

#### FOOTGOLF TAKES ROOT ON AREA LINKS

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### Pokemon Go is a no-go at **Cadillac Memorial Gardens**

Staff Writer

When the Pokemon Go craze started a few weeks ago, the staff at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West had a sign wel-

coming players.
"Initially we thought school is out and we would get some kids on bikes," said Donna Campbell of Midwest Memorial Group which owns the cem-etery. "We thought we would

talk with them about cemetery etiquette.

That's what happened for a few days, but on the weekend the cemetery on Ford Road in Westland was being overtaken

by Pokemon Go players.
"It was adults in cars. It was getting to be a distraction. They were blocking the roadway. We had (funeral) processions," Campbell said.

Those disruptions at the cemetery resulted in complaints from people with loved ones buried at Cadillac Memorial Garden West.

The company has contacted

the company behind Pokemon Go and requested that the cemetery be removed as a site in the game. In the interim, the cemetery has posted a sign requesting that all visitors conduct themselves in a respectful manner.

"One person was at the grave of a loved one and was taking a photo with a cell phone," Campbell said. "A Pokemon player came over thinking it was part of the

The cemetery has hired a security guard to patrol from 6:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. to keep out any trespassers.
Westland Police spokesman

Sgt. Robert Wilke reports that officers have had to multiple

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When the Pokemon Go craze began, the staff at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West had a sign welcoming players. The sign is now down.

### Police host bone marrow drive

A bone marrow donor drive hosted by the Westland Police Department will be held from 3-8 p.m. Wednes-

day at Westland City Hall. "A large number of department members shaved their heads in a show of support for the daughter of a co-worker that has been diag-nosed with leukemia," Westland Police Sgt. Robert Wilke said

After this occurred, Wilke said the department started looking into the possibility of hosting a bone marrow matching event to help all victims of leukemia, lymphoma and other life-threatening diseases

Bethematch.org is going to assist with the event. The only purpose of the bone marrow drive is to get a sample with a mouth swab from volunteers so that they can be added to the largest national donor registry.

Volunteers must be ages 18-44 and in general good health.

If people are not sure if they would like to be tested, they can come to the event to gather more information and will be able to make a better informed decision. There will be no pressure to join the

Even if people are not interested in being tested, Wilke said they are welcome to stop by as a canine unit and police officers will be on hand to interact with the



Westland Police officers shaved their heads in support of a co-worker's daughter who is being treated for

### 2 arrested following police pursuit

LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

Two suspects were arrested following a brief pursuit of an allegedly stolen vehicle that ended with a crash into an house Wednes-

day morning Westland Police report that officers were on patrol in the area of Henry Ruff and Michigan Avenue when they spotted a vehicle that had been reported stolen in Romulus.



The officers reported at-tempting to make traffic stop but the vehicle didn't stop and attempted to evade officers. The vehicle eventually crashed into the front porch of a home in the 4000 block of Farnum in Inkster.

After the crash, three vehicle occupants fled on foot. Officers were able to take two of the suspects into custody.

No one was injured in the pursuit. The porch had minor damage: the aluminum railing had been struck by the vehicle

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### Suspects sought in hat theft case

LeAnne Rogers

sought for allegedly stealing hats from a Westland Shopping Center store. Westland Police released

still photographs and video of suspects wanted in connection with a theft from Lids on July The case of hats, valued at

over \$3,800, had just been delivered to the store. Police said three suspects collaborated on

the theft as one suspect walked out of the store with the case of hats

tinued out of the mall with the box of hats and put them into a vehicle.

The first suspect, the person shown allegedly carrying the stolen box of hats, is de-scribed as a black female, 5-foot-4 with a medium build approximately 135 pounds with short black hair. She was de-scribed as wearing a teal blue short-sleeved shirt with yellow

and white writing on the front, blue jeans and white tennis shoes

a black female, 5-foot-7, heavyset, weighing approximately 185-200 pounds, black hair in corn rows with two ponytails. She is described as wearing a red tank top, light blue or white pants and white shoes.

The third suspect is de-scribed as a black male, 6foot-1 with a medium build

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Two of the suspects wanted in connection with the theft of \$3,800 worth of hats from the Lids store in Westland Shopping Center.



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weighing approximately 30 pounds with short black hair. He is described as wearing rimless Cartier glasses with gold arms, a teal shirt with a gray "D" printed on it, blue jeans and white shoes.

The suspects' vehicle is described as an older model Chevrolet Impala

with black five star

Anyone with information regarding the identity of the subjects is asked to call the Westland Police Depart-ment at 734-722-9600 or Sgt. Ron Buckley at 734-467-3194.

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### Jazz on the Avenue returns to Wayne

Jazz at the Avenue: An Evening with Wayne Main Street is set for 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27

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"This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and a night of mingling and relaxing to the sounds of great jazz with delicious food and craft beers," Wayne Main Street Executive Director Lindsey Wooten said. "The fundraising dollars will go toward continuing to revitalize downtown Wayne and all it has to offer to residents and visitors."

Sponsors for the event include Wayne compa-nies American Jetway, Tried and True Thrift Store, Community Living Services Holding Company, Community Housing Network, Mark Chevrolet, Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Lower Huron Supply Co., and oth-

ers.
"Besides the silent auction and wonderful gift baskets available that night, guests will be treated to an exclusive sneak peak of the city's new Pocket Park Project called Derby's Alley. This





Jazz at the Avenue: An Evening with Wayne Main Street is set for 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27.

is the first of its kind in Wayne and we are thrilled to be a part of it," Wooten said.

Tickets are on sale now for \$50 or two for \$80.

To purchase tickets visit the Wayne Histori-cal Museum, 1 Town Square, during open hours noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday or visit downtownwayne.org/jazz.



Fundraising will go toward revitalizing downtown Wayne, Wayne Main Street Executive Director Lindsey Wooten said

#### **POKEMON**

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people about trespassing due to the game but there haven't been any specific large-scale incidents.

People arriving for a Wayne City Council meeting found the parking lot behind city hall filled with cars as adjoining Goudy Park is a popular Pokemon Go

site.

Wayne Police report having had to clear ap-

proximately 150 people playing Pokemon Go from Goudy Park recently at about 1 a.m. City ordinance requires people to leave the city parks at dark.

The department put out a reminder about being in the parks after dark - that same rule applies to cemeteries in the city.

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One of the men arrested, 17-year-old Dequiontez Harris of Ypsilanti, has been arraigned in Westland District Court on charges of fleeing and eluding police thirddegree, receiving and concealing a stolen motor vehicle and operating without a license. A not guilty plea was entered and bond was set at \$25,000 cash. A probable cause hearing is scheduled for July 28 with a preliminary examination

Aug. 4.
The second suspect is age 16 and was arrested as a juvenile. He is cur-rently being housed at the Wayne County Youth Home and charges will be handled by the Third Circuit Court Juvenile

Division.
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Department Traffic Bureau is working to identi-fy the third party in-

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### Council denies liquor license at Kroger store

Staff Writer

Kroger has lost its bid to be Livonia's most recent new liquor license holder after being voted down at the last city

council meeting.
The company looked
to purchase and transfer
a liquor license to its 30935 Five Mile store something that had been first proposed last sum-mer at the planning commission. It sought to have the liquor license be transferred from the former Livonia Drugs, previously located at 33525 Five Mile near Farmington Road, and, per local ordinance, sell spirits from behind a counter at the grocery store, something that would have to happen because less than 35 percent of the store's sales would come from the sale of liquor. "The issue here is

whether the Kroger Company of Michigan complies with the ordi-nance. And they do," said Jeff Bloom, an attorney representing Kroger.

"We're not adding a new license to the area. We're simply transferring a

But the council voted 6-1 at its July 11 meeting to deny the license trans fer to the grocery store from the former drug store, with several council members citing the city's longtime trend of not allowing big-box retailers to sell packaged spirits, just beer and wine. Kroger currently has a license to sell beer and wine. Council presi-dent Kathleen McIntyre was the lone "no" vote.

The council turned down a motion 4-3 to send the issue to the committee of the whole, delaying the vote and discussing the transfer

of the license further. McIntyre said she would have supported sending the issue to committee to evaluate it

"I think there are still a swirl of questions," she said. "I do think it's a complicated issue."

Several surrounding representatives from surrounding liquor



DAVID VESELENAK | STAFF WRITER

The Kroger on Five Mile east of Merriman was denied a liquor license last week by the Livonia

stores spoke out against Kroger being granted the license, including Sam Shoukri, owner of Showerman's Fine Wine and Liquor at 15333 Mer riman, across the street from the shopping center

Kroger is located in. He said allowing the transfer would prompt

other big retailers to come in and snag liquor licenses in the city.

'They will all be in line'

"The area is very well-served by the exist-ing establishments," he said. "Once you allow Kroger to obtain a liquor license, then all the big boxes like Meijer, Costco, Walmart, Target, they will all be in line."

Currently, 33 liquor licenses are in use across the city.

Steve George, an attorney representing Livonia Drurgs, said the transfer wouldn't be a

new license to the city, just the same one other shops had competed with

in previous years.
"This is not about eating someone else's part of the pie. It's an existing license," he said. This is a Livonia license that was located just a mile down the road. This

was part of the pie." Councilman Brian Meakin said the only thing that has changed since Kroger asked the item be tabled last sum-mer is the makeup of the council. Other conditions surrounding the transfer

"Nothing has changed since 2015," he said. "There are six liquor stores within that mile. How many more liquor

stores do we need?
"I believe we've heard this case long enough. We've heard this information before. Nothing has changed."

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### Wayne firefighters agree to wage, pension concessions

LeAnne Rogers

Wayne firefighters have agreed to wage, insurance and pension concessions under a new three-year contract with the financially strapped

city.
Under the contract, which is retroactive to July 1, the firefighters will see a 2-percent wage reduction with no pay increase over the life of

the agreement.
"The firefighters have gone without a raise for over a decade," Wayne-Westland Firefighters union president Mitch Tokarski said. "The firefighters understand the

financial struggles the city is facing. It was with that in mind that we reached an agreement with significant conces sions to help keep the city viable."

Larger concessions were made in pensions which will see the multiplier used to calculate benefits reduced 18 percent from 2.7 percent to 2.5 percent. The firefighters will also see a 43-percent increase in the employee contribu-tion to pensions.

"That makes the city contribution (to pensions) 5.73 percent— that's less than Social Security," Tokarski said. City workers, including

firefighters, don't participate in Social Security.

The firefighters also agreed to pay a 50-per-cent increase in health insurance premiums to \$6,000 with a \$2,500 front end deductible.

These changes affect only the 12 Wayne firefighters who are part of the Wayne-Westland Fire Department. The two departments are operationally merged but the employees each work under contracts specific to their home city. The Wayne firefighters are chapter of the Wayne-Westland Firefighters

union. Based on the new firefighter concessions

City Manager Lisa Nocerini said the city will save approximately \$173,389 in the first year.

That coupled with the fact that we cut their overtime in the budget by \$298,000 equates to a \$471,389 savings," she said.

One concession that the firefighters were able to get in the agree ment was a no-lavoff clause if the city subcontracts emergency medical services. EMS through the fire department generates about \$600,000 in revenue annually as part of the \$2.3 million department bud-

get. "I want to say thank

you to the firefighters. They were incredible in negotiations - they did a great job," Nocerini said. "They stepped up. They understood the state of the city. We're grateful. They're really looking out for the interests of the city and the residents. They have taken a

On the Aug. 2 primary ballot, Wayne voters are being asked to approve the city joining the South Macomb Oakland Re-gional Services Authority with Eastpointe and Ha-zel Park. It's strictly a funding mechanism that would bring with it a 14-mill to fund police and fire services. It would

ey by the end of 2017. The firefighters are

the first city labor union to reach a new agree-ment with Wayne. All collective bargaining unit contracts expired June 30 including the two police locals, Department of Public Services, clerical staff and supervisors

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### Champions program marks academic success



The ticker-tape falls as student achievement is honored at the Champions Program for John Glenn.

A report card for the new Champions Program at John Glenn High School in Westland would contain only the highest

marks possible.

Last month, the program marked the second celebration of students who successfully increased their grade point averages by at least .5 with a banquet attended by more than 600 at the Hellenic Banquet Center. As teachers, men-tors, parents, school and city officials and benefactors cele-brated the accomplishments of students, several remained in awe of the success of the pro-

This semester, 567 students joined the program, which awards students who succeed with improving their grades by half a point \$200. Of those who signed up, 533 improved their grades, none had their grades diminish and 159 made their goal and marched across the stage to receive their checks from Glenn Shaw Jr. who with his wife, Patty, founded the program.

"I simply could not believe the numbers when they were calculated. To have 94 percent of these students bring their grades up in the program was

more than we ever expected," Shaw said.

During the evening presentation, a few students related their success stories and ex-plained how involvement in the program motivated and helped them. One young wom-an increased her grade point average from .08 to 2.8, with a story that Shaw said simply brought tears to the eyes of all

who heard her speak.
Another student who had been "doing things I shouldn't" and failing his classes also saw the same level of remarkable grade improvement and cred-

ited the program for helping him and keeping him in school. "We stay involved with these kids. We don't just have them sign up and then move on. We check on them. We communicate with them. They know that we really care about their success," Shaw said.
"This couldn't have happened without the help from these without the help from these great mentors and the involve-

ment of the parents. I believe that is the key to our success." Shaw, his wife, and his fam-ily fund the program personally, with some contributions

from other donors.
"There is no public or tax



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This semester, 567 students joined the Champions Program at John Glenn High School.



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Glenn Shaw shares the podium with Ambrielle Rogers.

money used for this," Shaw said. "And obviously, we would welcome contributions to the funding as more and more

students are eager to sign up for the program." The evening celebration also saw the awarding of

scholarships to several area students. Wayne County Com-munity College District award-ed a total of \$26,800 in fullyear scholarships while Schoolcraft Community College awarded two scholarships to students in the Wayne-Westland district. The Westland Community Foundation awarded 10 \$1,000 scholarships to local students and four \$500

scholarships.
"We are lucky to have people involved in this effort through the Westland Commuthrough the Westland Commu-nity Foundation. Sharon Scott, Sandy Godbout and Steve Kay had a difficult job reviewing all the applicants and selecting those who would receive schol-arships," Shaw said. "We are also grateful to Wayne County Community College District and Schoolcraft College for the help they are offering our help they are offering our local students.

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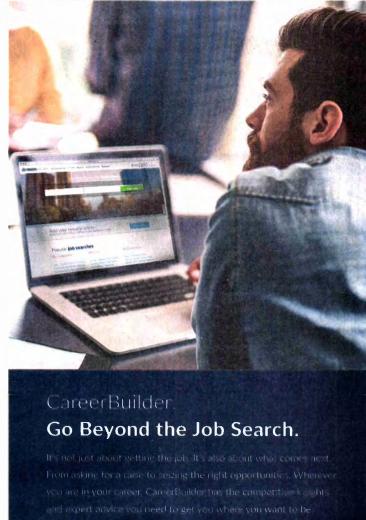
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### Goodfellows hand out lunches to summer students

David Veselenak

Helping the Livonia Goodfellows pack lunches for sum-mer school students is just one way Diana Bourlier helps hon-

or the memory of her late hus-

band. The Livonia resident said her husband had help when he was a boy from the Goodfel-lows, with them providing him shoes when his family couldn't afford them. It was a gesture of kindness, she said, that stuck with him forever.

"It's something my husband never forgot," she said.
Bourlier is just one of several volunteers that head to Churchill High School in the summer to help pack lunches to provide for students en. to provide for students enrolled in summer school. About 180 students from all over the Livonia Public Schools attend summer school, and lunches are provided by Forgotten Harvest and packed by Goodfellows volunteers.

Lunches complete with sandwiches (which are premade at Forgotten Harvest), fruit, granola bar, cookies and juice are made via assembly line for the hour before stu dents break for their 15-minute lunch break between classe which run four days a week for five weeks in the summer

"The way we've been doing this is we get our food on Mon-days and Tuesdays and we pack it," Goodfellows Vice President Jim Hobart said. 'Monday's food is good for Monday and Tuesday, and Tuesday's food is good for Wednesday and Thursday."

#### Benefits the students

While not all the lunches get taken every day, it's a program the summer school principal Kevin Reina sees as greatly

beneficial to the students.
He said before, some students who didn't bring lunches ended up eating food out of a vending machine for lunch, not providing enough fuel to continue through another three-hour class in the afternoon.

"In the past, all the kids ever had was vending machines. And most kids won't bring water, they won't bring food with them," said Reina,



DAVID VESELENAK | STAFF WRITER

Students grab bagged lunches during their lunch break Tuesday at Churchill High School. Helping to pass them out are Livonia Goodfellows members Jim Hobart and Dave Savage.

who teaches science at Franklin High School during the school year. "There's nothing you can say other than that it's invaluable."

Some students will end up taking two lunches, something the organization doesn't mind at all, especially if the students are still hungry by the end of the school day.

Goodfellows member Dave Savage came Tuesday morning ready to work and get the lunches out in a timely fashion.

"I just enjoy helping wherever we can," he said.

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DAVID VESELENAK STAFF WRITER Livonia Goodfellows Vice President Jim Hobart carries bagged lunches out of

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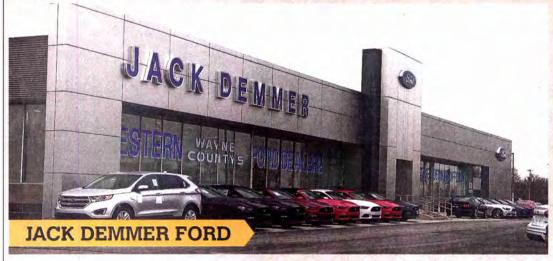
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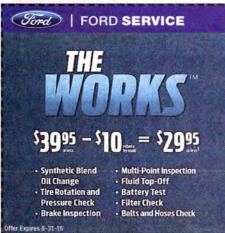


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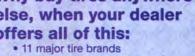












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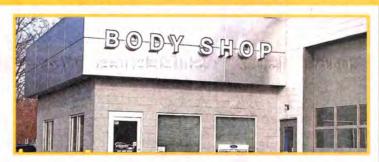
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LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

#### IRS tax scam leaves resident out money

A 32-year-old Livonia woman came into the Livonia police station Tuesday night to report she had been scammed out of nearly \$3,000.

The resident said someone contacted her via her cellphone and said they were with the IRS.
The suspect told her

she owed back taxes and that a warrant was out for her arrest.

The suspect said the warrant could be removed if she were to purchase iTunes gift cards and provide him the numbers on the back. He also told her to take out a loan and send the money to him as well. The total amount was \$2,947. No suspect information was available.

#### **Retail fraud**

reported

An employee at Menards, 12701 Middlebelt, came into the police sta-tion Wednesday morning to report a retail fraud that had taken place at the store earlier that

The employee said two men entered the store July 13 and then diverged inside. One man was seen selecting a drill combo items

He was seen pushing the cart with the drill and bags of lawn repair kits out the doors toward a vehicle. He then came back in, selected some bug spray cans and placed them in the cart before wheeling them out of the store. The men were later seen driving away in a vehicle.

#### Credit cards taken

A golfer at Whispering Willows, 20500 New-burgh, came in Wednesday afternoon to report some of his items were

taken out of his vehicle. He said he left his wallet in the map com-partment door pocket before going to the golf course. When he returned to his car, he found his wallet missing several

items, including credit cards, a list of medica tions and cash. He said he thought he locked the doors, but may not have. No other damage was reported to the car. He checked with his bank, who told him some fraudulent charges had been made on the credit cards.

Compiled by David Veselenak from reports filed with the Livonia Police Department.

### Crews still laying WOW cable lines across city

David Veselenak

Crews have made headway installing lines for Livonia's newest cable provider with more work continuing through out the summer.

Contractors have worked throughout the year laying lines for Wide Open West, or WOW, cable and Internet service. Residents should expect to see crews follow several rules when working to install, including getting permis sion from homeowners before they go onto private property, said Keith Kirby, director of maintenance and construction for WOW.

He said crews are expected to adhere to the "leave no trace" princi-pal when it comes to working on private prop-

erty.
"We have to leave your yard the same way we find it," he said. He said a door tag or

fller should be left at homes before crews begin work, be it tree trimming or laying of lines either in the air or underground. That's an action, Kirby said, the company takes very seriously, saying workers should not enter private property without alerting residents. If they do, they face disciplinary action from the company, Kirby said: about three crews have already been disciplined for doing just

that.
WOW employees,
including Kirby, have

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A sign advertising WOW service in front of a home on Newburgh in Livonia. The company is currently installing lines across the city to provide service in Livonia.

also posted updates and kept in contact with resi-

dents via populous Livo-nia Facebook groups. While crews working on the installation are mostly contractors hired by the cable company, they have been issued identification cards and other insignia from WOW to indicate they are work ing on a job for the com-pany. Vehicles used by contractors have also been supplied with WOW magnets for the side of their vehicles.

#### Working throughout city

WOW has begun laying lines since the city council awarded a cable franchise agreement to the company to allow it to begin offering its service in town last fall. Since beginning to lay lines, crews have worked in the southwest portion of the city and have moved east and south of I-96. Livonia is currently the only local city the company is working to install its

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Kirby said crews will continue to work in areas in the central part of the city in the future, though the next locations are dependent on where permits can be granted.

"We're still waiting on some permitting issues, he said. "Wherever per-mitting allows, we'll go

next."
Other cable and Internet providers in Livo-nia include AT&T and Bright House Networks, which recently merged with Charter Communi-cations earlier this year.

Some underground work, Kirby said, may require crews to return to a site several times because a "main box' may be located there. In that instance, contractors will work to try and keep in frequent communica-tion with the homeowner, sometimes giving them direct lines to contrac-

dveselenak@ hometownlife.com

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned in the Township of Redford by the Redford Township Police Department and are to be sold, as is, at open auction on Saturday, the 30TH day of JULY, 2016, at North Redford Towing, 25215 Glendale, Redford, MI 48239. Vehicles can be viewed on the auction date. Registered owners will be allowed to pick up their vehicles prior to the start of the auction. Check www.nrtowing.com for the current list.

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### Police report: Dating app used to set up robbery

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A Wayne man has been charged with robbing a Detroit resident he met through a dating

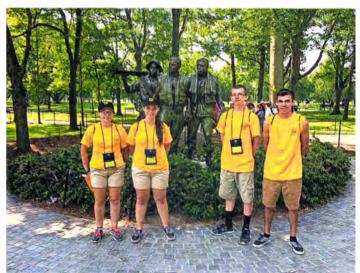
app.
James Edward Neal, 25, met the victim on Franklin Street in Wayne at about 2 a.m. July 14, according to Wayne Police. Neal is accused of robbing the victim of \$80 at gun-



16, Neal was arraigned in Wayne 29th District Court on charges of armed rob bery, felony firearm and second-degree habitual

offender.
A not-guilty plea was entered for Neal and bond was set at \$250,000. A probable cause conference was set for July 26 with his preliminary examination scheduled for Aug.

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The Wayne Memorial High School Junior ROTC Leadership Team of Makayla Carpenter, Samantha Tillman, Ryan Carney and Jeremy Harper visited the Vietnam Memorial while at a competition in Washington, D.C.

### Wayne JROTC scores in competition

The Wayne Memorial High School JROTC Team placed eighth in the National Leadership Bowl Championship

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held recently in Washington, D.C. The team earned

some of the top scores out of the 1,378 Army JROTC teams that competed from around the

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After advancing through two phases of a school year-long online competition, the Wayne JROTC Leadership Team of Makayla Carpenter, Ryan Carney, Samantha Tillman and Jeremy Harper competed in person at the championship event. The 2016 leadership bowl championship was held on the campus of the Catholic University of America. This event was sponsored by the Army JROTC and was conducted by the College Options Founda-

The Wayne Memorial JROTC team was among the top 3 percent JROTC Leadership programs to attend the championship competition. Concluding the weekend, Gulf Coast High School from Naples, Florida, was the

first-place team. The JROTC Leader ship and Academic Bowl is a nationally recognized competition created exclusively for JROTC students. By participating, cadets learn the values of citizenship, academic competition and college opportunity.



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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

A public accuracy test will be conducted at the time and A public accuracy test will be conducted at the time and location listed, for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the tabulating equipment, and programs, which will be used to record and tabulate voted ballots for the General Primary Election, to be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 in Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan.

Location:

Civic Center 6000 Middlebelt Garden City, Michigan 48135

July 27, 2016

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Time

Allyson M. Bettis Contact:

City Clerk 734-793-1620

#### **Farmers Market**

Wilson Barn hosts a Farmers Market on Sat-urdays through Oct. 8 at 29350 W. Chicago in Livo-

nia.

The market features produce, local vendors, produce, crafts, baked goods and breads. There's a Kids Corner, make-and-take and arts and crafts projects from 11 a.m. to 2 .m. July 30 and Aug. 27. p.m. July 30 a... Free pony rides take place 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 6.

For more information or to become a vendor, call Karen at 734-261-3602 or visit wilsonbarn-

#### Splash day

The Sandburg Branch Library will hold its Splash Day from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 28. The event will feature a large, homemade slip n' slide, wading pool, water table and bubble table, and other kinds of watery fun. This is the sec-ond of the library's Splash, Crash, Boom! series, which has a popup event on the Sandburg lawn as part of the Summer Reading Program.

The last event will occur from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, in which things will "go boom." The first was the eighth annual Watermelon Drop, which was held on Thursday, July 21, with over 100 people in attendance.

#### **Citzens for Peace**

The Citizens for Peace will present the talk "Wa-ter is Life! Why Safe, Affordable Water is a Human Right!" at its Aug. 9 meeting at 7 p.m. at Unity of Livonia (28660 Five Mile).

People's Water Board members Lila Cabbil and Kim Redigan will focus on the human, health and social cost of unsafe and unaffordable water in Flint and Detroit. For more information, call 734-425-0069 or visit www.citizens4peace.com

#### **RU Marching Band**

The Redford Union Marching Band will hold a fundraiser at Vicky's Ice Cream, 26145 W. Six Mile Road in Redford, from 5-8 p.m. Thursday,

Band members will be there playing their instruments along with attached units Color guard and Majorettes. All proceeds benefit RUHS Marching Band.

#### Concussion program

The Livonia Civic Center Library hosts the program, "Concussions in Athletics - Know the Warning Signs," with Dr. Steven Karageanes at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 23 in conference room A.

Karageanes, Medical Director, Sports Medicine and MercyElite Sports Performance, St. Mary Mercy Livonia, is a distinguished sports medicine specialist who has treated concussions for almost 20 years. He assisted the Brain Injury Association of Michigan in writing the Michigan Concussion Bill, which became law in October 2012

The library is at 32777 Five Mile Road.

#### **Crafters wanted**

Applications are being accepted for crafters and vendors for the St. John's Episcopal Church Fall Festival and Craft Show on Saturday, Sept. 24. Large indoor space; electricity available. Located at 555 S. Wayne Road with great traffic flow. For more information, call 734-721-5023 (Monday - Friday from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.).

The festival hours are

10 a.m. to 10 p.m. The craft show runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### Mom 2 Mom Sale

SS. Simon & Jude Church, 32500 Palmer in Westland, hosts its Mom 2 Mom sale 10 a.m. to noon (9-10 a.m. for early bird) on Saturday, Aug. 6.

#### COMMUNITY EVENTS



Wish vou were here

Douglas Wells of Livonia traveled to Inuvik NWT, Canada, on a motorcycle trip to the Canadian Arctic to celebrate turning age 72. Of course, he took his Livonia Observer with him

Cost is \$15 per 8-foot table; racks and card tables are extra.

For more information, call Carolyn at 734-728-1559 or Sandy at 734-721-

#### **Westland market**

The Westland Farmers & Artisans Market is up and running from 3-7 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 13 (closed June 16 and Aug. 4). It features a variety of food and craft vendors, special events and music. EBT is accepted.

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

#### Mini summer Olympics

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia, hosts the mini-Olympics camp 6:30-8 p.m. July 25-28.

Each night will focus on learning and compet-ing in a different sport that is featured in the Olympics. Monday will

be volleyball (with balloons, beach balls, volley-balls) over the net. Tuesday it's relays (hula hoops, batons, big balls, sack races; etc.). Wednes-day it's field hockey. Thursday is water polo (noodles, balloons, spong-

Cost is \$15 for each student (instruction; equipment; snacks). Regwww.christoursavior.org or call 734-522-6830 for more information.

#### **Colbeck hours**

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck and district manager Penny Crider will hold office hours locally at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton, 6-7 p.m. Monday, July 25.

Colbeck will be on hand to answer questions and respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. No appointment is necessary.

Colbeck represents the 7th Senate District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and townships of Canton,

Northville and Plymouth. For more information or to contact Colbeck, visit www.SenatorPa-trickColbeck.com or call 517-373-5713.

#### **Wayne farmers** market

The Wayne Farmers Market is up and running from 3-7 p.m. Wednes-days through Oct. 26. It features a variety of food and craft vendors, special events and music. EBT is accepted.

The market is behind city hall in Wayne. For more information, call 734-658-5296 or email towfmmanag er@gmail.com

#### Rummage sale

Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road in Livonia, hosts its annual rummage sale July 25-27. The sale takes place

5-7 p.m. Monday, July 25; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 26; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 27 (with a bag sale on cloth items and half-off sales the rest of the day).

Anyone wishing to donate items must do so by July 18. For more information, call 734-427-2290 or visit www.timothylivonia.com.

#### 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 from 5-8 p.m. Mondays on July 25, Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. Visitors can talk with

the car owners about how they restored their vehicles and share thoughts and ideas with other enthusiasts.

The cruise will include a 50/50 raffle with proceeds going to support Blessings in a Backpack of Livonia. There will be a disc jockey specializing in '50s and '60s music.

#### GriefShare meetings

The congregation at Christ Our Savior Luther-an Church has experienced the deaths of sev-eral members in the past few months. To respond to the grief and sorrow for their loved ones, the church is starting a grief support group using "GriefShare" materials. GriefShare groups meet weekly for 13 sessions to help face the challenges after the loss of a loved one and move toward rebuilding lives.

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

GriefShare will be held on Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m. at Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington Road in Livo-nia in the chapel. Register at www.christoursa-vior.org under Events tab. Contact Mike McGrath at 734-459-1274 or Linda Hollman at the church office, 734-522-

### Special Observer & Eccentric Reader Offer Breakthrough relief for back pain and sciatica



By: Sam Potter Health Correspondent

IF YOU suffer from low back pain and sciatica, you are one of over 20 million adults in the USA with this often crippling spinal condition.

Shooting, stabbing and burning pains from the low back, sometimes with additional pain through the buttocks and down the legs, are all symptoms of a pinched nerves often called "sciatica"

In severe cases, it can lead to muscle wasting, numbness and constant tingling down to the tip of the toes. Left untreated, the intense pain can rapidly wear you down and drain the joy out of life.

#### That is, until now...

Recent advances in the treatment of sciatica and lower back pain have led to the development and huge success of Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care.

The excellent results of this treatment have been published in major medical journals. With success rates as high as 90%, some back surgeons are recommending their patients try this treatment first before having back surgery.

In Livonia, you can try Non-Surgical Re-constructive Spinal Care at the Kramer Chiropractic - the office of low back pain and sciatica relief expert Dr. Gregory Kramer.

Gregory and his team of fully trained spinal care specialists have helped over 3,000 patients find relief from their agonizing spine based problems

According to Gregory, "We use a combination of ultra-advanced technology, not found elsewhere in Livonia, for precisely diagnosing the cause of your low back pain and sciatica; and a unique programme for reconstructing the damaged area causing the pain; this means superior long-term results for most people."

Because the treatment is non-surgical, safe and easy, most patients report an almost immediate relief from their pain.

Patient Sister Marie from Dearborn says, "I could not walk, stand, sit, work, sleep for 7 or

I was given various drugs but many I was allergic to and the others only lasted a hour and then pain returns again.

Dr. Kramer has restored my health and allowed me to work and live healthy!

Thank God I called your number. It's like a miracle to me.'

#### Your invitation for a comprehensive consultation and examination to pinpoint the cause of your low back pain and sciatica...

The Observer & Eccentric has teamed up with the spine therapy specialists at Kramer Chiropractic to help readers find relief from their persistent back and sciatic pain.

All you have to do to receive a thorough diagnostic examination with the most advanced technology in the world and a comprehensive easy to understand report on your state of health is call 248-615-1533.

#### Mention this article (CODE: **BOS37SCID5)** and Greg will happily reduce his usual consultation fee of \$195 to just

\$37. But hurry, due to obvious reasons – this is a time limited offer – with only 100 reader consultations available at this exclusively discounted rate.

My advice, don't suffer a moment longer... Find out if Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care can help you, book a consultation with Greg and his team now by calling 248-615-1533; they are waiting to take your call

#### They actually treat the cause of your health problem, not just your symptoms.

#### That's why hundreds of grateful patients tell them "You gave me back my life!"

Over the years, they've treated thousands of patients with back problems and sciatica. The vast majority of them have enjoyed superior, lasting relief. In fact, many who've suffered and have tried other remedies have told them they gave them back their lives!

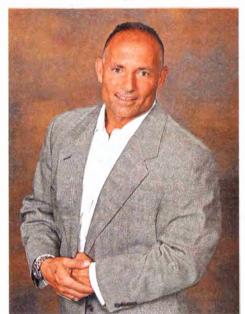
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You can even call on the weekend and leave a message on their answer machine to secure your spot as they promise to return all calls; and during the week they are very busy, so if they don't pick up straight away, do leave a message.

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### Check out 2016 Maxima at Nissan of Canton

Nissan Maxima is a powerful, good-handling sedan that stays true to the nameplate's performance-oriented heritage and features an upscale interior that befits its price. You can view and test drive one at Nissan of Canton, 42175 Michigan Ave.

"Maxima" is Nissan's longest continually-inuse nameplate, and the eighth-generation car is a boldly styled sedan that draws heavily from the Nissan Sport Sedan

Concept. Ever since the Nissan Altima grew into a mid-size family sedan in the early 2000s, the Maxima hasn't fit neatly into a segment. Nissan says the 2016 Maxima is designed to compete with larger, traditional full-size se dans like the Chevrolet Impala and Toyota Avalon, as well as appeal to buyers looking to move up to a luxury car, like the Acura TLX. The 2016 Maxima is

offered in five trim levels — S, SV, SL, SR and Platinum — that determine the level of equipment; accessories are available, but there are drove an SL, which is priced at \$37,715, and the \$38,495 SR. That one is the most performance-focused model, with unique suspension bushings, springs, shocks, front stabilizer bar and chassis bracing, in addition to 19-inch alloy wheels with stickier Goodyear tires (prices include an \$825 destination charge).

#### **Exterior and styling**

The Maxima brings Nissan's Energetic Flow design language to its sedan lineup. Signature cues include a plunging grille bordered by LED daytime running lights and gloss-black pillar



Test drive the 2016 Nissan Maxima at Nissan of Canton, 42175 Michigan Ave.

finishes that give the roof a floating appearance — something Nissan says is inspired by a fighter jet's canopy. The front end is aggressive – the car looks menacing when you see it coming up on you in your rear view mirror — and also memorable. It's a design that demands a reaction, good or bad.

#### How it drives

Large cars may be known for a forgiving, comfortable ride quality, but that's not the Maxima formula. Compared with a Chevrolet Impala or Chrysler 300, which both do a good job smoothing out bumps and cracks in the road, the Maxima is a much more connected, tighter-handling car. There's remarkably little body roll when driving quickly through a corner. You feel bumps, but they're dealt with in a

refined way.
The SR trim level's unique suspension is considerably firmer and busier; you feel more road imperfections, even smaller ones, and the impact is harsher when you hit a big pavement crack. It's a little too rough-riding for me, especially considering the good ride-and-handling balance the regular suspension provides.

You'll want the SR trim if you really care about steering feel, as it offers the best of the bunch. Press the Sport button in an SR, however, and the steering wheel gains a nice, firm heft to and some feedback through the wheel. It feels right in this performance-focused trim.

All trim levels benefit from the performance of the standard 3.5-liter V-6 engine, which provides smooth, effortless acceleration. Rated at 300 horsepower, the V-6 still has power to spare for a quick pass at highway speeds. It pairs with a continuously variable automatic transmission that's programmed to act like a conventional automatic at low speeds for a more traditional driving experience, according to Nissan.

The Maxima shows how far CVT technology has come recently, at least when paired with a powerful engine. It's mostly unobtrusive, with only a hint of the droning that's associated with this type of transmission when you accelerate hard. If you've been driv-ing a car with a conventional automatic, this CVT won't seem strange or different.

One of the benefits of a CVT is that it's able to

quickly increase engine speed when you want more power because it doesn't need to shift to a lower gear. The Maxima's CVT is very responsive; nudge the gas pedal and engine rpm immediately increases, provid-

ing more power. CVTs usually enhance gas mileage, and the Maxima's EPA-estimated 25 mpg combined rating tops most V-6 competitors by a few mpg or so.

#### Interior

Overall quality and attention to detail is very good. The standard leath-er-wrapped steering wheel feels great; it's even better in the SR, which has Alcantara simulated-suede inserts.

The upper sections of the doors are finished with soft-touch material that's a comfortable alternative to the door armrests.

The center console has a padded section to rest your knee against, and there's real stitching on the doors, console and dashboard. One element that doesn't look premi-um, however, is the simulated metal finish on the dashboard, doors and center console. It doesn't look real.

Fighter jets also informed the layout of the cabin controls, according to Nissan. The center dashboard control panel is angled 7 degrees toward the driver, and center console controls are close at hand. The new Maxima's

roofline is 1.3 inches lower, which contributes to the sedan's hunkered-down look.

The Maxima has the latest version of Nissan's NASA-inspired Zero Gravity front seats. They're finished in cloth (S), leather (SV and SL), premium leather with quilted Alcantara inserts (SR) or premium leather with quilted leather inserts (Platinum).

#### **Ergonomics and** electronics

Digital screens are rapidly taking over the dashboards of modern cars, and there are two in the Maxima: a 7-inch screen between the gauges and an 8-inch touch-screen in the cen ter of the dashboard. The gauge cluster screen lets you cycle through different modes to see information like speed and heading, trip data, tire pressure and active safe ty features.
The dashboard screen

is the primary display for the standard navigation system and multimedia functions. The Display Commander control knob on the center console can also operate the dashboard touch-screen.

#### Cargo and storage

The Maxima's 14.3-cubic-foot trunk is nicely shaped, and the trunk lid's support arms move within an enclosed area, so there's no risk of them crushing your cargo. The release straps for the 60/40-split folding back-seat are in the trunk. The rear seatbacks fold flat with the trunk floor.

media bin just ahead of

holders. The bin is large enough for an iPhone 6 Plus, according to Nissan, and it's also where the car's two standard USB ports are located.

#### Safety

Most of the Maxima's active safety features come on SL and higher trims. These models have standard blind spot warning, rear cross-traffic alert, adaptive cruise control, forward collision warning with autonomous braking and predictive forward collision warning. Predictive forward collision warning uses lowmounted radar to "see" under the car directly ahead of you to the next one in line. The system can issue a warning if it senses that car slowing suddenly — even if you can't see it yourself.

The top-of-the-line Platinum trim adds a surround camera system with moving-object detection and a drowsy-driver warning system. Drowsy-driver warning compares steering inputs at the beginning of a drive with ones later in the trip to determine if the driver is getting tired and needs to take a

#### Value in its class

Years ago, Nissan dubbed the Maxima the 4-Door Sports Car. It's an ambitious tagline, but it reflects the fact that the car caters to a specific type of buyer: the driving enthusiast who still needs sedan practicality. The 2016 Maxima is no different from its predecessors in this regard, but its new level of luxu--both in terms of cabin materials and features — now makes it a credible alternative to entry-luxury sedans. If you're shopping sport sedans, it's worth a test

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### Livonia students part of national math contest

The Michigan All-Star team of 36 high school mathematics students fielded three teams in the American Regions Mathematics League (ARML) Competition. It's the 27th year Michigan has par-ticipated in the competi-

tion.
The national competition was held June 4 on the campuses of the University of Iowa, Penn-sylvania State University, University of Georgia, and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

The Michigan team competed in Iowa. A total of 140 teams of up to 15 students each represented various regions of the United States and Canada. International teams competed in the International Regions

Mathematics League (IRML).
From the website

www.arml.com: "ARML is the World Series of (high school) mathematics competitions. ... The competition consists of several events, which include a team round, a power question (in which a team solves prooforiented questions), an individual round, two relay rounds (in which a contestant solves a prob-lem and passes his/her answer to another team member, who uses this answer to solve another problem), and a super

The ARML competition gives students not just an opportunity to hone their math and problem-solving skills,



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Competing students from Livonia included Milan Durnell, James Jahns, Zachary Obsniuk and Brendan Vande Kieft.

but also to build leader ship and teamwork skills. In addition, they get an opportunity to meet and socialize with others who

share their passion. The Michigan A1 Reals placed eighth na tionally out of a field of 89 teams in the A division. They were third at the Iowa site in the A division. Qualifying for national ranking in the Individual round with 8 out of 10 points was Fred-die Zhao, Troy High

School.
Individual high scorers lower than 8 were also recognized. On the Reals with 7 was Ajay Arora, Novi High School. Team co-captains were Zachary Obsniuk, Livonia Churchill High School and Dhruy Medarametla, Troy High School.

The Michigan A2 Nat-urals placed 62nd nationally out of a field of 89 teams in the A division, 14th at Iowa. Individual round top scorer with 5 was Derek Zhu, Greenhills School. Team cocaptains were Scott Hadley, Forest Hills Central High School, and Bren-dan Vande Kieft, Livonia Churchill High School.

The six students on the third team combined with students from Iowa and Indiana for the Iowa Alternate B1 team in a field of 42 B teams and 9 Alternate teams in the B division. High scorers with 4 were Milan Dur-nell, Livonia Churchill High School and Ashwin Vangipuram, Novi High School

Michigan students came from the cities of Ann Arbor, Superior Township, Ypsilanti, Troy, Bloomfield Hills, Novi, Northville, Livonia, Canton, Midland, Okemos and Grand Rapids.

### Hearing delayed in shooting case

**David Veselenak** Staff Writer

The next hearing for a Livonia woman charged in a shooting has been delayed and will take

place early next month. A preliminary exami-nation for Ann Zarras, 18 of Livonia, was sched-uled to take place last Thursday in Livonia's 16th District Court. That hearing was adjourned, according to court officials, and was rescheduled. It will now take place at 1 p.m. Aug. 4 at the Livonia

courthouse. Zarras is charged with assault with

intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, assault with a dangerous

weapon and felony fire-arm. Police say her

charges stem from an

incident that took place June 30 at a home in the 15000 block of Richfield. Police say an altercation took place between her and the victim, an 18year-old Livonia man, when a gun was intro-duced into the discus-

The man, police say, ended up being shot, suffering a single gun-shot wound in the head. He was taken to the hospital for treatment. Po-lice said Tuesday morning he remained in criti-cal condition at a local

hospital. Zarras remains locked up in the Wayne County Jail on a \$250,000 bond, according to online jail records.

If convicted, she faces up to 10 years in prison.

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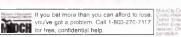
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### League offers online voting guide

Officials with the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County are urging voters in Redford to prepare for the upcoming Aug. 2 primary election by visiting VOTE411.org, the league's online voter

guide. VOTE411.org helps voters find their polling place, check voting hours, learn about ballot measures and read candidate responses to relevant questions for federal, state, county and local races. Information about county and local ballot proposals are also included.

Not sure which congressional or state legislative district vou're in? visiting VOTE411.org and entering your home address will give you that information right away, as well as other state and federal candidate information on this online Voter Guide.

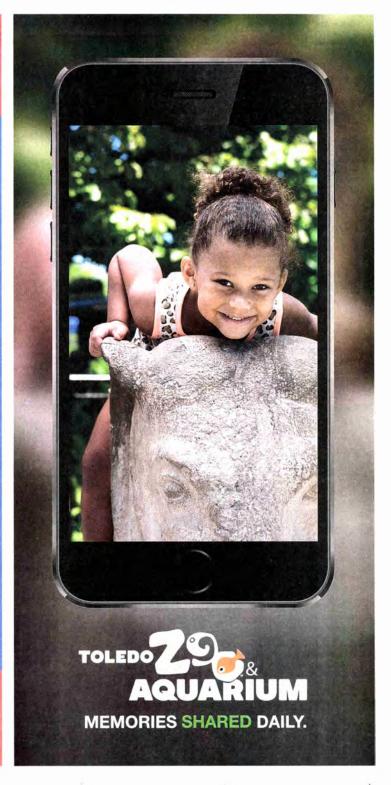
The League's website, LWVnorthwestwayne-.org, includes downloadable voter guide infor-mation, as well as videos of recent League-spon-

sored candidate forums. The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, public service organization that never supports candidates or political parties.



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### Central City Dance wins big at national contest

Students from the Cantonbased Central City Dance Center captured numerous awards during a recent national competition. More than 70 aspiring

young students from the dance center attended the Encore DCS Dance Nationals Competition July 6-10 in Charleston,

S.C. Central City Dance students, ages 6-19, competed against 50 other dance studios from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Virginia and Indiana. The competition spanned

five days and lasted well over 75 hours. Many different styles of dance were performed including jazz, tap, hip-hop, lyrical, clogging and modern, among others. The competition was divided into solo, duo/trio, small group, large group and line and production categories.

Students from Central City Dance Center won the following awards: four Diamond Awards, 42 Platinum Awards, 21 High Gold Awards and 67 Overall Division Awards in a particular category.

Students began conditioning in September, but didn't begin working on the competition choreography until January. It took about 12 weeks to create the choreography and get it



Students of Central City Dance Center perform "The Last Dragon" during the Standing Ovation Championship in

ready for competition

"I was so proud of how well our kids did. They worked so hard all year," said Erin Kear-ney, one of the studio's dance instructors. "They really stepped up and danced their hearts out. It was so exciting to hearts out. It was so exciting to make it into the Standing Ovation Championship. The whole audience was standing and cheering for our students. That was a proud teacher moment for me."

Special recognition awards were given to students of Cen-tral City Dance Center for standing-out among the tough competitors.

» The "Fred and Ginger Award" was awarded to 11-year-old Giovanni Succuro and 10-year-old Makaila Barker, both of Canton, for performing a duet to "Hallelujah, I Love Her So" by Ray Charles. "Central City Dance In-

structor Shannon McHale-

Johnson accepted the award for "Best Choreography" for her inquisitive dance "The Cello Song" featuring a 16-foot golden see-saw.

» Brownstown resident Parker Brudzinski, 14, was the recipient of a scholarship to "Broadway Dance Center," providing him the opportunity to study in New York City this

upcoming season.

» The studio's production of "The Last Dragon," featuring

64 students, was nominated for the Standing Ovation Championship Award. Bethany Amann, one of the studio's dance instructors, described the moment.

"My favorite part of the week was looking out into the audience and seeing all of the supportive parents, family members and friends standing up and cheering so loud for our dancers ... The energy in the theater gave me chills." Tim Smola, studio owner

and director, called the competition in Charleston "very

tough."
"We are proud of the accomplishments of all of our students and are proud to represent Canton Township." he

Central City's Summer Dance Jam began July 12 and runs through Aug. 18. The studio is currently accepting students into its six-week Sum-mer Dance Jam and three-day dance camps. For a complete list of summer class offerings, three-day dance camps and registration dates, go to the studio's website at www.CentralCityDance.co,.

Central City Dance is located at 6700 N. Canton Center, between Hanford and Warren. For more information call 734-459-0400.

### Canton's summer jazz concert series off to 'great' start

Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Despite a storm that threat-Despite a storm that threatened the first concert — but
didn't stop it — Canton's jazz
series along the community's
core shopping district has had
a successful start, officials say.
"It has been great," said
Amy Hamilton, Canton Downtown Development Authority
coordinator.

coordinator.

A storm slightly delayed the debut concert July 8 by De-metrius "Krayon" Nabors outside IKEA at Ford and Haggerty. But, it didn't dampen the enthusiasm of about 1,000 people who waited for the bad weather to pass, Hamilton said. She estimated more than

1.000 people attended a July 15 performance by Althea Rene

near the Super Bowl, on Ford Road between Canton Center and Sheldon.

It marks the 11th year for

the Canton Color Tour Jazz Series, which takes its name from color-coded streetlight banners along the Ford Road shopping corridor. One concert might occur in the so-called orange block; another in the purple block.

The six-week series continues through Aug. 12. All

concerts start at 7 p.m. Organizers aim to offer a quality jazz series while bring-ing visitors to the Ford Road shopping district. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring chairs and coolers - but not alcohol — and some bring car-ryout meals from local restauAdmission is free. Here's

the remaining lineup:

» July 29, Randy Scott, near
the JCPenney store on Ford,

between Sheldon and Morton
Taylor, in the green block.

» Aug. 5, Penny Wells, near
Home Depot in the orange

» Aug. 12, Tim Bowman, at Super Bowl in the purple

If inclement weather oc-curs, concerts will be moved indoors at the Super Bowl, 45100 Ford road.

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Benefits of Combining CPAP and Oral Appliance Therapy

The main advantage of using a CPAP and an oral appliance together is that it generally drops the CPAP pressure needed to keep the airway open. This can make the CPAP much easier and more comfortable to wear. They can be worn independent of each other or the CPAP can be attached to the oral appliance, eliminating the straps needed to hold the CPAP in place. A dentist can also take an impression of the face so a custom mask can be made and attached to the oral appliance. Custom CPAP masks are ideal for patients who can't wear a stock mask Custom CPAP masks also prevent air leaks.

Finally, some patients are unable to get their sleep apnea under control with one therapy alone. Combining the two often makes the difference and allows them to feel better and live a healthier life.

If you have questions about your sleep difficulties contact Dr. Stewart by calling 734-425-4400 or visiting sleepbettermichigan.com.

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### Low risk means lower returns for couple

Q: My wife and I are ultra-conservative investors. I have read your articles over the years and have attended some of your talks and I like the fact that you are a straight shooter, easy to un-derstand and give sim-ple and concise advice. Our issue deals with a maturing CD. In August, we will have a \$150,000 CD that matures. Our question is, what to do with the money? We have no debt whatsoever. I do not anticipate that I will ever need this money. My wife and I both have pensions that more than cover all our living expenses and, when we collect Social Security down



the road, that will all be extra money. My wife and I absolutely do not want any investments where we have any chance to lose any of the money. We would rather receive a 0-per-cent return than invest in stocks, real estate or anything of that nature. We are considering another 10-year CD or 10-year guaranteed fixed annuity. Could you tell me the pros and cons and which one you'd recommend?

A: First, congratula-

tions on achieving the American dream. It appears from your letter you can afford to retire when you want and can enjoy a long and comfortable retirement

In reviewing your two investment alternatives, the pros of the CD are, first, it is federally insured. You are very concerned that the safety of the principal and money in the bank is insured. In addition, I think another benefit of the CD is the flexibility provided. With a CD, you can stagger the maturities. For example, vou can set some money to mature in three months, six months, one year, five years or whatever. You can choose to put the entire amount in

one CD and have that money mature when you

In reviewing fixed annuities, once again, they are insured. The insurance is a little different than the banks'. but I think most fixed annuity clients can be assured that if for some reason their annuity company went under, their money would be protected. Another bene fit of an annuity is that if you do not touch any of the income, it will grow on a tax-deferred basis. With a CD, you are going to be taxed on the interest whether it's paid to you or reinvested. With an annuity, as long as you have the money reinvest-ed, the taxes are deferred. You only pay taxes once you start withdrawing money from the annuity

The cons of both investments are that the returns are very low. In addition, one of the downsides of a fixed annuity is that there are severe penalties if you cancel the annuity before a set number of years. All in all, considering

where we are with in-terest rates, I think it would be a mistake to buy a fixed annuity at this point. Maybe it would be a better choice in a few years, when interest rates are higher, but not now. In reviewing your situation, I recommend going with the CD. I recommend that you

shop CDs to be able to get a higher rate of reget a lighter rate of re-turn. As long as the bank you are using is federally insured, you will have no problem. One website you may wish to look at is www.bankrate.com. It has a listing of the highest paying federally-insured CDs in the country. I always recommend that people shop CD rates; you'd be surprised by the difference in rates throughout the country.

In today's low-interest rate environment, I would be recommending short-term CDs, probably no more than one year.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomasset management.com.

#### LIVONIA HOUSING COMMISSION 19300 Purlingbrook Livonia, Michigan 48152 (248) 477-7086

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Livonia Housing Commission (LHC) has developed the fiscal year 2017 Annual Agency Plan and Five Year (2018-2021) Action Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and applicable regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Agency Plan reflects the goals and objectives of the Commission and the administration of housing and community development programs. The Agency Plan and supporting documentation are available for public review for a period of not less than 45 days at the Livonia Housing Commission's administrative office located at 19300 Purlingbrook, Livonia, Michigan 48152. The Commission's hours of operation are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The comment period will end on September 9, 2016. The Housing Commission's McNamara Towers Housing Community located at 19300 Purlingbrook, Livonia, 48152. The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain final citizen comments on the Agency Plan Five-Year Action Plan and policy initiatives which will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development no later than October 14, 2016.

James M. Inglis, Director

James M. Inglis, Director John Bryan, President Dennis K. Wright, Mayor

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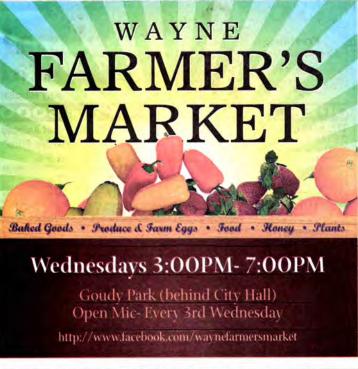
#### PUBLIC NOTICE MINUTES OF REDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS FOR JUNE 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the approved Minutes for meetings of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Redford for the month of June 2016 are posted at the following public places within the Township:

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#### TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held in the Charter Township of Redford, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern time, at which time voting will take place for candidates seeking nomination to the following offices:

#### PARTISAN OFFICES REPUBLICAN PARTY & DEMOCRATIC PARTY:

United States Representative in Congress

Representative in State Legislature

County Prosecutor County Sheriff County Clerk County Treasurer

County Register of Deeds County Commissioner Township Offices: Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustee (4 positions) & Park Commissioner (7 positions)

#### NONPARTISAN OFFICES:

Judge of 3rd Circuit Court - Non-incumbent (4 seats)

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that delegates to the Republican Party and Democratic Party county conventions will be elected at the August 2, 2016, election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following proposals will be presented at the August 2, 2016, election:

#### WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSALS

#### Proposition P PARKS MILLAGE CONTINUATION

To continue the millage authorized in 2010, shall Wayne County levy this millage at the estimated 2015 rollback rate of .2459 (about 25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for five more years (2016 through 2020) to continue to improve and operate several parks and related facilities, including Hines Park, Elizabeth Park, Chandler Park, and improvements to municipal parks in the 43 communities as provided in an implementing ordinance through an annual allocation by commission district of the greater of \$50,000 or 15% of the total funds generated from that district, on the condition that, for any year for which this continued levy would be imposed, Wayne County must budget from other sources an amount equal to its 1995-1996 fiscal year appropriation for parks? This renewal is projected to generate \$9,865,514 in 2016.

Shall this proposition be adopted?

Yes 🗌 No 🗀

#### WAYNE COUNTY ZOOLOGICAL AUTHORITY RENEWAL MILLAGE

The Wayne County Zoological Authority was established pursuant to Public Act 49 of 2008 and formed to allow for continuing zoological services for the students, residents and visitors of Wayne County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors of Wayne County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy a tax on real and personal property to provide revenue to an accredited zoological institution for this purpose. Accordingly, as a renewal of the previously approved millage authorization which expires with the 2017 tax levy, to continue providing zoological services to benefit the residents of the County, shall the 0.1 mill (10 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on all of the taxable property located within the County continue to be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2018 through 2027? It is estimated that if approved and levied, this millage would generate approximately \$3,940,066.55 in 2018.

Shall this proposal be adopted? Yes - No -

#### TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, ERIC R SABREE, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of June 06, 2016, the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

### WAYNE COUNTY Wayne County, Michigan Redford Township

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Year Increase Expires
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County	November 6, 2008	1.25 mills	2020
Community College	November 6, 2012	1 mill	2022
Clarencceville School District	August, 2015	18 mills	2025 (non-homestead only)
	May, 2006	4.5 mills	2016
	May 2005	1.1210 mills	2016
Redford Union School	-		
District No. 1	November, 2014	18.7551 mill	s2025 (non-homestead only)
South Redford School District	May,2005	18 mills	2024 (non-homestead only)
	Signed:		
5	ERIC R. SABREE Wayne County Tre	asure	Date: June 6, 2016

Each person voting in the election must be a citizen of the United States of America and at least eighteen (18) years of age by election day and a registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides at least 30 days prior to the election.

The place of voting for the Primary Election to be held on August 2, 2016, will be as follows

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Shear School, 26109 Schoolcraft Road, Redford, MI 48239 Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, Redford, MI 4829 St. Robert Bellarmine School, 27101 West Chicago, Redford, MI 48239

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Absentee ballot applications are available by contacting the Clerk's Office at (313) 387-2751 or online at http://www.redfordtwp.com/clerk-election

Locations are handicapped accessible and equipped with handicapped voting machines with the availability of voting instructions in alternative formats (Audio and Braille).

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, MMC Clerk, Charter Township of Redford

Published: July 24, 2016

### Peabody's patrons wax poetically over final days

"It was a tough decision," Susan Peabody said about the closing of Peabody's, the popular Bir-mingham restaurant. "We are very grateful to our loval customers who have been with us through the years." The three Peabody sisters, Susan, Barbara and Nancy, have been operating the res-taurant since the death of their father James, who founded it in 1975

Teamwork has been a factor in our success," Nancy said. "We grew up here and so did all of our kids. Everything we need to know in life, we learned here. The team approach is very important, from the dishwashers to the owners. If we do our jobs to the best of our ability, if we each give 100 percent, it works out day after day, night after night."

The loyal customers agree that it has worked out well. Many were

mourning the closure of their favorite restaurant

'It is a landmark that will be no more," custom-er Jane McKee said. "I love the wooden beams and peg construction. It is representative of what Birmingham means to me ... a community where people support each oth-

"Peabody's has always been involved in the com-munity," Pam Deweese said. "They are suppor-tive of the efforts of the Birmingham Historical Museum. I remember the fine job they did of honoring the memories of the Neighborhood Hardware Store when it closed. I have continued to enjoy the nice atmos-phere and acoustics of the restaurant." Now in her 90s, Bir-

mingham history buff Pat Andrews has memories which date back decades. 'My husband Ed talked about his father buying produce after James Peabody opened a gro-cery store on the proper-



Cindy Miller and her daughter, Darcie Leahey, were among the Peabody's customers enjoying the final days of the restaurant. They were savoring memories of the shower given there celebrating Darcie's marriage

ty in 1946," she said. "I remember James Peabody standing at the top of the stairs in the restaurant. ... He was a great host, looking out for all of us. We felt like family."

Dee Aebersold, a frequent diner and former treasurer of Southfield Township, also has fond memories of the early days. "I was an assistant Girl Scout leader over 50 years ago," she said.

"When we were camping at Dodge Park in South-field, Jim Peabody delivered meat to us for the girls to cook over the campfire. Later, the Southfield Township employees came to the restaurant on many Friday evenings. The food was always excellent."

Larry Powe and Jerry Dawley were having a pre-reunion reunion at the restaurant. Powe especially likes the mu-sical events at Peabody's. "Former Mayor Don Carney and his Antekes

group play rock 'n' roll music from the 1950s and 1960s," he said. "My mother used to come

Nearby, Cindy Miller and her daughter Darcie Leahey reminisced about the shower Miller gave at Peabody's for Darcie. My mom gave me a bridal shower here," Leahey said. "Each year, we come back around the anniversary of the shower to commemorate the event. We think of Peabody's as being 'rustic chic.' Like everyone else, we are very sad. We can't imagine it being gone."

"I am really shocked that it is closing," Nor-man Osborne said. "The food and atmosphere are just great. I like the range of the menu. This is a one-of-a-kind restaurant, unlike the cookiecutter chain restau-

Said one customer: "Sometimes I just order two desserts and a drink. I love the desserts.

Don Sprague men-tioned that Peabody's has an old English pub feeling. "I wish I had an endless bowl of their potato

soup," he said. His friend, Jake Snell, cited the pleasant wait staff being part of what is wonderful about Peabody's.

For many years, the graduates of Hill School, Class of 1942, gathered the first Friday of each month at Peabody's. "We were always welcomed

cordially," Jane McKee

said Ellen Ayers remem-bers how her disabled friend made use of the special entrance, which was very comfortable for her. "We both loved the

delicious peppermint ice cream," she added. "The atmosphere was always folksy and hom-ey," Phyllis Schuller said. ey," Phyllis Schule. "The food was always great, especially the lobster macaroni, which I

These many memories reflect the feelings of hundreds of Peabody's customers who are left to savor their memories rather than the wonderful meals anymore. The restaurant will close July 30. Nancy Peabody noted that the restaurant is fully booked for the final two evenings.

#### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL DISTRICT 2016-2017

Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District shall be held at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays, in the Board of Education offices, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 734-744-2500, on the following dates:

July 18, 2016	August 15, 2016	September 19, 2016	October 17, 2016		
November 14, 2016	December 12, 2016	January 23, 2017	February 13, 2017		
March 20, 2017	April 18, 2017	May 15, 2017	June 5 & 26, 2017		

The Board regularly holds Committee and Study Session meetings throughout the year Additional Special Meetings and/or Board Workshops may also be scheduled as needed.

Special meetings of the Board of Education may be called by the President of the Board, or Special meetings of the board of Education may be called by the Fresident of the board, or any two members thereof, by serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, location and purpose of such meetings. Service of the notices shall be made in accordance with Board Policy BCAC and with the provisions of P.A. 267 and the General School Laws of the State of Michigan, and may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the

The Secretary of the Board shall cause public notice to be given of all meetings of the Board of Education in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Proposed minutes of Board meetings will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Board of Education offices, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, not more than eight business days after the date of each meeting, and approved minutes of each meeting will be on the LPS Web site and available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same location not more than five business days after the meeting at which the minutes are approved.

The President and/or Secretary of the Board shall be authorized to sign all contracts and legal documents on behalf of the Board of Education following approval by resolution of the Board, unless the Board specifically designates other members of the Board or administration in its resolution to approve the contract or legal document. Published: July 24, 2016

### **Notice of Election**

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Garden City, Wayne County, Michigan: Notice is hereby given that the General Primary Election will be held in the City of Garden

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016

From 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the regular polling places. Candidates for the following offices

United States Representative in Congress Representative in State Legislature Representative in State Legislature
County Prosecutor
County Sheriff
County Clerk
County Treasurer
County Register of Deeds
County Commissioner
Delegate to County Convention
Judge of 3rd Circuit Court Non-Incumbent (4 seats)

The following proposals will also be voted on:

#### PROPOSITION P PARKS MILLAGE CONTINUATION

PARKS MILLAGE CUNTINUATION

To continue the millage authorized in 2010, shall Wayne County levy this millage at the estimated 2015 rollback rate of .2459 (about 25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for five more years (2016 through 2020) to continue to improve and operate several parks and related facilities, including Hines Park, Elizabeth Park, Chandler Park, and improvements to municipal parks in the 43 communities as provided in an implementing ordinance through an annual allocation by commission district of the greater of \$50,000 or 15% of the total funds generated from that district, on the condition that, for any year for which this continued levy would be imposed, Wayne County must budget from other sources an amount equal to its 1995-1996 fiscal year appropriation for parks? This renewal is projected to generate \$9,865,514 in 2016.

#### YES NO WAYNE COUNTY ZOOLOGICAL

AUTHORITY RENEWAL MILLAGE The Wayne County Zoological Authority was established pursuant to Public Act 49 of 2008 and formed to allow for continuing zoological services for the students, residents and visitors of Wayne County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy of wayne County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy a tax on real and personal property to provide revenue to an accredited zoological institution for this purpose. Accordingly, as a renewal of the previously approved millage authorization which expires with the 2017 tax levy, to continue providing zoological services to benefit the residents of the County, shall the 0.1 mill (10 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on all of the taxable property located within the County continue to be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2018 through 2027? It is estimated that if approved and levied, this millage would generate approximately \$3,940,066.55 in 2018. Shall this proposal be adopted?

YES NO I, ERIC R. SABREE, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of June 6, 2016 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

#### WAYNE COUNTY

Date of Election Taxing Authorities Voted Years November 3, 2009 1 mill
August 7, 2012 1 mill Increases Effective 2019 2021 County of Wayne Wayne County Jail

OTHER TAXING AUTHORITIES

Schoolcraft Comm College 10/07/1985 .05 mills Unlimited

GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS

06/11/2001 Garden City Schools 3.1 mills 2005 thru (not to exceed 30 years) August, 2012 18 mills 2025 non-homestead

November, 2014 CITY OF GARDEN CITY

August, 2015 City of Garden City 3.5 2020

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Manlewood Center Precinct 7 31735 Maplewood

Henry Ruff School 30300 Maplewood Precinct 8 Civic Center Precinct 9 6000 Middlebelt

Douglas School 6400 Hartel Precinct 10

All polling places are handicapper accessible. If you anticipate difficulties at your normal polling place please phone the City Clerk's office to arrange an alternate location. Absentee Ballots for this Election are available at City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt, through 4:00 PM. Monday, August 1, 2016 to anyone who meets one of the following requirements: Electors age 60 or older; Electors who expect to be absent from Garden City the entire time the polls are open on Election Day; Electors who are physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another; Electors who cannot attend the polls due to tenets of their religion; or Electors who are confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial. Furthermore, any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union.

In addition to our regular hours, the City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, July 30, 2016 from  $9:00\ a.m.$  to  $2:00\ p.m.$  for the sole purpose of absentee voting.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS

CITY CLERK
CITY OF GARDEN CITY, MICHIGAN

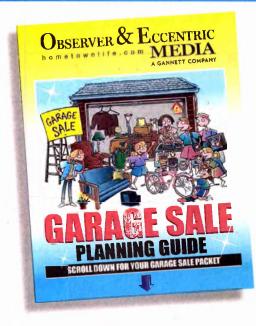
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### Summer Splendor Garden Walk' set to bloom

Aileen Wingblad Staff Writer

With summer in full bloom, the Farmington Garden Club is gearing up for its annual garden walk set for Aug. 6

"Summer Splendor Garden Walk" runs 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. rain or shine, featuring seven private gardens and the public gardens of the Governor Warner Man-

sion.
"Each of the gardens is very different and unique — from the small and charming, to the large with spectacular views," said Tricia Glen-cer, club member.

The walk stretches through Farmington and Farmington Hills, so visitors need to drive to each of the sites, Glencer noted. At many if not all the gardens, the home-owners will be there to share ideas and tips about their garden designs, and to answer questions about the plants they've chosen. An FGC member is expected at each garden, as well, acting as a docent.

"This is just a nice way to enjoy beautiful

gardens," Glencer said. The event also includes a few chances at winning a door prize, such as a signed photo by Monte Nagler, a Pewabic pottery peacock tile and an item from Steinkopf Nursery — longtime sponsor of the garden walk. Turn in admission tickets by 4 p.m. at the Warner Mansion, where the drawing will be held at 4:30 p.m. at the Warner Mansion.

Some are the works of professional gardeners while others have been "by the homeowners themselves," said Dianne Szabla, who chairs the garden walk Szabla suggests carving out at least two hours to

complete the route. One garden on this year's walk belongs to Donna Comer of Farmington Hills, which was



AILEEN WINGBLAD Donna Comer's garden, featuring a waterfall, koi pond and lots more, is one of several stops on the Aug. 6 garden walk in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

also featured on a garden walk several years ago. Glencer describes it as "spectacular" – and for good reason. It's extensive and luck sive and lush, packed with a massive collection of different plants, waterfall, koi pond, fairy garden, memorial garden and more.

"I just like doing it – it's a passion," Comer said. "And I don't mind

sharing it." Garden walk tickets are \$10, available in advance at Steinkopf Nursery in Farmington Hills or from an FGC member. Contact the FGC through their Facebook page or via email at FGC1932@gmail.com. Tickets will also be sold the day of the event at the Warner Mansion. There's no charge for kids 12 and under.

In conjunction with the garden walk, Stein-kopf Nursery is holding a perennial and statuary sale at its store on Far-mington Road, just north of Eight Mile Road.

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Donna Comer's extensive garden includes this fairy garden.

CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LIVONIA COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:
A public accuracy test of the election software and tabulation equipment will be held at 3:00 P.M., on Thursday, July 28, 2016, at the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia Michigan. Livonia, Michigan

The accuracy test will be conducted for the STATE PRIMARY ELECTION to be held on TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016, in the City of Livonia.

SUSAN M. NASH, CITY CLERK

Published: July 24, 2016



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TESTFOR PRIMARY ELECTION **OF AUGUST 2, 2016** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Accuracy Test for the Primary Election to be held on August 2, 2016, will be conducted on July 26, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. in the Redford Township Hall, located at 15145 Beech Daly Road, Redford, Michigan, 48239.

The Public Accuracy Test is the computer program used to tabulate the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of law

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, Clerk



35667 West Eight Mile Road Livonia MI 48152

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned in the Township of Redford by the Redford Township Police Department and are to be sold, as is, at open auction on Saturday, the 30TH day of JULY, 2016, at North Redford Towing, 25215 Glendale, Redford, MI 48239. Vehicles can be viewed on the auction date. Registered owners will be allowed to pick up their vehicles

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000	CADILLAC	4D	1G6KF5792YU3577793	DEVILLE	ABANDONED	1603647	8
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999	FORD	4D	1FAFP13P0XW281279	ESCORT	ACCIDENT	TITLE	50
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2000	FORD	PU	1FTYR14V5YPB68482	RANGER	ACCIDENT	TITLE	53
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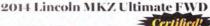


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**PARATRIATHLON** 

### Scheidies chases new world title

Former Farmington resident plans to rebound from previous Paralympic disappointments

Aaron Scheidies is on his way to what he hopes will be his 12th world championship in the sport of paratriathÌon.

When he competes Sunday in the Netherlands, the Farmington native likely will do so with extra vigor in the

wake of recent disappointments. Scheidies, who now lives in Seattle,

had hoped to be going to Rio de Janeiro in September for the 2016 Paralympic Games, but that was dashed by a series

of events.

"I guess I've moved on as much as I can," Scheidies said. "I think having the paratriathlon world championships so soon afterward is probably a good

thing.
"It's given me the ability to not think

See SCHEIDIES, Page B3



Aaron Scheidies (right) and guide Ben Collins enjoy a scenic training run on the bike.

**AMATEUR GOLF** 

### Johnson captures **Publinx** golf title

Former Canton High School golfer claims state match-play crown

Greg Johnson

Chad Johnson trailed Leo Daigle of Wixom throughout the day but stayed

close.
Close enough to win three of the last five holes to emerge with a 1-up victory and the Michigan Publinx State

Match Play Championship on Tuesday at Twin Lakes Golf Club.

"I was fortunate," the 30-year-old medical salesman said of his first major state victory. "My short game saved me all week, and it was the reason I was even in this match."

Johnson, who played golf at Canton High School, is a Monroe resident who was raised in Plymouth and lived there

until two years ago.
Daigle, 52, lamented some missed putts on the front nine that might have turned his 2-up lead through 13 holes into something larger.

"I had a few putts to bury him, but I didn't make them and let him hang.

"I had a few putts to oury nim, out idin't make them and let him hang around," Daigle said. "We played just long enough for my age — he had 22 years on me — and being tired from all the golf this week to wear on me.

"I hit a few loose shots coming in and it really cost me, but he outplayed we had becomed to win. He made

me and deserved to win. He made three sand saves on the front nine. He just kept grinding and hanging in

Johnson hit a shot on the 182-yard par-3 No. 14 hole to two feet for birdie to pull within one hole, and he chipped to 18 inches to save par at 17 while Daigle played to bogey.

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GREG JOHNSON Chad Johnson proudly displays the Publinx

**NEW SPORT TAKING ROOT** 



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Carson Stoneburg "tees off" at Fellows Creek. Steve Anton watches the kick, while his son Nathan Anton just removed his soccer ball from

### KICKING IT!

Area courses doing double duty as footgolf brings soccer to the links

**Tim Smith** 

The teenagers walked onto the west nine at Fellows Creek Golf Course wearing huge smiles of anticipation and

carrying soccer balls.
Huh? Canton 13-year-olds Nathan Anton and Carson
Stoneburg, accompanied by Nathan's dad Steve Anton, were getting their first taste of a relatively new recreational craze — footgolf.

Nathan and Carson eagerly flipped regulation-size soccer balls in the air as they made their way to the first tee box. There was no sign of players with golf clubs at Fellows Creek, a public course in Canton.

This is the first time attempting footgolf or at least witnessing these guys trying to attempt it," Steve Anton said. "It's very interesting. My son and I play a lot of golf, so I can see it's a completely different mindset from golf, even though it's played on the same platform."

As Nathan launched into his opening salvo on the west nine-hole course at Fellows Creek (which has been retro-fitted for footgolf, complete with 21-inch cups, enough room to squeeze in three soccer balls) he approached the ball from right behind it and kicked it the way an old-school football field-goal kicker would. "I stubbed my toe," he said

Soccer style

Carson, his pal from Pioneer Middle School, took the sidewinder's approach when teeing off. That made perfect sense, because he is a travel soccer player for the Plymouth

"It's working so far," Carson said about hitting the ball with his instep instead of toes. "I haven't had any prob-

The trio walked the virtually flat 1,195-yard front nine,

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Watching with excited anticipation as the soccer ball rolls toward the large footgolf cup is Canton's Carson Stoneburg, 13.



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### Former Mercy star wins Founders race

Allysen Eads top women's runner in Farmington event

Allysen Eads' decision to enter the Farmington Founders Festival road race was almost an afterthought. When

it was done, she was glad she had. The 19-year-old Northville resident easily won her age group and was the overall women's winner in the four-mile

event July 16.
It was the first time Eads, a former star runner at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, had ever done a road

"I never really thought I needed to," she said. "I guess it makes all the training I do in the summer worth something. It breaks it up. I thought it was really fun."

Eads, who completed the course in 24:16.5, ran most of the race with the leading male runners. She was way ahead of the other

women, finishing a good two minutes in front of the next competitor and placing 11th among all entries.
"I didn't know really what to expect," Eads said. "I wasn't looking to

win or do anything else. I wanted to see where I was in my summer training.

"About a mile into the race, I turned and looked behind me, and I didn't see any girls. I thought, 'Oh, cool, I guess I

will win something.'
"I know a guy who finished two spots in front me who has run a 29-minute 10K. That was pretty good. Some of those people are pretty serious run-

Eads, who runs cross country and track at Hillsdale College, entered the race at the suggestion of the manager at the New Balance store where she

It was the first time Eads ran a com-petitive race since the end of the collegiate track season. She had been averaging six to seven miles a day and 44

aging six to seven finites a day and 44
per week in her training.
"I had been doing base runs, normal
runs," she said. "I've been training
since the end of May and beginning of June for cross country. For my first workout back, I thought it was pretty

good.
"I was doing interval workouts during the race. I'd do a minute of sprinting, run for a minute and sprint again. I didn't wear a watch like I usually do,

which helped because it went by really fast. I had no idea what my time was." Eads liked the course, which winds through the neighborhoods of Farmington and Farmington Hills, and especially the finish.

"It was a really fun atmosphere," she d. "I liked running down Grand River (in front of the crowd waiting for the parade). It was all roped off.

"There was one slight uphill at the start. After that, it was rolling hills, nothing too big, and the last mile was pretty much all downhill.

"I went to school at Mercy, so I knew a lot of the people who were on the side of the road. I said 'hi' to them; that was really cool."

Eads had a good freshman year at Hillsdale. In the NCAA Division II championships, she contributed to teams that finished second in indoor track and third in both cross country and outdoor track.

Eads, who said she has "improved a ton" since high school, runs the steeple-chase as her primary event in outdoor track. She focuses on the 1,500 meters during the indoor season.



Allysen Eads runs the steeplechase for the Hillsdale College women's team.

"I was doing interval workouts during the race. I'd do a minute of sprinting, run for a minute and sprint again. I didn't wear a watch like I usually do ..."

ALLYSEN EADS

"I did pretty well in cross country,' she said. "I ran fifth on the team and traveled to all the meets."

In the steeplechase, the top 23 atheres were steeplechase.

letes were invited to the national meet.

She was ranked 24th.
"Two days before the competition, my coach called and said someone had scratched," Eads said. "I had started my (postseason) break and hadn't run in nine days. I didn't run that well, but I got the experience as a freshman, which was really important."

Eads plans to do at least one more road race this year and to get an earlier

road race this year and to get an earlier start on doing a lot more next year.
"I train for three months straight in the summer," she said. "When you're training during the year, you always have a race to look forward to. I like doing a road race and breaking up the training routine."

The men's overall winner was 27-year-old Hunon Ciutak, with a time of

year-old Hunon Cjutak, with a time of 20:28. Connor Naughton of Northville, 19, who was the 2015 winner, was second in 20:41.3.

The runner-up in the male 15-19 age group and third-place overall finisher was Farmington High School junior Nick Trevisan, 16, with a time of 20:45.

The women's runner-up was 26-year-old Olivia Juntila, who finished the race in 26:12.4 and won the 25-29 age group.

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#### Blues perfect in league play



The 9-and-under South Farmington Blues baseball team won the Community East Division of the Kensington Valley Baseball Softball Association with a 16-0 record. The Blues finished 18-10 overall. The team members are (front row, from left) Joshua Rood, Brady Brink, Curtis Kent, Brendan Erickson, Vincent Pesci, (middle row, from left) Joshua Brenner, Tyson Bone, Joshua Lee, Paul Downey, Jackson Hargis, Andrew Pahnke, (back row, from left) coach Matt Downey, manager Jim Kent and coach Jeremy Hargis. For more information, go to kvbsa.com.

#### Impact makes big impression



The 14-and-under NFWB Impact Red travel softball team won the Pool B championship of the Diamond Divas Tournament in Jackson earlier this month, and it recently clinched the 14U Silver Division championship in the Western Wayne County League. The team members are (front row, left to right) Sydney Gordon, Kelly McCullough, Izzy Randel, Olivia Elder, Abby Woods. (back row, left to right) Nicole Roggow, Elena Sarasin, Kelsey Lavery, Meghan Roshak, Sarah Fish, Julianna Petrak and Mary Williams. The Impact will have tryouts for its 10U, 12U, 14U and 16U teams Aug. 6 and 8 at Drake Sports Park. For more information, email nfwbimpact123@gmail.com.

#### Patriots Power



The Canton-based Precision Patriots 13U Major team won the Macomb County Challenge the weekend of July 9. The team recently returned from a world series tournament in Alabama, where it placed third out of 44 teams. Tyler Overaitis, Nate Herberholz and Kris Stojanovski hit home runs in the series, with Overaitis crushing three round-trippers. The other players are Dominic Bruno, Dante Doute, Kane Elmy, Bradley Folks, Hayden Ludwig, Brendan McLaren, Johnny Reno, Matthew Strand, Nicholas Yeager and Brady Bak (not pictured). The head coach is Craig Overaitis, who is assisted by John Bruno, Scott Elmy and Dan Folks.

SUMMER COLLEGIATE BASEBALL

### Rams stay hot, edge Hurricanes

**Ed Wright** 

The Michigan Rams' heat index has

been off the charts this month. On Thursday at Ford Field in Livo nia, the red-hot Rams overcame an early 2-0 deficit to post a 5-3 victory over the Hurricanes in a Livonia Collegiate Baseball League showdown.

The Rams' fifth consecutive win improved their record to 24-8-1. The Hurricanes slipped to 17-15-3.

Justine Steele was the winning

pitcher after tossing 4½ strong in-nings, during which he surrendered just one hit and two runs. Steele

after allowing just one base runner over the final inning and change.

knocked in a run for the 'Canes.

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JUNIOR GOLF

### Area youths score well on tour

M.B. Dillon

Andrew Lack of Northville fired a 3-over-par 74 to win the Kensington Junior Golf Tour's Bay Pointe Open on

Junior Golf Tour's Bay Pointe Open on July 15 in West Bloomfield Township.

"I was making a lot of putts, and I got the driver going," said Lack, a 16-year-old incoming junior at Catholic Central High School. "I hit it pretty good, and I had a bunch of birdies."

Tyler Fuelling of White Lake took runner-up honors, carding an 80. Waterford's Katie Boyd won the girls 15-18 division with a 91.

For Livonia Stevenson senior Madi-

For Livonia Stevenson senior Madison Maurier, who finished second with a 96, the day was similar. She hit some

a 90, the day was similar. She fit some of the hazards as did Boyd.

"It was a struggle," she said. "I had some unplayable shots. I was striking the ball well; it just didn't go where I

wanted it to go.
"It's hard to hit your driver because of all the water. The course is interesting to say the least."

Bay Pointe borders Middle Straits Lake; and numerous holes require shots

over inlets and waterways.
In its 11th year, Kensington hosts 27 tournaments in Oakland, Wayne, Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

The tour makes a stop in Livonia on Tuesday, July 26, for the Whispering Willows Junior Open. To register and

for more information, visit www.kensingtonjuniortour.com.

In an effort to support junior golf, the Livonia-based charitable Dinan Foundation is offering five \$1,000 scholarships to 2016 high school graduates. Aug. 1 is the deadline for high school coaches to nominate student-athletes.

In the boys 12-14 age division, West-land's Troy Watson, 10, played up and won with an 88.

"I had some messed-up holes that cost me a bit," he said. "The course is pretty curvy, and there's a lot of water out there — and bushes and trees. It's quite a walk and a very long course. I made sure I kept the ball going straight."

Vincent Levesque of Detroit finished atop the leaderboard in the nine-hole, 11-and-under division with a 50. Damo Watson of Westland shot 51 to take sec-

Lack's 74 was noted by Bay Pointe head pro Danny Zywick.

"That number is impressive for an adult, let alone a 16-year-old," he said. "It's a number you don't hear too often at any golf course. Obviously, Andrew's got game. I imagine some colleges are looking his way.

"Competing out here, the Kensington junior golfers know the rules and golf etiquette. Participation is increasing every year; the Kensington Tour is upward trending."



Patrick Downing ripped a pair of hits in the Rams' 5-3 victory over the Hurricanes.

#### **FOOTGOLF**

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which features holes ranging in distance from 93 to 193 yards. The longest hole is the 10th, the first of the back

nine; it is a daunting 230 yards.
"If you only play nine holes (in footgolf) you're only walking five holes,"
Fellows Creek's Dan Turner said, explaining that the course also is used by regular golfers during other times of

regular goners during other times of the day. "On the west side, the course is flat. People enjoy the walk. It's definite-ly good for exercise." For now, footgolf is offered as a drop-in activity during twilight hours, so as to not interfere with regular golf-

So far this year, the second the hybrid sport has been offered at Fellows Creek, Turner said the number of rounds has bumped up from about 500 to 800, with plenty of youth and high school soccer teams coming out to play. Including footgolf, the course has had more than 20,000 rounds over the first half of 2016, up from 17,000 over the

same span last year.

"We have a lot of golfers that come in (and) they see the flags out there," Turner said. "They see the size of the holes and inquire about what it is. We tell them and a lot come back and try it and they enjoy it." Curiosity might bring some to the

course. But nothing beats word of

"A lot of it is kids around here that play soccer," Turner said. "They're on soccer teams. Maybe one of the kids comes out, goes out and plays it and we end up getting their whole soccer team coming back."

#### Similar lament

Throughout their first-ever footgolf round, Nathan and Carson walked the course and took turns kicking from between two wooden spikes (which mark the tees), then ripping shots from the fairway toward the green. It worked the same way as regular

golf, although putting proved a bit challenging — even with the huge holes to aim for. The ball tends to pick up speed as it rolls across the green.

"I kind of kick it," Nathan noted.

"Wherever I kick it, it's going to go



BILL BRESLER | STAFF

Nathan Anton (right, rear) kicks to the bigger-than-normal cup during a round of footgolf at Fellows Creek in Canton. Watching the proceedings are Nathan's dad Steve Anton and Carson Stoneburg.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Fellows Creek Golf Course's Dan Turner says footgolf is a way to have fun, exercise and dabble in two different sports.

somewhere else."

Spoken like a true rec golfer. But both Nathan and Carson said they wanted to come back and play footgolf again, bringing more friends

"It's a little different, so you got to

think differently, like how far it's going to go," said Nathan, a travel baseball player and regular visitor to Metro-parks golf courses with his dad.

Enthusiastically endorsing footgolf as an addition to recreational pursuits

was Steve Anton.
"It gets kids up off the couch and out running around kicking the ball, so it's better than playing video games," he said. "Plus, it's a great introduction to a golf course. If they are at all fans of nature, they come out and see all the wildlife on the golf course; that can be not retrieve (fee) them. an attraction (for) them.
"They might want to check out (reg-

ular) golf after a while, too, if you're out here enough."

Not Carson. He said it was fun to get out on the golf course, but he probably won't be persuaded to attempt actual golf: "I tried. I'm pretty bad at that."

Several other metro Detroit golf courses offer the hybrid sport, including Fox Hills and Hilltop in the Plymouth-Canton area.

According to Tami Bealert, PGA teaching pro at Hickory Creek Golf Course in Superior Township, she has friends who have gone to various

#### WHERE ELSE CAN YOU PLAY?

HILLTOP GOLF COURSE: Located on Beck Road near Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, the very name of the course itself promises a bit more of a challenge than Fellows Creek. Pricing for nine holes is \$7; soccer ball rental is \$3 and cart rental \$5 (per person). Call 734-453-9800.

FOX HILLS: Yet another nearby footgolf renue for Wayne County residents is Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center on North Territorial in Plymouth Township. Footgolf is played on the Strategic Fox Course, located near the main entrance. All ages are welcome to play. Tee times can be reserved online at foxhills.com or by calling 734-453-7272. It costs \$15 to play nine and \$20 for 18.

**LOWER HURON METROPARK:** Another nearby option is Lower Huron Metropark at 17845 Savage Road in Belleville, where the par-3 course is open for footgolf business. Call 734-697-9181 for more information. **LITTLE MYTH PAR 3:** Footgolf at the Little

Myth Par 3 near Rochester and Lake Orion in Oakland County is open to the public. This season, holes have been added to the ninehole course. Prices are \$9 per person. If you need to rent a soccer ball, it is \$5, plus a \$15 deposit. Footgolf is becoming a very popular sport for families, teams and even footgolf leagues. Call 248-693-7170.

RED OAKS: This course at 29600 John R in Madison Heights is another option, one of 15 Michigan courses accredited by the American Footgolf League. It costs adults \$14 to walk nine holes and another \$11 for an additional nine holes; for those ages 17 and under, prices are \$11 and \$9, respectively. Call 248-541-5030

courses to check out the interesting

But Bealert said the rec endeavor (sanctioned by the American Footgolf League) might gain even more traction

with a simple name change.
"Personally, I really think it should
be called soccergolf," Bealert said. "I
think more people would have a better understanding about what this recently new sport to America is all about."

To check out footgolf at Fellows Creek Golf Course, 2936 S. Lotz Road, north of Michigan Avenue in Canton, call 734-728-1300 or send an email to info@fellowscreekgolf.com.

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#### **SCHEIDIES**

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about that and to refocus on something

else a little more positive."

The 34-year-old Scheidies had been training for a spot on the U.S. para-triathlon team, but his category of disability — PT5 for the blind and visually

ability — P15 for the bind and visually impaired — was deleted from the Paralympic lineup at the end of 2014.

"That day I was absolutely in shock and heartbroken," he said. "That was the dream I had been getting ready for ever since I started doing triathlons 15 years ago

"My category was one of the most competitive. It didn't make sense to cut mine for a less competitive category."

Scheidies, who was a swimmer and distance runner at Farmington High School, tried to find another sport in which he might make the team.

He began training for the marathon, but he realized his chances of medaling in that event were pretty low. He decided his best opportunity was in cycling. He won his first two races at the

national championships in 2015, was selected for the U.S. national team and started going to World Cup events.
Scheidies spent 50 days racing in

Europe and training with the U.S. paracycling team. He won two silver medals and moved up to No. 6 in the world rankings.

"From talking to everyone in the paracycling world and USIOC, there was a very high likelihood I would be on the team for Rio," he said.

#### More setbacks

In an attempt to balance the reprentation among Union of Cycling International reduced the number of qualifying positions on the U.S. team from nine to four.

They consider my category less disabled and to be highly represented," Scheidies said. "They said, 'You have to bring somebody in this category and this category.' That goes against the allocated slots for your country.

The standard makes it almost impossible to make the team with only one or two spots available for Rio. It was going to be harder to make the U.S.

team than medal in the games."

At the U.S. Trials in early July, with three of the five cycling spots already determined, Scheidies and his guide faced a limited window of opportunity

We were having the race of our lives," Scheidies said. "With 800 meters



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Aaron Scheidies, who was raised in Farmington, hopes to win another paratriathlon world championship Sunday.

to go, we turned right to make a little hill climb. Our rear derailer broke, and we couldn't ride the bike anymore. We had to run the bike. That pretty much put us out of making the team.

#### **Back to triathlon**

With his 'Road2Rio' goal sidelined, Scheidies switched gears in his training and started getting ready for the International Triathlon Union world championship in Rotterdam. Scheidies won the 2015 event in Chi-

cago, but he hadn't trained in swimming and running for more than a year while he focused on cycling.

"I had to kick my butt into gear and

get myself into shape for the world," he said. "I do think I'm in the best shape for all three. In the last three weeks, I've gained a lot of fitness, a feel for the water and rhythm in the run.

#### Going for the gold

The paratriathlon consists of a 750meter swim, 20-kilometer bike and 5K run. The best combined time for Scheidies and his guide, who will be Colin Riley of Cincinnati, is around 57 min"My expectations are to win," Scheidies said. "In any triathlon or competition, I think I have a chance to win; that's my expectation. I would not be satisfied with anything less than winning in this race.
"I'm excited to see and hang out with

the other people on Team USA because I've been away from triathlons for a while. They're very supportive of me and know I got a raw deal.

"It'll be nice see them and encourage them on their journey, including some who will be going to Rio."

Scheidies fully expects the PT5 category to be included in the 2020 Paralympics in Tokyo, but he's undecided as to whether or not he'll try to make that

"I'm not committing to anything right now," he said. "I'll decide in a couple years whether if I'm going to make a run at it. I got married last year, and my focus is on having a family and

#### Hall of Fame pick

Scheidies, who works as a physical therapist and also does public speaking engagements, was inducted into the



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Aaron Scheidies crosses the finish line with auide Ben Collins.

Farmington High School Hall of Fame last year. He was unable to attend the event due to a World Cup cycling event in South Africa.

in South Africa.

"It was a super big honor to be selected," Scheidies said. "Some pretty exceptional athletes have come out of Farmington High School over the years.

names and to be honored as somebody that has made an impact in the Farmington community was an honor and something I didn't expect."

#### A greater cause

Scheidies, who plans to start coaching athletes as his athletic career be-gins to wind down, maintains his own website at www.cdifferentwithaaron-

The premise behind it is I see and am able to do anything anybody else in this world can do," he said. "I just have to do it a little differently.

"The goal is to change the perception of people with blindness and visual impairment on what they can and can't do and to help them have the same opportunities I've had.'

#### JOHNSON

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"Unfortunately, on the front nine, I hit a few bad shots that made it easier for Leo to win those holes," Johnson said, "On the back nine. I hit seven of nine greens in regulation, making two birdies and seven

On 18, Daigle's second shot on the par-5 found the long grass on the right, and his third shot went into a back bunker, resulting in a bogey. Johnson made par and had the win.

"Leo is a great competitor and the nicest guy you would ever want to meet," said Johnson, a former Wayne State University golfer who recently took four years off from competitive golf to concentrate on his sales career.

"It means a lot to win this. There are so many great players in this, and all of my matches were so tough this week. In match play, you just have to keep grinding it out."

Johnson reached the final match with a semifinal win over Austin Kreger of Harrison Township in 20 holes on Monday. Daigle made his way to the title match with a 2-and-1 win over Andrew Smith of

Troy. Champions were also crowned in Senior and Su-per Senior brackets. Matt Wiley of Canton beat Steve Sierawski of Sterling Heights 6-and-5 in the Senior title match, and Tom Day of Linden topped Mike Keneally of Bloomfield Hills 3-and-2 in the Super Senior final.

Complete results and the match play brackets can be found at www.mipublinx.com.



Former Plymouth resident Chad Johnson is the 2016 Michigan Publinx State Match Play champion.

REUNIONS

#### **CRESTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976**

40th reunion is 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Kicker's Alistar Bar & Grill, in Canton, For more inhttp://bit.ly/Crestwood76

#### **DEARBORN HIGH** SCHOOL **CLASS OF 1976**

40th class reunion and golf outing is Sunday, Aug. 13. For more information, go to http://www.dhs1976. myevent.com.

#### **DETROIT CODY CLASS OF 1966**

50-year reunion, 6-11:30 p.m Sept. 10 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For more information, call Gary Berriman at 313-300-4470 or Barbara (Doherty) Kalinski at 734-320-6545

#### DETROIT **MACKENZIE CLASSES OF 1950-1969**

The fifth annual picnic runs

noon to 6 p.m.Saturday, Aug. 20, at Nankin Mills Pavilion in Hines Park, at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive, near Farmington Road, in Westland. Bring your own picnic or buy from a vendor, who will sell hot dogs, chips, pop, water and ice cream. T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, coolers, glasses, coffee mugs, hats, all with the Mackenzie logo, will be available for pur-chase. Seating will be available under the shelter or bring your own chairs and pop-ups. For more information, call Janet Cable at 734-377-4009 or email

mackenzie50s-60s@hotmail.com. Or go to classcreator.com/De-troit-MI-Mackenzie-1960.

#### **GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL EAST &** WEST

**CLASS OF 1966** 

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#### **ELSNER**

MYRTLE LEE (CROW) MYRTLE LEE (CROW)
passed away on July 4, 2016
in Livonia, Michigan, age 93.
She was born August 23, 1922
in Lyles, Tennessee to Con and
Betty Lee (Warren) Crow. She
married Edward Elsner June
24, 1944 in Detroit. Celebrated
72 years together. Survivors:
husband. Ed Elsner; children:
Barbara Mieras, Robert
(Marcia) Elsner, Gene Elsner;
grandchildren: Jack (Maya)
Donnelly, Colleen (Mark)
Maire, Matthew (Jennifer)
Mieras, Michael Elsner and
Bethany Allen, Elizabeth
(Kurosh) Nahavandi, Brian
Elsner, Kevin Elsner; greatgrandchildren; Casey Donnelly,
Virginia and Edward Mieras,
Aria and Cyrus Nahavandi;
step-granddaughter, Dawn
Mieras and son Jaxson
Symes. Preceded in death by
her parents and brothers and
sisters. Lillian Crow. Emma
Estes, Carl, Johnny, Donald,
Van and Preston Crow.
Memorial Gathering July 30,
2016 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Schrader-Howell Funeral
Home, Plymouth MI.

#### GILES

GLENN E. Age 70 of Livonia died July 20, 2016. Husband of Sue Giles, step-father of Kellie (Mark) Dowd and Kevin (Daisy) Ball. Loving grandfather of six. Brother of Linda (Stanley) Tan. Son of Juanita Price, also two Nephews David and Edward.

#### **IPAVEC** MEYERAND



SHAWN Age 44 of Ponchatoula, Louisiana, formerly of Canton, Michigan passed away from a heart attack on July 8, 2016. Robert Shawn was born on March 8, 1972 in Willoughby, Ohio. Beloved son of Bonnie and step-father Robert (deceased) Meyerand and Robert A, and step-mother Maria Ipavec. Shawn leaves behind two daughters Ainsley and Alexis (Cory) Parker and former wife Dawn. Grandson of Kurt and Chrystal Seemann (deceased) and Anton and Marie Ipavec (deceased). Dearest brother of Kimberly, Joseph) Collera. of Kimberly (Joseph) Colleran, Lori (Thomas) Moesta, Robert (Jennifer) Meyerand, Lisa (Travis) Mitchell and Lisa (Iravis) Mitchell and Lisa Lemley; thirteen nieces and nephews and godmother Robin Seemann. Shawn will be missed by many aunts, uncles and cousins. In 1994 Shawn followed his dream and joined the Navy and was accepted into the search and rescue program. While on an endurance run he injured the Sympathetic nerve (part of the nervous system). Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy changed his life forever. As a result of this injury Shawn was given an honorable discharge in 1995. This didn't stop Shawn. he followed new dreams, worked in construction, joined the local volunteer fire department, during Katrina, helped with the rescue efforts and rebuilt the homes. In 2009 his RDS took hold of his body causing severe pain and swelling and eventually losing his ability to walk without assistance. Shawn didn't complain or feel sorry for himself; he would say "Mom, you can make a situation bad or make it into something positive". Shawn chose positive. A Memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2016. Viewing at 9:30 a.m. and Mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Interment at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy, Michigan at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations to the RSDS Association, envelopes at Lemley: thirteen nieces and nephews and godmother

donations to the RSDS Association, envelopes at church or online at RSDS.org would be appreciated by the

#### NORDLIE



JAMES O. "JIM" Age 93, of Birmingham, Michigan, died at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac on July 1, 2016, surrounded by his family, who loved him dearly. He was born January 12, 1923 in Detroit, the son of Fred A. and Jane (nee Horstad) Nordlie. He graduated from Cranbrook School in 1941, where he was captain of the baseball team. He attended the University of Michigan and joined the Chi Psi fraternity, whose members remained his lifelong friends. His education was interrupted by his military service in World War II. Jim was a Flying Tiger, a member of the 529th Fighter Squadron, stationed in Hsian, China, and flew P-51 Mustangs in 40 missions. When he returned home he completed his business degree at University of Michigan and joined Nordlie, Inc., the family wholesale floral business. Under his leadership, Nordlie, Inc. grew to seven stores in Michigan, Ohio and Florida. Having a passion for roses, Jim also managed two rose-growing greenhouses in Guatemala. He was president of the Wholesale Florist and Florist Supplier Association from 1966-1968. His dedication to the floral industry earned him many warrate and books.

His dedication to the floral industry earned him many awards and honors, including the Leland T. Kintzele award, as well as induction into the Michigan Floral Foundation Hall of Fame in 2011. He was greatly admired and loved by employees, customers, and colleagues throughout the industry. Jim was devoted to his family. He married Alice McLean on July 23, 1949 and they had two children, James Duncan and Nancy Louise. His inclusion in the McLean Clan greatly enriched his life. Heartbroken after Alice's death reartbroken arer Alice's death in 1983, he unexpectedly reconnected with Nancy Wells, a friend from his U of M days. Their friendship blossomed, and the two were married in 1985, further expanding his experience of loving family. Jim was a humorous, insightful and fun-loving man. He enjoyed traveling and took his family on many interesting trips, including to Scotland and Norway. He was an avid sportsman and played both tennis and squash at the Birmingham Athletic Club until well into his 80s. He loved a good joke and told a good story, to the delight of his many cherished friends at Birmingham Senior Men's Club and in the wider community. He is survived by his beloved wife, Nancy; and his two loving children, James of Denver and Nancy and loak, as well as his stepson Howard (Susan) Wells of Walnut Creek. California; granddaughter, Emily (Ryan) Thrall; great-granddaughter, Taylor; niece, Carolyn Gildea; nephew, John Burns; and many other cherished nieces and nephews. Jim is preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Alice; and his brother, Teq Nordile, Jr. He was an active and devoted member of St. James Episcopal Church, which will hold a memorial service for him at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 30th. The church is located at 355 W. Maple Road, Birmingham, MI 48009, Donations in Jim's memorial service for him at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 30th. The

memory may be made to St. James Church, to the Michigan Floral Foundation at 1152 Haslett Rd, PO. Box 67, Haslett, MI 48840, or to a charity of the donor's choice. lynchfuneraldirectors.com





#### WADE



BARBARA J. age 81 of Canton, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on July 10, 2016. Beloved wife of the late Robert for 48 years. Dear mother of Steven (Diane) and Susan. Loving sister to Gary, Mike, Kathy, Betty, Pat, and Glenna. Proud grandmother to Brian. Spiritual light and strength for family, friends, and all those she encountered. Among her many accomplishments, she was a devoted teacher for the hearing impaired. Founder of Healthways of Plymouth, and a long time prominent member of the Unity Church of Livonia. In lieu of flowers, if you wish, donations to the Aizheimer Foundation or a charity of your choice in Barbara's honor would be appreciated. Memorial Service to be held August 6, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at The Unity Church of Livonia, located at 28660 Five Mile, Livonia, M. 48154 located at 28660 Five Mile, Livonia, Ml. 48154

#### WEAVER



IRA WILLIAM Age 85 July 18, 2016 Born and raised in Indianapolis, Ira enlisted in the Air Force serving in the Korean War before becoming a successful business man as the owner of Foundry Systems and Equipment in Livonia. He enjoyed Frank Sinatra, boating and traveling, He was a great artist with a wonderful sense of humor. Ira was a loving family man and excellent father. Loving husband of the late Beverly. Cherished father of Cheri (Scott) Strachan, Bill (Kathy) Waaver, Amy (Jerry) Roedl and Beth (Jay) Meyer. Proud grandfather of Kate (Eric) Polerecky, Jonathan Strachan, Andrew Weaver, Eriona and Mioaela Felix, and Brady and Hayden Meyer and great-grandfather of Ava and Harlow Polerecky. Interment Parkview Cemetery in Livonia.

### May you find peace in your time of sorrow.

#### WATKINS PEW



RUTH MARY formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died Thursday, July 14, 2016 in Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County, Michigan. She was married for 19 years to Frederick Norman Pew, who died in Meentinny, Cork County, Ireland on May 8. 1995. Ruth Mary, born January 7, 1921 in Detroit, Michigan, was the youngest dauphter. **RUTH MARY** formerly was the youngest daughter of the late Ralph Edmund or the late Halph Edmund Watkins and Grace Alice (Woodhouse), both of Detroit, Michigan. She was a direct descendant of Major General Benjamin Thaxter Lincoln, a patriot in the Revolutionary War. Ruth Mary spent her school years at the Convent of the Sacred Heart on Lawrence Avenue. During her teenage years she was a member of the TKE sorority and led a very active social life. She attended Michigan State College from 1939 to 1940 and was the freshman homecoming queen at Michigan State College in 1939. Mrs. Pew was a real estate agent in Bloomfield Hills while raising her daughters. One of the highlights of Mrs. Pew's life was holding court at Chalmers Lake, on her floating chair wearing her flippers and blue flowered swim cap with a Coke in the beverage holder. Her daughters and their friends would spend long summer days swimming and hanging out on the raft while Mrs. Pew would share stories and fun times with them while trying to catch the elusive small mouth bass. Mrs. Pew was a lifelong resident of the Detroit area and lived on Chalmers Lake for 52 years until December 2003 when she moved to western Michigan to be under the care of her youngest daughter, Ruth Watkins Jaynes, She is survived by her daughters, Mary Watkins Pew, of Beverly Hills, Michigan and Ruth Watkins Jaynes, of Painwell, Michigan. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit. may be made to: Academy of the Sacred Heart, 1250

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#### **GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL WEST CLASS OF 1976**

40th reunion Motown Dinner Dance Cruise on the Princess Riverboat. Boarding 6-7 p.m., cruise 7-9:30 p.m. Aug. 27. \$65 per person. Call 877-338-2628.

#### HENRY FORD TRADE SCHOOL ALUMNI ALL CLASSES

The alumni association plans a 100-year anniversary celebration and reunion. The group is reaching out to all trade school graduates. For more information, call the alumni association office at 248-476-7387.

#### LIVONIA FRANKLIN **HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966**

50th reunion will be held Aug. 25-28. Contact Larry Ruzsas at 810-599-3509 or Iruz sas187264mi@comcast.com

#### **MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1986**

30th reunion is 7-11 p.m., Sat-urday, Aug. 13, at 59 West Banquet Center in Highland. Cost is \$25 per person at the door, which covers appetizers, Mexican buffet and non-alcoholic beverages. Go to the Facebook event link at https:// www.facebook.com/ events/1046427258783445/.

#### **PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966**

50-year reunion dinner and

celebration set for 5-11 p.m. Sept. 17, at the Summit in Can ton. For more details, check the Plymouth High School Class of 1966 Facebook page or email jerrynorquist@gmail.com.

#### **CLASS OF 1967**

50-year reunion planned Sept. 15-16. Go to www.Plymouthmi67.com, Classmates.com reunion link or call Lynette Thayer at 419-726-2088 for information.

#### **SOUTH LYON HIGH SCHOOL**

**CLASS OF 1976** 

40th reunion set for Aug. 13 at Baker's of Milford. For more information, email Southlyon-class1976@yahoo.com or go to South Lyon Class of 1976 on Facebook

#### CLASS OF 1977

Reunion set for 6 p.m. July 15, 2017, at Pinz. For more in formation, go to https:// sites.google.com/site/ july152017reunion/

#### **WESTLAND JOHN GLENN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1971**

45th reunion set for 6 p.m. to midnight Sept. 24 at Mama Mia, 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Mail \$25 to JGHS class of '71 in care of Gary Pack, 38128 Cherry Hill Road, Westland, MI 48185 Pre-reunion party is 7-11 p.m. Sept. 23 at Westland Bowl, 5940 N. Wayne Road. For more information, call JoAnn Keenan at 734-516-6443, Gary Pack at 734-377-9133 or Darla Webb at 734-262-1132.

#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

Email event information for this calendar to Sharon Dargay. sdargay@hometownlife.com

#### JULY CONCERT

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Saturday

Location: Church of the Holy Spirit, 3700 Harvey Lake Road, Highland

**Details**: The Paradise Band, Elvis Lives and The Soulmen perform in an outdoor concert. \$15 advance tickets; \$20 at the door Contact: 248-887-5364; holyspiritconcert.ezevent.com

#### FILM Time/Date: 6:45 p.m. Friday,

July 29 Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New

Market, Farmington Hills Details: See the movie, "Field of Dreams" and have a dinner of ballpark food

#### Contact: 248-553-3380 **OLYMPICS**

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. July 25-28

Location: Christ Our Savior

Lutheran Church, 14175 Far-mington Road, Livonia

Details: A mini-Olympics camp aimed at boys and girls, ages 5-12, will include volleyball, relays, field hockey and water games. \$15 per student includes instruction, equipment and

Contact: christoursavior.org; 734-522-6830

#### **RUMMAGE SALE**

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m. Monday, July 25, and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tues-day-Wednesday, July 26-27 **Location**: Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia

Details: Admission to Monday sale is \$2; bag sale on cloth items and half-off all other items on Wednesday

#### Contact: 734-427-2290 SCHOOL TOUR Time/Date: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.,

**Location:** St. Michael Catholic School, 11311 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road Livonia Details: The tour, led by stu-

dents and teachers, is for prospective new students and their families

Contact: 734-261-1455, xt. 225;

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-noon, July 25-29

**Location**: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market, Farmington Hills Details: "Barnyard Roundup" is

open to children in preschool (potty-trained) through fifth grade. There is a fee with family discount available

Contact: mrslizparrott@ya hoo.com or 248-553-3380

#### WORSHIP IN THE PARK

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday, through Aug. 21

Location: Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse grounds, located at Ridge and Cherry Hill roads,

Details: St. Michael Lutheran Church holds outdoor services

with childcare provided

Contact: 734-459-3333, connectingwithGod.org



Kim-Char Meredith will perform Aug. 15 at Unity of Livonia.

#### **AUGUST** CONCERT

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

**Location**: Unity of Livonia, 28860 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Kim-Char Meredith, a mainstream pop/rock singer and songwriter, will perform at the church. \$15 suggested donation.

Advance tickets available Contact: unityoflivonia.org; 734-421-1760

#### GRIEFSHARE

Time/Date: S-7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21-Nov. 6

Location: New Life Church, 33111 Ford Road, Garden City Details: Grief support group

provides help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. Cost is \$20 and includes workbook.

#### Contact: 248-766-5977 PICNIC

**Time/Date**: 12:30-2 p.m. Aug. 7, immediately following Worship in the Park

**Location**: St. Michael Lutheran Church, at Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse grounds, located at Ridge and Cherry Hill roads,

Details: Hot dogs, cookies, chips and water will be provided and a praise band will perform Contact: 734-459-3333

#### **VACATION BIBLE** SCHOOL Time/Date; 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m

Aug. 1-5

Location: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

**Details**: "Surf Shack - Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love," wave of dot a Analani Love, is the theme for the program, which is for youngsters in preschool through sixth grade. Preschoolers must be potty trained. Includes songs, crafts, games, science, Bible stories snacks and more. Cost is \$10 per child with a \$25 maximum pe family

Contact: Judy Cook at 248-442 8822; judy@emmanuel-livo nia.org

#### YOUTH SOCCER

Time/Date: 1:30-3 p.m., Aug. 15-19

Location: Crossroads Church Trinity Church Grounds, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Soccer camp for boys and girls ages 5 and up, any skill level. \$25 per student; non-refundable. Includes water bottle, instruction, snacks. Register at www.crossroadsnow.org

Contact: info@crossroad snow.org, or Pastor Steve at 248-890-5718

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ntering your first managerial role is an exciting step forward in your career. But if managing a team is unlike any of your previous positions, it comes with new and unique challenges.

Here are five of the most common issues for first-time managers, along with tips on dealing with them.

#### How to give feedback

If you've ever sat through a performance review silently wishing you were on the other side of the desk, get ready for a surprise. Providing useful feedback is often a lot more difficult than first-time managers expect. One of the most common mistakes is not being specific enough.

"Just hearing 'Great job' isn't as effective as 'I really appreciate how prepared you were for that client meeting," says Amanda Sowadski, founder of the Institute for Feminine Leadership. "This gives your employee something specific to continue to do.

'The same thing goes when you notice behavior you'd like to change. Start by identifying the situation or task, what action the person took (and) what result occurred, and then offer up a new action and intended results that would

occur if they did it differently. These types of specifics will ensure everyone is always on the same page."

#### When to give feedback

Many new managers also have trouble determining how often feedback is necessary. While you don't want to start micromanaging your team, be sure not to reserve all comments for quarterly evalu-

"Make sure you are providing feedback all the time, not just during a formal review cycle," Sowadski says. "An employee should never be

surprised with the results of a performance review if you've been doing your job and praising your employees or offering ideas for improvement as necessary."

#### Supervising former colleagues

We spend a lot of time with our co-workers, and when one person from the group is promoted above the rest, it almost always causes a bit of tension. In many of these cases. the best way to deal with it is through direct and open communication.

"In order to address this,

have a one-on-one conversation with each person, where you express your gratitude for the opportunity to work with them, ask them to share any concerns, address any concerns you have and share your vision for what it will be like to work together," Sowadski suggests. "Don't dismiss or overlook the fact that these people may have also applied for the position or just feel awkward now that you hold a title that denotes more power. The most effective managers acknowledge others' concerns, even if they don't feel there is a valid concern, and create a collaborative team environment where everyone's input is welcome and appreciated."

#### How to motivate

Perhaps the most important skill you need to be a good manager is the ability to continually and reliably motivate others. If you were promoted internally, you're probably excellent at performing your team's function. But you cannot do it all on your own. Keep in mind that what motivates you doesn't necessarily motivate everyone on your team.

"One of your main responsibilities will be to improve the performance of your direct reports, but a one-size-fitsall strategy won't work," says Jordan Wan, co-founder and CEO of CloserIQ. "Not all

employees learn the same way, and not all of your reports will respond to the same style of feedback. You need to get to know your employees and what drives them. Then you'll be able to better give them what they need to succeed."

#### How to reward

One of the most effective means of motivating anyone is the promise of a reward. However, while prizes or awards can be useful short-term tools, sustained recognition, credit and praise for good work can be just as effective in the long

"You will shine through the success of your team as a whole," says Anna Lundberg, a career coach, author and co-founder of Wolf Leaders Academy, which offers fasttrack training and coaching for young managers. "Do not hesitate to praise your team public-- far from taking the glory away from your own work, demonstrating the maturity to praise and thank your team is a valued characteristic of a leader and will only strengthen your image, not weaken it."

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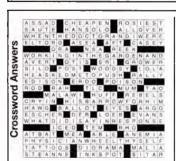
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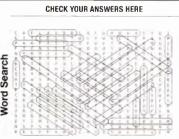
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#### Car Report

### Mazda Ascends with the Industry's Freshest, Most Fuel-Efficient **Lineup and Rising Brand, with Sales Recovery To Follow**



are down this year so far and frankly entire the American autosales picture has flattened out But under new CEO Masahiro Moro, Mazda North American

Operations clearly means to be regarded as a brand on the rise.

That will be increasingly easier for the company because the products it brings to market keep getting better. Exemplary is the new CX-9, the brand's top-ofthe-line large SUV. The design, interior comforts, drivability, responsiveness, fuel economy and overall feel of the Signature version of the new vehicle, which I recently drove, are pushing strongly into

territory that has been dominated by upscale brands.

Also serving as CMO for Mazda worldwide, Moro crucially sees brand management as the key to long-term success for Mazda in the US and globally.

We have changed to emphasize brand and product value to customers and to emphasize brand-value management," Moro told a group of journalists in Detroit recently.

Mazda's global share of automotive sales is only less than 2 percent, but over the last few years the Japanese brand has been seeking to punch above its fighting weight by overhauling its entire product lineup, gaining technologically with its new Skyactiv development platform, expanding its offerings in fast-growing SUV and crossover segments and, most recently, casting itself as a nearpremium marque

evident because Mazda's US sales were down about 8 percent for the first half compared with a year earlier. But much of the reason for the decline was the fact that Mazda was introducing a significantly enhanced new version of its CX-9 flagship SUV and its dealers were without the previous version to sell for most of 2016 so far, explained Robert Davis Sr., vice president of US operations

Now the new CX-9 has populated showrooms and is gaining a good reception, especially for its Signature trim level of premium materials, amenities and technology, which Mazda is using to try to begin leveraging its brand out of the mere mainstream of the US auto market and into near-luxury territory adjacent to. say. Acura.

Moro said Mazda began moving to emphasize long-term brand equity a few years ago, after the Great Recession brought yet another turn in the industry's historical boom-and-bust cycle and after the company's brain trust closely examined its approach. Its philosophy at that point was heavily based on increasing volume and achieving sales growth at nearly any cost.

"We sold at a discount so the customer didn't see value other than the price deal," Moro said. We also focused on selling smaller cars" with relatively small profit margins. Customer retention rates were low to match, he said -- less than 30 percent in the United States

"But we weren't going to



survive that way," he recalled. So we changed our philosophy 180 degrees. We started from scratch" by developing the Skyactiv platform, which brought weightsaving technologies and improved driving dynamics to all the new models that would be built on it. and also creating a new exteriordesign language that Mazda calls Kodo, which suggests forward momentum and dynamism even when the vehicle is standing still.

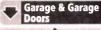
"It was ridiculous in a way, but we had to throw out convention, Moro said. "And now our philosophy is designed around how to keep customers coming back to Mazda. Everything is customer-focused. We used to be essentially a wholesale producer. Now we are focused on how to take care of the customer throughout the ownership cycle It's a big shift in mindset.

As a result, he said, despite the 2016 dip so far, Mazda has posted 15-percent sales growth in the US over the last five years, and growth in retail sales is higher as the company seeks to curtail fleet sales that end up retarding the value of used products and eroding overall brand equity. Better prices for their used Mazdas mean that customers can and want to afford higher-priced new Mazdas. "It's a new cycle for our business, Moro said.

"We made the huge mistake in the past of thinking a manufacturer can create a brand image with the customer." he said. "But the customer's own perception is everything, and that takes a longer time ... You have to continue to evolve your technology, product and design for five years in a consistent way, otherwise the customer doesn't believe you.

'So our task now is to convince consumers and dealers through brand value management. And our brand is to be the smart alternative to premium brands.





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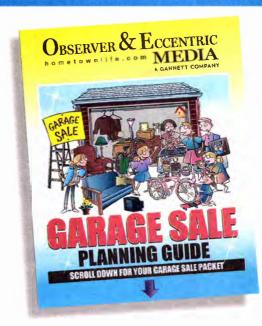
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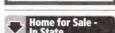
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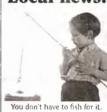
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