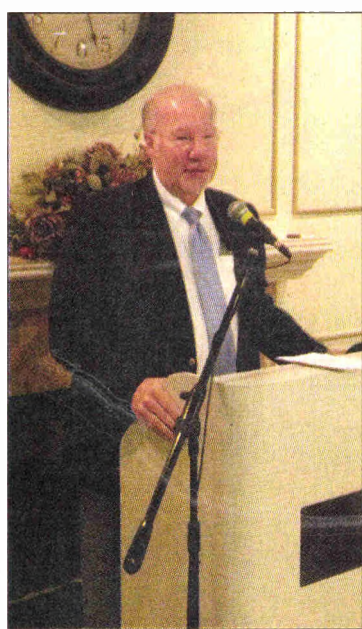




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Bryce Kelley, director of economic and community development for Wayne County, on Wednesday called the Plymouth and Northville areas "gems" of Wayne County.

Area expert: Community one of county's 'gems'

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

The director of economic and community development for Wayne County on Wednesday called the Plymouth and Northville areas two of Wayne County's "gems" and said both the MEDC and MDOT are "actively engaged in a large project" involving both communities.

While Bryce Kelley wouldn't say what the project is - nor would Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume - he did say the col-

laboration shows the communities are "working together on a vision for the future."

"Economic development is a contact sport," Kelley said, speaking at Wednesday's community breakfast sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at Independence Village. "Northville and Plymouth do a good job of attracting and keeping business."

Not quite ready

The project apparently involves the 190 acres of former Detroit House of Correc-

tions property Plymouth Township acquired south of Five Mile and west of Ridge. The property is the subject of a lawsuit brought by the city of Detroit contesting Plymouth Township's ownership. Wayne County Judge Robert Colombo recently issued an injunction preventing the township from selling or offering the property for sale.

Reaume said Wednesday details aren't quite ready for release yet and the injunction would temporarily prevent officials from moving forward anyway.

"We can't sell it or enter into any agreements," Reaume said last week after the injunction was issued. Still, he said Wednesday, the parcel is part of long-term plans for a Five Mile Road high-tech corridor in Plymouth and Northville townships.

Wednesday's other speaker was Tim Swoten, vice president of governmental affairs and public policy for Business Leaders of Michigan, who told the large crowd many economic indicators show the state's

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Fred Hill, who has organized Plymouth's Good Morning USA Parade for 18 years, has said the 2014 event will be his last. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

HILL'S LAST CLIMB

Organizer set for final Fourth of July parade

Back in the mid-1990s, when the Plymouth Jaycees were organizing the annual Plymouth Fourth of July parade, Fred Hill offered to jump in because he "wanted to help."

Eighteen years later, Hill is doing more than helping, having become the unofficial "face of the parade" and organizing it into an acclaimed holiday event. In addition to putting the parade together, Hill's Briefcase Drill Team has become one of the events most popular and recognizable attractions.

But not for much longer. Hill said this week the 2014 parade will be his last. "I'm ready for a new challenge in the community," Hill said. "I'm not sure what that's going to be yet, but I'm sure I'll find one."

Hill got involved in the parade at a time when it was held at 1 p.m., making it difficult to draw big crowds. Soon after, the parade was moved to 7:30 a.m., in order to give the Plymouth event a chance to draw attractions that were also committed to other, later parades.

"We were reinventing our parade at the time," Hill said.

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PLYMOUTH ON PARADE

What: Annual Good Morning USA parade

Where: Downtown Plymouth (starts at Theodore, runs up to Hartsough)

When: 9 a.m. Friday, July 4

Highlights: Detroit Tigers mascot PAWS will walk with the Miracle League of Plymouth; Michigan State Police Aviation Unit; Ms. Senior Michigan, Rosie Guastella; the Willow Run Rosie the Riveters (including a couple of original "Rosies"); Tyrannosaurus Rex; the Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team; the Salem Rockettes; Miss Wayne County, Christina Besh.

Entertainment: Plymouth-Canton Marching Band; Plymouth Fire & Drum Corps; Cabar Feidh Bagpipe Band; Steve King and the Dittilies; Mark Randisi and the Sounds of Sinatra.



Margaret Dunning speaks with Bee Friedlander and Donald Garlit at the preview for the Plymouth Historical Museum's new "Wheels of Summer" exhibit. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Birthday party rings in museum exhibit

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

Plymouth's Margaret Dunning is the Plymouth Historical Museum's biggest benefactor, so it seemed appropriate that, to kick off a new year in her 104-year-old life, museum officials would use a birthday party to kick off its newest exhibit.

The exhibit, "Wheels of Summer," promises to be a fun one for visitors to the museum Dunning loves so much.

"(The museum) means so much to me, because I love the past," Dunning said Tuesday, two days before her 104th

birthday. "I love how brilliant our ancestors were. If we don't keep remembering (the past), it's going to be a sad day, I fear."

The exhibit, which runs through Nov. 2, features a variety of bicycles, cars, trucks and other wheeled toys, "the kinds of toys kids have played with over the years," said Liz Kerstens, the museum's executive director.

There are bicycles, roller skates, Tonka trucks and metal pedal cars, including a collection donated by Greg Gladki of Westland. Much of the

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Hoben campers lay STEM foundation

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Nine-year-old Brandon Domas of Canton doesn't care much for green beans (although he admits to liking broccoli a bit).

So when he and buddy Ty Bahnke got to Camp Invention, the week-long STEM-style camp for first- through sixth-graders staged this week at Hoben Elementary, they decided to do something about "bad foods" and set about inventing a machine that would turn "bad" foods into "good" foods.

"It tastes terrible and I don't want it anytime soon," Brandon said simply.

Such creation was the whole idea behind Camp Invention, which drew some 60 kids to Hoben all week. The camp is designed to foster creativity in elementary-age students using a science- and technology-based curriculum. The idea is to encourage children to think creatively and improve their problem-solving skills.

"It's just a way to

spark some ideas and have mutual exposure to some of the inventiveness that's going to be important to them throughout their lives," said Tim Bolster, a Hoben fourth-grade teacher who led the camp. "Being able to create and invent ... all of those things are part of being human. Humans are creative. That's what this camp is about."

When Ty Bahnke of Canton, who will be a fifth-grader when school starts in September, heard about the camp, he did what lots of kids these days do: he looked it up on YouTube. Videos he saw convinced him he wanted to give the camp a shot.

"It sounded cool," Ty said. "I watched a bunch of videos on YouTube and I wanted to come. I've always wanted to invent things that will make people's lives easier."

It's the kind of inventive drive teachers and camp volunteers were trying to encourage all week. Hoben science teacher Aline Diry said the various

activities challenge kids to perform hands-on tasks that teach them to think for themselves.

For instance, kids in her room Thursday were creating cars and finding different ways to fuel them.

"We try to incorporate real life with what they're learning," Diry said. "The main thing is it makes them think about problem-solving. We give them things and they have to deal with them. It's not just about us teaching them, but it's about what they can learn on their own, too."

Bolster, the camp leader, said Camp Invention helps "lay the groundwork" for a technology-driven future that's not even on the horizon yet.

"We're preparing these kids for jobs that don't even exist now," Bolster said. "We're preparing them for a future we don't know about, laying the foundation for them to think in creative ways."

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Tim Swoten, vice president of governmental affairs and public policy for Business Leaders of Michigan, said Michigan is improving, but acknowledged "there's still work to do" before the state becomes a top 10 state.

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economic viability is on the way up, though he acknowledged "there's still a lot of work to do."

On the way

Leading the way, Swoten said, is the auto industry, a fact he said "is not a surprise," since the major component of the state's economic engine comes from that industry. For instance, he said: "Some \$12 billion a year is spent on research and development in the auto industry."

Some 330 auto-related companies are headquartered here.

» The state is home to nine of the 10 biggest automakers.

» The state has 46 of 50 global suppliers.

"We have to make sure we have a world-class environment for business," Swoten said.

Right direction

In order for that to happen, Swoten said, the state has to continue to improve on a variety of factors, including (though not limited to):

» Michigan companies pay, on average, 3 percent more in total business costs.

» Only 21 percent of Michigan's high school graduates are college- or career-ready.

» Some 38 percent of

Michigan roads are rated poor or mediocre quality.

In his presentation, Swoten said Michigan's growth in employment, per capita GDP, and per capita personal income has exceeded most peers since 2009, but per capita GDP and per capita income levels remain below pre-recessionary levels.

Michigan's corporate tax climate, he said, has risen from the second-worst to the ninth-worst nationally.

"We're not where we want to be ... not a top 10 state yet," Swoten said. "But we're headed in the right direction."

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"And it worked."

Rechristened the Good Morning USA parade and moved to 9 a.m., it has become a huge local draw, with thousands of people lining Main Street and crowded around Kellogg Park to watch nearly 100 groups take part.

The bulk of the work organizing the parade starts in February, but by late May or early June, Hill can often be found on the floor of his office, 5-by-7-inch index cards listing each individual entry strung out in a weaving line across the carpet. Developing the final order takes several hours spread over a couple of days.

"The choreography is the hard part," Hill said. "You can't put the dogs near the horses and you can't put the horses in front of the band. It's not

the longest process, but it is the most challenging."

Scott Kappler, who along with Pam Kosteva will handle the majority of the organization starting in 2015, said he's worked with Hill "for maybe four or five years" in various capacities of the parade. Hill's shoes, Kappler said, will be large ones to fill.

"Fred's a great organizer and I'm sure he'll still be around," Kappler said. "One of the things Fred has done is given the parade a huge entertainment value to the community. There's a lot of detail that goes into that ... continuing that entertainment value will be the biggest challenge."

In addition to leaving the parade, Hill takes his Briefcase Drill Team on its final tour, starting in Traverse City shortly after the Plymouth parade. After more than 30 years, the team, which has drawn national attention and marched in the



No Plymouth parade is complete without the Plymouth Fire & Drum Corps. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Macy's Thanksgiving Parade in New York, makes its last appearance at the 2015 Plymouth parade.

"Thirty years seems like a good number," Hill said of the end of the team. "We're not lacking spectator interest, but some of the guys are getting older and it's been 30 years. It's been a fantastic run."

Hill said the team is committed to the Tra-

verse City event, the Detroit Thanksgiving parade and the 2015 Plymouth Good Morning USA parade. "And," said Hill, a Detroit Tigers fan, "hopefully a World Series parade."

When planning for the 2015 Plymouth parade starts in February, Hill said he'll "be on the fourth (hole) in Naples (Fla.) somewhere," Kappler and Kosteva, Hill said, will do a great job.



This giant American flag is always a popular attraction.

BIKES IN FRONT

Children who want to be a part of Plymouth's Good Morning USA parade have their chance July 4. Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards is looking for youngsters who would like to decorate their bicycles and then head out in front of the annual Fourth of July parade.

Riders on their decorated bikes will set out ahead of the parade, which this year features nearly 100 participants. Anyone interested in taking part in the bicycle event is encouraged to call Edwards' office at 734-453-3840.

"I don't think I can just do it a little bit ... I have to let it go," Hill said of organizing the parade. "And I'm absolutely go-

ing to miss it. But I'll find something else."

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exhibit is made up of items already part of the museum's collection, including bikes made by Evans Products, which used to be located on Eckles.

"It's a summertime exhibit," Kerstens said. "I think the kids will like it."

The exhibit features bikes and toys from a variety of eras, dating all the way back to the Civil War. It has the kinds of bikes the old Plymouth bike club used to ride.

One of the key pieces is a large bike called the "Boneshaker," which features a very small back wheel and a very large front wheel.

Kerstens saw one like it at another exhibit and decided the Plymouth museum needed one.

It's an interactive natural, the kind of bike folks can climb on and have a photo taken.

"One of my goals was to get it permanently mounted so people can walk up, sit and get their picture taken," Kerstens said. "People like to have things they can engage with in a museum."

The preview of the exhibit coincided with a birthday party Kerstens and museum volunteers threw for Dunning, who said she's humbled by the kind of love and support the community continues to show for her.

"What this community has done for me in furnishing this museum has been fantastic," Dunning said.

"I've enjoyed building it. I've been most privileged to live this long. A lot of people don't have this privilege."

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"Wheels of Summer" opens at the Plymouth Historical Museum. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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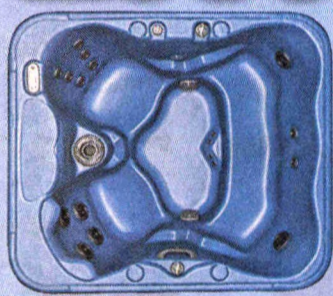
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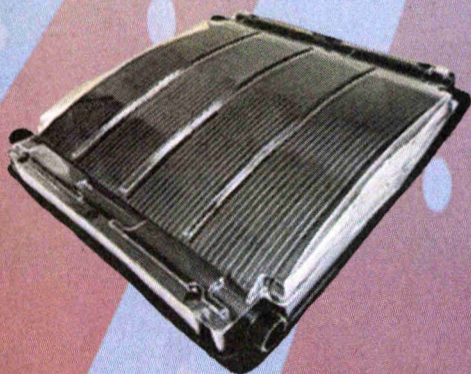
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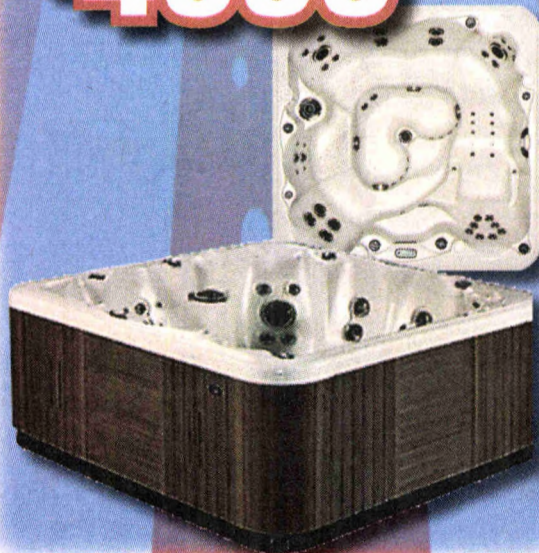


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Baracy reflects on years leading W-W

By Sue Mason
 Staff Writer

When Greg Baracy turns off the lights and closes the door to his office Monday, it will mark the end of a 41-year educational career that started in the classroom and ended in the superintendent's office.

He will turn over the management of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools to his successor, Michele Harmala, and head into retirement knowing that with the help of a "great group of individuals" he was able to create a 21st century school district prepared to make its students college- and career-ready.

"I've never had the time to reflect on what retirement would look like," Baracy said. "I've sat in this chair for 17 years and worked with a great group of people focused on taking care of our children and never looked back."

Before Baracy took over, Wayne-Westland had had three superintendents and one interim superintendent in six



Retiring Superintendent Greg Baracy talks about his time with the district. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

years. Board members didn't bother with a search, instead they asked Baracy, a deputy superintendent, to take the job. He was hired by the school board in June 1997,

putting an end to the revolving door on the superintendent's office.

His first thought after saying yes was, "Oh my God, will I be able to make it three

years?"

"I never aspired to be superintendent, but the board saw something in me that I didn't," he said. "It all worked for the better."

Life-long connection

What sets Baracy apart from his predecessors is his life-long connection with the district. He has lived in the city of Wayne all but nine years of his life, attended Jackson Elementary and Franklin Junior High and graduated from Wayne Memorial High School in 1969. Inspired by a high school counselor, he went on to college.

"I had two career paths," Baracy said. "I loved the outdoors and I had a teacher who was pretty special to me. If I couldn't be a conservation officer, I'd be a teacher. I went to school and changed my major to education. I had a love for education. My desire to go to college and study education I owe to my counselor, Jerry Sleicher, who took an interest in me and encouraged me."

He started his teaching career in 1973 in adult education, then in the spring of 1974

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Bird Elementary teacher goes the 'Extra Mile'

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

Shawn Binder has seen both of her daughters go through first-grade classes with Bird Elementary School teacher Jayne Burnstein, so she's got a parent's perspective on how Burnstein does her job.

Binder is also a teacher at Bird, so she understands the job Burnstein does from a teacher's perspective, too.

That's why Binder was so comfortable nominating Burnstein, who has taught at Bird for a decade, for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education's Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award.

Burnstein was honored

Tuesday night by the board.

"This woman is remarkable," Binder said of Burnstein. "You walk past her classroom and you hear her talking or singing or doing whatever she needs to do to help kids learn. She tells parents what they can expect of her, what she expects of students and what she expects of parents, as well. She's been remarkable."

Trustee John Barrett presented Burnstein with the award, extolling her virtues as a teacher. Barrett said Burnstein "checks papers until 10 o'clock at night, plans lessons, writes long narratives on kids' report cards.

"Parents have a good un-

derstanding of what's going on in (Burnstein's) classroom," Barrett said.

Burnstein's own daughters attended Bird before she ever started teaching there and she was impressed with the staff then. When an opening to teach at Bird came around, Burnstein jumped at it.

"When I had my own daughters attend Bird, I felt like the luckiest parent," Burnstein said. "This school had the most amazing staff of teachers. I told myself if I could be a fraction as good as my now-colleagues, I'd be pretty good. They inspire me."

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Board of Education Trustee John Barrett presented Bird Elementary School teacher Jayne Burnstein with the district's Extra Miler Award on Tuesday.

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Performers kick off summer of fun at Plymouth library

School-age kids in this year's Summer Reading Program were treated Tuesday, June 24, to performances by Cirque Amongus at the Plymouth District Library.

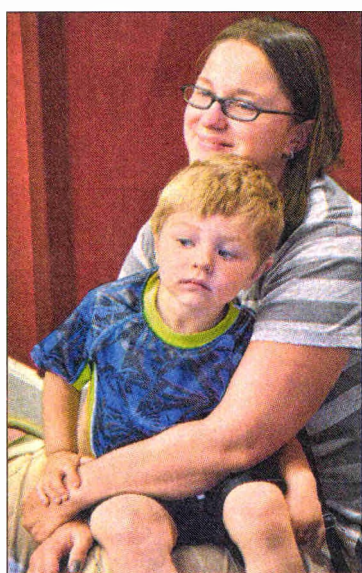
The Plymouth library is also offering summer reading fun for younger children, teens and adults. On Tuesday, there were three Cirque Amongus performances at 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. to accommodate busy schedules.

"It's very interactive," Carol Champagne, department head for youth services, said of Cirque Amongus. "The kids get to do a lot of stuff."

Cirque Amongus offers hands-on programs designed to build self-esteem, develop motor skills and promote teamwork, according to its website.

The performances were funded by the Michigan Humanities Council and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, as well as the local Friends of the Library.

Programs continue through August and there's still time



Anna Onofrio and son Noah, 2, watching Cirque Amongus. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

to register online at plymouthlibrary.org. The school-age theme is Fizz! Boom! Read!

For young readers and teens, there are many activities at the library this summer to enhance the reading



Sem Abrahams show off his unicycle skills. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

fun. The programs keep kids reading, which has been shown to boost academic performance and keep reading

skills from sliding in the summer, Champagne said. Fun is also a big part of the library initiative.

The Plymouth library can be reached at 734-453-0750, ext. 5 for kids, ext. 4 for teen and adult questions.

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landed his first full-time job in the Dearborn School District. He was hired on a handshake by the principal of Edsel Ford High School who, as a young teacher, had had Baracy's mother in class at Fordson High school.

He might have spent his entire career with Wayne-Westland, but the district called two days too late. He had to honor his commitment to the Dearborn schools.

He did join Wayne-Westland in 1987, working first as assistant principal then principal at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center, director of vocational education and deputy superintendent before accepting the superintendent's job.

He took over the district when Wayne-Westland was the district with the highest millage rate in the state. Confu-

sion over Proposal A, which changed how school districts were financed, led to voter rejection of a 10-mill renewal levy that had a drastic effect on the new per-pupil foundation allowance and plunged the district into a deficit.

Baracy dug in his heels and lobbied the Legislature, eventually getting an additional \$8 million in enhanced school aid to offset the loss. One his prize possessions is a photograph taken with Gov. John Engler when he signed into law the bill containing what has become known as the Wayne-Westland language, which brought an additional \$80 million until it was discontinued by Gov. Rick Snyder two years ago.

Baracy worked with state Sen. Lorne Bennett and a few other influential people in Lansing to get the language approved.

"It took 3½ years to convince the state; one of three or four highlights for me was getting the restoration of that

millage," he said. "I worked relentlessly and talked with everyone I could. The most influential legislators aren't from this area, but I was able to convince them of the significant hardship Wayne-Westland experienced because of the confusing message about Proposal A."

And even as he's been preparing to leave, he's been lobbying Lansing to get that money back for Wayne-Westland.

Other highlights

His other highlights include passage of a \$108 million bond issue that transformed the Wayne-Westland schools into 21st century facilities and the passage and renewal of a sinking fund that has helped the district add state-of-the-art athletic facilities and expanded elementary schools to include new media centers.

"We've had districts bus bond committees in to see our buildings," he said. "We wanted the best use of the funds we had so taxpayers could see

their investment immediately and for years to come. I think we've done that."

Some might think a low point would be the four-day teacher strike in 2008, but Baracy looks on it as part of doing business. Unfortunately, the strategy backfired; many reforms that have come out of Lansing are because the teachers "took such radical action."

And if there is a low point, it would have the closing of schools. During Baracy's tenure, the district has done that twice. He closed six or seven schools in 1993 and then again in 2010, when six elementary schools were closed and the elementary program restructured.

"Parents don't like closing schools, they don't like their kids changing schools," he said. "It's a very emotional and most difficult time."

Baracy admits that today's Wayne-Westland doesn't look like the one he took over in 1987. The curriculum has been updated, the classrooms are

filled with the latest technology and students can take classes online and earn college credits.

It has two state Blue Ribbon exemplary elementary schools — Edison in Westland and Walker-Winter in Canton — and a host of Golden Apple recipients.

Achievement is up and with a right-sized footprint, Wayne-Westland is "well-positioned for a new superintendent and the school board to move the district forward."

"There's a more affluent view of Wayne-Westland," he said. "We have put Wayne-Westland on the map, we're up there with the best of them. There's no one man or woman who can do everything we did for this district; it takes a team and I have had the privilege or working with a phenomenal team."

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'The Hour Lift' facelift now most popular cosmetic procedure — lasts for 10 years

"The results will last between five and 10 years, depending upon the patient."

Dr. Eric Seiger
Skin & Vein Center in Fenton

By Sally Rummel

She eats right, she works out and takes care of herself every day. She wants her face to reflect this same youthful vitality that the rest of her body shows.

That's why one local 69-year-old woman, who asked to remain anonymous, is in the prep area of the Skin and Vein Center in Fenton for "The Hour Lift," a mini-facelift procedure that's becoming more and more popular.

"We've been doing these for about 15 years, but they've become much more mainstream now since makeover shows on TV began to glamorize them about 10 years ago," said Dr. Eric Seiger, board certified dermatologist and cosmetic surgeon. "It's not a 'taboo' thing anymore." Dr. Seiger estimates he has done between 2,500 and 3,000 of these procedures, on women as young as 24 and for a couple who was each 86 years old. "I'd say the median age for this surgery is about 58, and 95 per-cent of my patients are women. The results will last

between five and 10 years, depending upon the patient."

The difference between The Hour Lift and a regular facelift is that The Hour Lift involves cutting the skin and tightening the facial muscles, rather than moving the facial muscles. The areas primarily improved by a facelift are the jowls, cheeks and neck. There's a huge difference in recovery time and price. "It's the difference between a three-day recovery and a two-week commitment," said Dr. Seiger.

The price is also a huge factor in a person's decision to undergo this procedure. Dr. Seiger says he used to charge \$3,800, and he cut the price to \$2,900 when the economy changed a couple of years ago. A full facelift will cost between \$6,000 and \$15,000 — depending upon the scope of the procedure. These elective cosmetic procedures are not covered by insurance.

"The number one thing that patients say to me is, 'I don't want to look 20 years old again. I just want to look in the mirror and be able to look as good as I feel inside. I want to feel refreshed,'" said Dr. Seiger.

For the 69-year-old patient who was waiting for her procedure, "The Hour Lift was not only for her own self-esteem, but also for her success in the business world. "A youthful appearance validates your professionalism," she said. "This is how we get measured for our success."

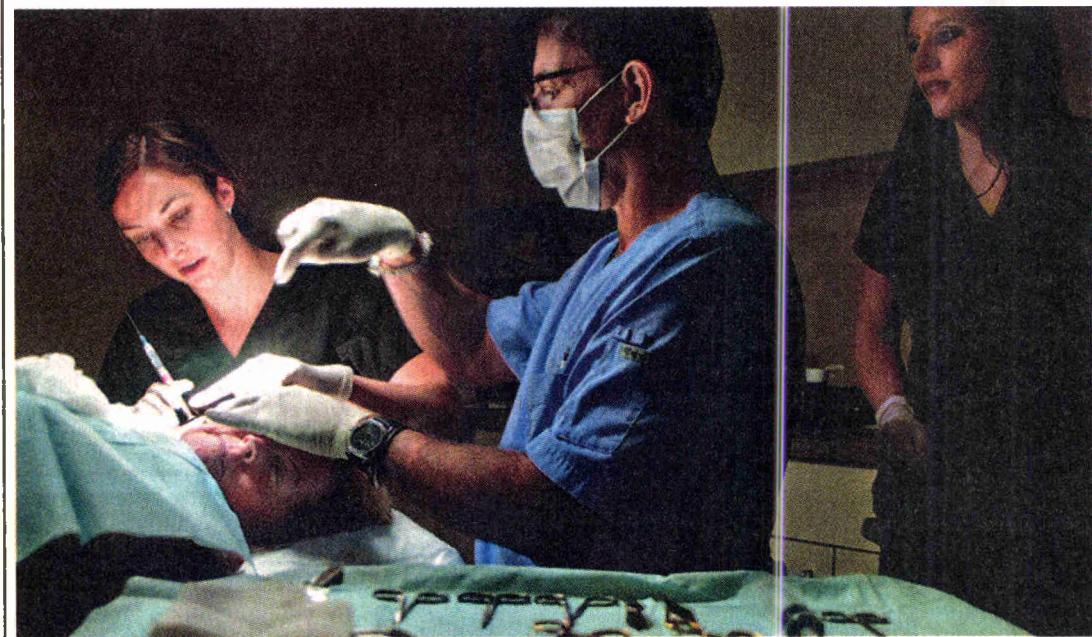


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- Q: What happens before the procedure?**
A: Prior to surgery, you may be given a medication to help you relax. Local anesthesia is then administered to minimize discomfort.
- Q: How long does the procedure take?**
A: One to 1½ hours.
- Q: What actually happens during the "One Hour Lift"?**
A: A short incision is made in front of the ear. The surgeon gently lifts the tissues under the skin, removing any extra skin. The surgeon re-drapes the overlying skin, leaving the patient wrinkle-free with a firmer, more youthful jawline.
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A: Look five to 10 years younger, with results lasting usually five to 10 years.
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A: The Skin and Vein Center can arrange for a contact with someone who has had the procedure and agrees to speak to prospective patients.

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A patient is prepped for a mini-facelift at the Skin & Vein Center in Fenton. Dr. Eric Seiger is assisted by nurse Amy Sowers and resident physician Kate Johnson.

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County sets traps to monitor West Nile virus

Wayne County's Environmental Health Division has begun its annual mosquito monitoring program to detect the presence of West Nile virus in Wayne County communities. The initiative, funded through a grant from the Michigan Department of Community Health, serves as an early warning system for WNV infection, which can be spread to humans by mosquitoes.

Monitoring began June 16 and lasts through September, when the risk of infection is highest. Mosquito traps have been set in the 42-community Wayne County Public Health jurisdiction (outside Detroit), including the Downriver area; Dearborn; Dearborn Heights; Garden City; and Inkster.

One hundred mosquito samples from these traps will be tested and monitored by the Wayne County health department for the virus during the three-month summer period.

Wayne County's Department of Public Services, in-

cluding the divisions of Facilities Management, Parks, Roads and Water Quality Management, are also assisting in the 2014 prevention efforts. Mosquito larvicide will be placed in standing water on county properties and storm water catch basins at maintenance yard facilities to eliminate breeding pools.

"West Nile virus transmitted by mosquitoes is a serious public health concern to residents and, each year, prevention is key," Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said. "These environmental measures can help Wayne County monitor and control mosquito populations more effectively, making the outdoors safer for residents to enjoy this summer season."

Individuals age 50 and over are at greater risk of being sickened by West Nile virus and all residents are advised to avoid exposure to mosquitoes and their bites. In 2013, nine individuals became ill and one died in the Wayne County



Mosquito traps have been placed around Wayne County to monitor for the presence of the West Nile virus.

health department jurisdiction. The virus reached epidemic proportions nationwide in 2003 and most recently in 2012.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-

vention, WNV has now expanded to all 48 contiguous states. There is currently no vaccine for humans.

For more information on West Nile virus and ways you

and your family can "fight the bite," visit waynecounty.com/hhs/WestNile.htm, cdc.gov/westnile or call Wayne County's West Nile virus hotline at 734-727-7445.

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Greenville College

Maria Koppelberger of Canton graduated May 25 from Greenville (Ill.) College.

Koppelberger graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in Spanish, international and cross-cultural studies.

Providence College

Marrianna Marcarelli, a resident of Ann Arbor, and a member of the class of 2014, has been named to the dean's list at Providence College for the spring 2014 semester.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.55 grade-point average with a minimum of 12 credits.

University of Iowa

Emma Buchele of Canton has been named to the University of Iowa's dean's list for the 2014 spring semester. Undergraduate students

in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Engineering and the Tippie College of Business who achieve a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher on 12 semester hours or more of graded course work during a given semester or summer session and who have no semester hours of I (incomplete) or O (no grade reported) during the same semester are recognized by inclusion on the dean's list for that semester.

Siena Heights

Siena Heights University recently announced its dean's and academic achievement lists for the winter semester 2014.

Canton residents making the dean's list included criminal justice major **Cynthia Bradford**, physical therapy assistant major **Aldi Dushku**, occupational studies major **Pamela Stone** and social work major **Brittany**

Thornton.

Canton residents making the achievement list included radiologic technology majors **Doha Alkhekani**, **Tranessa Burroughs**, **Melissa Herrick** and **Jeanette Kunze**, physical therapy assistant major **Jourdane Tanap** and **Ghazal Jones**, whose major is undeclared.

To make the lists, students must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average out of a possible 4.0.

The dean's list is for full-time students with at least 12 credit hours, and the academic achievement list is for part-time student with at least six and no more than 11 credit hours.

Robert Morris

Robert Morris University congratulated **Madelyn E. Betts** of Canton for being named to the spring 2014 dean's list. Betts is majoring in marketing.

Canton Farmers Market promises busy Sunday

Canton Farmers Market Manager Tina Lloyd has announced a flurry of activities from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the market, located in Preservation Park on Ridge.

Musical artist Bob Skon will be singing on the porch of the historic Bartlett-Travis House from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Master gardeners will have information and a display of an herb garden. Visitors are encouraged to stop by with garden questions.

Chef Paul cooks with seasonal produce from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

The Spotlight Players will be at the market with a free drawing for tickets to see *Aladdin* in July at the Village Theater. The drawing takes place at the end of the market.

The Canton Public Library hosts story time from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Also the bouncer

is available for children, weather permitting.

Vendors include Jen's Gourmet Dressings, Xiong's Asian Produce, Crunch Granola, Paw-la's Pantry (dog treats) and Michigan Garlic.

Michigan goods available include strawberries, spinach, garlic, kale, rhubarb, scallions, herbs, cabbage, mixed greens, radish, herb plants, vegetable garden plants, potted and hanging plants.

Food includes honey, granola, barbecue sauces, pasta sauces, blended teas, dressings, marinades, meat, farm eggs, baked goods, frozen falafel mix, garlic sauce, artisan cheese and bread, soft pretzels, jams, pasties and sauce and chicken pot pies.

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Pie-eating contest a delicious success

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

This year's pie-eating contest at Livonia Spree saw a rash of returning champions looking to defend their whipped cream-covered crowns. Several of them delivered.

Two returning champions took first prize in their division, including 13-year-old Joe Jarvis. He competed against anyone above the age of 12 when enough pies were left after the first three heats to stage an "older kids and adults" competition.

While Joe thought his pie-eating contest days were over last year, when he took home the top prize in the 11- and 12-year-old division, he came to the contest anyway with a friend and some younger cousins. When he saw the opportunity to compete, he took it and finished almost the entire Blazo's Pie Shoppe delicacy, beating out several adults and walking away with a smile on his face.

"It felt good," the Livonia resident said.

The annual *Observer & Eccentric Media* pie-eating contest took place Wednesday night, with 80 contestants lining up to try their luck and devour an entire pie in under a minute. Covered in whipped cream, contestants had their pick of chocolate or vanilla cream pies, which they ate without using their hands.

Jaclyn Piazza, a baker's assistant with Livonia-based Blazo's Pie Shoppe, said while two flavors were offered, it was clear which six-inch pie the children preferred.

"All of the kids like chocolate," she said. "It makes us feel good about our product."

This was the second year the pie shop has donated the goods for the contest. Prizes, including free movie passes and free Buddy's pizza coupons, were awarded to the winners by O&E and the Livonia Family YMCA, which has co-sponsored the event for several years.

Joe's mother, Ann-Marie Jarvis, said she was proud to



Michael Fowler competes; Chris Fowler coaches. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

see her son do so well at the contest one year removed from winning. She jokingly said Wednesday's event was just a precursor to a much larger eating competition he should enter.

"We'll take him to the Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest next," she said with a smile.

Several contestants, including 12-year-old George Spicer of Livonia, were able to down the entire pie. He ate the whole thing before time was up, leaving just a small amount of flaky crust in the pie tin.

He came into the Bright-house Networks tent at the Spree with confidence and walked away victoriously. Afterward, he said he knew he would win all along.

"I just did it with pure power and aggression," he said. "I'm very talented at this."

Seven-year-old Sadie Yessler of Livonia took home the top prize in the 7- and 8-year-old division. Pie-eating may

be something that runs in her family's blood: her mother, Carrie Yessler, won last year's adult heat.

"I'm passing down my gift," Carrie Yessler said. "We have two more (children)."

Aidan Russell, 10, of Livonia returned to reclaim his title of pie-eating champion in the 9- and 10-year-old division. He spent the entire minute concentrating on eating in order to win and may have forgotten to come up for air a few times.

"It's 60 seconds of no breathing," he said with whipped cream and pie crust stuck in his hair.

It was his mother, Karen Russell, who made the statement plenty of parents would probably make after her son was awarded first prize.

"I don't know if I should be proud or embarrassed," she said.

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Seven-year-old Sadie Yessler took first place in her age group. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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I-96 construction a nightmare for nearby businesses, residents

By Marlon A. Walker
Gannett Michigan

Redford Township resident David Nagy would rather stay home than battle the mind-numbing maze of clogged roads and detours that has become a part of daily life since the shutdown of I-96.

"We try to leave the house as little as possible. ... We feel almost like prisoners," said Nagy, who with his family lives on a street near the highway, just across Schoolcraft. "It's an absolute nightmare."

From motorists forced to maneuver around the seven-mile stretch to local businesses forced to watch their clientele disappear, October can't get here quick enough. That's when the seven-month shutdown of one of western Wayne County's busiest arteries — from Telegraph to Newburgh — is scheduled for completion.

The \$150 million overhaul involves building a new road and ramps, adding new overhead lighting and updating or replacing about three dozen bridges.

The old road is now piled in pieces throughout the seven-mile stretch, with some construction already beginning on the new road, said Diane Cross, spokeswoman for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The work is on schedule, she said. So far, about 14 miles of concrete has been poured, along with number of ramps, out of about 56 lane miles of roadway (four lanes in each direction.) Two bridges that are being rebuilt have been torn down and are undergoing reconstruction. The remaining 35 bridges have about two-thirds being rehabilitated, Cross said.

Still, local businesses located near the construction complain that they're especially hard hit.

Jerri Daniels, an assistant manager at Cloverlanes Bowl on Schoolcraft Road in Livonia,



Michigan Department of Transportation spokeswoman Diane Cross said the agency is doing what it can to ease traffic woes, from posting detours to adjusting the timing of traffic signals to keep vehicles moving. MDOT also has taken to social media to keep the public updated on the I-96 project. JARRAD HENDERSON | GANNETT MICHIGAN

said the summer months already are tough on the bowling alley. But this year, with construction detouring most traffic away from the area, business has been virtually dead. Around 3 p.m. on a recent Tuesday, just six people used several of the alley's 50-plus lanes.

"That freeway — nobody wants to fight the traffic," she said, grabbing rental shoes for a customer. "We're slow in the summer, but not this bad."

At Cloverlanes, the staff has been pared down from 30 to just five employees until the freeway re-opens. A summer league that normally places teams on a waiting list never filled up.

The bowling alley is rolling out a new special intended to entice people into the center, despite the hassle to get there: Friday, customers can rent shoes and bowl three games for \$5. In the meantime, the center is relying on other area bowling centers operated by their owner, Brunswick, to keep afloat financially.

"We're doing everything we can," Daniels said.

At the Looney Baker on Farmington Road near the closed portion of I-96, customers trickle in as afternoon traffic picks up around the area. Owner Jennifer Dean says the closure has affected business, but she says she knows it was for a good cause.

"It's definitely cut down on business," said Dean, who purchased the bakery with her husband, Greg, nine years ago. "We recognize it's going to be beneficial in the future."

The Deans have cut hours for employees and the business, as well as inventory, to make up for the temporary shortfall.

In the meantime, they're hoping their longtime customers will see them through the construction.

Other business owners are finding creative solutions to drum up customers.

Wine Palace co-owner Kelly Denha said he's employing folks on the weekend to hold signs near the closed portion of the freeway advertising deals to help push traffic into his store off Middlebelt Road. One includes a 15-pack of cans

of Budweiser and Bud Light for \$9.96, with the change displayed in the interstate sign.

"I keep telling myself it's about halfway over," Denha said. "We're offering aggressive sales and advertising more tastings to get people here."

Denha also said he's seen a bright side: a few new customers since the closure, likely using Middlebelt as their detour around the freeway construction. He's also gotten business from some of the construction workers brought to the area for the project. Some regular customers are even buying more to help out.

Still, the losses are there, he said.

"It's been challenging," Denha said. "But we've got loyal customers. That's helping us get through."

State officials say a full reconstruction is unfortunate but necessary. Steel bars were running perpendicular along freeway lane lines just below the asphalt, working to keep the lanes from buckling. As they separated — letting in air, water and other elements —

the ground heaved under the pressure. MDOT officials say workers have been filling gaps and making fixes for years to keep the road functional.

Cross said the agency is doing what it can to ease traffic woes, from posting detours to adjusting the timing of traffic signals to keep vehicles moving. MDOT also has taken to social media to keep the public updated on the project. Complaints have dropped about 80 percent since the project started, she said.

Eugene Mattison of Oak Park said the closure has added extra travel time to his frequent shopping trips to Menards in Livonia.

While he's counting the days until the interstate re-opens, he sees the long-term benefit to the freeway upgrades.

"I understand it's got to be done," Mattison said.

Nagy, 46, is less pragmatic. He can list a slew of gripes about the project — too many bridges closed at the same time, construction dust that coats the windows of his home on Columbia and noise.

And because of the bridge closures, Nagy said he jogs an extra mile out of his way to cross the interstate on his regular running route.

The closure adds an extra 30 minutes or more to Nagy's evening commute home from C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor or 20-25 minutes to his drive in the morning. His wife Amy, 42, spends an extra 20-30 minutes on her commute to and from Dearborn.

Rerouted traffic also affects surrounding streets and highways.

"The cars are non-stop on all the side streets heading east to west," Nagy said.

Because traveling is so inconvenient, the Nagys — who have two children, an 11-year-old boy and 9-year-old girl — find reasons not to drive.

"We hate going out any more," Nagy said.

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Local company builds fasteners used on I-96 project

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

One bridge along the I-96 project is sporting a product made right down the road.

Livonia-based AlphaUSA has provided contractors working on the seven-mile, \$148 million project with some direct tension indicator nut assemblies, or DNA, as AlphaUSA calls its product.

The DNA is a nut, bolt and washer, with the washer having raised ridges or bumps. As the nut is tightened into place, the bumps sink down on the bolt, indicating the nut and bolt are properly fastened with the correct amount of tension. Each assembly is engineered to be a self-contained load indicator.

"It's engineered to be flat once the nut and bolt assembly has reached proper clamp load," said David Lawrence, chief administrative officer for AlphaUSA. "There's no other way to measure clamp load on a nut and bolt assembly other than this method."

Using DNA on projects is a way to save time for workers needing to fasten pieces together, Lawrence said. While some direct tension indicators have been used by others in the industry, they consisted of several pieces, making the process "cumbersome." Lawrence said AlphaUSA's three-piece system is a smoother, more efficient installation method.

"It's always put together the right way," he said. "It's really starting to take traction in the industry."

The DNAs were installed June 20 by contractors on the Melvin Street bridge just west of Middlebelt, the first installation of the Livonia company's product in the state. About 480 bolts were installed.



A construction worker installs new fasteners designed by Livonia-based AlphaUSA on the Melvin Street bridge as a part of the I-96 reconstruction project. The bridge was the first place in Michigan where AlphaUSA's new product was installed.

Could be used across state

Jeff Horne, an engineer with the Michigan Department of Transportation, said while there's no mandate the state demands contractors find local products for their projects, any attempt to use materials from the community is seen as a plus.

If a local product meets standards and the price is right, contractors are encouraged to use those materials.

Construction on the freeway, which has been closed between Telegraph and Newburgh since early April, is

still on schedule, Horne said. He said the freeway is still estimated to open sometime no later than October.

AlphaUSA began in 1957 in Detroit and moved to several locations before settling in Livonia in 1969. The company currently employs about 100 people at its Livonia facility.

Lawrence said the DNAs were also installed on another state trunk line last week, along the future M-231 route in Ottawa County near Lake Michigan. The DNAs are being used on a bridge crossing the Grand River on the route, which is expected to be completed by 2016.

With the construction on the bridge on that route, Lawrence said several hours of work on the facets were eliminated with AlphaUSA's product.

Horne said AlphaUSA approached the contractors, offering the parts as a donation to try them out. They have worked out well so far, Horne said, which could lead to wider use in state projects. He said it could lead to as much as a 15-percent reduction in time from current procedures.

One of the biggest factors would probably be cost, Horne said: "They're more

expensive, but they do save on time."

Lawrence said once AlphaUSA heard about the I-96 reconstruction several years ago, it was the company's goal to receive approval from the state and approach the contractors, CA Hull and Dan's Excavating, about trying out its product just down the road from its Glendale headquarters.

"It was very important to us. We knew we had a product that could be used on state highways," he said. "We had a mission to get this product on that project. We're thrilled that we made that happen."

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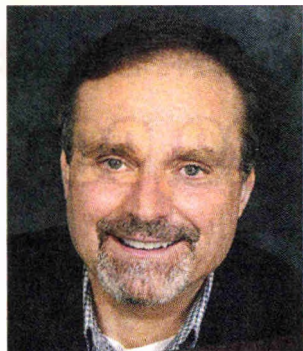
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GC woman survives scary lung cancer diagnosis and finds new life's work

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

Six months to live. Mary Jo Grand sat in the sterile exam room. The tumors spat out by her undiagnosed lung cancer had lit up the PET scan — dense black splotches throughout her lungs and arms and abdomen and neck and chest.

The doctor was talking. Grim, horrible statistics. Treatment. Experimental medicine.

Grand hadn't heard much after "six" and "months." She interrupted: "Do you know of anyone else who has survived this cancer?" She cringed at the sound of her own desperation.

Dr. Greg Kalemkerian looked at her. "One other person," he said.

Grand extended her hand: "Let me introduce you to No. 2."

That was 2008.

Not only is Grand of Garden City still around, but she has spent the intervening time since her cancer diagnosis raising funds and awareness for the single deadliest cancer. This year, lung cancer is expected to kill about the same number of women as breast, colon and ovarian cancer combined. Just 17 percent of lung cancer patients are alive five years after diagnosis.

And within the realm of cancer, lung cancer is the one that carries a huge stigma because of its association with smoking. About 80 percent of cases are in smokers or former smokers.

"It's the first question every time: 'Are you a smoker?' It's almost accusatory," she said. "It



Mary Jo Grand of Garden City has late stage lung cancer and now works to raise money for research and other patients. KATHLEEN GALLIGAN | GANNETT MICHIGAN

made me cry in the beginning. It's hard enough to get the diagnosis, let alone facing those who give you that 'I'll-take-my-compassion-elsewhere' look."

Sharing her story

By the time Grand was diagnosed, she hadn't smoked regularly for 15 years.

She had never smoked heavily; rather she grew up in a time that — she laughs now — when kids played around a knot of moms in "beehive hairdos and a cloud of cigarette smoke."

Grand is a patient advocate for the Houston-based M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, talking newly diagnosed patients through their panic.

She has twice organized fundraisers for patients with lung cancer at the University of Michigan, bringing in more than \$42,000 for U-M's work with lung cancer patients — among the largest donations to date. She is now starting to plan for another fundraiser in spring 2015.

And she has shared her story at events sponsored by the American Cancer Society and LungevityCQ, a Chicago-

based nonprofit that raises funds for lung cancer research.

But the more proximate reasons for her continued fight for others?

That's Tom Grand. He's the man she fell in love with when she first saw him in bell-bottom jeans and leather moccasins in a friend's basement. It was the 1970s. He was the lead singer and harmonica player in a local band.

Daughter Amber, now 32, and her son Travis, 29 — they're the other reasons.

In the family's Garden City living room in 2008, Tom and Mary Jo leaned on each other as they faced loved ones who had gathered to hear what they hoped would be good news after initial lab tests.

Instead: Lung cancer. Late stage. Six months.

It didn't seem possible for a woman who biked and hiked. A former PTA president who more recently had been working 60 hours a week.

Travis, a student at Wayne State University, stared at the carpet.

"I just remember 'I have cancer.' I just couldn't process it," said

HOW YOU CAN HELP

The Bonnie J. Addario Foundation works to raise awareness of lung cancer, boost early detection and raise funds for research toward better treatment. Its website also offers information to patients and loved ones and offers live-streaming support groups and workshops. Go to lungcancerfoundation.org.

Lungevity, another foundation raising awareness and funds for lung cancer, also offers resources for patients and loved ones. It has hosted at least three events in Michigan this year — two 5K walks and a fashion show. Visit lungevity.org.

Travis Grand, now an advertising copy editor.

Amber Grand collapsed to her knees, sobbing.

"You think that getting the diagnosis is bad," Grand said. "Try telling the news to your kids. Then, that's when it's really, really bad. It was the hardest thing I've done my entire life."

Learning her diagnosis

The nightmare began when — as she hurriedly showered on the way to meet friends and watch her daughter sing the national anthem for a Tigers game — Grand's soapy fingertips found a small knot on the right side of her neck.

Her co-workers urged her to check it out.

At the time, Grand was an event planner for the University of Michigan's Comprehensive Cancer Center. In fact, she'd just wrapped up its signature fundraising event, Women's Football Academy, which supports patients at the center and their families.

She chalked up the recent exhaustion and unexplained sores on her arm to stress and long hours. But then again ...

"It was the kind of fatigue where you know that you have to stop at the grocery store on the way home, but You.

Just. Can't," she said.

She was sitting at her desk in early September when the doctor called after a series of tests.

"She said, 'Mary Jo, you have cancer,'" Grand said.

She did the only thing she knew to do that that moment — "put my head between my knees because I honestly thought I was going to pass out."

"I thought, 'This is how it works? This isn't how it happens in the movies. I'm supposed to be in the office with my husband holding my hands.'"

Days later, Tom and Mary Jo, in fact, were in the doctor's office, the results of a biopsy confirming the worst.

Kalemkerian was talking about a clinical trial, led by Detroit's Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, in which patients received a novel combination of three chemo drugs. Days later, after hours of computer research, phone calls and prayers, the Grands decided they had little to lose.

Lung cancer is notoriously resistant to standard treatment, so the trial was a sliver of hope. Plus, even if it didn't work, perhaps she could help build the research that would help others to survive after her.

"I thought, 'If I'm

going to die and die quickly, then maybe here's the purpose to this. Maybe I can help the people behind me," she said.

There were 11 rounds of experimental chemo and radiation — the sort of grueling treatment and deep fatigue that forced her to leave her U-M job. Tom began juicing kale and beets and bok choy and carrots — setting the glass in front of her as often as she would allow him.

"It was like drinking dirt," she said.

Surprising the Grands as well as her doctors — it seemed to have worked.

The cancer disappears

Less than a year later, PET scans could find no trace of the cancer. In 2013, when a single tumor reappeared in her lung, she chose to undergo surgery — something that wasn't an option 4½ years earlier with metastasized cancer.

Grand's doctors, who have seen thousands of lung cancer patients, are clear about this case: Grand is an anomaly among lung cancer patients. Few late-stage lung cancer patients have the same outcome — one of the reasons that lung cancer is considered the "invisible" cancer.

Grand plans to change that. These days, she has begun plans to revive her fundraisers in 2015 and to continue her work with M.D. Anderson and Lungevity.

She knows the cancer may one day come back.

"I don't fail if I die from this cancer. I don't win if I survive. We all will die," she said. "It's what we do until then."

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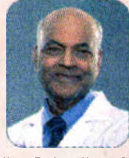
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Autos for Autism helps Burger School

The Burger Autistic School Association is putting out the call for vehicles to show off at the Autos for Autism event planned for Monday, July 14.

The 14th annual fundraiser will benefit the Burger School for Students with Autism and will be held, starting at 5 p.m., on the grounds of Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, north of Ford.

In addition to a variety of classic and custom vehicles, there will be two bands — The Cramp-ton Brothers and The Detroit Soul Men — raffle baskets, 50/50 raffle, a kids table with face painting and crafts, Smiggins the Clown, Star Wars characters and DJ support from Sweet Release.

Shultz's Backyard BBQ also will be on site to serve up beef brisket, pulled pork, brats and hot dogs. Chips and soft



Classic cars and classic car enthusiasts lined up to look at the rides at the annual Autos for Autism show, which benefits the Burger School for Students with Autism. FILE PHOTO

drinks also will be available at family-friendly prices.

The first 200 cars will receive a dash plaque and goody bag. There also will be awards given for Best of Show, Club Participation and 10 Celebrity Judge Awards, as well as 10 first- and second-place class category awards. Participating auto owners choose the winners for each of the 10 categories and the best of show.

New this year is the Kids Choice Best of Show. All kids under age 18 will be able to cast their vote for their favorite car.

Advance registration is \$10 and \$15 the day of the event. Registration forms can be found at a4a-basa.org/carshp.pdf

Autos for Autism is a nonprofit, fundraising car show event held every year on the second Monday in July. It's presented by BASA, the parent group at the Burger School for Students with Autism, located in Garden City. The school takes in students from the 34 school districts in Wayne County.

For more information, contact chairperson Lisa Clark at 734-323-3010 or send an email to autosforautism@yahoo.com.

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11:50, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:40
FRI/SAT LS 12:00

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11:10, 1:40, 4:10, 6:40, 9:15
FRI/SAT LS 11:45

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

HOOPS CAR WASH

Date/Time: Sunday, July 13, noon to 3 p.m.
Location: Dick Scott Dodge, Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: The Salem High School girls basketball team hosts a car wash fundraiser. Proceeds will help offset the cost of uniforms and equipment throughout the season.

FALL FEST CRAFTERS

Date/Time: Craft show is during Plymouth Fall Festival, Sept. 5-7
Location: Downtown Plymouth
Details: It's not too late to send in an application for a booth in the Plymouth Fall Festival Craft Show. Organizers say spaces are limited and are filling up quickly. Applications are available on the Craft Show page at www.plymouthfallfestival.com.
Contact: For more information, contact Colleen Brown craft-show@plymouthfallfestival.com.

IDENTITY THEFT

Date/Time: Friday, July 11, 10 a.m.
Location: Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth
Details: The Plymouth Council on Aging will host a presentation on identity theft with a speaker from the attorney general's office and Wayne County Commissioner Shannon Price. This presentation will provide valuable information on how to reduce the risk of falling victim to the fastest growing crime in America and what to do if you become a victim.
Contact: Call 734-453-1234, ext. 236, to RSVP.

SLEEP SOLUTIONS

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 2, 10:30 a.m.
Location: Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth
Details: Dr. Brian Brackney from the Wellness Professionals Foundation will speak on insomnia and effective solutions. The presentation will deal with the hormonal and neurological causes of this problem and the natural solutions that have helped millions of sufferers.
Contact: Call 734-453-1234, ext. 236, to RSVP.

BAREFOOT AUDITIONS

Date/Time: June 30-July 1, 7-9 p.m.
Location: Barefoot Productions Theatre, 240 N. Main, Plymouth
Details: Barefoot Productions hosts auditions for its summer production of the comedy *Southern Hospitality*, written by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten. There are roles for eight women (ages 20-65) and five men (ages 20-50).



VIOLIN WORKSHOP

The Little Stars Foundation offers a free violin workshop starting July 17 for children ages 7-11. This is the sixth year that TLSF has been providing free music workshops for local children. This workshop is aimed at introducing music to young children. The four-week workshop will be held 7-8:30 p.m. July 17, July 23, July 31 and Aug. 7 at the Canton Administration Building Meeting Room. No previous violin experience is required. Anyone interested in signing up should email tlsf@thelittlestars.org.

and film music become darker and more realistic.

» Aug. 20, The Classical Film Score, *Lost and Found* – Big changes in films and scores in the '50s but it all comes back again in the '70s.

Details: The Plymouth District Library will host music professor Karl Schmidt for a four-part series this summer. Schmidt will present music and video excerpts from films such as *The Jazz Singer* (1927), *Gone With the Wind* (1939), *The Best Years of Our Lives* (1946) and *High Noon* (1952), as well as a study of political and social changes that influenced all forms of art, including films. This music series is made possible through the Michigan Opera Theatre's Department of Community Programs and the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

Contact: Call 734-453-0750.

BNI MEETING

Date/Time: Each Thursday, 7-8:30 a.m.
Location: Red Olive Restaurant, 1051 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: The BNI Northville-The \$1 million Referral Chapter meets every Thursday morning.
Contact: For more information, visit www.NorthvilleBNI.com

Performances will be Aug. 15-24. The production will be directed by Mike Cuba, who has had many years directing and acting experience for companies all over southeast Michigan. He most recently directed several productions for The Spotlight Players in Canton, as well as Barefoot Productions in Plymouth.

Contact: Visit Barefoot's website at www.justgobarefoot.com or call Cuba at 734-812-0102.

HISTORY KIDS KAMP

Date/Time: Saturday, July 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Historical Museum

Details: The Plymouth Historical Museum hosts its third annual History Kids Kamp, where children can experience aspects of the Civil War by recreating what life was like during the war, including dressing in period clothing, getting their picture taken, as well as a chore race consisting of old-fashioned tasks from the mid-1800s. There will also be a scavenger hunt, which will entertain and educate while they search for clues to solve a puzzle. Children will be able to chat with Civil War soldier re-enactors who can answer questions, demonstrate marching and much more. The boys will be given the opportunity to "enlist" in the army.

Tickets purchased by July 18 are \$35 per child; after that, tickets are \$40; alternatively, the purchase of a new or renewed Daisy

membership to the Plymouth Historical Museum (value \$50) will allow one child to attend for free. The target age for children is 6-12 years old; however, children under 8 will need to be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are available at the Plymouth Historical Museum during open hours or can be purchased using Paypal on the museum's website. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main.

Contact: Call 734-455-8940 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVES

Dates/Times/Locations:
 » Wednesday, July 2, 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit, Canton
 » Wednesday, July 2, noon to 5:45 p.m., Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth
 » Thursday, July 3, noon to 5:45 p.m., Resurrection Church, 48755 Warren, Canton
 » Monday, July 7, 1-6:45 p.m., Church Of Christ, 9301 Sheldon, Canton
 » Sunday, July 20, 8:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren, Canton
 » Monday, July 21, 1-6:45 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth
 » Saturday, July 26, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., Living Word Church, 46500 N. Territorial, Plymouth
 » Monday, July 28, 1:30-7:15 p.m., Geneva Presbyterian

Church, 5835 Sheldon, Canton

» Tuesday, July 29, noon to 5:45 p.m., Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Drive, Canton

» Tuesday, July 29, noon to 5:45 p.m., Super Bowl Lanes, 45100 Ford Road, Canton

» Wednesday, July 30, noon to 5:45 p.m., Canton Municipal Office

Details: The American Red Cross sponsors the above blood drives in the local community. Appointments can be made, and walk-ins are welcome.

Contact: Call 800-redcross to make an appointment

CRAFTERS NEEDED

Date/Time: Oct. 18
Location: West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth

Details: The Delta Kappa Gamma Education Society hosts its annual juried Craft Show. Proceeds from the show provide scholarships for young people who are pursuing a career in education and mini-grants for educators in the district.

Contact: For more information, contact Debbie Cortellini at debcortellini@comcast.net or 734-451-1525.

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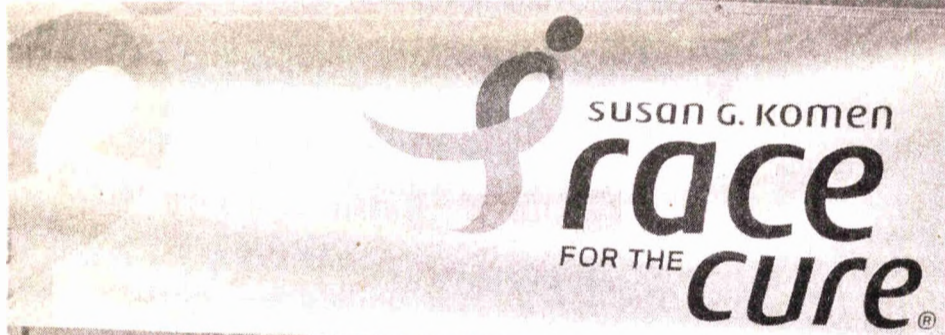
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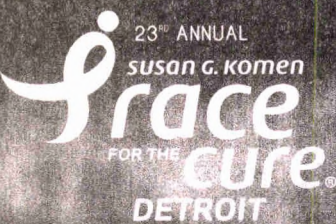
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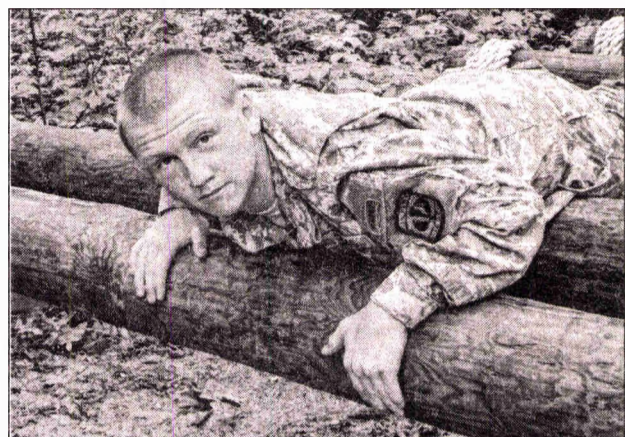
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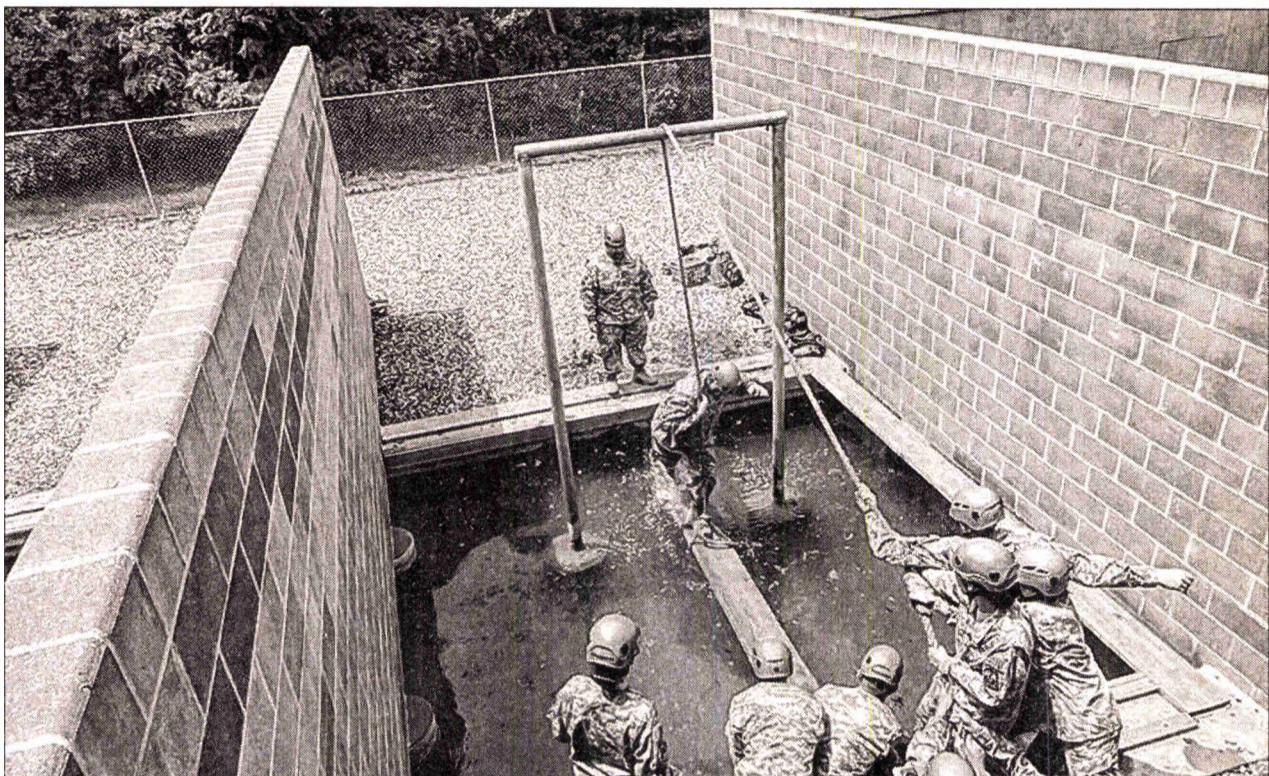
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JROTC Cadets create their own challenge



Cadet David Lakatos scrambles across logs as part of the obstacle course.



Wayne Memorial JROTC cadets work on getting team members across a pool of water as part of a mission at the Field Leader Reaction Course.

Cadets in the Wayne Memorial High School JROTC Zebra Battalion showed their creativity after finding out the annual JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge was canceled due to budget cuts by finding a way to make it happen on their own.

With the help of the Michigan National Guard, they were able to participate in their own JCLC at Fort Custer in Battle Creek, conducting training for three days

and two nights. The cadets experienced the Field Leader Reaction Course, where they were put in charge of a group and had to complete missions with limited supplies.

"They were challenged and had to think outside the box and use their critical thinking skills to complete each task," Cadet 1st Lt. Dennis Dean said.

Cadets also were trained on the use of military maps and util-

ized that training to find points in the woods with only a map and a compass.

While on the course, they faced an incoming thunderstorm and they quickly had to use the land navigation skills to find their way out and back to the starting point, Dean said.

They also completed a confidence course where they used their abilities to conquer the obstacles in front of them, whether it was low crawling un-

der wire or climbing over inclined walls.

"Each evening, half the cadets slept in Army barracks and the other half experienced a bivouac, sleeping in pup tents in the wild," Dean said. "They cooked s'mores and had a talent

show the night before we returned and we saw comedy, singing and even some skits."

And if that wasn't enough, the cadets had the chance to go on a road march for an hour, carrying a rucksack weighing more than 35

pounds on their backs. At the end of the march, all the cadets finished strong and were happy they went, Dean said.

"Every cadet who went had a blast and received the best training JROTC can give them," he added.

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SENDS OUT WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Plymouth Township Water and Sewer Department has sent out its annual drinking water quality report to consumers.

Among other things, the report discloses the amount of various materials in the water, including microbial and inorganic contaminants, and pesticides and herbicides.

The annual report has been required by law since the U.S. Congress passed the 1996 Safe Drinking Act Amendments.

Most of the Detroit metro area, including Plymouth Township, gets its drinking water from the Detroit River. The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department operates the water treatment facilities and pumping stations that supply water to the township, which operates the pipeline infrastructure and acts as the retailer to area businesses and residents.

Residents or business owners who have not received the report or have further questions can contact the Plymouth Township Water and Sewer Department at (734) 354-3270.

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Ground broken on long-awaited Northville development

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Schostak Brothers and Co. Chief Executive Officer David Schostak announced at the Northville Park Place groundbreaking that it already has a number of business commitments to help fill the future development, including Chipotle and Granite City Food and Brewery.

Held Wednesday morning at the southwest corner of Haggerty and Seven Mile roads, the ceremony took place while nearby workers were under way preparing the site for the second phase, which is part of the joint venture between Livonia-based Schostak Brothers and Bloomfield Hills-based REI Investment Group, Inc.

It's been a long journey for the 82 acres, from being covered in trees as part of the Northville State Regional Psychiatric Hospital to almost being annexed by Livonia to planners reaching an agreement



Developer David Schostak (far left), REI Investment's Gregg Orley (right of Schostak) and many others joined in the groundbreaking ceremony Wednesday at the Schostak property in Northville Township at Seven Mile and Haggerty. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

with Northville Township to make it into a vibrant, tax-generating mixed commercial site.

"A couple of thoughts

come to mind as we sit down here and one is all great things are worth waiting for and patience is a virtue," Schostak said



An artist's rendering of Northville Park Place, a mixed-use commercial site at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville Township.

to the gathered crowd. "This has obviously been a long time coming and there has been a lot of discussion about this project in particular."

He said the Great Recession of 2007-08 held up the plan, but now it's time to unveil what will be arriving in the next year.

According to Schostak, businesses that have signed leases thus far include Granite City Food and Brewery, Rusty Bucket, Sherwin Williams, BurgerFi, Chipotle and Jimmy John's.

Other opportunities are currently in negotiations as well, he said.

The Phase II portion is located on the northeast

22 acres of the 82-acre property owned by Schostak. The CEO said the development will open in spring 2015 and include 65,000 square feet of retail and restaurants.

The location will feature water ponds with floating fountains, an elevated waterfall, walkable paths, a gathering area and outdoor seating throughout the property, with a wide variety of perennials, ornamental grasses and flower features planted.

The company has completed Phase I of the overall development – the 100,000-square-foot new University of Michigan Northville Health

Center, which is expected to open in the coming weeks.

Schostak emphasized that what brought this plan together was cooperation between public and private entities.

He said the partnership with Northville Township will eventually assist in clearing the old psychiatric hospital property of the vacant buildings that are nothing but an eyesore and impediment in making that a park.

Some of the tax revenue generated by Northville Park Place businesses will go toward the township's plan to clear the neighboring property. Park Place will be directly connected to the future Northville Township Park via bike/walking paths.

There are more phases to come, from potential expansion of the medical facility to adding more retail along Seven Mile.

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Kids can get down, dirty at County Parks' Mud Day

The Nankin Mills Area of Hines Park will become a mother's worst nightmare when Wayne County Parks turns into sloppy playground from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, for its 26th annual Mud Day.

Parks workers will create a giant 75-foot by 150-foot mud pit, where children ages 12 and younger will have the opportunity to get down and dirty in one of the messiest playgrounds southeast Michigan has ever seen.

"Mud Day is a fun, unique and rare annual event that draws international attention," Wayne County Executive

Robert Ficano said. "Regardless of the time of year, Wayne County Parks have great opportunities for families to enjoy themselves and create life-long memories."

Thousands of kids will charge into the mud at 11 a.m.

Youngsters will be separated into age categories for events such as "Mud Limbo" and wheelbarrow races, before the 2014 King and Queen of Mud are crowned.

Children should wear old clothes and shoes and bring a clean change of clothes. There are no showers on-site; however, a cleanup area is



It's mayhem in the mud at the annual Mud Day celebration in Hines Park. FILE PHOTO

available with hoses to aid in rinsing off the

mud. Parents are also advised to bring a supply

of towels. Plastic bags

will be provided to ensure that all dirty clothes are properly contained for the trip home.

The Hines Park Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail, in Westland.

Sponsors for Mud Day include ITC Holdings, Community Alliance Credit Union, Kroger, CVS, Friends of Wayne County Parks and the Western Wayne County HMRT.

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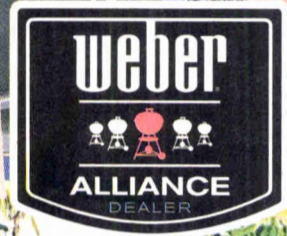


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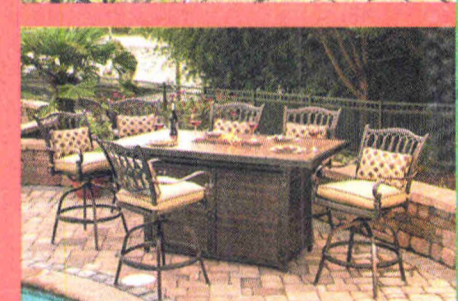
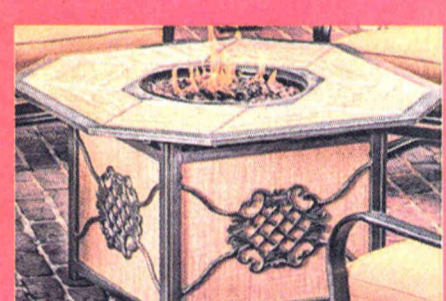
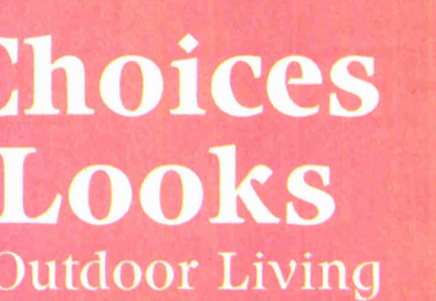
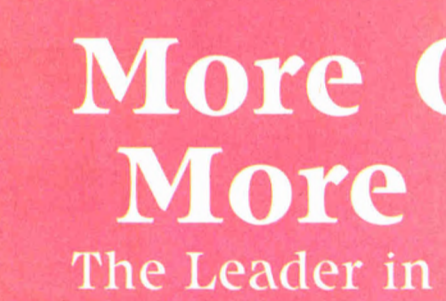
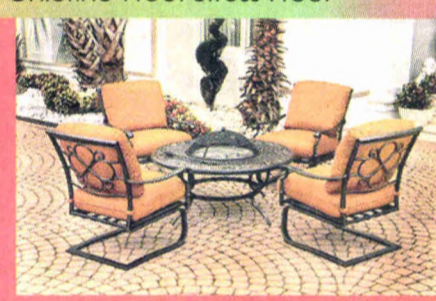
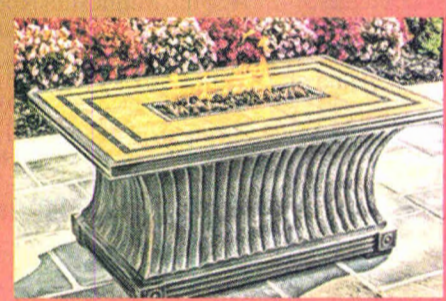
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Kesler on the move, flies to Ducks

Livonian traded by Canucks in NHL draft day deal

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The lure of winning a Stanley Cup has Livonia native Ryan Kesler changing teams for the first time in his NHL career.

The 29-year-old star center, who spent his entire 10-year career with the Vancouver Canucks, waived his no-trade clause Friday on the eve of the NHL Draft as he was acquired by the Anaheim Ducks for center Nick Bonino, defense-

man Luca Sbisa and the 24th overall pick.

The 6-foot-2, 202-pound Kesler compiled six 20-goal seasons and 392 points while playing an aggressive style. The two-time U.S. Olympian captured the Selke Trophy in 2011 as the NHL's best defensive forward.

"Thank you to the @VanCanucks organization, the owners,



Kesler

the trainers, my teammates and friends, and of course the fans," Kesler posted on his Twitter account. "Nothing but nice things to say about the city and team. Very excited to be joining the Anaheim Ducks and have a quest for the cup."

The Ducks have acquired Kesler to be the No. 2 center behind Ryan Getzlaf in a deal that will make the team a grittier, tougher Stanley Cup contender in 2014-15.

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Livonia native Ryan Kesler has played his entire NHL career with the Vancouver Canucks before being traded Friday to the Anaheim Ducks. ANN MARIE SORVIN | USA TODAY



Westland native Mike Modano (left) played for both the Dallas Stars and Minnesota North Stars. He also played many times against, and his final season with, his hometown Detroit Red Wings. FILE PHOTO

Modano enters as first-ballot Hall of Famer

Westland native played 22 NHL seasons

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

He's come full-circle, all the way from his days growing up as a youth in Westland.

Mike Modano is among six new inductees who will be enshrined Nov. 17 in Toronto into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The 44-year-old Modano, the longtime Dallas Stars player, is the top American scorer in NHL history with 561 goals and 1,374 points. The center added 58 goals and 88 assists in 176 playoff games. He captured a Stanley Cup in 1999.

The second American drafted first overall (in 1988), he was known for his blazing speed. Modano played for the Detroit Red Wings during his final season, won the 1996 World Cup with Team USA and won a silver medal at the 2002 Olympics.

"I think this obviously trumps them all," Modano said of his election. "I think this is the one thing when you retire, you are wondering if you have a big enough impact on and off the ice, that you might get this call in a couple years."

"It's the pinnacle. This is obviously the greatest recognition a player could ever get

among his peers and guys he played with. The guys I'm going in with are certainly some of the best guys, some of the best players, the game has ever had to offer."

Modano is a first-ballot inductee into the 2014 class, along with former Red Wings and Buffalo Sabres goalie Dominic Hasek and Colorado Avalanche and Quebec Nordiques forward Peter Forsberg.



Modano

Former L.A. Kings and Avalanche defenseman Rob Blake made it in his second year of eligibility, while longtime NHL referee Bill McCreary, along with the late Pat Burns, a coach with the Toronto Maple Leafs, will also be inducted.

"You have a Czech (Hasek), a Canadian (Blake) and a Swede (Forsberg). You can't get more international than that," Modano said. "All three of those guys were fierce competitors."

Modano played primarily for the Minnesota North Stars (four years) and Dallas Stars (17 years) franchises, for 21 of his 22 NHL seasons. In March, Modano's No. 9 jersey was retired by the Stars. He is also member of the U.S. Hockey

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PITCHER PERFECT

MLB-sponsored skills contest at Comerica Park brings out best in Canton youngsters at Pitch, Hit & Run event

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Forget Verlander and Scherzer, they've got nothing on Canton's Luke Janack and Ben Brandt.

Well, actually they do. But one could excuse Luke, 10 and Ben, 8, from feeling sky-high about their own skills after each won the recent Team Championships in their respective age division at Comerica Park in the Major

League Baseball-sponsored Pitch, Hit & Run Contest.

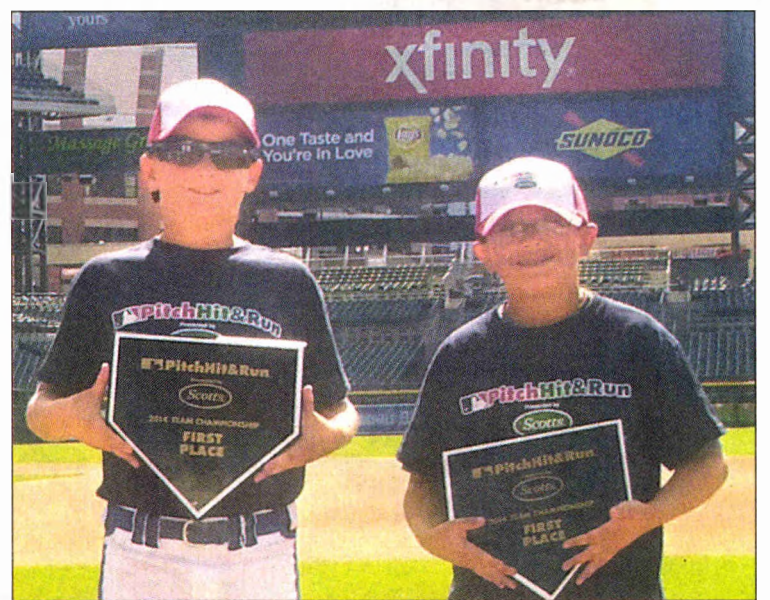
"He's pretty excited, it was pretty cool," Mary-Grace Brandt said about Ben's reaction to competing on a big league field. "It was cool just to be at Comerica Park and be able to pitch from (near) the pitcher's mound and stuff like that. That's crazy; how many kids can say they've done that?"

Having finished first in their respective age brackets

in the PHR local and sectional championships (held at Eastern Michigan University's Oestrike Stadium), Luke and Ben — who both attended Workman Elementary School in 2013-14 — qualified for the Detroit Tigers-hosted competition held June 7.

At Comerica Park, Luke (boys 9-10 division) and Ben (boys 7-8 division) each nailed all three facets of the team

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Luke Janack (left) and Ben Brandt, both of Canton, won their respective age division at the recent Pitch, Hit & Run contest at Comerica Park. Both will find out Sunday if they qualified for the national competition slated for MLB All-Star Game week at Target Field in Minneapolis.

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Whalers' GM Craig says: Let NHL draft chips fall

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Some of the Plymouth Whalers players that Mark Craig inherited from Mike Vellucci when Craig was named the Ontario Hockey League team's general manager in late May are pretty darn good.

They are so good that National Hockey League teams very well could select them during this weekend's annual entry draft.

"I'm excited for the kids," Craig said during a telephone interview before flying to Philadelphia, where the NHL draft was scheduled for Friday and Saturday. "That's why we're all here, right? To make sure they get an opportunity and I think we're going to have a few that are going to."

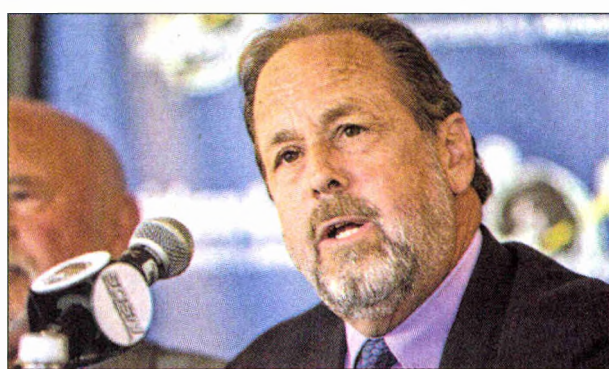
But the way the draft unfolds at Wells Fargo Center will be unpredictable, because nobody really knows how the dominoes will fall.

"The hard part is, I don't think it matters how long you've been in this job or how close you are to it," Craig said. "It's nothing you can predict. The years I've been involved in the past and then just watching as a fan over the years, I don't think you can predict anything."

"I think we like to think we can, but it's pretty tough."

Case in point is Plymouth's highly touted goaltender, Alex Nedeljkovic.

He is rated as the fourth-best North American goaltender by NHL Central Scouting Bureau and many prognosticators figure he will be drafted in the second round, although a selection in the first round is



New Plymouth Whalers general manager Mark Craig says the NHL draft is exciting, but unpredictable. RENA LAVERTY | PLYMOUTH WHALERS

not out of the question.

However, NHL teams sometimes hold off on drafting goalies too early in the draft.

"Once one is taken, it opens the doors for the rest," Craig said. "Hopefully Ned will be the first one taken and they'll take him early."

Yet Craig certainly would not be surprised to see Nedeljkovic get picked sooner rather than later when all is said and done.

"I've watched him enough for the last couple years and I love him," Craig said. "I like him as a person off the ice, as well."

"You really want him to go as high as possible. I haven't seen the other goalies that they try to compare him to. I just find it hard to believe that there's anybody as good as him at that age level."

Possibilities loom

Several other Whalers also are good bets to land with NHL clubs, namely defenseman Alex Peters, Josh Wesley and wingers Connor Chatham and Matt Mistele.

"I think Alex Peters and Connor Chatham both have a great opportunity," Craig said. "Peters, I think, has the leadership ability that

we love. I could see him going early, also because he's big and strong."

"Connor Chatham is another one. With Mistele, I hope somebody realizes that last year was an anomaly and he's a much better player than people may have thought."

Opportunity could also knock for Wesley.

"He's another kid I thought, just last year when I was watching the team and spending time with Mike (Vellucci) and Don (Elland, the new Whalers head coach), I thought showed great improvement," Craig said. "I thought the second half of the season, Josh Wesley probably made as much improvement as anybody we have here."

"Josh is another one that's going to surprise people with where he's taken."

Even though all five players (and a sixth in defenseman Yannick Yathgeb) could be fitted with NHL jerseys during the draft, Craig fully expects they all will be back at Compuware Arena with the Whalers for the 2014-15 season.

"I don't see any of them not returning," he said.

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KESLER

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Being strong down the middle is crucial in the Western Conference, because the champion Los Angeles Kings have four quality centers in Anze Kopitar, Jeff Carter, Jarret Stoll and Mike Richards. The Kings are a physical team and Kesler's presence adds prickliness to the Ducks.

In 2011, Kesler had 19 points in 25 playoff games as the Canucks lost to the Boston Bruins in the seventh and deciding game of the Stanley Cup Finals.

Last season, Kesler finished with 25 goals and 18 assists in 77 games as the Canucks failed to make the playoffs. That followed an injury-plagued 2012-13 season that included the NHL lockout in which he ap-

peared in just 17 games.

In 2014 Sochi Olympics, Kesler appeared in all six games, scoring one goal and adding three assists as the Americans finished fourth. In the 2010 Vancouver Olympics, Kesler had two goals in helping Team USA to a silver-medal finish.

Kesler, who played one season at Ohio State after graduating from Churchill High School, was the Canucks' first-round draft choice (23rd overall) in the 2003 entry draft. He played two seasons in the Ann Arbor-based U.S. National Development Team Under-18 program after scoring 44 goals and adding 73 assists in 72 games with Detroit Honeybaked junior program.

Kesler, who is considered a stellar face-off specialist, is a physical, two-way center whom the Ducks hope will become a force in the postseason.

Despite being traded to a team within his own division, Kesler was added to help offset the Kings' depth down the middle during the playoffs.

Ironically, the Ducks posted their best regular season in franchise history to go along with a Pacific Division title, but the season ended with a second-round exit against the Kings.

And by acquiring Kesler, the Ducks will have a proven second line center behind Getzlaf, the team captain and runner-up for the Hart Trophy. Kesler has two remaining years and \$10 million left on his contract.

"I'm going to Anaheim to win a championship," Kesler told the Association Press. "That's going to be my sole goal and my team's sole goal."

USA Today's Kevin Allen contributed to this report.

MLB SKILLS

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competition and will find out Sunday afternoon on the MLB Network whether they are PHR national finalists.

Sunday unveiling

The live announcement will take place between 3-4 p.m. Sunday during the *MLB Tonight* program. Results also will be posted on the PHR Facebook page (www.facebook.com/pitchhitrun).

"Luke qualified as an 8-year-old also; he won the state championship then," said his dad Scott Janack, also Luke's baseball coach with the 10-U Michigan Blue Jays travel team. "But he did not qualify for the national championship, which was in New York."

"This time, he did much better, hit the ball a lot farther. He actually hit the pitching target two times additionally, so he hit it four out of the six times, which is huge because pitching usually makes the difference."

Ben - in his first year of travel baseball - also threw four strikes out of six tries from a distance of 45 feet. That's not far from the very mound Justin Verlander, Max Scherzer and other Detroit Tigers deliver their pitches.

If either or both get the nod (the top three scores nationwide in each age group will be invited to the national finals) it will be on to Target Field in Minneapolis for the ultimate PHR competition - not to mention being allowed to shag fly balls on the field during the Home Run Derby.

With four boys divisions and four girls divisions, only 24 youngsters from around the country will get that opportunity July 14.

Fun surprise

Mary-Grace Brandt said it was exciting to

"He's pretty excited, it was pretty cool. It was cool just to be at Comerica Park and be able to pitch from (near) the pitcher's mound and stuff like that. That's crazy; how many kids can say they've done that?"

MARY-GRACE BRANDT
mother of Ben Brandt,
Pitch Hit & Run champion
from Canton

find out two of the Comerica Park division winners hail from Canton and were school-mates, too. This fall, Luke will move over to Pioneer Middle School for sixth grade.

In addition, both play for the Blue Jays baseball club, albeit on different teams. Ben is a starting pitcher on the 8-U team; Luke is a pitcher and center fielder for the state champion 10-U team.

"We didn't know until we were at Comerica Park that (Luke) was there. Neither one of us knew because they had done the local and sectional competitions for the different age groups at different times," Mary-Grace Brandt said. "So we didn't know until the day of that they were also there. So it was kind of fun."

According to Scott Janack, his son has an improved chance to go to the MLB All-Star Game based on the marked improvement he made just in pitching alone since 2012.

"If you miss the target, you get zero (points)," he said. "If you hit it one time, you get 50 and then it's 75 additional

points after that. "This year, he was able to get 150 more points than he had in the past; he was ranked 17th when he won it at Comerica Park last time."

"So the chances of the All-Star Game has moved up the list a little bit."

It doesn't hurt that Luke clubbed the ball off a tee and "is one of the fastest kids anyway, so that's going to be to his credit. I think he's got a much better chance this year than a couple years ago, that's for sure."

Pitching prowess

Brandt said both Luke and Ben tallied the best pitching scores of any of the Comerica Park hopefuls, regardless of age. "That was cool, too, that they were both dominant in pitching," she said.

But both families will have to wait until this afternoon to find out just how well things went in the hitting and running components of the popular contest, which draws thousands of participants every year.

"They had people out with measuring tape, measuring the distance they hit, clocking them running the bases, but they don't release those times (until today)," Brandt said. "It's a combined score over all three events."

"For the hitting, it is off a tee, judged for distance and accuracy. ... They have a white line drawn out in the outfield and you have to try and hit it as close to that white line."

Regardless of how it shakes out with the MLB Network announcement, both Luke and Ben likely will cross paths between the white lines several years down the road.

Luke and Ben are projected to go to Canton and Plymouth high schools, respectively. The Park could have quite a pitching rivalry in another five or six years.

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Huron Valley names new athletic director after Ott steps down

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Jim Ott wore many different hats and juggled many balls during his 14-year stay at Westland Huron Valley Lutheran High School.

Ott served as the school's athletic director and coached the varsity boys basketball team for 14 years and the varsity boys soccer team for 13. He also taught math, weight training and physical education.

Ott will be stepping down at the end of the month to take a teaching position



Kasten

at Kettle Moraine Lutheran H.S. in Jackson, Wis., located 20 miles north of Milwaukee.

Ott's wife Susan will be taking a second-grade teaching position in Lannon, Wis. His daughter Madison, who just completed her sophomore season at HVL playing volleyball and softball, will be a junior at Kettle Moraine, while younger sister Mikayla will be an incoming freshman.

Ott will be leaving to teach math (and perhaps coach) at a bigger Lutheran high school. Kettle Moraine has an enrollment of 400, while HVL's hovers near 100.

"I've made a lot of relationships over the last 14 years," Ott said. "The toughest thing to leave is all the people that I came in contact through Huron Valley. We've even had officials call and wish me well, which is pretty cool."

"I don't know if it was an opportunity, but it seemed to be the right time for Huron Valley,

the right time for my family and everything. It wasn't necessarily the opportunity for me, but more of an opportunity at the right time, I think."

Ott's successor will be 39-year-old Brian Kasten, a native of Benton Harbor, who has been teaching at St. Paul's Lutheran Grade School in Cudahy, Wis.

Ott, a native of Stevensville, and Kasten, have traveled similar paths. Just two years apart, both attended St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran H.S. and Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minn.

"They issued me a call to see if I'd be interested in being athletic director and I am very excited about this opportunity," said Kasten, who played football at Martin Luther and was a three-sport athlete (soccer, baseball, basketball) at Michigan Lutheran H.S.

After graduating from Martin Luther College, Ott spent four years teaching at a Lutheran grade school in South Dakota before he was hired in 2000 at Huron Valley Lutheran by former Principal Tim Plath.

Ott served on the building committee to break ground on a new gymnasium at HVL, which eventually opened in December 2004 after a round of delays to meet fire inspection codes required by the city of Westland.

And when Ott arrived at HVL, there was another Lutheran high school, Lutheran High Westland (enrollment 202), sitting right on the doorstep, in an adjacent middle school building which had been closed by Wayne-Westland Schools.

Less than 100 yards

apart, HVL is a member of the Wisconsin Synod denomination, while Lutheran Westland is Missouri Synod.

Ott, however, was able to forge a productive working relationship with Lutheran High Westland A.D. Mike Unger. Both schools are members of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. HVL was an original member, while Lutheran Westland joined the MIAC after the Metro Conference disbanded following the 2010-11 school year.

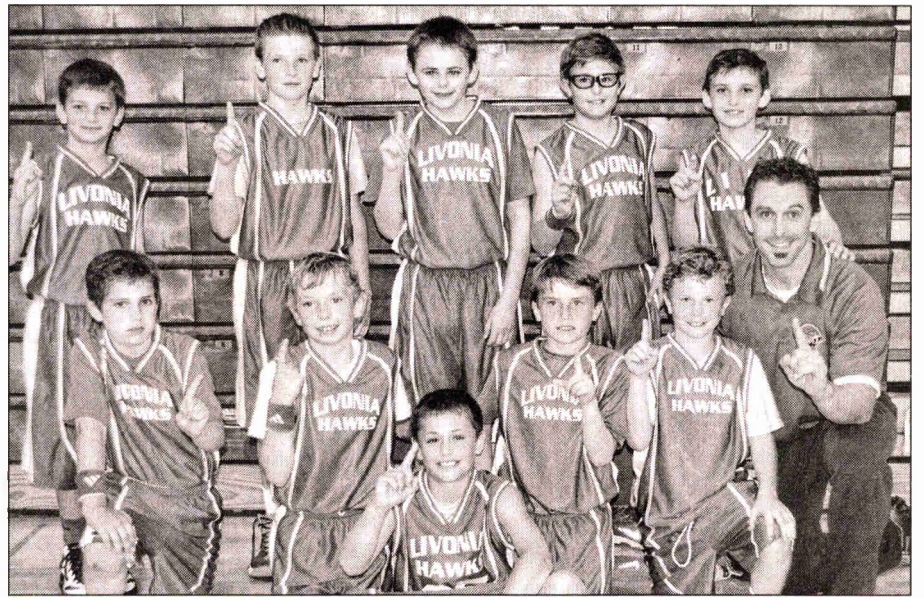
"Over the course of time, when I first got there, I had heard the relationships between the two schools weren't all that great and I don't know why they shouldn't be because there's really good people over there," Ott said. "There's also good people at Huron Valley, so I think over the course of time Mike (Unger) and I ended up being great friends."

Ott said he would be remiss in not singling out Kris Ruth, a teacher at HVL and varsity girls basketball coach, who was always there to lend a valuable hand.

"Over the course of the years, we've worked together the whole time and she got here the year before I did, so she's been here 15 (years), I've been here 14 and obviously we've grown together as friends, as work partners, too," Ott said. "It started out as a joke that she was the assistant A.D. and it kind of turned into a true role that she played for the athletic department. She did a lot behind the scenes that a lot of people see, but some people don't see."

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Spring hoop champs



The Livonia Hawks fifth-grade boys basketball team recently captured the Big Cat Spring League with a 9-1 record. Team members include: (front) Jacob Mars, (second row, from left) John Lentz, Joey Siebert, Carson Breen, Collin Breen and coach Ryan McGlinch and (third row, from left) Dominic Ufferman, Ethan Young, Brendan Frieders, Griffin Steffes and Colin McGlinch. Also on the team are Scott Borseth, Tommy Cormier and Ethan Treharn. RYAN MCGLINCH

MODANO

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Hall of Fame.

"Since '88, being with this organization a long time, and the year in Detroit was obviously quite an experience and thrill," Modano said. "But 21 years with Dallas and Minnesota, I really couldn't ask for more of a storybook-type career from start to finish. Two locations, being impactful in both cities, two states ... for the game to be down here, you feel you have a little bit of an input and impact on that to see how it's turned around here (Dallas). It was always the thing I wanted to do, was to retire a Dallas Star. And I was fortunate to come back and do that."

While attending Livonia Franklin High School, Modano played for Little Caesars AAA Midget Major team in 1985-86, scoring 66 goals and adding 65 assists in 69 games, before going to play junior hockey in the Canadian province of Alberta,

where he became a prolific scorer.

"When I played, I always hoped that I could make an impact on the game, both on and off the ice, and this honor recognizes that," Modano told NHL.com. "I love this game and as an American born player, I owe a lot to the people in Prince Albert (Western Hockey League) who helped me take my game to the next level."

Modano and his wife Allison (Micheletti), a professional golfer, are expecting their first child next month. She got the Hall of Fame news first.

"I saw Allison, then called her dad (Joe Micheletti) right away," Modano said. "He's a good friend, had a big impact since we played (together) in '88. Joe and I go way back for a long time. It's a weird story that he's my father-in-law now (laughing). Things work out weird ways in life. I called my mom (Karen) and talked to them. My dad (Mike) was expecting that call. He wasn't worried about it. He was calm about it. Karen was pretty

excited."

Modano, who officially announced his retirement Sept. 23, 2011, still views the game of hockey in the same light. In 2003, the city of Westland renamed its municipal ice skating facility Mike Modano Arena.

"We're always a kid in this game," he said. "I don't think we ever grow up. That's what playing a pro sport is, you're always a kid at heart when you're around each other and playing this game a long time. At some point, you're asked to grow up a touch here and there. But I fought that for a long time and still do. I truly enjoy life. I just enjoy it and I'm blessed with a lot of things."

"It was really hard to put into words. As far as hockey goes, there's nothing more else to do. That pretty much ends it right there, but it's certainly the best of them all to be recognized by the committee as far as what your impact has been on and off the ice."

Gannett News Services contributed to this report.

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Stevenson hockey

The Livonia Stevenson summer boys hockey camp begins Monday, July 7.

For dates, times, application forms and other information, email Stevenson head coach David Mitchell at dmitchel@livoniapublicschools.org.

Churchill hockey

The Livonia Churchill summer hockey camp will be 10-11:20 a.m. Monday through Friday, July 7-11 and July 14-18, at Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon, Livonia.

The cost is \$175 (checks should be made payable to Churchill H.S.).

For more information, email Churchill coach Jason Reynolds at Jayrey48152@gmail.com or call 734-788-0447.

Madonna volleyball

Madonna University will offer a series of summer volleyball camps for middle school and high school players including:

Setters - 8:30 a.m. to noon Sunday through Wednesday, June 29 through July 2; hitters (session I) - 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday, June 29 through July 2; hitters (session II) - 8:30 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday, July 7-10; and defensive - 1-4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, July 10.

The cost for each camp is \$135.

For more information, call MU coach Jerry Abraham at 734-432-5612 or email jabraham@madonna.edu.

Canton football

A summer football camp run by the Canton High School program is slated for July 14-17 at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity field.

The camp is for players entering grades 7-9 in fall 2014. Times are 5-7:30 p.m. Contact Richard Mui at 248-229-2738.

Visit www.cantonchiefsfootball.com to download a flier.

Churchill hoops

The Churchill girls 2014 summer basketball camp (grades 5-9 in the fall) will be 3-6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, July 15-18, the high school. The cost is \$50.

For more information, email coach Matt McCowan at mmccowan54@gmail.com or call 248-761-9201.

Lutheran soccer

A soccer mini-camp for beginning and intermediate players (boys and girls ages 5-12) will be 6:30-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, July 21-24, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The cost is \$20 (includes T-shirt, snacks and soccer ball).

To register, visit www.christsaviors.org; or call 734-522-6830.

Harrison volleyball

Harrison High School will host a girls volleyball camp July 22-24 in the school gym.

The hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for girls who will be in the grades 4-6 in the fall, 1:45-4 p.m.

for girls in grades 7-8.

The cost is \$55 at the door. There is a family discount of \$50 per girl for a family with two or more children participating.

A concussion form must be completed and signed. Go to farmington.k12.mi.us to find the form.

For more information, call either coach Mike Love at 313-758-1185 or coach Sue Kendall at 248-505-7261.

CC basketball

Detroit Catholic Central High School will have a boys basketball camp from 9 a.m. until noon (grades 5-7) and 1-4 p.m. (grades 8-9) Monday through Thursday, July 7-10, at the high school, 27225 Wixom Road, Novi.

To download a flier, visit catholiccentral.net.

For more information, email CC coach Bill Dyer at dyerja01@southredford.net.

MU cross country

Madonna University will stage summer cross country base camps for serious high school runners 8:45-9:45 a.m. July 28 through Aug. 1. The cost is \$75.

MU will also hold long runs 7:30-9 a.m. Saturday, July 12, July 19, July 26 and Aug. 2, at Cass Benton Park.

The cost is a \$2 donation each long run.

For more information, email Pat Daugherty at pdaugherty@madonna.edu. Daugherty can also be reached during the evenings at 734-658-0226 (cell) or 734-432-5634 (office).

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Diamond gems make all-area softball team sparkle

FIRST TEAM

Hanna Warren, Canton: Despite missing several weeks due to an ankle injury that hampered her the rest of the season, Warren was a major reason why the Chiefs won the KLAA South Division, districts and regionals.

The co-captain, who will pitch at Central Michigan University, gutted it out to register a 10-1 record. She struck out 76 in 57 innings and threw four shutouts. Warren chipped in with a .403 average, drilling three homers and knocking in 17.

"Our team played with so much more confidence with Hanna in the circle," coach Al White said. "She has an outstanding personality and is a great teammate. She could take over a game."

Abby Krzywiecki, Mercy: Krzywiecki was Mercy's primary pitcher and one of its leading hitters. She was 18-1 with one save and a 1.62 ERA. She recorded 120 strikeouts and 49 walks in 121½ innings. Krzywiecki led the Marlins with 54 RBIs and was second in average at .530. Her team-best 53 hits included nine doubles, one triple and seven home runs.

"Abby was a workhorse for us," coach Sara McGavin said, adding Mercy didn't have a deep pitching staff. "In the summer, Abby is not even really a pitcher. But she stepped in and did a really good job. We won the Catholic League with her and she took us deep into the state tournament."

"Besides pitching in all the big games, she was a huge hitting threat and drove in a lot of runs. We were able to win a lot of ballgames (25-3) with her combined pitching and hitting. (Opposing teams) don't want her coming up with people on base. She's going to drive them in."

Rozlyn Price, Ladywood: The junior right-hander went 25-9 with a 2.60 ERA en route to first team all-area honors for the second straight year.

In 207 innings, Price struck out 250 batters and walked 67 as she earned first team all-state, all-district, all-region and all-Catholic honors.

"She's a powerful athlete, a powerful hitter," coach Scott Combs said. "Still has a huge upside pitching-wise. Never gave up and certainly saw some valleys this year, but we found a way to get through those. I told her at some point of the year, 'We're going to have a lot of fun this year, stick with it.' And we did have a lot of fun and I tip my cap to her. Pitching is like a goalie on the hockey team. It's a very, very tough, isolated position and she was one of our keys."

Brooke Senkbeil, Plymouth: The hard-nosed catcher, headed to Aquinas College, capped off an outstanding four-year career, batting .505 and driving in 38 runs while providing sturdy defense.

Senkbeil's efforts were rewarded with selection to the all-conference and all-region teams. She also was an all-state honorable mention pick.

"Her dedication, determination and drive has driven Brooke to the top her senior year," coach Beverly McManus said. "From the minute she stepped on the dirt at PHS softball, she has positively impacted her teammates, coaches and fans."

Victoria Lupher, Churchill: The junior catcher, who started every game but one, batted a whopping .516 (63-for-122) with 16 doubles, nine triples, four homers, 37 RBIs and 44 runs scored en route to all-KLAA and all-district honors.

"After sitting behind one of the best catchers last year in Casey Bias (Ferris State), Victoria really came on this year hit-

ting; she led us in almost every category this season," Churchill coach Steve Gentilia said. "Her speed on the bases was also a threat, allowing her to hit 25 extra base hits. She also gets it done in the classroom with all honors courses and a GPA over 4.0. She is an all-around student-athlete."

Katie Lipinski, Stevenson: The senior catcher, who is headed to Indiana Tech, batted .489 with three homers and 21 RBIs.

Lipinski also excelled defensively, throwing out 24 of 28 base stealers, as well as picking off six runners.

"Katie was second on the team in hitting for average and hit from the No. 4 or 5 spot all

year," Stevenson coach Mike Reilly said. "I did not see a better catcher all year than Katie. She played every game on our schedule at catcher and still produced at a high level."

Hallea Garcia, Ladywood: The senior first baseman, bound for the University of Michigan-Dearborn, batted .401 with a team-best 59 RBIs en route to all-Catholic, all-district, all-region and first team Division 2 all-state honors.

Garcia finished with eight homers, 22 doubles and scored 40 runs for the state runner-up Blazers.

"She just a great story in the word *perseverance*," Combs said. "She came into me in December and said she wasn't sure if she wanted to keep playing. She said she wasn't sure she was going to get playing time. I said, 'Do not give up. I see you in a great role and a chance to start.' And she didn't give up. The girl that didn't give up, thank God. She hit the three-run homer to win the districts."

Katlyn McIntosh, Garden City: The senior second baseman was a big-time contributor during all four of her varsity seasons. A slick defender, McIntosh was also a weapon at the plate, hitting .463 from the No. 2 hole while ripping 28 doubles and 14 triples. McIntosh has committed to play college softball at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

"Katlyn has been a four-year varsity starter for us at Garden City and a mainstay in our lineup, both offensively and defensively," coach Barry Patterson said. "She's a player who has the whole package: speed, power, good range and a strong, accurate arm. It has been quite an honor and a pleasure watching her blossom from a talented but very shy ninth-grader into the mature young woman she's become. Katlyn has helped lead our team with her knowledge of the game, her experience and her genuine enthusiasm."

Kendyl Richter, Canton: Another Canton co-captain was Richter, who along with lead-off hitter Elizabeth Yager more often than not provided plenty of scoring opportunities for No. 3 hitter Aresco.

Richter batted .412 and slammed 12 doubles, making things happen with her hitting skills and speed on the base paths. She also earned all-KLAA and KLAA scholar-athlete honors.

On defense, few handle second base as flawlessly as the senior, who won the team's Golden Glove Award for a third straight year.

"Kendyl has the uncanny ability to leave her feet and still make the play," White said. "She was the type of player I would recruit (during his coaching career at Madonna University). Great intensity."

Paige Aresco, Canton: Whenever the Chiefs needed a big play on defense or a clutch hit, senior co-captain Aresco delivered with aplomb.

Aresco posted a .524 aver-

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only kid I have to tell over and over when we're doing infield: 'Stop diving, you're going to get hurt.' Just a great team player."

Jordan Ewald, Mercy: The senior shortstop played a major role defensively and was one of the team's leading hitters with a .410 average in the cleanup position.

Ewald counted 13 doubles, one triple and two home runs among her 41 hits. She also drove in 30 runs and scored 22. Ewald will play softball at Michigan-Dearborn.

"Jordan was a great leader as one of my captains," McGavin said. "She kept everybody focused and was a leader on the field."

"If teams pitched around Alex and Abby, they had to face

Jordan. She benefited from (hitting behind them), because teams had to throw to her. We had a lot more short games this year. We were teaching the girls to hit behind runners and move runners. Coming up with runners on base, Jordan didn't always have the opportunity to (hit home runs). She still had power and a great year at the plate, putting the ball in play."

Alex Sobczak, Mercy: The junior third baseman and three-year starter moved to the lead-off position this year and batted .613. Her 49 hits included 11 doubles, three triples and nine home runs.

Sobczak scored a team-high 62 runs and batted in 35. She also had 24 stolen bases, a .733 on-base percentage and 36 walks (19 of which were intentional).

A three-time all-area selection, Sobczak has committed to play at Michigan.

"She played a great third base," McGavin said. "She took away the short game from a lot of teams that like to bunt."

"She was one of the most feared hitters. A lot of teams wouldn't even pitch to her and when they did, she definitely put the ball in play. She was a huge threat at the plate. She's one of the hardest working kids I know. She's just an all-around great athlete."

Abby Joseph, Garden City: The junior third baseman/catcher earned Division 1 all-state accolades for the second consecutive season after hitting .469 with three home runs and 42 RBIs. She anchored a potent batting order from the clean-up spot, leading her team to the D-1 quarterfinals.

"Abby is certainly one of the best and most-feared hitters in our lineup," Patterson said. "I think that because of the fireworks she produces at the plate, her solid and sometimes even stellar defensive plays sometimes tend to get overshadowed. Leadership, dedication and preparation are definitely her strong suits. Abby is always working on her craft and looking for ways and opportunities to make herself and those around her even better. Fortunately, we get to reap the benefits of her talent for another season."

Nikki Wald, N. Farmington: Wald, who will be a preferred walk-on at Michigan, was a four-year starter, beginning her prep career in right field and moving to third base to fill a need.

She was a prolific hitter, batting .474 this year and .456 for her career. Despite a hamstring injury, Wald had two doubles and two triples among her 37 hits. She had 18 stolen bases and scored 31 runs.

Wald owns the school record for career stolen bases with 58. She also had 196 hits, 46 RBIs and 157 runs scored in her career.

"Nikki made her mark on the program, too," Brybak said. "It's not every day (U-M coach Carol Hutchins) puts her hand out and says, 'We want you to come to Michigan.' She's another ballplayer who's not easily going to be replaced."

"If she had stayed in the outfield, she would have been an all-state selection her junior and senior years. I had to move her to third base because of her athleticism and knowledge of the game. She didn't complain; she said: 'I'll be the best I can be.' We would've had an airtight outfield (with Wald in center) because she would have covered everything from left to right field."

Brittney Miller, Plymouth: The senior third baseman packed a punch, batting .453 with seven home runs and 42 RBIs while handling the hot corner spectacularly.

Miller, who will play Division I softball at Oakland University, earned all-conference and all-region honors.

Her all-around play spearheaded Plymouth's strong 19-9 record.

"Brittney is a fierce competitor," McManus said. "Her throws are like a blazing lightning rod to first base, not to mention her electric bat hitting numerous out-of-the-park home runs."

Julia Cavagnini, Churchill: The senior center fielder, bound for Madonna University, hit .490 (50-for-102) with 12 doubles, one triple, 25 RBIs and 40 runs scored on her way to all-KLAA, all-district and all-region honors.

"Julia is the type of player you want your younger players to take after," Gentilia said of the four-year varsity standout.

"She has a strong work ethic and a will to compete in everything she does. She will be greatly missed in our team culture next year."

Anne St. John, Huron Valley Lutheran: The junior left fielder led the Division 4 state quarterfinalists in hitting (.568), including a school-record nine homers to go along with eight doubles, 38 RBIs and 33 runs scored.

St. John earned all-conference, all-district, all-region and first team all-state honors.

"Anne had an outstanding year at the plate this year," coach Eric Ruth said. "She missed most of her sophomore season due to a shoulder injury, but she worked hard in the off-

season. She batted .750 in conference games. She came up with a lot of key hits in clutch situations. We found that in the second half of the season, she got pitched around more. Defensively, she is a solid outfielder with a great arm."

COACH OF THE YEAR
Eric Ruth, Huron Valley Lutheran: The 17th-year coach, who boasts a career record of 189-140, guided the Hawks to a 22-3 record, including the first regional title in school history along with being co-champions of the Blue Division in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

"We had our goals set from the beginning of year on three things - conference, district and regional champs," said Ruth, a 1994 HVL grad. "The girls worked hard to achieve those goals, which they did. This group of girls are really passionate about softball and are very competitive. We had great team chemistry using those traits to keep us focused on our goals."

"Their competitive nature really helps to push them in practice, as they like to compete with each other, too."

"Julie St. John had a great year on the mound, her era of 0.73 was a key part of our defense. Offensively, we had strong hitters all the way through our lineup, one through nine. I had nine girls that had 20-plus hits on the season."

Ruth, a volunteer coach who owns a construction company, is a 1999 graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

"I really enjoy working with the girls and teaching them about a game I love," he said, "but also the life lessons that can be learned from sports."



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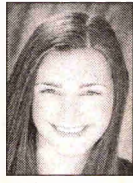
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PAY IT FORWARD DAY

Livonia mom calls for safe driving, kind acts on Sunday, June 29

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Jennifer Lashbrook will honor the memory of her late son, Brad, by taking three actions on Sunday, June 29.

She invites you to do it, too.

"Drive perfectly, as if you were on a road test all day long. Do one random act of kindness and recognize the number 56," said Lashbrook, a Canton resident, who formerly lived in Livonia.

Brad died in an auto accident on June 29, 2010, within weeks after graduating from Livonia's Churchill High School. The car in which he was a passenger was speeding when it went off the road and hit a tree. The driver and another passenger were injured in the crash. Brad was buried in his #56 varsity football jersey.

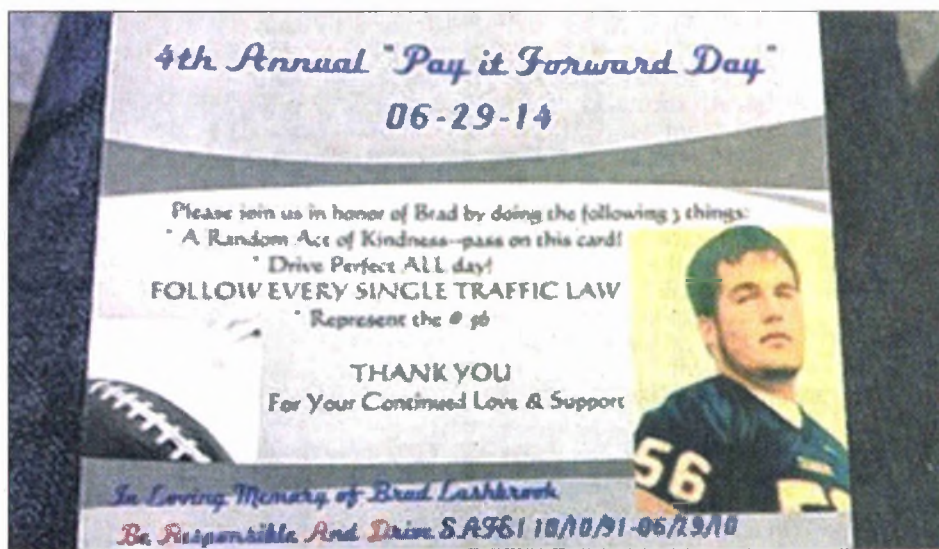
Lashbrook, who has two daughters and a son, created the Pay It Forward Day Facebook page the following year in response to the overwhelming support and kindness she received after Brad's death.

Tribute

More than 1,000 of the 20,000 Facebook users who follow her Pay It Forward Day page have indicated they'll participate this year. That includes the band, PowerPlay, which will perform a tribute to her son June 29 at Livonia Spree. Lashbrook plans to be in the audience.

"I'm looking forward to the concert at Spree and the fireworks. Normally I'm with friends and family and we go out together and do acts of kindness," Lashbrook said. She planned to meet with friends and family on Saturday, June 28, to honor Brad and Rachel Collett, a 2012 Churchill High School graduate who lost her seven-year battle with cancer in May 2013. Her birthday was June 29.

"Fireworks have a special meaning to me," Lashbrook said. "My daughter who is 15 was 11 when Brad passed. The Sunday before he passed was the fireworks (at Spree). He and his friends took her to see the fireworks. She looked like a kid on Christmas, she was so excited that her older brother would



These invitations, sent to Jennifer Lashbrook's friends, family and acquaintances, ask them to perform an act of kindness and to drive carefully on June 29. Her son, Brad, died in a car accident on June 29, 2010.

take her to Spree."

Lynyrd Skynyrd song

Lashbrook said she doesn't personally know Tama Smith, wife of PowerPlay band leader, Mike Smith, but was touched by her offer of a tribute song at Spree.

"That's cool when people are willing to reach out," Lashbrook said.

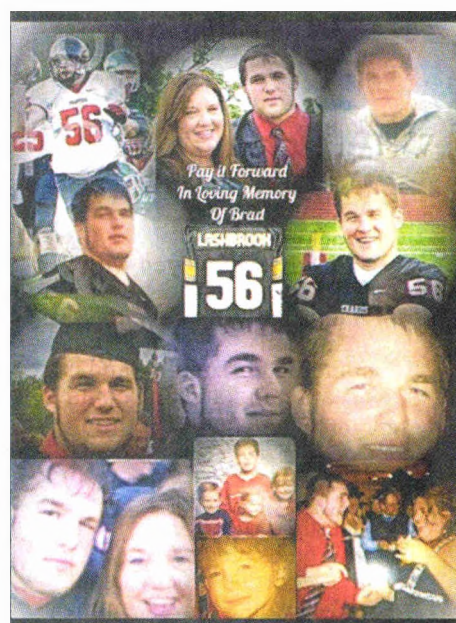
Smith said her son "hung out" with Brad's younger brother in elementary school and that she and Lashbrook have mutual friends.

"I was invited to join her page this year," Smith said. "So, I joined. It's such a small thing to ask. It's trying to make something positive to happen out of something negative."

When Smith realized the band was scheduled to play on Pay It Forward Day at Spree, she suggested a tribute.

"We would ask everyone in the crowd to commit to doing a random act of kindness," she said, adding that the band will play Lynyrd Skynyrd's *Free Bird*. "I'm definitely going to do something (a kindness) more than that and I know every one in the band is going to do something."

Lashbrook said visitors to the Face-



A montage of Brad Lashbrook, from the Pay It Forward Day Facebook page created in his memory.

PAYING IT FORWARD

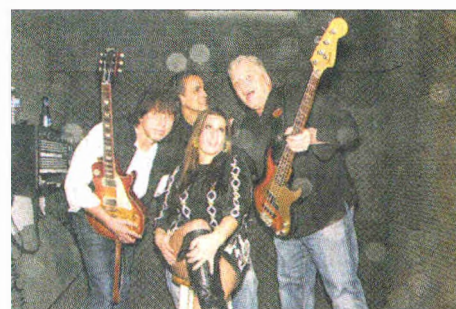
A random act of kindness can be anything from visiting an elderly neighbor to paying a friend's cell phone bill.

"A close friend of mine landscaped a single mom's house," said Jennifer Lashbrook, who honors her late son, Brad, with a Pay It Forward Day Facebook page every year. "At gas stations, people pay for other people's gas." Here are a few other ideas:

- » Hold the door open for someone
- » Help someone carry groceries to their car
- » Leave change in a vending machine
- » Surprise an elderly neighbor with dinner
- » Leave extra time in a parking meter
- » Pay the bill for the person behind you in the drive-through line at a restaurant.
- » Send flowers to a friend
- » Smile at everyone you see

book page offer ideas for random acts of kindness. Some share stories about auto accidents and personal losses. Some say they've been able to forgive because Lashbrook forgave the teen driver involved in Brad's death.

"I've tried to find the positive in this," Lashbrook said. "I want to keep the message out there to be responsible and to drive safely."



PowerPlay, will perform a tribute to Brad Lashbrook when it plays at Livonia Spree, 6-10 p.m. Sunday, June 29. Band members are Mike Smith (left), Mario Resto, Dave Tatro and singer April Hudson.

Visit the Pay It Forward Day — In Memory of Brad Lashbrook page on Facebook and click join, to support the cause.

Watch PowerPlay perform 6-10:15, Sunday, June 29, in the BrightHouse Networks Tent at Livonia Spree, located at Ford Field, at the corner of Farmington Road and Lyndon.

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Turning up the heat on dryer manufacturers

The news reads: The clothes dryers in the U.S. homes are wasting up to \$4 billion worth of electricity annually because energy-saving standards for the common appliance have not been significantly updated for almost 30 years, according to a Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) report released today. A call to action for more efficient clothes dryers finds that today's typical electric clothes dryer sometimes consumes as much energy as a new energy efficient refrigerator, clothes washer, and dishwasher combined. Now folks, you may already know that I don't think much about



Joe Gagnon
APPLIANCE DOCTOR

the quality of today's major home appliances and I have many times pinpointed the main cause of this viewpoint being the energy savings involved with appliances. In the past month or so I have received well over 300 emails directly from readers and so many of you voiced opinions on what you think about your appliances and there were very few favorable comments. One fact was made good and clear by so many. Homeowners do not like their current

washing machines and I don't believe I received one complaint about their clothes dryers and herein comes my message for the future. The clothes dryer you will purchase in the coming years will be classified as a piece of junk according to Joe Gagnon.

Tweaking dryers

The clothes dryer has not been touched by the Energy Department in the past 30 years and watch what happens when they attempt to tweak it. I predict a clothes dryer will take two hours to dry a load of clothes. It will be loaded with electronics that cost a small fortune for repairs. The selling price will cause people

to use the clothes line of the past and the life span of a dryer will diminish greatly. I can guarantee you these things and more will happen and I am assured of that fact by simply looking at the past 20-year history of all the other appliances sold today.

Let me give you a picture of what a clothes dryer is all about. It is a metal box where you place your clothes to catch fire, ALMOST. You want the clothes to dry as fast as possible and not melt while doing so. You vent it properly and make sure there is a smoke alarm mounted near it. You clean the lint filter after each use and flush out the vent

line a few times a year. If it doesn't work correctly, you repair it yourself or call a technician and cost of repairs usually are very reasonable. Let's face it, just a metal box but it sure does the job. I have read so many times that the designs for our appliances are coming from overseas and I just can't believe they are smarter then we are on products we invented. In the same article I read this statement from NRDC: Updating our home dryers to the level of the most efficient ones sold overseas could save Americans \$4 billion a year on their utility bills. It's time to bring U.S. clothes dryers into the modern era

and achieve some of the massive efficiency gains all the other major home appliances have seen.

I must confess that the cause sounds great but the consequences are to be worried about and this is a country that certainly knows how to waste money. I say, leave the clothes dryer alone for the sake of keeping an appliance just like it is. Don't change the quality, life span and dependability of the good old American clothes dryer. We need it bad. 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@twm.rr.com

Fireworks party patrons have a blast while donating to charity

Weather Guru Chuck Gaidica remained confident and poised in his Hawaiian shirt Monday night. Atop the Miller Parking Garage, overlooking the Detroit River, were hundreds of party-goers and supporters of the Parade Company and the entire WDIV-TV 4 team who started broadcasting live at 8 p.m.

The weather was iffy all that day. If it rains...if it continues to rain...if it would just hold out 'til the fireworks were launched over Detroit.

The Parade Company's second biggest fundraiser — next to the Hob Nobble Gobble in November — brought kids out for face painting, hair streaking, karaoke, games, dancing on the rooftop, food galore by Andiamo's on the Riverfront and adults and children drawing pictures to make a mural for our troops on behalf of ProjectS.N.A.P. (Share, Nurture, Act, Preserve).

Even Detroit Tigers' mascot, Paws, and Detroit Tigers' mascot, Rory, got in on the action.

Next door at the Renaissance Center on the 75th Floor at Coach Insignia, former Detroit Pistons' Hall-of-Famer



Julie Yolles
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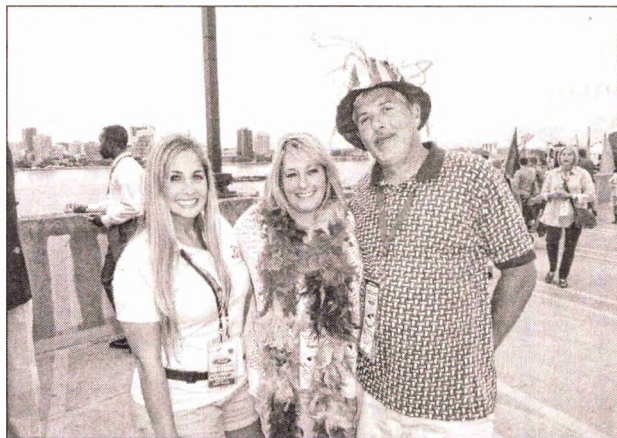
Isiah Thomas was the Honorary Chair at the 9th Annual Catch the Fireworks with Cass party. Cass Community Social Services had nearly 300 supporters, including title sponsor Ford Motor Company Fund and Event Co-Chairs Burt Jordan and Jim Vella, also from Ford. The event raised over \$100,000 for Cass Community Social Services.

"Everything and everyone has come together to support Cass' mission of fighting poverty and creating opportunity in the City of Detroit," said Reverend Faith Fowler, Cass' executive director.

Rev. Fowler will have a book launch of *This Far by Faith: Twenty Years at Cass Community*, 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Orchestra Hall; (www.casscommunity.org).

The evening culminated with the best fireworks show ever — no rain.

Contact Julie Yolles at socialscenejulie@gmail.com or 248-642-9465.

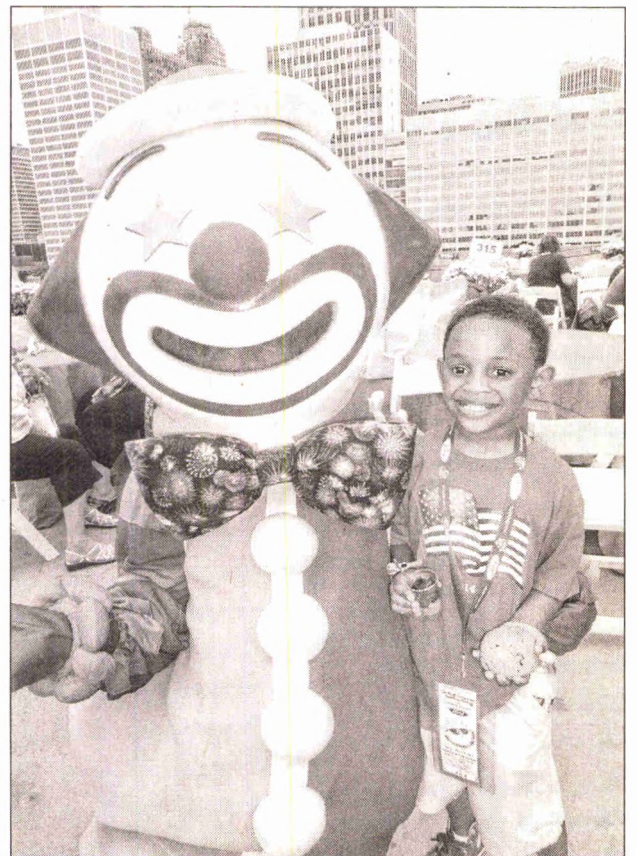


Parade Company Special Events Intern Hayley Raiche, with Lisa Raiche and Brian Lawrence of Canton

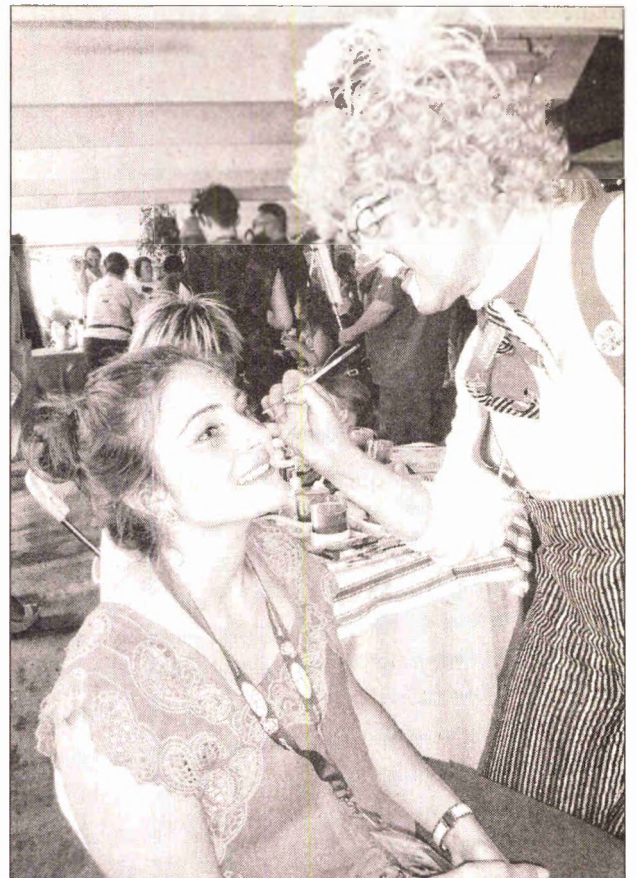
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Paws from the Detroit Tigers takes time out from greeting guests at the Parade Company Fireworks fundraiser last Monday night to color his American flag photo for ProjectS.N.A.P. (Share, Nurture, Act, Preserve). ProjectS.N.A.P. will incorporate all photos into a mosaic mural to support U.S. troops. A 9- by 5-foot original of the mural behind Paws, Reva Berman from Ann Arbor and Karen Lowen of Farmington Hills, hangs in the Pentagon.



Redford resident Freddie Love, 6, meets Clownie at the Parade Company Rooftop party.



Livonia resident Helena Salah has a colorful evening with "Toothpic" at the Parade Company's Annual Rooftop Party and Ford Fireworks. PHOTOS BY JULIE YOLLES, SOCIAL SCENE COLUMNIST

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DEPENDENCY

When people think about swollen legs or feet, the first cause that comes to mind is heart failure. It is not uncommon for a person with leg swelling to see the doctors and request "water pills." Or, the person may feel the swelling represents excess fluid because of kidney failure. At other times, someone with leg swelling who had a family member with a bad liver and accompanying swollen feet, will believe that the cause may come from their own liver going bad.

But the medical community knows that in people over age 70, the most common reason for bilateral leg swelling is dependency.

In medical terminology, dependency is a short hand term for saying the patient spends too much time sitting. The most common experience of dependency is a plane trip across America or overseas to Europe or Asia. Even healthy young people, if sitting for five or more hours, may find their shoes feel tight, or the feet and ankles are recognizably swollen.

In elderly patients the opportunity to spend hours sitting is a ready option. What happens is that blood pools in the veins of the feet and legs. What moves blood from the feet to the heart is not the pumping action of a heartbeat, but the squeezing motion of leg muscles against leg veins and lymph channels. If a person sits, this squeezing movement, which comes only with walking, is out of operation.

Use of support hose, which presents persistent pressure to the whole leg, compensates in part for the squeezing motion of moving muscles. But support hose cannot do the whole job. As often happens in medicine, man's equipment is not as ingenious as nature's way. For dependency, no pill or process beats walking.

RELIGION CALENDAR

JUNE CHURCH CLOSING

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Mass, Sunday, June 29
Location: St. Hilary Catholic

Church, 23901 Elmira, Redford Township
Details: A reception and tour of the church buildings will follow the service. The church is closing after 60 years

Contact: 313-533-1560; sthilary-redford.org
SERMON SERIES
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday and 9:30 a.m. Sunday through summer

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford
Details: Sermon series on The Lord's Prayer
Contact: 734-968-3523 or 313-532-8655

JULY CONCERT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 16
Location: Lola Park Lutheran

Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford
Details: Branches Band will perform sacred and secular music.
Contact: 734-968-3523 or 313-532-8655

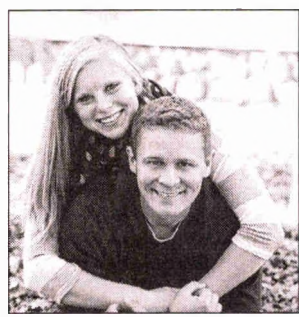
ENGAGEMENT

MILESTONES

WEIMAR-DEROSIER

Marilyn and Chuck Weimar of Farmington are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dana, to James DeRosier, son of Laura and Joe DeRosier of Hartland.

Dana is a graduate of Farmington High School and James is a graduate of Hartland High School. They graduated in 2011 from the University of Michigan with degrees in chemical engineering. Both are employed by



Dana Weimar and James DeRosier

Hemlock Semiconductor and live in Midland. A wedding is planned for August 2014.

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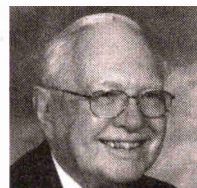
BERGSTROM, NANCY LINDA

Age 81, of Novi and formerly of Farmington Hills, died June 23, 2014 at Henry Ford Hospital. She was born February 3, 1933 in Providence, Rhode Island, the cherished only child of Howard and Olga Peterson. On December 20, 1952 Nancy married Robert Bergstrom; he preceded her death on November 16, 2000. They co-owned Bergstrom Insurance Agency from 1958 to 1990. Nancy is survived by her children Cindy Yorke, Gary Bergstrom, Steven Bergstrom and her beloved daughter-in-law Kim Bergstrom; grandchildren Andrew Yorke, Hayley Tucker, Tyler Bergstrom, Erica Bergstrom and Adam Bergstrom; great-grandchildren Miles, Cole, Elle and Max; and many dear friends including Sue Haitz, Steve Napora and Bert Nisbet. Nancy will always be remembered as a loving, kind and compassionate Mother, Grandmother and friend. She had a wonderful sense of humor and a ringing laugh. A gentle and blessed soul, Nancy was slow to anger and quick to forgive. Nancy loved the Detroit Tigers, all things Swedish and moose tracks ice cream. She remembered everyone's birthday and took special care to choose exactly the right greeting card. Nancy was a lifelong member of Faith Covenant Church and was most proud to be a co-founder of the church's St Lucia celebration which brought so much joy to all each December. We will miss our Mom deeply. To honor her memory we suggest that you call your Mother today and tell her how much you love her. Alternatively, and in lieu of flowers, memorial donations are suggested to Faith Covenant Church, The Michigan Humane Society, or the charity of your choice. Funeral services Sunday, June 29 5p.m. at Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W 14 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Visitation at the church an hour prior to services at 4p.m. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

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CALVETTI, ANN

93, died June 26, 2014 in Mt. Juliet, TN. No services are planned. Arrangements by Bond Memorial Chapel, (615)773-2663.



EBERSOLE, CLARE EVERED

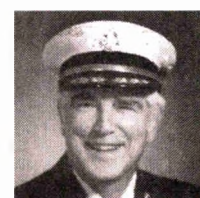
88, of Mesa, Arizona, died on Saturday, June 21, 2014. Clare was born in Northville, Michigan on October 5, 1922 the son of Clarence and Gladys (Herrick) Ebersole. A graduate of Plymouth High School, he received his BS from Eastern Michigan University and his MA from the University of Michigan. Clare's 38-year career with Wayne County's educational system began in 1950 when he was hired as a teacher in the rural schools. He rose on merit to the Director of Business and Administrative Affairs, Assistant Superintendent, and finally Associate Superintendent of the Wayne County Intermediate School District. A board member of MI School Business Officials Association, 1978-1985, Clare was a highly respected leader whose expertise was sought out by others state wide and nationally, he also served on the boards of the Michigan Liquid Asset Fund and the Community Telecommunications Network. Clare served in the US Navy during World War II (1944-1946) and the Korean War (1951-1952). He was inducted into the Eastern Michigan University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1988. While at EMU he lettered in both football and basketball and was the Captain of the 1948 Huron football team and played offensive and defensive end. Clare went on to become an outstanding high school game official for more than 30 years. He was a member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Mesa, AZ. He is survived by his wife Delphine (Bogenschutz) Ebersole, his son Thomas Ebersole of Bellaire, MI, step children Michael Hatke (Sherry) of Cocoa, FL; Mark Hatke (Kyra) of Lafayette, IN; Lynn Bock of Belchertown, MA; Loraine Burnett (Kurt) of Lafayette, IN; Chris Hatke of Crown Point, IN and Claire Roberts (Frank) of Savage, MN; twelve grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Clare was preceded in death by his wife, Madelyn (Durfey) Ebersole; children, Beth Ellen Ebersole and Douglas Allan Ebersole; brothers Keith Ebersole and Howard Ebersole and sister Dorothy Kahal. A Memorial Service honoring Clare's life will be celebrated on Thursday, June 26, 2014, 11:00 am, Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 3257 E. University Drive, Mesa, AZ.

GURMIN, CAROLINE (NEE DYSARZ)

Age 81, died June 25, 2014 in her Garden City home, surrounded by her loving family. She was born on July 11, 1932, in Dearborn, Michigan, to the late Francis and Marie (Bryda) Dysarz. Cherished mother of Danny (Rebecca) Palac, Carol (Richard) Angel, Shirley Couchman, Larry (Edna) Palac, and Ricky Palac. Loving and proud grandmother of twelve, great-grandmother of fifteen, and one great-great-grandchild. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Widow of James Gurmin and Joseph Caruana. Dear sister of Dolores Hausch, Charles Dysarz, and the late Francis, Richard, and John Dysarz. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends. Services were private.

MINER, MARRIANNE RUTH

On May 30, 2014, Marrienne Ruth Miner (nee Fuller), loving wife of the late Kenneth Duane Miner; beloved mother of Kenneth C. Miner and wife Wendy, Ella J. Miner, and Frederick E. Miner and wife Lisa; loving grandmother of thirteen. Third daughter of Perry Fuller and Ella (nee Parney), Marrienne was born in Saginaw, Michigan, on June 14, 1937. A long-term Redford, Michigan, resident (1966-2012), Marrienne promoted church and community activities (Youth and Women's Ministries, Boy Scouts and Girls Ministries). As a prominent and respected member of the Redford Villa, she served on the Board of Directors for Redford Village, part of the Presbyterian Villages of Michigan. For several years she was president of "Villa On the Go." From August 2012 through May 2014 she resided at "The Green House Residences at Stadium Place" in Baltimore, Maryland. She shared her care and compassion with all she met. She was a great cook and everyone's friend. She enjoyed bowling, traveling, and family church camp, and her world revolved around her children and grandchildren.



KNORP, BARNEY S.

June 25, 2014, Age 91, of Livonia. Dear son of the late Marvin (Mary) Knorp. Beloved husband of the late Marjorie Jean (Bishop) Knorp for 67 years. Loving father of James (Kathryn) Knorp, John (Patricia) Knorp, Kathleen (James) Haller, Joseph (Barbara) Knorp, Jerald (Mary) Knorp, Brenda Knorp, Barney (Christine) Knorp, Martin (Kathy) Knorp, Margaret (Christopher) Platz, Janet Blake, and Christopher (Tracey) Knorp. Cherished grandfather of 40, great-grandfather of 17, and great-great-grandfather of one. Services were held at Fred Wood Funeral Home Rice Chapel. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be directed to VFW Foundation to help fallen heroes 406 W. 34th St # 514 Kansas City, MO 64111 or your local VFW post. Please share memories at

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Buddy Bones are made from leftover dough and benefit the Michigan Humane Society.

Keep dogs indoors during fireworks, try new treat

The Michigan Humane Society (MHS) advises pet owners every summer to keep their cats and dogs inside during Fourth of July celebrations — especially when the firecrackers and sparklers come out.

The suggestions bear repeating:

» Keep pets inside and secure. Frightened animals may jump tall fences, bolt out gates or run through screens during fireworks displays in order to "escape."

» Resist the urge to take dogs to fireworks displays. Even those who are normally unflappable may be frightened by sudden, loud noises and may run off.

» If you know your pet is afraid of loud noises, confine him in a safe, quiet room with their favorite toy and comfortable bedding.

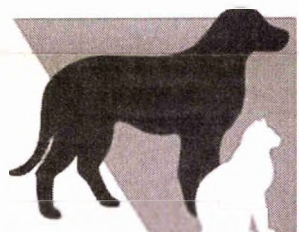
» If your dog shows signs of distress, give him a peanut butter-stuffed toy to help distract him and calm his nerves. Playing soft music may also help relieve the animal's stress.

» The holiday is often accompanied by hot weather. Prevent heat exhaustion by keeping pets inside in a cool area during the heat of the day, with plenty of fresh, cool water.

For pets that escape the house and go missing, MHS offers an online tool called the ePole, which acts as a virtual telephone pole for public use, allowing those who lose a pet — as well as those who find a missing pet — to post the pet's vital information and get in contact with others, 24 hours a day. The service is free and gives pet owners a means to upload photos of the missing pet, post descriptions of the animal, and share the location where the animal was last seen or found. The ePole can be found online at www.michiganhumane.org/lost.

Buddy Bones

Speaking of MHS, the organization is benefiting from new dog



PET PROJECTS

treats made by Buddy's Pizza.

"Buddy's Pizza has been involved in our community for many years and we are extremely proud to team up with them to help the homeless animals in our care," said Mike Robbins, MHS chief marketing officer. "Buddy Bones are made from the same ingredients that are in Buddy's delicious multi-grain crust, so it's not only a treat your dog will love, you will love giving them as well!"

I did. I fed a couple of the Buddy Bones to my dogs, Hunter and Lola, to help keep their begging at bay while I downed a piece of the restaurant's gluten-free carry-out pizza. It did the trick.

Ryan McTigue, public relations coordinator, says the treats were on hand at MHS' spring Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo adoption event and were a "big hit" with the dogs there.

Buddy's makes its pizza dough fresh daily. When a batch isn't quite up to par for a pizza, it is used for dog treats. The restaurant consulted with MHS veterinarians to make sure the multi-grain crust was canine friendly. Grains, water, yeast and molasses make for a healthy yet tasty treat.

The treat comes in two sizes. Five large bones are packaged together, or pet owners can buy 10 small bones in a bag. They cost \$2 per bag and are available at the registers of Buddy's 10 locations, including 31646 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills and 33605 Plymouth Road in Livonia.

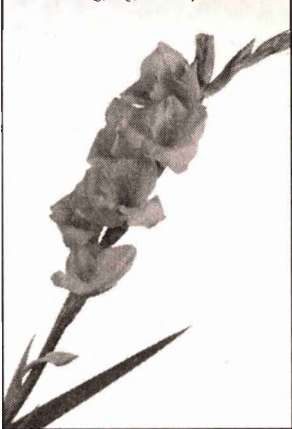
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Put your best feet forward this summer

Wearing sandals, flip flops or going barefoot this summer? Don't forget to give your feet a little TLC.

"During this time of year, we see many foot injuries or problems due to non-supportive footwear and barefoot walking," said Dr. Jodie Sengstock, past president of the Michigan Podiatric Medical Association. "Pool areas and public showers are home to infections such as planter warts and athlete's foot, while the sun's powerful rays can cause painful sun burns."

The Michigan Podiatric Medical Association (MPMA) offers advice to help keep feet healthy this summer:

Going barefoot

» Limit walking barefoot because it exposes feet to sunburn, as well as planter warts, athlete's foot, ringworm, and other infections and also increases risk of injury to your feet.

» Wear shoes or flip-flops around the pool, to the beach, in the locker room and even on the carpeting or in the bath-

room of your hotel room to prevent injuries and limit the likelihood of contracting any bacterial infections.

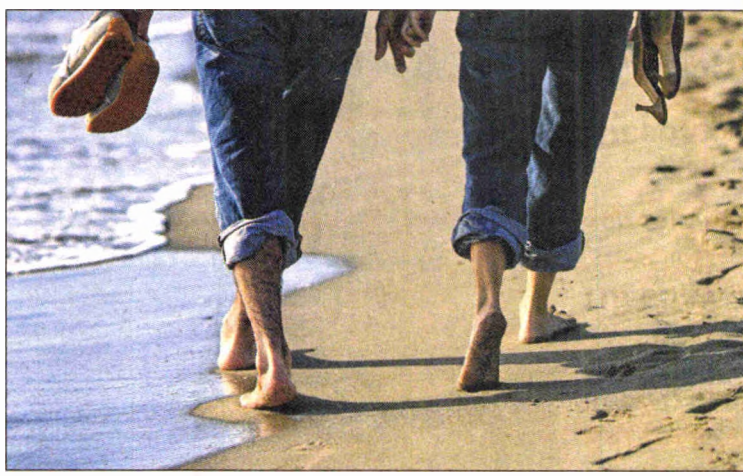
» Apply sunscreen all over your feet, especially the tops and fronts of ankles, and don't forget to reapply after you've been in the water.

» Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water throughout the day. This will not only help with overall health, but also will minimize any foot swelling caused by the heat.

» Keep blood flowing with periodic ankle flexes, toe wiggles, and calf stretches.

Flip Flops

Flip flops just are not good for extensive walking. They don't offer any arch support, heel cushioning, or shock absorption. Wearers may suffer foot pain because of no arch support, tendinitis, and even sprained ankles if they trip. Wearers also are at greater risk for stubbed toes, glass cuts, puncture wounds, or having a heavy object injure their foot.



Sand may feel great between your toes, but flip flops or sandals are a better alternative to going barefoot on the beach. Shoes limit injuries and bacterial infections.

» Do not wear flip flops when playing sports, running, gardening and doing yard work.

» Wear sturdy, supportive shoes while walking for long periods of time.

» Apply sunscreen on all areas of your foot while wearing open shoes.

» Use extra care while driv-

ing. Flip flops can impair a driver's control if they come off the foot and lodge under the brake or gas pedal.

Be Prepared

Some activities at the beach, lake or river may require different kinds of footwear, so be sure to ask the contact at each activity if specific shoes are

needed. To be safe, always pack an extra pair of sneakers or protective water shoes. If your shoes get wet, they should be dried out completely before you wear them again, to prevent bacteria or fungus from growing.

If you injure your foot or ankle while on vacation or during an outing, seek professional medical attention from a podiatric physician.

In case of minor foot problems, be prepared with the following on-the-go foot gear:

» Flip flops for the pool, spa, hotel room, and airport security check points

» Sterile bandages for covering minor cuts and scrapes

» Antibiotic cream to treat any skin injury and emollient-enriched cream for hydration

» Blister pads or moleskin to protect against blisters

» Anti-inflammatory drug, such as Motrin or Advil, to ease tired, swollen feet

» Sunscreen to protect against the scorching sun and aloe vera or silvadene cream to relieve sunburn

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Upcoming

Blood drive

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 2, in the Fisher Auditorium at Providence Hospital, 16001 W Nine Mile, Southfield. 248-849-3000

Breather's Club

Oakwood Healthcare offers this service, 6-7:30 p.m. July 1, at the Oakwood Cardiac Rehabilitation Center, 22060 Beech, Dearborn, for anyone who has been touched by COPD — Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. Club members share ideas and experiences and learn coping skills from health professionals. For more information, contact Darlene Lingenfelter, (313) 562-4132.

Walks raise funds for lupus research, cancer services

Registration is open for two health-related walk/run events planned for August and September.

Get ready to lace up your sneakers for The Michigan Lupus Foundation Go Wild for a Cure! - Detroit Zoo Walk to Cure Lupus, Sunday, Aug. 10, and St. Mary Mercy Hospital's 8th Annual Embrace Life 5K run/walk for Cancer, Sunday, Sept. 7.

The Lupus Foundation event is designed to raise awareness of the disease and funding for research. Registration runs 7:30-8:15 a.m., with the walk beginning at 8:30 a.m., at the Detroit Zoo, located on 10 Mile (1-696

service drive) at Woodward Ave., in Royal Oak. A \$20 registration fee covers entrance into the Zoo, all of the Foundation's Walk activities as well as onsite parking.

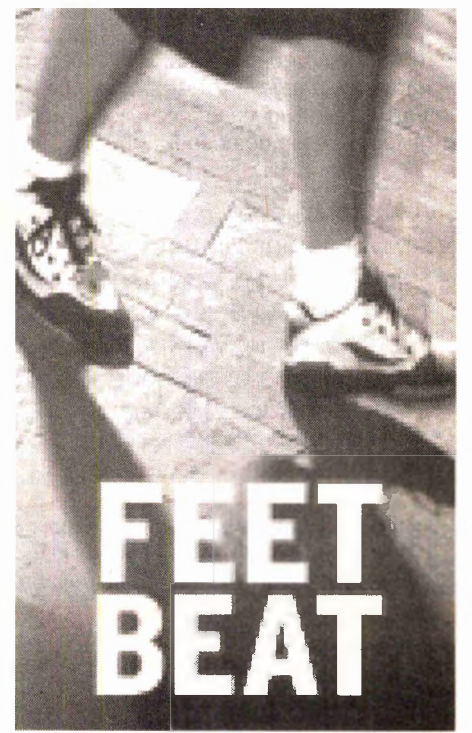
Refreshments, raffles and prizes will be available to all attendees. For more information on the event or to register, visit milupus.org. Learn more about the Foundation's programs by calling 800-705-6677.

The 5K Run/Walk at St. Mary Mercy Hospital starts at 9 a.m. on the hospital grounds, located at Five Mile and Levan, in Livonia. More than 850 people participated in last year's 5K, raising

nearly \$41,000. Proceeds support Cancer Services at the hospital.

Registration is \$25 before Aug. 22 and \$30 on Aug. 22 through race day at stmarymercy.org/embracelife5k. Awards will be given to the first, second and third place overall male and female winners of each age division of the 5K Run. The USATF-certified course begins on St. Mary Mercy Hospital grounds and routes runners and walkers through nearby residential streets.

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Assessment of new physician jobs: Specialists represent untapped talent



By Angela Rose
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Are you a retired surgeon who wants to start seeing patients again? Perhaps you've spent years as a dermatologist or rheumatologist and would now like to grow your specialty practice by including general family medical care.

Maybe you've been dreaming of transitioning to part-time work in a medical field where doctors are in extremely high demand. In any of these situations—or innumerable others—describes yours, you may want to consider a move to primary care.

Shortage in primary care

Primary care physicians—particularly those in family medicine—are in short supply and many experts predict they will

only become more so in the coming years. In fact, a 2012 study published in the Annals of Family Medicine estimated the primary care physician shortage will reach 51,025 by 2025. A number of factors are contributing to the problem, from more than 10,000 Baby Boomers turning 65 every day to increased access to preventative healthcare for millions of Americans under the Affordable Care Act. Additionally, while the Association of American Medical Colleges predicts medical school enrollment will increase 30 percent between 2002 and 2017, too many new medical students choose sub-specialties over primary care fields.

A cap on federal financing for residency programs has compounded the issues, making it impossible for many medical school graduates to complete the final portion of their training necessary to practice medicine.

It's easy to see why many healthcare employers are desperate to hire family medicine physicians and other primary care staff. A recent nationwide survey of hospitals

and medical groups by one staffing firm found 31 percent of respondents intended to increase their medical staff with primary care doctors. Many will look at untapped sources of talent as they search for candidates, and retired specialists and other physicians looking to make a career change are exactly that.

Online transition program

Becoming a family medicine physician after a successful career in another specialty doesn't require a return to medical school. Last year Dr. Leonard Glass, a retired reconstructive and plastic surgeon, launched an online course designed to make it simple for specialists to transition to primary care. Doctors—from those currently practicing to those who have retired yet retained their medical licenses—can refresh and deepen their family medicine skills through the 100-hour web-based Physician Retraining & Reentry program.

The program features a curriculum developed by professors at the UC San

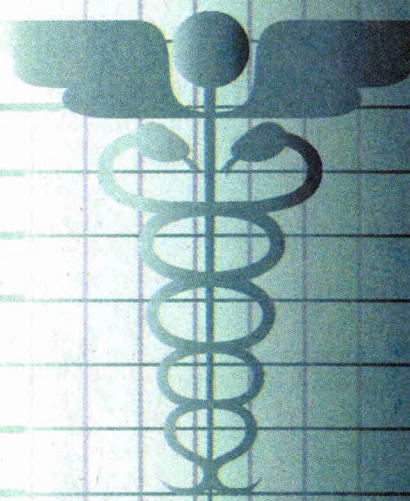
Diego School of Medicine and covers everything a doctor might see in a primary care setting. Each of the 15 units includes pre and post-tests, and physicians must pass a final online exam covering the entire curriculum before completing a final practicum at the UC San Diego primary care simulation lab. The reward for successful completion of the program is 100 credits in continuing medical education, new family medicine job opportunities, and a chance to help alleviate the primary care physician shortage.

If you are interested in enrolling in the Physician Retraining & Reentry program, visit the website to schedule a free consultation. And when you're ready to search for your new family medicine position, remember you'll find thousands of opportunities at hospitals and clinics nationwide on HEALTHeCAREERS Network.

About the Author: Angela Rose researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends, and workplace issues for HEALTHeCAREERS.com.

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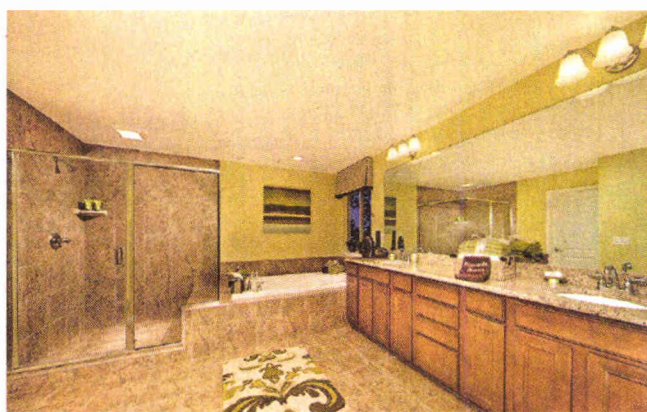
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Puppy's bark
 - 4 Wild guess
 - 8 "Forrest —"
 - 12 Jo's sister
 - 13 Restaurant handout
 - 14 Melville opus
 - 15 Kitchen herb
 - 17 Road rally
 - 18 Creeps about
 - 19 Secure a tent
 - 21 First word of Burns' "To a Mouse..."
 - 22 Handles dough
 - 26 Blacktopped
 - 29 Casserole cover
 - 30 Moo goo — pan
 - 31 Scored well
 - 32 DDE's rank
 - 33 Skirt slit
 - 34 Amigo of Fidel
 - 35 Lipstick color
 - 36 Slowly vanishes
- DOWN**
- 1 Orange veggies
 - 2 African-born supermodel
 - 3 Ceremonial fire
 - 4 Preserved salmon
 - 5 Not long-winded
 - 6 Wheel buy (2 wds.)
 - 7 Rustic
 - 8 Canyon
 - 9 "Kill Bill" star
 - 10 Beaded shoe
 - 11 "The Tell-Tale Heart" penner
 - 16 Chatted
 - 20 Draw to a close
 - 23 Like good brandy
 - 24 Hamlet or Ophelia
 - 25 Plops down
 - 26 Wolf gang?
 - 27 Throb
 - 28 Corp. biggie
 - 29 Escorted
 - 32 Small pets
 - 33 Type of parking
 - 35 Salesperson
 - 36 Complete
 - 38 Tureen utensil
 - 39 Respiratory organs
 - 42 Objectives
 - 43 Area of London
 - 44 Plenty, for Tennyson
 - 45 Take it on the —
 - 46 Wonder
 - 47 Nonsense!
 - 49 — few rounds

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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8	3	5	7	4	2	6	9	1
1	6	5	8	3	7	9	2	4
2	5	4	6	8	3	7	9	1
7	5	9	6	3	1	4	8	2
3	8	1	2	9	7	6	5	4
6	1	5	3	7	9	8	2	4
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4	7	1	8	2	9	6	5	3

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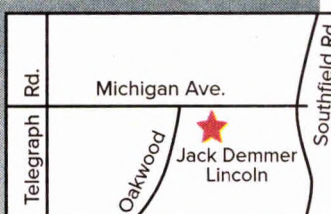


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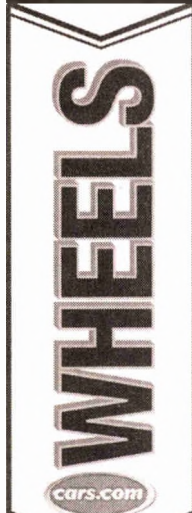
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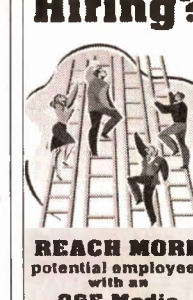
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