

Fireworks cookout

A Saturday cookout outside a Plymouth Township delicatessen will help raise money for the township's annual fireworks show and Fourth of July picnic.

The cookout, with bratwurst, hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and pop, is 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Picnic Basket Market, 49471 Ann Arbor Road at Ridge. There is no admission price, but donations will be welcomed.

It will be the fourth annual fireworks and picnic fundraiser at the Picnic Basket; last year's cookout raised nearly \$3,200

The fireworks are scheduled for Tuesday, July 3, at Township Park, beginning at about 10:15 p.m.

Half-day kindergarten

While one of two sections of half-day kindergarten being offered next year by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is filled, the other still has openings that need to be filled if the district is to offer it.

The half-day kindergarten, which district officials agreed to offer after a petition drive showed there was interest, will be offered at Hoben Elementary School. A letter sent to parents announced a scheduled orientation 1:30-2:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, for students accepted for the morning session.

According to a second letter sent the same day, the district was still five short of the 20 students deemed necessary to offer the second session. Parents interested in the program should visit Hoben's website at http://hoben.pccs.k12. mi.us/ or call the school at (734) 981-8670

Prom pics

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Old complex set to meet wrecking ball

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

The property on the northeast corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley in Plymouth Township is ready for its makeover.

The township Board of Trustees last week awarded a contract for the demolition of three buildings on about 2.8 acres at the former township municipal complex, and Supervisor Richard Reaume said the work could begin as early as mid-June.

The demolition contract for \$62,000 was given to Walker Construction Inc., which offered the lowest price among the nine bids submitted, by a 5-0 vote. Reaume said the idea is to take down the outdated and dilapidated buildings and make the site more attractive for potential redevel-

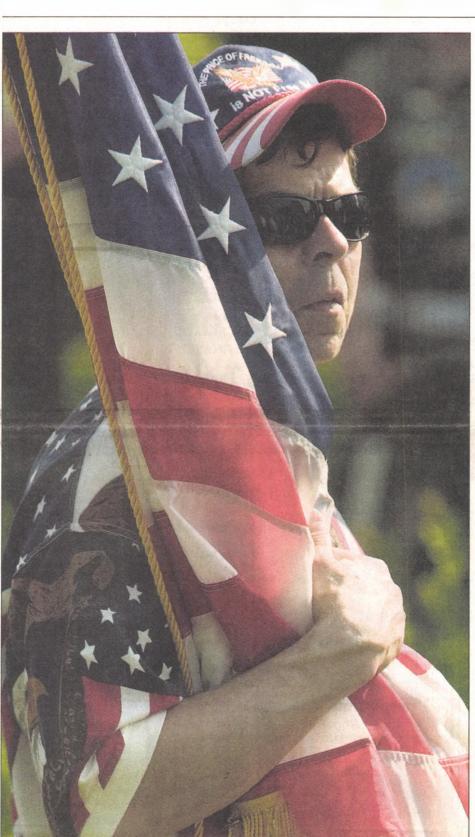
"We're getting a sense of increased (economic) activity throughout the township.

We expect there will be some renewed interest," Reaume said. Two parties recently expressed interest in the site, but neither were too specific about their plans for it and township officials haven't heard from them for several months, Reaume

The three buildings — the former township hall and fire station, the former police station, and a building that housed assessing, information technology and police detective bureau offices - have been vacant since those departments moved to the new township hall complex on Haggerty in late 2006.

In addition, Fifth Third Bank is proceeding with plans to tear down a fourth vacant building, a former Friendly's restaurant that later housed the township clerk's office, and put up a bank branch there. The bank

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Carl Solak hangs on tight to his patriotism at Monday's parade.

Respect for the fallen

Plymouth honors military heroes 5

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

Al Crowley knows a little about what Memorial Day means.

Crowley - a World War II veteran who joined the Army Air Corps in 1943 while still in high school, went on active duty the following year and saw duty on Okinawa after VJ Day — learned first-hand what "ultimate sacrifice" meant when his brother, shortly after celebrating his 21st birthday, was shot down over Germany.

Part of two sets of twin brothers, all of whom who fought in World War II, Crowley spent four years on active duty and

then more than 20 in the National Guard.

As the keynote speaker in Monday's Memorial Day observance in downtown Plymouth, Crowley, who retired as an Air Force major, celebrated the service not only of his fellow World War II veterans, but of all who've fought — and died — in service to their country.

"I'm humbled, and certainly no hero, to be here," the Boston native and now Plymouth resident said. "Memorial Day means something to all of us, and something special to some of us, especially. I want everyone to

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Local Vietnam Veterans were in their traditional leadoff spot at Plymouth's Memorial Day Parade Monday.



Former WSDP adviser, teacher and counselor John Seidelman (center) was on the air with sophomore students Joe Zylka and Archana Sondor during WSDP's recent auction fundraiser.

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Station finding its financial footing

By Brad Kadrich **Observer Staff Writer**

In saving WSDP from the budget ax in recent years, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education decreed the station must become self-sufficient in the next five years.

So far, the station is doing

After a very successful auction — the student run radio station's biggest fundraiser of the year - management has raised some \$25,000 in funding this year. Nearly \$13,000 of that came from this month's auction. It's an increase over the last several years, when auction proceeds dipped to around the \$9,000 mark from a highwater point of some \$14,000

several years ago. "We did really well," station manager Bill Keith said this week. "The alumni committee told us we really needed to push (the total) back above the \$10,000 mark, and we were able to

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Township woman reflects on century of memories

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Katherine Thompson remembers a Detroit now seen only in history books, newsreels and antique photographs: Gas lights, streetcars, and the field at McGraw and Grand River where Olympia Stadium, gone 25 years already, was built in the 1920s.

She's witnessed, and lived, many of the events that defined the U.S. during the last century world wars, the Great Depression, jet travel, the space age and the growth of the suburbs.

"When the man walked on the moon, that was something," said Mrs. Thompson on Tuesday.

Mrs. Thompson, of Plymouth Township, will mark her 100th birthday on Sunday, June 10. As she eagerly anticipates a birthday luncheon with family members and friends - son George said she's had more energy in recent days than she's had in a long time - she paused Tuesday to reflect on her extraordinarily long life.

"I don't know what keeps you going," she said Tuesday on the backyard deck of the house she shares with her son. "There's got to be something — I have no clue."

"She's very, very tough," said George A. Thompson, 64, who also attributed his mother's



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Katherine Thompson reflects on her life at her home in Plymouth Township on Tuesday. Born Katherine McNamara at her parents' house in Detroit. she will turn 100 on Sunday, June 10.

longevity in part to her Irish heritage. "She can be very stubborn.'

Detroit, 1912

Mrs. Thompson was born to Daniel and Sarah McNamara at their house at 310 National, which is no longer on the Detroit map. Her father, who had immigrated from Ireland, was a widower with two young sons, Mervin and John, when he met her mother at the restaurant on Elizabeth Street where she worked; the former Sarah Batten had come from Canada to help an aunt with the restaurant.

Daniel McNamara was a painter and decorator



Katherine Thompson and her son, George, in an undated photograph. Mrs. Thompson, who will turn 100 next month, and her son have lived in Plymouth Township for 35 years.

who worked at the Book Cadillac Hotel in its early days, at the former General Motors Corp. headquarters on Grand Boulevard, and for a builder putting up homes in Detroit.

She has some strong memories of her girlhood: the gas lights flickering at the house on National, spending time with her maternal grandparents in Port Carling, Ont., during the summers ("I had a lot of fun there."), attending sporting events at the field at Northwestern High School, just up the street from where Olympia was built. The family later moved to Hudson Avenue, in the area of Grand River and Grand Boulevard.

She distinctly recalls a streetcar ride she took with her mother when she was 5 or 6.

"She set me up on the streetcar and the conduc-

tor gave a signal to go. He didn't realize my mother wasn't on the car. ... Did my mother ever yell," she said.

Business career

Katherine McNamara graduated from Detroit's High School of Commerce in 1930, having completed a business program there, and went to work downtown at Provident Loan & Savings on Griswold. She was secretary to the general man-

"I'm making out loans and everything too," she said. "I was only 18 and the (other) girls were in their 20s.'

The Great Depression was taking root across the country. "It was hard times, but my dad was working," she said.

A classmate and friend, Margaret, "always talked about her two cousins" from Coldwater, Mich.,

and Katherine persuaded her to finally introduce them. She ended up marrying one, George L. Thompson, in 1941.

Her husband was also a painter and decorator, then worked as head of shipping for an automobile parts supplier and later as a maintenance man for a dental supply manufacturer.

Her memories of World War II aren't as clear as the earlier memories, but she does remember that staples like butter and sugar were rationed.

'We had that book," she said. "You had stamps in this book and you had to go to the store with them."

She never got a driver's license, though her husband tried to teach her.

"Throw out the clutch. Throw out the clutch," he urged her during a lesson, Mrs. Thompson said. "I said, 'Fooey.' I gave

Their son was born in 1947, and the family moved to Mettetal Street, on the west side, in 1951.

Son George attended Wilbur Wright Cooperative High School, a technical school that offered internships that gave students real-world experience. His internship with Detroit Edison led to a 42-year career with the company (later DTE Energy); he retired in

Edison's headquarters was near the High School of Commerce, Katherine Thompson's alma mater, and her son marvels at the later serendipity: "She looked across

and saw Detroit Edison, and that's where I ended up working all my life,"

he said. George L. Thompson died in 1969 at age 58, and Katherine Thompson and her son moved to their

current home in the town-

ship in 1977.

Plymouth-bound "I don't know what it is," she said of the Plymouth area. "It's something. I think most people are friendly."

Until her mobility became limited, the two would go out often to dinner, vacation regularly in Harbor Springs, Mich., and travel frequently for Kiwanis International conventions. George A. Thompson is an active Kiwanian.

"I've been very, very fortunate to be able to take care of her all these years," her son said.

Mrs. Thompson also liked to read a lot — English was her favorite subject in school, and history her favorite reading topic — and also liked to watch television until her eyesight deteriorated recently. She had long been active in her church, First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, until

Though she has some trouble walking, she had a hip replaced just a year ago and made what many considered a quick recovery, given her age.

"She's a very remarkable person," said her

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McCotter falls short of signatures, acknowledges some duplications

By Ken Abramczyk **Observer Staff Writer**

The Secretary of State's office is investigating irregularities in duplicate signatures and photocopies turned in by campaign volunteers for U.S Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's reelection campaign.

As a result, the secretary of state's office informed McCotter, R-Livonia, Friday that he lacked enough signatures to qualify for the ballot. McCotter declared Tuesday morning he is running as a write-in candidate for the 11th District of the House of Representatives.

McCotter said Tuesday there were duplications of signatures turned in by a campaign volunteer, and a document turned in without a date, a photocopy of a 2010 petition. "That's why this is so mind-numbing," McCotter said. It was not a case where the signatures were disqualified because the signees lived outside the district, McCotter added.

Duplicate signatures are disqualified by the Secretary of State, so McCotter lacked the minimum 1,000 signatures necessary to declare his



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Thaddeus McCotter, here speaking at an event in Livonia earlier this year, said he'll run as a write-in candidate after irregularities were found in his nominating petitions.

Gisgie Gendreau, spokesperson for the Secretary of State's office, said 243 signatures out of 1,833 were valid. "There appears to be some election law violations involved," Gendreau said. Preliminary information has been submitted to the attorney general's office. "We'll be working with them in the coming days," Gendreau said.

The Bureau of Elections conducted a "face review" of the signatures when it discovered the duplications of signatures. "There may have been a cutting and pasting of a petition and we received multiple copies of originals," Gendreau

said. "Duplicate names do not count."

The Bureau of Elections will be finishing its review and making a recommendation to the State Board of Canvassers to certify the election; then the state board will vote to certify the election on June 6.

But McCotter has acknowledged the duplicate signatures and is preparing for a write-in campaign. McCotter said he never saw the signatures that were turned into the secretary of state on May 15, the deadline for candidates to declare, nor has he seen the materials yet that were turned in. but learned later from state officials about the

inconsistencies.

McCotter said he trusted the campaign volunteers, and that someone "lied" to him about the signatures. The procedure of volunteers collecting signatures for this campaign was no different than from any other campaign that McCotter has run in, he said. Prior to his five elected terms in Congress, McCotter won elections to the state Senate and Wayne County Commission.

"This isn't brain surgery," McCotter said. "You get the signatures and you sign off as a circulator." McCotter said the signatures were collected in February, and that he was told about a month before the May deadline that he had enough signatures.

"We really don't know who did what," McCotter said about the signatures.

McCotter has informed the Secretary of State in a letter that he will "assist in any way they see fit" in their investigation, McCotter said.

"The buck stops with me," McCotter said. "That's why I urge the continued investigation into the petitions. Everyone deserves to know what happened regarding

McCotter said he doesn't review the campaign materials and leaves it to the campaign volunteers. "I said I was going to do my job," McCotter said. "You have to rely on people to do tasks. You didn't see Carl Pursell running around and putting up lawn signs." McCotter referred to the longtime Republican Congressman from Plymouth. "Voters

trust you to do your job." "For 10 years, I never had a problem," McCotter added. "Do you want me worrying about the economy or going through a Bresser's (a cross reference directory) or a phone book?'

McCotter has never run as a write-in candidate. He has declared his write-in candidacy as an opportunity to "clean up his mess" regarding the signatures and continue his efforts to restructure government.

"I'm not just running against opponents, you also run against the process," McCotter said of the write-in challenge.

Kerry Bentivolio, a retired teacher from Milford, is running as a Republican and will be on the ballot. Democrats William Roberts of Redford Township and Syed

Tai of Canton will be running and are also listed on the ballot.

Bentivolio said in a prepared statement that he was "blessed to have a great team of grass-roots volunteers."

"We are the only team on the ballot and we are looking to our general election showdown in November," he said. "We have the strongest ground game in the district and we will win by taking our Reagan-conservative message directly to the people."

The 11th Congressional

District includes Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Canton Township, a portion of Clawson, Commerce Township, Farmington, Highland Township, the city of Lake Angelus, Livonia, Lyon Township, the village of Milford, Milford Township, Northville, Northville Township, Novi, Novi Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, a portion of Rochester Hills, South Lyon, Troy, Walled Lake, Waterford Township, a portion of West Bloomfield Township, White Lake Township, Wixom and the village of Wolverine Lake.

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Democrats focus on their own primary

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By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Two Democrats hoping to claim U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's seat said Wednesday they are focused on their Aug. 7 primary battle rather than McCotter's failure to collect enough signatures to get his name on the Republican 11th District ballot.

Dr. Syed Taj, a Canton Township trustee, called Democrat opponent Bill Roberts of Redford a Democratic imposter who wants to impeach President Obama and steer the country to policies supported by political activist Lyndon LaRouche.

"I think he is a fake Democrat," Taj said. "It is time to elect a real Democrat from our district.'

Roberts conceded he wants to oust Obama, usher in what he considers real economic reforms and begin to address the country's financial woes partly by restoring

the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act, creating what he called a separation of

commer-

cial banking from "largely fictitious banking debts of private banking houses" in places such as

Wall Street and London. "I think there is an attitude sometimes coming from the top echelons of the Democratic Party that they can decide who a Democrat is," Roberts said. "I think the people who vote can decide.'

News of McCotter's dilemma and his decision to launch a write-in campaign didn't sway Taj and Roberts from what they have called a crucial Democratic vote in the Aug. 7 primary.

Democrats also didn't focus on Kerry Bentivolio, a retired teacher from Milford whose name will be on the Republican ballot.



Roberts

Taj has cited protecting Social Security. Medicare and veterans benefits as among the top priorities of his campaign.

Taj called Roberts a "fake Democrat" supported by LaRouche activists. Taj is campaigning for the 11th District Congressional seat in the last year of his first four-year term as the only Democrat sitting on the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Taj's campaign manager, Natalie Mosher, said she and others are fighting hard to get the word out about Roberts, considered by his critics as radical and out of touch with mainstream Democrats.

Roberts said he is focused less on McCotter's ordeal and more on issues such as pushing to reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act, which he said was repealed in 1999.

"I'm committed to the same things I was before this (McCotter snafu) happened," Roberts said. For more on Taj's cam-

paign, go to www.tajforcongress.com. Roberts'

website is www.billrobertsforcongress.com.

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purchased the property, which sits on the very corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley, from the township for \$2 million in 2006, but it has sat vacant ever since.

Reaume said Fifth Third is scheduled to bring a site plan for its proposed bank branch to the township's Planning Commission in June.

The demolition will be

paid by the township's general fund, Reaume said, which will reimburse itself through the township's Brownfield Authority, which has the ability to recapture property taxes when a site is redeveloped. Reaume said the concrete and the steel from the complex will be reused. He was uncertain how long the demolition would take.

The demolition contract, the supervisor said, includes the safe disposal of a limited amount of

material found at the site that is deemed hazardous: some asbestos pipe wrap, batteries used for lighted exit signs and fluorescent light bulbs.

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

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Livonia Public Schools is opening its International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP) to Limited Schools of Choice students from Wayne County for the 2012-13 school year. This program is a two year college preparatory plan of study that takes place during a student's junior and senior year of high school. IBDP students are required to take IB exams in order to earn the highly acclaimed and internationally recognized IB diploma.

Registration will be open from June 1-June 29, 2012 at Franklin High School, 31000 Joy Road, Livonia, Michigan 48150 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday All candidates MUST meet the IBDP selection criteria.

For complete information on the IBDP program and application process, contact Franklin High School @ 734-744-2655 or go to http://www.livoniapublicschools.org/Franklin.cfm .

Discarded purse leads police to larceny

A handbag found in the back yard of a house in western Plymouth Township led police to the victim of a larceny on May 22.

The incident was one of several larcenies from vehicles that were reported in the township in late May, according to Plymouth Township Police Department reports. Three of the incidents occurred in the neighborhood north of Powell and east of Napier.

A man found the handbag, with some documents in it in his back yard on Weston Drive, north of Powell and east of Napier, around 6 p.m. May 22, a police report said. Using some of the documents, police found a woman living on nearby Currin Court who claimed the handbag as her own, police said.

The bag had been stolen from

the victim's Buick Rendezvous as it sat in the driveway at her house the night before, she told police. She was uncertain if the vehicle had been locked; police said there were no signs of forced entry.

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What, if anything, had been taken from the handbag was not reported.

In other recent larcenies: All four hubcaps were reported stolen May 24 from a Cadillac as it sat in the driveway of a house on Dunn Court, south of North Territorial and west of Sheldon. The theft

occurred late May 23 or early

the next morning.

• A man reported the theft of three iPods from his Ford Explorer as the vehicle sat in the driveway of a house on Weston Drive. The vehicle had been left unlocked, police said, and the glove compartment and center console had been rifled through. The theft was reported May 21.

· A remote garage-door opener and a navigation device were reported stolen May 21 from a Ford Escape as it sat in the driveway of a house on Hillside Drive, north of Ann Arbor Trail and west of Sheldon. The Escape had been left unlocked, police said, and the theft had occurred the day before or early the same day.

The remote was not to the garage outside which the Escape was parked.

 A navigation device and jewelry were reported stolen May 21 from a Ford Focus parked in a driveway at a house on West Hills Drive, which is also north of Powell and east of Napier. The victim told police

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she was almost certain she had locked the car, but police found no signs of forced entry.

The larceny had occurred the night of May 20 or early the next day.

— By Matt Jachman

Fire runs

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period May 23-29:

 Tuesday, May 29 — Rescue runs on Haggerty, on Postiff, on Brooks and on Newporte.

• Monday, May 28 - Rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road, on Northville Road, on Haggerty, on Turtlehead and on Joy.

• Sunday, May 27 — Rescue runs on Haggerty, on North Territorial, on Princeton, on Heritage, on Robinwood and on Northville Road.

• Saturday, May 26 — Rescue runs on Northville Road, on Mill Race, on Princeton, on Brougham, on Ann Arbor Road and on Wendover.

• Friday, May 25 - Rescue runs at Ann Arbor Trail and Haggerty, on Newport, on westbound M-14 east of Beck, on Briarwood, on Risman, on Northville Road, at Beck and M-14 and on Howland Park.

• Thursday, May 24 — Rescue runs on Albert, on Main, on Galleon, on Greenview Place, on Embers, on Beck, on Concord, on Joy, at Hines Drive and I-275, on Northville Road and on Richard.

• Wednesday, May 23 -- Rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road, at Canton Center and Cherry Hill, on Thornridge, on Briarwood, on Haggerty and on Newporte.

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Date/Time: Sunday, June 17, kicks off at 7:30 a.m. Location: Starts at The Gathering in downtown Plymouth

Details: Join the Plymouth YMCA as it celebrates over 50 years in the community, for a Fathers Day tradition, at the 33rd Fathers Day Run. The event kicks off at 7:30 a.m. with the Detroit Tigers' PAWS leading the start and the National Anthem by Plymouth Attorney John C Stewart. The Fathers Day Run offers an event for every age. Kids ¼-mile Fun Runs, 7:30 a.m., 1M Walk, 1 Mile Run at 8 a.m., 5K Walk, 5K Run, 8:15 a.m., 10K, 8:45 a.m. The unique Morse Dental Group, 18th MDG Triple, 10.3 Miles, offers start times to run all

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GARDEN WALK

Date/Time: Tuesday, June 26, noon to 8 p.m.

Location: Plymouth

sponsored by the Trailwood the Woman's National Farm dens. Master Gardeners will also be available to answer

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Details: The 17th annual "Flowers are Forever" garden walk in Plymouth, Garden Club, a branch of and Garden Association. The gardens have a variety of features as well as many ideas that can be adapted to your own garden. Complimentary refreshments, raffle, and perennial sale will be at one of the gar-

Cleaning up

May's warmer temperatures and commitment from area individuals to maintain a clean environment proved to be the perfect ingredients for what turned out to be another successful park cleanup, hosted by Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox (R-Livonia). The 8th Annual Park Clean Up at Bennett Arboretum in Northville saw nearly 50 volunteers pitching in to not only remove invasive species and collect and properly dispose of unwanted debris, but help beautify the landscape as a whole. Volunteers from Northville, Plymouth, Livonia and various other Wayne County communities were just a few partaking in the day's event.

gardening questions. Tickets are: pre-sale, \$8; and \$10 on the day of the walk. Tickets for children 12 and under are half-price; there is no charge for babes in arms. Strollers are not permitted. Contact: For additional information, contact Darlene Rinke, (734) 459-7499) or Marilyn Detmer, (734) 454-4625)

DAY CAMP

Date/Time: June 18 through Aug. 10, MondayFriday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Location: Salvation Army of Plymouth, Main Street just

south of Ann Arbor Road. **Details:** The Salvation Army of Plymouth still has openings for its Summer Day Camp program. Cost is \$60 per week per child. An optional before-care and af-

ter-care program exists for

working parents. There are

also scholarships available

for families who cannot af-

ford the full fee. Contact: For more information about the program, contact Cassie Hull, Program Ministries Coordinator, at (734) 453-5464 ext. 25 or e-mail cassie_hull@usc. salvationarmy.org

OUR CAMP OPEN HOUSE

Date/Time: Saturday, June 9, noon to 2 p.m. Location: Northville Christian Academy, 41355 Six Mile, Northville

Details: O.U.R. Camp, Inc. (www.ourcampinc.org), a summer day camp for young children with developmental needs, hosts an

open house where parents can register children for camp, meet the counselors and take a tour of the camp facilities. This event is free and open to the public. Contact: Claudia Pietron, Board President, at (734) 718-5734, or Elizabeth Turbiak, Operations Director, at (734) 516-0488.

MOPS MEETINGS

Date/Time: First-third Fridays, 9:15-11:30 a.m. Location: St. Kenneth Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth

Details: The St. Edith/St. Kenneth Catholic Parishes' Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group invites all mothers with children aged newborn through kindergarten to join. The group provides the encouragement, nurturing, and support and features a schedule of activities that include speakers, crafts, and group discussions. Contact: Heather at (734) 437-9517 or e-mail stek-

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ELIZABETH FOOTE, and all others similarly situated

Plaintiffs,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 11-004887-NZ

Hon. Prentis Edwards METALTEC STEEL ABRASIVE CO.,

a Michigan corporation

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NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

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This Notice is given pursuant to Michigan Court Rule 3.501 and the Order of the State of Michigan Wayne County Circuit Court. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of the settlement of the claims brought by the Class Representatives in the above titled lawsuit, on behalf of herself and all individuals or entities who own or owned property, or who reside or resided, in an area within a one mile radius of Defendant's Facility located at 41155 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan during any time from April 25, 2008, through the date of

The Settlement Agreement is a complete, total and final settlement and satisfaction of all claims asserted or which could have been asserted by the Plaintiff Class or Class Representatives contained within the Complaint. All Class Members must look solely to the terms of the Settlement Agreement for settlement and satisfaction of all such claims

against the Defendant. Claims asserted in this litigation or that could have been asserted in this litigation, including physical invasion of person and property, property damages, personal injuries, loss of use and enjoyment of property, and diminution in property value under theories or trespass, nuisance, negligence, gross negligence, ultrahazardous activity, strict liability and vicarious liability relating to pollutants and air contaminants, including but not limited to the alleged emission of particulate from Defendant's Facility, shall be be binding on all Class members and they will be deemed to have released all Claims (as defined in the Settlement Agreement) against Defendant and will be barred from instituting or prosecuting, either directly or representatively, any other action in any court or tribunal asserting or making any Claim against Defendant or Defendant's parent, subsidiary, owners, or related corporate entities, except to enforce the terms and conditions of the Final

Judgment or this Settlement Agreement, once given final approval by the Court.

Defendant has denied liability in the lawsuit and denied that its operations constitute a nuisance or have caused any harm, but has entered into the Settlement Agreement in order to resolve the matter amicably on the terms set forth in the Settlement

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN EXPRESSION OF ANY OPINION OF THE COURT AS TO THE MERITS OF THE PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT. IT IS PROVIDED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF INFORMING YOU OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE TERMS OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT SO THAT YOU MAY TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS IN RELATION TO THIS LITIGATION.

THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

The following description of the proposed Settlement Agreement is only a summary. For a full statement of its provisions you are directed to review the text of the Settlement Agreement, which is on file with the Court.

In return for the releases described below and in the Settlement Agreement, Defendant has agreed to the following terms as described in this section:

A. Improvement Measures

Defendant has conducted certain stack emissions testing and particulate collection sampling in an effort to, among other things, ensure that Defendant's Facility was and is operating in compliance with all applicable regulations and standards and Defendant's operative air emissions permit. These completed measures have been done at an

approximate cost of \$25,000. Defendant also has agreed to additional improvement measures intended to reduce alleged emissions from Defendant's Facility, including increasing the stack height on certain baghouse emissions stacks, removing roofline vents, and installing air pressure monitors. Such additional measures have an estimated cost/ value of \$100,000

B. Settlement Fund

Defendant agrees to establish a Fund (the iSettlement Fundî) made payable to Plaintiffs' Counsel on behalf of the Class Members. The Fund shall be deposited into an interest-bearing escrow account, the iMetaltec Settlement Fund Account,î at PNC Bank (the "Settlement Fund"). Funds ultimately shall be distributed from the Settlement Fund pursuant to this Settlement Agreement. Payments shall not be made until after Final Judgment has been entered, all appeals have been exhausted and this Settlement Agreement is no longer subject to further appeal or review. The Settlement Fund shall be distributed as follows:

- 1. Award to SubClass A members: Sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) of the Settlement Fund shall be set aside for the benefit of individuals who own or owned residential property, or who reside or resided, in the three residential neighborhoods of Stoneybrooke Apartments, Bradbury Parkhomes Condominiums, and Carriage Cove Apartments, in Plymouth and Canton Michigan ("SubClass A Fund") and who are claiming damage to personal property and/or vehicles
- 2. Plaintiff Class Representative Award: The Plaintiff Representative, Elizabeth Foote, for her diligence and participation in the advancement of the interests of the Class shall receive an award of three thousand dollars (\$3,000).
- Costs and Expenses: Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) of the Settlement Fund shall be disbursed to Plaintiffs'Counsel for reimbursement of their litigation
- 4. Attorney's fees: Attorneys' fees for Plaintiffs' Counsel will be paid by Defendant to Plaintiffs' Counsel out of the Settlement Fund in the amount of Sixty Thousand dollars (\$60,000) for attorney fees.

YOUR RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS II.

A. Objections To Settlement

A hearing on the proposed Settlement Agreement is scheduled to take place on July 27, 2012 in the State of Michigan Wayne County Circuit Court at 8:30 a.m. As a Class Member, you may object to the fairness and adequacy of the terms of the Settlement Agreement by filing written objections with the Court seven (7) days before the Final Fairness Hearing or by appearing in Court at the Final Fairness Hearing to be held on July 27, 2012. In order to be heard in opposition to the Settlement Agreement at the hearing, you must file with the Court and send copies by first class mail to both Plaintiffs' Counsel and counsel for Defendant (listed below), a notice of your intention to appear at the Final Fairness Hearing and the basis for your objection(s). The notice must be filed with the Court on or before seven (7) days prior to the Final Fairness Hearing and a photocopy sent to the Parties' counsel by U.S. mail, postmarked seven (7) prior to the Fair Fairness Hearing. Attorneys to whom objections should be sent:

Plaintiffs' Counsel:

Laura L. Sheets Macuga & Liddle & Dubin P.C. 975 E. Jefferson Detroit, Michigan 48207-3101

Defense Counsel:

Benjamin W. Jeffers Todd C. Schebor Dykema Gossett, PLLC 400 Renaissance Center Detroit, Michigan 48243-1668

Opting Out Of The Settlement

You have the right to opt out of the Settlement. To do so, you must must submit a written notice to that effect to Laura Sheets at Macuga, Liddle & Dubin P.C., 975 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Michigan 48207, which notice must be postmarked or personally served no later than June 29, 2012. Each such notice must be individually signed by each person seeking to opt out of the Class. Plaintiff's Counsel shall immediately send all such notices to counsel for Defendant by email or hand delivery. The Final Judgment and this Settlement Agreement shall be binding on all Class members who do not lopt out of the Class. As set forth more fully in Section 7 of this Settlement Agreement, all members of the Class who do not iopt outî of the Class shall be deemed to have released all Claims against Defendant and are barred from instituting or prosecuting, either directly or representatively, any other action in any court or tribunal asserting or making any Claims against Defendant, except to enforce the terms and conditions of this Settlement

Participation in the Settlement Fund Distribution

Each SubClass A Member eligible to receive payment from the SubClass A Fund shall contact Plaintiffs' Counsel to obtain the relevant Affidavit Claim Form indicating Class Membership, and each Class Member shall return the Affidavit Claim Form to Plaintiffs' Counsel by August 3, 2012.

Clerk of the Court State of Michigan In the Circuit for the County of Wayne

Publish: May 31, 2012

Parishioners respond to church's call for service

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

An overwhelming response by members of a Plymouth Township church to a recent call for service takes on a new dimension with the impending loss of two of the church's three priests.

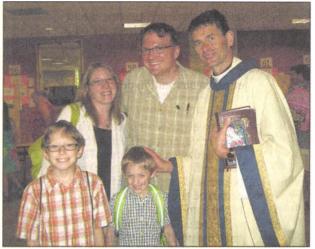
Close to 700 people signed up at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, during a membership drive May 20 and 21, to participate in one of the parish's more than 80 ministries. Volunteers will be taking Communion to the homebound and sick, handing out meals to the poor in Detroit's Cass Corridor, serving as greeters, ushers and lectors during

Mass, providing clerical help to the church, helping with faith education and consoling bereaved parish members, among many other ministries.

The ministry fair had been in the works for months as parish activists tried to broaden Good Counsel's reach in the community.

The Rev. John Riccardo, Good Counsel's pastor, had made a pitch during his homilies that weekend for parishioners to visit the fair and sign up, saying "We have to be all in like never before,' according to church member Julie Mastropaolo.

"Our Lady of Good Counsel is dedicated to helping with any and every thing that people in their daily life experience



The Rev. John Riccardo, pastor at Our Lady of Good Counsel, at the church's May ministry fair with parishioners Victor and Jackie Lams and their sons Alexander, left, and Jonas.

as need," said Riccardo in a press release.

The additional help from lay people will become more important

for Good Counsel this summer, after the reassignment of two priests there, the Rev. Charles White and the Rev. Stanley Obloj, takes effect.

White is to become the associate pastor at St. Angela and St. Isaac Jogues in St. Clair Shores, while Obloj will become the administrator at St. Mark in Warren.

Good Counsel will be gaining one priest, the Rev. Steve Mateja, who was just ordained on Saturday. That will leave the church of more than 8,000 members with two priests and one deacon, down from four priests and three deacons just three years ago.

Parishioners, while recognizing the loss of White and Obloj, are grateful Riccardo will remain as pastor, Mastropaolo said. Riccardo has been at Good Counsel for five years.

"He's just so compel-

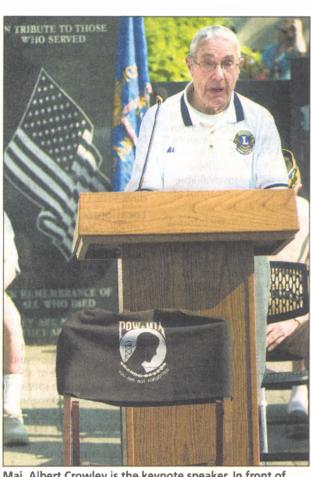
ling. He's got such a gift," Mastropaolo said. "With him there, we'll be fine."

Mastropaolo, a parish member for about a year, signed up during the ministry drive to bring Communion to the sick and homebound. She said she looks forward to building relationships with people she'll see on a weekly basis in that ministry.

"I think the Communion is so important, and it does bring so much to your life, and I would like to bring that to people," she said.

Those who want to learn more about Our Lady of Good Counsel and its ministries can visit the parish website at www.olgcparish.net.

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Maj. Albert Crowley is the keynote speaker. In front of Crowley is the empty chair, a reminder of veterans missing and unaccounted for.

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... remember those who never came home."

Crowley's speech was the key moment of the ceremony, which followed the annual parade that featured various veterans groups, Scout troops and packs, the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, the Village Voices and others.

As the parade passed his perch along Main Street, Plymouth resident Brad Reuben saluted every American flag (and there were plenty) that moved by. Reuben, who served in the U.S. Army from 1985-94, last trained National Guard tank troops at Greenville, Miss.

He said observances such as Monday's in

Plymouth are important. "We need to remember the fallen veterans." Reuben said. "We need to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.'

That's something Rich-



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Vickie Bennett and Carolyn Notestine of the American Legion Auxiliary, Plymouth Post 112, were full of patriotic pride Monday.

ard Kluk of Plymouth knows about, coming from a family with an extensive military background. Kluk, a 79-yearold Plymouth resident who served in a signal company in Korea in 1953-54, is the son of Joseph Kluk, who served in France during World War

I. His brothers were both

U.S. Navv veterans who served in World War II.

And over the weekend. Kluk returned from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in New York, where he watched his granddaughter, Gina Rotondo, earn commission as a second lieutenant upon graduation.

Kluk said ceremo-

nies such as Monday's in Plymouth are important, particularly for the young people in the audience.

"You've got to keep the spirit alive," Kluk said. "You have to keep the memory going, otherwise it just fades away."

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Arts group eyes Canton factory

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

Jill Engel's hopes to provide a home for an "arts cooperative" in Cherry Hill Village might be on life support, but they aren't dead yet.

Organizers of an auction to sell the factory/creamery property located at Ridge and Cherry Hill roads in Canton had to delay the auction, which had been scheduled to be held Tuesday, for unspecified reasons. It likely will be rescheduled some time in the next 30 days, officials said.

That gives Engel, executive director of the Canton Partnership for the Arts & Humanities, more time to convince some individual, group or organization to purchase the property and then donate it to the partnership for the betterment of the arts in the community.

Long shot

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She knows it's a long shot, but points out other "long shots" Summit on the Park, the Village Theater at Cherry Hill and even the renovation of the Bartlett House — have been accomplished.

"We are looking for a partner to share in our vision," Engel said. "We are committed to expanding the arts in western Wayne and eastern Washtenaw counties. We've done our homework and know this project will take a lot of hard work and fundraising. This has an opportunity to be a Cinderella story, just like many other projects here in Canton that started as dreams.'

The property, built by Ford to provide jobs for veterans,

includes a creamery building that used to be a dorm for those veterans, according to Engel. The 14-acre property (fewer than three are usable) and the 50,000-square-foot factory were last used by De-Sta-Co of Auburn Hills as a cylinder factory, she said.

Part of what makes it a long shot is the expense, Engel acknowledges. The last asking price she remembers for the property was \$599,000.

She also said she met with township officials last year to determine how much it might cost to bring the building up to occupancy standards. Township officials told her, she said, such a cost could exceed \$800,000.

"We know it's more than a \$1 million cost, and we don't want to spend our funding," Engel said. "We'd like to find a partner to purchase it and then donate it.'

Lots of uses

Engel and others in the art community have several ideas of what could be done with the property, including:

· Creation of an "arts cooperative," providing inexpensive space for arts groups to create and sell their wares.

• Provide space for current and future users of the Village Theater, including storage, set construction and rehearsal space.

• Provide an after-school art magnet school or academy such as the academies Plymouth-Canton schools will offer in the fall.

• Provide office space to art organizations such as the Detroit Institute for Arts.

A restaurant could be locat-

ed at the south end of the facility overlooking the wetland

"It could become one of the most significant additions not only to the Cherry Hill area, but to Canton Township as a whole," said Liz Carlson of the Canton Historical Society. "It's one more historic building it would be great to add to the district."

Engel knows it's a dream, but she sees so much potential in the property that she hopes some benevolent soul will also

"Does it need work? Yes, it does," Engel said. "This and the theater could be cornerstones for the arts in Cherry Hill Village, and in the township. There are so many possibilities.'

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Keith acknowledged the importance of pushing those amounts as high as possible under mounting pressure from the school board to lower the expense of the radio station to the general fund budget.

Shrinking budget

Currently, the general fund budget for the station is some \$120,000. But Brodie Killian, the district's executive director of business services, said the 2012/2013 budget for the radio station is shrinking.

"In executing the agreed-upon plan to move it to self-sufficiency over a five-year period, we would be trimming the budget by about \$20,000," Killian said.



WSDP staffer Kyle Linford with the Epiphone guitar he got from the band Foreigner for the station's annual auction. The guitar went for \$700.

Keith called the funding mandate "an incredible challenge," saying it shifts, at least in part, some of the station's focus away from programming and teaching the students to raising money.

But both he and Frank

Ruggirello, the district's director of community relations with whom responsibility for the station now lies, acknowledged most district's with radio stations are moving in that direction.

Ruggirello said part of the mission will be to find partners in the community, businesses, organizations or even individuals who want to provide financial assistance to the station.

"We're looking for year-to-year support ... A group or charitable foundation to commit to yearto-year support," Rug-girello said. "We believe the community knows and understands the value of the station. I think people would miss it if it were gone."

'Great' partners Many of those kinds of partnerships have

already been established. Kohl's and The Robert Bosch Corp., both are heavily involved in the district. The Plymouth Whalers run a benefit for the station called "Chuck a Puck." The Wilcox Foundation and Community Financial Credit Union have given financial support.

"We've started a few relationships, and those are great relationships," Ruggirello said. "We're hoping for others to step up and support the station."

The auction was a great step in the right direction. One suggestion - to ask alumni to match halfhour segments of the auction, up to \$200 --- worked out pretty well, as 14 alumni agreed to do it.

And then there's the Foreigner guitar. Recently, Plymouth High School senior Kyle Linford did an interview with members of the band Foreigner. In a letter to the band's management thanking them for the interview, Linford mentioned the auction and how nice it would be if the band would send a piece of memorabilia — a photo or a T-shirt, for example to be auctioned off.

When the package arrived from the band, it contained an Epiphone guitar, autographed by all the members of the band. The guitar fetched \$700 at the auction.

"It was our big item," Keith said. "The first bid was \$500, and the last bid came in about the 9:30 hour.'

The auction proceeds will obviously help as the radio station makes its move toward financial independence, but the \$25,000 or so the station raised with various

efforts this year shows

the challenge to come. Next year, the district will reduce the budget another \$20,000, meaning the station will have to come up with \$40,000 to stay on the air.

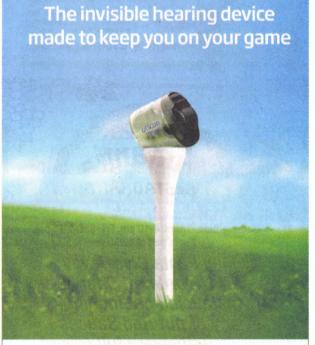
And while that responsibility forces management to adjust its priorities, it won't shake the primary function of the station - Teaching. A number of radio station alumni have moved on to successful careers, in and out of broadcasting, and all of them credit, in one way or another, the experience they gained at the station.

Even while battling the financial realities, that focus won't shift.

"(Keith) works day and night, and we want him focused on the students," Ruggirello said. "We don't compromise on that."

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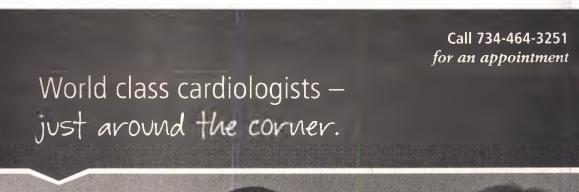


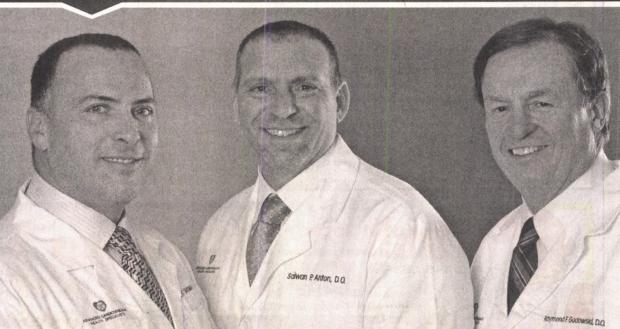
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Amy Zinn was the Canton Idol 2011. Auditions for the 2012 Canton Idol competition are Sunday and Monday.

Canton Idol auditions near

Singers who want to be the next Canton Idol should be getting ready.

The BeckRidge Chorale and Cherry Hill Singers will be holding auditions for the 2012 edition of Canton Idol 3-6 p.m. Sunday, June 3, and 6-9 p.m. Monday, June 4.

Auditions take place at the organization headquarters located at 47943 Michigan Avenue in Canton (located behind Devon Storage). The singing competition is open to all middle and high school students in Michigan.

This marks the third year of the competition. a preliminary round on Aug. 27, with the final round of competition set for Aug. 29. Canton Idol is sponsored in part by the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities in Can-

Performances of Canton Idol 2012 will be held at the Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Students interested in participating in Canton Idol should go to www.beckridgechorale.org and download the audition packet prior to their audition.

For more information contact the BeckRidge

Avoid email scam artists

By Rick Bloom **Guest Columnist**

was sitting at my desk when an urgent, confidential e-mail came my way. The e-

mail was from a woman in the Democratic Republic of Congo. She needed a U.S. bank account to send \$10.6 mil-

lion. In



Rick Bloom

return for the use of my bank account, I would get to keep a little over \$2 million. The letter provided a contact name, phone number and, of course, it also stated how reliable and trustworthy she was. I read the email then deleted it just as everyone should do when they receive such an e-mail.

I can't tell you how many of these letters I've received over the years. I've received letdan, and Lebanon as well as other countries. They all tell the same story; only the names and the dollar amounts are different. The bottom line, they are scams and the sole purpose is to swindle your money. Unfortunately, there are those who fall for these gimmicks and end up losing a substantial amount of money.

After reading the letter, the question you ask is how could anyone fall for this scam? I sometimes shake my head too, but the reality is people do. Some people are curious and they'll either return the e-mail or actually give them a call. That is a mistake. Remember, you're dealing with crooks that are good at what they do and there's no reason to give them an in-road. When you receive a solicitation like the one I received, the only prudent course of action is to delete it.

Scams have been around since the beginning of time. The reason for that is because they

falling for get-rich-fast schemes and it's not just uninformed, naïve people. Even smart people fall for scams. After all, look at the Madoff situation. There were some very smart and sophisticated people that let their guard down and were ripped off. The bottom line is we can never afford to let our guard down; when we do, there is a good chance we will be separated from our hardearned money.

One of the things that make detecting scams so difficult is the constant changing nature of them. That is why it is always important to never forget that if something sounds too good to be true, it is. When it comes to investing or turning your money over to someone, always make sure you do independent research. If you cannot check out an investment or anything, independently it's probably a good sign that you ought to avoid it. Probably some of the best

made are investments that I've walked away from.

I am sure the woman in the Congo will be disappointed that she doesn't hear from me — oh, well, that's life. However, I'm sure that she sent out thousands of these e-mails hoping that a handful of people will contact her. I feel sorry for those people because the result will be they won't receive 20 percent of \$10.6 million; rather, they will find that they will have a lot less money in their pocket.

Remember, take your time, ask questions and do your homework. By following these three rules, you will find that you have more money in your pocket; and that is exactly where it belongs. 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.bloomassetmanage-





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The color guard marches to the Veteran's Memorial in Heritage Park as Canton's Memorial Day ceremony begins.

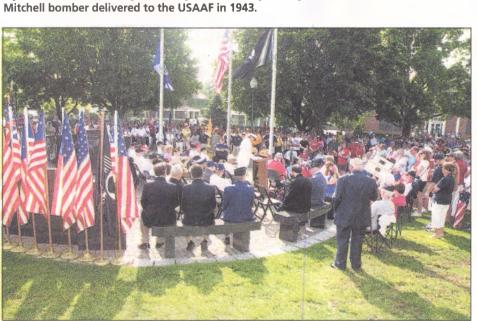
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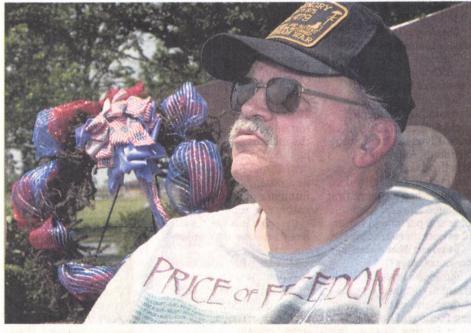
Various scouting troops took part in Monday's Memorial Day parade down Main Street in Plymouth.



Plymouth's Memorial Day ceremony featured a flyover by the Yankee Warrior, a B-25



Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park is full for the Memorial Day ceremony.



Veteran Al Kerbyson of Westland served in Thailand during the Vietnam war.



Amelia Fraser, 7 years old, Greg, 10 years, and Lydia, 5 years, can hear the parade coming. Mom and Dad, Amanda and John Fraser, and the kids are from Plymouth.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



Susan Richardson gave up a 30-year retail career and started Timeless Images earlier this month. Her grand-opening promotion starts Friday.

Photographer shoots for studio success

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature?

Timeless Images: I offer portrait sessions for Families, Kids, High School Seniors, Beauty, Executives and non-wedding events. Clients can choose from a studio session or we can shoot at a location of their choosing. I offer a wide variety of quality products to display their photographic art including mounted and framed prints, gallery wrapped canvas, leather albums, luxe wood frames and more

specialty items. Observer: How did you

decide to open your business? Timeless Images: I made the decision to leave my 30-year retail management career and open my business due to several reasons, but primarily a family crisis. I actually began considering starting my professional photography business several years ago. During that time my family urged me to do so, including my uncle, whom I was close to. In May 2010, we lost my uncle to cancer, and I began to rethink my career and my life and decided that it was time to make the change.

Observer: Why did you choose Canton?

Timeless Images: Although my business is not in Canton, I will be serving the areas surrounding Belleville, including Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Northville, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, Westland and other areas. My husband and I lived in Canton when we were first engaged and still shop, dine and partake in cultural events there frequently.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Timeless Images: While there are numerous photographers in the market, my focus will be on service. Having 30 years in

TIMELESS IMAGES

Business name and address: Timeless Images by Susan, 13745 Milton Drive, Belleville

Your name: Susan Richardson, owner Your hometown: Born in Detroit, raised in Livonia **Business opened:** I conducted the soft opening May 2012; grand opening promotion kicks off June 1. Number of employees: Just me for now **Hours of operation:** The business is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., however

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retail, management and human resources gives me an advantage. My personal customer service standards are extremely high. In addition, I too, am a mom. I have been to those commercial portrait studios where they herd you through like cattle, rush your session, fire off a few shots, take your money and then call 'next!"

Observer: Do you have a story to share with readers about your experience as a small business owner?

Timeless Images: My previous job was very demanding and often required long days. When I resigned my husband commented that he was happy that I would no longer have to work so many 10 to 11 hour days. Unfortunately, to his dismay, in the months following he has seen less of me, in our own home! Starting up a new business requires an immense amount of dedication and time.

Observer: How has the recent economy affected your business?

Timeless Images: At this point it is too soon to tell if the current economic conditions will bear any effect on my grand opening marketing efforts. I am doing everything I can to maximize my opportunities for brand awareness with the minimal budget that I have at this point. It is definitely challenging. I do know that an online presence is necessary and that is something I am working to develop.

Observer: Any advice for

other business owners? Timeless Images: When it comes to starting a new business, planning and research is the key. I had been researching this potential venture for several years. I had taken a lot of notes and researched many aspects of my industry prior to making the decision to move forward. That was highly beneficial to me from a financial stand-

Observer: What's in store for the future of your business?

Timeless Images: I am hoping that within 18-24 months I will have established a solid base of new clientele in my market and be able to add at least one staff member. For now, I am very optimistic about the future and look forward to meeting new clients and doing my best to exceed their expectations.

Mobile payment systems gaining some traction

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By Jon Gunnells Guest Columnist

igital shoppers have been using online payment systems such as Pay-Pal and Google payments for years to pay retailers, or reimburse friends for small everyday transactions.

Online payment systems have provided a convenient way of paying just about anyone in seconds. With online payment systems consumers no longer have to write checks or even find cash in their wallet to pay back the guy who spotted them \$10 for the office pool.

Now digital payments are about to get even easier for online shoppers and small business with the recent push by companies to offer mobile payment.

It started with PayPal Here®, a mobile device that small retailers such as taco trucks and street vendors can plug into their smartphone phone to accept credit cards, debit cards, checks and PayPal payments at any time. PayPal Here® charges retailers a small transaction fee similar to what's charged at brick and mortar retailers. Payments are tracked and managed using an accompanying Pay Pal Here® app.

Next, Square came along with an almost identical system. Retailers can plug the square reader into their smartphone and receive payments from card hold-



Tech Savvy

Jon Gunnells

payments which

increase business.

If two mobile payment systems weren't enough, it was recently reported daily deal site, Groupon is working on a mobile payment system of their own. Groupon's operation will focus on providing lower fees than the competition.

If you are a vendor without complicated registers and card readers, Square, PayPal Here® and the unnamed Groupon system could offer a cost-effective, space-efficient way to accept more payments.

Lastly, if you are consumer, mobile payment options will give you more ways to pay digitally — a preference of those who don't like to carry a lot of cash or hit the ATM every few

Consumers can also sign up to receive Pay-Pal Here or Square as I did. I don't know if I will ever use the system, but it certainly would be convenient for group functions or work lunches where some people only have credit cards. A person with a reader could just swipe their friend's card eliminating the awkwardness of an I

For those who don't want to hassle with card readers and extra applications, they can still send payments to friends or pay people back for services using PayPal or Google Offers.

Many banks also offer online payment systems. Chase, for example, allows person-to-person quick pay where Chase users can send money to one another instantly using the Chase website or mobile app.

Comerica Bank and other financial institutions also let you add your friends as payees and pay them like you would pay a bill. For example, if I owed a friend \$50 for widgets, I could pay them through the online bill pay center. A check would be sent to their address. The service is free and it makes the bank go through the process of cutting the check, finding an envelope, getting a stamp and remembering to mail.

Some of these processes may sound time consuming to set up, but in actuality they are easy. Each of these online and mobile payments can save consumers time and money — they also offer convenience and sometimes savings for retailers.

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PLYMOUTH CHAMBER CHAT

Shred It Day

Community Financial will again sponsor a Shred Day for anyone who needs to have confidential shredding of documents. The event takes place 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at their branches in Canton (6355 N. Canton Center Rd.) and Novi (23890 Novi Rd.).

Father's Day Run

The Plymouth YMCA will hold their annual Father's Day Run on Sunday, June 17. The run has been a Community Father's Day tradition for 33 years. Join the Y for a morning of fun and fitness. There is an event for every age, 0-99: Kids Fun Runs, 1M Run/Walk, 5K Run/ Walk, 10K and the Morse Dental Group

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troit.org/plymouth. Volunteers are also needed. Contact cmorency@ymcametrodetroit.org. Proceeds support the Strong Kids Financial Assistance Program.

Golf openings

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce has openings available for the chamber's annual golf outing July 9

The event will be on the championship level Golden Fox course and is a scramble that will include dinner and lunch. If you would like to participate or sponsor, call the chamber at (734) 453-1540.

The major sponsor of the outing is Victory Honda.

June events

June 14 — 10-Member Connection, 8-

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OUR VIEWS

Safety first

Camera system makes students a priority

It's been a long time coming, and the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education did the right thing by approving the installation of security cameras through the three-school Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

The \$388,000 the board voted to spend will cover nearly all of the interior of Canton, Plymouth and Salem High Schools. Cafeteria areas have been covered the last few weeks by cameras already installed to quell yearend problems, and now all hallway intersections, common areas and gym areas will also be under the watchful eye of the system.

It's a project that's been talked about at length for at least the last couple of years, but paying for it had always been a stumbling block. A district that was struggling with projected deficits in the millions simply couldn't seem to pull the trigger on such a large expense, despite the fact everyone agreed it was a needed improvement at The Park.

But officials came up with a creative way to pay for the cameras - they'll use remaining proceeds from a Qualified School Construction Bond. The bond was created to perform work related to energy savings, but the district's bond attorney advised them since the cameras were being installed inside the buildings, where energy conservation work had already been done, the cameras were a related expense and therefore eligible for the QSCB funding.

However, it was too large a stretch to pay for exterior cameras, so that improvement will have to wait for general fund money to become available, or a decision made to borrow the money. When that decision is made, the system the district is buying will be ready: It's expandable to accommodate exterior cam-

We hope the exterior system comes soon; with more than 6,000 students passing between the three buildings several times a day, the outdoor areas are ripe for problems, including potential drug sale and use, bullying, fighting and other incidents.

For now, though, the interior cameras, which will be installed over the summer and up and running when school starts again in September, are a good first step. District officials and board members have been saying for a long time that the safety of the students is a top priority.

This is a good way to back those words with

action.

Buckle up on roads

Whether driving through town or jumping on the expressway for your morning commute, cars are a way of life for local residents.

And if the daily grind isn't enough, summer vacations are right around the corner and plenty of families will be heading to other parts of our state and beyond.

We hope everyone who sits behind the wheel reaches their destination. A great first step to do that is to fasten your seat belt whenever you get in a vehicle.

Michigan State Police officials say seat belts are the most effective way to save your life in a traffic crash.

It's also the law. Getting caught without

your seat belt could cost you a \$65 ticket. Utilizing federal funds, about 160 law enforcement agencies across the state ramped up enforcement of seat belt violations, including the metro Detroit counties, during the Click It or Ticket campaign that runs through

According to the Office of Highway Safety Planning, research shows when seat belts are used properly, the risk of being killed in a crash is reduced by nearly 50 percent.

Michigan law requires all drivers, front seat passengers and passengers 15 and younger in any position to be buckled up.

Most crash deaths occur within 25 miles of home and at speeds of less than 40 miles per hour, according to the Michigan State Police. Officials state that one out of three people will be seriously injured in a car crash some time during their lives.

During last year's Click It or Ticket enforcement, 9,013 seat belt and child seat violation tickets were written.

Don't be a statistic. Whether you're going to the corner market or heading out on a family vacation -- buckle up every time you get in your car.



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COMMUNITY VOICE

Has the spring road-repair season affected your driving much so far?

We asked this question at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.



"Some, but not much. ... Recently retired."

Lynn Kibiloski



"No, not really. If I know about ... the problems, I go around. There are usually alternatives."

Debbie Seifert Plymouth



"Yes and no. It's not unbearable, but, at the same time, could do without it. Being a Michigander, you get

used to it.' **Nilton Gjeci** Plymouth



"I live in New Jersey now, so it hasn't affected me at all."

Tyler Malm Hoboken, N.J.

End deficit spending

LETTERS

Mitt Romney's first day as president, like that of Barack Obama's, will see Romney facing an inherited deficit in excess of \$1 trillion that will require massive change in current law and policy to ever be significantly reduced.

To eliminate deficit spending as Romney has promised beginning on day one, he must address the current drivers of deficit and debt. Among those identified by economists are the Bush tax cuts, Medicare Part D, two wars of dubious necessity and reduced tax revenues due to unemployment and a stagnant economy, curiously all products of the Bush administration.

To complete the picture, add the increased costs of "automatic stabilizers" brought on by the Bush recession; programs like TANF, UI, SNAP and Medicare, none of which was passed by Obama. Each of these has many more recipients now because the ravages of the Bush recession have caused many more to fall into or very near to poverty by losing income or seeing an increase in family size.

Addressing Obama spending within the deficit, however, will be only a tiny part of the entire puzzle, since a recent article in

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the Wall Street Journal-Market Watch revealed President Obama has achieved the lowest increase in new spending over the last 60 years (1.4 percent over 3-plus years) for a presidential administration, laying to rest the Republican myth of an out-of-control "spending spree." lo be clear, almost all of the deficit and much of the accrued corresponding debt have as their origin the legislation and policies of the Bush administration.

Romney's plans to deal with the deficits and the economy is increasing tax cuts for the wealthy by a whopping 20 percent and increasing already bloated defense spending. Neither has been shown to stimulate the economy, increase jobs or cut deficits as demonstrated during the Bush years.

Application of unspecified, nebulous cuts that Romney says he will make to offset costs won't be anywhere near enough to ward off a dramatic increase in the deficit and debt, many economists say. However, his proposed Draconian cuts in specific areas according to some experts may cost an additional two million jobs by further driving middle-class demand into the ditch.

For one who touts himself as an "expert" in business affairs, I certainly expected at least an upgrade in the quality of the debate but it appears, tragically, Mitt Romney thinks the solutions are the causes. Mitt's evaluation of the state of affairs and his proposed remedies demonstrate he is either incompetent and his Bain experiences did little to prepare him to run a national economy, or he is disingenuous, or both.

Mitch Smith

Canton

STAFF COLUMN

Ceremonies spark range of emotion

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

t's impossible to get through Memorial Day in Plymouth and Canton without being touched. Touched by dedication, moved

by sacrifice, impressed by pride – all emotions that ran through Veterans Memorial Park in downtown Plymouth and again at the Veterans Memorial in Canton's Heritage Park.

Both communities paid homage to veterans Monday — Plymouth with its expansive parade and ceremony, Canton with its classy, understated ceremony.



Brad Kadrich

Both ceremonies honored veterans who've given the ultimate sacrifice, who've died in the service of their country so we can revel in the freedoms

we now enjoy. I heard things you expect to hear at those ceremonies. I talked to Richard Kluk, swelling with pride after returning from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where he watched his granddaughter, Gina Rotondo, be commissioned a second lieutenant after her graduation from the nation's best-known military academy.

But Gina's graduation wasn't the only thing about which Kluk could be proud. A veteran of the Korean Conflict, Kluk is also the son of a World War I soldier, and his brothers also served in World War II.

Al Crowley is a twin, and he had another set of brothers, also twins. All four of them served in World War II, and one brother became one of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice when his plane was shot down over Germany. Crowley's voice quivered a little, understandably so, when he told the story as the keynote

speaker at Plymouth's ceremony. The Plymouth ceremony again featured Michael Gross' interpretation of the poem In Flanders' Field, and the melodious voices of the BeckRidge Chorale singing God Bless America. It featured the traditional firing of the salute by the Honor Guard of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528, who repeated the salute at Canton's ceremony.

In Plymouth, they gave surviving World War II veterans a place on the dais, and it seemed like there might have been fewer, though that could be my imagination. If there are, that's sad, and worth stopping to ponder, all

by itself. As I always do, I placed my hand over my heart during the pledge and the National Anthem, rather than render the salute I'm entitled (obligated?) to render as a 15-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force. People who know occasionally thank me for my service, though I'm often unsure what they're thanking me for. At any rate, this day is about them, not me, and I'm humbled and hon-

ored to stand among them. I was honored to meet Al Kerbyson of Westland, who served in the U.S. Air Force during Vietnam. Kerbyson, a 1965 graduate of Thurston High School in Redford. Kerbyson went into the Air

Force as a security policeman and, after suffering a medical condition, was shifted to supply. He did three tours in Thailand, but never saw combat.

It was Kerbyson who delivered the most surprising, thought-provoking answer to any question I've asked in 12 years of covering these events. He said he often thinks of the group of veterans "who aren't here any more," including Thurston classmates whose names are now etched in the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

When I asked him what emotion ran through him when he thought of them, it was his one-word answer that threw me.

"Guilt."

Kerbyson, who never saw combat through no fault of his own, said he feels guilty, like he "never did enough." The emotion wrenched through him as he talked. It was as honest an answer to a question as you're likely to hear, and it made me a little sad, and a little proud.

Here's a veteran, sitting in a wheelchair now, with a guilt complex, largely because he didn't die, too. You run across characters in this job who sometimes affect your life, and Al Kerbyson will be one of them. My response to him - and to all veterans who survived and made it home - is this:

You did plenty.

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Artists earn Damaris scholarships

A pair of local artists will find paying for college a little easier after winning awards in the 2012 Damaris Fine Arts Award Scholarship pro-

Kyle Slavin won the \$500 Starkweather Artist Award, given to a Starkweather senior whose artistic talent is matched by his/her dedication to art and the desire to continue education in this field.

Because Slavin is headed to Schoolcraft College, the scholarship will be matched by the Schoolcraft College Foundation.

Slavin is hoping to land a full-time job with interests including music, radio broadcasting and fine arts.

Juror Dennis Jones of Plymouth, an architect and artist who designed the Sandra Sagear Wall of Courage at Plymouth High School, said the decision was an easy one.

"I enjoyed the simplicity, directness, honesty, highly personal and expressive qualities of your pencil drawings," Jones said. "The copper piece is particularly well done, which displays similar qualities."

This year's \$1,000 Damaris Fine Arts Award went to Alyssa Downs, whose focus on helping others includes a mission trip, tutoring, Mott's Children Hospital, assembling food packages and volunteering for the Miracle League of Plymouth.

Teacher Barrie Lincourt met Downs in a graphic arts courser and was "immediately impressed."

"She immediately impressed me with her creativity and dedication she put into the projects I assigned," Lincourt said. "For each assignment the students wrote a self reflective analysis of their work. Alyssa was very articulate in the analysis of her own work. Her writings were very details specific and made me appreciate her work even more after reading what her intentions were with her work."

The Damaris Award was established in memory of Damaris (Dee) Schulte by her family: husband, Dick, sons, Philip and Mike, and grandson, Peter, along with Nan Cooper and Deb Madon-

Cruisers swim for Epilepsy research

Staff and supporters of the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan stood poolside May 24 in Canton and accepted a generous donation from the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers competitive swim team, totaling more than \$7,000.

The team took part in a USA Swimming Swim-A-Thon on April 28 and decided to pledge the funds to the Foundation.

"We can't thank them enough," said Arlene Gorelick, President of the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan. "It's efforts like this one, where young people come together and raise both funding and awareness for epilepsy, that really drives home the message that we can provide programs and services to those in Michigan who continue to battle this condition."

Dan Kish, lead assistant coach of the Cruisers. said the Foundation was the obvious choice for the team.

"One of our swimmers,



Members of the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers and their coaches presented Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan President Arlene Gorelick with a \$7,000 donation from their swim fundraiser.

Laura Weisz, lives with epilepsy, and she has taught us all that you can achieve so much, despite obstacles," Kish said. "We all understand epilepsy and realize her struggles, but we also know that so much needs to be done so that others can live a full

life. We hope these funds

will help the Epilepsy

Foundation of Michigan with their programming."

Six swimmers on the team were honored as the top fundraisers.

PCC Swimming is a year-round competitive swim team affiliated with USA Swimming and Michigan Swimming. The goal of the team is to provide every member an opportunity to improve swimming skills and achieve success at his or her level of ability, from novice to international competition.

For more information on the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan, log onto www.epilepsymichigan. org or call (800) 377-6226. For more information on the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers, log onto www. cruiserswimming.com/ Home.jsp?team=mipcc.

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She's back on track

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

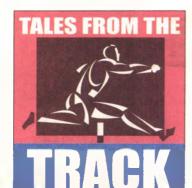
Just a few weeks after finishing a record-breaking freshman season in two sports at Salem, Kayla Kavulich collided with a player during a summer basketball

She abruptly stopped and her right knee buckled.

"I was trying to steal the ball, it was a collision," Kavulich said. "My foot was planted in front of a girl and she kept running and she ran through my knee."

The diagnosis: a torn right anterior cruciate ligament and lateral meniscus. Entering her sophomore year, the dynamite distance runner knew she'd miss cross country and basketball.

"I was disappointed at first, but at the same time you can't let that really hold you back," the 15-year-old said about missing the 2011 cross country season. "The more you have grief about it, it's



just going to make you feel worse."

Full-speed ahead

But nothing was going to keep her from returning for the track and field season and getting back to the Division 1 state meet.

On Saturday, Kavulich - who finished first in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs at the recent regionals — will shoot for a top-eight finish and the all-state designation that comes with it.

Completely healthy and

hungry for success, Kavulich said being an all-state runner is "one of my things."

In 2011, she placed 10th in the 1,600, two spots away from the coveted status. Her personal best was 5:07.8, the mark listed next to her name on the PCEP leader board.

She's almost all the way back. At the May 18 regionals, she won the 1,600 with a time of 5:10.01.

"Knowing that I've come back only (several) seconds slower than my PR last year," she said, "it's more of a mental boost, like I can come back. I'm going to be fine."

Of course, Kavulich probably would have been just as devoted to rehabbing without the lure of records and lofty plateaus. That's because the sheer joy of running tops

Asked whether she enjoys cross country or track better, she tried to be diplomatic.

"Between those two, prob-Please see KAVULICH, B3



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Salem sophomore Kayla Kavulich is smiling more than usual these days, thanks to coming back from a serious knee injury and qualifying for Saturday's state girls track and field meet.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL PRE-DISTRICTS



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Finishing a clutch at bat, Plymouth senior Tyler Goble (No. 14) connects on a sacrifice fly during Tuesday's pre-district baseball game. Northville's catcher is Brett MacDonald.

Pre-district defeat is cruel fate for 'Cats

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

The shame of it all was one state-ranked softball team would be eliminated in Tuesday's Division 1 pre-district at Salem.

It turned out to be Plymouth, falling 5-3 to Northville thanks to a two-run seventh by the Mustangs.

As was the case all day, Northville senior Jen Buckingham proved a major thorn in the side of

the Wildcats. She led off the game with an inside-the-park home run down the rightfield line and wound up

with a 4-for-4 day and four runs against Plymouth freshman pitcher Mikayela Marciniak.

"(Buckingham) did set the tone," Plymouth head coach Val Canfield said. "She set us back, but we rebounded. I knew it was going to be a nail-biter to the end. I told them it was anybody's game, a do-ordie situation."

With the game deadlocked 3-3 entering the seventh, the first four Mustangs singled, with RBI hits by Meredith Williams and Allie Chapekis (3-for-3, two RBI) providing the final two-run cush-

And Buckingham was part of that surge, with a bunt single.

The KLAA South Division and Kensington Conference champion Wildcats (29-8) went out in order in the bottom half against pitcher Laura Pond, although Bri Giordano made a bid to keep the game going.

Her drive to the fence in center was caught for the final out.

Starting point

"I told the girls we win

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Victory slips away

By Tim Smith

Observer Staff Writer

Two outstanding baseball teams met Tuesday in a Division 1 pre-district encounter at Salem.

One of those teams, Plymouth, could not overcome late miscues or extend a seventh-inning rally and Northville came away with a hard-fought 5-4 win.

The Mustangs now will face district host Salem at 1 p.m. Friday, while the Wildcats wonder what might have been.

"It's a tough spot to be in, but everybody's got the same opportunity to play in this game," Plymouth head coach Bryan Boyd said. "You've got two stateranked teams playing in the pre-district game, but that's the chance you take."

A moment later, he talked about how the winningest team in school history (27-9) had its season prematurely end.

"We had a great season," Boyd said. "I'm disappointed it's over, but that's one of the difficulties with a one-and-done tournament."

For a while, it looked like the gutsy pitching effort of senior Justin Thompson might just help Plymouth fight to play another game. He blanked the Mustangs on no hits through five innings, helped by some

stellar defense. • A sliding grab by center fielder Jamarl Eiland in the second robbed Northville starting (and winning) pitcher Matt Stojkov of an extra-base hit.

 Senior catcher Rich Guglielmi threw out a would-be base stealer in the first.

 A hot shot to third baseman Brian Schmid turned into an inning-ending double play in the fifth.

Spoiler alert

Plymouth finally broke a scoreless tie in the fifth, when senior first baseman Tyler Goble — who will play college football at Navy - showed some of his gridiron passion during a gritty, 11-pitch at-bat.

After walks to Brandon Waack and Matt Janke, an infield error loaded the bases.

Goble wasn't going to be denied, as he spoiled several two-strike pitches before lofting a sacrifice fly to center, scoring Waack.

"He (Goble) fouled out seven or eight pitches,"

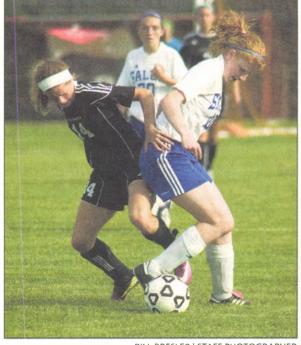
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Plymouth's Cassidy Hewitt (No. 7) and Brooke Senkbeil encourage each other during Tuesday's pre-district softball game.

Salem's Katelynn **Krause** (right) goes to work against Plymouth's **Madi Lewis** (No. 14) during Tuesday's district contest.



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Plymouth off to winning start

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

In 2010, strong team defense and the daring goalkeeping of Marissa Williams carried Plymouth to the Division 1 girls soc-

cer finals. Although this year's Wildcats potentially could go just as far, the recipe is much different plenty of speed and offensive creativity in the mix.

Exhibit A was Tuesday's 5-2 victory over Salem in a D1 district opener at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Tallying two goals each were forward Madi Lewis and midfielder Jillian Aguirre, with forward Stepha-

nie Sheridan also scoring. Scoring for the Rocks (10-7**GIRLS SOCCER DISTRICT**

1) were Sarah Martin and Kylie Knight.

The Wildcats (14-2-3) now face Canton at 5 p.m. Thursday at Northville following the Chiefs' 2-1 victory Tuesday over Livonia Stevenson.

"It's nice to have a threat up there," Plymouth head coach Jeff Neschich said following the match. "It makes teams play you honestly ... it allows you to play a different style and do a few different things.'

Quick offense

Plymouth's primary threat is Lewis, but she has plenty of company in the way the Wildcats stretch the field and zip

through defenders toward opposing goalkeepers.

Her 23rd goal of the season was one of three scored by Plymouth in the first half, with Aguirre and Sheridan helping the Wildcats break out to a 3-0

"We had to show up and play hard and we did," Neschich said. "We got three quick goals and kind of took charge of the game, which was nice.

"We were able to play a lot of people, so we'll be fresh for the next game."

Before halftime, Salem answered when Martin converted a feed from Taylor Jaaska to make it 3-1.

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PREP GOLF

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KLAA KENSINGTON ley and Ryan Rieckhoff, 79 each. **CONFERENCE BOYS GOLF** South Lyon (305): Gavin **TOURNAMENT RESULTS** Garris, 73; Mitchell Stump, 74; May 29 at Pheasant Run Kyle Koehler, 76; Zach Deline, **TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi,** 82; Derek Knauss, 83; Derek 295 strokes; 2. Plymouth, 299; 3. South Lyon, 305; 4. Northville, Sawle, 88

Northville (306): Matt Evasic, 306; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 309; 6. 72; Andrew Sarokin and Matt Livonia Churchill, 312; 7. Salem, 312; 8. Canton, 313; 9. South Trumbore, 75 each; Brad Minniear, 84; Alec Latta, 85; Trevor

Stevenson (309): Dante Cicchelli, 76; Austin Harris, 77; Nick Marsh and Connor Humitz, 78 each; Eric Attard, 79; Mike Blaesser, 80

Churchill (312): Ben Proben, 73; Andrew Ioanou, 76; Cory Dare, 79; Eric Hill, 84; Nick Proben and Doug Simpson, 85

Salem (312): Eric Duprey, 72; Brian Patterson, 78; Connor Cole, Brandon Duprey and Nick Danis, 81 each; Brady Cole, 86. Canton (313): Donnie Trosper, 71; Brent Perry, 78; Alex Champagne, 81; Tyler McMahan, 83; Josh Maxam, 84; Carter Schenk,

S.L. East (324): Spencer Fleissner, 74; Matt Sherry, 75; Alec Adgate, 93; Conner Kivisto, 94; Zach Wellmer, 95; Mike Sadowski, no card.

John Glenn (347): Nick Doupe, 85; Mitch Dean and Austin Valentine, 87 each; Tim Moran, 88; Josh Wakeford, 102; Andy Snyder, disqualified. Franklin (360): Brian Roulier,

85; Brian Bekkala, 90; Greg Bo, 92; Alex Regish, 93; Dan Butler, 95; Chad Tweedy, 101.

Wayne (383): Zach Williamson, 82; Jarret Williams, 93; Austin St. Peter, 101; Ken McKay, 107; Chris Schmidt, no card.

Plymouth edged at KLAA golf tournament

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth finally has a blemish on its record thanks to the Garret Buckley-led Novi varsity

boys golf team. After winning the **KLAA South Division** with a 10-0 record along with three tournament victories, Plymouth's Wildcats were defeated by Novi's Wildcats 295-299 at Tuesday's KLAA conference meet.

It was a very competitive tourney at par-72 Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton, with eight strokes the difference between third and eighth

South Lyon finished third with 305, followed by Northville (306), Livonia Stevenson (309), Livonia Churchill (311), Salem (312) and Canton (313).

Individually, Buckley was medalist with a two under par 70.

"We have a few things to work on," said Plymouth head coach Chris Moore, whose team now gears up for Thursday's Division 1 district tournament at Whispering Willows in Livonia. "I'm proud of the guys though, they all shot in the 70s.

"Every single one of them. 299's a great score. Novi did play really well today."

Buckley led Novi's balanced lineup, with five golfers breaking 80 for the day

"They've been playing great the last three events," Novi head coach Brad Huss said. "They won Oakland County, and finished off winning the (KLAA Central) division and this tournament."

As for Buckley, Huss described him as "streaky hot, a very, very good player."

On the cusp

Tving for second in the individual standings were Canton's Donnie Trosper and Plymouth's Josh Heinze, each shooting 71 on an afternoon where a one-hour weather delay held up proceedings.

Trosper, battling a cold, came oh-so-close to top spot with lip-outs in his final two holes

"Donnie was here and also qualified on this course for the Michigan Amateur a couple weeks back," Chiefs head coach Tom Alles said. "I expected him to come in around even par today. But one under certainly was very

good." Canton's Brent Perry registered a 78 while Alex Champagne finished with an 81.

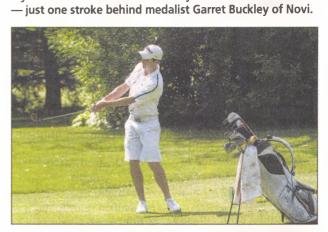
"It was maybe a few shots higher than what they expected to shoot," Alles said. "But it's respectable. 313's a good score for us."

Moore praised Heinze's effort. "He knows this course like the back of his hand, so it was good for him to go out with a score under par."

Also stellar for Plymouth with a 73 was Kyle Rodes, who took a tie for sixth at the tourney with Churchill's Ben Proben. Tied for 18th with a score of 77 was John Tatti while Evan Chipman (78), Ryan Rieckhoff (79) and Craig



shot during a recent dual meet. He tied for second with Plymouth's Josh Heinze at Tuesday's conference meet



Shown practicing a shot earlier this season is Plymouth's Josh Heinze. He tied for second place at Tuesday's KLAA boys golf meet.

Whatley (79) all eclipsed the 80-stroke mark.

Tough conference Stevenson head coach Brian Gulick said the way the tourney meet played out was no surprise, given how strong the KLAA

has been all season. He had five players finish in the 70s, with Dante Ciccholli and Austin Harris collecting all-conference medals for finishing tied for 15th and 18th, respectively, with scores

of 76 and 77. Other Spartans with solid showings were Nick Marsh and Connor Humitz (78 each) and Eric Attard (79).

Gulick added that the tough field Tuesday will only help his squad at districts, where the top six teams advance for regionals.

"I think it really helps," he noted. "Kids know they have to work hard and make their putts, keep the ball in play.'

According to Salem head coach Ryan Nimmerguth, his young team's showing at the conference meet is a good sign of things to come.

"A 312 for the team is our lowest score of the year which is good." Nimmerguth said. "The last four guys in the lineup are starting to get more consistent, shooting in the low 80s."

Senior Eric Duprey placed in a tie for fourth overall with a par 72, while junior Brian Patterson tallied a 78 (just missing the top-18 cut for allconference medals).

It bodes well for the Rocks on Thursday at Whispering Willows.

"We have a strong chance to get out of there," Nimmerguth said. "We obviously just got to keep shooting low and staying consistent, avoiding that big number. Hopefully keep advancing and extending the

season.' In addition to Ben Proben, Churchill's card featured Andrew Ioanou (tied for 15th with a 76) and Cory Dare (78).

Winning conference medals for Northville were Matt Evasic (fourth, 72), Andrew Sarokin and Matt Trumbore (tied-

12th, 75 each). Other Observerland teams at the tournament were Westland John Glenn (347), Livonia Franklin (360) and Wayne

Memorial (383). Several coaches said the hour-long delay midway during the tournament probably did not do golfers any favors.

"They had probably nine holes played already," Alles said. "I don't imagine it helped

any.
"There were a few of my guys making birdies and came back and made a bogey or double right away. So it may have had an impact. That's never a good thing to have a delay like that but you have to play through it."

Moore said the delay "impacted everybody. We've talked about distractions in golf, they're always going to be some and this is a new one we haven't talked about much. It's something to learn from as we move on."

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BASEBALL

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John Glenn, 347; 11. Livonia

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Individual medalist: Garrett

Buckley (Novi), 70.
TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORING

74; Brad Kozinski, 78; Bryan

Fegert, 79; Mike Wenzel, 82.

Novi (295): Garrett Buckley, 70; Jason Carless, 73; Johnny Walker,

Plymouth (299): Josh Heinze,

Evan Chipman, 78; Craig What-

71; Kyle Rodes, 73; John Tatti, 77;

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Boyd said. "A fantastic atbat to score that run." Guglielmi then sliced an RBI double to right, bringing home Janke. A wild pitch scored Casey Sudz for the third run.

No such luck

But conference champion Northville (29-4) got it right back and then some.

Thompson walked the leadoff batter and gave up a single to Brett MacDonald, Northville's first hit of the game.

With one out, Jeff Gertley laced a single to center. The ball skipped past Eiland and three runs (two unearned) scored on the play.

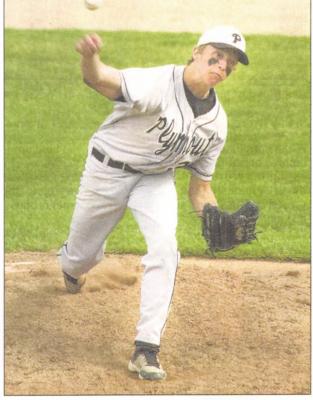
"That hasn't happened all year," Boyd said. "Jamarl's a very good defensive outfielder, he's had a great season defensively. It (error) doesn't happen with him very often, but unfortunately it happened today."

Just not enough

Northville broke the tie with two runs against relief pitcher Austin Ebeling in the seventh.

Two walks opened the inning and one run scored on Matt Satterfield's single. Another came in on a wild relay throw.

That 5-3 lead held up despite Plymouth's desperate rally in the bottom of



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Plymouth senior Justin Thompson sends a pitch toward a Northville batter on Tuesday. Thompson threw six strong innings in his prep finale.

the seventh.

Janke singled to right and, with two outs, Goble doubled to right-center for

That left it up to Guglielmi, who worked the count full before blasting a liner right at the shortstop to end the game.

"He (Stojkov) is good, we finally got some swings on him today," Boyd said. "Unfortunately, we needed one more."

Meanwhile, the compete level of seniors Thompson, Goble and Guglielmi had Boyd smiling, even in defeat.

Boyd talked about how Goble and Guglielmi weren't going to get cheated at the plate in key atbats. And Thompson "left it all out on the field today, no doubt."

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Excelling at meets requires putting in extra work at practice, as shown here by Salem's Kayla Kavulich (left).

KAVULICH

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ably cross country just because it's nice running in a forest instead of a circular track the whole time," she said.

Extra effort

Kavulich worked harder than anybody could imagine for a chance to get back to East Kentwood, where the D1 state meet is held.

She underwent surgery and embarked on six months of grueling physical therapy — including three sessions of up to two hours per week and regular trips to run in the Salem pool at 6 a.m. under the watch of cross country coach Dave Gerlach.

"It was difficult," Kavulich said. "I'd get up at 5:30 (a.m.), my mom would drag me out of bed and drive me to the

During sessions at Plymouth Physical Therapy, the workouts included "weightlifting on my

quads, a lot of jumping." Out of 60 or so visits to the facility, she estimated there were only five times where she didn't

have much in the tank. "I had a few struggles, some of those days where I just wasn't there," Kavulich said. "PT didn't go the way I wanted. I didn't push myself as hard as I could have."

Times were sometimes tough for Kavulich during the cross country season, too. She worked as a team manager.

"It was hard," Kavulich said. "I mean, seeing all the girls run, it was kind of disappointing just because every day they'd go out to practice and I'd just sit in the room and do paperwork for the team."

Back at you

Watching others do what she loves motivated her, as did her ferocious competitive nature something belied by her happy-go-lucky facade.

"After the surgery, a lot of people told me, 'Oh, you're probably not going to be as fast,' or, 'Oh, you won't be able to do all the cutting that you want," Kavulich said.

Then with a laugh, she added, "I just like proving people wrong. I've always kind of had that, 'I'll show you, I'm coming back."

Extra motivation might have been one factor in her quick recovery. But another was maintaining

THE KAVULICH FILE

Who: Kayla Kavulich, 15-year-old Salem sophomore three-sport varsity athlete. During her freshman year with the girls track and field team, she set a Park record in the 1,600meter run and finished 10th in that event at the Division 1 state meet.

Setback: In 2011, Kavulich injured her right knee playing summer basketball. She tore her right ACL and lateral meniscus. Dr. Brian Borden of Ann Arbor St. Joseph Mercy performed surgery on the knee and Kavulich then spent six months of rigorous physical therapy.

Strong return: After missing Salem's cross country and basketball seasons, Kavulich recovered in time to enjoy an all-state season with the Rocks' varsity girls track and field team. She will compete Saturday at East Kentwood in the 1,600- and 3,200meter runs and 3,200meter relay team. Family: She drew much encouragement during her recovery from parents Julie and Mike Kavulich and older sister Kara. Mike was a college runner at Michigan State. Misc: Kavulich carries a 3.85 grade-point average, taking classes such as advanced math and honors biology. She and her family are active at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth, where she participates in the giving tree at Christmas as well as

a keen sense of humor. "There was this funny sign that my dad and I saw in the doctor's office," Kavulich said. "We opened the doors and the first thing we saw at my new doctor's office was a place called 'Common Sense Primary Care' and we didn't know what to think.

shoe box ministries.

"Now whenever I'm running, or I'm tired, my dad will yell 'Common Sense Primary Care' and I'll start laughing.'

With Kayla Kavulich, the joke's on anyone who doubted she could come back from such a devastating injury even better than before.

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SOFTBALL

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together we lose together," Canfield said. "We're just building character. We've got a young team. I told the seniors they have new horizons to see, and us being so young we're just going to build from where we left off. I think that's a win-win situation."

The loss ended Plymouth's anticipated postseason run barely after it started, ending the prep careers of Karen Rebain, Allison Raylean and Irene

"It's just somebody has to win and somebody has to lose," the veteran coach added.

After Northville (KLAA Central champ with a 14-2 record) went up 1-0 on Buckingham's firstinning homer, the Wildcats did take the lead for a while.

In the second, Rebain was hit by a pitch to force in a run and sophomore Brooke Senkbeil walked to score another and put the Wildcats up 2-1.

Northville made it 2-2 in the third, when Chapekis singled home Buckingham, who led off the



A puff of dust means that Plymouth shortstop Lindsay Lutton caught the ball.

inning with a base hit. The Wildcats answered in the bottom half. Sophomore shortstop Lindsay Lutton drove a double to right-center and scored on Giordano's subsequent single to right. Giordano went 2-for-3 to

pace Plymouth's sevenhit attack.

That 3-2 lead held up until the fifth. Once again, Buckingham got it started with a single. One out later, Chapekis doubled to score the run.

Northville advanced to

Friday's 10 a.m. district contest against Salem. The winner of that game will face either Livonia Churchill or Canton at 4 p.m. in the final.

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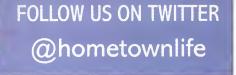
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Canton Cup's a sizzling hit



By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Just a few minutes earlier, 9-year-old Nick Rockafellow had celebrated with teammates after an 11-1 victory over the Royal Oak Renegades on Field 23 at Independence Park.

Nick had scored three of the goals as the Canton Soccer Club U9 Black boys team prevailed in the finals late Sunday afternoon, as the 30th annual Canton Cup wound down.

"It feels good, because it's a big tournament," said Nick with a wide smile. "It's fun."

He added that there's nothing better than doing nothing over Memorial Day weekend but play soccer.

That's just what some 690 teams did over the three-day tournament, which included 1,167 games and drew about 45,000 spectators from across the Midwest and Canada.

And other than two hour-long weather delays on Saturday, the tourney was smooth sailing nothing like the soggy ordeal of 2011, when storms cut the event

"Obviously the rain was less," said Plymouth Township's Paru Patel, whose son Meehir played on Nick's team, scoring a goal and assisting on two others. "Last year they were playing in water up to their ankles, it was muddy, the fields got pretty messed up.

"But this year was much better. We got a little worried yesterday."

Another player on their team is Tyler Noel, whose dad is Canton Cup tourna-



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Genieve Mitrana (right) of the Canton Celtic 99 White team battles Becca Rush of Lakeshore Premier during Canton Cup action Saturday. For more on the annual tournament, please see Sunday's Observer.

ment director. Tyler also scored a goal in the title match.

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"I would say almost 100 percent positive feedback," Darryl Noel said. "Our guests were amazed at how well the fields came back (from Saturday's rain).

There were a lot of comments about how smoothly everything was run and what a good, professional job my crew

Just perfect

And the anticipated 95-degree heat never came. That meant not needing to implement a contingency plan that would have required all

teams take water breaks each half during Sunday games.

"All in all the rain turned out to be a nice blessing," he continued. "It was perfect soccer weather.'

Noel also said the action at five Canton venues heated up as the brackets boiled down to the finals.

"I know at least three of the finals came down to PKs and the excitement of those PKs was just almost unbearable." he emphasized. "The people were excited."

According to Salem alum Lauren Booth, 19, who worked one of the registration tents for some of the older age

brackets, said the rain and lightning delays on Saturday prompted tweaks to the schedule.

But by 7 p.m. Saturday everything was back on course and stayed that

"If the game was in 20 minutes or more of the first half, it was called," explained the Canton resident. "But if it was not in the first 20 minutes it got moved to the second half and they'd start at the second half.

"The 11-vs.-11 (player) games were shortened to 50-minute running clocks instead of two 30-minute halves.

"If I had to guess, every single at every single park was effected because there were two rain, lightning delays that lasted about an hour each. We started games up again about 1:30 after the second delay.'

One game delayed was the contest between the Michigan Bucks and Hamilton FC Rage, but it did get played before about 1,300 fans. The Bucks won 6-2.

Host with the most

The presence of the host Canton Soccer Club also was everywhere, as evidenced at Field 9 on late Sunday afternoon.

The CSC U14 Black girls team earned a 1-0 victory over the Chill for the championship and moments later it was time for the club's U17 Gold boys team to take the pitch. Helping coach both games was Ian

"I have five total teams in the club." Jones noted. "Of which I've coached three. We all kind of help each other out because of the conflicts of game times, you end up kind of bouncing around and helping with other groups.'

Jones added that CSC teams "always (have) a bit of a bulls-eye on your back when you host an event like this. All the teams coming in want to come in and knock out the home team, if you

"So I mean there's a little added pressure, but that goes with the territory of being involved in a competitive environment."

For the U14 Black girls team, the championship win was the third of the day. Scoring the lone goal was Katie Chipman while goalkeeper Miranda Cobbs earned the shutout.

"We had to win all three games to make it to the finals and we were tired all the time," Chipman said. "We had a 7 o'clock game and a 12 o'clock game."

Because the team is splitting up — with players ready to join high school programs (rules prohibit prep players from joining club teams for a particular season), during the same season) - the win was a swan

But Chipman also said she and her teammates wanted to make a good showing at the Canton Cup, too.

"It's our home tournament so I have a lot of pride," she added. "It makes me feel good that we can win our own tournament."

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Going hard after a 50/50 ball during Tuesday's Division 1 girls soccer district matchup are Plymouth's **Maria Farmer** (No. 5) and Salem's **Nancy Krutty** (No. 2).

SOCCER

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Despite the halftime score, Salem head coach Joe Nora thought his team actually played much better than the twogoal deficit indicated.

"I thought we held more possession in the first half," Nora said. "They had three runs and they scored on all three."

After Nora made adjustments at halftime, the Wildcats responded when Lewis made it 4-1 at 8:08 of the second half. Lewis chipped a low shot behind Salem goalkeeper Ali Eggenberger.

Lewis had cranked a shot off the right goal post just moments earlead with 25:05 left, when Aguirre took a throughball by senior midfielder Abigail Livingston and lofted a shot over Eggenberger into the top-right corner.

Plymouth padded its

"That's just how we play," Aguirre said. "We always keep the pace up like that.'

Wrapping up the scoring with 6:35 remaining was Salem's Knight, from Rodgers. Knight's against-the-grain shot sailed over Plymouth goalie Kylie Robb.

Plenty of praise

Nora praised his team's effort down the stretch despite the obvious final outcome.

He cited Knight's goal and team hustle on defense - evidenced by

senior midfielder Katelynn Krause's block of Zoe Foster's close-in

"Some teams would have folded it in and we kept playing until the very last whistle and that's due to the character of our seniors," Nora said, listing co-captains Krause and Emily Lundh along with Megan McCormack, Claire Huddas and Gusty Kummer.

Despite the loss, Nora added "how proud I am of my girls. We didn't get the result we wanted tonight, but this group of young ladies can hold their heads high for the effort and hard work they've played with all season.'

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Chiefs nip Spartans in district opener

By Brad Emons Observer Staff Writer

Nothing is going to come easy in the highly competitive MHSAA Division 1 District 8 girls soccer tournament, which features four of the six teams getting state ranking consideration.

Tuesday's first-round match between host Livonia Stevenson and Canton was Exhibit A.

And it's Canton that survives to play another day thanks to sophomore Taylor Dalian's goal with only 2:07 remaining to beat the upset-minded Spartans,

Canton, now 13-2-3 overall, gets a third crack at rival Plymouth (14-2-3), the KLAA South Division champs in Thursday's semifinal at Northville. (Game time is 5 p.m.). Meanwhile, The other match of the semifinal double-header pits No. 1 Northville against No. 9 Novi beginning at 7 p.m.

Plymouth won the two previous meetings against Canton, 2-0 and 2-1.

"It should be a good game," Canton coach Jeannine Reddy said. "It think it's their (Canton's) turn to win. I just hope they bring the intensity that they need to to win the game. Plymouth's a great team."

Sophomore Gabriella Epelman's free kick initiated the game-winning goal, which landed onto senior Robyn Mack's foot. Mack calmly settled the ball and found Dalian wide-open from less than a foot out.

"It was unfortunate that we gave up that free kick where we did, but we were organized defensively,"



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Stevenson's Emily Chrzasz (13) gets tangled up with Canton's Robyn Mack during Tuesday's Division 1 predistrict match.

Stevenson coach Chris Grodzicki said. "The girl, number 17 (Mack), she got it on the back post, outside of the goal frame and she knew exactly what to do with it."

Canton took a 1-0 advantage with 7:32 left in the first half on a great individual effort by senior Ally Krause, who dribbled through three Stevenson defenders before slotting a shot past a helpless Spartan goalkeeper Rylee Jayson.

But despite the 1-0 halftime lead, Reddy didn't feel quite comfortable with her team's play.

"The whole first half we were just playing in the air," she said. "I felt we played nervous and scared, and wanted to get rid of it all the time. Our main focus was to get the ball down, find feet and connect, and move. And they did all those things. But there were breakdowns there, and I was scared."

Stevenson then made things interesting when senior Dayna Stevens

intercepted a Canton clearout and drilled a shot from 20 yards out on left side and into the upper right corner past Chiefs' keeper Danielle Schendel to make it 1-1 with 28:30 remaining in regulation.

Reddy was forced make some second-half adjustments, but did not panic after the Spartans scored.

"You just have to stay positive, keep them positive," she said. "Whether we had to play to the end of the game or play to overtime ... they work hard and they don't want to lose.

"... I just wanted them to play wide, use the width of the field because it's so narrow. We just play better when we connect passes."

The Chiefs did connect and it came off a restart thanks to a free kick.

PCA 6, C'VILLE 0: Martha Mullett's hat trick propelled Plymouth Christian Academy (13-3) to a victory Friday over visiting Livonia Clarenceville

Lauren Paulson, Abby LeM-erise and Emily Gerulis also scored for the Eagles, who tallied five second-half goals. "I decided to switch things

up a bit the second half to get some fresh perspective on our attacking line," PCA head coach Abby Lorion said. "Martha Mullett transitioned from her starting position at defense up to forward the sec-ond half. She came out strong scoring two goals for us in the first 15 minutes of the second half. She gained an assist after that."

Clarenceville freshman goalkeeper Jillian Bunker made 18 saves, while PCA counterpart Abigail Aitken had to make just two stops en route to the shutout.

Junior Ashley Murphy stood out for the Trojans at sweeper, midfield and forward along with sophomore Jeana Mariani

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send items for the religion calendar to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife. com. Photos must be in jpg format, attached to the

June

BIKE DAY

Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m. registration, 1 p.m. Redford Township Unicycle Club performance, June 9

Location: First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Safe cycling tips, repair/maintenance information and handouts, contests and hot dogs. No admission charge

Contact: Sue at sweber2@ mrr.com or Lucia at (734) 425-5863

CLOTHING BANK

Time/Date: 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13 and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 23

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton

Details: Free clothing to anvone in need Contact: (734) 927-6686 or (734) 404-2480

COURAGEOUS LIFE SERIES

Time/Date: June 3, 10, 17 and 24

Location: Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman,

Details: A screening of the movie, "Courageous" at 6 p.m. June 3 kicks off the series. It also will be shown at 6 p.m. on June 10 and 24. Series topics are "Courageous Versus Complacent," June 3; "Warriors Versus Wimps," June 10; "Fighters Versus Flyers," June 17 and "Team Players Versus Lone Rangers," June 24

Contact: (248) 476-8222

GARAGE SALE

Time/Date: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 9

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Church, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: "Great Expectations Church Wide Garage Sale," will include such items as clothing, furniture, electronics, and more. The sale will be held in the church parking lot

Contact: (734) 404-2480; www.cantoncf.org

GRIEF SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, June 5 and Thursday, June 7, 14, 21 and 28

Location: Our Lady of Victory Parish, 133 Orchard Dr.,

Details: The "Grieving with Great Hope" workshop offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for individuals who are mourning the loss of a loved one. Speakers will include the Rev. Denis B. Theroux, as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization. Registration forms are online at www. goodmourningministry.net

or call the parish office. Contact: The church at (248) 349-2621, www. olvnorthville.org

TRASH, TREASURES Time/Date: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.,

June 1-2 Location: Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge Road, Canton

Details: Annual Trash and Treasure Sale will include toys, kitchen and holiday items, hobby-related goods and some furniture. No clothing. Bag sale is after noon Saturday

Contact: (734) 495-0035 WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 5 p.m. social hour, 6 p.m. dinner, Wednesday, June 13

Location: Corsi's Italian Restaurant, 27910 W. Seven Mile, three blocks west of Inkster Road, in Livonia

Details: Cost is \$14 and includes dinner, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay exact amount at the door. Cash bar available. After dinner enjoy cards, games, and conversation until 9:30 p.m. No walk-ins. RSVP by

Contact: Carol at (248) 946-0300 or Pat at (248) 545-8348 or Cookie at (248) 357-2183

ONGOING

CLASSES/STUDY Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia

Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.

Contact: Pastor Scott Sessler at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastorscott@emmanuellivonia.org

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church

Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am. Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m.

Location: 42200 Tyler, Bel-

Contact: (734) 846-4615

Nicole's Revival Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday

Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford Township

Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer Contact: (313) 531-1234

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

Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Scripture study Contact: (313) 534-9000

St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday.

Location: School library,

11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia **Details:** Catholic author and bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of Letter to the Hebrews. The sessions are open to all, regardless of their faith or parish affiliation

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200 or www.livoniastmichael.org

Ward Presbyterian

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Details: Learner's Bible study is held

Contact: (248) 374-5920 **CLOTHING BANK**

Canton Christian Fellowship

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m. second Wednes-

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty **Details:** Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need

Contact: (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@ cantoncf.org

Couples renew vows

Several couples celebrated their anniversaries recently at a Jubilarian Mass at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livo-

The Rev. Edward Mitchell, St. Aidan's senior priest, blessed the couples and led them in a renewal of their wedding

Ederina and Al Utecht and Bernice and Frank Delewsky celebrated 55 years of marriage. Joanna and William Louiselle and Peter and Ilene Adzema marked 50th wedding anniversaries.

Other participants were Rudolph and Mary Frances Saenz, 45 years; Tony and Shirley Koritnik, 40 years; Art and Marilyn Naif, 40 years; Hank and Cindy Rosinski, 40



Ederina and Al Utecht (left), Bernice and Frank Delewsky and Joanna and William Louiselle were among the couples who recently celebrated their anniversaries at a Jubilarian Mass at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia.

years; Tom and Karen Waligora, 40 years; Kenneth and Sandra May, 35 years: Fred and Marilyn Wheeler, 35 years; Mark and Sue Kubert, 30 years; Ed and Jolie Snow,

30 years; William and Suzanne Tehovnik, 30 years; David and Karen George, 25 years; Jim and Laura Herrod, 25 years; and Ken and Maureen McAlinden, 20 years.

Passages

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BARBER, **ALECIA MARIE**

Highland, MI. Passed away Saturday, May 26, 2012 at Harper University Hospital in Detroit from complications of recent surgery. Alecia 48, was born October 12, 1963, and lived most of her life in Plymouth, MI. She was the daughter of the late Edward and Ruth (Ivey) Barber. Born the youngest of five children, she is survived by siblings: Dianne Barber, Richard (Virginia) Barber, Margaret Carter, Gayle Nelson, sixteen nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews. Alecia was special, being born with Downs Syndrome. She showed friendliness and love, making friends wherever she went and was a joy to be around. Friends may meet with her family on Friday from 10am until time of the funeral service at 1pm at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Burial will follow at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park Livonia, MI. Share a memory

or sign the guestbook at: www.schrader-howell funeralhomes.com

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



COSTA-MULE, EMILY M.

May 27, 2012, age 94 of Canton. Dear Wife of the late Charles Mule and the late Frank Costa. Loving Mother of the late Kenneth J. Costa. Dearest Grandmother of Lisa (John) Ninkovich, Carrie (Robert) Vacca, and Frank (Tamara) Costa. Beloved Great-Grandmother of Alyssa, Michael, Joey, Cara, Juliana, Jack and Madeline. Dear Sister of the late Steve, Frank, John, Sam, and Tom Gallucci. She will be deeply missed by many nieces, relatives, and very close friends. Visitation Thurs 4-9 PM with 6:30 PM Rosary at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd. (Btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Friday 10 AM until the 11:00 AM Funeral Mass at St. Thomas a'Beckett, 555 S. Lilley Rd., Canton. Entombment Mt. Hope Memorial Park, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of MI, 1169 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

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ENTERTAINMENT

Summer festivals offer unique shows, family fun

By Sharon Dargay O&E Staff Writer

They run. They race. They jump hurdle after hurdle.

And with 28 shows planned for the six-day Livonia Spree next month, David Feimster's racing stars are among the hardest-working entertainers you'll find at a local festival this summer. At less than 18 weeks old, they also are the youngest.

"At six weeks old I take them and train them," said Feimster, whose New Jersey-based Hot Dog Pig Racing show will return to Livonia Spree Tuesday-Sunday, June 19-24, at Ford Field, corner of Farmington Road and Lyndon in Livonia.

The pigs learn to race around a track and jump tiny hurdles while sporting a costume. Each show consists of five races, including one with a twist involving hot dog attire.

Feimster, who created a niche entertainment business racing skunks before he got into training swine 17 years ago, will send three troupes of performing pigs on the road this summer. Most of their gigs will take them to fairs and festivals on the East Coast, although Feimster said the show travels extensively throughout the country.

Fame is short-lived for the show-biz piglets.



Fifty Amp Fuse will rock the Canton Liberty Fest Thursday, June 14.

Feimster sends them back to the farm when they are between 12-18 weeks old, weighing less than 50-60 pounds. An older, full-sized hog can weigh hundreds of pounds.

"At full size they do what THEY want," he said.

The retired performers enter a breeding program at a farm and because they have been trained "they are very friendly pigs at that point," Feimster said.

"It makes the breeding program easier."

Catch the Hot Dog Pig Racing show at 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 19 and five times daily Wednesday-

Sunday at the festival. The annual Livonia Spree also offers a battle of the bands; live country, rock, and tribute music; clowns and magicians; dancers; martial arts demonstrations; races, contests and games, including a pieeating contest; a charity casino tent; arts and crafts; carnival rides and more. Fireworks wrap up the fun Sunday, June 24. Visit www.livoniaspree. com for a complete schedule.

Here's a sampling of other summer community, art and specialty festivals:

• Michigan Fun Fest, formerly known as the Sahara Fest, runs May 31-June 1 at St. Mary's Orthodox Church, located on Merriman Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia. Taste Middle Eastern food, play a carnival game or dance the night away to live music. The event benefits the church's proposed Mariam Center; www.michiganfunfest.com

• Birmingham Village Fair, May 31-June 3 in Shain Park, located in downtown Birmingham, includes carnival rides, games and food. Check the Birmingham Village Fair's Facebook page for more details.

• Art on the Grand, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday,

June 2 and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, June 3, on Grand River Ave., near Farmington Road in downtown Farmington, features more than 100 booths with paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, pottery, fiber, mixed media. Entertainment, food, kids area; www.

ci.farmington-hills.mi.us
• 4th Annual Lyon
Township Kite Festival,
10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday,
June 2, at James F. Atchison Memorial Park, 58000
Grand River Ave. Professional kite demonstrations, live entertainment, a classic car display, and plenty of activities for the children including inflatables, face painting, radio

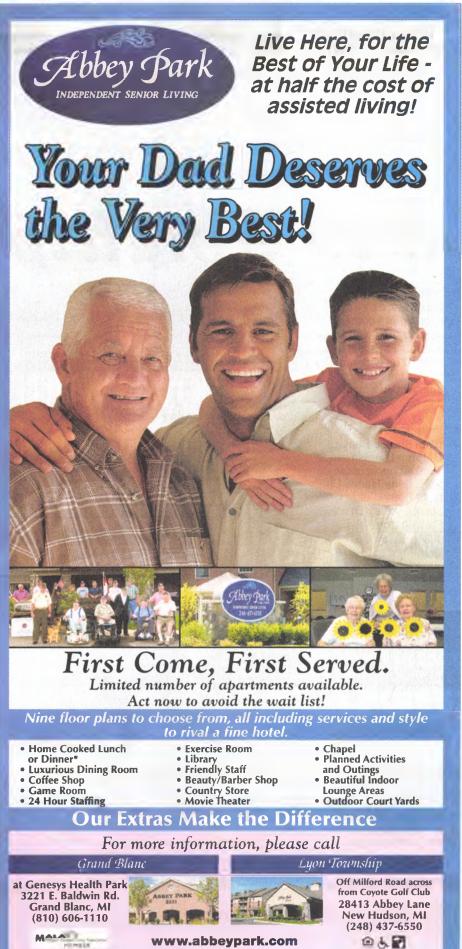
control boat races and kite decorating. Admission is free and includes free kite kits for children, while supplies last. Kites for adults will also be available for purchase; http://www.lyontwp.org

• Redford Township Festival runs Thursday-Sunday, June 7-10, with fireworks on Saturday, June 9, at Bell Creek Park, located at Five Mile and Inkster Road. Saturday also is "Kids Day" and will offer lots of children's activities. Live music and entertainment, carnival games and midway rides offered throughout the festival; www.redfordtwp.com

• 18th Annual Clay, Glass & Metal Show runs 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday, June 9 and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, June 10, on Washington Ave. between Lincoln and Fourth, in downtown Royal Oak. 125 juried artists, food, music, artists' demos, hands-on projects. www. royaloakchamber.com. (248) 547-4000.

• Seventh Annual Chaldean Festival, June 8-10 on the Southfield Civic Center lawn, 26000 Evergreen, in Southfield. Live music, carnival rides, games, children's activities, food, merchant, booths, family fun entertainment for all. Proceeds benefit Chaldean Community Foundation. Call (248) 996-8340.

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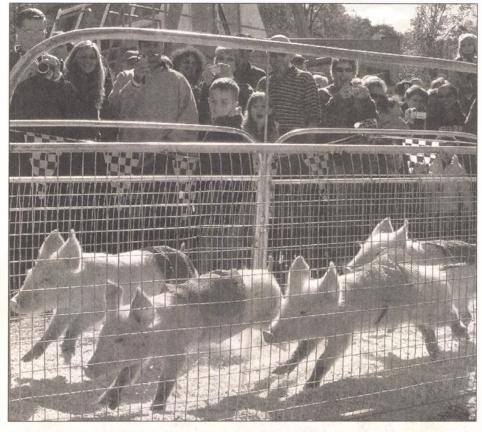
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 Canton Liberty Fest, Thursday-Saturday, June 14-16 in Heritage Park, located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, west of Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill Road and Summit Parkway in Canton offers carnival games, midway rides and a petting farm. Hear rock music, country tunes, children's songs, Beatles tribute and international performances on the entertainment stage throughout the festival. Catch The Muppets movie at dusk on June 15 and fireworks on June 16. Paddle around the pond in a rental from Heavner Canoe and Kayak Rental and check out cars on display at America's Most Wanted Car Club Show. www.cantonlibertyfest.com.

• Novi Heritage Festival runs 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, June 16 at MSU Tollgate Farm, 28115 Meadowbrook, Novi. See demonstrations of many heritage crafts including beekeeping, maple syrup making, horseshoeing, basket making, and sheep herding. Event includes music, puppet shows, food, hay rides and fishing in the Tollgate pond. Call Roy Prentice at (248) 347-3860 ext 251 or prentic1@msu.edu for more information.

• Summer Beer Fest, 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, June 23, at Roy-



Hot Dog Pig Racing returns to Livonia Spree next month. They'll perform several shows every day during the six-day community festival.

al Oak Farmers Market, 316 East 11 Mile, in Royal Oak, will include samplings of more than 100 different brews, plus beer-inspired food, music and more. Proceeds benefit Camp Casey. Tickets are \$40 at www.camp-casey.org. Call (248) 705-2780.

• Westland Summer Festival runs Friday-Wednesday, June 29-July 4 at Westland City Hall grounds, 36601 Ford Road. Fireworks cap six days of carnival fun, food, nightly entertainment and more; www. cityofwestland.com

• Arts and Acts, June 22-24, offers art by more

than 85 artists, film, food, music, literature and theater in downtown Northville. Art in the Sun, the art component of the festival, includes a children's art area, musical entertainment and food. The Reel Michigan Film Festival, Short on Words Literature Contest and Sandbox Play Festival take place at the Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady; (248) 344-0497.

• Art in the Park, July 13-15, in downtown Plymouth, features works by more than 400 artists, entertainment, kids activities and food. Visit www.artinthepark. com

ENTERTAINMENT

 Farmington Founder's Festival, Friday-Saturday, July 20-21 includes a parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, along Grand River Ave., from Power Road to Liberty. The festival offers a crafter's marketplace and book sale, along Farmington Road in downtown Farmington; a tavern in Riley Park; a movie on Friday in Shiawassee Park and more; www.foundersfestival.com

• 4th Annual Redford Parks & Arts Conservancy IArt Festival, runs noon- 9 p.m. July 21 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. July 22 at the Redford Township



"Sunflowers" by Kathleen Spellman will be among the art works on exhibit at Art of the Grand, June 2-3 in downtown Farmington.

Marquee, located in the Town Hall complex at 15145 Beech Daly, one block south of the Five Mile. The Interactive Art festival is a chance to explore your creativity at free arts workshops and interactive art stations around the event site. Includes music, dance, drama, street performers, a kids' art zone, art demonstrations, food and arts and crafts for sale; www.rpaconservancy.org • South Lyon's inau-

gural Blues Brews and **Brats** festival runs 4-11 p.m., July 28 in downtown South Lyon. Barbara Payton and the Instigators, Those Delta Rhythm Kings, and Billy Davis will perform. Admission to the beverage tent, which will feature suds from the local Witch's Hat Brewing Company, is \$3. For more information, visit http://www.southlyonchamber.com/1/123/ blues_brews_and_brats.

• Concours D'Elegance, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at The Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth, features classic cars from 1900-1970; www.consoursusa.org.

• Fourth Annual Buy
Michigan Now Festival,
Aug. 3-5, celebrates the
state's annual Buy Michigan Week with sidewalk sales, street vendors, live music, and
children's activities, in
downtown Northville;
(248) 349-0345; http://
www.buymichigannow.
com/

• Berkley CruiseFest, kicks off the Woodward Dream Cruise with a Classic Car Parade, music and a street dance, Friday, Aug. 17, in downtown Berkley; www.berkleymich.org.

• 15th Annual Ford Arts, Beats & Eats, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, in downtown Royal Oak, includes 200 performances on 10 stages, 135 artists, 65 food booths. www.artsbeatsandeats.com. Call (248) 334-4600.



Spotlight on Youth actors rehearse "Bye Bye Birdie." The musical runs for one weekend only, Thursday-Sunday, May 31-June 3 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Youth actors stage musical in Canton

Spotlight on Youth will stage the feelgood, light-hearted musical, *Bye Bye Birdie* this weekend at the Village Theater at Cherry Hills in Canton.

The show tells the story of Conrad Birdie, a singer similar to Elvis Presley, who is drafted into the army in the late 1950s. His agent, Albert and his secretary/sweetheart, Rose, come up with a plan to have Conrad kiss a loyal fan and launch a hit record. Full of well known songs, like Put on a Happy Face and Kids, Bye Bye Birdie takes the audience to a time when life was much simpler.

Novi resident and Director Barbara Bloom said the show was "a treat" to work on because the actors portrayed characters their same age.

"I have done the show several times

and this is the first time that so many of the roles are being played by the very talented youth of Spotlight on Youth who are the actual ages of the characters," she stated in a press release. "These are teen-agers playing teen-

agers."
The show times are 7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, May 31-June 3, with 2 p.m. matinees Saturday-Sunday. The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

Get tickets by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or online at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater or wwwspotlightplayersmi.org or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door. Box office opens one hour prior to the show. Tickets are \$15 each.

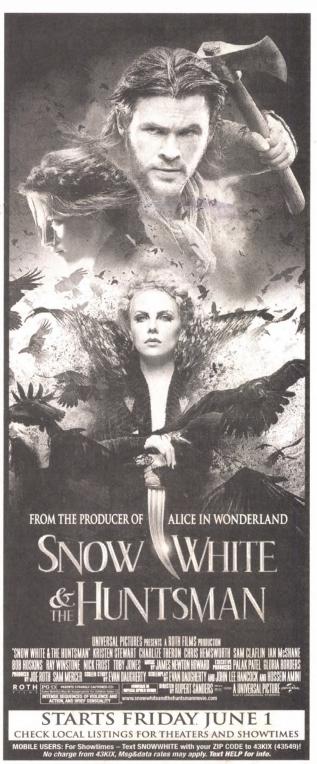
Comedy night benefits charity

Helping Hands Charity is selling tickets to the opening night performance of *Sylvia* at the Two Muses Theater, located at Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, at Maple in West Bloomfield.

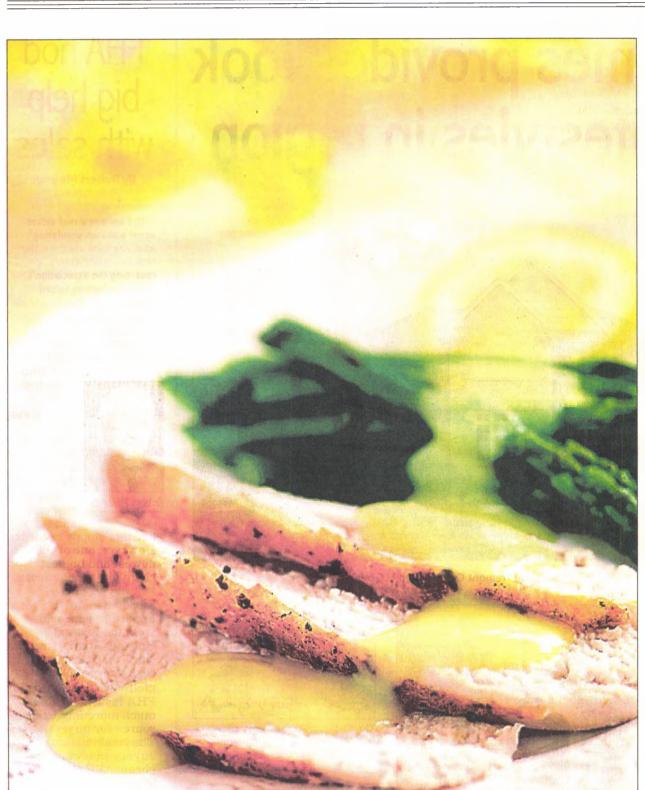
Forty percent of the proceeds from the show at 8 p.m., June 9 will go to the organization to buy shoes and mosquito nets and to build classrooms for the Venda Tribe in Mutele, South Africa. The group will get an additional 10 percent of proceeds for selling 50 tickets or more by June 6.

Sylvia is a comedy about a man who finds a dog in a park and takes it home. His wife isn't happy with his find and the dog, who has an attitude, can talk.

Buy opening night charity tickets for \$18 each from Sidney Bonvallet, Helping Hands founder. Send a check, made out to Helping Hands Charity, to Bonvallet at 27565 Spring Valley Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48336. Questions? Call Bonvallet at (248) 514-3022.







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- ½ teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 (4 to 5 pound) whole chicken, rinsed with neck and giblets removed Salt and pepper

- & cup cold water
- 4 cup milk 1 (0.87 to 1.2 ounces) package chicken gravy mix
- ½ teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1½ teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 1. Heat oven to 400°F. Spray a shallow roasting pan with rack with no-stick cooking spray.
- 2. Mix oil, oregano and garlic. Brush mixture over entire chicken. Season chicken liberally with salt and pepper. Place in prepared pan, breast side down; let stand 30 minutes. Turn chicken breast side up.
- 3. Roast 65 to 70 minutes, basting occasionally. Chicken is done when meat thermometer registers 170°F or when juices run clear when thickest part of thigh is pricked. Transfer chicken to carving board; tent with aluminum foil. Allow to rest 10 minutes.
- 4. Skim grease from the pan drippings. Place 4 cup skimmed pan drippings into small saucepan. Add water, milk, gravy mix, oregano, garlic and lemon juice to pan. Cook, stirring constantly until gravy thickens.

5. Čarve chicken. Place on serving platter. Serve with warm lemon-garlic gravy.

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with Honeved Ricotta Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 55 minutes Yield: 8 to 10 servings

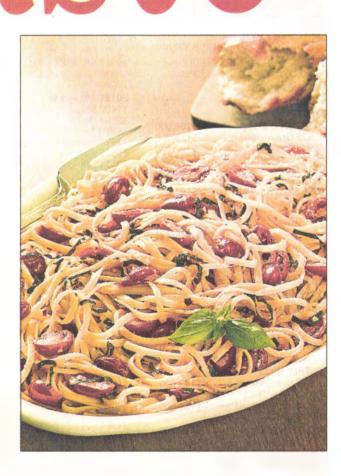
- Pillsbury Baking Spray with Flour
- 14 cups all purpose flour 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon finely grated orange peel
- 1 tablespoon culinary lavender, crushed, plus additional 1 to 2 table-
 - 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 - % cup plain yogurt
- 3 large eggs
- % cup pure olive oil
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ½ cup heavy cream 3 tablespoons honey
- ¼ cup ricotta cheese, at room temperature 1. Heat oven to 350°F. Spray a 9- by 5-inch
- loaf pan generously with baking spray; set aside. 2. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in a
- small bowl. Whisk together sugar, orange peel, lavender and pepper in a large mixing bowl until evenly distributed. Add yogurt, eggs and olive oil; continue whisking until smooth. Whisk in vanilla. Add flour mixture and gently whisk in until just combined. Scrape batter into prepared pan.
- 3. Bake 55 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 5 minutes; remove from pan and cool completely.
- 4. Whip cream with an electric mixer until soft peaks form. Add honey and continue to whip until stiff. Add ricotta cheese, a dollop at a time, and beat until fluffy. Slice cake. Top slices with honeyed ricotta and sprinkle with lavender.

Mediterranean Linguine with Basil and Tomatoes

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes Yield: 8 servings

- 1 1-pound box linguine pasta
- 1 tablespoon salt, or to taste
- ½ cup extra virgin olive oil 2 pints grape tomatoes (4 cups), cut in half
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes Salt and pepper to taste
- 18 to 20 basil leaves, cut in thin strips
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese, plus additional for garnish 1. Heat 6 quarts water to boiling. Add pasta and salt. Cook for the minimum recommended time on package directions. While pasta cooks, prepare sauce.
- 2. Heat olive oil in large skillet on medium heat. Add tomatoes and garlic. Cook and stir 2 minutes or until tomatoes are soft. Remove from heat. Stir in vinegar and
- pepper flakes. 3. Drain cooked pasta. Add to skillet. Cook and stir 1 minute or until pasta is coated and hot. Remove from heat. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in basil and cheese. Serve with additional cheese, if desired.

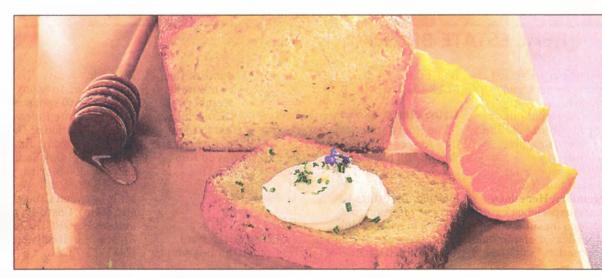
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Fresh and flavorful ingredients are the key to great Mediterranean cooking, so keep some of these essential ingredients on hand:

- Vegetables tomatoes, onions, shallots, peppers, carrots, spinach, eggplant
- Grains pasta, couscous, oats, barley, corn, rice • Dairy — yogurt, unsalted butter
- Beans and legumes chickpeas, cannellini beans,
- Fresh herbs and spices cumin, garlic, rosemary, fen-
- nel, oregano, basil
- Cheese Parmigiano-Reggiano, pecorino, ricotta, Manchego, feta
- Condiments olive oil, balsamic vinegar, olives, capers, honey



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Parade of Homes provides look at range of lifestyles in region



The Silverleaf in Lyon Township is from Healy Homes.

Parade of Homes 2012, the 23rd annual exhibition of new model homes located across southeastern Michigan, will open on June 1 and run through June 30. Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA), Bank of America Home Loans, DTE Energy and WindowPRO are the sponsors of this public event.

"Homebuyers have an excellent opportunity right now to take advantage of still low interest rates and competitive home prices that will certainly increase in the coming years, said Rich Kligman of Superb Custom Homes and president of BIA. "Today's buyers are in a unique position to take advantage of the buyer's market as we begin the climb into a better economy.'

The Parade of Homes offers potential homebuyers a unique opportunity to visit the area's finest model and inventory homes, including condominiums and single-family homes, affordable housing and estatesized homes. Visitors to the homes will have an opportunity to see first-hand the latest trends in energy efficiency and green building, architecture, interior design, amenities and materials. The 34 model, under construction and pre-construction homes and condominiums range in base price from \$171,000 to \$1,600,000.

Architects and industry experts will judge the homes and award blue ribbons in several categories. The judges will make their decisions based on the innovative use of space and design, aesthetic appeal of the home and value for the price. Judges for this year's program will be Lonny S. Zimmerman, AIA, NCARB of Siegal/Tuomaa-



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la Associates; Benedetto Tiseo, FAIA, NCARB of Tiseo Architects, Inc.; Michael J. Gordon, RA of Moiseev/Gordon Associates and Paul Salloum, Regional Sales manager, Bank of America Home Loans.

A Parade of Homes magazine containing renderings, features and location maps for all homes will be distributed within select home delivery of The Detroit News and Detroit Free Press on Sunday, June 3, available at Bank of America loca-

tions throughout southeastern Michigan, at select Kroger locations, at WindowPRO in Livonia and at all participating model homes beginning June 1.

For additional information on the Parade of Homes, visit www.BIAParadeofHomes.com beginning June 1. Also check this website for information on "Open House Parties" being held at some of the Parade models on June 9 and 10 featur ing refreshments and special events. This is the only Parade



The Ellington (pre-construction) in Novi is from Superb Custom Homes/Evergreen Development

of Homes event BIA will spon-

sor this year. Headquartered in West Bloomfield, Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and Apartment Association of Michigan are trade associations representing nearly 600 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multifamily residential construction industry. BIA is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 175,000 individuals and companies.

FHA nod big help with sales

By Robert Meisner Guest Columnist

Q: I am a new real estate agent and I am wondering what you think are the major complaints by Realtors regarding the association's failings in helping to sell condominium units.

A: Some agents say that associations contribute to the dysfunction with the



Robert Meisner

real estate industry restricting signs, charging hefty disclosure fees, failing to respond

and keeping sloppy records. However, one of the newest and biggest complaints that agents lodge is that the association doesn't get important approval from the Federal **Housing Administration** since the aftermath of the mortgage meltdown has not made FHA-insured loans a much more important source for buyers. The condominium buyers who want the cheaper FHA-backed loans are not limited to purchasing in an association that has been approved by the administration. Some associations do not want to bother getting that certification which, frankly, undermines the ability of people to readily liquidate their

Q: I have heard that some cities have passed no smoking laws which may affect condominiums and other community association common areas. Do you have any information?

A: I believe that the cities of Santa Monica and Pasadena, Calif., have passed no smoking laws which appear to affect common areas adjacent to the condominiums and at least Santa Monica's allows owners to designate theirs as a non-smoking unit for the future. It is possible to work with a multiple building condominium to pass rules wherein each building elects to go nonsmoking on an individual basis and that is something about which you should confer with a progressive community association lawyer.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawver and author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 20-24, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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4278 Forest Bridge Dr	\$208,000
45929 Graystone Ln	\$139,000
45945 Graystone Ln	\$129,000
50117 Jackson Ln	\$227,000
1719 Orchard Dr	\$25,000
49732 Potomac Rd	\$192,000
3996 Sherwood Cir	\$187,000

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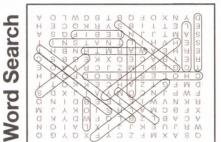
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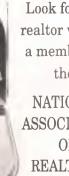
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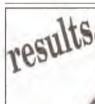
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