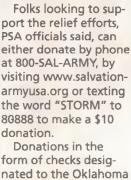






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No more Cannon

Plymouth's Cannon Park, which hasn't hosted its once-eponymous cannon for about seven years, is now Starkweather Park.

The change was made — quietly — at the May 5 Plymouth City Commission meeting. The move had the approval of the Old Village Association and the Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum.

The small neighborhood park on Farmer between Starkweather and Mill is now named for one of Plymouth's founding families; the land was once owned by George A. Starkweather (1826-1907). Cannon Park had been named for the antique cannon that was displayed there for years, but the cannon was moved to Plymouth **Community Veterans** Memorial Park at Main and Church, which opened in 2006.

Holiday trash

There will be no curbside pickup of household trash, recyclables or yard waste in Plymouth Township or Plymouth on Monday because of the Memorial Day holiday.

Pickups in both communities will resume on Tuesday and will be delayed by one day for the rest of the week.



Tom Stevenson (right) will donate a kidney to his brother, Dan, later this summer.

Bond of brothers

Township man prepares to donate kidney to improve brother's life

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

Dan and Tom Stevenson's family has always been close, but the bond between the brothers is about to get stronger.

Tom, of Plymouth Township, is awaiting final clearance before giving Dan one of his kidneys in a transplant operation that will likely take place this summer in Baltimore. Dan, 38, was diagnosed with kidney failure a decade ago, and his older brother's donation should give him renewed strength, extend his life and keep him from being forced into dialysis.

Dan, who lives in Salisbury, Md., is overwhelmed by the gift.

"When you can actually look in somebody's eyes and you know that they really mean it, that they would actually give you a kidney, it's one of the most amazing feelings I've ever had," Dan said by phone Thursday.

"I honestly don't know how to put that into words," he added later. "It's just a selfless

Both men say they're ready for the operation - even excited about it.

"It seems a crazy thing to say when you're having surgery, but we just feel great about it," Tom said during a separate phone conver-

Final hurdle

Tom, 51, who works in finance at McKesson Corp. in Livonia, had just returned from Baltimore, where he underwent a day-long battery of physical and psychological tests Wednesday at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The brothers had long known they had compatible blood and tissue types, but the Johns Hopkins doctors wanted to see Tom in person to determine his physical and psychological readiness for surgery and make sure he is not being pressured or coerced. He even had his .own donor advocate.

"They're very, very protective of their donors," he said. "It's an interesting process." Tom should get final approval within a few

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FIREWORKS

City hopes to curb wild west'

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

In an effort to tame Plymouth's "wild, wild west," as Mayor Dan Dw called it, as the Fourth of July appr officials are adopting a local file ordinance.

A first reading of the pre would limit the use of Apto er fireworks in Plymo year - 10 national holic before and after each of them - was approved Monday by the city commission, and a second reading will be taken up at the Monday, July 3, meeting.

The move is a response to the 2011 loosening of state restrictions on consumer fireworks -- firecrackers, bottle rockets, Roman candles and the like -- that resulted in noise complaints in many neighborhoods and a backlash felt by local and state lawmakers. It comes as the chief sponsor of that law, Rep. Harold Haugh, D-Roseville, is proposing amendments that would allow local governments to ban the use of exploding fireworks during nighttime hours, even around national holidays.

Mayoral support

Dwyer supports both the amendments

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Writing center faces teacher cuts

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

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Faced with decisions about rising class sizes at the high school level, Plymouth-Canton administrators have decided to dramatically trim a popular program in favor of putting more teacher time into other burgeoning classrooms.

But students and some teachers say cutting the well-used writing center program to a third of what it was is a move that will affect hundreds of students in an educational environment that is putting an ever-increasing emphasis on writing skills.

Beginning with the

2013/14 school year, the writing center program will be cut to .2 FTE (the equivalent of one hour of teaching), down from .6 this school year. The high schools had used that .6 FTE to man one-hour writing centers at each high school.

In practical terms, the cut means only one hour of teacher time will be devoted to the writing center at Salem High School starting in the fall. Writing centers at both Canton and Plymouth high schools will be closed.

Hard times

"With the number of FTE

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They're champs



Maneuvering away from a Hartland player during Wednesday's KLAA championship girls soccer game is Plymouth senior defender Morgan Klabunde (No. 19). The Wildcats won 3-1 for their first-ever association title. For the story, turn to B1.

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and the city's proposal. "It was the wild, wild west," Dwyer said of fireworks going off at all hours last summer. "It went on in my neighborhood the whole week of the fourth of July."

The fireworks ordinance comes at the recommendation of City Manager Paul Sincock and Police Chief Al Cox, and was drawn up by Cox and City Attorney Bob Marzano.

"The adoption of a local fireworks ordinance is the only way the city of Plymouth will be able to control the use/display of certain types of fireworks," Cox wrote in a memo to commissioners. The chief wrote that fireworks allowed under the new state law are "at minimum annoying and at worst dangerous."

Michigan formerly had a near-total consumer fireworks ban, with only nonexplosive, non-launchable fireworks, such as sparklers, "snakes" and small smoke pellets legal for use by the general public. But those restrictions were lifted with Public Act 256 of 2011, which also limited local governments' ability to pass local restrictions.

Advocates said Michigan was losing fireworks business, and tax revenue, to neighboring states.

Not in tune

"I really saw it as a way to create jobs and expand the tax base," said Rep. Kurt Haise, R-Plymouth Township, who represents the city in the state House of Representatives. "All the other states around us were doing it." Heise said the move did indeed create jobs at year-round fireworks stores.

Dwyer suggested the



Plymouth officials are adopting a local fireworks ordinance which would limit the use of exploding consumer fireworks in Plymouth to 30 days a year 10 national holidays and the days before and after each of them.

Legislature was not in tune with the state's communi-

"They focused on the revenue stream of it, but not the social impact of it and not the cost to the local community," he said.

But Heise said he recognizes the attendant problems with the loosening of the fireworks law, and that he heard both the fireworks and the backlash last summer.

"I shared those concerns. I heard the fireworks too late into the evening, and it was very annoying," he said. "I think there need to be reasonable use restrictions based on time of year and also time of day.'

·Heise said the Legislature's plan is to fast-track Haugh's amendments so they can take effect before the Fourth of July. The Haugh amendments would, among other things, allow local governments to ban exploding fireworks between midnight and 8 a.m. even on the day before, the day of and the day after 10 national holidays

BROTHERS

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weeks and then set a date for surgery: "They think it'll be this summer," he said.

Dan, facilities manager at The Salisbury School, said he's "ridiculously lucky" to have gone a decade since diagnosis while feeling relatively good - though overly fatigued at times - and avoiding dialysis. That's twice as long as the five years doctors said he'd have before needing a transplant or dialysis, but his kidney function is now less than 20 percent, he said.

"I have to do this. I have no choice," he said. "It's either this or I have to go on dialysis for the rest of my life."

'He'll thrive'

He is "ultra optimistic" that "amazing technology" and medical advances will give him good prospects with a donated kidney; when he was diagnosed, he said, transplants typically held up for 10 or 15 years, but more recently he's read about kidney transplants lasting 30 years or more. By the time he reaches that point, he said, things will have improved even more dramatically.

Tom said he's honored to be able to help his brother in such a way. "I'll be fine, and he'll thrive," he said, adding that his own "quality of life isn't going to change."

The brothers grew up mostly in Canton Township and have another brother and three sisters. Though there are 13 years between them -Tom notes that he left for college the same week Dan started kindergarten — they are especial-



The Stevenson family includes Dan (from left), Jenny, Tom, Mary, Mike and Kathy.

ly close, sharing frequent phone calls and jokes and leaning on each other, Tom said.

"We've always been each other's kind of 'matched pair,' if you will," Tom said, crediting Dan with coming up with that description. "He never thought it would be taken literally."

Dan said he and Tom, their siblings and parents have "always been very, very close and very protective of each other."

"As soon as they thought I needed a transplant, everybody, mom and dad, my brothers and sisters, everyone just went to the doctor immediately" to see if they could donate, he said. "That's just the people we

Family, team support

Their families have been supportive of the planned kidney donation. Tom said his wife Jeanne tells him he has to take care of his kidneys to give Dan a "good product," and their son Dillon, a high school freshman, has shared the story with his biology class.

Dan's wife, Jill, helps him stick to the low-salt, low-protein, low-potassium diet that's helped him since his diagnosis.

Tom and Jeanne have three daughters: Sophie, an emergency room nurse; Carly, a college student; and Emilie, 11.

Dan and Jill Stevenson have four children: Grace, 9; Lilly, 7; Tommy, 3; and Alex, 20 months.

'The kidney disease didn't slow me down that much over the last 10 years," Dan said.

Dan has for years participated in annual Kidney Walks, fundraisers sponsored by the National Kidney Foundation. The 2013 walk in Salisbury was May 5, and Dan led a team of about 75 people that raised nearly \$4,000. The money goes toward DFK programs, including, Dan said, research and medical advances that have improved the lives of transplant patients.

This year, Tom has signed up for his first Kidney Walk, which is Sunday, June 2, at the Detroit Zoo. Entertainment, activities for children and celebrity appearances are planned.

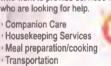
Tom is recruiting members to his team and accepting donations, which can be made at http://donate.kidney.org/ goto/give-a-life.

The brothers' Kidney Walk team names reflect their "matched pair" relationship: Dan's team is called Get a Live, while Tom's new team is Give

"We're walking for each other," Tom said.

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the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park was given, class size in some of the core classrooms was really high, approaching the high 30s," said Erin MacGregor, the district's director of secondary education. The decision was made to reduce the writing center. The writing center is a fabulous service for our

in hard times.' The writing center is basically an extension of the Honors Composition Writing class. It's manned by a teacher and volunteers from the class, who provide advice and guidance to students needing mentor-

kids. But these are hard decisions

ing with their writing. It's a popular, well-used service. During the first semester alone, according to statistics provided by the district, volunteers in the three writing centers conducted 1,210 peer editing sessions, or roughly 403 per school.

Teachers pointed out the need for improved writing skills exists in the Park's school improvement plan. Kelly Giromini, an English teacher and a former P-CEP student who used the center, said the requirement to use writing in every discipline, and the focus on writing in terms of closing the achievement gap, makes closing

the writing center a questionable

"In all (district) goals, having our students improve in writing is incredibly important in helping our students be successful, and yet we're cutting the writing center," Giromini told the Board of Education earlier this month. "We want to provide students with resources that help keep them on a solid educational path, and our plan lists the writing center as a resource. Our counselors and teachers frequently suggest the writing center to our students who are struggling."

Now and future

Jane McCurry, a Plymouth High School senior, has tutored in the writing center both semesters this year. She said she's spent time with 60 students and has seen first-hand the improvement the center brings.

"I was fortunate to see students come in at the beginning of the year, and who come in now, and see the improvement," said McCurry, who has taken the Honors Comp class twice. "We focus not only on the writing they bring in, but how to apply that to writing they do in the future. So it's not only a resource that will help them in the moment, but also throughout high school and their college years."

MacGregor acknowledges the cut will make it more difficult for students to seek the help, but he's con-

fident the writing center, even on more limited hours, will still be able to service the same number of students. He argues the centers were only operating at 44-percent capacity, based on the availability of 18 tutors available for two lunch periods apiece. "The writing center is still going

to be able to service the same number of students," MacGregor said. "Students who used to be able to rely on easy access in their own building are now going to have to walk to Salem. The access isn't as readily available, but if you want

support from the writing center, it'll still be there."

Brian Read, an English teacher who helped found the writing center back in the 1990s — when it was originally staffed with two teachers in each school — has doubts about the idea the same services will be available.

"Cutting it to one teacher will make it non-functional," Read said. "(Writing) is one of the primary skills, and it crosses the boundaries of all curriculum. You need the ability to write to be successful in all the different disciplines.

"We created a phenomenal program, something that is to be treasured and protected," he added. "If we do these cuts, it will not function in any way it's supposed to."

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Napoleon: Economic necessity steers regionalism

By Sue Mason

Looking at the group of people listening to him, Benny Napoleon offered an invitation: "I know you can't vote for me, but I want you to come home."

"I think I'll use that as a campaign slogan," added Napoleon, the Wayne County sheriff and a Detroit mayoral candidate

Napoleon was in Livonia on Wednesday to talk
to members of the Livonia and Westland chambers of commerce about
regionalism and the city
of Detroit. He also fielded
questions about his decision to run for mayor of
Detroit and the appointment of an emergency
manager.

A life-long Detroit resident, Napoleon recalled his city once being a "beacon of hope and beacon of capitalism," but the opportunities of the past aren't present today and won't be until there is meaningful talk about a regional focus.

"As residents, we cross lines every day, city to city, county to county, we get it," he said. "As residents we don't let borders get in the way of our interests. We've become a global society, but government has been slow to embrace regionalism."

According to Napoleon, government has been "very parochial" when it comes to regionalism, but changes can be seen with Cobo Hall and the Regional Convention Facility Authority and the recent Detroit Regional Transit Authority.

"It's starting with regional transportation which, when we have it, will create an economic hemisphere for the cities along the route," he said.



STEPHEN CANTRELL | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sheriff Benny Napoleon speaks to the Livonia and Westland chambers of commerce.

New paradigm

While studying in Boston last year, Napoleon parked his car and took public transportation after finding the former too costly. As he got accustomed to using it, he decided it wasn't a bad way to get around.

"We have to change our paradigm, we have to change our whole thought process, for public transportation to be successful," he said.

Calling it "the elephant in the room," Napoleon said the citizens of Detroit also are "parochial" about the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department. The one question they bring up when they talk to him is, "Are you going to regionalize the water department?"

"You won't get a consensus on that," Napoleon said. "People want to remain independent. You won't get regionalism until it becomes an economic necessity. Should we continue to discuss it? Absolutely, but it's going to be based on economics. Some may say it's racist, but what it comes down to is dollars and cents."

While services can be shared between communities, Napoleon came out strongly on the side of local police departments. He told the group, which included members of the Westland and Livonia police departments, that policing is a local function. It is the No. 1 function that is near and dear to people and, as such, the control should be at the local level.

"People should know their police chief, they should know their police officers," he said. "But it's getting to the point where some communities can't afford services. When it comes right down to it, communities can share fire and EMS. People don't care who comes to put out their fire, but they want to know who that police officer is."

Why be mayor?

When asked why he wants to be mayor of a city under the control of an emergency manager, Napoleon said, "Detroit is in a severe crisis, it needs a leader with strong support.

"It's important to have a relationship beyond Detroit's borders and I believe I'm equipped to do that," he added. "Detroit needs a leader with character and integrity, a leader that's honest."

Napoleon also told his



The crowd listens to Detroit mayoral candidate Benny Napoleon.

audience that while he will make mistakes, he will not do things that will jeopardize his freedom, a reference to former Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, who is awaiting sentencing after being found guilty of running a criminal enterprise through his office.

"I may be criticized for many things, and I will take it head on," he said. "They may get me for what I do, but they won't get me for lying."

Considering the difficulties Mayor Dave Bing has had with the current Detroit City Council, Napoleon said the city's top official "has to have a certain amount of humility." The mayor needs to sit down with council and talk with members. He may not get a consensus, but it will give them an opportunity to buy in and participate in the decision

As for the emergency manager, Napoleon believes the appointment was "illegal and unconstitutional" and Kevyn Orr, if he stays, will resolve the issues facing Detroit along the line of selling

assets.

"Some people are in denial, but I think he was put here to do three things — break the contracts, sell the city's assets and deal with the city's long-term debt," he said. "The emergency manager was pushed down our throats by a lame-duck Legislature

after the voters said no. I find this personally offensive. Yes, we need changes; yes, the people have disappointments, but at the end of the day we will have to rally and do things in a different way."

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Red Wings fans raise \$17,029 for Woehlke family

Detroit Red Wings fans helped raise over \$17,000 for the family of Wayne-Westland Firefighter Brian Woehlke at Thursday's game.

And the Wings defeated the Chicago Blackhawks 2-0 victory to take a 3-1 game lead in Western Conference semi finals.

Dearborn firefighters manned the entrances to Joe Louis Arena for a fill the boot fund-raiser. Woehlke, a Dearborn resident, died fighting a May 8 fire that destroyed the Electric Stick/Marvaso's Italian Grill.

The fans donated \$11,529. Red Wings Captain Henrik Zetterberg donated \$3,500 bringing the total to

In addition, the Wings report two fans each pledged \$1,000 donations which they were going to mail directly to Wayne-Westland Fire Department taking the grand total to \$17,029 raised in $1\frac{1}{6}$ hours.

All donations will benefit Woehlke's wife Jennifer and daughter Ava, 13 months old. The family are Dearborn residents.

Monetary donations can be made to the Westland Firefighters Charity, P.O. Box 851320, Westland, MI, 48185, or at any of the five Wayne-Westland fire stations. Donations can also be made at www.local1279.org.

The fund-raising continues this week at two businesses in Westland.

Mr. Mike's Grill at 6047 N. Wayne Road is holding an all-you-can-eat pasta bar and salad bar and silent auction noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 28. Choose your favorite pasta and mix and match with a variety of sauces. The cost is a donation of \$10 per person, with 50 percent of all money raised going to the Woehl-

For more information, call Mr. Mike's at (734) 729-6453.

And people who can't make Tuesday's fund-raiser can stop by the Country Grill at 501 S. Wayne Road, south of Cherry Hill, on Thursday, May 30. The restaurant will be donating 10 percent of all sales breakfast, lunch and dinner - to the Woehlke family.



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Citizens ask Bentivolio to support gun bill

By Laura Colvin Staff Writer

Some 2,300 citizens from Michigan's 11th Congressional District are hoping Congressman Kerry Bentivolio, R-Milford, gets a message from their signatures.

A small group representing those citizens delivered a petition to Bentivolio's office in Commerce Township Thursday asking him to support a bill requiring extended background checks for gun purchas-

"We're a nation of violence because we allow it to happen and we have easy access to weapons," said Sandy North, chair for Wayne County's Gun Violence Prevention, who organized the meeting with Bentivolio's staff. "We've got to make some changes while still respecting the Second Amendment. We all believe in that. We all believe in the right to carry guns, but we've got to make some changes."

The bipartisan legislation, HR1565, echoes the Manchin-Toomev bill, which recently failed to get the required 60 votes in the Senate. HR1565 would expand background checks for gun purchases to include all commercial firearm sales, including those sold at gun shows and on the internet.

The petition signatures were collected online as part of a nationwide effort by Organizing for Action, a nonprofit social welfare organization and community organizing project. In all, 1.4 million signatures were collected and delivered to Congressmen across the country, North said.

North, along with a handful of Bentivolio's constituents from across the district, presented the petition locally and also had the opportunity to sit and chat with Bentivolio's staff about their concerns.



Sandy North, chair for Wayne County's Gun Violence Prevention (left front), presents 11th District Deputy Director Sarah Ledford with petitions signed by 2,300 of Congressman Kerry Bentivolio's constituents.

"We're here not only because of the (recent) mass shootings," said North. "Many people got more involved after Sandy Hook; it ripped our hearts right out. But that's only one kind of gun violence."

Members of the group cited a number of statistics they found: eight children die because of gun violence every day, while one in every two women who die from a gunshot do so at the hands of an intimate partner.

North also told Bentivolio's staff how the U.S. stacks up against international statistics.

Some 30,000 Americans, she said, are killed every year by gun violence, while another 70,000 are shot and injured every

"Out of 30,000 who are killed, 10,000 are homicides," she said. "Compare to other countries: 158 (homicides per year) in Germany, 174 in Canada, and 11 in Japan, compared to 10,000 in the U.S." Although it has often been painted otherwise, North and those who accompanied her said they did not feel the issue of expanded background checks was a partisan

"When the Second Amendment was drafted there were no parties," said Gary Peltier, a Livonia resident who attended

as part of the group. "So when we talk about how we can best integrate the Second Amendment into society, and at the same time control the violence, let's recognize this is not a partisan issue. This is an American issue."

As an educator, Jim Pearson of Highland was concerned about the continued potential threat to schools.

"In my 33 years as a **Huron Valley Schools** teacher, I vividly remember two occasions where we had school buses shot at," Pearson said. "No amount of guards you can put on the school can protect a school bus on the road."

Deputy District Director Sarah Ledford accepted the petition on behalf of Bentivolio.

"We've got to make some changes while still respecting the Second Amendment. We all believe in that. We all believe in the right to carry guns, but we've got to make some changes."

SANDY NORTH Wayne County's Gun Violence

Prevention chair

"I know the congressman is very, very concerned about this issue, as well," she said, noting she was surprised by some of the statistics brought forth by the group.

Michigan's 11th Congressional District includes Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington, Highland, Lake Angelus, Milford, Northville, Novi, South Lyon, Troy, Walled Lake, Commerce, Lyon, Waterford, White Lake, Clawson, Rochester Hills and West Bloomfield in Oakland County. In Wayne County, the district includes Canton, Livonia and Plymouth.

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A particular arthritis- Lofgren's Syndrome - occurs in the spring. Features of the condition include large red raised bumps on the lower legs, called erythema nodosum, and aching in the ankles. At times the ankles become swollen and require aspiration of fluid

At the same time the red bumps appear on the legs, a chest x-ray will reveal enlarged lymph nodes at the root of the lungs. The distribution of the enlarged nodes fits the pattern of another condition-sarcoidosis. In the medical literature Lofgren's Syndrome is considered to be a form of sarcoidosis.

However, Lofgren's Syndrome is self-limited, while sarcoidosis is not. That is, Lofgren's is readily treated by small doses of steroids over 3-4 months, and usually never returns. In contrast, sarcoidosis settles into areas of the body such as the lungs, liver, eye and spleen, and either by imaging or biopsy a physician can find that sarcoidosis remains for years. Furthermore, Lofgren's occurs almost exclusively in the spring, but sarcoidosis has no seasonal pattern. Finally, a physician can treat Lofgren's with a small dose of prednisone for a short time, but for sarcoidosis the

more, for months. Research to date has failed to uncover the reason why spring weather brings on Lofgren's Syndrome. The condition is not related to strep throat or a known virus; no allergy to a medication presents with findings similar to Lofgren's. Though physicians lack full understanding of Logren's Syndrome, treatment is readily at hand.

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EDUCATION



AILEEN WINGB

Student recipients of the Farmington Public Schools superintendent's awards of excellence for 2013 are: Erin Baum, Samantha Carruthers, Joanna Ciatti, Akili Echols, Jacquelyn Farquhar, Julia Forgaciu, Clarissa Gaddis, Katie George, Derrick Guice, Paige Kondek, Ethan Krasman, Caroline Lowenfeld, Zerina Mulasmanovic, Danielle Petras, Olivia Rollinger, Jordan Scrimger, Riya Shah, Amber Stephens, Mrudhula Tankassala, Victoria Whydell and Cameron Wold.

Students, staff honored at Awards of Excellence Breakfast

By Aileen Wingblad Staff Writer

Top grades, community service, extracurricular activities, positive attitudes, hard work.

That's just some of what it takes to earn the Farmington Public Schools superintendent's "Award of Excellence."

For some, making the list comes as a surprise. "It's really nice (to be honored) because I didn't expect it," said Paige Kondek, a Harrison High School senior. "It's nice to be awarded for something you worked so hard for."

Fellow honoree Derrick Guice, a Farmington Central High School student, agreed "It's great. I worked really hard to get here," he said. "And to be here among these amaz-

ing people feels great."
Kondek and Guice are among the 21 students selected by committee as for the awards, presented last Wednesday morning at Glen Oaks Golf Club.

Awards are presented annually to students for outstanding academic achievement, exemplary citizenship and exceptional involvement in school activities. In addition, each student chooses a staff member to be honored alongside them for the inspiration and

support.
The program was initiated about 20 years ago by then-FPS Superintendent Mike Flanagan.

"We need to celebrate the success of students as well as to encourage great things," said FPS Superintendent Sue Zurvalec. "It means so much to the students, parents and teachers — it's the greatest compliment a teacher can have."

Indeed, said Kevin
Miesner, Harrison High
School chemistry teacher.
Selected for the honor by
Kondek and fellow honoree Joanna Ciatti this year,
and by other students
several times prior during his 18 years teaching
in the district, Miesner

said it's always "amazing and awesome" to be singled out by a student.

"It's probably the biggest honor — to know you made a difference in a student's life. That's the whole reason we (teach)," he said. "And how hard these students work? That inspires me every day. They inspire me."

Pat Karas, Farmington Central High School principal, was chosen by Guice as his inspiration. "I think its quite an honor to have a student recognize a principal," Karas said. "And I feel very proud of Derrick. He's had many obstacles in his life but he never let them take over. He worked through them."

One of the youngest honorees, Dunckel Middle School eighth-grader Riya Shah, summed up the recognition by calling it "an important award and an inspiration to achievement," that boosted her confidence.

"This is a point where I open my wings," she said.

"Now is my opportunity to soar."

Student honorees this year are Erin Baum, Samantha Carruthers, Joanna Ciatti, Akili Echols, Jacquelyn Farquhar, Julia Forgaciu, Clarissa Gaddis, Katie George, Derrick Guice, Paige Kondek, Ethan Krasman, Caroline Lowenfeld, Zerina Mulasmanovic, Danielle Petras, Olivia Rollinger, Jordan Scrimger, Riya Shah, Amber Stephens, Mrudhula Tankassala, Victoria Whydell, and Cameron Wold.

Honored staff are Kevin Burr, Derek Day,
David Drake, Karen Farber, Todd Hecker, Dennis
Hermani, Pat Karas, Darryl Kettle, Martha Mathison, Kevin Miesner, Liz
Miller, Kevin Ozar, Janet
Payne, Kristina Pittman,
Ryan Potter, Erika Rust,
Mary Sheltrown, Whitney
Tyner, Linda Valice and
Joshua Wells.

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Eight Livonia students win scholarships

Eight Livonia Public Schools students were awarded scholarships funded by educational and support staff associations affiliated with the Michigan Education Association. Five scholarships, one worth \$1,500 and four worth \$1,000 each, were funded by members of the Livonia Education Association. One scholarship, worth \$500, was funded by members of the Livonia Paraprofessionals' Association, Livonia Secretarial Association, and Supervisory Employees Association Livonia Schools. Two additional scholarships, also worth \$500 each, were funded by the Livonia Paraprofessional Association.

The Kenneth B.
McClain Scholarship
for \$1,500 was awarded to Johnson Yang
of Stevenson High
School. Johnson, with a
grade point average of
4.3, plans to attend the
University of Michigan in the fall.

Sheryl Ann Crespo from Churchill High, with a grade point average of 4.3; Matthew Bagazinski from Franklin High, with a grade point average of 4.4; and Emily Snitchler from Stevenson, with a grade point average of 4.3, have each been awarded a Livonia Education Association Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 for their outstanding academic achievements. All plan to attend the University of Michigan in the fall.

Elizabeth Chapa, from Franklin, has been awarded the Livonia Educational Association Community College/Technical School Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. She plans to attend Schoolcraft Community College in the fall.

The Livonia Support Personnel Scholarship, in the amount of \$500, was awarded to Abigail Urso from Stevenson. Urso plans to attend Grand Valley State University in the fall.

Abigail Tzau from Churchill and Tyler Newell from Divine Child have each been awarded a Livonia Paraprofessionals' Association scholarship in the amount of \$500. Tzau plans to attend the University of Michigan and Newell plans to attend Marygrove College this fall.

ACHIEVERS

Grand Valley

Anne Giocondini of Plymouth was named to the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi at Grand Valley State University. Giocondini is the daughter of Renee and Guy Giocondini and is pursuing a bachelor's degree in English, psychology

and Russian studies at Grand Valley.

Davenport

Cheryl Horn of Livonia was among more than 2,000 students to received degrees from recently graduated from Davenport University. The commencement ceremony was held April 28 in downtown Grand Rapids.

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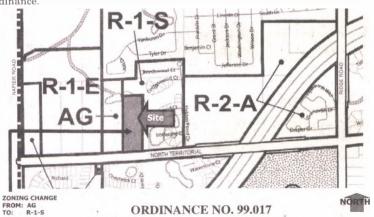
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NOTICE OF ADOPTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 99.017

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP.
THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 99 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 015, attached hereto, and made part of this Ordinance



AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 015
Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne, Michigan

1.EGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R-78-042-99-0002-701.

Part II. CONFLICTING REVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, are

III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on June 14, 2013.

IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 110 of Public Acts of Michigan, 2006, as amended, at a meeting duly called and held on May 14, 2013, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law. The Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on: May 14, 2013 Effective Date: June 14, 2013

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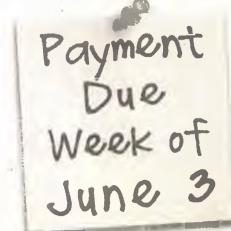
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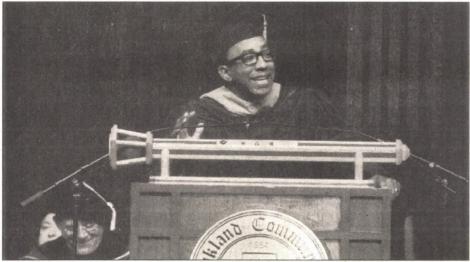
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Hajj Flemings was Oakland Community College's commencement speaker.

Oakland CC graduates largest class in its history

Close to 2,900 students graduated from Oakland Community College Saturday, May 18 — the largest graduating class in OCC's 49-year history.

An audience estimated at 12,000 crowded the Palace of Auburn Hills for OCC's 47th commencement, including the 900 graduates who attended the event, family members, guests, college trustees, faculty and staff members.

More than a third of the class of 2013 — 1,124 graduates — earned University Transfer Degrees in business, liberal arts and science. Another 949 were awarded Associate of Applied Science Degrees. Known as "career degrees," these diplomas provide graduates with entry-level credentials in an array of 160 professions including accounting, the culinary arts, robotics and nursing.

The balance of the graduating class received Associate Degrees in general studies, as well as one-year certificates in fields such as computer information systems, technology, medical assisting and licensed practical nursing. More than 200 graduates were awarded multiple degrees and certificates

OCC Chancellor Tim

Meyer introduced the college's Outstanding Alumnus for 2013, Michigan House Rep. Mike McCready of the 40th District who attended OCC from 1978 to 1981 before transferring to Western Michigan University where he earned a bachelor's degree in Communications and Business Administration

This year's commencement speaker was Hajj Flemings, founder of Brand Camp University, the second largest personal branding conference in the Midwest with operations in Boston, New York, Las Vegas and Austin.

PUBLIC NOTICE: PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S NURSERY TO CLOSE AT CONCLUSION OF SCHOOL YEAR

After 50 years of providing quality preschool and early childhood educational services to the Plymouth-Canton community, Plymouth Children's Nursery (PCN), located at 5825 North Sheldon Road in Canton, announced today that it will be closing its doors at the conclusion of the school year, May 29, 2013.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a proposal for Technology Project Design and Management. Specifications of the Request for Quotation (RFQ) are available by contacting Tiffany Brindza, Purchasing and General Ledger Associate, Plymouth Canton Community Schools at tiffany.brindza@pccsmail.net or (734)416-2975. Technical questions should also be directed to James Casteel, Director of Technology at iames.casteel@pccsmail.net or (734)416-2708. Proposals will be accepted as specified in the Request for Quotation at PCCS - E.J McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on/or before 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 10, 2013. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
Adrienne Davis, Secretary

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD ORDINANCE NO. 152-N AMENDED ZONING MAP NUMBER 1-13

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 152-N, THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP NUMBER 1-13, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

THE TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Zoning Map, in connection with the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Redford, shall be amended to change the zoning of the following described property, to wit:

MAP NO. 1-13: "To rezone from C-1, Local Business District to C-2, General Commercial District.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

All that part of the Southwest ¼ of Section 28, Town 1 South, Range 10 East, commencing at the South ¼ corner of Section 28, and proceeding along the south line of said section, south 89 degrees, 30 minutes west 627.51 feet; then north 0 degrees 36 minutes 20 seconds west 60 feet to the northeast corner of Grayfield Avenue (60 feet wide) and Plymouth Road (120 feet wide) which point is a point of beginning of the hand herein described; thence along the east line of Grayfield Avenue north 0 degrees 36 minutes 20 seconds west 90 feet thence north 89 degrees 30 minutes east 90 feet; thence south 0 degrees 36 minutes 20 seconds west 90 feet to the north line of Plymouth Road; thence along said line south 89 degrees 30 minutes west 90 feet to the point of beginning.

PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 23340 Plymouth Road, Parcel 79-032-99-0009-000 •

Section 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed hereby to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. The rezoning was approved by the Board of Trustees, at the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2013. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption or upon publication.

NAYES: NONE ABSENT: CAVANAGH

AYES:

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Motion carried 6-0, absent 1.

May 14, 2013, MOTION#13:046

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, MMC TOWNSHIP CLERK

KENNEDY, CHRISTIE, MCRAE, SULLIVAN, JOHNSON, KOBYLARZ

I hereby certify that Ordinance No. 152-N, Map No. 1-13 was published in the Redford Observer, a newspaper circulating within the Charter Township of Redford, on May 26, 2013, which date was within thirty (30) days after adoption of said Ordinance 152-N.

GARTH J. CHRISTIE, MMC TOWNSHIP CLERK

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Hills students nab Albion awards

Several Farmington
Hills students received
academic awards at Albion College's annual Honors Convocation recently.
The Albion College faculty choose these recipients from among the most exemplary students in all academic departments.

Amy Bell received the Charlotte Duff Outstanding Junior Woman Kinesiology Major Award and a Phi Beta Kappa award as one of the top three members of the Class of 2014. Bell was also elected to the Albion College chapter of Mortar Board, a national honorary soci-

ety for students outstanding in scholarship, leadership, and service.

Bell is majoring in kinesiology: exercise science and minoring in cell and molecular biology and chemistry. She is the daughter of Douglas and Margaret Bell of Farmington Hills and a graduate of Farmington High School.

Jonathan List received

Jonathan List received a Robert B. Hetler/Price-waterhouseCoopers Accounting Scholarship. List is majoring in economics and management (accounting emphasis), with a concentration in the Carl A. Gerstacker

Institute for Business and Management. He is the son of Bradley and Diane List of Farmington Hills and a graduate of North Farmington High School.

Matthew Prosniewski received a Dorothy
& David Kammer Physics Scholarship. Prosniewski is majoring in
physics, with a concentration in the Gerald R.
Ford Institute for Leadership in Public Policy and
Service. He is the son of
Michael J. Prosniewski
and Connstance S. Johnson of Farmington Hills
and a graduate of Farmington High School.

Davenport launches new business programs

Davenport University's Donald W. Maine College of Business is launching a new master of management degree program in the fall, available at

the Livonia Campus and online. Also, a new Master of Business Administration-Marketing Concentration will be available online beginning in

the fall. Finally, a new Morning MBA format will be available in Livonia starting this fall.

Visit davenport.edu/graduate for more information.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Many people are wrongly rejected when they apply for Social Security Disability benefits. Money was taken out of their paychecks for Social Security taxes to ensure that they would receive disability benefits if they could no longer work full-time. Sadly, the government denies approximately 60% of those who apply for disability benefits.

Attorneys J.B. Bieske and Jennifer Alfonsi have 42 years combined experience representing only Social Security disability clients. And they personally meet with all clients and appear personally at all court hearings. Many large firms assign inexperienced attorneys to your case. And some of these firms are located thousands of miles away and only fly the attorney in the day of the court hearing. Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi have vast experience before local Michigan judges.



Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi can often make a winning difference at the application stage. And, if an appeal is necessary they have won several hundred cases before a court date is even set.

Those denied can appeal on their own but statistics for many years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security Disability cases win a much higher percentage yet.

In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the subject and has been interviewed on various television programs. Both attorney Bieske and Alfonsi have also been interviewed on radio programs and have given speeches to many groups.

Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi offer free phone or office consultation. If they represent you, there will be no fee charged until after the case is won. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits.

Bieske and Alfonsi represent clients from all over the state of Michigan. Their Livonia office is on Six Mile Road just west of I-275. Their Novi office is located on Haggerty Road just north of 12 Mile Road. Call them at 1-800-331-3530 for a free consultation if you have been denied, or if you are thinking of possibly applying for Social Security benefits.

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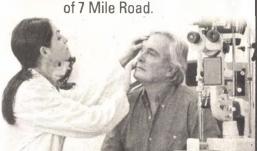




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Michael Demas of Suburban Nissan points out the charging compartment of the Nissan Leaf electric vehicle to visitors at last year's Michigan Electric Vehicle Show.

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Learn about the latest technology and products for electric vehicles. Get up close and touch the products. Ride in cars. hybrids, scooters and more.

It's all waiting for visitors at the fifth annual Michigan Electric Vehicle Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 8, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

The free show and rally takes place on the main campus (Parking Lot North) on Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads. The public is invited to see all kinds of EVs and plug-in hybrid cars, talk to the owners and ride in or drive many of the cars around the Schoolcraft campus.

The EVs include Ford Motor Co.'s C-MAX and Fusion; Chevrolet's Volt; Nissan's Leaf; Tesla's Roadster and Model S; Mitsubishi's i-MiEV; Detroit Electric Roadster; Toyota's Prius Plug-In; Think EV; Smart EV; plus electric scooters and performance EV motor-

Other vehicles on display will include conversions like Chevy S10, Austin Healy Sprite, Fiat X19, Ford Escort, PT Cruiser, Porsche Boxster and even an electric jet-ski. Highlights of the event in recent years have been a 1916 Detroit Electric, a 1976 Citicar and drag-pull racing electric tractors.

Larry Tuttle, president of the Michigan Electric Auto Association, says "this is the largest event of its kind in the Mid-

Event co-sponsors are Schoolcraft College and the Michigan Electric

Auto Association in partnership with Clean Energy Coalition, DTE Energy, Greening Detroit and Observer & Eccentric Media.

Event organizers see the show as an educational and entertaining way to raise awareness of the general public about electric vehicles.

Several vendors who provide equipment, services and resources to the EV industry and EV owners will be on hand, including DTE Energy Electric Vehicle Program; Charge Now and Clipper Creek charging stations; Sunventrix; Protean Electric; McNaughton-McKay Electric Co.; and many others.

Refreshments will be available. Jacque's Tacos will be on site selling gourmet food from its mobile food truck.

Local author talks about what she has learned from children

By Sue Buck Staff Writer

Cindy Champnella, a Farmington Hills author, will speak at the Straight Farmhouse at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 29. The free program is jointly sponsored by the Garden City Public Library and the Garden City Historical Museum.

Champnella is the author of The Waiting Child: How the Faith and Love of One Orphan Saved the Life of Another (St. Martin's Press, March 2003) and The Twelve Gifts of Life: Finding Extraordinary Meaning in Ordinary Moments (Ambassador International, Oct. 2012). Her topic Wednesday evening will be "Everything I Need to Know I Learned from Children."

"She is an acclaimed speaker who has presented to numerous civic, community and religious groups all over the United States and has appeared on several TV programs including NBC's The John Walsh Show, dozens of nationally syndicated radio programs including The Mitch Albom Show and The Al Kresta Show and the internationally syndicated Voice of America," Garden City Library Director James Lenze said.

In July 1999, Champnella embarked on a lifechanging event with the adoption of her daughter, Jaclyn. Each day brought



Author Cindy Champnella will speak at a program Wednesday at the Straight Farmhouse in Garden City.

new stories about her life back in China and the child Jaclyn called "her baby," a young boy she cared for while at the orphanage. Champnella began to realize that her daughter had determination and courage beyond her years.

Profoundly affected by Jaclyn's relentless advocacy for another, Champnella began writing emails to friends about the pain this child held within her over the loss of "her baby." Almost overnight a network of those following the story grew and, unbeknownst to Champnella, her emails were reaching people all over the world, Lenze said.

Soon her writings were picked up by various publications and, before long, many were clamoring for this story to be told in book form, which

launched Champnella's writing career.

Life changes

After returning from the orphanage, Champnella began to realize that her old life was over.

"The Chinese have a saying: 'The journey of discovery comes not from seeing new lands, but from seeing with new eyes.' And for me this proved to be true. Suddenly everything in my world looked different," Champnella said.

Determined to change her life, Champnella discovered her purpose in becoming a child advocate. She turned her volunteer work into her life's focus. In addition to her "day job" as executive director of human resources for Schoolcraft College, she runs support groups for adoptive families and is a volunteer fundraiser for Warm Blanket Orphan Care.

"She also brings inspriring messages of hopefulness, even in the darkest circumstances, to various forums," Lenze said.

All proceeds from her new book, The Twelve Gifts of Life, are designated for Warm Blanket Orphan Care.

The Straight Farmhouse, home of the Garden City Historical Museum, is at 6221 Merriman, north of Ford Road, in Garden City.

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NOVEMBER 5, 2013 LOCAL ELECTION

CITY COUNCIL FILING DEADLINES

PETITIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE at the Office of the City Clerk, 23600 Liberty Street,

PETITIONS may be requested from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and must be filed by Tuesday, AUGUST 13, 2013 BY 4:00 P.M. All candidates who qualify will be placed on the ballot. There is no Primary Election. Voters will elect THREE Councilpersons on a Non-Partisan ballot at a Regular Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2013.

Candidates for nomination must have the following qualifications:

- Must be a qualified, registered elector of the City of Farmington on August 13, 2013 and throughout tenure of office and have been a resident of the City for one year.
- May not be in default to the City or any other governmental unit of the State. Must submit petitions signed by at least 50 and not more than 75 qualified registered electors by 4:00 p.m. on August 13, 2013.

Must submit an affidavit of identity in duplicate by 4:00 p.m. on August 13, 2013. Must submit an affidavit as to name change (if applicable).

The terms of Councilmembers Tom Buck, Greg Cowley and William Galvin will expire in

If you have any questions, please call the Clerk's office at 248-474-5500.

SUSAN K. HALBERSTADT

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING **MAY 20, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brickner at 7:30 p.m. Council Present:

Others Present: City Manager Brock, Deputy City Clerk Brunke, Assistant City Manager

Bates, Brickner, Bridges, Bruce, Lerner, Massey and Oliverio

Boyer, Directors Mekjian and Schnackel, Fire Chief Bartsch and City Attorney Joppich

COUNCIL Recognized:

-May as Great Outdoors Month and the Great Farmington Hills Campout on June 8-9, 2013

-National Public Works Week, May 19-25, 2013 -May as Mental Health Month

-Harrison High School Football Coach and Teacher, John Herrington Received:

-Commission for Energy and Environmental Sustainability Tip of the Month -Emergency Preparedness Committee Tip of the Month

Approved:

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-Special Assessment Rolls for Staman Acres and Stratton Hill Subdivisions Road Rehabilitation Projects

-Appointment to the Committee to Increase Voter Participation -Special Event Permit for the 2nd Annual Cipriano Classic 5K Race June 7, 2013

-Special Event Permit for Dubin Cleaners and Laundry to hold a Pet Adoption Event June 23, 2013 -Special Event Permit for Sports Card Central to hold an Autograph Signing Event May 23,

-Acceptance of roads in Walnut Ridge Subdivision into the City's Local Street System Resolution adopting the Oakland County Hazard Mitigation Plan

-City Council minutes of April 22, 24, 29 and 30, 2013 Awarded Contracts/Bids to:

-Nagle Paving Company for Road Rehabilitation for Staman Acres and Stratton Hill Subdivisions in the amount of \$916,971.77

-S & J Asphalt for the Farmington Hills Golf Course Cart Path Resurfacing Project in the

amount of \$157,230 -OHM Advisors for Consultant Services to create a Special Services 5 Year Master Plan in

the amount of \$15,640

Mayor Barry Brickner

Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk

AGENDA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS

JUNE 11, 2013 - 7:30 P.M. FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBER 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (248) 871-2520 www.fhgov.com

NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA CASE: 6-13-5479

LOCATION: 32905 Northwestern Highway PARCEL I.D.:

23-02-102-013, -002, -004, -005 ZONE: RA-4, B-3, P-1 Permission for a temporary sales event (1) which is not accessory to

the principal use (2) not conducted by the owner or operator of the principal use (3) not owned or occupied by the holder of the license for the event (4) ends later than 10:00 p.m. on any day, 11:00 p.m. July 2, 3, 4, 2013 (5) Includes temporary structures, uses and other related merchandise from June 26-July 6, 2013. Includes banners and signs for advertising. Includes 30 x 45 ft. tent with 15 x 40 ft. container including miscellaneous tables.

CODE SECTION: 34-3, 26.14.; 34-7.14.6. APPLICANT: Charles Friese for TNT Fireworks
OWNER: Thomas Langan for Nor-West Lanes
ZBA CASE: 6-13-5480

LOCATION:

21090 Dunkirk PARCEL I.D.: 23-35-377-001 ZONE: RA-3

REQUEST: A 15 foot variance to the required 35 foot rear-yard setback is requested in order to add an enclosed addition to a rear-yard patio. CODE SECTION: 34-3.1.6.E

APPLICANT/OWNER: Scott and Susan Byrd 6-13-5481 ZBA CASE:

LOCATION: 28050 Grand River 23-36-404-010, -015 PARCEL: I.D.:

ZONE: SP-2 REQUEST: The following special exceptions are requested in order to install 3 wall signs: 1. A special exception in order to install more than one wall sign on a facade.

2. A special exception to the limit of 25 square feet per a wall sign. CODE SECTION: 34-5.5.2A

APPLICANT: Kevin Deters for Metro Detroit Signs OWNER: Botsford General Hospital

ZBA CASE: 6-13-5482 LOCATION: 29214 Orchard Lake Rd.

PARCEL I.D.: 23-11-101-050

ZONE: B-4 REQUEST: The following variances are requested for a temporary sales event where permission has been previously granted with conditions: 1. A setback variance to allow for a container, which would serve as a walk-in store, to be placed on the property 50 feet from the right-of-way: 2. A variance to allow the sales event to operate from June 24 - July 7, from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

CODE SECTION: 34-7.14.6.E.i.d., 34-3.1.26.E.

APPLICANT. Patriot Fireworks Company

APPLICANT: Patriot Fireworks Company

OWNER: Investico and Generations Developments, Inc. ZBA CASE: 6-13-5483 LOCATION: 30800 Orchard Lake Road

PARCEL I.D.: 23-02-151-018 REQUEST: Permission for a temporary sales event (1) which is not accessory to the principal use (2) not conducted by the owner or operator of the principal use, (3) not owned or occupied by the holder of the license for the event, (4) ends later than 10:00 p.m. on any given day, Included in this permission is a 30 x 50 ft. tent, signs, banners and storage container for retail fireworks sales. Dates and hours of operation requested: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. July 1 through July 5, 2013.

CODE SECTION: 34-3.26.14.; 34-7.14.6 APPLICANT: Jake's Fireworks, Inc OWNER: Sears Holding Management Corporation agent for Kmart Corporation;

ATMF VI, LLC **Approval of Minutes Election of ZBA Secretary**

By Laws approval

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 P.M.
A site visit may be held on Sunday, June 9, 2013, 9 a.m.
Meet in City Hall Lobby No action is taken on site visits

NOTE: Anyone planning to attend this meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the City Clerk's Office at 248-871-2410 at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting, wherein necessary arrangements/accommodations will be made. Thank you.

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Communities continue 150-year tradition with Memorial Day activities

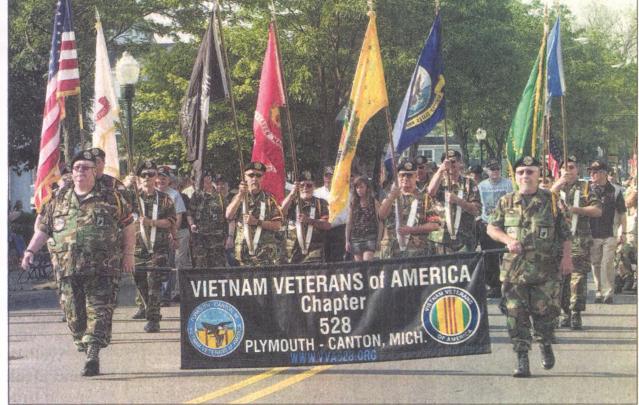
By Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

Communities will celebrate Memorial Day - Monday, May 27 with fun parades and solemn ceremonies to honor members and veterans of the U.S. Armed Services.

The celebrations will continue a tradition begun in 1868 following the American Civil War. Originally known as Decoration Day - a time to recognize the sacrifice of so many killed in battle was proclaimed by Gen. John Logan, the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Established also as a day of reconciliation following the Civil War, Memorial Day was first celebrated on May 30, 1868. New York was the first state to embrace the holiday and within a year all northern states followed. Over time, the southern states also joined the day of recognition and remembrance. On that first Memorial Day in 1868, flowers were placed on the graves of northern and southern soldiers buried in Arling-

ton National Cemetery. This year local communities in Wayne and Oakland counties will continue with the tradition of honoring those who gave their lives in service to their country. The city



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Communities all over the area will spend at least part of Monday observing Memorial Day with events like this one in Plymouth.

of Southfield celebrated Memorial Day on Friday, May 24 and Livonia on Saturday, May 25. In Wayne County:

Plymouth

Plymouth's Memorial Day parade steps off at 9 a.m. down Main Street and finishes at Veterans Memorial Park in front of Central Middle School. A ceremony follows led by retired Marine Lt. Col. Steve Monaghan and featuring the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, the BeckRidge Chorale and various veterans groups.

Canton

Canton honors servicemen and women who have given their lives in defense of their country with its annual Memorial Day ceremony at 1 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial in Heritage Park. The

BeckRidge Chorale honors Memorial Day with concerts at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill at 50400 Cherry Hill in Can-

Wayne-Westland

The Wayne Westland **Veterans Committee** hosts its annual Veterans Parade at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 26, in Westland. This year, the parade will assemble at the Wayne-Ford Civic League, head north on Wayne Road to Ford, then east to Westland City Hall.

The parade will end with a ceremony at the memorial located south of city hall in front of the closed Bailey Recreation Center. The ceremony will include the raising and lowering of the flag and a placement of wreaths by various veterans units.

Garden City

The city will honor fallen soldiers in a ceremony at 11 a.m. Monday, May 26, on the lawn in front of Garden City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt.

The ceremony will include the raising of the flag by the Garden City High School Air Force JROTC Color Guard, the Pledge of Allegiance led by Anthony Walker and the singing of the National Anthem by Garden City Clerk/Treasurer Allyson Bettis.

U.S. Navy veteran and Garden City resident Richard King will be the guest speaker.

In Oakland County:

Farmington

Residents and visitors start lining up early Memorial Day morning for the annual parade that begins at 10 a.m. Hosted by American Legion Post, No. 346, the parade begins at the Uptown Plaza at Grand River Ave. and Mooney St. and proceeds west on Grand River. The parade is two hours long.

Following the parade, a short public ceremony will be held in Memorial Park at Grand River Ave. and Oakland St. The ceremony will honor members of the Armed Forc-

The Field of Flags honoring all who have been killed in Iraq and Afghanistan — at the Farmington Hills Church of God on Power Rd., just south of 11 Mile, will close with a 7 p.m. cere-

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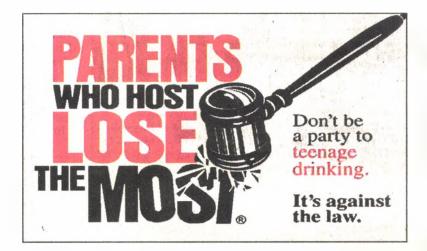


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Dear Parents,

This is a particular time of year when young people are faced with peer pressure and choices about substance use, especially drinking. Underage drinking is a serious problem for high school students in Livonia and can lead to damaging consequences. You play a major role in your child's choices about alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Please be aware of and consider the following facts:

- Be clear to your teenager and their friends that you will <u>not</u> tolerate underage drinking. Other laws change once your child turns 18 years old not this one.
- Refuse to supply alcohol to teenagers or allow drinking in your home or on your property. If you do, you can be fined up to \$500 plus court costs, and/or spend 90 days in jail.



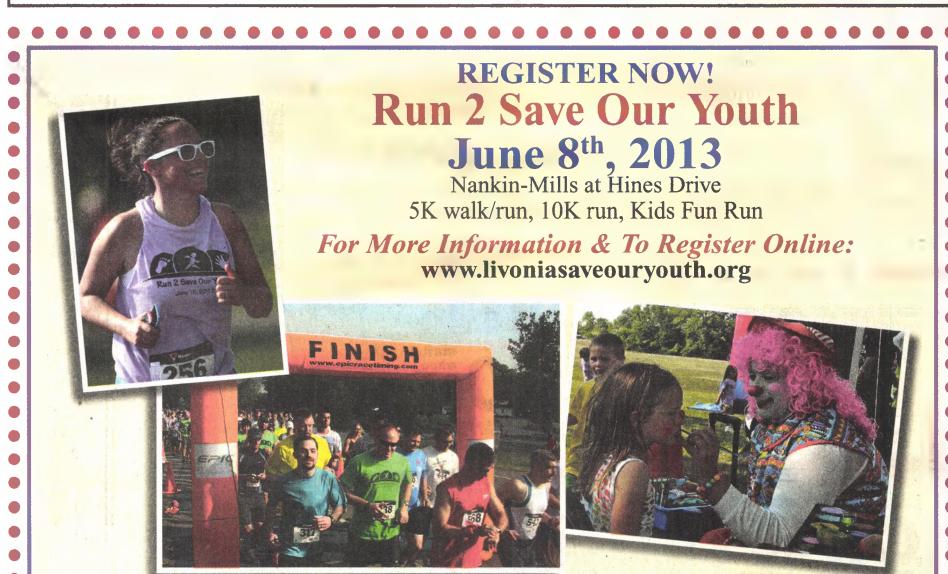
- Commit to calling the parents of any teen who arrives at your home with alcohol or under the influence. Call the police if you can't reach the parents.
- Be at home and visible to underage
 guests when your teenager has a party or outdoor bonfire. Have well-known, set rules about behavior and alcohol/drug use. Establish a clear end time to the event let the teens know that if they leave, they cannot come back.
- Talk to other parents about not providing alcohol at events for teens invite other parents to help chaperone if there will be a large number of teenagers.
- Be knowledgeable about social networking teenagers often post details about drinking parties on Twitter, Vine and/or Instagram. Be familiar with and know who your teen communicates with on these networks. Take time to learn how to access each of these technologies.
- Ensure your teenager has a plan regarding who to call if they witness an underage drinker in need of help. Raise awareness regarding the danger of bystanders doing nothing or posting photos on social network sites.

The youth of Livonia deserve to live and grow to adulthood in an environment where alcohol is not misused. Let's be unified in our message to show our teenagers that underage drinking will not be tolerated in our community!

Katie Olex
Executive Director
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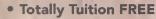
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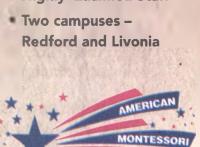
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to do the right thing. My dad said I should do some things for my new son. However, we had a difference of opinion that I hope you can resolve. My dad says that I need to increase my life insurance and start a college fund for my new son. I agree I need to do both. My dad thinks I should buy a separate life insurance policy and then start a separate college fund. I have a friend who sells life insurance and he recommends I combine them into one insurance policy. I think it would be

easier just to buy one policy

and use it for both purposes.

What do you think?

A: Congratulations on the birth of your son. That being said, my recommendation is listen to the new grandfather. I believe your dad is right on with his advice. Unfortunately, your friend is thinking more as a salesman than what's good for you and your son. As far as I'm concerned, when you combine investing and life insurance, you get the worst of both worlds. In other words, you get a policy that's expensive, not very flexible and one that does not accomplish your goals.

In your situation, I would recommend that once you determine how much life insurance you need, you consider buying term life insurance. Term life insurance is the easiest type of insurance to understand and the most affordable. In this type of policy there are no bells and whistles and all you are paying for is the cost of the insurance. Term insurance is



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a fraction of the cost of purchasing another type of policy. It's also easy to shop around for term insurance. Not only can you use the services of your friend or another agent, you can also get bids on the Internet. There are many insurance companies that sell policies directly on the Internet

very affordable. The key issue with term insurance is length of policy. You can buy term insurance for as long or short of a period as you want. In your situation, I recommend at least a 25year policy.

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What's also nice about term insurance is that you can cancel it anytime. With other types of life insurance, there are sometimes severe penalties when you cash out a policy. In addition, term life is affordable. In other types of insurance, the premium is so expensive that you don't accomplish your goals. With term insurance, you can.

As to the college education fund, once again, grandpa was right. When you purchase life insurance to pay for college, you have a very expensive, illiquid, inflexible investment. That is not what you need when it comes to saving for college. A better alternative is a fund through the Michigan Education Savings Plan (www.misaves.com). This plan has a very low minimum to start. In addition, you can deduct your contributions from your Michigan income tax return and all your contributions grow tax-free.

The beauty of the MESP is it doesn't have to be used for college - it can be used for trade and vocational schools — and it can be used at schools throughout the country.

One more thing that you and your wife should consider is a will. Now that you have a son, it is important to provide for him if something happens to you or your wife. A will allows you to name guardians for him. One of the nice things about wills these days is that you can do them on your own. The Michigan Statutory Will is a free, fill-in-the-blank will that you may wish to use. A copy is on my website in the Bloom University section, under the Forms (Printable Michigan Statutory Will).

Starting a family is exciting, however, it come with a fair share of responsibilities. For those new parents out there, it is important to review your insurance needs, start an education fund for your child and execute a will. It would be nice if these items were optional, however, the reality of the world today is these are mandatory. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to your questions, please email rick@ bloomassetmanagement.com.



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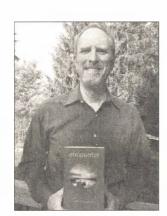
By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

Six years after publishing a memoir that dealt with the loss of his first wife to cancer, John O'Shaughnessy is back on the bookshelves.

This time, though, he's tackling a different genre.

O'Shaughnessy, who runs Good Mourning Ministry with his new wife, Sandy, will launch his new novel, encounter, at an exclusive event 8 p.m. Saturday, June 8. The event takes place at the O'Shaughnessy home, 12085 Glenview Dr., in Plymouth Township.

O'Shaughnessy's second book really started at the end of his first one, a memoir that chronicled his first wife's battle with cancer and the lessons learned from the fight. At the end of that



Plymouth Township author John O'Shaughnessy launches his second book, "encounter," at an event June 8.

book, he makes the point that we don't learn until it's too late.

What's next

"I wanted to attempt to write a book that looks at the next lifetime,' O'Shaughnessy said. "I started with that concept, and it went from there.

ON THE SHELF

LOCAL NEWS

What: Book launch party for encounter, the new novel by John O'Shaughnessy

When: 8 p.m., Saturday,

Where: 12085 Glenview Dr., Plymouth Township RSVP: goodmourningministry@hotmail.com **Book availability:**

Those unable to attend can find the book online at www.goodmourningministry.net or www. zoelifepub.com

The book is about 15year-old Jimmy Fitzsimons, a teenager with questions about many things, including heaven. When he loses his mother, he feels lost. Four months later, Jimmy is injured in a fire, and dies. He awakens in the afterlife, where his loved one is waiting for him.

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Jimmy is dead for five minutes before his heart starts beating again. After recovering from his wounds, he begins to tell his story.

"Jimmy gets to talk to someone he loved and lost, he gets a chance to say good-bye,' O'Shaughnessy said, "It's a journey many of us would love to have."

The book's ultimate message, according to its author, is that "it's all here, right now.'

"In this case, this character (the mother) waited too long to tell her son a few things, and then she died," O'Shaughnessy said. "Every day, we have the chance to do good, and this moment is all we have, so don't wait. Take every day as a gift, and put it to good use.'

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BeckRidge Chorale plays Memorial Day tribute

Memorial Day observers are going to have plenty of chances to see singers from the Beck-Ridge Chorale on Mon-

And that's just fine with the group's artistic director, Michael Gross.

"Memorial Day is more than a picnic for me," said Gross, who directs both the BeckRidge Chorale and Cherry Hill Singers. "My father wanted to make a career in the Air Force until my mother got tired of moving all over the world. My Dad loved the military and he instilled his passion of

service to country in me." Gross will put that passion on display Monday, when the BeckRidge Chorale and Cherry Hill Singers will present their fourth annual Memorial Day Tribute at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

The idea for the Memorial Day Tribute came to Gross after noticing the age of World War II veterans.

"We were participating in the Memorial Day Ceremony in Plymouth ... A number of the veterans couldn't remain standing through the ceremony considering their age and the temperatures,' he recalled. "Our Memorial Day Tribute reminds

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us of the sacrifices while giving us an opportunity to thank all who have served our country without worrying about the weather or having to remain standing.'

In addition to music, the Memorial Day Tribute uses a number of video clips and narrations that get to the heart of Memorial Day. "It is emotional, I can't deny it, but anyone who has lost a family member, friend or comrade in war lives with the pain of that loss forever. Our country sets aside one day each year to remember those we have lost and those who have served. Their families deserve a community that comes together sworn never to forget."

House bill would create father registry

A western Wayne County state representative has introduced legislation to create a Responsible Father Registry in order to streamline the process for claiming parental rights in cases where a child is born out of wedlock and does not have a mutually acknowledged father.

House Bill 4659, sponsored by State Rep. Robert L. Kosowski, D-Westland, creates a registry for putative fathers to indicate interest in receiving notification from the court regarding legal proceedings about the child and requires courts search the registry when seeking to terminate parental rights or proceed with an adoption.

'This legislation will speed the adoption process by helping the courts locate fathers who may have an interest in their child and give courts the ability to ensure that parental rights are protected and prospective adoptive parents are not waiting for birth parents to appear after they have

spent time with an adoptive child," Kosowski said. "The intent is to streamline the process and provide interested fathers a simple way to ensure that they are party to any court proceedings surrounding their parental rights.'

House Bill 4659 is part of a bipartisan package of bills to address the adoption process in Michigan.

"These bills are designed to make adoption less complicated and speed the process," Kosowski said. "Too many interested parties are deterred by the difficulty of the adoption process. I am pleased to be joining my colleagues across the aisle in offering legislation which will encourage people to give children in need a permanent home."

The bill was before the House Committee on Families, Children, and Seniors May 22, where it was amended and voted out of committee to the House floor.

"I believe the changes made in committee have resulted in a bet-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5.04 OF ARTICLE V OF ORDINANCE NO. 543, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AND CITED AS "THE CITY OF LIVONIA ZONING **ORDINANCE.**"

NO. 2933

THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 5.04 of Article V of Ordinance No. 543, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 5.04 Minimum Lot Size. Every lot in RUF Districts shall have an area of not less than one-half (1/2) acre and shall have an average width of not less than one-fourth (1/4) the average depth, provided that a lot shall not be required to have a width greater than one hundred (100) feet at the front property line. Nothing in this section shall prevent a landowner from developing the same number of dwelling units on 80% of the land as could otherwise be developed on the entire land area if the remaining 20% of the land will remain perpetually in an undeveloped state by means of a conservation easement in favor of the City. This development option may only be exercised once with respect to any parcel of land. For the purpose of determining the total number of dwelling units that could be developed under this subsection, the proprietor shall submit, at the time a request is made to develop the parcel. a fully dimensioned plan drawn to scale showing how the site could be developed in full conformity with existing ordinances, laws and rules, including wetlands, floodplains, minimum lot sizes and vard requirements. The plan must also conform to the design, layout and improvement standards for storm water drainage and streets and roads as provided in the City of Livonia Subdivision Control Ordinance. Regardless of how much of the parcel is devoted to open space, reductions in lot sizes and yard requirements permitted by this paragraph shall in no event exceed 20%

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 5. Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia held Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at 8:00 p.m.

Terry Marecki, City Clerk

The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me on this 21st day of May 2013. Jack E. Kirksey, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: May 21, 2013

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Easy money tips for our generation

Welcome to adulthood

Jane Xiao of Farmington High School is a 2013 O&E Academic All-Star and winner of the Parkside Credit Union Essay Competition. Here is her winning essay as selected by Parkside representatives on financial responsibility for college

> By Jane Xiao O&E Academic All Star

Well, Class of 2013, looks like we've finally grown up. Next year, we will all be faced with a new world of financial responsibilities, opportunities, and pitfalls (everything from the freedom to eat Taco Bell four times a day to the sticker shock from textbook prices) and it is our duty to be prepared for them.

It sounds cliched, but we truly are a unique generation. We are veterans of one of the worst economic recessions in our nation's history, we are surrounded by technology, and we see worth in things that older generations might not value.

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I'm not claiming to be a financial guru: I, too, worry about the rising costs of prom and college, and often find myself with more Starbucks receipts than cash in my wallet, but I believe that, as we head off to college, now is the time for our generation to learn some smart saving and spending habits that apply more specifically to us. Here are just a couple of tips to get off on the right foot financially, wherever we are headed next year:

Tip 1: Sorry, but you're not Kanye.

Possibly the single most



Jane Xiao was named winner of the Parkside Credit **Union Academic All-Star Essay Competition May** 21. Xiao receives \$500 for college for her essay on financial responsibility.

important thing for college freshmen to keep in mind is that You. Are. In. College. No one is expecting you to roll into CHEM101 in your new Lamborghini. So while first impressions do count, don't blow your wallet on flashy brand name items for an entire year. Remember that after a week or so, people will likely know you better for your personality and not your possessions and the more comfortable everyone grows with each other, the less those five pairs of Nikes that you bought will matter.

Tip 2: Use your phones.

Want to know where to get dinner for less than \$5? There's an app for that. Want to know just how many Frappucinos you bought with your debit card last week? There's an app for that too. Almost all of you have been yelled at for being on your phones too much, so now you can show your parents that you are actually doing something mature and responsible on them. It is incredibly easy to track spending, deposits, and deals on your phones: your bank and card provider probably have apps that will list your transactions, you can sign up for text notifications when your account balance is low, ask Siri for "cheap food near me," and even calculate tips and accurately split bills.

Tip 3: Stay on trend.

Once you start tracking your purchases, make sure you aren't just skimming through the list but also flagging down trouble areas. Actually recording your balances in a program like Excel is really helpful and allows you to categorize your spending to clearly separate extraneous things (like shoes and vending machine pretzels) from the necessities (like lab fees and textbooks), but experiment and find a method of recording that works for you. If your parents are kind enough to support you financially, give yourself a budget and stay under it. If you're paying for everything yourself, make sure what you rake in is over what you give out (having a budget is still a great idea). If at some point, you find yourself unhappy with the way the numbers are working out,

that list multiple times in a short period, or if you catch yourself pouring a good deal of money into an extraneous category, then you have successfully identified a trend that you can work on fixing.

The most important aspect of mindful spending and saving, however, is to prioritize. Sometimes, frugality is less important than some freedom and celebration. After all, as much as college is associated with high expenses, it will also be some of the best years of our lives, and it's okay to drop some money on sushi with friends because these friends will become lifelong, and you know what they say: time is money. We've got plenty of time ahead of us, class of 2013, and with smart financial tips and habits such as these in mind, we will someday become leaders of a more financially responsible generation.

Jane Xiao of Farmington Hills will attend the University of Pennsylvania this fall to study neuroscience.

CITY OF LIVONIA PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 502 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2006, as amended, and Articles XIX and XXIII of Ordinance #543, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Livonia, as amended, the City Planning Commission of the City of Livonia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, in the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive Livonia Michigan hearing and Took Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the following items:

Petition 2013-04-01-02 submitted by Jeri Dorr pursuant to Section 23.01 of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, requesting to rezone property at 29150 Five Mile Road (Wright's Hardware), located on the north side of Five Mile Road between Middlebelt Road and Harrison Avenue in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, from RUF (Rural Urban Farm) to C-2 (General Business).

Petition 2013-05-02-12 submitted by Catrina Farrugia requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 11.03(g) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to operate a used auto dealership with outdoor display of vehicles at 33925 Plymouth Road, located on the south side of Plymouth Road between Farmington Road and Stark Avenue in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33.

Petition 2013-05-02-13 submitted by Kevin Crute requesting waiver use approval pursuant to Section 16.11(f) of the City of Livonia Zoning Ordinance #543, as amended, to operate a gymnastic training facility (Ignite Gymnastics) at 12932 Farmington Road within the Livonia Trade Center, located on the east side of Farmington Road between the CSX railroad right-of-way and Schoolcraft Road in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27.

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

> R. Lee Morrow, Chairman CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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ANNUAL REPORT PLYMOUTH ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CITY OF LIVONIA FISCAL YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2012

	Tax Capture Winter 2011 Summer 2012 Special Assessment Interest Other Revenue - MTT Settlement Total Revenue	0 0 96,246 692 706,733	803,671	
	Proceeds from Issuance of Long-term Debt	0	0	
B.	Bond Reserve	0	0	
C.	Expenditures Operations Capital Projects Debt Service Total Expenditures	641,392 0 577,800	1,219,192	
D.	Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness Principal	3,080,000		
	Interest Total Bonded Indebtedness	<u>590,663</u>	3,670,663	
E.	Initial Assessed Value (1994) Ad valorem homestead Ad valorem non-homestead IFT New (pre 1994) IFT New (post 1993) CFT New ITC IE3 Total Initial Assessed Value	$\begin{matrix} 0\\431,810,860\\268,333,300\\0\\2,458,180\\0\\\underline{0}\end{matrix}$	702,602,340	
F.	Captured Value Ad valorem homestead Ad valorem non-homestead IFT New (pre 1994) IFT New (post 1993) CFT New ITC IE3 Total Captured Value	0 $474,808,950$ $78,905,470$ 0 0 0	553,714,420	
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The City of Livonia reserves the right to reject or accept any or all proposals in whole or in part and waive any irregularities therein. Acceptance of any bid does not constitute a binding agreement until a written Contract is signed by both parties.

Jack E. Kirksey

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Mayor, City of Livonia AT08708835 3v3 6

NO. 2932

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4.04 OF ARTICLE IV OF ORDINANCE NO. 543. AS AMENDED, KNOWN AND CITED AS "THE CITY OF LIVONIA ZONING ORDINANCE."

THE CITY OF LIVONIA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 4.04 of Article IV of Ordinance No. 543, as amended, is hereby amended

Section 4.04 Schedule of Minimum Lot Sizes in R-1 through R-5 Districts. The minimum lot sizes required for the sizes of all dwellings, and other permitted uses, together with accessory buildings, hereafter erected in any R-1 through R-5 Districts, are hereby established as follows:

Use District	Lot Area	Lot Width	Lot Depth
R-1	7,200 Square feet	60 feet	120 feet
R-2	8,400 Square feet	70 feet	• 120 feet
R-3	9,600 Square feet	80 feet	120 feet
R-4	11,700 Square feet	90 feet	130feet
R-5	15,000 Square feet	100 feet	150 feet

provided, however that:

(a) When lots are hereafter platted with a side or rear lot line abutting a major thoroughfare with an existing or proposed right-of-way width of one hundred twenty (120) feet or more as designated on the Master Thoroughfare Plan of the City of Livonia, the lot depth and/or lot width shall be increased by at least thirty (30) feet to provide additional buffering from such thoroughfare:***

(b) Lot depth requirements as stated above need not be adhered to where immovable physical boundary limitations exist which prohibit meeting lot depth requirements, provided that all minimum area and width requirements are met; and

(c) Land in R-5 Districts may be developed, at the option of the landowner, with the same number of dwelling units on 80% of the land as could otherwise be developed on the entire land area if the remaining 20% of the land will remain perpetually in an undeveloped state by means of a conservation easement in favor of the City. This development option may only be exercised once with respect to any parcel of land. For the purpose of determining the total number of dwelling units that could be developed under this subsection, the proprietor shall submit, at the time a request is made to develop the parcel, a fully dimensioned plan drawn to scale showing how the site could be developed in full conformity with existing ordinances, laws and rules as applied to the R -5 District, including wetlands, floodplains, minimum lot sizes and yard requirements. The plan must also conform to the design, layout and improvement standards for storm water drainage and streets and roads as provided in the City of Livonia Subdivision Control Ordinance. Regardless of how much of the parcel is devoted to open space, reductions in lot sizes and yard requirements permitted by this paragraph shall in no event exceed 20%.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 3. Should any portion of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining portions of this

The above ordinance was passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia held Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at 8:00 p.m.

Terry Marecki, City Clerk

The foregoing ordinance was authenticated by me this 21st day of May 2013.

Jack E. Kirksey, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Donald L. Knapp, Jr., City Attorney Dated: May 21, 2013

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Livonia

Copper piping taken from home on **Seven Mile**

Livonia police were called Wednesday afternoon to a home in the 31100 block of Seven Mile after a maintenance company discovered some of the copper piping had been cut from the home.

The home, which is vacant, was being worked on by the maintenance company when workers arrived and found the piping missing from the basement. The theft took place recently, as workers were at the home days before and nothing appeared missing. Some copper piping was left in the home. There were no signs of forced entry and all doors to the home were locked.

Car missing from garage

A woman called police Wednesday after discovering her car was missing from the garage at her home in the 17200 block of Bell Creek.

The woman told police the car was parked in the garage earlier that morning and was locked. The garage door was not locked and could be accessed by opening the door. She came out several hours later and discovered the car, a Ford Focus, was missing. No suspects were listed at the time of the police report.

Man arrested for shoplifting

A man was detained and arrested Tuesday afternoon after security at the Walmart at 29574 Seven Mile discovered him attempting to steal several electronic items.

The man was seen by store security in the electronics aisle. He was seen grabbing several items quickly and putting them into a shopping bag. He then attempted to leave the store without paying for the items. He was stopped by security in the vestibule of the store and detained until police arrived and arrested him.

iPod taken from car

Textbooks on the ground near a vehicle Tuesday morning prompted police to investigate a possible theft from a vehicle in the 9800 block of Seltzer.

Police located the vehicle's owner and asked her about the textbooks. She said they were hers, and she then checked the car for any other items that were missing, since she said her doors were unlocked. The only item missing was an iPod from the ashtray. Police searched for fingerprints on the car, but did not find any to identify a suspect.

Gun case found in street

Livonia police were patrolling Tuesday morning when they discovered a gun case and duffle bag lying on the ground near a car in the 28400 block of Elmira.

The police found paperwork with the owner's name on it and contacted the owner. He said the gun had been inside the parked car, but not in the case. He was unable to determine if anything was missing from the vehicle. Police searched the car for any evidence of a suspect.

Redford

Man shoots son in leg

A man was arrested Tuesday after police say he shot his son in the leg during an argument in the 15800 block of Knight.

Police say the man, a 45-year-old Detroit resident, shot his 19-year-old son, a Redford resident, during a confrontation. The son was transported to a local hospital and treated for his injuries. The father was arrested by police. The case was being reviewed by the Wayne County prosecutor for possible charges.

Wallet taken from store counter

A man contacted police after leaving his wallet at a store May 17 in the 25300 block of Five Mile and returning to find it miss-

The man left the wallet on the store counter. The wallet contained money he had won from the lottery. He came back to the store last Sunday and spoke to a store employee regarding the lost wallet. The man reviewed security footage with the employee and saw a suspect on tape slip the wallet into his pocket and leave the store.

Business broken into on Telegraph

Police are investigating the report of a break-in at a business last Sunday in the 15700 block of Telegraph.

Police arrived and spoke to a witness, who told them he saw a black truck drive up to the loca-

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BRAUNLICH, RUSSOW & & BRAUNLICH, Attorney, 111 South Macomb Street, Monroe, Michigan 48161

STATE OF MICHIGAN, PROBATE COURT, COUNTY OF MONROE NOTICE TO CREDITORS Settlor's Trust

IRIS M. ENDRES REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST UNDER TRUST DATED April 12, 1999. Date of Birth: March 30, 1927. TO ALL CREDITORS: By Trust Agreement Dated April 12, 1999, the decedent established the IRIS M. ENDRES REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST UNDER TRUST DATED April 12, 1999 TAKE NOTICE: The decedent, Iris M. Endres, who lived at 238 Eddington Circle, Canton. Michigan 48187. died March 13, 2013, had a trust in her name, as established above.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Creditor the decedent and trust are notified that all CLAIMS against the decedent and the trust estate will be forever barred unless presented Susan C. Mortimer, named Successor Trustee at 238 Edington Circle, Canton, MI, with a copy of the Attorney for the trust William H. Braunlich, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: April 29, 2013 Personal Representative: Susan C Mortimer, 238 Edington Circle, Canton Attorney: William H. Braunlich, P-36075

111 South Macomb Street, Monroe, MI 48161. Telephone No.: (734) 241-8300. Publish: May 26, 2013

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS **OPENS THE PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL** BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAM TO OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENTS IN WAYNE COUNTY

Five seats are open to students entering 9th grade in fall 2013 Five seats are open to students entering 10th grade in fall 2013 Seven seats are open to students entering 11th grade in fall 2013

Limited Registration Window: June 3 - June 28, 2013

Livonia Public Schools is opening its International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP) to Limited Schools of Choice students from Wayne County for the 2013-14 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 3-June 28, 2013 at Franklin High School. 31000 Joy Road, Livonia, Michigan 48150 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mon-Fri 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.livoniaoublicschools.org/Franklin.cfm

AREA POLICE BRIEFS

tion and a man dressed in all black get out of the car and jump the fence. As the man jumped the fence, the truck drove away. Police searched the yard for the suspect, but did not find him. They discovered a window and the office door to the business had been shat-

Farmington Hills

Rash of larcenies

Police have some words of advice for residents following a rash of larcenies from vehicles this week.

"Lock your car all the time. Don't leave valuables in your car. If you do, make sure they are in the trunk or well-hidden," Cmdr. Matt Koehn said.

Residents in the last few nights in the Tuck Road and Fink Avenue area have lost as much as \$40 in cash, iPods, laptops and other personal belongings to thieves who have easy access when vehicle doors are left unlocked. "They were all from unlocked cars," Koehn

Police speculate the larcenies are being committed by the same thief or thieves.

Though Farmington Hills residents have lost catalytic converters and tires to thieves this year, the larcenies this week have all been of personal items with no damage to vehicles, Koehn said.

Plymouth Township

Shoplifting arrest

A 60-year-old Canton Township woman was arrested on a retail fraud charge May 16 after she was found at a Plymouth Township supermarket with grocery items in her purse. The incident took place around 2:30 p.m. May 16 at the Kroger store on Ann Arbor Road at Sheldon, a Plymouth Township Police Department, report said.

A security guard at the store told police he and another guard were walking into the store when they recognized the woman from a shoplifting incident at another area Kroger.

They went to the store's surveillance system, the guard said, to watch her. On camera, he said, they saw her put items in her purse; they detained her as she left the store.

Responding officers found the woman in the store manager's office and arrested her.

Lawn mower theft

A red Toro lawn mower was taken from the yard of a house on Danbury Court, in the area of Beck and North Territorial, while the woman who had been using it left it unattended the afternoon of May 18.

The complainant said the mower was left in the side yard between 10 a.m. and noon while his wife, who had been cutting the lawn, took a break.

SYNOPSIS OF THE MINUTES OF THE 1,728th REGULAR MEETING LIVONIA CITY COUNCIL - MAY 8, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Joe Laura, Thomas Robinson, Brandon Kritzman, James McCann, and Laura Toy. Absent: John Pastor and Maureen Miller Brosnan.

#121-13 Resolution by Robinson and McCann, unanimously adopted, approving the minutes of the 1,727th Regular Meeting of the Council held April 22, 2013.

President Toy announced there is new data on Item #8; also, there will be an X-Item discussed following tonight's Agenda.

She also announced there will be two Public Hearings held one on Monday, May 20, 2013, at 6:45 p.m., and one on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., in the Auditorium of Livonia City Hall. **AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION:**

Marg Soltis, 36278 Lawrence, expressed her concerns regarding the recent increases to water bills.

Christopher Martin, 12275 Inkster, expressed his thoughts on the election yesterday.

Eric Bacinzki, thanked the Council for their support declaring St. Baldrick's Day in Livonia, May 19, 2013.

The following items were received and filed:

Communication from the Department of Finance, dated April 5, 2013, re: forwarding various financial statements of the City of Livonia for the month ending February 28, 2013.

Communication from the Livonia Housing Commission, dated April 5, 2013, re: the additional expenditures of approximately \$5,000 that were incurred in the rehabilitation of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) tax foreclosed property located at 12040 Arcola. (CR 322-12)

Letter from the Board of Trustees, Livonia Employees Retirement System, dated April 3, 2013, transmitting the 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan Annual Report for 2012

Communication from the Department of Law, dated April 24, 2013, re: amending the Livonia Code of Ordinances for Election Precincts to more evenly distribute the number of voters assigned to precincts.

The following resolutions were offered by Robinson and Laura:

#122-13 Approving the request of Richard Schwaller, Cooley High School Alumni Committee, to waive the Noise Ordinance, in connection with their annual picnic which will take place at Rotary Park on Wednesday, August 7, 2013, from noon until

#123-13 Approving the Notice of Intent Resolution to issue revenue bonds not to exceed \$4,100,000 and declaring intent to reimburse, for the purpose of financing all or part of the Project to construct, furnish and equip improvements to the sanitary sewer system of the City's existing Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System through the approved State Revolving Fund loan scheduled to be closed on September 17, 2013.

#124-13 Approving a one-year extension of the existing contract with Detroit Salt Company, 12841 Sanders Street, Detroit, MI 48217, for supplying rock salt for ice control at the unit price bid in June 2011, (\$46.09 per ton) for an estimated total of 1,500 tons for an estimated total amount of \$69,135.00 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, from budgeted

#125-13 Accepting the unit price bid of, Carr's Outdoor Services, Inc., 48910 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan 48170, for completing all work required in connection with the 2013 Pavement Crack and Joint Sealing Program (Contract 13-D) for the estimated total cost of \$89,190.00; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an expenditure in the amount of \$73,190.00 from funds already budgeted in the Local Roads Account and in the amount of \$16,000.00 from funds already budgeted in the Major Roads Account for this purpose.

#126-13 Accepting a \$20,000.00 grant from Detroit Edison Company (DTE) to retrofit Mercury Vapor Streetlights to LED on Farmington Road from Six Mile Road to Capitol Avenue, on behalf of the City of Livonia, with the City's contribution to be \$74,312.00 from budgeted funds.

#127-13 Accepting the unit price bid of Joe Rotondo Construction Corporation, 38807 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 2, Livonia, Michigan 48150, to complete all work required in connection with the 2013 Sidewalk Replacement Program (Contract 13-G) at the unit prices bid for a total amount not to exceed \$492,474.00 from budgeted funds, based on the Engineering Division's estimate of units involved; FURTHER, authorizing an advance of \$205,396.84 from the single lot assessments portion of the program and reimbursed when funds are received from the payment of bills and assessment by affected property owners; FURTHER, authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$17,050.51 and \$96,619.63 from funds budgeted for construction or reconstruction of handicap ramps at major and local roads; FURTHER, authorizing an expenditure of \$13,534.07 from budgeted funds for sidewalk work adjacent to and including water, storm and sanitary structure repairs; FURTHER, authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$209,120.35 from budgeted funds for repair of sidewalks heaved by tree roots; FURTHER, authorizing the City Engineer to approve minor adjustments in the work as it becomes necessary.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolutions: Laura, Robinson, Kritzman, McCann, and Toy.

NAYS:

McCann gave FIRST READING to the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 100, 110, AND 130 OF TITLE 1, CHAPTER 08 (ELECTION PRECINCTS) OF THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED.

McCann gave SECOND READING to the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4.04 (SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM LOT SIZES IN R-1 THROUGH R-5 DISTRICTS) OF ARTICLE IV OF ORDINANCE NO. 543, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AND CITED AS "THE CITY OF LIVONIA ZONING ORDINANCE." (Petition 2002-02-06-01) (CR 36-03)

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance: AYES: Laura, Robinson, Kritzman, McCann, and Toy.

McCann gave SECOND READING to the following Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5.04 (SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM LOT SIZES IN RUF

CITY OF LIVONIA ZONING ORDINANCE." (Petition 2002-02-06-01) (CR 36-03)

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance:

AYES: Laura, Robinson, Kritzman, McCann, and Toy.

NAYS:

#128-13 Resolution by McCann and Kritzman, approving the sale of the City-owned property located at 11683 Cardwell to Marco H. Cervi, for the total sale price of \$6,000.00; FURTHER, the proceeds of such sale shall be allocated to the CDBG program as program income. (CR 609-88) A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution:

DISTRICT) OF ARTICLE V OF ORDINANCE NO. 543, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AND CITED AS "THE

AYES: Robinson, Kritzman, McCann, and Toy. NAYS:

#129-13 Resolution by Robinson and Laura, unanimously adopted, approving the necessity of the proposed Special Assessment District for the installation of sidewalks on the south side of Ann Arbor Trail from Dowling Avenue to Rosedale Elementary, in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 32. (CR 470-12, CR 12-13 and CR 61-13)

#130-13 Resolution by Robinson and Laura, unanimously adopted, suspending the rules for procedure as outlined in Council Resolution 574-82 in order to permit consideration of items that do not appear on the Agenda.

#131-13 Resolution by Laura and Kritzman, directing that a closed Committee of the Whole meeting be held to discuss pending litigation and attorney/client privileged communications with respect to Gershman Properties v City of Livonia, and Kroger Co. of Michigan v City of Livonia, et al.

AYES: Laura, Robinson, Kritzman, McCann and Toy. NAYS:

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution:

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION: None.

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By McCann and Laura, unanimously adopted, adjourning this 1,728th Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia at 7:36 p.m. on May 8, 2013.

> TERRY A. MARECKI CITY CLERK

*The foregoing is a summary of the Council's proceedings in synopsis form as authorized by CR 1158-68. The full text of the official minutes of this meeting is on file in the Office of the City Clerk and is available to the public upon request

'Day of Peace' pushes for solutions

By Jill Halpin Correspondent

"Thou shall not kill." The power of the Fifth Commandment was a message shared by residents from across metropolitan Detroit as they gathered May 22 at Redford Township's El Bethel Church in an effort to stop violence.

Participating in "A City Wide Day of Peace and Healing," more than 150 people worshiped and prayed as they sought solutions to ending the violence in Detroit and surrounding communities. It was a chance for both those living in the city of Detroit and residents of the suburbs to unite for the same purpose: to bring peace and healing.

"Evil only begets more evil and the opposite of evil is love. We have to find a way to turn pain into power and become peacemakers in our own communities," said the Rev. Ovella Andreas, founder of the United Communities of America and organizer of the event.

Aimed at providing healing for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one to violence as well as finding alternatives to violence, the day of peace and healing is an event held on the 22nd day of every month since its inception in 2010, Andreas said.

"We are setting one day of the month aside to pray for God's guidance in overcoming the problem of violence. We will do what can and He will do what we cannot,' said Andreas, who added she's confident a solution to violence plaguing local communities can be found through a group effort.

Reduce violence

"We can see violence reduced and we can see education improved," Andreas told the crowd, which included people from Farmington Hills. Livonia, Plymouth, West



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Nyla Green and the Faith In Motion dancers.



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Ladon Ford leads the congregation in song.

Bloomfield, Southfield, Redford and Detroit.

El Bethel pastor the Rev. Lawrence Glass Jr., whose church hosted the event, urged the group to work together to end violence, saying, "Peace in your community begins with peace in your soul."

The problem of violence is not just contained to the city of Detroit, Glass said.

"I always say that if there is a wild dog in the neighborhood, it may not be in your backyard today, but it is making its way through the whole neighborhood," he said.

West Bloomfield resident and El Bethel member Paullette Stinson-Greer agreed.

"I don't believe violence is limited to urban areas. Criminals don't look at ZIP codes before they commit a crime; it can



The Rev. Ovella Andreas speaks about stopping violence.

happen anywhere. We need to put a stop to it," Stinson-Greer said.

Church member Donna Bivins of Farmington Hills said she, too, is ready to put an end to the violence both in Detroit and in surrounding areas.

"I think as an entire community, we are tired of the senseless violence in and around the city," she said.

Bivins said she is hopeful that setting aside one day each month to join together for peace and healing will make a dif-

"If people are more conscious for just one single day, it can result in stopping violence every other day," she said.

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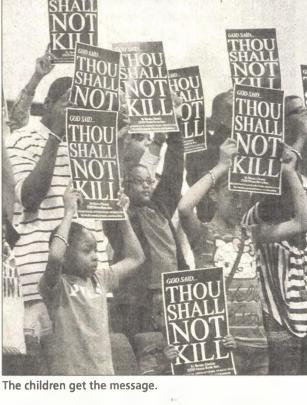
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Kelly Ramsey, referee of the Michigan Third **Judicial Circuit Court's** Family Division-Juvenile Section and a Livonia resident, is an active volunteer with United Communities of America.

"Each and every one of us has a responsibility to ourselves and to our God and we must all do our part," Ramsey told the group.

Although she said she sees many juvenile offenders throughout the day in her position as a court officer, she is hopeful that members of communities across the country can work together to find an alternative to vio-



lence and "together we can lead the nation to a forever, everyday citywide day of peace."

Andreas said that the message is starting to spread.

"The Detroit City Council and Mayor Dave Bing issued a resolution recognizing the 22nd of each month as a day of peace and we now have other communities such as Hamtramck, Highland Park, Jackson, Inkster, Westland, River Rouge and Romulus that have

followed," she said. Wayne County Circuit Judge Connie Kelley, a Redford resident and a United Communities of America sponsor, said that the event provides a simple message for people in all communities.

"The Fifth Commandment is simple: thou shall not kill. We need to stop the unnecessary violence and I believe it can be

stopped," Kelley said. The event on the 22nd is an opportunity for people to embrace one another and to stop and reflect on how we take care of each other, she said, and attracts a wide variety of

"Whether you are someone who is directly affected by violence or someone who believes it can be stopped, it is a mix of people who come to the event seeking peace," she said.

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Referring to the date as "Code 22," Glass issued a challenged to his congregation and event attendees to find an alternative to arguing and violence on the 22nd of each month.

"On the 22nd of each month, we need to find an alternative way to communicate with one another," he said.

Glass is entering his 23rd year as pastor of El Bethel, serving a congregation of almost 1,000, he said. He said his church was honored to serve as host the May City Wide Day of Peace and Healing. Glass believes the event promotes a practical way of thinking through conflicts as opposed to "might equals right," he said.

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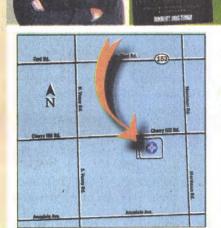
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Yvonne Loyd holds her 18 month old grandson, Calvin Jones III.

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in some way, said church member Angela Love of Southfield, who attended the event with her daughters Jasmine, 20, and Bre-

"Violence needs to be curbed by a community effort - every one of us working together. A good place to start is church; always start in church,"

she said. El Bethel Women's Ministry Leader Sherriann Greenwood of Farmington Hills has been attending the church for five years. She said she is

proud that the church was hosting the event.

Not only is it important that people eliminate violence from their communities, but "families who have suffered a loss should have an opportunity to get some closure," Greenwood said.

Andreas also took a moment to recognize the youths in the audience and encourage them to spread a message of non-violence with them throughout their daily travels.

"Young people: God is not waiting for you to grow up to use you. He is waiting for you to open your ears now," she said.

Veteran and wife surprised by tribute

A Westland couple were on the receiving end of a special tribute Thursday during the State Senate Memorial Day Ceremony.

American Legion Post 251 Commander Bill Acton and his wife Joy attended the ceremony as guests of State Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland. It was the 19th annual ceremony hosted by the State Senate. The ceremony memorialized nine Michigan soldiers who lost their lives in 2012 and featured bagpipes and drums from the Kalamazoo Pipe Band.

It was the first time Acton, a veteran, had

ever been on the Michigan Senate Floor as a special guest. But there was more to the ceremony as Anderson surprised the couple with a Special Tribute to commemorate their 58th wedding anniversary. The Actons married on May 14, 1955.

They met while he was stationed at Camp Carson in Colorado Springs, Colorado. They have three children, eight grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

The tribute noted that, "After 58 years, they still hold hands, hug each other now and then and believe they are truly blessed."



State Sen. Glenn Anderson (right) presents Joy and Bill Acton with a tribute on the floor of the state Senate, commemorating their 58 years of marriage following the annual state Senate Memorial Day Ceremony.

Schoolcraft College newspaper wins 26 awards

Staff members of The Connection. Schoolcraft College's student-nun newspaper, received six firstplace awards, six second-place awards, eight third-place awards and six honorable mentions at the annual Michigan Community College Press **Association Awards** Ceremony at Central

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Other categories in which the staff won awards included General Excellence (second-place), Front-page Design, Overall Page Design, In-Depth News

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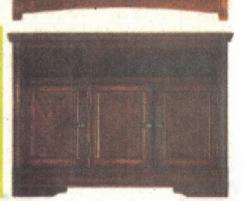




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'Unbelievable'

'Cats' Gerou hurls 1-hitter in KLAA clinching game

By Tim Smith

It was appropriate that on a day Plymouth's varsity girls softball team made history with its first-ever KLAA championship the so-called architect watched from the sidelines.

Former coach Val Canfield, who left the Wildcats during the winter to take an assistant coaching job at Oakland University, was there Wednesday as host Plymouth rolled to a 4-0 victory over Grand Blanc. The win gave the Wildcats a 31-4-1 record.

Current coach Bev McManus, who was Canfield's top assistant through 2012, emphasized that the team dedicated the win and championship to Canfield "because she's the one who built this Plymouth Wildcat softball empire. She went on to fulfill her dreams to

'After the game, in all the hoopla, we got her (former coach Val Canfield) and the girls told her thank you for everything she's done in building the program. It was pretty emotional." **BEV MCMANUS.**

Plymouth softball coach

coach college ball. "I just stepped in to guide this incredible team to whatev-

er their destiny may be." Following the game, featuring a complete-game, one-hit shutout performance by senior

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Plymouth's Brooke Senkbeil (left) high fives a teammate during the KLAA softball title game.



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Canton teammates greet senior Mike Stafford (No. 15) after he scores one of two crucial runs in Wednesday's KLAA championship game.

Chiefs KLAA's best

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

There may not be a better high school baseball game the rest of the season than Wednesday's Canton-Brighton matchup for the KLAA championship.

Both teams featured standout pitching and flawless defense during a game that required only about 90 minutes to complete - with the host Chiefs scoring two runs in the bottom of the sixth to earn a 2-0 victory.

"These kids have kept getting better and better and better," said Canton head coach Mark Blomshield, whose team (21-8) won the KLAA crown for the first time since 2010. "They played great defense today, they battled in their plate appearances.

"Their pitcher (Ryan McClelland) did a nice, nice job. But we hung in there and we didn't get intimidated."

According to Bulldogs head coach Charlie Christner, "It was a matter of who was going to put together two hits, or three hits. And they did in the sixth inning.'

McClelland matched up frame for frame against Canton senior hurler Jake Miller into the sixth.

Clutch time

It took a standout running catch by Chiefs left-fielder Jake Boucher to keep the Lakes Conference champs (23-5) from cashing in the first run in the top of the sixth and Canton immediately went to work in the bottom half.

Sensing it was almost do-ordie time, junior Nick Hazergian singled to center with one out and senior Mike Stafford followed with a triple to leftcenter to plate Hazergian.

"I was like, 'It's my time, I'm a senior, I got to knock in the run," Stafford said. "That's how I was feeling, it was awesome."

With Nick Schnur at the plate, Stafford made a beeline for home on what would have been a squeeze attempt. But McClelland's pitch sailed over the catcher's head to enable the run to score anyway.

Stafford, fresh off a no-hitter against Livonia Stevenson in the Kensington Conference championship game, pumped his fist as he crossed the plate.

"I was coming in on a squeeze and fortunately they just gave it to us," Stafford

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Wildcats storm way to KLAA championship

By Evan Paputa Correspondent

It was only a matter of time before Plymouth took control of Wednesday's KLAA Championship varsity girls soccer game against visiting Hart-

With 19:54 remaining in the second half and the game tied 1-1, a cross into the box from Zoe Foster was headed in by Emily Burkman for the winning goal. Plymouth added a late goal by Madi Lewis to cap off the 3-1 victory and give the Wildcats their first association title.

Those goals came following a bid by Hartland to take the lead as wind and rain started to hit the varsity soccer field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"The girls were upset that they made the mistakes that they made, but we made the



This header by Plymouth's Emily Burkman (No. 20) turned into Wednesday's winning goal.

adjustments we needed to make," Plymouth head coach Jeff Neschich said. "Winning feels good, we hope to keep it up."

Each team traded scoring chances in the first half. Hartland had their best chance

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Canton Cup Quest



Robyn Mack (left) of the Quest 94 coed soccer team battles against a Michigan Jags player during Friday's opening night of the Canton Cup at Independence Park. For more on the tournament kickoff, go





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when a high arcing pass in to the box was headed by Eagles captain Michelle Rollins. Plymouth's goalie Kylie Robb caught it as it was on its way to the top right corner of the net.

Less than two minutes later, Plymouth (17-0-1) got the first goal.

Morgan Klabunde fired a shot from just outside the left side of the box about midway up. The laser struck the crossbar and gracefully crossed the goal line in the lower right corner. Hartland goalie Julie DeBus had no chance and the 'Cats took a 1-0 lead in to halftime.

Hartland's goal came on a penalty kick after Foster was called for a take-down in the Plymouth box. Rollins cashed in as she sent a harmless

shot to the right corner of the net beating Robb who dove the other way with 31:07 to play.

Hartland (11-2-2) would turn up the pressure and push play in to the Plymouth end.

"We came in to the second half as a different team wanting to possess the ball more through our mids and not as much with our forwards," Rollins said. "We have some really quick and talented forwards. The movement of the ball made the game fast-paced and that helped us out."

The 'Cats would give Eagles two free kicks in the next five minutes and Hartland looked to take advantage. Plymouth's defense stood tall and kept the score even as Hartland, led by Rollins, couldn't beat Robb again.

Plymouth would have two opportunities as they turned up the tempo



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Celebrating after winning the KLAA championship Wednesday is Plymouth's varsity girls soccer team.

before Burkman's deciding goal.

Alyssa Dillon beat four Hartland defenders before her shot was deflected out of play.

Following that, Lew-

is sent a ball behind the Eagle defense for Olivia Janke but was called offside before she could get the shot off.

Right place

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The Burkman goal came as Plymouth didn't boot the ball in on the corner kick. Rather Foster waited and sent the cross in to Burkman who knew what to do.

"Zoe crossed it in to me, and I was right

there by the back post for the header," Burkman said.

The University of Michigan signee Lewis finished off the Eagles as she beat four defenders and launched a missile from midway through the right side of the box beating DeBus near the far left post.

"I won the ball at about 40 yards out. There was a ton of space and open field so I took advan-

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tage. The goalie came out and I slotted it under her," Lewis said, who recently won USA Todav's Michigan Gatorade High School Soccer Player of the Year Award for a second year

Plymouth will face off against Garden City 5 p.m. Tuesday in the opening round of the Division 1 district tournament at the PCEP varsity soccer field.

Churchill scorers: Brian Sexton, 34 (medal-

ist); Doug Simpson, 40; Chris Massa and Chad

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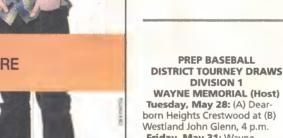
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CANTON 148

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 166

May 22 at Whisp. Willows

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DIVISION 4 LUTHERAN HIGH

WESTLAND (Host) Saturday, June 1: Plymouth Christian Academy vs. Ypsilanti Calvary Christian, 10 a.m.; Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Lutheran High Westland, noon; championship final: 2:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS **DIVISION 1 WAYNE MEMORIAL (Host)** Tuesday, May 28: (A) Dear-

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Cup reunites soccer pals

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

What better place than the Canton Cup for a soccer reunion?

There isn't, not for Plymouth-Canton Educational Park alums Abby Livingston, Tyler Winningham and other members of the impromptu Quest 94 coed team.

The team of longtime friends — mostly 2012 grads of Canton, Plymouth or Salem — took on the Michigan Jags 95 White team on Field 11 Friday evening as the largest soccer tourney in the Great Lakes region got rolling at Independence Park.

"All the girls have been playing together since we were nine years old," said Livingston, a Plymouth alum. "And we all just wanted to get together for one last hurrah to play together.

"We haven't played together since we've all been to college, so we thought it would be fun to get together. And then we got some of our guy friends to play with us

Enter Winningham, a Canton graduate and member of the Chiefs' 2011 state championship varsity boys soccer squad.

"Just a bunch of old friends getting back on the field," Winningham said. "Some haven't played soccer in a while. A few of us have played in college.

"It's really like a PCEP alumni team, really. We're just out here to have fun."

Players such as Robyn Mack (Canton), Brian Eggenberger (Plymouth) and Kristina Klusek (Salem, the only 2011 grad on the team) wore names on the backs of their red T-shirts. The only player wearing a blue shirt



was goalkeeper and 2012 Plymouth grad Kate Wat-

Meanwhile, female team members were returning to the Canton Cup for the first time since eighth grade, due to tourney rules stipulating that active high school players are ineligible. The girls prep season takes place in the spring.

"It's been a while since we played in this tournament, so it's fun to come back and do it all over again," Livingston said.

Younger kids also were enjoying the kickoff of a holiday weekend where soccer is the centerpiece surrounded by lemonade stands, inflatables and permeated by the wafting of burgers and kettle corn.

Canton's Irma Kaceli was there with her 9-yearold daughter, Laura, who played a game with the Canton Celtic Green U9

"This is our first year, I love it," Irma Kaceli said. "It's very organized, the coaches, the staff, very nice. It's a very good tournament as far as I've seen."

The Kacelis intend on coming back next year,

Over near Field 10 at Independence, players on the Dearborn Heights Soccer Club Mustangs Boys U13 team and Downriver Rush warmed up before playing the first of three guaranteed games over

the weekend. "This is our third year in the Canton Cup, it's



PHOTOS BY JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

After a year of college, Plymouth 2012 alums Kate Watson (left) and Alyssa Burris decided it would be great to get a group of PCEP friends together for a Canton Cup coed



Friday also was the opener of the Canton Cup at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Alexa Aratoff (left) of the Plymouth United U12 team vies for a 50-50 ball with a Romeo Reign U11 player.

always exciting to come out and compete," Mustangs coach Danny Torres said. "Good, high-level competition here. It's a good time, everyone enjoys it, family atmo-

sphere."

Friday night also saw the opening of the tourney on fields at PCEP. A third venue, Heritage Park, was slated to welcome teams Saturday.



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Going after a 50-50 ball Wednesday is Canton freshman forward Maddie Lucas (No. 12).

Senior Night's a winner for Chiefs

By Evan Paputa Correspondent

In life you don't always get what you think you deserve. Canton's varsity girls soccer season is a representation of that with a season chock-full of youth, injuries, and unlucky bounces.

On Wednesday's Senior Night, the Chiefs put the season's ups and downs behind them with a 1-0 victory over visiting Walled Lake Western in a KLAA crossover on the Plymouth Canton Educational Park's varsity football field.

A shot by senior cocaptain Natalie Schmidt from 30 yards out was mishandled by the Walled Lake Western goalie and Natalie Winters was there to kick in the rebound with 30 minutes to go in the second half.

Senior goalie Kaitlyn Jatczak posted the shutout for the Chiefs to end her successful Canton career.

"I stayed focused and talked to my team out on the field. I made the right decisions and luckily they

worked out for the best," Jatczak said.

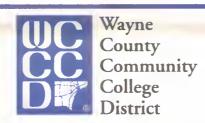
With the injuries to Gabby Eppelman and Katie McGlacken, senior co-captain Tracy Moore slid back from midfield to defense. Moore directed the Chiefs defense helping to clear balls out of the Canton box, making life much easier for Jatczak.

'Tracy worked well with the defense to keep the ball out [of the box]. It was an overall team effort," Jatczak said.

The seniors were honored at halftime as part of the Senior Night tradition. They are Schmidt, Moore, Jatczak, and Abigail Robichaud.

Canton improved to 7-6-1 while the Warriors fell to 7-4-4.

SALEM 3, GRAND BLANC 2: On Wednesday evening at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, Emily Barfuss scored two goals, including the game winner with seven minutes to play for the Rocks (13-4-1). Also scoring for Salem was Kylie Knight, while the Rocks were helped out by solid performances from Morgan Siterlet, Olivia Kaye, Leah Moss and Hayley Rodgers. **Grand Blanc's record** dropped to 9-7-1.



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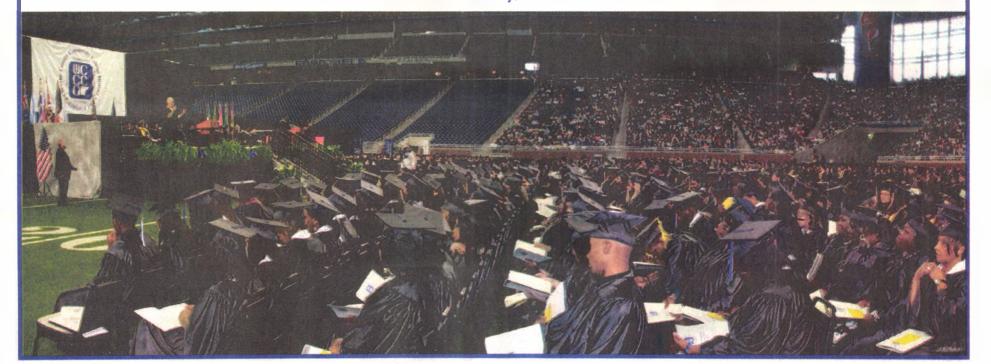
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Big innings spark PCA



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Plymouth Christian Academy second baseman Trevor Gogola (left) nearly makes the tag on Lutheran Westland's Jacob Bayol on Thursday.

Plymouth Christian Academy rallied to overcome an early 6-0 deficit Thursday and earned a 14-8 win at Lutheran Westland.

PCA held off the Warriors after those early frames and scored three runs in the third to make it 6-3 (with Daniel Jipping doubling and stealing third base and home plate).

The Eagles (12-6, 10-3 in the MIAC Red) took over in the fourth with a fiverun surge.

Successive singles by Jared Cobb, Johnny Lauch and Michael Slater scored one run. After Jipping was intentionally walked to load the bases, a walk to Matt Read forced in another run.

A force play, yet another bases-loaded walk and a squeeze bunt (by AJ Grueber) brought home three more runs for PCA.

Then in the fifth, the Eagles tacked on five more runs to put the



Daniel Jipping steals home for the first Plymouth Christian run against the Warriors.

game out of reach of the Warriors (20-4 overall and 13-1 in the MIAC Red).

Earning the win for PCA was Michael Slater with Lauch throwing the final three frames with strong defensive support from second baseman Trevor Gogola.

PCA 11, ROEPER 0: Daniel Jipping threw a no-hitter, tripled and drove in three runs Tuesday for the Eagles. Jipping gave up just two walks and fanned nine batters in the five-inning MIAC contest.

Also contributing his were Josh Slater (three RBI), Michael Slater and Matt Sumner.

HOWELL 8, PLYMOUTH 6: Despite Brian Schmid's threehit performance, including his third home run in two games, the Wildcats fell short in this KLAA baseball crossover. Matt Janke chipped in with two doubles and scored three

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DIVISION 4 WESTLAND HURON VALLEY

LUTHERAN (Host) Saturday, June 1: (A) Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. (B) Lutheran High Westland, 10 a.m.; championship final: Plymouth Christian Acad-

emy vs. A-B winner, noon. **GIRLS SOCCER** DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS

LIVONIA STEVENSON (Host) Tuesday, May 28: (A) Farmington at (B) Livonia Stevenson, 7 p.m.; (C) Livonia Churchill at (D) Farmington Hills Mercy, 5:30 p.m.; (E) Novi at (F) Livonia

Thursday, May 30: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 4:30 p.m.; Novi vs. E-F winner, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 1: Championship final, noon. **PLYMOUTH-CANTON (Host)**

Tuesday, May 28: (A) Westland John Glenn at (B) Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.; (C) Garden City at (D) Plymouth, 5 p.m.; (E) Canton vs. (F) Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 30: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 5 p.m.; Salem vs. E-F winner, 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 1: Championship final, 1 p.m. **DIVISION 2 LIVONIA LADYWOOD (Host)**

Tuesday, May 28: (A) Detroit Renaissance at (B) Livonia Ladywood, 6 p.m.; (C) Redford Thurston at (D) Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.; (E) Hazel Park at (F) Warren Fitzgerald, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29: (G) Detroit Mumford at (H) Redford Union, 6 p.m. at Kraft Field. Thursday, May 30: A-B winner vs. G-H winner, 4

p.m.; C-D winner vs. E-F winner, 6 p.m. Saturday, June 1: Championship final, 1 p.m.

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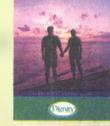


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said. "We got to take advantage of that and we scored a run."

Then in the top of the seventh, Hazergian (who took over for Miller to get the final out of the sixth) retired the Bulldogs in order although he was helped out by a sensational play by freshman third baseman Noah Spencer.

Gut feeling

Senior Kyle Bederka opened the inning with a chopper toward Spencer, who charged in and barehanded the ball before firing to first. Making the pick at the other end was Stafford.

"Spencer's a freshman, obviously he's a heck of a little ballplayer," Blomshield said. "We've had our eye on him since sixth grade baseball camp. Actually, he wasn't penciled to start today and after pregame we made a quick move there.

"Just having a gut feeling that was going to be the right move and I tell ya, he just made a heckuva play. There's just no time to glove that, and come up barehanded, ... that's a heckuva play for a 15-year-old kid in this type of scene. You kidding me?"

Keeping Brighton in check over 5 2/3 innings of stellar pitching was Miller, who recently signed his national letter of intent to play baseball at Henry Ford Community College.

"It's a great feeling,"
Miller said. "I was throwing on a 50-pitch limit
so I came in for contact.
They were hitting it, so
it worked out perfectly. I
had great defense."

Miller worked quickly, giving up just two hits including a double by McClelland in the fourth for Brighton's first hit.

The inning-ending dou-

JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Canton's Jake Miller (No. 11) is shown pitching during the KLAA championship game against Brighton. Miller blanked the Bulldogs into the sixth.

ble play that followed was another example of the fine defense on display.

Bederka hit the ball to Spencer who fired to starting first baseman Hazergian for the out. McClelland then got thrown out trying to advance to third when Hazergian relayed it back to shortstop James Hall covering the bag.

Game plan

Blomshield said he intended to have Miller go as far as possible before turning the reins over to Hazergian.

"Jake threw a great game, he was on top," Blomshield explained. "He filled up the strike zone and he got a little tired there. We had Hazergian warming up in the bullpen ready to go."

Christner smiled and shook his head about the opposite-field liner to left off McClelland's bat in the sixth that Boucher was able to race in and snag. Had the ball hit the grass,

Brighton would have drawn first blood.

Still, the fireballer who is headed to Grand Valley State University gave the Chiefs all they could handle.

"It's what we've come to expect from Ryan at the plate and on the mound, and he gave us a chance to win today," Christner said.

He also concurred that it was one outstanding high school game that took place at PCEP.

"We just weren't able to quite get that hit that we needed in order to do that today. It's going to happen," Christner added. "They played good defense, they're a good team, there's a reason why both of us are here and I think it's because we're both pretty good teams."

As for the districts, Canton will meet Plymouth 10 a.m. Saturday, June 1, at Northville.

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pitcher Elaine Gerou, the team made sure to include Canfield during the celebration.

"She has not been forgotten," McManus said.
"After the game, in all the hoopla, we got her and the girls told her thank you for everything she's done in building the program. It was pretty emotional."

Gerou's efforts also won't be forgotten as she dominated the Lakes Conference champion Bobcats, giving up just one hit in the second and fanning eight as she improved her win-loss ledger to 16-1-1.

"Unbelievable," said McManus about Gerou. "As a senior coming in, after being injured all last year, she came in and dominated from the first pitch.

"The first pitch of the game was a strike and (catcher) Brooke Senkbeil was calling the pitches and she (Gerou) was just nailing them. So, she's just been very consistent and pretty much unstoppable."

Gerou did not pitch

much in 2012 because of her injured shoulder. But she was a key member of the team, primarily as a designated hitter.

She came through on offense again on Wednesday.

In the Plymouth half of the first, leadoff batter Senkbeil tripled to right and scored on Gerou's sacrifice fly.

Grand Blanc pitcher Morgan Stratton also was strong in the circle and Plymouth could not pad the 1-0 lead until the fourth.

dano singled to center and came home one out later on a base hit by sophomore Mikayela Marciniak — who took over pitching duties from the injured Gerou in 2012.

With one out, Bri Gior-

The Bobcats (17-6) threatened in the fifth, with runners at second and third with no outs thanks to a couple of Plymouth miscues.

Then came the defensive play of the day as Marciniak caught a medium-depth fly ball in right field and fired a seed to Senkbeil at the plate to tag out the Grand Blanc runner attempting to score.

Plymouth then tacked on a couple of insurance runs in the sixth.

Brittney Miller singled, went to second on a passed ball and scored on a two-out base hit by Marciniak.

Following with a runscoring triple to rightcenter was Celeste Miller.

Gerou finished with a flourish, retiring the final eight batters including a strikeout to end the game.

Pacing the Plymouth attack were Giordano, Marciniak and Celeste Miller with two hits each. Senkbeil, Gerou and Brittney Miller each chipped in with one hit.

McManus said the team will celebrate for a while and then — girded by a hard-hitting lineup from top to bottom — get back to the business of having a long, successful run in the state tournament.

Plymouth will square off against Canton at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 1, in a district game at Northville.

"This team continues to be relentless in that they are unstoppable," McManus said. "We're in our prime but we haven't hit our peak yet. We're not done by a long shot."

Just like Canfield drew it up.

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JEFF CARTER

Scoring one of her three goals Monday in a Division 1 girls lacrosse regional quarterfinal is Salem's Bridget Kerwin (No. 6). Trying in vain to make the save is Plymouth goalkeeper Megan Wieloch

Rocks nip 'Cats in regional opener

Salem edged Plymouth 8-6 Monday in a Division 1 regional quarterfinal girls lacrosse matchup pitting two excellent goalies against each other.

The Rocks' netminder, sophomore Samantha Howell, was slightly better than Plymouth's Megan Wieloch as Salem broke a 5-5 halftime tie and went on to a 8-6 victory.

Leading Salem with three goals was Bridget Kerwin, with Kiersten Vala contributing two goals. Tallying one goal each were Bridget Maul, Shannon Fitzpatrick and Jenna Carter.

For Plymouth (7-8), Haley Swanson registered three goals with Natalie Nowicki and Jessica Cristiu netting two and one, respectively.

Salem (9-9) advances to face South Lyon Unified (11-3) 7 p.m. Tuesday at Novi in a second-round game.

"South Lyon is a perennial power in high school girls lacrosse and we look forward to that challenge," Salem head coach Dave Medley said.

Kensington Conference champion South Lyon East ended Canton's season on Monday with a 16-9 victory. The Chiefs finished a strong season with an overall mark of 10-4.

Medley said the matchup against Plymouth was "very tough," since it was the third game between the squads this season.

"Our goalie, sophomore Samantha Howell, played tremendous with 26 shots taken on her during the game," Medley noted. Time and time again she was facing free shots on

goal and stoned the Plymouth opposition.

"A situation no coach likes in a game we found ourselves in two times in the game playing a person down due to fouls putting addition stress on our goal keeper. But Sam just kept coming up with the answer to the prob-

Plymouth's Wieloch also had a solid game, making nine stops (21 shots were directed her way) and teaming up with her defenders to silence Salem's leading scorer, Rose Krasofsky.

"They had a well thought out game plan for us and came out in this cross-campus rival game to take it," Medley continued. "It was a tough hot night for both teams and Salem is just happy to be the only team at the Park advancing in the play-

PREP TRACK RESULTS

MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT ATHLETIC CONFERENCE **BOYS TRACK MEET** May 21 at A.A. Greenhills

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Southfield Christian, 90 points; 2. Lutheran High Westland, 88; 3. Plymouth Christian Academy, 58; 4. Birmingham Roeper, 36; 5. Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 28; 6. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 25; 7, Novi Franklin Road Christian, 13; 8. Ann Arbor Greenhills, 12; 9. Newport Lutheran South, 10; 10. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett, 7; 11. Sterling Heights Parkway Chrisitan, 4; 12. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, 0.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS Shot put: 1. Jesse Smrcka (South), 41 feet, 6.25 inches; 2. Thomas Krueger (LW), 38-5.5;

5. Jacob Bartos (LW), 35-7.5 Discus: 1. Bartos (LW), 107-0; 2. Robert Stafford (PCA), 104-10; 4. Krueger (LW), 103-10; 5. Chris Young (PCA), 96-0.

High jump: 1. Mick Noel (PCA), 6-3; 2. Dan Roberts (LW), 6-1; 5. Jacob Davenport (LW),

Long jump: 1. Stephen Ennis (LNW), 18-7.5; 2. Roberts (LW), 18-7; 6. Evan Horne (PCA), 17-1.5

Pole vault: 1. Connor Sheidler (Roeper), 10-6; 2. Newman Harper (LW), 9-6; 4. Williams McMain (LW), 7-6; 5. Josh Kuhn (LW),

100-meter hurdles: 1. Noel (PCA), 16.08; 2. Austin Olson (LW), 16.24. 300 hurdles: 1. Chris Krieg (OC), 42.18;

2. Olson (LW), 43.9; 5. Jacob Nichols (PCA), 100 dash: 1. Justin Pritchett (SC), 10.74.

200: 1. Blake Washington (SC), 22.96; 3. Roberts (LW), 23.81; 4. (tie) Jimmy Parks (PCA), 24.06 400: 1. Harper (LW), 52.87; 3. Parks (PCA),

54.09; 5. Davenport (LW), 55.15. 800: 1. Evan Carter (SC), 2:05.65; 5. Jacob

Bailey (PCA), 2:10.87

1,600: 1. Carter (SC), 4:38.06; 4. Evan Levack (PCA), 4:53.74. 3,200: 1. Carter (SC), 10:21.52; 4. Levack

(PCA), 11:13.87. 400 relay: 1. Southfield Christian (Bobby Banks, Nick Mitchell, Washington, Pritchett), 45.02; 3. Lutheran Westland, 47.72; 6. Plym-

outh Christian, 49.9. 800 relay: 1. Southfield Christian (Mitchell, Aldred Williams, Washington, Pritchett), 1:34.65; 2. Lutheran Westland, 1:36.78; 4. Plymouth Christian, 1:39.93.

1,600 relay: 1. Lutheran Westland, 3:41.53; 4. Plymouth Christian, 3:47.22. 3,200 relay: 1. Plymouth Christian (Nichols, Levack, Joseph Fanelli, Bailey), 8:46.59; 3. Lutheran Westland, 9:13.06.

MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT ATHLETIC CONFERENCE **GIRLS TRACK MEET** May 21 at A.A. Greenhills

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Lutheran High Westland, 96 points; 2. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 71; 3. Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 40; 4. Plymouth Christian Academy, 36; 5. Ann Arbor Greenhills, 33; 6. Birmingham Roeper, 31; 7. Newport Lutheran South, 30; 8. Novi Franklin Road Christian, 25; 9. Southfield Christian, 15; 10. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett, 9; 11. Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, 4; 12. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, 0.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS Shot put: 1. Kristi Smrcka (South), 32 feet, 5.5 inches: 3. Leah Refenes (LW), 29-5.25: 5. Megan Lemieux (PCA), 26-0.25

Discus: 1. Refenes (LW), 91-5; 3. Lemieux (PCA), 89-3; 5. Janine Erickson (LW), 84-11. High jump: 1. Angela Morrison (LW), 4-10. Long jump: 1. Molly Grulke (LNW), 15-2. Pole vault: 1. Elizabeth Matthews (LW), 7-6; 2. Alissa Flury (LW), 6-6.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Flury (LW), 17.06; 3. Sabrina Morrison (LW), 18.59; 6. Rachel

Wiggins (LW), 19.58. 300 hurdles: 1. Flury (LW), 51.31; 2. Rachel Smith (PCA), 52.0; 4. S. Morrison (LW), 54.93. 100 dash: 1. Kristen Massey (NFR), 12.46. **200:** 1. Massey (NFR), 26.11. **400:** 1. Lizzy Rouce (LNW), 1:02.68; 3. Mat-

thews (LW), 1:06.54. 800: 1. Karen Windle (PCA), 2:25.96; 2.

Jenna Wisner (LW), 2:27.68. 1,600: 1. Wisner (LW), 5:29.62; 2. Terra Crown (PCA), 5:45.68; 5. Michelle Greening

(LW), 603.21. 3,200: 1. Crown (PCA), 12:34.93; 2. Wisner (LW), 12:49.4; 3. Greening (LW), 13:09.5; 6. Alana Hill (LW), 13:59.55.

400 relay: 1. Greenhills, 54.59; 3. Lutheran

Westland, 55.11. 800 relay: 1. Greenhills, 1:54.4; 3. Lutheran

Westland, 1:57.03. 1,600 relay: 1. Lutheran Westland,

4:24.31; 6. Plymouth Christian, 4:49.68. 3,200 relay: 1. Plymouth Christian (Crown, Kelsey Williamson, Smith, Windle), 10:52.9; 6. Lutheran Westland, 12:36.65.

CATHOLIC LEAGUE **A-B DIVISION GIRLS TRACK MEET**

May 21 at Liv. Ladywood **TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Dearborn Divine** Child, 208 points; 2. Warren Regina, 96; 3. Birmingham Marian, 60; 4. Livonia Ladywood, 54; 5. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 39; Farmington Hills Mercy, 37. **FINAL EVENT RESULTS**

Shot put: 1. Ashley O'Neill (DDC), 38 feet. 0.5 inches; 3. Amy Lewandowski (LL), 36-11. Discus: 1. O'Neill (DDC), 113-4; 2. Sarah Wojnarowski (LSS), 97-9; 4. Lewandowski (LL), 92-4.

High jump: 1. Andrea Pangori (NDP), 5-1; 4. (tie) Erika Ely (FHM), 4-8

Long jump: 1. Mallory Myler (DDC), 16-3.5; 3. Katie Morris (LL), 15-9; 5. Callan Tigani (LL), 15-0. 100-meter hurdles: 1. Kayla Gandy (DDC), 15.9; 4. Hannah Gove (LL), 18.26; 5. Sydney

Shuk (FHM), 18.93; 6. Beth Rybski (FHM), 300 hurdles: 1. Marissa Leach (WR), 49.18; 3. Gove (LL), 50.66; 5. Molly McClorey (LL),

100 dash: 1. Charity Green (FHM), 13.04. 200: 1. Paige Patterson (DDC), 2593; 5 Amber Riethmiller (LL), 28.49; 6. Ely (FHM),

400: 1. Patterson (DDC), 59.77; 4. Ogechi Nwaopara (FHM), 1:04.24. 800: 1. Cassie Bloch (WR), 2:24.08.

1,600: 1. Bloch (WR), 5:28.69; 5. Sarah Wilson (LL), 5:51.81; 6. Teagan Dillon (FHM), 3,200: 1. Lindsey Brewis (DDC), 11:49.85; 5. Mackenzie Elkow (FHM), 13:48.74; 6. Katherine Taylor (LL), 14:18.15.

400 relay: 1. Divine Child, 51.55; 4. Mercy, 52.26; 6. Ladywood, 52.62. **800 relay:** 1. Divine Child, 1:48.31; 5. Ladywood, 1:53.45; 6. Mercy, 1:56.39. **1,600 relay:** 1. Divine Child, 4:09.44; 4.

Ladywood, 4:27.5; 5. Mercy, 4:58.76. 3,200 relay: 1. Divine Child, 10:01.17; 3. Mercy, 11:08.71; 4. Ladywood, 11:35.44.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2013-14 BUDGET

The City Council of the City of Farmington will hold a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget at 7:00 p.m. on June 3, 2013, in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan 48335.

"THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING."

The 2013 proposed property tax levy includes 14.0000 mills (\$14.0000 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value) for city operations and 1.0000 mills (\$1.0000 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value) for road improvements; for a total millage rate of 15.0000 (\$15.0000 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value.)

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the hearing on the proposed budget and proposed property tax rate.

The proposed budget, as summarized below, will be on file in the office of the City Manager for public inspection.

GENERAL F	UND		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)		\$	2,567.339
Revenues			
Property Taxes		\$	4,296,000
Licenses & Permits			82,200
Federal Grants			22,00
State Shared Revenues & Grants			916,01
Charges For Services			1,819,98
Fines & Forfeits			480,50
Other Revenues			183,00
Transfer, Capital Improvement Fund			55,50
Total Revenues		\$	7,855,19
Expenditures			
General Government		\$	1,751,62
Court			499,74
Public Safety			3,773,97
Public Services			1,116,31
Health & Welfare			12,84
Community & Economic Development			185,28
Recreation & Cultural			515,40
Total Expenditures		S	7,855,19
Ending Fund Balance		s	2,567,33

		STREET	FUNDS		
MAJOR STREET FUND			LOCAL STREET FUND.		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	185,412	Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	135,751
Revenues			Revenues		
Federal Grants	S	323,400	State Shared Revenue	S	163.087
State Shared Revenue		386,266	Special Assessments		12,150
Contracts and Grants		90,320	Other Revenues		50
Other Revenue		50	Transfer, Municipal Street Fund		400,000
Transfer, Municipal Street Fund		75,000	Total Revenues	S	575,287
Total Revenues	S	875,036			
Expenditures			Expenditures		
Construction	\$	471,000	Construction	S	433,376
Operation & Maintenance		301,177	Operation & Maintenance		183,121
Transfer, Debt Service Fund .		140,885	Total Expenditures	\$	616,497
Total Expenditures	\$	913,062			
Ending Fund Balance	s	147,386	Ending Fund Balance	\$	94,541

MUNICIPAL STREET FUND:	
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$ 244,605
Revenues	
Property Taxes	\$ 292,234
Total Revenues	\$ 292,234
Expenditures	
Transfer, Major Street Fund	\$ 75,000
Transfer, Local Street Fund	400,000
Total Expenditures .	\$ 475,000
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 61,839

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

	CAPITAL PROJECTS FI	UNDS	
ſ	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND		
	Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	1,322,010
	Revenues		
-1	Sale of Capital Assets, Gen Gov	\$	250,000
	Other Revenue		7,000
	Total Revenues	\$	257,000
	Expenditures		
	Transfer. General Operating	\$	55,500
-	Transfer, Nonvoted Debt Service		190,357
	Transfer, Special Assess. Debt Service		114,644
	Total Expenditures	S	360,501
1	Ending Fund Balance	S	1.218.509

GROVE STREET CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:	
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$ 350,00
Revenues	
Total Revegues	\$
Expenditures	
Capital Outlay	\$ 90,00
Construction	260,00
Total Expenditures	\$ 350,00
Ending Fund Balance	\$

WATER & SEWER FUND:		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	1,838,117
Revenues		
Water & Sewer Sales	\$	4,242,260
Service Fees		60,000
Other Revenues		10,000
Total Revenues	\$	4,312,260
Expenditures		
Operations & Maintenance	\$	3,761,239
Capital Outlay		426,442
Debt, Principal and Interest		207,619
Total Expenditures	S	4,395,300
Ending Fund Balance	\$	1,755,077

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY THEATER FUND:		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	S	83,257
Revenues		
Admissions/Rentals/Concessions	\$	564,000
Bond Proceeds		180,000
Other Revenues		920
Total Revenues:	\$	744,920
Expenditures		
Operations & Maintenance	\$	507,944
Debt Service		40,000
Capital Outlay		180,000
Total Expenditures	\$	727,94
Ending Fund Balance	\$	100,23

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

		DEBT SERV	ICE FUNDS		
2007 MTA 175 DEBT SERVICE FUND:			NONVOTED DEBT SERVICE FUND:	_	
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	-	Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	s	10
Revenues			Revenues		
Transfer, Major Street Fund	ŝ	140.885	Transfer, Capital Improvement Fund	S	190.35
Total Revenues	-6	140.885	Total Revenues	S	190,35
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Expenditures			Expenditures		
Bonds, Principal	S	- 100,000	Caddell Drain - Bonds, Principal	5	25.30
Bonds, Interest		40.560	Caddell Drain - Bonds, Interest		1,49
Bonds, Paying Agent		325	Caddell Drain - Bonds, Paying Agent		3
Total Expenditures	S	140.885	Building Authority Lease		163,52
			Total Expenditures	\$	190,35
Ending Fund Balance	S		Ending Fund Balance	S	10
SPECIAL ASSESSEMENT DEBT SERVI	CE FU!	ON CON	STREETSCAPE DEBT SERVICE FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	s	2.738	Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	Ś	
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Revenues			Revenues		
Special Assessment	\$	31,179	DDA Contribution	\$	76,55
Other Revenues		8.535	Total Revenues	S	76,55
Transfer, Capital Improvement Fund		114,644			
Total Revenues	S	154,358			
Expenditures			Expenditures		
Bonds, Principal	S	120.000	Bonds, Principal	S	35,00
Bonds, Interest		34,133	Bonds, Interest		41.45
Bonds, Paying Agent		225	Bonds, Paying Agent		10
Total Expenditures	S	154,358	Total Expenditures	S	76,55
Ending Fund Raisage	s	2 738	Ending Fund Balance	s	
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Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	S	933	Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	s	
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Revenues			Revenues		
Special Assessment	\$	24,000	Special Assessment	S	30,00
Total Revenues	S	24,000	Other Revenues	\$	27.00
			DDA Contribution		35,00
			Total Revenues	S	92.0
Expenditures			Expenditures		
Bonds, Interest	S	24.000	Bonds, Principal	S	10.00
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Bonds, Interest Bonds, Paying Agent Total Expenditures

Total Expenditures

Ending Fund Balance

INTERNAL SERVICE FU	1100	
EMPLOYEE ACCRUED BENEFITS FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	S	8,585
Revenues Other Revenues	\$	11,500
Total Revenues:	\$	11,500
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Expenditures		
Salaries, Accrued Benefits	\$	10,000
Total Expenditures	\$	10,000
Ending Fund Balance	S	10,085
SELF INSURANCE FUND:		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	\$	345,472
Revenues		
Charges for Service Other Revenues	\$	162,334 3,100
Total Revenues	\$	165,434
Expenditures Claims Expense	\$	15.000
Admin and Reinsurance	3	146.081
Total Expenditures	\$	161,081
Ending Fund Balance	\$	349,825
DPW EQUIPMENT REVOLVING FUND		
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected)	S	s 100
Revenues		
Equipment Rental	\$	390,865
Other Revenues Total Revenues	<u> </u>	390.915
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Expenditures	\$	000.000
		266,332
Operations & Maintenance Capital Outlay	ý.	32,500

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Study links depression and out-of-sync body clocks

Every cell in the human body runs on a 24-hour clock, tuned to night-day, light-dark cycles. The brain acts as timekeeper, keeping the cellular clock in sync with the outside world so that it can govern our appetites, sleep, moods and much more.

But new research shows that the clock may be broken in the brains of people with depression — even at the level of the gene activity inside their brain cells.

It's the first direct evidence of altered circadian rhythms in the brain of people with depression, and shows that they operate out of sync with the usual ingrained daily cycle.

The University of Michigan Medical School and other institutions made the discovery after checking data gleaned from donated brains of depressed and non-depressed people. The team used material from donated brains obtained shortly after death, along with extensive clinical information about the individual. They dissected numerous regions of the brain and measured gene activity. With further research, the findings could lead to more precise diagnosis and treatment for a condition that affects more than 350 million people world-

The research also reveals a previously unknown daily rhythm to the activity of many genes across many areas of the brain — expanding the sense of how crucial the body's master clock is.

In a normal brain, the pattern of gene activity at a given time of the day is so distinctive that the study's authors could use it to accurately estimate the hour of death of the brain donor, suggesting that studying this "stopped clock" could conceivably be useful in forensics. But in severe-



ly depressed patients, the circadian clock was so disrupted that a patient's "day" pattern of gene activity could look like a "night" pattern — and vice versa.

The work was funded in large part by the Pritzker Neuropsychiatric Disorders Research Fund, and involved researchers from the University of Michigan, University of California's Irvine and Davis campuses, Weill Cornell Medical College, the Hudson Alpha Institute for Biotechnology, and Stanford University.

Timing off

They looked at 12,000 gene transcripts isolated from six regions of 55 brains from people who did not have depression. This provided a detailed understanding of how gene activity varied throughout the day in the brain regions studied. But when the team tried to do the same in the brains of 34 depressed individuals, the gene activity was off by hours. The cells looked as if it were an entirely different time of day.

The researchers used gene

expression patterns to try to predict the time of death for each person in the study and then compared it with the actual time of death. The two matched closely in healthy people, but in depressed people the two wars out of area.

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"There really was a moment of discovery," said lead author Jun Li, Ph.D., an assistant professor in U-M Department of Human Genetics, who led the analysis of the massive amount of data generated by the rest of the team. "It was when we realized that many

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of the genes that show 24-hour cycles in the normal individuals were well-known circadian rhythm genes — and when we saw that the people with depression were not synchronized to the usual solar day in terms of this gene activity. It's as if they were living in a different time zone than the one they died in."

More information

Huda Akil, Ph.D., the codirector of the U-M Molecular & Behavioral Neuroscience Institute, said that the findings go beyond previous research on circadian rhythms.

"Hundreds of new genes that are very sensitive to circadian rhythms emerged from this research - not just the primary clock genes that have been studied in animals or cell cultures, but other genes whose activity rises and falls throughout the day," she said. "We were truly able to watch the daily rhythm play out in a symphony of biological activity, by studying where the clock had stopped at the time of death. And then, in depressed people, we could see how this was disrupted."

Now, she added, scientists must use this information to help find new ways to predict depression, fine-tune treatment for each depressed patient, and even find new medications or other types of treatment to develop and test.

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Dr. Nestor Ophthalmology

Who doesn't enjoy a bright sunny day, taking in a ballgame or relaxing on a beach? But the next time you're driving with your top down, make sure you're taking care of your eyes. Ophthalmologist and GCH Health Expert, Dr. Jeffrey Nestor, explains the importance of eye protection and gives some valuable tips on selecting the best pair of sunglasses for you.

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- Blue and green sunglasses enhance contrast with a yellow tennis ball.
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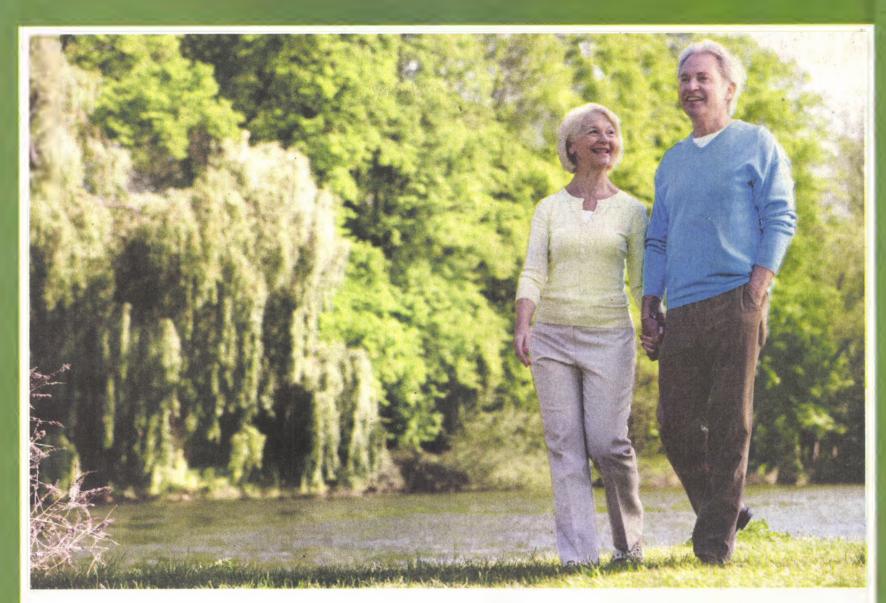
targets against open backgrounds.

Finally, it's important to look at other ways to protect your eyes. When purchasing new prescription eyeglass lenses or contact lenses, always choose UV protection. Consider a transition lens for additional comfort against bright sun. And don't forget to wear proper protective lenses whenever you're working with yard equipment, doing renovations or handling debris. The only way to be absolutely safe from eye injuries is to wear the right eye protection 100% of the time.

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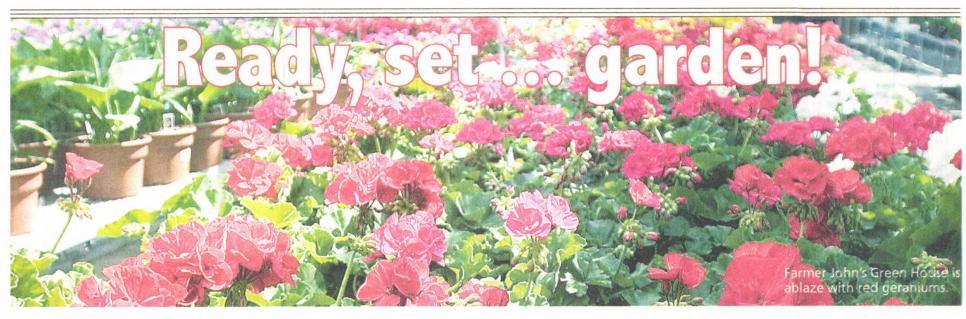
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Gardeners offer advice on getting flower, veggie beds in shape

By Pamela A. Zinkosky Correspondent

After an early May frost and some up-and-down spring temps, it finally feels like spring, which can only mean one thing — it's time to garden.

Whether you're planting a small vegetable garden, a few containers or an entire yard, you can benefit from some tricks of the trade from local garden clubs and nurseries. Here's what they recommended to get your garden off to a good start and enjoy it all season.

Look to your soil

"The priority is preparing your soil," said Angie Wilke, a Livonia Garden Club member who also judges at local flower shows. Do your weeding early-on to keep on top of it, and turn your soil about 6 to 12 inches down to aerate it, Wilke advised.

You can test your soil with an inexpensive soil testing kit, but most gardeners say it's not absolutely necessary unless you've had problems planting there in the past. While you're aerating your soil is a good time to add in nutrients like compost and peat.

It's also time to think about weed prevention. Wilke advis-



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Brad Zoner, part-owner of Farmer John's Green House, shows off flowers that are ready for transplanting in your garden.

es raking Preen, granules that block weed growth, into the soil while you're preparing it. Preen the soil up to two weeks before you plant.

Keep in mind at this stage that the larger the area you're planting, the more maintenance you'll have. If you're a firsttime or novice gardener, think small.

"Don't be overly ambitious," said Vera Lucksted, founder of Grow Farmington, a not-for-profit organization that promotes gardening.

"Container gardening is a

great way to start."

No place to garden? Try out a community garden plot, available in many cities, including Livonia, Canton and Farmington Hills.

Chesley Street Community
Gardens in Farmington Hills,
made possible by Grow Farmington, offers plots for \$15 to
\$25, depending on the size. It's
located at Chesley Street and
Farmington Road.

Choose plants

What's good to plant? It all depends on your taste and

where you're planting. Here are some guidelines:

• Choose according to sunlight needs. Be sure you know the area you're planting, cautioned Sara Kwiatkowski, manager of the garden center for Saxton's Landscaping & Outdoor Services in Farmington Hills. "Really pay attention to when and how long the sun is out," she said.

• Buy quality plants that are healthy and fresh.

"Feel the bottom of the plant," Wilke said. "You can tell if they're root-bound," which means they've been sitting around for some time.

• Choose long-blooming and multi-season blooming perennials for spring, summer and fall flowers.

 Vary heights and plan your garden accordingly.

• Vary textures and colors. Remember that whites and yellows tend to "pop out," while reds, purples and other dark colors recede, Kwiatkowski said. In general, put lighter colors in the back of a plot and darker colors in front.

Plant and mulch

Take time to read the information tags that come with plants. Some plants should be planted deeper, while others should be planted in mounds

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so that water runs away from them. It's also a good idea to spread roots out when you plant. Cut an "x" in the bottom of the root system to free the roots and let them spread out in the soil, Wilke advised.

Once you've planted, spread a layer of mulch around your plants, taking care not to get the mulch on the stems and leaves of plants so that they don't smother them or breed disease

Water and fertilize

"Most gardeners will kill their plants with too much love — that's too much water and too much fertilizer," Wilke said. Kwiatkowski advised watering containers and annuals every day to maintain consistent moisture, and fertilizing every couple weeks. Make a habit of watering daily, unless it's rained heavily, and then use an all-purpose fertilizer in the right proportion twice a month

Pinch, trim and re-assess

Trim back dead blooms and plants that are overgrown, Kwiatkowski said. This will prompt more flowering, and for some perennials, it'll net you an extra blooming season.

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Proper use of an energy-saving washer

By Joe Gagnon **Guest Columnist**

fter writing the last three columns about clothes washers, I decided to go to an expert on the sub-

ject for some official answers. That person is not my darling wife, Valorie, but a good friend by the name of Mark Heydlauff.

Mark is 51 years old today and I met him when he was only a teenager and that is when he began working in the appliance industry. From then

until now, the only time he took off was to go to college and get a degree. Mark worked for his grandfather who started an appliance store in 1928 and began selling washers that used gasoline-operated engines to operate the agitator on a clothes washer. In my conversation with Mark, his opening statement was loud and clear: "Using a washing machine today is very different from the days of old. It is sometimes a hard statement to make to a person who has been washing clothes for a long time."

Appliance

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I know that sometimes a retailer trying to help, can lose a customer right off the bat. Mark said: "A person buying a new HE washer must read the operating instruction book that comes with the product. It is imperative that homeowners do so and especially the detergent instructions. Many of the problems with odors, mold etc. are caused by the consumer themselves."

Mark and I both agree that most consumers do not take the time or effort to read the owner's manual and as he points out, therefore many problems begin. Another aspect of the new washers we discussed was the size load that is placed into the tub. Mark pointed out: "You look into a new top load washer without an agitator and you see this large empty tub looking back at you. In most case this leads to an extra-large load of clothes being placed into the tub expected to be washed perfectly. It is just not going to happen. You need space between clothes and plenty of water to

do the job and it may be the reason why we hear that manufacturers are going back to the agitator system."

Now folks, I've been writing this column for a long time and like an old pair of blue jeans, the subject is beginning to wear out. With the new technology needed to meet the energy standards set for the industry come consequences that are placed aside. More thought process has to go into manufacturing that asks the question, "What happens if I do this." Today we have washers that stink, don't wash clothes clean enough, govern the degree of hot water coming into the machine, may retain deadly bacteria like never before and certainly irate many consumers who spend so much more for a product. You have to use a special detergent for the machine and they even sell tablets to clean the inside of a machine. The use of the wrong detergent or too much of it can cause the sensor to send a wrong signal to the electronic control shutting off the machine until the service technician comes out and charges you a lot of money to reset the electronics. Lint filters that are hidden and cause odors are not even written about in the owner's manuals. I could go on and on but I already have in many columns.

Whatever happened to the washer of old? It did the job didn't it? Times are a changing and we seem to starve for the performance of older products. In some ways I think Vanity has played a role. My wife, Valorie, had this to say after her old washer was replaced by a new one: "Look at how nice it looks with the curved consul and nice blue lights on it." After just a few years she asked me if I could get her old washer and put it back in the basement. She simply did not like the new one. They have new washers today that are top load with a see-through top. You can look at the wash action while it's working. It may not be too long before we place a washer and dryer on each side of the television set. They look good enough to fit there and once you see it in your neighbor's house, you will want it to. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m., Saturdays on WAAM 1600. You can e-mail your problems and questions on appliances to appldr@twmi.rr.com



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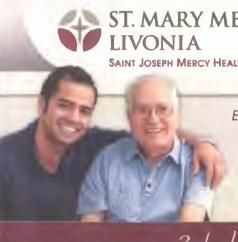
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Begonias bloom at Farmer John's Green House.

PLANT

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Also know that much of gardening is trial and

"It's a misconception that you plant your garden and are done with it. It's always evolving," Kwiatkowski noted. "As you soon as you have it how you want it, you're going to want to move something."

Try plants out in certain areas, and move them if they don't grow well or look the way you want them to.

Have fun

"You don't have to be an expert," said Luck-

sted, who's not a master gardener but calls herself an "enthusiast."

Don't be afraid to ask your local garden center for advice, or even your neighbor, Lucksted said. "Ask questions. Most gardeners like to talk and they like to see others be successful. Just have

Consider these flower and veggie plants

Need some garden inspiration? Saxton's Landscaping and Farmington Hills gardener Vera Lucksted suggest some new and popular flowers and plants available at local nurseries this year.

Shade annuals

COMMUNITY LIFE

These are great replacements for the popular impatiens, which won't likely be available at garden centers this year because of the Downy Mildew airborne disease that hit the plants last year. They include:

- New Guinea impatiensBegonias "These provide the same big impact of color you see with impatiens," Kwiatkowski said.
- •"Gryphon" begonias deeply colored foliage plants
- · Coleus leafy annuals with deep purple, red and green colors
- Upright fuchsias a nice alternative to the hanging fuchsias that are popular for planters

Sun annuals

- Look for these new varieties: • "Lemon Slice" million bells - white
- and yellow flowers on a trailing plant
- "Lime Green" verbenas trailing

plants with light green blooms

- "Black Velvet" petunias very deep purple petunias
- "Sweet Sherbet" petunias light purple, smaller blooms
- "Frosty Knight" lobularia small white flowers for full to part sun that are easier to grow than the typical alys-

Perennials

Planting year-round plants that will return next year? Try these fun variet-

- Variegated Solomon's seal variegated leaves with white bell-shaped flowers good for part shade to shade
- "Southern Belle," "Coral Reef" and other fun Echinacea varieties good sun flowers in many colors

Vegetables and herbs

- "Yellow Pear" tomatoes
- "Red Currant" tomatoes
- Kale "It's the new super food," Lucksted said. "You can grow kale all year."
- Mint "It's great in salads and it's very easy to grow," said Lucksted. Compiled by Pamela A. Zinkosky

GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

Send items for this column to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com

River rescue

Help clean debris in and around the Rouge River watershed from 9 a.m.-noon, June 1, in Heritage Park, located on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, in Farmington Hills. Volunteers also will remove invasive species near the waterway and help with native plantings in the park. The first 50 participants to arrive

and sign in outside the Heritage Park Visitor's Center will receive a free Rouge Rescue T-shirt and all participants will enjoy a free picnic lunch. Volunteers are encouraged to wear long pants and long sleeves, as well as sturdy work boots. For more information or to pre-register, call the Division of Public Works at (248) 871-2850 or e-mail tpieron@fhgov.com. For a listing of other Rouge Rescue sites, call the Friends of the Rouge at (313) 792-9900 or visit www.therouge.org.

In the moonlight

Listen for nocturnal animals, observe the night sky, and heighten your senses during a Full Moon Friday Night Hike in Heritage Park, located at 24915 Farmington Road, between 10 and 11 Mile Roads, Farmington Hills. The hikes are from 9:30-10:30 p.m. June 21 and July 19 and 9-10 p.m. Aug. 23. Hikes are designed for families and children, 5 and up. No flashlights are needed. Hikes will meet at the Nature

Center in the park. Cost is \$3 per person. Pre-register for the hike at recreg.fhgov.com. You also can pay at the event, however space is limited. In case of inclement weather, the hike will be canceled and refunds will be given. The Nature Center also will offer a campfire from 7-9 p.m. on Friday from June 21-Aug. 23. Marshmallows, s'mores and beverages will be sold. For more information, call the Nature Center at (248) 477-1135.

May is National Mental Health Awareness Month

By L. J. McCulloch Guest columnist

t is with pleasure that I inform readers about the great importance of

the month of May, which has legislatively been designated as Mental Health Awareness Month.



Leonard McCulloch

The goal of an awareness month, like this column, "Our Mental Health," is to raise public awareness of this important component of life — our mental health. Through awareness there is knowledge. With knowledge, we can strengthen resources in providing early diagnosis and much needed treatment services to our citizens on the city, county, state, and national levels.

Raising awareness is also essential to prevention. We can't prevent something we know too little about. Knowledge about mental health/illness has been up against a barrier for a long time.

That barrier is stigma. Stigma is considered a mark of disgrace or shame and historically, a stigma was a brand or tattoo used on slaves and on criminals. Such stigma about mental health disorders can result in discrimination in employment, strained relationships with friends and family and much unnecessary human suffering.

The role of awareness months serves to decrease stigma. Portrayal of people with mental illness and the stigma they are up against has been well portrayed in movies such as; The Fisher King, starring Robin Williams and A Beautiful Mind, starring Russell Crowe. Less known is that many famous people have suffered from mental illness. They include: Winston Churchill, Abraham Lincoln, Paul Pearsall, John Nash, Patty Duke and Jane Pauley. It can be said that overcoming stigmas is necessary for overcoming emotional problems so that recovered or recovering individuals can go on to accomplish marvelous things.

National movement On February 5, 1963

President J. F. Kennedy sent to Congress a series of proposals to help fight mental illness. He said: "these afflictions have been long neglected, occur more frequently, effect more people and can require more prolonged treatments and cause more individual and family suffering than any other condition in American life." In his speech to Congress, President Kennedy noted that we must seek out the causes and strengthen the underlying resources of knowledge. He wisely used the old bromide: "An ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure."

Michigan's shift from primarily hospital care for our mentally ill to community-based care was in keeping with the national movement marked by President Kennedy's signature on the Mental Retardation Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers Construction Act of 1963. Oakland Countv Community Mental Health Authority (OCC-MHA) held its first board meeting on December 13, 1963. This month, it celebrates 50 years of service. In comparing Kennedy's proposals and goals of 50 years ago to the OCCMHA'S scope of services today, there seems to be a nice fit. We can see a strengthening of community, education, and rehabilitation services which makes our society leaps and bounds ahead of 50 years ago. President Kennedy's sentiment and the OCCMHA services, as well as many other likeminded agencies across our nation, promote the mental health of all our citizens. We now can inspire hope, empower people, and strengthen communities through public and private mental health organizations

that espouse awareness and decry stigma. The Community Network Services, a part of the OCCMHA, has reported that every year 50 million individuals have a mental health problem and that one in five families will be affected by a severe mental illness. In the U.S., depression is the

second leading cause of

disability. Less than 30 percent of people with symptoms of mental illness will seek or receive treatment. Where are the other 70 percent? I suspect they are in our homeless and in prison populations, sadly. Also sadly, the issue of: "parity law" is still not settled. This law means that private insurance companies will be required to provide benefits for mental health services equal to those that they provide for medical disorders. For a long time, benefits for mental health have been much less than those for medical health, probably a stigma-driven cousin of discrimination.

Mental health defined

A physician named Michael Condra at Queen's University in Ontario sums up what mental health is in a way which can be meaningful to the general citizen. Dr. Condra has said: "With mental health we can engage in productive activities and enjoy fulfilling relationships. With mental health we

have the ability to adapt to changes and cope with adversity when it happens. With mental health we can use flexibility to solve problems. Mental health does not equal blissful happiness, but with mental health we can find contentment and deal with stress."

I would add that with mental health we can experience empathy. For 35 years, I have had on my desk a small quote by an anonymous person who said: "Please consider the feelings of others, especially those who would never let you know how they feel.'

Visit the Authority's website at www.occmha.org. See www.farmlib.org/heritagecolection/newspapers.html for archives of the "Our Mental Health" column.

Leonard J. McCulloch is a diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association. He is credentialed in mental. health, brain injury, addictions, traumatic stress and social work. Through his column, "Our Mental Health," he has published 150 articles to date. He can be reached for consultation at (248) 474-2763 ext 22.

REUNIONS

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CLASS OF 1963

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50th reunion will be held Sept. 28. Contact Kathy (Toth) Hay at khay@ reinhardrealtors.com or Dianna (Basnaw) McDaniel at djmcdaniel45@comcast.

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The 50th reunion is set for Friday, Aug. 16, at The Joy Manor, 28999 Joy Road, Westland.

Tickets are \$40. Contact Jerry Marszalek at (313) 532-0134. Jmarsares@ sbcglobal.net, or Phil Varilone at (313) 562-3579, Pvarilone@wowway.com

CLASSES FROM 50S AND 60S

Annual picnic, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, at Edward Hines Park, Nankin Mills Pavilion, at Ann Arbor Trail and

Hines Drive, will include music, memorabilia, door prizes, hot dogs, chips, bottled water, baseball hats, T-shirts, tassels, and more. Special parking will be available for classic cars along with plenty of parking for non-classic cars. Bring chairs and pop-ups. No need

to register, just show up. Questions? Call Phil Varilone at (313) 562-3579, pvarilone@wowway.com or Jerry Marsząlek at (313) 532-0134, jmarsares@sbcglobal.net.

DETROIT GESU CATH-OLIC SCHOOL CLASS OF 1956

A reunion is planned for Aug. 17. Call Jack Sayed at (810) 231-9230.

DETROIT MUMFORD CLASS OF 1963

A 50-year reunion is set for 6:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 5, at Somerset inn, 575 W. Big Beaver, Troy. \$85 Visit www.mumford63.com.

CITY OF WESTLAND

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before June 7th. 2013 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

Sanitary Sewer Lift Pump Replacement

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Proposals must be submitted by the time stated above or they will be returned. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

> Devin J. Adams Controller

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE WAYNE-WESTLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSED 2013-2014 BUDGET MONDAY, June 10, 2013

Please take notice that, on June 10, 2013 at 7 o'clock p.m. at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools, Wayne County, Michigan will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2013-2014

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2013-2014 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2013-2014 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

JOHN GOCI, Secretary

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SMITH, ROBERT L.

14, 1920 in Ionia to the late Leo and Luella Smith. He

married E. Kathleen Orser on Ju-

ly 3, 1942 in Ionia. Mr. Smith

was an accountant with the

Michigan Oven Company prior

to his retirement in 1985. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He served on the

Wayne City Recreation Board

for 55 years. He was an avid Ti-

gers Fan and enjoyed working for the Tigers during Spring

Training in Lakeland. He is sur-

vived by his wife of 70 years,

Kathleen; three children, Kayla

(Ken) Vineyard, Douglas Smith

and Greg (Barbara) Smith; six grandchildren; two great grand-children; and a sister, H. Yvonne

Smith. A memorial visitation will be held 2-4 p.m. on Sunday,

May 26, 2013 at the Wayne Ac-

tivity & Banquet Center, 35000 Sims Ave. Wayne, MI 48184. A

brief service to celebrate his life

will begin at 3:30 p.m. Burial

93, of Wayne, Michigan,

died Sunday, May 19,

2013. He was born May



ALEXANDER, WILLIAM D. (BILL)

Of Fort Meyers, Florida, died on Thursday, May 16, 2013, at the age of 80. He was born on October 16, 1932, to the late Roy and Lorene (Gribble) Alexander in Pollard, Arkansas. Bill was a teacher in the English Department, at Oakland Community College in Farmington, Michigan, for many years. He is survived by his four children, Kenneth Alexander of Telluride, Colorado, Kathryn Alexander and husband Robert Banuelos, of Charlotte, North Carolina, Kevin Alexander of Naples, Florida and Kraig Alexander and wife, Gaby, of West Palm Beach, Florida; four grandchildren, Madison Alexander, Alexandria and Priscilla Banuelos, and Leighton Alexander. He is also survived by his sister, Susan Alexander, of Piggott, Arkansas, and many other relatives and friends. A celebration of his life will be held on June 1, 2013, in Detroit, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, gifts in memory of Bill may be made to the scholarship fund through the OCC Foundation: OCC College Foundation, 2480 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield, MI 48304



CASARI, HERMAN A.

95 of Canton, May 22, 2013. Beloved husband of the late Hilda. Loving father of Tom (Beth), and Bob (Claudia). Dear "Grandpa" of Tommy and Sasha (Alexandra). Visitation Tues 3-8:00 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Road (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Funeral service Wed 10:30 AM. Interment United Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's

To share memories, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com





DORIS VEHMEYER Age 95, of Birmingham MI. and recently of Jasper, GA, went to

be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ dying peacefully in her home May 23, 2013. She was born on June 10, 1918 in Detroit MI, the daughter of Emroy (Pete) Vehmeyer and Marjorie Wet-more Vehmeyer. She was married to John F. Cole Jr. (Jim) on November 29, 1941 at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, MI. They had two children and were married for 40 years before her husband passed away in 1984. Doris graduated from Baldwin High School, Wildcliff Jr. College, and Toby Coburn School for fashion careers. She also attended the University of Michigan and was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. She was a member of the altar guild at Christ Church Cranbrook, the Village Club, Junior Goodwill, · University of Michigan Alumnae Association. Survivors include Carol (Don) McCann of Jasper GA; Cyndie Cole of Gaylord MI; grandchildren Christine and Alyson Cole; nephew Richard Wibel (Toni), nephew Mark (Barbara), and niece Kristie (John) Jickling. Services will be held at Christ Church Cranbrook on Friday May 31 at 10:30am. Reception to follow in the fellowship hall. Memorial gifts may be sent to Georgia



Mountains Hospice, Jasper GA.

COLLINS, DOROTHY J.

88 of Bloomfield Hills; passed away peacefully May 15, 2013. Beloved wife of (the late) Paul Collins; loving mother of Kathi, Carol and (the late) Paul Collins, Jr.; proud grandmother of Erin Collins; and greatgrandmother of Alexandra Collins. Dorothy was the former president of the Bloomfield Hills School Board and was loved by all who knew her. Memorial Mass was held 11 a.m. Thursday, May 23, 2013 at St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church Stone Chapel, 2215 Opdyke Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Arrangements entrusted to Pixley Funeral Home Godhardt-Tomlinson Chapel Keego Harbor, 248-682-0200 Share a memory at: godhardttomlinsonchapel.com



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COLLINS, RUTH

Livonia Michigan. June 16, 1934 - May 15, 2013. Memorial service Tuesday, May 28 at 11am: 9082 Newburgh Rd. Livonia, MI 48150. Great Mom, Nana, Super Nana, Sister and Friend. She was greatly loved & will be remembered always.

DURHAM,

FOREST V. Age 97 of Farmington and Rogers City, MI. May 19, 2013. Beloved husband of Helen for 70 years. Loving father of Richard (Lora) and Robert (Josie) Durham. Cherished grandfather of Jennifer, Zena, Zachary, Andrianne, Cassandra, Emily, Jona-than, and Joseph. Great-grandfather of Jordan, Kylie, and Alexander. Private services will be held. Arrangements by

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FISCHER. **BETH BUCKLEY**

Dec. 14, 1916 ~ Oct. 10, 2012 Beth Buckley Fischer, devoted mother and friend, dies at 95. Beth Fischer, 95 years old, of Middleton WI, passed away on October 10, 2012 at the Agrace Hospice Center in Madison. She was born on December 14, 1916 in Elmira Heights, NY to Leon I. Buckley and Margaret Dwyer She married Gerald J. Fischer in New Brunswick, N.J on May 31, 1941, and he preceded her in death on September 3, 1987. Her sisters Alma Janice Seabury and Edna Oaks also preceded her in death. During her married life she lived in Washington D.C., Plymouth MI, Darien CT and Fairfax, VA. For the last 11 years she lived in Madison WI. She is survived by four children, Gerald (Catherine) Fischer of Wayzata, MN; Kenneth (Penelope) Fischer of Ann Arbor, MI; Norman (Jeanne) Fischer of Houston, TX; Martha Fischer (Bill Lutes) of Madison WI; seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church Street, at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 1, 2013. There was a joyful quality to all of Beth's relationships. She had an extraordinary life and enriched so many others in countless thoughtful ways. She continues to be an inspiration and shining example. In lieu of flowers donations may be Agrace Hospice Care, 5395 E Cheryl Parkway, Madison Wi 53711 or to the Gerald J. and Beth B. Fischer Scholarship Fund at the Interlochen Center of the Arts, Office of Advancement, Interlochen MI 49643. Condolences may be sent to Ken Fischer, 2115 Melrose Avenue, Ann Arbor MI 48104.

FOLEY,

SOPHYE July 11, 1912 - May 14, 2013 Sophye Foley of Birmingham Michigan passed away May 14, 2013 at the age of 100. For the past six years she was a resident at St. Camillus Assisted Living Milwaukee, Wisconsin Sophye was born July 11, 1912 in Detroit, Michigan to Francis and Helen Balicki. She was preceded in death by two brothers and her husband, Paul. Sophye is survived by her children: Pe-Susan Foley (Mark Ciccantelli) and Jane Ferraro (George); five grandchildren: Henry, Paul, Alison, Lauren and Sara; nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Sophye was an awardwinning artist working in the mediums of painting and photography. Her art was exhibited in both regional and national exhibitions. Sophye liked nothing better than working in her yard and her beautiful gardens were admired by many. She also enjoyed seeing the world and made several trips overseas. A visit to her native country of Poland was an especially meaningful journey. Sophye will be remembered for her generosity of spirit, her quick wit and her loving devo-tion to her family. The family is very thankful to her attentive caregivers at St. Camillus. Funeral Mass was held at Holy Name Church in Birmingham, and burial took place at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Donations may be made in honor of Sophye to The Community House, 380 South Bates Street, Birmingham, Michigan 48009

(www.tchserves.org). A. J. Desmond & Sons 248-362-2500 Share memories at: DesmondFuneralHome.com AJ DESMOND SONS

May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.



74, formerly of Plymouth, Mich-

igan died Thursday May 23 at Ann Arbor Hospice in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Louise, daughter of Donat Gauthier and Jeanne Caldwell of Detroit, is survived by her children: Bernard Staples of Ferndale, MI; Renee Pratt (nee Staples) of Ann Arbor, MI; Roxane Webster (nee Staples) of Boulder, CO; and Cian Chang of Sterling, VA. Louise had formerly been married to Gordon Staples and Hoy Chang. Louise was born in 1938 in Detroit and was educated in Ottawa, Ontario and Detroit. She has lived in: Plymouth, MI; St. Joseph, MI; Oakton, Virginia; Libertyville, IL; Gladstone, MI; and Ypsilanti, MI. Visitation gathering for family and friends to begin at 11:00 am Tuesday May 28th, and memorial service to follow at noon, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2250 East Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra or the Detroit Institute of the Arts.



GOTTS GLADYS KINCAID

Passed away May 21, 2013 at the age of 108. She was a long time resident of Canton and Plymouth. Gladys was born Silverwood, Michigan to Herman and Ethel (Cunningham) Kincaid on May 4, 1905. She married Percy Gotts in 1923. She is deeply loved and will be missed by her daughters Dorothy (Robert) Richards and Joyce (David) Gyde. She was preceded in death by her daughter Betty DeKarske. Gladys is the dear grandmother of Larry DeKarske, Polly (Dick) Bradburn, Paul (Michelle) Richards, Julie Gyde and the late Janet Breland and great grandmother of nine. She was also preceded in death by her sister Bernice Downing. Gladys and her family moved to live on their farm in Ypsilanti when she was a teen. She drove a horse and buggy to High School. Later she and her husband resided on the Gotts farm in Canton where they produced melons, sweet corn, sugar beets, grain and milk After her husband death in 1955 she sold the farm and went to work as a secretary at Ford Motor Company until her retirement. Gladys just celebrated her 108th birthday with all of her family whom she loved so much. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, May 25, 2013, 11am at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth, with The Rev. Mark Zender officiating. Friends may visit Friday 1-8pm and Saturday 10am until time of service. Buri-al will be in Cherry Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memori als are suggested to Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 341 S. Ridge Rd., Canton, Michigan



KELLY WARREN 42, a wife, mother, daughter, sister and friend beautiful inside and out, went to be with the lord on Saturday, May 18 after a courageous battle with brain cancer Kelly lived in Highland Village but also had a special place in her heart for Dimondale, Michigan. Kelly is survived by her husband of 17 years, Derek, and children, Hunter, Cayman and Sage; parents, Jan (George) Chapman and Doug Warren; siblings, twin brother Korey (Noema) Warren, Jenny (Clinton) Pve and Brennan (Alicia) Warren; her in-laws, James and Sammy Greene; Connie (Tony) Doyle, Jody Greene and special aunt and Uncle Bill and Judy Conarton. Kelly graduated from Grapevine High School and Texas Womans' University with a degree in education. She was a wonderful teacher and loved by all who knew her. She taught at Lakeland elementary Lewisville Christian School and sat on the board for the ARC of Denton County. High school sweethearts, Kelly and Derek, ended up in Highland Village near a group of friends that have been a great support during Kelly's illness. Special thanks to everyone who brought food, offered help and support and prayed for the family during this difficult time. Funeral services will be at 2:30pm on Wednesday, May 22, at Garden Ridge Church of Christ in Lewisville. Burial will follow at Blue Bon-Hills Memorial Park, Colleyville. Donations should be made in lieu of flowers to the





HALEY, NANCY MCCOMBE

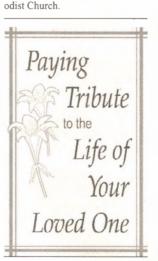
77, of Cary NC, formerly of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, died Sunday, February 24, 2013 at Heartfields Assisted Living in Cary, NC, where she had been a resident for over six years. Nancy was born in Wayne, Michigan to the late Edward McCombe and late Dorothy Hamilton McCombe. She attended The University of Michigan for several years prior to getting mar-ried and having children. She spent the majority of her life in Birmingham, Michigan where she worked as an interior decorator and then a homemaker raising two children. Nancy was involved in many church activities at Christ Church Cranbrook including volunteering at their annual Rummage Sale. Nancy was very artistic and enjoyed painting, knitting, and crafting. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Haley and her parents, Edward and Dorothy McCombe. Nancy is survived by her daughter, Lisa Webb Neal and her husband, David of Chapel Hill, NC; and son, Andrew Webb and his wife Mary of Morrisville, NC. She also leaves behind four grandchildren and two step grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 11:00am on June 15th at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.
In lieu of flowers, memorials

may be made in honor of Nancy to Hospice of Wake County: https://apps.hospiceofwake.org/ donate.php?mode=publicview Condolences can be sent to: www.BrownWynneCary.com



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Jackson, Michigan. Age 98, died Friday, May 17, 2013 at RidgeCrest in Jackson. She was born October 4, 1914 in Sibley, LAWRENCE LEO MI (now Trenton, MI), the Of Livonia was born in daughter of Alexander "Angelo" St. Louis, Missouri on April 3, 1928 and died on and Agatha (Cima) Angelocci. Remegia lived in the Downriver Monday, May 20, 2013. area most of her adult life, and in Beloved husband of Doris for 61 Birmingham, Michigan, from years, cherished father of Susan 1985 until 2006, when she moved to Chelsea. She moved to (George) Ontko, Sally (Ed Peterson) Johnson, and Amy Johnson, Jackson in November 2011 and dearest grandfather of Ryan Peterson, Erik Peterson, and Em-Remegia was a bookkeeper for Hungerford, Cooper, Luxon & Co. in Wyandotte. She was a ily Ontko. Larry was preceded in member of St. James Episcopal death by his brother Tom and his sister Peggy Lindley. He is survived by his brother Jim and sis-Church in Birmingham. Remegia graduated from A.E. ter Hilda (Ed) Wheatley. Larry Smith High School in 1932. She worked as a mechanical engineer was active in many sports, infor General Motors, retiring in cluding Tennis, Basketball, Soft-1987, and he was an active memball, Bowling, and Golf. On June ber of Newburg United Method-ist Church for 52 years. He was 1, 1940, she married Alvin Dietz and he preceded her in death on also proud of his service in the Air National Guard, retiring as July 24, 1958. She then married Anthony Nalli on January 6, Major. Our father lived to help 1968 and he preceded her in death on January 22, 1980. Surothers. He never met a person he didn't want to help, be it snow vivors include one daughter. blowing the entire street, work-Shiela Dietz of Chicago, Illinois: ing as an Early Literacy Volungranddaughter, teer at several Livonia elementa-Benham of Chicago; one brother Angelo Angelocci of Chelsea: ry schools where the children looked forward to reading to and many nieces and nephews. "Grandpa Larry", serving on Livonia Youth Commission, or She was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters Kelly Cottage volunteering for Housing the and Frances Willett, and three Homeless at church. Dad's stronbrothers, Samuel, Lawrence, and gest commitment was to the American Red Cross. He was John Angelocci. A memorial service will be held Friday, June proud to have coordinated more 14, 11 am at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Chelsea, with Fr. David Glaser officiating. than 100 blood drives at Newburg UMC collecting thou-sands of pints of blood and sav-Burial will be at the Memorial ing countless lives. For his serv-Garden at St. James Episcopal ice to the community, Dad was honored as Livonia's First Citi-Church in Dexter, Michigan. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Aszen in 2009. He will also be remembered for his love of music sociation. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel. and storytelling. Dad sang in the church choir for many years but raised his voice in song whenever and wherever the spirit moved him. He loved to recite poetry and would visit senior centers to comfort the residents with familiar verses. While Alzheimer's took its toll on his memory, he never lost his joy in simple pleasures and his love for others. He gave even in death by donat-



ing his body to the University of

memorial service will be held at Newburg United Methodist

Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail,

on June 8th at 11:00 AM. Contri-

butions in Larry's memory can

be made to the American Red

Cross or Newburg United Meth-

Michigan Medical School.

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McCLELLAND, ROBERT BRUCE

Longtime resident of Birmingham and Lake Charlevoix. passed away peacefully May 19, 2013 at the age of 78. Beloved husband of Judith (nee Judith Cavanaugh) for 25 years. Loving father of Robert Bruce Jr., William Ian (Brett Niessen), Michael Donaldson, William Donaldson, Brien Donaldson (Maina), Sara Hofman (William A. Beasley) and John Donaldson. Dearest grandfather of eleven and great-grandfather of one Bruce is also survived by his sister Candace Pfaff and was preceded in death by his brother James McClelland. A memorial service will be held Saturday June 8 at 11:30a.m. at Oakland Hills Country Club, 3951 Maple Road, Bloomfield Hills. Bruce's passions included the University of Michigan, Beta Theta Pi fraternity and golf. He served as president of Foundry Educational Foundation. He was a life member of Oakland Hills C.C. and former Piper Chairman. Memorial contributions in Bruce's memory may be made to the Sky Foundation, Inc., 33 Bloomfield Hills Parkway, Suite 130, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. View obituary and

share memories at DesmondFuneralHome.com I DESMOND SOI

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WEBSTER. JUDGE ROBERT B. Passed away peacefully

in Royal Oak, Michigan

at age 81. Born March 9,

1932, he was the only child of Don B. Webster and Glennie "Betsy" Elizabeth Webster, of Birmingham, Michigan. Bob was a 1949 graduate of Baldwin High School in Birmingham. Bob attended the University of Michigan and earned his law degree from University of Michigan in 1957. He clerked for U.S. District Court Judge Ralph Freeman. Thereafter, he entered the private practice of law and in 1973, Governor William G. Milliken appointed him as an Oakland County Circuit Court Judge, where he served a term as Chief Judge. He returned to private practice in 1982 until his retirement in 2011. Bob served as President of the State Bar of Michigan from 1989-1990. He was appointed by the Michigan Supreme Court as Chairman of the Committee to Revise and Consolidate the Michigan Court Rules and co-authored the treatise "Michigan Court Rules Practice." He cochaired the State Bar Judicial Qualifications Committee and was the State Bar delegate to the American Bar Association. Bob is a past director of the American Judicature Society, a National Commissioner on Uniform State Laws, and a Fellow of the College of the American Trial Lawyers. He also served as a Major in the Michigan Air National Guard. Bob is survived by his children: Anne E. Webster Jacobs and husband, Chris Jacobs; Allison D. Webster Giddings and husband, Gavin Giddings; Peter H. Webster and wife Penny; and James B. Webster; and their mother, Marilyn Hey Webster. He is survived by his beloved grandchildren: Colin Jacobs, Samuel Giddings, Ethan Webster, Kyle Jacobs, Glennie Webster, Alexander Jacobs and Sydney Giddings. A memorial service will be held at the Birmingham Community House on Friday, May 31, 2013 at 3 p.m. Memorials to Boys and Girls Club of Oakland and Macomb Counties

van & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000. Please share a memory at

or the Crystal Lake and Water-

shed Association are appreciated. Arrangements by Wm. Sulli-



POTHOFF. DEBRA M. (NEE PLASSINS)

Age 56 of Farmington Hills, MI Debby left us the evening of Friday, May 17th, 2013. She fought a long battle with Leukemia for 16 months with complications that eventually took her life. She is survived by her husband of 37 years, Gerard; daughter Monique and brother Jeff. Debby was born August 30th, 1956 in Kalamazoo, MI to parents Resi and Arnold Plassins. She graduated from Berkley High School in 1974 and attended Wayne State University for music performance where she met Gerard. They married in 1976 and in 1984, she gave birth to daughter Monique She loved being a mother and wife until the very end. She taught piano and was a Contemporary Music Director for 12 years. Getting together with friends and family for dinner parties was a passion of Debby's. She enjoyed travel (especially to France). Her Memorial Service will be held at 2:00pm Sunday, June 2nd at St. John's Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Rd, Farmington Hills, 248-474-0584. A gathering for family and friends will follow the service to celebrate her life. Memorial contributions may be made to The Michigan Chapter of the Leuke-

mia & Lymphoma Society.



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Club plans annual garden walk

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Tickets go on sale after June 1 and cost \$8; \$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.

The garden walk will be held noon-8 p.m. and will include a variety of gardens, complimentary refreshments and a

perennial sale. Master Gardeners will be available to answer gardening questions.

Tickets include a description of the gardens and a map to their locations. They're available from Trailwood Garden Club members; and in Plymouth from Backyard Birds, 627 S. Main; Sideways, 505 Forest; and Saxton's Power Equipment, 587 W. Ann Arbor Trail.

The Trailwood Garden Club, a branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Asso-

ciation, has plantings in downtown Plymouth, at the Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park, and at the Plymouth Township offices. The group also planted and added a bird-feeder at the Medilodge of Plymouth nursing facility. The group also is involved in a perennial exchange at the Plymouth Fall Festival and decorating the Plymouth Historical Museum at Christmas.

For more information, call Darlene Rinke (734) 459-7499

Animal rescue organizations hold fundraising walk, wellness clinic

Vaccinations

Tail Wagger's 1990 kicks off its June lowcost vaccination clinics at Sheehy Animal Hospital, 18790 Middlebelt, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia.

The clinic will run 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 2 and is open to everyone, regardless of income lev-

The organization will offer these tests and shots for dogs:

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individually for \$12 each. Heartworm testing will be available for \$18. For cats:

 Rabies and distemper can be purchased individually for \$12 each.

 Microchips will be available and cost \$30. Registration is included with microchip fee.

No appointment is needed but an RSVP to help the organization plan better is requested. Families and their pets will be taken on a first-come firstserved basis and minimal wait time is expected.



To RSVP call (734) 855-4077 or e-mail vaccinationclinic@yahoo.com.

25th Annual Mutt March

The Michigan Humane Society, (MHS) which operates shelters in Westland, Detroit and Rochester Hills, will hold its annual spring fundraising walk from 8 a.m. to noon, Sunday, June 2, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, between 8 Mile (Vernier) and 9 Mile Roads in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Several course lengths are available and water stops will be provided for walkers and their pets.

Dogs must be kept on leashes at all times and owners should bring their pet's current vaccination records to the event.

All walkers who raise \$156 or more — the average cost of care for one animal in need — will receive an official Mutt March 25th anniversary T-shirt. The first 800 four-legged walkers will receive a Mutt March bandana.

Walkers who raise \$468 — the average cost of care for three animals in need - will be given the opportunity to name one of MHS' shelter animals before they go up for adoption. Walkers who raise \$1,500 will become part of the MHS Best Friends Club, and receive a brick paver, which will be engraved with their name, and placed at the MHS Berman Center for Animal Care in Westland.

For more information, call (248) 283-1000, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, or visit www. michiganhumane.org.

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Brady Anthony Bugeja was born March 19 at St Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia. He weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces and measured 22 inches.

Brady joins his parents, Melissa and John Bugeja, sister, Natalie, 3, and brother, Justin, 12, at home in Farmington Hills.

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Farmington Hills woman seeks books for African school

Sidney Bonvallet, founder of Helping **Hands Touching Hearts** Charity, is appealing to local residents for books.

Any books. Bonvallet, of Farmington Hills, is visiting South Africa, where her charity has helped clothe and equip the Venda Tribe in Mutele the past few

years While on a trip to Zimbabwe recently, Bonvallet visited a school in need of reading materials. She decided to ask residents at home for help.

In an e-mail to the Observer, she described the library as "small, crude, but clean" with a few shelves. She said the headmaster was proud of the library, but had no books.

"He asked if we might be able to find a few people to send books...ANY books," Bonvallet wrote in her e-mail. "They teach and read English,"

Bonvallet also asked her church, Kenwood Church of Christ, in Livonia, as well as friends, for book donations.

"The cost to send is a little high, but if you could only send one small

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May 31



CJ Christopher (left) a board member of the Farmington Hills-based Helping Hearts Touching Hands Charity and the organization's founder, Sidney Bonvallet (center) meet residents of Zimbabwe at a school. They helped a student, Christabel Mtumba Ngula, 18, (second from right) return to school by paying for her next semester. Students at the school must pay for each semester and her family couldn't afford tuition.

box that would be a godsend to these children. When you have nothing, anything is better," she wrote. "These young children so struggle to get an education and are so desperate, they will welcome any kind of books."

Bonvallet said contrib-

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Eight jobs you can do outdoors

Larry Buhl, Special to CareerBuilder

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1. Animal care worker:

This job can be done in a variety of settings, such as kennels, zoos, stables, animal shelters, pet stores, veterinary clinics and aquariums. The job can be physically demanding and the pay is generally low. Experience with animals is more important than a specific degree. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: Faster than average Median pay: \$19,780 annually, \$9.51 hourly*

2. Archaeologist:

Although some archaeologists work in offices or laboratories, others spend time in the field on duties such as assessing the significance of a potential construction site. A master's degree or doctorate is required. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: Faster than average Median pay: \$54,230 annually, \$26.07 hourly

3. Conservation scientist:

Sometimes referred to as foresters, these professionals manage and monitor overall land quality of forests, parks

and other natural resources. A bachelor's degree in botany or a related field is expected. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: Slower than average Median pay: \$57,420 annually, \$27.60 hourly

4. Construction manager:

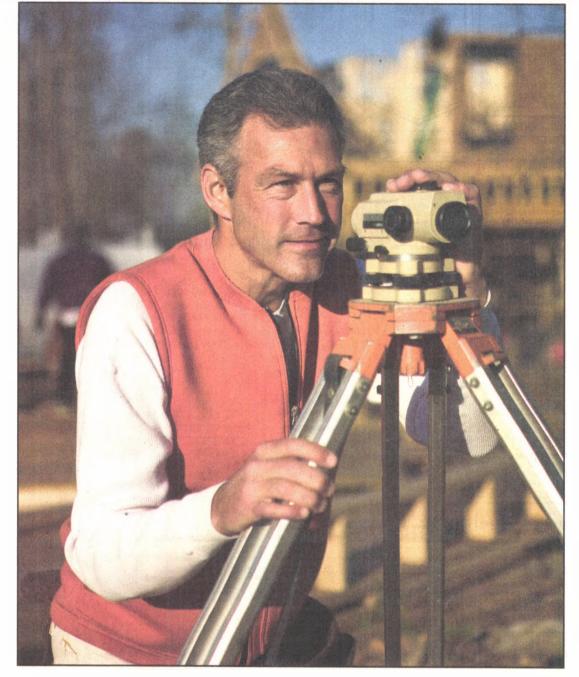
These workers oversee construction projects through organization, scheduling, budgeting and implementation. A bachelor's degree and experience in a constructionrelated field, plus certification, are usually expected. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: About as fast as average Median pay: \$83,860 annually, \$40.32 hourly

5. Environmental engineer:

Environmental engineers spend much time indoors but can be in the field on construction projects. A bachelor's degree in environmental engineering or a related field -- civil, mechanical or chemical engineering -- is required. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: Faster than average Median pay: \$78,740 annually, \$37.86 hourly

6. Geological engineer:

There are a variety of job titles associated with this profession; duties involve surveying the characteristics of land for mining or other development sites. A bachelor's degree and a state license are required. Projected job growth, 2010 to



2020: About as fast as average Median pay: \$82,870 annually, \$39.84 hourly

7. Landscape architect:

This job is primarily done inside, but it can also involve frequent visits to job sites. A bachelor's degree and state certification are minimum requirements. Projected job growth, 2010 to 2020: About as fast as average Median pay: \$62,090 annually, \$29.85 hourly

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*Information from the Occupational Outlook Handbook published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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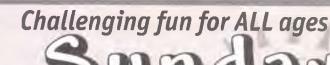
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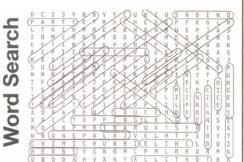
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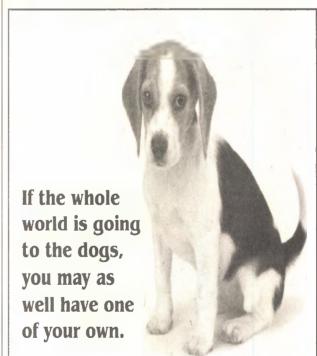
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