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BOUNDARY GROUP RECOMMENDS CLOSING TWO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

After months of meetings and collecting data, the committee studying boundary issues in Plymouth-Canton schools will recommend closing two facilities and re-purposing a third.

At Tuesday's Board of Education meeting, the committee will recommend closing Tanger Center and Allen Elementary School. The recommendation will also be to stop using Gallimore Elementary School as a K-5 school.

Instead, the committee will recommend moving the Infant, Preschool and Toddler program from Tanger to Gallimore, along with the elementary Talented and Gifted program, currently housed at Miller and Dodson elementary.

Neither Allen nor the Tanger Center would be re-purposed under the recommendation.

Changes coming

The changes, effective at the end of the 2014-15 school year, will leave the district

with 13 elementary schools, all with adjusted boundaries. The Board of Education is expected to vote on the final boundary recommendations at its Nov. 11 meeting.

"In addition to closing (Allen and Tanger), we've modified a number of boundaries," said Kurt Tyszkiewicz, the district's executive director for staffing, student services and policy who chaired the boundary steering committee. "Every elementary school will look a little different."

Allen students will be spread between Farrand,

Hulsing and Eriksson elementaries, while Gallimore kids will go to Miller, Dodson, Isbister and Tonda.

Teachers in those schools will also have the opportunity to follow their students. While these moves aren't expected to cost teachers jobs, Tyszkiewicz said, declining enrollment could still force teacher cuts.

Right-sizing

Tyszkiewicz said the changes are necessary to

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CHANGING BOUNDARIES

The public will get at least three more chances to express their views about the work of Plymouth-Canton boundary steering committee:

» **Board of Education meeting** – 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, Discovery Middle School, 45083 Hanford, Canton.

» **Community forums** – 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, and 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, also at Discovery Middle School.



BRAD KADRICH

Greater-than-anticipated damage to structures under the pavement has prolonged the resurfacing of Plymouth Road between Haggerty and Mill Street in Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Plymouth Road repair work delayed, but is nearing end

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Greater-than-anticipated damage to structures under the pavement has prolonged the resurfacing of Plymouth Road between Haggerty and Mill Street in Plymouth and

Plymouth Township.

The project, which began Sept. 2 and was supposed to be completed in about three weeks, should be finished in about two more weeks, Cindy Dingell, spokeswoman for Wayne County's Department of Public Services,

said Thursday.

Dingell said that milling the old asphalt pavement off the road revealed more damage to underlying structures, such as catch basins, than was expected and that that had to be repaired before paving could proceed.

"We want to make sure it's done right," she said.

The extra work also boosted the cost of the project, but, Dingell said, most of it will be covered by a \$575,000 grant from the

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Colbeck Slavens

Colbeck top spender in 10 state Senate campaign 12

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

The incumbent in the Michigan Senate's 7th District race has the fundraising edge, but a primary campaign and what he called the "front-loading" of expenses left him with less than a fifth of his challenger's campaign cash as they entered the home stretch.

Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton Township, had \$27,742 on hand as of Aug. 25, compared to the \$156,633 reported by his opponent, state Rep. Dian Slavens, D-Canton Township, according to campaign finance reports filed with the state.

Colbeck is battling for a second term against Slavens, a term-limited state House of Representatives member, in a district that includes Canton, Plymouth, Plymouth and Northville townships, Livonia, the city of Wayne and part of the city of Northville.

Both candidates said Thursday that they're confident they'll have enough funding to meet campaign expenses. The general election is Tuesday, Nov. 4.

"We've had everything we've needed to do everything we wanted to do so far and we have a lot more money than we did last time," said Colbeck, whose 2010 win gave him his first public office.

"When you've got the right message, you don't need a lot of money."

"I have a lot of grassroots support, so I believe I have what it takes, absolutely," said Slavens, who described her spending as frugal.

Total fundraising

Colbeck reported raising \$183,650 in the current election cycle – which dates back to the 2010 general election – while Slavens reported contributions of \$171,767. The reports show the Colbeck camp spent just over \$59,600 this year, while Slavens' committee spent less than a third of that, at just over \$15,600.

Slavens was unopposed in the August Democratic pri-

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Township priest removed amid finance investigation

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Five months after his brother was indicted for allegedly stealing money from a Troy church, the Rev. Thomas Belczak has been asked to step aside from his duties at St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth Township while being investigated for improper use of church funds.

In a letter sent Thursday to St. Kenneth families and posted to the Archdiocese of Detroit website, Auxiliary Bishop Francis Reiss wrote Belczak, 60, "has been required to step

aside as pastor of St. Kenneth Parish, effective October 9. This action results from a law enforcement investigation into the alleged improper use of St. Kenneth Parish funds."

Archdiocese officials declined further comment, citing "our cooperation with law enforcement authorities."

The archdiocese wouldn't identify the investigating agency. Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington said his department "is not involved in any ongoing criminal investigation" involving St. Kenneth Church.

While Belczak was no long-

er mentioned among the St. Kenneth staff on its website, his voice mail was still active Friday morning. No one answered the phone at the church.

The Rev. Robert Blondell, a senior priest with the Detroit archdiocese, has been named administrator of St. Kenneth.

Thomas Belczak had served at St. Kenneth since February 2004, after serving St. Valentine Church in Redford from 1989-2004. He was at St. John Neumann in Canton from 1984-89.

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The Rev. Thomas Belczak has been removed as pastor of St. Kenneth.



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Local Boy Scout plans church spruce-up project

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

A Canton Township Boy Scout is working to spruce up the aging community kitchen at a small downriver church.

Michael Stevenson, an Eagle Scout candidate with Troop 1537 in Plymouth Township, wants to raise around \$1,800 for improvements at Melvindale's New Hope United Methodist Church, where he plans to install new kitchen counter tops and paint a wall in the pastor's office, doing much of the work with volunteer help.

The 15-year-old sophomore at Canton High School is tackling the project as part of fulfilling his Eagle Scout requirements. Aside from merit badge prerequisites, time in a troop leadership role and other



MICHAEL STEVENSON
Boy Scout Michael Stevenson of Troop 1537, based at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth Township, is trying to raise \$1,800 for an Eagle Scout project intended to improve the facilities at a church in Melvindale.

requirements, Eagle hopefuls must plan, organize and execute a major community service project.

"There's a heavy use for this kitchen and for

these counter tops to be in use, they're hardly useable right now," Michael said last week. "These tops being useable for this place would just help them out tremendously and that's the goal of my project."

Church renewal

New Hope's pastor, the Rev. Gloria Haynes, said the assistance comes at a time of growth at her church, where closing the doors had recently been considered. New Hope has 28 official members, she said, and has recently been seeing between 14 and 20 people at Sunday worship services. Attendance at services had previously dwindled to as few as six people, she said.

"We've started to re-grow and we're trying to have a presence here for God in this community," Haynes said.

Haynes said the commercial kitchen, in the church's fellowship room, is used for funeral

luncheons, baptismal parties, birthday quinceañera celebrations and other functions and sometimes brings in rental income. Her office, she said, is used for congregation meetings and Bible study. Haynes is also the pastor of another Methodist church in Riverview.

"We're ready any time he can get here," Haynes said of Michael's plans to complete the project by the end of the year.

Michael, who joined the Cub Scouts when he was in the first grade and has been in scouting ever since, said the idea of doing his Eagle service project at New Hope sprang from helping a fellow Scout on an earlier service project there.

There is also a church connection: Nick Berlanga, an associate pastor at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth Township, Troop 1537's home base, used to be stationed at New Hope. He also used to be Troop 1537's scoutmaster.

Volunteer base

Michael, who lives with parents Michael and Debbie Stevenson and has two older sisters, plans to raise the needed \$1,800 through donations from individuals and by appeals to the congregations at New Hope and First United. He's also planning to seek in-kind donations from home improvement stores.

Much of the work at New Hope, he said, like tearing out the old counter tops, prepping for the new ones, installing a back splash and doing the painting, will be done by himself and other Scouts in his troop and their parents, family members and friends.

"I'm really lucky here. I have a huge troop," Michael said, explaining that younger Scouts in need of service time often volunteer for Eagle projects. The new counter tops will be installed at a discounted rate by professionals, he

said. Eagle Scout service projects require detailed planning by the candidate and approval of those plans by Scout leaders. Michael said he's been planning the New Hope project since last winter.

He said scouting offers lessons that can shape young people into good citizens.

"The valuable life lessons that you learn in scouting are just incredible," he said. "If it weren't for scouting, I may have been an entirely different person, but scouting has definitely been a huge influence in my life."

Donations to Michael Stevenson's Eagle Scout project can be made out to First United Methodist Church and sent to the church at 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170. Please note "Eagle Scout Project" on the envelope.

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state through Michigan's Priority Road Investment Project.

"We may go a little bit over that," but the county will cover any additional costs, Dingell said.

Most of the work is being done by county roads division workers; a contractor was hired to mill off the old pave-

ment. Workers have kept Plymouth Road open, one lane in each direction, since the work began.

Dingell said that, barring rain delays, the stretch of Plymouth should be completely repaved in two weeks.

"Every rain day is another day we've got to make up," she said.

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Wayne County officials said crews working on Plymouth Road between Lilley and Haggerty should be done in about two weeks.

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mary, while Colbeck had a Republican challenger, Matthew Edwards, a recent Michigan State

University graduate, and spent just over \$13,300 in the last three weeks of the primary campaign. Colbeck, who won the primary handily, said the contest triggered some spending, but added that he likes to spend early in a race so that he can focus on "blocking and tackling" toward the end.

In addition, Colbeck, whose committee spent nearly \$153,500 since election day in 2010, said some spending was due to repaying debts incurred in the 2010 campaign.

PAC support

Among the major contributions to Colbeck's campaign committee were \$5,150 from the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Political Action Committee, \$3,000 from the Michigan State Troopers PAC and \$4,250 from the Michigan Realtors PAC.

Slavens' committee got \$10,000 from the Ananich Future Fund, a committee connected to state Sen. Jim Ananich, D-Flint, another \$10,000 from the Genesee 2020 Political Action Committee and \$7,000 from the International Brother-

hood of Electrical Workers Local 58.

Both hopefuls said they were campaigning door to door in the 7th District and getting feedback from voters.

"I'm working really hard," Slavens said. "I'm knocking on doors and hearing great things from folks in the community."

"It's actually one of the few things I really enjoy about campaigning, is the folks at the doors," Colbeck said.

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PRIEST

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Thomas Belczak's brother, the Rev. Edward Belczak, 69, and his church administrator were indicted in April for stealing about \$700,000 from St. Thomas More Church in Troy over eight years, according to federal prosecutors.

Plymouth Township resident Dianne Erxleben Griswold, who has been a member of St. Kenneth the last few years, said she was "somewhat surprised" by Belczak's removal. She knew his brother had been investigated and suspected Thomas Bel-

zak would also be investigated "because they're brothers and they have the same job."

But she thought since months had passed since Edward Belczak's indictment that "everything was fine" for Thomas. She's concerned his removal will hurt the church.

"He's charismatic and is very kind to people," Griswold said. "When you have such a charismatic leader, part of the reason you go is to hear him. He's funny and he pulls you in and makes you feel part of the congregation. I truly believe people will leave the church now."

In his letter, Reiss said he "regrets how difficult

and painful" the situation is for St. Kenneth's parishioners and "especially for those close to Father Belczak."

"It's an unfortunate reality, but news like this can reverberate far beyond parish borders, impacting the priests and people of the archdiocese in various ways," Reiss said. "This is a situation nobody wants to be in, though we have been led here by our obligation to do what is right."

The action prevents Belczak from serving at St. Kenneth in any capacity. Reiss said his only public ministry as a priest will have to come "with the expressed consent of the Archdiocese of Detroit."

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Absentee voters play big role in local elections

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Absentee voters have a huge influence on local elections and can potentially decide tight races, Canton officials say, with thousands of people avoiding the polls and marking their ballots at home.

Canton voters already have requested 7,254 absentee ballots, Clerk Terry Bennett said Thursday evening, a number that represents nearly one out of every nine township voters as the general election looms Nov. 4.

At last count, Canton has 64,480 registered voters. A large mailing of

absentee ballots already has occurred, Bennett said, and the clerk's office continues to receive a steady stream of requests from voters.

Crucial role

Tom Bennett, who served five terms as Canton Township supervisor and four terms as a Plymouth-Canton school board member before his election two years ago as a township trustee, said absentee voters over the years have played an increasingly crucial role



Bennett

in deciding elections.

"Today, people spend a lot of money on campaigning. The absentee (voter) side of it is very important because the numbers are going up, up, up," said Yack, who is not on the ballot this season. "As a candidate, you had better get your literature all lined up from a timing standpoint, so you can get into the households that are going to receive those absentee ballots."

"If you are a neophyte and you don't pay attention to the timing of the absentee ballots, you have made a huge mistake," he added. "It's possible that could mean a defeat for you."

No 'reason'

Absentee voters by law have to declare a reason why they can't go to polls. Among the reasons: They might not be physically able to get there or they may be out of town.

Yack said he is among those who support a change to make it easier for people to vote by absentee without having to declare a reason.

Bennett, meanwhile, said her office is continuing to send out absentee ballots and applications "on a daily basis."

Voters who need an application may go to the clerk's office, 1150 S. Canton Center, in the

Township Administration Building. They also may call 734-394-5120 or download applications from www.canton-mi.org (look under the Government tab for the clerk's office) or from the Michigan Secretary of State Office.

Emergency ballots

The clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 1 - the Saturday before the election - for people who need absentee ballots. Voters also may go to the clerk's office Monday, Nov. 3, but they will have to fill out their absentee ballots there and turn them in.

Emergency ballots may be issued Election

Day for people admitted to a hospital after 4 p.m. the previous day, but only for emergencies and not for hospital visits that already had been scheduled.

Military personnel and local voters who are overseas may request an absentee ballot by going to www.fvap.gov.

Bennett has asked absentee voters to try to return their ballots "well before Election Day" to help the clerk's office avoid an avalanche of 11th-hour ballots that can slow efforts to process them.

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SCHOOLS

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"right-size" the district and even out its population. Several schools - Workman, Bird and Smith, for instance - were "at or above capacity," he said, while others are far short.

Tyszkiewicz said the district hopes to "average about 500 students" at each of its elementaries. The moves put all of the district's buildings at around 85 percent in 2015-16 and that usage drops to 83 percent two years later, he said.

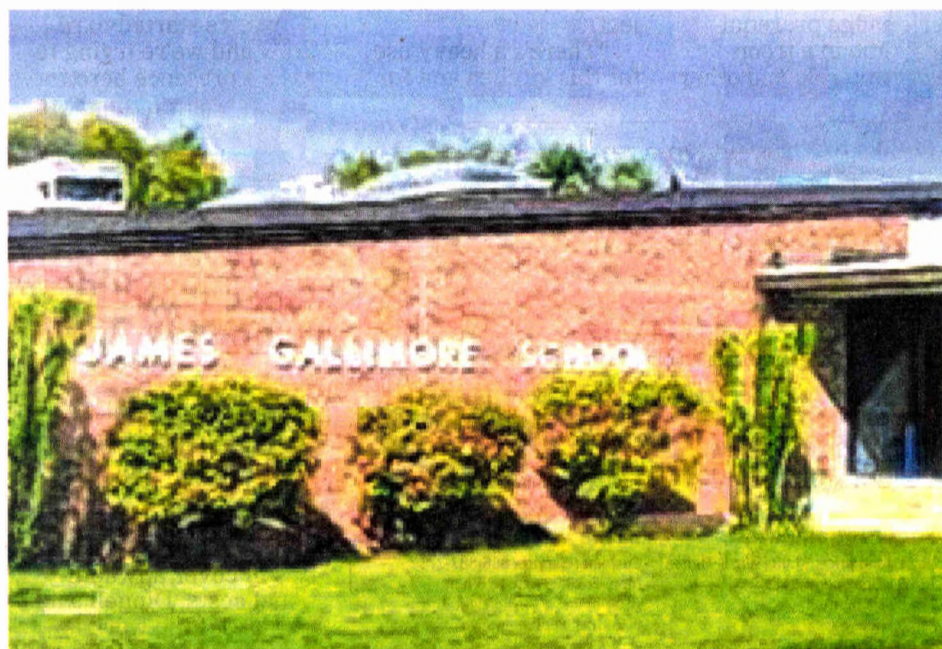
"Our steering committee was directed to come up with a plan to right-size our district, optimizing the use of our facilities while creating the capacity to enhance our programs," said Dr. Michael Meissen, the district's superintendent. "The study was also used to develop boundary recommendations for each of our schools to create stable and equitable zones for our elementary and middle schools."



Allen Elementary School would be closed under recommendations set to be presented Tuesday to the Board of Education.

The boundary committee has not yet formed any recommendations

for the middle schools, changes made necessary with the building of a



Gallimore Elementary would be the new home for the Infant, Preschool and Toddler programs and the elementary TAG programs now housed at Miller and Dodson elementaries.

new middle school in Canton.

Pivotal decision

Tyszkiewicz did say, though, the committee will not recommend closing a middle school.

"The numbers don't show that will be a need, even in the next five to

seven years," he said.

Meissen said the goal of right-sizing the district is to drive up academic output.

"The assignment of who goes to school where is pivotal and fundamental to the schools and to the community," Meissen said. "The base we're

building upon is that every classroom has a high-quality curriculum aiming toward college readiness and job readiness. It's about what is taught and how it is taught."

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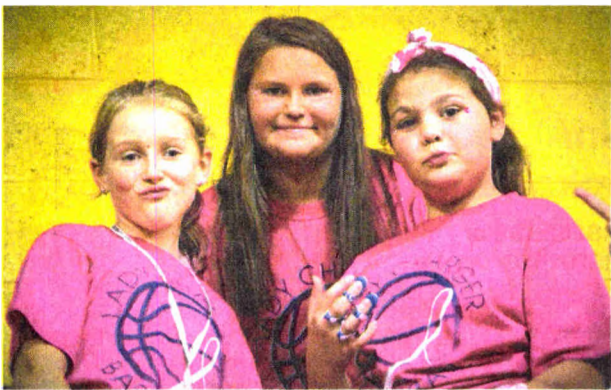
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Sixth-graders Abby McCall (from left), Abby Vasilnek and Sarah King purchased Pink Out T-shirts to help raise money that will be donated to cancer research.



Central Middle School staffer Susan Kraft with Susan Kraft Perseverance Award recipient Hunter Donegan.



The Central Middle School student body was awash in pink for the second annual Pink Out game to raise money for breast cancer awareness.

Hoops game goes 'Pink' for cancer awareness

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

It appears the more fun you have, the more money you raise.

That seems to be the lesson from Central Middle School's second "Pink Out" game, a basketball game hosted by the school's basketball team to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

When all was said and done after last week's game, some \$525 had been raised.

The money will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation in the name of Central Middle School staffer Susan Kraft and Hunter Donegan, who was the 2014 Susan Kraft Perseverance Award recipient.

The staff-voted Susan Kraft Perseverance Award honors a student or staff member who has shown perseverance through a tough time.

"The game was amazing," Central Middle School Principal James Hunter said.

"From the organization by Ms. Smith to the amount of support, unity and pride present and past Central students, families and staff

showed, it was incredible."

Last year's game raised more than \$300. Money this year was raised by selling water and soft drinks, chips and candy and small souvenirs (pom poms and bracelets).

The girls wore pink socks and hair accessories and the Central student body was awash in pink. The team sold more than 100 "Pink Out" shirts to the student body and staff to wear on game day to support the cause.

The gymnasium was decorated with pink balloons and pink ribbons.

Hunter said the love on display was touching.

"To see all of the love in the gym was nothing short of symbolic of the Lady Chargers' motto this year: F.A.M.I.L.Y. (Forget About Me I Love You)," Hunter said.

"It is the spirit that the Central family lives by and coach (Ryan) Ballard has done an outstanding job in leading his team to believe in that."

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Coach Ryan Ballard with his Central Middle School Chargers during the second Pink Out game.

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Canton Goodfellows sets deadline for holiday help

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton Goodfellows, a charitable holiday gift-giving organization that helps hundreds of children every year, has announced the application deadline is looming for struggling families needing help this season.

Goodfellows President John Spencer said applications must be postmarked by Oct. 17 and mailed to Canton Goodfellows, P.O. Box 87532, Canton, MI 48187. He said Goodfellows typically follows eligibility guidelines established by the Michigan Department of Human Services.

Canton Goodfellows, started in the 1940s, helped 404 children in 157 families last year alone, carrying out its longstanding mission of No Child Without a Christmas.

Leading up to the Oct. 17 application deadline, Spencer said Goodfellows volunteers have sought to alert needy families through efforts such as sending letters to local schools. Applications are available at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, the Canton Township clerk's office, 1150 S. Canton Center, and online at [www.cantongood-](http://www.cantongoodfellows.com)



Sorting holiday gifts for Canton Goodfellows during a previous season are Mike Theisan, Jim McLaughlin and Nancy Williams, all from Canton.

fellows.com.

Goodfellows volunteers serve children up to age 18 and some senior citizens. Helpers may volunteer to "adopt" a Canton child or family and fulfill a wish list. Donations such as checks also are accepted.

The organization always is seeking new volunteers.

"It's quite an effort and many volunteers are needed," said Paula Kosbe, Canton volunteer coordinator.

Kosbe said volunteers are needed as follows:

» Dec. 4-5 to accept gift donations at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center.

» Dec. 8-12 for a variety of time slots to help

with sorting gifts for recipients.

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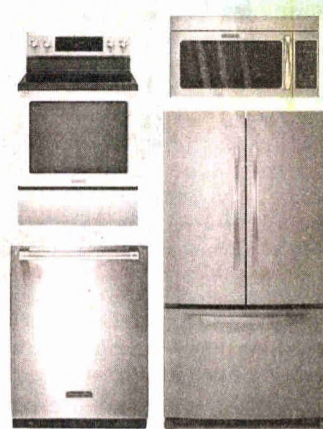
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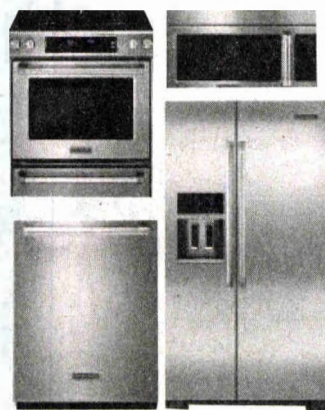


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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

PARENT ACADEMY

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: Canton High School Media Center, 8415 N. Canton Center, Canton

Details: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Parent Academy presents a workshop, "Simply Smart START! P.O.W.E.R. Tools," designed to teach parents how to increase the quality and quantity of talk with young children by using five "P.O.W.E.R." tools: Playing With Sounds; Observe and Comment; Words and Meanings; Expand and Enhance; Raising Questions. Free child care will be available.

Contact: Register at PCCERegister.com Class #741; for child care, call 734-416-2937.

FIRE OPEN HOUSE

Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 11, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Fire Station No. 1, 9911 Haggerty, Plymouth

Details: The Plymouth Community Fire Department hosts its popular Fire Safety Open House. The event, free to the public, will feature the Fire Safety House for kids, free food, fire station and apparatus tours and demonstrations of how to use a fire extinguisher, vehicle extrication and how to handle a stove fire.

FOLK SEASON

Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 18, 7-9:30 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: The BaseLine Folk Society continues its 10th season with featured artist Judy Inslay & Almost Perfect (vocals, guitar, banjo, mandolin and upright bass). There are also 10 "open-mic" performance slots available (sign up 6:15-6:45 p.m.). The host is singer-songwriter Tricia Lloyd.

Contact: For more information email BaseLine President Scott Ludwig at stcludwig@aol.com or call 734-453-0869.

PRICE HOURS

Date/Time: Monday, Oct. 13, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: Wayne County Commissioner Shannon Price hosts district office hours, allowing constituents the opportunity to discuss matters of concern within the community.

Contact: For more information, contact Mike Mitchell, staff aide to Commissioner Price, at 313-224-0882.

PATHWAY TO HOUSING

Date/Time: Friday, Oct. 17, 7-10 p.m.

Location: St. John Neumann, 44800 Warren, Canton

Details: The Canton chapter of St. Vincent DePaul hosts a fundraiser to raise money for its Pathway to Housing program. The wine-and-cheese tasting event features wine donated by Super Fine Wines & Liquor in Canton, which will also donate a portion of the wine sales to Pathway to Housing. The evening will feature a live and silent auction, for items including Detroit Tigers auto-

graphed items, signed baseball bats by Alex Avila and Miguel Cabrera and baseballs signed by Ian Kinsler, Torii Hunter and others. Silent auction items include a night's stay at the MGM Grand Casino with dinner for two at Wolfgang Puck's and \$100 spending money, a night's stay at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth, gift certificates, jewelry and more.

Contact: Call 734-455-5910 for more information.

NIGHT GALLERY

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: The Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum meeting offers "Night Gallery," a spellbinding evening of Halloween poetry, presented by professional poetry performer Jim Ribby, who uses the poetry of Edgar Allan Poe and other authors to conjure up ghosts and goblins and fairies and elves. Ribby has more than 250 works committed to memory, spanning from the bronze age to modern times. The talk is free and open to the public.

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

AAUW BRANCH MEETING

Date/Time: Thursday, Oct. 16, 6:30 p.m.

Location: Koppernick Tech Center (east of I-275 on Koppernick), Canton

Details: The Plymouth-Canton American Association of University Women supports the community and promotes women's initiatives. Speakers include Rana Elmira, ACLU and Women's issues; Laura Callow from the Livonia Branch, updating on the ERA status in Michigan; and Liz Johnson, explaining the Jane Moehele Scholarship at Schoolcraft College.

Contact: For more information regarding meeting/membership, contact Karen Stemberger, membership VP, at karenkstemberger@gmail.com.

HEISE HOURS

Date: Monday, Oct. 13

Times/Locations: 10-11 a.m., Parthenon Coney Island, 39910 Ford, Canton; noon to 1 p.m., Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady, Northville; 3-4 p.m., Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth.

Details: State Rep. Kurt Heise invites local residents to meet with him to share their perspectives and ask questions. Heise will host coffee hours 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 17, at Panera Bread, located at 20140 Haggerty Road (just south of Eight Mile Road) in Northville. Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office.

Contact: Residents are invited to call toll-free 1-855-REPKURT or email kurtheise@house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment.

BAREFOOT AUDITIONS

Dates/Times: Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 20-21, 7-9 p.m.

Location: Barefoot Productions

Theater, 240 N. Main, Plymouth

Details: Barefoot Productions announces auditions for *The Desk Set*, a comedy by William Marchant. Roles for eight women and six men. The role ages vary from mid-20s to mid-50s. There are several roles with limited speaking parts, just perfect for someone who wants to get their feet wet in the theater. The time is 1956. The characters all work in a busy Reference Department of a large radio and television broadcasting company. *The Desk Set* is the comedy that inspired the hit movie starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy.

Contact: For more information, call Craig at 734-276-9075.

LADIES NIGHT

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Location: Red Olive Banquet Center, 1051 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Canton-based Clearly You is asking women to join them for a "Tricks and Treats Ladies Night Out." Participants will learn some seasonal tricks for beauty, skin care and styling while shopping for treats for themselves or getting a jumpstart on holiday ideas. Some of the women businesses that will be there include Clearly You Professional Skin Care Center, Stella and Dot, Canton Newcomers, Orange Fork Chefs, The Z Spot, Paint & Picnic, Palm Readings by Darlene and many more. There is no charge for admission and the event will feature a cash bar and raffle prizes to benefit Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary.

Contact: Call 734-453-7475 or 734-604-1984.

BLUES @ THE ELKS

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7-10 p.m.

Location: Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Blues @ The Elks presents Laura Rain and the Caesars with Laura Rain on vocals, George Friend on guitar, Phil Hale on keys and Ron Pangborn on drums. This group covers a wide range of genres. A \$5 donation at the door.

Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or visit www.plymouthelks1780.com

PARENTING WORKSHOP

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 6-8 p.m.

Location: Plymouth-Canton Montessori School, 45254 Joy, Canton

Details: Parents are invited to attend a free workshop about effective parenting techniques in an introduction to a series of six Parent Talk classes that will be offered each Tuesday evening, beginning Oct. 28. The three skills presented in this complimentary session will be valuable in all situations and are independent of the classes. Topics covered during the Parent Talk workshops include teaching responsibility, setting limits with choices, praising

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Snyder addresses local chambers of commerce

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Joan Larson remembers the first time she saw Gov. Rick Snyder several years ago in Oakland County.

The Royal Oak resident said she attended a dinner and Snyder made an appearance with his wife before he won the 2010 election. Larson decided to make the drive to Livonia Friday morning to see him speak again, something she said she was pleased to do.

"Absolutely marvelous," she said. "Down to earth, common sense. (He's) what Michigan needs."

Snyder spoke at Schoolcraft College as a part of a combined breakfast event for the Livonia and Greater Farmington Area chambers of commerce at a packed room at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center.

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey introduced Snyder to the audience, thanking him for his stop.

"We are very proud of our magnificent city and it's great to have you here as a visitor," he said. "We hope you are enjoying a safe stay."

Snyder, who is running for re-election this November against Democratic challenger Mark Schauer spoke about several issues, including the need for more vocational and technical skilled workers. He said he'd like to see more encouragement to those looking for a career path that a trade or technical skill training can be viable in addition to a four-year degree.

"We need to make sure Michigan is the best in the country of doing that," he said. "That's our key economic advantage."

"If you want to create jobs, the place that has the best talent and skills is going to win."

Snyder said the Livonia and Farmington areas have proven to be successful in economic development, with unemployment figures ranging between 4-5 percent, well below the national average.

That success, he said, will hopefully extend to other areas around the state.

"It's a strong economic engine," he said. "It's great to see the progress going on and by success



Warren Musson of Community Financial meets Gov. Rick Snyder, who is escorted by Mary Engelman.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

happening here, it will spread to surrounding areas."

Road repair

The issue of road repair in Michigan was the first question posed by Livonia Chamber of Commerce President Dan West after Snyder's speech. Snyder said it's an issue that he hopes is picked up again after the November election in the lame-duck session.

"We need to get it done. I've been calling for it for a couple of years," he said. "We're only a handful of votes away."

He said an example he uses in speaking with people is the \$148 million reconstruction of Interstate 96 through Redford and Livonia, which reopened to traffic a few weeks ago after being closed for nearly six months.

"That's an example of the kind of roads we can do," he said.

Louise Sherwin got her tickets to attend the event through the Far-

mington chamber of commerce. The Southfield resident said she enjoyed Snyder's talk and said she hopes things continue to move forward with making sure the middle class could continue with success.

"Continue the availability of jobs and good housing for the middle class," she said.

Both Snyder and Schauer are scheduled to appear in their lone event together, a town hall forum, at 6 p.m. today at Wayne State University. The forum will be broadcast live on Detroit Public Television in the area and made available online.

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Chamber President Dan West reads questions from the audience to the governor.

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Trigger finger is aptly named. The expression comes from the position of the finger which takes cocked appearance as if ready to pull a trigger. Trigger finger is common; it can occur in diabetes and rheumatoid arthritis, though the majority of cases are in medical terms called "idiopathic." That means the cause is unknown, appearing in stockbrokers as in gardeners.

What takes a person with trigger finger to the doctor is pain; bringing the finger from the bent position to a straight one can be agonizing.

What causes a trigger finger is fibrosis. Tissues surrounding one of the finger tendons that runs through the palm of the hand, becomes thickened and binds down the tendon. That binding causes contraction of the tendon, resulting in a trigger finger.

A person experiencing trigger finger for the first time, often believes that the problem comes from "something" wrong with the finger joint on the back of the hand. That joint hurts because it is forced to remain in the flexed position for a prolonged time. The person is surprised when the doctor points out that the cause of the problem comes from a thickened area along the tendon in the palm.

Treatment is injection of the tendon. What that procedure does is to loosen up the thickened tissue surrounding the tendon; the tendon can again move freely.

Injection usually resolves the problem but at times it returns in the same or another finger. Repeat injection is not a problem; however if the patient wants definitive therapy then referral to a hand specialist is in order. Such surgery usually ends triggering in that finger.

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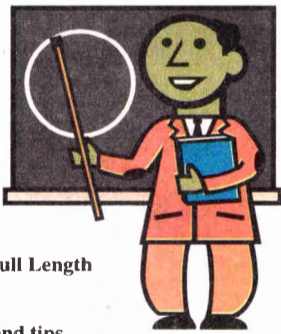
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Northville's Zahra hoping to continue on state Supreme Court

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Michigan Supreme Court Justice Brian Zahra believes his breadth of judicial experience is what makes him the right person for this crucial judicial position, which is up for a vote next month in the general election.

Running for re-election on the Nov. 4 ballot, Zahra, a Northville Township resident, wants the community to know what he will continue to bring if picked by voters statewide.

It starts with how he sees himself as a judge.

"I've always considered myself to be a rule of law judge, meaning my role as a judge is to determine what the law is, not what it should be," Zahra said.

This comes from his belief that, "Our founding



Brian Zahra, here with his family, is running for re-election and wants voters to know of the valuable experience he can continue to bring to the position he has held the last several years.

fathers recognized that this is one of the most important obligations of the judicial branch. The founders sought to avoid judicial legislation, because it generally goes unchecked and removes the people from the democratic process."

Zahra has more than 20 years of judicial experience in what he said has been a career of upholding the rule of law through consistency and with balance since first selected to be part of the Michigan judicial system.

This campaign is a familiar place for him in the last two years. He was appointed Jan. 14, 2011, to the Michigan Supreme Court by Gov. Rick Snyder to fill in for an open spot and he then won election in November 2012 to fill out the remainder of the term, which is up this year.

He's looking to give a long-term commitment (eight-year term) and points to his different endorsements as testament to the support he is getting in this effort. One is from the Michigan Fraternal Order of Po-

lice, Police Officers Association of Michigan and from more than 100 county prosecutors and sheriffs.

"I am grateful and proud of the endorsements I have received from the law enforcement community," Zahra said. "To receive such overwhelming support from police, sheriffs and prosecutors is a tremendous honor."

He's also been endorsed by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce and a handful of other community organizations.

"We work every day to serve the public and to do so in a fair and consistent basis," said David Hiller, executive director of the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police. "On behalf of the 10,000 active and associate members of the Michigan Fraternal Or-

der of Police, I am pleased to extend our endorsement for Justice Zahra to the Michigan Supreme Court."

Experience and knowledge

Zahra, who is married with two children, graduated with honors from the University of Detroit Law School, where he was a member of the Law Review. While in law school, he also served as the articles editor of the State Bar of Michigan's *Corporation and Finance Business Law Journal*.

His career really started when he served as law clerk to Judge Lawrence P. Zatkoff of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan for two years before joining the law firm of Dickinson, Wright, Moon, Van Dusen and Freeman in 1989.

In 1994, Gov. John Engler appointed him to the Wayne County Circuit Court. He was elected to a six-year term in 1996 and continued to serve on the circuit court until December 1998. From there he received another appointment, this time to the Michigan Court of Appeals, again by Engler.

Zahra went on to be elected to six-year terms in 2000 and 2006. From December 2005 to January 2007, he served as the Court of Appeals chief judge pro tem.

There are five total justice candidates on the ballot and three will earn a seat on the seven-member Supreme Court. Zahra hopes he is one of them and he wants voters to know what he can bring.

To learn more about Zahra, visit <http://zahraforjustice.com/about/>.

Museum hosts genealogy workshop

The Plymouth Historical Museum hosts the eighth in a series of genealogical workshops to help family historians of all levels research their American ancestors.

This seminar, set for Saturday, Oct. 18, features Marie Varrelman Melchiori and Kathy Petlewski. Melchiori's topics will be "But Grandma Never Carried a Gun: Locating Women in Military Records" and "Using National Archives Military Records Online." Petlewski's topics will be "Let's Connect Online: Using Social Media in Genealogy" and "From their Hearts: How Our Female Ancestors Told Their Stories in Diaries and Letters."

Melchiori is a professional genealogist specializing in Union and Confederate records at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. Petlewski is a reference librarian, webmaster and genealogy and local history specialist at the Plymouth District Library.

The seminar runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. There will be limited seating and the event is filling up rapidly, so organizers are urging patrons to sign up early. The \$40 fee includes the four lectures, lunch and the option of touring the museum's special exhibit, "The Wheels of Summer," during lunch and the afternoon break.

Tickets are available at the Plymouth Historical Museum or on its website at http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/Genealogy-Seminar_ET119.html?SortBox=201410 using PayPal.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main Street, one block north of downtown Plymouth. For more information, call the museum at 734-455-8940.

College grads: It's never too early to save for retirement

Q: Dear Rick: I am in my mid-20s, a college graduate who just started my first job. I live at home, but am trying to save enough to move out. My dad told me to take 10 percent of my salary and invest it for retirement. Since the company I work for does not have a 401(k) plan, he recommends the Vanguard Total Stock Market Index in a Roth IRA. Ten percent seems too high to me; I was thinking of 3 percent. My dad tells me that I will need the money and that I should not depend



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

upon Social Security. What do you think? Is it OK to cut my retirement savings to about 3 percent?

A: I agree with your dad. He is giving you wonderful advice and you should follow it.

I recognize that by investing 10 percent for retirement, it will probably delay your plans to move out of your parents' house. However,

that is a small cost to pay versus the possibility of not having enough for retirement. When you consider that nearly half of the people who are retiring today are retiring at the poverty level, you can appreciate the importance of saving enough for retirement.

It is hard for someone in their 20s to think about retirement, which is maybe 40 years into the future. As an adult, though, you have to accept some of the realities of life.

It will not be unusual for your generation to live to be 100. Just think

how much money you will need when you consider that you can live 40 years into retirement.

Go back to 1974 and see what prices were. Some \$5,000 bought you a nice higher-end brand new car and you could get a home for \$25,000 or \$30,000. Fast forward to today and a similar new car would cost you \$30,000 or more.

Also, keep in mind the new expenses we have today - cellphones, Internet and cable TV. The bottom line is you will need substantial amounts of money for retirement.

Your father is correct - by getting into the habit of saving 10 percent of your paycheck on a regular basis, you will have the best opportunity for a long and comfortable retirement.

I wish all parents were like your dad and sat down with their children and discussed personal finances. Unfortunately, most people don't do that.

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

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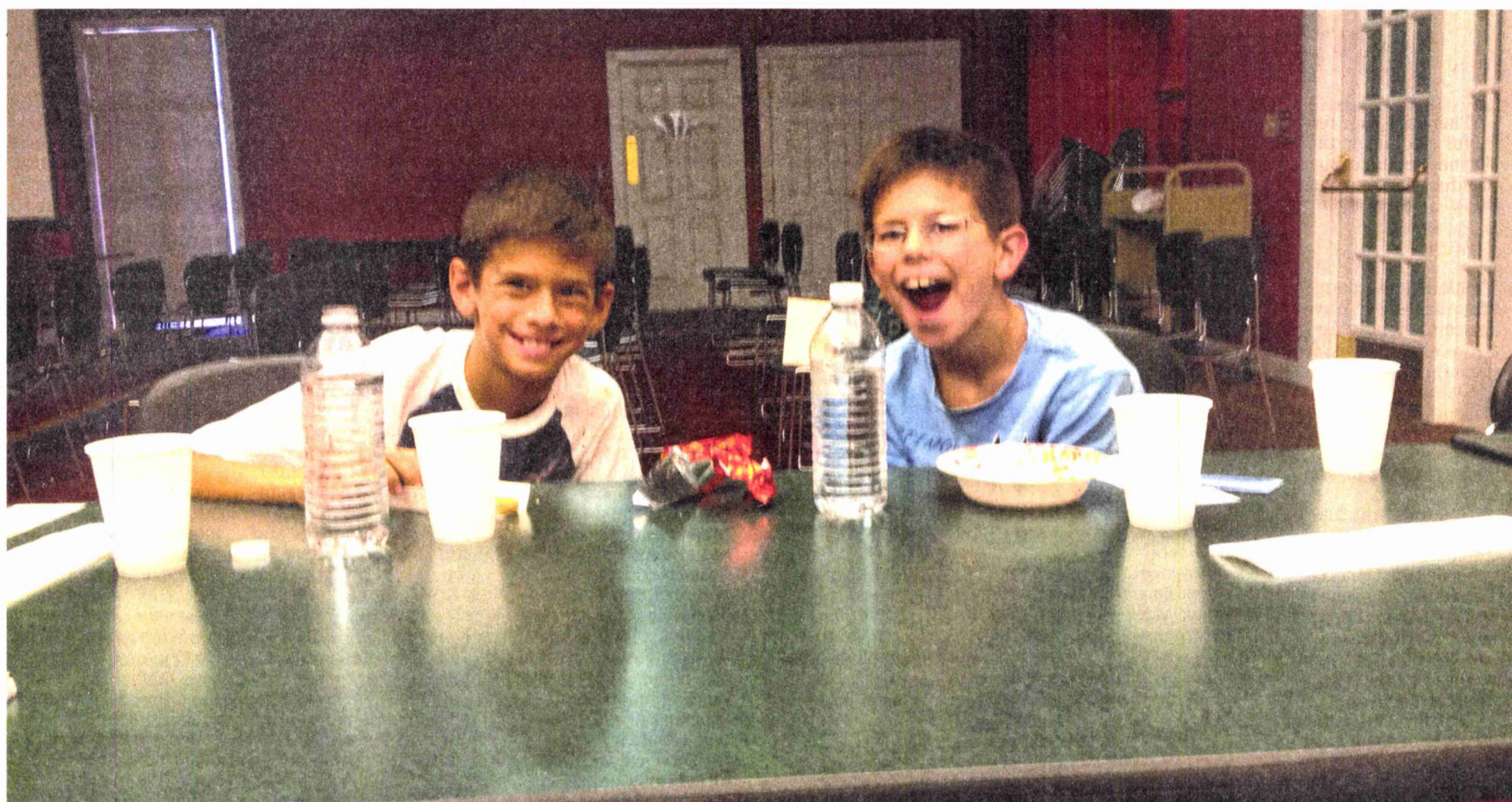
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Nick Hatsios (left) and Brendan Adamski, both 10, share a laugh at the science workshop on Lava Lamps.

JULIE BROWN

Science fun, learning are great mix at library

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Nick Hatsios and Brendan Adamski are just 10, but well on their way to careers in science, technology, engineering or math.

The boys were among those in grades 4-8 at Thursday's workshop on Lava Lamp science at the Plymouth District Library. The workshops are held in cooperation with the STEM Academy at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"We wanted to try to get it to kids at a younger age," said Danielle Ramos, STEM Academy coordinator at Canton High School. It's been several years that STEM students have traveled to

the Plymouth library for the workshops. More than 15 kids attended Thursday's session.

STEM career

One of those is Devankar Mukhi, 16, a Plymouth High School junior and Canton resident. Mukhi and others showed the younger kids how "to understand how a lava lamp really works. We're demonstrating them with these water bottles."

Mukhi is interested in becoming a physician and working with Doctors Without Borders, "maybe starting my own charity. I've always been really interested in medicine."

Ramos told the kids that many career opportunities exist in STEM, although the studies are

challenging. In high school, there are engineering and biomedical pathways locally.

As the kids got started after school that day, a screen showed a real lava lamp, which operates with the heat of a light bulb and wax. Each younger student had a water bottle and they soon learned that oil is less dense than water.

The children put in salt, a pinch at a time. "You are going to observe what happens," Ramos said. "Keep adding a little bit of salt."

Fun begins

The children learned about the words hydrophilic, or "water loving," and its opposite, hydrophobic. Polarity and den-

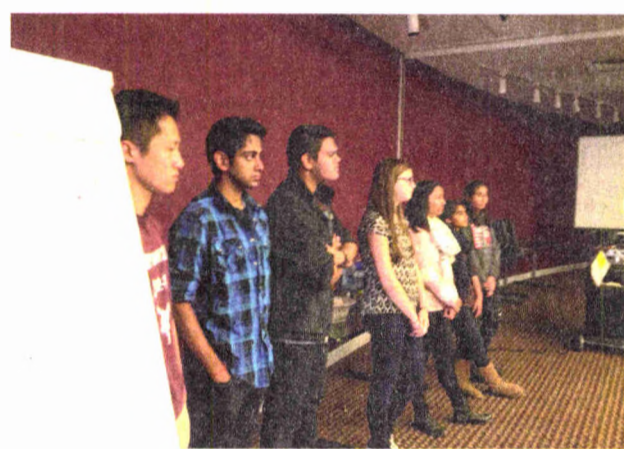
sity were covered.

The workshop revealed salt and oil together are more dense, so they sink in water. Some salt goes into the water, they learned, as they talked about positive and negative charges. The terms polar and non-polar were covered.

The fun really started as youngsters broke up an Alka-Seltzer into several pieces. Its resulting carbon dioxide in the bottles led to bubbles galore.

You may think lava lamps went away with the 1970s, but, "I had lava lamps. I'm 35," Ramos said.

Barb Dinan, teen services librarian, said of the workshop, "We've got the space. We've got the abil-



The STEM high school students enjoy teaching the younger kids at the Plymouth library.

JULIE BROWN

ity to get the word out." The Friends of the Library are a great help, Dinan said.

"Every time the STEM kids come out for a program, I learn something too," Dinan added.

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Griffin, Adamski seek partial W-W board term

There are four terms up for election on the Wayne-Westland Board of Education — a partial two-year term and three six-year terms.

Appointed incumbent Charles "Trav" Griffin of Westland and Adam Salam Adamski of Wayne are campaigning for the two-year term, while incumbents Carol Middel of Canton and Shawna Walker of Westland, Tom Froerich of Westland and Melandine Hines of Westland are vying for the three full terms.

The following are the responses of Griffin and Adamski to questions posed by the *Observer*. The remaining responses will appear in the Thursday, Oct. 9, issue.

1. What made you decide to seek a school board seat?

Griffin: As a former member of the bond oversight committee, former teacher and current member of the board of education, I feel as though I have a unique perspective on the important issues facing our district that can only be

CHARLES 'TRAV' GRIFFIN

Residence: Westland

Age: 74

Employment: Retired, UniServ Director Michigan Education Association.

Family: Widowed, he has three sons — Bill (Lisa), Ben (Andrea) and David — and four grandchildren — Cady, Max, Ben and Cole.

Education: Bachelor of arts degree from Eastern Michigan University with majors in military science and political science and minors in history and geography, master of arts from Eastern Michigan University with majors in business administration and social science.

Community involvement: Treasurer, Wayne-Westland Board of Education, Wayne-Westland Schools Citizens Bond Building and Site Fund Committee, president, Westland City Council, Mayor, City of Westland.



Adamski

ADAM SALAM ADAMSKI

Residence: Wayne

Age: Not provided

Employment: Owner/manager of Adam Adamski Enterprises

Family: Widowed

Education: Bachelor of arts degree in political science and history from Michigan State University, graduate studies at UNLV

Community involvement: Not provided



Griffin

gained through experience. My affection for my community and our schools is such that I wish to contribute that experience to make our schools better and give

our children the best educational experience possible.

Adamski: It is my lifetime goal to educate our American people about the illegal, crimi-

nal state of Israel. America has no obligation to defend or continue to give \$3 billion per year to Israel.

2. What do you see as the biggest issue facing the district?

Griffin: Without reservation that issue is our district's future finances.

Adamski: We must demand from President Obama and our Congress to give \$3 billion annually to Wayne County schools instead of Israel.

3. How would you recommend increasing revenue, considering the state Legislature has shown no willingness to address Proposal A and the funding inequities it created?

Griffin: The Wayne-Westland School District has been dealing with funding inequities since Proposal A was passed in 1995. While it is true the legislature has shown little interest in rewriting Proposal A, they have

increased funding for technical education such as that offered by our William D. Ford Technical Center. I favor taking advantage of this new funding and expanding our students' technical training opportunities.

Adamski: We can increase revenue by placing the RESA ballot question on the November ballot again and work for its passage. Also, the federal government must give up the \$3 billion given to Israel annually.

4. What qualities and skills do you believe you would bring to the school board, if elected?

Griffin: I believe I have a proven record as a fiscal conservative. My main goal is to make sure our district maintains a balanced budget so that it can offer excellent educational opportunities to our districts students.

Adamski: I have an education, a BA in political science and history from Michigan State University, graduate work in education at UNLV; two years experience as a substitute teacher, private business owner and successful author with 20,000 books sold. I have worldwide contact with business and government leaders.

5. What makes you the best candidate for school board?

Griffin: Past experience on the board of education, knowledge of local funding issues, human relation skills gained as a former UniServ Director for the Michigan Education Association and the ability to manage tough issues that will maintain the integrity of our school system.

Adamski: I have the leadership experience and skills to lead our school board.

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effectively, promoting independence and encouraging character.

Contact: For more details about attending the free introductory session and to register for the Parent Talk workshop series, visit www.pcmontessori.org, email Sue Fitzpatrick at sfitzpatrick@dhmontessori.org or call 734-459-1550.

JAZZ @ THE ELKS

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 28, 7-10 p.m.

Location: Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Jazz @ The Elks features the Cliff Monear Trio, with Barbara on vocals (in her first appearance at the Elks), Cliff Monear on keyboard, Jeff Pedraz on bass and Jim Ryan on drums. Cost is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors

d'oeuvres.

Contact: For more information call 734-453-1780 or visit www.plymouthelks1780.com

CHURCH CONCERT

Date/Time: Sunday, Oct. 19, 4 p.m.

Location: First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth

Details: The First United Methodist Church of Plymouth presents tenor Lonnie Reed in a recital that will include works by Handel, Schumann and spirituals. Reed is pursuing a master's degree in vocal performance at the University of Michigan. Prior to the concert and at the intermission, students from the Music@First Fine Arts Academy, which is part of the music ministry at First United Methodist Church, will perform. Admission is free; a free-will offering will be received to benefit the Music@First scholarship fund and the CROP Walk.

Contact: Call Marcia Van Oyen

at 734-453-5280 or email marcia@pfumc.org

AAUW BOOK SALE

Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: West Middle School, 4441 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth

The Plymouth-Canton AAUW hosts a book sale as part of the Delta Kappa Gamma craft show. Admission \$2. The purpose of the American Association of University Women is to advance equality for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. Proceeds will benefit the Plymouth-Canton Branch scholarship fund. The group is now collecting gently used fiction and non-fiction books, children and adults. (Please no encyclopedias, textbooks or damaged books).

Contact: To donate books contact Becky Copenhaver at 734-981-6023 or bgcopenhaver@yahoo.com or Shirley Zaetta at 734-455-6366 or szaetta@wowway.com.

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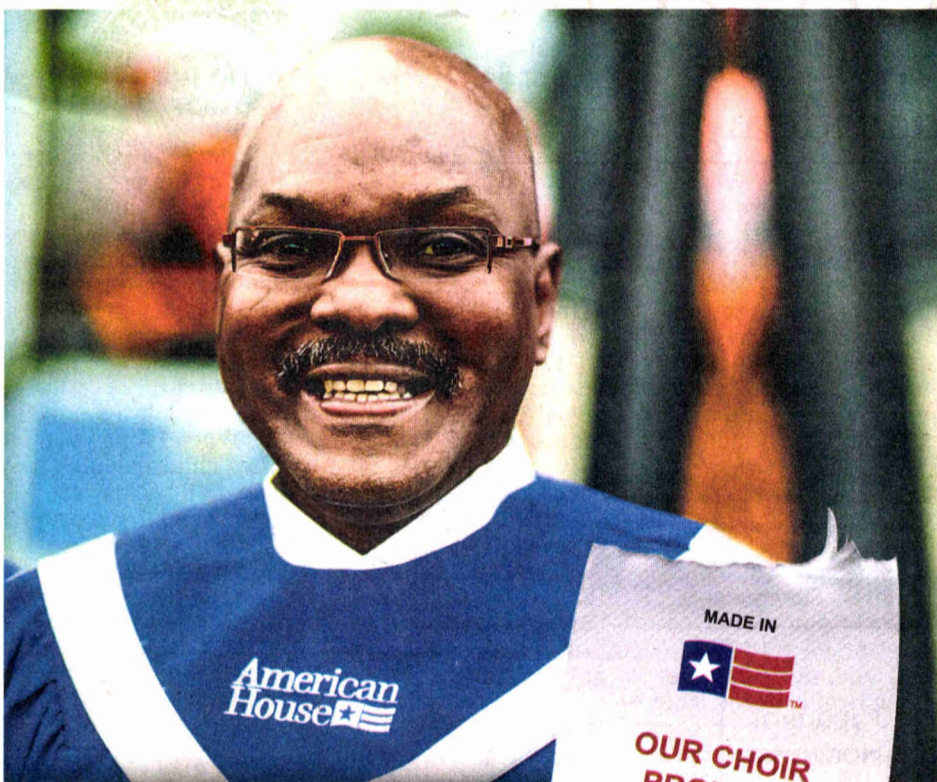
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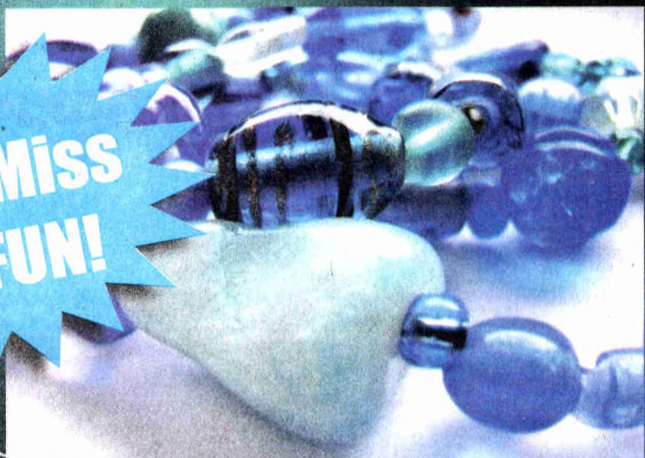
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Renowned peace activist Yusef Shakur to speak in Livonia

Detroit's Native Son, a one-hour movie about Yusif Shakur, who transformed from fatherless gang member to community organizer and activist, will be featured at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, by Citizens for Peace at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

Following the film, Shakur will respond to audience questions and discuss how he is working to change his neighborhood from a war zone to a peace zone.

The film tells the story of Shakur's transformation from a fatherless gang member raised by an abusive, alcoholic mother in Detroit to a business owner, proud father, author,



Shakur

inspirational speaker, mentor, well-respected community organizer and activist.

Shakur's gang membership led to his imprisonment at age 19. He spent nine years in prison and his transformation began when he became acquainted with his father during his

imprisonment.

Grace Lee Boggs, a legendary Detroit community activist, said, "Yusef's journey, like Malcolm X's, has been one of transformation and resurrection."

Dr. Carl S. Taylor, professor at Michigan State University, had this to say about Shakur: "Without any reservation this is one of the most insightful and evolutionary perspectives of a young man in urban America."

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 734-425-0079 or go to www.citizensforpeace11.blogspot.com.

St. Nicholas Institute honors Seedlings Braille Books founder

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Debra Bonde didn't know what to expect when an envelope from the St. Nicholas Institute arrived this summer at Seedlings Braille Books for Children in Livonia.

She opened it to find she was to be honored as a part of the institute's annual banquet for her work and love for children, one of the core tenets of the institute in Livonia.

"It was almost a little scary," she said, not knowing what the envelope contained. "This was totally out of the blue. I didn't know I had been nominated. I didn't know anything about the institute."

Bonde was one of several award winners Wednesday night during the St. Nicholas Institute banquet at the Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia, an event in its third year. Led by the Rev. Joseph Marquis from Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, the institute trains those looking to carry on the tradition of St. Nicholas and his modern evolution, Santa Claus. A nonprofit organization that benefits the church on Six Mile east of Middlebelt, Marquis uses his background as a priest and Santa Claus actor to teach others the craft and to recognize those who do good in the community.

Seedlings is an organization Bonde launched from her basement in 1984 to help provide Braille books for blind children. Seeing there was a lack of cost-effective options for blind children, she began creating Braille books. Thirty years later, the organization has created more than 394,000 books and has moved its operations to a facility on Farmington in Livonia.



THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Livonia resident Debra Bonde, founder and executive director of Seedlings Braille Books for Children, receives the award Wednesday for her love of children at the St. Nicholas Institute Awards Banquet.

"Seedlings was definitely based on a love of children," she said. "I think it was Sparky Anderson who said, 'The most important thing you can do in the world is to love a child' and that's what we believe."

Marquis, who brought 24 people to Detroit to participate in the St. Nicholas Institute last week from all over North America, said he's pleased with how the institute has grown and filled the banquet center and the preparations for those as Santa Claus before the beginning of the Christmas season.

He said while it may be early to get out the mistletoe and poinsettias for some people, those portraying Santa Claus need to feel the Christmas spirit and be ready to spread joy sooner.

"They have to be in the spirit of Christmas before everybody else. This is a dress rehearsal," he said.

Others awarded

In addition to Bonde's award, several other metro Detroit residents were honored, including Domino's Pizza founder

Tom Monaghan, for his work in nonprofit endeavors; WJR-AM (760) radio host Paul W. Smith, for his work with the Paul W. Smith Golf Classic; and Joe Kocur, Ron Mann and Chris Baker, co-founders of the Joe Kocur Foundation for Children.

Marquis, who has portrayed St. Nicholas and Santa Claus for more than 40 years and is an inductee into the International Santa Claus Hall of Fame, said it's very important to understand the man who became the influence to the modern-day Santa Claus: St. Nicholas, a bishop born in the third century who was known for his leaving of gifts and his love of children.

"He had a timeless personality and the gifts of peace, joy and love that we associate with Santa Claus," he said. "We want to be open to that same spirit that animated him 1,700 years ago. And the more authentic we are to that, the more authentic we'll be to our vocation to spread the joy, peace and love of Christmas."

Bonde said she's happy to continue her work with Braille books, something she's felt very connected to. She said she saw the opportunities her seeing children had with books and wanted to provide a similar opportunity for those children who couldn't see.

"When I found out that blind children didn't have that, that books were scarce and if you could find them, they were expensive — like \$100 for a Hardy Boys book — that just seemed wrong to me," she said. "If you give a child the gift of reading, you've given them the key to success."

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Local organization unites piano teachers, students

This is the time of year when many parents begin searching for a teacher for their child who has expressed an interest in learning to play the piano.

The Livonia Area Piano Teachers Forum is a professional organization that acts as a resource for piano teachers looking to enhance

their skills, as well as piano students looking for the right teacher.

Founded in 1970, LAPTF members are teachers from all over the Detroit area, not just Livonia.

Its members have a variety of backgrounds and experience. The LAPTF meets monthly from September to May.

Every meeting in planned well in advance, featuring guest speakers who share their expertise.

This year's features include "How To Use Theory to Teach Interpretation" with Linette Popoff-Parks from Madonna University.

The year concludes with a recital by several

of the members' students who have received awards for piano performance excellence.

Meetings are held at the Steinway Gallery in Commerce Township and Evola Music in Canton.

Students of LAPTF have the opportunity to participate in community outreach recitals, judged performance

events for students at all levels, collaborative concerts and testing events.

Teachers interested in joining or visiting a meeting are encouraged to contact Vice President Alicia Operti at amoperti@gmail.com or membership chair Irina Semenova at i33002003@yahoo.com.

Individuals interested in finding a piano teacher should contact Debbie Cox at dcmgsu@yahoo.com for a list of referrals.

LAPTF is a local chapter of the Michigan Music Teacher Association. For more information, visit www.laptf.org.

Westland Sopping Center hosts annual Festival of Arts

Some liken the Festival of the Arts to Plymouth's Art in the Park, except there is free parking and climate control.

Three Cities Art Club is joined this year by artists from the Visual Arts Association of Livonia for the fourth annual Festival of the Arts, hosted by Westland Shopping Center. It begins at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, and runs through 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26.

The festival will take place in the grand concourse, outside the east side of Macy's. There will be art, music and dance by some of the area's best visual and performing artists.

Free events include musical performances by Jay D. Kilgus of Piano Pleasures, Michigan Youth Philharmonic Orchestra, Harmony Towne Chorus, two bands from Ward Presbyterian Church, Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestra and dance by members of the Dance Academy. The entertainment will be from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and 1-6 p.m. Sunday. For an updated schedule of events and performers, visit www.threecitiesartclub.org/events.

There also will be drawing classes by Marilyn Meredith at 2 p.m. Friday and Sunday, face painting for the kids Saturday afternoon and art demonstrations.

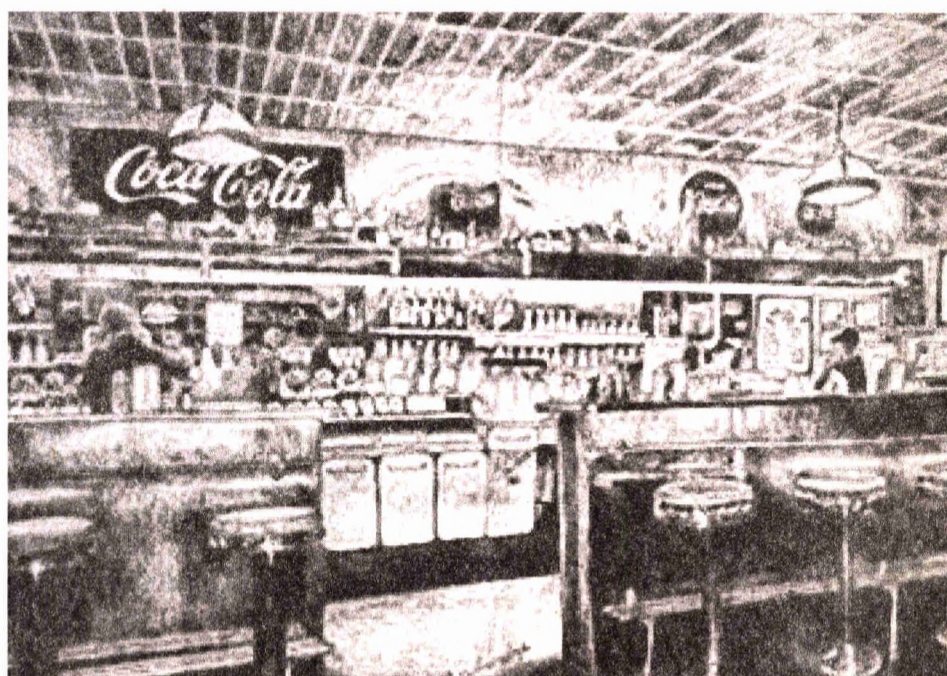
Westland Mayor William Wild continues his support of bringing the arts to Westland and will be on hand to vote for his favorite work of art. He will be joined by state Sen. Glenn Anderson, Westland Rotary Club President Lou Toarmina and center General Manager Carol Rutz. They will each select their favorite from more than 140 pieces of quality fine art, photography and pottery created by some of the area's most talented artists.

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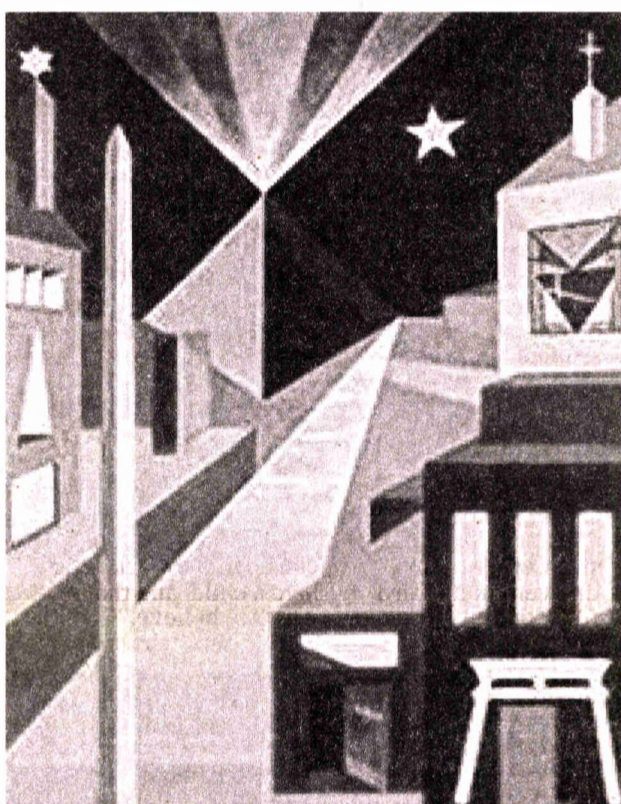
"Journey Home" by Elizabeth Gullikson.

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"Soda Shop - Grayling, Mich.," by Chuck Schroeder.

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"Spirits that Move Us" by Marilyn Meredith.

TRI-CITIES ART CLUB

the guest judges at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, and hear what it was that influenced their decisions. The winning artists will each receive a cash prize donated by

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Visitors also can vote for their favorites and be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a Gen

Herkimer diamond ring set in sterling silver, valued at \$375 and donated by Showroom of Elegance of Canton. The one-of-a-kind piece of jewelry is one of the many items included in Popular Vote drawing. No need to be present to win; prizes will be mailed to the selected winners after the close of the festival.

In addition to outstanding original watercolors, acrylics, oils, pen

and ink, pottery and photography, there will be framed and matted prints, handmade wooden puzzles, note cards and refrigerator magnets.

The annual Westland Rotary event is sponsored by such businesses as Showroom of Elegance, Michigan Chiropractic Specialists, Ari-El Enterprises Inc. and many more dedicated to supporting the arts. People who ever

thought about exercising their creative side or are just interested in art are invited to attend a club meeting. Three Cities Art Club meets at Canton Township Hall (www.threecitiesartclub.org). VAAL meetings are at 37653 Five Mile in Livonia (www.vaalart.org).

For more information, contact Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939 or by email at marilynmeredith@wowway.com.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday, October 21, 2014

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that a Public Hearing will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170, on Tuesday, October 21, 2014, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate request for real property improvements at Robert Bosch LLC, 15000 Haggerty Rd. The request is available for inspection from 8-4:30 daily in the Clerk's Office. During the public hearing which begins at 7:00 pm., any resident of Plymouth Township or members of the Legislative Board of any affected taxing unit in the Township shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments addressed to the Clerk will be considered. Following the public hearing, the Board may decide on the request by resolution.

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NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION, CONTROL,
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Local nonprofit seeks to fight domestic violence

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Karen Lewis launched her nonprofit supporting those in poverty seven years ago, first running it out of her house and then a facility in Detroit. When that building burned down in 2010, she took a few years away from her work, not sure if she'd return.

After the death of a fellow parishioner at Deeper Life Gospel Center in Redford she had worked with, she spoke with the Rev. Wade A. Bell Sr. about her work and he convinced her to return to helping those in need.

"I really was just going to fold up and close," the Farmington Hills resident said. "My pastor gave me all the paperwork back and he said, 'She would want you to go forward with this.' So that's what encouraged me to go forward with this: my pastor."

Today Lewis, as well as her daughter and several people she knows from church, operate The Angel House in Livonia, a nonprofit organization designed to support those who suffer domestic

"Our goal is to get this building where we can house 60 women in."

KAREN LEWIS
founder, The Angel House

violence by providing support through gift cards and other assistance.

The Angel House, 28441 Five Mile, relocated to Livonia in May 2013 and reopened its renovated facility earlier this summer after Lewis struck a deal with a neighboring tenant to expand her space from 50 square feet to nearly 1,000 square feet. With the new space, the facility has a small banquet facility to hold events, such as weekly game nights, something that takes place each Friday night.

The game nights run 7-9 p.m. and the cost is \$5 a person to play a variety of board and card games. Lewis said the facility also opens from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day



Staff members at The Angel House (from left): Cynthia Jordan, Monica Jordan, Sonia Taylor, Rychael Walton and founder Karen Lewis.

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each during the week for seniors to come and play games at a cost of \$5 a person.

All proceeds go to The Angel House, which is currently looking to purchase an area facility to help house women who need to escape from abusive relationships and homes.

"Our goal is to get this building where we can house 60 women in," she said. "In that building, they will be able to learn that they don't have to live in poverty, they don't have to take abuse."

Those who are in need of support can stop by the office during the day and fill out an application.

The facility also accepts old cellphones and spare change to help the cause, plus has T-shirts

that sell for \$15. All proceeds go to the organization.

A family affair

The nonprofit originally started in 2007 as an organization to help women rise out of poverty, but the mission has shifted slightly in recent years, especially after a personal tragedy struck Lewis and her family.

Her daughter, who was eight months pregnant, was killed earlier this year in a case of domestic violence, she said. Before her death, her daughter expressed a desire to launch a program similar to The Angel House in Texas where she lived.

"I'm sad that me and my daughters started this organization to help women get out of poverty and

I've had to end up taking it to domestic violence because I lost my daughter and my grandchild to domestic violence," Lewis said.

Since the incident, her other daughter, Rychael Walton, has returned to Michigan after living in Arizona and works full time at The Angel House.

She came back to the Midwest for her sister's funeral and her husband asked for a divorce days after. She's taken those challenges as a sign from God that she was destined to work to help other women.

"It's been challenging, but I've been able to pick up every day and go about my life and remember my sister," she said.

With domestic violence being a national

discussion issue this fall after incidents in the National Football League, Lewis said now is as good a time as ever to start that conversation about what can be done to prevent domestic violence. With her own life touched by domestic violence, it's an issue she keeps close to her heart.

"(Former NFL football player) Ray Rice just did me a favor. I'm sorry I had to say that, but he did me a favor to open up more doors to domestic violence to get the word out about my daughter," she said. "I will fight domestic violence for the rest of my life."

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PUBLIC NOTICE Regular Meeting

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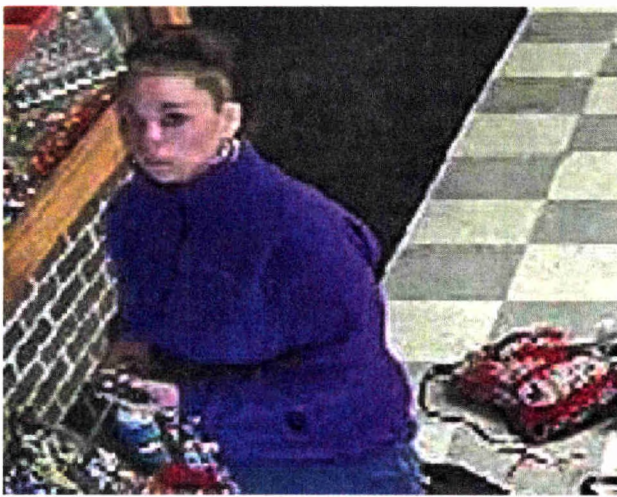


Canton police seek help identifying high school theft suspect

Canton Police are releasing a surveillance photo of an unidentified female who is suspected of entering Canton High School's athletic building and taking cash from wallets found in book bags and purses in the hallway, athletic office and team room.

The incident occurred Monday, Oct. 6, at approximately 3:30 p.m. The suspect is a white female with dark brown hair, wearing a purple jacket and blue jeans.

Police are asking anyone who can identify the female to contact the Canton Police Department at 734-394-5400.



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W-W school board hires law firm to review, update policies

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Policies for the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will be getting a check-up by one of its legal firms.

The school board recently approved a contract for Lusk and Albertson to do systematic review of all district policies. The base price for development of an initial set of bylaws and policies will be \$5,000, with yearly updates costing \$1,500.

The law firm will focus specifically on policies required by federal and state law and tailor them to the specific needs of the school district.

"It's very difficult to go through a year without updating a policy," attorney Kevin Sutton said. "In developing policies, we take a much more streamline approach. We shorten the policy. Some services reiterate the law, but it's not necessary to include a restatement. The law changes or the interpre-

tation of the law changes, but not necessarily the policy.

"If you ask to be shown the board policies, it's usually a three-ring binder," he said. "If you ask what's in it, most people don't know. Often there are policies in it from 1992, 1993 that no one has looked at since then."

Sutton assured the board that the law firm's focus will be "district specific." It will review what is currently in place and work with the school board to see where trustees want to "exercise their discretion." The end product will be a streamlined packet for the Wayne-Westland.

"You're not necessarily reviewing the policies we currently have and giving us new ones or are you comparing what we have and filling in the gaps?" board member Cindy Schofield said.

"We won't walk in with a booklet and say this is the one you have to have and not tailor it

to your needs," Sutton said. "We don't have a one size fits all; every district is different.

We're going to review the policies you have in place and talk with the board about what works and what doesn't work."

The review will be done over an extended period of time and require multiple contacts with the board's policy committee, he added.

"It's a fairly extensive process," Sutton said.

Sutton also indicated that the firm would be amenable to an opt-out clause in response to board member Sally Madison's question as to an end date on the contract.

"We always need a review," Trustee Charles "Trav" Griffin said. "I feel we can narrow down some of these policies down to something workable. It's a good idea and it will be a better operating procedure for the district."

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Healing Hearts hosts 'Carving Out Your Life'

A retired firefighter will talk about "cutting through the fog" of difficult times in a workshop presented Monday, Oct. 27, by Hope 4 Healing Hearts in Westland.

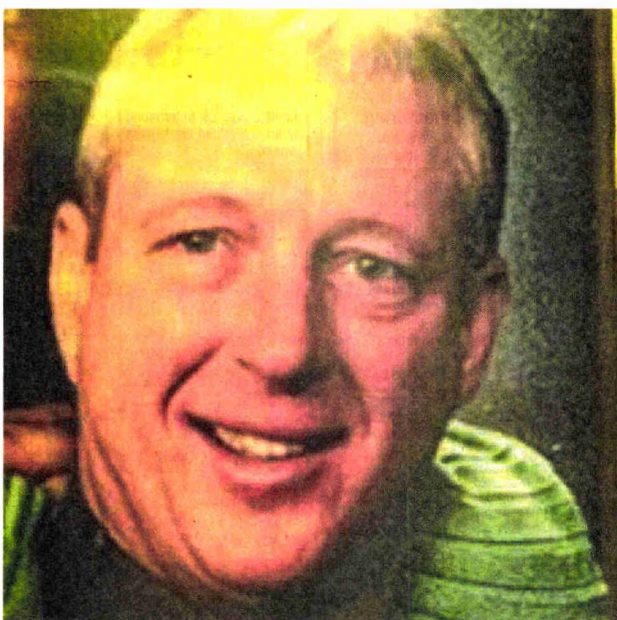
Coping with a family member in trouble is something that hits every home sooner or later. Knowing that you are not the first, you won't be the last and it is probably not your fault helps to make the trouble less daunting. However, a family must cut through the fog of guilt, fear and embarrassment to find the path to normalcy.

Cutting through that fog is what Steve Rudolph will help do at "Carving out Your Life."

As a 14-year Toastmaster ACG, a fundraiser, a Scout leader, a church vestry member and a public educator for the fire department, Rudolph has spoken to hundreds of audiences from all walks of life. It "is something I enjoy and am good at," Rudolph said.

However, his passion is history and his current vocation is prison history with an emphasis on the history within and surrounding Jackson Prison. His research includes interviews of past inmates, families of inmates, correction officers and past wardens.

"I combine this information, along with my personal perspective, to provide my audience thought provoking details," he said. "My objective is to inform the audience to the point that



Rudolph

they at least know what questions they should be asking themselves, the government and the people who would make life harder for them."

Rudolph will help workshop participants plot their next move with confidence because they will know that move is leading toward the outcome of their own design. They will learn how to see where and what they want to be; plan the steps toward getting there; collect the tools needed to get there; use the tools effectively; and take the proper steps at the proper time.

"I have found that a prison sentence is not just punishment for the convict, but for his or her

family, too," he said. "Although I do not know the answers, I am beginning to know the enormous complexity of the problem. From that point, I suggest some constructive ways to face those problems."

Rudolph's presentation will be at 7 p.m. at the Kirk of Our Savior, 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road, in Westland. The workshop is free, however, donations will be accepted. Light refreshments also will be served.

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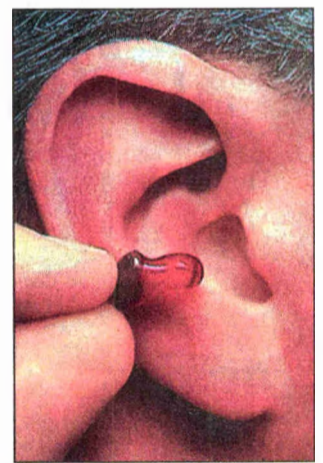
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CANTON 30, PLYMOUTH 20



Waiting for a hole to develop Friday night is Canton running back Chuck Turfe (No. 28). Chiefs offensive lineman Darin Tuttle (No. 67) looks to spring Turfe with a block against Plymouth's Victor Abraham (No. 9).

KLAA CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Canton rolls to KLAA title

Chiefs' quick-strike offense and timely defense pays off

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Hunter Olson possesses enough elusiveness and agility that he could probably tap dance his way through a mine field.

The Canton junior forward once again showed his penchant for fancy footwork when he scored the Chiefs' first goal in Wednesday's Kensington Lakes Activities Association boys soccer championship game against Grand Blanc.

Olson's tally, at 3:05 of the contest, set the tone for Canton's 4-1 victory at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's varsity soccer stadium. The win earned the Chiefs their first association title since the state championship season of 2011.

"Hunter really came out big that first 15-20 minutes," Canton head coach Mark Zemanski said. "He ended up getting a goal. He passed the ball and then ran 40 yards to the goal and got the ball in and finished it."

"That was just a great, great play." Running toward the left corner of the Grand Blanc goal box, Olson went against the grain with his shot to drill it inside the far post. Setting it up with a perfect cross was junior forward Sam DeLoy.

"We all worked hard all season to get to this point and my goal was just only a minor portion of the game," Olson said. "Right off the bat, the counter-attack was our goal. Just attack fast and quickly."

Zemanski said scoring such an early goal "definitely takes the pressure off and it puts pressure on them to counter

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CANTON CLINCHER

Chiefs build big lead early on, hold off Wildcats for KLAA South championship

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Nothing like a crisp, October evening to listen to the sound of colliding helmets and shoulder pads cracking — especially when they belong to Canton and Plymouth football players.

Such was the case Friday night, when two bitter campus rivals and KLAA South Division opponents got together for their annual game at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

There were plenty of big hits on both sides, but Canton got the best of things on the scoreboard with a 30-20 victory. The win gives Canton (6-1 overall, 5-0 in the KLAA South) the division title for the second year in a row.

"These kids just keep stepping in and stepping in. I'm just so proud of them," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said. "They really deserve this.

... We're just going to enjoy this tonight" instead of worrying about next week's crossover against the KLAA Central champion (either South Lyon or Livonia Stevenson).

"I think our defense played great," Baechler said. "We gave up a couple big plays, but they have an excellent quarterback, excellent receivers; there's some height mismatches back there."

"We made some plays and they made some plays. We told the kids that was going to happen. But I thought we did a great job slowing down the run a little bit."

Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk, whose team dropped to 5-2 overall and 3-2 in the division, praised his players for not folding the tent after a tough start. Canton led 21-0 on the first play of the second quarter and 27-7 at halftime.

Errors costly

"I think the difference in the ball-game was our mental errors in the first half," Sawchuk said. "We quit on a pass play out here that the kid thought was out of bounds. And then we blew a coverage on a third-and-nine that brought them to the 1-yard line."

"We fumbled the ball back here instead of getting vertical. You take some of those mental errors away and we win. They're a good ballclub and they're always going to play hard, but I'm very proud of my kids."

One of the Canton stalwarts was senior quarterback Greg Williams, also the recipient of numerous crunches.

"It's always a battle," Williams said. "We did get out to a quick start,

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Gaining a step around Grand Blanc's Dayton Rush (No. 19) is Canton senior defender Sam Belcher (No. 5).

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



Salem's Tess Ganich (No. 6) tips the ball over the net Thursday. Ready to help out in the front row is Madison Fairchild (No. 10).

MAX-IMIZED

Salem spikers host, win 'Live Like Max' charity game

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Salem's varsity girls volleyball team did something for others Thursday night.

And then they did something about making a statement in the KLAA Central Division standings with a three-game victory over Livonia Stevenson (29-27, 25-14, 25-23).

The Rocks (13-7 overall, 6-3 in the KLAA Central) pretty much clinched second place with the victory.

It was a charity game benefiting the Live Like Max Foundation, established in recent months following the tragic death of 20-year-old Max Pardington. The 2012 graduate of Orchard Lake St. Mary's, the picture of perfect healthy, died suddenly in June of an enlarged heart (which led to cardiac arrest).

Proceeds from game tickets, con-

cessions, raffles, "Live Like Max" T-shirts and wrist bands will benefit the foundation and help bring awareness to student-athletes and families about the awareness of getting a "Healthy Heart Check."

Right before the game, Salem varsity, JV and freshman players donned light blue "Live Like Max" tees and joined Max' parents (John and Lisa Pardington of Canton) and guest speaker Dr. William Nazzaro, a cardiologist at Garden City Hospital.

The guests emphasized that Max Pardington would still be alive today if his heart condition could have been detected, and urged parents of student-athletes to make sure their sons and daughters have regular echocardiograms.

"People don't really talk about it enough," Salem head coach Amanda Nies said. "It's something I'm glad the kids heard and parents heard."

"If a couple people go and get a heart scan that could save a couple lives then we did our job."

Worth heeding

According to Nies, the moms of Tess Ganich and Kelly Lidzbarski were instrumental in organizing Thursday's event.

"I give kudos to my parents for all that (the Max program). They were 100 percent who did this. I hope my girls recognize what this cause is all about."

Tess Ganich, following the game, said "it feels great" to help such a worthy cause.

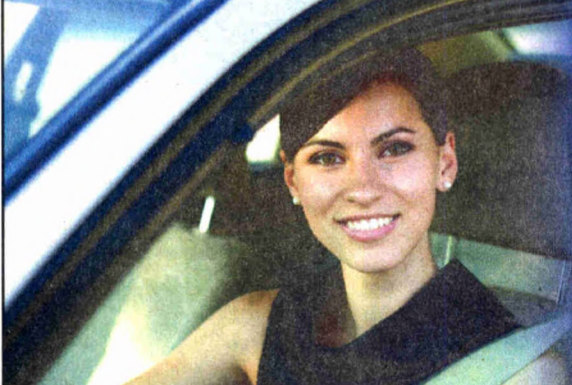
"The whole school comes together, so it's a really good thing," she said. "The main message was we need more screening."

As for the game itself, Nies said the team needed to respond to Tuesday's loss against South Lyon.

"We are still getting over that hump of those unforced errors," Nies explained. "We're second in the division, but this is only our second sweep. It's been a tough division this year for us."


"Coming off a hard Tuesday night

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GIRLS GOLF D1 REGIONALS



COURTESY PLYMOUTH GOLF
Plymouth's varsity girls golf team, coached by Dan Young (left) won the Division 1 regional.

BOUNCEBACK 'CATS

Plymouth follows KLAAs frustration with another regional crown

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

It only took the Plymouth Wildcats two days to shake off the disappointment of a third-place finish at the KLAAs girls golf meet.

Winning the Division 1 regional for the fourth consecutive year has a way of turning things around in a hurry, and that was the case for Plymouth.

The Wildcats won the regional Wednesday at Washtenaw Polo Fields in Ypsilanti with a 359 tally, well ahead of Ann Arbor Pioneer (370) and Saline (388).

"Yes we were in a bad mood after Monday," Plymouth head coach Dan Young said. "We regrouped, talked about staying positive with ourselves and worked on correcting some of our mistakes."

Pep talks certainly are great, but it doesn't hurt to have talented players such as senior Sydney Murphy and

junior Katie Chipman, who spearheaded the Wildcats' triumph with 18-hole scores of 85 and 88 strokes, respectively.

Junior twins Alaina Strzalka and Ariana Strzalka mirrored each other on the golf course, too. Each registered 93s.

Fifth on the Plymouth scorecard (and whose tally didn't count in the team total) was junior Maren Wisniewski, who shot a 112.

Also qualifying as teams were Pioneer and Saline, with three individual qualifiers including overall medalist Jami Laude of Ann Arbor Skyline (79), Monroe's Jaclyn Fanoia (80) and Bedford's Emma Sullivan.

"Yesterday again was hard golf, very windy on a tough course and our team was more resilient," Young continued. "This is a tough minded group. They are also very supportive of one another."

"That's why they bounced back from Monday. It was a great accomplishment for our team."

Young Salem also had a respectable showing, finishing fifth over-

all with 399 strokes. Sophomore Darby Scott led the Rocks with a 92 score, followed by juniors Hope Warkoczeski (97), Kiley Flynn (99) and sophomore Elder Keista (111). Sophomore Grace Gre-lak shot a 116.

Canton finished 10th, led by senior Alyce Krumm's 95 finish.

Other Chiefs included junior Meghan Meredith (117), freshmen Manasa Potluri (127), Caroline Jones (133) and sophomore Lauren Luyet (147).

The Wildcats now will gear up for the state finals, slated for Oct. 17-18 at Bedford Valley Golf Course in Battle Creek.

All-conference
Seven Plymouth-Canton Educational Park golfers were named to the KLAAs Kensington Conference team.

Making the list were Plymouth's Sydney Murphy, Katie Chipman, Alaina Strzalka and Ariana Strzalka; Salem's Hope Warkoczeski and Darby Scott; Canton's Alyce Krumm.

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loss against South Lyon, we knew we had to go into the game tonight and win to clinch second place.

"So for my girls to do that — with the Max fundraiser (going on) and second place on the line — that was enough motivation for them. They came out able to overcome their mistakes and win."

One of the keys to the victory was the play of setter Sara Soltis, who tallied 44 assists along with 10 digs.

"She (Soltis) is still building that

confidence (at setter) but she's got great hands," Nies added. "She can get the job done if she believes in herself a little bit."

"But I'm really impressed. They're really working on working together."

Other strong showings were turned in by Ganich (29 kills, 20 digs), libero Lidzbarski (12 digs), Audrey Boike (eight blocks), Hannah Moote and Madison Fairchild (five kills each).

For more information about the Live Like Max Foundation, go to www.facebook.com/livelikemax foundation.

A website also is in the works.

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO
The parents of the late Max Pardington (back row, middle) pose with Salem's varsity, JV and freshman teams prior to Thursday's 'Live Like Max' charity volleyball contest against Livonia Stevenson.

YOUTH FOOTBALL

Canton Lions split with Ypsi Braves

Next up is today's 50th anniversary game at P-CEP

It was another split decision Saturday, Oct. 4 for the Canton Lions, with two teams winning and two others falling a bit short against the Ypsilanti Braves.

In the varsity game, the Lions dominated on both sides of the line of scrimmage in racking up a 31-0 victory.

The offense featured two TDs by Desmond Dewberry and one each by Jimmy Gibbons and LaRan Blunt and the defense could not be penetrated.

The Lions will take

part in their 50th anniversary game today against the Belleville Cougars at P-CEP.

JUNIOR VARSITY: After a promising start, the Lions JV team lost 31-7 to the Braves.

Big plays early included Riley Simpson catching a 50-yard reception in the first frame and Sheldon Lyall picking off a Braves pass in the second. Also before halftime, Nicholas Azzouz scored on a kickoff return with Jerome Nichols adding the extra point on a run.

In the third quarter, Calvin Brown Jr. had a 30-yard run and a 20-yard pass reception from quarterback Marco Johnson. On defense, Jon Hanton stripped the ball on a tackle, and the resulting fumble was recovered by Josh Bergevin.

Azzouz, Brown, Nichols, Spencer Karroch and Briar Vendlands all had second-half tackles, while an eventual fourth quarter interception by Ezell Snipes, a long kickoff return by Brown and fumble recovery by Tywayne Williams.

FRESHMAN: Ypsilanti won 14-7, staying off a late comeback try by the Lions. The Lions' first drive began on the 50 yard line. Carries by running backs Daniel Carroll, Josh Nichols and Jeffrey Shipp moved the ball down the field. Carroll racked up 30 yards on the Lions' first possession, when he also put the first seven points on the board.

Despite a first-half defensive force, with tackles by Aaron Alexander, Luke Rayborn, Shipp and Derik Watson, the Braves also reached the end zone, tying the score at 7-all.

In the second half, two quarterback keepers by Shipp resulted in a gain of 37 yards. But the possession came to a halt with an eventual turnover on downs, and on the Braves' first snap, a touchdown, and an extra point, put Ypsi ahead, 14-7. A steadfast defense kept the Braves away from the end zone for the rest of the game, with tackles by Alexander, Daniel Baldwin, JaMarcus Barnes, Gavin Bobby, Tyler Klubunde and Shipp, including stops inside the 5 yard line by cornerback Ryan Goodson and defensive end Watson.

JUNIOR FRESHMAN: The Canton Lions junior freshman team improved to 5-0 with a win over the Braves.

Strong blocking allowed the offense to lock in an early lead, with a 60-yard touchdown run by Kristopher Easley on the first play of the game.

Despite commanding runs by Easley and Bralen Willis, that would be the only trip to the end zone for either team during this battle of defenses.

Powerful tackling by Diego Hernandez-Ramirez, Chris Medoro, Devin Kaigler, Willis and Easley shut down the Braves' offense. Adding to the defensive assault were fumble recoveries by Cameron Jonca and Hernandez-Ramirez.



CANTON LIONS
Junior varsity Canton Lion Riley Simpson (right) leaves Braves in his wake during a 50-yard reception.

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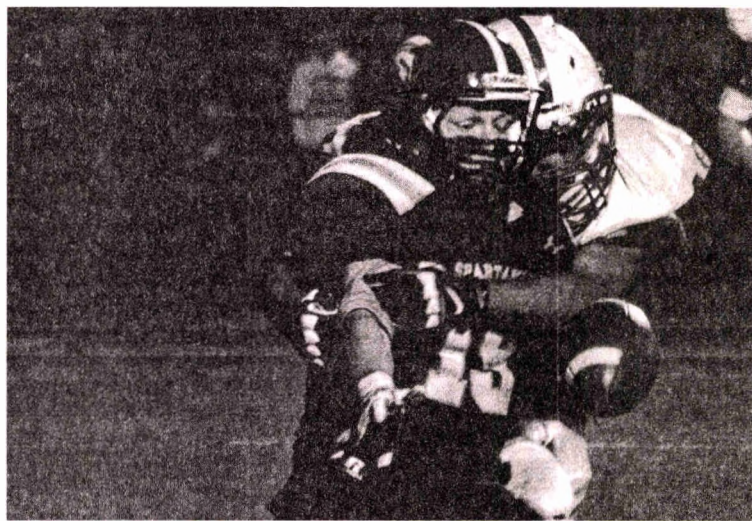
Livonia Stevenson's defense puts clamps on Salem in 21-7 homecoming win

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer

If Livonia Stevenson's football team had entered a float in Friday night's halftime homecoming parade, it probably would have featured a navy-blue-and-white brick wall — a symbol of the Spartans' stout defensive effort during their 21-7 victory over Salem.

With a loud and proud homecoming crowd providing high-decibel background noise, the Spartans' defense silenced the Rocks for most of the game, losing a shutout only when Salem's Devin Cameron busted up the middle from his own 1 and tied a national record for the longest touchdown run ever when he sprinted 99 yards to pay dirt.

The triumphant hosts improved to 5-2 overall and 4-1 in the KLAA Central Division. Salem slipped to 1-6 and 1-4, respectively.



Salem's Devin Cameron nearly tackled Livonia Stevenson punter C.J. Weiss for a safety during the fourth quarter of Friday night's game.

Whether or not the Spartans claim the division crown and the No. 1 seed in next week's crossovers against the South Division came down to the result of other games Friday night.

Spearheading the winners' swarming defensive effort was senior linebacker Robert Schneider, who was in on a number of play-stuffing ef-

forts. The Rocks followed their season-long method of operations against Stevenson: Play tight for a half (Stevenson led just 7-0 at the break) before coming unglued by an ill-timed snafu or two.

"Our defense played well tonight, like it's done all season, but our offense is not helping the defense," Salem head

coach Kurt Britnell said. "We had a fourth-and-inches we couldn't convert."

"If you look at the scores of a lot of our games, they're not indicative of how well our defense has played. Our offense has sputtered for whatever reason."

The game was scoreless until the 40-second mark of the second quarter, when Stevenson's Austin Petrie bulled into the end zone from the 1 to cap a seven-play, 71-yard drive that was kept alive three plays before the TD when quarterback Chris Tanderys hooked up with C.J. Weiss on a 32-yard pass play.

Weiss finished with seven receptions for 123 yards. He also ran for a first down on a fake punt and prevented a potential momentum-shifting safety when he managed to get off a punt from his end zone with Cameron draped all over his back.

Stevenson upped its lead to 14-0 on its first drive of the second half, when Tanderys hooked up with Frank Carlin on a 31-yard TD pass on a third-and-eight play with 8:38 left in the third quarter. Ian Henzi followed with his second

of three extra-point kicks.

Still just a big play or two from getting back in the game, the Rocks pushed the ball to their 45 before quarterback Alex Nicholson was dragged down by Connor Vaughn on a fourth-and-inches keeper.

Salem's defense stiffened and forced a Weiss punt, that was down inside the 1.

Two plays later, Cameron took it to the house from the furthest point possible to cut his team's deficit in half, 14-7, with 3:07 left in the third quarter. Before Cameron's long-distance scoring run, the Rocks had accumulated just 65 yards in total offense.

"We were definitely bummed when they got the long touchdown run, but we went back to the bench and regrouped," Schneider said.

The Spartans answered immediately when the Tanderys-to-Carlin connection struck again, this time from 23 yards out, to make it 21-7 with 10:27 left.

Salem wasn't able to pose a serious threat the remainder of the game.

Jacob Miller was the Rocks' workhorse, running 18 times for 55 yards.

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but those guys battle. "We don't like them, they don't like us. So it's always a crazy atmosphere and 48 minutes of dog football."

Baechler smiled when asked whether Williams possesses the mentality of a linebacker.

"There was some hitting going on out there," Baechler said. "But he was delivering the blow, too. He was bringing it all well."

Williams (3-of-6 passing for 176 yards and 11 carries for 8 yards running) was tough as nails while guiding the Chiefs to a comfortable margin.

Plymouth could not overcome two interceptions by Canton senior defensive back Victor Villarini and a fumbled kickoff return, which helped the Chiefs mount the early cushion.

"He's had a heck of a last two years at corner," Baechler said about Villarini. "He's outsized back there (5-9), but you got to throw a perfect ball to beat him usually."

"And they hit a couple on him, but he came up with two picks. I'm proud of him."

Just three plays after Villarini's first intercep-



Plymouth's Deji Adebisi (No. 5) is swarmed by Canton defenders Brett Lee (No. 85) and Richard Lenczeski (No. 57).

tion, the Chiefs broke out 7-0 with 7:52 left in the first, when Williams completed a 75-yard TD strike to senior Robert Guajardo.

The Chiefs doubled that lead to 14-0 three minutes later on a 1-yard plunge by Marcus Sanders, who had a standout game with 140 yards in 22 rushes.

Setting up the score was another big play, a 73-yard pass from Williams to senior Nolan Gilo.

Canton made it 21-0 when senior running back Brian Newton powered through the line for a 1-yard score.

Taking advantage

A fumbled kickoff by Plymouth contributed to kicker Andrew Loehnis' 34-yard field goal, opening up a 24-0 lead with 9:58 left in the half.

The Wildcats answered, however. Quarterback Deji Adebisi (5-of-12 passing, 177 yards) fired a 26-yard touchdown pass to Victor Abraham with 6:10 remaining.

Loehnis nailed a 20-yard field goal before the intermission to open up a 20-point advantage.

Plymouth made things interesting with a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

Adebisi and sophomore receiver Christian Walls hooked up for a 61-yard TD pass with 11:41 to go in the fourth, slicing Canton's lead to 30-14.

Wrapping up the night's scoring was a 3-yard run by Adebisi, one play after he connected with senior Kalen Dunham on a 45-yard gain.

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING

Salem fourth at county meet

Salem's varsity girls swimming and diving team finished fourth at last weekend's Wayne County meet, tallying an impressive 296 points.

The Rocks weren't too far behind runners-up Northville (340) and third-place Livonia Stevenson (307). Finishing in first with 502 points was host Grosse Pointe South.

Salem's campus rivals — Plymouth and Canton — came in fourth and fifth, respectively, with 137 and 124 points.

Registering Salem's lone first-place finish was junior Lisa Zhang in the 100 yard butterfly.

Zhang finished in 59:15, with Canton junior Emily Osika sixth (1:04.52) and Plymouth senior Alexa Earls ninth (1:05.20).

Salem's meet got off to a promising start when the 200 medley relay team of Molly Rowe, Linda Zhang, Katie Xu and Lisa Zhang were second (1:51.13).

The Rocks also enjoyed success in the other relays, finishing fourth both in the 200 and 400 free relays.

In the former, Xu, Stephanie Solterman, Patricia Freitag and Jenna Chen finished in 1:44.63; in the latter, the tandem of McKenzie Maurice, Solterman, Freitag and Lisa Zhang chalked up a time of 3:48.25.

Also in the 400 free relay: Canton's Osika, Emily Hugan, Jocelyn Moraw and Claire Green finished fifth (3:55.02); Plymouth's Earls, Kathryn Waters, Caylin Waters and Allison Lennig took sixth (3:55.05).

In the 200 free, Plymouth's Lennig (third, 1:59.44), Salem's Solterman (fourth, 2:00.30) and Salem's Freitag (fifth, 2:00.36) all fared well.

Xu tallied fourth in the 200 IM (2:15.39) and the Rocks enjoyed the 2-4 finishers in the 100 backstroke.

Solterman came in

second (59:54), closely followed by Lisa Zhang (third, 59.60) and Freitag (fourth, 1:00.06).

Park athletes also had strong performances in the 1-meter diving event. Salem freshman Camille Burt came in second with 348.75 points, trailing only Livonia Stevenson's Jessica Weak (363.30).

Meanwhile, Plymouth senior Megan McKeenan placed third, tallying 334.60 points.

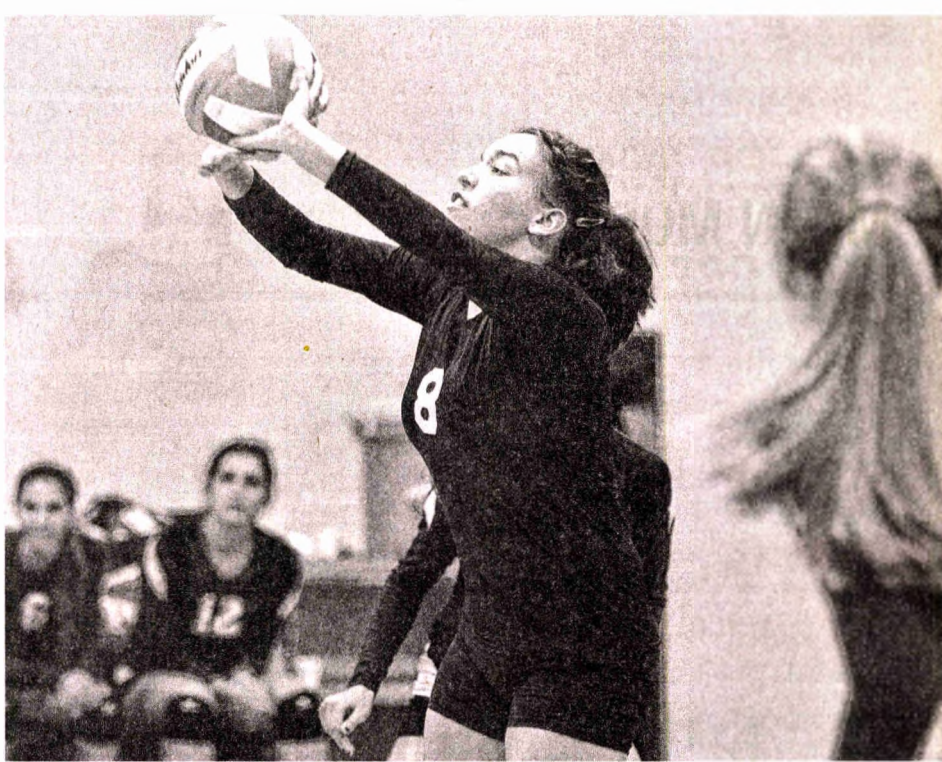
In seventh for the Rocks was another freshman, Jordyn Williams (279.95).

SALEM 100, NOVI 86: The Rocks defeated KLAA Central rival Novi Thursday night. Salem garnered victories in two of the three relays as well as several individual events.

In the 200 medley relay, the quartet of Stephanie Solterman, Linda Zhang, Meghan Maikowski and Cassidy Sargent won in 1:56.58. Also prevailing for the Rocks was the 200 free relay team of Lisa Zhang, Jenna Chen, Patricia Freitag and Linda Zhang (1:42.88). Capturing two individual events each were Lisa Zhang (200 free, 2:00.33; 100 breast, 1:10.27), Linda Zhang (50 free, 24.95; 100 free, 54.00) and Freitag (200 IM, 2:19.36; 100 back, 1:03.11).

Solterman took first in the 500 free (5:32.53) while Camille Burt led the way in 1-meter diving with 225.80 points.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



One of the key contributors recently for PCA is libero Divna Roi (No. 8).

Eagles keep slamming way to victory

PCA spikers still undefeated in conference play

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Plymouth Christian Academy continues to slam home points and knock off opponents on the volleyball court.

The Eagles followed Tuesday's victory over Huron Valley Lutheran with a sweep Thursday night against Ann Arbor Greenhills (25-6, 25-10, 25-18).

Thanks to the successive wins against MIAC

Blue Division rivals, PCA takes a stellar record of 15-3 overall and 7-0 in the conference into a Tuesday home game against Oakland Christian.

"The first game we came out strong," said Eagles coach Katie Decker, citing the serving of senior Abby Wyman in building a quick 9-0 edge.

That was an improvement over Tuesday's sluggish start against the Hawks, she noted.

Game 2 against Greenhills followed the same script with strong serving runs by Wyman, Olivia Mady and Grace

Kellogg. PCA's "dynamic duo" at outside hitter, namely Kellogg and Mady, combined for 21 kills and five aces.

Middle hitter Wyman chipped in with three aces and led the Eagles in service points while Raina Postma tallied 19 assists.

In the win against Huron Valley, Wyman and Kellogg collected 12 kills and three aces each while Mady (11 kills, eight digs), libero Divna Roi (12 digs) and setter Jessie Paulson (31 assists) were instrumental.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Under the lights

Plymouth Christian Academy's first nighttime varsity boys soccer game took place under the lights Oct. 3 and the Eagles lost 4-3 in the eighth round of penalty kicks against Summit Home Schools.

"The team was excited to play a night game," noted PCA head coach Kris Warnemuende.

The Eagles (11-4-1) bounced back Tuesday, however, with a 5-2 "Senior Night" win over Allen Park Inter-City Baptist. All five PCA goals were scored by senior forward Lucas Albrecht, upping his school career goals record to 38 and counting.

PCA will host a Division 4 district beginning Tuesday afternoon.

Salem harriers prevail

The Salem varsity girls cross country team Tuesday defeated Livonia Stevenson 15-50 in a dual meet at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Leading the way was Madalyn Simko (20:25), followed by Sierra Bowden (20:35), Hannah Jeffress (20:49), Anya Cho (20:53), Shea Wilson (20:53), Kayla DeLaCruz (21:02), Leah Stevens (21:03), Elizabeth Tripp (21:06), Kaya Knake (21:08), Kayla Hughes (21:08), Katy Robeson (21:12), Marlo Sharpe (21:18) and Brianna Es-

sien (21:24).

P-CEP bowling

Here are a couple tidbits pertaining to bowling teams at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

The Plymouth varsity teams have a new coach, Scott Kapke. He was an assistant coach last season for former head coach Tammy Thompson, who has moved to Florida.

Meanwhile, bowling tryouts are slated for Nov. 17-18 (from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. each day) at Superbowl in Canton.

Interested bowlers can contact Canton coach Karl Brubaker (karl-bru1@aol.com) for more information.

OHL HOCKEY

Whalers' road woes continue

Plymouth dropped a pair of Ontario Hockey League contests away from the friendly confines of Compuware Arena.

On Friday at Oshawa, the Whalers took a 3-1 lead early in the third period, but then gave up four unanswered goals to the Generals to fall 5-3 at the General Motors Centre.

Plymouth (2-3-1-0) scored early in the middle period on a goal by

Bryce Yetman (from captain Alex Peters), but Oshawa evened things up late in the period.

The Whalers, outshot 33-17 in the game, added goals by Connor Chat-ham and Gianluca Cur-curuto (the latter on the power play) to make it a 3-1 edge with nine minutes remaining.

But Oshawa chipped away on a shorthanded goal by Tobias Lindberg at 11:55 and evened the score at 15:01 on a pow-

er-play marker by Hunter Smith.

Overtime loomed, until Michael Dal Colle beat Plymouth goalie Alex Nedeljkovic with 28 seconds left in regulation.

Meanwhile, a 50-save performance Wednesday night by backup goalie Zack Bowman against Belleville wasn't enough as the Whalers fell 4-1 to the Bulls.

Matt Mistele scored the lone Plymouth goal.

KLAA BOYS SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Salem duo keys uprising

Massey-Kummer combo lifts Rocks to 3-1 win over Milford

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Three goals in the second half Wednesday night lifted Salem's varsity boys soccer team to a 3-1 victory over Milford in the match for 13th place overall in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

While that might not sound like much, the Rocks will take it — simply because it gives them extra confidence entering Monday's Division 1 district opener against KLAA champion Canton.

"We played Canton a couple weeks ago and no doubt they were a little bit more of the aggressor than we were," Salem head coach Scott Duhl said. "But it wasn't like night and day. Any time any of the Park teams play, it's going to be a moment or two that decides the game."

"And hopefully we'll do a good job of defending and we'll have that moment that helps us decide it. But we know Canton's got a ton of really, really good players. It will be a tough task, but hopefully we'll be up for it."

Salem ended Canton's season last fall in the districts and the Chiefs will come out for the 7 p.m. contest at P-CEP eager to turn the tables.

But the Rocks at least will enter that game with some confidence, particularly after netting three goals in the final 15 minutes against the visiting Mavericks.

"Our team struggled going forward this year, goals have been hard to come by," said Duhl, whose team is 7-9-2 overall. "We play the game really well, we do a good job of sharing the ball and changing the point of attack."

"But when we get there we've lacked a little bit of urgency and guys just being hungry. Late in the game tonight we

showed a little bit more of a desire to get to the goal and we were fortunate to score a couple of really good goals."

Milford took a 1-0 lead into the second half and the Mavericks put on the pressure in attempts to pad that edge midway through the second half.

A shot off a corner kick hit the crossbar and dropped down before Salem senior goalkeeper Chad Wind intervened and kept the ball out.

Wind also made a beautiful diving stop to keep it close.

"We were caught in a lull," Duhl said. "We get countered, we give up a good shot from probably 30 yards out that Chad makes a good save on."

"Then everyone's kind of expecting somebody else to make the play in the box."

"And then Chad was able to get his hands on it after it hit the crossbar. But a scary moment for us, because that could have made it 2-nil for them."

Salem subsequently tied the game 1-1 with 15:12 left on a 20-yard blast by junior midfielder Max Kummer. He took a pass from junior forward Nick Massey and sent a high shot past the Milford keeper.

Kummer jumped up and thrust an arm in celebration, and the rest of the team fed off of his enthusiasm with another goal (by Massey, from Kummer) at 36:24.

"It was a big time goal and a good kind of interchange between our front players and a couple really nice goals, really," Duhl noted.

On the winning goal, Kummer moved the ball up the right side to Massey, who rifled another high shot for his team-leading 13th.

Capping the scoring was a penalty kick goal by senior defender Daniel Branch, with 1:52 to play in regulation.

PLYMOUTH 4, BRIGHTON 0: In Wednesday's crossover for seventh place in the KLAA, the host Wildcats defeated Brighton.

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KLAA TITLE

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and get back into the game. When we get a lead we can counter even more. ... We made some real nice passes, ball movement."

Just 12 minutes later the Chiefs (17-0-3) were up two goals after DeLoey scored following another slick passing play.

Senior midfielder Jack Zemanski pushed the ball up into the Grand Blanc box to DeLoey, who ripped a low drive into the left side of the Bobcats' cage.

Although Canton had additional offensive surges before intermission, Grand Blanc goalkeeper Jacob Schroer held the fort.

With about 15 minutes to go in the half, Schroer snagged a header by senior forward Bailey Riegal.

Bump in road

Early in the second half, the Bobcats (10-4-3) mounted a pushback. They carried the play at times and scored at 14:20 to cut the deficit to 2-1.

Forward Taylor Aidan's well-struck shot eluded Canton senior goalkeeper Jay Krebs (who replaced senior Andrew Loehnis at the half). Setting up the mark-

er was midfielder Mitchel Metzger.

"Give the guy credit, he hit a rocket from 25 yards side net," Zemanski said. "It was a really nice goal."

At that juncture, the coach reminded his players to get back to doing what they do best and nip Grand Blanc's rally in the bud.

"I just told the boys to play possession and get back to our game," Zemanski recalled. "I think they pretty much weathered the storm."

The Chiefs got it back with about 11 minutes remaining in regulation to go up 3-1.

Triggering the tally was strong defense at the other end of the pitch. Grand Blanc's Aidan sent a booming direct kick from about 30 yards that bounced into the Canton 18-yard box.

But Chiefs senior midfielder Ammar Chishti got to the ball first and cleared it up to junior midfielder Jimmy Walkinshaw.

In turn, Walkinshaw (two assists) took care of the defense-to-offense transition.

He sent a perfect pass to junior midfielder Josh Posuniak, moving in from the left side of the Grand Blanc 18-yard box before booting a high shot inside the right post.

Perhaps the prettiest goal of the evening came with 7:05

remaining.

Jack Zemanski fed a pass from the left side over to Walkinshaw in the middle — who then flicked it to junior defender Trevor Turko for a slam dunk at the right post.

Counting it down

From that moment, all the Chiefs had to do was count it down and hoist the KLAA trophy.

"To win the association championship 4-1 is pretty impressive against a really good team, I think they only lost one game all year," Zemanski said. "I'm really happy with their play and hopefully they can continue to use this momentum to go far in the state tournament."

To that end, Canton looks forward to facing Salem in the Division 1 district opener (7 p.m. Monday at P-CEP).

"They're the team that knocked us off the last two years," said Zemanski, adding with a chuckle that coaches "remind them (players) all the time."

"It's always going to be a battle with our cross-campus rivals, Salem and Plymouth. Everybody plays with a lot of intensity and heart."

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Canton's varsity boys soccer team celebrates Wednesday night after winning the KLAA championship with a 4-1 victory over Grand Blanc.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE ROUNDUP

Another strong defensive effort and another victory for Schoolcraft's men's soccer team.

The Ocelots earned a 2-0 win Wednesday over host Jackson College, giving up just four shots against their goalkeepers (Andres Hernandez and Peter Arton) en route to the MCCAAC tri-

umph. Schoolcraft improved to 10-1-0 overall and 5-1-0 in the conference while Jackson dropped to 3-6-2 and 0-5-1.

Both goals in the contest were unassisted markers in the second half. Aaron Gerbauer found the back of the Jackson net at 53:25 while Jon Quintana added a tally at

58:11. Billy Werthman (Livonia Stevenson) played a strong game, with three shots attempted.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL: Schoolcraft lost a three-game set Thursday to visiting Oakland Community College (16-25, 18-25, 13-25). Alpha Davie registered seven kills and six digs for the Lady Ocelots. Livonia Stevenson alum Morgan Copperstone (six kills) and libero Victoria Vellucci (14 digs) also chipped in.

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DOCUMENTARY EXPLORES AGING FROM FEMALE VIEWPOINT

TV series looks at lifestyle, health, romance, sisterhood

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Documentary filmmaker Keith Famie aims to inspire and inform women through his new 13-part television series, *The Embrace of Aging*, the female perspective on growing old.

But he says men should watch the program, too. "I think women will embrace it and love it. We filmed some very courageous women facing difficult situations in life," he said. "It's almost more important for men to see it. It's impossible not to walk away with a newfound sense of understanding of women. It only enhances a guy's relationship with females...whether that's his mother, his sister, his aunt or his wife."

The program, which includes a mix of interviews with medical professionals, gerontology experts and women from all walks of life in communities around the globe, might nudge a husband to talk with his wife about their romantic relationship. Or inspire a son to remind his mom about her annual wellness exam. Or compel a brother to help his sister in caring for their elderly aunt.

"I dare a guy to walk into a room while a lady is watching it and switch channels," Famie said. "If a guy wants to score big time, he says, 'Let's watch it together.'"

Toni and Michael Kovalcheck of Livonia are likely to do just that when the program airs at 2:30 p.m. starting Sunday, Oct. 12, on Detroit Public Television. Kovalcheck is one of three breast cancer patients profiled in the series. The couple tells how stage four breast cancer has affected their lives and explains how they've faced their challenges.

"I just turned 59. It has been a long journey," Kovalcheck recently told the *Observer*. "My daughter said to me one day, 'Mom, you've been dealing with cancer more than half of my life.'"



Livonia residents Michael and Toni Kovalcheck are featured in *The Embrace of Aging*, the female perspective of growing old.



Renee Horowitz, M.D., a Farmington Hills obstetrician and gynecologist, appears in episode 4.



JoAnnee DeBruhl talks to the camera about the benefits of eating greens such as kale, which she is holding. In episode 10, the Brighton woman talks about following her passion — opening Stone Crop Farm — after she lost her job.

Aging with cancer

Kovalcheck was 41 when a 6-centimeter tumor was found in her left breast. She underwent chemotherapy and then a mastectomy and radiation. She had "a few good years" before experiencing symptoms nearly six years ago. The cancer cells had resurfaced in the omentum, a layer of fatty tissue that covers and supports the stomach and intestines. The stage-four cancer is inoperable because it's "almost like seeds spread out" through the omentum, Kovalcheck said. She's undergoing chemotherapy again as the cancer "ups the ante" and she has increasingly experienced more symptoms.

Her sunny attitude, strong faith and supportive friends and family —

especially her husband, Michael — have helped her face the challenges of growing older while also battling illness.

"Some people get to their 30th birthday and are already depressed about being old. Are you kidding me? As long as I can get up, put on my makeup, and feel happy, that is what matters in life," she said. "I'm so blessed. I've got an empty nest, which I love, and I've very lucky to have such a good, kind husband."

Kovalcheck met Famie through her doctor, Anne Schott, M.D., an oncologist from University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, who also appears in *The Embrace of Aging*.

She agreed to be in the series because she thought it would be fun, something different do do.

"My attitude is try it.

Get out and try new things every day. Do what you can. If I were in a wheelchair, I would figure out a way to have a blast."

That's the attitude of many of the women

THE EMBRACE OF AGING

Tune in at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, beginning Oct. 12, on Detroit Public Television.

- » Oct. 12: Episode 1 sets the stage for the series, with women talking about what it means to age.
- » Oct. 19: Experts talk about how breast and ovarian cancer affect women as they age.
- » Oct. 26: The program tells stories of three women, including Toni Kovalcheck of Livonia, who are battling breast cancer.
- » Nov. 2: The episode sheds light on how couples grow old together and still maintain a loving relationship.
- » Nov. 9: Professions tell why having a close circle of friends can improve your health. Features a group of girlfriends who enjoy mountain climbing.
- » Nov. 16: Doctors and patents talk about diabetes and arthritis. The episode takes viewers into the OR as one woman undergoes a knee replacement.
- » Nov. 23: Experts talk about heart disease. The program also includes an interview with members of WomenHeart, a national organization.
- » Dec. 21: Eva Feldman, Ph.D., from the University of Michigan Health System, teaches about dementia & Alzheimer's.
- » Dec. 28: The episode looks at why staying active helps women stay strong as they age. The show goes behind the scenes with the chair of a gala fundraiser for the Detroit Institute of Arts and shows elderly athletes with a never-give-up attitude.
- » Jan. 4, 2015: Several women, including a farmer, researcher, wildlife rescuer and conservationist, show why it's important to have a purpose in life and be engaged in a project or daily activity.
- » Jan. 11, 2015: The show travels to Okinawa, Japan, where a combination of diet, exercise and community make a world of difference in the lives of elderly women.
- » Jan. 18, 2015: A look at holistic and alternative medicine and a visit with women, including a 95-year-old yoga instructor, who embrace aging without pharmaceuticals.
- » Jan. 25, 2015: Mireille Guilliano, author of *French Women Don't Get Fat*, and *French Women Don't Get Facelifts*, talks about aging from her home in Provence. The program also includes closing comments from others.

shown in the series, from a 95-year-old yoga instructor to a 70-something triathlon athlete.

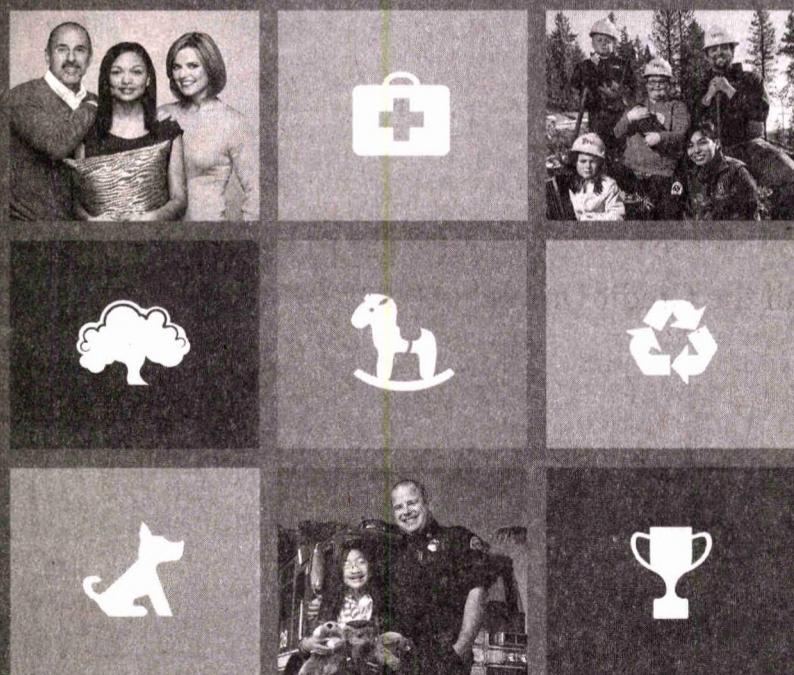
Different perspectives

The Embrace of Aging, the female perspective on growing old, continues Famie's aging series that

started with the release of a seven-episode documentary on the male perspective earlier this year. Famie, a Novi resident whose Visionalist Entertainment Productions is located in Wixom, said the women's series

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I recently received an email from Kathy who lives in Canton. She writes: "Our electricity went off for a split second this morning. When the control panel on our GE range came back on, it came on with the stove



Joe Gagnon
APPLIANCE DOCTOR

temperature on and was heated up to 133 degrees and going upward. I immediately turned the panel to clear/off and it did turn off. I am concerned that this will happen again when no one is home to turn the oven temperature off. The stove's oven and burners were not on when the electric power went out for a split second. Both my husband and I heard a somewhat loud buzz outside before the electrical power went off for the brief second. Some of our neighbors' power went off also at the same time. I notified DTE Energy and have a GE

repair technician coming to check the range out. Have you heard of this happening before? Now, I don't trust this range's electronic components. The range was installed in 2011. GE Profile."

I answered Kathy's email and basically told her to report this incidence to the Consumer Product Safety Commission and to request a new kitchen range.

Safety tips

While on this subject of fire, I have too many tips to fill this page and first of all let me ask all of you to get a smoke and fire detector and make sure you change the batteries yearly. Make sure you have one installed over the washer and dryer. Approximately 17,000 dryer fires each year is no laughing mat-

ter. Get a surge protector installed on the main circuit breaker box. We all have electronics in our home and they are awfully expensive to have repaired.

Don't leave the coffee maker plugged in to the wall outlet when not in use. That cheap \$2 start switch can blow and ignite the whole coffee maker in seconds.

Don't leave anything on the surface of the kitchen range. I mean anything that can catch fire or pots and pans with plastic handles. You just read Kathy's email and this is not something new to me. I have read many like it where the range, microwave, dishwasher have come on by themselves and these folks just simply are frightened to death of these appliances.

Pay attention to the use of extension cords as the holidays approach. Make sure they are the right size wire to accommodate the product attached.

Don't place things on the washer and dryer as they become fuel if a fire should occur. Anything that is flammable should not be near a gas hot water heater and you should ask an appliance repair technician if he or she runs into this condition during repairs.

Do not attempt repairs to a gas hot water heater unless you know what you are doing. A gas hot water heater explodes with the force of three sticks of dynamite. Strong enough to shoot up through your roof from the basement.

Make sure you are using the proper vent

line for the clothes dryer because 70 percent of American homes do not have the recommended vent line hooked up. Clean that vent line twice a year with a simple leaf blower. Pull out the dryer and stick the leaf blower in the vent line blowing all that lint outside.

Tell the guy in your life to check out the rubber hoses that hook up to the clothes washer. If they are rubber, the life span is something like five to seven years. There is nothing worse than a house fire except maybe a flood from washer hoses. Stay tuned.

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

Two art clubs exhibit works in annual festival

Artists from the Visual Arts Association of Livonia (VAAL) will join Three Cities Art Club for its fourth annual Festival of the Arts, Oct. 24-26, at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road, Westland.

Festival hours are 10:30 a.m. Friday to 5 p.m. Sunday when the mall is open.

Free events include musical performances by Jay D. Kilgus of Piano Pleasures, Michigan Youth Philharmonic Orchestra, Harmony Towne Chorus, two bands from Ward Presbyterian Church, and Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestra. Dancers from the Dance Academy also will perform. Entertainment will run from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and 1-6 p.m. Sunday.

Marilyn Meredith will lead a drawing class at 2 p.m. Friday and Sunday. Face painting will be available on Saturday.

Westland Mayor William Wild, Michigan Sen. Glenn Anderson, Rotary Club of Westland President Lou Toarmina, and Carol Rutz, the shopping center's general manager, each will select their favorite works from more than 140 pieces of fine art, photography and pottery created by local artists from both Three Cities Art Club and VAAL. Their selections will be announced at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. Winning artists will receive a cash prize donated by Michigan Chiropractic Specialists, an award certificate and a ribbon.

Members of the public may vote for their favor-



Alhambra Garden is one of Livonia resident Dorothy Amberger's paintings. It will be on display in the Three Cities Festival of the Arts in Westland.

ites and be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a Gen Herkimer diamond ring set in sterling silver valued at \$375, donated by Showroom of Elegance of Canton.

In addition to original watercolors, acrylics, oils, pen & ink, pottery and photography, framed and matted prints, unique handmade wooden puzzles, note cards and refrigerator magnets also will be available for purchase.

VAAL members also are exhibiting this month at the Livonia Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard, in Livonia. The fall art exhibit, Artistic Expressions, runs 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, through Oct. 31. The artwork is for sale.

For more about VAAL or the exhibit, call 734-838-1204 or visit vaalar-t.org. For more about Three Cities Art Club, visit threecitiesartclub.org or call Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939.

Furry friends: Buy a calendar or bowl for animal welfare

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Calendar time

Guardian Angels Animal Rescue, a Livonia-based no-kill and nonprofit animal welfare organization, is



selling its 2015 calendar for \$10. Animals rescued by GAAR grace each page. To order, call Sandy Mezza, GAAR president, at 734-788-6857 and leave your name, address and number of calendars. Email orders to guardian_animal_rescue@hotmail.com. Or mail them to GAAR, P.O. Box 511309, Livonia, MI 48151.

GAAR also has two adoptable puppies that Mezza hopes will find permanent homes soon. Hannah is black and Savannah is brown. Both females are 11-week-old Lab mixes.

"They were owner give ups, along with mom, they have been fostered from four weeks old and they have been around other animals and kids," Mezza said. "Hannah is actually in the running for the Puppy Bowl in New York."

Hannah is one of many puppies across the country competing to appear on Animal Planet's annual television show, *Puppy Bowl*, an indoor football game where puppies chase and tackle a variety of balls, toys and each other. Mezza said the pup is a finalist for the show and that GAAR will find out Oct. 15 if she was picked.

"They are full of energy and very loving puppies." She said they will be fixed, up to date on all of their vaccines, and micro-chipped before going to their new homes. They can be adopted as a pair or separately.



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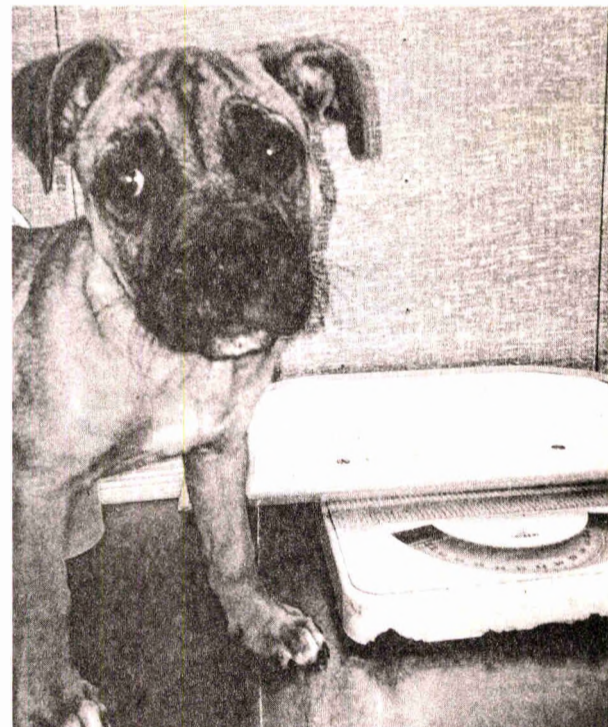
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Guardian Angel Animal Rescue's 2015 calendar features rescued cats and dogs.



Hannah, an adoptable puppy fostered through Guardian Angel Animal Rescue, may get a chance to play "football" in next year's Animal Planet Puppy Bowl.



Savannah, a Lab mix puppy, needs a permanent home. She is being fostered through Guardian Angel Animal Rescue.

For more information, visit gaarmichigan.org.

Celebrating a milestone

Tail Wagger's 1990, the organization that helps "people help animals," will celebrate its 25th anniversary with its annual bowling fundraiser, Saturday, Nov. 8, at Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Bowling times are 1 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth and includes three

games of bowling, shoe rental, lunch or dinner and a gift. Grand prizes will be awarded for the highest donations collected per squad. Everyone will be included in a mystery game drawing. Register at tailwaggers1990.org or call 734-855-4077.

Tail Wagger's 1990 runs a pet food assistance program, a spay/neuter clinic, offers low-cost vaccination clinics and wellness exams, advocates for pet owners in crisis and offers adoptable animals through Petco in Westland and Livonia. It's located at 28402 Five Mile, Livonia.



Four friends remain active and close. The "mountain women" of Jackson Hole, Wyo., appear in episode 5.

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offers more depth than its predecessor.

"The content is richer. Women are more open to discussion," he said.

Famie has won Emmy Awards for his documentaries on various ethnic groups in Detroit, World War II and Vietnam War veterans. He's currently working on a 13-part series called *The Embrace of Dying* that explores end-of-life issues and experiences.

His own personal curiosity inspired the aging series.

"Four years ago when I turned 50, I thought 'My

God, what is it like to get old?' Clearly there is more time behind me than in front of me. Clearly, more healthy time is behind me," he said. "I wanted to figure this out."

"Never before have this many people aged at one time," he said, referring to the baby boomer generation. "We're all on the same merry-go-round. We're all on the same issues. Why not talk about it? I thought it was important that individuals walk away from the (documentary) entertained, enlightened, inspired and educated."

For more information about Famie's works, visit V-Prod.com

Art club plans talk on Michelangelo's work

The Visual Arts Association of Livonia (VAAL), with the support of the Livonia Arts Commission, presents an evening with James Nissen, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, in the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia.

Nissen will talk about Michelangelo and the Sistine Chapel.

Nissen bachelors and master's degrees from the University of Michigan and, after studying abroad, returned to the Univer-

sity of Michigan where he completed his doctorate in organ.

He conducts the Ann Arbor Concert Band, serves as music director/conductor for the Michigan Youth Band, and is involved in the U-M. Gilbert and Sullivan Society, the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre, the new American Music Theatre and the Michigan Choral Society. He is also on the humanities faculty at Schoolcraft College.

For more information, call 734-838-1204.



James Nissen, Ph.D., will talk about Michelangelo at a presentation for the Visual Arts Association of Livonia.

GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR



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Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association wraps up its year with a celebration Oct. 15 in Westland.

Send material for the Garden & Nature Calendar to Sharon Dargay, sdargay@hometownlife.com.

Butterflies

Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA) wraps up its year with a celebration, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. The meeting will include a tea cup raffle, a meal and conversation. \$3 for non-members. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. 734-223-5510; sembabutterfly.org

Miller Woods

The Friends of Miller Woods will lead tours 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19 and 26, through Miller Woods, located at Powell and Ridge Road in Plymouth Township. Guides will talk about the history of the Miller family and the ecosystem of Michigan forests. Tours start every half hour, last approximately one hour, and are free. No dogs or strollers are allowed in the woods. www.millerwoods.org; 734-459-7666.

Heritage Park

The park is located on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Pre-register for programs online at re-creg.fhgov.com.

» A naturalist will lead a walk through the park 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12. Participants will learn how and why leaves change color in the fall. They'll also search for animals preparing for winter. Cost is \$3 per person.

» Take a full moon hike 7-8 p.m. Nov. 7. The Friday night hike is for families and children, 5 and up. Cost is \$3 per person payable online or at the door. Meet at the nature center in the park.

» Hayrides run 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, through Oct. 24, and Saturday, Nov. 1. Rides are approximately 30 minutes. The fee is \$5 per person. Pre-register online. A limited number of tickets will be sold at the event. Includes the hay wagon ride, marshmallow roasting over a campfire and apple cider.

» Junior Naturalist

Club, for ages 5-11, meets 10-11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of the month from September through June at the nature center. The fee is \$10 per class in advance and \$12 per class, paid at the door. Register online.

English Gardens

» Store experts explain how to put your garden to bed for winter, 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, in a free presentation.

» It's not too early to start planning a decorating theme for Christmas. Get tips at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. Free.

» Kids can dress in their Halloween costumes and bring a pre-decorated pumpkin to the store for judging 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. Free

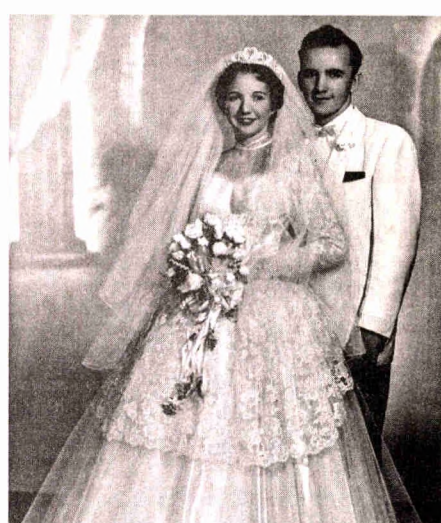
Classes and events are held at all English Gardens stores. Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield; 248-851-7506.

ANNIVERSARY



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Janet and George Green of Garden City



Janet and George Green on their wedding day in 1954.

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

George and Janet Green of Garden City celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sept. 18. They were wed in 1954 in Wayne.

They have been together for 62 years.

Their children are Kirk (Michelle) Green, who lives in Canada, and Kimberly (Rick) Hudock of Garden City. Their grandchildren are Samantha

Gniewek, Dillon Green, Christopher Green and Bradley Green.

George has been retired from Ford Motor Co. for 14 years. He was a clay modeler. Janet was a stay-at-home mom.

Approximately 40 family members and friends came together for dinner and dancing at Angelo Brothers Restaurant in Garden City to celebrate with the couple.

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BEHRMAN, HOWARD H.

Age 98, of Plymouth formerly of Northville, passed away October 8, 2014. Please share online condolences at www.casterlinefuneralhome.com



KLUCK, JOSEPH DONALD "DONN"

Age 89 of Redford died Tuesday October 7, 2014 at the home of his daughter, Suzanne. Born March 14, 1925 in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, he was the son of the late D. Edward and Mary nee Houff Kluck. He graduated from Chambersburg High School with the class of 1942. He worked for the Hotel Washington in his hometown until he was drafted into the Army Air Corps in WWII, where he held rank of Staff Sergeant. He served from June 1943 to February 1946 and left with an honorable discharge. Donn met his wife, Marjorie Nunn, at the Selfridge Air Force Base, where she was a USO Hostess. They corresponded while he was in the service and eventually married on June 7, 1947. They lived in Redford since July 1951.

Donn attended the University of Detroit Business School at night while holding down a job as a salesman for Service Office Supply Company. He graduated in January 1956 with a Bachelor of Business Administration. Donn and his bride were one of the founding members of St. Hilary Catholic Church in Redford where their five children were educated, both spiritually and academically. Donn was a church usher, member of the Men's Club, heavily involved with his sons and the Boy Scouts having earned the St. George Award and the St. Crowe Award. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Monaghan Chapter, the VFW Lyskawa Post 7546 and the American Legion Post 200 (Taylor) and the Burt J. Asper Post 46 in his hometown of Chambersburg, PA.

After 43 years in the office furniture business, Donn retired but was bored soon after. So, he returned to his first love—that of the hotel business. He worked as a concierge at the Hotel Baronette in Novi, for 15 years where he was awarded an Employee of the Month pin frequently. He was also awarded the Guest Relations Star of the Year Award in 2005 by the hotel, Motel & Resort Association of Michigan. He also volunteered at the Siena Literacy Center helping people learn English and reading. He enjoyed many Friday night movies with his family at the Historic Redford Theater as well as working crossword puzzles.

He is survived by his two sons: David (Tessie) of Whitmore Lake, Daniel (Vicky) of Portland, TN, and two daughters: Suzanne (George) Cromwell of Farmington Hills and Nancy (Joseph) DeMaria of Dearborn. 12 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren with one more on the way. Donn was predeceased by his wife Marjorie on January 11, 2010 and son Joseph on July 4, 2004.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m., with in state 9:30 a.m. on Monday October 13, 2014 in Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 8679 Riverview St. in Dearborn Heights. Burial at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly will take place at a later date. The family will receive friends from 1-9 p.m. with Rosary Service 7 p.m. on Sunday October 12, 2014 at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 25450 Plymouth Rd. in Redford. No flowers please. Donations to Angela Hospice or your favorite charity would be appreciated. "Here's to our Father—the richest man in town" (It's a Wonderful Life).



DOLLIVER BARBARA JEAN GOODWIN

October 4, 2014. Barbara was a resident of Bloomfield Hills and a beloved wife and best friend of Elson Perry Dolliver Jr. for 57 years. She grew up in Youngstown, Ohio and graduated from Miami of Ohio in 1957 soon after moving to Bloomfield Hills, MI. Barbara was a loving wife, caring parent and an involved grandparent. With a beautiful smile and a zest for life, she lived everyday guided by common sense and grace - a real lady. Actively involved with the Bloomfield Hills School District for many years, Barbara served as the president of the Board of Education until her retirement in 1990. She was an avid golfer and was a member of Stonycroft Hills Golf Club. She also served for 40 years as active member of the Village Club of Bloomfield Hills, MI serving as the head of many different committees throughout that time. Her interests included travel, gardening, interior decorating, bridge and golf. She will be sorely and sadly missed by her extended family and many friends. She is survived by her three children, Amy and her husband, David Louwers of Birmingham, Elson "Chip" P. Dolliver III and his wife Karen of Perrysburg, OH and Thomas "TJ" J. Dolliver of Leesburg, VA.; five grandchildren, Davey, Lauren and Lindsay Louwers, and Elson IV and Charlotte Dolliver. Family will receive friends Wednesday, October 15th from 2-4p.m. and 6-8p.m. in the Fireside room at the Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI, 48302 where Barb was a member for over 40 years. In accordance with her expressed wishes, her life will be celebrated at a memorial service Thursday October 16th at 11 a.m. at the Kirk in the Hills. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorial tributes to the Village Club Foundation, 190 E. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303, or the Bloomfield Schools Foundation, 7273 Wing Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301



KATTERSON, Gary A. Born January 11, 1962 in Detroit, Michigan to his parents Edward F. and Beverly A. (Benning) Katterson. He passed away on October 8, 2014 in Cape Coral, Florida. Gary is survived by his wife of 21 years Rosemarie; daughters Teri and Allison; father Edward; brother Carl; seven nephews and nieces, and many other family and friends who will miss him dearly. A celebration of Gary's life will be scheduled at a later date in Michigan. Please visit www.fullermetz.com to leave the family a condolence and to view Gary's life tribute.

REUNIONS

Send school reunion information to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

DEARBORN FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES OF 1965

50th reunion is set for Aug. 7, 2015, at the Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile, east of Haggerty, Livonia. Tickets are \$60 each. Deadline is April 11, 2015. Contact Virginia (Mariani) Koch at 734-981-4763, ginny6491@att.net; Rochell May-Bridge at 734-675-2680, wildchild48138@aol.com.

LIVONIA STEVENSON CLASS OF 1974

40-year reunion, planned by Linda Armstrong, Kim Geiger and Jack Karbowski, 7 p.m. to midnight Nov. 29, Corsi's Restaurant, 27910 Seven Mile, Livonia. Includes dinner, photo booth, disc jockey, pizza. Reservations and payment with Karbowski, 313-530-9634; karblitski@yahoo.com.

OAK PARK HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1975

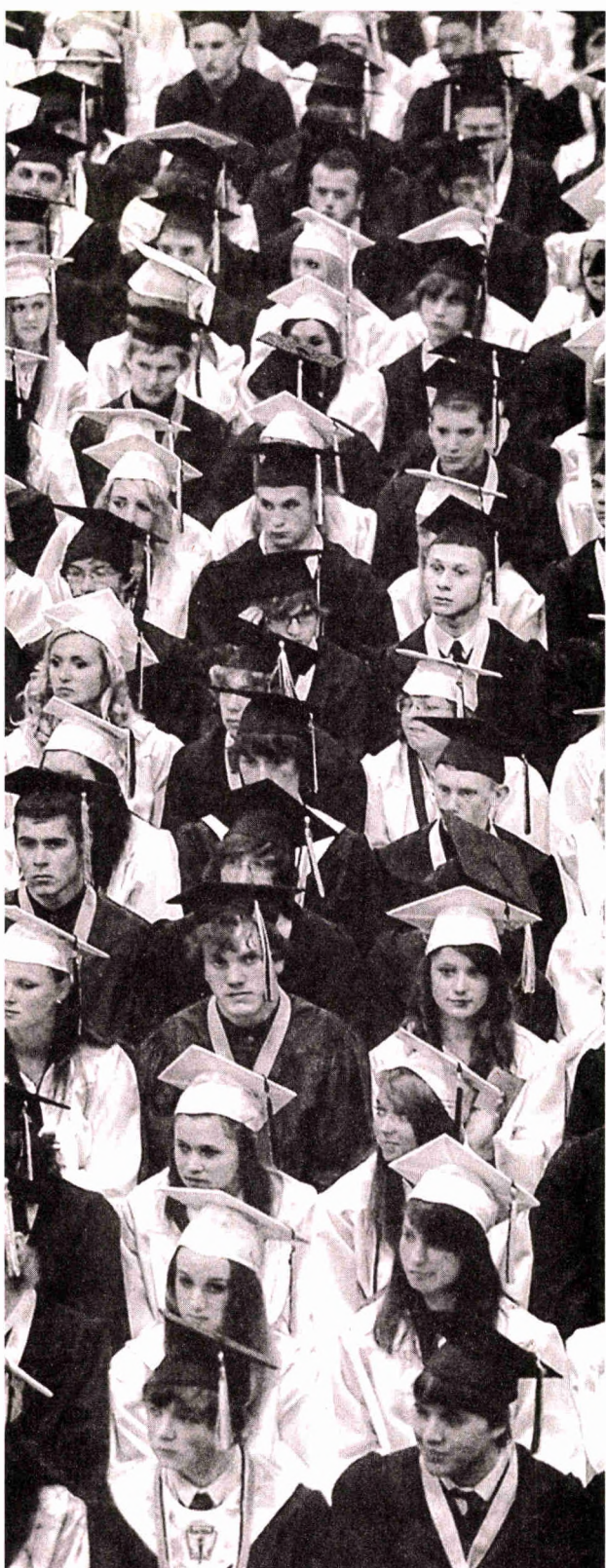
Save the date, Saturday, July 25, 2015, at Embassy Suites Livonia, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia. Classmates may send their contact information to oak-park1975reunion@gmail.com.

ST. MARY'S OF REDFORD CLASS OF 1969

45th reunion planned for Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Monaghan K of C Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia. Contact Mark Coulter at 734-453-5423; mcoulter@gr-lakes.com.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN CLASS OF 1979

35th reunion starts with an informal get-together, 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday, Oct. 24, at Doc's Sports Retreat, 19265 Victor Parkway, Livonia. The reunion runs 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 25, at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy Road, Westland. Cost of \$65 per person includes



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Safe Kids encourages pedestrian safety during 'Walktober'

Safe Kids, an organization that works to prevent unintentional childhood injury, is celebrating "Walktober" this month by highlighting the importance of pedestrian safety with teens and young children.

Unintentional pedestrian injuries are the fifth leading cause of injury-related death in the U.S. for children ages 5-19. More than 22,000 U.S. children were injured and 285 teens died walking to school in 2012.

New research released recently by Safe Kids Worldwide shows that 40 percent of teens have been hit or nearly hit by a car, bike or motorcycle while walking.

The report, "Teens on the Move," explores walking behaviors of 1,040 teens ages 13-19.

According to the research, distraction plays a role; half of teens surveyed say they cross the street while distracted by a mobile device. The research includes an examination of fatality data that shows 75 percent of teen pedestrian deaths occur from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., when it's dark out.

The study was developed to better understand why teens



Safe Kids encourages pedestrians to put down phones, take off headsets — and to look both ways — before crossing the street.

have the highest pedestrian death rates among children 19 and under. In fact, the death rate for teens ages 13-19 is nearly three times that of 5- to

12-year olds. In 2012, 488 children ages 19 and under died after being hit by a car while walking. Of those, 284 were teens.

The new report expands on findings from a 2013 Safe Kids report that observed middle school and high school students crossing the street. That

study revealed one in five high school students and one in eight middle school students cross while distracted by technology.

"We all know that it's dangerous to text and walk or drive," said Amber Kroeker, a Safe Kids coordinator and injury prevention health educator for Mott Children's Hospital. "But it's still a common practice. We need to talk to our teens about the dangers of crossing the street while distracted."

Safe Kids offers these tips to keep pedestrians safe while walking:

» Before crossing the street, put down phones and headphones, and then look left, right, and left again before crossing the street.

» Children under 10 should cross the street with an adult. Every child is different, but developmentally, it can be hard for kids to judge speed and distance of cars until age 10

» Make eye contact with drivers before crossing.

» Be especially alert when it's dark out, and make sure you're visible to drivers.

» Cross at a traffic signal or crosswalk when possible.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Upcoming

ACA learning session

Botsford Hospital presents a series of monthly learning sessions on the Affordable Care Act, 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, Dec. 10 and Jan. 7, 2015, at the hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. The ACA marketplace open enrollment period is Nov. 15-Feb. 15, 2015. The sessions, which are free, will help people learn about their options under the ACA; 248-442-1633

Blood donation

» Canton: 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Oct. 28, Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Drive

» Farmington Hills: 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 16, Oakland County College H Building, 27055 Orchard Lake Road; 1-6:45 p.m. Oct. 16, 20 and 23 and 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Oct. 18, Farmington Hills Blood Donation Center, 31150 Haggerty; 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 22, Suburban Honda, 25100 Haggerty; 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Oct. 23, North Farmington High School, 32900 W. 13 Mile

» Garden City: 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 16, Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road; 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 16, Schoolcraft College Radcliff Campus, 1751 Radcliff

» Livonia: 1-6:45 p.m. Oct. 16, 20-23 and 27-30, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Oct. 17, 24 and 31, and 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Oct. 18-19 and 25, Livonia Blood Donation Center, 36650 Five Mile; 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Oct. 18, St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh

» Plymouth: 1-6:45 p.m. Oct. 21, St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon; 1:30-7:15 p.m. Oct. 27, VFW Post

6695, 1426 S. Mill St.

» Wayne: 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 31, Oakwood Hospital - Annapolis Center, 33155 Annapolis

» Westland: 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Oct. 30, Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union, 500 S. Wayne Road

Call 800-REDCROSS or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment.

Breast cancer support

Oakwood Healthcare's Breast Cancer Support Group will meet from 9-11 a.m. Oct. 18 at the Oakwood Breast Care Center - Dearborn, 18100 Oakwood Blvd., Suite 200. Free. Visit oakwood.org for more information.

Diabetes support

A Garden City Hospital certified athletic trainer will present "Get Moving: Plan Your Physical Activity During Winter." 2 p.m. Nov. 5 at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 W. Warren Road, Westland and 6 p.m. Nov. 5, at Garden City Hospital's Medical Office Building, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. The presentation is part of the monthly Link UP with Diabetes support group meeting. For more information or to RSVP, call 734-458-4330.

Essential oils

Harvard scientist, Joshua Plant, Ph.D., will talk about his research in essential oils and the future of aromatherapy in integrative medicine, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, in the Towsley Auditorium in the Morris Lawrence Building at Washtenaw Community

College, 4800 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor. Free. For more information, contact Cindy Klement at 734-975-2444; cindyklement@gmail.com.

Gala fundraiser

The annual St. Jude Detroit Gala is at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, at the MGM Grand Detroit, 1777 Third, Detroit. Includes cocktail hour before dinner and live and silent auctions. Tickets \$200. Proceeds benefit St. Jude Research Hospital. stjude.org/detroitgala.

Healthy eating

Upcoming nutrition workshops and cooking demonstrations from Botsford Hospital and Busch's Fresh Foods Market:

» Busch's chef Rebecca Wauldron will show how to make the most of seasonal produce and dietitian Denise Cykiert will give tips on keeping recipes nutritious, 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at Busch's, 37083 Six Mile, Livonia; 734-779-6100.

Kidney Smart classes

Participants will learn about how kidneys function, the causes of chronic kidney disease, how to manage related health conditions such as diabetes and hypertension, treatment choices and more. The 90-minute sessions are free.

» 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, and Wednesday, Nov. 19, and 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Westland Dialysis, 36533 Ford Road, Westland

» 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16, New Hope Church, 44815 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

To register and find more locations, visit www.kidneysmart.org or call Angela Humble, R.D., at 864-525-9599

Ladies Night Out

St. Mary Mercy Hospital presents a Ladies Night Out with the focus on "Keeping Women Healthy," 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, at Levan, in Livonia. The event will include massage, health screenings, cooking demonstrations, vendors and speakers. Free. Register at stmarymercy.org or call 734-655-1182.

Sleep seminar

Punitha Vijayakumar, M.D., will discuss how a woman's sleep is unique and will talk about its effect on quality of life, 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, in the North Auditorium at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, located at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Free. Register at 734-655-4640.

Ongoing

Anorexics and Bulimics Anonymous

Twelve-step program and weekly group to help those suffering with eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia, bingeing and purging, and exercise compulsion is held 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, at the Friendship Circle, 6892 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. An AB-ANON meeting group is available for loved ones, 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, also at the Friendship Circle. For more information, contact Mindy at 248-672-9776.

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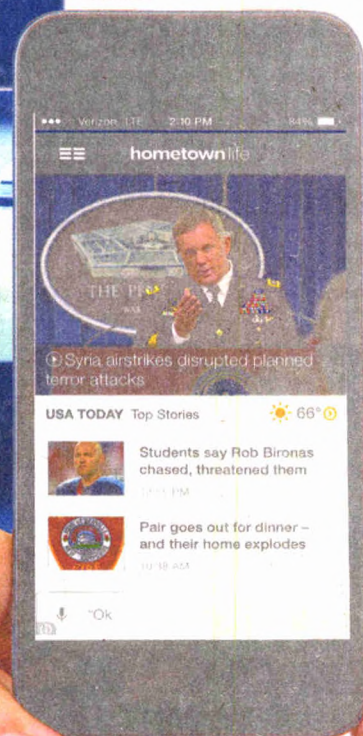
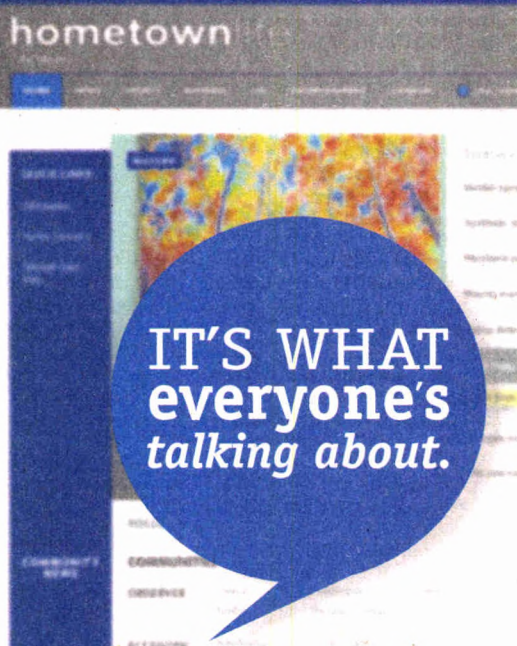
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Garage/Moving Sales

DEARBORN HTS - Crestwood Estates Mobile Home Fall Garage Sale! Something for everyone. Oct. 16 - 18, 9a-5p. 28235 W. Warren. Near corner of Beech Daly & Warren.

FARMINGTON
The United Methodist Women of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington will have their Fall Rummage Sale at the Church, 33112 Grand River at Warner on Thurs., Oct. 16th, from 9a-8p, & Fri., Oct. 17th, from 9a-2p. Bag sale.

LIVONIA- 16582 Nola Ct Fri/Sat. Oct 17-18th 9am-4:30pm. Furniture, tools, household, misc.

LIVONIA- 36560 Dowling Court Oct 16-18th. Thurs-Sat. 9-4pm. Elect, Household, toys, misc.

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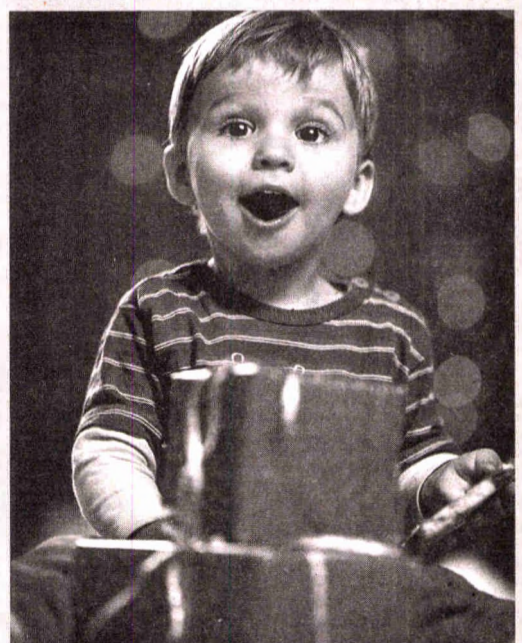
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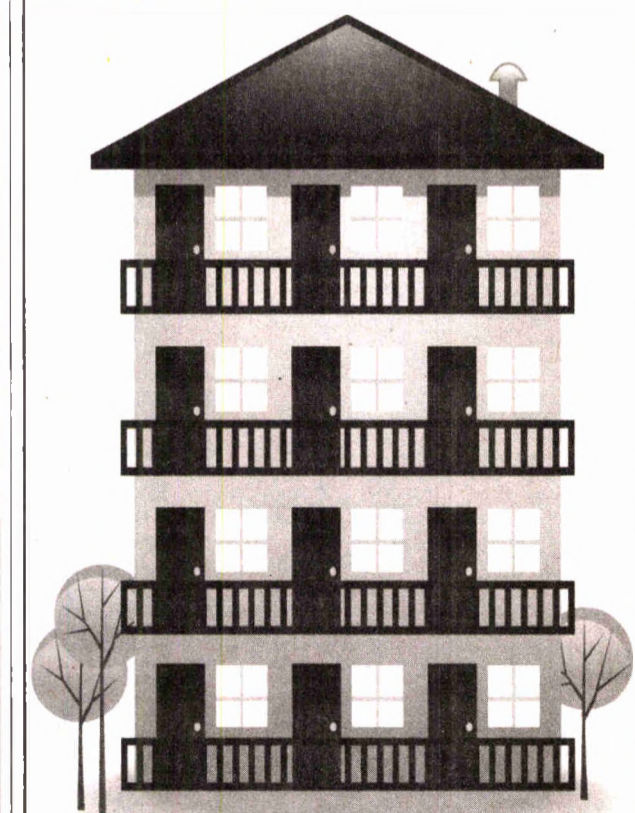
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18 Disco flasher
19 Wildcats with tufted ears
21 Mr. Chaney
22 Aberdeen's river
23 Tolkien hobbit
26 Flexing
30 Stir-fry pan
31 A little bit
32 Bossy's chew
33 Piece of cake, maybe
36 Cliff dwellings, now
38 Ed Asner's — Grant

DOWN

1 Online info
2 Touch
3 Pet name
4 Panda fodder
5 UFO passenger
6 High-jumper's hurdle
7 Gave another the right of way

39 Thieves' hangout "Whew!" feeling
40 Power failure
43 Rugged cliff
47 Socked in
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51 Key — pie
52 Joplin's musical genre
53 Mole, to suburbanites
54 High spirits
55 Feeling of amazement

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Sudoku

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OPEN 1-4 | 725 Half Moon, Bloomfield Village | Substantially reduced! Delightful Village beauty with 3227 sq ft on 1/3 acre. Great value! \$650,000 Rosalee Hill (248) 365-7626



OPEN 1-4 | 1063 Legault Blvd., Brandon Twp. | Custom built & on 2.5 acres with Oxford schools. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Main floor master. \$274,900 Hosted by: Jessica Gingel (248) 846-0156



OPEN 10-12 | 1135 Longfellow Dr., Canton | Great opportunity for 3 bedroom 2-story fresh paint in 9/2014! New Anderson windows! \$199,500 Chris Patrick (734) 219-6974



SOLD! | Canton Distinctive and artfully elegant, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath end unit condo with intimate details and quality upgrades. \$265,000 Nancy Downey (734) 890-5164



OPEN 1-4 | 41410 Bobcat Ct., Canton End unit w/deck! Move-in w/updated finished lower level. 1st floor master w/ spacious walk-in-closet \$179,900 Perrin T. Emanuel (313) 879-2464



OPEN 12-3 | 40105 Cherry Hill Rd., Canton | Character & Charm. All the heavy work is done. New roof, updated kitchen, newer water heater \$235,000 Rich Childs (248) 826-2335



OPEN 1-4 | 41246 English Oaks, Clinton Twp. | Newer end-unit ranch w/ Lafala cabinets, crown molding, UBA Tuba granite counter. \$229,900 Hosted by: Kay Pochert (586) 200-6249



OPEN 2:30-4:30 | 3508 Trentwood Dr., Commerce | 1/2 acre site on quiet 230' lake frontage! Completely redone '08, w/additional updates in '13. \$839,000 Teri Sprio (248) 639-7963



OPEN 1-4 | 3359 Fox Blvd., Commerce Twp. | Updated, 3 bed, 1 bath ranch move-in ready. Opportunity for first-time buyers. \$99,900 David VanDecar (248) 565-3667



SALE PENDING | Farmington Hills 4 bedroom 4.5 bath luxurious estate. Gas grill built into granite island & stainless steel appliances, \$599,000 Marsha King (734) 720-9175



OPEN 1-4 | 27340 Crestwood Dr., Franklin Village | Major Price Adjustment!! Classic 2844 sq ft center entrance Colonial. 1.24 acre lot. \$399,500 Jack Bertoia (248) 365-7575



OPEN 1-4 | 26170 Hersheyvale, Franklin Village | Motivated Seller!! Outstanding location with award-winning Birmingham Schools. \$349,000 Kim Elliott (586) 447-7736



OPEN 2-4 | 1803 Hawthorne, Grosse Pointe Woods | Brick bungalow on a lg lot. Updated kitchen, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, 2nd floor master. \$159,900 Chuck Maniaci (313) 202-9155



OPEN 1-3 | 1034 Roslyn, Grosse Pointe Woods | Beautiful Central Entrance Colonial! block to Ferry Elementary. New kitchen/14. \$286,000 Dor Daskas (313) 924-1501



OPEN 2-4 | 1786 Oxford, Grosse Pointe Woods | Cute bungalow. Hardwoods. Large deck off back. 2-car garage. Privacy fence. \$119,900 Jim Addison (313) 528-0762



OPEN 2-4 | 19991 Emory, Grosse Pte. Woods | 4 Bedroom colonial w/updated kitchen & baths. Natural fireplace, Florida room. Finished lower level. \$249,000 Joe Rich (313) 924-1516



OPEN 2-4 | 382 Lakeland, Grosse Pointe Woods | Unique updated English style carriage house with lovely woodwork! Newer eat-in kitchen, bullers pantry \$357,500 Patti Bargnes (313) 263-5729



OPEN 2-4 | 70 Clairview Rd., Grosse Pte. Shores | Must see 3 bedroom ranch! Updated, eat-in kitchen w/island, cherry cabinets \$498,500 Chris Dasaro (313) 879-2921



OPEN 2-4 | 792 Rosdale Ct., Grosse Pte. Woods | 4 bedrooms 2 full & 2 half baths. Large updated kitchen with all high-end appliances. \$329,900 Chris Dasaro (313) 879-2921



SALE PENDING | Harper Woods | Beautiful ranch home, with only 1 owner! New gutters and siding. Hardwood floors. Wet bar in basement. \$109,900 David Fekin (734) 720-9615



OPEN 1-4 | 41675 Belvidere, Harrison Twp. | Great open plan! Custom with 2 master suites. Cathedral ceilings & wall of glass with canal view. \$450,000 Carol Patton (586) 501-8489



OPEN 2-4 | 34376 Jefferson Ave., Harrison Twp. | 5 bedroom brick home with 2 full & 2 half baths. lake views from many rooms! \$429,900 Chris Dasaro (313) 879-2921



OPEN 1-4 | 37720 Lakeville, Harrison Twp. | Meticulously kept open plan. View right down the canal. Large bright kitchen. Master w/balcony. \$399,900 Hosted by: Martin Doshia (586) 789-9722



OPEN 12-3 | 39800 Sylvia, Harrison Twp. | Dream home! Large lot 80x250. Den w/French doors, oversized kitchen w/pantry. 1st floor master. \$289,900 Hosted by: Misty Weisenberger (586) 200-6287



OPEN 12-3 | 5656 Golf Pointe Dr., Independence Twp. | Wonderful! Near I-75, secluded yard backs to wooded area, all Kohler plumbing fixtures \$449,900 Ann Spencer (248) 494-4608



OPEN 1-4 | 4776 Harding Ave., Independence Twp. | Rustic open floor home on Lk. Townsend. Rustic beams, pendant & recessed lighting. \$269,900 Hosted by Andy Hirsch (248) 494-4830



OPEN 1-4 | 31087 Cedar Ridge, Madison Heights | What you've been waiting for! 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath colonial in desirable cul-de-sac. \$218,000 Annette Cook (248) 365-7633



OPEN 1-4 | 26147 Barrington St., Madison Heights | Move right in! Ranch with many updates. Newer furnace, water heater, & windows. \$72,999 Sandra Daw (248) 292-3897



OPEN 1-4 | 47035 W. Main St., Northville | Will stand the test of time. 1.1/3 acre sanctuary of woodland gardens, walking to town. \$1,050,000 Anne Smith (248) 796-0944



OPEN 1-4 | 44589 White Pine Cir., Northville | Stunning, beautifully maintained Woodlands of Northville home has it all. Gourmet kitchen. \$639,900 Chris Benedict (248) 826-2332



OPEN 1-4 | 21781 N. Center St., Novi Price Reduced!! Sought after Northville Hills 4 Bed Colonial. Walk to Northville schools & Historic Downtown. \$314,900 Ron Manley (734) 365-7201



OPEN 12:30-3 | 2956 Aldin Ct., Orion Twp. | Immediate occupancy! Lake privileges on private, all-sports Lake Voorheis! 2-story colonial in Keatington Sub. \$209,900 Kathy Frantz (248) 494-4592



OPEN 1-4 | 2480 Indianwood Rd., Orion Twp. | 2-story home backs up to Paint Creek Golf Course on 2nd tee box. This home has all the amenities. \$429,900 Paultette Weisel (248) 494-7639



OPEN 1-4 | 3335 Drahrer Rd., Oxford Stunningly pure contemporary architect's own home w/incredible studio or family m space. 3862 sq ft, on 3+ acres. \$525,000 Dean Acciavati (248) 918-4104



OPEN 12-3 | 856 Harding St., Plymouth Just like living in a park! Private treed setting. 3 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial! Walk to 3 parks and downtown. \$297,000 Chris Patrick (734) 219-6974



OPEN 12:3 | 9438 Southworth Ave., Plymouth Buyers on your mark, get ready, GO! Great opportunity for custom quality built broad front brick ranch w/4 bedrooms! \$220,000 Chris Patrick (734) 219-6974



OPEN 1-4 | 585 Fieldstone Dr., Rochester Hills | Spacious 4 bedroom colonial. Large master w/walk-in-closet. Florida room w/ door walk to paver patio. \$263,500 Sharon Llewellyn (586) 229-1285



OPEN 12:30-3 | 310 N. Wilson Ave., Royal Oak | Walk to town! Updated brick Tudor. Relax on back deck with pool and hot tub. \$299,000 Donna Bousson (248) 602-2617



OPEN 12-2 | 625 Dewey St., Royal Oak Totally updated! 2 unit multi-family home. New kitchens & floors. Investment opportunity. \$155,000 Jessica Tremonti (313) 879-2480



OPEN 2-4 | 325 Oakdale, Royal Oak Craftsman bungalow. Walk to downtown. Hardwood floors, enclosed front porch, 3 bedrooms & 1 1/2 baths. \$209,000 Judy Bernhard (248) 721-4127



OPEN 2-5 | 12010 Andersonville Rd., Springfield Twp. | Fabulous private country setting, walking distance to Springfield Oaks Golf Course. \$176,900 Cindy Fisher (248) 365-7603



OPEN 1-3 | 1715 River Rd., #83, St. Clair St. Clair River View! 2nd story end unit w/privacy. Vaulted great room w/12 ft. door wall to private balcony. \$137,500 Barbara Mueller (586) 684-4868



OPEN 2-4 | 1011 Troon, St. Clair | Love the charm of a Victorian but hate the maintenance? Newer, colonial which has it all. 1st floor master. \$399,900 Laia Abud (313) 263-5142



OPEN 2-4 | 22971 Englehardt, St. Clair Shores | 3 Bedroom Ranch on quiet street. Finished lower level. Hardwoods and Cove ceilings. \$129,900 Jim Addison (313) 528-0762



OPEN 1-4 | 44171 Meadowlake, Sterling Heights | This has it all! Great room w/ fireplace. Finished lower level; office w/ French doors, bath, wet bar \$229,900 Hosted by: Paula Burin (248) 230-2027



OPEN 1-4 | 3861 W. Big Beaver, Troy Metulous ranch w/open plan. Newer kitchen w/granite & hardwood. Spacious dining area & living room. \$239,900 Mary Fitzpatrick (248) 365-7921



OPEN 1-3 | 3440 Dorothea Ct., Troy Cedar Ridge 4 bedrooms, 2.1 bath traditional Colonial w/finished lower level. High ceilings. \$499,900 Wendi Miller (248) 292-3871



OPEN 1-3 | 31525 Morgan, Warren Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch, hardwood floors, new furnace, newer roof, A/C, windows. \$129,900 David Fekin (734) 720-9615



OPEN 1-4 | 60616 Miriam Dr., Washington Twp. | Ready to go... Colonial w/numerous updates: kitchen, bath, floors, windows, fresh paint. \$240,000 Donna Bousson (248) 602-2617



OPEN 1-4 | 7753 Turnmill Ln., Waterford Stately 4 bedroom colonial w/open plan. Scenic back yard view bordered by Hess Hathaway Park. \$204,500 Janet Burger (248) 218-1187



OPEN 1-4 | 1221 Florence Ave., Waterford Over 3,000+ Sq Ft. Once in a Season Opp. Includes separate lot behind home, on 1/2 of an Acre. \$199,999 Pam Bartush (248) 213-9478



OPEN 1-4 | 1425 Bielby St., Waterford Move-in condition. Great locale. 2-car garage, fireplace in living room. Fenced rear yard. \$100,000 Hosted by: Andy Lewis (248) 602-2643



OPEN 1-4 | 2977 Onagon Trl., Waterford Sprawling ranch. New kitchen, 4 bedrooms 1.5 baths, hardwood floors under carpet. New roof \$145,000 Hosted by David Smyth (248) 365-7960



OPEN 1-3 | 8040 Apple Creek, Webster | Seven pus acres! Two-story pole barn! finished walkout basement. Gorgeous house. \$495,000 Jan Carey (734) 436-2205



OPEN 2-4 | 6719 Steamboat Springs Dr., White Lake | Over 1/2 acre on cul-de-sac, built '01, 4 bedroom, 2.5 BA, luxury mstr, 3-car garage \$285,000 Karen Thomas (248) 365-7891



OPEN 2-4 | 9533 Steephollow Dr., White Lake | Stunning Custom Contemporary Ranch-Style home w/80 ft of sandy lake frontage. \$424,900 Kon Adams (248) 365-7917



OPEN 12-2 | 2657 Havenwood Dr., White Lake | Fab 4 Bedroom w/1st floor master in gated Golf Community of Brentwood CC. \$279,000 Susan Wojtaszek (810) 735-3430



OPEN 1-4 | 622 Chesterfield Ave., Birmingham | Quorton Lake Estates renovated Cape Cod. 4 bed, 3.5 bath. Beautifully landscaped \$740,000 Dan Teahan (248) 440-7865



OPEN 1-4 | 1192 Edmundton, Grosse Pte. Woods | Spectacular Dutch colonial on 1/3 acre cul-de-sac. 3,296 sq ft w/ grand foyer. \$439,000 Dor Daskas (313) 924-1501



Bloomfield Twp. | Fabulous masterpiece. 7,000+ sq ft of pure elegance. Hand chipped fond du lac stone, 5 bedrooms, 5.5 baths w/imported marble \$2,500,000 248-644-6300



Ferdale | Amazing restored colonial on the PRIME location of W. Oakridge! Let the gleaming wood floors flow you through the LR, DR, and breakfast nook. \$292,000 248-644-6300