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No charges: Men released in shooting

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Three men arrested following a shooting at a Westland home that left one man dead and another wounded have been released without being charged.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office is continuing to review evidence in the May 26 incident in the 34000 block of Glenwood, near Second.

Due to charges not having

been filed yet, Westland Police said that names and photos of the three men were not being released.

Police were called to the home on Glenwood after the resident reported having shot a man who had forced his way into the home. The man who had been shot and two other suspects had fled when police arrived.

The men identified as the suspects were located at Beaumont Wayne Hospital, where

one was pronounced dead from a gunshot wound. The dead man was identified as a Westland resident, 24, whose name Westland Police haven't released.

Two additional suspects, a 24-year-old Belleville man and an Inkster resident, 22, were arrested for home invasion at the hospital in Wayne.

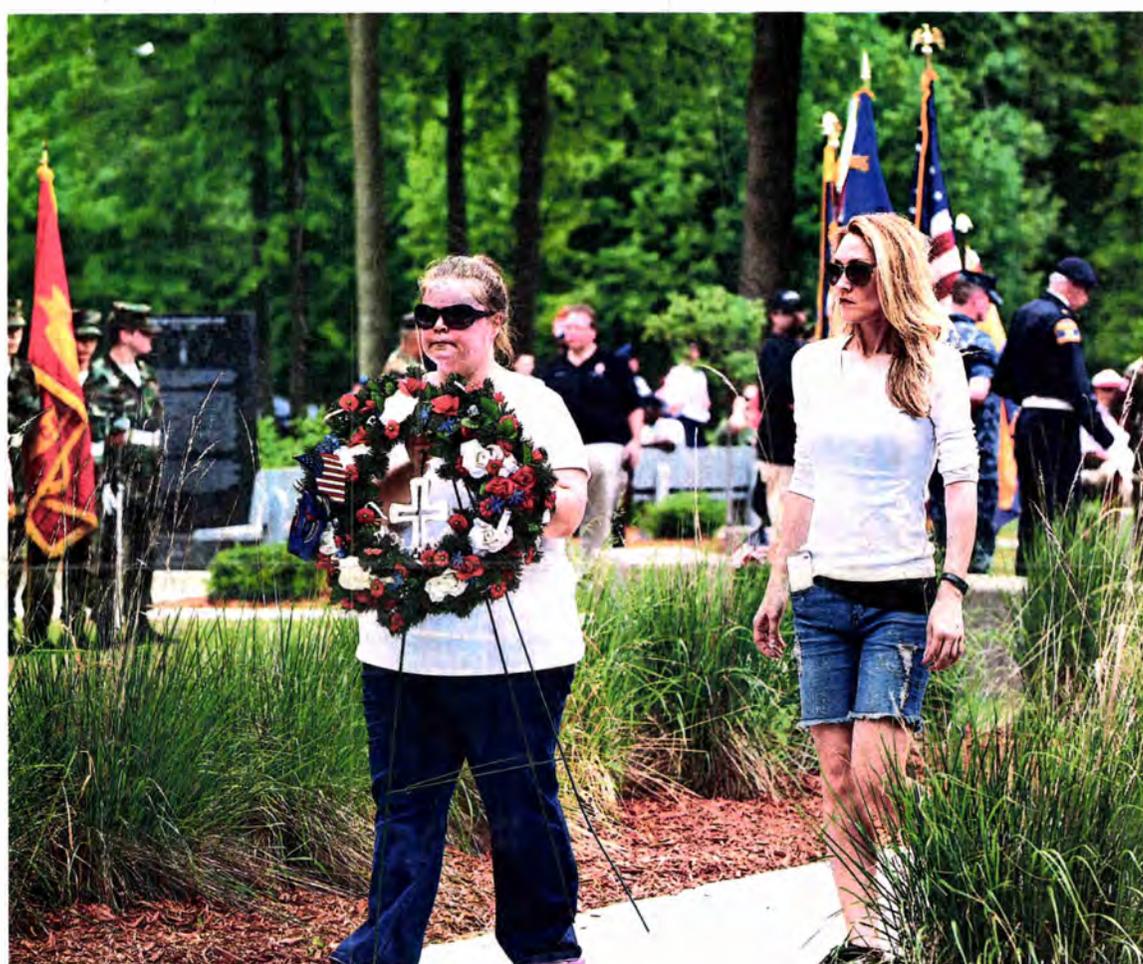
The resident, identified as a 23-year-old, was found to have

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Westland Police officers wait at the scene of a May 26 shooting on Glenwood.

HONORING THEIR SACRIFICE



VFW Auxiliary 3323 members Molly Wright and Kristi Hoff laid a wreath in memory of those who died serving the country during the annual Wayne Westland Memorial Day Parade and ceremony Sunday. For more on the event, please see Page A5.

Parks director charged with domestic crime

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Westland Parks and Recreation Director John Adams is due back in 35th District Court on June 10 to face misdemeanor charges of domestic violence.

Adams, 51, was arraigned at two hearings on the charges, which stem from two different incidents — one that Canton Police responded to Thursday and an earlier incident that hadn't previously been reported.

"It's a situation that occurred. I pled not guilty. I would ask that people allow me due process," said Adams, who was back at work Tuesday following the Memorial Day holiday.

Adams was arrested after police were called to the Canton home he shares with wife Angelika. Prior to the complaint filed with police, he said the couple wasn't divorced.

"I am always disappointed when an employee or a contractor is involved in something off-duty that reflects badly on the city," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "The city attorney says to let the legal process go forward. The prosecutors and the court decide on those charges. He is going through due process right now."

Adams retired as an assistant chief from the Westland Fire Department in June 2014 and the following month became chief operating officer for the Inkster Fire Department.

In February 2016, Adams, who has a master's degree in public administration, was appointed Westland Parks and Recreation director. He received criticism recently about continuing to work for the Inkster Fire Department, which ended Tuesday as a new chief was scheduled to come on board June 1.

Adams was released on bond following his arraignment.



Adams

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Wild: Common sense needed over flags

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Since the story about American flags in front of his store being confiscated went viral, Ken Dabelstein has been inundated with calls of support.

"I got calls from all over the country, from Canada, CNN, all the television stations," said Dabelstein, owner of Ken's Country Produce in Westland. "It was on Facebook and had



Wild

"At the end of the day, this took on a life of its own. It never had anything to do with the flag. People got that wrong. It was about things being in the right-of-way."

over 102,000 hits."

Dabelstein has also been receiving flags and other patriotic items from people all over the country.

"When I came in Friday (May 27) there were 40-50 flags all over the ground. A gentleman from Wyandotte put the flags out," said Dabelstein,

owner of Ken's Country Produce on Ford near Newburgh. "Someone brought 200 flags of all sizes for us to give away."

An ordinance officer came out to talk to Dabelstein about the 24 flags placed along the curb in two islands.

"The ordinance officer said I can't have signs by the road. I said they were

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Relay returns to Tattan Park this Saturday

Expect more colorful characters than usual at the 2016 Westland-Wayne Relay for Life American Cancer Society fundraiser.

The theme is Dr. Seuss' Colors of Cancer with each team decorating in honor of a type of cancer. The event kicks off at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Westland Farmers Market Pavilion in Tattan Park on Carlson south of Ford.

Participants from Westland and Wayne have been working to raise money through their teams and will continue through sales of food and other items,

services and activities during the relay, which continues until 7 a.m. Sunday.

The annual relay also honors cancer survivors with a special lap. Those lost to cancer are remembered with a special evening luminaria ceremony and silent walk around the track. Walkers are scheduled to be on the track throughout the event to symbolize the fact that cancer never sleeps.

For those who aren't officially part of a relay team, there is music, food, games and entertainment.



FILE PHOTO

A cancer survivor lap is featured at the annual Relay for Life fundraiser that returns to Westland on Saturday in Tattan Park.

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a gunshot wound to his leg. He was transported to Beaumont Dearborn

Hospital for treatment. After he was released from the hospital, the resident was arrested for having a stolen gun.

While not commenting on what sparked the confrontation at the

home on Glenwood, police did stress that the participants had prior relationships and that it wasn't a random incident.

The incident reportedly stemmed from a con-

flict over the resident having recently evicted his live-in girlfriend and her child.

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FLAGS

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American flags, not signs," Dabelstein said. "It was to honor our dead on Memorial Day weekend and to also honor those who survived. I've put the flags out for 30 years and no one ever said anything."

A couple days later, another ordinance officer collected the flags and brought them inside the store but subsequently took the flags with her.

"From what I understand, the ordinance officer was responding to another business asking why they (Ken's Country Produce) were allowed to put flags in the right-of-way when they couldn't," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "At the end of the day, this took on a life of its own. It never had anything to do with the flag. People got that wrong. It was about things being in the right-of-way."

City ordinance prohibits posting signs in the right-of-way along roads.

The mayor's office got a call from Ken's Country Produce just before city offices closed Friday for the Memorial Day weekend.

"The mayor was out of town at his cabin. He called and said the flags would be back the next day," Dabelstein said. "The mayor handled it very well."

With his wife Linda, Dabelstein rode a golf cart in the Veterans Memorial Day Parade and met up with Wild. Dabelstein, who noted he was unable to serve in the

military due to being legally blind, said he appreciated all the support in honoring veterans.

"We've talked with ordinance. They have got to have some common sense and logic, too," said Wild, noting the Memorial Day holiday should have also been considered. "The flags were back the next day."

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\$4.6B transit plan would connect Detroit, 4 counties

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The Regional Transit Authority of Southeast Michigan says a truly regional public transportation system for the Detroit area will cost the average homeowner about \$95 per year.

The RTA unveiled its long-awaited master plan Tuesday at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield.

Voters in the four-county RTA region — Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne — are expected to vote in November on a 1.2-mill, 20-year property tax millage to fund new bus rapid transit lines, express service to Detroit Metro Airport and commuter rail and improvements to local bus, paratransit and other mobility options. Before the \$4.6 billion plan can go to voters, the RTA board needs to formally approve it, most likely at the board's July 21 meeting.

RTA Chief Executive Officer Michael Ford called it "a very substantive plan that meets the needs" of the region.

"What we are bringing forward is a plan that connects the region, the four-county region, and

in order to do that, we need to build on the existing system to make it more effective, more efficient, and to ... expand services and introduce new levels of service as well," Ford said during a meeting at the *Detroit Free Press* last week.

The plan is an aggressive response to the more than two dozen failed attempts to create a vibrant regional public transportation system in a long underserved area, which invests a fraction of what other regions do.

"Southeast Michigan is the only major urban area in the country without a viable, coordinated public transit system. If we are going to be competitive in a 21st-Century global economy, developing a transit system that meets the needs of a changing world is absolutely essential," RTA Chair Paul Hillegonds said in a news release.

The RTA's master plan is designed to address many of the significant gaps in the Detroit-area's regional transportation network. As reported previously, the plan calls for bus rapid transit, described as light rail on wheels, along Woodward, Gratiot and Michigan avenues (a separate line would connect Ypsilanti

and Ann Arbor) and a commuter rail between Ann Arbor and the Amtrak station in Detroit's New Center.

But a plethora of expanded and other new services are also planned. Many local service improvements would happen in the first five years. Other services, such as bus rapid transit and commuter rail would happen from 2022-2026.

Because there are no opt-out communities under the RTA as is the case with the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, metro Detroit's suburban bus service, the RTA can coordinate bus service to so-called opt-out areas of Wayne and Oakland counties.

Under the plan, 11 cross-county connector routes along major thoroughfares, such as Van Dyke, Fort Street, Grand River, Greenfield, Plymouth, Jefferson/Harper and numerous Mile roads, would build on existing SMART and Detroit Department of Transportation networks but provide buses in some cases every 15 minutes and eliminate the hassle of transfers between DDOT and SMART.

Four commuter express routes — Ann Arbor-Plymouth-Livonia, Canton Express, I-75 and M-59 — would provide weekday express rush hour service to and from job centers.

Five premium airport express routes would connect Ann Arbor, Troy, Novi, Macomb County and Detroit to Metro Airport.

Local bus service would be expanded in the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti areas, and other extensions would, according to a draft map, add service to the Livonia, Northville, Canton, Utica, Farmington Hills and Rochester Hills areas. A Groesbeck Highway route would be added in Macomb County and Detroit, and another extension would connect Pontiac to Oakland County International Airport.

Transit center and maintenance facility upgrades would be in the works as would a unified fare card for the various transit providers.

If passed, the millage would start in 2017. It's expected to raise about \$150 million per year and cost the owner of a home assessed at \$78,856 — the average in southeast Michigan, according to the RTA — about \$95 per year. For homes with an

assessed value of \$100,000 (\$200,000 market value), the cost would be about \$120 per year.

The millage would be on top of the millages for property owners in areas served by SMART and the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority.

The RTA, which was created by the Legislature in 2012, is an umbrella organization charged with coordinating DDOT, SMART, AAATA and the Detroit People Mover. In 2024, it will also take over responsibility for the QLINE, the streetcar line being built on Woodward Avenue in Detroit, which is expected to be operational next year.

Regarding the difference between this attempt at regional transit and all the previous unsuccessful efforts, Ford noted that he reports to a 10-member board with two representatives from each of the counties and members representing the governor and the city of Detroit and that the real focus is to ensure regional cooperation and coordination through the existing providers. The RTA projects that the plan would have a \$6-billion economic development impact.

The likelihood of the millage's passage is un-

known at this point. The RTA cites polling the organization did showing a majority of 800 respondents support such a plan — 53% before information was provided and 65% afterward — and experts say transit millage requests tend to do well. While transit advocates and groups like the Detroit Regional Chamber are supporting the effort, some prominent public officials, including Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson and Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel have so far declined to endorse the millage request, saying it will be up to voters.

Although the plan would significantly boost transit spending in the region, southeast Michigan would still lag other parts of the country. Regions like New York (\$886), San Francisco (\$615) and Washington, D.C. (\$435), invest far more, according to federal data of operating expenditures per capita provided by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Staff writer Kristi Tanner contributed to this report.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Gristmill families



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The Nankin Mills Interpretive Center hosts a program about the Gristmill families of Nankin Mills 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 11. The program is recommended for ages 12-adult, with a fee of \$3. Nankin Mills has been a landmark on Ann Arbor Trail in Westland since first opening as a gristmill in 1842. This indoor presentation will explore how important gristmills were to early settlement communities, how they operated using waterpower and who our early milling families were. Call the Park Office to pre-register at 734-261-1990.

Parkside car show

Parkside Credit Union's 11th annual Charity Car Show benefiting the Lyman Foundation takes place from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road. Scholarship presentation begins at 2:45 p.m.

All proceeds from this event go to the Lyman Foundation, which supports the Burger School for Students with Autism. This event is open to the public. Those attendees wishing to register a classic car, new car, motorcycle, mini-bike, or bicycle may register at the event or pre-register via the event website:

www.ParksideCarShow.wix.com/2016. Registration is \$10. Questions may be directed to Parkside's Marketing Department: marketing@parksidecu.org or 734.525.0700 ext. 126.

Event attendees will enjoy the variety of vehicles on display as well as music presented by 104.3 WOMC, food and refreshments, giveaways, raffle opportunities, face painting, and a meet and greet with Captain America.

Community conversation

The League of Women Voters of NW Wayne County and Livonia Citizens for Peace are co-hosting a Center for

Michigan Community Conversation at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 9. The event is co-sponsored by AAUW of Livonia. The topic is Restoring Public Trust in State Government. Participants 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 has the opportunity to participate in the discussion. Center for Michigan gathers the data from the various conversations, prepares a report of its findings and presents it to the State Legislature.

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

Ice cream social

Livonia's elected officials 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 McIntyre, Brandon Kritzman, Scott Bahr, Maureen Miller Brosnan,

Cathy White, James Jolly and Brian Meakin.

Benefit fundraiser

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 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 information, call 734-469-4400.

Cruise for a cause

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church of Livonia is the new location for the "Cruise-in for a Cause" classic car show. The cruise will be held for 12 Mondays from 5-8 p.m. June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11, 18, 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (no cruise July 4).

You will have the opportunity to talk with the owners of the cars as they tell you how they

restored their vehicles. Feel free to take pictures as these timeless works of the heart are made for your enjoyment. If you are an automotive or performance enthusiast, come and interact and share your thoughts and ideas with other enthusiasts. Reminisce about the past, enjoy the present and talk about the future of cars.

The cruise will include a 50/50 raffle with proceeds going to sup-

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Carbon monoxide deaths can be prevented

In February, an entire family of six was killed in their home in Fenton Township. You probably remember the storm that had high winds knocking out power to much of southeast Michigan that day.

This family, consisting of the parents in their 30s and four children ranging in age from 2-11, came home from a church event that evening and found they had no power in the home. They hooked up their generator to a propane tank in their basement, and that started the carbon monoxide emissions into their home.



Shadd Whitehead
GUEST COLUMNIST

The family members were found in all parts of the home, and it took over two hours to clear the home of the poisonous gas before it was safe to enter.

You may remember back to Feb. 11 in Pleasant Ridge, when one woman was killed and her husband was hospitalized from carbon monoxide poisoning. In response to the husband's call for help, police and

firefighters arrived to find the woman without vital signs, so CPR was started. The man was sick and confused, and the CO monitors that the firefighters carried started going off, alerting them to high levels of CO in the home.

Carbon monoxide, often called the invisible killer, is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels burn incompletely in the home. Heating and cooking equipment are potential sources of CO gas. Other causes can be vehicles or generators running inside the home, in an attached garage or near

windows or doors to the home.

There are many tips that you can learn from so that you can reduce the chances that you have excess CO buildup in your home. The first and most important one is to have CO alarms in your home. These devices are similar to your smoke alarms, but they respond to increased levels of CO, not smoke, in your home. It is essential that you have both types of alarms in your home.

They are also similar in that they need to be tested, batteries changed and some light mainte-

nance performed periodically, such as taking a feather duster to them to keep dust and dirt free from the sensing chamber. They should be installed on every level of the home.

In addition, you should have your furnace inspected annually by a qualified service technician to make sure it is in top working order for the upcoming heating season. Holes can develop over time in the venting equipment that will need to be replaced. The air filters should be cleaned or changed to keep the flow of air unobstructed.

Alternative heating sources bring about other issues that need to be addressed. Gas stoves should not be used to heat your home, and charcoal grills should be used outside of the home. Generators should be kept outside of the home when being used, and the exhaust should not be near a window or door.

With the summer season ahead, more storms are on the way. Keep these tips in mind when it comes to CO and your family's safety.

Shadd Whitehead is the fire chief for the City of Livonia.

WAYNE COP CALLS

Larceny from a vehicle

In the early hours of May 24, a resident in the 35000 block of Stellwagen told police that someone entered her unlocked vehicle. She said the glove box had been emptied; missing were the vehicle manual, a birthday card with a \$25 gift card inside, CDs, a check book, proof of insurance and medical paper work.

The resident told police her family is religious about locking the vehicle, but on that date her son had forgotten to lock it.

Larceny

A Westland man told police May 23 that he attends classes at the Dorsey Schools on Michigan Avenue. When he went to the lab for hands-on work, he said he left his car and house keys in a fourth-floor classroom. When he returned, he said the keys were miss-

ing.

Larceny from a vehicle

An employee at Law Autos, 32115 Michigan Ave., told police May 23 that two days earlier a customer wanted to purchase a vehicle but it was extremely loud due to a missing catalytic converter.

He said that he and other staff members checked all the vehicles and found four additional vehicles were missing catalytic converters. The employee was following up by checking security video at the business.

Larceny from a vehicle

Overnight May 24, a resident at the Parkhill Apartments, 33040 Parkhill, told police someone stole the locking lug nuts from his Chrysler 300.

LeAnne Rogers

Suspended cop due back in court on child porn charges

Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Suspended Farmington Hills Police Officer Matthew Parsons is due back in 51st District Court in Waterford on June 6 for a preliminary hearing after being arrested on charges that left the rest of his department reeling.

Parsons, a 20-year veteran of the Farmington Hills Police Department, was arraigned Saturday on 13 counts of computer and sex-related crimes and is currently in the Oakland County Jail, according to court records. Parsons, who was originally placed on

administrative leave and then suspended, is being held on a \$300,000 bond.

Parsons, 48, allegedly used his personal electronic devices to possess child pornography, according to a release from the Farmington Hills Police Department.

On May 25, investigators from the Michigan Department of Attorney General, Criminal Division, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, acting on a tip



Parsons

from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, served search warrants at the Farmington Hills Police Station and interviewed Parsons in reference to the criminal case.

Farmington Hills Police Chief Chuck Nebus said in a statement that it was "shocking and devastating" to learn of the investigation.

"Officers shared with me that they want our residents to know that this incident is not reflective of the integrity and dedication of the officers who proudly serve and protect this community," Nebus said. "Nothing is more important than

earning and maintaining community trust."

Nebus said Parsons was suspended following his arraignment, and that a "mandated internal department investigation and hearing will be used to determine his future employment status."

Officials from the attorney general's office said Parsons is alleged to have downloaded at least 10 videos of child sexually abusive material. He is also alleged to have surreptitiously filmed an adult in the nude.

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WESTLAND COP CALLS

Larceny from vehicle

A laptop, tablet and miscellaneous change valued at \$1,000 were reported stolen from an unlocked vehicle parked

in the 27000 block of Trailbrooke Circle on May 26. The owner, a Livonia woman, told police she had been loading items into her car at about 6 a.m. as the car

was parked on the street.

Fraud

A Westland woman told police May 26 that someone opened unauthorized accounts using

her personal information. She said there was a \$366 Verizon phone bill and \$226 was charged at Foot Locker online.

LeAnne Rogers

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TOM BEAUDOIN

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TOM BEAUDOIN

Parade Chairman Dan Stachow addresses the crowd.



TOM BEAUDOIN

American Legion Post 251 member Larry Bushon salutes during the playing of taps.

Annual ceremony pays tribute to veterans who gave their lives

Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Even in death, veterans who've given their lives in service to their country continue to set an example.

That was the lesson learned Sunday at the Wayne Westland Veteran's Memorial Parade, where residents, elected officials, civic dignitaries and — especially — surviving veterans paid tribute to those who've served their country and given the ultimate sacrifice.

And among those taking part in the parade were the youngsters who make up the Wayne Memorial High School Junior ROTC detachment, who marched with other groups, schools and parade participants from the Wayne Ford Civic League to Westland Memorial Park.

"The ceremony and parade, in general, is an excellent reminder of what veterans have given our country," said Battalion Commander Ryan Carney, who is finishing his junior year at Wayne Memorial. "When you're part of JROTC, you learn a lot about veterans, and it makes you respect everything they went through."

The annual ceremony was an emotional one for Dan Stachow, the president of the parade committee and a member of Vietnam Veterans of America 387. Stachow said the day — and the Memorial Day weekend — was designed to honor the sacrifices of veterans.

"Some of us have lost good friends and family members," said an emotional Stachow, who emceed the ceremony. "I'd like everyone to remember all the veterans — POWs, missing in action and those who have served. Let's not forget that some gave all and paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy."

The 20th combined Wayne-Westland ceremony featured speeches from Wayne Mayor Susan Rowe and Westland

Mayor William Wild.

Rowe said that as the community comes together to honor these veterans, it's important to pay more than lip service to the tribute.

"We must never forget that the highest appreciation we can show is not to speak the words, but to live the words," Rowe said. "Honored are those who, as Abraham Lincoln said, gave 'the last full measure of devotion.'"

Wild noted that, while Memorial Day is traditionally seen as an unofficial kickoff to the summer season, it's real meaning is much deeper.

"The holiday holds much greater significance," Wild said. "We are forever in the debt of these heroes. Each of us owes gratitude to those who gave their lives for our country."

The ceremony featured the traditional laying of wreaths, and musicians from the Wayne Memorial and John Glenn bands played taps.

The whole day had an emotional effect on Chester "Chet" Cassidy, who served in the U.S. Army from 1968-1971 and saw duty with the 8th Infantry Division and the 173rd Airborne Brigade. He was "stunned" to get the call asking him to be the parade's grand marshal.

Cassidy, who helped revive the parade in 1994, said the acknowledgment turned into "an honor." He said the enormity of the event overwhelmed him as he rode in a Chevy Camaro.

"I was looking at everybody and thinking of all the men and women who served," said Cassidy, a Purple Heart recipient. "If they could see what I saw and feel what I was feeling with people waving at me ... I'm hoping they can see what I saw and felt what I felt. This is about those who gave their lives not only in war but in peace. Those are the people we have to honor."

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TOM BEAUDOIN

Westland Scout Pack 9885 marched.



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The Wayne Memorial High School Marching Band performed in the parade.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Bova VFW 985 Color Guard led off this year's Memorial Day parade held in Westland on Sunday.



TOM BEAUDOIN

The Wayne Amvets 171 marched.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Westland Parade Grand Marshal Chester Cassidy and wife Christine greet people as the drive down Ford Road.



BRAD KADRICH

The Wayne Memorial High School marching band stepped out in the parade.



TOM BEAUDOIN

The Tribute "Rosies" show their spirit.

Staying nimble helps Livonia company reach 30th year

Dale Pacynski took a risk 30 years ago when he left his job as an electronics engineer at Ford Motor Company to begin his own business.

Pacynski took a buyout from Ford in 1986 to start his company, initially called Custom Design Security and based in Dearborn when the focus was alarm systems. He moved to a Livonia building on Seven Mile Road in 1990. In 2001, the company expanded into the custom audio and video fields and became known as Evolution AVS.

Looking for more space, he moved into his current building in 2002. In 2004, he expanded and renovated the 6,000-

square-foot office so he had more room to show off the latest technology.

"You have to keep up with technology to keep ahead of the competition, and we are always training so we can keep up with the latest and greatest equipment for our customers," Pacynski said. "It could be a 40-hour-per-week job just to keep up with the technology."

The Livonia-based company will have a three-day celebration later this month to acknowledge the 30th anniversary for Evolution AVS. He will invite friends, neighbors, clients and other business contacts to his office and showroom on Eight Mile



The staff at Dale Pacynski's company, Evolution AVS, includes his eldest son, Kevin.

Road west of Merriman Road for food, refreshments and demonstrations of the latest technology.

In the technology world of frenetic change, Pacynski's installations include "future-proof" wiring that quickly en-

ables customers to arrange for easy migration of new generation equipment. Ever-evolving systems such as motion-sensing environmental control, high-definition cameras, voice-recognition devices and security systems that can be monitored from a smartphone keeps Pacynski busy as his customers keep asking about the latest technology.

Years ago, most of Pacynski's customers were affluent and used his company to wire security systems at their business, and then install the latest televisions and surround-sound systems in their homes. His customer base has expanded in recent years as tech-

nology has become more affordable.

"There are motion-sensor cameras that used to be \$600 each that can now be purchased for \$200 each," he said.

"Dale's work is just another example of how hard work, innovation, taking care of people, and determination can build a successful business," said Dan West, president of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. "He credits the Livonia community for the sustained viability of Evolution AVS, and we are proud his company is thriving here in Livonia."

Today, Pacynski has 11 employees, which includes his oldest son, Kevin.

Browndog to mix desserts, cocktails at Farmington store

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

You can have your cake and ice cream — and drink it, too — at the new Browndog Dessert Bar opening next month in downtown Farmington.

Brian Scherle and Paul Gabriel, owners of Browndog Creamery & Dessert Bar in Northville, will merge two concepts — craft cocktails and small-batch ice cream — at their new second location, 33314 Grand River Ave.

Alcohol-infused cakes and ice creams are nothing new at Browndog. The creamery, which opened in February 2015, has created such flavors as Irish Girl Scout, using creme de menthe and Bailey's ice cream, and Soco Toco, a Southern Comfort-infused ice cream with toasted coco-



Paul Gabriel and Brian Scherle of Browndog Creamery & Dessert Bar, Northville, are opening a second location in Farmington.

nut. But Scherle and Gabriel will take the concept a step further in Farmington by mixing unique cocktails made with their desserts and ice creams.

"We may put blood orange coconut sorbet into a martini," said

Scherle, whose current favorite cocktail includes gin with muddled strawberry, falernum, and Strega liqueur. "Bourbon shakes, stout floats ... we're taking desserts and parlaying them into cocktails."

The new location also



Browndog Creamery & Dessert Bar's Southern Comfort-infused ice cream with coconut.

gives Scherle and Gabriel a chance to pair plated desserts, such as their signature lava cake or Fruity Pebbles cannoli, with beer, wine, champagne and other beverages.

"Last month Cowley's (Irish Pub in Farming-

ton), asked us to come down and do a beer, ice cream pairing. Instead of beer being in the ice cream, it was truly a pairing," Scherle said. A representative from the Michigan Brewers Guild talked about beer and Browndog weighed in on the ice cream.

"It was fun and magical."

Browndog also has participated in a scotch and ice cream pairing at a restaurant in Brighton and recently teamed with Detroit City Distillery for ice cream sampling and cocktails. Beverages included a float made from root beer, bourbon and ice cream; a cooler with ginger beer, vodka, lime and ice cream; and coffee infused with sweet vermouth, bourbon, bitters and ice cream.

The dessert bar will offer a limited menu of

appetizers, "in case you want a savory before dessert," several plated desserts, ice cream, and a walk-up area for customers who want to take their ice cream cone to go.

Scherle said the Farmington store will be the first dessert bar in Michigan.

"There's one in Washington state and San Francisco. There are other places. A lot of them are built on the soda fountain concept."

Scherle said opening day likely will be "around June 10." Health department and city inspections are set for next week. Browndog Dessert Bar also is in need of a pastry chef and mixologist. For more information, visit browndogcreamery.com.

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Protecting yourself is the best defense against phone scams

You would think with all the publicity and warnings about phone scams that the number of people who are victimized by these types of scams would be going down. Unfortunately, that is not the case. In fact, the opposite is true. According to a new study, in 2015 about 27 million Americans (about 11 percent of the adult population in this country) were subject to a phone scam. In 2014, only about 7 percent of adult Americans were subject to phone scams. Unfortunately, I suspect that this year we'll even see more Americans fall prey to phone scams.

When it comes to phone scams, the majority, about three-quarters of them, are now coming from peoples' cellphones, either through unsolicited calls or texts. That probably is not a surprise to most people. What may surprise people is it is not just seniors who are subject to these types of scams; it's across the entire population. In fact, more than one-third of all victims of phone scams were millennial men and another 17 percent were millennial women. In addition, what may surprise people is there are nearly double the amount



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

of men who are victims of phone scams as women.

You and I must accept the fact that these phone scam artists are smart, sophisticated and good at what they do. You should never try to outsmart them. This is not a game. As far as I'm concerned, if you get an unsolicited text from someone you do not know, delete it and don't click on any of the links contained within the text. You do not want to give these thieves any opportunity to take advantage of you. Remember, in today's world, just like emails, many texts look official; don't be fooled by them. Many contain links that contain a virus or malware program, which is a way to steal information from you. Don't give them the opportunity to infect your phone or computer.

From a standpoint of phone calls, once again, if you don't recognize a phone number, let it go to voice mail. My philosophy is if I don't recognize the number, I'm not answering the phone. Fur-

thermore, everyone should be signing up for the "Do Not Call" list. It's not 100-percent effective, but every little bit helps.

Phone scams take a number of different forms. For example, there is the grandparent scam, where someone claiming to be a grandchild in an emergency situation is attempting to get money from you. Another popular scam is someone claiming they are from the IRS and, once again, attempting to scam money from you. The bottom line on all these is someone is pressuring you for money.

It would be nice if the government had the resources to protect us from these scams, but it doesn't. You and I are the last line of defense. Protect yourself and don't think you're smarter than the scam artists. They are smart and they are intelligent and their goal is to rip you off. Don't give them that opportunity.

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Google to open self-driving development center in Novi

Brent Snavelly
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Google's Self-Driving Car Project said last week it will open a 53,000-square-foot development center in Novi, providing even more evidence of the sprint by Silicon Valley and the auto industry toward autonomous vehicles.

John Krafcik, CEO of

the project, announced the move in a Google+ posting. He said the Novi development center will serve as a hub that Google will use to work with a number of partners in the automotive industry.

The city has been working with Google for several months, Assistant City Manager Victor Cardenas said. He said the arrival of Google

falls in line with some other recent corporate developments in the city, including Harman International's decision to open a new North American headquarters in a 188,000-square-foot building earlier this year.

"Google coming to town will build on that momentum and we are very excited about that," Cardenas said.

Attorney: Talcum powder use linked to ovarian cancer; company responds

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Attorney Eileen Kroll of Livonia's Cochran, Kroll & Associates is focused on women with ovarian cancer and their use of Johnson & Johnson products, including Baby Powder.

In February 2016, a jury in St. Louis, Missouri, awarded \$72 million to the family of a woman who died from ovarian cancer after using Johnson & Johnson's talcum powder products for feminine hygiene. In May 2016, a jury in St. Louis, Missouri, awarded \$55 million to a woman who was diagnosed with ovarian cancer after using Johnson & Johnson's talcum powder products for feminine hygiene for approximately 40 years.

"Juries are getting just so angered about the knowledge that Johnson & Johnson had for decades," said Kroll, also a registered nurse who earned her bachelor of science in nursing degree from then-Madonna College in Livonia. "To this moment, they still have not placed any warnings on their products."

Products such as Johnson & Johnson Baby Powder as well



JULIE BROWN

Attorney Eileen Kroll of Livonia, also a registered nurse, represents clients who've used Johnson & Johnson products, such as Baby Powder, for feminine hygiene.

as Shower to Shower (since sold by J&J to another business) have been advertised to women for use in the genital area for many years. Said Livonia resident Kroll, a partner in the firm, "I really believe we're just at the infancy of this litigation and it's going to explode."

She recently attended a South Carolina conference that involved a series of law firms involved in the Missouri verdicts. Kroll noted some 140 similar cases pending in New Jersey state court, along with some 1,400 in Missouri.

A New Jersey judge used a

"global discovery order" for test cases, she explained, three for plaintiffs and three for the defense. Trials in New Jersey are set to start this October, with Kroll noting work to "keep them out of the federal courts." She praised state court judges there "who have done a very good job thus far."

Company responds

Johnson & Johnson's Marc Boston wrote in an email to this newspaper, "For over 100 years, Johnson & Johnson has provided consumers with a safe choice for cosmetic talc powder products. Johnson & Johnson believes in the safety of cosmetic talc. That is why we continue to market Johnson's Baby Powder containing cosmetic talc today. A very extensive recent review of all the data on talc safety was reviewed by an independent expert panel, the Cosmetic Ingredient Review (CIR) Expert Panel, and published in 2015. The CIR Expert Panel concluded that 'talc is safe in the present practices of use and concentration described in this safety assessment'. Importantly, no new data has become available since this review which would change their as-

essment," Boston said.

Boston's LinkedIn lists him as Johnson & Johnson's North America Media & Issues Management Leader Consumer and Consumer Devices.

Kroll, who is accepting cases from impacted women, noted the U.S. Food and Drug Administration classifies the products as cosmetics and has no say on this matter. "It's truly a corporate decision of what to do with this product," she said.

She referenced "translocation" of talc particles up through the genital region into the reproductive system, reaching the ovaries at the end of the Fallopian tubes. Inflamed tissue can cause cancer cells to grow, she noted.

"I sprinkled it on my son with diaper changes," Kroll said of the Baby Powder. The risk appears less with regular skin, such as the buttocks of a baby, and limited time of use. Kroll agreed a child would often urinate into a diaper before it's changed again, adding liquid.

"It was marketed specifically for the scent, the smell," she said of the feminine hygiene ads targeted at women. Kroll, a graduate of the Uni-

versity of Detroit Law School, cited 21 studies over the last two decades "that show this statistically significant risk."

Product marketing issues

Added Kroll, "Women aren't going around sprinkling Gold Bond into their panties. Women specifically like that scent and Johnson & Johnson knows it." Some women use the products on sanitary napkins as well.

She noted a 1992 company decline in sales, followed by marketing reports and advertising campaigns targeting African American and Hispanic women. Those ads began the same year, Kroll said.

"They absolutely knew they were targeting those two ethnicity groups," she added, a practice she calls "horrible." J&J's Boston did not respond to this newspaper's question regarding advertising aimed at minority groups.

The American Cancer Society's website references the International Agency for Research on Cancer, a part of the World Health Organization. That site notes perineal (genital) use of such products is "possibly carcinogenic to humans."

Attorney-nurse finds work rewarding, challenging

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Says Livonia resident Eileen Kroll, "I'm a nurse through and through."

She's now a partner at the Cochran, Kroll & Associates law firm of Livonia, focusing on medical malpractice. Kroll, a 1981 Livonia Franklin High School graduate, finds her law and nursing degrees both serve her well.

She grew up in Westland in the Franklin attendance area, and headed to then-Madonna College in Livonia for her

bachelor of science in nursing degree. While in college, she worked as a nursing assistant at Children's Hospital of Detroit.

"It helped me pay for school; \$8 an hour was a heck of a lot of money," recalled Kroll, whose father had earlier passed away. She also had college scholarships, and noted minimum wage back then was far below that \$8.

After earning her nursing degree, Kroll was at Detroit's Sinai Hospital in the surgical intensive care unit. At Madonna, a professor had noted her

analytical mind and asked if she'd considered being a lawyer.

"That nursing background really lends itself well to medical malpractice," she noted. She said every nurse strives "to advocate for her patients. It's something we learn in nursing school."

Kroll, now an attorney for 25 years, enrolled at the University of Detroit Law School. She worked in law school as a full-time registered nurse as well as a full-time law student. A nursing manager of hers helped in scheduling around

law school classes.

"I never planned on being a lawyer," said Kroll, whose nursing school classmates voted her most likely to earn a Ph.D. and write a nursing theory.

She started at Detroit's large Sachs Waldman firm, which began with the organized labor movement here. Kroll tips her hat to mentor Barry Waldman at that firm, and to colleagues there.

"He literally is one of the best lawyers and one of the best human beings," she said of Waldman. Her son's school-

ing called for a career change at that time, explained Kroll, now a partner at Cochran, Kroll about eight years. Cochran, Kroll also has a Flint office.

She and husband Doug Kroll have a son who is graduating from Livonia Stevenson High School this year. The Krolls are marking their 20th wedding anniversary.

Doug is also a Franklin High graduate, although they didn't meet there.

"It's been great living and working in Livonia," she said.



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OUR VIEW

Voices of violent crime victims are starting to be heard in public arena

For far too long, victims of violent crime have been left to pick up the pieces of their shattered lives as best they can. Government is stepping in to fill that gap, relying on grants based on experts' recommendations, plus grassroots community efforts that rely on dedicated volunteers.

Victims themselves have often shown great initiative in organizing for greater advocacy, reaching out to others and to promote crime prevention whenever possible. Crime Stoppers has addressed the "don't snitch" mentality by providing anonymity for crime-solving tips, for example.

The federal Victims of Crime Act of 1984 ushered in a new era in crime victim assistance in America, michigan.gov/crimevictims notes. In response to findings and recommendations issued by the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime and the Attorney General's Task Force on Violent Crime, VOCA established the first significant national program in support of crime victim services. Under VOCA, federal funding is available to every state to support crime victim assistance and compensation programs. Support for the Crime Victims Fund created by VOCA is derived from federal criminal fines and

forfeitures.

The michigan.gov website lists the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-SAFE or 800-787-3224 (TTD). Its links also allow you to learn to use a computer safely and privately, as well as learn more on health information sharing (including safety and confidentiality concerns for individuals and professionals).

The Crime Victim Services Commission is empowered by statute to administer the annual formula based VOCA grant, the website notes. The purpose is to increase and enhance victim assistance in local communities and neighborhoods. A minimum of 40 percent of each grant (10 percent each) must be allocated to programs supporting services to victims of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault and underserved victims of crime.

Agencies eligible to receive grant funding are public or private nonprofit agencies that provide, or plan to provide, effective direct services to crime victims. Eligible applicants must meet the 20 percent cash or in-kind match requirement (5 percent for Native American tribal programs), use volunteers, promote community efforts to aid crime victims, help

victims apply for compensation benefits, provide services at no charge to the victim and maintain confidentiality of client-counselor and research information.

Allowable services under the grant include services that immediately respond to health and safety issues, that assist victims in understanding the dynamics of victimization, that assist victims participating in the criminal justice system and services that assist victims with managing practical problems created by the victimization.

In 2001, the commission installed a web-based, online grant application and reporting system for local agencies. To access this system, go to <https://sigma2web.mdch.state.mi.us/sigma2/>. The link to request VOCA funds for an agency is only open during the annual application request and submission period.

In the splash of daily headlines, it's easy to forget the pain of being a crime victim, unless you've experienced it firsthand. Efforts to reach out to crime victims and improve their quality of life merit recognition and support, as does listening to the stories of crime victims told firsthand.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Nifty at 50

I was pleased at the wide-ranging series of activities in last week's City of Westland 50th Anniversary celebration. There was something for everyone, regardless of age.

In a way, it was like attending one's 50-year high school reunion. There were names that were familiar but sometimes the faces didn't match. What a difference five decades can make.

It was just 50 years ago, May 6, 1966, to be exact, when I arrived in town as the newest community editor for what was then the Nankin Observer. Ten days later, it was the Westland Observer.

Among other things, I enjoyed the display of items removed from the time capsule which was closed in May 1967 at the city's first anniversary celebration. Later in the day, I was taken back to an earlier time as five

former mayors recalled the major accomplishments of their administration and the disappointments of pet projects rejected by the city council and/or the public.

At the evening reception hosted by Mayor William Wild, there were countless smiles and hugs or people who haven't seen each other in decades. Memories were shared, stories told for the first time and plenty of smiles.

As a 48-year Westland resident, thanks should go to the Wild administration and many volunteers who worked together to make the event happen.

I can't wait for the other anniversary events planned for the upcoming months.

Leonard Pogor
Westland

Westland

Help for patients

Although the care my brother received as a patient at Ashley Court Livonia just a few years ago appeared to be good, I'm thankful all of patients recently being cared for there are no longer in harm's way. Most of us probably assume these sort of facilities are occasionally scrutinized. I'm relieved to actually know, at least in this case, our government is doing its number one job which is to "protect its citizens" as opposed to "running the country like a business." I'm grateful for this example that, unlike most corporations today,

a top priority of our government is to protect human rights.

The common practice of paying dedicated care givers employed by long-term care facilities low wages to perform tasks most of us would never be willing to do must also be stopped. Just think, when my great-grandparents were being cared for in a nursing facility in the early 1960's the staff consisted of orderlies carefully supervised by registered nurses who received directions from on-site physicians. Of course that was also a time when the owners of such facilities received earnings not much higher than the living wages they paid to their top employees, and they

were able to sleep well at night. Then again, greedy corporate owners who monger unreasonably high profits today seem to have no trouble sleeping at night either.

It is certain all of patients who had to leave Ashley Court Livonia and their families and advocates will struggle to find the affordable quality care they deserve. Let's not only keep all of them in our thoughts. Let's learn what we can do to help ensure the rights of all patients are protected and what can be done to make certain long term care facilities provide better care to all those who cannot help themselves.

Gail Wodowski
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REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Revenues	1,668,000	Expenditures	1,668,500
General Fund Transfer			
Use of Fund Balance			
Interest on Investments	500		
TOTAL REVENUES:	1,668,500	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	1,668,500

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Tax Revenue	496,133	Projects	223,570
Use of Fund Balance	79,367	Administration	156,259
Interest on Investments		Debt Service	227,471
Misc Revenue	31,800		
TOTAL REVENUES:	607,300	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	607,300

LIBRARY FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Millage	478,300	Personnel	278,997
Other Revenues	42,000	Operating/Services	12,405
Use of Fund Balance		Professional/Tech Services	174,100
		Capital Outlay	54,798
TOTAL REVENUES:	520,300	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	520,300

ALL FUNDS SUMMARY	
REVENUES - ALL FUNDS: \$47,874,640	EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS: \$47,874,640

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St. Matthew's United Methodist Church is back with its food tent this year.

Tasty treats returning to Spree this year

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Bring that appetite to the Livonia Spree fairgrounds this year.

A whole host of favorite food options will be available during the festivities of the Livonia Spree, happening June 21-26 at Livonia's Ford Field.

Many favorites are returning this year, including Billy Sims BBQ, a restaurant chain that has locations across Metro Detroit; Novi's On The Border Mexican Grill and Cantina and the stand for St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, among others.

The newest vendor will please the Polish crowd: Livonia's own Lila's Pierogi will make its debut at the Spree this year. Located at 27811 Five Mile, just west of Inkster, the pierogi shop will be serving Polish fare to hungry Spree goers this year.

Brian Duggan, who oversees the food selections at Spree, said he wanted to continue finding unique foods from around the globe to populate the annual event.

"We have tons of food, but I like to get different kinds of ethnic backgrounds," Duggan said.

He said the pierogi shop has donated food for Music From The Heart in previous summers, so they were a natural selection to join the Spree crowd.

Antonio Calimazzo, a co-owner of Lila's Pierogi, said this will be the first festival the shop has done in its 12 years of existence. He said they're excited to try and it and serve several kinds of pierogi to Spree-goers, including potato, potato and cheese, farmer's cheese and sauerkraut.

"We're anxious, that's for sure. I've never done anything like this. We still peel the potatoes by hand," he said. "Still done the old-fashioned way."



The sloppy Joes in the St. Matthew Tent are popular choices among Spree diners.

SPREE VENDORS

- » Lila's Pierogi
- » Livonia High Nooners Lions Club
- » Randy Paradise
- » Livonia Elks #2246
- » Livonia Fire Fighters Union 1164
- » Oakwood Concessions
- » Gazella's Fine Food
- » Jack Bain Family Concessions
- » St. Matthew's UMC
- » Mike's Popcorn
- » Livonia Kiwanis Early Risers
- » Your Just Desserts
- » Different Twist Pretzel Company
- » House of Kabob
- » On the Border Mexican Grill & Cantina
- » Terry's Taste Treats
- » Rainbow Ice
- » Happy Iceman, Inc.
- » Grandma's Ice Cream.
- » Billy Sims BBQ

In addition to the new food stand by Lila's Pierogi, another new addition will come on the row for food this year for a few days, though will be more to fill one's soul rather than tummy.

Duggan said he's arranged for a smaller three-piece band to leave the stage and play near the food stands on Wednesday and Thursday during the Spree for attendees enjoyment.

"This one, I'm going to lead out in the open, so people sitting at the table can hear some entertainment," Duggan said. "Dinner and a show."

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port Blessings in a Backpack of Livonia. There will be a deejay specializing in '50's and '60's music. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is located at 39020 Five Mile Road in Livonia, just east of I-275 next to the Italian American Club.

Photography club

Michigan's only 3D photography club meets at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile Road, from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8.

The meeting will feature a special program of all the award-winning stereo images made by members in the last year. After a refreshment break, we'll present the end-of-year awards for the best 3D images of the 2015-2016 season.

The meetings are free to attend, and visitors are always welcome. Stereo cameras, 3D movies, and educational videos are available for members to borrow or rent, and a variety of photo books

will be available to purchase. For more information, visit www.Detroit3D.org or call Dennis at 248-398-3591.

Pinewood Derby

The Livonia Public Library hosts the second annual Father's Day Pinewood Derby on Saturday, June 18, in the Livonia Civic Center Library Atrium. Aesthetic judging is at 11 a.m., and racing starts at 1 p.m.

In-library registration and derby kit pickup is from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at the Civic Center Reference Desk.

Contact Ken Bignotti, 734-421-4235 (M, W), 248-893-4010 (Tu, Th), 734-466-2460 (F, Sa), or email bignotti@livonia-publiclibrary.org for more information.

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 located at 12100 Beech Daly in Redford. For more information, call Sally at 734-748-8110.



CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING June 20, 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on **Monday, June 20, 2016 at 7:00 pm.** regarding the proposed ordinance amendment below.

ORDINANCE NO. A16-xxx

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON JULY 1, 2016, AND ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2017.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: MILLAGE LEVIES AUTHORIZED.

In order to defray expenditures and meet the liabilities for the City of Garden City for Fiscal Year 2016/2017, the following millage levies are hereby adopted: **13.6410** mills for general operating purposes; **0.8200** mills for garbage and rubbish collection and disposal; **2.9745** mills for judgment debt; **0.9856** mills for Library; and **3.4496** mills for Police and Fire. The total millage levy shall be **21.0589** mills per \$1,000 of taxable valuation within the city.

SECTION 2: BUDGETARY APPROPRIATIONS ADOPTED.

The following appropriations, representing the various budgetary centers of the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget as defined by Public Act 621 of 1978, as amended, are hereby adopted for the City of Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan, for the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 as shown below in the estimated revenue and expenditures summaries of the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 budget document:

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
General Property Taxes	7,510,497	Mayor & Council	37,418
Business Licenses/Permits	30,000	21st District Court	985,112
Non-Business Licenses/Permits	13,000	City Admin/Personnel	281,392
State Shared Revenues	3,777,617	Clerk-Treasurer	1,043,067
Grants - Local Units	1,466,710	General Services	1,449,830
Charges for Services	759,460	Transfers to Other Funds	7,501,053
Fines and Forfeits	894,500	Dept. of Public Services	1,942,221
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,031,400	Parks and Recreation	1,017,857
Contributions/Public Enterprises	325,000	Community Resources	1611868
Contributions/Other Funds	334,786	Boards & Commissions	7,650
		Debt Service	265,502
TOTAL REVENUES:	16,142,970	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	16,142,970

MAJOR STREETS FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Gas & Weight Tax	1,301,995	Expenditures	1,337,995
Interest on Investments	1,000		
Federal Grants			
State Grants	35,000		
Use of Fund Balance			
TOTAL REVENUES:	1,337,995	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	1,337,995

LOCAL STREETS FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Gas & Weight Tax	531,801	Expenditures	1,914,846
Transfer in from Major Streets	682,745		
METRO Act Revenue	75,000		
Interest on Investments	300		
Grant Revenue	35,000		
Use of Fund Balance	590,000		
TOTAL REVENUES:	1,914,846	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	1,914,846

PUBLIC SAFETY FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Tfr from Gen'l Fund	7,050,546	Police	5,873,870
Tfr from 911 Fund	140,100	Fire	3,471,758
PS Millage - Real	1,597,288		
PS Millage - Personal	82,654		
Charges, Interest, Penalties	1,100		
Police Revenues	27,140		
Fire Revenues	419,800		
Grants	27,000		
TOTAL REVENUES:	9,345,628	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	9,345,628

STREET LIGHTING FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Revenues	350,500	Expenditures	450,500
Gen'l Fund Contribution	100,000		
Use of Fund Balance			
TOTAL REVENUES:	450,500	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	450,500

911 FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Revenues	140,000	Expenditures	
Interest on Investments	100	Increase Fund Balance	
Use of Fund Balance		Transfer to Pub. Saf. Fund	140,100
TOTAL REVENUES:	140,100	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	140,100

CABLE FRANCHISE P.E.G. FEE FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
CATV PEG Fees	90,000	Personnel	112,812
Grants	22,800	Expenditures	40,750
Transfer from Gen'l Fund	40,742		
Interest	20		
TOTAL REVENUES:	153,562	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	153,562

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
CDBG Grant	163,000	Expenditures	
		Housing Rehabilitation	124,750
		ADA Compliance	
		Public Service Activities	22,950
		Administration	12,000
		Planning	3,300
TOTAL REVENUES:	163,000	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	163,000

BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Building	427,248	Building	487,013
Planning	84,135	Planning	84,135
Tfr from Other Funds	59765		
TOTAL REVENUES:	571,148	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	571,148

POLICE DRUG FORFEITURE FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Confiscations	15,000	Expenditures	30,050
Interest on Investments	50		
Use of Fund Balance	15000		
TOTAL REVENUES:	30,050	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	30,050

HOUSING REHABILITATION REVOLVING FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Repayments of Loans	10,000	Housing Rehabilitation	10,000
TOTAL REVENUES:	10,000	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	10,000

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Tfr in from General Fund	200,000	Patrol Cars	75,000
Grant Revenue		Citywide MIS	116,150
Use of Fund Balance	31,000	Other Expenditures	40,000
Interest on Investments	150		
TOTAL REVENUES:	231,150	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	231,150

WATER/SEWER FUND SUMMARY			
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Water/Sewer Revenue	8,619,811	Water Distribution	2,929,513
Other Revenue	4,720,000	Sewage Disposal	8,368,362
Decrease Retained Earnings	1,347,780	Personnel/Administration	3,389,716
TOTAL REVENUES:	14,687,591	TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	14,687,591

PREP PROFILE

Gardner is a super-fast learner

Churchill sprinter qualifies for four events in state finals

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

For someone who never placed her foot in a starter's block until her freshman year of high school, Chanel Gardner has come a long way — fast!

With too much down time on her hands, Gardner decided to give track a shot in the spring of her ninth-grade year — and the decision has proven to be golden for the personable Charger, who will compete in

four events during this weekend's MHSAA Division 1 State Finals in Hudsonville.

"I had never been in a race before — ever — until my freshman year," recounted Gardner. "I had nothing else to do, I was bored, so I thought I'd try track. I really didn't know anything about it then, but I love it now."

Gardner qualified for the 200- and 400-yard dashes, and the 800- and 1,600-meter relays at the D1 regional held May 20

at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park stadium.

She finished third in the 200 at the regional with a time of 25.0 seconds — over a second faster than the additional-qualifying time of 26.12 seconds.

Gardner won the 400 regional title, out-striding friendly rival Ryen Draper of Plymouth by nearly a second (55.86 seconds to 56.83) and helped spark

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ED WRIGHT
Livonia Churchill senior Chanel Gardner has qualified for four events at this weekend's MHSAA Division 1 track-and-field finals.

MU golfers honored

A trio of Madonna women's golf student-athletes have been honored for their hard work in the classroom as seniors Holly Laginess and Jordyn Shepler and junior Natalie Blazo were selected as three of 160 student-athletes in the NAIA to be named Daktronics Scholar-Athletes, the national office announced May 19.

In order to be nominated by an institution's head coach or sports information director, a student-athlete must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and must have achieved junior academic status at their respective institution.

Laginess and Shepler, a graduate of Livonia Churchill, earned their second consecutive nod on the national academic list while Blazo was honored in her first year of eligibility for the heralded award.

For Laginess and Shepler, the latest academic honor acts as a capstone after the pair enjoyed highly-successful four-year careers at Madonna. Laginess, a two-time Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete, has also earned three All-WHAC Honorable Mention honors to go along with three conference Champions of Character awards and a pair of All-Academic Team appearances.

Like Laginess, Shepler is a two-time Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete who has earned a host of other awards, including two WHAC All-Academic selections as well as an appearance on the All-WHAC Honorable Mention team. Shepler was also named WHAC Golfer of the Week during the 2012-13 campaign.

Blazo, a WHAC First Team performer this season, adds to an already-impressive resume that is home to two first team nods and a WHAC Honorable Mention selection. The junior took home WHAC All-Academic honors to go along with the Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete award this season — both in her first year of eligibility.

The Crusaders ended the 2015-16 campaign by finishing third in the WHAC Championship this spring. Karen Zambrano — the lone active freshman on the team — was named WHAC Newcomer of the Year.

Reporting results

Local high school athletic coaches are strongly encouraged to report the results of their team's contests to Observer sports editor Ed Wright, who can be reached at 734-578-2767 or ewright@hometownlife.com.

The Observer is an outstanding source to give hard-working high school athletes positive accolades for their achievements, but the coaches' cooperation is crucial.

The deadline for Thursday editions is 10 p.m. Tuesday. The deadline for Sunday editions is 10 p.m. Friday.

DISTRICT SOCCER

NOT THE PATS' DAY

Sabbagh almost single-footedly ends Patriots' season

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

If the Dearborn girls soccer team was more like the floors of a skyscraper — no number 13s — Livonia Franklin's chances of winning Tuesday's first-round Division 1 district tournament game at Dearborn Heights Crestwood would have improved dramatically.

Fueled by a four-goal explosion from Alexa Sabbagh, who wears No. 13, the Pioneers rolled to a 6-1 triumph over the Patriots in the middle game of a three-match set at Crestwood.

The left-footed dynamo netted three goals in the first half to put her team up, 3-1, then added a fourth net-finder during the latter stages of the second stanza.

"We went into the game thinking we had a good plan to contain (Sabbagh), but clearly we didn't," said Franklin head coach Dean Kowalski. "We had our best defender on her, but when she gets going with the ball, she's tough to stop."

The season-ending loss left the Patriots with a 5-12-2 mark.

"We felt good going into the district, but drawing Dearborn in the first round was a tough break," said Kowalski.

The Pioneers jumped ahead 1-0 in the 10th minute when Sabbagh motored up the left flank before ripping a torpedo through the fingertips of Franklin keeper Carolyn Lalonde, whose diving effort nearly kept the game scoreless.

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ED WRIGHT
Franklin's Rachel Dudek rips a shot past Dearborn's Nina Agemy.

"We went into the game thinking we had a good plan to contain (Sabbagh), but clearly we didn't. We had our best defender on her, but when she gets going with the ball, she's tough to stop."

DEAN KOWALSKI, Franklin head coach

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Ladywood clips S. Lyon East in dramatic fashion

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

When Katie Connolly stepped to the plate with the bases loaded and one out in a 4-4 game Tuesday she survived the situation.

"I took a pitch," the Livonia Ladywood third baseman recalled. "I was just looking for my pitch, just to drive it and do something good. It was mostly fastball, doesn't matter

if it's inside or outside. I seem to find where the pitch is thrown and then just hit it."

Connolly drilled the next serving by South Lyon East pitcher Sydney Kist on a rope over center fielder Julia Voilmer's head — a no-doubter — as courtesy runner Bridget Folk waltzed home from third for the game-winning run in a dramatic 5-4 victory for the host Blazers.

And as soon as Connolly

made contact?

"I knew it," the sophomore said. "It means a lot for me and my team knowing they beat us in the district final last year."

The predistrict game pitted two of the state's top contenders in the MHSAA Division 2 girls softball tournament.

"I told the team that if you want to keep moving on you've

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TOM BEAUDOIN
Ladywood's Rozlyn Price delivers a pitch Tuesday afternoon.



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DISTRICT SOFTBALL

Spartans finish strong to edge Falcons

Win sets up semifinal clash against N. Farmington

Dan O'Meara
Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson was looking up at Farmington early in a pre-district softball game Tuesday, but the host Spartans didn't stay down for long.

After falling behind 3-0 in the first half inning, Stevenson rallied to get the lead after two at-bats and went on to earn an 11-8 victory over the Falcons.

The Spartans (14-17) advance to the district tournament on their home field Saturday and will play North Farmington in the second game at noon.

"I'm very pleased," Stevenson coach Kevin Hannigan said. "We haven't won a district game in a couple years, so it's good to get one for our confidence and to be able to play another day. I'm very proud of what the girls did today."

"Again, it's big because last year we won only five games and lost right away in the district. Hopefully, we continue to build on this as we prepare for North Farmington on Saturday."

The Spartans had steady if not solid pitching from sophomore Sarah Mesack, who struck out two and walked one. Farmington had an 11-10 edge in hits, but Mesack's teammates played better defense behind her.

Hannigan said he thought Mesack put too much pressure on herself early in the season against powerhouse teams, but he's seen improvement in that regard.

"If she gave up a base hit, she couldn't get her mental focus back," he said. "Slowly but surely, you could see her gaining her focus in key situations, so we're very proud of what Sarah has accomplished."

Stevenson got two runs back in the



Stevenson third baseman Cori Wilson squeezed this pop-up during Tuesday's victory over Farmington.

TOM BEAUDOIN

bottom of the first with three hits. Alysa Zahra scored on the first of eight errors by Farmington, and Cori Wilson came around on Kelly Newman's single.

Newman, who had four RBIs, had another run-scoring single in the fourth and knocked in two runs with a bases-loaded fielder's choice in the sixth to seal the victory.

In a four-run second inning that put the Spartans in the lead to stay, Mesack helped her cause with a two-run single. The Falcons (14-11) made three errors in that inning, two of which allowed the other two runs to score.



Stevenson's Madi Maurier fires a runner out at first base Tuesday afternoon.

TOM BEAUDOIN

"We've been working on our small ball with our bunting and stealing, trying to make other teams make the play," Hannigan said. "We did a great job of that today. Of the 11 runs, maybe five were manufactured because of bunts."

"That was great to see. When we needed key hits, we got them, like Kelly Newman's hit between the infield and outfield to give us an extra two runs in the seventh."

The Falcons cut the margin to two runs, 7-5, with three runs in the top of the fourth, but the Spartans responded with two more in the bottom half.

Farmington got within one, 9-8, in the fifth as Kacey Noseworthy and Lauren Johnson drove in one run each with a sacrifice fly and a single, respectively.

Mesack retired the Falcons in order in the last two innings, and Newman's big at-bat gave the Spartans some breathing room.

Stevenson has won five of its last seven games and has been hitting the ball well of late, according to Hannigan.

"It's just repetition in practice," he said. "Really, with us, it's confidence. When you get that hit, it continues to grow and grow, and that's what we're trying to build on."

"I think there were a lot of nerves today, because they want to get to the next level and play on Saturday. Once we got the nerves settled down, we were fine."

Kayce Ziemba, Zahra and Newman were 2-for-4. For the Falcons, Johnson and pitcher Robyn Banks, who had a two-run single, were 3-for-4, Noseworthy 2-for-3. Danielle Petras and Abbie Radomski had one RBI apiece.

"They just got the bat on the ball," Farmington coach Stefanie Volpe said of the Spartans. "They weren't hitting (Banks) hard. They weren't hitting home runs. They got the base hits up the middle, a couple little pop-ups over the infield. With two outs, everybody is running, so they're able to score two runs on it."

Due to the miscues, most of which were throwing errors with runners on base, the Falcons were battling themselves as much as the Stevenson hitters. The Spartans had four errors.

"I'm a fundamentals coach," Volpe said. "We work on fundamentals every day. When the easy plays or the smart plays aren't made, that's kind of frustrating."

"We focus on getting that contact point, hitting the ball hard. Sometimes, we fail at that, too. None of the routine things happened right."

"Obviously, in the district, you don't get to play again if that doesn't happen."

DIVISION 1 DISTRICT SOCCER

Second half-surge lifts Chiefs past Churchill

Stevenson holds off North Farmington, 2-1

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

It takes a lot more than a 1-0 halftime deficit to send Canton's girls soccer team into panic mode.

Faced with climbing out of a rare mid-game hole against Livonia Churchill in Tuesday's Division 1 district opener, the Chiefs remained cool, calm and collected in the 80-degree heat while storming back to overwhelm their KLAAs South rivals, 4-1.

Canton improved to 12-2-4 and advanced to Thursday's 5 p.m. semifinal match against Plymouth, which sidelined Northville, 2-0, Tuesday afternoon. Salem and Westland John Glenn will tangle in the other half of the brackets.

The two teams battled to a 1-1 draw on April 15. Canton blanked the Chargers, 5-0, on May 3.

After peppering Churchill's 18-yard box with dangerous chances throughout most of the opening 40 minutes — but failing to break through against Charger junior keeper Brittney Hayes — Canton trailed at the break when Churchill's Lauren Wynns capitalized on a defensive breakdown to put the Chargers up, 1-0.

"We weren't ready to have our season end yet," said Canton junior midfielder Abigail Heyde, when asked to describe the Chiefs' mood during the 10-minute intermission. "We knew we had to start stronger than we did in the first half."

"We kept a positive attitude. When we scored our first goal, it was a big confidence booster and made us realize we had the ability to score even more. We stepped up when we had to."

The catalyst for the Chiefs' second-half onslaught was freshman Marlee Taylor who hammered home a rebound off a corner kick with 31:34 left to deadlock the game at 1-1.

The Chiefs seized the lead for good 61 seconds later when Monica Newton steered a looping, 15-yard shot over the outstretched gloves of Hayes and into the top-left shelf of the net to make it 2-1. Baylee Kramer assisted.

Wynns nearly drew the Chargers even with 26 minutes left when she dribbled past a Canton defender on the right door step before unleashing a laser that diving Canton senior keeper Jordan Anheuser managed to re-direct out of harm's way.

Junior Raquel Church capped the scoring for Canton with a slick goal with 17 seconds left.

Stevenson advances

Livonia Stevenson advanced to the semifinal round of the Division 1 District 9 tournament Tuesday night by posting an impressive 2-1 victory over host North Farmington, which was ranked No. 9 in the D1 poll.

Now 14-4-3, the Spartans will move on to Thursday's 7 p.m. semifinal contest against Farmington Hills Mercy at Meadows Stadium in Novi. The Raiders season ended with a 14-5-2 record.

Stevenson broke a scoreless draw with bang-bang goals two and four minutes into the second half. Megan Verant scored from Audrey Kopitz in the 42nd minute before Kopitz scored from Kayla Gacioch two minutes later.

Raider Olivia Elby made it interesting with a goal in the 59th minute, but the Spartans hung on.

Stevenson keeper Haley Demers made four saves.

"I thought we carried the play in the first half and just couldn't get on the board," said Stevenson head coach Ken Shingledecker. "After we scored the two quick goals to start the second half, North Farmington really stepped up their play and we had to battle to the end. That's a good team, and closing teams out is always tough this time of year."

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Canton's Hannah Lapko (left) and Churchill's Liz Rubenson battle for possession during the second half of Tuesday's game.

ED WRIGHT



Canton's Monica Newton settles the ball in the 18-yard box while being defended by Churchill's Reece Bessen.

ED WRIGHT

DIVISION 2 DISTRICT SOCCER

Garden City sidelined by Farmington in defensive showdown

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

In a Division 2 district soccer game dominated by air-tight defense, host Farmington eliminated Garden City Tuesday night, 2-0.

The result capped the Cougars' season at 6-8-5.

The game was scoreless through the first 33 minutes before the Falcons scored to earn a 1-0 halftime advantage.

Farmington added an insurance net-finder late in the game.

Juniors Kayla Sharp and Angela Boyce scored the goals in the first and second halves, respectively.

"Garden City is a very physical, athletic team," Farmington coach Matt Gasparotto said. "They challenged every ball and played very hard. All in all, the girls played very well. We held

the ball for most of the game."

He added Farmington struggled to get its timing right at the attacking end.

"Garden City's defense was playing really high up, closer to the midfield, and they were very disciplined," Gasparotto said. "We ran ourselves offside a ton."

"In the second half, we tried to make the adjustment and play the ball earlier. It worked okay, but we still found ourselves offside quite a bit."

"We were a little unlucky on their first goal," said GC head coach Jeff Szygula. "We got an unlucky bounce and they capitalized on it."

"We had some dangerous passes into the box tonight, but we couldn't quite get that final connection."

The post-season exit was the earliest for the Cougars since Szygula took over the reins of the program. GC advanced

to the district final two years in a row prior to Tuesday's ousting by Farmington.

"Farmington has a highly-skilled team; they moved well off the ball," said Szygula. "Our girls worked extremely hard in the heat. They never quit."

Plagued by injuries for most of the season, GC was nearly completely healthy the final couple weeks of the season, giving Szygula high hopes for a long run.

"We were just starting to come around and get everybody back," he said. "But we ran into a team tonight that played very well."

The game was the high school finale for five GC seniors.

"We're going to miss the seniors next year, but we have a good group of players coming back," Szygula said.



Garden City's Chelsea Booker fends off a Mercy defender during a game earlier this spring.

TOM BEAUDOIN

JAMES BRIESKE AWARD

Ackman 'honored' to win coveted award

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Her double status as senior captain of Livonia Stevenson's basketball and soccer teams doesn't tell you all you need to know about senior Paige Ackman, but it's a good start.



Ackman

A well-liked leader and incredibly-productive athlete, Ackman was presented with the 2016 James Brieske Award during Stevenson's honors night ceremony on May 19.

Named after the first athletic director at Stevenson, the award is presented to the most outstanding senior female and male student athletes at Stevenson.

The candidates must have earned varsity letters in two or more sports, demonstrated excellence in the classroom and athletic arena, and displayed exceptional leadership and character.

"To win this award is a huge honor," said Ackman, who has earned three

varsity letters in both basketball and soccer. "I heard about it my freshman year and being nominated for it became a goal for me."

Athletics have meant much more to Ackman than wins and losses, she confirmed.

"It's helped me manage my time, learn about responsibility and to work with my teammates to all reach a goal," she said.

The daughter of Blair and Angela Ackman, and the older sister of brothers Carter, who is a freshman at Stevenson, and Bennett, a seventh-grader, Ackman has played soccer since she was 4 and basketball since fifth grade.

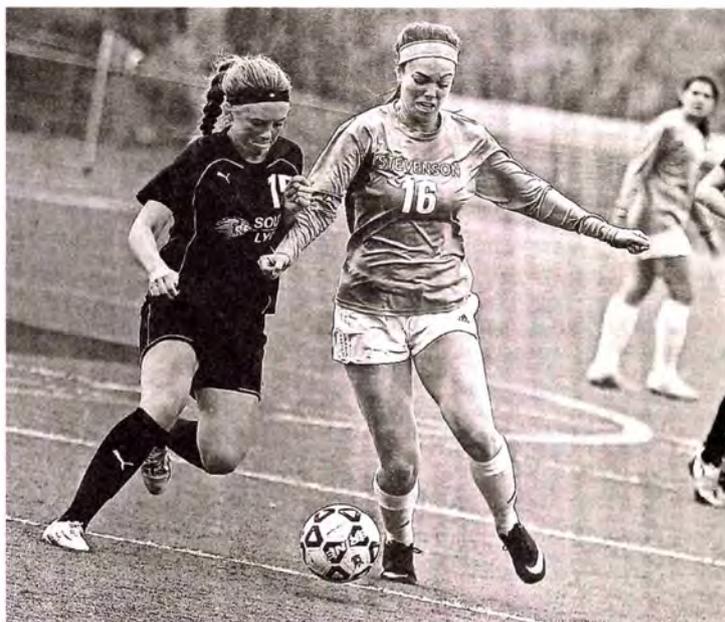
"I can't imagine life without sports," she said. "They've really been a big part of my life."

Ackman has earned a scholarship to play soccer at Longwood University, which is located in Farmville, Va.

A stellar mid-fielder for the Spartans' successful soccer team, Ackman's speed, strength and savvy help swing the momentum toward Stevenson's side of the field.

A fan of history, she has accumulated a sterling 4.1 grade-point average.

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Stevenson's Paige Ackman battles for a 50-50 ball during a game earlier this spring.

JAMES BRIESKE AWARD

Oquist puts in extra effort on ice, track and in class

Two-sport standout is exemplary student, leader

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

A goal-setter, goal-scorer and go-getter, Livonia Stevenson senior student-athlete Alex Oquist was humbled and honored to be named the male recipient of his school's prestigious James Brieske Award, which is presented to the most outstanding male and female student athletes at Stevenson.



Oquist

"Honestly, I was just happy to be nominated," admitted Oquist, who earned three varsity letters in track-and-field and two playing hockey for the Spartans. "When I

learned about the award my freshman year at Stevenson, I kind of made it a goal of mine to win it someday. It's an incredible honor to be selected."

Oquist is a two-time state-qualifier in the 3,200-meter relay for Stevenson, with a personal-best time of 1 minute, 58.14 seconds in the 800-meter run, his best event.

Hockey-wise, he was a pivotal contributor to Stevenson's back-to-back state-final appearances. The hard-working forward scored half of his four goals this season in games against rival Churchill.

Oquist is also exemplary student with a 4.15 grade-point average and a stellar ACT score of 30. Earlier this year, he was named as one of 120 finalists for the MHSAA's Scholar-Athlete Award — an honor hundreds of high school students from across Michigan were nominated to receive.

Candidates for the Brieske Award, whose namesake was the first athletic director at Stevenson, must have earned varsity letters in two or more



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Stevenson senior forward Alex Oquist is pictured during the Spartans' game against Trenton.

sports, demonstrated excellence in the classroom and athletic arena, and displayed exceptional leadership and character.

Oquist has more than exceeded all of

the above, according to hockey coach David Mitchell.

"Alex Oquist is a tremendous young man who is an asset to our team, our school and our community," said Mitch-

ell. "Alex is driven to succeed in both academics and athletics. He has extremely high character and is so very deserving of this recognition."

"The Stevenson High School hockey team, school and community are very proud of him and are honored to be associated with such a fine young individual."

Oquist was equally praise-worthy when talking about Mitchell and his middle-distance coach for track, Chris Inch.

"I can't thank coach Mitchell and coach Inch enough for all that they have done for me," he said. "They are two of the best coaches, and they work so hard to help us be successful on and off the ice. I just wanted to say that they are a big part of me achieving all that I have."

Oquist admitted there's nothing he doesn't like about hockey, a sport he has played with passion since he was 5.

"I like that the team aspect hockey provides, along with the skills it challenges you to develop," he said. "Plus, I've made a lot of lifetime friends playing hockey."

Oquist has played on the same hockey teams as current teammates Joe Alcantara and Shane Leonard for over a decade.

The 6-foot-2 long-strider said he enjoys leading off the Spartans' relay teams.

"I like the responsibility of getting the relay off to a quick lead if I can," he said. "Our goal on Saturday is to earn all-state recognition, which goes to the top eight finishers. We have the 12th-best time going in, so we just need to improve a little bit."

Oquist will attend Hillsdale College later this summer, where he will compete for the track-and-field and cross country teams, and pursue a business-related degree.

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DISTRICT BASEBALL

Warriors outlast Inter-City Baptist, 2-0

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Lutheran Westland's baseball team wiggled out of a couple backs-against-the-wall crises Tuesday afternoon on the way to upending visiting Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 2-0, in a Division 4 district opener.

The low-scoring, but never dull, victory inspired the Warriors' record to 16-5 and earned them a spot in Saturday's semifinal game against Huron Valley Lutheran.

Senior starting pitcher Jordan Williams was dominating for the Warriors, scattering five hits and three walks while striking out 14 Chargers.

Lutheran Westland got all the run support it would need for Williams in the top of the third when Christian Zimmerman, the Warriors' No. 9 hitter, was hit by a pitch, advanced to second on a passed ball and scored on Drake Snyder's two-out Texas League single to right.

The Chargers threatened to take the lead in the bottom of the fourth when they loaded the bases with no outs against Williams. However, the Warriors escaped the jam unscathed when Williams struck out the next batter before Brady Fressel was thrown out at the plate trying to score on a passed ball.

Williams then registered another strike out to end the threat.

LW tacked on its second run in the top of the fifth when Ben Brown walked with one out. Pinch-runner Josh Rockensuess moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Zimmerman and scored on a Drake Snyder double.



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Lutheran Westland's Jordan Williams congratulates a scoring teammate during a game last week against Thurston.

The Chargers loaded the sacks again in the sixth with no outs before Williams slammed the door with back-to-back strikeouts and a groundout.

"This was a great playoff game," said LW head coach Kevin Wade.

"Both pitchers were dialed in and fortunately enough our two hits produced runs and theirs did not.

"This time of year you just try to survive and advance, and that is exactly what we did. Inter-City was well coached and executed their game plan to near perfection, but we were able to make just a couple more plays than they did."

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MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK

St. Matthew's stars qualify for state meet

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Westland St. Matthew's track-and-field team was golden during a state meet-qualifying performance last month.

Mentored by veteran track-and-field coach Tobin Jones, several St. Matthew's runners moved on to the state meet with emphatic performances.

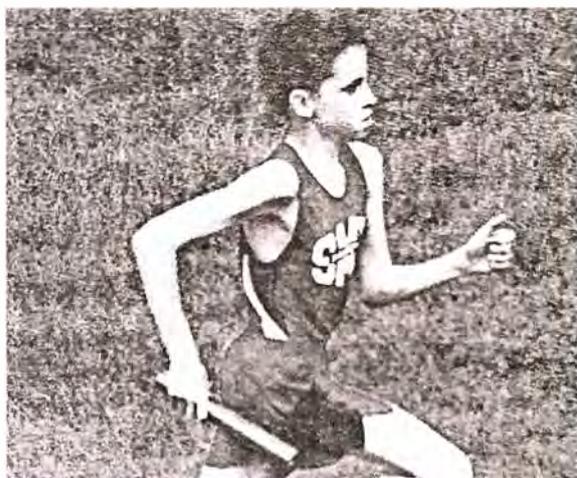
The team's parade of multiple-event qualifiers was led by Lucas Pereyra, who advanced in the 1,600-meter run, the 800 and 1,600 relay. Pereyra (and his relay) placed first in

all three events.

Paul Davenport turned in state-qualifying efforts in the shot put, 400 dash and 1,600 relay, while Victoria Pereyra placed first in the 400, third in the 800 and was part of her team's third-place 800 relay contingent.

Also qualifying for the state meet were Jack Devine (shot put), Noah Eden (400 and 1,600 relay), Maggie Lambert (high jump), and the 800 relay team of Nicole Eden, Sidney Day and Paula Farmer. Josh Ivey also qualified in the 1,600 relay.

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Lucas Pereyra qualified for four events in this month's state meet.

CANTON CUP

Event brings best out of Michigan Bucks

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

A strong second half Saturday afternoon catapulted the Michigan Bucks to a 3-0 victory over the Cincinnati Dutch Lions before an enthusiastic Canton Cup crowd of about 1,500 at Independence Park.

The Bucks' Alexi Souahy scored about 15 minutes into the Premier Development League contest, followed by Marco Charalambous and Andre Landell, who added goals within five minutes of one another midway during the second half.

And for Bucks players with local ties — such as 2014 Novi Detroit Catholic Central graduate Zach Bock, a Shamrocks football all-stater who played club soccer for the Michigan Jaguars — the Canton Cup game is a highlight of the season.

"This is the second year playing here for me," said Bock, a defender who helped stymie the Dutch Lions with a steady possession game in the back. "It's the biggest tournament in Michigan, arguably, and being able to come out and play in front of hometown fans is incredible, it's awesome."

Bock, who remembered playing in similar tournaments as a teenager, echoed the sentiments of Bucks owner Dan Duggan and head coach Demir Muftari. Namely, being part of the Canton Cup lineup (Saturday was the team's ninth straight appearance) is something they relish year in and year out.

"It's one of the things we look forward to as we do our scheduling every December," Duggan said. "This is the first game we put on the calendar. This is our ninth year. This is one of the most professionally run tournaments anywhere in the country. These people (Canton Soccer Club) are just wonderful hosts; they get it."

"So for them to make the investment to bring this game here every year, for all the youth people for free, it just shows their support of soccer."

Community link

Concurring was Muftari, whose team composed of college-age players improved to 3-0 this season. He noted a group of players from a Canton Celtic Under-10 boys team that worked the Bucks game, retrieving balls that went out of bounds.

"Canton Cup kids, we talk to them, it's great," Muftari said. "As you can see now, the guys are signing autographs for the boys. That's what we want this to be about."

"It's just the community and letting the young players look up and see a better level, something for them to keep aspiring to and keep growing and learning. That's what we want, is people to love the game and keep playing."

Those youngsters and other fans who stopped by Independence Field No. 3 to catch all or part of Saturday's fast-paced, 90-minute game were treated to



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO
Bucks defender Zach Bock (right) of Novi watches as a teammate heads the ball during Saturday's game against Cincinnati.

plenty of precision passing, physical plays and frantic pace.

Yet the Bucks only enjoyed a 1-0 edge at the break, thanks to the Souahy goal (set up by Nicolas Jeausserann).

The Dutch Lions did have a brief flurry in the late stages of the first half. A low direct kick by Christopher Dupont was scooped up by Bucks goalkeeper Drew Shepherd (who plays for Western Michigan, along with Bock and Nick Wysong).

Moments later, Michigan defenders blocked successive shots taken from near the top of the box to help Shepherd keep his shutout intact.

"We felt we let a couple (chances) slide in the first half," Muftari said. "We could have done a little bit better with our chances. And we started the second half real positive. The guys felt confident about it (at halftime) and we just felt it was a matter of time before we could get that other one."

That second goal was scored in the 63rd minute, when Landell — stationed in front — tapped in Jordan Snell's feed from the left flank. Starting the sequence with a pass to Snell was Bradley Dunwell.

"Jordan Snell goes in the game and made a big difference," Muftari said. "He makes a great play and we get a goal out of it, five or six minutes into him entering the game."

"That's great to see as you make changes, that the game changes for the better."

The Bucks tacked on another goal in the 68th minute to go up 3-0.

Dunwell, who hails from Grand Rapids, threaded a pass to Charalambous, who in turn dribbled into the box and drove an 18-yard kick that hit the top-left corner.

"We'll feel good about this for the weekend and then get back to work Tuesday getting ready for the next one," Muftari said, referring to a June 3 game at Dayton.

Rematch at CC

Meanwhile, the Bucks, who play their home games at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac, get another chance to square off against Cincinnati when the teams play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 16.

That game will take place at Catholic Central, on the same turf field where Bock starred as a football player.

For more info about the June 16 game, go to bucksoccer.com or call 800-925-2160. Tickets are \$6 if purchased in advance.

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Warriors Park buzzing with Beavers baseball

Marty Budner
Staff Writer

Brother Rice did not have a home game nor was it practicing inside its swanky stadium the morning of May 23, but Warriors Park still was buzzing with baseball.

Players donning T-shirts of the three teams which comprise the United Shore Professional Baseball League — the new independent circuit founded by Bloomfield Township resident Andy Appleby — swarmed the field under sunny skies and sanguine dreams of playing next-level baseball.

The Utica Unicorns, Birmingham-Bloomfield Beavers and East Side Diamond Hoppers, in that order, sped through their expedited two-hour practice sessions with major league intensity.

Managers, coaches and league executives feverishly surveyed the activity with emotions ranging from the anxiety of assembling competitive teams to the excitement of opening a new era of minor league baseball in the metropolitan area.

"First and foremost, I loved the energy of our guys," Beavers manager Chris Newell said. "In my own saying, 'If you're early, you're on time; if you're on time, you're late.' I told them to be here by 9 (a.m.) and they were here by 8:45, which is great. I love the energy and I love the passion that these guys showed today."

Newell and assistant coach Rich Donnelly, after scouring young baseball talent at tryouts and in a draft room the past couple of weeks, had their first official Beavers practice rolling right along. From the opening exercises to infield practice to batting practice to base-running lessons, players were zoned in on their responsibilities and took their session seriously.

A total of 35 players were out practicing with the Beavers and 23 ultimately were picked for the opening day roster.

In addition to some local Michigan talent, Birmingham-Bloomfield's hopefuls included players from all over the country — Florida, Texas, California and Georgia, to name a few. A couple of area players — Chris McDonald, a Livonia

Stevenson graduate, and Luke Ortes of Troy — were hoping to make the Eastside Diamond Hoppers.

"I'm just looking for players who can compete," Newell said. "That's what Rich and I both want to see from these kids. Unfortunately, for the kids, there isn't whole lot of time."

"With that being said, we're all in the same boat — all three clubs," he said. "It is what it is. But the 23 guys who are the best players out there during that duration are going to make our roster."

Alex Kinch, a pitcher from Ann Arbor, came to the Beavers camp fresh out of the Wayne State University program. The 6-foot-2, power-throwing right-hander finished with an 8-5 overall record for WSU this past spring, including a 3.46 ERA and 97 strikeouts in 91 innings.

Kinch learned about the USPBL through former WSU teammate Cam Walker of Shelby Township. They are both hoping to continue playing the sport they love with the Beavers this summer at the brand-new Jimmy John's Field in Utica.

"As soon as our Wayne State season ended, my coach called me to the front of the bus and asked me if I wanted to play independent baseball," Kinch. 23 following his first practice. "I said, 'sure.' He helped set this up and here I am."

"Obviously, I'm excited to keep playing and continue the dream," he added. "I love baseball. I was worried I wasn't going to have a competitive outlet if I didn't have competitive baseball anymore. Luckily, my college coach helped find something for me."

The Beavers opened the inaugural USPBL season Monday with a 5-1 loss to the Unicorns.

"The players are stressing out a bit, because they want to make the roster and Rich and I are stressing out, because we want to make the right decisions," Newell said. "You know, some dreams are going to kind of get shattered here, but we're going to do our best to bring Birmingham-Bloomfield the best 23 kids we can come up with. But it's exciting and we're ready to go."

PATRIOTS

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Franklin countered quickly, deadlocking the contest at 1-1 with 27:35 left in the first half when Riley Burnette roped home a free kick from 21 yards out.

"That was a designed play, and Riley did a nice job of tricking their keeper a little bit, and one-hopping the ball into the net," said Kowalske.

Six minutes after her goal, Burnette nearly gave the Patriots a 2-1 lead, but her free kick from 25 yards out sailed just high of the cross bar.

Lalonde, a first-year keeper, was magnificent for most of the game, including at the 16-minute mark when she stuffed a Sabbagh shot from close

range.

A Sabbagh missile banged off the cross-bar with 15:25 to play in the first half. Two minutes later, Lalonde stymied a Sabbagh door-step shot with a two-handed save.

Dearborn took the lead for good 5:32 before the half when Sabbagh chipped in a rainbow from 25 yards out that Lalonde had no chance to divert.

Dearborn's dagger goal came 2:45 before the half when a low shot from Sabbagh ricocheted off the right post and into the back of the twine.

"I thought Carolyn played very well; she kept us in the game early," said Kowalski. "We had some good offense going at times today, but we couldn't quite get the final connection we needed."

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LADYWOOD

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got to win a game like this somewhere along the line," said Ladywood coach Scott Combs, whose team improved to 20-12 overall. "Every time we've been to the Final Four you have to beat a really good team, which they (East) are, a top five team in Division 2. Then you have to win in walk-off fashion. I think everybody that's won any kind of title in the last six, seven or eight years has done that."

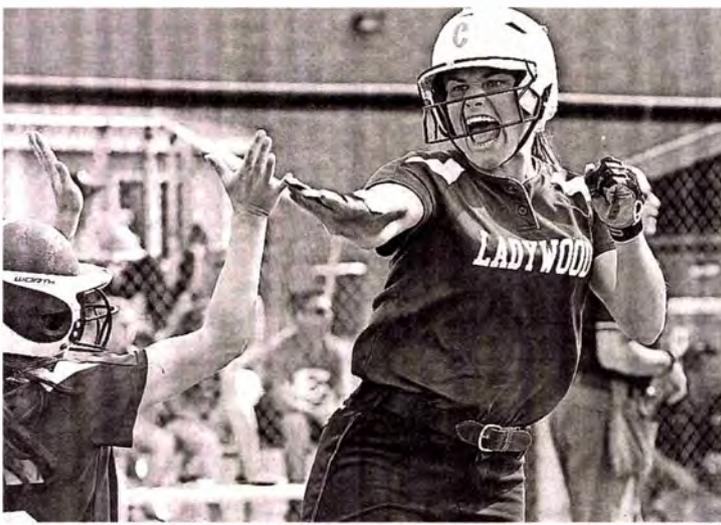
East (24-9) made a dramatic comeback of its own rallying from a 3-0 first-inning deficit with two runs in the top of the fifth inning and two more in the seventh to go ahead 4-3.

Maggie Dolan's RBI double and Vollmer's RBI single pulled the Cougars to within a run, 3-2, in the fifth.

In the sixth, the Cougars threatened again after singles by Hannah Warthman and Emma Loveland, coupled with a walk to Bailee Taylor to load the bases.

But Ladywood starter Rozlyn Price maneuvered her way out of the jam when she got Morgan Bowen to line out to second baseman Erica Selakowski, who doubled off Taylor to end the inning.

In the seventh, East's Carly Petri



Ladywood's Erika Selakowski celebrates with a teammate during Tuesday's 5-4 victory over South Lyon East.

lined a shot to the left field fence for a lead-off triple. The next hitter, Dolan, then lined a bullet shot to Selakowski, who made the putout and fired to third where she narrowly missed doubling

off the runner on a close call as Connolly momentarily bobbled the ball.

"I think the line drive to third ... that would have been the ballgame, but stuff happens," Combs said. "Both of

the umpires said they didn't see the play, so I believe them."

After Vollmer reached base on an infield error and Morgan Nieto followed with a bunt single, the Cougars tied it only Warthman's RBI single followed by a Ladywood outfield error as Vollmer raced home for the go-ahead run.

But in the bottom of the seventh, Ladywood's CeCe Werner led off with a single up the middle and Price reached base on a perfect bunt single putting two runners aboard with no outs. Lefty Liz Kemp then followed with the game-tying single and Lauren Holdsworth walked to load the bases.

That set the stage for Connolly, who has been a hero before this season for Ladywood.

"I did hit a walk-off home run in a tournament a few weeks ago," she said.

In the first inning, Ladywood got a 2-run single from Holdsworth and an RBI single from Connolly to go up 3-0.

Ladywood now advances to the district semifinal beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at home against Redford Union. The second game, starting at noon, pits Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard and Livonia Clarenceville. The final is slated to start 30 minutes after the second game.

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GARDNER

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the Chargers' 800-relay team to a second-place showing and the 1,600-relay foursome to a regional championship.

"When I'm running, I'm trying to focus on what I have to do in a race and who I'm up against as well," she said. "The 400 is very strategic because I have to make sure I don't start out too fast or too slow."

Gardner said her times have been accelerated when she lines up against Draper and Northville senior Chloe Abbott.

"I've been racing against Chloe for four years and Ryen (a junior) for three," she said. "They push me, big-time. The regional was almost like a dual meet between Churchill and Plymouth because Plymouth has a lot of fast girls in the events I run in."

If Gardner had to pick a favorite event, she'd tab the 400.

"It's not so fast that you can enjoy

it," she said. "Well, I wouldn't say it's actually enjoyable (smile); it's gruesome, but it's longer and it's probably my best event."

Is Gardner ever tempted to look over her shoulder during a race?

"Never," she said. "I listen for footsteps and if they're loud, I know I have to pick it up."

Gardner tasted success quickly at Churchill, as she joined the team's state-qualifying 400- and 800- relays teams as a freshman.

She credits her year-to-year im-

provement to training and competing throughout the summer with the Michigan Accelerators track-and-field club.

Gardner exemplary work habits have earned her a scholarship to run for Oakland University, where she would like to pursue a career in sports medicine.

She was also recruited by Michigan State University, Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University and Saginaw Valley State University.

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Realtor Scholarship Fund winners are eager to continue their post-secondary studies at a variety of colleges and universities.

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Realtor Scholarship Fund Awards make students' futures brighter

Local high school graduates will have a helping hand with college costs, thanks to the 33rd annual Realtor Scholarship Fund Awards Ceremony May 10.

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors, assisted the Realtor Scholarship Fund in awarding 39 scholarships to local high school graduates. Nearly 100 students and guests attended the awards ceremony.

Recipients of the Dorothy McLachlan Awards are: Sarah Buhay, Bishop Foley High School, University of Detroit Mercy; Carly King, Dakota High School, Michigan State University; Natalie Strand, Berkley High School, Northern Michigan University; Christina Thomas, Eisenhower High School, University of Michigan.

Maurice L. Richards Awards recipients are: Arsha Ali, Athens High School, Oakland University; Morgan Barrett, Roseville High School, Central Michigan University; Andrew Irons, Stoney Creek High School, Michigan State University; Harpreet Kalsi, International Academy East, University of Michigan; Molly Minamy, Ferndale High School, Wayne State University; Alexandra Nowicki, Armada High School, College for Creative Studies; Kira Nowicki, Armada High School, Oakland University; Ashley Reece, Richmond High School, Saginaw Valley State University; Nicholas Riesterer, Dakota High School, University of Michigan; Muhammad Shafique, Adlai Stevenson High School, Michigan State University; Evan Stimp-

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son, Rochester High School, Western Michigan University; Trevor Tyle, Bishop Foley, Oakland University; Bailey Webb, Rochester High School, Grand Valley State University; and Alex Wylie, Rochester High School, Oakland Community College.

Jack Kesler Awards went to: Anthony Cholagh, Adlai Stevenson High School, Oakland University; and Michael Kelley, Rochester High School, Michigan State University.

This year's Scholarship Awards winners are: Mari Dowling, International Academy East, Michigan State University; Emily Emerson, Lincoln High School, Grand Valley State University; Maxwell Fahrney, Richmond High School, Central Michigan University; Samantha Jabao, Regina High School, Oakland University; Kara Lamb, Regina High School, Grand Valley State University; Jessica McCleary, Marian High School, Michigan State University; Emma Perry, Richmond High School, Michigan State University; and Eryn VanderVlucht, Roseville High School, Olivet College.

B.F. Chamberlain Awards went to: Alexia Arthur, Detroit Country Day School, Western Michigan University; Zoe Crowe, Rochester Adams

High School, Michigan State University; Maya Davidson, Warren Mott High School, Western Michigan University; Angelica Ellis, Wylie Groves High School, Grand Valley State University; Diana Evans, Warren Woods Tower High School, Ferris State University; Samantha Glaza, Royal Oak High School, Adrian College; Michaela Hampton, Royal Oak High School, Michigan State University; Darius Hicks, Southfield High School, University of Michigan-Dearborn; Andrew Jaeger, Shrine Catholic High School, University of Michigan; Nicholas Marcopoli, Bishop Foley High School, University of Michigan; and Justin Pauken, DeLaSalle Collegiate, University of Michigan.

The Realtor Scholarship Fund, founded in 1973, provides scholarship awards to students deemed worthy and qualified by the Board of Trustees. The purpose of the Scholarship Fund is to encourage local high school seniors to continue their formal education at Michigan colleges, universities, community colleges, technical institutes, trade schools and other institutions of higher learning.

Scholarship awards are based on scholastic record, character and leadership, school activities, community

and church service, work record and financial need. Each applicant must be a Michigan resident and a graduating senior from a high school within the Fund's jurisdiction.

Contributions are solicited from members of the real estate community, Realtors and affiliated companies and corporations. Awards are made from the annual income of the Fund only. Since 1983, the trustees have awarded 1,089 scholarships from those students interviewed.

Organizers thanked school superintendents, principals, teachers and staff members of the schools in the Scholarship Fund's area for their cooperation in making this public service program a success.

Also thanked were the counselors and parents of the student applicants for their assistance and encouragement given during the application process.

The Maurice L. Richards Award fund was established in 1993 to honor SOCBOR's retiring executive vice president of 24 years and the founder of the Fund.

The B.F. Chamberlain Award fund was established in 2004 through a contribution by Realtor Bud Chamberlain.

The Dorothy McLachlan Award was established in 2004 recognizing more than 30 years of contributions by Honorary Trustee Dorothy McLachlan.

The Jack Kesler Award was established in 2009 to honor the contributions of Jack Kesler to the real estate industry and to the Fund.

Check with lawyer on quit claim deed, sheriff's sale

Q: I am wondering whether, as the recipient of a quit claim deed as to certain real property, if I am also entitled to the proceeds of a sheriff's sale? Do you have any idea as to that?

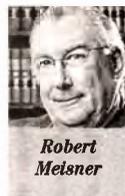
A: In a recent case out of Mississippi, on similar facts, the court held that a quit claim deed transfers any and all interests a grantor has in the property, including the right to equitable redemption and the right to any surplus that may have occurred at the bidding end of the sheriff's sale.

Of course, to be sure, you should contact a knowledgeable real estate lawyer to confirm your situation.

Q: We live in a rural site condo and our neighbor is literally keeping hens in the back of his unit. I am on the Board and the Association informed him that this violated the Association Covenants which disallow animals, birds or poultry on resident's lots unless they are kept as a "recognized household pet." We haven't been able to find a good community association lawyer in our area. Should we pursue the matter?

A: Yes, I think you should be "chicken" about proceeding. Believe it or not, in a similar case on similar facts, the New Mexico Appellate Court ruled that a restrictive covenant does not disallow owners from keeping hens. The Appellate Court had reversed the trial court's decision. The ruling was that the "notions expressed in the covenants in maintaining the "pastoral" and "rural" nature of the area and the historical traditions of the region would appear to lend themselves to allowing animals, birds and poultry as recognized pets." The court also reasoned that if the community didn't want domesticated chickens to be recognized as household pets, the residents could have removed the language that anticipates and permits them under the exception. Whether or not the same result would occur in a crowded city is another matter.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-Eleven, near Trenton Road.

Call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

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Call 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com.

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Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96. Email Georgia@addedvalue.com or visit freeforeclosure.com.

Suburban Collection in Novi site for State of Industry Breakfast on June 22

Construction Association of Michigan (CAM), American Institute of Architects Michigan (AIA) and Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (HBA) have partnered to present the sixth annual Mid-Year Economic Forecast and State of the Industry Breakfast on Wednesday, June 22. The event will be held at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi and will feature keynote speakers Kermit Baker, Ph.D., AIA Chief Economist.

The breakfast meeting will begin with a trade show and opportunity for guests to meet the speakers from 7:30-9 a.m., including networking and tabletop displays. This will be followed by a full family style breakfast and the program from 9-10:30 a.m.

Kevin Koehler, president of CAM noted, "With the addition of AIA Michigan as a partner in presenting this event, we have added a dimension that

encompasses even more of the construction industry. This program gives everyone involved in construction the opportunity to convene to learn where the economy is heading."

Michael Stoskopf, CEO of HBA, agrees and added, "This is the sixth year we are producing this event and we welcome the addition of AIA Michigan to make it an even more comprehensive program for our members. I look forward to hearing insights from Dr. Baker on the local, state and national levels."

Cathy Mosley, executive director of AIA, commented, "We are pleased to partner with CAM and HBA in presenting this important program. It is imperative that all of our members have informa-



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tion targeted to the construction industry while planning for the remainder of 2016 and beyond."

Registration fees for the event are \$50/person. For registration information, call HBA at 248-862-1016, CAM at 248-972-1000 or visit www.cam-online.com.

Based in Bloomfield Hills, Construction Association of Michigan is a not-for-profit organization supported by annual dues and service fees. CAM is governed by a 12-member Board of Directors, which is elected annually by over 3,000 member companies. CAM's membership is comprised of general contractors; specialty/sub-contractors; equipment and material suppliers; and service firms (architects, engineers, attorneys, financial management, etc.).

Headquartered in West Bloomfield, Home Builders Association of Southeastern

Michigan (HBA) and Apartment Association of Michigan are trade associations representing over 800 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. HBA is affiliated with the Home Builders Association of Michigan in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 175,000 individuals and companies.

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Livonia - Multi family sale 12337 Arcola 6/2-6/4 Thur. Sat 9-5. Due to constr. enter off inlster. Home Decor, men stuff, no baby items.

Milford-1198 Hermant Court. June 2-4th. 9-4pm. Household, tools, baby items, furniture, shabby chic furn.

MILFORD: Childs Lake Estates, Community Wide Sale!!!
 Thurs. June 2-5th, June 4, 9am-5pm. Furniture, household items, clothing and more! 4377 Old Plank Road, N. of Pontiac Trail, between Milford Road & Wilcom Road. 248-685-3380

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NORTHVILLE Gigantic Sub-Wide Garage Sale of Woodlands South Condos, SW Corner of 4 Mile & Sheldon Road, from June 2nd-June 4th, 9a-4p.

NORTHVILLE Sub-Wide Sale Woodlands North Sub. NW corner of 4 Mile/Sheldon. June 3rd-4th, 9-4pm.

Oak Park-24520 Manistee, June 3-4, Fri & Sat; 9-7pm. June 5, Sun; 11-7pm. Baby, plus size clothing, much more!

Old Resedale Gardens Neighborhood Annual Garage Sale. 50+ homes, Sat, June 4th, 9am-4pm. Plymouth btwn Merriman Rd & Hubbard St, Livonia.

Plymouth Garage Sale-44427 Beech. June 2-4th. 9-5pm. Antiques, collectibles & some household items.

Redford-15949 Denby N/ 5 Mile. E/ Inlster Rd. June 2nd-4th. 9-5pm. **HUGE DEALER INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE.** Tons of smalls, glass, porcelain, costume jewelry, vintage dolls. Over a hundred Precious Moments & Snow Globes. Dozen of vintage wall pockets. Antique Vintage items at Garage Sale Prices. Household, Kid items and books. Will be reduced. Tables. This is always a fun event. Dealers, Ebuyer and all are welcome!

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Royal Oak Multi Family. Fri & Sat June 3-4th. 9-3pm. 2016 Northwood Blvd. Toys, clothes, furniture, more.

South Lyon: Lakeside Estates North Sub Sale. Thurs-Sun. 9/10. E/Rushton. Something for Everyone!

Westland - Baby Furn, toys & kids clothes & furn. June 2-4th 10-5pm. 23882 ANITA. **GREAT BARGAINS!**

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 Kids 12 & under free
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Short Notice Estate Auction Sat. June 4th - 10 a.m. 8180 Moritz, Ypsilanti. Honda Gold Wing Motorcycle, 30' Camper, Vehicles, Firearms, Massive Quantity of Tools & Household. This auction is huge! See MichiganAuctionCompany.com for images and details.

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Bloomfield Village Moving Sale- 784 Wooddale, 48301, June 2nd & 3rd. 9-3pm. Furniture & household items.

Canton-356 Harbor. June 2nd-4th. 9-4pm. Plumbing, hand tools, glassware, home hardware, wide range vintage & collectibles & more.

CANTON 4 FAMILY SALE-43625 Westminister Way. June 2-4th. 9-4pm. Household, Baby Items & More!

CANTON - CENTURY FARMS ANNUAL SUB SALE - June 2-June 5, 9-5pm. N/Palmer, W/Hogarty, Household, tools, clothes, baby items, furniture, New sales Every Day!

CANTON GLENGARRY VILLAGE Subwide Sale. June 2-4th. opens at 9am. Great Items! Too good to miss! N. of Palmer, E. of Canton Center.

CANTON Neffinsham Forest Sub Sale. Thurs-Sat. June 2-4th. 9a-5p. E/Morton Taylor, W/Lillev, N/Ford, S/Warren. 500 Home Subdivisions!

Canton - Ravensfield & Inlster 3 of Crystal Village Condo DE. DEVELOPMENTS off Geddes rd. btw Denton & Beck. Fri. Sat. June 3rd & 4th 9am-3pm. Large Variety of items!

CANTON - Vistas of Central Park South of Cherry Hill. W. of Beck. Subwide Sale. June 2-4, 9am-4pm. Furn., household, clothes misc.

Farming Hills GIANT 3 Family Garage Sale. June 2-4th. 9-5pm. 29378 Lake Park Dr. Off 13 MI between Farmington & Drake

Livonia - Clements Circle Sub Sale. June 2-4 Middlebelt & Inlster 3 of Plymouth. June 3-4th times vary.

Garage Sale

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WHITE LAKE Brentwood Subdivision Sale Thurs. 6/2 Sat. 6/4 9a-4pm Off Carey Rd. or off Bogie Lake Rd.

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LOST DOGS, miniature schauzer, 15 yrs. old, 22 lbs., dearly missed from home in Farmington Hills. Since May 8th. Mostly gray salt and pepper with white chest, paws and beard. Wearing a blue with purple invisible Fence collar. Micro-chipped. Cash reward. (248) 725-6979 or (248) 558-4153

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Real Estate

Homes

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RELIGION CALENDAR

JUNE CONCERT

Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m. June 22
Location: Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott, 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-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Levee, 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. 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 248-442-8822

GUEST SPEAKERS

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 7
Location: Atonement Lutheran Church, 6961 Mead, Dearborn
Details: Two female Christian missionaries, both former Muslims, talk about living in the Middle East and their escape to freedom. The presentation is sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society and aimed at women. A free will offering will be taken and light refreshments served
Contact: 313-581-2525

HAWAIIAN LU'AU

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

PARKING LOT SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, June 18
Location: St. John Bosco Church, 12100 Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Participants will sell items to the public. Rent one space for \$15; two for \$25
Contact: Sally at 734-748-8110; church office at 313-937-9690

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, June 2, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, June 3, and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 4
Location: St. Innocent Orthodox Church, 23300 W. Chicago, Redford
Contact: 313-538-1142

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 and 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.livoniast-michael.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 Hazelwood 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 information, email Motta through zumba.com
Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday
Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiwasssee, Farmington Hills
Details: Free meal
Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month
Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia
Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.
Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@bosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners
Contact: Ethanief Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463
Dunning Park Bible Chapel
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays
Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.
Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday
Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.
Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday
Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows
Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223
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St. Michael Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday
Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton
Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.
Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information

RECYCLING

RISEN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. third Saturday of the month
Location: 46250 Ann Arbor Road, between Sheldon and Beck roads, Plymouth
Details: Recycle your cell phones, laser cartridges, inkjet

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

SINGLES

Detroit World Outreach
Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304
Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.
Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org
Steve's Family Restaurant
Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 14 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.
Contact: 313-534-0399

SONG CIRCLE

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

SUPPORT

Apostolic Christian Church
Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily
Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia
Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.
Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com
Connection Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday
Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton
Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free
Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202
Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems
Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244
Farmington Hills Baptist Church
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August
Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills
Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group
Contact: 248-433-1011
Merriman Road Baptist Church
Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City
Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations
Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

Fireside Church of God

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday
Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center
Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Saturday
Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: A twice-monthly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available
Contact: 734-421-8451
St. Thomas a' Becket Church
Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-

6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton
Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322
Unity of Livonia
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia
Details: Overeaters Anonymous
Contact: 248-559-7722; www.oa.org for additional information
Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/desserts), Thursday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.
Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

THRIFT STORE

St. James Presbyterian
Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford
Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information
Way of Life Christian Church
Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May
Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth
Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives.
Contact: 734-637-7618

TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month
Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit
Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations

are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted.
Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

WORSHIP

Adat Shalom Synagogue
Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays
Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills
Contact: 248-851-5100
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia
Contact: 734-522-6830
Congregation Beth Chaverim
Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month
Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridged, Canton
Details: Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore
Contact: www.Facebook.com/bethchaverim or email to bethchaverim@yahoo.com
Due Season Christian Church
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study
Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia
Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church services.
Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit www.DueSeason.org
Faith Community Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study
Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi
Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 8-12
Contact: 248-349-2345; faithcommunity-novi.org
Faith Community Wesleyan Church

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m.; worship service, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 12:30 p.m.; Bible study, 6 p.m.; Sundays, Soul Retention Discipleship classes, 4 p.m. Saturday
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491
Garden City Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking
Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road
Contact: 734-421-7620
Good Hope Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday
Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City
Contact: 734-427-3660
Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)
Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school/adult Bible study; 10 a.m. Sunday service
Location: 4145 W. Nine Mile, Novi
Contact: Rev. Thomas E. Schroeder at 248-349-0565; GoodShepherdNovi.org
Grace Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m.
Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township
Contact: 734-637-8160
His Church Anglican
Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna University
Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia
Contact: www.HisChurchAnglican.org; 248-442-0HCA

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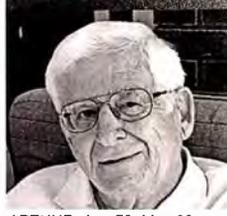
GERMAINE M. Age 90, May 24, 2016. Beloved daughter of the late Charles and Germaine Allen. Dearest friend of Betty (Gunner) Bjarnesen and Grace Chang. Germaine was a proud graduate of Marygrove College Detroit and retired from AT&T after many years of devoted service. Instate at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Tuesday, June 7, 2016 from 10:30 a.m. until Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Memorials may be directed to the charity of your choice. Arrangements by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, Livonia. Please share a memory at www.rggharris.com

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MAYBELLE M. Age 82, May 30, 2016. Longtime resident of Livonia. Beloved wife of the late Wilson Munn. Loving mother of Teresa (Robert) Moore, Michael (Maria), John (Jill), Matthew (Jill) and Anne. Dear grandmother of nine, great grandmother of nine and great, great grandmother of one. Maybelle was a tireless advocate for the disabled for more than 50 years. Visitation at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Saturday, June 4, 2016 from 1 p.m. until her Funeral Service at 5 p.m. Instate at the First Baptist Church of Kalamazoo, 315 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 1 p.m. until Funeral Service at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Community Opportunity Center or Northwest Arc, Special Olympics, Wellspring Church (Farmington Hills) and First Baptist Church of Kalamazoo. Donation envelopes will be available at the funeral home and church. Please share a memory at www.rggharris.com

PEARCE



ARTHUR Age 79, May 28, 2016. Beloved husband of Alice Anne. Dear father of Nancy Bergner (Mario) and Dave Pearce (Shannon). Loving grandfather of Justin, Joy, Christopher, Isaac and Elijah Bergner; Nickolas, Lauren and Annelise Pearce. Brother of Esther Williams. Funeral Service was held Wednesday 11 a.m. at Dunning Park Bible Chapel, Redford. Interment at Glen Eden Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Dunning Park Kids Camp Fund or Providence Hospital Foundation. Please leave the family cherished memories and condolences at www.harrywillfuneralhome.com

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