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## Township approves \$219K software system

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Residents who are sick of licking stamps should be able to pay their township bills online by fall.

"We're moving ahead," Treasurer Ron Edwards said Thursday. "Our other software is outdated."

Plymouth Township is replacing its 22-year-old financial management software with a new system that will allow online bill payments, the use of

credit cards and other features to which people have gotten accustomed in the computer age.

The township Board of Trustees, after debate Tuesday night, approved a \$219,275 contract with BS&E Software of Bath, Mich., which provides software to a growing number of communities in the Detroit area. The package includes the software, installation, employee training, data conversion and followup support once the system is up and running.

The vote was 6-1, with Trustee Chuck Curmi voting no.

In a memo to board members, Edwards described the current system as "cumbersome and difficult to learn." Many desired features, such as report preparation, grant and project tracking, document imaging and budget preparation aren't functional or aren't available through the current system, he said.

The BS&A system will cover

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Plymouth Township Board of Trustees members (from left) Richard Reaume, Chuck Curmi, Mike Kelly and Ron Edwards.



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Instructor Dayna Mager demonstrates the low-row chest press using TRX suspension.

## Peeling roofs mean big check for township

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Plymouth Township has settled a warranty claim over peeling paint on the green metal roofs at township hall and the nearby fire station No. 1, which were completed in 2006.

The township Board of Trustees voted unanimously Tuesday to settle the claim with Berridge Manufacturing Co., which made the factory-coated roofing panels, for \$127,000 – the estimated cost of sandblasting, cleaning and re-coating the roof. The roofing material had a 20-year warranty.

The green sheet-metal roof area on both buildings – township hall, including the adjoining police department, plus the freestanding fire station – totals about 33,500 square feet.

The township's claim was filed in July 2013. In January

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## Once-vacant Bally facility home to new fitness center

By Matt Jachman  
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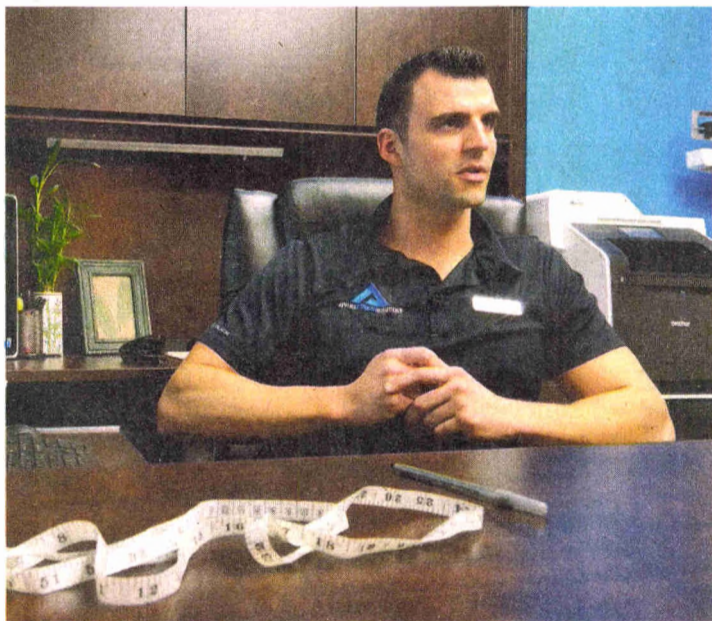
A new fitness center in Plymouth Township combines a traditional gym membership with individualized workouts and technology that helps trainers keep clients on track and motivated.

Applied Fitness Solutions opened recently in the former Bally Total Fitness building on Ann Arbor Road, east of Haggerty. It is the second location for a company that opened its first gym in Ann Arbor in 2007. The Plymouth Township Bally closed in June 2012.

Founder and chief executive officer Michael Stack said the Applied system takes a holistic approach to wellness, starting each client off with a fitness assessment, a review of goals, nutritional counseling and an exercise plan that meets his or her needs and accommodates any physical limitations.

"It can't just be about the exercise in a gym," said Stack, who lives in Saline.

Each Applied member is assigned a personal trainer, called a fitness practitioner,



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Devin Tarrant is a fitness practitioner and the managing partner of the Plymouth Township Applied Fitness Solutions location.

whose job it is to monitor their clients' progress and keep them moving toward their goals, as well as teach in the facility.

Workouts are all done as small-group classes taught by instructors who vary

exercises, within each class, to meet each client's needs and can provide individual attention, Stack said.

Classes are held frequently throughout the day to fit clients' schedules and, for classes designed specifically

for weight loss, no appointments are needed. Memberships vary according to each client's fitness plan, but start at around \$50 a month.

An Applied software system introduced in October lets fitness practitioners keep in touch with their clients, oversee clients' routines and eating habits through logs the clients keep, send them class reminders and notes of encouragement and even instant-message them. The system includes a fitness dossier on each client, accessible at instructors' fingertips.

### Exercise science

Stack, who started working at a Bally in Redford Township as a teenager and became a personal trainer, has had a long interest in exercise.

"I knew I wanted to be in the fitness industry," he said.

He has a bachelor's degree in kinesiology, the study of human movement, from the University of Michigan and is working on a master's degree in exercise science.

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## Library replacement work begins in earnest

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Repair and replacement work has begun on some of the major building systems at the Plymouth District Library, but it's been mostly out of the public's view so far.

The building, which is nearly 18 years old, is getting a new roof, a new security system, a new heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) system, new exterior lighting and a new front entrance – sidewalk, steps and porch, with a snow-melt system there. The price tag is estimated at around \$2 million.

Work began recently and will continue through the summer. So far, it has taken place during the late night and early morning hours, so as not to interrupt library users.

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all financial aspects of township operations – property taxes, special assessments, utility billing, dog licensing, accounts payable, purchase orders and more – with the exception of payroll, which will remain with ADP Payroll Services, Edwards said.

### Nine-month process

Getting the system installed and employees trained will be about a nine-month process, Edwards said. But he hopes to get the components that handle property taxes in place by July 1, Edwards said, in order to process summer and winter tax bills through the new system.

Edwards said the new system will allow people to pay tax or water bills online, look up their water bills and

use a credit card to pay bills. Currently, only cash and checks are accepted.

The system will also allow the building department to move toward issuing building permits online, Edwards said. The assessing and building departments already use BS&A software, he said, and for those departments the new contract includes a software upgrade.

Trustees Curmi and Doroshewitz expressed hesitation about the move; Doroshewitz agreed to meet later with BS&A's Steve Renell to iron out any concerns.

Joining Edwards and Doroshewitz in voting were Supervisor Richard Reaume, Clerk Nancy Conzelman and Trustees Kay Arnold and Mike Kelly.

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## ROOFS

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of last year, Berridge offered a settlement of about \$23,811, basing that on the original cost of the roofing materials, \$39,686, minus depreciation, according to a letter from the company.

Township officials responded by having the roofs professionally inspected and the coating tested. The inspection by Roofing Technology Associates found that about 82 percent of the panels on township hall and 93 percent of those on the fire station exhibited peeling paint.

Reports on the studies were sent to Berridge and the company agreed to the township's demand of \$127,000.

Attorney Gregory Demopoulos, who repre-



PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

More than 80 percent of the roof panels at Plymouth Township Hall have peeling paint and the township has settled a warranty claim with the manufacturer over the faulty materials.

sented the township in the claim, recommended the settlement.

"This is a home run," Demopoulos said. "If you go to court, it would only go down from there."

Some citizens at Tuesday's meeting said the township should go after a larger settlement, but Demopoulos and township officials said the warranty terms made a

better offer unlikely.

"I think this is a real good deal to take," Treasurer Ron Edwards said. The board's vote was unanimous.

Accepting Berridge's offer meant releasing the company – and the roofer, Roofing Technology Associates – from further claims under the warranty.

Board members have

yet to decide how to remedy the peeling paint, but discussed repainting it, re-roofing township hall and the fire station with metal (estimated at \$400,000), or re-roofing them with asphalt shingles (estimated at a little over \$200,000).

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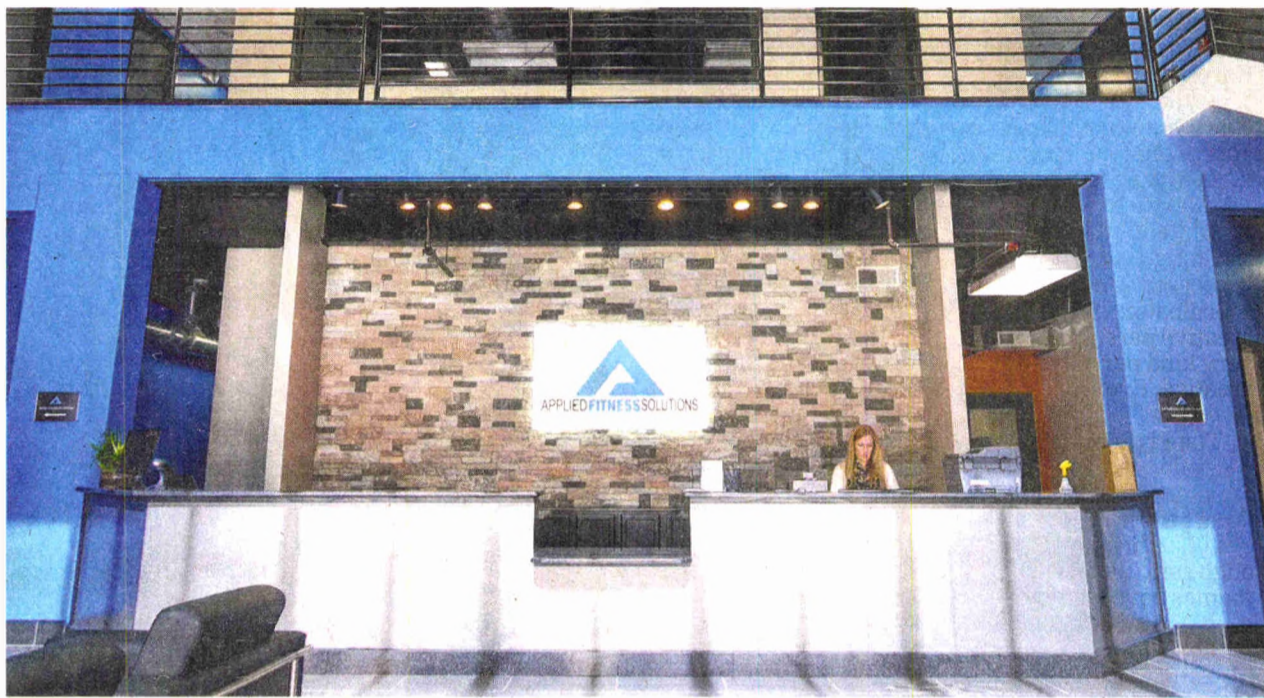
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Applied Fitness Solutions is in the former Bally Total Fitness building on Ann Arbor Road.

## FITNESS

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Stack is in charge of training Applied's fitness practitioners, who have

to undergo about 120 hours of in-house training on the company's approach and its software. The practitioners often come to Applied fresh out of college, with a background and education in exercise physiology, or through its internship program, Stack said.

Devin Tarrant is one such practitioner. Tarrant graduated from Aquinas College in 2010, having studied business administration, sports management and exercise science and soon joined Applied when he found his ideas about running a fitness center meshed with Stack's. Tarrant, of Ypsilanti, is now Stack's partner in

the Plymouth Township facility and spends most of his waking hours there, having just overseen a major renovation of the two-story building.

Stack and Tarrant said Applied clients stay happier and more motivated about their workouts because they see progress toward their goals.

"We see results in our clients," Tarrant said. "It's insane."

The phone number to Applied Fitness Solutions in Plymouth Township is 734-357-8920 and the Applied website is [www.4afits.com](http://www.4afits.com).

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"It was a high priority of the trustees to keep the library open, accessible and safe for all," Kimberly Hickey, president of the Library Board of Trustees, said in a press release.

But library visitors will be affected beginning in mid-April, when the porch, steps, sidewalk, wheelchair ramp and snow-melt system will be replaced. The main entrance will be closed and the public will be directed to two temporary entrances, one facing the back of the Penn Theatre and the other, for barrier-free access, behind city hall. The work on the entrance area is expected to last through July.

The project is expected to take up some library parking spaces, as construction material will be stored in the lot. All library services and programs, however, will remain available during the work.

Money for the project is coming from the library's building reserve. A display in the library's meeting room lobby will illustrate the progress of the work and the library's website, [www.plymouthlibrary.org](http://www.plymouthlibrary.org), and Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/plymouthdistrictlibrary](http://www.facebook.com/plymouthdistrictlibrary), will also



PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY

Building system upgrades at the Plymouth District Library have been taking place when the library is closed, but a ceiling with the tiles temporarily removed shows the public where work is being done.

provide project status updates.

The library's collection numbers more than 250,000 and more than 950,000 items were circulated in 2013. About 1,000

people visit the library every day.

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# Canton resident nurtured growth at Plymouth museum exhibits

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Donna Keough has a lot of great memories of her many years as exhibits coordinator at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

"I have the most fantastic exhibits crew ever," said Keough, a Canton resident who started at the museum in downtown Plymouth in the late 1980s. "I couldn't ask for a better crew."

"Tea Time" was Keough's first exhibit at the museum at 155 S. Main. She recalled having been a college history major.

"I didn't have a design background," she said. Over the years, her crew, including Jan Dersey, Pam Yockey, Joan Baker, Karen Witmer and Mary Thackton, worked well together to coordinate the approximately four exhibits a year.

"Mary is very excellent," Keough said of Thackton, who is her successor as exhibits coordinator. "She's a very creative person. She's a very kind person and creative. Everybody loved her."

The Plymouth museum does a Christmas-theme exhibit each year. "One year, we did a Dickens of a Christmas," Keough said. Victorian themes have also been used at holiday time.

The Plymouth community's long history with Daisy Air Rifles has been incorporated in a number of exhibits, including use of the movie *A Christmas Story*, in which a young boy, Ralphie, pines for a Red Ryder air rifle.

"It's an exhibit that everybody loves," she said, noting it works well as the museum has a number of air rifles. The Daisy theme has been

generally used every other Christmas. "It was a big draw for people and it's perfect for our community. It was made for us," Keough said.

She noted the work involved in creating exhibits, including dressing and undressing the mannequins at the museum. Her crew's background – a hairstylist, some who know antiques and those who are creative – added up to exhibits remarkable for a community Plymouth's size.

A potluck was recently held at the museum to mark Keough's contributions. "I was really quite overwhelmed by it. Very nice," she said of the celebration.

Keough and husband Bill will mark their 50th wedding anniversary in August. Sons Shawn and Shane are close in age.

Shawn is mayor of Dexter. He's the older of the two and a civil engineer whose firm has put him as Plymouth's city engineer. Shane, a mechanical engineer, is with Ford Motor Co.

The senior Keoughs have four grandchildren, two boys and two girls, with their oldest just accepted at the University of Michigan.

"My laundry and cleaning out my closets," Donna Keough said with a smile of her plans. "Some things just get pushed to the back burner." She and Bill plan some travel, too.

Keough has been grateful to get to know Margaret Dunning, 104, the museum's and community's benefactor.

"I couldn't have a finer mentor than her," Keough said of Dunning. "She's such a remarkable person. I just love her."

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JULIE BROWN

Donna Keough of Canton served as exhibits coordinator at the Plymouth Historical Museum some 25 years and is stepping down. She tips her hat to her hard-working and creative crew.

## Historical museum fundraiser is March 7

The Plymouth Historical Museum's biggest fundraiser of the year, A Night For the Museum, is Saturday, March 7, at the Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center.

The event, at Fox Hills' newly renovated Golden Fox banquet facility, will feature appetizers, dinner, a cash bar, a live auction, raffles and a skit by the museum's Plymouth Living History Troupe.

Auction items will include a *Downton Abbey* tea for 10 at the museum and a ride in a fire truck during Plymouth's Fourth of July parade. Fred Hill, founder of the Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team, which is disbanding later this year, will be the master of ceremonies.

Businesses have donated items for the auction and raffles, including two Daisy air rifles, tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game, an overnight package at the MGM Grand Casino and a VIP tour of a Traverse City winery.

Doors at the Golden Fox will open at 6 p.m. for the event. Tickets are \$75 each and can be purchased at the museum during museum hours or through the museum's website [www.plymouthhistory.org](http://www.plymouthhistory.org), using PayPal. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, call 734-455-8940, ext. 0.

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## Plymouth-Canton Arts Academy drawing high praise

By Brad Kadrich  
Correspondent

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Arts Academy has been drawing raves from inside the district from anyone who knows anything about it.

Now, the academy's aura is beginning to extend outside the boundaries.

The P-CEP Arts Academy was recently honored with the DTE Energy Foundation's School of the Year Award, chosen in conjunction with the University of Michigan University Musical Society, to recognize educators and learning communities doing "great work integrating the arts throughout the K-12 curriculum."

In honoring the academy, UMS officials called it "a model among its peers."

In announcing the DTE award, the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education also added the



BRAD KADRICH

Arts Academy coordinator Amy Morgan accepts congratulations Tuesday from Board of Education Trustee Michael Siegrist after accepting the Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award.

Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award to arts academy coordinator Amy Morgan. Other academy teachers will be honored with the same award in March.

"Amy Morgan ... is the one who makes it all possible," board Vice President Kim Crouch said. "We couldn't do it without

the hard work of Amy Morgan and the others."

The ninth- and 10th-grade curriculum at the Arts Academy is structured to provide creative, collaborative opportunities for students to express new-found academic understandings in English, science and social studies through the



BRAD KADRICH

Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Arts Academy coordinator Amy Morgan (right) talks about the program during Tuesday's Board of Education meeting. Board Vice President Kim Crouch (left) listens.

arts. Starting in grade 11, students take advantage of upper-level arts integrated courses such as World Drama, Modern Literature and the Arts, Graphic Novel and Honors Humanities.

In addition to supporting academic rigor, arts-integrated learning at the

Arts Academy has created a welcoming, safe environment for students to find their voice, articulate it brilliantly and use it to act as agents of change in their community, DTE officials said.

"It's important to recognize the tremendous difference schools like the Arts Academy at the

Plymouth-Canton Educational Park can make in the lives of young people and in the community at large," said Faye Alexander Nelson, vice president of public affairs for DTE Energy and president of the DTE Energy Foundation. "We also want to shine a light on cultural institutions such as the University Musical Society that enrich our lives through innovative educational programming."

While accepting the Extra Miler Award and presenting the school board with information about the academy's performance thus far, Morgan made sure to credit both the other teachers and the students for the academy's success.

"It was really nice for them to receive this award," Morgan said. "The teachers and students are working hard. They go above and beyond and they aren't necessarily noticed."

## Community Foundation of Plymouth gives \$1,500 grant to support local YMCA

Giving kids the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve is an area of focus for the Plymouth Family YMCA. Now, with a \$1,500 grant from the Community Foundation of Plymouth, the YMCA will have even more opportunity to nurture the potential of teens through a new summer Leaders in Training program.

Leaders in Training is for students ages 13-15 (completed eighth or ninth grade) and is focused on developing leadership skills that they can use throughout their lives.

Teens fulfill 80 hours of

leadership training that includes communication, setting goals and making plans to achieve them. An overnight team-building experience at YMCA Camp Ohiyesa will also be part of the two-week program.

"The Y is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening the foundations of community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility," said Sage Hegdal, executive director of the Plymouth Family YMCA. "Funding from the Community Foundation of Plymouth will allow a strong

start-up to this new program that will teach teens the skills they need to find meaningful internships and employment and to grow personally. We are thrilled to receive their support."

Admittance into the program is limited through a formal application process. There are three two-week sessions available from July 6 through Aug. 14. Applications for the LIT program are available now.

For information about the LIT program or to register, contact the YMCA at 734-453-2904.



Joe Koch (center), CFP board member, presents a check to Scott Russell (left), YMCA board chair, and Sage Hegdal, YMCA executive director.

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# Upcoming road projects spur public forum

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Canton-area residents and businesses will have an opportunity to view plans for construction-season projects affecting Lotz and Ford roads during a joint public forum by county and state officials.

The projects are looming as a way to start improving traffic bottlenecks along Ford Road, also plagued by an inordinate number of crashes.

Residents and business owners are encouraged to attend the forum 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. It offers an opportunity to see actual drawings of the projects and talk informally with representatives from Wayne County and the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The forum comes as

projects loom this year for a \$5 million paving project on Lotz, between Ford and Cherry Hill, and for \$1.8 million in improvements on Ford, between Haggerty and Lotz. The latter project involves work such as improving turn lanes and ramps.

"The county is going to be there talking about the paving of Lotz Road," Township Engineer Bill Serchak said, "and MDOT will be talking about a series of operational improvements being made on Ford Road."

The projects are separate, but county and MDOT officials chose to have a joint meeting to make it easier for residents and businesses to get information in one place.

"It's a great opportunity for residents and business owners to interact directly with the agencies," Serchak said.



FILE PHOTO

A public forum is coming to Canton as orange-barrel season approaches.

Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said the forum is a way to learn first-hand about the projects before the construction season arrives. He has said the Lotz Road paving is expected to help ease Ford Road traffic, be-

cause it will give motorists another paved north-south artery between Ford and Cherry Hill.

Right now, driving on the pothole-riddled dirt road is difficult, at best.

The latest improvements come as MDOT has indicated a longer-

term project, with no known time frame, could lead to Ford Road being converted into a boulevard through much of Canton.

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CANTON POLICE

Canton police are asking anyone who recognizes this suspect to call 734-394-5400.

## Canton police seek check-fraud suspect

A woman suspected of passing fraudulent checks at retail stores in Canton and other Michigan communities is being sought by the Canton Police Department.

Police are asking for the public's help identifying the woman whose picture was taken from a surveillance camera.

Anyone who recognizes the woman is asked to call Canton police at 734-394-5400.

## First United Methodist Church to host Michigan Philharmonic

If you are a pipe-organ aficionado, First United Methodist Church in Plymouth is the place to be at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 1.

That's because the church is pulling out all the stops in hosting the Michigan Philharmonic Pipe Dreams concert. The melodic sounds of a full orchestra and pipe organ will fill the church. Guest soloist Marcia Van Oyen, organist and music director for the church, opens the concert with the orchestra on Rimsky-Korsakov's *Procession of the Nobles* and is featured in the big work closing the concert, Saint-Saëns' monumental *Symphony No. 3, "Organ Symphony."*

Van Oyen earned mas-



The Michigan Philharmonic will perform a Pipe Dreams concert, Sunday, March 1, at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth.

ter's and doctoral degrees from the University of Michigan and her CD *Visions of Eternity* has been featured on national public radio. Of his organ symphony, Saint-Saëns said, "I gave everything to it I was able to give. What I have here accomplished, I will never achieve again." This ex-

traordinary piece features virtuoso piano passages, brilliant orchestral writing characteristic of the Romantic period and the sound of a cathedral-sized pipe organ.

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# Glenn's DECA students ready to shine at state conference

By Sue Mason  
Staff Writer

Marketing a trip to Costa Rica? That shouldn't be such a hard sell when it's winter in Michigan.

And it appears it wasn't for Brandon Allen, who spent several months putting together a PowerPoint presentation on such a trip for judges at the district DECA conference last month. Allen was among 11 John Glenn High School students who will be competing in the state conference in Grand Rapids next month in hopes of advancing to the international event in Orlando, Fla., in April.

"I did a written event," the Westland resident said. "You get two to three months to prepare and create a visual aid. You don't have to do it on the spot. You have more time to prepare, but you have to come prepared."

As an association, DECA prepares high school and college students for careers and education in marketing, finance, hospitality, management and other business areas. Students compete as individuals and teams, taking written tests, doing role plays and presentations.

Shyanna Steele of Canton will compete in the principles of business management. She was directed to that category by Allen.

"There's a lot of talking in it," she said. "He suggested I do it because I talk a lot. I'm very comfortable with public speaking. I've been like that since I was little."

This is her first year in DECA. She heard about it from Allen and talked to marketing teacher Beth Johnson, who leads the DECA Club.

"I want to be in marketing and, once I talked to Mrs. Johnson, the

more I wanted to do it," she said.

While Allen opted for the marketing presentation, Hailey Doyle and Grace Mortson, both of Westland, took a different approach with travel and tourism. At the district conference, they did a role play on promoting a small airport.

"We had to come up with a plan on how to promote the airport to bring in customers and why they should fly out of that airport," Mortson said. "We did better than I thought. I was really nervous about doing to district; you don't know what to expect."

"It was difficult, but not impossible," Doyle said.

Valerie Vuljaj of Westland only had 10 minutes to prepare her role play on uniforms at district and qualified for the state conference.

"I hadn't done role playing before," she said. "You get a scenario and you have to act it out. You have to think on your feet. You get 10 minutes; you have to manage your time."

Jacob Manning of Westland competed in finance, doing a role play before a judge. He had 10 minutes to prepare and 10 minutes to explain what form of payment would be best for the company.

"I'm really interested in business and all the numbers that revolve around making money," he said. "I want to go to college and do business. DECA is about how you work, helps you be more professional and do networking. It's showing me what I want to do."

### Marketing experience

Students who in Marketing 3 and 4 are required to join DECA, but Johnson does get students who join on their own. The marketing classes operate the



Preparing for the state DECA competition in Grand Rapids next month are (from left) John Glenn High School students Jay Patel, Hailey Doyle, Brandon Allen, Grace Mortson, Jacob Manning, Valerie Vuljaj, Shyanna Steele, Camille Hollins and Alexandria Diaz. Also in the group are Caleb Woodard and Adaeze Ogbuaku.

school store, The Gantry.

Johnson runs three shifts during lunch when the store is open. At any given time, one-third of students are in class, one-third are at lunch and one-third are working in the store, which sells healthy snacks, beverages and clothing. They bake cookies, operate the cash register and even learn how to sweep and mop floors. Last Friday, the spent their time cleaning walls and packing up food in preparation for this week's mid-winter recess.

The club sponsored a 5K run in the fall to cover membership fees and used a bake sale to help pay for district. They have a dine and donate at the Westland Buffalo Wild Wings from 11 a.m. to midnight Monday, March 9, to help with the state conference.

"Hopefully, with Buffalo Wild Wings we'll raise enough money," Johnson said. "Those students who qualify for Florida - I know I'll have some - we'll have to find

sponsorships."

Last year, Jay Patel of Westland competed in sports and entertainment management, but switched to quick serve restaurant management.

"I wanted to do something different," said Patel, who has a working knowledge of the fast food business. He worked for his father, who owns a Subway restaurant in Detroit, but now works elsewhere.

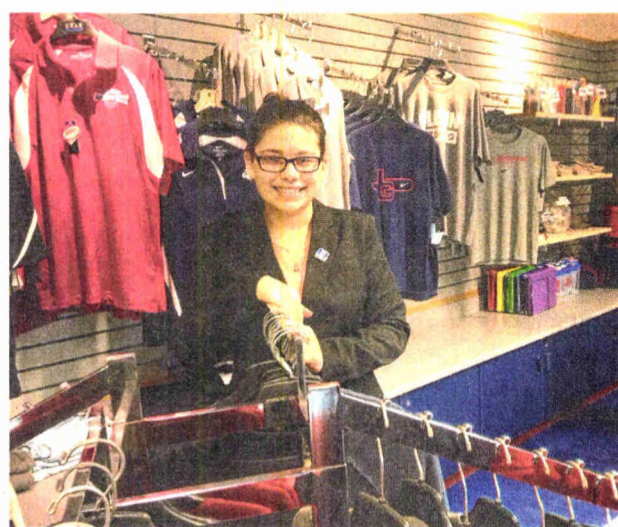
"I was a manager and had an issue with an employee on a promotion we were doing. I had to work with the employee on what to do and what not to do," he said. "It was pretty easy; it was basically common knowledge."

DECA fits in with Patel's future plans. He wants to go into business and he wants to own his own business and be an entrepreneur.

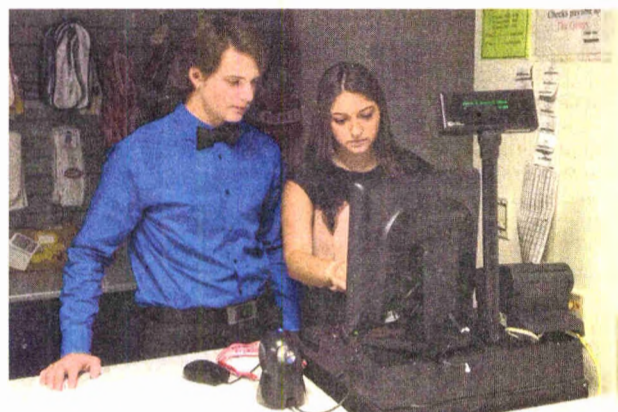
"I want to take over my dad's business and also have my own manufacturing company," he said.

### Waiting to hear

Cayla Phillips won't be going to Grand Rapids, but she'll be paying close



Cayla Phillips won't find out until the state program if she has been accepted to the DECA Leadership Development Academy that will be offered April 25-28 at the International Career Development Conference in Orlando, Fla.



Reed Zielinski and Kendall Stasser get the cash register up in running in preparation for opening the Gantry store at lunch time.

attention. She applied for DECA's Leadership Development Academy at the international conference in April.

"It teaches leadership and more skills in the business world," she said. "It gives you networking connections and entrepreneurial skills. I've got everything I can crossed to be accepted. I'll be waiting for Mrs. Johnson to call me when it's announced."

Allen also will be waiting for an announcement. He's looking at getting elected to a DECA office. He'd like to be president, but will settle for vice president of career development. It's taken a

lot of work. He needs to know 50 different words, be prepared to answer any of 50 questions he might be asked and do a two-minute speech on what DECA means to him.

If he gets picked, he'll have to send out campaign materials to get votes.

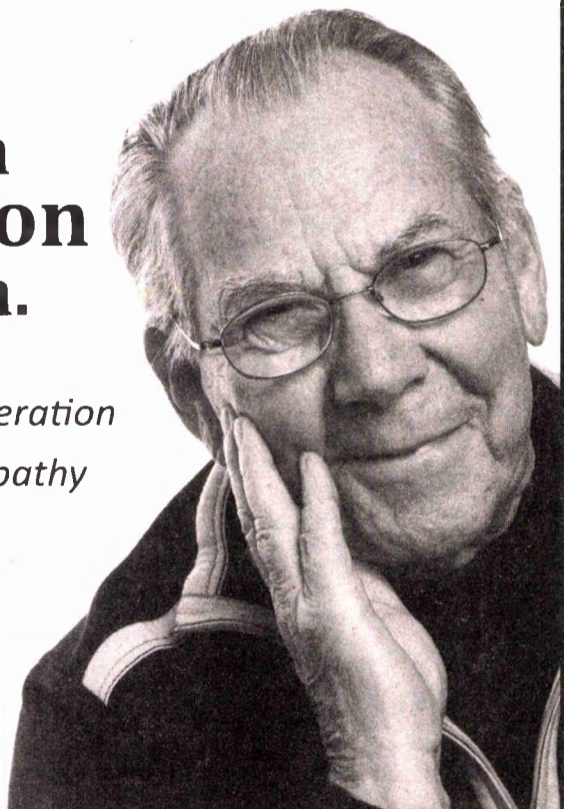
"I want to inspire students and students who aren't in DECA," he said. "I'm into politics. Actually campaigning and speech writing are like my hobby. I enjoy doing them."

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**LIBRARY BAG SALES**

**Dates:** Feb. 20-23; March 27-30  
**Location:** Canton Public Library, 1200 N. Canton Center Road, Canton

**Details:** The Canton Public Library hosts several Bag Sales to benefit Secondhand Prose, the Friends of the Canton Public Library bookstore. Visitors can shop during the monthly sale and fill a big with books for just \$5.

**CHINESE NEW YEAR**

**Date:** Saturday, March 7, 7 p.m.  
**Location:** The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

**Details:** Celebrating a tradition that is thousands of years old, the Canton Commission for Culture Arts and Heritage Multi-cultural Committee will host the 2015 Chinese New Year Celebration. Joining the festivities are a Peking Opera performance by Fang Shubo, the Canton Philharmonic Choir, the March Wind Choir and the Michigan Chinese Choir. Audience members will also enjoy beautiful duets by Yangtze Melody Group and the Spring Group and the energetic sounds of the Desert Island Band. This special celebration will also include a Chinese fashion show, tai chi and a traditional Chinese instrumental performance by the Shangarila band.

**Contact:** For more information, go to [www.CantonVillageTheater.org](http://www.CantonVillageTheater.org) or call 734/394-5300.

**'DOWNTON ABBEY' TEA**

**Date/Time:** Sunday, March 29, 2-4 p.m.  
**Location:** Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main

**Details:** The Plymouth Historical Museum hosts a *Downton Abbey* tea. The highlight of the afternoon, aside from the scrumptious tea delicacies, will be the fashion show of styles based on the popular *Downton Abbey* TV series. The fashion show will be presented by reenacting members of the Plymouth Living History Troupe of the Plymouth Historical Museum. Tickets are \$25 for members of the Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum and \$30 for non-members, before March 20; after that date, add \$5 to the price.

**Contact:** For more information, call 734-455-8940.

**HOSPICE SUPPORT**

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**Location:** Plymouth Coffee



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**Details:** Compassionate Coffee Club is an open and ongoing grief support group offering support and socialization for widows and widowers moving beyond the first year of loss. The program is sponsored by Compassionate Care Hospice and is free of charge, although a drink purchase is required for use of the space.

**Contact:** For more information, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice Bereavement coordinator, at 888-983-9050 or email [achristen@cchnet.net](mailto:achristen@cchnet.net).

**BRAIN NEUROBICS**

**Date/Time:** Second and third Thursday through May 2015, 11 a.m.  
**Location:** Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty

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**Contact:** To sign up, call the Plymouth Community Council on Aging at 734-453-1234, ext. 236. Pagan hours

**Dates/Times:** Fourth Monday of each month, 7 p.m.; fourth Saturday of each month, 10 a.m.

**Locations:** Monday, Panera Bread, 41950 Ford Road, Canton; Saturday, Leo's Coney Island, 9624 Belleville Road, Belleville

**Details:** State Rep. Kristy Pagan, D-Canton, announces the schedule for her monthly coffee hours. Pagan invites residents to join her to discuss their thoughts and ideas about how she can best represent and address the needs of her constituents. Pagan encourages interested residents to sign up for her e-newsletter, which will provide updates of her work at the Capitol and in the community.

**Contact:** To sign up, interested individuals should go to [pagan.house Dems.com](http://pagan.house Dems.com). Residents can also contact Pagan in her Lansing office at 517-373-2575.

**DROP-IN KNITTING**

**Date/Time:** Third Tuesday of each month, 1-2 p.m.

**Location:** Plymouth Township Friendship Station, 42375 Schoolcraft, Plymouth

**Details:** The Plymouth Community Council on Aging offers drop-in knitting and crocheting classes. If you need help finishing a project or starting a new project, then this is the place to come. Beginners are welcome. Each class has a donation of \$2. Instructor is Dori Mefford.

**Contact:** For more information, call 734-453-1234, ext. 236.

**CRAFTERS WANTED**

**Date/Time:** Saturday, Oct. 17  
**Location:** West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth

**Details:** Delta Kappa Gamma, an international society of women in education, will host its 31st annual craft show to help provide scholarships for Plymouth-Canton students. There are still openings for crafters who are interested in joining the event. Join DKG along with the AAJW used book sale and reserve a booth.

**Contacts:** For more information, contact Debbie Cortellini at [debcortellini@comcast.net](mailto:debcortellini@comcast.net) or call

734-451-1525.

**COACHES NEEDED**

**Date/Time:** Saturdays in spring and fall

**Location:** Bilkie Family Field, downtown Plymouth

**Details:** The Miracle League of Plymouth, the league providing opportunities for special-needs players to enjoy the game of baseball, needs volunteer coaches for its spring and fall seasons.

**Contact:** Anyone interested in donating their time or who has questions can contact Shari Bilkie via email at [shari@miracleleagueplymouth.org](mailto:shari@miracleleagueplymouth.org)

**CLOTHING BANK**

**Date/Time:** Fourth Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Location:** Canton Christian Fellowship clothing bank, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

**Details:** Canton Christian Fellowship sponsors a clothing bank every fourth Saturday. No documentation is needed. Drop-off is available from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Wednesday. Canton Christian Fellowship is located on at Joy Road, west of Haggerty.

**Contact:** For more information, email [info@cantoncf.org](mailto:info@cantoncf.org) or call 734-404-2480.

**PFLAG MEETING**

**Date/Time:** First Sunday of each month, 3-5 p.m.

**Location:** St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth

**Details:** Plymouth-Canton PFLAG meets for discussion, education and sharing. Founded in 1972 with the simple act of a mother publicly supporting her gay son, PFLAG is the nation's largest family and ally organization. Made up of families, friends and straight allies united with people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT), PFLAG is committed to advancing equality and societal acceptance of LGBT people through its threefold mission of support, education and advocacy.

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# FINDING ADVENTURE

Strap on snowshoes, explore the beauty of nature in winter

By Joanne Maliszewski  
Staff Writer

Harold and Tanagra Weaver, Myra MacIsaac and Lynn Manzi spent a recent afternoon continuing a tradition that is believed to have begun in Central Asia some 4,000 to 6,000 years ago.

"I expected them to be more clunky," said Manzi, a Heritage Park volunteer, referring to the snowshoes on her feet as she made her way down a trail. "This is my first time on snowshoes."

Some of the 19 residents who registered for the snowshoeing class and trek were novices, while others more experienced wanted an opportunity to further hone their skills. For those who didn't have their own snowshoes, Heavner's Canoe & Rental of Milford rents the equipment for \$5 each weekday and weekend at the Farmington Hills park.

Christy McGillvray who works for the Special Services Department at the park, led one of the group of participants through trails while explaining how the snowshoes work and how to make their way up hills.

"They keep you from sinking into deep snow," she said, lifting her snowshoe to show the crampons on the soles.

These are not our ancestors' snowshoes. It is believed that Central Asians, ancestors of the Inuits and Native Americans, migrated from Asia to North America and brought the original snowshoes — modified slabs of wood — with them.

According to the United States Snowshoe Association, it wasn't too long before the wood slabs evolved into the white ash framed snowshoes with the rawhide lacing that most Americans associate with snowshoeing. Until the 1970s, however, snowshoeing was used primarily for employment and outdoor survival.

But as running and cycling took hold by the 1980s, snowshoeing followed so much so that by 2000 about five million Americans strapped them on and hit the trails, according to the Outdoor Industry of America.



Nineteen residents registered for a quick review of snowshoeing and a chance to explore Heritage Park.

JOANNE MALISZEWSKI



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Today's snowshoes are typically made of a light metal, such as aluminum, with bindings. Poles are used for stability.

While the wood-framed snowshoes may still be purchased and used, today's snowshoes are made of plastic, lightweight metals and synthetic fabrics. Users slide their everyday, waterproof boots into the bindings and away they go.

"The snowshoes are designed to distribute your weight over a greater surface area so you move on top of the snow," McGillvray said.

It is not shoe size that determines the size of the snowshoe, but height and weight.

Poles — similar to skiing poles — are also available to help keep balance. "They help your stability. They allow you to take the weight off your legs," McGillvray said.

Tanagra Weaver was back on the snow after a year away due to shoulder surgery: "It's not bad. I really feel it more in my

thighs. My shoulder is doing OK."

Her husband, Harold, a longtime snowshoer, was leading the way as Tanagra got back into the sport. "It beats running track or running around a gym. It keeps you limber," he said.

Plus, as Weaver pointed out, there's no way to beat the pristine beauty in the park as the group followed a trail to a bridge overlooking a partially frozen stream.

"It's so quiet out here," Weaver said, as others tried to determine if they were looking at coyote or raccoon paw prints on the ice.

McIsaac, who was with friends, had snowshoed before, but never in Heritage Park: "I thought I could learn to do better by coming today."

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# Madonna University names first layperson president

Madonna University, which has been led by the Felician Sisters since its founding some 78 years ago, announced its first lay president, Dr. Michael A. Grandillo.

Grandillo will succeed Sister Rose Marie Kujawa at the helm of the 4,200-student, liberal arts university in Livonia. He will assume the office of president July 1 and an inauguration will be planned for the fall.

"I am humbled and honored to be called upon to serve and lead this exceptional university community," Grandillo said. "I understand and embrace the charm and core values of the Felician Sisters and Madonna University. I am eager to continue building on our successes to ensure Catholic higher education is accessible and affordable at Madonna."

As a consultant with the Registry for College and University Presidents, Grandillo presently serves as interim vice president at St. Mary's (Md.) College, where he leads the Foundation

Board, advancement team and public outreach initiatives. Just prior to St. Mary's, he completed a similar assignment at Bethel (Ind.) College.



Grandillo

Michael Talbot, Madonna University board chair and member of the Presidential Search Committee, was more than pleased with Grandillo's selection. "At this historic juncture, when the university is hiring its first lay president, Dr. Grandillo is the perfect leader to take Madonna into the future," Talbot said. "His breadth of experience across all aspects of university administration and his deep faith and respect for the Felician/Franciscan mission and tradition will serve him and the Madonna community well."

With more than 35 years of higher education experience, Grandillo has experience in academic

leadership, recruitment, enrollment management, public relations and advancement at a number of colleges and universities. During his career, he has participated in or led more than 30 strategic planning projects in higher education, community organizations and government. Grandillo's reach wasn't limited to higher education. He was elected to the Tiffin City Council four times and served a year and a half as council president. U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown recently appointed Grandillo to his commission to screen candidates for federal appointments.

A lifelong Roman Catholic, Grandillo grew up in Dayton, Ohio. He and his wife Nancy raised their children, Vincent and Gina, in Tiffin, Ohio, where they also worked with, supported and enjoyed the compassion of the Sisters of St. Francis. A Heidelberg College alumna, Nancy serves as board chair of Terra Community College in Fremont, Ohio. Vincent is a graduate of Hiram Col-

lege and Gina is a junior at Ohio Northern University.

Prior to his time with the Registry, Grandillo served as president and CEO of Lakeland College in Sheboygan, Wisc. He honed his presidential leadership and fundraising skills during his 17 years as vice president for development and public affairs at Tiffin University and another nine years as director of development at Heidelberg College.

His fundraising prowess resulted in five successful capital campaigns, tripling of the endowment at two institutions, and raising more than \$80 million. "I am excited to be a part of fostering an enhanced philanthropic vision for Madonna," he said.

He began his career in admissions at his alma mater, Ohio Northern University, where he received the 2014 Distinguished Alumni Award. During his tenure as associate dean of admissions at Heidelberg, undergraduate enroll-

ment doubled.

With a bachelor's degree in political science from Ohio Northern University, Grandillo attended the University of Dayton to earn a master's degree in education. In 2006, he completed a doctor of philosophy degree in higher education and Italian Renaissance history at the University of Toledo.

Kujawa announced her retirement last April. During her 14-year tenure and under her steadfast leadership, retention has improved by 8 percent, the university's first doctoral program (the doctor of nursing practice) was launched and Madonna became the

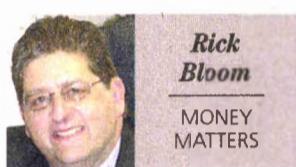
first independent university in Michigan to be awarded the Community Engagement Classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. She led more than \$40 million in campus improvements, including construction of the school's first standalone building in 40 years.

Her commitment to academics resulted in the growth of programs to 100 undergraduate and 35 graduate offerings and her dedication to serving others compelled her to establish the Haiti Educational Leadership Program, which graduated its first eight students in May 2014.

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**Q: Dear Rick: I'm in my late 50s, married and currently employed. I plan to work for another 10 years. I invest in my company's 401(k) plan and I also have a decent-sized portfolio outside of my retirement account. Twenty-five years ago, when my children were infants, I purchased a \$1 million term policy. I just received notice that the term policy is going to expire in a few months. My two children have both graduated college and are on their own. My wife also works and, if something happens to me, there are plenty of assets to protect her. Do you**



Rick Bloom  
MONEY MATTERS

**think I need to buy additional life insurance?**

**A:** There is no need for you to purchase life insurance. After all, your kids are on their own and, if something happens to you, there is enough to protect your wife.

Too many people believe that life insurance is an automatic and that everyone needs it. We're all going to die, so we need life insurance, right? The answer is absolutely not.

Life insurance is not an investment. Like all types of insurance, life insurance is a means of covering risk. The question is when you pass away do you have the resources to protect those who are dependent upon you? If the answer is yes, then there is no need to purchase life insurance. On the other hand, if someone is dependent upon you and there would be a financial hardship, then life insurance is one way of covering the risk.

For those who need life insurance, my recommendation is to consider term life insurance. Term life insurance is the simplest and least expen-

sive type. With term life insurance, you are buying coverage for a period of time - five, 10, 20 or even 30 years. If you die during the time period, then your beneficiaries collect.

One last note regarding term insurance. Most people don't need insurance their entire life. The greatest need for insurance is when you have a growing family.

Good luck.

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

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Attorney John McWilliams comforts client Tewana Sullivan, accused of murder. Her jury trial will take place June 1 in Detroit's Frank Murphy Hall of Justice.

## June trial date set for suspect in Crock-Pot death of Livonia resident

By David Veselenak  
Staff Writer

The jury trial for the woman accused of killing a Livonia resident with a slow cooker is scheduled to take place later this spring.

Tewana Sullivan, 50, of Detroit has a jury trial scheduled for June 1 before Circuit Judge Michael Hathaway in Detroit's Frank Murphy Hall of Justice. Sullivan is accused of killing Livonia resident Cheryl Livy last fall by hitting her over the head with a slow cooker. She died of complications from the injuries a few days later.

Sullivan is charged with first-degree murder. If convicted, she faces up to life in prison.

A final conference in the case is scheduled to take place April 2. She remains locked up in Wayne County Jail without bond awaiting trial.

Sullivan was arraigned on the charge in circuit court Thursday morning after being bound over from Livonia's 16th District Court a week earlier, according to online court records.

During that preliminary examination, a Livonia police officer testified he arrived at the McNamara Towers, a senior living complex, and found Sullivan in the hallway with blood on her hands and clothing. He separated her from near Livy's apartment, where another officer found Livy on the ground,

bleeding with a slow cooker near her. She was then taken to Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, where doctors attempted to save her life.

Livy and Sullivan were acquaintances and knew each other for several years, according to several people who knew them.

Sullivan was originally charged with assault. Charges were amended after Livy died. A competency exam was ordered to determine whether Sullivan was competent to stand trial. She was found competent and proceeded to a prelim earlier this month.

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## Old thermostat may be problem with new furnace

**Q: I have a newer gas forced-air furnace and when I set the thermostat at 64 degrees, the house heats up in the 70s, the furnace shuts off and won't come back on until the house feels like an icebox. What can be causing this? Do you have any suggestions?**

**A:** I have heard of several people that have newer gas forced-air furnaces complain of the same thing you are experiencing. The problem is probably not the newer furnace, but your older thermostat. In your thermostat, there is an "anticipator," which turns off the furnace's burner before the temperature reaches your setting. The furnace still produces heat for a while, however, because the blower will keep running until the accumulated heat in the furnace drops to about 90 degrees.

Remove the cover on the thermostat. Inside you should see a small dial or scale with numbers. Set the dial to the electrical current rating of the furnace primary control. Sometimes it is noted on the gas valves, oil relays, stack switch, etc. You might want to check with your heating contractor about the proper setting or you can experiment yourself. If the furnace cycle is too long, as in your case, slightly lower the setting. If too short, raise the setting. By the way, periodically blow the dust off the thermostat. If it has a battery for the clock, replace the battery. Now you'll be able to cool down and relax in comfort.

**Q: My house is built on a slab and I find that my feet are always cold when I walk on the floors. Is there**



Lon Grossman

**anything I can do to make them warmer?**

**A:** If your house or any room in your house sits on a concrete slab, the floors may always be cold.

Most, if not all, insulation manufacturers, such as Celotex, Dow, Owens-Corning, Trend Products, etc. make excellent insulation panels and kits specifically designed for insulating slab floors from the exterior. Follow these simple instructions:

» Trench around the exterior.

» Clean off the foundation walls and spread on a mastic adhesive waterproofing substance.

» Install exterior insulating panels down several feet.

» Add drip edges and apply caulking.

There is also a product from the Homasote Co. called Comfort Base. It can be applied over concrete slabs and floors as an underlayment for carpet or other floor coverings. Comfort Base has an insulating R-Value of 1.2, adds only 1/2 inch to your floor's height and can be easily installed by a flooring company or a handy person. It comes in easy-to-handle 4-foot by 4-foot sections. This product makes rooms feel warmer and will help reduce your heating bills. Contact the Homasote Co. (800-257-9491) for cost and local distributors.

**Q: My bathroom has a lot of mold and mildew on the walls and ceilings. How can I get this cleaned up so I can repaint my bathroom?**

**A:** If your bathroom looks like a set from a horror movie because of all the mold and mildew on the walls and ceiling, you still can have a happy ending.

That black, furry stuff will be facing extinction when you do the following:

» Clean everything thoroughly with a solution of one cup of trisodium phosphate (which can be purchased at local hardware stores), one quart of chlorine bleach and three quarts of warm water.

» Repeat the above process for stubborn areas.

» Rinse with clean water.

» Let the walls and ceiling dry thoroughly.

Re-clean and spray the areas with Concrobium™ (available at Lowes). Concrobium not only kills all surface mold, unlike bleach, it also kills the roots.

When repainting the bathroom, add a mildewicide additive such as M-1 Advanced Mildew Treatment (priced about \$5) to your paint. A few manufacturers already add a mildewicide to their brand of paint, so check the contents on the can. A good product is Zinser's Perma-White™ paint (sold at Home Depot for around \$28 per gallon.) The manufacturer claims that if you follow directions (there's always a catch) it will guarantee that mold and mildew will not reappear for five years. I wonder if it has anything like that for telephone solicitors?

Lon Grossman is president of Technihouse Inspections Inc., a southeast Michigan residential and commercial inspection company. Email questions to him at drdiy@comcast.net. Sign up for his blog at http://drdiy.technihouse.com.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:  
Hearings are by appointment only, please call 354-3269, between 8 am and 4:30 pm to arrange for an appointment.

**MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW:**

Tuesday, March 3, 2015	9 am - Noon	Organizational Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2015	2 pm - 5 pm	Hearings by Appointment
	6 pm - 9 pm	Hearings by Appointment
Wednesday, March 11, 2015	9 am - Noon	Hearings by Appointment
	2 pm - 5 pm	Hearings by Appointment
Thursday, March 12, 2015	9 am - Noon	Hearings by Appointment
Saturday, March 14, 2015	9 am - 11 am	First Come - First Served

Other Hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board of Review. A personal appearance is not required. Written protests to the Board of Review must be received by mail or delivered in person to the Assessing Office by the close of business on Friday, March 27, 2015 at 4:30 pm. The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS THURSDAY MARCH 5, 2015 6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2015 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

- Application 1525, 40111 Schoolcraft RD, IND zoning district, requesting two variances to construct a new cell tower. The ordinance requires that the setbacks to property lines must be 1.5 times the height of the structure; in this case the structure is 70 feet high, therefore the rear and side yard setback would have to be 105 feet. The applicant is stating the new cell tower collapses on its self and does not need 105 feet. The variance requested is fifty (50) feet for both rear and side yard meeting a twenty (20) foot setback which is required in the IND for new structures.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department 734 354-3210.

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### CITY OF PLYMOUTH 2015 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Plymouth Board of Review will be conducting the 2015 March Board of Review and will convene in the City Commission Conference Room, 201 S Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, March 3, 2015 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 12:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 4, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 5, 2015 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Monday, March 16, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointments only. COMPLETED 2015 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY, and must be submitted to the Front Office located on the First Floor of City Hall prior to your appointment. The "Deadline" for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Monday, March 16, 2015.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner. Written petitions must be received by Monday, March 16, 2015 by 4:00 p.m. Postmarks are not accepted.

Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review Meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (734) 453-1234, ext 253.

Linda J. Langmesser, CMC  
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL ELECTION will be held in the City of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting on a Public Safety Millage Proposal as follows:

"Shall the City tax limitation imposed on all taxable real and tangible personal property within the City of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan be increased in an amount up to and not to exceed 1.5 mills (up to \$1.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) for Five (5) years, Fiscal Years 2015 - 16 to 2019 - 2020 inclusive, to provide funds to staff, equip, maintain or operate the Public Safety Department and for any other Fire, Police or Public Safety purposes authorized by law, including the hiring of additional police officers? A property with a taxable value of \$150,000 could be taxed up to \$225.00. The revenue the City will collect if the new additional millage is approved and fully levied in the 2015 calendar year is estimated to be up to \$708,502. An incremental portion of this revenue may be subject to capture by Downtown Development Authority and Brownfield Re-Development Authority according to existing laws and regulations generally applicable to taxable property within the City of Plymouth."

YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**POLLING LOCATIONS:**  
Polling Locations for the City of Plymouth will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. and are as follows:

Precincts #1, 2, 3 & 4 PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER, 525 FARMER

Applications for Absent Voter Ballots for the City of Plymouth registered voters may be obtained at the City of Plymouth Clerk's offices, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, during regular business hours - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Linda Langmesser, City Clerk

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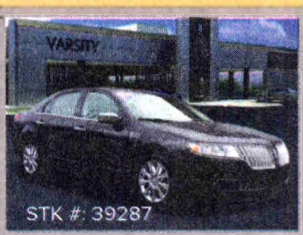
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## Canton's Armesto aces two-sport test

Columbia-bound senior takes benefits from wrestling onto the football field

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

There's no denying that Canton senior Adam Armesto is a pretty special football player.

Just to illustrate that point, Armesto signed on Feb. 4 to become a tight end for Columbia University.

Yet the 6-6, 240-pound Armesto is a pretty talented varsity wrestler, too.

And as far as Armesto and his Canton wrestling coach Cory Mancuso are concerned, there is a beneficial connection between the two sports that

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more athletes need to experience.

"Definitely wrestling has taught me a lot about leverage, how momentum plays into it," Armesto said. "(Canton football coach Tim) Baechler loves having wrestlers as football players and coach Mancuso loves having football players that are wrestlers."

But Armesto opted not to wrestle in 2013-14 in order to focus on football, the sport he rightly thought he might be able to land a college scholarship in.

"I needed to gain some weight because I thought I was going to have to play offensive tackle in college, so I wanted to gain about 60 pounds," recalled Armesto, during a recent interview. "But I developed into more of a tight end, so I could wrestle now."

"I just needed to focus all my time and effort on football."

### Couldn't miss it

That didn't mean he lost the desire to go toe-to-toe in the circle.

"I missed out on a good season, I missed out on a lot of

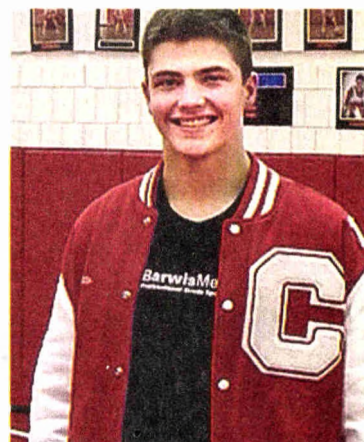
experience in the wrestling room," Armesto said. "I would have been a better wrestler. When I watched it last year I realized how much I missed it."

"I came to practice the beginning of the season and knew I couldn't not do it again."

Mancuso said Armesto "wanted to come back out and prove to himself that he can do it, that he can wrestle. He realized it was more beneficial to him to be on the wrestling mat than just sitting in the weight room pumping weights."

The coach added that most

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TIM SMITH  
Canton's Adam Armesto will play football at Columbia University. But he also loves being part of the prep wrestling scene.

### PREP WRESTLING TEAM DISTRICTS



ANDREW RUBENSTEIN, MD

Salem 160-pounder Caleb McCabe (right) gets an edge against Plymouth's Ethan Shulaw during team districts. McCabe defeated Shulaw for his 100th career win.

### PREP HOOPS

## Chiefs, Rocks wrap up titles

Canton wins South, Salem repeats as Central champ

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Both Canton's and Salem's varsity boys basketball teams won their respective division outright with Friday night victories.

The Chiefs knocked off Livonia Franklin, 62-31, winning the KLAA South Division for the fourth time in Jimmy Reddy's six-year tenure as head coach.

"I think this year our division's probably the best it's been overall in the six years I've been head coach," Reddy said. "It was our first goal as a team to win the division and we did it. We're pretty excited as a group to get that done."

Canton (13-3, 8-2) broke the game open with 23 points in the second quarter to take a 32-11 halftime lead.

"We picked up the energy and our urgency in the second quarter," Reddy said, "and had a really, really good second quarter. Greg Williams and Logan Ryan had a great second quarter and that carried over into the second half."

Williams led the Chiefs with 14 points, while Ryan and Obi Okoli each tallied 11 points. Adding 10 points was Chris English.

"I'm proud of the week we had. We had to win all three games to be division champs and the guys found a way to get it done," said Reddy, whose team will host Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. Friday in the Kensington Conference tournament.

Meanwhile, Salem clinched the KLAA Central with a 60-39 win over host South Lyon, giving the Rocks (13-3, 9-1) their second division crown in a row.

Leading Salem's scoring were Allante Wheeler (16 points), Jon Swift (13 points) and Kenny Topolovec (11 points). Ten players scored as the Rocks made up for the absence of Jakob Lenders (illness).

The Rocks were up just 23-21 at halftime, but ramped up the assertiveness in the third quarter and took it from

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## ROCKS KEEP ROLLING

Salem pins loss on Plymouth in D1 team district final, on to regionals

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Salem's varsity boys wrestling team won a Division 1 district title for the first time since 2002 with Wednesday's 39-28 triumph over host Plymouth.

"It feels pretty insane," Salem senior Caleb McCabe said. "My freshman year I was able to be on the team, we beat Canton by three points to wrestle Plymouth (in district final) and we lost in the last match."

"Being able to accomplish it for my senior year is a pretty great feeling, to be honest."

The Rocks did it the hard way, however.

The outcome might have swung the other way had Plymouth heavyweight Michael Jordan not picked up and body slammed Salem's Tyler Moore — resulting in the latter being injured seriously enough for all the remaining bouts to move to the adjacent mat following a



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In their match-up at 125 during Wednesday's district semifinal, Salem's Cam Shaughnessy (top) puts Canton's Justin Winnie in a precarious position.

lengthy delay.

Jordan lost that match due to injury default, upping Salem's lead to 33-15 instead of cutting the deficit to six with a number of bouts re-

maining.

"We were a couple points short (in the 2012 district final) we had a guy on his back that we needed to pin," Salem co-coach Jeremy Hen-

erson said. "But the chips didn't fall our way that year. This year we got kind of a break at heavyweight."

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PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

# Sweet homecoming for Eagles

PCA boys heed advice of coach, win rematch against Liggett

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

In December, Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity boys basketball team took it on the chin in a matchup against Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

That 14-point loss was something that stuck in the craw of PCA head coach Dino Mattei and his team.

There was no way that such a blowout was going to repeat itself when the two teams got together again Feb. 6 for Plymouth Christian's homecoming game.

"They beat us pretty bad on the boards (in the December contest) and our inability to get back on defense gave them way too many fast break opportunities," Mattei noted. "So we worked on correcting those problem areas and we were looking forward to getting another shot at them."

Mattei even promised his players a win over University-Liggett should they execute the things they had worked on.

That's exactly what happened as the Eagles prevailed 77-66 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference - Blue Division rematch. After the win, much of the packed homecoming crowd stormed the floor in celebration.

Leading PCA (4-9 overall, 3-7 in the division) was freshman forward Matt Malcolm, who scored 23 points and tallied six rebounds.



PEGGY PAULSON  
Plymouth Christian's Luke Yakuber dribbles past a Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett player during the Feb. 6 homecoming game victory.

Other key contributors included guards Lucas Albrecht (20 points) and Luke Yakuber (17 points, three steals, six boards).

"I told our guys I was proud of them for the way they stepped up and competed with such intensity," said Mattei, in his first season coaching the team. "These guys are a tight-knit group. It's pretty cool the way they encourage and push each other in practice and games."

Mattei added that the victory could lift the Eagles to greater heights down the stretch, helping make up for what had been an injury-hampered season.

"At times it's been a slow process and a challenge getting everyone to buy into our system," he said. "But, I'm excited to see what we can

accomplish for the rest of this year and into the future."

**PCA GIRLS LOSE:** On Tuesday night, Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity girls basketball team dropped a 56-34 decision to Novi Franklin Road Christian.

"We did not make enough stops tonight," lamented PCA head coach Rod Windle.

The Eagles went down quickly, trailing 19-8 after one frame, 33-18 at halftime and 47-19 after three (Franklin Road enjoyed a 14-1 edge in the third quarter).

Scoring 12 points for PCA was Robin Albert, who also grabbed seven rebounds. Kennedy Horne added 11 points and five boards while Aliyah Pries chipped in with five points and a team-leading nine rebounds (eight on the defensive end).

Other PCA players to score included Paige Perkey (four points) and Taylor Mistle (two points).

**PCA (BOYS) 63, FRANKLIN 50:** Junior guard Gavin Harris tallied a game-high 24 points, but it wasn't enough Tuesday as Plymouth Christian Academy (5-9, 4-7) turned back host Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-10, 2-8) in a MIAC Blue Division game.

The Warriors jumped out to a 28-23 halftime advantage and led 36-35 after three quarters before the Eagles went on a 28-14 fourth-quarter rampage.

Lucas Albrecht and Matt Malcolm paced PCA with 20 and 17 points, respectively. Joshua Bause added 10 points and 12 rebounds in a losing cause, while junior center Joshua Betcher had 10 points and eight boards.

PCA went 13-of-25 from the foul line, while Franklin Road was 7-for-13.

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ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

# Whalers keep playoff hopes alive

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

The Plymouth Whalers' hopes for qualifying for the Ontario Hockey League playoffs a record 24th straight season might be on life support.

But the Whalers enjoyed a much-needed dose of medicine with Wednesday's 5-1 victory against Saginaw, the Western Conference team they must catch in their playoff chase.

"We played hard (against Saginaw)," Plymouth head coach Don Elland said. "Got some bounces and capitalized on them. (Alex) DiCarlo had two assists and played well. (Connor) Chatham and Vandy (Danny Vanderwiell) were good."

A four-goal second period lifted the Whalers to the win over Saginaw at the Dow Event Center, with Chatham breaking a scoreless tie at 3:19 of the middle period.

Following with goals before the period's midway point were Connor Sills and Victor Crus Rydberg, opening up a 3-0 cushion. After the Spirit finally got a puck past Plymouth goalie Alex Nedeljkovic (25 saves), the Whalers edged a three-goal edge when Sonny Milano bagged his 15th of the season.

Setting up the Milano



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In this photo from a game earlier this season, Plymouth Whalers forward Sonny Milano scores against Saginaw. He tallied a goal Wednesday against the Spirit in a key 5-1 win.

goal were Mathew Campagna and Ryan Moore.

Capping the night's scoring at 2:10 of the third period was Will Bitten, with assists to Milano and defenseman Tyler Sensky (Canton).

Plymouth still has four more meetings (two home, two away) against the Spirit, now in eighth place in the conference. The teams play March 3 and March 14 at Saginaw and March 5 and March 15 at Compuware. Wedged between the teams in ninth place is Windsor (46 points).

**Whalers stymied**

Unfortunately for the Whalers, they were not able to build off the momentum from the win over Saginaw, losing 5-3 to Barrie on Friday night before 1,957 fans at Com-

puware Arena.

The Whalers (18-30-2-2, 40 points) did not lose any ground on the Spirit, however, because Saginaw also lost Friday (to Sault Ste. Marie).

Plymouth gave up an early goal, but tied it at 1-1 when Campagna scored his 18th of the season. The Colts regained the lead early in the second, only to have Chatham net the equalizer at 19:19 of the period (from Campagna and Sean Callahan).

But Barrie poured it on in the third, directing 20 shots at Nedeljkovic (who faced 52 for the game) and scoring three straight goals to go up 5-2.

Chatham scored again at 19:40, to make the final score more respectable.

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there, veteran head coach Bob Brodie said.

"That's the first goal, to win that division," Brodie said. "I'm very proud of the kids; we're very proud of the kids for the way they played."

"We've gone through some adversity, Lenders didn't play tonight, we had guys that haven't played. The kids have banded together and

they've done a nice job."

Salem will visit Plymouth at 7 p.m. Friday in the Kensington Conference tourney.

"That game will be a big challenge for us, a Park challenge," Brodie said. "It will be a fun game."

**Girls results**

**PLYMOUTH 47, JOHN GLENN 30:** On Senior Night, Plymouth seniors scored 46 of the Wildcats' 47 points en route to this varsity girls basketball win — giving the KLAAS South champion a perfect 10-0 mark in the division (14-2 overall).

Scoring 16 points (12 on treys) was Kendall Rose, with Patti Begoske (12 points) and Paige Slominski (eight points)

chipping in for the Wildcats.

Adding four each were Courtney LaVallee and Nadia Lengel, while injured post Leah Kluczinski (tom ACL) was given the chance to score an uncontested basket for two points.

"We got her (Kluczinski) into the game late and the John Glenn coach was really cool, he allowed her to score a basket in her last regular season home game. It was a really cool moment."

**CANTON 40, FRANKLIN 23:** Natalie Winters (11 points), Erin Hull (10 points) and Brianna Finn (eight points) paced the Chiefs to this Friday night KLAAS South triumph.

Canton head coach Kevin Palmer praised Hull for her "great all-around game. She was a huge factor in tonight's win."

The Chiefs (9-7, 7-3) got back to defensive basics, giving up just four points in the second quarter and two in the fourth. "We really wanted to focus on getting back to the basics, playing good, disciplined, hard-nosed, half-court defense," Palmer said.

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NATIONAL SIGNING DAY - PART 3

# Comfort zone key for Salem trio

Arquette, Baker, Piekacz decide to compete at colleges closer to home

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

When push came to shove in their quest for college opportunities, Salem student-athletes Lauren Arquette, Mack Baker and Lara Piekacz all wanted the same thing.

They wanted a chance to stay in their comfort zone, competing and pursuing degrees at smaller Michigan colleges.

Arquette will join the women's cross country team at Division III Kalamazoo College while Baker is set to play men's lacrosse at Aquinas College (NAIA).

Also going to a D-III college will be Piekacz, who will play women's softball at Albion College after a successful career in the Michigan Blizzard travel program.

"It's definitely really rewarding," said Arquette, during the Feb. 4 National Signing Day program at Salem. "It's made all the off-season staying in shape and just the hard work over the summer for the seasons really worth it, and it just makes me that much more excited for college."

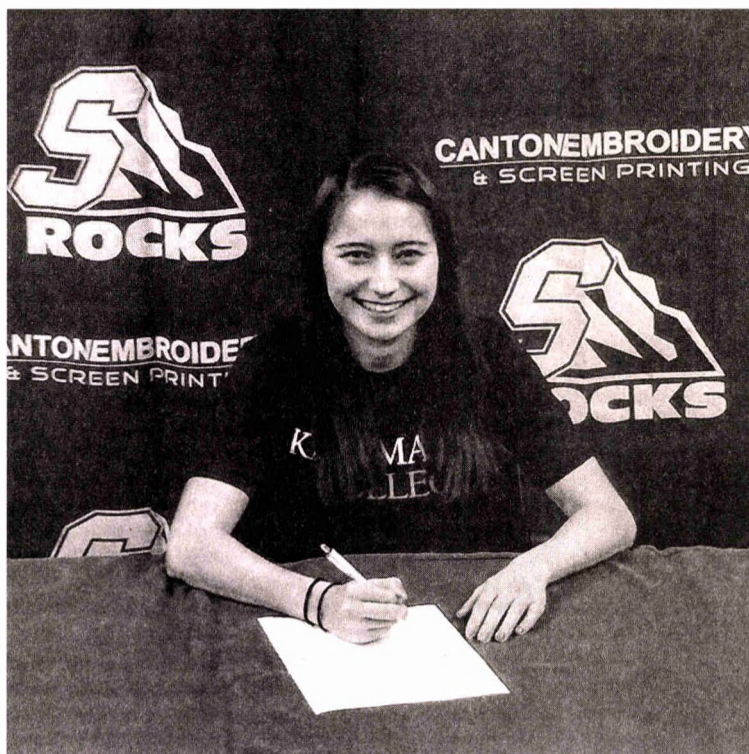
Arquette definitely did plenty at the high school level.

She was a key contributor to the Salem team that qualified for the Division 1 team finals and was the Rocks' Most Valuable Runner, co-captain and a Kensington Lakes Activities Association scholar-athlete. She carries a 4.1 grade point average and intends to go into pre-law at Kalamazoo.

Yet, although she accomplished big things at Salem, she wanted to go to a smaller college.

"That's the thing about D-III," Arquette said. "It's closer to high school than Division I or something, but it makes it a lot of fun, too. There's work, of course, but it's still a lot of fun."

Unlike former teammate and 2014 Salem grad Kayla Kavulich (now a two-sport runner at Michigan State University), Arquette won't be running both cross country and



Salem senior Lauren Arquette will join Kalamazoo College's women's cross country team.

track in college. But she was fine with that.

"They don't have a track team, because they're pretty small," Arquette noted. "I like cross country a lot more than track and I like the longer distances, so I'm looking forward to over the spring training for half-marathons instead of doing track."

Arquette, who lives with her dad, Mark Arquette, added that she wanted to run on a college team with the same work ethic and team camaraderie that she experienced at Salem.

"I think Salem helped me a lot to instill a hard work ethic and stuff like that, and a drive," Arquette said. "And it made me really love the sport that our team was so close, it just made the team experience a lot better."

"That's definitely what I'm looking forward to (at Kalamazoo) is getting to know my teammates and bonding with them more."

**Baker's the man**

Comfort and familiarity helped Mack Baker make his decision to play men's lacrosse at Aquinas.

Baker, the son of Marlene and Chris Baker, liked that former Salem teammate Paul

Sommerville already plays there and that current Rocks teammate Joey Krause plans to sign there.

"It really came down to having friends who were already on the team," said Baker, a goalkeeper. "And the coach really making me feel like I was already part of the team and not just another athlete."

"Academics played a big part, too. Aquinas is a pretty good school and I'm really looking forward to being there."

He currently is owner of a 3.36 grade point average and is looking to pursue a business degree.

Baker stressed that participating in a National Signing Day event "means a lot, it's the culmination of a dream coming true, something I've always worked hard towards."

Meanwhile, he is looking forward to his senior season with the Rocks, who have a new coach in Corey Mattingly.

"I'm really looking forward to playing for him," Baker said, "and I feel like he's really going to get this program back on track."

**Perfect for Piekacz**

Smaller also is better for Lara Piekacz, a standout hitter



Mack Baker is set to play men's lacrosse at Aquinas College.



When spring 2016 rolls around, Lara Piekacz will be playing women's softball at Albion College.

and third baseman/catcher for the Westland-based Michigan Blizzard.

Piekacz, a 3.5 student whose parents are Mary and Joseph Piekacz, liked the Albion campus and coaching staff (led by Christina Finch) from the outset.

"I liked how it's smaller, I really liked the coach," Piekacz said. "And I just liked the area and I liked the school in general."

Piekacz played junior varsity softball at Salem as a freshman and sophomore, but opted to stick with 18U travel softball instead of go the high school varsity route.

"It's a big deal being as I'd

like to continue my career past the college level and hopefully go pro at some point," said Piekacz about signing with Albion.

Blizzard coach Todd Bennane has no doubts that Piekacz will fit right in with the Britons.

"You got to do what you're good at, and she's good at a few things," Bennane said. "She's going to do real well."

Piekacz, he noted, is a line-drive hitter (she batted .576 last season) with a strong arm that can be put to good use either at third or behind the plate.

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## Plymouth seniors happy to do what they love

Harris to compete in two sports at Concordia; college lacrosse beckons Burke

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Whereas Nathan Harris is a two-sport guy, Michelle Burke's all about lacrosse.

And both Plymouth High School seniors will get to follow their hearts as college athletes.

On National Signing Day Feb. 4, Harris officially put pen to paper with Concordia University — where he will compete in men's track and field and men's soccer.

"I'm really excited to get a chance to do both the sports I love to do," Harris said. "It was hard to pick, and Concordia was the right fit to be able to do both."

Standing nearby the son of Dana and Dave Harris was Cardinals men's track and field coach Andrew Tirnenstein, who encouraged Harris to play both sports at Concordia.

"I did both as a collegiate athlete and enjoy the fact that he wants to continue to do both," Tiernenstein said. "I think multi-sport athletes have an increasingly better awareness of managing time and managing athletics and academics."

"Because there's a little more pressure to solve everything and plan your schedule out, it requires a little more focus and a little more dedication."

Nathan Harris, who carries a 3.3 grade point average, intends to study for a business and marketing degree.

"We're just really proud of him," Dana Harris said. "It (the college decision) came too fast. I don't it was ever a question, he wanted

to do both."

**Burke's 'passion'**

Meanwhile, Burke gets the opportunity to continue playing her favorite sport at Lake Erie College near Cleveland, Ohio.

"It's my favorite sport, and it's the only sport I play, so I've been focusing a lot of time in the off-season to work on it."

"It was very important for me, lacrosse is my life, it's my passion, so I am very blessed to be able to play in college and continue on playing something I love so much."

Burke, a 3.4 student whose parents are Charlotte and Rick Burke, laughed when asked about moving into the Cleveland area.

"I'm going to Buckeye County, which is a little scary to enter," Burke said. "It will be a little intimidating but I'll try and stay strong and stay Blue."

At Lake Erie, a Division II school with about 1,000 students, Burke intends to study for a degree either in business or physical therapy.

Burke, a midfielder, credited her high school lacrosse coaches for helping her improve and blossom during her prep career.

"I'm very proud of her decision," Charlotte Burke said. "She intends to coach lacrosse someday so this is a good path for her to be on."

"I'm just very proud of her. It's hard work getting here, it's not easy doing this."

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Plymouth senior Nathan Harris, flanked by mom Dana Harris and Concordia track coach Andrew Tirnenstein on National Signing Day. In the back row are his dad, Dave Harris, Plymouth high jump coach Dean Clemons and Plymouth athletic director Kyle Meteyer.



Plymouth senior Michelle Burke (seated, center) is flanked by parents Charlotte and Rick Burke on National Signing Day. Standing are her brother, Ricky, and Plymouth athletic director Kyle Meteyer.

## Plymouth's Riga among Ladywood signees

By Ed Wright  
Staff Writer

A trio of Livonia Ladywood athletes who shine brightest in the spring added some sunshine to the dreary, gray morning of Feb. 4 "National Signing Day" when they inked letters of intent to play their respective sports at the next level.

As part of a signing day ceremony at Ladywood, Blazer soccer standouts Samantha Riga and Andrea Kwasniewicz officially committed to play for Grand Valley State University and Northwood University, respectively, while softball slugger Morgan Larkin agreed to continue her diamond career at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

A resident of Plymouth, Riga is a dynamic offensive player who

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Livonia Ladywood seniors (from left) Samantha Riga (of Plymouth), Morgan Larkin and Andrea Kwasniewicz signed letters of intent to play their respective sports at the collegiate level on Feb. 4.



# ROCKS

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"I hope our kid's okay, he got slammed hard. But really, we won the matches we wanted to win."

Salem had built a 27-12 lead largely thanks to pins by Bruce Haslitt (145 pounds), Seth Dunn (152), Demetrius Fields (171) and Mitchell Gross (189).

Plymouth's Hussein Youssef then defeated Roy Foster 11-8, in one of the better pairings of the final, closing the Wildcats to within 27-15 entering the heavyweight bout.

"Michael Jordan's 6-7, so he (Moore) was high up in the air," Henderson said. "Michael Jordan's a great kid, I've talked to him before, I'm sure he didn't mean to do that. I just hope Tyler's OK."

According to Plymouth head coach Quinn Guernsey, losing the Jordan-Moore matchup via injury default definitely impacted the final result.

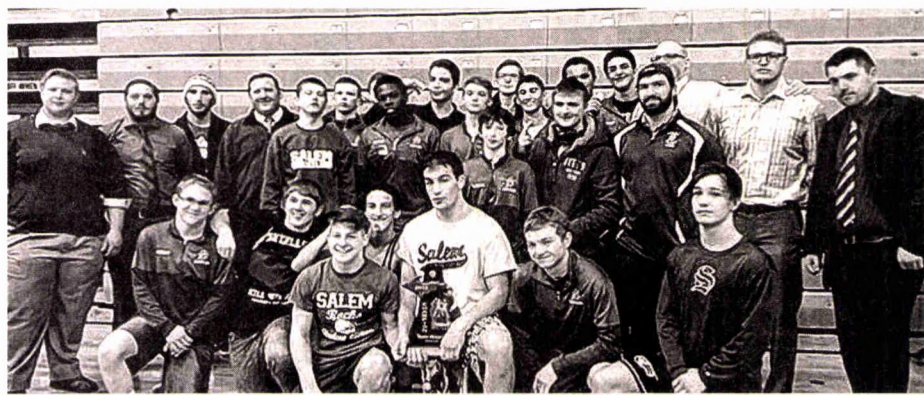
"Mike pinned that kid earlier in the year," Guernsey said. "It was a very big swing match, but that's the rules."

"Mike kind of messed up there, that was something he didn't need to do and shouldn't have had happen."

Guernsey said body slams and other illegal moves result in such disqualifications in the event there is an injury.

"If the other kid can continue wrestling it's just a point," he explained.

"But if someone is injured in any type of illegal move, not just a slam ... and they can't continue



Salem's varsity wrestling team celebrates after winning the Division 1 district at Plymouth High School Wednesday night.

the match because of that, it goes as an injury default win for them."

### Cheers for Moore

Meanwhile, the Rocks (16-6) were driven to finish the district victory for Moore, who was carted out of the gym to a warm ovation and taken to a nearby hospital for observation.

Moore was said to have been alert and moving his extremities while being attended to by EMS personnel. According to an email updating the team about his condition, he was back in school on Thursday, but probably would miss at least a week of action.

"He's in our hearts and in our prayers," said McCabe, who defeated Ethan Shulaw 9-4 at 160 for his 100th career victory. "So I'm sure we'll be visiting him tonight or getting him something to make sure he feels what we're feeling tonight."

The injury definitely was on everybody's minds during the stretch run of the district final.

Yet Salem wrestlers still had a job to do to hold off any Plymouth surge.

After 103-pounder Nate Gaubatz battled through three tough periods against Plymouth's Tyler Campbell before losing 5-1, Salem's Akash Rai earned a 5-4 win over Isiah Berry in a similarly hard-fought matchup at 112.

Plymouth 119-pounder Brandon Harris then pinned DJ McGhee in 38 seconds to close the Wildcats to 36-24 with two bouts left — resulting in the Rocks needing to stay out of losing via fall the last two matchups.

"We were basically telling them to wrestle tough and wrestle smart, control hands and stay off your back," Henderson noted. "A lot of these guys go into matches vs. better opponents, and some of their jobs is to save points."

"We had a lot of guys tonight that saved points."

### Bringing it

At 125, Salem's Cam Shaughnessy prevailed in a gutsy match against

Collin Reed, going to overtime before winning 6-4. Shaughnessy escaped Reed's grasp for the deciding points.

"Cam's been bringing it on all season, he's come close to beating a lot of good kids," Henderson said. "He's already beaten a lot of good kids, too. If he has a good tournament Saturday (at D1 individual districts) you'll be seeing more of Cam this year."

"He's only a junior. We got a young team, we're losing some good kids in Caleb and Mitchell and Charlie Woody, but for the most part we got returning starters next year."

Plymouth's Spencer Schiffter earned a 13-4 major decision over Russell Gaubatz at 130 in the final matchup. But by that point, it was all window dressing.

"Definitely disappointing, we wrestled hard," said Guernsey, who will take 14 wrestlers from his 26-12 team to Saturday's individual districts at Westland John Glenn.

"Salem's got a good team, they challenged us a lot of

weights, they posed some matchup problems for us, too.

"They competed well and came out with the win. Hats off to them. Hopefully this will be a good learning experience for us."

McCabe, meanwhile, said it was thrilling to collect his 100th career win Wednesday — a feat watched by older brother and former Salem wrestling standout Jake McCabe.

"My dad's been keeping records since my freshman year," McCabe said. "It's pretty awesome to have done that, it's one thing my brother (Jake) never was able to do."

"But it's a pretty great feeling, I have a lot of emotion in me right now."

Of course, the best feeling of the night was winning the district trophy, he added. "It feels pretty amazing."

Henderson and co-coach Pete Israel agreed with that assessment.

"Coach Henderson's been pushing the kids in the room really hard, they were all hungry for it," said Israel, a member of Salem's 2002 coaching staff. "We were disappointed with not winning the division, and we got the seniors together and said 'Hey, what's going to be your legacy?'"

"Everybody really picked it up today."

The Rocks reached the district final with a 47-18 victory over Canton while Plymouth routed Northville, 65-13 in the other semifinal.

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# SPORTS ROUNDUP

## High Velocity camps

The High Velocity Sports Complex will host several Midwinter Break Camps Feb. 16-20 while Plymouth-Canton Schools are off. The camps include All-Sports Camp, Miki's Pro Soccer Camp, Triple Threat Basketball Camp and Bricks 4 Kidz Minecraft Camp.

Those interested in participating are urged to pre-register by calling 734-487-7678 or going to [www.hvssports.com](http://www.hvssports.com).

Following is a brief glimpse at each offering:

» All-Sports Camp is offered to 5-13-year-olds, and kids are run through sports stations by HVS coaches every 30-40 minutes. Camp runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., but before-care is offered starting at 7:30 a.m. and after-care until 6 p.m. The cost is \$5/hour and parents can drop off and pick up around their schedule. During before- and after-care, kids can watch a movie, play board or card games or play with hand-held electronics brought from home in a proper case and clearly labeled. All-Sports Camp can also be used before and after the following specialty camps:

» Miki's Pro Soccer Camp, for ages 5-17 is from 9 a.m. to noon and costs \$135/week or \$30/day.

Kids learn and improve skill development while working on speed and agility, ball control, shooting and passing.

» Triple Threat Training Basketball Camp, for ages 5-14 is from 9 a.m. to noon and costs \$135/week or \$30 day.

Troy Coleman and his certified Triple Threat Training staff train kids on the fundamentals of basketball including shooting, one-on-one and team drills, offensive and defensive drills.

» Bricks 4 Kidz Minecraft Lego Camp, for ages 6-11 is from 1-4 p.m. and costs \$135/week (no daily option).

Experience the world of Minecraft with LEGO bricks in this exciting new camp. Kids will start by crafting their shelters and some of the mobs, critters and tools using LEGO bricks. Campers will face new challenges each day building models and crafting key elements from the popular Minecraft game.

## Salem Baseball Clinic March 28

Salem Dugout Club is holding a baseball clinic for youngsters ages 7-15 on Saturday, March 28, in the Salem High School gymnasium. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with cost at \$30 per participant.

The day will be divided into two sessions, with kids ages 7-10 going from 9 a.m. to noon and those ages 11-15 participating from 1-4 p.m.

Salem varsity baseball coach John Wright, assistant coaches and varsity players will be instructing youngsters about pitching, hitting, fielding and base running.

For more info, send email to [salemrocksbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:salemrocksbaseball@gmail.com).

## Salem track assistant sought

The 2015 Salem Girls Cross Country program is in need of a full-time assistant coach for fall 2015. The posting for this position can be seen at <http://www.pccs.k12.mi.us/node/953>. Interested people can apply through this link or call the Salem Athletic Department.

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top athletic programs feature strong football and wrestling programs, including Novi-Detroit Catholic Central.

"College recruiters, they recruit wrestlers, they recruit multi-sport athletes," Mancuso said. "We need to do a better job at getting more multi-sport athletes."

"Specializing in one sport is not the way you want to go if you want to be successful at the next level."

### Winding down

Of course, Armesto's prep wrestling career now is winding down regardless.

He needed to finish in the top four in the heavyweight division at Saturday's Division 1 individual districts, hosted by Westland John Glenn, to continue his season.

Armesto, by the way, is not your stereotypical heavyweight, either. For



Subduing an opponent during a recent dual meet is Canton senior heavyweight Adam Armesto.

starters, he is some 45 pounds lighter than most of his opponents.

"I don't look like a heavyweight," he said, smiling. "I'm pretty light for a heavyweight."

Whenever his final bout as a Canton Chief takes place, Armesto will gladly take plenty of positive attributes with him to Columbia.

"Probably the one thing I enjoy most is pushing past the mental toughness," Armesto said. "And when you're completely exhausted having the ability to keep going and keep wrestling your

hardest, and competing against some of the best athletes in the state."

According to Mancuso, it is invaluable for high school athletes to get after it in more than one sport — easier said than done in this era of specialization.

Plus, the football-wrestling combo is a natural fit, he said.

"I think playing as many sports, the attributes you get from each one of them can be valuable," Mancuso emphasized. "On the wrestling mat or any other sport, they transfer over. I love

guys that are two-sport athletes.

"(In wrestling) there's agility, balance on your feet, you're basically out there pushing and shoving on a guy and you get leverage. For offensive and defensive linemen leverage is key. It gets you low, keeps you in your stance."

### Similarities

Add to that the importance of "wrapping up" in a wrestling move in order to bring down an opponent.

"One arm takedowns in wrestling do not work," he said. "You got to get both there. So that would definitely translate onto the football field as well."

Salem varsity football coach Kurt Britnell said he would like to see more football players double up as wrestlers.

"I'm a proponent of getting football players to wrestle and vice versa," Britnell noted. "I wish that were actually more of the case at Salem, especially our (linemen), who would benefit greatly

from the strength and leverage standpoint of wrestling and transferring that over to football.

"We've in the past had some lighter weight wrestlers that eventually gave up football to wrestle only."

There is another plus to having more than one sport on any student-athlete's to-do list, and that's getting good grades.

Obviously, Armesto is doing fine in that area — he holds a 3.8 grade point average, and academic excellence is a prerequisite for getting accepted into Columbia (an Ivy League school in New York City).

"Multiple sports helps you balance and schedule things in life," Armesto said. "And I definitely think it will help you academically."

The evidence in his GPA and athletic successes certainly proves Armesto doesn't just talk the talk.

He walks the walk.

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# RIGA

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netted 20-plus goals for the Blazers in 2014. She chose defending Division 2 national champion Grand Valley over other interested programs that included Michigan State University, Albion and the Miami University (Ohio).

"Playing for a school that has a goal of winning a national championship every season really appealed to me," said Riga,

the daughter of Scott and Terry Riga. "I visited the campus the first time during the summer of my sophomore year, then I visited again in October before verbally committing on Nov. 7. I loved everything about the university."

After excelling for the Blazers as a freshman, Riga played her sophomore season for the widely acclaimed Michigan Hawks before returning to Ladywood last year.

"I have an attacking mindset," said Riga, when

asked about her pitch skills. "But I like to set up plays, too."

Riga is an outstanding student, too, having chiseled out a 3.83 grade point average with just a few months left in her high school career. She plans on pursuing a degree related to business and marketing.

A lock-down defender, Kwasniewicz will be making an inspiring return to the pitch in the spring after missing her junior season with a serious knee injury.

"After having to sit out last season with my injury, I definitely appreciate having my health more and being able to play soccer again," said Kwasniewicz, the daughter of Ron and Michelle. "I suffered the injury in February of 2014. I had to go through four weeks of rehab before the surgery, then I rehabbed most of last summer. I feel great now."

"We lost eight or nine seniors from last year's team, so we're going to be pretty young this season,

but I still think we'll be good."

Kwasniewicz, who resides in Walled Lake, takes the most pride in her possession skills and knowledge of soccer, which she has been playing for as long as she can remember.

Everything about Northwood appealed to Kwasniewicz, especially the school's highly rated business curriculum. Armed with a stellar 3.4 grade point average, she plans on pursuing a degree in accounting.

Larkin embraces the unique opportunity of playing college softball for her high school coach, Scott Combs, who is the head strategist at both Ladywood and U-M-Dearborn.

A hard-hitting outfielder, Larkin batted close to .400 as a junior as she helped lead the Blazers to the Division 2 final game.

"I know some of the girls on UM-Dearborn's team already, and I know the coach, so that will make the transition from high school to college softball easier," said Larkin, an exceptional student who plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in chemistry before eventually studying to become an orthodontist. "I've loved going to school at Ladywood; everyone is so nice and genuine."

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GCh Wild Turkey d'Lux Dag Hammarskjold, J.C. (aka Dag), a Scottish deerhound, rests for the big show.

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## LOCAL SCOTTISH DEERHOUND IS HEADED TO WESTMINSTER DOG SHOW

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

The first time Cindy Marriott saw a Scottish deerhound, she called it the “ugliest dog” she had ever seen.

Then, she got a look at “Hickory,” the Scottish deerhound and 2011 winner of the prestigious Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.

“The woman who owns Hickory brought her to Cobo to the Detroit Kennel Club show,” said Marriott, a retired Schoolcraft College professor with a Ph.D. in child clinical psychology. “At that time, I said why not? I said how do I get one of those dogs?”

The woman put Marriott in touch with a breeder. Nearly four years after buying a puppy, the Plymouth woman has her own Westminster competitor. She and Scottish deerhound, “Dag,” are heading to the 139th annual show, Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 16-17, in New York.

The hounds will be among the four groups judged Monday night. Three additional groups will be judged Tuesday night, with the event culminating in Best In Show. CNBC will broadcast live from Madison Square Garden, 8-11 p.m. Monday. USA Network will air the show Tuesday night.

“This whole thing is going to be a brand new experience for me. Fortunately, my handler and his wife have been to Westminster before. They will hold my hand through the whole thing,” said Marriott, referring to Don Leonard, who will show Dag in the judging ring. His wife, Kelly, will show their foxhounds and one of their sons will show a whippet.

“We’re caravanning across

the country to get to New York.”

### Dad, son

Dag, with Don at the other end of his leash, must be in breed judging — Ring 5 — by 8:30 a.m. Monday. He’ll compete against eight other Scottish deerhounds for the chance to win first place in breed and move on to the televised group judging at night.

But he may be up against some stiff competition.

“We’re up against the No. 1 Scottish deerhound,” Marriott said. “It turns out this year there are three d’Lux dogs in Westminster.” d’Lux identifies the Virginia kennel where Dag, whose full name is GCh Ch Wild Turkey d’Lux Dag Hammarskjold, J.C., was born.

One of his two competitors from d’Lux is his father. They’ll meet for the first time in the judging ring.

“I emailed (his owner) and we’re going to try and go to a professional photographer and take a picture of both dogs. It’s going to be fun.”

“I purchased a kilt for this and I purchased a Scottish tartan tie for Don. So we will be all decked out.”

### In the ring

Marriott met Leonard when she began taking conformation lessons with Dag.

“I was taking Dag to classes every week and taking him into the show ring. I didn’t do a good job,” she said. “One time the judge said ‘Ma’am, the dog is supposed to be on the other side of you.’ He (Dag) learned and I didn’t.”

She hired Leonard to show Dag, who acquired his championship title in 2013 and his grand championship in 2014.



Cindy Marriott and Dag, a Scottish deerhound, are heading for the Westminster Dog Show in New York.

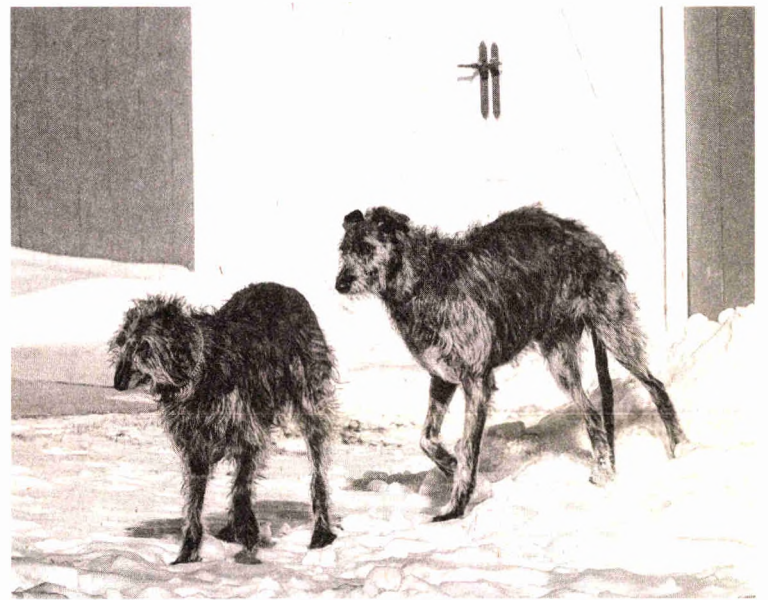
Marriott said she tries to attend most of the shows.

Marriott had no experience as a dog owner when she acquired Dag. Although she often accompanied her oldest daughter, Elizabeth, to dog shows, she wasn’t compelled to bring a dog into her two-cat home until Dag became available.

“I have no idea what it was. Either God was looking out for me or it was fate. I decided to get him. I love this dog more than anything in the world. I’ve been lucky that I’ve met people who are supportive. Don and Kelly are incredibly supportive.”

Marriott acquired her second Scottish deerhound from a rescue. Blenheim’s Sir Argus, known as “Angus” loves to romp in the back yard with Dag. She can’t imagine life without the pair and she has learned a lot about dog ownership the past four years.

“I learned that you walk one



Dag and Angus get a little sun on a cold day.



Dag heads for a touch down in his back yard.

of them at a time. There was a time I walked the two of them and they decided to go in a different direction. I lost the battle and I broke my arm,” she recalled. “It wasn’t malicious. They just pulled me down.

“I’ve also learned it’s good

to have property. They are sight hounds and anything that moves in their eye sight, they chase. They run run run.”

Check out the Westminster Kennel Club website at [westminsterkennelclub.org](http://westminsterkennelclub.org) for live streaming of all breed judging.

## Greenmead to serve luncheon fit for U.S. presidents

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

Guests at Greenmead’s new upcoming Presidential Luncheon will get a taste of White House recipes and a look at Dolley Madison’s popular soirées.

“This used to be a tea. We decided let’s change it up and make it into a luncheon,” said Maureen Casey, event planner for the historical village in Livonia. “The food lends itself to this. We can go through the White House cookbook and choose (recipes) from different presidents.”

Greenmead staff served a presidential tea annually for the past eight years but wanted to “keep things interesting” by expanding the event, Casey said. The luncheon will run noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead, located



Submitted photos  
This reproduction of a place setting from James Madison’s White House, and other presidential china, will be used during a luncheon Feb. 21 at Greenmead.

at Newburgh and Eight Mile in Livonia. Tickets are \$30 and must be purchased in advance. Call 248-477-7375 for information and reservations.

The luncheon will include a presentation by local historian Anna Lopez, on Dolley Madison, wife of James Madison, the fourth U.S. president. Lopez



Dolley Madison

previously spoke at Greenmead about Eleanor Roosevelt. “She is someone who does her homework. She is part guest speaker and part entertainer.”

Casey said she’s still working out the menu for the event, but is certain the dessert will include ice cream, a nod to one of Dolley Madison’s party foods.

“Dolley Madison was instrumental in pushing her husband forward in the political arena. She was famous for her ability to hostess events where everyone wanted to come. It was exposure for him,” Casey said. “She introduced a new dessert and that was ice cream. Everyone wanted to come not only to schmooze, but to get Dolley’s ice cream.

“Dolley Madison grew up as a Quaker. For her to go from a plain and basic lifestyle to being the toast of Washington was a complete and total turnaround.”

Guests also will dine on reproduction place settings of presidential china amid patri-

otic decorations.

“To look at the dishes from president to president and see how the styles have changed — some have more of a pattern, some are plain — is really fascinating.”

In addition to the Presidential Luncheon, Greenmead plans its popular Happily Ever After wedding event and Lincoln’s 1865 funeral luncheon this spring.

Happily Ever After is set for 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, and will include a guest speaker and wedding-related displays. Fifteen vintage gowns that are new to the exhibit will be on view.

The funeral luncheon will run noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 15.

Proceeds from the events are used to preserve and restore Greenmead.



# Boxing champ Laila Ali takes a swing at heart disease

By Julie Yolles  
Social Scene Columnist



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SOCIAL SCENE

"This is a fight I don't like to lose," four-time undefeated World Boxing Champion Laila Ali told the crowd of 600-plus on National Wear Red Day, Feb. 6.

Ali was talking about heart disease — the No. 1 killer of women.

"We are in control of our health; we can change the outcome of our life through nutrition

and exercise," said Ali, at the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women Luncheon, held at the Detroit Marriott.

Ali ought to know. In addition to being the daughter of boxing great Muhammad Ali, Leila Ali is an on-air host, health

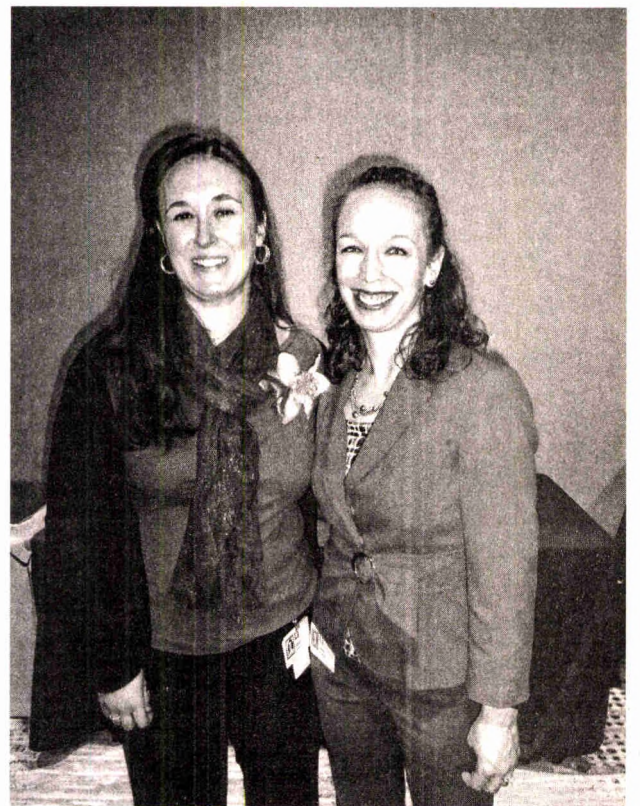


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Livonia residents and co-workers Melissa Kuzera and Linda Olivas wear red at the Go Red for Women luncheon.



Plymouth-based Freudenberg was an event corporate sponsor again this year for the American Heart Association Go Red for Women Luncheon. Team Freudenberg includes Valerie Monjanel, (left) Melissa Kuzera, Linda Olivas, Debbie Chiesa and Tracy Wagaman.



Go Red for Women Executive Leadership Team member Jessica Gubing of Northville and Dawn Kopacz of Farmington Hills

demonstrations, a kids' heart health panel, and craft projects and games. \$5 per Girl Scout.

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How does a doctor proceed when his diagnosis differs from the patient's previous physician?  
For example: a physician sees a new patient who recently moved from Georgia. For the last five years the patient was under treatment with Methotrexate and Enbrel for rheumatoid arthritis by his Georgia physician, and comes to the Michigan physician for continuation of that therapy. The Michigan physician takes a history expecting the patient to detail morning stiffness, hand pain and feet that feel that they are walking on stones.  
Instead, the patient describes how he hurts all over, has pain that shifts from right to left shoulder, then down into the hips, knees or legs. The patient may add that he hardly sleeps and always feels fatigued and foggy.  
The patient complains that his hands are swollen but on examination the physician finds no swollen joints. The patient states he experiences pain when the physician palpates the elbows and shoulder, but there is no loss of motion.  
The Michigan physician concludes that at this time the patient does not have rheumatoid arthritis but is experiencing fibromyalgia.  
Telling the patient that he does not have rheumatoid arthritis will likely bring on a protest. The patient will counter that the pain now is just like it was in Georgia, and that therapy for rheumatoid arthritis gave relieve.  
The doctor can continue to talk with the patient to explain why the diagnosis of Fibromyalgia is correct. Or, the physician may provide the therapy that the patient wants, or the patient may leave and look for a doctor who believes the diagnosis is rheumatoid arthritis and will maintain present therapy.  
However, no result is satisfactory to both patient and physician.

and fitness expert, cooking aficionado and author. She's coming out with a healthy cookbook next.

Go Red for Women guests were treated to a day of health screenings, panel discussions, pampering, silent auction and a heart-healthy lunch and talk by Ali. The campaign raised \$800,000 which includes the national sponsorship from Macy's. Those who purchase or wear their Go Red pin will receive extra discounts at Macy's through Feb. 16.

And the American Heart Association fundraising efforts continue. A benefit gala, hosted by the World Missions Organization, Inc., is set for 7 p.m. Feb. 21, at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Event features comedian Mark Armstrong. Tickets are \$125

and can be purchased via eventbrite.com. Call 313-701-5634 for more details.

Other Go Red events:  
» Heart Health Twitter Chat Series — follow AHA\_SEMI, #GoRedMI, 3-4 p.m. Feb. 18 for news about exercise and nutrition and 3-4 p.m. Feb. 25 for a discussion on surviving heart disease and stroke.

» Go Red Zumba — Join the Arab American National Museum and American Heart Association for a free Zumba class, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 19, at the museum, 13624 Michigan Ave., Dearborn.

» Heart Strong Girls Cooking Workshop — Girl Scouts can earn a health badge by attending this workshop, 1-4 p.m. Feb. 21, at Providence Hospital in Southfield. The event will include food and fitness

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RELIGION CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

ASH WEDNESDAY

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Feb. 18

Location: St. Michael Lutheran Church, 3003 Hannan, Wayne

Details: Worship service  
Contact: 734-728-1950

ASH WEDNESDAY

Time/Date: 6 p.m. supper; 7 p.m. worship service, Feb. 18  
Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford  
Details: A free soup and sandwich supper precedes the service  
Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523 for additional information

ASH WEDNESDAY

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18  
Location: Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge Road, Canton

Contact: 734-495-0035; cherryhillumc.org for additional information

BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 15

Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, milk, juice; \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children, 2-10  
Contact: 734-425-4421

CLOTHING COLLECTION

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday, through Feb. 22

Location: Crossroads Church, at the Sacred Heart Conference Center, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The church's Winter Survival Gear Drive is accepting men's used work boots, men's new and gently-used white socks, women's new and gently-used turtleneck shirts for homeless men and women. Cash donations will be used to buy additional winter survival gear. Send donations to the church at P.O. Box 51083, Livonia, MI 48151-1083. Additional drop-off times can be arranged.  
Contact: 248-890-5718; info@crossroadsnow.org

CONCERT

Time/Date: 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15

Location: Prayer Temple Missionary Baptist Church, 27350 Chicago Road, Redford

Details: Diversity Concert is a fundraiser for Redford Interfaith Relief, an organization that feeds and clothes more than 300 local families monthly. Performers include Lighthouse Music Ministry, Prayer Temple Music Ministry, Our Lady of Loretto Parish Choir and Bell Choir, St. Robert's Music Ministry, El Bethel Music Ministry, Lift Your Hands Ministries, Mercy Road Music Ministry, South Redford Step Team. Free, but donations will be accepted  
Contact: 313-937-5195

GRIEF SHARE

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22-June 7

Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: This nondenominational program features Bible-based teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. Includes videos that feature grief experts and real-life stories of grieving individuals; support group discussion; and work-based personal study and reflection. Registration fee is \$15, which includes materials  
Contact: Rev. Roger Wright at 313-682-7491; griefshare.org

GRIEF SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25-March 25

Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: Grieving with Great Hope workshop is for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization co-founded by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy, presents the five-week series  
Contact: goodmourningministry.net or St. Michael's at 734-261-1455

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27

Location: Crossroads Church, at Sacred Heart Conference Center, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Make survival kits for the homeless. Supplies for kits will be on hand. Donations of washcloths, toothbrushes, disposable razors, small combs, sample-sized shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and bar soaps, will be accepted. \$5 paid in advance by Feb. 25, \$6 at the door  
Contact: cwm@crossroadsnow.org

LENTE SERVICES

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18-March 25

Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford

Details: Theme is "I Tell You The Truth." Free treats after the service  
Contact: 734-968-3523, 313-532-8655

LENTE SERVICES

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18-March 25

Location: St. Michael Lutheran

Church, 3003 Hannan, Wayne

Contact: 734-728-3315

SOLANUS CASEY CENTER

Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25

Location: Meet at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton Township

Details: Carpool to the Center in Detroit. Cost is \$10 and includes tour and lunch. Deadline to register and pay (cash or check) is Feb. 16 at the parish office  
Contact: Janet Gilbo at jgilbo@wowway.com or Sharlene Borke at sharborke@gmail.com

MARCH

CHURCH MISSION

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. March 22-25

Location: St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, located at West Chicago Road and Inkster Road, Redford

Details: Sponsored by the clustered parishes of St. Robert Bellarmine and St. John Bosco, topics include "Jesus, How Do We Come To Know You?" March 22; "Reconcile and Forgive," March 24; "Become A People of Purpose," March 25. Reconciliation will be offered March 24  
Contact: 313-937-1500

COMIC BOOK, CARDS

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 7

Location: Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth Road and West Chicago Road, Redford

Details: More than 34 tables of comic books action figures, books and more. Tony Baratono, local actor and inventor, will be on hand. Admission is \$2; free for age 10 and under. Admission fee will be donated to the Methodist Children's Home in Livonia  
Contact: 313-937-3170

MISSIONARY OUTREACH CLINIC

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 7

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Tracee Swank will share new ideas about witnessing, discipling, and outreach to the community. Cost is \$25 per person. A group rate of \$75 for five or more is available. Register by March 1  
Contact: 734-464-0211

VESPERS

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sunday, March 1

Location: Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of St. Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The first of five Vespers services sponsored by The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit. Services conducted by members of the Clergy Brotherhood of St. John Chrysostom of Metropolitan Detroit  
Contact: Richard Shebib, at 248-345-9346 or paschabooks@sbcglobal.net

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Hagerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberg at 734-464-9491

Our Lady of Loretto

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township

Details: Scripture study  
Contact: 313-534-9000

FAITH COMMUNITY WESLEYAN

Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday

Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one  
Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

CLOTHING BANK

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Saturday of the month

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: No documentation needed  
Contact: info@cantoncf.org

FAMILY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal  
Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month

Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are

available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.

Contact: the Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners  
Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays

Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.  
Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.  
Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows  
Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223  
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St. Michael Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.  
Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information

SINGLES

Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.  
Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org

First Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays.

Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5  
Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.  
Contact: 313-534-0399

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Congregation Beth Ahm

Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.  
Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

SUPPORT

Apostolic Christian Church

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily

Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.  
Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

Connection Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday

Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton

Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free  
Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

Detroit World Outreach

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

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems  
Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244

Farmington Hills Baptist Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second

Tuesday of the month except

January, July and August

Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills

Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group  
Contact: 248-433-1011

Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations  
Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

Fireside Church of God

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center  
Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available  
Contact: 734-421-8451

St. Thomas a' Becket Church

Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton

Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly  
Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia

Details: Overeaters Anonymous  
Contact: 248-559-7722; www.oa.org for additional information

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/ desserts)

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.  
Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

THRIFT STORE

St. James Presbyterian

Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information

Way of Life Christian Church

Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May

Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth

Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives.  
Contact: 734-637-7618

TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month

Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted.  
Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

WORSHIP

Adat Shalom Synagogue

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays

Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-851-5100

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday service

Location: 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills

Contact: pastor Terry Miller at tshelton@mi.rr.com; 248-478-6520

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia

Contact: 734-522-6830

Congregation Bet Chaverim

Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month

Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton

Details: Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter

Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore

Contact: www.facebook.com/betchaverim or email to betchaverim@yahoo.com



## Can mercury in fish lead to autoimmunity?

A new University of Michigan study suggests that exposure to mercury through seafood may pose a risk for autoimmunity to women of child-bearing age.

Autoimmune disorders, which cause the body's immune system to attack healthy cells, affect nearly 50 million Americans, mostly women. Inflammatory bowel disease, lupus, Sjögren's syndrome, rheumatoid arthritis and multiple sclerosis are examples of autoimmune disorders.

"We don't have a very good sense of why people develop

autoimmune disorders," said lead author Emily Somers, Ph.D., Sc.M., an associate professor in the departments of Internal Medicine in the division of Rheumatology, Environmental Health Sciences, and Obstetrics & Gynecology at the U-M Medical and Public Health Schools.

"A large number of cases are not explained by genetics, so we believe studying environmental factors will help us understand why autoimmunity happens and how we may be able to intervene to improve health outcomes. In our study,

exposure to mercury stood out as the main risk factor for autoimmunity."

Researchers analyzed data among women ages 16-49 from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey from 1999 to 2004. Greater exposure to mercury was associated with a higher rate of autoantibodies, proteins made by a person's immune system when it fails to distinguish between healthy and potentially harmful cells.

The authors noted that seafood offers nutritional benefits, but women of reproduc-

tive age should pay attention to the kind of fish they eat. Swordfish, king mackerel and tilefish contain the highest levels of mercury. Shrimp, canned light tuna and salmon have lower levels.

"The presence of autoantibodies doesn't necessarily mean they will lead to an autoimmune disease," Somers said. "However, we know that autoantibodies are significant predictors of future autoimmune disease, and may predate the symptoms and diagnosis of an autoimmune disease by years."



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Light canned tuna is among the fish with the least amount of mercury.

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### Atrial fibrillation

Oakwood Healthcare presents a free seminar that will teach the causes and symptoms of atrial fibrillation, including treatments available, 6-8:30 p.m. Feb. 19 at the Oakwood Physical Therapy & Wellness Center, 17101 Rotunda Drive, Dearborn. To register, visit Oakwood.org under the Classes & Events tab or call 800-543-9355.

### Balance class

St. Mary Mercy Livonia presents a free eight-week workshop for seniors, ages 60 and older, called "A Matter of Balance," 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, beginning Feb. 25, in the St. Mary Mercy Livonia Wellness Center, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Participants will learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risk at home and exercise to increase strength and balance. To register, call 734-655-1310

### Blood drive

6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 2, Providence Hospital Fisher Center Auditorium, 16001 W. Nine Mile, Southfield. Sign up at redcrossblood.org and enter the code, PROVSFLD or call Abbie at 248-849-3067

### Diabetes workshop

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will present a free six-week workshop for adults with diabetes, 1-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 4-April 8, at the Redford Township District Library, 25320 W. Six Mile, Redford. The workshop, called, Diabetes PATH (Personal Approach Toward Health), will teach participants to handle the challenges of diabetes, manage symptoms and communicate more effectively with physicians and family members. Participants will develop weekly action plans, share experiences and help others solve problems encountered during their self-management program. Register with the library at 313-531-5960, Ext. 103.

### Heart month

» Board-certified cardiologist and Garden City Hospital health expert, Dr. William Nazzaro will discuss the latest guidelines for preventing heart disease, screening for early detection, maintaining a healthy heart and common and uncommon indications of a heart attack, noon to 2 p.m. Feb. 28 at Westland Shopping Center's east court, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. Free event includes Q&A lecture, a heart healthy lunch, an exercise demonstration, giveaways and

raffle prizes. For more information, call 734-458-4259.

» Satish Madiraju, M.D., will discuss controversies women face in heart and vascular care, including the use of aspirin and cholesterol lowering medications, at Ladies' Night Out, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 19, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, located at Five Mile and Levan, Livonia. The event will include health screenings, massage, prizes, vendors and light refreshments. Registration is required. To register, call 734-655-1182 or visit stmarymercy.org and click on "Classes and Events."

» Syamasundera Zampani, M.D., will provide advice on preventing heart disease at Lunch n' Learn, noon to 1 p.m. Feb. 25, in the north auditorium at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Five Mile and Levan, Livonia. Bring your lunch and learn how you can begin making healthy choices for your heart.

### Nutrition class

» A Botsford Hospital dietician will focus on reducing overeating at an interactive seminar, 6-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at Busch's Fresh Food Market, 37083 Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$5. RSVP to Busch's Facebook event — facebook.com/events/1545435962390058/and the workshop ticket is free. Or

register at the Guest Services Counter at the store; 734-779-6100.

» Cooking Matters for Diabetes, presented by Oakwood Healthcare, provides specialized recipes and information for adults living with diabetes and their caregivers. The six-week course, which begins 2-4 p.m. April 13, at Maplewood Manor Apartments, 15270 Plaza South Drive, Taylor, is free and includes all groceries and cookbooks. To register, visit Oakwood.org under the Classes & Events tab or call 800-543-9355.

### Shoulder pain

William Kesto, M.D., talks about causes and treatment options for shoulder pain 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, in the Fisher Auditorium at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile. Resister by calling 888-751-5465.

### Weight management

Find out if weight loss surgery is right for you, 5-7 p.m. Feb. 18, at Oakwood Hospital-Wayner, 33155 Annapolis Street, Wayne. Registration is required; 800-543-9355.

### 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 families and loved ones, 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, also at the Friendship Circle. For more information, contact Mindy at 248-672-9776.

### Aquatic classes

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease arthritis. Classes are held 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch and 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch. Visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

### Bipolar support

Depression Bipolar Support Alliance meets 6-7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday at Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon, Suite 160B, Plymouth. It is accessed through the Plymouth Executive Park driveway north of M-14. Meetings open to families. Call Nancy at 734-536-3457 for directions.



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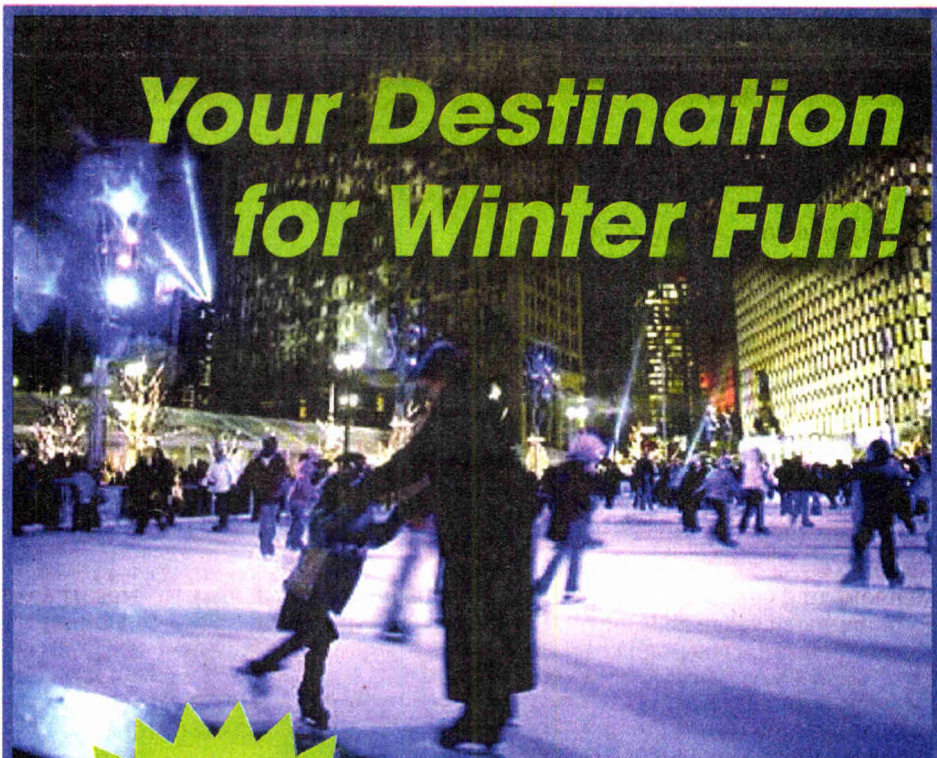
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## Turn that internship into a full-time job

By Robert Half

You landed an internship, and that means the job search is finally over. Well, for a few months, anyway. After your internship ends, you'll be right back in the thick of it, submitting applications and setting up endless rounds of interviews. Unless you get offered a full-time position at the company you're interning with, that is. While this is not always an option, many companies prefer to promote from within, and you've already got your foot in the door.

*If you're hoping to make the leap from intern to employee, here are several things to keep in mind:*

### Dress the part

Maybe you could get away with T-shirts at your summer job at school, but this is the real world. If you want to be taken seriously, you have to show that you're taking the internship seriously. Early on, if you're unsure of the office's dress code, aim to overdress. Then, as you become more comfortable with the expectations around the office, do your best to fit in with the office style. Stand out through your work, not through your wardrobe.

### Act the part

An internship can be viewed as a long job interview. You want to continually be putting your best foot forward, but this doesn't mean you must be absolutely serious for the

entirety of your internship. Your ability to mesh with the corporate culture and your immediate co-workers can be a factor in whether you'll get that full-time position. Your goal is to work there full time, so be someone with whom your co-workers like spending time.

### Ask questions

There is a crucial difference between asking a lot of questions and asking the right questions. Asking a lot of questions might come off as fake interest or simply annoying, whereas asking the right questions shows that you have genuine interest in how things are done and want to be a productive member of the team. If there's something you want to know that could help you perform better, don't hesitate to speak up.

### Know where you stand

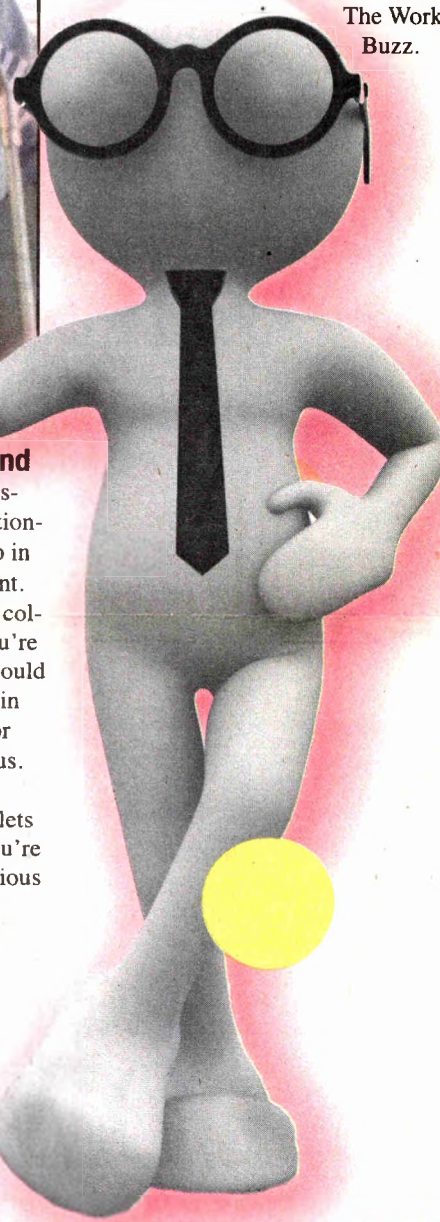
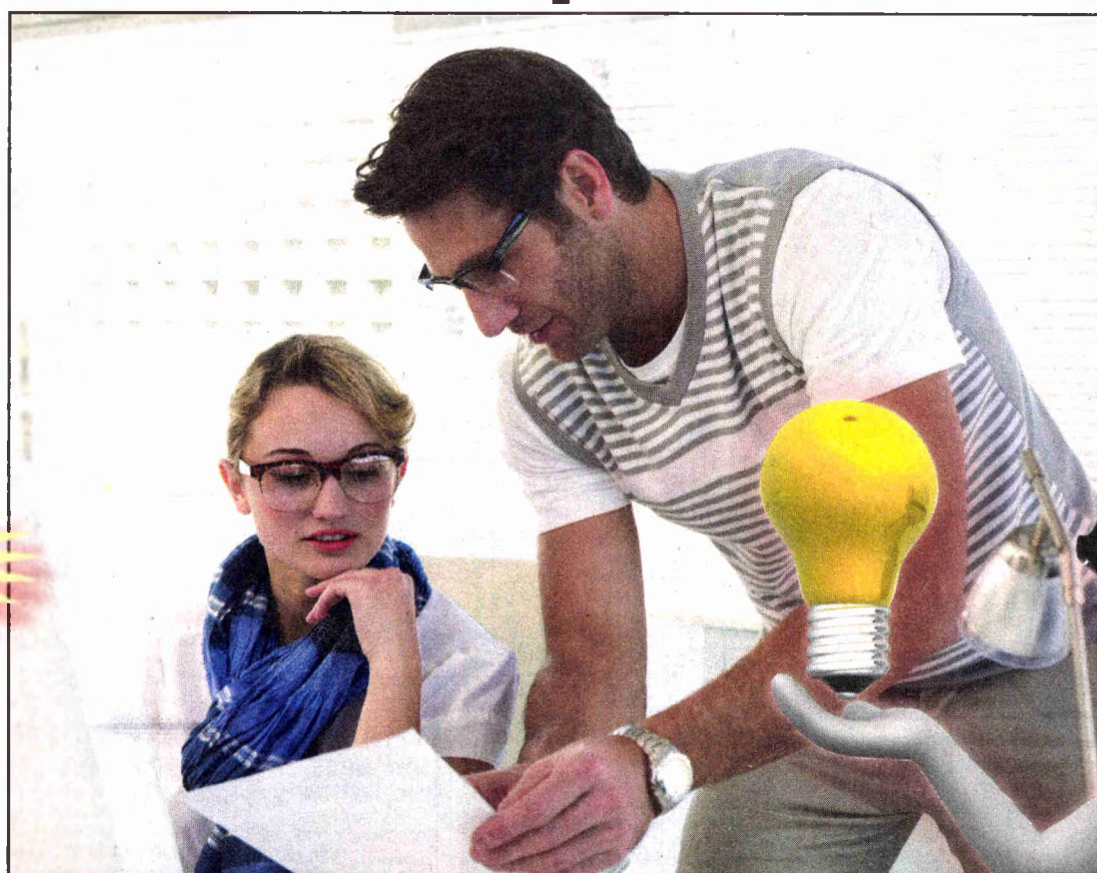
Open communication is essential for any business relationship and is an important step in gaining full-time employment. Ask for feedback from your colleagues and boss on how you're performing and where you could be improving. Be forthright in asking about the potential for transferring to full-time status. This not only lets you know where you stand, but it also lets your employer know that you're looking for a job and are serious about staying.

### Recover quickly

You are going to make mistakes. That's part of the learning process, which is ultimately what internships are all about. What really makes interns stand out is how they recover from an

error. When you make a mistake, bounce back quickly. Apologize, ask questions to be sure you fully understand what you should have done differently, and then be sure not to make the same mistake again. Employers like to see that you're willing to roll with the punches and learn from your mistakes.

Matt Tarpey is a writer and blogger for CareerRookie.com, as well as CareerBuilder.com and its job blog, The Work Buzz.



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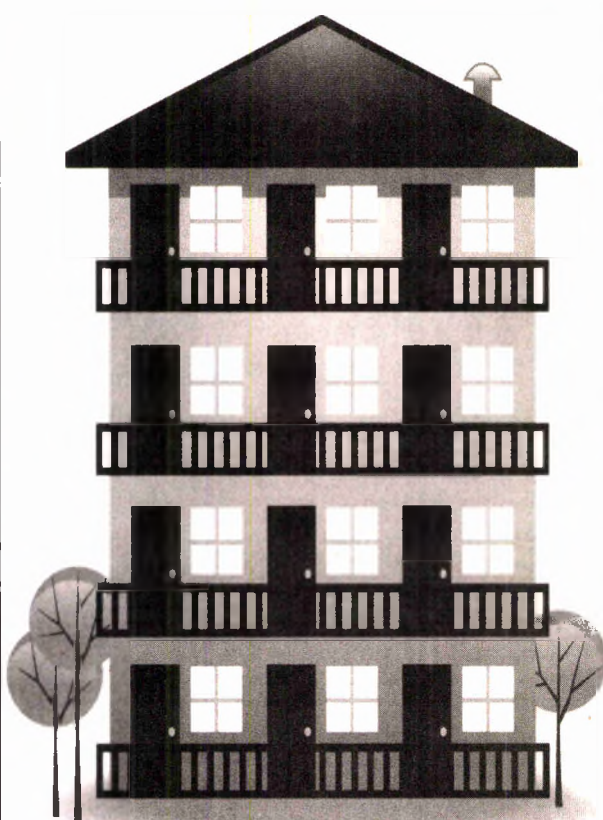
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# 2015 Lincoln MKC: Arrive in style

By Greg Mullin and Cars.com Staff

Ford's premium brand is entering the luxury compact crossover fray with the 2015 Lincoln MKC.

For the folks at Jack Demmer Lincoln in Dearborn, the move is a game-changer.

"It's a unique vehicle to Lincoln," sales manager Steve Hunsinger said. "It's a brand-new product for us, which is fantastic. The '15 MKC is Lincoln's new flagship for a new style and a new product to expand the Lincoln lineup and target additional customers."

"With our location in the heart of Dearborn and in the heart of Ford country, it's great to have the Lincoln lineup available, not just to Ford employees or retirees, but to the Dearborn market itself and Detroit," Hunsinger said. "And with our ever-increasing product lineup, our store is going to expand and it's going to grow. It's just a matter of time — as our volume grows, our clientele list will grow."

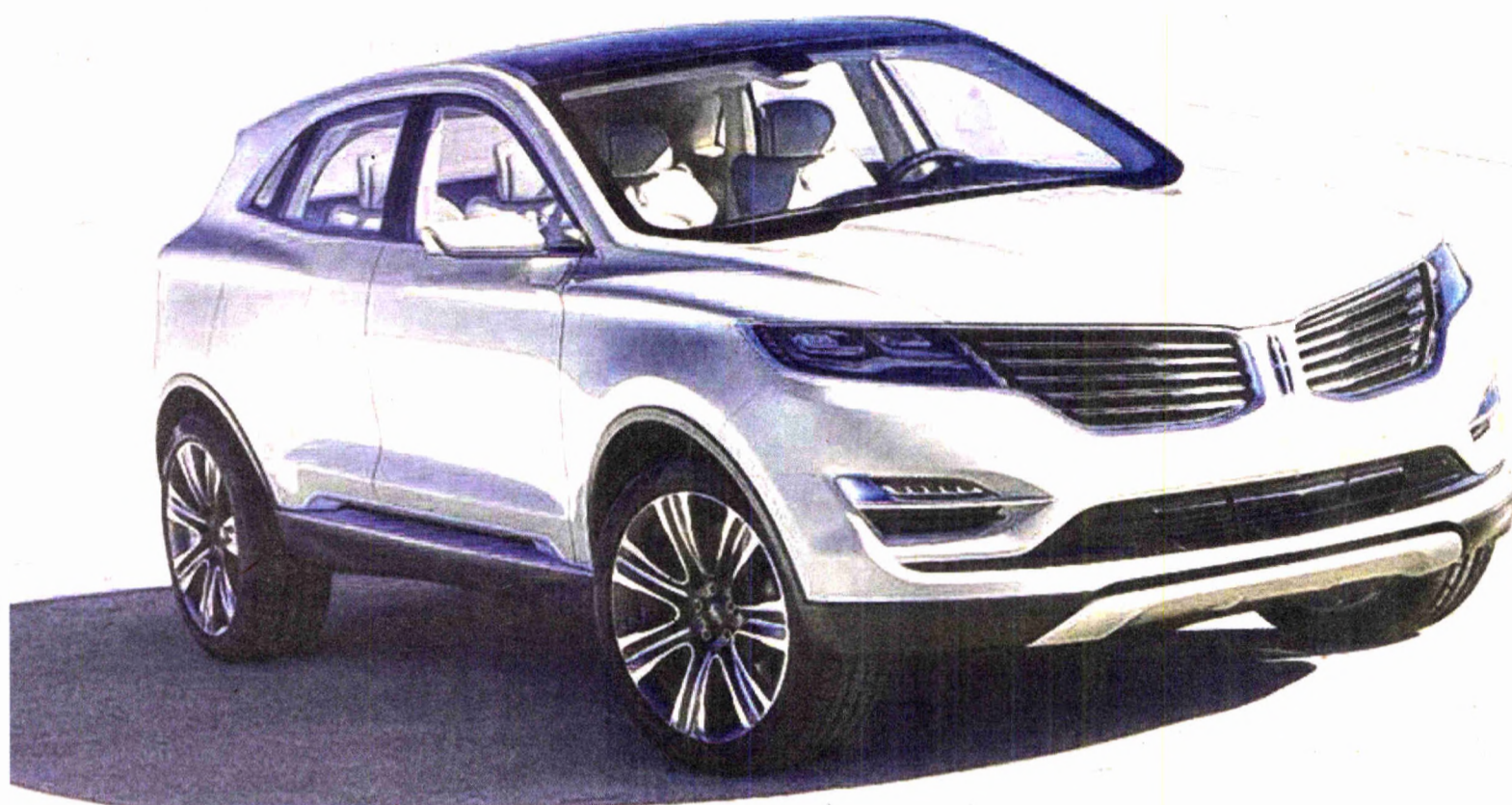
"It's a great day for Jack Demmer Lincoln."

The 2015 Lincoln MKC aims to compete with established luxury compact crossovers like the Audi Q5, Acura RDX and Cadillac SRX and somewhat smaller, new premium entries like the upcoming Mercedes-Benz GLA. The MKC compares favorably, Hunsinger says.

"It's the lowest price of the class, but equipment-wise, it's right up against the toughest competition head to head," he said.

A wide selection of inventory is available now — customers don't have to wait to drive home the model they desire.

Coupled with the seal of approval from A-list



movie star Matthew McConaughey — who's appearing in a series of sleek, memorable TV commercials — the 2015 Lincoln MKC is a brand on the rise.

"It shows Ford's commitment to Lincoln and the Lincoln brand with this new product," Hunsinger says. "And tied in with the new spokesperson for Lincoln, it really shows that Ford is standing with a commitment to the Lincoln brand and we're moving forward, which is fantastic."

"It's a nice feeling to know that we're not forgotten and we're expanding our product line to increase our clientele base."

#### Exterior

The MKC slots below the MKX in size and Lincoln stayed true to

the concept car in styling the production version. The MKC retains the concept's prominent winged grille, sculpted body, menacing LED-accented headlamps and full-width LED tail lamps with wraparound lift gate.

#### Interior

Inside, a panoramic sunroof, leather seats with French stitching and real wood trim give the cabin an airy, upscale look. An 8-inch touchscreen that uses Ford's Sync with MyLincoln Touch is front and center. Unlike many vehicles that use Ford's troubled multimedia system, the MKC's panel also features buttons and knobs for controlling audio and climate functions — a welcome sight. Connectivity is a high-

light. With the MyLincoln Mobile app, drivers can start, lock, unlock and locate their MKC. They also can use the app to call roadside assistance and check the vehicle's fuel level, tire pressure and battery charge.

#### Under the hood

Although the MKC shares a platform with the Ford Escape compact crossover, one of its powertrains is new. Under the hood is a turbocharged 2.3-liter EcoBoost four-cylinder. Lincoln says it's good for 275 horsepower; fuel-economy figures are not yet out. The standard engine, however, is the Escape's turbocharged 2.0-liter; it makes 240 horsepower in this application. Lincoln hasn't confirmed the MKC's

transmission, but we expect it to use the Escape's six-speed automatic. One item carried over from the concept version is the push-button shifter instead of an actual mechanical shifter.

Front-wheel drive is standard; all-wheel drive is an option and includes a new continuously controlled damping system. Drivers can select from Sport, Comfort and normal drive modes, and Lincoln says CCD continually monitors the road and adjusts the suspension according to the mode selected.

#### Safety features

The MKC is loaded with safety options, including a blind spot warning system, collision warning with brake support, lane keeping sys-

tem, cross-traffic alert and the class-exclusive park-out assist system. Rather than help guide the vehicle into parallel parking spots, the latter system helps steer the car out of a tight parking spot.

#### Value in its class

The MKC is a well-rounded luxury car with athletic looks and a driving experience to match, along with all the luxury goods buyers expect in the segment. Lincoln sold roughly 600 MKCs per month during its first two months on sale, May and June 2014. Cars.com's national inventory is quickly populating with MKCs and most run from \$40,000 to \$45,000, a price range in which the MKC should be a serious consideration.

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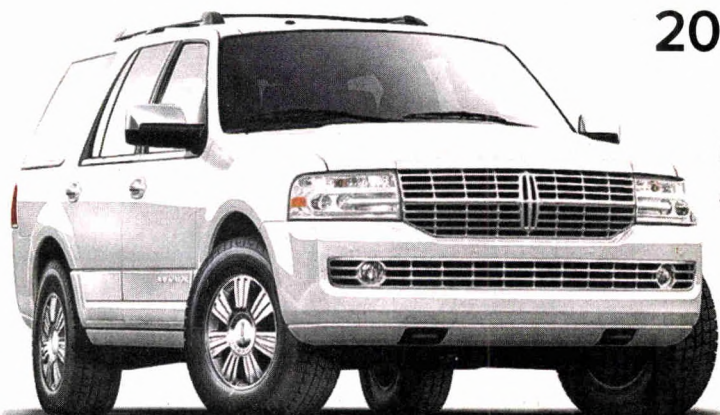


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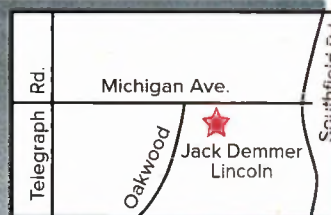
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