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## Wayne rec center sale discussion set

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Operating a community center can be an expensive proposition and one that a financially-strapped city may not be able to afford.

A year after turning the Wayne Community Center operations over to be privately operated by HYPE Athletics, the Wayne City Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday to discuss possible sale of the facility, along with land in adjoining Attwood Park.

"There is no official offer. We want the council to hear from the bond counsel on how it works, really about the process," Wayne City Manager Lisa Nocerini said. "And about the parks and recreation millage."

Additionally, WCA Assessing, the city assessing contractor, is working on an appraisal



The Wayne Aquatic Center.

for the property. "The land hasn't been surveyed forever," she said.

With the budget balanced using Other Post Employment Benefits money, Wayne is expected to have a \$1.9 million shortfall in the next fiscal year and be out of money early in 2018.

The council had voted in 2015 to close the community center, an operation that was costing \$975,000 to run annually. Under the agreement, the city pays HYPE \$274,905 per year for five years, including a \$6,000 per year management fee. That was about \$80,000 less than the projected cost for the city to shutter and maintain the empty building.

Though no offer has yet been made, the agreement gives HYPE first rights of

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Timothy and Gina Yarbough in action inside The Realm of Darkness haunted house.

## CREEPY CLOWN, 'VICTIM' FIND LOVE IN HAUNTED HOUSE

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Gina Dailide Yarbough's biggest fear in a haunted house is the creepy clown with a chainsaw.

Then she married one. Now, she and husband Bow-bee the Clown spend time in The Realm of Darkness, a haunted house in Pontiac where he drags her by the hair in a blood-drenched dress and throws her against a wall.

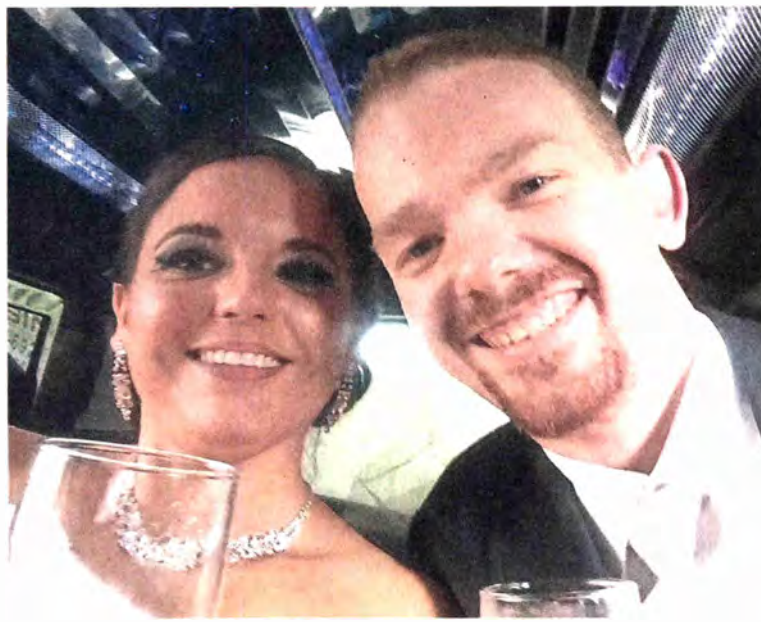
"Then he kills me with a chainsaw," Yarbough said.

Nothing like true love in the Halloween season.

Yarbough, a Canton resident and actor manager for The Realm of Darkness, was working in another haunted house, Sinister, on the same site in 2011 when she met her beloved Bow-bee, or Timothy Yarbough. He walked by her during a dress rehearsal with his chainsaw, looked at her and uttered these blood-curdling words of love: "Sometimes I kill people."

"We just clicked," Timothy Yarbough said.

He has "killed" her numerous times since then and he proposed to her last Halloween while in costume in the haunt-



See COUPLE, Page A3 Gina and Timothy Yarbough, without all the blood, during a wedding moment.

## Police seek suspect in 'quick change' scam

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Westland Police are attempting to identify a suspect wanted for allegedly completing a "quick change" scam at a local restaurant.

The incident happened Sept. 27 at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 37101 Warren. Police describe the scam as when a person asks for change. In the process of getting the change, they attempt to confuse the cashier by continuously changing their requests and attempt to quickly pocket money during the confusion.

Police released a security video from the restaurant and are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect. No information was released on how much mon-



The Westland Police Department

ey might have been taken. Anyone with information on the suspects is asked to contact Westland Police at 734-722-9600 or 734-467-3159.

After releasing photographs of two people allegedly involved in a liquor theft, police reported having identified the suspects thanks to multiple tips from the public. The theft of \$450 worth of liquor was reported Sept. 8 at CVS Pharmacy, 7291 N. Middlebelt.

Citations have been issued for the two suspects, who police report likely fled the area after seeing their photographs being circulated.

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# Redford mom beats leukemia for kids

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By all accounts, Sarah Roberts should be dead.

Leukemia should have killed her. A massive fungal infection should have killed her. A collapsed lung in her weakened state should have killed her. Whether the 30-year-old Redford resident is still among the living because of divine intervention, sheer will or a little of both is up for debate.

Only one thing is certain. Sarah Roberts was not going to let cancer take her away from Audrey, 4, or Jeremiah, 2.

"I looked at Devon and said, 'I will see my kids grow up,'" she said. "I told him we were going to fight."

Six months after walking out of Beaumont Hospital, the fight is ongoing



SCOTT DANIEL

A blood drive was held Tuesday at Beaumont Hospital in Farmington Hills in Sara Roberts' honor. She and husband Devon greeted donors and helped run the event.

for Roberts and her husband, albeit on a much more manageable scale. And that's saying a lot.

In early December last year, Roberts started feeling poorly and thought she might have a

sinus infection. While visiting Nashville, she saw a doctor for the first time and was prescribed antibiotics.

A few weeks passed and she didn't feel any better. She saw a second doctor and was given additional antibiotics. By

then, her gums had become swollen so she also saw her dentist, who thought she might be having an allergic reaction.

By Christmas Eve, the lymph glands in her neck had swollen to the point of being protruded.

"Whatever it was, I thought I would get over it," Roberts said. "But I just kept getting worse. I couldn't function."

At 11 p.m., she and Devon decided it was time to go to the hospital. A few hours later, doctors said Sarah had acute myeloid leukemia. Her white blood cell count was off the charts at 270,000. "My oncologist said was the second highest count he had seen," Sarah Roberts said.

The situation was so dire, Devon was told to prepare for the worst. His wife would not likely survive into the new year. Doctors started Sarah

on a high-dosage oral chemotherapy pill immediately "to scrub out my white cells," she said.

Within three days, her levels dropped enough to start intravenous chemotherapy. But a fungal infection in Sarah's sinuses sent her from the oncology floor to Beaumont's critical care unit.

Doctors were forced to do emergency surgery. At one point, Devon Roberts was told the infection was so widespread that they would have to go into his wife's brain to try to get as much as possible. The other choice was to just let it be.

"Either way," he said, "we needed a miracle."

Devon decided not to go any further with surgery. Doctors believed the infection would take Sarah's life. When it showed signs of backing off days later, their miracle was granted.

"It was definitely

God," Devon Roberts said. His faith kept him on about as even a keel as possible under the circumstances, something that caught doctors and nurses by surprise. "I knew it was out of my hands and in God's hands. I had tremendous peace about it."

Sarah's time in the ICU wasn't done, however. Days after beating back the infection, her right lung collapsed and she coded for a third time.

Things finally calmed down and Sarah began to slowly get better. After a month in ICU, she was moved back to the oncology floor.

By February of this year, she was doing physical therapy. When she was released from Beaumont on March 8, seeing her kids was the only thing on her mind.

"When I saw them," Sarah Roberts said, "it was complete joy."

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refusal on any sale of the building. Nocerini said council will meet with the bond attorneys since the city is still paying off bonds for the recreation center — \$670,000 annually in the current and three following fiscal years. In the fifth year, the payment drops to \$238,000 and then to about \$140,000 for another seven years.

Opened in 1974, the community center was built at a cost of \$1.9 million. The aquatic center was built in 1996 at a cost of \$2.6 million. The city levies 1 mill annually for parks and recreation, money that can be used for bond payments and/or operations. That amounts to about \$370,000 annually.

Along with the process of selling a building

with bond debt, Nocerini said there are deed restrictions which require Attwood Park, land donated to the city by the Attwood family, must remain a park if sold.

Wayne, which had also subsidized the State Wayne Theater for years before it was sold, wasn't alone in using general fund dollars to support recreation and similar facilities.

Canton is projected to spend \$4.1 million, including operating costs and debt owed, collectively on the Summit on the Park recreation center, the 400-seat Village Theater at Cherry Hill and the Pheasant Run and Fellows Creek golf courses.

Summit on the Park alone is expected to have a \$1.5 million subsidy. That's \$538,500 less than last year, but slightly higher than the prior three years. Expenses increased as the 20-year-

old facility received a facelift such as aquatic center improvements. Costs also rose as Canton complied with federal minimum wage increases for part-time workers.

The recently demolished Bailey Recreation Center in Westland was closed in 2012. The city general fund had been subsidizing operations at the center at more than \$400,000 annually prior to the closing.

"I think unless you have dedicated millage for it, you'll be subsidizing (a community center) from the general fund," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "Some communities are financially able to do that. I don't think Westland is at that point yet. I think there will be more public/private partnerships."

A community survey was commissioned by Westland to look at what residents would like to

see — and are willing to pay for — when it comes parks and recreation. Those results will be made public soon. The city has also had some preliminary discussions with the Metro Detroit YMCA about a possible facility to be located in Westland.

"In our initial conversations, the Y is very interested. We will see where it goes," Wild said. "It's different the way they build the buildings today. The Bailey Center was an example of being obsolete. The new models are flexible spaces so they can change with the trends."

The Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center in Norwayne has been structured to be a self-sustaining operation, Wild said.

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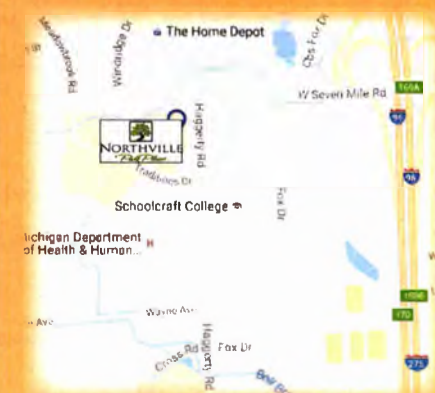
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ed house. "In between (our) groups, he got down on one knee and proposed," she said. "I said 'yes' and we kissed and then we scared the next group."

They married in August and it has been a perfect match for this horror-loving couple. Bow-bee the Clown always loved all things scary.

"I was always into horror movies," he said, "and Halloween is my favorite time of year."

Timothy Yarbrough revives his killer clown character every Halloween season because he enjoys the work and finds it cathartic.

"One thing that has kept me going every year is that I found it was like therapy for me," he said. "It's a way to let all the stress out."

But Bow-bee the Clown has only disdain for a new wave of creepy clowns — at least for those who hide their identities to commit crimes.

"They shouldn't be going around hurting people and doing what they're doing," he said. "I think it was a joke gone bad. They should go work at a haunted house, where it's safe and legal."

Gina Yarbrough has a theory why scary thrill-seekers flock to places like The Realm of Darkness.

"It's a way to get that adrenaline rush," she said. "There's enough scary stuff in the real world, but you can go to a haunted house and you can be scared in a safe environment. You're not really going to die."

Visitors arriving at The Realm of Darkness site first encounter an outdoor western ghost town, The Dead Souls Corral, before they enter the House of Nightmares 3D, donning spe-



Gina and Timothy Yarbrough, with Gina's son Damien, at Halloween.



Gina's engagement ring.

cial glasses that make it appear the floor is moving and the walls are closing in. Along the way, all sorts of creatures seem to come to life.

Then it's the main Realm of Darkness, where they encounter a scary doll room, a haunted bayou, mad doctors and a morgue and autopsy room, among numerous other rooms. Legend has it an evil wizard has lived there for centuries looking for souls to claim.

"We have some people that walk in to the first attraction (Dead Souls Corral) and walk right back out," said Gina Yarbrough, a 2001 graduate of Plymouth

Salem High School.

How long does it take visitors to get through the entire site?

"Some stay and play with the monsters. It can take 45 minutes to an hour to see it all," she said.

For others who are terrified, it doesn't take as long.

"It depends on how fast they run," Gina Yarbrough said.

For more on The Realm of Darkness, including hours, ticket information and directions, go to <http://the-realmofdarkness.com>.

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## The horror: It's the season for haunted houses

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Blood-curdling screams. A madman terrorizing a basement nightclub. Severed hands and feet. Chainsaw-wielding clowns. A room of creepy dolls.

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Krazy Hilda's Trail of Terror in Ypsilanti tells of explorers who perished and "the moon now illuminates their tired and torn bodies."

With Halloween approaching, we've compiled a sampling of some of the area's haunted attractions. Some are graphic, others are accommodating to children.

» HUSH Haunted Attraction, 34043 Ford Road, Westland. Doors open at 8 p.m. Friday through Sunday. General admission is \$18, VIP skip-the-line for \$30 or VIP skip-the-line plus a T-shirt for \$45. The website: [hushhauntedattractions.com](http://hushhauntedattractions.com).

» The Haunted Junction and Haunted Winery, 31505 Grand River, Farmington. Open 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, 7-10 p.m. Sunday, Monday and Thursday. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$13 for children. The website: [hauntedwinery.com](http://hauntedwinery.com).

» The Haunted SHAC: Gallery of the Disturbed, 125 S. Main St., Suite 700, Milford, open 7-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 6-10 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$15



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for 18 and older, \$10 for under 18. The website: [milfordvfaa.org/haunted-shac](http://milfordvfaa.org/haunted-shac).

» Slaughtered at Sundown Haunted House and Hayride, 71800 Romeo Plank Road, Armada. Doors open at 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission ranges from \$10 to \$45, depending on what options are chosen. The website: [slaughteredatsundown.net/index.html](http://slaughteredatsundown.net/index.html).

» The Realm of Darkness, 37 Turk, Pontiac. Doors open at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. Thursday and Sunday. Price of admission varies. The website: [therealmofdarkness.com](http://therealmofdarkness.com).

» Erebus, a four-story haunted attraction, 18 S. Perry, Pontiac. Doors open 7:30 p.m. weekdays, 6 p.m. weekends. Admission ranges from \$23 to \$50 for no-wait VIP. The website: [hauntedpontiac.com/dates.php](http://hauntedpontiac.com/dates.php).

» The Pumpkin Factory and Halloween Farm, 48651 Harris Road, Belleville. Open 7-9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, weather permitting. Admission is \$10 for each event. The web-

site: [thepumpkinfactory.org](http://thepumpkinfactory.org).

» The Haunted Forest at Adventure Park, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Doors open at 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission starts at \$12, depending on which packages is chosen. The website: [westbloomfieldadventurepark.org/boo](http://westbloomfieldadventurepark.org/boo).

» Bonadeo Farms Corn Maze and Haunted House, 1215 White Lake Road, Highland. Open dusk to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The website: [bonadeofarms.com/contact](http://bonadeofarms.com/contact).

» Krazy Hilda's Trail of Terrors, 10340 Ford Road, Panama Hills Farm, Ypsilanti. Doors open at 8 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission is \$13 or \$11 for children 11 and younger. The website: [krazyhildas.com](http://krazyhildas.com).

» Slaughter House Adventure and Grand River Corn Maze, 5781 Grand River, Fowlerville. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. Admission varies. The website: [slaughterhouseadventure.com](http://slaughterhouseadventure.com).

» Night Terrors Haunted Thrill Park, 5565 Merritt Road, Ypsilanti. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Admission varies depending on the package. The website: [hauntedhousemichigan.com](http://hauntedhousemichigan.com).

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## Building fee for Wayne court approved

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A building fee added to misdemeanor criminal and civil infractions has been approved for Wayne's 29th District Court.

The Wayne City Council approved the fees — \$20 to \$40 added for a misdemeanor



Mack

guilty plea or conviction and \$5 to \$15 added to civil infractions. Revenue generated by the fees could be used for renovation, expansion, updating, equipping and furnishing Westland 18th District Court if there is a merger of the two courts or to make improvements at the Wayne court if there is no merger.

"I understand we are going to set up a meeting (to discuss the possible merger) in October or November," said 18th District Judge Sandra Cicirelli, whose court had earlier this year received approval for a similar building fee program.

The meeting to discuss the possible court merger would include the judges — Cicirelli, 18th District Judge Mark McConnell and 29th District Judge Laura Mack — both court administrators, Westland Mayor William Wild and Wayne Mayor Susan Rowe. If the courts were to merge, it would require action by the state Legislature.

"I want to make sure it would be financially advantageous to Wayne," Mack said. "If they (the Westland court) don't want to go forward, then I wouldn't want to proceed. I know they need the judicial help."

The courts already

have concurrent jurisdiction, which allows judges to hear cases from either community. The Judicial Resources Report, prepared by the State Court Administrator's office, found Wayne needed 0.67 of a judge, while Westland needed three judges.

Should the courts merge, a third courtroom would need to be added to the Westland courthouse. Like Wayne,

the Westland court building fund could also be used for renovations, maintenance and other work on the courthouse if there is no expansion.

For the Wayne court, housed in a former city hall building, there are facility issues.

"Our building is not secure. We lack private parking. There are nice features of the Westland facility," Mack said. "There were those two bailiffs killed in Berrien County."

Currently, Mack no longer has a full-time court officer and is using part-time employees to fill in. "I don't have a court officer with a gun going into court," she said, adding her previous court officer took a job at another court, apparently due to financial instability in Wayne.

Should the merger go forward, Mack said she hopes it could be accomplished by 2018-19. "I'm up (for re-election) in 2018. I'd like to preserve the election by Wayne voters," she said. "I'm concerned that if the courts merged before they vote, they would lump into one district."

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## Shinola CEO talks revival, Detroit pride

A strong message of Detroit pride and re-emergence from Detroit by Shinola president Jacques Panis inspired a crowd of regional business and political leaders gathered Tuesday in Dearborn.

Some 370 convened at the Ford Motor Co. Conference and Event Center for the fourth annual Western Wayne Business Leadership Banquet, a program coordinated by the 18 western Wayne County communities and their chambers of commerce.

Panis was the keynote speaker, who shared the story of the popular rise of the young company that has manufactured 457,000 trendy watches in four years and is expected to top \$100 million in revenue in 2016.

In his blunt, irreverent style, Panis detailed the energy used to produce

the quality work and branding of Shinola products. He captivated the audience with his passion for living and working in Detroit.

"I travel all over the world and I will get some cross-eyed looks from people when I tell them I am from Detroit," Panis said. "But I am proud to say I run a business in the city of Detroit, I live in the city of Detroit and I hang out with great people in the city of Detroit."

The company's story, Panis said, is deeper than making quality watches, bicycles and leather products and plans for other new projects in the future. He talks about how Shinola has changed sections of Detroit and Detroiters' lives.

Shinola built its Detroit flagship retail store in Midtown, which has evolved into an attraction surrounded by micro-

breweries and restaurants, reviving an area that was crumbling several years ago.

Shinola's Factory Headquarters is located inside a building shared with the College of Creative Studies, formerly a General Motors automotive research lab. People who used to work security in the building are now making better livings as watch makers and production leaders at Shinola.

"We are in the greatest city in the United States, I would argue," Panis said. "This is the city that created the middle class of America. This is a city (that) created a man like Henry Ford and the assembly line. The stuff that has come out of this city, it's, like, what can't we do?"

Event emcee Ron Fournier, an award-winning national political

analyst and author who returned to his hometown this fall to work at Crain's Detroit Business, also expressed his excitement of coming home, where he feels like he can be a part of something on the rise. He added that today's millennials, like his daughter who recently moved to Midtown, are looking for "purpose and meaning" in their work and lives. He said his work in Washington brought him a lot of attention, but lacked purpose.

Many in the audience felt inspired by the keynote program. "The energy and excitement in the room was great," said John Hiltz, president of OHM Advisors in Livonia. "Now our challenge is to take it to the next level. How do we take the story of Shinola and use that energy here in western Wayne County?"

## Get help tracing your family roots with local group

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John Mills first got interested in his family history in the early 1990s, after his father died.

"Then with work and family, I let it go. After my mother died in 2006, I picked it up again. It's part of the reason I retired. It's addicting," said Mills, who had been Wayne-Westland schools special education director. "It is addicting."

Carl Katafiasz, head of adult services at the Livonia library, shares that addiction. "It's just the search. I don't know what I'll find under that rock," he said.

Both Mills and Katafiasz are sharing their knowledge of genealogy with upcoming programs. A member of the Wayne Historical Society and the Friends of the Wayne Library, Mill is presenting Genealogy Basics for Beginners at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at the Wayne

library.

"For many things, it has gotten easier to find online. You can get digital copies of things and that leads to other sources," Mills said. "I used to take vacations to courthouses to pick up records. I have sent for copies of records from England and Norway, where my ancestors are from."

In his program, Mills will focus on helping people getting started with genealogy research. Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop, notebook or tablet to learn how to do some basic online research.

Along with monthly genealogy programs at the Livonia library, Katafiasz will be the speaker at the Western Wayne Genealogical Society at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at the Livonia Senior Center. Katafiasz will make his presentation called Potholes, a brick wall-based topic.

"A pothole is anything specific you want to re-

search. You run into a pothole and need to get out of it," said Katafiasz, who oversees the Livonia library's special collection.

That collection ranges from material on microfilm like the Livonia Observer, dating back to 1955. "Microfilm is going the way of the dinosaur, but it is still a viable asset for research," he said. "It's great to search the Internet — it is immediate. With research, you get your hands dirty."

The Livonia library research collection has grown over the years, Katafiasz said, in part thanks to book donations. "A lot of things come into the collection from book sale donations — local history books about a small town in upper Michigan or North Carolina yearbooks," he said.

Two Canton women had heard the library was interested in expanding its genealogy collection and offered books.

"We got 30-40 books on

Pennsylvania. The other lady had 15-20 books on Ohio," Katafiasz said. "Any little bit helps. This is hard research. There is a history of Lancaster, Pa., from 1901. It weighs 15 pounds."

Katafiasz recommends that people interested in researching their families join genealogy groups like the Western Wayne Genealogy Society, even if your family isn't from that particular area.

"I might not have an answer. I don't do Puritan genealogy, but someone else may. It's a matter of asking questions," Katafiasz said.

For Katafiasz, his interest in genealogy dates back to when he was earning a master's degree in history at the University of Toledo. Alex Haley's "Roots" had just been published, he noted.

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## Live-streamed event talks mental illness

Aileen Wingblad  
hometownlife.com

Cheryl Patel of Farmington Hills wants to learn as much as she can about mental illness. So does Carnell Jones of Southfield.

Their reasons are personal, both saying they have family members or friends dealing with a mental disorder. So building a strong knowledge base is vital to understanding — and helping, they said.

And that's how they found themselves Thursday evening with 150 others at Detroit Public Television's Riley Broadcast Center in Wixom to attend "Mental Health: A Community Conversation." The live-streamed special event included a screening of the documentary, "Ride the Tiger, a Guide through the Bipolar Brain," followed by a panel discussion on mental illness and available resources for those affected by it.

"Some people I know are struggling with mental health issues, others are in denial," Jones said. "It's always, like, 'why, why, why?' It has such an impact — and the solution is dealing with it, but there's too much stigma about mental illness that people don't talk about it (enough)."

Which was precisely the reason for Thursday's program, developed and organized by Todd Lipa, director of youth and family services for the city of Farmington Hills. Lipa's idea came after he attended a premiere showing last spring of "Ride the Tiger," which features scientific advances and shortcomings in dealing with mental illness and de-



Panelists (from left) Linda Hotchkiss, M.D., James Hanson and Frances Brown on stage at the DPTV studio.

picts accomplished people diagnosed with bipolar disorder

"I walked out of there enthusiastic and finally understanding a little bit," Lipa said.

The film also spoke to him because it had recently come to light that a growing number of kids participating in Farmington Hills' after-school program take medication for ADHD and other disorders. That led to Lipa reaching out to Della Cassia, DPTV director of communications — who he's known for years — to set up the program

Together, they tapped mental health professionals James Hanson, Oakland University professor; Frances Brown, Michigan School of Professional Psychology program director; and Linda Hotchkiss, M.D. — along with Chuck Nebus, Farmington Hills police chief, Ed Moore, producer/director/writer of "Ride the Tiger," and Ken Massey, who moderated the panel. Massey, Farmington Hills mayor, also heads SAFE, the Farmington-area suicide prevention task force.

Panelists fielded a variety of questions presented by Massey — many submitted by the audience — on medication and other treatment options, law enforcement involvement when mental health issues present safety concerns, the mental health profession and more.

Lipa said he was

pleased with the turnout and the event overall and anticipates that "it will lend a lot to the conversation (about mental illness)" to help chip away at the stigma associated with it.

"I think we need to have more conversations about what we can do as a community and not just the Farmington Hills community, but communities everywhere. We are all facing the same things. The key is finally stepping up and saying, 'I need help,'" Lipa said. "People struggle with it, they fight it. But they need help, they need to have that conversation."

Amy Jackson, an audience member who traveled from Detroit for the event, said she "learned so much" from the panelists and the documentary — particularly the importance of including family members in the discussion when dealing with mental health issues. Children of people suffering with mental illness also need to know what's going on, because otherwise they might needlessly blame themselves, she said.

"And the film," Jackson added, "definitely made me feel hopeful."

DPTV will re-broadcast "Ride the Tiger" at 10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10. The panelist discussion is available On Demand.

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## 'Maire's Journey' complete as ashes reach eastern shore

Lisa Roose-Church  
Livingston Daily

A young woman's final wish and the people who made it possible are featured in a new documentary, partially filmed in Livingston County.

"Maire's Journey" tells the story of Maire Kent, who was diagnosed with cardiac sarcoma, a rare cancer of the heart. The 24-year-old woman, whose name is pronounced "Mary," died in 2013 and her dying wish was to have her ashes placed in a wooden sailboat so she could "go to the ocean."

"It was a big surprise to me and it's completely changed how I expected my life to be," Kent said in the movie about learning she had cancer.

The documentary, a portion of which was filmed at Borek Jennings Funeral Home in Howell, has toured film festivals and makes its Michigan premiere Oct. 13 at the Royal Starr Film Festival. It also will be featured at the Indie Lounge at Sundance.

Director Keith Famie of Visionalist Entertainment Productions will also release his companion book, "Maire's Journey to the Sea," at that time. The book has a detailed story about Kent's fight with cancer and what Famie learned from her. Two dollars of each



Maire Kent, who was diagnosed with cardiac sarcoma, wished to have her ashes carried out to the ocean. Her ashes are in the small wooden boat seen in the foreground.

sale go to the University of Michigan's Maire Kent Memorial Fund for Sarcoma and Cardiac Tumor Research.

In the documentary, Kent shares her fears and she explains that her final wish is based on a childhood book, "Paddle-to-the-Sea," which is a story about an Indian boy who carves a boat he wanted to reach the ocean.

"It's about how people pick him up and set him free," Kent explains in the movie. "I want to do that. I want to go to the ocean."

The documentary follows Kent's boat's 14,000-mile journey from the Great Lakes of northern Michigan to the eastern seaboard, and the "many people" who made it possible, including George Wurtzel, a blind carpenter who built the 3-foot wooden boat carrying Kent's ashes. Also in the boat were photographs of others who lost their lives to cancer and on the boat's sail was

Kent's posthumous message:

"My name is Maire. I died of cardiac sarcoma cancer. This boat has my ashes in it and I'm making my way to the ocean. If you find me, please get me back on my path. I will bless you from Heaven. If I have reached the ocean, please let my brothers and sisters know. You can reach them on my Facebook page, 'Maire's Journey.'"

In addition, Famie's movie, "Death is Not the Answer," will debut Nov. 6 at Emagine Royal Oak on North Main Street in Royal Oak. The two-part film debut, which includes scenes of veterans with the Pinckney High School cross-country team, will air 8 p.m. Nov. 11 on PBS.

Contact Livingston Daily justice reporter Lisa Roose-Church at 517-552-2846 or lrchurch@gannett.com. Follow her on Twitter @LisaRooseChurch.

### LIVONIA POLICE BRIEFS

#### Clown mask stolen from yard

A resident who lives in the 31300 block of Grandon came into the police station Tuesday to report a clown mask was stolen from his yard.

He said the mask, a part of Halloween decorations, was on the north wall of his home the night before. When he came out that morning to go to work, he found the mask

missing. No suspect information was available.


#### Larceny from auto reported

Police were called Thursday evening to a home in the 38400 block of Lapham Court on the report of a resident's vehicle being broken into.

The resident said he came out to his car that morning and found someone had gone through it.

He said the doors were left unlocked while the car was parked in the driveway the night before. He said a black wallet had been taken from inside. A neighbor located some of the missing paperwork that was in his wallet and returned it to him. It was held by police as evidence.

— Compiled from reports filed with the Livonia Police Department.



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# Early Christmas? Santa Clauses come to Livonia

David Veselenak  
hometownlife.com

John Masserant has portrayed Santa Claus for more than 25 years. Gaining reflection and training to understand Santa Claus, as well as St. Nicholas, is why he spent the better part of this past week training through the St. Nicholas Institute.

"It's all about the spirit of St. Nicholas," the Trenton resident said. "The giving, the kids, what more can you say? Ultimately, it's all about the kids."

Masserant is one of 20 men from all over the country who came to Livonia and the west side of Detroit this past week



"It's a Wonderful Life" child actress Karolyn Grimes, who played Zuzu Bailey, receives her wings from Jerry Owens at the annual St. Nicholas awards gala.

TOM BEAUDOIN

for training in the St. Nicholas Institute, a retreat and symposium put

on by the Rev. Joseph Marquis of Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic

Church in Livonia. The men learn the ways of Santa Claus and St. Nicholas during the retreat, held at St. Paul of the Cross in Detroit. Wednesday, they came to Livonia for their festive banquet and to receive their certificates.

Also featured during Wednesday's banquet, held at the church on Six Mile east of Middlebelt, were the annual St. Nicholas Institute awards, which went to several national and local figures in the hall decked out in tree centerpieces and poinsettias.

One such award recipient was Karolyn Grimes, who portrayed Zuzu Bailey in the 1946 Christmas film "It's a Wonderful

Life." She was honored for her contribution to the traditions of Christmas on a worldwide scale.

She spoke of her experiences acting as a child, as well as her time at the annual dinner in Livonia, an event she said made her feel the Christmas spirit, even though it was 75 degrees outside.

"I believe Christmas is a time where we are reminded to love our fellow man and I think the spirit of giving and rejoicing in the glory of God abounds and I certainly have seen it here tonight," she said. "This is so uplifting."

Others were also honored, including Mike and Marian Ilitch; former U.S. Secretary of Educa-

tion William J. Bennett; TV host Dr. Raymond Guarendi; actress Catrina Ganey; and WDIV-TV news anchor Devin Scillian.

Scillian, who was honored for his work writing children's books, first took out his phone and snapped a photo of all the Santa Clauses at the head table in front of the podium as they roared in laughter.

"I attend a lot of dinners and things and this is the greatest head table I have ever seen," he said. "You guys are beautiful."

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## LETTERS TO WAYNE COUNTY EDITOR

### Pay the bill, Mayor Dwyer

So let me get this straight. The city of Plymouth has owed this money for firefighter legacy costs for four years and Mayor Dwyer admits it. Plymouth Township has negotiated a settlement for a portion of the monies owed and the city has paid it.

The township feels it is time to be paid the rest of what they are owed by the city and the mayor says that there has never been a detailed bill submitted to the city, even though the city had supposedly delayed providing some of the necessary information. The mayor says that the timing of the suit is a form of retaliation by township officials who were voted out of office. I think he is fortunate that the suit was not filed sooner.

Township trustees who voted against the lawsuit think the suit is a bad move and could hurt relations with the city. Nothing hurts any relationship as much as monies owed. This could be the fodder for a "realistic" TV series. I see it as a plain and simple case of the township wanting to be paid and the mayor of Plymouth putting off writing the check for as long as possible. Excuses, such as never receiving a detailed bill and some of the costs being a moving target, are nonsense. It has been four years. The target will only be harder to see the longer it has to move.

Bottom line, Mayor Dwyer: Pay the bill. And maybe the city of Northville should pay close attention to the results. They may need the advice.

Kevin Gault  
Plymouth Township

### Vote for Pat Williams

Pat Williams is running to be the next Canton Township supervisor in the upcoming general election. This is great news for all Canton residents. Pat has been a driving supporter of the community of Canton Township for 30 years.

I have always heard Pat introduce himself as a "Canton Guy." This is very accurate and does a nice job of showing what his priority is. He is singularly focused on making Canton a great place to live, work and raise families. Regardless of the many roles and responsibilities Pat has undertaken, his clear passion has always been on building our community to be all it can.

Name any community-based organization or focused community effort and Pat has probably either supported it, been directly involved in it or has led it. As one of Pat's close friends, I consistently see him "knee deep" in most (if not all) of the activities to improve our community. Most weeks, Pat is involved in community-based activities every night of the week and most weekends. Pat is a man who possesses amazing stamina and a

singular motivation to contribute to his community. Other than his family, Canton is his entire life's passion. Pat seeks nothing in return and has no agenda other than making Canton the best it can be. He is remarkable in this way.

Pat is about community service. He is not about politics.

Pat lives and models the very best qualities of Canton's residents. He is a true community leader. Pat works hard to see all sides of any challenge and always works with others to arrive at the best solution. Pat is a team builder. He shows an honest spirit of inclusion in all he does. Pat is always kind and fair. No matter what the situation is, he is never judgmental. I have seen this wonderful personality trait on a number of occasions.

Pat does not look for credit or for rewards. His motivation is only to make Canton great. He simply gives of himself completely without vanity and without reservation. He holds nothing back when it comes to serving Canton. Each and every person living in Canton will be well-served if Pat Williams is elected to the office of Canton Township supervisor. For the challenges on our ballot this year, this choice is easy.

Don Turner  
Canton

### Cast ballot for Pagan

Far too many people in Michigan are finding it

harder and harder to plan for retirement. This is largely due to a rewrite of the state tax code in 2011 that forces retirees to pay taxes on previously non-taxed pension income. It is extremely unfortunate that those who have worked hard and saved their entire lives carefully for a retirement with a fixed income now face an un-planned tax burden.

This law needs to be repealed and we need to make sure that we have people in the Michigan Legislature who will fight to make this happen. Which is why I plan on re-electing Kristy Pagan to the Michigan House of Representatives. Kristy understands that it is wrong to balance the budget on the backs of those like me who are on a fixed income.

For the past two years, Kristy has been committed to standing up for the most vulnerable and we need her back in Lansing. I hope others will join me by checking Kristy Pagan for state representative when they vote. Additionally, I encourage anyone over 60 to avoid the wait in the long lines to vote and ask them to join me by casting an absentee ballot.

Betty Brown-Chappell  
Canton Township

### Re-elect Pagan

We are writing in support of Kristy Pagan's re-election as state representative. We have two primary reasons to encourage her re-election. First, on a personal

note, when we needed help addressing a number of health and human service issues for our elderly mother, Kristy Pagan and her office were of tremendous help. She and her office cut through loads of red tape so we could get the state bureaucracy to move to help an elderly woman. Their constituent services are great!

Second, she has demonstrated keen leadership and knowledge on policy issues — well beyond what one might expect for a first-term legislator. She has been fighting to support public education and fighting for our state's natural resources. As current retirees, we appreciate that she is seeking to reverse the recent state law requiring retiree pension benefits to be taxed.

We need to send Kristy back to Lansing. Her knowledge, hard work and her willingness to work with all elected officials is a breath of fresh air. Please join us in re-electing Kristy Pagan to the Michigan House of Representatives by completing and submitting your absentee ballot or voting at your polling place Nov. 8.

Bob Morris and Terry Ahwal  
Canton

### Fountain design lacks charm

The planning for the renovation of Kellogg Park is continuing. If you go to DDA Plymouth, MI and click on the link for Kellogg Park/Fountain,

you will see the most recent architectural renderings, which have just been updated.

When you look carefully, you see that the fountain has been moved 21 feet to the west in order to accommodate the larger size of the fountain and surrounding hardscape. Because the fountain is being moved, trees must be removed, resulting in a loss of shade and the beauty of the trees. The total amount of grassy area that is lost is 2,327 square feet. This was area that concert attendees used. It was also used by children and parents during the Wednesday summer sessions, as well as all of us who love the park.

The design of the fountain is very contemporary and larger than the last fountain.

Many of us feel that the small town charm and historic feeling of our park is missing in this new design. Before it is too late, please go to this website and check the proposed design. If you also have concerns, there is a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 10 at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer Street. This meeting has been opened up to the community. The architect and fountain designer will be there to talk about their designs.

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Janet Dersey  
Plymouth

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# Rev. Jensen turns neglected houses into homes

Sharon Dargay  
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The Rev. Grady Jensen of Open Arms Church in Livonia has a vision for the house he is restoring on Detroit's east side.

He sees beyond the years of neglect — crumbling plaster ceilings, peeling paint, rotted-away trim, abandoned furniture, the overwhelming odor of urine and filth — and knows exactly how he'll restore the two-story house to its former charm.

"This will be the breakfast nook area and I'm thinking we'll rip all this out," he said, looking over kitchen cabinets in a room already stripped of appliances and sink. "This is probably the biggest house we've taken on. With the smell, this is probably the worst house we've had. We're going to have to redo the whole bathroom, too. It's just garbage."

With the help of his longtime friend, Larry Decker of Waterford, and some church members, Jensen is patching holes in walls, stripping wallpaper, painting, sanding hardwood floors, fixing broken windows, hauling out garbage, installing new bathroom fixtures and repairing the water-damaged and sagging plaster ceiling in the living room. They work about four days a week and hope to finish the house in about four months.

Jensen is sort of a one-man Habitat for Humanity, taking on residential restoration projects for months at a time and then letting prayer lead him to a potential buyer. Sale proceeds pay for supplies, appliances and professional plumbing or electrical services if needed, plus a portion is



The Rev. Grady Jensen sorts through contents of the attic.

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donated to mission work. The house, on Chalmers, south of Jefferson, is the third property in Detroit that the Open Arms crew has tackled this year. Jensen accepts property donations and says he has "a nose" for recognizing potential gems amid the ruin.

"A novice will come in and say 'ugh.' We come in and say, 'ah,'" Jensen said.

They won't touch a house with a bad roof nor too much garbage inside, but aren't fazed by holes in walls, layers of paint, missing hot water heaters and stubborn windows. Jensen aims to save and restore as much of the original tiling, flooring and wood-working as he can. He delights in the craftsmanship found in early 21st century houses and dislikes efforts to obscure it. He discovered a fireplace flanked by windows behind drywall in the house on Columbus Street. On Waverly, in the Dexter-Davison area, two layers of stick-

down flooring covered basket weave ceramic tile in the main bathroom.

"You don't do that. On the walls there was a sort of epoxy paint and a coat of latex over ceramic tile from 1910 or '20," he said, adding that floors in other rooms had been covered by linoleum. "Over virgin wood, beautiful wood. Why would you do that?"

"These were craftsmen who put these houses together. Why not bring it back to where it was?"

### Staying positive

Decker, who played in a Christian rock band years ago with Jensen, calls himself a "wall man" with a knack for patching holes to perfection. The retiree takes pride in his work, which has included electrical wiring, installing a hot water heater, dry wall and plastering, among other tasks, at previous houses. He spent his first day at the Chalmers house a few weeks ago,

using a putty knife to pry open windows that had been painted shut. He'll eventually tackle the deteriorated living room ceiling and will work with Jensen on rebuilding the kitchen and main bathroom.

"We go in expecting the worst. The thing of it is, we're prepared to do anything," Decker said. "We really try to stay positive."

They brainstorm solutions for particularly challenging repairs and hire professionals to complete some tasks, such as heating and cooling work. Jensen also relies on faith.

"We were running out of money and (had spent) \$40,000," he said. "I hadn't said anything to anybody. A friend of mine heard from God and sent me a check for seven grand. Then we got down payments from two houses and that helped. One lady gave us \$10,000 and a fellow gave us \$6,000. That is the walk of faith. You have to commit yourself to things and then things happen."

"What we're trying to do is flip these (houses) so we have the money to do others and the money that's left over goes to missions."

They recently pulled five tons of scrap metal from the house for recycling. Jensen related the task to Nehemiah in the Old Testament.

"Nehemiah had to clear rubble so he could see things," he said. "We're doing the same thing, cleaning out the rubble."

### Wow factor

Decker loves watching prospective buyers tour the finished product and marvel over his handiwork.

"They walk in and go 'wow.' I love that response, because it makes us feel like we've done

our job," he said. "We've brought this old house into this year and we try to retro everything. We want it to look like an old house from back in the day," describing each project as an "old house with new guts."

Jensen looks for buyers who can come up with a "healthy" down payment, but who also may have financial or personal problems impeding their path to home ownership. He always prays about it first.

"They have to have a job and income," he said. "It's people that might be in a situation like a bad credit thing, a divorce or they don't qualify for a mortgage and don't have people who can co-sign. The guy on Columbus Street works in Farmington and his wife works, too. Our neighbor found them. We saw where they lived and how they lived. They had been renting. We said, just pay us what you were paying for rent until you have it paid off. There's no interest."

"They're usually done paying in three or four years. That's when we recoup our money."

Carmelita Mason, a single mom and a teacher in the Troy School District, couldn't afford to continue renting the house she previously shared with her husband after they divorced. She wanted to buy a house, but didn't want to take out a conventional loan.

"It was a credit thing," said Mason, who moved into the house on Waverly Street with her two daughters. "The amount I pay now is \$200 less than the house I was renting. It's a big difference. There is no interest, none at all. This was a blessing. (Jensen) was sent by God. They did an awesome job in the house."

### Pitching in

Jensen said he rehabbed houses while serving as pastor at a church near Flint for 18 years and continued the work when he became senior pastor at Open Arms six years ago. He does odd jobs in addition to his church work. He updates his congregation on the progress of each house and some members, like Sue Annibal of Plymouth, pitch in to help.

Annibal washed and re-washed tracks in a sliding picture window, scraping years of gunk from the metal, while volunteering at the Chalmers house.

"I'm not strong and I'm not very bright when it comes to house things and repairs," she said. "But I'm willing."

Interested in volunteering with Jensen on an Open Arms rehab house? Call 248-471-5282 or go to the church's Facebook page. If interested in donating a house, call 877-446-0405.

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# Schoolcraft alum, DAC chef takes state flavor to NYC

David Veselenak  
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Metro Detroit is known for its wide range of culinary flavors and diverse cuisine from cultures across the globe. Detroit Athletic Club Executive Chef Kevin Brennan is hoping to share some of those tastes when he and a team of chefs head to the famed James Beard House in New York City next Friday and put on a Michigan-inspired meal.

"I'm starting to cross our 'Ts' and dot our 'Is' and make sure we're ready to travel," he said.

Brennan, a Schoolcraft College alumnus, has been at the Detroit Athletic Club for more than 20 years. In that time, the menu at the famed club has evolved to cover a plethora of foods and cuisines.

The Commerce Township resident said he originally had done several jobs that involved being outside, including being a carrier for the *Observer* newspaper as he grew up in Redford. After getting a taste of the culinary arts, he decided he'd enter the field.

"When I walked into the kitchen as a pot washer, the first focus was smelling bacon going in the morning," he said. "I said, 'God, this is what I'm going to do.'"

He began as a dishwasher at the Presbyterian Village senior living facility in Redford, and then became a cook at a



CYBELLE CODISH

Chef Kevin Brennan (center) and a team of chefs from the Detroit Athletic Club will cook at New York City's famed James Beard House next Friday. Brennan is a Schoolcraft College alumnus.

now-defunct restaurant off Newburgh in Livonia. Before coming to the DAC, Brennan worked at the Orchard Lake Country Club in West Bloomfield, among other locations. He's also worked as an instructor at Oakland Community College, as well. He's lived all over the area, settling in Garden City and Livonia before moving to Oakland County.

Hassan Yazbek, the director of food and beverage at the DAC, said Brennan's expertise in

preparing the club's food not only comes in his cooking skills, but his ability to manage the kitchen and make sure the employees are working properly and that they have the proper ingredients needed.

"He's the only chef I've worked with that has the art and science for what he does," he said. "He's the only chef that genuinely cares about the team he works with. You will never see Chef hire someone from the street, very rarely. He hires from

within. He develops his own team."

### James Beard House invitation

The invitation to cook at the James Beard House in New York City came to Brennan earlier this year after he prepared a meal for a DAC member's wedding who has connections to the house.

When he first got the email, he thought some-

one was joking around with him.

"I thought it was one of my friends pulling my leg," he said. "Then I read it over and over again, and I was like, 'Oh, my god.' I told my son, who's in the business, he got more excited about it. That just started the ball rolling."

The James Beard Foundation was founded in 1986 on the legacy of James Beard, a renowned

cookbook author and television personality. It aims to celebrate American cuisine, and offers chefs from around the country the ability to prepare meals at its house in New York's Greenwich Village.

The timing for Brennan and his team's meal couldn't be better, he said, especially with the Michigan harvest taking place. Some of the dishes he plans to prepare, among other items, include Michigan farm duck, Michigan Berkshire pork loin and lake perch.

"The items aren't over the top. They aren't lobster tail, but they are indicative of Michigan and where we came from," he said. "We have people coming in from California who have never had lake perch."

"You can feel that Michigan flavor."

Brennan said he's ready for the event after the challenge of working at the DAC, a job that's challenging all in its own. But it's something he relishes, which makes the work exciting.

"It's never the same. There's always a challenge of what we're going to accomplish next, where we're going, opening new restaurants," he said. "What brought me here was the culinary history of the DAC."

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You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced in Wayne County Circuit Court titled *Deerhurst Condominium Owners Association, Inc et. al. v. City of Westland*, Case No. 2015-006473-CZ, presiding Judge Daphne Means Curtis, challenging the retail water rates (the "Water Rates") and the retail sewage disposal rates (the "Sewer Rates") (collectively the "Rates") imposed by the City on citizens who draw water from the City's water supply system and who use the City's sewer system (the "Lawsuit"). Plaintiffs have brought these claims on behalf of themselves and a class of all others similarly situated.

Plaintiffs each are water and sewer customers of the City, and each seeks to act as a class representative for all similarly situated persons and entities that have paid the Rates imposed by the City. Plaintiffs contend that (a) the City has collected fees from its water and sewer customers that it has used not to cover the actual expenses of providing water to those customers, but rather to fund the City's general governmental obligations; (b) the Water Rates violate MCL 123.141(3) because they generate revenues for the City that exceed the City's actual cost of providing water to its residents; and (c) certain costs components included in the Rates constitute "taxes" that have not been authorized by the City's voters in violation of the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution and MCL 141.91.

The Plaintiffs seek a judgment from the Court against the City which would order and direct the City to disgorge and refund all water and sewer overcharges to which Plaintiffs and the class are entitled and enjoin the City from overcharging in the future.

The City denies the Plaintiffs' claims and contends that it properly charged and collected water and sewer fees and should prevail in the Lawsuit. The Court has made no rulings concerning the merits of the Lawsuit at this time.

On May 2, 2016, the Court entered an order certifying the Lawsuit as a class action. If you paid the City for water and sewer service at some time after May 15, 2009 you are a member of the class.

For a more detailed statement of the matters involved in the Lawsuit and the rights of the class members, you are referred to papers on file in the Lawsuit which may be inspected during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court for Wayne County, Michigan. You also may review certain of the Lawsuit documents at [www.kickhamhanley.com](http://www.kickhamhanley.com).

Should you have any questions with respect to this Notice you should raise them with your own attorney or direct them to counsel for the Class, **IN WRITING OR BY EMAIL, NOT BY TELEPHONE**, identified as Attorneys for Plaintiff and the Class, below. **DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT OR CLERK OF THE COURT OR ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANT.**

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### CITY OF LIVONIA PLANNING COMMISSION

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 502 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2006, as amended, and Articles XIX and XXIII of Ordinance #543, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, as amended, the City Planning Commission of the City of Livonia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, in the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the following item:

**Petition 2016-09-02-18 submitted by Qing Lim** requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 11.03(u) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to operate a massage establishment (Q Massage) within the multi-tenant commercial/office center (Livonia Plymouth Plaza) at 28795 - 28851 Plymouth Road, located on the south side of Plymouth Road between Harrison Avenue and Middlebelt Road in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 36.

The above-mentioned petition will be on file in the City Planning Commission office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, during the period of five (5) days immediately preceding the said hearing and may be examined by any and all persons during the normal working hours Monday through Friday.

Ian Wilshaw, Chairman  
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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### CITY OF LIVONIA PUBLIC NOTICE

#### AGENDA

#### Zoning Board of Appeals

October 25, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.  
Livonia City Hall - Gallery (5th Floor)  
33000 Civic Center Drive  
Livonia, MI  
(734) 466 2259

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2016-10-74:** MH1 Investments, LLC, 17197 N. Laurel Park Drive, Livonia, MI 48152, seeking to erect a single family dwelling upon property located on the east side of Merriman Court (19624) between Seven Mile and Pembroke, resulting in deficient lot area, lot width and deficient north side yard setback.

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2016-10-75:** Ronald Tetrault, north side of Puritan (30062) between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt, seeking to construct a detached garage while maintaining an attached garage, resulting in excess number of garages, garage area and garage height.

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

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United Way works with community-based organizations to empower people to reach their goals. With a comprehensive approach called Integrated Service Delivery, United Way's Greater Detroit Centers for Working Families (CWF), managed jointly through a partnership with the Detroit Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), and Community Financial Centers (CFC), help clients earn more money, keep more of what they earn, and grow their wealth so they can reach financial security.

Partnering with Comerica Bank, for example, staff at the CFC encourage individuals and families to accomplish goals such as buying a home, improving their saving capabilities, and improving credit scores. Services include one-on-one financial coaching, education, income supports, and assessing tax return opportunities.

*"We believe that everyone deserves the opportunity to live their best lives," explains Herman Gray, president and CEO, United Way for Southeastern Michigan. "Comerica has partnered and invested in United Way and the communities we serve, specifically in our financial stability space, in order to help make that happen. The Comerica commitment to community support is a perfect partnership for the dedication United Way has to ensuring individual success."*

Take Larry Hardy for example. Hardy, a United Way client who has cerebral palsy, worked with Community Financial Center coaches

at the Wayne Metro Community Action Agency to achieve the goal of becoming a proud homeowner.

*"A home purchase is a big goal," says Genevieve Pajulio, an assets building program manager at Wayne Metro who assisted Hardy. "So we offered other types of resources – like having participant meetings and down payment assistance, and if Larry needed additional support, a financial coach was there to address any concerns."*

Since the program began in 2008, nine CWF sites have opened across Greater Detroit, as well as five CFC sites. The CFC sites focus on financial coaching, and investing and saving. Located throughout

*know how challenging it can be to make ends meet. That's why Comerica decided to focus our contribution on United Way for Southeastern Michigan's financial stability work. We know that helping people learn to build a budget and save is a critical step in becoming economically self-sufficient."*

United Way CEO Gray agrees.

*"The hard work of our staff and volunteers – and our clients --- at CWF and CFC is creating real change in the financial outcomes of Michigan families, and it wouldn't be possible without the support of our partners like Comerica Bank,"* he says.



the southeastern Michigan region, CFCs provide free access to financial services in the clients' neighborhood. More than 9,400 individuals have participated in services offered by Greater Detroit CWF and CFC. As a result, nearly 4,500 people have achieved their goals of increasing their net worth, net income, or credit score. Additionally, more than 3,200 people have been placed in jobs. Comerica Bank Michigan Market President Michael Ritchie says he is impressed by the people served by United Way and its partners, and the effort put forth by coaches.

*"The perseverance people have is amazing," he said. "I meet people from across our community and*

To read more about the families whose lives were changed by the Community Financial Centers, please visit <http://www.liveunitedsem.org/stories/entry/i-can-do-this>. You can also learn more about becoming Financially Fit at [LiveUnitedSEM.org/Financially Fit](http://LiveUnitedSEM.org/FinanciallyFit).



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# Teacher pioneered photo program at Stevenson

**Matt Jachman**  
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A longtime teacher at Livonia's Stevenson High School who pioneered the photography program there is being remembered as a devoted husband and father and a mentor and colleague who had a good word for everyone.

Douglas Johnson, who was hired at Stevenson the year after it opened and taught there for 33 years, died at home Oct. 1, three weeks shy of his 74th birthday. He and his wife of 50 years, Mary Lou, had lived in Plymouth Township for about 45 years.

In addition to teaching, Johnson had a career in journalism, from working at the Plymouth Crier fresh out of college in the 1960s to spending decades at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, where he regularly filled in as an editor, reporter and photographer, especially during summertime breaks from school and after he retired from teaching.

Mary Lou Johnson said his program at Stevenson helped spread the idea of teaching photography at the high school level to other schools in Wayne County.

"A lot of teachers at other schools saw he could do it, so they thought they would, too," she said. "He helped them get started."

Johnson taught photography, journalism and English until he retired in 1999. He was also the adviser for the Stevenson school newspaper.

Stevenson graduate Tom Voyles, a photographer at the paper, said Johnson wanted what was then called The Ambassador to be a serious newspaper and gave the staff the latitude to cover serious topics, even if school officials weren't always pleased.

"Doug, I think, was interested in us being a newspaper rather than a gossip rag," Voyles said, recalling one story about an anti-Vietnam War march and rally in Livonia and another on the issue of



Johnson

Michigan State University in 1964 and later earned a master's in secondary education from Eastern Michigan University.

He and his wife were married in January 1966 and had two sons: Tom, who is a biological research chemist, and Mark, who teaches English and drama in Sterling Heights at, coincidentally, Stevenson High School.

Mary Lou Johnson said her husband was a "great dad" who loved spending time with his sons.

"He was forever playing basketball in the driveway," she said. "He would be out in the street hitting tennis balls to them, the kids. Spent a lot of time with them in the pool in the summertime."

Family vacations were important to him, too, family members said. They traveled to Florida's Gulf Coast, to Colorado and other Rocky Mountain states and drove a recreational vehicle up and down the Atlantic coast, they said.

Johnson also liked watching television and reading mystery novels, hanging out in the driveway with a neighbor and gardening. "I remember his beautiful flowers that he used to grow and then bring into the building for the secretaries," Deborah Mato, another Stevenson teacher, wrote in an email.

Mary Lou Johnson said her husband always had a good word for everyone. "If it wasn't humorous, it was kind," she said.

In addition to his wife and sons, Johnson is survived by daughter-in-law Trista Johnson; two grandchildren, Lucas and Claire; and sister Lynda and her husband Tom Herman.

Funeral services were scheduled for Saturday. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made in Johnson's name to the Disabled American Veterans at [www.dav.org/donate](http://www.dav.org/donate).

# Free Etsy class at Schoolcraft teaches crafters how to sell online

**Sharon Dargay**  
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Liz Hall-Knight makes art locally and sells it globally through Etsy.com.

"They are the biggest player in the game. They were the first and they do it the best," she said, describing the e-commerce website. "It's super-easy to get a shop up and running."

The Livonia woman, who turns wood pallets into wall art, will teach other crafters just how easy it is, through a free six-session class that starts this month at Schoolcraft College. Etsy Craft Entrepreneurship is offered by the Small Business Development Center through the Continuing Education and Professional Development Program at the college and uses a curriculum developed by Etsy.

Jodie Beckley, center director, heard about the course while attending a conference last year. She said the classes are designed for those who have handmade or vintage items to sell and need help marketing and establishing their business online.

"Online may seem daunting, but if you work with Etsy, you can use their platform," she said. "On Etsy, you have a global market at your fingertips."

Prospective students must have at least one craft item they can bring to class and ideas for a product line. Crafters who have sold items on Etsy are not eligible for the class. Program applications are available at [surveymonkey.com/r/SBDCEtsy](http://surveymonkey.com/r/SBDCEtsy)

Etsy Craft Entrepreneurship begins Thursday, Oct. 20, and runs through Nov. 17. Students return to class Dec. 15 for a celebration of their new Etsy shops.

"Why I'm sold on this is the actual curriculum is scripted out for the instructor," Beckley said. Hall-Knight, who was recruited by Etsy to teach the class, also plans to share her own experiences as an online seller.

Classes run two hours and cover such topics as pricing,



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Urban Upcyclers, a shop on Etsy.com, sells wall art made from wooden pallets.

shipping, banking online, becoming an entrepreneur, opening an Etsy shop and strategies for growth. One four-hour session will teach crafters how to photograph their merchandise.

"I think there is so much to offer folks and support them," Beckley said, adding that the center also offers business counseling services and classes. "I'll continue to support them and help them grow."

Twelve crafters, with products ranging from fleece hats to sand-blasted river rocks to cement coasters, had applied by Oct. 3 for 20 slots in the fall series. Additional classes will be held during winter and spring sessions.

### Global market

Hall-Knight and her wife Kristen Knight began selling on Etsy just a few months after starting her business in summer 2013.

"We did do a few craft fairs the first year," she said. "We realized the amount of work that goes into them ... picking everything up, driving there, sitting there all day wasn't worth the time. We like the online presence. We've sent things as far as Germany and Australia."

"Its super-easy to get a shop up and running," said Hall-Knight, who spent about a week creating their Urban Upcyclers shop on Etsy. "We had a total crash course in the holiday season. We were bombarded with orders. We really learned a lot and tweaked a few things."

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WAYNE COUNTY

**Livonia Democratic Club**

The LDC monthly members/business meeting is scheduled to be conducted for Wednesday, Oct. 12, at Livonia Quality Inn & Suites. The meeting will be held in the Hospitality Suite (Room No. 124) beginning at 7 p.m. promptly. Light refreshments will be served.

**Talk of peace**

The topic of a department of peace, the success of nonviolence, and the work of the Peace Alliance will be presented at the 7 p.m. Oct. 11 Citizens for Peace meeting at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile. President Colleen Mills will share the history of the movement calling for a place in our government that would focus resources and talent on decreasing violence in our country and our world. Mills will share the latest research on nonviolence as a way to handle conflict. The work of the national organization, the Peace Alliance, will also be highlighted. For more information, call 734-425-0079 or go to [www.citizens4peace.com](http://www.citizens4peace.com).

**Behind the Brush Strokes**

The Gallery at Westland City Hall will host a "Behind the Brush Strokes" featuring Kay Masini's solo exhibit. The exhibit runs through Nov. 30. Hours are Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Westland City Hall is at 36300 Warren Road.

**Scrapbook away**

A scrapbooking event is set for 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at SS. Simon & Jude, 32500 Palmer Road, Westland. Vendors will be available. Snacks, beverages, a light breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served. \$35 for a full day



Brooks Williams and Antke Duvekot will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at Livonia's Trinity House.

and \$20 for a half-day. Contact Karen and Sandy at 734-721-4867.

**Autumn Labyrinth**

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, will offer an Autumn Labyrinth Walk & Gathering from 7-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. The church is on the north side of Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt. Enjoy a quiet, meditative walk from 7-7:20 p.m., followed by refreshments, music and fellowship. Contact 734-427-1414 for more information.

**Howl at the moon**

Halloween goes to the dogs as Canton's Dog Park invites its members and their pets to "Howl at the Moon" from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the off-leash Dog Park on Denton Road, north of Cherry Hill Road. Attendees and their four-legged friends can enjoy fall activities, a dog Halloween costume contest, purchase merchandise and receive free giveaways from local pet supply and service vendors while supplies last. No registration is required for this free event. Dog licensing through the Canton

Township Clerk's Office is required for admission. For more information, contact the Canton Park Office at 734-394-5310.

**Legion craft show**

The Garden City American Legion Auxiliary Unit 396 will host a craft and vendor show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at St. Mel's Church, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. Admission is \$1 to benefit local veterans and families. A baked goods sale and basket raffles will be available. For more information, call 734-756-6109.

**Holiday bazaar**

St. Colette Catholic Church Women's Guild will host a Holiday Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia. The bazaar will feature handmade craft items, baked goods, raffles and lunch during the day. Proceeds benefit local charities. For more information, call 734-464-0476.

**Insects and pollination**

The Garden City Garden Club will host speaker Roger Sutherland who

will talk about how insects help flowers at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City. The free presentation is open to the public. This PowerPoint program gives the viewer a close-up and better understanding of how the flower attracts pollinators and how the pollinator finds and adapts to the flower. Learn what plants you can add to your garden that will encourage pollinators.

**Trinity House music**

Trinity House in Livonia will feature for Brooks Williams and Antke Duvekot at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20. Brooks is ranked in the "Top 100 Guitarists" and has picked alongside Taj Mahal, John Hammond, Paul Jones, Chris Smith, Little Feat, Maria Muldaur, Shawn Colvin and Leo Kottke. For more information, visit [trinityhousetheatre.org](http://trinityhousetheatre.org).

**'Southern Soiree'**

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra presents the annual fundraiser dinner concert "Southern Soiree" Friday, Oct. 21, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets are on sale. The \$75 ticket includes dinner, silent auction with a southern flair and an evening of lighthearted music featuring the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Volodymyr Shesiuk. Visit [www.livoniasymphony.org](http://www.livoniasymphony.org) for more information or to order tickets or call 734-591-0266.

**Coffee with Kurt**

State Rep. Kurt Heise will meet with local residents and business owners to talk about state government on Friday, Oct. 21, during his monthly "Coffee with Kurt." The event is set for 8-9:30 a.m. at Crawford's Kitchen, 542 Starkweather St. in Ply-

mouth. Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office. Residents may call toll free 1-855-REP-KURT or email [KurtHeise@house.mi.gov](mailto:KurtHeise@house.mi.gov) to schedule an appointment.

**Polish dinner dance**

The St. Paul Council of the Knights of Columbus from St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in Redford will sponsor a Polish Dinner Dance from 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23. The event will be held in the Activities Building at St. Robert Bellarmine on the corner of Inkster and West Chicago roads in Redford. Pre-sale tickets are \$20 per person through Oct. 19 and \$25 at the door. The price includes an authentic Polish dinner, dancing with music provided by the Polish Dukes, beer, wine and soft drinks. For tickets, contact Ron at 734-788-2233 or Keith at 313-320-8695.

**Turkey Trot**

Register now for the Livonia Parks and Recreation Department's annual Turkey Trot 5K fun walk/run at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Bicentennial Park (Seven Mile and Wayne Road). Registration takes place at the Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. The \$15 per person fee includes a Turkey

Trot T-shirt, if registered by Oct. 24.

Proceeds and canned food donations will benefit the Livonia Goodfellows, which provides holiday meals for local families. New this year, visit the food truck rally to satisfy your post Turkey Trot appetite. The Kirksey Recreation Center will offer Turkey Trot conditioning. Certified personal trainer Deb Vinitzki will create a customized and adaptive science-based training program for now and for the long run. Contact her at [ptdebbiev@aol.com](mailto:ptdebbiev@aol.com). For more information, call 734-466-2900 or visit [www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us).

**Infant massage**

The Westland Public Library hosts a five-week series of infant massage classes beginning Wednesday, Oct. 12. The series is presented by a certified infant massage educator in cooperation with Starfish Family Services. This is being offered for pre-crawling infants and their caregivers. Expectant parents are welcome to join as well. Parents will learn gentle and loving ways to comfort, relieve gas, deepen sleep and stimulate brain development in their infants. For more information or to register, email [Claire.mueller@westlandlibrary.org](mailto:Claire.mueller@westlandlibrary.org) or call Claire Mueller at 734-326-6123.

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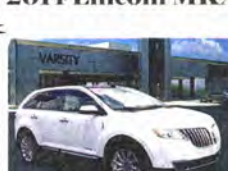
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PREP FOOTBALL

## Jake-of-all-trades helps Patriots down Chargers

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In what may have been his last home game as a Livonia Franklin football player, Jake Giacobbi did everything except sing the national anthem Friday night against Livonia Churchill.

And the way his night was going, Giacobbi probably would have performed it flawlessly if given the chance. Giacobbi registered the equivalent of

an NBA quadruple-double while leading the Patriots to an electrifying 24-17 victory over the Chargers.

The game was critical in both teams' chase to qualify for the state playoffs.

Franklin is now 5-2 overall and 3-1 in the KLA South Division. Churchill slipped to 4-3 and 2-2, respectively.

**The man of the hour**

It seemed like whenever there was a monumental play unfolding in the al-

ways-close encounter, Giacobbi was in the middle of it.

The 5-foot-9, 166-pound senior caught a touchdown pass, threw a touchdown pass (more on this later), booted three extra points and a field goal and intercepted Evan Cummins' last-gasp Hail Mary pass in the end zone as the clock hit zeroes.

"It's pretty hard to explain how I'm



NANCY ERWIN

Franklin senior Jake Giacobbi caught a TD pass, threw for a TD, kicked three extra points and a field goal and had an interception.

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GIRLS GOLF

## Livonia golfers make 'state' ment

Spartans, three individuals headed to East Lansing

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All three of Livonia's public high school girls golf teams will be represented at next week's Division 1 state meets — Stevenson in greater numbers than its two local counterparts.

The Spartans advanced to the D1 state meet, set for Oct. 14-15 at Michigan State University's Forest Akers East Golf Course by placing first in Wednesday's regional hosted by the Dearborn Country Club.

Stevenson actually tied Farmington Hills Mercy atop the leader board, both with a four-player total of 328. However, the Spartans earned the title when their fifth golfer — Rachel Crachiola — edged the Marlins' fifth golfer, 92-98.

"It took a whole team effort today," Stevenson head coach Curtis Hay said.

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*Stevenson was led Wednesday by junior Anna Vento, who carded 3-over 75, which placed her second overall to Mercy's Mia Sooch, who fired 72.*



Pictured (from left) are Sofia Cueva (Franklin), Paige Peterson (Churchill) and Sophia Wygonik (Franklin).

RECREATION RUNNING



Runners are pictured moments after the start of the Heroes on Hines race.

## Heroes On Hines event salutes first responders

Ed Wright  
 hometownlife.com

Throughout the morning of Oct. 1, a stretch of Wayne County's Hines Drive was flooded with strong-legged, kind-hearted law-enforcement officers and supporters, who converged in Plymouth Township (and beyond) for the fourth annual Heroes on Hines Half Marathon and 5K Run.

Funds raised by the ultra-popular event go directly toward the cost of maintaining the First Responders Memorial that is located at the intersection of Hines Drive and Haggerty Road in Plymouth Township.

Engraved on the three-year-old memorial are the names of police, fire and EMS personnel from Wayne County communities who lost their lives in the line of duty.

In addition to the listing of heroes, the memorial — which served as the site of the beginning and end of the long-distance running events — includes seat walls, concrete walkways, a paver plaza, site furnishings and special lighting.

"Heroes on Hines has become one of Wayne County's most popular events and I personally look forward to it each year," Wayne County Parks Director Beverly J. Watts said. "The



See HEROES, Page B4 Michael Lehnis (left) and Ryan Taylor completed the Heroes on Hines half-marathon Oct. 1.

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PREP FOOTBALL

# Stevenson nosed out by Mustangs, 30-24

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Livonia Stevenson's football team played toe-to-toe with Northville throughout the entire first half Friday night, but the Mustangs proved to be too much to handle down the stretch as they picked up a 30-24 victory.

The loss was a dagger to the Spartans' MHSAA state playoffs aspirations as it dropped their record to 3-4 with two games left on the schedule (next

week's game at South Lyon East, followed by a Kensington Conference crossover game).

A quick glance at the stat sheet might give one the impression that the Spartans won. They picked up more first downs than Northville (24-21) and gained more total yards, 415-391.

Senior quarterback Chris Tanderys completed 21-of-30 passes for 200 yards. Tanderys did not throw a touchdown pass for the first time this season and was picked off once.

Both teams were penalized eight times for 60 yards.

Northville jumped in front, 7-0, on a 22-yard TD pass from Jack Burke to Jack Peterson.

Stevenson drew even at 7-7 on a 16-yard scoring run from Parker Vaughn and Philip Vrзовski's extra point.

Northville's Jake Moody and Vrзовski then exchanged field goals to leave the score at 10-10.

A 9-yard keeper by Burke put the

Mustangs ahead, 17-10, before Stevenson drew even again, 17-17, on a 1-yard plunge by Vaughn.

Northville scored the first 13 points of the second half — Burke played a role in both — to grab a 30-17 lead.

Stevenson kept it close with a touchdown in the final two minutes, but couldn't recover the ensuing inside kick.

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PREP FOOTBALL

# Redford Union topples Thurston

Panthers win Supervisor's Cup for first time since '08

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Redford Union's football team jumped on the back of its full-house 'T' Friday night and rode the no-frills offense to its first victory over Redford Thurston since 2008, 22-15.

Now 5-2 overall, the Panthers are just one thin win away from qualifying for the MHSAA state playoffs.

The Eagles had owned the cross-town series over the past seven seasons, when they outscored the Panthers, 318-38.

"Our kids played hard and we hung on by the skin of our teeth," RU head coach Miles Tomasaitis said, referring to a late Thurston drive that penetrated the Panthers' 10-yard line before stalling out.

"I feel good for kids like Marquise Hathaway, who is a four-year starter here who had never really come close to beating Thurston. We knew we had a good core of kids coming back this season (after going 3-6 in 2015) and they really put the work in that it takes to take the next step."

Thurston head coach Bob Snell, whose team slipped to 3-4, tipped his cap to the Panthers' toughness.

"They deserved it; their kids ran hard and they were more physical than we were on both sides of the ball," Snell said.

On a night when the Panthers threw just one pass (37 fewer than Thurston), Isaac Grant was the main man, churning out 168 yards on 10 carries.

Mr. Paydirt for RU was Thornton Cain, who finished three of his six carries in the end zone to account for all of the winners' points.

Hathaway added 33 tough yards on 10 hauls.

Belittled by injuries, the Eagles were limited to 97 yards rushing. Darryius King, normally a receiver, led the way with 56 yards and a TD.

Thurston junior quarterback Zack Crofford had a hard time adjusting to RU's pressure, which comes from all different angles.

The strong-armed Crofford completed just 10-of-38 passes for 174 yards and one touchdown — a 4-yard strike to Nathan Hayes.

Thurston ran more plays than RU (70-43) and gained more yards than their hosts (271-231), but that is small consolation for the Eagles.

Tomasaitis said the entire culture of the football program is moving in a positive direction.

"We had a big crowd and it was loud and excited," he said. "We still have some things to work on; we're not quite there yet. Our backs need



Redford Union football players hold the traveling trophy that goes to the winner of each season's RU-Thurston football game.

TOM BEAUDOIN

*"Our kids played hard and we hung on by the skin of our teeth. ... We knew we had a good core of kids coming back this season and they really put the work in that it takes to take the next step."*

MILES TOMASAITIS  
RU head coach

to block better for one another and carry out there fakes a little better, but I like the progress we're making."

Tomasaitis commended the fortitude displayed by two-way lineman Derion Gould, who played a super game despite knowing that his uncle is hospitalized in serious condition.

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Isaac Grant looks to make a move on Thurston's Keion Harris.

TOM BEAUDOIN

## PATRIOTS

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feeling right now," Giacobbi said, a few moments after the Patriots' post-game huddle. "It's my senior year, we're playing our rivals, it could be my last home game. ... I mean, it's pretty unbelievable."

The play of the night — and probably the Patriots' season — unfolded with one second left in the first half, Franklin trailing 14-10 and the Patriots in possession of the ball at the Churchill 29.

The Patriots initially lined up as if Giacobbi — who had boomed a 42-yard field goal earlier in the game — was going to try a 47-yarder, which would have been a school record, he said.

An instant before the snap, Churchill called timeout and dropped two players deep — just in case the Patriots had something tricky up its sleeve.

It turns out they did.

The snap went directly to Giacobbi, who rolled slightly to his left before heaving a rainbow spiral toward fellow senior Ke-mauri Heard, who outleaped the two Chargers defenders for the ball in the end zone to give the hosts a 17-14 halftime lead.

"We kind of just drew that play up on the sidelines," Giacobbi said, smiling. "I wanted to make sure I got some air under it so Ke-mauri had time to run to the end zone. He did a great job of box-



Franklin's Ke-mauri Heard secures a Hail Mary pass from Jake Giacobbi on the last play of the first half Friday night.

NANCY ERWIN

ing out those two defensive backs." "Unbelievable play," Franklin head coach Chris Kelbert said. "Before they

called the timeout, we were going to kick it. Those are the kinds of plays you have to make to win games like this."

Churchill put last week's 51-7 setback to Canton in the rear-view mirror on its first drive when it mounted a 10-play, 76-yard statement that was capped by Jamal Allen's 4-yard TD run.

Junior Katherine Ristola then added the first of her three extra points to put the Chargers ahead, 7-0.

Franklin answered swiftly, knotting the game at 7-7 on a 29-yard touchdown pass from Jacob Clark to Giacobbi, who found a seam down the middle of the Churchill secondary.

Franklin regained the lead, 10-7, on Giacobbi's 42-yard field goal that capped a 10-play, six-minute drive.

The Chargers countered and regained the lead, 14-10, with a little razzle-dazzle.

Cummins rolled left after securing the shotgun snap before pitching the ball to Martell Dooley on what appeared to be a reverse. However, Dooley pulled up and lofted a pass to a wide-open Logan Freier, who squeezed the ball in the corner of the end zone.

Ristola's 24-yard field goal on the first Churchill possession of the third quarter made it 17-17 and set the stage for the game-winning drive for the Patriots.

Starting on their own 34 with 7:17 remaining in the game, the Patriots ground out a nine-play drive that ended in the end zone on Clark's 17-yard keeper.

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PREP CROSS COUNTRY

# Spartan harriers running strong

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Livonia Stevenson's girls cross country team has enjoyed a run of solid performances over the past couple of weeks.

On Sept. 30, the Spartans placed fifth at the Waterford Mott Invitational, which was held at Hess Hathaway Park in Waterford.

Two of the Spartans' top three finishers were freshmen: 11th-place Cassie McDougall, who covered the course in 20 minutes and 44.2 seconds; and 24th-place Kayla Senczysyn, who registered a personal-record time of 21:39.4.

Sandwiched in between the two ninth-graders was junior Emily Lauzon, who placed 15th in 20:55.4.

Also scoring for the Spartans were sophomore Gracie Droz, who placed 28th in 21:47.0; and Abigail Zwicker, who was 44th in 22:55.7. Sophomore Erin Fitzgerald also ran well for Stevenson, crossing the finish line in 23:45.5.

On Sept. 24 at Cass Benton, the Spartans won the Catholic Central Invitational after scoring just 25 points.

In a KLAA Central dual meet late last month, Stevenson was edged by Novi, 25-30.

Lauzon paced the Spartans with a time of 20:25.00. She was followed across the line by Droz (21:21.05), Julia Cercone (21:37.55), Senczysyn (22:18.00) and Zwicker (22:48).

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TOM BEAUDOIN

Stevenson's cross country team jump out to a quick start during its meet against Northville earlier this week.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY



TOM BEAUDOIN

Franklin's Emily Esker is pictured during a meet earlier this fall.

## Churchill girls outrun Franklin

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Livonia Churchill's girls cross country team improved to 4-0 in the KLAA South Division thanks to an 18-44 victory Tuesday over Livonia Franklin, which is now 3-1.

"Churchill has a very good team this year," Franklin head coach Dave Bjorklund said. "Their seniors are running some of the best races I have seen them do over their four years."

"That being said, we did not run very well today. We really should have been able to make this meet closer than it was. But we are a very young team overall and are going to have our ups and downs. We will get back to work and be ready for our next race."

Franklin was led by Erin Seibert, who placed third in 20 minutes, 38.5 seconds.

Also scoring for the Patriots were Hailey Kutrukis (eighth, 21:43.1), Camryn Zurawski (ninth, 21:51.5), Ashley deGuise (11th, 22:35.5) and Emily Esker (12th, 22:59.8).

Non-scorers for Franklin were Hannah Turner (13th, 23:12.2) and Angie Hall (14th, 23:15.9).

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GIRLS GOLF

## Blazers qualify for D4 state meet

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For the third consecutive year, Livonia Ladywood will be finishing its season at the mecca for Michigan girls golf team: Forest Akers West Golf Course in East Lansing.

The Blazers shot a four-player score of 341 and qualified for the Division 4 state meet by placing second at their MHSAA regional tournament held Wednesday at Heather Hills Golf Course in Romeo.

Senior Jordyn Rioux continued to excel in her final season of prep golf as she placed second overall with a score of 77. Lydia Cranmer was also solid for the Blazers, carding a top 10 score of 80.



Ladywood's golf team earned a spot in the Division 4 state meet.

Gabriella Scopone (88) and sophomore Evelyn Kruger (96) also scored for the Blazers.

The 36-hole state meet will run Friday and Saturday in East Lansing.

BOYS SOCCER

## Lutheran Westland buries Thurston, 8-0

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Lutheran Westland's boys soccer team stepped up a division Thursday, when it welcomed Redford Thurston to its pitch for a non-conference showdown.

The Warriors proved they can play with pretty much anybody as they upended the Eagles, 8-0, in a game that was halted in the second half by the eight-goal mercy rule.

Executing their patented quick, tactical movement of the ball, the Warriors struck early when senior Kyle Downey ripped a shot into the back of the net from the top of the penalty box.

The Warriors' maintained the momentum thanks to strong play in goal by freshman Ryan Webb and a goal from Kyle Farley that extended their lead to 2-0.

Midfielder Devin Nimer was solid in the middle third of the pitch, locking down any Thurston counterattacks.

LW led 6-0 at the half thanks to goals from Drake Snyder, Downey, Jake Kuhn and Farley (all seniors).



BRIAN DOWNEY

Lutheran Westland's Seth Lambart and Kyle Downey chase down a loose ball Thursday afternoon.

Closing out the scoring for the Warriors (9-1-2) were Seth Lambart and

Collin McLaughlin.

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BOYS SOCCER

## Spartans cage Lions, 3-0

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Livonia Stevenson's boys soccer team subdued host South Lyon, 3-0, in a KLAA Central Division match-up Thursday night.

The result improved the Spartans' record to 7-3-5 overall and 4-2-4 in the division.

The Lions tumbled to 6-8-1 and 1-8-1, respectively.

Stevenson roared to a 2-0 halftime lead on goals from Conrad Kean, who was assisted by Lukas Richters, and Lucas Rea, who drained a penalty kick.

Andrew Vrzovski added a super-insurance goal in the 44th minutes when he finished a pass delivered by

Rea.

Dylan Jesmore rerouted the only shot that came his way.

On Friday, Stevenson won the Livonia city championship when it upended Churchill, 3-1. Stevenson had beaten Franklin earlier in the season.

Lukas Richters (from Justin Schultz), Schultz (from Noah Cook) and Christian Zapata (from Ryan Cox) gave the hosts a 3-0 halftime lead.

Joel Sankey scored Churchill's only goal in the 78th minute.

Stevenson, which outshot Churchill 12-6, improved to 8-3-5 while the Chargers slipped to 9-5-1.

The Spartans will take on Franklin on Monday at 7 p.m. in a KLAA Kensington Conference cross-over game.



TOM BEAUDOIN

Stevenson's Zak Merchant defends a South Lyon East player during a match earlier this fall.

GOLF

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Stevenson was led Wednesday by junior Anna Vento, who carded 3-over 75, which placed her second overall to Mercy's Mia Sooch, who fired 72.

Also scoring for Stevenson were Kristen Szabelski (78), Megan Gronau (86) and Madi Maurier (89). All four Spartans placed in the top 10 at the 42-player regional.

Grosse Pointe South was the third team from the region to qualify for the state meet after shooting 359.

Individual qualifiers

Although Franklin and Churchill failed to qualify for the state meet as a team (only the three lowest-scoring teams in each region move on), they will have individual representatives in East Lansing next week. Franklin's Sofia Cueva shot 86 to punch a ticket to the state meet, along with teammate Sophia Wygonik, who shot 92.

Churchill's lone qualifier was Paige Peterson, who shot 91.

Also scoring for the Patriots were Brenna Campau and Olivia Napier, both of whom shot 97. Stephanie Cueva came



Pictured are (from left) coach Curtis Hay, Rachel Crachiola, Kristen Szabelski, Anna Vento, Madi Maurier and Megan Gronau.

in with 102.

In addition to Peterson, Churchill's scorers were Macey Reese (98), Jennifer Rousseau (99), Ashley Harlock (99) and Kelsie Nowicki (99).

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THE WEEK AHEAD

**HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**  
**Friday, Oct. 14**  
John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Crestwood, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at S.L. East, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Plymouth, 7 p.m.  
Wayne at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Annapolis at RU, 7 p.m.  
Romulus at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Robichaud at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
**PREP VOLLEYBALL**  
**Monday, Oct. 10**  
Thurston at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Oct. 11**  
Wayne at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Dearborn, 7 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Robichaud, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at Salem, 6:30 p.m.  
Franklin at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.  
Annapolis at RU, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Fordson, 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 12**  
Ladywood at Divine Child, 6:30 p.m.  
Cabini at Ladywood, 6 p.m.  
**Thursday, Oct. 13**  
Garden City at Belleville, 6 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Thurston, 7 p.m.

Fordson at RU, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Oct. 15**  
Beast of the East Invite, 8:30 a.m.  
U of M Dearborn Invite, 9 a.m.  
Birmingham Groves Invite, TBA  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
**Monday, Oct. 10**  
Fordson at Garden City, 6 p.m.  
Romulus at Clarenceville, 5 p.m.  
RU at Thurston, 6 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 11**  
Parkway at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Oct. 12**  
Ferndale at Thurston, 5:30 p.m.  
Garden City at Lincoln, 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Oct. 13**  
Dearborn at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Franklin Rd. at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
**CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 11**  
Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.  
Garden City at Dearborn, 4 p.m.  
South Lyon at Stevenson, 5 p.m.  
Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.  
Wayne at Churchill, 4:25 p.m.  
**Friday, Oct. 14**  
Livonia City Meet at Cass Benton  
HVL at Canton Prep, 4:30 p.m.

PREP CROSS COUNTRY

# Chargers stampede Patriots, 15-44

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Livonia Churchill's boys cross country team captured the top five places on the way to posting a 15-44 victory over Livonia Franklin on Tuesday afternoon at Cass Benton park in Northville.

Josh Mussen fueled the Chargers' victory by crossing the finish line first in 17 minutes and 17.9 seconds. Completing the top-five sweep for the winners were Tyler Opdycke (second in 17:19.5), Dash Dobar (third in 17:54.7), Trevor Kornaga (fourth in 17:56.9) and Eric Pensari (fifth in 17:57.4).

Franklin's top finisher was Russell Russnell, who placed sixth in 17:59.9.

Patriot Logan Evanchuk was seventh in 18:13. Also scoring for Franklin were Jackson Nordbeck (ninth in 18:25) and Joe Nichol (10th in 18:35).

On Saturday, Franklin placed 13th at the Coaching Legends Classic.

Evanchuk led the Patriots with a 49th-place showing in 17:26. He was followed by Russnell (59th in 17:36), Nichol (70th in 17:47), Nordbeck (71st in 17:48) and Trevor Doyle (92nd in 18:21).

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Franklin's cross country team is pictured during the start of a race.

TOM BEAUDOIN

## HEROES

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memorial and the annual Heroes on Hines races are powerful remembrances to the brave men and women who lost their lives while serving as first responders in a Wayne County community."

Last year's Heroes on Hines Half Marathon and 5K Run raised \$6,000 for the First Responders Memorial. Past improvements to the memorial included a video security system, landscaping and new American, Wayne County and state of Michigan flags.

A robust contingent of runners participated in this year's races: 285 in the 5K and 225 in the half-marathon, which stretches 13.1 miles.

The 5K winners were Nathan Sutrick, who finished in 20 minutes, 54 seconds; and Sarah Baumgart, who covered the 3.1 miles in 25:33.

Todd Connor won the men's half-marathon in 1:23.33, while Megan Blaszk earned gold in 1:39.03.

Local law enforcement and fire departments' pride was reflected in their participation in two special competitions: the battle for the Community Spirit Award, which was presented to

*"Heroes on Hines has become one of Wayne County's most popular events and I personally look forward to it each year,"*

BEVERLY J. WATTS  
Wayne County Parks director

the teams with the greatest number of members who register and finish the two events; and the Wayne County Cup, which is presented to the team that has the fastest cumulative time in the half-marathons (the four fastest runners are counted).

The Detroit Police Department placed first in the Community Spirit Division, followed by the Wayne/Westland Fire Department and Canton Public Safety and Northville Police, which tied for third.

The Selfridge Air National Guard Base Fire Department captured the Wayne County Cup for the third consecutive year.

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Todd Connor crosses the finish line to win the men's half-marathon.

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## RELIGION CALENDAR

### OCTOBER AGLOW INTERNATIONAL

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10

**Location:** Open Arms Church, 33015 W. Seven Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Praise, worship and ministry with guest speaker Galena Conatser, assistant pastor at Lighthouse International in Livonia

**Contact:** 248-471-5282

### ANNIVERSARY

**Time/Date:** 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9

**Location:** Villa St. Felix-Presentation Convent, 26800 Schoolcraft, Livonia

**Details:** The Felician Sisters celebrate 80 years of ministry in Livonia with an open house, tours of the convent, video presentation, refreshments and a Mass at 4 p.m.

**Contact:** 734-591-1730

### BREAKFAST

**Time/Date:** 8:30 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Oct. 16

**Location:** St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** French toast, pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, sausage, applesauce, coffee, tea, milk, and juice; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children, 2-10

### CONCERT

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15

**Location:** The Birmingham Temple, 28611 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Location:** Dave Bennett and his jazz trio perform

**Contact:** 248-788-9338 or 248-661-1348; vivaceseries.org

### HEARTS AND HANDS SUNDAY

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 30

**Location:** Salem UCC, 33424 Oakland Ave., Farmington

**Details:** The fifth Sunday of the month is dedicated to mission and outreach projects. The project for October is a shoe box filled with pancake and muffin mixes for Neighborhood House community families. A potluck brunch will be held during the outreach project

**Contact:** 248-474-6880

### PARADE OF PARTIES

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22

**Location:** Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Shop in-home vendors and local crafters. Lunch available. Prize drawings. Admission \$1

**Contact:** Laura Goodman at 313-937-2233

### ROSARY RALLY

**Time/Date:** Noon, Saturday, Oct. 15

**Location:** Madonna University, located at Levan and Schoolcraft, Livonia

**Details:** The Rev. Gary Michalik will lead the Rosary

**Contact:** 734-432-9744

### RUMMAGE SALE

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14

**Location:** First Farmington United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River Ave., at Warner, Farmington

**Details:** \$7 bag day on Thursday, \$4 bag day on Friday. Jewelry and oversized items are priced separately

**Contact:** 248-474-6573

### RUMMAGE SALE

**Time/Date:** 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11

**Location:** Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Clothes, books, toys, crafts, collectibles, DVDs, shoes, tools, furniture

**Contact:** 248-476-8860

### TRUNK OR TREAT

**Time/Date:** 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23

**Location:** Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** Costumed kids, accompanied by their parents, trick or treat in the parking lot at the church. Event includes snacks and bounce house

**Contact:** 734-425-7280

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### CONCERTS

**Time/Date:** 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23

**Location:** Afternoon show at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church Street, Plymouth; evening show at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham

**Details:** Detroit Lutheran Singers show, An American Sampler, with works by Aaron Copeland, Dave Brubeck, and more. Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$10 for seniors and students, 12 and over. Buy tickets at the door or online

**Contact:** detroit.lutheransingers.com

### CRAFT SHOW

**Time/Date:** Noon-6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15

**Location:** White Lake Presbyterian Church, 4805 Highland Road, Highland

**Details:** Crafts and baked goods for sale

**Contact:** 248-887-4654

### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

**Time/Date:** 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 22

**Location:** Visitation North Spirituality Center, 7227 Lahser, Bloomfield Hills

**Details:** Joni Scott, director of religious education at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Detroit, will present "Martin Luther King Jr.: I Have Decided to Stick with Love." Participants will learn about the life journey that led King to become a "voice for the voiceless." Suggested donation is \$25

**Contact:** 248-433-0950; visitationnorth@ihmsisters.org

### MOVING WITH THE SPIRIT

**Time/Date:** 10:30-11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 12-Nov. 30

**Location:** St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Centering exercises, breathing prayers, gentle movement, and guided imagery. Wear comfortable clothes. Cost is \$40 for eight weeks. Registration and payment due Oct. 12

**Contact:** 734-422-1470, ext. 17; christianeducator@ppc.org

### PUMPKIN PAINTING

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Oct. 15

**Location:** Crossroads Church, in the lower level at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Free pumpkin painting, crafts, cider and doughnuts for all ages. Email or call to reserve a pumpkin

**Contact:** 734-338-5149; info@crossroadsnow.org

### RUMMAGE SALE

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14

**Location:** First Farmington United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River Ave., at Warner, Farmington

**Details:** \$7 bag day on Thursday, \$4 bag day on Friday. Jewelry and oversized items are priced separately

**Contact:** 248-474-6573

### WORKSHOP

**Time/Date:** 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29

**Location:** Visitation North Spirituality Center, 7227 Lahser, Bloomfield Hills

**Details:** Sister Mary Ellen Sheehan will facilitate "Conscience, Discernment, and Church Teaching." Participants will explore the meaning and practice of conscience and pastoral discernment and dissent in relationship to Church teaching. Registration deadline is Oct. 26. Suggested donation is \$25

**Contact:** 248-433-0950; visitationnorth@ihmsisters.org

### ONGOING

#### CLASSES/STUDY CONGREGATION BETH AHM

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Wednesday

**Location:** 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

**Details:** "Drop In & Learn," which runs year-round, features lectures on DVD on Jewish history, culture, philosophy, and related topics, followed by brief informal discussion. No charge, no reservations required

**Contact:** Nancy Kaplan at 248-737-1931; nancylen879@att.net

#### OUR LADY OF LORETTO

**Time/Date:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

**Location:** Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township

**Details:** Scripture study

**Contact:** 313-534-9000

#### ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursday, through May

**Location:** 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** Gary Michuta, author and Catholic apologist, leads a study of Isaiah. Bring your own Bible

**Contact:** 734-261-1455, ext 200 or on line at www.livonia-st-michael.org

#### FAITH COMMUNITY WESLEYAN

**Time/Date:** 4-5 p.m. every Saturday

**Location:** 14560 Merriman, Livonia

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

**Contact:** pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

#### ST. INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday

**Location:** 23300 W. Chicago Road, Redford Township

**Details:** An informal and ongoing study of the Orthodox faith and life. RSVP to Subdeacon

Joshua Genig at joshua.genig@gmail.com or 630-936-6386

**Contact:** facebook.com/stinno-cenredford

### EXERCISE CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

**Location:** 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia

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

**Contact:** 313-408-3364

### FOOD SALVATION ARMY

**Time/Date:** 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

**Location:** 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Free meal

**Contact:** 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

### ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 10-11 a.m. second Saturday of the month

**Location:** 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

**Details:** Food pantry assists nutritional needs of the needy

**Contact:** 734-421-8451; standrewsepiscopalchurchlivonia.org

### HEALING SERVICE THE ANTIQHOIAN ORTHODOX BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

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

**Location:** 18100 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.

**Contact:** Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbsm.com

### MOMS

#### CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May

**Location:** 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

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

#### DUNNING PARK BIBLE CHAPEL

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays

**Location:** 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

**Details:** MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.

**Contact:** Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

#### PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Sunday

**Location:** Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

**Details:** All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.

**Contact:** 313-563-0162

### PRAYER

#### ST. EDITH CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

**Location:** Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

**Details:** Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows

**Contact:** Parish office at 734-464-1223

#### ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

**Location:** 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

**Details:** Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.

**Contact:** 734-459-3333 for additional information

### RECYCLING RISEN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Time/Date:** 1-4 p.m. third Saturday of the month

**Location:** 46250 Ann Arbor Road, between Sheldon and Beck roads, Plymouth

**Details:** Recycle your cell phones, laser cartridges, inkjet cartridges, laptops, iPods, iPads, tablets, eReaders on the third Saturday of each month. Use the doors on east side of church.

**Contact:** Lynn Hapman at 734-466-9023

### SINGLES DETROIT WORLD OUTREACH

**Time/Date:** 4-6 p.m. Sunday

**Location:** 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

**Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those

who are divorced or separated.

**Contact:** The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org

### STEVE'S FAMILY RESTAURANT

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

**Location:** 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.

**Contact:** 313-534-0399

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**Contact:** 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

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**Location:** 3855 Sheldon, Canton

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**Contact:** Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

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**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday

**Location:** 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

**Details:** Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems

**Contact:** 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

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**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August

**Location:** 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills

**Details:** Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group

**Contact:** 248-433-1011

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

**Location:** 2055 Merriman, Garden City

**Details:** Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations

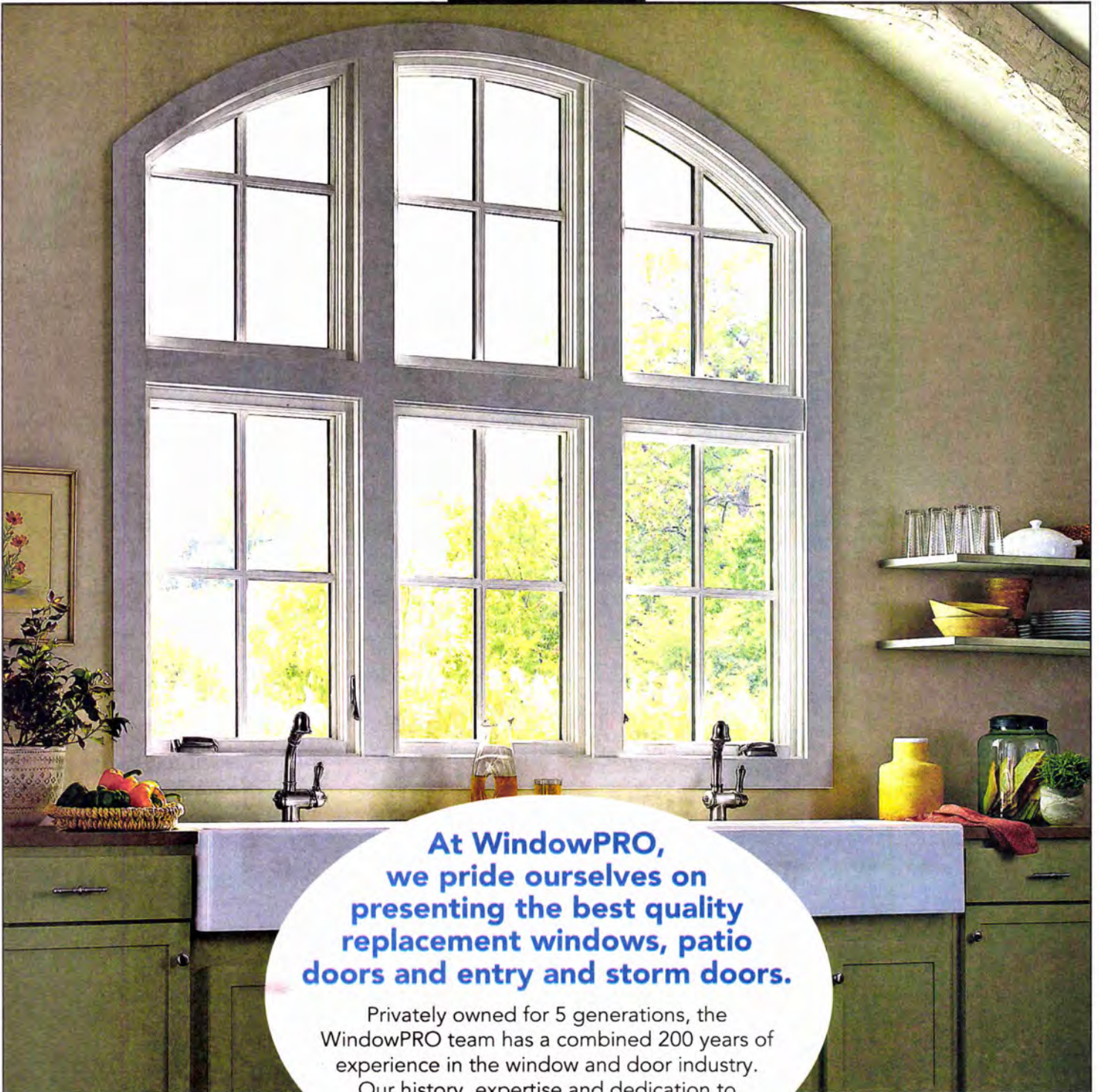
**Contact:** www.metrofibromyalgia-supportgroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

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**Time/Date:** 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

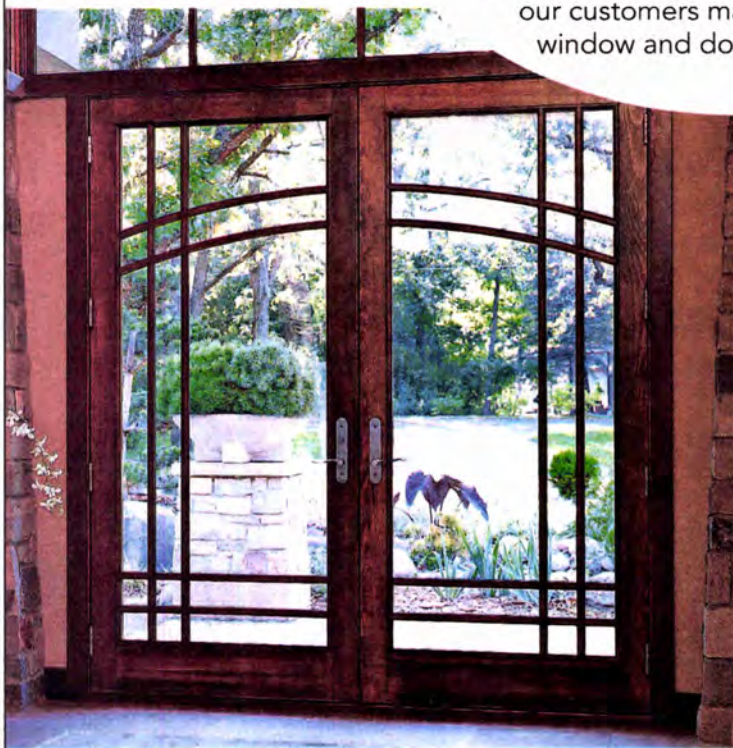
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## Find easy ways to be happier at work

BY MATT TARPEY  
 CAREERBUILDER

While everyone complains about his or her job now and then, being perpetually unhappy at work is no laughing matter. Work takes up a significant portion of most people's days, so being able to stay in a good mood during that time is important.

To that end, here are five easy tips to help you stay happier at work.

**Plan your day.** Setting realistic, achievable daily goals is a great way to not only take charge of your own life and career path, but it can give you a satisfying sense of achievement each day.

Laura MacLeod, creator of the From the Inside Out Project, which aids communication between co-workers, says to ask yourself, "What tasks and/or projects am I expected to finish today?" Knowing what you need to do and in what timeframe gives you structure and allows you to plan your day appropriately. Happiness is connected to security — structure provides that."

**Take breaks.** One of the most effective ways to enhance your mood throughout the day is also the simplest — take a break and physically



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distance yourself from your work and any stress connected to it.

"Get away from your desk to have lunch or take a walk outside," says Cara Maksimov, therapist and coach at Maximize Wellness Counseling & Coaching. "Do something creative or fun during your break. Perhaps take (a) 20-minute bike ride, play a game or call a friend. Take time to recharge."

Mikaela Kiner, executive coach and founder of uniquelyHR, a human resources consulting firm for start-ups, agrees that taking breaks can

improve your mood. "As adults, we can only concentrate well for about 30 minutes," she says. "Get a cup of coffee, something to eat, or walk around the block. It's not a waste of time; you'll actually be more productive."

**Own your space.** If you work in an office, the very design and layout of your workspace might be bringing down your mood. Take some time to personalize your space with items that will help foster your creativity and motivate you.

"You spend so much time

at work that it helps to make your space your own," says Monique Honaman, founding partner of leadership training company ISHR Group. "Hang artwork, add meaningful photos, bring in plants — essentially anything that makes your space comfortable for you."

**Set boundaries.** Having a lot of projects to work on isn't always a bad thing, especially if you like what you do, but be sure not to take on more work than you can handle. Remember that it's OK to say no or ask for help if you're getting

overwhelmed with requests.

"Be realistic. If there's too much on your plate or deadlines are unreasonable, say so. After all, you're only human and there are only 24 hours in the day," Kiner says.

**Build relationships.** One of the biggest factors that plays into long-term happiness at work is the relationships you have with the people you work with. Spending eight hours a day surrounded by strangers is much less fun than spending eight hours a day with friends, or even just friendly acquaintances.

"Make an effort to build strong relationships," says Juli Smith, president of The Smith Consulting Group. "If you don't know the people that you work with that well, ask someone out to lunch and get to know them on a personal level. You don't have to be best friends, but 'breaking bread' with someone can give you a more three-dimensional view of them and vice versa."

Or, as Kiner puts it, "Work is just more fun when you have someone you can brainstorm with, vent to and confide in."

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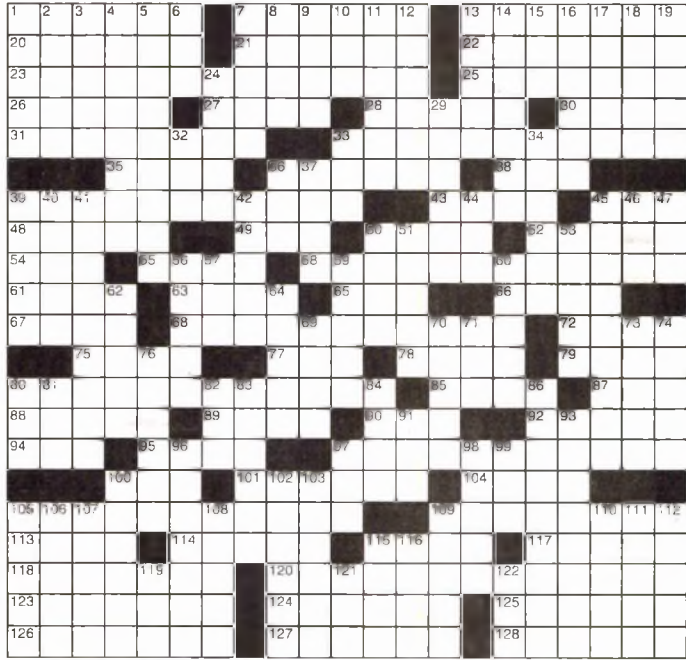
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  - 7 Clock or watch datum, in Spanish
  - 13 Larynx sites
  - 20 Eye component
  - 21 Reach, as a goal
  - 22 Accessory for Minnie Mouse
  - 23 Parasite infecting big crowds?
  - 25 Steel mill input
  - 26 "Get faster" on mus scores
  - 27 First-rate
  - 28 Excavated
  - 30 Halo, for one
  - 31 "Such gall!"
  - 33 Baseball tool used to tap in a golf ball?
  - 35 "Zip—Doc-Dah!"
  - 36 Hepthlete Jackie —Kersey
  - 38 Hydrocarbon suffix
  - 39 Starring role as a malicious character?
  - 43 Atoms with charges
  - 45 "Send help!"
  - 48 Snake like —
  - 49 Staff for Sosa
  - 50 Tough puff
  - 52 Early arcade giant
  - 54 Ruhr article
  - 55 Classic dog name
  - 58 Noises made by U-boat control switches?
  - 61 Hydroxyl compound
  - 63 Martinez of baseball
  - 65 Hockey legend Bobby
  - 66 Green Giant bagful
  - 67 Manner org.
  - 68 Notice displayed in neon?
  - 72 Skateboard park feature
  - 75 Positions
  - 77 Jun or señor ender
  - 78 "Dang!"
  - 79 Sour, blackish fruit
  - 80 Dessert-wine allotment?
  - 85 Aide for Frankenstein
  - 87 Vex
  - 88 Sum up
  - 89 "That should come — surprise"
  - 90 Air hero
  - 92 Playground comeback
  - 94 Wrath
  - 95 Outline sharply
  - 97 First step in making a razor sharpener?
  - 100 Stitch (up)
  - 101 Lost intensity
  - 104 Links target
  - 105 Hair favored by a husband?
  - 109 #1 hit for Shirley Ellis, with "The"
  - 113 Hub for Air France
  - 114 "Cabaret" director Bob
  - 115 Demonstrate
  - 117 Play hard —
  - 118 Contradict
  - 120 Inability to tolerate?
  - 123 Serene
  - 124 Big Brother creator
  - 125 Grub hub?
  - 126 One cuddling
  - 127 "I Need a Gin" rapper
  - 128 Dutch beer brand
  - 1 Actor Willis
  - 4 Baja tourist city
  - 5 Rected readily
  - 6 — Paulo, Brazil
  - 7 Resort lake
  - 8 "Blame" — Rio?
  - 9 To be, to Camus
  - 10 Really ried
  - 11 Simple Simon met one
  - 12 At the locale itself
  - 13 Burglar
  - 14 Clay layer under soil
  - 15 — do Oro
  - 16 Fancified
  - 17 More or less
  - 18 Joe of baseball
  - 19 Curse
  - 24 Top picks, informally
  - 29 Money-back, maybe
  - 32 Arbiter
  - 33 "Cheerio!"
  - 34 Perilous
  - 36 Triangular sail
  - 37 Of the ears
  - 39 Burdened
  - 40 Justice Kagan
  - 41 Of rockets, missiles, etc.
  - 42 Plug point
  - 44 Missions for the CIA, say
  - 45 City on San Francisco Bay
  - 46 Moon, e.g.
  - 47 Certain sb
  - 50 Maiden
  - 51 Bitter-tasting
  - 53 Nicholas I and II, for two
  - 56 "— Easy" (1977 hit)
  - 57 502, in old Rome
  - 59 For dieters, in ads
  - 60 Decide that you will
  - 62 First lady after Hillary
  - 64 Smelly bulb
  - 69 Other, in Madrid
  - 70 Actress Pam
  - 71 Witchy type
  - 73 Lamebrain
  - 74 Kind of black to a Brit
  - 76 Plains homes
  - 80 — Lanka additive
  - 81 "She's the one"
  - 82 Sch staff
  - 83 Skeptics' interjections
  - 84 Indulge lully
  - 86 Competitive shooting group
  - 91 Lout of a guy
  - 93 Nannies
  - 96 Scared "Batman" villain
  - 97 Revered Fr. nun, maybe
  - 98 Softens up
  - 99 — pah
  - 100 Evil computer system in "The Terminator"
  - 102 Miter wearer
  - 103 Scared, in dialect
  - 105 Lara of "60 Minutes"
  - 106 Talk formally
  - 107 Curfews
  - 108 Vestibule
  - 109 — zone (restricted airspace)
  - 110 Tip of a shoelace
  - 111 39.37 inches, to a Brit
  - 112 Car fuel additive
  - 115 Sown bit
  - 116 Adhere (to)
  - 119 "My Gal" (1942 film)
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  - 122 Brewed drink



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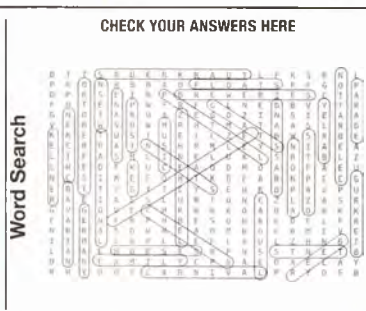
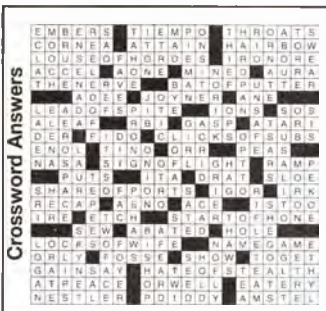
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# Car Report

## FOR PENSKE AUTOMOTIVE GROUP AND JAGUAR LAND ROVER, NEW JOINT DEALERSHIPS ARE BRANDS' WAY FORWARD



By Dale Buss

For Jaguar Land Rover, prototype new U.S. dealerships combining both brands may create some synergies that exceed the impact they would have if the brands were kept apart as they have been traditionally.

The new Jaguar of Darien and Land Rover of Darien dual-branded facility in Connecticut is owned and operated by Michigan's Penske Automotive Group, the influential auto-dealership organization that is known for doing things right.

"When you talk about separation for luxury brands, it's more about getting that separation from volume brands," Joachim "Joe" Eberhardt, president and CEO of Jaguar Land Rover North America, told me.

"The brands actually complement each other quite nicely, and while they are both luxury brands, they appeal to a different target audience. Land Rover addresses capabilities, and Jaguar is more performance- and design-led."

Penske agreed. The chairman of Bloomfield Hills-based Penske Automotive Group told me. "From a retailer perspective, the combination of the two brands is something we asked for over the last few years. They saw the benefit of bringing them together because when you have scale as a retailer you can make investments in the back of the house. Now the 'kitchen' and parts and service is under one roof."

The sibling luxury brands, owned by India's Tata Group, are now undergoing a renaissance that never took place under previous British ownership and under Ford. With a massive push to rev up U.S. performance this year, Jaguar sales were up 26 percent year to date in America through August, while Land Rover brand vehicle sales were up 15 percent in the period, after having been the fastest-growing luxury brand in the US in 2015.

Jaguar Land Rover's 36,000-square-foot new facility in Connecticut is rendered in a new global design language that the company calls ARCH, which is distinguished by a modern gray rectangular facade, clean and simple lines, and dedicated Jaguar and Land Rover showrooms on the left and right respectively.

The Darien location now features

a 10-car showroom, a 25-bay service and detailing workshop and a drive-through service-reception area that offers in-lane service diagnostics. There's even a Jaguar Land Rover boutique that showcases the latest accessories, wheels and merchandise for fans of both brands.

Eberhardt and Penske — the legendary entrepreneur whose accolades include a half-century in American racing — told me that the distinguishing characteristic of the new family of dealerships will be the customer experience.

"Ultimately the facility is only the canvas and the blueprint for the retailer to do what they do best, and that's to take care of the customer in selling and servicing vehicles," said Eberhardt. "It's essential that we continue to attract the best [retailer] partners. And the combination of consistent facilities with good product is what will differentiate us."

The Connecticut store is Penske's fourth Jaguar Land Rover retail center in the U.S., while it also owns seven Jaguar and 12 Land Rover dealerships in the U.K. Jaguar Land Rover expects to complete the bulk of its ARCH



Inside the prototype Jaguar Land Rover dealership.

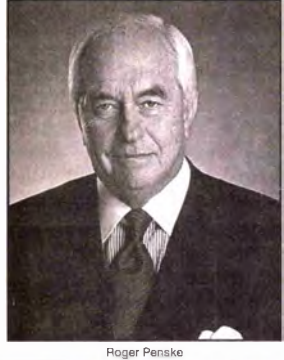
retail showroom remodeling in the US by 2021, with a total investment by Penske Automotive Group and other owners of about \$1.5 billion.

Eberhardt said that Jaguar Land Rover "started down the road of combining [the brands] two to three years ago. The move to new design guidelines certainly is an impetus for us to bring them together in a more significant way. We're about 60 to 70 percent there on our way to combining the brands completely, and we'll be finished in the next five to six years."

Of course, every luxury automotive brand and retailer worth its salt is touting the value of its "customer experience" these days. What will set Jaguar Land Rover apart?

"It comes down to the human capital," Penske said. "It's the people. We need to match our people to the quality of the facility and that's one thing we're trying to do across our whole network. It's not easy, but today, working in the auto business, people are starting to find out it's a great vocation. We're able to attract a lot of young people with the technology and [attract] product specialists."

Eberhardt added that "being respectful of customers' time and understanding their needs and requirements is crucial. Being reliable and a respectful partner to customers. Meaning, 'Let me know when my car is ready, get it right the first time, and give me a transparent explanation of the charges and make my life convenient.'"



Roger Penske

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a hearing will be held by the City of Garden City Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135. At the hearing all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard on the following agenda item:

1. Parking Lot Construction - 5662 Gilman Avenue. The applicant is proposing to develop a vacant lot to expand the existing parking lot and is seeking variances on the following Zoning Ordinance Vehicular Parking District (VP) standards:
  - a. Section 154.022(A)(19) to permit setback between a parking area and a residentially zoned district to be less than ten feet.
  - b. Section 154.022(A)(10) to permit a front yard setback along Gilman Avenue that does not comply with the 30' front yard setback requirement.

Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting and should be addressed to the Building Department of 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the application and site plan may be examined at City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135 during regular office hours until the date of the hearing. Published: October 9, 2016 Garden City Observer

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT Environmental Stewardship Division Notice of Drainage Board Meeting for the Determination of Practicability (in accordance with P.A. 40 of 1956, as amended, M.C.L. 280.107) SUMP INTERCOUNTY DRAIN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a petition dated September 2016 was filed with Jim Nash, Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner, requesting maintenance and improvement of a drain known and designated as the Sump Intercounty Drain to alleviate drainage issues in the drainage district.

Whereas, the Drainage District for the Sump Intercounty Drain includes lands within the following municipalities: Lyon Charter Township, Oakland County; Salem Township, Washtenaw County; Northville Charter Township, Wayne County; and Whereas, a certified copy of said petition was served upon Evan Pratt, Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner, Kenneth Kucel, Wayne County Drain Commissioner, and Jamie Clover Adams, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development by Jim Nash, Oakland County Water Resources

#### Special Notices

Commissioner, in accordance with the Michigan Drain Code, P.A. 40 of 1956, as amended, a meeting of the Sump Intercounty Drain Drainage Board will be held on October 19, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. at Lyon Charter Township, 58000 Grand River, New Hudson, Michigan in the County of Oakland, to determine the practicability of said improvement.

All persons owning lands liable to an assessment for benefits, or whose lands will be crossed by said drain, or any municipality affected, are requested to be present at said meeting, if they so desire.

Public comment will be received at the meeting. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain/Water Resources Commissioner in the county which they reside or the number noted below (voice) at least one week in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance. If anyone wishes to submit written comments prior to the date of the meeting, or has any questions regarding this notice, they may contact the following County Drain/Water Resources Commissioners' offices:

Jim Nash, Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner 705 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 734-222-6860

Evan Pratt, Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner 705 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 734-222-6860

Kenneth Kucel, Wayne County Drain Commissioner 401 Monroe Street, Suite 400, Detroit, MI 48226 313-224-2620

Jamie Clover Adams, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, 2000 E. Lansing, Michigan, September 29, 2016

Dr. Michael R. Gering, Deputy for the Director P.O. Box 30017 Lansing, MI 48909 517-384-3624

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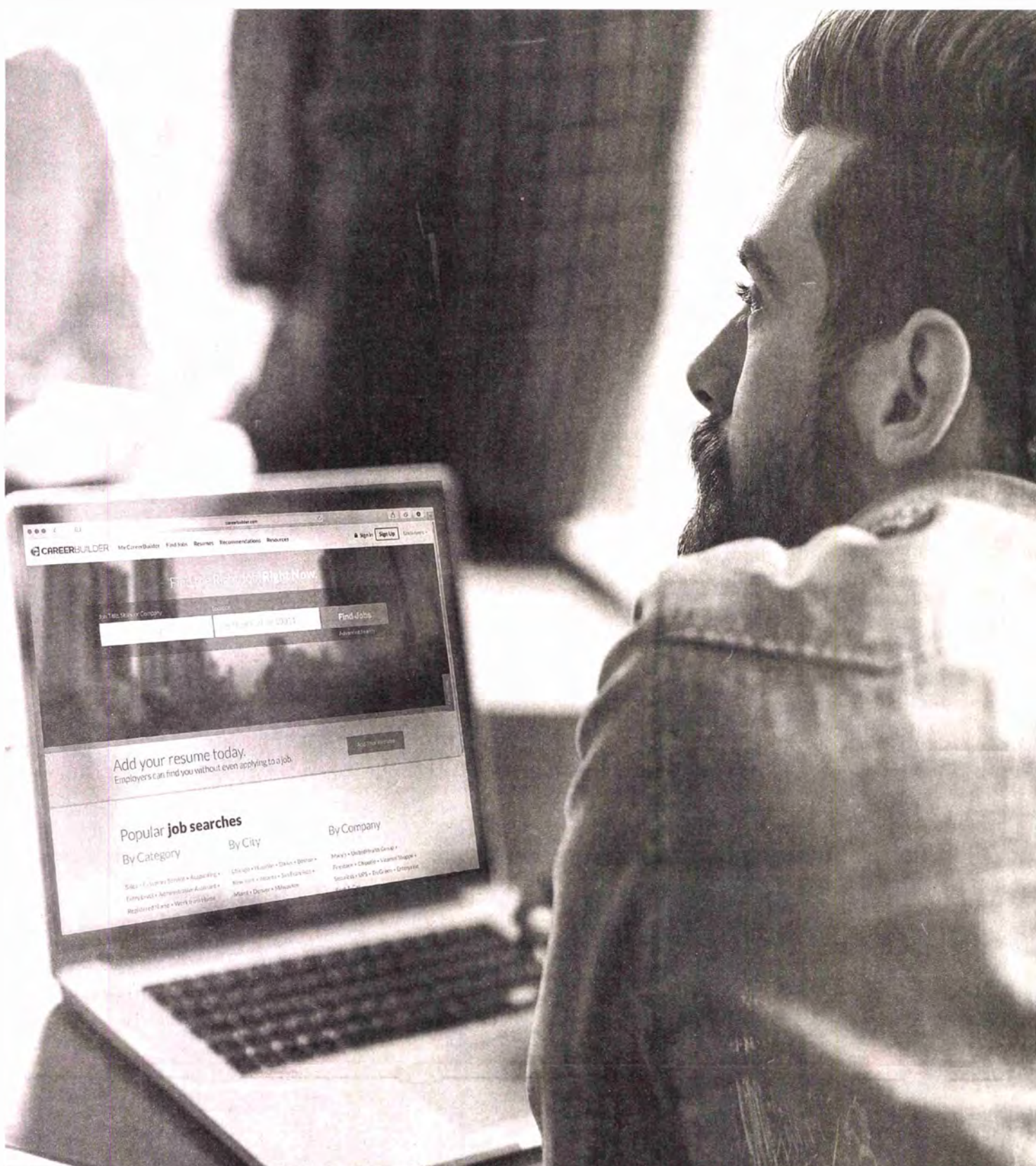
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