserryan@ameri-tech.net or 734-591-0995 or Colleen Mills at www.citizens4peace.com or 734-425-0079.

Ice cream social

Livonia's elected offi-cials host "Ice Cream & Information," an ice cream social that will give residents a chance to enjoy ice cream and ask questions of their elected officials.

The event, which takes place 6-7:30 p.m Thursday, June 9, at the Livonia Senior Center, will be hosted by Mayor Dennis Wright, Clerk Susan Nash, Treasurer Lynda Scheel and council members Kathleen Mc-Intyre, Brandon Kritzman, Scott Bahr, Maureen Miller Brosnan, Cathy White, James Jolly and Brian Meakin.

The Livonia Public Library hosts the second annual Father's Day Pinewood Derby on Sat urday, June 18, in the Livonia Civic Center Library Atrium. Aesthetic judging is at 11 a.m., and racing starts at 1 In-library registration and derby kit pickup is through Saturday, June 4, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Civic Center Refer-

ence Desk. Contact Ken Bignotti, 734-421-4235 (Monday, Wednesday), 248-893-4010 (Tuesday, Thurs-day), 734-466-2460 (Friday, Saturday) or email bignotti@livoniapubliclibrary.org for more information.

Pinewood Derby

p.m

Parking lot sale

St. John Bosco Church hosts a "Parking Lot Sale" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 18. Sellers can sell their "stuff" at this sale. The church is at 12100 Beech Daly in Redford. For more information, call Sally at 734-748-8110.

Casino trip

The Wayne Rotary sponsors a trip to Motor City Casino at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 4. Pickup is at the Wayne District Court on Sims. Cost is \$35 (you get \$30 back in slot play). The trip is a fund-raiser for Wayne Rotary. For more information, call Trish Hampton at

734-890-6934.

Car show

American Legion Post 32 hosts a car show at 9318 Newburgh in Livonia every Thursday from 5 p.m. to dusk through Sept. 29. Join the Legion for

fun, food and, of course, cars and bikes. The event also features door prizes, raffles and giveaways. Plaques for "best of show" awarded each week. Dinner inside and grill food outside.



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The Westland Farmers & Artisans Market is up and running from 3-7 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 13 (closed June 16 and Aug. 4).

Westland market

The Westland Farmers & Artisans Market is up and running from 3-3 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 13 (closed June 16 and Aug. 4). It features a variety of food and craft vendors, special events and music. EBT is accepted.

The market is at 1901 N. Carlson, Central City Park, in Westland. For more information, call 734-326-7222 or email westlandchamber@yahoo.com.

Food pantry

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church invites who could use assistance with food needs to visit their food pantry Sat-urday, June 4.

The pantry will be open from 9-10 a.m. Hosanna-Tabor is at 9600 Leverne in Redford, east of Inkster Road and south of Plymouth Road. For more information. call the church office at 313-937-2424.

The Livonia Buffalo Wild Wings is the site for a benefit fundraiser for Lisa Glen all day June 5 at the BWW on Six Mile in Livonia. BWW will donate 20

Benefit fundraiser

percent of all sales (dine-in or take-out) to the Benefit for Lisa Glen (details at buffalowildwings.com). The event includes a silent auction

and T-shirt sales. The BWW is at 37651 Six Mile. For more in-formation, call 734-469 4400.

Citizens for Peace

The film "Making a Killing: Guns, Greed, and the NRA" will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 14, at the Citizens for Peace meeting. Rob-ert Greenwald's film features personal stories from people across the country who have been affected by gun violence, including survivors and victims' families. Join Citizens for

Peace to view and discuss this film. The film will be shown at Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile Road). Donations accepted. For more informa-tion, call 734-425-0079 or visit www.citizens4peace.com

SOLAR meeting

Michigan couple Gary and Linda DeKock kayaked the length of the Mississippi River, from Lake Itasca, Minn., to the Gulf of Mexico. Their voyage started July 19, 2014, and ended Sept. 26 2014, after paddling 2,291 miles. They did it to raise money for Water for People, a charity that provides clean water and sanitation in nine countries. Come hear their tale, as they share photos and stories of their trip.

Their presentation will take place at the monthly membership meeting of SOLAR, a nonprofit social club run by volunteers who love the outdoors and want to share their enjoyment with others. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile (just west of Inkster Road) in Livonia. SOLAR is not affiliated with St. Paul's or any religious organization. For more information, visit www.solaroutdoors.com

Democratic club

The Livonia Democratic Party has two major meeting events each month. Executive board officers (and members who wish to attend) meet on the first Wednesday of each month. Livonia Democratic Party membership meetings occur on the second Wednesday every month. The meetings occur at 7 p.m., and are located at the Livonia Quality Inn & Suites, 30375 Plymouth Road in Livonia. Visit the group's website at www.livonia

democraticclub.com » LDC/MABSI Bingo

— Join the regular play-ers at Shamrock Bingo, 33111 Plymouth Road, in the eastern end of the Sheldon Center Mall seven evenings each week (excluding some legal holidays) for a nice evening out, good com-pany and a chance to win. Doors open at 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Games begin at 6:30 p.m. Sat-urday games begin at 6 p.m., and Sunday at 5 p.m.

GriefShare meetings

The congregation at Christ Our Savior Lu-theran Church has expe-rienced the deaths of several members in the past few months. In an effort to respond to the grief and sorrow for their loved ones, the church will be starting a grief support group us-ing the "GriefShare" materials. GriefShare groups meet weekly for 13 sessions to help face the challenges after the loss of a loved one and move toward rebuilding lives

Each week, the Grief-Share group will watch a video seminar featuring experts on grief and recovery subjects. After viewing the video, group members will spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in their lives. GriefShare will be

held on Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m. at Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia in the chapel. This is free for all who would like to attend, but registration is requested to know how many to prepare for. Register at www.christoursavior.org under Events tab. For more information, con-tact Mike McGrath at 734-459-1274 or Linda Hollman at the church office, 734-522-6830.

CITY OF WESTLAND **INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before **June 9th**, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

GOLF COURSE PUMP STATION FOR IRRIGATION

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Proposals must be submitted by the time stated above or they will be returned. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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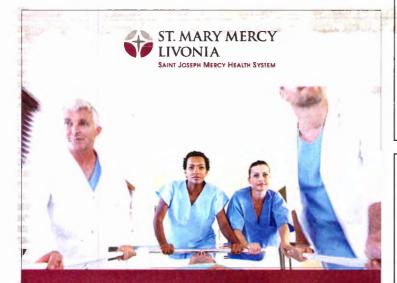
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Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road Livonia, MI 48154-5474 <u>"Copy Paper Bid"</u> One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files. Any questions **regarding bid specifications** should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations. <u>hlau@livoniapublicschools.org</u>. 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. EST.

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ed: May 29, 2016

Westland looks at options for bulk-item pickups

LeAnne Rogers Staff Write

Fall and spring permit-free garage sale weekends and bulk dropoff days are part of a proposal to address special/bulk-item pickups, which were eliminated as a free service for Westland residents in late 2014

The discussion became heated after Coun-cilman Peter Herzberg proposed restoring free bulk-item pickup with funding from budget cuts, including elimination of a position on the mayor's staff and taking \$60,000 from the senior services budget.

The bulk-item pickup was eliminated at a savings of \$300,000 annually due to the city's sanitation millage no longer meeting expenses for trash collection services. Instead, residents could

"It doesn't require throwing a dart and eliminating an employee in the mayor's office. I think you probably have no idea what it takes to run the office,"

MAYOR WILLIAM WILD

request a bulk pickup for a fee, along with paying for an additional trash cart if needed — every household receives the first trash cart and additional recycling carts at

no charge. Westland Budget Director Debra Peck presented the proposal as part of what was expected to be a final council study session in advance of the 2016-17 budget adoption.

From Dec. 15, 2015, through May 18, 2016, the city received requests for 1,428 special/bulk pickups, including 123 addresses requesting more than one pickup. Based on that data, Peck said the city would esti-mate 4,500 pickup re-quests annually. The city has just under 28,000 households.

The city budgeted \$70,000 revenue from special pickups and extra trash bin rentals — \$50,000 and \$20,000, respectively. The fees for special pickups range from \$5 for extra bags of trash beyond the 96gallon bin to \$30 for ap-pliances without the freon removed. "We would encourage

people to use the Wayne County Hazardous Waste collection; we would have two permit-free garage sale weekends and drop-off days at DPS (Department of Public Services)," Finance Di-rector Steve Smith said. Councilman Bill John-

son suggested that along with the DPS drop-off day, the city set up a program with advance appointments for DPS pickups to accommodate people unable to move bulk items.

"This will take a big bite out of this issue,"

Johnson said. The proposal is similar to what Canton does. Councilman Adam Hammons said, adding he thought it would be diffithought it would be diffi-cult to have DPS do bulk-item pickups. "DPS is overextended. We will learn the first time around. I'd be in support of this," he added. Westland Mayor Wil-liam Wild noted the ad-ministration and council

ministration and council members had listened to Herzberg's input regard-ing the bulk-item pickups to develop a cost-effec-tive way to address the matter.

"It doesn't require throwing a dart and elim-inating an employee in the mayor's office. I think you probably have no idea what it takes to run the office," Wild said.

The \$60,000 that Herzberg proposed cut-ting from senior services pays for the deputy di-rector position, Wild said, which was restored after it had been unfilled for several years. Several seniors were present along with Deputy Director Donna Jackson to voice opposition to the

cut. "We've cut the police. The administration should also take cuts like the other departments,"

Herzberg said. Questioning the accuracy of the numbers in Herzberg's proposal,

which was later with-drawn, Council President James Godbout also questioned why Herzberg hadn't brought up these issues during previous daylong budget sessions

Herzberg denied not having spoken during the budget sessions. In a subsequent email, he noted the sanitation bud-get wasn't discussed during those earlier ses-sions. During his campaigning last year, Herzberg said several hundred senior citizens were concerned about the bulk pickup issue.

The council is scheduled to adopt the budget next month prior to the July 1 start of the fiscal year

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THE SENIOR ALLIANCE 5454 VENOY WAYNE, MI 48184 MAY 31ST, 2016 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS HOUSING CO-DEVELOPER FOR THE SENIOR ALLIANCE, SOCIAL SERVICE CAMPUS 5454 VENOY WAYNE, MI 48184

The Senior Alliance, Area Agency on Aging 1-C (TSA) wishes to retain the services of an experienced affordable housing developer to co-develop affordable housing in Wayne, Michigan. The Senior Alliance plans to co-develop the site for 6-150 units of adult foster care homes and/or affordable housing targeting seniors, persons with disabilities, and veterans in need of housing

This site is located one block north of Van Born on the western side of Venoy Rd. The approximate acreage looking to be developed is 5-10 partially-wooded acres along the southern and western boundaries of the site.

In addition to housing, TSA's strategic plans include developing a commercial kitchen a medical facility, as well as renovating a barn, an auditorium, and a greenhouse.

Interested parties can limit the scope or be all inclusive in submitting their SoQ regarding any or all of these possible developments

Please submit an original Statement of Qualifications (SoQ) plus five additional copies of the SoQ. The SoQ shall be submitted to The Senior Alliance by 5:00 PM, Friday July 15th, 2016. Interested parties can limited the scope or be all inclusive in submitting their SoQ regarding any or all of these possible developments.

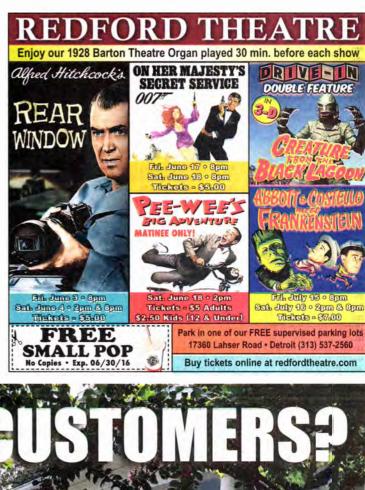
The Senior Alliance

5454 Venoy Rd Wayne, MI 48184

Attention: Bob Brown, Executive Director

SoQs received after the aforementioned date and time will not be reviewed nor considered by TSA

Full details can be found on our website at www.aaa1c.org Publish: May 29, 201





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West Point honors Anderson's lifetime of achievement

Diane K. Bert

Bloomfield Township resident Joseph B. An derson Jr. has capped his illustrious lifetime achievements with the most prestigious award his alma mater, the U.S. Military Academy, awards to graduates. In May, he received the Distinguished Graduate Award in recognition of his character, distinguished service and his personification of West Point values. He was one of six graduates to re-A soft-spoken, humble and articulate gentle-man, Anderson de-caribed big life surgeri scribed his life experiences and his opportunities to develop and use his leadership abilities. He explained that the progress of his career coincided with business and industry efforts to include African Americans in leadership roles.

Anderson's leadership qualities appeared early when, as a high school

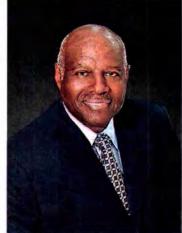
student in Topeka, Kan. he was chosen to represent his high school at Boys State. From there, he was chosen to represent Kansas at the national Boys State in Washington, D.C.. A post card arrived a few weeks later from West Point, saying that he was just the kind of person it was wanting to recruit. He entered West Point in the class of '65 as one of six African-American cadets, one of four who graduated. Throughout his time there, he had leadership roles. He was also on the football team until sustaining an injury, plus he was the lead baritone in the glee club. While on his two tours

of duty in Vietnam, a documentary film was made by French filmmakers featuring his platoon. "I could speak French, having studied it at West Point," Anderson said. Titled "The An-derson Platoon," this graphic presentation of graphic presentation of the war won both an Emmy and an Oscar as



Joseph Anderson Jr. as a young West Point cadet. Soon after graduation, he served in Vietnam. A documentary film, "The Anderson Platoon" was made and it won an Emmy and Oscar as best foreign documentary.

best foreign documen-tary. It can be seen on YouTube. During his



Joseph Anderson Jr. has been a trailblazer throughout his career. He recently was honored at West Point with its prestigious Distinguished Service Award for radiating the values of the U.S. Military Academy through his activities as a soldier, business leader and volunteer.

time in Vietnam, Lt. An-derson, 24, was awarded two Silver Stars, five Bronze Stars and 11 Air Medals.

"It was a mixed expe-rience," Anderson said. "Sometimes it was calm and sometimes we were in a big fight. My train-

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ing and leadership expe riences served me well. I returned to Fort Dix, N.J., and was an aide de camp to a general. I served in Cambodia and then went to UCLA to earn two master's degrees. Next, I taught at West Point as an assistant professor from 1973-76. I was selected as a White House fellow and worked in the Department of Commerce for a year under Carter and Secretary Juanita Kreps." All of these experi-

ences made General Motors motivated to recruit Anderson at a time when the auto in-dustry was interested in having African Amer-icans in management positions. Anderson was manager of the Pontiac Stamping Plant from 1981-84, He was sent to the Harvard Manage ment Program and returned to executive posi-tions with General Motors.

"In 1992, I became an serial entrepreneur, eventually owning 12 companies," Anderson said. "I now own four. I am one of the Black Enterprise largest owners of businesses. I serve on

New York Stock Exchange companies' exec-utive boards. The timing made me a candidate to be in the transition of race in America to serve in executive and board leadership positions. I now mentor many African Americans who are entering leadership roles in business and industry.

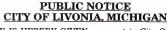
Anderson is a sunporter of the Horizons Upward Bound program at Cranbrook, which nurtures high school students for success in college. Among his other areas of service, he is on the Detroit branch of the Federal Reserve Bank board.

"I've had opportuni-ties to be a trailblazer in many areas," he said. In the Birmingham

area, Anderson was the first African-American member of Oakland Hills Country Club. His friend Terry Page, former president of the club, remembers that upon learning that Anderson was interested in joining, he was welcomed into membership. Anderson noted that there has never been one negative incident in his years of membership.

Page, along with Birmingham-area West Point graduates Walter Oehrlein and Mitchell Bonnett, attended Anderson's West Point award ceremony. "It was probably the most im-pacting impression I have had about what is great about America. I was very moved. There were tears running down the cheeks of those in the reviewing stands as the 4,000 cadets marched by to honor the awardees,"

Page said. Oehrlein and Bonnet commented upon the amazing mystique and attachment they have for West Point and their entire class: "Seeing our classmate Joe Anderson honored gives us a great feeling of pride in what we affectionately call 'Our Band of Brothers.' This was a very special time for us and our fellow cadet, Joseph Anderson. We are very proud of him."

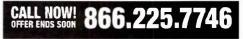


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to City Ordinance No. 2593 that dogs, cats and all pets (with the exception of service animals) shall be prohibited on the land owned by the City of Livonia lying at the southwest corner of Newburgh and Eight Mile known as "Greenmead" on Sunday June 5, 2016 for the health, safety and welfare of persons attending the Floa Market the Flea Market

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AGENDA **Zoning Board of Appeals**

June 14, 2016 – 7:00 p.m. Livonia City Hall – Auditorium (1st Floor) 33000 Civic Center Drive Livonia, MI (734) 466 2259

APPEAL CASE 2016-02-10 (Tabled on April 26, 2016); Michael R. Michalski, west side of Wayne (1831) between Curtis and Pickford Court, seeking to maintain a privacy fence, erected without a permit, and such fence placed within the side yard, which is not allowed. Privacy fences cannot extend from the rear line of the home toward the front lot line.

<u>APPEAL CASE 2016-02-11 (Tabled on April 26, 2016)</u>: Michael R. Michalski, west side of Wayne (1831) between Curtis and Pickford Court, seeking to store a recreational vehicle (i.e. boat and trailer) within the side yard, which is not allowed. Recreational vehicles must be stored in the rear yard, which is to the rear of the back line of the dwelling.

<u>APPEAL CASE 2016-05-36:</u> Costco Wholesale Corporation, 999 Lake Drive, Issaquah, WA 98027, seeking to erect a building addition to the Costco store on property located on the east side of Haggerty (2000) between Eight Mile and Phillips, resulting in deficient number of parking spac

APPEAL CASE 2016-06-39: Great Lakes Realty/B.L. Consultants, LLC, 300 Park St., #285, Birmingham, MI 48009, seeking to erect two (2) wall signs (south and east elevations) on property located on the north side of Schoolcraft (28900) between Cardwell and Middlebelt, resulting in excess number of wall signs and wall sign area

APPEAL CASE 2016-06-40: Great Lakes Realty/B.L. Consultants, LLC, 300 Park St. #285, Birmingham, MI 48009, seeking to construct a two (2) stary stars facility on present #285, Birmingham, MI 48009, seeking to construct a two (2) story storage facility on property located on the **north side of Schoolcraft (28900) between Cardwell and Middlebelt**, resulting in deficient building front and rear yard setbacks. Also, proposed are covered recreational vehicle parking ports, some of the ports are within the side and rear yards at zero foot setbacks, not allowed and storage in any portion of the side and front yard(s) is also not allowed. There is also a six (6) foot tall security fence with rolling gate within the front yard, which is not allowed

APPEAL CASE 2016-06-41: Lake Michigan Credit Union, P.O Box 2848, Grand Rapids, MI 49501, seeking to erect two (2) wall signs (one north elevation, one east elevation) while maintaining an existing ground sign on property located on the west side of Newburgh (19025) between Seven Mile and Kingsburn, resulting in excess number of wall signs and wall sign area, also, this site is allowed a wall or ground sign, both is not allowed.

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

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LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2016-2017 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 6, 2016, at 6:45 o'clock p.m., at The Livonia Board of Education Administration Office, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154 the Board of Education of Livonia Public Schools School District will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2016-2017 budgets.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2016-2017 budgets until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2016-2017 budgets, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budgets will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Tammy Bonifield, Secretary

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Maker Faire is all about STEAM

May 21 was all about STEAM - science, technolcommon Campus in Farmington Hills, as the school held its second annual Maker Faire event

The three-hour program featured stations inside and outside the school building for welding, 3-D print-ing, stop-motion animation, birdhouse-building and more.

- By Aileen Wingblad



IOHN STORMZAND I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Ajie Ndiaya, 9, made a birdhouse at the Highmeadow Common Campus event.



Yvie Walter, 8, shows off a welding plate with her initials.



Praveen Jogovindaraj and his daughter Meghana, 11, participated at Maker Faire.



OHN STORMZAND | STAFF HOTOGRA Hope Wade assists 6-year-old Neil Kumar as he puts on welding gear.

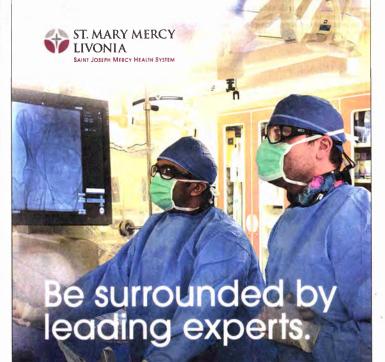


Isabella Roy, 11, and Luke Sonbay, 10, create a Pirate Papyrus.

JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

SECTION 00100

- **Advertisement to Bid** South Redford Schools (the "Owner") requests Bid Proposals from qualified bidders for roofing restoration work. Bid Proposals will be received: 1.1. By delivery or mail by 10 AM local time on Tuesday, June 7 2016. The Owner is not liable for any delivery or postal delays. Bid Proposals received after the Due Date will not be opened, accepted or considered. 1.2. To the attention of: South Redford Schools Nicholas Griswold – Assistant Superintendent 26141 Schoolcraft Rd Redford MI 48239 ${\tt Proposals}$ must be sealed with Bidder's name on the outside of the envelope and designated as follows: Sealed Proposal South Redford Schools Bid Package 3 Bid Category: _____ Contractor Name, Address, Phone Number Proposals shall be based on the requirements set forth in the Bidding Documents: 3. 024000 Demolition - Stack removal 075000 Roofing Work Accepted Bidders will be required, as a condition precedent to award of Contract, to furnish, satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond and Certificates of Insurance 4. s required in the Project Manual. Unless otherwise specifically set forth, this Project is subject to state sales and/or use taxes and Bidder is required to include such taxes in its Bid Proposal.
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- Barton Malow Company has been contracted by the Owner in the capacity of CM for the Project, and shall act as representative of the Owner to the extent required/allowed under its Owner contract. Hereafter Barton Malow Company shall be referred to as the "CM".
- Bid Proposals received on or before the Due Date will be publicly opened and read aloud at 10 AM local time on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 by an authorized representative of South Redford School District at the Administration Building, 26141 Schoolcraft Rd Redford MI 48239 (room to be determined), evaluated by CM, Owner and the Architect, with recommended awards subsequently made by South Redford School District. The Owner shall not open, consider, or accept a Bid Proposal that is received after the Due Date for Bid Proposal submission in this Advertisement for Bids.



- Bidding Documents will be available for distribution via digital transmittal only after Monday, May 23, 2016. For digital copy, contact steven.rewers@bartonmalow.com
- There will be no pre-bid meeting for this project. Anyone interested in viewing the sites should contact Barton Malow to schedule an appropriate meeting time. Contractors are encouraged to examine the site prior to submission of bids. 9
- 10. There is no <u>deposit fee</u> required to obtain plans and specifications. Electronic copy and printed copy of complete bidding documents can be obtained from Barton Malow as listed above. All cost associated with the printing of these digital documents are the bidding contractors responsibility.
- 11. The Owner and CM reserve the right to request qualification forms or additional information from any Bidder before issuing Bidding Documents, receiving Bid Proposals or awarding the Agreement.
- 12. Bid Proposals shall be on forms furnished by CM. Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid Proposals a Bid Security by a qualified surety authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located. Bidders shall not withdraw Bid Proposals for a period of sixty (60) Days after the Due Date for Bid Proposals. Reference 00200, 4.2 for further description of Bid Security.
- 13. The successful Bidder(s) will be required to enter into an agreement with South Redford School District the Agreement Form identified in the Project Manual.
- All Bid Proposals shall be accompanied by the sworn statement included in Section 00410 of the Project Manual, in accordance with MCL 380.1267, disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner(s) or any employee of the Bidder and any member of the school board or the superintendent of the school district. Bid Proposals that do not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement shall not be accepted. 14.
- South Redford School District, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bid Proposals in whole or in part in accordance with all applicable laws. It is the intent of the School District to award the Agreement to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder in accordance with the Bidding Documents. South Redford School District shall have the right to waive any informality or irregularity in any Bid Proposal received and to accept Bid Proposals which, in its judgment, are in its own best interest. South Redford School District shall have the right to accept Alternates in any order or combination and 15. School District shall have the right to accept Alternates in any order or combination and to determine the low Bidder on the basis of the sum of the Base Bid, Voluntary Alternates, and Alternates accepted.

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STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

Kowalske, Miller earn awards

Ed Wright Staff Writer

Four years of unflinching dedication to excellence have earned Livonia Stevenson sen ior student-athletes Ben Ko-walske and Sarah Miller prestigious awards. During the school's honors

night program on May 19, Ko-walske and Miller were presented with the Jay W. Form-sma Memorial Award, which is given each year to the out-





standing male and female

members of the senior class at Stevenson. Seniors are nominated by staff members and are evaluated on the basis of citizenship,

academics, community service and school improvement.

The award was named after Stevenson's first principal, who guided the building's earliest years from 1964 until his sudden passing in the fall of 1972. The award has been presented since 1973.

Miller was also the recipient of the James P. Carli Award, which is presented in the memory of the former beloved and respected teacher, administrator and superintdendent of

Livonia Public Schools.

Each year, one senior is selected who is not only a stel-lar scholar and active member of the Stevenson community, but is also an extraordinary citizen - traits that Carli practiced daily.

Miller was also chosen for the kindness, consideration, thoughtfulness and helpfulness she has displayed on a consistent basis.

ewriaht@hometownlife.com

Stevenson sports physicals

Livonia Stevenson High School will offer sports physicals for its student-athletes from 6-8 p.m. June 8 in the high school's com-

8 in the high school's com-petition gym. The physicals, which will be conducted by St. Mary's Mercy Livonia and Mercy Elite Sports Perfor-mance, cost \$15 (either cash or a check made out to Stevenson High School) to Stevenson High School).

Physical forms are available in the athletic section on the Stevenson High School website, the high school's main office and athletic office.

For more information, email lhyman@livoniapublichschools.org.

Cappelli **Memorial Golf** Outing

The second annual Christopher D. Cappelli Memorial Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 30, at Links of Novi Golf Course.

The event, which is held in honor of the tournament's namesake who passed away in September of 2014, will benefit sever-al local organizations, including the Shades of Pink Foundation and Garden City High School athletics.

The Shades of Pink Foundation offers temporary financial assistance to women diagnosed with breast cancer during their time in need.

Christopher Capelli played sports for four years at Garden City High School, where he was a dedicated athlete and stu-dent. His family would like to give back to the athletic program that had such a

positive impact on his life. To become a sponsor or play in the event, email cappelli.golfouting@gmail.com.

Madonna trainer honored

Madonna University athletic trainer Beth Hubbard was named the inau-gural Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) Athletic Trainer of the Year on Tuesday at the annual league meetings. Hubbard, who was selected as the recipient of the inaugural award unanimously by her colleagues, becomes the latest in a long line of Madonna athletic administrators to take home a conference honor.

Hubbard, alongside fellow athletic trainer Peter Benjamin, oversees the health and wellness of the institution's 11 athletic teams and will soon do the same for all 19 of Madonna's sports beginning in the 2016-17 athletics season. In addition to her school duties, Hubbard helped coordinate and



Lutheran Westland's Drake Snyder heads for third base during Wednesday's game against Thurston.

PICKING UP MOMENTUM

Ed Wright Staff Write

Lutheran Westland's baseball team couldn't have written a better script for Wednes-day afternoon's "Senior Day" game against visiting Redford Thurston. The Warriors handed the day's honeness

day's honorees — final-year players Jordan Williams and Brent Croft — a priceless

Lutheran Westland's late run barrage buries Thurston

memento when they rallied from a 1-0 third inning deficit to construct a solid 9-2 triumph over the Eagles. Williams and Croft — who were recognized along with

their parents during a ceremony held near the mound in between the top and bottom halves of the fourth inning both delivered memorable performances in their final

regular-season home game. Williams, a towering, pow-er-packing first baseman/ pitcher, went 3-for-4, with a home run, three runs scored and two RBI, while Croft had a super-efficient 1-for-3 day with three ribbies.

The Warriors were bolstered by stellar pitching from starter Drake Snyder, who scattered three hits and yield-

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John Glenn second baseman Kevin

Brewer throws a baserunner out at

first base earlier this seasor

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL Glenn wins three, eyes district tourney Eđ Wright nitters and getting big hits Canton and Wavne with runners in scoring posi-tion," said John Glenn head Staff Writer rial. A victory would propel them into Saturday's champi-Westland John Glenn's coach Lawrence Scheffer. onship game against either Plymouth or Salem. baseball team is piling up W's 'Defensively, we've been very like Popeye piles up empty sound, too. The 6-1 triumph over Belle-ville was fueled by Jordan John Glenn's flurry of exspinach cans. Including their May 20 cellent play is unfolding as the season's top-shelf event — the Division 1 district tournament Fuchs' mound masterpiece. Fuchs fanned eight Tigers and victory at Belleville, the Rock ets have won three consecutive to run their record to 19-9 and make the season's 0-4 gave up just five hits over seven innings. scheduled for June 4 at Plymouth - gets closer on the start a distant memory. "Our pitchers are throwing Meanwhile, the Rockets' radar. - which The Rockets will open disquick-strike offense trict bracket play on Saturday against the winner of Tuesscored at least one run in each pitch counts down, and our day's pre-district clash featur-See GLENN, Page B3

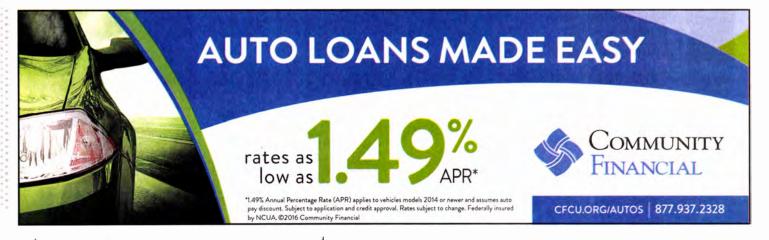
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Thurston's Donald Permuy backs away from an inside pitch during Wednesday's game at Lutheran Westland.

strikes, keeping batters off balance and keeping their

form the conference athletic trainers committee and developed the WHAC Athletic Training Protocols and Handbook.

With the assistance of UNOH's Aron Downey and athletic trainers from across the league, Hub bard helped lead the effort for the new handbook and also engineered the conference's new inclement weather rules



Wild ending gives PCA a 9-8 victory

LOCAL SPORTS

Lutheran Westland can't close out MIAC White title clincher

Tim Smith

Plymouth Christian Academy's Josh Slater drove a laser beam into the sun field Tuesday that Lutheran Westland right fielder Christian Zimmerman struggled to get a bead on. The host Warriors were trying to

record the final three outs of their MIAC White Division baseball matchup and clinch the crown. PCA trailed 7-5 entering the top of the seventh against pitcher Jordan Williams, but did get the first two batters on.

Slater's drive would have been the first out. Instead, the ball bounced off Zimmerman's glove (whether it was a hit or a tough error depends on who you talk to) and the Eagles were in business — ultimately scoring four times to go

up 9-7. PCA, however, had to endure a scare in the bottom half in order to hang on to a 9-8 victory. With the tying and winning runs in scoring position, Brent Croft smoked a one-hopper deep into the hole at shortstop.

COLLEGIATE SIGNING

Cool as a cucumber was Eagles shortstop Matt Cusumano — who only shifted from second base earlier that half-inning due to a pitching change from winning pitcher Josh Mason to starting shortstop Phil Morby with two on and one out.

Cusumano knocked down the ball and fired to first baseman Slater for the final out. "It was a little bit of adrenaline,"

Cusumano said. "But I have to say it was a lot of practice that really paid off, helping in those clutch situations."

Infield instinct

One batter earlier, Cusumano had to think on his feet to field another hot shot and throw to third baseman Jake

Shook for an important force play. "You just kind of examine your surroundings beforehand," Cusumano said. "And if it's hit to you and you're

ranging that way, you realize it and toss it over there. It's kind of an instinct." Warriors head coach Kevin Wade lamented that final inning of missed

opportunities. But his team (13-5, 5-3) can still grab a share of the MIAC White title should Oakland Christian defeat PCA on Fri-

day. As of Tuesday, there are four

teams (including Southfield Christian) tied in the standings. "Two hard-hit balls and (Cusumano) made nice plays," Wade said. "If a cou-ple of those sneak through, it's a differ-ent game." Eagles head coach Joe Bottorff said

his team "got away with some mistakes today." Thankfully, none happened on the final two outs, thanks to having the "very calm and poised" Cusumano taking care of business. The conclusion was fitting for such a

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The conclusion was fitting for such a back-and-forth game. The Eagles (10-6, 5-3) took an early 2-0 lead in the first, when Slater dou-bled in two runs. But Lutheran Westland took ad-vantage of wildness from PCA starting pitcher Adam Albert in the third to tio

pitcher Adam Albert in the third to tie things up.

Getting things started with an infield single was Drake Snyder (4-for-4). Al-bert hit a batter and walked three bat-

ters in a row, forcing in two runs. The Warriors took a 3-2 lead in the fourth when Evan Zagata, Zimmerman (3-for-4) and Snyder strung together singles, with a sacrifice bunt by Ben

Brown mixed in. Bouncing back with three runs in the fifth, to go up 5-3, were the Eagles. Will

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Crecelius doubled and moved to third on a single by Cusumano. Crecelius crossed the plate on a fielder's choice that went awry and Slater later singled up the middle for two REIs two RBIs.

Wild finish

That's how the game remained until the Lutheran Westland sixth. The first five batters reached safely, with a smash down the third-base line by Wil-

liams (2-for 4, three RBIs) scoring two. When Williams went out to pitch the top of the seventh, Wade insisted he wasn't gassed in the 91-degree heat. Yet, the Eagles wasted no time, with

Yet, the Eagles wasted no time, with first-pitch singles by Phil Morby and Austin Andres bringing up Slater. "We know that their pitcher's going to be around the plate," Bottorff said. "So I talked to these guys about ... at-tacking early, in fastball counts." Then came the hard-hit ball that landed in right field kaoping the line.

landed in right field, keeping the line

moving to Wade's chagrin. Subsequent hits by Nick Andres, A.J. Greuber and Crecelius provided barely enough cushion for PCA.

"I'd rather lose today and learn from it and be able to win next Tuesday in the opening round of districts."

SUBMITTED Livonia Franklin senior Natalie Douglas is pictured with her parents, Jim (standing at left) and Alicia (standing at right), Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund (sitting next to Douglas) and Franklin principal Dan Willenborg

Douglas will be one fast Wolverine

Franklin running star signs on with U-M

Ed Wright Staff Write

Dreams do come true, Livonia Franklin senior distance-running star Natalie Douglas has discovered.

But, at least in her case, not unless you're willing to put in some time-

Consuming training. Douglas, who will graduate next month as one of her school's all-time best distance runners, recently signed a letter of intent to compete in cross country and track-and-field for the University of Michigan — the school she's had her sights set on for as long as she can remember.

The signing ceremony at Franklin was a culmination of a lot of work combined with perseverance and

resilience. "I've always loved everything about the University of Michigan," said Douglas, whose sister, Kayla, competed for the Wolverines swim-ming-and-diving team. "Last summer I contacted their coach to tell him of my interest, and he followed me through my cross country season in the fall.

"I dropped my time by over two minutes, so he saw my improvement and the work I put in to drop the time. When I went on my recruitment visit to Michigan in April, everything about it felt just right. The other girls on the team were extremely welcoming; in fact, it was like they had already classified me as family. When the coach told me during my visit that he was done recruiting (for next season) and I was part of his class, it was like a dream come true for me. I couldn't be happier."



SUBMITTED Natalie Douglas and her prom date, fellow Patriot distance-running standout Tony Floyd, posed for a picture with their running spikes on prior to hitting the dance floor.

much year-round. In the fall she'll run for the Wolverines' cross-country team. Once that season ends, she'll continue striding for the indoor track-and-field team, which will serve as a transition for the

outdoor track season

It's win-or-done time for area athletic teams

Ed Wright Staff We

The spring sports season for high school baseball, softball and soccer teams, which not long ago resembled a marathon, is now a sprint.

Beginning Tuesday, teams competing in the three sports will be one win away from turning in their equipment and one long winning streak from a potential

state championship. Here is how the district brackets break down for each sport.

Baseball

Two Livonia high schools - Stevenson and Franklin - will hosts district tournaments.

In District 30 at Stevenson, Farming-ton Harrison and Farmington High School will square off in the 10 a.m. semi-final, while Stevenson and North Farmington face each other in the noon semifinal. The title game is set for 3 p.m. The Patriots will host a four-team

district that will feature the hosts against Dearborn Heights Crestwood at 10 a.m., followed by Garden City against Dearborn at noon. The victors will grapple for the district crown at 2 p.m. In District 16 hosted by Plymouth,

Wayne Memorial will battle Canton at 4 p.m. Tuesday in a pre-district game. The winner will advance to Saturday's noon semifinal contest against Westland John Glenn.

Salem and Plymouth will square off in a 2 p.m. semifinal match-up, with the winner advancing to the 4 p.m. final. In District 18 at Southfield, Redford Thurston will take on Detroit Renais-

sance in a pre-district game slotted for 4 p.m. Tuesday. The winner will advance to Saturday's 1 p.m. semifinal against Oak Park.

Redford Union and Clarenceville will start the Division 2, District 56 tourney on opposite sides of the four-team bracket. The Panthers will take on South Lyon East at 10 a.m., followed by a Trojans-Gabriel Richard semifinal at noon

Gabriel Richard semifinal at noon. Lutheran Westland will host a Divi-sion 4 district that kicks off Tuesday with the Warriors facing Allen Park Inter-City Baptist at 4:30 p.m. The winner will ad-vance to play Huron Valley Lutheran at 10 a.m., with the winner advancing to the 2 n m championship game 2 p.m. championship game.



Pony tails will be flying beginning Tuesday as the area's girls soccer squads will be elevating for headers and hustling for goals during the Division 1 and 2 districts.

p.m. Friday. The district tournament at Plymouth will kick off with a compelling Canton-Churchill battle at 6 p.m. Tuesday. The winner will play at 5 p.m. Thursday against the winner of Tuesday's Northville-Plymouth showdown. In the other half of the bracket,

Wayne will host Salem at 5:30 p.m. Tues-day, with the winner moving on for a clash against Westland John Glenn at 7 p.m. Thursday. The championship game is set for 1 p.m. Saturday. In a Division 2 district hosted by Far-mington, Bedford Union will play Ypsi

mington, Redford Union will play Ypsi Community at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Hilbert Middle School, while Garden City is scheduled to take on Farmington at 6 p.m. on the Falcons' turf. The GC-Far-mington winner will play Livonia Ladywood at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Softball

In a Division 1 district Saturday at Franklin, Dearborn and GC will face off in the 10 a.m. semifinal, with the Patriots and Crestwood meeting in the noon game. The championship is slated for 2 p.m

Wayne will face Canton at 4 p.m. Tuesday in a pre-district game at Plymouth, with the winner moving on to play John Glenn at 2 p.m. Saturday. The champi-onship game will be played at 4 p.m., with the winner of Saturday's Plymouth-Salem semifinal the opponent. Stevenson will play Farmington in at 4 p.m. Tuesday in a pre-district game on the Snartans' diamond. A victory would

the Spartans' diamond. A victory would move the Spartans into Saturday's noon semifinal against North Farmington. The championship game is scheduled for 2 p.m Ladywood will host South Lyon East at 6 p.m. Tuesday. The winner will play RU in semifinal at 10 a.m. Saturday. Clar-enceville and Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard are featured in the other half of the bracket. Churchill will play Novi at noon Sat-urday at Northville. The other half of the bracket features South Lyon and the host Mustangs, who will be battling to play in the 2 p.m. final.

Douglas's thirst for running far and fast will no doubt be quenched at U of M as she will be competing pretty

nave a Dette chance to do better in track in college than I did in high school," said the recent Division 1 regional champion in the 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter runs. "In college, they offer 5K and 10K events, and I usually do better in the longer races.

With a grade-point average topping 4.0 at Franklin, Douglas is a good bet to carry on her academic success at U of M.

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Girls soccer

Livonia Franklin will travel to Crestwood at 5 p.m. Tuesday for match against Dearborn. A victory would propel the Patriots into Thursday's semifinal game. The district title game is set for 5:30 p.m. Friday

Stevenson's next stop will be Novi for the district tournament. The Spartans will square off against North Farmington at 7 p.m. Tuesday. A win sets up a 7 p.m. Thursday semifinal against Farmington Hills Mercy, with the title game set for 7

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Clutch pitching seals the deal as Cougars earn share of Blue title

Ed Wright

The baseball banner hanging in the Garden City gymnasium is going to need an alteration, which is a good thing for the Cougars (and the seam-

stress who gets paid for the gig). Needing a split of its final two games of the WWAC Blue Division schedule against Belleville, Garden City bounced back from a 5-3 setback May 19 to defeat the Tigers on Monday, 4-1, behind undefeated senior mound ace Tyler Kelly, who contained the hard-hitting Tigers to a single run de-spite scattering eight hits and two walks.

Kelly, who has been the Cougars' money pitcher all spring, struck out six batters in his complete-game effort.

Offensively, it was an across-the-roster win, according to GC head coach Matt Penn, who noted that six of the team's nine starters registered at least one hit.

Senior Vinnie Bakerian was the No. 1 catalyst, ripping and double and scoring two runs.

GC was hampered by a rare punchless offense in the two-run loss to Belleville last week. Bakerian, Dakota Mahkimatass and Jassen Matusczak accounted for the team's meager total of three hits. Mahkimatass had the only RBI and Bakerian scored on a passed

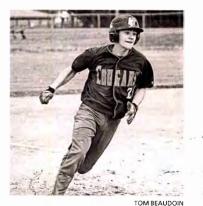
ball.

Starting pitcher Brady Spehar threw better than the final score would indicate, needing just 81 pitches to com plete the six innings of work. He yield-ed 10 hits, but didn't walk a batter. On Wednesday, GC rocked visiting

Trenton, 19-4, in a game that saw nu-merous players notch multiple-hit games

Kelly and Colin McHugh each banged out three hits, while Matusczak went 2-for-2 with three runs, a double and a pair of stolen bases. Spehar earned the win on the mound for the Cougars, who improved to 14-11.

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Garden City's Tyler Kelly rounds third and ultimately scores during a game earlier this spring.

PREP PROFILE

CHURCHILL'S DASH-ING CHAMPION

Dobar eyes school record in 800 at next week's state meet

Ed Wright

Staff Writ

It's purely by chance that Livonia Churchill's Division 1 regional champion in the 800-meter dash has a perfect first name for track & field.

But it's strictly by design — and an exquisite work ethic —that Charger Dash Dobar has put in the time it takes to become one of the area's elite halfmilers

milers. Late in last Friday's Division 1 re-gional meet at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park stadium, Dobar dashed to a two-lap time of 1 minute, 57.48 seconds to nip Salem's Chaz Jef-fress by less than a second to win reend's D1 state meet in Hudsonville. Dobar's personal-best clocking in the

regional puts him on the doorstep of his school's record in the event: 1:55.9. Given Dobar's portfolio of athletic achievement at Churchill and his pre-high school days, it's no surprise the middle of Barry and Danielle Dobar's

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three sons raced to gold in the regional. He is also an accomplished cross-country trailblazer at Churchill and one of the Chargers most-promising swimmers

"The first time I ran the 800 was in seventh grade (at Frost Middle School), but I didn't like it very well," he said. "When I tried it again in eighth grade, I did well, so I kept at it." Dobar revealed that he totally re-

vamped his approach to the race in the practices leading up to the regional. "I asked Johnny Dalton, who was a really good 800 runner at Plymouth last

year, about his strategy and he gave me some advice," Dobar said. "I tried what

he told me and I ran my best time ever." Dobar's year-round training regimen is often relentless, but his love for the sport of running helps off-set the some-times purishing upstruct

times-punishing workouts. The Chargers' swimming team's twice-a-day practices — they do dry-land training beginning at 5:30 a.m. most weekdays and in-the-pool work-outs after school — have bolstered his track-and-field success.

"I've found that after swimming ends and track begins, my breathing is a little better than the other guys on the team," he said. "My legs are fresher, too, because I'm not running a lot dur-

ing swim season." Dobar's cool first name didn't come about because his parents envisioned him being a track star — although his mom was a successful runner at Wayne Memorial.

"One of my mom's favorite writer's name is Dashiell Hammett," Dobar said. "She told me they were going to name me Kevin or Dash, after the writ-er, and they decided on Dash."

Dobar is a gold-medal performer in the classroom as well, a fact that is reflected in his 3.81 grade-point aver-

"I try to keep the same routine dur-ing the school year," he said. "I go to practice after school, do my homework and go to bed. During swim season, I go to practice before school, go to school, then do the rest of the cycle. It's hard cometimes managing my time, but I'ye

sometimes managing my time, but I've been able to keep it up." Older brother Riles was a standout soccer player for Churchill while younger sibling Kip also excels on the pitch as well as in track and field.

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DAN DEAN

The No. 2 Dash Dobar was assigned in this photo short-changed the Churchill running star, who was No. 1 in the 800-meter dash at last week's Division 1 regional.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Local linkers go for the green at Division 1 districts

Several area teams advance to regional round

> **Ed Wright** Staff Write

It was mission accomplished for three area high school boys golf teams, each of which turned in clutch, regional-qualifying efforts during Thursday's array of Division 1 district tournaments tournaments.

In the District 10 event hosted by the Dearborn Country Club, Livonia Churchill and Garden City were among the six teams that advanced to

this week's regional round. Host Dearborn captured the district title by shooting a four-player score of 333, which was seven shots better than

sos, which was seven shots better than runner-up Monroe. Bedford was third at 344, followed by Churchill (354), Garden City (364) and Wyandotte (365). Livonia Franklin came in with a 368 to miss qualifying by just three strokes

strokes

Thirteen teams competed in the tournament

Churchill was led by junior John Doyle, who carded an impressive 82 on a day when only four players broke 80. Also contributing to the Chargers' achievement were junior Aaron Wal-ton (88), sophomore Logan Welch (90); and Peyton Elkins and Griffin Ahmet, both of whom shot 94. The Cougars' all-senior lineup was led by Connor Johnson, who shot an 83. Other scorers were David Rush (90), Evan Breen (95) and Austin New (96). Tanner Davis's 99 did not count toward Churchill was led by junior John

Tanner Davis's 99 did not count toward the team's final tally. Playing in his final high school match, Franklin's Matt Wiebelhaus

registered a respectable round of 90. Jeremy Haist (91), Jacob Kenward (93) and Zack Nelson (94) also scored for the Patriots. Sophomore David Shoemaker fired a 104. The tournament's medalist was

Crestwood's Malik Jaward, who shot a 74, which earned him a regional berth as an individual qualifier.



Logan Welch played a key role in helping Churchill advance to the Division 1 regional round.



ED WRIGHT

Stevenson's Spencer Weber locks in on a fastball during a game earlier this spring

7-run first not enough for Stevenson

Shamrocks mount impressive rally

> **Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Usually, opening-possession touch-downs signal forthcoming success — both in football and baseball.

However, that wasn't the case Wednesday afternoon for Livonia Stevenson's baseball team, which couldn't make a seven-run opening frame hold up in an 8-7 setback to visiting Novi Detroit Catholic Central. The Spettone colled CC starting

The Spartans solved CC starting pitcher Dante Toppi early, lacing six hits before getting three outs, but Toppi settled down and yielded just two more harmless safeties over the next three innings before Grant Hart-wig took over and limited the hosts to just two baserunners (one hit, one walk) over the final three innings to

earn a save.

Stevenson advances

Livonia Stevenson shot a fourthplace 334 to qualify for the regional round of the post-season at a district hosted by Huron Meadows Golf Course

Scoring for the Spartans were soph-omore Connor Jakacki (79), Jon Mc-Donald (84), Alec Moore (85), Trevor Lopus (86) and Easton Schlatterbeck (86).

Bloomfield won the district with an even 300, six shots lower than Seaholm.

The tournament medalist was Bloomfield's Grant Haefner, who shot a sizzling 71. Jakacki's 79 was good for ninth place overall.

Leading the list of six individual qualifiers was Royal Oak's Bryan De-Groot, who shot an 81.

Wayne Aigeltinger excels

The highlight for the Wayne Memo-rial and Westland John Glenn golf team's at Wednesday district at Fox Hills Golf Course was Zebra Andrew Aigeltinger's individual-qualifying round of 80, which placed the sophomore 20th overall in the talent-rich tournament.

tournament. Also scoring for Wayne were Josseph Quiton (95), Tyler Albrecht (132) and Zachary Cuvelier, who shot a 141. John Glenn was led by freshman Guespe Crachiolo, who shot a solid 90. Other Rocket scorers were Matt Wil-kins (97). Jason Burford (108) and Tyler Riblett, who shot a 120. Plymouth won the title led by med-

alist Jack Bozcar, who carded an amazing 64.

Redford results

In the Division 2 district held Thursday at Maple Lanes Golf Course, three Redford players earned individ-ual-qualifying accolades. Redford Union's Evan Albright led

the charge with an 87, one shot better than Thurston's Alec Ondayko's 88. Thurston's Emmanuel Scott also qualified with an 89.

Team-wise, Redford Union placed eighth with a score of 390 while Thurston was ninth at 404.

In addition to Albright, Panther scorers were Ryan Randall (97), Jesse Suiter (101) and Ben Hawn (105).

Thurston's line-up was rounded out by Dimitri Van Well (103) and Trevor Pevovar (124).

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GLENN

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of the three wins during the streak posted three runs in the first inning, two in the fifth an done in the sixth to give Fuchs way more support than he needed.

Sophomore Brian Martin powered the offense with two hits and an RBI. Senior River Turek contributed two hits and two RBI.

On Monday, John Glenn took care

of visiting Pinckney, 6-2, behind Mar-tin's complete-game, eight-strike-out gem. The Pirates managed just three hits off the hard-throwing 10th-grader.

John Glenn, which exploded for four runs in the bottom of the first inning, was led at the plate by Reed Zielinski (1-for-4, two RBI), and Turek, whose one hit brought home a run in the fifth.

The Rockets stretched their success streak to three on Tuesday when they held off a late Dearborn rally to win 8-7

Up 8-3 at one point, Scheffer brought in Martin to slam the door shut on the pesky Pioneers and earn a save. Fuchs started and pitched well before the Rockets' middle-relief corps yielded four late runs to make things interesting

things interesting. The winners' offensive onslaught was led by Martin (3-for-4, two runs, two RBI), Noah Damian (2-for-3, three runs), Zielinski (3-for-4, RBI) and Aaron Pych, who went 2-for-3 with two runs batted in.

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The Shamrocks chipped away at their sizeable 7-0 deficit with single runs in the first and fourth innings before vaulting the Spartans altogeth-er with a six-run fifth. The result left Stevenson with an overall record of 19-17.

Jason Roberts was the game's pre mier hitter, going 3-for-4 with an RBI and run scored. Nick Skyes (2-for-4, RBI) and Cody Kanclerz (2-for-4) also turned in efficient efforts for the winners

Matt Stinebister didn't record a hit for CC, but he scored twice.

Stevenson's lone multiple-hit guys were Branden Posky (2-for-4, run, RBI) and Frank Carlin, who was 2-for-4 with two RBI and a run.

Drilling one hit a piece for Steven-son were Chris Tanderys, Mark Pettersson, who also contributed two RBI, Danny Morris, Gordon Ferguson and Dan Bos.

Stevenson outhit CC, 11-9.

Trojans blanked

Clarenceville could muster only three hits Thursday in a 10-0 loss to host South Lyon East. Bobby Jaber had two of the hits. Ryan Menifee allowed six earned runs over five innings. The Trojans finish the regular sea-

son Tuesday with a home game against Plymouth Christian Academy.

— Dan O'Meara

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HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Walters' brilliant season propels RU to success

Senior sweeps through season without a conference loss

Ed Wright

On the heels of earning a co-WWAC Red Division championship with Garden City, Redford Union registered several highlights during Tuesday's conference tournament, which was hosted by a variety of schools.

RU No. 1 singles player Abby Walter closed her high school career with a bang, winning the conference's top singles title by stringing together three straight wins in 80-degree-plus heat. Walters, who was second-seeded

Walters, who was second-seeded entering the tournament, opened with a 6-0, 6-2 win over Crestwood's Trishani Patel. She then derailed third seed Abby Murray of Dearborn, 6-0, 6-0, to move on to the final match, where she outlasted top seed Sarah Hartshorn of Edsel Ford in a classic match that was made even more compelling by the sweltering conditions.

"I knew it was going to be a tough match going into the finals," Walters said. "I played Sarah in an early-season tournament and lost, 6-0, 6-0. She's a tough competitor.

"It's always nice to play her; we've become good friends through the years. We're both seniors and playing each other for our last maich was a great way to end the season."

way to end the season." When the last point had been registered, the Panthers found themselves in sixth place.

Fourth-place points were picked up by senior Hunter Eutsey at No. 3 singles and juniors Abby Bishop and Haley Hebner at No. 1 doubles.

ley Hebner at No. 1 doubles. On May 19, RU placed fifth in its Division 2 regional tournament hosted by Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills.



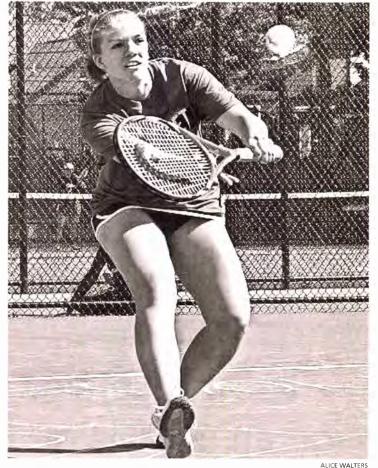
Abby Walters poses with her first-place medal following Tuesday's WWAC tournament.

Walters advanced to the semifinals at the regional, as did Bishop and Hebner.

In-season conference highlights included Walters' 10-0 record at No. 1 singles; and Bishop's 9-0 mark at No. 1 doubles (Hebner was 8-0 in the flight). Sophomores Amy Sitarski (7-0) and Anna Vincent (8-1) both sparkled at No. 3 doubles.

"I'm very impressed with the girls," RU head coach Eric Geiger said. "They did far better than any expectations I had for them at the start of the season. "They deserve all the credit and I'm excited for next year."

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Redford Union No. 1 singles player Abby Walters returns a shot during this week's WWAC tournament.

Blazers roll to C-D Catholic title



Livonia Ladywood's track and field team won the Catholic League championship Wednesday night, scoring 130 points to outdistance St. Catherine of Siena (75).

BASEBALL

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ed one unearned run over four innings (with six strike-outs), and reliever Andy Faith, who finished strong with three frames of three-hit pitching. Snyder worked out of his only

Snyder worked out of his only jam of the day virtually unscathed when the Eagles loaded the bases with just one out in the top of the third.

Following a third-to-catcher force out for the second out, Thurston plated the first run of the contest on a two-out infield error, but Snyder fanned the next batter to end the threat.

Its first deficit of the game seemed to energize the LW, which scored three in the third and five in the fourth to put a stranglehold on the scoreboard.

The third-inning uprising was ignited by Snyder's one-out single. He advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Faith. After Williams reached on an error and Zagata walked to load the bases, Croft roped a bases-clearing double, putting the hosts up, 3-1.

Croft roped a bases-clearing double, putting the hosts up, 3-1. The Warriors sent nine batters to plate in the fourth. Zagata ripped a two-run double, Faith plated a run on an infield single and Zagata scored on the end half of a double-steal.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Franklin plays well in spurts during late-season run

Ed Wright Staff Writer

the regular season in softball Wedness day with a 12-2 loss to host Westland

Livonia Franklin's softball team had several memorable moments during Wednesday's double-header against North Farmington, but not quite enough to earn a win.

In a non-conference twinbill, the Raiders swept the Patriots, 9-1 and 10-7.

The Patriots' game-one troubles were dominated by defense — or lack thereof — as they committed four costly errors that led to several unearned runs.

Jess Banks shined at the plate for the Patriots, ripping two hits. Tara Trujillo delivered the Patriots' lone RBI.

Starting pitcher Kaeleigh Kerpet worked the first four innings and struck out two Raiders.

struck out two Raiders. Franklin actually out-hit North, 11-10, in game two, but couldn't manufacture enough clutch hits to pull out the "W".

Trujillo paced the Patriots' hit parade as she notched three hits.

Danielle Hoskins and Sarah Iler both had two hits while Brooke Garbarino knocked in two runs. Makenna Dogonski added an RBI.

On Tuesday, the Patriots were outhit 13-4 during a 9-3 loss at Flat Rock. Hoskins, Trujillo and Ashley Ol-

Hoskins, Trujillo and Ashley Olweean contributed on hit a piece for Franklin. Hoskins struck out two in just over five innings on the mound.

Rockets upend Trojans

John Glenn.

The Lady Trojans had just two hits – a pair of singles by senior Kylee Hammond and freshman Maddie Baldassarra, who got her first varsity hit. Junior Claudia Moore and Hammond scored the runs.

Mercy on a roll

Farmington Hills Mercy chalked up four more softball victories since winning the Catholic League title Monday, including an impressive sweep of stateranked Canton. The Marlins, who won a doublehead-

The Marlins, who won a doublehead er Thursday over South Lyon East, pushed their record to 31-1 going into another two-game set Saturday. In a battle of perennial Division 1

In a battle of perennial Division 1 powers and league champions Tuesday, No. 2-rated Mercy defeated No. 10 Canton, 6-2 and 5-2. "We have the ability to schedule

"We have the ability to schedule extra games at this time of year against better competition, because some tournaments were rained out and game dates are still available," Mercy coach Alec Lesko said. "We try to find teams that are play-

"We try to find teams that are playing well to get some good competition before the playoffs. To get games against high-quality teams is definitely going to help us moving forward. "At this time of the generative obsert

"At this time of the season, it's about fine-tuning and getting ready for the playoffs. Playing Canton was a tremendous opportunity, because they're a fine team."



Franklin's Makenna Dogonski lays down a bunt during a game earlier this season.

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Saturday of each month. Use the

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Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

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Contact: The facilitator at

313-283-8200: lef@dwo.org

Steve's Family Restaurant

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Location: 11771 Newburgh,

Details: Fireside Adult Day

ing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center

Ministry activity-based program

for dependent adults, specializ-

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

St. Andrew's Episcopal

Location: 16360 Hubbard,

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Saturday

Details: A twice-monthly drop

in Food Cupboard (nonperish-

able items) is available

Contact: 734-421-8451

support group meets; donations

group.com; or call Ruthann with

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

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

MAY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Time/Date: After the 11 a.m. Mass, Sunday, May 29 Location: St. Priscilla Catholic Church, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia Contact: maryjo@saintpriscil-

la.org



Riccardo Selva and friends will play jazz June 22 at the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit.

JUNF CONCERT

Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m. June 22 Location: Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Eliott, Detroit

Details: Riccardo Selva, director of the jazz studies program at Schoolcraft College, will perform with the Dr. Riccardo Selva & Friends Jazz Combo in the Center's Creation Garden. Wine soft drinks and appetizers will be available. The concert is free

Contact: solanuscenter.org FOOD ASSISTANCE

Time/Date: 9-10 a.m. Saturday. June 4

Location: Hosanna-Tabo Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, Redford

Details: The church's food pantry will be open to anyone with food assistance needs Contact: 313-937-2424

GOOD NEWS DAY CAMP

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. June 20-24

Location: Emmanuel Lutheran Church 34567 Seven Mile Livonia

Details: Activities include worship, praise singing, games, arts and crafts, Bible study, nature study and more. Include nature study and more. Includes snacks. Early-bird registration is \$65 for the first child in the family, \$60 for the second child, and \$55 for each additional child. After May 29, registration is \$65 per child. .Deadline to register is June 13

Contact: Judy Cook at 248-442

GUEST SPEAKERS

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday,

AVA KATHERINE

SOWDERS

Location: Atonement Lutheran Church, 6961 Mead, Dearborn Details: Two female Christian missionaries, both former Mus-lims, talk about living in the Middle East and their escape to freedom. The presentation is

Ava Katherine Sowd-

ers was born April 20,

2016 at Novi Providence Park Hospital. Proud parents are Jason and Erica Sowders,

sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society and aimed at women. free will offering will be taken and light refreshments served

Contact: 313-581-2525 HAWAIIAN LUAU

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m.-dusk, Saturday, June 11

Location: St. Mel's Church, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights Details: Pig roast and catered dinner, Hawaiian dancers with fire wands, and cash bar. Held rain or shine. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for kids, 6-10 and free for ages 5 and under. One free drink is included with admission Tickets are available at the parish office, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or call 313-

274-0684 Contact: Grace Topolewski at 734-525-3607

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Thurs-day, June 2, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, June 3, and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 4 Location: St. Innocent Ortho-

dox Church, 23300 W. Chicago Redford Contact: 313-538-1142

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 5:30-9 p.m. Wednes day, June 8 Location: Corsi's Italian Restau rant, 27910 W. Seven Mile,

Livonia Details: Cost is \$15 and includes buffet, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay at the door with exact amount. Stay for cards and games. RSVP by June 2. Wid-owed Friends operates with the approval of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Contact: 248-357-2183 or 734 459-4316

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Our Lady of Loretto Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township Details: Scripture study

Contact: 313-534-9000 St. Michael the Archangel

Parish Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. second nd fourth Thursday, through

May Location: 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia Details: Gary Michuta, author and Catholic apologist, leads a study of Isaiah. Bring your own Bible

Contact: 734-261-1455, ext 200 or on line at www.livoniastmichael.org.

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

Saturday Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one Contact: pastor Tom Hazel

wood at 734-765-5476

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile,

Livonia Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more in formation, email Motta through zumba.com Contact: 313-408-3364

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

Thursday Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

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

Tuesday of the month Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary 18100 Merriman, Livonia Details: The service includes prayers of petition and in-tercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Church Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschool-ers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

Dunning Park Bible Chapel Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays

Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

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

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service

Contact: 313-563-0162

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

nancyellen879@att.net. SUPPORT Apostolic Christian Church

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

Location: 29667 Wentworth,

Livonia

Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community, Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act Contact: 734-261-9000: www.woodhaven-retire ment.com

Connection Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free

Contact: Jonathan@Connec tionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **Detroit World Outreach** Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

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

Farmington Hills Baptist Church

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

Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011



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ROGER L. Chelsea, Michigan. Roger cide Sunday, May 22, 2016 with his family at his side, the day after celebrating his 90th birthday. He was born May 21, 1926 in Slaterville Springs, NY, the son of Leslie Ivan and (Lora) Pauline (Winchell) Crispell. Ann, his wife of 67 years, survives him with two sons, Kray and his son Sean, Gar and his children Madeline and Benjamin; two daughters, Janice and her husband Paul Olejniczak, their sons, Bryce, Kyrt, and Drake, Tracie and her husband Bill Christie, their daughters Ellen and Katie. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Kenneth Crispell MD and Leslie Crispell Jr; and a sister Jean Ballard. Roger served in the US Army Air Corp during WWII. Following a design education at Pratt Institute and five years in Ithaca, NY with his own design business, he spent 40 years with the General Motors Design Center and retired as an Executive Designer in charge of the Industral Design Studios. He was an accomplished artist, and remained active in retirement. Roger was an active member of the Orispell Family Association, founded to maintain the family genealogy and a historic church (Crispell Memorial) on Historic Huguenot Street in New Paltz, NY, He served in werken ac aceition inductor ea, Michigan Historic Huguenot Street in New Paltz, NY. He served in various capacities including President. He was also a founding member and Board Member of "BBAA" Birmingham -Bloomfield Art Center. After living in Bloomfield Hills for many



MOZIER

NORMA JEAN JONES NORMA JEAN JONES Passed away on May 25, 2016 at the age of 91. Born in Lancaster, Ohio to Mabel and Austin Jones on March 2, 1925, Norma spent most of her formative years in Springfield, Ohio, graduating from South High School and then Wittenberg College (now University). She belonged to the Alpha Xi Delta sorority on campus and was chosen University). She belonged to the Alpha Xi Delta scrority on campus and was chosen as Alma Mater Queen in her senior year, the greatest honor that could be bestowed on a female student at Wittenberg. Armed with a BA in education, she became an art teacher in Springfield. Having met Richard W. Mozier (Dick), she waited for him for the duration of his service in WWII, and they were married in June of 1946. Moving to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1958 and then to Livonia, Michigan in 1963, Norma found pleasure in volunteer work. She was the room mother, the tour chaperone, the PTA officer, the helper at Girl Scouts, the driver to countless school autings. She was an avid supporter of her children's school activities from kindergarten to graduation, and continued her involvement with Alpha Xi Delta in an alumnus capacity until just a few years before her death. She was also a member of the DAR and of AAUW. With the passage of time, she and Dick went on a member of the DAR and of AAUW. With the passage of time, she and Dick went on a cruise to Alaska to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. And many will remember that she always won all the money at the Kentucky Derby parties. But her greatest joy of all was her family and she was always glad that they all lived nearby: daughter, Tommi Mozier West (Ken) of Livonia and son, Rick Mozier of Dearborn; and grandsons, Brady West (Laura)



Kellen and Mary Jo Lynch of Livonia an nounce the engagement of their daughter, Maureen Mary Lynch, to

and big brother Liam of Novi. Grandparents are

Richard and Katherine Brown of Livonia, Duane and Vicki Sowders of Melvindale, and Karen DeVito and Chris Canfield of Northville.

of Ladywood High School, Central Michigan

University and Oakland

University. James is a graduate of Hartford High School and Central

Michigan University

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Mary Lynch

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Garv Her of Lisa Summerhill and the late Timothy Sum-merhill and the late Randy Henry.

Maureen is a graduate

ently re Mount Pleasant, and are special education teachers.

An August wedding is planned.



Bloomfield Hills for many years, they moved to Chelsea in 1998 to enjoy condominium living, making new friends, and be near family. Private funeral arrangements were made with Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea. Burial will take place at Oak Grove Cemetry in Chelsea. Memorial donations can be made to Historic. can be made to Historic



PEYTON-VINCENT

Harold and Sue Pevton of Sac City, Iowa, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy, to Liam Vincent, son of Pat Ur-quhart and Bill Vincent both of Farmington Hills Amy graduated from

East Sac County High School in 2008 and received a B.S. degree from Iowa State University in 2012, with majors in agricultural business, economics, international agriculture, and public service administration in agriculture. She was a member of Phi Beta Phi sorority at ISU. Amy is a marketing specialist with Caterpillar, where she works with the Midwest and West, and is based in North Carolina.

Liam graduated from Harrison High School in

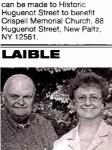
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Farmington Hills in 2008 and in 2012 from Iowa State University with degrees in agricultural business and agronomy He was a member of FarmHouse fraternity at ISU. Liam worked for an agricultural consulting company in Des Moines, Iowa, for a year before pursuing a graduate degree at North Carolina State University in Ra-leigh, N.C. He was employed as a research assistant at NCSU and completed his M.S. degree in crop science in 2016. He continues to be employed at North Caro-lina State University.

A June 2016 wedding is planned at First Christian Church in Sac City, with a reception to follow in the 4-H Building on the Sac County Fair Grounds.



Liam Vincent and Amy Peyton



BEATRICE HARTMANN (Grandma Bea) died on the 24th of May (Born 5-21-29). A lifelong educator and resident of Plymouth, MI. Married to the love of her life, Milton Graham Laible, for over 60 years. Survived by daughter Mary, son Richard and grandchildren Emlly, Collin, Harrison and Lauren. Preceded in death by her husband Graham, daughter Martha Laible Stillec, parents, William C. and Lillian H. Hartmann. A private memorial service will be held by family. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to the Plymouth Historical Museum (http://www.plymouthhistory. BEATRICE HARTMANN (http://www.plymouthhistory org/support-us/donate.html)

Hick Mozler of Dearborn; and grandsons, Brady West (Laura) of Dexter and Dan West (Rachaei) of Westland. In due course she became the great-grandmother of Brady's Carter grandmother of Brady's Carter and Everleigh, and of Dan's Avery and Evan, and there was no greater thrill. Norma loved her own pets and all the pets of family and friends, and therefore requested that donations, if any, be made to the Michigan Humane Society. Norma will be greatly missed by family and triends, all of whom were touched by her generosity, unflagging concern and willingness to help. Interment will be at Glen Eden and willingness to help. Interment will be at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park in the Garden of Rest, right in front of the marble bench inscribed, "Norma and Dick, 54 years teacher" together.



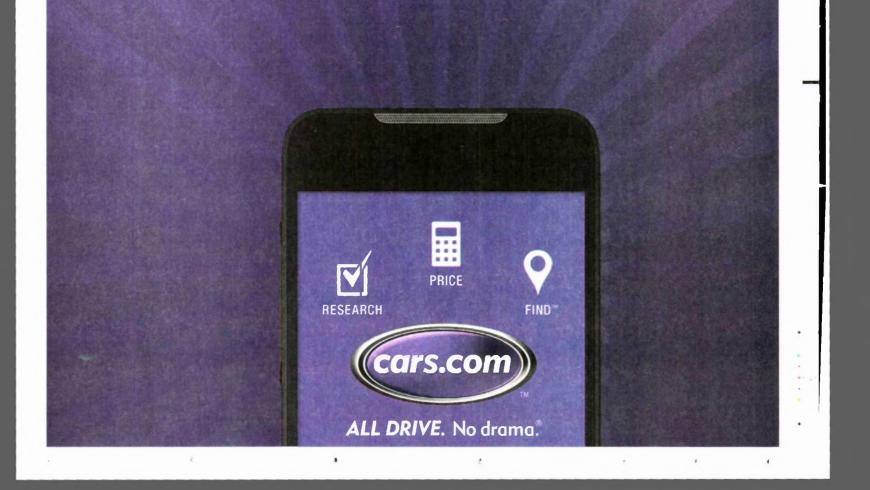
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Raise requests require planning, purpose

BY DEANNA HARTLEY CAREERBUILDER

hile a lucky few naturally exude confidence and have no qualms about self-promotion, for most of us, asking for a raise can be an intimidating experience.

Keep these tips in your back pocket to increase the odds of scoring a raise as you muster the courage to ask your boss.

Get the timing right. One of the most important steps in your quest for a raise is to try to pinpoint the right time to bring up the question.

"Find out when your company makes decisions about salary increases. Most organizations do this either midyear or at the beginning of a new fiscal year," says Jaclyn Westlake, a certified senior HR professional, former recruiter and HR manager who founded the Job Hop, a career and job-search strategy resource. "If possible, get your request in before these meetings take place. You'll also want to be sure that you initiate this conversation at a time when your manager can give you her full attention. Don't pop into his office first thing Monday morning - send him a meeting request in advance."

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Hines points to a few common things that employees say: "I deserve this," "I haven't had a raise in a while," "I've experienced this life change and I need a raise" (such as kids going to college, a new home, etc.), and "(So-and-so) got a raise; why can't I have one?'

"Managers are not moved by your life changes," she says. "They are moved by the impact that you've had on the organization, as well as how you have contributed to the organization."

Strengthen your case

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with evidence. "Provide examples of your contributions and accomplishments, how the company has benefited both directly - think dollars earned and saved - and indirectly perhaps efficiencies and innovative approaches you have introduced - and how to find the resources to make the raise a reality," says Roy Cohen, a career coach and author of "The Wall Street Professional's Survival Guide." "So when your boss asks, 'Why you?' you will be equipped with a defensible strategy." It can work in your favor

to be as specific as possible

about why you deserve a raise. "For instance, if you acquired clients last year, come in with the exact amount of revenue you brought to the firm," says Elle Kaplan, CEO and founder of LexION Capital, a wealthmanagement company, "The more specific and tangible you can get with your accomplishments, the harder it will be for someone to deny your true self-worth."

Have a backup plan. Don't be disheartened if your boss can't loosen the purse strings. Have alternative requests ready. "If you don't get the number you want and believe you deserve, it is wise to have a backup request to offset the gap," Cohen says "It could be additional vacation, flex time, sponsorship for an executive MBA or membership in professional associations or clubs, to list just a few options."

Westlake echoes that sentiment, adding, "If your request is denied, be prepared with alternative solutions like an adjusted work-from-home schedule, a title change or more paid time off."

Deanna Hartley is a writer for the Advice & Resources section on CareerBuilder.com. She researches and writes about job-search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues

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Cadillac is brand and its "Dare Greatly" the marketing campaign focused on part achievers in design and other highyearlevel pursuits who are "driving the global world forward." Cadillac has been headquarters trying to persuade premium auto in New York: consumers that it has broken with Cadillac its stodgy traditions and become a marque worthy of its products. a

This has laid the groundwork for its most important product launches in many years: the all-new, flagship CT6 sedan, which is trickling into crossover that replaces the SRX and comes along at a time when this segment is dominating sales across the auto market.

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communicate the heart, art and soul doors to the public on June 2, the goal of the GM-owned brand.

moving Bv controversially its headquarters from Detroit's Renaissance Center building to Manhattan last year, with its pivot to positioning as a lifestyle luxury

is to underscore, in an understated but impactful way, the new attitude and brand positioning championed by the automaker's brain trust as its playbook for reviving a venerable brand for a modern era

"Context still matters," Cadillac CMO Uwe Ellinghaus told me. "If we can find a way to use the fact that we're in this very cool location in SoHo and become one of the many 'in' places to be for the curious and the creative, the innovators and the creators, we have achieved something. And I think that this great location and the creative vibe that surrounds 330 Hudson is the perfect place to get to the creative class and crowd-but only if you offer the proper program."

At Cadillac House, the order of the day will be creative collaborations and programming, with a menu that includes art exhibits and even signature "Cadillac" fragrance created for the space.

Yes. Cadillac will populate the spot with vintage car models and its new CT6 and XT5 models, but visitors can't purchase, or even order, a car. That's beside the point for this soft-sell lounge. "The people we will have there will be brand ambassadors, not sales executives," Ellinghaus noted.

I talked with Ellinghaus further: Q: Uwe, why open a brand experience center for Cadillac? Certainly this isn't a new idea, even among premium auto brands.

Ellinghaus: Sure, we're not the only brand with a brand experience center. But we're not trying only to create a "Cadillac world" with a physical manifestation of our brand identity-but to create a reason to come to Cadillac. We really think



we need a carefully curated program As far as motivation in my new that goes all over the place, over the team is concerned. I couldn't have course of a year, to give people a reason to come.

O: How does Cadillac House underscore your brand, especially with your target audience of cultural creatives?

Ellinghaus: We want to demonstrate how serious we are about building a contemporary auto luxury brand and that we go our own way, and walk the talk, and actually "dare greatly." And there's a certain amount of risk involved in this. It's not easy to find your way in the art and fashion scene in New York, but [we] have very good partners in the entire space, and that helps a lot.

Q: Are you getting what you hoped for a year or so after you left Detroit for New York, which was certainly a daring move?

Ellinghaus: It's difficult to judge.

wished for a better result. I hired world-class talent that, fortunately, believed in the Cadillac missionand New York helped a lot to attract them. But we can only keep them passionate and motivated if they realize we walk the talk.

Q: How important are the upcoming launch campaigns for CT6 and XT5?

Ellinghaus: We аге optimistic about both CT6 and XT5. We have huge numbers of hand-raisers (expressing interest in purchasing). The public interest in CT6 is absolutely amazing and dealers are telling me they are seeing clientele in their showrooms who they haven't seen over the past decade-people who want or need cars larger than our ATS or CTS and now are coming back to Cadillac.



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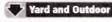
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