



### **Holiday lights**

The Plymouth Downtown Development **Authority and Plymouth** Salvation Army Corps will host a Main Street boulevard tree lighting and Salvation Army Red Kettle kickoff at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, in Kellogg Park.

Last year's event featured great weather and about 500 people turned out for the event. Like last year, Panera Bread has offered to supply free coffee and hot chocolate to those who attend. The Plymouth Downtown **Development Authority** will have the Salvation Army band play music and the PCCS choir singing holiday songs.

The Salvation Army will once again hand out a gift to the first 100 people who attend, and there will be short speeches by DDA Board Chairman Phil Pursell and Major Dan Hull of the Salvation Army before the switch is flipped to turn on the new LED lights on the boulevard trees.

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## Township residents ask for fire department plan

**By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer** 

With just over two months until the city of Plymouth leaves the Plymouth Community Fire Department, Plymouth Township officials have not spelled out how they plan to manage a department with a smaller coverage area and about three-quarters of its current revenue.

"We don't have the final plans at this time," Supervisor Richard Reaume said during Tuesday's

Board of Trustees meeting. But officials continue to seek partners among neighboring communities for firefighting and emergency medical services, and the city's planned departure from the joint department has been well-publicized, Reaume said.

Reaume was responding to concerns from township resident Tom Kelly, a leader of the Citizens Action Group of Plymouth Township, which advocates maintaining current fire department staffing.

"Are we only going to get two weeks' notice?" said Kelly, a fire-fighter in Royal Oak.

Tax hike proposed

Kelly asked the board to put to voters a proposal for a 1-mill tax to help fund the fire department. If approved, a 1-mill tax would generate about \$1 million a year; the township's budget proposal for the next fiscal year shows a cut in the PCFD budget of about \$927,000, money, officials say, that will be lost when Plymouth

leaves the department.

Plymouth is partnering with the city of Northville for fire department services beginning in January, and expanding the role of Huron Valley Ambulance for emergency medical response. Northville relies on part-time, on-call firefighters rather than full-time unionized personnel, and Plymouth officials estimate savings, after startup costs, of \$400,000 a year or more.

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#### **Online forums**

Both the Plymouth and Canton chambers of commerce have provided information from candidates running for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education.

Answers to questions posed by the Canton Chamber of Commerce can be found at www. cantonchamber.com/ pccsquestions.php.

Answers to questions posed by the **Plymouth Community** Chamber of Commerce can be found at www plymouthmich.org/ chamber/2011-schoolboard-candidates-online-torum.ntml.

For more information, call the Canton chamber at (734) 453-4040 or the Plymouth chamber at (734) 453-1540.

### **Clothing drive**

As part of his Eagle Scout project, Boy Scout Jacob Croop, along with Troop 781, is collecting adult-sized clothing and shoes to give to the PBJ outreach charity at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth Township. Donors can drop items off at Showroom of Elegance, 6018 N. Canton Center, Canton.

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By Brad Kadrich **DETAILS Observer Staff Writer** 

Pamela (Laura Siever) try to stop the mayhem.

In a play where the

characters spend a lot

of time going over the

junior Laura Siever is

top, Canton High School

hoping she can rein hers

in a little when the Park

Players take to the Can-

ton Little Theater stage

Friday for their winter

Siever, a 16-year-old

from Canton, plays the

sophisticated Pamela in

the play and, while Siev-

er likes the idea of playing Pamela's wild side a

of the character has her

worried about toning it

"She's very sophisti-

cated, but she's also very

down just a bit.

little, the motherly nature

the Fairway.

production of The Fox on

What: Park Players' production of "Fox on the Fairway'

Henry Bingham (Brandon Waldenmayer) isn't happy with Justin Hicks (Thomas Fafalios), who just broke a

priceless vase. Justin also has to finish the hole or lose \$200,000. Louise Hindbetter (Kaiti Szczepanik) and

Teeing up the laughs

When: Oct. 28-29, Nov. 3-5; all shows 7 p.m. Where: Canton Little Theater, Canton High School

Tickets: All seats \$10

sultry," Siever said of Pamela, her first role since transferring from South Lyon. "Everything in this show is over the top, but (Pamela) can't be over the top in all of her scenes. She's also one of the motherly characters."

The play, written by Ken Ludwig, portrays the season-ending golf tour-

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PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A tipsy Pamela (Laura Siever) asks an equally tipsy Henry Bingham (Brandon Waldenmayer) for a golf lesson. He has no tee, and claims that "I focus better, blindfolded."

## Board OKs new fire station roof, liquor license

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth Township's Fire Station No. 3 will be getting a new roof and related improvements, at a cost of at least \$37,200.

Low bidder Roof One of Pontiac was awarded the contract Tuesday by a 4-0 vote of the township Board of Trustees. The project includes new shingles, an ice guard, ventilation improvements and other work.

The next-lowest bid, from D.A. Home Improvement, was more than \$10,000 higher. Roof One's price, however, doesn't include any plywood that might need to be replaced once the

old shingles come up. The project is expected to be completed before the end of the year. Station No. 3 is on Beck Road at North Territorial.

Voting to award the contract were Supervisor Richard Reaume, Clerk Joe Bridgman and Trustees Mike Kelly and Kay Arnold. Treasurer Ron Edwards and Trustees Steve Mann and Bob Doroshewitz were absent.

The board also voted 4-0 to approve a liquor license request that would allow the Trade Vine Market, a convenience store in the township, to sell packaged alcohol.

The request now goes to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, which has the final

Trade Vine is planned for an approximately 1,200-squarefoot storefront on Ann Arbor Trail about four blocks east of Haggerty. Store manager Mike Morogi was present at Tuesday's meeting.

The township board has scheduled a special meeting for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, to discuss the township's 2012 budget, Bridgman said.

A general-fund budget for 2012 of about \$12.29 million has been proposed, and the township is required to have a new spending plan in place by the end of the year.

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Jeep Cherokee had been

locked, but police found

no signs of forced entry.

Signs vandalized

Two neighborhood

announcement boards

were reportedly vandal-

ized Friday or Saturday

in the Deer Creek subdi-

vision on the township's

One sign was at Buck

Run and Deer Creek

Run, the other at Hunt-

ers Creek Drive and Deer

The plastic coverings

were taken off each of the

signs and the letters rear-

ranged, according to the

homeowners association.

Someone used black

paint on an exterior mir-

MKS while the car sat in

the driveway of a house

on Primrose Court, west

of Sheldon and north of

Joy Road, on Saturday or

• The door of a garage

on McClumpha Road was

spray-painted recent-

ly; the vandalism was

reported on Sunday. A

detail what was sprayed

- By Matt Jachman

police report did not

on the door.

ror on a 2009 Lincoln

west side.

Creek Circle.

Vandalism

the victim told police.

The victim said the

### Neighborhood

#### hit with three larcenies

Northern Avenue, in the area of South Main north of Joy Road in Plymouth Township, was the scene of two larcenies last week, and a third took place two streets away, according to township police reports.

At one house on Northern, a pair of glasses and business cards were stolen from a Chevrolet Tahoe parked outside, police said. The theft occurred between about 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Oct. 18, a police report said.

There were no signs of forced entry, and the victim told police the Tahoe had likely been left unlocked.

In addition, the light bulbs had been removed from outdoor lighting fixtures at about the same time, the victim said.

At another house, a 6foot witch decoration was reported stolen from the front porch, police said. That theft occurred between about 7 p.m. on Oct. 17 and 2 p.m. the next day, the victim told police.

Also, on nearby Ball Street, two streets east of Northern, a briefcase was reported stolen Oct. 18 from a vehicle parked in a driveway.

That theft occurred

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Kelly argued that, with the decline in residential taxable values in the township since 2007, a 1-mill tax increase would still mean lower property taxes than four years ago. The current township tax is about 4 mills, or \$4 for every \$1,000 in taxable value.

"We could maintain our service and still be paying less tax dollars than we were in 2007," Kelly said.

Kelly also pointed to the signatures, gathered by the Citizens Action Group, on petitions that called for a vote on a special assessment to support the fire department.

#### **Public input**

"We had the 3,500 signature saying, 'We want to keep the same level of services we had," he said. Although the summer drive fell short of get-

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ting a special assessment question on the ballot, citizens group members are continuing the effort. The petition signatures must represent the owners of at least 10 percent of the property in the proposed district — which would be made up of the entire township — in order to get a proposal on the ballot.

Other residents said Tuesday they wanted time to review any new fire department operational model before it's implemented.

Jennifer Mann, the wife of a PCFD firefighter and an active citizens group member, said the comment was made at a March 22 board meeting that there would be public hearings on the changes. "I think you owe it to

the public to stand by that comment," Mann said.

Reaume later said he's "not sure what was promised by any individual," but that public hearings are a possibility. Minutes from the March 22 meeting don't include such a comment; Mann said it was captured on a video recording of the meeting.

#### **Exploring options**

Reaume said township officials continue to look at options for the fire department. He said talks with neighboring communities are ongoing, but wouldn't specify which communities.

'Nothing may come of this, and then we'd have to decide what we're going to do on our own," Reaume said. In the past, the township has had discussions regarding fire service with officials in Livonia and Canton and

Northville townships.

The PCFD currently has 21 firefighters, plus an inspector, a secretary and Chief Mark Wendel. In 2002, the department had 32 total employees, 27 of them firefighters.

Township officials have discussed the possibility of layoffs in the department, plus moving away from 24-hour shifts, and have taken steps to hire parttime, on-call firefighters.

Kelly said a board decision to put a tax question on the ballot would allow it to limit the tax to 1 mill, rather than capping it at 10 mills, which, some argue, would be a drawback of a special assessment district.

"Take the bull by the horns," Kelly said after the meeting. "That'll lock it in."

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nament between rival country clubs, Quail Valley and Crouchy Squirrel. Quail Valley's Henry Bingham, believing he's employed a ringer, bets heavily on the outcome, only to find out his ringer has defected.

Director Paul Bird chose Fox largely because he's a fan of Ludwig's handling of comedic dialogue. Bird likes Lud-

wig's style, which he said is reminiscent of farces from the 1930s and 1940s.

"I was looking at (Ludwig's) other shows and came across this, and since I liked his other stuff, I just thought we'd try this," Bird said. "It's been a real treasure. We've had a lot of fun with it."

Bird and another Park Players director, Johnathan Rase, started auditions for their respective productions (Rase is directing the upcoming

production of MacBeth) at about the same time. With 6,000 students at the high school park, finding enough actors to fill both plays was no problem (Fox only uses six actors).

"Because we were looking for completely different things, we didn't have to fight over the actors," Bird said. "We each got exactly what we wanted."

Despite getting the cast he wanted, Bird worried a little about perhaps his biggest challenge: Getting teenagers to accurately portray older char-

"You have to get them to realize these characters are in their mid-40s," Bird said. "It's easier to

(a \$29 value)

play younger than older, because kids don't have the life experiences."

One of the half-dozen actors chosen for Fox was Salem High School senior Brandon Waldenmayer, a veteran Park Player performer who was in Bus Stop last year. Waldenmayer plays Bingham in this production. He said he enjoyed playing the older man.

"Henry is very neurotic, way over the top," said Waldenmayer. "Keeping that level of energy and craziness the entire show is a challenge, but I love it."

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## Citizen panel interviews school board candidates

The Observer selected a fivemember panel of readers to interview candidates for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education election Nov. 8.

The panel operated independently of the Observer editorial staff, interviewing the candidates in person, attending candidate forums, researching the issues and deliberating the choices.

The idea is to give readers an additional opinion separate from

the Observer's, one formed by readers like themselves.

Sitting on the panel were Bob Burger, Kary Amin, Eric Brown, Ryan Hayes and Carol Pastrick. The panelists, who represent a wide cross-section of voters, were chosen from among several impressive candidates who learned about the program from stories in the

Following is their endorsement for Plymouth-Canton's Board of Education.



Ryan Hayes, Carol Pastrick, Eric Brown, Kary Amin and Bob Burger made up the Observer reader panel.

## Reader panel recommends six candidates in school board race

In September, the Observer selected five community members to participate on the Observer Reader Election Endorsement Panel. Our mission was to evaluate the candidates for the **PCCS Board of Education** and make recommendations/endorsements to the electorate on the best candidates for the avail-

able school board seats. The panel's endorsements are based on a consensus and are completely independent of the newspaper. The evaluation strategy involved the completion of a background questionnaire and an interview with each candidate which lasted approximately 40 minutes. (However, it should be noted that we were not able to contact Clifton Nealey for an interview).

As a panel, we have had many discussions on how to best advise the community on the candidates of choice. With 14 candidates running for four positions, this seemed to be a daunting task. However, we have decided to



Goecke

recommend six candidates for the four openings.

The reason for this decision is we felt more than four candidates will bring strong qualifications, experience and ideas to the PCCS Board of Education. Additionally, we preferred to endorse a pool of candidates that we feel will represent the community well, as opposed to recommending only four candidates for the available positions. This will allow the voting community to have more choices when making the decision on who is best to serve on the board themselves.

Here are the Observer Reader Election Endorsement Panel's recommendations

• Sheila Paton will



Sneideman



tive to the school board and her background will allow her to be able to address the increasingly complex fiscal and budget challenges facing our district head-on. With a proven track record as a volunteer in a variety of district groups and committees, this reinforces her commitment to the kids of PCCS district.

• Stephanie Goecke has also served our community and district in a variety of volunteer positions. She scored high marks from our panel due to her obvious passion and enthusiasm for the kids in our district. As an attorney, we believe she can help address the more complicated district challenges and will be very active in the interview process-



es and procedures established for hiring our next permanent superinten-

Horvath

Goecke has a straightforward approach for addressing the financial matters and that is to live within the means of the budget.

• Steve Sneideman is running as an incumbent candidate. Throughout the recent turmoil on the board, Sneideman maintained his composure and acted in a professional manner. We believe that the hard lessons learned on the board have helped strengthen his resolve to ensure that the Board act in the best interests of PCCS as a whole. His experience on the board will allow him to "hit the ground running" if elected to serve again.

Nancy Eggenberg-

er is another incumbent seeking re-election. With her vast knowledge of how the district runs, combined with her wide network of community members and organizations, she is an asset worth having around. Her proven dedication, experience, and familiarity with the district's administration are reasons enough to re-elect her to the school board.

• John Barrett has an unparalleled knowledge of public school education with over 40 years of experience as a teacher, curriculum coordinator and administrator. Most recently, Barrett was the principal of award-winning Farmington High School. His focus is on academic excellence, and he understands the necessity for accountability and fiscal responsibility. He will bring an insider's perspective to the PCCS school board.

 Mark Horvath brings ready-made experience to the board based on his previous stint as a school board member and president. He has a wealth of board experience and is very vocal with regard to the board's need for transparency, which some believe has been lacking over the past year or so.

Horvath's emphasis is on budgetary concerns, which we believe will help ensure that the board be proactive in addressing fiscal responsibility. Horvath is outspoken and he will also ensure that there will be no status quo on the board. Worth noting, unlike the other five candidates endorsed by this panel, Horvath was not a unanimous choice among the group.

As a panel, we are proud of the high quality of men and women from the Plymouth-Canton community who have committed to run for the PCCS Board of Education. We are indeed lucky to have so many that are interested in dedicating themselves, as volunteers, to such a vitally

important task. Please get out and vote.





preview the final five.

What are the three biggest issues facing Plymouth-Canton

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There has been a great deal of dissension on the school board over the last year or so. What will you do to heal the division?

What quality will you bring to the board that will help the district going forward?

The current board came within one vote of closing an elementary school this year. Does the district need to take a look at its facility usage, and how would you go about it?

One of the biggest decisions to face the new board will be the selection of a new superintendent. What qualities do you think the board should be looking for?



Name: Sheila Paton Hometown: Plymouth Family: Husband, Brian; daughter,

age 13 and son age 11 – both are students at West Middle School
Education: B.S. in Business with a Major in Finance, Miami (Ohio) University; MBA in Finance, Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Occupation: Senior Financial Analyst, University of Michigan Health System - Ann Arbor and Livonia locations.
Community Involvement: Cochair and co-founder, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Legislative Action Network; Volunteer in Public Schools Award Recipient; Michigan PTA Child Advocacy Committee Member; Trustee. PCCS Educational Excel-

The top three issues within our district are (1) student achievement, which includes increased academic choice for all students at all levels; (2) safety and stability within the district to place the primary focus on the students and their achievement; and (3) stabilization of the budget so that planning within the district can be proactive rather

than reactive.

I commit to working with all board members and vow to be honest and open in my communications. I expect that we will disagree on occasion and hope that we can have discussions surrounding those disagreements and find middle ground whenever possible. I have developed good working relationships with the current board members through my work on behalf of the District and in committee meetings.

My heavy recent involvement in the district would allow me to be effective immediately. I have a strong understanding of the budget and appreciate the serious situation of our financial position. I actively monitor

legislative bills affecting education and seek to understand how each piece of legislation could impact our district, financially or otherwise. I have a track record of working well with others to reach common ground. My primary focus is our students and what we can do to ensure each one of them is successful. We need to evaluate the facilities. Some buildings are over capacity while some have a significant amount of space available. Plante Moran recently presented to the School Board a program in which they would analyze a range of options, incorporating input from the board and the community, and propose solutions based on the facts. It appears fair, unbiased and well worth the funds to free up valuable administration time.

I believe we need to hire someone who works well with others, is collaborative and forward-thinking. It would be helpful if he/she had experience in developing and expanding academic program-ming that is taking place in our surroundings districts, such as International Baccalaureate or Language Immersion programs. The candidate needs to be prepared and willing to strongly advocate for our district in Lansing and with our legislators. We need a candidate who is financially astute and has shown that they can be creative when it comes to balancing a budget.



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Name:
John Jackson
Hometown:
Canton
Family:
Wife, Jean;
two children
Education:

B.S. B.A. (Business Administration), Central Michigan University

Occupation: Career Development Consultant
Community Involvement:
P- CCS Board of Education,
2007-present; P-C Music Boosters, 1999 – 2007; Team Canton
Re-employment Workshops;
Adopt-A-Road Canton; Hamlet Villa Owners Association

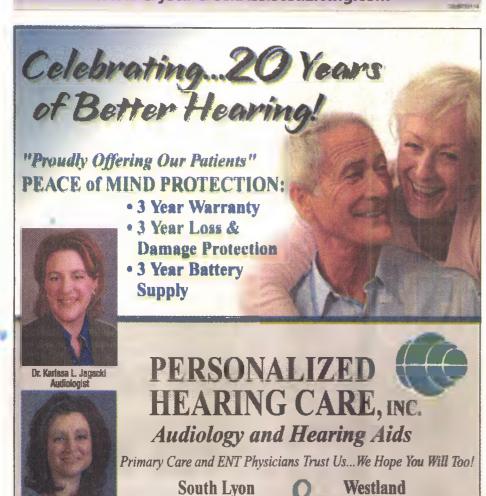
We must develop action plans to position the district for stability, success and even growth through strong programs focused on the expressed needs of the community and meeting required academic standards. We must focus on a diligent budget process that considers at least the subsequent two budget years. To accomplish this, we need to maintain a positive, collaborative relationship with our employee groups to meet the financial challenges imposed upon the district by the State funding model

The key to healing the division is focusing on agreed upon goals for the board, superintendent, district and committees. These are being re-instated under by board leadership. The board agreed on high level goals on May 10th, the Superintendents goals, through the first half of the year, are approved and the Board gave the superintendent approval for beginning to implement the strategic (Dynamic Plan). With clear goals and expectations focused on student success it will be much easier to agree and move forward with collaborative actions.

I bring a thoughtful approach to decision-making based on analysis of pertinent data and a concern for impact on people. Most of all, I will keep in the forefront, how any decision impacts the students in the classroom. Absolutely. In October, the current Board will consider a proposal to approve a detailed study of district facilities, student growth/decline projections and a number of other factors. It should also provide information that may support offering additional specialized learning opportunities and expanding the District's course offerings. The proposed study would be conducted by a trusted business partner with a strong successful track record.

Some of the qualities I think the board should look for include a person who responds and relates well to people in all positions; is seen as a team player; establishes clear directions; sets stretch goals and assigns responsibilities that bring out the best work from people; communicates a compelling and inspired vision or sense of core purpose; inspires and motivates the entire organization; is widely trusted; presents truthful information in an appropriate and helpful manner; keeps confidences; admits mistakes; tactfully dispenses direct and actionable feedback; is open and direct with others without being intimidating.



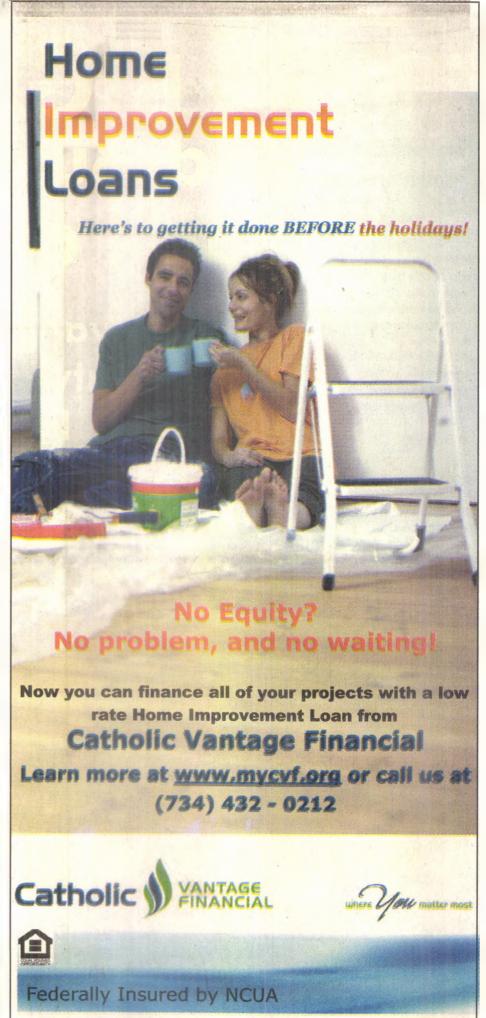


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Fourteen candidates seek four open seats in the Nov. 8 Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Election. Today we preview the final five.

What are the three biggest issues facing Plymouth-Canton Schools?

There has been a great deal of dissension on the school board over the last year or so. What will you do to heal the division?

What quality will you bring to the board that will help the district going forward?

The current board came within one vote of closing an elementary school this year. Does the district need to take a look at its facility usage, and how would you go about it?

One of the biggest decisions to face the new board will be the selection of a new superintendent. What qualities do you think the board should be looking for?



Name: Clifton Nealey Home-town: Canton Family: Wife, Susan, sons Chase, 11, and Alex. 10.

Education: Associate degree in law enforcement; closing in on a bachelors degree in law enforcement.

Occupation: I have worked for the Wayne County Sheriffs Department nearly 18 years. Community involvement: I have coached youth sports now in the PCCS district for eight years.

First and most concerning

issue | have is the current cuts in school funding is forcing districts to make severe cuts to their budget. These as far away from the students as possible. I am concerned about the current legislation being introduced that will destroy public education. For example, unlimited charter schools, privatization of the teachers, parents being able to vote to make their schools a charter school that is for profit leaving the students behind. Legislation that will allow districts to hire more administrative personnel that are to do evaluations of teachers. These evaluators will triple administration in districts pay-

I think the dissension is due to them having personal agendas or owing favors to other politicians. The board members should be working with the communities to help educate them more on issues. I guess be more involved.

I will bring to the board a willingness not to be one sided on issues.

Yes, it needs to take a huge look at the facility issues. My boys attended Fiegel which was scheduled for closing. My boys are bussed 6.5 miles to get to Fiegel when there are two other elementary schools with in two miles of my home. Not only is this a financial mishap it could be a burden on the district, the way the schools are staffed. The boundaries need to be changed to assist with the economics.

I think the district should be in search of a superintendent who has tremendous people skills, strong communication skills. That person should have knowledge of curriculum and experience with all levels of teaching (i.e) elementary and secondary and even special education.



Name:
John Barrett
Hometown:
Plymouth
Family:
Wife, two
daughters
Education:

Bachelor's, master's and PhD in education Occupation: Retired educator, current Plymouth City

Commissioner
Community Involvement:
I spent considerable time
last summer as a volunteer
member of the PCCS Dynamic
Planning Committee.

The top priority issue facing Plymouth-Canton Schools is academic excellence – the focus on student achievement. School practices should have a laser beam orientation on high standards, a rigorous curriculum, and quality teachers. The second priority issue is budgeting and finance. My third priority would be to create a unified team of school board members and school

officials

ing them six figures.

If elected, I would use my considerable experience as a team player (both as a high school principal and as a city commissioner) to help advocate openness and democratic processes in all board activities with an emphasis on team decision-making and consensus. Having the entire team attend training workshops will be a positive step in the right direction.

I spent over 40 years in public education and the last two years as a city commissioner. The skills, therefore, that I would bring to the board are: a clear vision of how to create effective schools, program innovation skills, experience with long-range fiscal planning and, most important, the ability to work with others to create an effective team.

In order to best educate kids, we need to provide them with high quality teachers and schools that have a laser beam orientation on high standards and a rigorous curriculum. We also need to provide a safe and secure environment so that kids can focus on learning and not be distracted by bullying or harassment. Creating a positive learning environment and having high expectations are the keys to any student's success.

The board should be looking for a number of qualities. These include the ability to develop a collaborative relationship with the board; the ability to articulate a clear vision for educating students; the ability to communicate with clarity and specificity; being highly visible and open to all members of the community. The superintendent should also have extensive experience in working with a large and diverse school district.



Name:
Nancy Eggenberger
Hometown:
Canton
Family:
Married
with three
children

(two graduates of PCCS and one current senior)

Education: B.A. in Elementary Education from Alma College. M.A. in Guidance and Counseling from Eastern Michigan University
Occupation: PCCS School

Board Trustee

Community Involvement:
former President of PCCS
Community School Council,
Co-Chair of two Bond Election
campaigns.

The three biggest issues facing PCCS are balancing the budget while also maintaining educational excellence for all of our diverse student populations, hiring and retaining a new superintendent and redistricting and repopulating our schools.

I think we need to create Board Operating Procedures (BOP) with complete board agreement. An understanding of our roles and responsibilities will create an atmosphere where everyone will be able to work together. I am very interested and willing to work with the board to create the BOP.

I will always take the time to listen to all sides before making a decision. I also believe that my background in education is helpful when making a decision. The district is looking at contracting with Plante Moran to examine our redistricting options. I will be supporting this plan. I think it will be helpful to have an outside agency perform the initial work on the redistricting along with involvement of the community.

I think it is important to have a superintendent who is willing to look at innovative ideas, not only in ways that maximize the educational experience of our students, but also those that reduce costs and increase district revenues. I have also realized from this past years' experience that someone who is able to navigate the political climate of the community and the board will have a better chance at being successful.





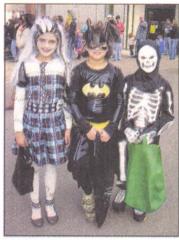
Downtown streets were closed from noon to 4 p.m. to make it a safe event for children. Local businesses gave out treats to hundreds of costumed kids and their parents.

## Pumpkin Palooza debut 'definitely a success'

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

With warm, sunny weather and an estimated turnout of more than 1,000 — and that's only counting children — downtown Plymouth's inaugural Pumpkin Palooza is being called a success.

The Tooth Fairy — a.k.a. Ricky Styes — a teacher at Plymouth Canton Educational Park, brought his wife, Maggie and



All dressed up and ready to hit the candy stations are Alyssa Lollo (from left), 9, dressed as Frankie Stein of Monster High; Olivia Nasso, 9, as Batgirl; and Frankie Lollo, 7, a skeleton.

"Definitely a success, especially for a first-time event like that," said Nancy Ball, owner of Hands On Leather on Forest, who helped run the event. "I thought the kids had a lot of fun, and we did get shoppers, so it was great."

Ball helped with the Palooza's pumpkin bowling event, in which children used smallish pumpkins, with the stems cut off, to knock down "pins." Meanwhile, her store was busy, Ball said, even among customers without kids in tow.

Her husband, Mike, was the event's "singing pirate," belting out tunes while playing the banjo. He started out in front of her store and later strolled through the event, which took place on several streets

"That was fun. He enjoys talking to the kids anyway," Ball said.

Pumpkin Palooza, organized and daughter, Reagan, 3, to Sunday's run by downtown retailers, includevent. The family lives in Livonia. ed other games, crafts, a "haunted alley" off Main Street, costume contests and, of course, trick-ortreating at some 20 downtown businesses. There were also candy stations at three different downtown

The Halloween-themed event replaced the Great Pumpkin Caper, which had mainly become an evening of trick-or-treating that crowded downtown sidewalks and did little to inspire the Halloween spirit, organizers said.

The new event was a welcome change, said Teri Fry, events manager at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, who helped with the planning.

"We had all kinds of good comments about it, and everybody seemed to like it," Fry said. Organizers are already talking about bringing it back next year, she said.

Attendance Sunday was estimated at more than 1,000 children, Fry said, because businesses that passed out candy had planned for

1,000 trick-or-treaters and some places ended up running short.



Anna Gonzales, 4½, of Plymouth was escorted through the streets by her mom, Lirio, and the family pet, Titan, dressed as a bumble bee.



Plymouth's new Halloween event was a family affair. Joining the fun is the Maxworthy Family of Plymouth - John and Karyn with sons, Aidan, 1 (in the wagon) and Colin, 2. The event featured games, prizes, activities, entertainment and candy stations.



Dressed as a mom, Chrissey Detary of Plymouth escorts daughters Mary (left), 6, and Carol (the Zombie Prom Queen) to the downtown candy stations.



Families came in costume to Sunday's Pumpkin Palooza. Enjoying the festivities were bananas Nathan Herberholz (from left), 9; Zachary Milder, 5, and Madison Milder, 3. In charge of their bananas are Erik 'Gorilla' Herberholz and Jill 'Chiquita Banana' Milder. The family lives in Novi.



Nandini Desaraja, 6 came dressed as a geisha doll. She was joined by her brother, Keshav, 2½, who is Super Why, the PBS superhero who encourages youngsters to read.

## Golden Gala kicks off Schoolcraft's 50th anniversary

LOCAL NEWS

Throughout the 2011-12 academic year Schoolcraft College will host a variety of events and sponsor a number of activities in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the college's founding on Oct. 24, 1961.

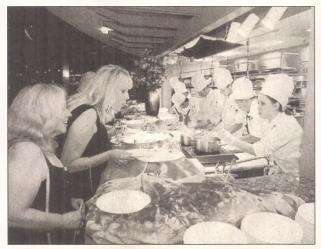
On Saturday, the celebration began in earnest with more than 900 people attending The Golden Gala: Ever Upward event on the college's main campus in Livonia.

The evening started with the opportunity for attendees to take a tour of the campus to experience how much has changed in the past 50 years. "What started out as a cornfield now is a bustling campus with 36,000 students, 10 buildings, all filled with state-of-the-art classrooms and labs, and the technology needed to support learning in the 21st century," said Gregory Stempien, chair of the

board of trustees. Dr. Conway A. Jeffress, president of Schoolcraft College, said it is important for the school to reflect on its 50-year history and success. "Because of the commitment of faculty, staff, administration and, most importantly, the community, we have provided education and training for tens of thousands of people across Michigan and throughout the world, including many of the leading professionals working in our community today.

"As we look forward to our next 50 years, we continue to find innovative ways to educate and inspire students to achieve more than they thought possible."

A welcome reception featuring hors d'oeuvres sponsored by the college's renowned culinary arts program was followed by opening ceremonies. In addition to several proclamations from local, state and federal institutions, Schoolcraft College's Choral Union performed the college's hymn, Look Ever Upward, under the direction of Jonathan Drake. The 25th Anniversary Time Capsule was opened and the 50th Anniversary Time Capsule was sealed. Items in the time capsule from 25 years ago included an IBM PC operating manual and a newspaper from Oct. 24, 1986, with a headline report-



Students in the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts program engage with guests, describing their culinary creations, during the Strolling Dinner through the college's state-ofthe-art kitchens and the American Harvest Restaurant.

ing record profits for Ford Motor Co. A specially commissioned piece of artwork, commissioned by Sarah Olsen, professor of art at Schoolcraft, was unveiled.

Following a strolling dinner and international coffee bar presented by the college's Culinary Arts program and Food Services, the Schoolcraft College Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Riccardo Selva, and local favorite, Fifty Amp Fuse, provided entertainment and the opportunity for dancing until midnight.

A highlight of the evening occurred at 10 p.m. with the lighting and ceremonial ringing of the college's famous Bell Tower. A musical lightshow featuring Aaron Copeland's Fanfare for the Common Man, performed by the Schoolcraft College Synthesizer, under the direction of Barton Polot, capped off the official activities for the night at the base of the tower at 10 p.m.

Throughout the evening guests visited the special 50th Anniversary Historical Exhibit Hall, sponsored by alumna Dr. Gary Gable and his wife, Lisa. Featured were 10 special displays highlighting the evolution of the college's Athletics, Business Development Center, Children's Center and Child and Family Services Department, Continuing Education and Professional Development, Culinary Arts, Mathematics Department, Nursing, Public Safety (Criminal Justice, Fire Technology, EMT/Paramedic and Homeland Security), Sciences, and Transition Center, in addition to the early years of the college and the college in general

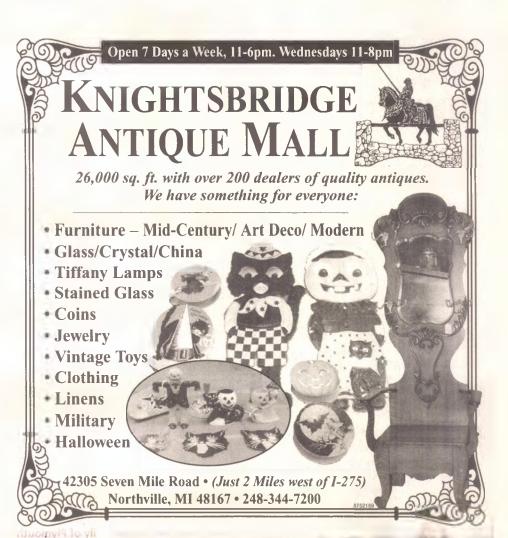
through the past 50 years. Gable, the college's Distinguished Alumni honoree in 2010, said of the celebration, "It is really impossible to say what the best part of the celebration is. I think that overall the collective impact this wonderful institution has had on so many former students who came here not knowing what their future held and the direction they

received is the best part." "We have 12 people in our group tonight, five of whom have direct ties to the college as students themselves or their children are graduates," said Gable. "We are all so proud and excited by this opportunity to show off this wonderful institution to our friends and family this evening."

The Golden Gala event marks the beginning of a year-long celebration of the college's contribution to the community. A complete listing of all the events and activities celebrating Schoolcraft College's 50th anniversary throughout the entire 2011-12 academic year can be found at www. schoolcraft.edu/50.



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### Program lets kids try hockey free

Arctic Edge Ice Arena of Canton is inviting boys and girls ages four to nine to the arena 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, for a free hockey clinic to experience ice hockey for the first time and learn the basics of the sport in a fun, safe environment.

The event, Try Hockey for Free Day, is part of Come Play Hockey Month, said Jason Varlesi, director of sales and marketing for Arctic Edge and Arctic Pond ice arenas, 46615 Michigan Ave.

The free program, which

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requires registration, is designed to provide youth hockey associations a national platform to introduce new children to the sport. It is a joint effort between USA Hockey, the National Hockey League, NHL member clubs and OneGoal.

Try Hockey for Free Day also is a component of USA Hockey and the NHL's collaboration with the Let's Move! initiative to help the nation's youth lead healthier, more active lives through hockey.

To register for one of the 400-plus Try Hockey for Free opportunities, visit www.TryHockey-ForFree.com or contact Arctic Edge Ice Arena at (734) 487-7777.

### Have a good laugh



This weekend is the last chance to catch Barefoot Productions sixth season opener, Neil Simon's FOOLS! Directed by Craig A. Hane, the comedy will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 28-29, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at the Barefoot Productions Theater, 240 N. Main St., Plymouth. Tickets are \$16 for general admission and \$14 for students and senior citizens. For reservations, call (734) 560-1493 or visit the Players' website at www.justgobarefoot.com.

#### **CITY OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE**

#### **NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8. 2011**

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Plymouth on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. At that time candidates for the following offices

CITY COMMISSIONER (Four Position to be vacant in November, 2011)

PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOL BOARD **MEMBERS** (Four Positions - Regular Terms ending 12/31/2015)

Absentee ballot applications may be requested in person from the Clerk's office, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, or by calling 734-453-1234, ext. 234 or 225. Absentee ballots will be issued to qualified absentee voters in person in the Clerk's office from 8:00 a.m. - until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 5, 2011. On Monday, November 7, 201, qualified voters can receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's office until 4:00 p.m.

Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations to participate in this election should contact 734-453-1234, ext. 234 or 225.

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By Rick Bloom **Guest Columnist** 

was approached by an investor who wanted my opinion about a new mutual fund. Apparently a friend told him the fund that was employing a variety of strategies and trading techniques and that the goal of the fund was to protect the portfolio in both bullish and bearish times. I told him I had never heard of the fund or the fund company. That being said, my advice to him was to avoid the investment. I told him that if he wanted to take a flier on the fund that was one thing, but I don't consider that an investment. A flier is something that is similar to gambling. The reason that I said that this mutual fund was a flier was because it was brand new and did not have a track record.



**Money Matters** 

Rick Bloom

ing investments. One rule that I follow is don't invest in any investment that doesn't have a solid, long-term track record. I like investments that have been around for a period of time so I can look at how they have done and compare them to other types of investments. For instance, I prefer investments that have been around for a 10-year period so I can get a good picture on how they've performed over a period of time. Yes,

I will make some excep-

tions, but those are few and

far between. The exception may be if an investment has been a very good perthat invesforming fund that has been around for maybe seven vears. I would consider investing in it. However, I would not invest in a fund that is brand new.

For the great majority of investors, when a new fund comes on the market they should avoid it. I recognize that there will be some opportunities missed. However, let's keep in mind that most investors would rather give up something on the high end so as not to get hit on the low end. Therefore, avoiding funds that are brand new is the appropriate strategy. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife. com. For more information, visit his website at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

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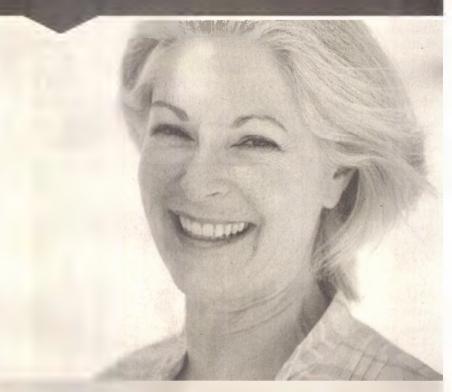
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LaVida Massage, a Commerce-based massage and wellness center, announced the opening of a new LaVida location on Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

# Canton massage owner adds Plymouth location

LaVida Massage, a Commerce-based massage and wellness center, announced the opening of a new LaVida location in Plymouth.

The new center, located at 15175 Sheldon, opened earlier this month. The facility's spacious 4,100 square feet is now the largest LaVida center and features 12 regular massage rooms, two couples massage rooms and three aesthetics rooms.

The center will provide a number of services and products specifically designed to meet the needs of both men and women in the area, including a variety of massage therapy options, such as Swedish, couples, deep tissue, hot stone, prenatal, chair and corporate massages performed by Michigan licensed

massage therapists. The new center will be owned and managed by franchisee Mark Davis. ages the Canton-based LaVida center and originally became interested in the company due its business model and the dramatic growth of the health and wellness industry.

"I'm extremely excited to open another LaVida location in Michigan," said Davis. "My location in Canton has experienced significant success since its opening and I am now looking forward



The new LaVida massage location on Sheldon Road in Plymouth includes rooms for individuals and for couples.

to continuing that success, while introducing and expanding the LaVida brand in Plymouth."

In addition to its opening, the center has been supporting the American Cancer Society's "Wall of Hope" during Breast Cancer Awareness month in October. In exchange for the purchase of a ribbon to be placed on the center's "Wall of Hope, which will be sold for \$5, patrons will receive a \$5 coupon for any aromatherapy product available at the location.

LaVida has locations that span the United States, with several more centers slated to open by the end of the year. The company has doubled in size in the past year, and is positioned for substantive growth as clients continue to find unmatched value in the

benefits of visiting a costeffective, high quality massage center.

The Plymouth location will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, and offers convenient on-line scheduling 24 hours a day.

Founded in 2007, LaVida Massage is a health center, providing massage, facial and cosmetic services that revitalize and reinvigorate clients' emotional and physical health. As more Americans find value in personal care and therapeutic relief from negative outside influences, LaVida continues its expansion throughout the U.S. LaVida is headquartered in Commerce. For more information, visit www. lavidamassage.com.

#### **PLYMOUTH BUSINESS BRIEFS**

#### **Business News**

From the desk of the Plymouth Downtown **Development Authority:** 

 Salon Awesome is raising money to help combat breast cancer. For the month of October, donate \$10 and you get one free pink hair extension put in your hair. Help a worthy cause and become fashionable at the same time.

• Magnolia Fresh Flower Market is holding its annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A free gift to the first 100 people ... and receive 25 percent off your most expensive item.

 Basket Kreations will hold its open house on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The first 75 customers will receive a free gift bag, and there will be food and refreshments. Visit Stella and get a peek at the 2011 holiday decorations and gift selections.

• Avenue Market is celebrating its two-vear anniversary during the entire month of October. Check out their Facebook page for weekly specials or stop by the store to see what's on sale.

 The Cupcake Station is still selling its Breast Cancer awareness cupcakes for the month of October. For every pink cupcake they sell, the Cupcake Station will donate \$1 to local Breast Cancer Awareness foundations.

• Elite Sports Marketing is holding a Wicked Halloween Run on Sunday, October 30. There will be a 10K run, 5K run/walk and a "Monster Mile". All events start in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth beginning



The success of the sold-out Girl Talk concert last March promoted Crofoot and AEG to move other mid-sized concerts to Compuware Arena, which seats 4,500 for concerts.

at 8:15 a.m. All participants receive a T-shirt.

After the run there will be entertainment, food and a costume contest. To register, go to www.wickedhalloweenrun.com. For questions, e-mail awhitehead2009@gmail.com.

#### Compuware concerts

Compuware Arena - in association with the Crofoot Ballroom and AEG Live promotions – will be the home of three concerts before the end of the calendar year, two in November and one in December. The concerts

 Wednesday, Nov. 9, Hollywood Undead and Asking Alexandria — Hollywood Undead comes to Plymouth in support of their new release "American Tragedy."

Asking Alexandria, a veteran metalcore band based out of the United Kingdom, formed in 2008 and released "Reckless and Relentless" in 2011. The CD went as high a ninth in the US charts and third in the US Indie

Price is \$27 for advance purchase and \$32 the day of the show. Tickets are general admission. Doors open at 5 p.m., with the

event starting at 5:25 p.m. Call (877) 271-1280 to purchase tickets or go online to www.compuwarearena.com.

 Saturday, Nov. 26, Bassnectar — Fronted by Lorin Ashton, Bassnectar is an open-sourced musical project that is as play a diverse mix of music.

Tickets are \$32 for advance purchase, or \$35 the day of the show. Tickets are general admission. Doors open at 7 p.m., with the event starting at 8 p.m. Call (877) 271-1280 to purchase tickets or go online to www. compuwarearena.com.

• Friday, Dec. 16, Five Finger Death Punch — Based out of Los Angeles, Five Finger Death Punch dedicates the song, "Far from Home", to all veterans. The band's new release is "American Capitalist."

Tickets are \$25 for advance purchase, or \$30 the day of the show. Tickets are general admission. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., with the event starting at 7:30 p.m. Call (877) 271-1280 to purchase tickets or go online to www. compuwarearena.com.

Any questions about the upcoming concerts - or any events concerning Compuware Arena should be directed to Mike Henry at (734) 453-6400.

#### PLYMOUTH CHAMBER CORNER

#### **Board ballot**

Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce members planning on casting votes for the chamber's Board of Directors have until Nov. 1 to get the voting done.

This year the following names are being submitted for approval by the membership for threeyear terms on the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. There are four seats open for election this year.

• Jeff Bell, Schrader Howell Funeral Home

• Teri Allen, Dearborn Jewelers (second term) • Bernie Spraggins, Johnson Controls (second

 Mark Evenson, Community Financial (second term)

**Drop-in theater** The Plymouth Community Arts Council is offering theater classes for kids and adults through Dec. 12. Theatrical Movement and the Art of Improv (schoolage thru adult); Learn to Love Auditions (schoolage thru adult) and Introduction to Acting Techniques and Methods (age 10 thru adult). Classes are \$15 for members and \$18 for non-members.



**BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER** 

This year's Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Gala Auction. This year's event is set for Friday, Nov. 4.

For more information call (734) 416-4278 or visit www.plymoutharts.com/ drop-in-theatre-classes.

#### **Gala auction**

Tickets are now on sale for the November Chamber Gala Auction featuring Dick Purtan as the emcee. Tickets are \$75 and include dinner, dancing and auctions all wrapped up in one GROOVY-FUNKY evening.

To order tickets call the chamber at (734) 453-1540.

#### Wicked **Halloween Run**

**Elite Sports Marketing** is holding a Halloween run Oct. 30. There will be a 10K run, 5K run/walk and a "Monster Mile." All events start in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth beginning at 8:15 a.m. All participants receive a T-shirt. After the run there will be entertainment, food and a costume contest.

To register, go to www. wickedhalloweenrun. com. For questions, email awhitehead2009@ gmail.com.

#### **Shocktober series**

The Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth is hosting the Shocktober Classic Series of movies, featuring:

• Oct. 27, "Abbott & Costello Meet the Killer," 7 and 9 p.m.



**OUR VIEWS** 

## Steady diet

### Results show food service choice was right one

When the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education made the decision two years ago to cut ties with longtime food service contractor Sodexho and bring the operation in-house, there was a lot of push-back from people who thought it would never work.

When food services director Kristen Hennessey told board members recently the operation spent \$92,000 on updating equipment at seven different schools and still was able to contribute some \$188,000 back to the general fund, it became clear the move was the right one.

Hennessey and her staff — whom she lavishly credits every chance she gets for the program's success — have improved the program in nearly every way. The food is better, it's more nutritious, it's served more efficiently and more kids are eating it. Lunch participation has increased 3 percent annually, and breakfast participation has seen a stunning 29-percent hike. The district has gone from 8,398 meals a day to 10,159 per day over the last two years.

How good is the food? Dodson Elementary last year earned the HealthierUS School Challenge Bronze Award in a national initiative, spearheaded by first lady Michelle Obama, to promote healthier school meals, physical activity and fitness opportunities and nutrition education. This year, Hennessey has the district's other 15 schools in line for the same honor.

The district has rolled out an online program that allows parents to find out what their children are eating every day and also to pay for it with the PaySchools program. The system brought in some \$564,0090 in pre-paid meal funding last

Perhaps the true measure of the district's success: Other districts want their services. Plymouth-Canton this year signed a two-year agreement with Livonia Public Schools to run that district's food services program, and Hennessey's staff will also provide meals to Our Lady of Good Counsel School this year. Other districts have also come calling, but Hennessey has had to hold them at bay for fear of taking on too much too soon.

Two years ago there was a lot of skepticism about bringing the food services operation in-house. Hennessey and her staff have worked hard to prove it was the right decision.

It was then, and it is now.

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somehow manages to get the job done. Someone also has to keep all those people safe, and Plymouth police officers do a great job of that. There are incidents, to be sure; completely keeping the peace with tens of thousands of people parading through town is nearly impossible. But Plymouth is as safe as possible during all of these events.

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#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

### Are the Detroit Lions for real?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



"I think so. Talent. Energy. Work ethic. I think they're feeding off the city, too."

T.J. Taylor Plymouth Township



"I don't know. I don't watch the Lions." Teresa McLenaghan Plymouth Township



"Yeah. Before the season started, I predicted they were going 12-4. ... I think this is the year."

**Steve Belttari** Garden City



"I certainly do. They've proven their ability. They played a good game against San Francisco, and their other games have been good. I just think they're for real."

**Walt Welliver** Plymouth

#### **LETTERS**

#### Literature disgusting

We are writing to express our disgust at the literature that the "M&M" candidates are distributing. While we have our own opinions on various candidates, it is not even the "M&M" candidates' platforms that have us up in arms. Instead, it is the absurdity and the absolute lies that they are spreading through their literature.

Specifically:

• The current board "instituted racial preferences for hiring minority candidates." We were both hired in the summer of 2009. We each had three interviews with three different groups of people. These interviews included hours of questions, sample instructional lessons, and a wide variety of evaluations. At no point did anyone ask either of us about our own racial background. Instead, on several occasions, we were asked about diversity among our students and the ways in which we planned to incorporate culturally responsive teaching practices into our daily instruc-

First of all, no one from the board attended any of our (separate) interviews. Hiring of teachers is done on the building level. Second of all, the majority of the teachers in our building are white. There is not a shred of evidence to suggest that the board is involved in teacher hiring in any way or that they have instructed building administrators to make decisions based on racial preferences.

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• The current board "allowed dangerous teachers in the classroom." The incident involving a teacher with a weapon on school arounds is tragic. It is also cause for concern and investigation into that particular teacher's credentials. However, there are 1,100 other highly qualified, dedicated, hardworking, and professional educators teaching in Plymouth-Canton. To suggest that one incident with a particular individual is representative of "dangerous teachers" in our classrooms is not only absolutely ludicrous,

but it is also highly offensive. • The current board has "no commitment to high quality teachers." Aside from being completely unfounded and blatantly untrue, this statement is perhaps the most offensive of all. Plymouth-Canton students receive the highest quality education from the most dedicated of high quality teachers. To suggest otherwise is simply a lie.

We are also incensed by the mailing with the photos of President Obama, Congresswoman Pelosi, and Sen. Reid on it. School board elections are non-partisan endeavors. We can only imagine that the photos of these Democratic leaders are being used to incite action among those who strongly oppose the platforms and policies of said Democratic leaders. Our school board election is no place for national party politics. Along this same vein, the aforementioned campaign literature is being paid for and distributed by "Wayne 11th CDRC, 29514 Pickford, Livonia MI." This is the note that is printed at the bottom of the fliers themselves. This is the acronym and address of the Wayne County 11th Congressional District Republican Committee. Aside from the inappropriate partisan nature of this maneuver, the fact that the address is in Livonia suggests that a group from outside our district is attempting to push its political agenda onto us.

There is too much at stake to let these candidates continue to spread lies throughout our district. Regardless of how you plan to vote on Nov. 8, please know that these lies are hateful, hurtful, and being used to manipulate voters.

> Rachel Goldberg **Bill Lembesis**

East Middle School

#### **GUEST COLUMN**

## People are paying attention to election

By Melanie Collinsworth **Guest Columnist** 

hether it is the Tea Party movement or the Occupy Wall Street movement, people are awake, paying attention, and will not allow elected officials or special interests' reckless behavior to continue. On Nov. 8, we have an opportunity

In the past, the

Melanie Collingsworth

to send this same message to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education.

MEA has spent tens of thousands of dollars in every school board election. Why are

they spending this money? The answer is simple; it is a lot easier to negotiate with yourself. It is the equivalent of putting the fox in charge of the hen house.

What has putting the fox in charge of the hen house gotten us in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district? You guessed it: Out of control spending, mounting debt, out-of-touch hiring policies, and disregard for the taxpayers of our community. According to the Plymouth-

Canton Community Schools Pre-

liminary Financial Projections dated June 24, 2011, the district has exhausted a \$23 million fund balance and has a projected \$28 million deficit moving forward into the fiscal year. While the current MEA endorsed candidates like to claim that these figures are no longer valid, the district has not provided any new official data.

Instead, with just weeks before the election, we are given pie in the sky projections with no plans to fix the structural deficits that are driving our district into bankruptcy.

It is imperative that the district hire the best teachers possible. The process should be color blind, gender blind, ethnicity blind, and the district should be hiring the most qualified teacher. However, last year the school instituted a policy to identify teachers of "color." The HR department instructed administrators to use "cues" to identify traditional African-American schools, colleges and organizations. This is clearly a violation of the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative passed by voters nearly 60-40 in 2006. However, instead of correcting the problem, the current board and MEA-endorsed candidates have attacked anyone

who dares to raise the issue. While some of these decisions could be seen as just bad judgment, no one can overlook the blatant disrespect the board has had for the taxpayers of the district. Whether it was the \$2.8 million purchase of land for a middle school without voter approval, or moving the 2010 election to this odd years at a cost of \$100,000 to the taxpayers (according to an Observer article dated Oct. 7, 2007), the board has put their own interests before those of us

they represent. Why did they move the election? According to local news stories and the video from the board meeting, they felt that too many people voted in even years and it would cost them (as candidates) too much money to get their message out, and they were concerned that people would not be able to find them on the ballot. How insulting is it to assume the voters are not educated enough to find the school board race on the ballot!

On Nov. 8, we have a chance to stand up and make our voices heard. We have a chance to put an end to the reckless behavior of the past and tell the special interest groups that enough is enough.

Melanie Collinsworth is a Republican precinct delegate with the Wayne 11th Congressional District Republican Committee.

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PREP FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PREVIEW

# Quick draw

Season on the line as Plymouth, Canton gridders set to clash in pre-districts

#### **PLAYOFF PRIMER**

What: Division 1 predistrict football game between Canton and Plymouth.

When: 7 p.m. Friday, at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's varsity turf

Records: The 8-1 Wildcats, champions of the KLAA South Division and Kensington Conference, face 7-2 Canton.

Head-to-head: In the 2010 district final, Plymouth defeated Canton 17-7. This season, the Chiefs rallied to win 31-30 on Oct. 7.

> **By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer**

Canton head football coach Tim Baechler, half jokingly Monday, said he'd take his team all the way to Alpena if it meant the MHSAA had a more equitable way of doling out firstround playoff seedings.

But Baechler and his 7-2 Chiefs found out during the "Selection Sunday" program on Fox Sports Detroit that they will meet a familiar foe - cross-campus rival Plymouth, the defending Division 1 finalists and owner of an 8-1 record.

Kickoff will be 7 p.m. Friday at Plymouth-Canton Educa-



Friday's playoff tilt between Canton and Plymouth comes just three weeks after the teams last played. During the Oct. 7 meeting, Plymouth's Donte Fox (No. 5) bursts down the field with Canton defenders Zac Merillat (No. 21) and Matt McKoy (No. 4) in pursuit.

tional Park. Both teams believe they can go deep into the postseason, but because of the draw that march ends after just one game for either the Chiefs or Wildcats.

"We didn't expect it," Baechler said. "You trust that the state does things geographically like they say. (Livonia) Churchill's 10 minutes

from Canton and Plymouth and they're not in our district.

"And the one that really makes you scratch your head is Brighton and Ann Arbor Pioneer, down south with Monroe and Temperance Bedford."

The uber-competitive early matchups mean teams that poten-

tially could make it to Ford Field for the D1 final will be on the sidelines before the regional championship.

Dealing with it

"Normally it's that regional championship, that third round playoff game is where the rubber hits the road," Baechler said.

Meanwhile, he added that it is pretty much a given that Canton and Plymouth will always be in the same district, "so whether you play Week 1 or Week 2, it is what

Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk had a similar take. "You get

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## McDougall 43rd at D1 girls golf final

Canton's varsity girls golf team also had something to cheer about at the recent Division 1 championship at Grand Valley State University's The Meadows.

Sophomore Kelsey McDougall had a very respectable showing, finishing 43rd out of 90 participants. McDougall registered rounds of 97 and 99 for a two-day total of 196 strokes.

Also at the D1 final, the Plymouth Wildcats finished third in the team standings, while junior Kelsey Murphy earned third place honors with a 74-84-158 scorecard.

### **PCS Penguins** hockey tryouts

Tryouts for the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins girls varsity hockey team are just around the corner.

Tryouts will be 4-5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31, Wednesday, Nov. 2, and Friday, Nov. 4, all at Canton's Arctic Edge Arena. The cost is \$60 to attend all three tryouts with \$20 per tryout.

Athletes from all three high schools at Plymouth-Canton **Educational Park are** eligible to play.

For more information, e-mail or call PCS Penguins head coach Mary Beth Johnson, at smeemb@aol.com or (734) 891-6159.

#### Wicked

**Elite Sports Marketing** is holding a Wicked Halloween Run on Sunday, Oct. 30, at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. There will be a 10K run, 5K run/walk and a "Monster Mile" race.

After the run there will be entertainment, food and a costume contest and each participant will receive a T-shirt.

To register, go to www.wickedhalloweenrun.com. For questions, e-mail awhitehead2009@gmail.com.

## Canton spikers tie for 3rd at KLAA tournam

Novi reigns supreme after Saturday's Kensington Lakes Activities Association girls volleyball in the Gold bracket tournament.

The Wildcats defeated host White Lake Lakeland in the finals after elimination-round victories over two teams that finished in a tie for third place, Canton and Livonia Stevenson.

Canton defeated Walled Lake Central in the opening round, then followed up with a victory over Brighton in the quarterfinals before being defeated by Novi in the semis.

Stevenson reached the semifinals with a 25-20, 25-23 win over Livonia Churchill, which reached the quarterfinals with a first-round win over Grand Blanc.

Stevenson's pool play victories came against Walled Lake Central (25-18, 25-18), Brighton (25-13, 25-20) and Plymouth (25-18, 25-17).

Silver bracket

Salem, meanwhile, lost 25-21, 25-22 to South Lyon in the silver bracket finals.

The Rocks began pool play with a win over

Waterford Kettering and two splits against Howell and Hartland.

Then as the fifth seed in the playoffs, Salem defeated South Lyon East (25-14, 25-9) and Howell (27-25, 25-12), followed by a 22-25, 25-17, 15-13 victory over Wayne Memorial in the semifinals.

"Overall we were up and down all day," Salem head coach Amanda Nies

said. "It was nice to make it to the finals." Overall leaders for the

Rocks were Brooke Berberet (\*2 kills), Kara Hewett (25 kills, 22 digs, 15 aces), Erika Hatcher (24 kills), Quinn Fillinger (156 assists, 30 digs), Katie Vincent (71 digs), Katie Heitmeyer (57 digs, 12 aces), Emily Lipa (59 digs) and Breanne Beaver (eight solo blocks).



Canton senior Bryan Berinti (No. 5) chases a 50/50 ball along with Novi's Don Nakashima (No. 16) during the Division 1 varsity boys soccer final.

## Chiefs win on OT goals

By Tim Smith **Observer Staff Writer** 

Canton found a tiny opening to get back into Saturday's Division 1 boys soccer district final against host Novi.

And the No. 2-ranked Chiefs plowed right through, tying the contest 1-1 on a free kick goal by

DISTRICT FINAL

junior forward Daniel Ovesea with just

8:02 remaining in regulation. Then during each of the two mandatory 10-minute overtime sessions that followed, the Chiefs scored — by senior for-

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## Always together

Goaltender wears heart on his mask for fallen friend lan

'Whether it be in hockey or life, make sure you're really doing something. Do it or a reason.'

**BRANDON HOPE** OHL goalie

> By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Brandon Hope and Ian Jenkins had a lot in common, both highly motivated goaltenders with dreams of making it to the National Hockey League.

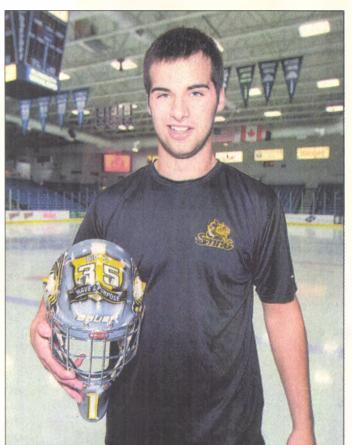
They started young, played in net for Honeybaked AAA teams in Oak Park. They even spent time as instructors for the Bandits Goalie School.

Last but not least, they were the best of friends.

Everything crumbled in May when the 15-year-old Jenkins died four days after an accident in Milan, where he fell out of a pickup truck

and fatally struck his head. "They went the same path,

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Brandon Hope, a Canton native and goalie for the Ontario Hockey League's Sarnia Sting, proudly displays the helmet he wears as a tribute to close friend and fellow goaltender lan Jenkins, who died earlier this year. The mask includes Jenkins' No. 35 and his philosophy to 'Have a Purpose' in life.

### **Lady Ocelots** boot Cincy St.

The 14th-ranked Schoolcraft College women's soccer team improved to 14-1-1 overall and 10-0 in NJCAA Region XII on Saturday be routing visiting Cincinnati State Technical & Community College, 6-0.

The loss drops Cincinnati State to 2-12 overall and 2-8 in Region XII.

The Lady Ocelots travel this Saturday to Delta College to face Owens (Ohio) CC in a Region XII semifinal match. (Game time is at noon.)

The winner faces either Jackson CC or Delta for the Region XII crown beginning at noon Sunday at Delta.

#### First pro goal

Former Plymouth Whaler Tyler Brown tallied the first goal of his professional career Friday night.

Brown, now playing for the Adirondack Phantoms of the American Hockey League after four seasons with the Whalers, scored in the second period of his fifth pro game.

#### STAFF GRID PICKS Smith O'Meara **Emons** istrict Round Wright y. Oct. 28 Canton on (7-2) at Plymouth (8-1), 7 p.m. Canton Canton Plymouth Cass Tech Cass Tech bit Cass Tech (6-3) at Livonia Churchill (6-3), 7 p.m. Churchill Churchill Seaholm (6-3) at Harrison (9-0), 7 p.m. Harrison Harrison Harrison Harrison North Farmington **Brother Rice** her Rice (5-4) at North Farmington (7-2), 7 p.m. **Brother Rice** Brother Rice Thurston Thurston Lahser (6-3) at Redford Thurston (8-1), 7 p.m. Thurston Lahser en City (6-3) at Allen Park (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Garden City Allen Park Allen Park Allen Park day, Oct. 29 Henry Ford sington (5-4) at Detroit Henry Ford (7-2), 1 p.m. Henry Ford Henry Ford Henry Ford Luth. Westland **ABT** indale ABT (5-4) at Luth. Westland (6-3), 1 p.m. Luth. Westland 9-3 12-0 ast week 9-3 9-3 94-24 86-32 80-38 101-17 rall

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R you get. You deal with it, I mean we were bably going to have play them sometime :ayway."

Both PCEP teams are Figion 2-District along with two 8-1 s, Northville and 0.1 Detroit Catholic Lantral. All four teams ere ranked in the Top

Region 2-District 1, ears are Brighton (8-(7-2), Ann Art or Pioneer (7-2) and Temperance Bedford (6-3)

The way the districts were lined up also was a lie mystifying to Saw-

"I don't understand te t happened, with three 8-1 teams and one 7-2 team in one district," Sawchuk said. "And then they have, the district Churchill is in, there's four 6-3

teams. "... For the team that did a really good job and had a good record, they shouldn't have to play an upper echelon team (immediately).'

Sawchuk, however, said unless the system is changed teams must abide how the matchups play out. "It's their system, whatever they say you just have to deal with it.'

"Brighton and Pioneer are probably pretty happy with the draw," Baechler stressed. "I know there's a big faction of coaches trying to get it — even if it's in a 50-mile radius — seeded in a bigger realm.

You want the best teams playing later on.'

Payback?

Regardless, the coaches said their teams are looking forward to another meeting with their Park rival.

"They're excited," Baechler said. "I got a lot of tweets last night" following the selection show.

Sawchuk said the Wildcats are "pretty fired up" about the matchup.

"Canton's obviously a very good football team and we'll have our hands full. As they will too," Sawchuk stressed. "It should be a fun game on Friday night, whatever way it goes.

"I hope there's a lot of people there to watch." The Chiefs probably will be looking for some payback from the Wild-

In the 2010 playoffs, Plymouth handed the Chiefs their only loss of the entire season in the district finals.

This season, on Oct. 7, Canton let a late 30-21 lead get away as the Wildcats rallied in the final minute for a 31-30 victory.

"It's basically blocking and tackling better than we did in Week 7," said Baechler, about the task at hand for his team. "They (Wildcats) are a great team. Both teams played good enough to win.

"I felt we had it in that last minute, but they made three plays in the last minute and we didn't. All we can do is learn from it.'

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## Lions on the prowl

The Canton Lions junior varsity football team stayed undefeated with last weekend's 39-15 win over the Belleville Cou-

With the win, the Lions improved to 7-0 entering Sunday's big rival-

ry game YOUTH against FOOTBALL the Plymouth Steelers at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park set for 2 p.m. Whoever wins the contest will be undefeated and grab the conference title.

Sunday is shaping up to be a big day of football. Three other games on the docket between the Lions and Steelers are as follows: 10 a.m., junior freshmen; 12 noon, freshmen; 4 p.m., varsity.

Against Belleville, the JV Lions scored often and in many different ways. Jason Arnold started

the scoring in the first quarter with an eightyard touchdown run, followed by a 40-yard interception return by Miles

Davenport.

The Lions put added pressure on the Cougars in the second quarter with Jason Arnold's second touchdown from 20 yards out and a 30yard TD pass from Evan Voyles to Victor Abra-

The second half scoring included two touchdown runs, one from Miles Davenport from 2 yards out and a quarterback sneak by Evan Voyles from the 1-yard line.

The line play of the Lions was very strong and led by Matt Wayne, David Mason, Rubin Williams, Alan Farmer, Kyrece Smith and Kyle Amick.

Defensively, the Lions shut down the Cougars all day except for two trick plays that led to scores. The leaders on the defensive side of the ball were Joey Glunt, Colton Wieloch, Jack Underwood, Victor Abraham, Mason Lamarand and Bradley Tyszkiewicz.

## Warriors reach playoffs

**By Brad Emons Observer Staff Writer** 

Lutheran High Westland earned its sixth victory and first playoff berth in **PREP** school his-**FOOTBALL** 

tory last Friday with a 48-6 win at Dearborn Heights Star Internation-

al Academy. Now it's onto the playoffs in a Division 8-Region 4-District 1 matchup against Melvindale Academy of Business & Technology (5-4)

beginning at 1 p.m. Sat-

urday at Lutheran West-

The Warriors' defense, led by linemen Dawson Davenport and Ed Abramovich, will have to contend with AB&T's speedy and elusive 5-foot-5 junior quarterback Dar-

ryl Notay Hines. "Their quarterback is Denard Robinson's little brother," Lutheran Westland coach Paul Guse said. "His moves are slippery and you can't find him behind the offensive line. We'll try and do like everybody else and try and contain him."

The Warriors will also have to contend with running back Jadell Douglas and slotback Kevin Darden.

'They're quicker than everybody I've seen," Guse said. "Number 44 (Douglas) is a good running back, too and number three (Darden) is a slot back who'll they'll use as a wide receiver. We know we've got our work cut out for us."

#### Run attack

The Warriors (6-3) earned a spot in the playoffs by racking up 376 total yards, including 270 on the ground in the lopsided win over Star International.

Lutheran Westland led 27-6 at halftime thanks touchdown runs of 1 and 8 yards by Bobby Miller, along with an 6-yard TD run by Martin Kemp and a 15-yard TD run by Jacob Richter.

Star International (0-9) tallied its lone score in the second period on an 82-yard kickoff return to cut the deficit to 20-6.

In the third period, Sylvester hit Miller on an 87yard TD pass and Miller added his third score of the night on an 8-yard run.

Mitchell Boehm picked off a fourth-quarter Star International pass and the Warriors scored their final TD when Cole Niemi pounced on a fumble in

the end zone. Leading rushers for the Warriors included Kemp (16-for-97), Miller (11-for-85) and Richter (10-for-

Sylvester was 2-of-6 passing for 106 yards

with Miller making both

The Warriors' defense, meanwhile, limited Star International to 103 total yards.

The Falcons had a total of six turnovers to Lutheran Westland's one.

Richter had a pair of interceptions and a fumble recovery. Cleveland Tarp and Boehm also picked off passes, while Davenport added a fumble recovery.

Sour ending

The playoff-clinching victory by the Warriors was overshadowed by fracas following the game as the Warriors' P.J. Guse was taken to the hospital with a Grade 3 concussion and contusions.

On the game's final play, game officials threw a penalty flag for unsportsmanlike conduct while the back-up quarterback was taking a knee after a Star linebacker bulled over the Warriors' center.

Game tape footage provided to The Observer on Tuesday by Star International administrators revealed the back-up quarterback was knocked to the ground once by a Star player and hit again while after trying to get off the ground. The quarterback then ran off the field.

Footage also revealed a Lutheran Westland assistant coach knocking a Star player to the turf and reportedly taking a punch to the eye before order was restored.

The tape revealed that no players came off the bench from either team. Star administrators reported the incident to the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

"We will be no means excuse our players' action," said Star International assistant principal and athletic coordinator David Milner. "Each player involved in the fight is being dealt with seriously in terms of sportsmanship expectations here at the school, and are being suspended pending further investigation.

Star principal Ahlam Moughania also said she had planned to meet with the parents of two other players on Wednesday.

"It's not acceptable and we don't condone that behavior," Moughania said.

Lutheran Westland athletic director Mike Unger said he planned to meet with Star administrators this week to review the game footage along with his principal Steve Schwecke.

Meanwhile, Paul Guse declined further comment on the situation.

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### **SOCCER**

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war Is Shean Krolicki and Mitch Posuniak — and agg essive goalkeeping by nior Steven Murphy fini ned the rest as Canton urned a 3-1 victory. We have a magical

trip going on right now." said Canton head coach George Tomasso, noting that a recent string of games against stateran ad opponents helped re his squad for one of the most competitive districts in the state.

our of the teams (Canto lovi, Salem and wille) were ranked n the Top 10 as the d cts began on Oct. 17. New, Canton (20-1-Il have that "ride" take them to Saline for the start of a D1 regionat. The Chiefs play 7 p.m. We resday against the

w H er of the Dearborn

Ford district. ly pressure lanton came out aggressively at Meadow Stadium, forcing the issue and being rewarded with five early corner icks. But the Wildeal lid a good job matching up on defense and the

until the 28th minute. Novi sophomore forward Don Nakashima got off the ground and beautifully headed in a corner kick from junior midfielder Matt Wilson.

gamus remained scoreless

The Wildcats (16-4-0) had several chances to and the lead in the see and half.

But Murphy grabbed a low shot taken by senior for ward Chase Jabbori d later barely got a piece of senior forward Alex Ferrini's bid, with the ball hitting the crossbar and sailing out of play.

"They made the plays when they needed them and we didn't," said Novi head coach Brian O'Leary, whose team could not nail down a had consecutive district title. "When it was 1-0 we had three chances down he: , golden chances, and we didn't score on any of 1. 1. I'll bet you if it was

z-0 it was game over." Then came the break Canton needed, when an official ruled a hand ball against the Wildcats to pave the way for Ovesea's

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free kick — taken just outside the 18-yard box directly in front of the Novi goal.

Ovesea drilled his shot into the top right corner, for his team-leading 18th goal of the season.

#### **Blasting it through**

"There were about seven people in the wall, and they thought Tyler (Winningham) was going to kick it on my team," Ovesea said. "So they lined up more to the left and they gave me a gap and I just blasted it right there."

He added that he was surprised the ball got through the wall and found the target. "My free kicks all year weren't on and today they were on."

With the game still deadlocked after regulation, the teams prepared for the two 10-minute OTs (which must be played to completion whether or

not a goal is scored). It was Ovesea who again was in the mix for the Chiefs on the gamewinning tally, with 3:05 to go in the first extra stan-

He sent a crossing feed from the left side of the box over to where Krolicki was stationed, near the right post. Krolicki headed the ball back the other way, inside the far post under the bar.

"Shean Krolicki got in a great spot," Tomasso said. "He did an amazing job to get a touch on the ball across the goal and it went far post, over the goalie and under the crossbar. You can't ask for anything better."

With about 6:30 left in the second OT, Murphy raced far out of his



Chiefs. Canton defeated Novi 3-1 in overtime at Meadows Stadium in Novi.

Clearing the ball with a bicycle kick is Canton senior de-

fender Nathan Bergeson (No. 10). Watching are Canton's Daniel Ovesea (No. 9) and Novi's Chris Park (No. 2).

goal area to get to the ball before Jabbori could. Then it was Murphy's

turn to make the winner stand. The aggressive and assertive keeper beat Jabbori to another ball, this one about 10 yards inside the box, with five minutes left.

"Chase Jabbori obviously is very fast, he's one of the most talented players in the state up top," Murphy said. "My defense played great all game I just knew that with a lead I couldn't give it up.

"I was going to do whatever it took to keep the ball out of the net.'

Extra goal ices it That defense sparked an insurance goal in the

final two minutes. Senior defender Conner Hicks blocked an attempt by Novi senior forward Dan Lumley to send the

ball toward Canton's goal. The ball bounced in the other direction, where speedy Posuniak got to it before Novi's goalie was

able to.

Posuniak streaked down

the pitch and chipped the ball into the wide-open goal to ice the victory.

"We were battling to win the 50/50 balls, we wanted to ... not let the ball go forward." Tomasso said. "We got to block it and Mitch Posuniak used his speed burst at the end of the game to get by the goalie and finished a wonderful goal."

According to Tomasso, his team executed the game plan perfectly after taking the lead. "It was more to play as

smart as we possibly can and eliminate every mistake we possibly can," he said. "The boys were tired, they were cramp-

"For the most part we eliminated every one of our mistakes after the (winning) goal was scored and we did a good job to get one counter goal after

Now, the Chiefs will see whether the magic follows them over to Saline.

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### HOPE

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but Ian's got cut short and that ripped Brandon's heart apart," said Debbie Hope, Brandon's mom. "He wanted to do something to make sure Ian had the opportunity to live his dream."

And here's how. Hope, a 17-year-old goaltender for the Sarnia Sting of the Ontario Hockey League and Canton native, had his mask designed to include a tribute to Jen-

Painted on the yellow mask is Jenkins' uniform number (35) and mantra to "have a purpose' in life. Had Jenkins lived, he'd be manning the nets for the OHL's London Knights.

#### Golden message

That saying also is the slogan for The Big E Foundation, a nonprofit organization established in Jenkins' memory.

"I put the logo for his foundation supporting underprivileged hockey players on top of my helmet," Hope said. "I thought it was a good tribute to Ian."

Designing the mask was artist Andrew Manning of London, Ontario, who Hope said jumped at the chance to honor Jenkins.

"Ian was bar none probably one of the best people I've known off the ice," Hope said following a recent game against the Plymouth Whalers at Compuware Arena. "He was just a great guy and led by example about everything. He lived life by having a purpose.

"So I thought it would be a good tribute to him and his family to help spread the word. Whether it be in hockey or life, make sure you're really doing something. Do it



Brandon Hope, a Canton native and goalie for the Sarnia Sting of the Ontario Hockey League, wears his tribute mask to Ian Jenkins during a recent game.

for a reason."

The tribute also makes it possible for Jenkins' dream to come to fruition albeit symbolically.

"Brandon promised Ian's mom, Gloria (Monasanto), that after Ian passed that Ian would play in the OHL," Debbie said. "That Ian would be with him, on (Brandon's) helmet, in every single game. And that's why he put it on there.

"It's almost like a tag team now. Brandon believes Ian is with him when he's out there in the net."

The Hope and Jenkins families also have a growing friendship.

"I'm really close to their (Jenkins) family," Hope said. "I go to church with them during the offseason."

Concurring was Hope's dad, Robert Hope, who along with Debbie had just watched their son play two periods for the Sting in a 5-4 overtime win over the Whalers.

"We had dinner with them (the Jenkins family) a week and a half ago. (Northridge)," Robert said. "The siblings, they

still stay in touch with Brandon."

The big picture Who knows where

Hope's hockey journey will take him? Robert noted the trage-

dy and aftermath underscore the need to always keep things in perspective throughout life. "It's a character thing,"

Robert said. "It's a personal thing that (Brandon) recognizes there's much more to it than just the success of hockey."

But it's undeniable how much hockey meant to both young goaltenders. This season and for as

long as Hope is able to keep going, it will be with Jenkins always in his heart and thoughts.

"That's his mission," Debbie said. "He wants to honor Ian every time that he's out in that net. That's why he wears that mask." Jenkins would be proud.

In fact, one suspects that, somewhere up there, Jenkins is joyously doing a butterfly slide as he watches down on Hope.

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## Eagles' Crown 1st overall at MIAC meet

It was a clean sweep Friday for the Lutheran High Westland girls and boys cross country teams at the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference meet hosted by Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

The Warriors captured the girls title with 40 points followed by **Grosse Pointe Woods** University-Liggett (57), Oakland Christian (65), Birmingham Roeper (95), Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (118) and Taylor Baptist Park (126).

Plymouth Christian Academy, Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, Ann Arbor Greenhills and Southfield Christian had incomplete team scores.

PCA's Terra Crown, a sophomore, was the individual winner in 21 minutes, 04.3 seconds on the 5,000-meter course.

Finishing 24th for the Eagles was Megan McHugh.

**Lutheran Westland** placed three in the top 10 to repeat as team champion led by senior Erin Lyle, second (21:19.67); senior Jess Rice, fourth (21:47.56); and junior Erin Hardin, sixth (21:51.21).

Junior Angela Morrison placed 17th in 23:35.46, while junior



Plymouth Christian Academy sophomore Terra Crown is all smiles after finishing as the overall medalist on the girls side at Friday's MIAC meet.

Jessica Drife took 23rd (24:46.54).

The Warriors' non-scorers included freshman Michelle Greening and senior Kelsey Kruger in 26th and 27th, respectively, with times of 25:03.06 and 25:06.77.

PCA boys 2nd

On the boys side, Lutheran Westland beat PCA for the team title,

Rounding out the field was Oakland Christian (80), Birmingham Roeper (91), University-Liggett (117), Newport Lutheran South (123), Greenhills (134) and Lutheran Northwest (160).

For PCA, Ethan Levack

placed 10th and earned a second team all-conference award. Eagles coach Jennifer Lemieux was named top coach for the MIAC boys division.

Senior Jake Fairbairn led the Warriors with a third-place showing in 18:15.03.

Other Lutheran Westland scorers included junior Eric Smith, ninth (19:01.8); junior Daniel Bunge, 11th (19:10.6); senior Caleb Kempf, 23rd (20:11.88); and junior Peter Sillanpaa, 24th (20:13.05).

Other non-scoring finishers for the Warriors included Ian O'Banion (41st) and senior Philip Welte (55th).

#### Salem coach sees progress The Salem boys cross that performance will who finished in 17:04. We go to the same church country program is on carry over to the Divi-

the upswing thanks to a young and growing nucleus of runners now gaining key experience.

Salem head coach Steve Aspinall praised his team for finishing fifth out of 12 schools on Oct. 20 at the KLAA **Kensington Conference** meet at Huron Meadows Metropark.

"We ran smart and confident and ran well as a result," Aspinall said. "Every single guy in the varsity race ran a personal best or season best, some by over 20 seconds.

"I thought we could finish anywhere from fourth to eighth and we finished fifth, so we ran well."

Regionals next Aspinall said he hopes sion 1 regional championship, to take place Friday and Saturday at Salem's home course (Willow Metropark in

New Boston).
The KLAA South Divi sion champion Canton Chiefs and Plymouth also look to have strong snowings this weekend.

Leading the way for Salem at the KLAA meet was junior Steve McEvilly. He placed seventh with a time of 16-minutes, 34-seconds to move to No. 11 on the school's all-time junior list. He earned 1st team allconference honors for the second time in his

career. Earning 3rd team allconference honors was junior Riley Doxtader,

He is 24th on the all-time junior list at Salem.

Also scoring were sophomore Donavon Drouillard (17:20), junior Jeremy Drouillard (17:34) and freshman Lewis Campbell (17:40). Sophomore Evan Bruyere ran a personal best 17:53 and Mason Mills ran a season best 18:18.

Donavon Drouillard lowered his personal best time from 17:51 and was called the team's most valuable performer at the meet by Aspinall.

"Donavon is learning just how good he can be," Aspinall said. "And his work ethic and determination will cause continued improvement over the next couple of years."

#### Whalers surviving road test The road-weary Plym-(day-to-day, upper body wood stopped 27 of 28

of three contests last weekend, with two more away games to go before returning to Compuware

Plymouth throttled Erie 5-1 on Friday, before falling 4-0 the following night at Niagara. On Sunday, the Whalers

third period to blow out host Mississauga, 8-4. Still without standout forward Stefan Noesen

scored five goals in the

injury), the Untario Hock ey League squad showed offensive firepower in two of the matches.

Against Erie, netting two goals was Tom Wilson with single markers by Mitchell Heard, Jamie Devane and Garrett Meurs.

Farmington Hills native Alex Aleardi and J.T. Miller each scored twice in Sunday's win over Mississauga while Plymouth goaltender Scott Wedge-

snots for the victory Earning the win over Erie was goalie Matt Mahalak (21 saves).

The Whalers played Wednesday at Saginaw in a game that took place after this issue of the Observer went to press. On Friday, Plymouth visits Sault Ste. Marie.

Finally, the Whalers (8-5-2-0, 15 points) play another home game 7 p.m. Saturday against the Kingston Frontenacs.

The All Saints Catholic School No. 1 varsity volleyball team reached the CYO semifinals at Livonia Ladywood. It was the first appearance in the Final Four for any team from the Canton school.

## All Saints cap big year in CYO Final Four

On Oct. 19, All Saints Catholic School's No. 1 varsity volleyball team lost to St. James of Novi in the Detroit Catholic Youth Organization semifinals at Livonia Ladywood.

But it marked the first time any team from ASCS had gone to the Final Four in the history of the Canton school.

Over 250 families, friends, teachers and students attended the match at Ladywood, outnumbering the fans from the other three teams combined.

It was quite a remarkable season for the girls. The team went 19-1 (undefeated in league play, 10-0), and captured the CYO Division K championship.

During the playoffs, the squad racked up the District 3 and Region 2 championships and followed up with the Final Four appearance.

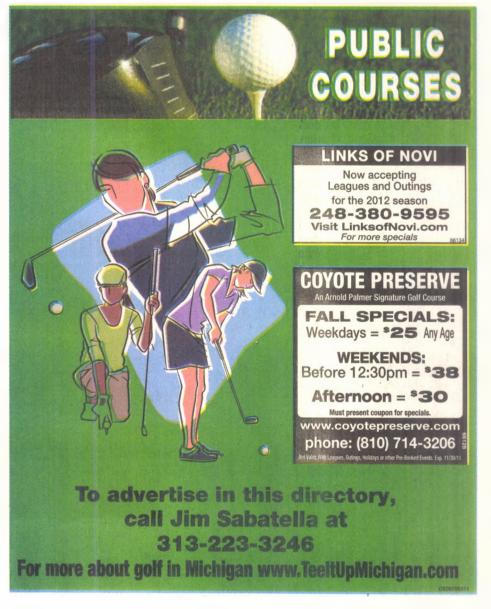
All 10 girls on the team

will be moving on to high school next fall, with this season's memorable run fresh in their minds.

Players were Hannah Cohen, Faith Ellis, Tess Ganich, Hailey Hodgson, Hadley McCausland, Brianna Risi, Taylor Smith, Sara Soltis, Hannah Stefanek and Emily Tanski.

The coaching staff included Anne Ellis and Kathy Ganich, who wished to thank the community for its support this season.

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**ARMSTRONG** ROBERT M. **Heavenly Birthday** October 24, 2011

Loving son of the late James and Mary Elizabeth Armstrong, born in Detroit on June 6, 1955. Dear brother of Maureen Wakenell, Jim Armstrong and Karen Mayo. Special uncle of many nieces and nephews. A true gentle soul with a heart of gold who enriched the lives of his family, friends and caregivers. Visitation 12-9pm, Sunday, October 30 at the R.G. & Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia and Monday from 9:00am until Funeral Mass at 9:30 at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Memorial tributes are requested to ARC, STEP, Community Spirit Homes and Alzheimer's Association. Please share a memory at:

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CROWLEY, MAUREEN A.

October 20, 2011, age 79. Loving wife of Daniel. Dearest mother of Patricia and Jimmy. Dear sister of Lawrence (Mike) Tierney, and Jack (Judy) Tierney and the late Eileen Poirier. Also survived by her cat Dynamo. Resting at L. J. Griffin Funeral Home 7707 Middlebelt Road, (at Ann Arbor Trail) Friday 2-9 p.m., Rosary 7 p.m. Instate Saturday 10 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church 11441 Hubbard (at Plymouth /W. of Merriman) until time of Mass at 10:30 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at: griffinfuneralhome.com



KILEY, Charles F. 7-28-1929 - 10-25-2011

Charles F. Kiley, formerly of Livonia, Michigan, died October 25, 2011 at Nazareth House in San Diego where he had lived the last

two years. Charles was preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie in 1993. He is survived by his daughter, Karen and son-in-law Steve Toohill and three beloved grandchildren, Kathleen, Connor and Casey. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, all of whom he loved dearly.

Charles Francis Kiley was born in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania on July 28, 1929 to Charles Sr. and Sara. He was the eldest of three children including Richard (deceased) and Joan (Nealon). attended LaSalle Charles University ('51) and served in the United States Coast Guard for four years. Later he moved to Michigan where he married Marjorie Thompson in 1959. They had one child, Karen Kiley Toohill. Charlie and Marge lived in Livonia for thirty years where they were active parishioners of St. Aidan's and Charlie enjoyed participating in the Livonia Parks and Recreation annual Spree. Thereafter, Charlie and Marge moved to Laguna Niquel, California. For over forty years, Charlie worked in the cash register industry

A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, October 29 at 9:30 a.m. at Nazareth House, 6333 Rancho Mission Road, San Diego, CA 92108.

Private Interment Ascension Cemetery in Lake Forest, CA. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Charles's memory to Nazareth House.

May **peace** be with you in this time of sorrow.

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**ROWLAND-BARNER** SARAH J. "SALLY"

Age 77 of Fenton (formerly Plymouth) passed away October 24, 2011. Beloved wife of Robert Barner, and the late Robert Rowland. Loving mother of Christine (David) Cope, Debra (James) Tiller, Gail (Christopher) Rink, and Rob (Connie) Rowland Proud grandmother of eight. Also leaves two sisters, and several nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her brother. Visitation Thursday 4-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home; 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. In state Friday 10 AM until the 11 AM funeral service at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial (west of Sheldon) Plymouth. Interment Lake City Cemetery.

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Mom and Dad Katherine and Sarah

## Halloween program kicks off concert series

Resounding Art in a Sacred Space concert series will mesh spooky and silly sounds during "Pipes Spooktacular." 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 30, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, in Plymouth.

Pipes Spooktacular, an annual Halloween-themed event at the church, is the first concert of the series' 2011-2012

The concert will feature Julie Ford, the church's minister of music, and special guests Johnny Kash on organ, vocalist Jackie King, and the church's Youth Choir.

The family-friendly event will last approximately 45 minutes, and will conclude with special treats. Concert-goers may attend in costume.

Suggested donation for admission is \$5 per person and \$15 for families. For more information about the pro-



Julie Ford, minister of music, is dressed in costume for the annual Halloween concert at St. John's Episcopal Church of Plymouth.

gram, the concert series, or the parish, call (734) 453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit the church website at www.stjohnsplym-

#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

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#### Oct. 27-Nov. 2

**BLOOD DRIVE** Time/Date: 1-7 p.m. Oct. 28 Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Call the Red Cross to make an appointment Contact: (800) 733-2767

**COAT EXCHANGE** Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Oct. 29

Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile one block west of Inkster Road, in Livonia

**Details:** The coat exchange will take place during the Fall Fun Festival. Participants who need a coat can take one. Coat donations will be accepted in the church office during business hours Contact: (734) 422-1470

**FALL FESTIVAL** 

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m., Oct. 29 Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** Family-oriented event with games, tace painting, henna tattoos, bouncies, bake sale, and free cider and doughnuts. Participants may wear their costumes. Rain or

Contact: Pastor R. Wright at (313) 682-7491

**FUN FEST, BARBECUE** Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Saturday,

Oct. 29 Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile one block west of Inkster

Road, in Livonia Details: Fall Fun Festival for children through 6th grade. There will be games, treats, fall activities and more. Church members will be in the parking lot to pass out treats as the children "Trunk or Treat" from car to car. The church encourages youngsters wear costumes for the event.

Parents or guardians must

accompany all children.

Also happening: A barbecue from 4-7 p.m. on Oct. 29 will include North Carolina Pulled Pork Shoulder, Southern Bar-B-Q Chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, red-skinned potatoes. Proceeds will go to the church's "Feed the Hungry" ministries. Advance tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. At the door, tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children while supplies last. Contact: (734) 422-1470

HALLELUJAH FESTIVAL Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive,

Canton **Details:** 10th annual festival includes fun, food, games and fellowship

Contact: (734) 404-2480;

www.cantoncf.org

**HARVEST SUPPER** Time/Date: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

dinner, 5-7 p.m. bake sale, Thursday, Nov. 3 **Location:** Atonement

Lutheran Church, 6961 Mead, Dearborn Details: Adult admission is

\$8. Grade school children pay \$3.50, pre-schoolers pay \$1.50. Tickets may be ordered in advance or purchased at the door. Carry outs must be ordered by Nov. 2

Contact: (313) 421-8036 or (313) 581-2525

**PASTIES** 

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-noon, Monday, Oct. 31

**Location:** Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia

**Details:** Order pasties at \$4 each. Telephone orders placed Monday, Oct. 31; pick-up days are 1-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 4-5

Contact: (734) 422-0149

TRUNK OR TREAT

Time/Date: 5:15-7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 30

Location: Connection Church, 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Trick or treat from

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#### HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

#### Celtic, not spooky

Farmington Hillsbased Finvarra's Wren will present an evening of lively jigs, reels, songs and stories around the theme of "Samhain," 8 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 29, at the Village Theatre, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, in Canton.

Samhain is the Irish

name for Halloween. "Halloween originated in Ireland, so it seems appropriate to sculpt an Irish music show around the theme," said singer Jim Perkins, who formed the group with his wife, Sherry Burns. "It's a family holiday, and we are a family band, so it makes sense." Other members of Finvarra's Wren include Perkins' son, Asher Perkins, on accordion and concertina, and daughter, Alison Perkins, on fiiddle and tinwhistle. Perkins plays guitar, and his wife adds dulcimer, vocals and bodhran, an Irish goat skin drum.

"We intend to have a rollicking good time," Perkins said.

General admission is \$15 with a discount for children and seniors. Advanced tickets are available by calling (734) 394-5460 or by visiting http://www.canton-mi.org/ villagetheater.

#### **Haunted Opera** House

The Detroit Opera House will hold its third annual Halloween party and fundraiser, Haunted in the House, from 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Friday, Oct. 28. The event last year drew a crowd of more than 900 and raised \$40,000 for Michigan Opera Theatre's opera and dance programming, as well as educational outreach.

The historic former movie palace's grand lobby and lounges will be transformed into floors of eerie fun, including dancing to beats from DJ Tom T, specialty drinks, and a performance by the Detroit Circus. Costumed attire is encouraged, with cash prizes awarded at midnight for best individual, couple, and group costumes. Shutterbooth will provide spooky souvenir photos, and Tubby's Southgate and Sander's Fine Chocolatiers will bring midnight treats for

A VIP lounge will feature a private DJ and an open bar and hors d'oeuvres from Lakeland Catering until 10 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 the day of the event. VIP tickets are \$75 and \$80 the day of the event. VIP tickets include an event preview, VIP lounge, and valet parking. Guests must be 21 or older. Tickets and more information are available at www. HauntedInTheHouse. com, by phone at (313) 237-SING or in person at the Detroit Opera House ticket office, 1526 Broadway in Detroit.

#### Artist takes foot and brush to canvas

Shaqe Kalaj will talk about creating art with her foot - during an opening reception to an exhibit of her works, 5:30-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 at Art & Ideas Contemporary Art Gallery & Studio, 15095 Northville Road, in Plymouth.

"Downtown Foot Art," an exhibit of her paintings, runs Oct. 27-Dec.

Kalaj, the artist in residence at Art & Ideas, focused on local historic buildings such as the Wilcox House, when she painted and sketched in the outdoors over the summer. She used only her feet to manipulate her pens and brushes and discovered effects that wouldn't result from using her hands.

"If I just used my hand, the paintings would look too 'perfect' and not

nearly as interesting," she said.

Kalaj said working outdoors in Plymouth and Northville with her feet "was kind of a performance" and sparked "a lot of great conversations with local people.' Using an alternative limb also demonstrated the potential that handicapped persons have for making art.

"Someone with a disability who lacks the use of one part of their body can certainly create interesting art using another part, and shouldn't hesitate to try."

See Downtown Foot Art from 1-6:30 p.m. Thursday and 1-7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, or by appoint-

For more information, visit www.artandideasgallery.com or call (734) 420-0775.

# Actors bring 'Dracula' to life at Schoolcraft

**By Sharon Dargay O&E Staff Writer** 

James Hartman read three versions of Dracula last summer before choosing a script for his 59th theater production at Schoolcraft College - and his third show in 24 years about the blood-sucking vampire.

He picked the work by Deane and Balderston, which debuted on Broadway in 1927 with Bela Lugosi in the title role. It was revived on Broadway 50 years later, winning a Tony and a Tony nomination for Frank Langella, who played Dracula.

"What really appealed to me was the fact that it's better written. It's a story line that you can follow," said Hartman, professor of theater and drama at the college. "The others to me seemed kind of hokey, kind of goofy. This actually is a fairly well-written play with developed characters."

The play, which opens Friday, Oct. 28, on the Schoolcraft College stage for a three-weekend run, focuses more on the characters around Dracula than it does on the title role.

"In this, Dracula is not the central figure. Van Helsing is the lead. Dracula is the third smallest part," Hartman said. "We get more of a story line between Lucy and her fiance, and how their relationship is affected by Dracula's appearance. We get more understanding of Dr. Seward, his running a sanitorium and taking in patients with mental problems."

Classic story

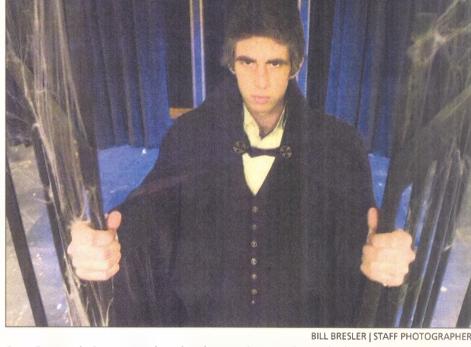
The play is based on the Bram Stoker novel about the vampire count who relocates from Transylvania to England and encounters opposition from a group led by Van Helsing. Before he

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Scott Dreaver is Count Dracula. When he's not in Transylvania he lives in Canton.

#### "DRACULA"

What: Hamilton Deane and John L. Balderston's version of the play about the vampire Count Dracula

When: 6:30 p.m. dinner with 8 p.m. show Friday-Saturday, Oct. 28-29 and Nov. 4-5; 8 p.m. show only, Nov. 11-12

Where: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

**Details:** Tickets are \$24 for the dinner theater the first two weekends; \$12 for the show only the last weekend. Tickets available through the Schoolcraft College bookstore

Contact: (734) 462-4596

flees back to Transvlvania, he turns one woman — Lucy — into a vampire and feeds off another, leaving her susceptible to his control. Van Helsing and his group pursue Dracula, eventually killing him in his coffin.

Hartman first staged Dracula at Schoolcraft in

1987, the same year that he began building a degree program in theater at the school. He doesn't recall how he staged that production and another that followed several years after.

"I don't want to copy anything I've done before," Hartman said. Any repeated shows are created from scratch with new sets, costumes and direction.

"I like repeating a show, usually with a period of ten years in between. The interesting thing about repeating a show is I discover new things about the characters. With Dracula that happened. I discovered a lot of nuances in the roles that hopefully will be brought out through the actors."

Variety of plays

The cast is a mix of students and non-students. Auditions are open to the public.

The *Dracula* cast includes several students who will make their stage debut Friday, as well a dentist who has performed in five previous shows with Hartman.

"We do comedy, mystery, tragedy. We do Shakespeare. I've always felt that part of my responsibility as a collegiate director is to help educate the audience, not only train actors." His next production is Romeo and Juliet, in March 2012.

Dracula cast members from Livonia are Jake Edward Beitzel, who plays Jonathan Harker; Nathan Shaw, as Dr. Seward; and Michelle Danaj, as Miss Wells, the maid.

Scott Dreaver plays Count Dracula and Kristen Campbell is understudying the role of Miss Wells, the maid. Both are from Canton.

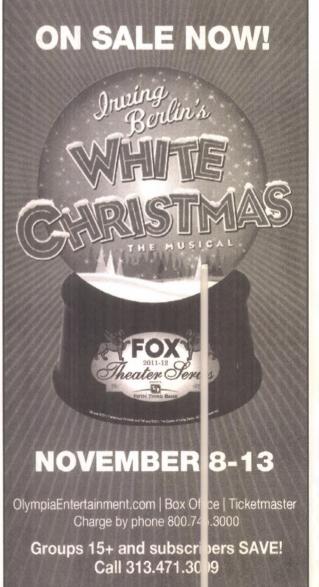
Rebecca Himm of Northville plays Lucy Seward; Kevin Meloche of Westland is understudying the role of Jonathan Harker; Dalibor Atanaskoski of Dearborn Heights plays Abraham Van Helsing; Thomas Peck of Garden City is understudying the role of R.M. Renfield: Aaron Ruettinger of Fenton plays R. M. Renfield; and Benjamin J. Gresko of Howell plays Butterworth.

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#### Art

### NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

**Time/Date:** Nov. 4-Dec. 10 **Location:** 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: The seventh annual Northville Holiday Art Market opens with a reception from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, and will include refreshments and handcrafted work in painting, printmaking, glass, mosaic, fiber, photography, jewelry and mixed media for sale by well-known local artists. A used book sale is set for the lower level gallery during the reception. Hours for the market are 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. On "First Fridays" only in November and December hours are 1-9 p.m

Coming up: An Antiques and Fine Arts Appraisal clinic with Robert Du-Mouchelle of DuMouchelle Art Galleries, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18. The registration fee is \$10 per item with a limit of 3 items per guest. Walk-ins without prior registration will be admitted on the day of the event if time allows. Guests may bring items such as antiques, collectibles, family memorabilia, furniture and artwork. Large or fragile items should be submitted by photograph. Coins, stamps, and jewelry will not be appraised at this event. Register in person, 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday or call Northville Art House Contact: (248) 344-0497

### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Thursday in November

**Location:** 744 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

**Details:** Drawings by Marilyn Meredith of Three Cities Art Club

Ornament class: Help instructor Lisa Howard make ornaments for the PCAC's pine in the Downtown Plymouth Holiday Walk of Trees, 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6. The class is aimed at ages 6 and up. Suggested



A reconstructed vintage faux fur neck scarf by Lisa Mancos and other unique items priced for holiday gift giving will be sold at the seventh annual Holiday Art Market, Nov. 4-Dec. 10 at Northville Art House.

donation is \$5. All materials will be provided. Call the PCAC office to register **Contact:** (734) 416-4278

### Comedy

#### Go Comedy!

**Time/Date:** Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays

**Location:** 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale

**Details:** Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays **Contact:** (248) 327-0575;

## gocomedy.net JD'S HOUSE OF COMEDY

Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings

**Location:** 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield

Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday

Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com

### JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB OF LIVONIA

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Mondays, open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays,

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Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays **Location:** 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** Tom Simmons, Nov. 2-5; Tim Kidd, Nov. 9-12; Chris Barnes, Nov. 16-19; J. Chris Newberg, Nov. 23, 25-26

Contact: (734) 261-0555, www.kickerscomplex.com

### MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Time/Date: Tim Gaither, Oct. 27-29; Michael Loftus, Nov. 3-5; Robb Little, Nov. 10-12; Kathleen Madigan, Nov. 17-19; Dave Landau, Nov. 25-26; Alex Ortiz, Nov. 30-Dec. 3

**Location:** 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak

Royal Oak
Contact: (248) 542-9900,
www.comedycastle.com

#### Dance

### MOON DUSTERS Time/Date: 8:30-11:30

p.m. every Saturday; dance lessons 7-8 p.m. **Location:** Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Singles and couples dance to music of the '30s, '40s and '50s; free refreshments. Dance lessons cost \$6; dance and lessons are \$11; dance only is \$7 for guests, \$6.50 for associates and \$6 for Moon Dusters members

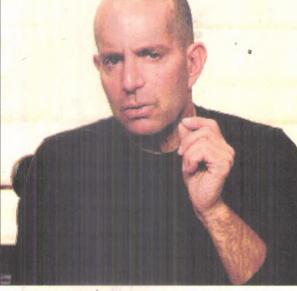
Contact: Joe Castrodale, club president, (248) 968-5197

#### SUCCESSFULLY SIN-GLE

Time/Date: 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Oct. 29 Location: Burton Manor Ballroom #8, 27777 Schoolcraft, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Dancing to the "Monster Mash" and Top 40 Hits by DJ Pam Hornbeck. Lots of devilish tricks, delightful treats, fiendish finger foods, door prizes, raffle and more. Prizes given for best costumes. \$12 at the door for members; \$15 for non-members.

Contact: Janet Blair at (248) 289-6406



Brad Zimmerman performs his one-man show through Oct. 30 at Andiamo in Novi.

#### Family

#### BAKERS KEYBOARD

LOUNGE Time/Dates: 2-5 p.m. Sundays

**Details:** Jazz for Kids Program

**Location:** 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit

Ave., Detroit

Contact: (313) 345-6300,
www.bakerskeyboard-

## lounge.com DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Time/Dates: 2 p.m. Sundays

**Details:** Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances, free with admission

**Location:** 5200 Woodward, Detroit **Contact:** (313) 833-7900,

### www.dia.org DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily through October; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in November Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward,

Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$11
for adults 15 to 61, \$9
for senior citizens 62 and
older, and \$7 for children
ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free

Contact: (248) 541-5717

#### Film

### PENN THEATRE Time/Date: 5 p.m. and 7

p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 29-30

Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth Details: "Mr. Popper's Pe

Details: "Mr. Popper's Penguins," \$3

Coming up: "The Help," 7

p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 3-4 and 10; 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 5-6

**Shock-tober:** "Abbott and Costello Meet the Killer," Oct. 27. All shows start at 7 p.m. and cost \$3

Contact: (734) 453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

#### REDFORD THEATRE

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Oct. 29 **Location:** 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Ave., in Detroit

Details: "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" with Lon Chaney and Patsy Ruth Miller; \$12 for adults; \$8 for children under 12. Dave Calendine plays organ for this silent movie

Contact: (313) 537-2560

#### Museums

CHARLES H. WRIGHT Time/Date: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1-5

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p.m. Sunday **Location:** 315 E. Warren
Road, Detroit

Details: Heidelberg 25 through Nov. 27; Dance Theatre of Harlem, through Dec. 31 Regular museum admission is \$8 for adults, 13-61; and \$5 for youth, 3-12, and seniors, 62 and over. Members and children 2 and under are admitted free Contact: (313) 494-5800

#### CRANBROOK

Time/Date: 2 p.m., Thursday-Sunday

Location: 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills

Details: Docent-guided
public tours of Saarinen
House, a rare integration of
art, architecture, design and
nature, depart from Cranbrook Institute of Science
front desk. The tours are
about 90 minutes long and

take place rain or shine.

Contact: (248) 645-3200 for house tours; http://science. cranbrook.edu

### KELSEY MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, through Dec. 18

Location: In the heart of the University of Michigan campus, 434 S. State, Ann Arbor

Details: "Karanis Revealed: Discovering the Past and Present of a Michigan Excavation in Egypt" will explore the story of a site excavation initiated by U of M in the 1920s and 1930s. It will illuminate the historical records of a single village community, located 80 kilometers southwest of Cairo in the Egyptian countryside, during Egypt's Greco-Roman period

Contact: (734) 764-9304

#### Music

#### **THE ARK**

Time/Date: The Verve Pipe, Oct. 28; Ollabelle, Oct. 29; Hayes Carll, Oct. 30 Gregory Alan Isakov, Nov. 1; Open Stage, Nov. 2; Tom Chapin, Nov. 3; The RFD Boys, Nov. 4 Location: 316 South Main, Ann Arbor

**Contact:** (734) 763-8587; www.theark.org

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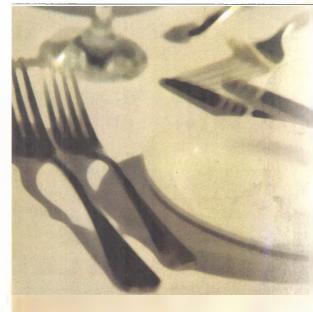
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To raise a few hairs at your Halloween bash, add a collection of werewolf treats that are sure to satisfy your hungry pack. Party guests will be digging their fangs into Wickedly Wonderful Werewolf Pops and Werewolf Furry Finger Cookies. So, bring your appetite because the Wilton Test Kitchen has baked up a cauldron of confections for this spooky season ... take a bite.

#### Wickedly Wonderful **Werewolf Pops**

Makes about 8 pops

- Round Cookie Pop Pan
- 2 tablespoons margarine or butter 2 cups miniature marshmallows 3 cups crisp chocolate-coated rice
- cereal 8 8-inch Cookie Sticks
- Dark Cocoa Candy Melts Yellow Candy Melts Brown candy-coated chocolates Candy corn

Spray Round Cookie Pop Pan and spatula or wooden spoon with vegetable pan spray.

In large microwave-safe bowl, melt margarine and marshmallows together; stir to combine. Add cereal; stir until well coated. Press into prepared pan, leaving top edge uneven. Insert Cookie Sticks. Let cool; remove from pan. Repeat with remaining cereal mixture, reheating mixture in microwave if needed to make it easier to work with. Reserve any leftover cereal.

With knife, cut dark cocoa Candy Melts into fourths; with melted candy, attach 2 to the top of each pop, pointed side up, for ears. Cut 4 off yellow Candy Melts; attach 2 larger pieces with melted candy for eyes. Attach candy-coated chocolate pupils and nose. Cut pointed end from candy corn; attach for teeth with melted candy. Add additional small pieces of cereal mixture for evebrows. Arrange pops in seasonal container.



per left: Wickedly Wonderful Werewolf Pops, Frightfully Fun Werewolf Cake and Werewolf **Furry Finger** Cookies

bowl covered with a Clockwise damp cloth until ready from upto use. For best results, keep icing bowl in refrigerator when not in use. Refrigerated in an airtight container, this icing can be stored 2 weeks. Re-whip before

#### Werewolf Furry **Finger Cookies**

Makes about 3 dozen cookies

Finger Cookie Pan 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened 1½ cups granulated sugar 1 egg

1½ teaspoons vanilla extract & teaspoon almond extract (optional)

2½ cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon salt 3 tablespoons cocoa powder Flaked coconut Brown icing color

Black spice drops Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray Finger Cookie Pan cavities with vegetable pan spray.

In large bowl, beat butter and sugar with electric mixer at medium speed until well blended. Beat in egg and extracts; mix well. Combine flour, salt and cocoa powder; add to butter mixture. Beat until well blended. Press dough into prepared pan cavities, filling % full.

Bake 9 to 10 minutes or until light brown around edges. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Turn pan over; lightly tap pan to remove cookies. Cool completely on cooling grid.

In resealable plastic bag, place coconut with icing color; knead until color is evenly blended. Dry on parchment or waxed paper. Attach in small clumps on cooled cookies with melted candy. Roll out spice drops on surface sprinkled with granulated sugar; cut into fingernail shapes. Attach to cookies with melted

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### CITY BITES Time for pie

PLYMOUTH -Plymouth Community Arts Council (PCAC) is selling \$15 certificates good for one full-sized 9-inch pie from Grand Traverse Pie Company in Plymouth. Five dollars from each certificate goes to the PCAC and its Plymouth Uptown Players Youth Theater Program. Order certificates now through Nov. 3 at the PCAC, 774 Sheldon and pick them up after Nov. 11. For more information, call (734)-

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#### Wine with dinner

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LIVONIA — Flaming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar, 17400 Haggerty, Livonia, will present a dinner and wine pairings with 90-point wines from Schramsberg Vineyards, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28. Tickets are \$85. The menu will include appetizers, Roasted Pumpkin Bisque, Butter-Poached Filet Mignon, and Pomegranate Creme Brulee. Make reservations at (734) 542-9463.

#### Heavenly pasties

LIVONIA — Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, will take telephone orders for pasties from 9 a.m.noon, Monday, Oct. 31. Pasties cost \$4 each and can be picked up from 1-5 p.m.. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 4-5. Call (734) 422-0149

#### **Food Circus**

ANN ARBOR — See a segment taping of the JTV food series, Food Circus with Adrien Sharp, 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, at Whole Foods Market, 3135 Washtenaw Ave. Tickets are \$60 and including seating in the kitchen during filming, a meet and greet with a photo opportunity after the filming, a gift bag from Whole Foods, and a ticket to the 2012 Michigan Shakespeare Festival Season. Buy tickets at www.MichiganShakespeareFestival.com.

#### Frightfully Fun Werewolf Cake

Makes about 16 servings

- Pound Cake (see below) 3-D Cuddly Bear Set White Rolled Fondant
- 2 dowel rods
- Chocolate Buttercream Icing (see below)

Rotary Cutter

- 2 each Bright Green and Purple Sugar Sheets! Edible Decorating Paper
- Piping gel (optional)
- 1 each Bright Yellow, Light Pink, White and Black Sugar Sheets! Edible Decorating Paper

Flaked coconut

Brown and black Icing Color

Bake and cool pound cake recipe in 3-D Cuddly Bear baking pan following pan instructions. Cool completely. Roll two 3-inch by 1-4-inch fondant logs; insert dowel rods, leaving 2 inches of dowel rod exposed. Insert into cake for

Spatula ice cake and arms with chocolate buttercream icing, building up ears to a point at top of head. With Rotary Cutter, cut two purple shirt shapes and two green pants shapes from Sugar Sheets! Attach to front and back of bear, wrapping around to meet, using piping gel, if desired. Cut out pink triangles for ears, yellow eyes, black circle pupils and nose, black mouth and white triangle fangs; attach.

Tint coconut with brown and black icing color; press into icing for fur. Tint small amount of chocolate icing black; add tip 22 pull-out star claws on ends of

#### **Pound Cake**

1 package (18 ounces) favorite cake mix 1 package (4-serving size) instant pudding and pie

filling mix

4 eggs

1 cup water

& cup vegetable oil

Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray one 13-inch by 9-inch by 2-inch pan or two 8-inch by 2-inch round pans or two 9-inch by 2-inch round pans with vegetable pan spray. In large bowl, combine cake mix, pudding mix, eggs, water and oil; beat at medium speed with electric mixer for 2 minutes. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 30-35 minutes for round pans; 35-40 minutes sheet pan. Cool in pans 10 minutes; remove from pans to cooling grid and cool completely.

#### **Chocolate Butter Cream Icing**

Makes 3 cups of icing

½ cup solid vegetable shortening

½ cup (1 stick) butter or margarine, softened ¼ cup cocoa or three 1 ounce unsweetened chocolate squares, melted

1 teaspoon clear vanilla extract Easy-Add clear vanilla extract

4 cups sifted confectioners' sugar (approximately

1 pound) 3-4 tablespoons milk

In large bowl, cream shortening and butter with electric mixer. Add cocoa and vanilla. Gradually add sugar, one cup at a time, beating well on medium speed. Scrape sides and bottom of bowl often. When all sugar has been mixed in, icing will appear dry. Add milk and beat at medium speed until light and fluffy. Keep

### Anniversary pale ale

Friends of the Rouge supporters show off the hops they harvested locally for use in brewing a new beer that honors the organization's 25th anniversary. Liberty Street Brewing Company in Plymouth will release the new beer Nov. 6 during Friends' third annual Rouge Brew, a beer tasting led by Rex Halfpenny of the Michigan Beer Guide. Cost to attend the event is \$35. It includes beer tasting, a souvenir pint glass and snacks provided by Papa Romano's in Plymouth. All proceeds will support Friends of the Rouge, nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River. Register online at www.therouge.org. Contact Sally Petrella at (313) 792-9621 or monitoring@therouge.org with any questions.

## Correct weight guess will win a dressed turkey

It's all about pumpkins this week at Roperti's Turkey Farm in Livonia.

Tom Roperti, with the help of his mom, Christine Roperti and his step-dad, Wesley, grew seven huge pumpkins at their family-owned turkey farm this year. It took three men to roll each pumpkin onto a pallet, and a tractor to pull the pallet to the farm entrance, where the pump-

kins were moved into place. That was the easy part of the farm's annual "Guess the Weight of the Giant Pumpkin Contest."

The trickier task now is up to you.

If you can guess the weight

- or closest to the weightof the biggest pumpkin without going over, you'll win a fresh dressed turkey for Thanksgiving.

No purchase is necessary to win, but all entries must be received by Monday, Oct. 31. The winner will be announced on Nov. 1.

Here's a hint to get you started: Tom Roperti grew his first giant pumpkin in 2009. It weighed more than 500 pounds.

Roperti's, known for organically-raised, free range, cornfed turkeys, is located at 34700 Five Mile.

For more information, call (734) 464-6546.

#### New restaurant adds dinner items to menu ship. Aaron was the banchoice of meat for \$5.99;

Maple House Restaurant, a new diner in Farmington Hills, will expand its menu and hours when it begins dinner service on Friday, Oct. 28.

Owners Tiffany and Aaron Barsaleau will feature five dinner items that will change periodically, along with the restaurant's regular breakfast and lunch menu. New hours will be 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday-Saturday, and 7 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday.

The Barsaleaus, who have culinary degrees from Schoolcraft College, met several years ago while working at Andiamo's of Bloomfield Townquet chef at Andiamo's for three years and has worked at Small Plates in Detroit and Steve & Rocky's. Tiffany worked at several Amdiamo's locations before meeting Aaron. After marrying, Aaron made the move to Ciao Amici's in Brighton, where he became an executive chef.

They opened Maple House Restaurant this month at 25938 Middlebelt, in the Kroger Plaza at 11 Mile.

Their breakfast fare is available any time during business hours and includes such specialties as fresh biscuits and homemade sausage gravy with two eggs and a

stuffed pancakes with a layer of sweet pastry cream and a choice of fruit, granola or chocolate chips for \$4.99; pecan-encrusted French toast for \$4.49 or peanut butter banana French toast with piped nutty peanut butter and topped with slices of fresh banana, also \$4.49. For a different kind of omelet, try the BLT for \$6.99.

The lunch menu includes a variety of burgers, sandwiches, salads and lunch plates, along with a kid's menu.

For more information call (248) 579-6431 or visit www.maplehouserestaurant.com.



fany and Aaron Barsaleau are ready to serve an expanded menu at their new restaurant in Farmington Hills.

## Get home ready for winter's blasts

FEMA, a federal government agency, has tips for preparing a home and car for winter

weather. Add the following supplies to your disaster supplies kit:

Rock salt to melt ice on

Sand to improve traction

 Snow shovels and other snow removal equipment.

#### Prepare your home and family

• Prepare for possible isolation in your home by having sufficient heating fuel; regular fuel sources may be cut off. For example, store a good supply of dry, seasoned wood for your fireplace or wood-burning stove.

• Winterize your home to extend the life of your fuel supply by insulating walls and attics, caulking and weatherstripping doors and windows, and installing storm windows or covering windows with plastic.

• Winterize your house, barn, shed or any other structure that may provide shelter for your family, neighbors, livestock or equipment. Clear rain gutters; repair roof leaks and cut away tree branches that could fall on a house or other structure during a storm.

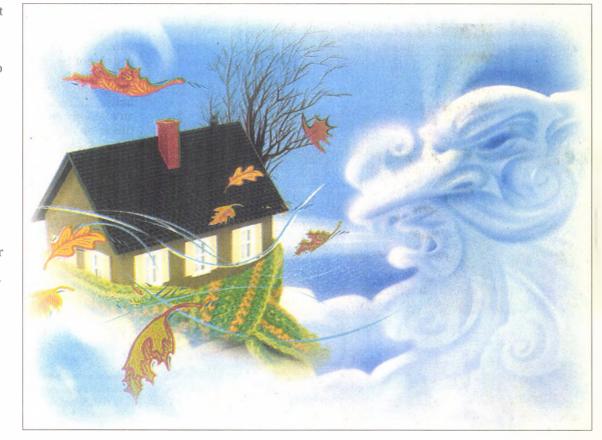
• Insulate pipes with insulation or newspapers and plastic and allow faucets to drip a little during cold weather to avoid freezing.

• Keep fire extinguishers on hand, and make sure everyone in your house knows how to use them. House fires pose an additional risk, as more people turn to alternate heating sources without taking the necessary safety precautions.

· Learn how to shut off water valves (in case a pipe bursts).

 Know ahead of time what you should do to help elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or employees.

• Hire a contractor to check the structural ability of the



roof to sustain unusually heavy weight from the accumulation of snow — or water. if drains on flat roofs do not work.

#### Prepare your car

· Check or have a mechanic check the following items on

- Antifreeze levels — ensure they are sufficient to avoid

- Battery and ignition system — should be in top condition and battery terminals should be clean.

- Brakes — check for wear and fluid levels.

- Exhaust system — check for leaks and crimped pipes and repair or replace as necessary. Carbon monoxide is deadly and usually gives no warning.

- Fuel and air filters replace and keep water out of the system by using additives and maintaining a full tank of

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- Heater and defroster -

ensure they work properly. - Lights and flashing hazard lights — check for serviceability. - Oil — check for level and

weight. Heavier oils congeal

more at low temperatures and do not lubricate as well. - Thermostat - ensure it

works properly. - Windshield wiper equipment - repair any problems and maintain proper washer fluid level.

• Install good winter tires. Make sure the tires have adequate tread. All-weather radials are usually adequate for most winter conditions. However, some jurisdictions require that to drive on their roads, vehicles must be equipped with chains or snow tires with studs.

• Maintain at least a half tank of gas during the winter season. Place a winter emergency

kit in each car that includes: a shovel

-windshield scraper and small

#### broom

- flashlight
- battery powered radio - extra batteries
- water - snack food
- matches
- extra hats, socks and mittens
- First aid kit with pocket knife
- Necessary medications - blanket(s)
- tow chain or rope
- road salt and sand - booster cables
- emergency flares
- fluorescent distress flag

#### **Dress for the Weather**

 Wear several layers of loose fitting, lightweight, warm clothing rather than one layer of heavy clothing. The outer garments should be tightly woven and water repellent.

•Wear mittens, which are warmer than gloves.

• Wear a hat.

· Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs.

## Check law on transfer

**By Robert Meisner Guest Columnist** 

Q: I understand that the Legislature in Michigan has passed a statute to prohibit certain covenants and fees upon transfer of real property. Do you have any information?

A: There are two new acts that effectively nullify and prohibit any transfer fee covenants which are also known as capital recovery fees or private transfer fees from attaching to title to real property involving transfer of commercial or residential properties



Robert Meisner

and they void any lien purporting to secure payment of any transfer fee. The acts also allow a

person aggrieved by the imposition of a transfer fee to bring an action to clear title to the real property, void the transfer fee and recover the costs and attorney fees incurred in bringing the action and seeking other equitable relief. While transfer fees have not been frequently seen here in Michigan, and particularly in residential property, they have been very popular around the

Q: I understand that an organization called HomeSteps which is a real estate sales agent of Freddie Mac is now offering "Condo Cash." Do you

A: In a special

country.

limited time offer that will provide eligible condo buyers with \$1,500.00 for standard condominium association dues, HomeSteps, the real estate sales unit of Freddie Mac announced that this would be limited to buvers who submit offers between Aug. 15, 2011 and Nov. 15, 2011, and close escrows on or before Dec. 30, 2011. The cash condo offer is valid only on HomeSteps' homes that have been on the market for at least 120 days and are sold to owner-occupant buyers. A two-year Home Protect® limited home warranty that covers electrical, plumbing, air conditioning, heating, and other major systems and appliances is offered on some eligible HomeStep homes. Home Protect® also provides discounts of up to 30 percent on the purchase of appliances. However, HomeSteps' Condo Cash is not available on HomeSteps' condominiums purchased through auctions, sealed bids, bulk sales or in areas where such offers are prohibited by law.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@ meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 18-22, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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CANTON	
2412 Arcadia Dr	\$69,000
5915 Beaufort Dr	\$148,000
789 Buchanan St	\$360,000
8070 Chatham Ct	\$450,000
6252 Guilford Dr	\$137,000
2024 Hawks Nest Ct	\$120,000
4695 Hunters Cir W	\$76,000
49467 Jackson Ln	\$383,000

2040 Lone Wolf Ln
262 Morgan Dr
3902 Norwich Dr
48756 Stonebriar Dr
GARDEN CITY
28545 Balmoral St
2037 Lathers 5t
LIVONIA
11800 Alois St
36010 Ann Arbor Trl
8906 Crown St
9351 Eastwind Dr
14434 Houghton St
38679 Meeting House Ln
15450 Oporto St
35111 Parkdale St
17343 Pershing St

36522 Rayburn St

14005 Riverside Ct

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14680 Santa Anita Ave 18547 Southampton St 14326 Sunbury St 9396 Westwind Dr 14831 Yale St IORTHVILLE	\$170,00 \$200;00 \$103,00 \$135,00 \$140,00
44860 Broadmoor Cir S 16718 Carriage Way 177023 Courville Dr 19489 Eddington Pl 39492 Edgewater Dr 19477 Fry Rd 39532 Rockcrest Ln 49136 Running Trout Ln 34930 Springwater Dr 46901 W Main St LYMOUTH	\$315,00 \$214,00 \$335,00 \$125,00 \$198,00 \$105,00 \$395,00 \$461,00
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41695 Greenbriar Ln 40310 Newport Dr 51228 Plymouth Lake Dr 11216 Russell Ave 9390 Saddlebrook Ct REDFORD	\$144,00 \$47,00 \$485,00 \$165,00 \$303,00
15897 Centralia 24737 Donald 9040 Tecumseh 18645 Wakenden WESTLAND	\$18,00 \$81,00 \$30,00 \$40,00
34220 Birchwood St 36028 Central City Pkwy 35750 Glen St 30210 Hanover Blvd 38330 Palmer Rd 32630 Sandra Ln 31005 Somerset St	\$59,00 \$59,00 \$13,00 \$16,00 \$119,00 \$80,00 \$40,00

#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 11-15, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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BEVERLY HILLS	
31761 Waltham Ct BIRMINGHAM	\$263,000
175 Abbey St	\$540,000
504 Graten St	\$250,000
255 Linden Rd	\$550,000
1845 Norfolk St	\$296,000
1061 Northlawn Blvd	\$290,000
347 S Glenhurst Dr	\$325,000
963 Warwick St	\$318,000
1618 Webster St	\$416,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1177 Banbury Cir	\$555,000
997 Stratford Pl	\$208,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	,

2130 Lancaster Rd 5745 Raven Rd 1195 Rolling Hills Dr 3649 Wabeek Rd 4852 Walnut Lake Rd 6596 Woodbank Dr 6940 Woodbank Dr COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	\$102,000 \$315,000 \$80,000 \$210,000 \$662,000 \$169,000 \$228,000
3138 Belle Terre 8041 Commerce Rd 2121 Golfcrest Dr	\$150,000 \$40,000 \$205.000
630 Muskoka 2630 Red Arrow Dr 731 Remington Ct	\$80,000 \$131,000 \$240,000
FARMINGTON HILLS 35122 Drake Heights Dr 35631 Heritage Ln	\$235,000 \$135,000
FARMINGTON HILLS 25273 Bridlepath Ln 22204 Cape Cod Way	\$234,000 \$43,000
37721 Carson St 34336 Commons Ct 27722 E Echo Vly Unit 123	\$88,000 \$210,000 \$20,000
27672 E Echo Vly Unit 129 37261 Fox Gln 28725 Green Castle Rd 31870 Kingswood Ln Unit	\$44,000 \$127,000 \$98,000
22860 Lisa Ct	\$215,000

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5248 Bartlett Dr	\$84.0
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7919 Beckenham Blvd	\$490,0
8479 Carlton Way Dr	\$130,0
3600 Cranbrooke Dr	\$165,0
9936 Crosswinds	\$65,0
0326 Guilford	\$151,0
4723 Highlands Dr	\$180,0
0532 Lenox Park Dr	\$230,0
	\$400.0
4702 Olde Orchard St	\$40,0
2835 Penton Rise Ct	\$225,0
5062 Portsmouth Ave	\$268,0
9432 Weston Dr	\$168,0

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\$151,000	9015 Cooley Lake
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Leporowski and referrals.

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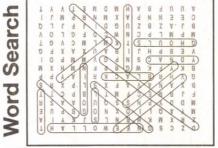
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