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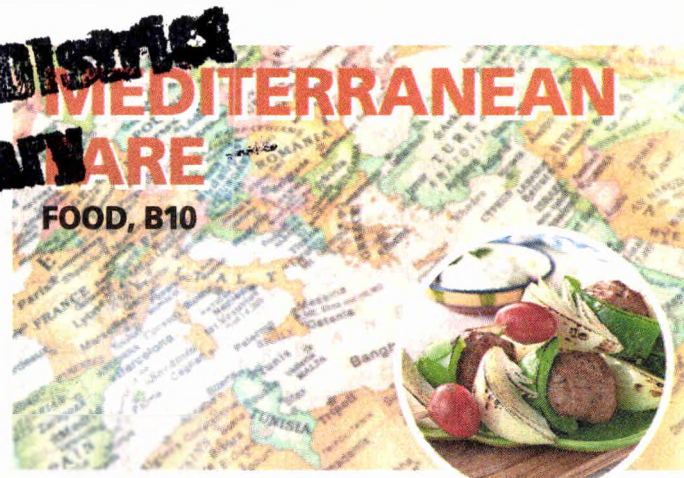
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Four city streets scheduled for repaving

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Plymouth officials are downshifting this year's local street-paving program.

Instead of an extensive rebuilding effort, such as the one that saw a nearly half-mile stretch of Harvey Street rebuilt last summer, officials are planning a "mill and fill" program to improve streets that were paved years ago.

The work, for which four residential streets have been selected, would involve grinding off the top few inches of asphalt, making base repairs as needed and then repaving. It would be much less intense than reconstruction, officials said.

The 2015 project would also include drainage improvements in five different areas. The total cost is estimated at \$1.3 million, the money coming from voter-approved local road bonds.

The city commission approved Monday a proposed list of projects and an expenditure of up to \$104,000 for the program's design work, which is to be done by the engineering firm Wade Trim. City engineer Shawn Keough of Wade Trim said the project should be ready for its construction phase by early July.

The following streets are included in the proposed "mill and fill" program:

- » Farmer, between Sheldon Road and Theodore.
- » Church Street, from Pennington to Union.
- » Wing Street, between Deer and Harding.
- » The center portion of Karmada, between Junction and Farmer.

The areas proposed for drainage improvements are the intersections of Provincetown and Gloucester, Provincetown and Old Salem and Lexington and Scituate, plus Virginia from Fair to just north of Joy Street and Roe Street from Hamilton to the dead end.

Officials said the final scope of the project will depend on how construction bids come in, but that a significant increase in the cost of road construction is expected this year. Local street projects have typically been completed on time and under budget, officials said.

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The Plymouth Lions Club egg hunt begins.

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Kids scramble for eggs at Lions' annual hunt

Hundreds of kids hit the baseball fields Saturday at Plymouth Township Park.

It wasn't opening day, but rather the Plymouth Lions Clubs annual Easter egg hunt, which had children in different age groups scrambling for candy hidden in plastic egg shells and, just maybe, for a chance at bigger prizes.

There were between 5,000 and 7,000 eggs set out at the park, said Jo Ellen Hincker, the Lions chairwoman for the egg hunt.

"It's done in 90 seconds," she said of the hunt. "It doesn't take 'em long to find those eggs."

Most of the shells held candy, but some had slips of paper the finders could redeem for larger, age-appropriate prizes, like ka-

zoos, toy airplanes and Rubik's cubes and other games.

The top prize — a few were available for the older age groups — was a pizza party with Plymouth Township firefighters and a tour of a local fire station.

Firefighters were on hand Saturday at the park, showing off a fire truck and an ambulance and Sparky, the department's "mascot." "The township has been very cooperative," Hincker said.

She estimated the crowd at more than 400 children. "We had a good crowd this year," she said.

The Lions were disappointed though,

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Aaric Cross, 4, takes a close look at one of his eggs, perhaps thinking of a classic Dr. Seuss story.

May 5: Absentee ballots showing interest level

By Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

If the quick return of absentee ballots is any indication, Canton voters are taking a big interest in Proposal 1 on the May 5 ballot. But so far, the interest among Plymouth-area voters appears similar to any other general election.

Canton Clerk Terry Bennett and her staff mailed 5,401 absentee ballots last week and by Monday had received 20 percent back and voted.

"Twenty percent. That's like, holy smokes," she said. "I do think people are interested."

Canton has some 67,000 registered voters.

In Plymouth, where some 7,200 voters are registered for the May 5 election, Clerk Linda Langmasser mailed 537 absentee ballots with some already returned.

"We really aren't getting more than usual," she said.

Plymouth Township Deputy Clerk Michelle Lozier said she is seeing an "average amount of interest." On the other hand, about 458 absentee ballots returned by Tuesday — of the 3,019 mailed out late last week — could indicate voters' decisiveness on Proposal 1, she said. Plymouth Township has 21,959 registered voters.

In Plymouth and Plymouth Township, Proposal 1 — known as the road tax — is the only item on the May 5 ballot. In addition to Proposal 1, Canton

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Memorial garden lauds hardworking business founders

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Jeff Jones has owned Plymouth Nursery almost half of its 52 years in business. An outdoor corner of the business has a granite bench inscribed with a notice the nursery was founded by Jeff's parents, Wayne and Nancy, in 1963.

The Jones family is putting a garden in to laud their parents, complete with an American buckeye tree. Both Wayne and Nancy Jones were Ohio

State University graduates, she in home economics and he in the study of fruits and vegetables.

The garden will have steps and a retaining wall and be adorned with plants and flowers. Jeff Jones is a Michigan State University graduate in horticulture who also studied business.

On a recent visit, he joked a bit about the OSU-MSU rivalry.

Wayne Jones was 88 when he died last Oct. 26; Nancy had

died years earlier.

Jeff Jones had earlier thought about the people who'd died in car crashes at that intersection. He'd offered to put in a plaque for a young woman killed there. The family was gracious and appreciative, but declined.

"My sisters and I talked about what to do," he said. "After much consideration, we said let's do a little memorial garden."

Wayne Jones' two brothers are both retired ministers.

Another family cousin is a minister, Jones said, while yet another cousin is in church music ministry.

A family-only ceremony this month will dedicate the garden. "This was his love," Jeff Jones said of Plymouth Nursery. "It was everything to him."

Jones noted the family's is the biggest nursery nearby and has drawn others that have moved to the area.

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Plymouth Nursery owner Jeff Jones, shown inside the nursery, discussed with his sisters an outdoor memorial garden for their parents, Wayne and Nancy Jones, who founded the business in 1963.



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voters in three precincts in the south end of the township and that are part of Van Buren Public Schools will consider renewing millage for a sinking fund that will be used to make repairs at various district schools.

Proposal 1 will ask voters to allow a one-cent increase in Michigan's sales tax. It would increase the state's sales and use tax from 6 percent to 7 percent to increase transportation funding.

The state House Fiscal Agency has estimated that the sales tax increase would generate more than \$1.6 billion per year, with \$1.2 billion for roads, \$130 million for mass transit, \$300 million to the school aid fund and \$95 million to local governments, according to the state.

While Monday was the last day to register to vote in the May 5 election, voters in the three communities may continue to apply for absentee ballots that are due by the close of the polls at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 5. Clerks, however, would appreciate returned absentee ballots long before the close of the polls.

"We have 30-40 calls every election," Bennett said, adding that voters should be aware that the first step in obtaining an absentee ballot is to start with an application, even if they are on

a permanent absentee voter list.

Because a state of Michigan Court of Appeals ruling will not allow governmental units to automatically mail registered voters an application for an absentee ballot, voters are required to request an application.

Voters in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton may obtain the absentee voter application from the Michigan Secretary of State website at www.Michigan.gov/vote, the link of which is available on the websites for Plymouth, Plymouth and Canton townships.

Local voters may also obtain applications at city or township halls in the jurisdiction in which they live. Applications may be requested at any time. In Plymouth and the two townships, the clerks' offices will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 2. At this time voters may stop in and apply for an absentee ballot in person. Voters may also stop by clerks' offices during business hours in the weeks leading up to the May 5 election.

Voters who wait until the last minute, such as Monday, May 4, may still apply for an absentee ballot, but it must be voted at the clerk's office and turned in, according to the clerks.

Absentee ballots can be mailed to the clerks' offices or dropped off in person.

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Plymouth Showcase coming April 20

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

People can learn about new businesses, pick up trinkets and product samples and nosh at a smorgasbord set out by local restaurants and caterers, all for \$10 or less, Monday, April 20, at The Inn at St. John's.

That's the date for the 26th annual Showcase and Taste of Plymouth, a Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce event that's a networking, marketing, social and dining opportunity rolled into one. The Showcase is 5:30-7 p.m.

The Showcase will also feature a 50/50 drawing, a drawing for gift cards from Plymouth-area businesses, a live Chef's Cooking Challenge and the chamber's annual volunteers-of-the-year event, which recognizes the top volunteers from area service clubs, nonprofits, churches and schools.

"The event is really a great 'shop local' night," said Wes Graff, chamber president. "This is a great way to find fantastic companies in your own back yard that can provide people great products and services."

It's a chance, Graff said, to taste the food served by restaurants



FILE PHOTO

The 26th annual Showcase and Taste of Plymouth is 5-7:30 p.m. Monday, April 20, at The Inn at St. John's.

and caterers that Showcase visitors might not otherwise patronize.

"The companies in this show are members of the chamber and invest in the community," he said. "Those companies employ our people and pay taxes that support this community and

our surrounding neighbors."

Exhibitors include manufacturers, service companies, community organizations and retailers. New exhibitors this year will include Applied Fitness Solutions, which opened in February after remodeling the long-

closed Bally Total Fitness on Ann Arbor Road, and Teknicolors, a new paint store on Joy Road at Morton Taylor.

New to Taste of Plymouth will be Joe's Gourmet Catering & Events, a division of Joe's Produce in Livonia, and jb Chowhound, a new catering company run by a former chef at Compari's on the Park and Fiamma Grille, downtown Plymouth restaurants.

Other Taste of Plymouth participants include Alpine Chocolat Haus, Ironwood Grill, Kilwin's, Leo's Coney Island, Laurel Manor, Cupcake Station, the Picnic Basket Market and Max & Erma's.

The event is sponsored by Community Financial Credit Union and Hines Park Lincoln.

Tickets are \$10 each and organizations that belong to the chamber can buy additional tickets for \$5 each.

Tickets will be available at the door, but member organizations are encouraged to email the chamber's events director, Teri Fry, at teri@plymouthmich.org, to let her know how many members will be attending.

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Volunteers sought for chamber honors

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is looking for a few – or a few more – good volunteers.

The chamber each year recognizes the top volunteers from about 20 area nonprofits, service clubs, churches and schools during its Show-

case and Taste of Plymouth. Chamber president Wes Graff said he'd like to expand the number of organizations represented in the program, which this year is Monday, April 20.

The people honored are nominated from within the organizations

themselves for their volunteer efforts for those organizations in the past year. Honorees get a certificate and two free tickets to the Showcase, a marketing, networking and food-sampling event at The Inn at St. John's.

Local organizations

that would like to nominate a member as a top volunteer can do so by emailing Graff at wes@plymouthmich.org or by calling the chamber at 734-453-1540. Nomination forms are available on the chamber's website, www.plymouthmich.org.

College editor's job great way to see 'how the paper comes together' for student

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Beth Stark, 19, of Canton was pretty excited when the assistant editor's job opened up on her school newspaper, *The Andersonian*.

Stark, a 2013 graduate of Canton High School, is an English major at Anderson University in Anderson, Ind. "I was a guest writer last semester," said Stark, daughter of Tim and Angie Stark.

She's a junior at Anderson and enjoying her journalism duties. "I mostly copy edit stuff we get," she said, adding she also does some story assigning and editorial writing.

"I do a little bit of layout," Stark said of the two computers available for that. "I'm not quite as familiar with the software."

Reporting from Anderson is also part of the paid job: "I've been doing more news stories, news

and features." She interviewed the new dean of students.

"I've done a couple entertainment stories, mostly to do with the dance program we have at school," she said.

A newspaper job is a possibility upon graduation for Stark, who isn't thinking of graduate school. "My goal is to go into novel editing. I would not turn down a position editing for a newspaper," she said.

"Oh, geez, lots of stuff. I've learned a lot about editing in general," she said of her job. "Just seeing how the paper comes together, that's been really good."

Her job is among five paid positions on *The Andersonian*, with about 10 more staff writers and some guest writers. "I fully intend to as long as they'll have me," Stark said of staying on the paper through graduation.

She wasn't on the



JULIE BROWN

Beth Stark, 19, of Canton is a junior at Anderson University in Anderson, Ind., where she's enjoying her work as assistant editor of the school newspaper. She's a 2013 Canton High School graduate.

newspaper at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. "It didn't really seem like something that would interest me," said Stark,

who was glad when the college editing job became available.

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Showcase offering brides-to-be all their needs in one venue

By Melanie M. Zwegers
Correspondent

Northville's Bridal Showcase is back for its second year 1-4 p.m. April 19 at the New School Church in Mill Race Historical Village.

Brides, bridesmaids, mothers-of-brides and even prom-goers can come partake in a unique, once-a-year event that brings together local businesses offering a variety of wedding needs and services. Stroll the vendor-lined aisles of the Village's New School Church, itself an idyllic choice for a wedding in any season, to browse an eclectic display of new and previously owned wedding gowns and prom dresses at discount prices. Visitors can also sample bakery and catering food services, peruse invitation designs and



For more information on Bridal Showcase and other wedding possibilities at Mill Race Historical Village, go to www.millracenorthville.com, stop by the office (215 Griswold Street) between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday or call 248-348-1845.

papers, pick out floral arrangements and bouquets and even try on jewelry pieces to match their perfect big-day gown.

Donna Laby, major organizer and volunteer behind the Showcase, looks forward to the

event as an opportunity to give local businesses press, as well as support Mill Race Historical Village and its parent organization, the Northville Historical Society, of which she is a contributing member and do-cent. She selects local

retailers to come display their wares in the historic church, affording visitors the convenience of complete wedding-related services in a single, beautiful setting. In addition, she asks former brides to donate their lightly used dresses, giving new life to closet-bound outfits while also providing future brides with economical gown choices.

Not only do dress sales drum up huge cost benefits for the Village and the Northville Historical Society – a not-for-profit organization that relies solely on the generosity of members and the community – contributors also receive slips for tax deduction based on their donation. If you would like to participate in this year's Showcase or donate your gently used wedding gown, contact Laby at 248-348-3688.

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Grassroots effort promotes faith among leaders

By Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

There's a slew of problems in this country, on that most can agree. But identifying those problems, how they started and their solution is open to more debate.

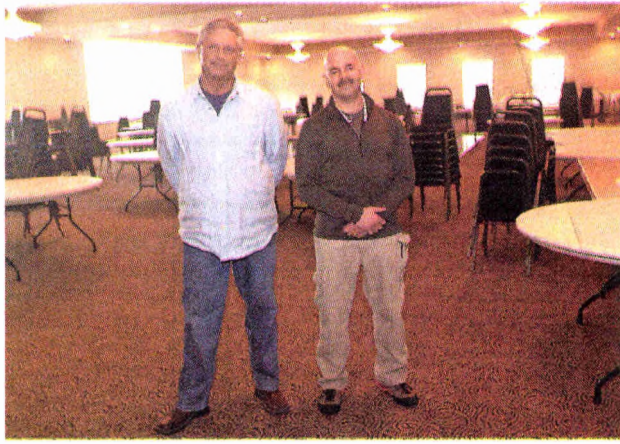
For some west Oakland County residents, it's clear-cut. And it's up to grassroots efforts like one they've started to find the ideal solution.

Christian churches are teaming to kick off a conference series focusing on God and government and what the proper relationship should be between faith and politics. The problem, organizers said, is the two aren't corresponding with one another right now.

The conference opens Friday in Highland Township at 59 West.

The Rev. Rich LaBelle, pastor at Hickory Ridge Community Church, said the conference series does not endorse a particular political preference, but what guides elected officials' decisions.

"Politics is an avenue to express morals or lack thereof," he said.



J.P. Kraft and the Rev. Rich LaBelle, pastor of Hickory Ridge Community Church, stand in the 59 West banquet room in Highland, where they are organizing this weekend's conference focused on God and government.

Changing culture

Joe Salvia, a member of Church of the Holy Spirit in Highland and another conference organizer, said fewer and fewer people believe in God, a marked change from how he and many others grew up in a society based on Judeo-Christian values.

That, coupled with government stifling religious-based discussions, is moving the country to a more secular and totalitarian regime, something that has been taking

place since World War II, said J.P. Kraft Jr., another event organizer and member of the Hickory Ridge church.

"There's no longer talk in the public square," he said. "It's individual values and the state. There's no mediating factor, which has always been the church. You lose that oil between the two forces."

Elected leaders reference a Christian background and values when running for office, Salvia added, but those beliefs aren't seen in action once

elected. "Government is a reflection of its citizens," he said.

Ben Di Ponio has helped get the word out on the upcoming conference series. He agrees the Christian focus has been missing from government. But the state isn't the only one to blame, he noted, pointing to religious leaders who no longer use their pulpit to address possibly controversial issues.

"The pastors dropped the ball as shepherds," Di Ponio said. "They're afraid to say anything. They're afraid to offend."

Friday's opening conference is a "call to alarm to Christians," Kraft said. "A lot of Christians really don't know how to appropriate the faith. ... In a secular world, the message is not getting out."

Share the faith

It's Christians' right and duty, all agreed, to share their faith.

"We want to see Christians wake up," Di Ponio said. "We are the majority in this country and we're being silenced by a vocal minority."

"You can't separate your vote from your beliefs and that's happen-

ing. It gets worse with each generation."

The church is the moral compass for society and it's up to the church to call out the state when problems arise. All agree that the church does not have the authority - or desire - to govern, but simply to give it the tools needed to govern in the right direction. When the state tries to take over the role of the church, as has been seen in various Marxist regimes, that problems arise.

"The Bible says to obey the state, but the state has a duty to do good," Kraft said.

A grassroots effort, organizers hope to see this conference spur others to start similar programs in other parts of Michigan and across the country.

"We truly believe the church is the way through this," Kraft said.

Opening conference

Scores of churches have joined in to support the God and Country conference series from Milford, Livonia and Dearborn to Traverse City, Grand Rapids and Battle Creek.

Based off Charles

Colson's book *God and Government, an Insider's View on the Boundaries between Faith and Politics*, the conference kicks off at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, at 59 West, 786 Highland Drive, in Highland. The conference continues at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 11.

The opening conference "God & Government: How Can the Church Resist the Onslaught of Tyranny in America?" features guest speaker Lt. Gen. Jerry Boykin, retired.

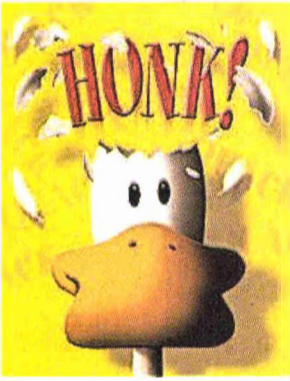
Boykin will discuss the continuing constitutional crisis he sees in the country, as well as what he calls the threats of Marxism and radical Islam.

"There is a time to preach and a time to pray and a time to fight. That time has come," he said. "It is time for believers to fight in the cause of liberty. ... Nothing else can save America but the church."

No registration is needed for the conference. For more information, call 248-685-3520 or email pastor@myhrcc.com.

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Spotlight's 'HONK!' auditions set for April 14 and 16



Spotlight Players will hold auditions for their second youth musical, *HONK! HONK!*, April 14 and 16. Registration will be at 6:45 p.m., with auditions beginning at 7 p.m. at The Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton.

Auditions are free. If cast in the show, membership is \$35.

HONK! is based on Hans Christian Andersen's *The Ugly Duckling*. Anthony Drewe and George Stiles first hatched *HONK!* in 1993

and since then it has won multiple awards and been performed in more than 8,000 productions.

HONK! tells the tale of Ugly, who "looks quite a bit different from his darling duckling brothers and sisters. The other animals on the farm are quick to notice and point this out, despite his mother's protective flapping. Feeling rather foul about himself, the little fowl finds himself on adventure of self-discovery, all the while unknowingly outwitting a

very hungry Cat. Along the way, Ugly meets a whole flock of unique characters and finds out being different is not a bad thing to be," according to the show's summary.

Auditions will consist of singing selected songs from the production, cold readings from the script and a short choreographed dance that will be taught at auditions. It is suggested those who plan to audition wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Audition forms can be downloaded from Spotlight Players' website at www.spotlightplayersmi.org and completed with a non-returnable photograph stapled to it. Character descriptions, a rehearsal schedule and other important information can also be found on the *HONK!* show page on the website.

If you are not currently a member but are cast in the show, dues must be paid at the first rehearsal. Membership runs June 1 through May

31, but will extend through to the end of the performance June 7. There is a \$25 deposit for the script that will be refunded at the end of the production when it is returned.

Tickets will go on sale shortly and are \$14 to \$16 each. They may be purchased by calling the box office at 734-394-5300 or at <http://www.spotlightplayersmi.org/>. Tickets are also available for purchase at The Village Theater box office one hour prior to show time.



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Canton police seek information on fraud suspect

The Canton Police Department is asking for public assistance to identify a suspect believed involved in an identity theft incident March 10 at an unidentified retail store.

Residents who may recognize the man are asked to contact the Canton Police Department at 734-394-5400.



CANTON POLICE
Canton police are seeking the identity of this suspect who was believed to be involved in an identity theft incident March 10.



CANTON PUBLIC SAFETY
Canton Deputy Police Chief Scott Hilden welcomes the department's newest officer, Corey Altheim.

Canton welcomes new police officer

Canton Public Safety recently welcomed its newest police officer, Corey Altheim, to the department. Altheim received his Oath of Office on March 30, with family present.

All new police officers in Canton are required to successfully complete a 16-week instructor-led field

training program prior to working on their own. This program is designed to orientate and develop recruit officers, maximizing their potential and providing them with the tools necessary to successfully make the transition into their new position as a Canton police officer.

Suspicious activity

Police stopped a man in a Canton neighborhood March 31 when they saw him carrying a black bag and going door-to-door. The man said he was delivering "Phil's fliers."

The man consented to a search, which resulted in police finding containers of pills in his jackets. The pills were wrapped in a plastic cigarette wrapper. The man told police they were his prescriptions, which included aspirin, Ibuprofen, Hydrocodone and energy pills.

The man also agreed to sit in the patrol car, during which time police checked on the man's identity and discovered he had two outstanding warrants out of Garden City. One of the warrants was for failing to appear in court on a traffic violation and the other was for dangerous drugs with a \$750 bond.

Canton police issued the man a citation for dangerous drugs, which

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was later canceled. The man was transported to Garden City for the outstanding warrants.

Landlord-tenant dispute

The landlord of a condominium on Cherrywood Lane was confronted by a tenant, who poked his fingers at his chest after he made an issue of items that had not been removed from the residence April 1. Originally, the landlord contacted police for information on what to do because the tenant and his family, who had vacated the residence, left belongings behind. The landlord called the tenant's wife, a conversation that resulted in a shouting match.

While at the condo with work crews and painters, the landlord was approached by the husband. The crew left the two of them talking and later one of the painters interceded when the tenant began poking at the landlord.

The landlord did not want to file charges and the tenant has since moved out all belongings.

Probation violation

A 31-year-old Ypsilanti woman who went to her child's father's residence in Canton encountered the new woman he is living with, leading to a confrontation that apparently ended without serious incident, a police report said.

Both women already had been placed on probation for an earlier dispute and weren't supposed to see each other. Police went to Annapolis Circle, in the Academy/West Point mobile home community on Canton's southeast side, about 12:30 a.m. Sunday, amid reports the Ypsilanti woman drove up behind the Canton pair in her Chrysler 300.

She reportedly argued with her child's father before leaving. The woman now living with the man told police she already had notified a pro-

bation officer to report a probation violation for the visit.

Neighbor spat

A resident on Old Michigan called Canton police just before 6 p.m. April 4, after a neighbor pulled her hair and knocked her to the ground.

The tussle began when the woman heard a female neighbor ask her 26-year-old son if he had any pain pills to share. The woman confronted the neighbor about the request. The neighbor then charged the woman, grabbed her hair and knocked her to the ground.

When police arrived, they saw a clump of hair on the ground and the woman's arm showed fingernail marks. At first, the woman refused medical help. She then agreed to be checked at a nearby hospital. The woman also declined to file charges.

—By Joanne Maliszewski

New trial date set following mistrial in HalloWayne case

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

A new trial has been scheduled for a Wayne man charged with identity theft related to the HalloWayne event.

There had been a mis-

trial declared in February after the jury deadlocked on the charge against Christopher Sanders, 46.

Sanders is charged with a single count of identity theft. Five other charges, including larceny by conversion, embez-

zement as an agent or trustee and embezzlement from a nonprofit charitable organization, had been dismissed at the preliminary examination.

The new trial date is June 22, once again before Wayne County Cir-

cuit Judge Alexis Glendening.

Having entered a not guilty plea at his arraignment, Sanders remains free on bond.

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Trespassing

A man, 34, and a woman, 22, were kicked off the former prison property at Five Mile and Ridge on March 27 after a township officer spotted them there. The area was once part of the Detroit House of Corrections, a city-run prison from the 1920s to 1986.

The officer was patrolling the area shortly after 8 a.m., a police report said, spotted a silver Cadillac parked

nearby and went to investigate.

He found the man and woman inside a building taking photographs, warned them against trespassing and told them to leave. They complied, the report said.

Pot possession

A 46-year-old man was arrested on charges of marijuana possession and driving with a suspended license after a traffic stop the afternoon of March 26.

A police report said a patrolling officer spotted the man on Ann Arbor Road in a Chevrolet S-10 pickup truck with an expired license tag. Pulled over near Tavistock, the man admitted his license was suspend-

ed, police said. Police also discovered outstanding traffic warrants for him.

A search of the truck, police said, turned up a two plastic bags of suspected marijuana in a pocket in the front seat.

Trio arrested

A traffic stop in the area of Haggerty and Newport Drive the night of March 26 led to the arrests of three men on different charges.

A township officer spotted a Buick with a malfunctioning brake light on Haggerty and pulled the drive over near Newport shortly after 11:30 p.m., a Plymouth Township Police Department report said. The three men inside

consented to a search of the car and the officer found a plastic bag of suspected marijuana underneath a child seat in the rear seat of the Buick, police said. The back-seat passenger, 24, as he had the most immediate access to the bag, was arrested on a marijuana-possession charge, police said.

The driver, 20, who had no license, was also arrested, and later cited for that charge and released, police said. The third man, 22, who told police he was on probation, was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant out of Westland and turned over to police in that city.

—By Matt Jachman

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a proposal for **Science Probeware**. Specifications of the Request for Proposal (RFP) are available by contacting Kristen Hennessey, Director of Procurement, Plymouth Canton Community Schools at kristen.hennessey@pccs12.com or (734) 416-3013. Details of the proposal are also available on Bid4Michigan.com. Proposals will be accepted as specified in the Request for Proposals at PCCS - E.J McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before **Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.** The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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A single deer license, valid throughout archery, firearm and muzzle loader seasons, replaces the separate archery and firearm licenses in 2015.

DNR reminds hunters of new license structure this season

Spring has arrived and with it turkey hunting season and many fishing seasons open soon. With 2015 licenses on sale now, the Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters, anglers and ORV riders of changes to Michigan's license structure that took effect just over a year ago.

The new license structure makes buying a license easier and provides vital funding to improve outdoor recreation opportunities.

Some things for hunters, anglers and ORV riders to keep in mind when buying licenses:

» A base license is required for all hunters every year. In addition to providing critical funding for wildlife conserva-

tion and management, the base license allows hunters to hunt small game and purchase additional hunting licenses for other species.

» Anglers no longer need to choose between restricted and all-species fishing licenses. All fishing licenses are good for all species.

» An ORV trail permit is required, in addition to the ORV license, for riding on state-designated trails, routes and scramble areas.

» Outdoor enthusiasts can purchase a hunt/fish combo license that includes a base license, a deer combo license (two tags) and an all-species fishing license.

» A single deer license, valid throughout archery, firearm and

muzzle loader seasons, replaces the separate archery and firearm licenses. The deer combo license remains available for hunters who wish to harvest two bucks. Additional funding from the new license structure enables the DNR and its partners to provide better hunting and fishing opportunities through improved habitat; a first-rate ORV trail network, providing enhanced riding opportunities and benefiting local economies; increased protection of natural resources and a safer outdoor recreation experience by putting more conservation officers in the field; and expanded outreach and education for new and existing hunters and anglers.

For more information - including license prices, frequently asked questions and details about how license dollars are being invested - go to www.michigan.gov/dnr and click on hunting, fishing and ORV license structure under In the Know.

Canton police join enforcement campaign on distracted driving

In an effort to make community roads safer, the Canton Police Department has joined the national "One Text or Call Could Wreck it All" campaign to educate the public on the dangers of distracted driving.

While anything that takes your eyes off of the road, hands off of the wheel or mind off the task of driving is a hazard, there is heightened concern with the risk of texting while driving because it combines all three types of distractions - visual, manual and cognitive.

This national effort is attempting to change driving habits through public awareness, education and police enforcement, the same activities that have curbed drunken driving and encouraged seat belt use.

Canton police officers will participate with officers across the country in focusing on distracted driving enforcement this month. The goal is simple - save lives by getting drivers to remember that "One Text or Call

Could Wreck it All." "We all know that using our cellphones while driving is distracting, but that doesn't stop most people from doing it," staff operations Sgt. Jim Harrison said. "This effort is intended to educate our community about the dangers of cellphone use and other distractions while driving. We're hoping once people see the statistics and realize the danger involved, they will change their driving habits to help protect themselves and others on the road."

According to 2013 statistics from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 3,154 people were killed in crashes involving a distracted driver and an estimated additional 424,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver.

Additional information on the distracted driving campaign, including video re-enactments of distracted driving dangers, can be found at www.distraction.gov.

Spring clean-up helps ready War Dog Memorial

By Diane Gale Andreassi
Staff Writer

Volunteers showed in full force to clean up leaves and brush that collected over the winter at the Michigan War Dog Memorial grounds in Lyon Township.

The spring cleaning March 28 was just in time for a crowd that is expected to gather for the burial of two K-9s - Bady and Pito - who are to receive full military honors at 11 a.m. April 18 at the pet cemetery at the corner of 11 Mile and Milford roads.

Pito was a patrol explosive detection dog in the U.S. Air Force 87th Security Forces Squadron serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Bady was also a patrol explosive detection dog, but he served with the U.S. Navy on special operations in Kuwait and Iraq.

Speakers at the event will include representatives from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office K-9 unit, the Michigan State Police K-9 unit, Michigan Search and Rescue K-9s and Pets for Vets.

The cemetery was started by the Elkow family in 1936 and was known as the Happy Hunting Grounds Pet Cemetery that could be used for interment of all kinds of animals. In 1946,



JANE AND JACK PURSLOW

Volunteers came out in full force for spring cleaning at the War Dog Memorial cemetery grounds at 11 Mile and Milford roads.



JANE AND JACK PURSLOW

Crews worked for hours recently to clean up the War Dog Memorial cemetery grounds.

when the news of how many lives were saved by war dogs during World War II circulated, local residents raised money to install a monument in a gesture of respect to their heroic K-9's.

As the years passed, however, the cemetery became overgrown with foliage until 2010, when it was refurbished by various veterans organizations spearheaded by Phil Weitlauf and supported by Amvets Post

2006. The grounds were renamed the War Dog Memorial. The property is owned by the township and managed by Weitlauf, president of the Michigan War Dog Memorial, with the help of veteran, dog and law enforcement organizations, as well as interested residents and animal lovers.

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Five-year-old Colten Doby poses for a photo with the Easter Bunny.

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Bunny patrol: Plymouth Lions Club egg hunt chairwoman Jo Ellen Hincker.

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Bunny patrol: Bessie Sountas.

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Grace Conney, 8, and brother Reece Cooney, 9, helped their dad Robert Cooney and the rest of the Lions Club spread plastic eggs on the fields of Plymouth Township Park.

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James Almeda, 10, checks out the results of a successful hunt.

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HUNT

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Hincker said, that there were only three takers for Project KidSight, a quick and free diagnostic session the Lions offered at the park Saturday that can spot treatable and preventable vision disorders in young children. The session uses a device

that has a 98-percent accuracy rating; those in whom problems are diagnosed are urged to see an appropriate specialist.

Hincker hopes publicity about Project KidSight, plus a new location in the soon-to-be completed pavilion that's closer to the ball fields, will bring more participants next year.

- By Matt Jachman

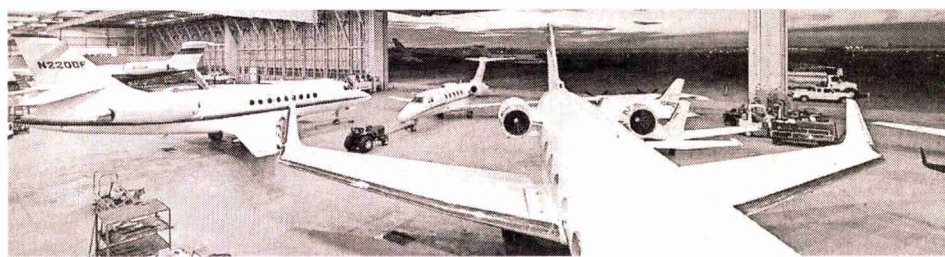
Willow Run Airport has \$123 million economic impact on metro area

Willow Run Airport generates more than 950 jobs and \$123 million in total economic impact throughout Michigan, according to a study released by University of Michigan-Dearborn and Wayne County Airport Authority.

The airport also supports Detroit Metropolitan Airport's \$10.2 billion economic impact, reported in a 2014 study.

Lee Redding, associate professor of business economics at UM-Dearborn, working with researchers from iLabs, the university's center for innovation research, estimated how Willow Run impacts the economies of Michigan and the southeast Michigan Air Trade Area by measuring revenues, incomes and jobs.

"The cargo capacity available at Willow Run makes Michigan a more attractive place for business," Redding said.



WCAA

The facilities, workers and businesses operating at Willow Run are responsible for an economic impact of \$123 million annually.

"Willow Run Airport connects Michigan manufacturing companies to the world, making quick deliveries of parts and finished products more viable."

Research findings include:

» Willow Run Airport provides area residents and business with access to convenient and efficient cargo shipment, general aviation and other related operations. The facilities, workers and business operating at Willow Run are respon-

sible for an economic impact of \$123 million annually, adding \$40 million to area incomes and supporting 950 jobs in southeast Michigan.

» Air cargo is a crucial way that production facilities connect to the world; annually 54.4 million pounds of air cargo departs from Willow Run, likely representing more than \$2 billion in goods. The shipment of this cargo itself creates an economic impact of \$44 million, supporting more than 300 jobs and

incomes of \$14 million per year.

» Passenger travel is limited at Willow Run, with 2527 enplanements in 2013. Visitors create an economic impact of \$2.1 million, supporting \$600,000 in local incomes and 21 jobs.

» General aviation and education also contribute \$18.7 million and \$3.1 million respectively to the overall economic impact of Willow Run.

» Willow Run is actively preparing for its future, working on capital

improvement projects aimed at the airport remaining a vital component of the area economy for years to come. These activities have an economic impact of \$54 million, with income impacts of \$18 million supporting 457 jobs.

"It's clear that Willow Run Airport provides substantial economic benefits for our region," airport authority CEO Thomas Naughton said. "Additionally, by capturing a considerable amount of the region's cargo and general aviation air traffic, it helps

Detroit Metropolitan Airport provide on-time flights."

Occupying 2,600 acres, Willow Run has three runways, including an all-weather instrument landing system runway; 24-hour aircraft rescue firefighting facilities; on-site weather bureau service; 24-hour FAA control tower and U.S. Customs service. It is also home to the FAA's Flight Standards District Office and the Yankee Air Museum, which hosts the annual Thunder over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run Airport.



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Organize your wallet thanks to the new Stratos Card

Wallets in America have reached a tipping point. Amidst countless loyalty cards, credit cards and debit cards, the clutter can be overwhelming. One Ann Arbor startup named Stratos has set out to give your wallet a vacation and help organize and simplify any card you carry.

The company's flagship product, the Stratos Card, looks similar to a credit card, but is digitally-enabled to store all of your cards including membership cards and gift cards. Stratos works anywhere you can use a card with a magnetic stripe - like your local ATM, gas station or



store.

Owners can easily load their card data by plugging in the provided Stratos Reader into their phone's headphone jack. Once a card is swiped through the reader, the information will be stored into the Stratos App.

While it may sound dangerous to have all card information stored in a single location, Stratos Card has built-in security that makes it safer than current credit card use. For example,

Stratos Card uses bank level encryption, so when you swipe your card at a gas pump (a common location for card skimmers), your actual card number and data isn't delivered to a third party.

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You may have heard of similar technologies in the past. One such smart-card, named "Coin" was profiled in this space a few years ago. Unfortu-

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To learn more about Stratos Card visit Stratoscard.com.

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Laurel Park Place to undergo \$5 million renovation

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

Laurel Park Place will receive an estimated \$5 million facelift in an effort to attract new and younger shoppers.

The project was announced at a press conference April 2 at the Livonia shopping center, built in 1989. Construction starts this week and is expected to be finished in November.

The renovations include a brighter, more modern color scheme, new flooring, new seating and energy-efficient lighting.

"We want to create a fresh, exciting retail experience," said Todd G. Huhn, the mall's general manager. "We hope to boost the mall's overall character by introducing patterns and colors that create movement and interest throughout the

common area."

The retailer H&M, which specializes in family fashions at affordable prices, is moving into the mall later this year, taking up the space of seven store fronts and necessitating the relocation of the mall offices and long-time tenant Charisma Salon.

Sarah Enlow, marketing director for Laurel Park Place, said the mall management team strives to keep the selection of retailers "fresh and exciting." Currently, there are 75 stores, including anchors Carson's and Von Maur.

CBL & Associates Properties bought the 500,000-square-foot mall in 2005.

"Other than the food court addition that we made about five years ago, the property has been largely unchanged since it was built," Huhn

said. "It has become dated. CBL has always had a history of investing in their properties; the time has come for Laurel Park."

Huhn said the hope is to draw new customers to the mall, both Livonia residents who have bypassed the mall in recent years and those from outside the community. The mall is on Six Mile, just east of I-275.

Livonia Chamber of Commerce President Dan West, who attended the press conference, said it is an exciting project for a property located in the hub of the community. He said the mall continues to be a favorite among shoppers because of its size and the ease with which people can get in and get out.

"It's great for our city, great for our mall and great for the I-275 corridor," he said.

Civil infrastructure forum set for April 30

The Society of American Military Engineers Detroit Post and Schoolcraft College Procurement Technical Assistance Center will host the Great Lakes Civil Infrastructure Conference, April 30 at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

The conference, set for 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., will focus on four distinct tracks: energy, environment, civil infrastructure and small business. Participants will have opportunities to

engage with and learn from industry experts, procurement representatives and firms which are contributing to regional infrastructure, construction and environmental sustainability and improvement projects.

"Civil infrastructure impacts a lot more than work commutes and community expansion," said Alexander Masters, a procurement counselor with the Schoolcraft College PTAC and event committee representative. "It requires deliber-

ate planning, innovative material and technological integration, resiliency and continuity planning and a host of other factors that we may not always consider when thinking about this industry."

For full conference details, registration, etc., interested attendees can go to www.GLCIC.com. The National Contract Management Association Great Lakes State Chapter will sponsor a VIP networking period 5-6:30 p.m., following the conference.

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OUR VIEW

New supervisor has big task ahead of him

To say that Shannon Price has his public relations work cut out for him is an understatement.

Price, who was named Plymouth Township's next supervisor Thursday by a divided Board of Trustees, faces a sizable and vocal segment of the township that's dead-set against his appointment and will be suspect of just about any action he takes.

It's difficult to imagine these opponents, whom we believe represent a minority viewpoint, can be won over, but to even move them from scorn to skepticism is going to take all the listening skills Price spoke of after the meeting that left him with the su-

pervisor's job and left many board critics angry and disappointed.

The reasons behind this anger are manifold, but here are a few:

» Price, who represented the township on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners for just over two years, moved to Plymouth Township from Canton only this year, but even before then had spoken of his interest in becoming supervisor.

» Price is strongly backed — was recruited, even — by Treasurer Ron Edwards, a ded-



Price

icated township official, but a lightning rod for public ire.

» Edwards and two more of Price's four board supporters were targets of a recall campaign by many in the same group critical of the appointment. Richard Reaume, whom Price will replace, was also a recall target.

» On paper, at least, there were better-qualified applicants for Reaume's job. (Though it should be noted that criticisms of the township contained in statements by some of those hopefuls were not likely to win them friends on the board, but were perhaps aimed more at the public.)

All told, board critics see Price's win as a giant slap in

the face.

They should step back and remember, however, that it was a political appointment and entirely the board's to make. And Price, though he may lack the advanced degrees and decades-long executive experience of some of the other supervisor contenders, has a solid resume and practical experience as an elected official chosen by township voters.

The public — and trustees who voted against him — should give Price the benefit of the doubt and time to settle into his new role and reach out to his critics. We urge critics to put recall talk aside at this point and, if they remain unhappy,

dedicate themselves to finding remedies through the 2016 township election.

For their part, board members who backed Price should avoid taking either a defensive or an in-your-face attitude toward the opposition and recognize that it's an important part of the community that needs to be respected and heard. Clerk Nancy Conzelman made progress in this direction with her calm, even-handed running of three board meetings since Reaume announced his resignation.

And Price needs to sit down, take a breath and start doing what he promised the board during his job interview: listen.

LETTERS

Not a first choice

I am a 23-year Plymouth Township resident who is very concerned about the recent direction of the Plymouth Township Board of Supervisors. As a result, I attended the Tuesday evening meeting where the board was to pick a new supervisor.

For the record, I am not a member of the "Recall 4" group and I have not signed their petitions. I do not personally know any of the supervisor candidates who spoke at the meeting. My only contacts have been multiple unsuccessful requests of county Commissioner Shannon Cox to get Wayne County to apply badly needed preventive maintenance to the rapidly deteriorating pavement on Ridge Road and Powell Road and advice from Chuck Curmi when he was a Planning Commission member and we residents were attempting to apply some constraints around the size and traffic impact of the then-planned Temple Baptist (now Northridge) mega-church project back in the mid-1990s.

I want to thank all of the supervisor candidates for their time and effort in coming forward to be the new supervisor. Your speeches and qualifications were most impressive. The amount of time most of you have spent as Plymouth Township residents shows your dedication and commitment to our community. To the non-politicians who applied, I strongly agree that your business backgrounds and the skills you have applied there would be most helpful in guiding the township through its present and future challenges.

Among many good choices, there were two candidates that clearly stood apart as top choices. Kurt Heise was the first speaker. He was clearly well-prepared and delivered a convincing message explaining how his background could help guide the township back on track. He provided a clear statement of his top goals should he be selected. The other was Bob Doroshevitz. His list of his priorities was by far the most comprehensive and detailed recounting of the challenges facing Plymouth

Township and he projected both the candor and the strong-willed persona that is needed to guide the township back on track and into the future.

I was somewhat less impressed with Shannon Price. He seemed less prepared and he directed his comments only to the township board rather than including the large audience in his presentation and vision. His was a discussion of generalities rather than specifics. His short time as a Plymouth Township resident (only a few months) also stands in contrast to that of virtually all the other candidates.

We are all well aware of the accusations of backroom dealings of township Treasurer Ron Edwards and "block voting" by several members of the Plymouth Township board. Many claim that the board has already "pre-selected" Mr. Price. I have tended to dismiss these accusations.

However, having now witnessed these candidates, I am left with two clear impressions. First, we have a wealth of qualified leaders to take the township forward, but Mr. Price did not impress me as much as several of the others. (I think this would be the conclusion of other impartial observers, as well.) Second, if the township board selects Mr. Price as our new supervisor, it will strike me as a missed opportunity for the township and an indication that there may be some substance behind many of the accusations that have been made about the behavior of our present trustees and treasurer.

Tim Boyd
Plymouth

Road fix tax a bait and switch scam

I have to disagree with any endorsement in support for Proposal 2015-1, otherwise known as the "road tax." First off, that term is in error; it is much more than a road tax. It is a hastily made mistake and poor excuse for legislation that deprives taxpayers of much more than good roads. Why add tax to my loaf of bread and milk, why add tax to my restaurant bill?

Does the public even know

Plenty of confusion



FILE PHOTO

Proposal 1 on the May 5 ballot is confusing to many. That's why the Canton Democratic Club will host a public forum on the issue at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center. It's a good idea to learn as much as you can about the proposal that includes much more than a sales tax increase for roads.

that this piece of ill-conceived legislation removes ad valorem taxes from your itemized deductions? As a single point to this you will no longer be able to deduct personal property tax on the purchase/use of a vehicle. Add that up when you purchase a new \$20,000 vehicle at 6 percent tax deductible, or at 7 percent tax non-deductible.

In summary, the proposal will increase the sales tax from 6 percent to 7 percent, raise taxes on fuel, and increase vehicle registration taxes. It will also hike the state's Earned Income Tax Credit.

Overall, the proposal will increase state tax revenue for fiscal year 2015-16 by approximately \$2 billion, of which \$1.3 billion will go to funding transportation — initially to accelerate repayment of existing transportation bond debt, to increase overall road maintenance and to spend more on transit and recreational grants. Of the additional \$700 million in new tax revenue, \$300 mil-

lion would go to public schools, \$100 million to local government revenue sharing and pledges for future spending on local bus and transit agencies.

The proposal raises the state's sales and use taxes from 6 percent to 7 percent, a 17-percent increase in the rate. This would give Michigan the second-highest state sales tax in the nation.

Dangerous crumbling roads are no excuse for garbage legislation; that's how we got here in the first place. We need to send this back to Lansing so they can do this right. Band-Aid proposals full of bait and switch taxes while stealing more from the taxpayers is not what we need at this time. Take the time to put together a package that provides for better road specifications, enforcement of stronger warranties, lower load limits and direct dedicated taxation of fuels/road usage for repairs and maintenance.

Don't increase the tax on my bread and milk to pay for monies to be spread out over

several agencies, to get lost in the general fund, to be mishandled and misused. I agree that something needs to be done about our roads, but this is definitely not it. Until our legislators get this proposal done the right way, with long-term solutions in lieu of short term Band-Aids, I must vote no.

Brad Wolkan
Livonia

Reason for Easter

How sad that the Marshmallow Drop takes place Good Friday, keeping people away from partaking in the special three-hour devotions on that day. Children are being taught that the Easter season is about bunnies, candy and new clothes, not about the great sacrifice that is being remembered in our churches.

Parents, teach your children that the real meaning of Easter is not about bunnies and candy, but about a Savior who died to save all of us.

Dolores Kapanek
Garden City

GUEST COLUMN

Bill would empower Alzheimer's patients, families

At age 61, Pam White was diagnosed with Alzheimer's — the same age that her mother Miriam was diagnosed with the disease. Pam had hoped to create a permanent record of her mother's life by writing a book, but a year into the project, Alzheimer's had already begun to erase the memories Pam would need to finish that book.

Pam's story was turned into a documentary by her son Banker White, *The Genius of Marian*. In one especially heartbreaking moment, Pam is



Debbie Stabenow

GUEST COLUMNIST

telling her son how his grandmother suffered from Alzheimer's and it is apparent that Pam has forgotten her own diagnosis. Her son has to remind her and we see the dread in her expression. She denies it's true.

It is hard to face an Alzheimer's diagnosis. It is a gru-

eling disease, not just for the person diagnosed, but for his or her family. It makes us feel powerless to watch a loved one become increasingly confused and disoriented, losing memories that should have lasted a lifetime.

According to the Alzheimer's Association, an estimated 185,000 people from every corner of our state are living with the disease, plus 5 million across the country. And yet that still doesn't capture the full scope of the disease, because today, there are some 15 million people serving as their caregivers.

In *The Genius of Marian*, Pam White's husband accepts that role, along with other family members. The film captures how incredibly demanding that is.

A recent report showed that the medical community often withholds an Alzheimer's diagnosis from a patient and family, in part because there is a

sense that nothing can be done to stop it.

I believe that we must do more to empower doctors, patients and families. We may not have a cure for Alzheimer's, but we can do more to help Americans cope with the disease.

So I have introduced bipartisan legislation, the HOPE for Alzheimer's Act, to help combat the disease and support those suffering with this terrible illness.

If the bill becomes law, it will ensure that patients with an Alzheimer's diagnosis — and their families — have access to a care-planning session with their doctor. In that session, to be funded through Medicare, the doctor will have the opportunity to explain the diagnosis, offer details about treatment options available and describe what medical and community services and supports are available to the patient and family.

We are learning more about how to manage the disease and to slow its progression, ever so slightly. That care-planning session can be the start.

I am pleased that the bill has earned the support of the Alzheimer's Association, which was a valuable partner as this legislation came together.

The HOPE for Alzheimer's Act takes a crucial step toward helping millions of Americans by encouraging diagnosis of Alzheimer's so it can be treated effectively and compassionately.

As always, I am proud to work alongside the scores of Alzheimer's advocates in Michigan and around the nation who are raising awareness about the disease and whose support will be critical to making the HOPE for Alzheimer's Act become law.

Debbie Stabenow, a Democrat from Lansing, represents Michigan in the U.S. Senate.

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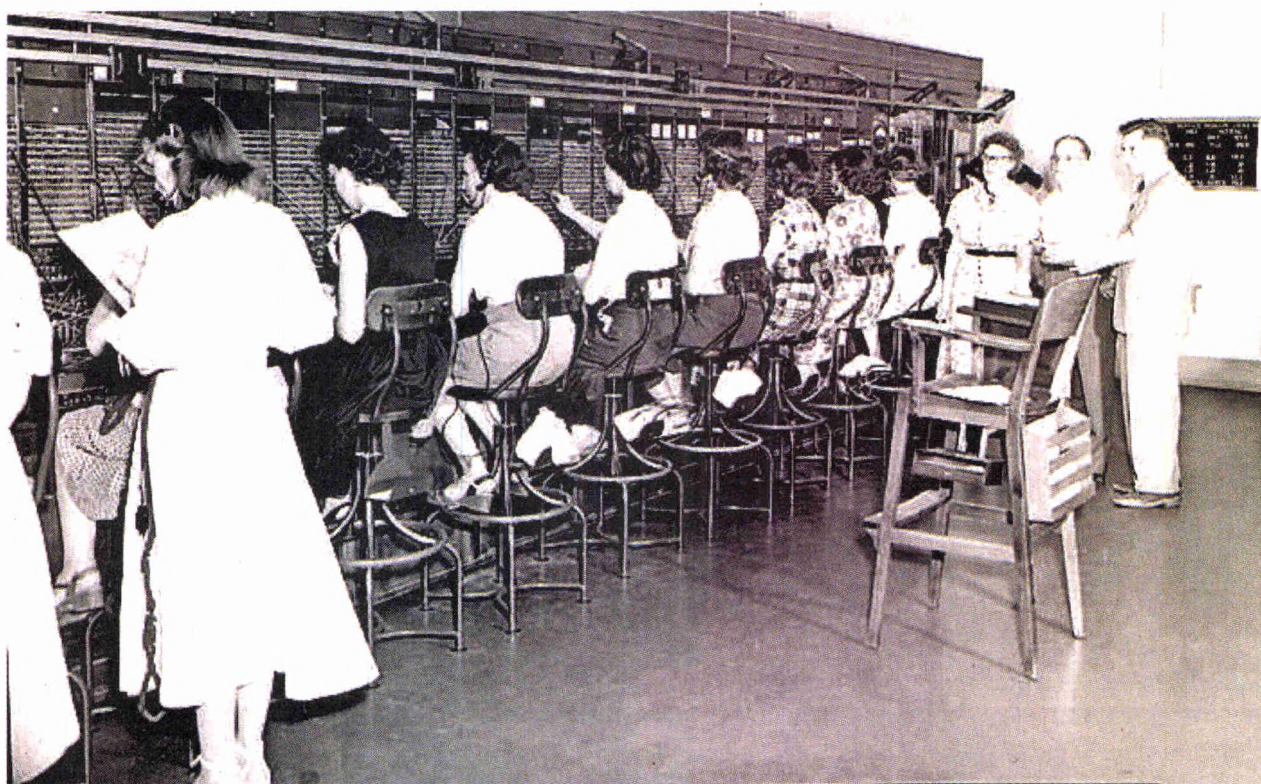
Library puts history resources at your fingertips

Newspaper archives, historic photographs and other resources to help people learn about local history can be found through the Plymouth District Library's new Local History Portal.

The portal is a spot on the library website, plymouthlibrary.org, made possible by a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, with an assist from the Detroit Recreation Department, which processes MCACA grants in Wayne County.

The portal offers a searchable index of the *Plymouth Mail*, a weekly newspaper, for the years 1887, when it was launched, to 1914. Searching the index will make it easier to locate specific names and places in microfilm reproductions of the paper.

"In a small town, newspapers are often the only source we have for information," Heidi Nielsen, archivist at the Plymouth Historical Museum, said in a press release. "Being able to search the *Plymouth Mail* by date and keywords online is going to make researching so



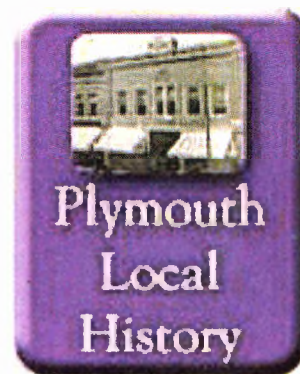
Operators work at the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. building on Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth in this circa 1955 photograph. This image and many others of Plymouth can be found through the Plymouth District Library's new Local History portal.

much easier than using microfilm. The hard part is going to be remaining on topic, because the old papers are so much fun to read."

Darrin Silvester, a social studies teacher at Salem High School, has found the index valuable. "For two community-based projects, I

searched the online index and found hundreds of useful leads to further our work and research," he said. "I intend to spend another decade in

the classroom and during that time complete many more local history projects. This has been the most exciting online resource since ancestry-



The new Plymouth Local History portal button on the Plymouth District Library website, plymouthlibrary.org.

.com." Plus, the portal has a searchable archive of the *Plymouth Observer* (which began as the *Mail*) for the years 2001-2006, plus a link to historic Plymouth photographs from collections gathered on The Making of Modern Michigan, a website funded by the Institute for Museum and Library Services.

The portal also has a listing of the historical collections, including newspapers, of both the library and the historical museum.

Fausone honored by Women's History Project

Retired Brig. Gen. Carol Ann Fausone of Canton was honored at last week's 2015 Inside Career Success Women's History Month Awards. Fausone, who serves as a trustee of Madonna University in Livonia, joined the group of 30 honorees, which included other notable Michigan women such as Denise Ilitch, Florine Mark and Asia Newson.

The event, hosted by Linwick & Associates, commemorated the 35th anniversary of the Women's

History Movement and National Women's History Project, in addition to celebrating the honorees and their career success. This year marked the first time the awards were given out.

The 30 women who received an award will be memorialized at the Michigan Women's His-



Fausone

torical Museum and Walk of Fame and the Detroit Historical Society.

Speaking of her career in the U.S. Air Force and then becoming the Michigan National Guard's first female brigadier general, Fausone said, "Life success is a journey. That journey is marked not by awards and promotions, but by relationships."

Fausone started her own small business, The Veteran Advocate, LLC, after retiring from the

military. Fausone also works with her husband Jim Fausone at Legal Help For Veterans, PLLC, in Northville. Together, the two companies provide legal and consulting aid to veterans and their families.

"I am very grateful to have been included in a field of such strong women who are truly pioneers in their respective fields," Fausone said on receiving the award. "These are women who are role models for everyone."

Plymouth forum talks vaccinations

To vaccinate or not to vaccinate?

Doctors will be addressing both sides of that question Wednesday at the Plymouth District Library during the April Plymouth Community Forum.

The free event is 7-8:45 p.m. at the library, 223 S. Main, in Plymouth. Attendees will be able to get their questions about vaccinations answered.

Speaking will be Omkar Karthikeyan, M.D., a pediatrician practicing in Ann Arbor, and Mary Greiner, D.O., a family practice doctor also from Ann Arbor.

The forum comes during a time of renewed debate about vaccinations and an outbreak of measles in parts of the U.S. that has been linked to parents refusing vaccinations for their children.

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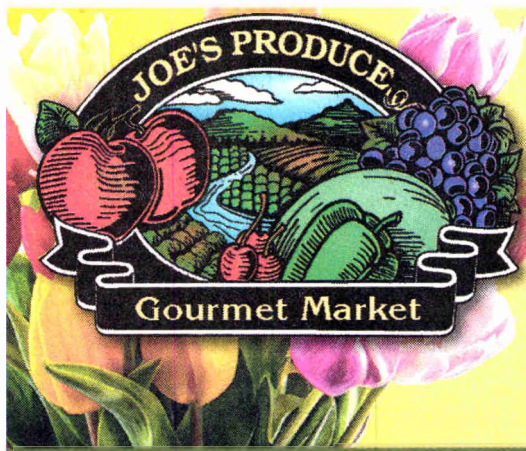
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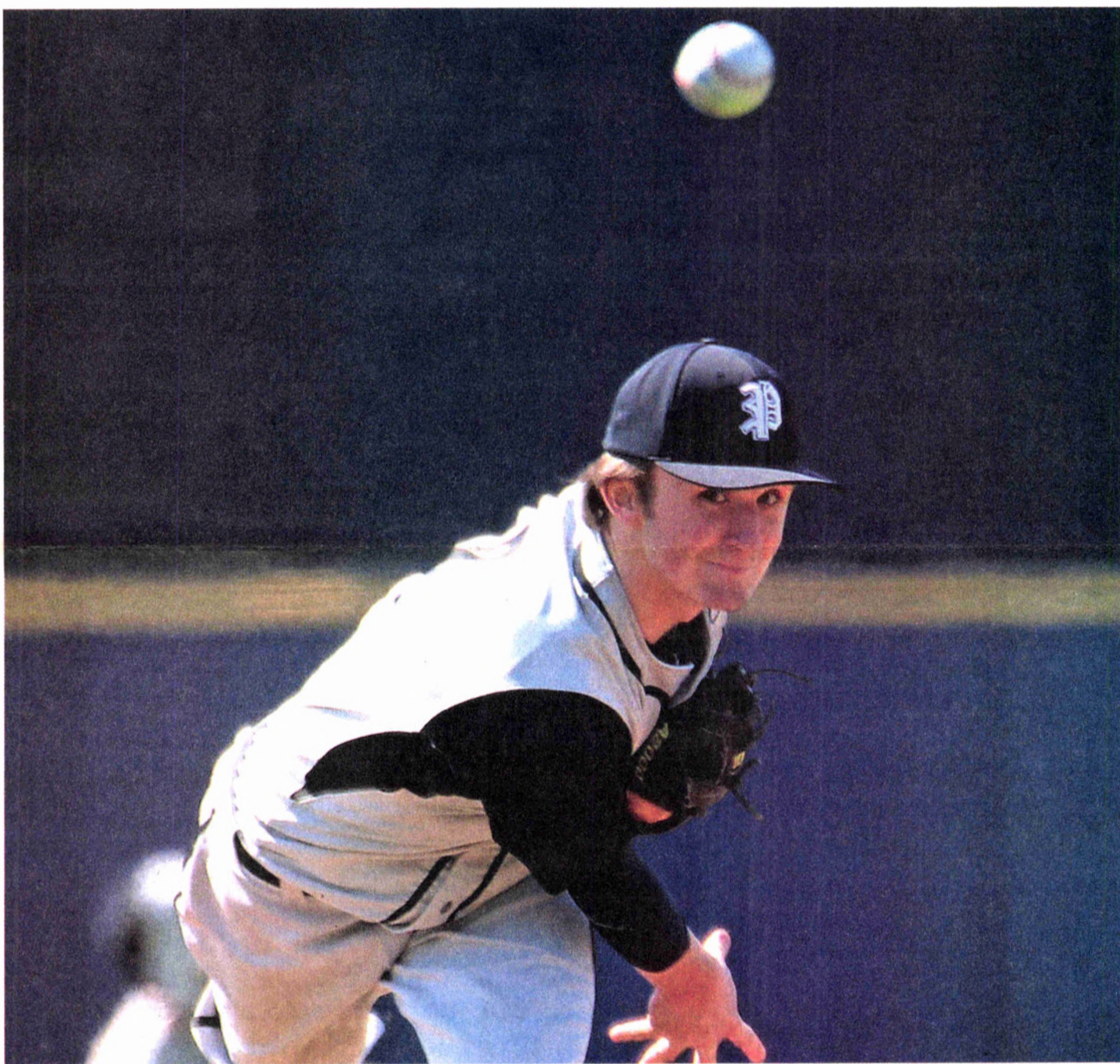


MICHAEL VASILNEK

Plymouth and Salem players gather for a group photo following the opener of Saturday's doubleheader at the University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium.

ROCKING THE 'RAY'

P-CEP baseball teams split pair on University of Michigan field



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Plymouth's Cameron Stella, who threw a complete game in the opener, follows through on a pitch Saturday.



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Salem's Logan Marshall connects on his game-winning base hit in the seventh inning Saturday of Game 1.

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

The University of Michigan football team's spring game at the Big House wasn't the only hard-fought competition taking place on campus Saturday afternoon. Across the athletic complex at Ray Fisher Stadium, Salem and Plymouth hooked up for a baseball doubleheader with each team collecting a victory — and high school players soaking up a college experience they'll never forget. "We hope to do this (play at U-M) as often as possible, at least once a year," Ply-

mouth head coach Jason Crain said. "It's a great opportunity, for sure."

The teams split the \$950 tab to rent the facility — with an assist going to Wildcats assistant coach Scott Niemiec, who was a catcher for the Wolverines in the early 1990s.

"He had some connections with the (U-M) athletic department and he was able to help us line this up," Crain said.

On a sunny, crisp day, each team enjoyed the thrill of victory. But only the opener counts in conference

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BOYS GOLF
PREVIEW — PART 1

Canton set to tee off

With Trosper, will Chiefs prosper?

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

The matches and tournaments won't begin for another week or so, but veteran Canton varsity boys golf coach Tom Alles already knows he's got a pretty good roster for the 2015 season.

It helps, of course, to have one of the state's best golfers in senior Donnie Trosper, who in 2014 qualified for the Division 1 state finals and also was first team all-state.

Trosper averaged 35.8 strokes per nine holes and 74.9 per 18 and earned medals in all four dual matches he played in.

Canton's second-best golfer is no slouch, either. Senior Noah Lindlbauer is looking to improve on last year's sturdy averages of 39.8 and 81.4. Both Trosper and Lindlbauer will lead the team off the course, too, as co-captains.



Trosper

"This team appears to be one of our deepest and most talented in recent years," said Alles, beginning his 21st season at the Canton helm. "Trosper and Lindlbauer will be the leaders of an exceptionally strong senior class."

Other seniors with plenty of experience include Chris Dooley, Josh Johnson, Carter Schenk and Hunter Schlapp.

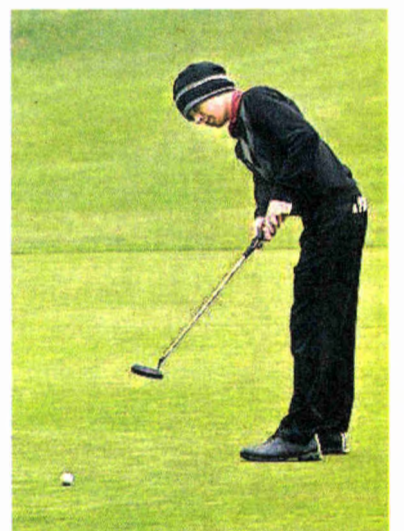
With Trosper and company, chances are more than good that the Chiefs will easily improve upon last season's 4-4 record in the KLAA Kensington Conference (2-3 in the KLAA Central Division).

Canton also has some younger golfers ready to make a splash, although sophomore Suhas Potluri already did just that as a ninth-grader — when he was an all-KLAA performer, along with Trosper and Lindlbauer.

Also in the mix are talented juniors Phillip Conrad and Brian Oldani, both of whom Alles expects to contribute to the fortunes of the 2015 squad.

"Conrad, Oldani and Potluri have all played well, under difficult (weather) conditions, during our tryouts," Alles said. "I expect them to challenge our sen-

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Canton's Donnie Trosper displays his poise on the putting green in this photo from last season.

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MICHAEL VASILNEK

Salem pitcher Tyler Brooks gets set to power the ball toward home plate during Saturday's first game at University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium.



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Plymouth's Pete Carravallah connects against Salem during the opener of Saturday's doubleheader at U-M.

BASEBALL

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standings.

Rallying Rocks

In Game 1, Salem scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to earn a walk-off 4-3 victory over the Wildcats. In the second game, Plymouth held off a late Salem rally to win 7-5.

Striking a line-drive base hit down the left-field line to drive in the winning run in the opener was junior catcher Logan Marshall.

The rally made a winning pitcher out of Jordan Heaslip, who threw two innings of scoreless relief for the Rocks.

The Rocks (2-1, 2-0) entered that half-inning trailing 3-1 and having trouble getting much going against Plymouth

junior Cameron Stella. But Gavin McAuliffe and Eric Scott drew walks to open the inning and Josh Penn scratched out an infield single to load the bases.

After Alex Nicholson brought home a run with a fielder's choice, Brandon Gillen lifted a sacrifice fly to left to score Scott with the tying run.

Tyler Brooks bounced a double past Plymouth's third baseman to put the winning run at third and bring up Marshall. On the third pitch, Marshall laced his deciding hit to drive in Penn and spark a mob scene on the turf.

"Third pitch, inner half, the catcher set up high and inside and he threw it right down the middle in the inner half," Marshall said. "I pulled it right down the line."

He then smiled about getting the chance to not only play on a major

college diamond, but to sparkle on it with the clutch hit.

"It's a lot different; infield's a little bit faster because it's not grass," Marshall said. "But it's a beautiful field and I'm just happy to play on it."

Salem head coach John Wright didn't even start Marshall in the game, bringing him in to start the fourth inning. Wright admitted discussing with coaches whether to pull Marshall for a pinch hitter in the seventh.

It turned out to be a good move to stick with him.

"We were contemplating pinch hitting for him," Wright said. "But we decided to keep him in and he got the job done, so we're excited. That's the best swing I've seen from him."

Giving credit

Plymouth's Crain tipped his cap to Marshall.

"He had a great at-bat, a great hit," Crain said.



TIM SMITH

A Salem batter gets ready for a pitch from Plymouth's Cameron Stella during the first game of Saturday's twinbill at the University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium. The Rocks and Wildcats split the doubleheader.

"I think it was 0-2 count and he put a great swing on it.

"We made some mistakes and they capitalized. You really got to give all the credit to their players. They got hits when they needed to."

Stella threw a strong game despite the outcome, unscathed until the seventh after giving up a scratch run in the first (on an RBI single to right by Brooks that scored Penn, who led off the game with a hit).

"He might have got a little tired; it was his first time out," Crain said. "It's getting used to a whole new atmosphere and his first time for him on the mound."

Salem's Brooks pitched the first five innings, giving up two runs in the fourth.

An error with one out helped Plymouth (2-1, 1-1)

get that rally going and it continued on Andrew Jossey's single to right.

Kevin Anthony's sacrifice fly tied the game and Andrew Hejka gave the Wildcats the lead with a solid base hit to center.

Plymouth got to Brooks again in the fifth for what looked to be an instrumental tack-on run. Driving a double to left-center was Pete Carravallah and he advanced to third on Stella's sacrifice bunt. Seth Hubbard then scored Carravallah with a ground out.

Despite how the game ended, Stella noted it was a lot of fun to play at U-M.

"I enjoyed playing out here a lot," Stella said. "We've played out here numerous times in the summer (with a travel team) and it's just a blast every time."

"Our field is still nice.

But this, with the turf and the dugouts and everything, the whole complex is just outstanding."

Getting the split

In Game 2, the Wildcats turned an apparent rout into a nail-biter, but managed to hold off the Rocks.

Behind starting pitcher Patrick Downing and some timely offense, Plymouth built a 7-0 edge.

A six-run top of the fifth featured two-run singles by Hubbard and Josh Sulak. Another run came in on an error.

Meanwhile, Downing mowed down the Rocks through the first four innings, fanning five, and did not give up a hit until Nicholson singled in the fifth with one out.

Gillen then roped a base hit to center and Brooks walked to load the bases and signal the end of the line for Downing.

Salem got on the board when Erich Payne came through with a sacrifice fly off Plymouth reliever Kyle Wolter.

The Rocks still trailed 7-1 in the sixth, but Nicholson's RBI single and a bases-clearing, opposite-field triple to right by Brooks suddenly cut the gap to 7-5.

Plymouth closed out the victory when pitcher John Kochan retired Salem in order in the seventh.

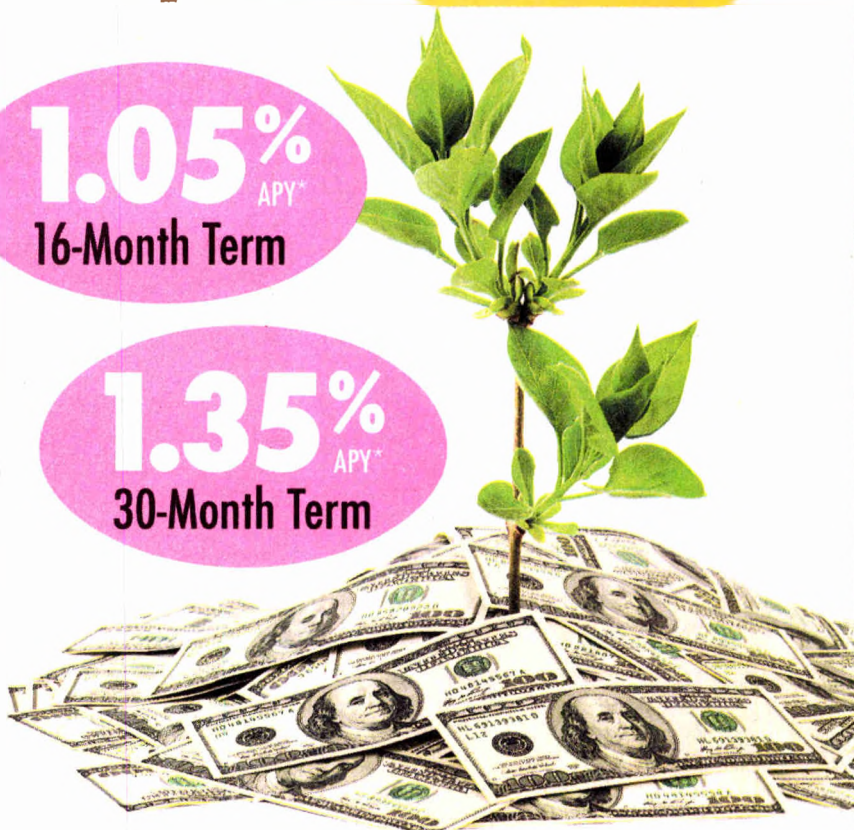
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Best in girls bowling earn all-Observer accolades

FIRST TEAM

Julia Huren, jr., John Glenn: A Division 1 first-team all-state bowler, Huren followed up a stellar sophomore campaign with an even better junior year, averaging 208 pins per contest.



She earned all-KLAA honors and a second-place showing at the Division 1 regional tournament before turning in a top-eight showing at the state tournament.

"Julia has become such a great team player and dominated our fifth position as our anchor bowler by striking out several times," said John Glenn coach Ralph Cabildo.

Emily Dietz, jr., John Glenn: A Division 1 second-team all-state honoree, Dietz averaged a sizzling 201 while earning all-KLAA honors and an eighth-place finish at the D1 regional tournament. A 4.0 student, she was 21st at the D1 state meet.



"Emily has shown great confidence this year," said Cabildo. "She has been our most consistent bowler."

Olivia Cabildo, sr., John Glenn: The senior, who will continue her competitive bowling career at Siena Heights University, enjoyed a sensational season, earning all-KLAA honors while placing fourth at the D1 regional.



The owner of a 191 average, she carries a 4.0 grade-point average and received a Presidential academic scholarship as well as a bowling scholarship to Siena Heights.

Meghan Macunovich, soph., Canton: After pretty much topping the charts a second year in a row, the sky's the limit for Macunovich for her junior and senior seasons.



As a sophomore, Macunovich was virtually unstoppable, averaging 210 pins with a high game of 287 and repeating as Division 1 individual regional champion. She tallied a 1,345 score and made the D1 final for the second consecutive season.

At the D1 singles final at Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights, Macunovich's 470 was good for second place overall only behind the 512 registered by Allison Morris of Ann Arbor Huron.

Macunovich was named to the all-KLAA team for her efforts.

"Meghan Macunovich is a very strong competitor," coach Karl Brubaker said. "She won the Region 5 sin-

gles for the second straight year. Meghan finished second at the state finals for singles. She is a tough young lady and will compete for those awards for the next two years."

Candycy Bradley, soph., Farm. Unified: A repeat member of the all-area first team, Bradley followed a superb freshman campaign with a successful sophomore season, helping her team qualify for the Division 1 state tournament.



Bradley had the highest OAA average for the second straight year at 206, raising it by six pins over her first year. She bowled 1,126 and averaged 188 in the Super Bowl regional, finishing in 11th place.

She won the Oakland County and Farmington-Harrison singles championships with 675 and 605 series, respectively. Bradley was named to the all-OAA first team for a second time and the all-state second team.

"Candycy seized control of the anchor spot at the beginning of the season and became a team leader in only her second year in the program," coach Dennis Hermani said. "She is a young lady we count on to make big shots at the most crucial moments of any baker game or singles match."

"In two years, she has thrown 75 games of 190 or better in the 120 she has bowled and nine games of 240 or better. Her high game this season was a 279; her high series was 514. With those scores, she had the eighth highest game and fourth highest series in the state."

"The sky is the limit for Candycy when it comes to bowling. For the second straight season, she was voted by her teammates as the Most Valuable Bowler in the Farmington-Harrison program."

Rachel Doran, fr., Farm Unified: Doran was named to the all-state second team after an outstanding freshman season. She finished 11th in the qualifying round at the Division 1 state meet, and she was fifth in the regional with a 1,194 score and 199 average.

Doran was the OAA singles champion and the Oakland County singles runner-up to teammate Candycy Bradley. She had a 188 league average and was named to the All-OAA second team.

"This young lady began her career in a big way by winning the OAA singles championship in her first varsity event," Hermani said. "The fast start led to one of

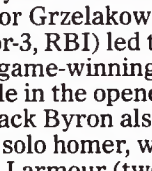


the greatest freshmen seasons in Farmington-Harrison bowling history.

"Her best performance came when she needed it the most. In the final three games at the regional, she bowled games of 245, 200 and 259 for a 704 series. The 245 and 259 games were her highest of the season and were bowled on the most difficult pattern of the year — middle of the road.

"Rachel is a finisher; she places herself in good situations and takes advantage of her talent when she needs it the most. This young lady has a tremendously bright future in bowling."

Jessica Pate, sr., John Glenn: Pate, who will be attending Concordia University with a bowling scholarship beginning in the fall, averaged 187 while earned all-KLAA honors. She placed third at the D1 regional and was a top-16 performer at the individual state tournament. She earned a third-team all-state accolade.



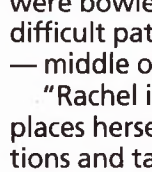
"Jessica has always been a very confident and great lead-off bowler," Cabildo said.

SECOND TEAM
Jenai Teamer, sr., Farm. Unified: Teamer finished her second season on the varsity with a 183 average — an increase of 66 pins from her first year in the program during tryouts as a freshman. With her steady improvement over four years, Teamer earned a full scholarship to Hampton University in Virginia for bowling.

Teamer had a high game of 264 compared to a high of 232 last year. She rolled a high series of 442 at the OAA tournament in the morning qualifying session. She had the sixth highest average in the OAA with a 193 and was named to the all-OAA first team. A repeat member of the all-area second team, Teamer was third in the regional and a state qualifier as a junior.

"In her career on the varsity, Jenai has shot 49 games over 180 in the last two seasons," Hermani said. "While at Hampton, Jenai will not only bowl and bowl well, but she will be pursuing a degree in pre-med."

Christina O'Harris, jr., Wayne: O'Harris enjoyed a dynamite season for the Zebras, mowing down pins to the tune of a 194 average. She placed highly in several tournaments as well as led Wayne to a solid record in the KLAA.



Ashlei Brooks, sr., Mercy: After learning the game as a freshman on the JV team, Brooks became a three-year varsity player. She was the leadoff bowler for two years and moved to the anchor position as a senior.

Brooks was the second-best bowler in the Catholic League with a 174 average and high game of 232. She bowled in every tournament game, averaging 179 with a high game of 246.

Brooks also helped the Marlins win the 2014 league championship, and she was an individual state qualifier this year.

At the regional, Brooks bowled four of the six games at 210 or higher and finished sixth, earning the right to represent Mercy at the state meet.

"Coaches Vicky and Mike Kowalski have enjoyed watching Ashlei improve every year and lead the team in her senior season," Vicky Kowalski said.

Dana Iles, sr., Farm. Unified: Iles, a repeat member of the all-area second team, posted a 172 average in her senior season. A three-year letter winner, she had the 16th highest average in the OAA and was named to the all-league third team.

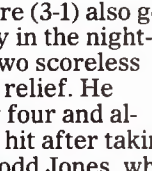
After finishing 11th in the regional and missing the opportunity to bowl in the state meet by one pin last year, Iles was seventh this year with a 199 average and six-game total of 1,192.

"After last year's regional heartbreak, it would have been easy to give up during this year's regional when she was struggling, but Dana is a finisher and finish she did with games of 230 and 202 to capture a place in state singles final," Hermani said. "It is what sports should teach our athletes. If you want something, work extremely hard and never give up."

Iles bowled a high game of 238 and high series of 449. Her best tournament finish was sixth place at the OAA singles tournament. Iles plans to continue bowling at the collegiate level and study chemistry.

Heather Lillystone, jr., Mercy: The left-handed Lillystone was a great lead-off bowler for the Marlins, according to coach Vicky Kowalski. She was the third-best bowler in the Catholic League with a 170 average and high game of 209.

A two-year varsity bowler, Lillystone bowled all but one tournament game, averaging 170 with a high game of 225. She was the runner-up in the league



out seven but was tagged for a three-run homer by the Warriors' Brian Hakes in the first inning. Madonna trailed 3-2 in the bottom of the fourth when the rains came, causing a 55-minute delay before play resumed.

Shane Dokey belted his third homer of the year, and Lamour went 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Crusaders. Zack Byron also went 2-for-3 with an RBI. Ryan Lambrecht added an RBI, also.



Losing pitcher Jared Harvey gave up three earned runs in relief of starter Connor McLaughlin to fall to 2-3 on the year. The loss drops the Warriors to 12-13 overall and 7-4 in the conference.

The second game was called off due to rain.

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COACH OF THE YEAR
Ralph Cabildo, Westland John Glenn

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North Farmington: Emily Zalenko, Julia Rhode, Marissa Brunt, Ashlynn Toles;
Salem: Katherine Kehoe, Leah Boucha;
Plymouth: Lauren Vincent, Jessica Joppich;
Canton: Maranda McMaster, Megan Plave;
Clarenceville: Elizabeth Kerr, Erin Walters;
Ladywood: Kailyn Delonis; Redford Union: Carly Wasielewski.

tournament and earned a place on the all-Catholic team.

"We look forward to Heather leading the team in her senior year as she moves to the anchor position," Kowalski said. "We're confident Heather will reach her goal of making it to the state final after being so close after four games this year."

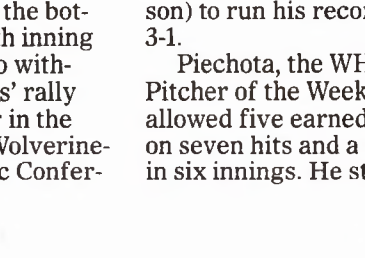
Ashley Kolb, jr., John Glenn: Kolb registered an impressive 182 season average, which was a 19-pin improvement from her sophomore season. The owner of a sterling 3.9 grade-point average, Kolb was a first-team all-KLAA performer and she placed 13th at the regional competition.

"Ashley was the most-improved bowler on the team," noted coach Ralph Cabildo.

Shaelyn Wojewski, jr., Wayne: Wojewski was a key member of an up-and-coming Zebras team as she carved out a solid 171 average.

COACH OF THE YEAR
Ralph Cabildo, John Glenn: Cabildo has orchestrated the building of a perennial powerhouse at John Glenn. The Rockets have racked up a record of 46-0 during his tenure as the head coach. They were ranked No. 1 for most of this past season and finished runner-up in the Division 1 team state tournament last season to Davison.

"These girls have worked very hard on improving their bowling along with their mental game," Cabildo said. "I hope that their dedication and hard work continues throughout their bowling at John Glenn and into the future."



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PREP HOCKEY

CC's Kaleniecki lands hockey job at alma mater

Former U-M player moves over from Divine Child

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

As a former player, Brandon Kaleniecki has now come full-circle after it was announced April 1 that he'll become the new varsity boys hockey coach at Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

The 2000 CC grad replaces Danny Veri, who as interim coach guided the Shamrocks to a 24-5-1 record and their 12th MHSAA state title in school history last month.

The 33-year-old Kaleniecki, who played four seasons at the University of Michigan followed by a career in the minor leagues, spent the past three seasons as the head coach at Dearborn Divine Child, where he compiled an overall record of 42-31-8.

Kaleniecki, who played on back-to-back state championship teams in 1999 and 2000 under Gordie St. John, was one of two finalists for the job interviewed by CC athletic director Aaron Babicz.

"Never in a million years I thought I'd end up back here as the head coach," Kaleniecki said. "And just to be back is such an unbelievable feeling."

Kaleniecki, who grew up in Dearborn before moving to Livonia as a teenager, is confident he can adapt and instill his own philosophy to his alma mater.

"Obviously, what they have in place has been successful," Kaleniecki said. "They've won back-to-back state titles, so the first thing I have to figure out to do is think about is what they've been successful with. The biggest thing with me personally is that we always want a team that is structurally sound as far as fundamental hockey and then, on the other hand, a blue collar-type of work ethic. And I know those are already in place from the previous coaches. I'm fortunate enough to know them and how they've coached them and all the things that they do well."

Kaleniecki becomes the school's fourth varsity coach in four years. "I love his intensity, I love his attention to discipline," Babicz said. "He



U-M ATHLETICS
Former University of Michigan player Brandon Kaleniecki is returning to his alma mater, Novi Detroit Catholic Central, as hockey head coach.

obviously loves Catholic Central, which is a big part of it. The best thing about it is that he is just ridiculously excited to have the opportunity. That, I think for me, is a big part of it because he gets what we're trying to do and he's lived the experience. That's a huge benefit for all of us."

Prior to signing with Michigan, Kaleniecki spent two junior seasons in the North American Hockey League. In 2001-02, he scored 52 goals for the Cleveland Barons and was named the NAHL's MVP.

Kaleniecki scored 64 career goals and added 26 assists in four seasons at U-M, where he helped the Wolverines to one NCAA Frozen Four and three regional tournament appearances, along with two CCHA titles. As a senior (2005-06), he served as the team's alternate captain while earning Big Ten scholar-athlete honors.

Upon graduating from Michigan in 2006, the forward embarked on a career in the East Coast, Central and Interna-

tional hockey leagues, including stints with the Las Vegas Wranglers, Gwinnett (Ga.) Gladiators, Wichita Thunder and Port Huron Icehawks, scoring a total of 49 goals and adding 41 assists.

"Brandon has devoted his life to the game of hockey and the overall development of scholar-athletes both on and off the ice," Babicz said. "The Detroit Catholic Central family is excited, blessed and honored to welcome back Brandon back home to lead his Shamrock brothers."

After retiring from pro hockey, Kaleniecki spent one season as an assistant coach at Grosse Pointe North under Scott Lock (also a CC grad) and was the Shamrocks' assistant for one season for Todd Johnson before taking the job at Divine Child, where he posted records of 16-9-2, 17-9-2 (losing to Division 3 state champ Farmington in the regional final 3-1) and 9-13-4.

Kaleniecki worked two years as an OSD Analyst for Central Transport and will be completing his graduate degree

in education this December at Wayne State University.

With his new coaching job at CC comes intense scrutiny. It comes with the territory of being one of the state's elite prep hockey programs.

"It's a very unique situation to be walking in as a new head coach that's won the last two Division 1 state titles, so certainly there's pressure," Kaleniecki said. "At the same side of it, it's Catholic Central and there's expectations to win. That's the mentality in everything you do. You want to make sure you're doing it to the best of your ability and doing it all in the right way, with how you're carrying yourself and how you're representing your program."

Babicz said he'll leave it up to Kaleniecki to put together his staff.

"He had a couple of CC guys on the staff at Divine Child, two of the former players for us, so I completely trust him and I'm sure he'll put something solid together for the school and the team," he said.

PREP SOFTBALL

Holden homer sparks Wildcats

Plymouth earns victory with four runs in seventh inning

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Wednesday's season opener couldn't have been sweeter for the Plymouth varsity softball team and new head coach Lauren Delapaz.

Plymouth scored four runs in the top of the seventh — three on a homer to center by freshman Whitney Holden — to break a 3-3 deadlock and earn a 7-3 win at South Lyon East.

"She busted it open with a three-run home run," Delapaz said. "She hit it to dead center and put a dent in the scoreboard. It was really exciting."

The Lions had pecked away at an early 3-0 Plymouth lead with single runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings against Wildcats senior starting pitcher Mikayela Marciniak. But it was Marciniak who jump-started the winning rally with a lead-off walk.

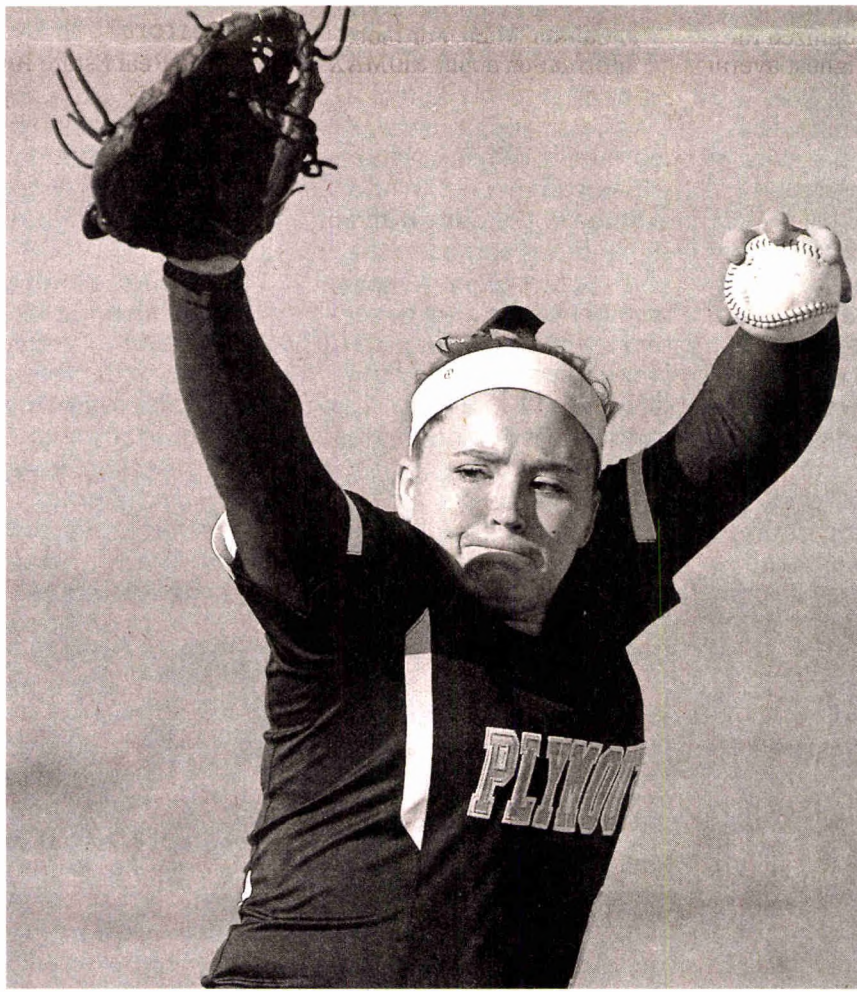
Brittney Miller (2-for-4) then ripped a single to set the stage for Holden's blast.

A fourth run crossed the plate when freshman Jes Tucci scored on the Lions' second passed ball of the inning. Tucci singled, went to second on the first passed ball and moved to third on senior catcher Rachael Ring's sacrifice bunt.

Getting the Plymouth party started in the third inning was freshman Jenny Bressler, who doubled and scored on Holden's sacrifice fly. Bressler scored three times in the KLAA Kensington Conference cross-over contest.

Marciniak was impressive in the circle, striking out seven in a complete-game performance. She also went 3-for-3 at the plate.

Also helping to spark the attack



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Plymouth pitcher Mikayela Marciniak delivers a pitch during the season opener against South Lyon East.

were junior lead-off hitter Rachel Zerona (1-for-4 and on base three times) and junior Cali Jones (2-for-4). "That was a total team win," Delapaz said. "Everyone played their part and everyone worked really hard. "And even when the score was tied

we just went full throttle, we scored four runs to clinch the game."

Plymouth will play again Wednesday, April 15, at Livonia Churchill.

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Plymouth YMCA offering spring sports programs

The Plymouth Family YMCA continues to provide worthwhile recreational opportunities for young boys and girls.

Following is a look at a couple of spring offerings now accepting registrations.

» **Girls volleyball:** Girls ages 8-12 can learn the basics of volleyball and develop new skills. Practices will be held one night during the week, with games each Friday. Spring session begins the week of April 13 and registration is open now. The Y rate is \$96, while non-members can sign up for \$120.

» **Co-ed soccer:** Leagues are forming for boys and girls ages 3-11. YMCA soccer is a great opportunity for children to learn the fundamental skills of soccer in a safe and fun environment. Practices will be held one night during the week, with games each Saturday. Spring session begins the week of April 20 and registration is open now. The Y rate is \$75 or \$100 for community participants.

For more information on these and other programs, contact the YMCA at 734-453-2904 or go to www.ymcadetroit.org/plymouth.

GOLF

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iors all season long for spots in the varsity lineup."

Alles likes his lineup for more than just on-course skills. He noted the squad's collective determination and drive.

"Our boys have started the season with great enthusiasm and appear to be very confident about their chances to win matches and compete at a high level in tournaments this year," he said.

The first test will be April 16 at the Farmington Invitational, at Farmington Hills Golf Course.

Then comes the KLAA Conference tournament April 20 at Walnut Creek Golf Course in South Lyon.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

'Juice Box' Hockey

Arctic Edge Arena on Michigan Avenue in Canton is hosting free hockey and juice boxes to kids ages 4-8 this Saturday, April 11 in the first of a five-week program. Juice Box Hockey continues April 18 and 25 and May 9 and 16. Included will be free equipment, ice time, jerseys, instruction, juice boxes and, most importantly, hockey fun.

The arena is on the south side of Michigan Avenue between Canton Center/Belleville and Beck roads.

MU golfers rule the invade

The Madonna University women's golf team captured its first team tournament title of the spring last week

with a 15-stroke victory in the 12-school University of St. Francis (Ind.) Cougar Invitational held at Cherry Hill and Autumn Ridge golf clubs.

The Crusaders shot a two-day total of 331-332-663, followed by runner-up Davenport University (343-335-678) and third-place finisher University of Northwestern Ohio (336-345-681).

Kelsey Fish of Olivet Nazarene (Ill.) was medalist with a 7-over two-round total of 82-79-161.

MU's Chelsea Collura tied for second place with an 83-80-163.

She was followed by teammates Natalie Blazo, fourth, 80-84-164; Ayla Bogie, tied for seventh, 84-82-166; Jordyn Shepler (Livonia Churchill), tied for 12th, 84-86-166; Holly Laginess, tied

for 24th, 88-87-175; and Becca Porter, tied for 28th, 89-81-180.

The Crusaders return to action Saturday and Sunday in Ohio Wesleyan's Laura Bump Invitational at Mill Creek G.C. in Ostrander, Ohio.

Girasoles 5K run

Novi Detroit Catholic Central High will stage its Soles for Girasoles 5-kilometer charity run-walk beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at Nankin Mills in Westland.

The event will be a fundraiser to benefit a mission trip for the Girasoles Home for abused and abandoned boys in Peru.

Registration and packet pick-up begins at 8 a.m. The kids 12-and-under

1-mile race starts at 8:30 a.m.

The registration fees for the 5K are \$25 in advance or \$30 walk-in. Fees for the kids 12-and-under 1-mile are \$10 in advance or \$15 walk-in.

To register, go to www.A2racemanagement.com. For more information, go to www.scriptureonperu.org.

Reporting results

Local high school athletic coaches are encouraged to report results of their team's contests to *Observer* sports editor Tim Smith at 734-718-5306 or tsmith@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for Thursday editions is 10 p.m. Tuesday. The deadline for Sunday editions is 10 p.m. Friday.

Housing grant to help low-income disabled people

Michigan has been selected to receive more than \$5.5 million in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding to provide affordable rental housing and supportive services to extremely-low income persons with disabilities. The Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) grant application process was a collaborative effort between the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH).

"This is a great opportunity to help create and encourage independence for people with disabilities," Michigan Lt. Gov. Brian Calley said. "These grants will give those who are capable of living on their own the chance to build a home for themselves and their families, ultimately leading to a higher quality of life."

The funding, announced recently, will be administered by MSHDA. A work group consisting of representatives from MSHDA and MDCH will collaborate to identify, refer and support target populations throughout Michigan.

"This grant will help connect hundreds of low-income adults with disabilities to permanent affordable housing and the supportive services they need for a quality life," said Wayne Workman, acting executive director for MSHDA. "I am proud of the way MSHDA and MDCH worked together to identify and apply for this opportunity to help Michigan residents in a comprehensive way."

Closely aligned with Gov.



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Rick Snyder's "River of Opportunity" model for government and service delivery, the grant is intended to provide rental assistance to help prevent unnecessary institutionalization, and in some cases, homelessness.

"Promoting community-based services and systems of care for persons with disabilities is essential to ensuring that all of our residents have the support they need to lead healthy, productive lives," said Nick Lyon, director of the MDCH and interim director of the Department of Human Services. "This grant is a testament to inter-departmental collaboration, and I look forward to continued partnership with MSHDA as we work to provide stable, inclusive environments for those individuals and families

who need it most."

Michigan was one of 25 states selected to receive funding from the Section 811 PRA program. For more information about the Section 811 Supportive Housing program, please visit:

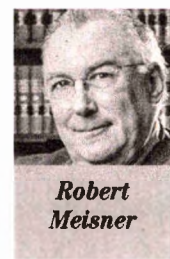
<http://portal.hud.gov>

For more information about housing programs in Michigan, please visit the MSHDA website at www.michigan.gov/mshda

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority provides financial and technical assistance through public and private partnerships to create and preserve decent, affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents and to engage in community economic development activities to revitalize urban and rural communities.

Cuban land sales still nixed for U.S. citizens

Q: With assumed normalization of relations between the United States and Cuba, I am wondering if I can purchase land in Cuba at this point for development purposes as an American citizen?



Robert Meisner

A: You still have to be a Cuban National in order to purchase property, and most Cubans cannot afford to do so. I did meet one Cuban on my recent trip to Cuba who not only owned a house, but a farm. He obviously had connections with the government. However, what is interesting is that many hotels and restaurants are now partially privately owned in Cuba which may open the door for further private investment. Whether the possible normalization of relations between Cuba and the United States leads to investments by American companies and/or interests in Cuba is still debatable. The tobacco industry is "foaming at the mouth" about the opportunity to have relationships with Cuban farmers and the Cuban government. That may be the first area of entry in terms of American direct participation in the Cuban economy.

Q: I want to review my condominium association's books and records to see if it has received bids for repairing the swimming pool. Am I permitted to do this, and if so, how should I do it? Your association must be aware of significant new and extensive changes to the Michigan Nonprofit Act.

A: You are permitted to review these bids if they are

deemed to be for a proper purpose. Whether they are for a proper purpose will depend on the facts. For example, have these bids previously been made available to the members, and if so why do you need to see them again? Is repair of the swimming pool a current issue, or is it something you would like the association to do but it previously decided not to do?

If the facts show you are requesting the bids for a proper purpose, then you should make a written demand for them. In your written demand, you must describe with reasonable particularity both the records sought for inspection, and the purpose of the inspection. The records sought must be directly connected with the proper purpose. A proper purpose is defined as one that is reasonably related to a person's interest as a member.

If inspection is not timely permitted, or if the association imposes unreasonable conditions on the inspection, the member is entitled to seek a court order compelling the inspection. If the court orders inspection of the requested records, it must also order the association to pay the costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by the member to obtain the court order, unless the association proves that it failed to permit the inspection in good faith.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Industry kudos

Carol Boji, broker and owner of RE/MAX Classic, was recently honored at the annual RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan Awards Gala.



Boji

The event was held at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center and celebrated the accomplishments of RE/MAX's highest performers in southeast Michigan.

Boji received the Showcase Award during the event. Showcase Awards are based on agent growth, average yearly commission per agent and

percentage of productive agents. RE/MAX Classic of Canton was recognized for achieving the highest average of agent commissions for an office category of 26 agents or more.

"Carol Boji is an exceptional real-estate professional," said Magnus Sublett, chief executive officer, RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan. "Carol and her team have worked extremely hard over the last year. It is a pleasure to see them rewarded for their efforts."

RE/MAX is one of the leading real estate franchise companies with the most productive sales force in the industry and a global reach of more than 80 countries.

RE/MAX Classic of Canton is located at 42078 Ford Road in Canton, Mich. For more information about RE/MAX Classic, call 888-759-0366 or visit www.detroitmetrorealestate.com.

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional

information.

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-11, near Trenton Road.

Any questions or concerns, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Seminar each Tuesday, Thursday

A free seminar on government-insured reverse mortgages is offered by Colonial Mortgage Corp. at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and at 2 p.m. each Thursday at various locations.

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 10-14, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
31739 Verona Cir	\$281,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
24102 Bingham Pointe Dr	\$235,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1847 Bowers St	\$210,000
2191 Manchester Rd	\$228,000
487 N Eton St # B6	\$120,000
1047 N Old Woodward Ave	\$200,000
411 S Old Woodward Ave Unit 723	\$299,000
1773 Villa Rd	\$237,000
463 W Merrill St	\$875,000
1757 Winthrop Ln	\$433,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4430 Stoneleigh Rd	\$450,000
2049 E Hammond Lake Dr	\$252,000

4110 Echo Rd	\$130,000
4560 Niagara Ln	\$312,000
4566 Tanbark St	\$425,000
4264 Wabeek Lake Dr S	\$335,000
39075 Woodward Ave	\$510,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
3415 Barlyn Ln	\$170,000
1974 Dell Rose Dr	\$509,000
6225 Golfview Dr	\$410,000
1962 Long Lake Shore Dr	\$960,000
199 Marlborough Dr	\$175,000
2970 Middlebury Ln	\$246,000
904 N Reading Rd	\$270,000
3037 Patch Dr	\$306,000
6254 Thorncrest Dr	\$306,000
6216 Worlington Rd	\$360,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
5501 Ford Rd	\$205,000
9510 Garden Ter	\$130,000
9590 Listeria St	\$195,000
3666 Loch Bend Dr	\$261,000
2645 Pinto Dr	\$204,000
FARMINGTON	
23167 Hawthorne St	\$96,000
36801 Heatherton Dr	\$228,000

33194 Maplenut St	\$160,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
32226 Bonnet Hill Rd	\$176,000
27491 Cranbrook Dr	\$210,000
24586 Creekside Dr	\$185,000
27677 Doreen St	\$134,000
26300 Holly Hill Dr	\$195,000
20721 Indian Creek Dr	\$78,000
35970 Johnstown Rd	\$77,000
29089 Kendallwood Dr	\$205,000
24509 Lakeland St	\$155,000
23944 Noble Dr	\$153,000
29793 Palmer Ct	\$188,000
22791 Purdue Ave	\$51,000
28218 Quail Hollow Rd	\$204,000
20915 Robinson St	\$169,000
28038 S Harwich Dr	\$249,000
22520 Vacri Ln	\$305,000
30074 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 113	\$49,000
FRANKLIN	
27315 Gardenway Rd	\$290,000
31055 Woodside Dr	\$315,000
HIGHLAND	
2986 White Oak Bch	\$512,000

LATHRUP VILLAGE	
27877 Rainbow Cir	\$270,000
MILFORD	
3766 N Shoreline Dr	\$828,000
850 Ridgside Dr	\$235,000
1974 Scenic Dr	\$557,000
865 Union St	\$30,000
2725 Wixom Trl	\$143,000
NORTHVILLE	
42109 Roscommon St	\$140,000
NOVI	
24403 Bashian Cir	\$107,000
41532 Belden Dr	\$220,000
27476 Belgrave Pl	\$285,000
25911 Clark St	\$165,000
39460 Country Ln	\$130,000
27570 Cromwell Rd	\$320,000
40005 Crosswinds	\$165,000
26388 Fieldstone Dr	\$305,000
26004 Island Lake Dr	\$470,000
41675 Juniper Cir	\$163,000
40796 Kingsley Ln	\$405,000
24561 Olde Orchard St	\$125,000
40225 Sandpoint Way	\$125,000
SOUTH LYON	

24889 Carriage Ln	\$73,000
24932 Carriage Ln	\$81,000
24953 Carriage Ln	\$73,000
1092 Chestnut Ln	\$295,000
26123 Cornell Dr	\$374,000
971 Oak Creek Dr	\$252,000
61328 Saddlecreek Dr	\$360,000
52365 Trailwood Dr	\$497,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27501 Abington St	\$135,000
20275 Brookshire St	\$125,000
29085 Marshall St	\$108,000
29625 Marshall St	\$130,000
29419 Stellamar Dr	\$203,000
18412 Stratford Dr	\$113,000
28585 Tavistock Trl	\$225,000
WHITE LAKE	
1055 Pinecrest Dr	\$262,000
9115 Southeastern St	\$160,000
9693 Steepollow Dr	\$440,000
1165 Union Lake Rd	\$164,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 1-5, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
43159 Applewood Rd	\$131,000
45485 Augusta Dr	\$351,000
41525 Conner Creek Dr	\$260,000
1756 Crestview Dr	\$246,000
6422 Durham Dr	\$179,000
44555 Fair Oaks Dr	\$190,000
6507 Fox Hills Rd	\$250,000
45599 Hanford Rd	\$260,000
49384 Hawksbury Rd	\$224,000
42828 Keystone Ln	\$153,000
430 Merrimac Rd	\$167,000
45544 Morningside Rd	\$287,000
45169 N Spring Dr	\$260,000
42264 Oakland Dr	\$259,000

1607 Peninsula Ct	\$270,000
41520 Pineridge Ct	\$185,000
45085 Seabrook Dr	\$332,000
42000 South Dr	\$190,000
1201 Terrell Ct	\$210,000
437 W Canford Park	\$355,000
42664 Woodwind Ln	\$299,000
GARDEN CITY	
32365 Bridge St	\$115,000
7041 Helen St	\$44,000
28447 Hennepin St	\$152,000
28620 Krauter St	\$50,000
6517 Lathers St	\$67,000
33723 Marquette St	\$48,000
552 Radcliff St	\$123,000
31204 Sheridan St	\$66,000
LIVONIA	
33727 Angeline Ave	\$225,000
15026 Arden St	\$80,000
19503 Bainbridge Ave	\$195,000
12132 Cavell St	\$85,000
31696 Fairfax St	\$103,000

36172 Fairway Dr	\$58,000
19029 Harrison Ave	\$195,000
19805 Inkster Rd	\$42,000
37958 Lyndon St	\$144,000
31064 Mason St	\$142,000
9351 Merriman Rd	\$120,000
15224 Middlebelt Rd	\$43,000
11316 Milburn St	\$145,000
37100 Mumfield Dr	\$275,000
32466 Pembroke St	\$284,000
17511 Rougeway St	\$144,000
29948 Saint Martins St	\$100,000
38779 Summers St	\$140,000
29027 Sunnydale St	\$182,000
18142 Ventura Ct	\$285,000
32446 Wiconsin St	\$164,000
NORTHVILLE	
51275 7 Mile Rd	\$163,000
17470 Briar Ridge Ln	\$750,000
16410 Brooklane Blvd	\$555,000
16705 Carriage Way	\$156,000
16801 Carriage Way	\$147,000

16963 Highland Ln	\$580,000
42021 Pon Meadow Dr	\$310,000
42649 Savoy Ct	\$120,000
39406 Springwater Dr	\$181,000
15698 Spyglass Dr	\$575,000
16461 Weatherfield Dr	\$306,000
PLYMOUTH	
46284 Barrington Rd	\$283,000
44734 Clare Blvd	\$370,000
650 Herald St	\$475,000
40718 Ivywood Ln	\$200,000
15015 Maplewood Ln	\$236,000
44434 Marc Trl	\$220,000
243 N Mill St	\$195,000
9301 Red Maple Ct	\$285,000
REDFORD	
16296 Delaware Ave	\$130,000
14393 Dixie	\$93,000
26626 Dover	\$92,000
17315 Indian	\$140,000
25505 Ivanhoe	\$40,000
19312 Negaunee	\$36,000

WAYNE	
35139 Ash St	\$44,000
3633 S Hubbard St	\$23,000
WESTLAND	
2600 Barns Dr	\$214,000
28991 Currier Ave	\$103,000
6891 Deerhurst Dr	\$115,000
35841 Fernwood St	\$134,000
37629 Garden Ct	\$83,000
7445 Hartel St	\$109,000
6037 Herbert St	\$38,000
8127 Melvin Ave	\$100,000
2058 Minerva St	\$145,000
2582 Muirfield Dr	\$165,000
8129 N Henry Ruff Rd	\$92,000
32065 Parkwood St	\$40,000
160 Pattingill St	\$65,000
1331 Rahn St	\$82,000
30657 Rustic Ln	\$76,000

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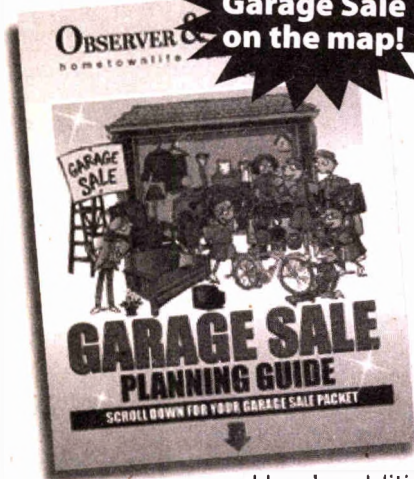
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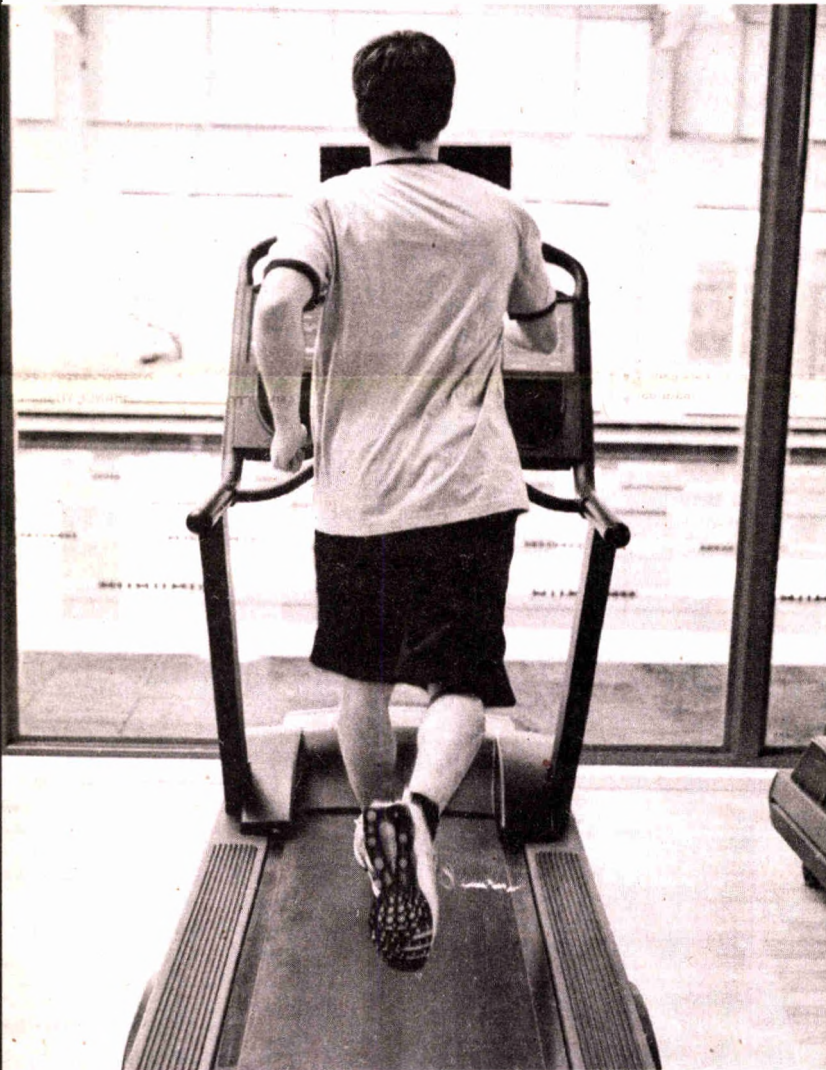
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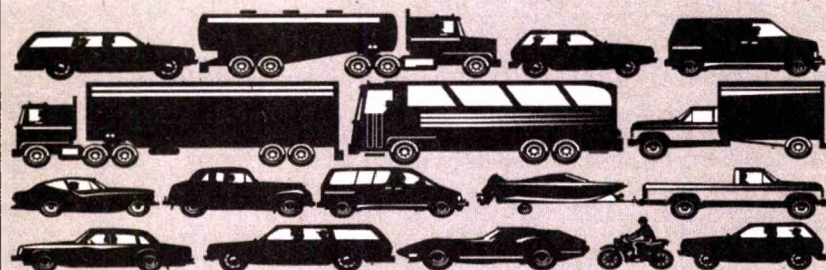
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- 20 Big spread
- 21 Quaint lodging
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- 23 Brush off
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- 54 Bridge-crossing charge
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Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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RELIGION CALENDAR

APRIL BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, April 19
Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

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

Contact: 734-425-4421

COMMONGROUND

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, April 17
Location: Connection Church, 3855 Sheldon, Canton

Details: Join women from more than 30 Detroit-area churches for an evening of worship, inspirational teaching, outreach and free party. The event will include a kitchen shower for The Well of Waterford. To participate, visit the gift registry at Kohl's, Bed, Bath, and Beyond or Target under the name, Dana Bosnack, Well of Waterford director

Contact: Tami@connection-church.info

CONCERT

Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22
Location: Bigby Coffee, 36640 Ford Road, Westland

Details: InsideOut Church of Garden City presents a free concert, "The Evolution of Music," featuring Bobby Gus-

kovit. He'll play music from the 1950s to the present

Contact: 734-983-8376

DISCUSSION SERIES

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14-May 5

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

Details: Series is based on the movie, *Do You Believe?* Discussions aim to challenge participants to focus on what it really means to believe and how they can live out their faith. RSVPs are requested but not required at register@holylivonia.org

Contact: holylivonia.org

FASHION SHOW

Time/Date: 11:45 a.m. auto-graph signing, 12:30 p.m. lunch and fashion show, Sunday, April 12

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Miss Michigan 2014, KT Maviglia, and local titleholders will model their competition evening gowns from the Miss Michigan Scholarship Pageant and the Miss America Pageant. Event includes lunch. Suggested donation is \$15 for adults and \$12 for children, 12 and under. Reservations are required

Contact: Jane Welton at janmw2@att.net

GENEROSITY SEMINAR

Time/Date: 9-10:30 a.m. Sat-

urday, April 25

Location: St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Ron Chewing of Stewardship Advisors presents *Experiencing the Joy of Generosity*

Contact: 734-459-3333

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, April 10

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

Details: The theme is "Cute Crafty Cupcakes." \$5 paid in advance by April 8 or \$6 at the door

Contact: crossroadsnow.org or 248-890-5718

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18

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

Details: Tracee Swank presents "Leading From the Center of God's Will." The workshop aims to help participants understand how to lead effectively, build a culture of leadership in their church based on biblical world views, how to deal with conflict, facilitate meetings, and more. Fee is \$25 and includes refreshments, lunch, workbook, and resource listing. Fee is \$75 for three or more. Register at 734-464-0211 or email register@holylivonia.org

Contact: holylivonia.org

LUNCHEON

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 18

Location: Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia

Details: The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary annual "Swing into Spring" luncheon will feature a brief presentation about The Salvation Army's after-school programs, a silent auction and a performance by the Detroit Temple Corps youth dance team. \$45 per person. Reservations by April 10

Contact: 248-443-5500, Ext. 231

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 17

Location: Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: Rent a table or space and sell your own stuff; tables are \$20. Proceeds to Older, Wiser and Loving Senior Group

Contact: 734-453-5464, Ext. 22

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, April 25 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 26

Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 3065 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Furniture, home and kitchen items, clothing, books, toys, antiques, dishes, collectibles, along with a bake sale. Proceeds of sale and donations benefit Vista Maria

Contact: 734-427-1414

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 30, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, May 1, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 2

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

Details: Admission for Thursday's preview sale is \$2. Bag sale (\$3) and half-price sale are on Saturday. Bags will be provided

Contact: 734-464-0211

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Thursday, April 16

Location: St. Genevieve Catholic School, 28933 Jamison, Livonia

Details: Preschool 3- and 4-year-olds; kindergarten through grade 8. Tours available any day on request in addition to the open house

Contact: 734-425-4420

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 Haggerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberger 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 in-

tercession, 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: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbsm.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: Ethan 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@dwuo.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, 14 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

SONG CIRCLE

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 translation 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.metrofibro-group.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.oo.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 Church

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

Contact: 734-637-7618

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Show about bongo-playing, brilliant physicist takes stage in Plymouth

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Theoretical physicist Richard Feynman won a Nobel Prize in 1965 for his work in quantum electrodynamics (QED).

That's all the science you need to know to understand and enjoy Barefoot Productions' upcoming show, *QED*. The play, focusing on a day in Feynman's life, was written by Peter Parnell and originally premiered in 2001 in Los Angeles, Calif., with Alan Alda in the lead role.

Barefoot Productions will stage *QED* at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 12, at 240 N. Main, Plymouth. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for students, available at justgobarefoot.com or at the door.

Steve Sedore of Plymouth plays the brilliant and eccentric physicist in this one-man show that also includes an appearance by Jenna Hinton of Farmington Hills as a graduate student. The play is set in 1986 — two years before Feynman's death — in his office at California Institute of Technology where he spent most of his teaching career. Feynman talks to the audience about his work on the atomic bomb, the theory of quantum electrodynamics, and his discovery of defective rubber O-rings in the 1986 Challenger space shuttle explosion.

"You don't need to know science at all. The deepest he goes into science is he talks about light reflecting off a mirror and light passing through a piece of glass," said Mike Cuba, director. "A deep, working knowledge of science

is not a requirement.

"He's a storyteller. That's one of the reasons I love this guy. Carl Sagan did the same thing, Mr. Wizard did the same. They are explainers of science."

Cuba can relate to Feynman's presentation style. The Livonia resident taught high school chemistry in Detroit before his retirement 10 years ago and often used storytelling to explain concepts — "especially the stuff you can't see" — to his students.

Achievements, challenges

Cuba wanted to direct *QED* after seeing it for the first time years ago in Benzie, while on vacation in northwest Michigan.

"I was completely blown away by the show. The guy who played Feynman didn't look anything like him and he didn't sound like him, but he was Feynman," Cuba said. "In the first part of the play he talks about his achievements. In the second part he's battling cancer. He's already had three operations and lost one kidney."

The audience also learns about the lighter side of the Feynman's life, too. He loved to play bongo drums and act in university plays.

"He tells a story about being in Los Alamos working on the bomb ... to relieve stress he did two things. He played the drums and he picked locks. He broke into almost every locked cabinet on the base."

Portraying Feynman

Cuba cast the play without auditioning actors. He directed Sedore in *Arsenic and Old Lace* and *Rehearsal for Murder* at Spotlight Players. He knew Sedore, had both the energy and ability to memorize lines for a one-man show.



Steve Sedore of Plymouth portrays the bongo-playing, Nobel Prize-winning physicist Richard Feynman in "QED" at Barefoot Productions, Plymouth.

"It was a no-brainer. I knew he could handle it," Cuba said.

"The play is fascinating to me. I've essentially watched it 20 times, (as director) and it's still fascinating. That's partially the topic and Steve's ability to engage in the story. He becomes Feynman when he talks."

But finding an audience for a one-man show can be challenging, especially if the main character is not a household name.

"There are one-man shows with Mark Twain and Will Rogers. Not everyone knows who Richard Feynman was. The recognition factor is the biggest hurdle."



Mike Cuba



Physicist Richard Feynman, played by Steve Sedore of Plymouth, talks to grad student Miriam Field, played by Jenna Hinton of Farmington Hills.

GET OUT! CALENDAR

ANIMALS

DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily

Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$10 for senior citizens 62 and older, and for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and parking

Senior Day: Seniors, 62 and older in the tri-county area and a caregiver get free admission and parking, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 29. Includes music, tram ride, bingo and zookeeper talks

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS

GALLERY@VT

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public events, through April 29

Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "Pieces of Life," celebrates glass making with works by members of the Mosaic Artists of Michigan

Contact: 734-394-5300; cantonvillage-theater.org

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday through April 25

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: Pastel Invitational Exhibition with works by seven pastel artists

Contact: 248-344-0497

CALL FOR ENTRIES

REEL MICHIGAN FILM FESTIVAL

Time/Date: Entry deadline is April 17; film festival screening is June 20

Location: Screening at the Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville

Details: The Festival is accepting Michigan-made or Michigan-themed short films, less than 20 minutes. Entry form is available at northvillearthouse.org/special-events/reel-michigan/

Contact: reelmichigan@gmail.com

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9; 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11

Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Travis Howze; tickets are \$12 for show only or \$25 for show and a dinner on Thursday; \$16 for show or \$29 for show and dinner, Friday-Saturday

Open mic: Each comedian gets five minutes of stage time. Open mic begins at 8 p.m. every Tuesday. Call the box office Tuesday through Thursday, to get



A Splash of Martin, by Renee Spears, is among the mosaic pieces on exhibit through April 29 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

SUBMITTED

on the performer list

Contact: 734-261-0555; catchthefunny.com

KICKER'S ALL-STAR BAR & GRILL

Time/Date: 9 p.m. Friday, April 10

Location: 46555 Michigan Ave., Canton

Details: He Said She Said, an open forum on such topics as religion, finances and dating, is for ages 21 and over and is hosted by Opio & Stacy; \$10 at the door. A standup comedy showcase featuring Smokey Suarez, Coolaid, and Martez Jackson follows

Contact: Gordon Dooley at 734-560-7018

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9 and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11

Location: Fourth and Troy streets in downtown Royal Oak

Details: John Caparulo; tickets \$25 Thursday, \$30 Friday-Saturday

Contact: 248-542-9900; info@ComedyCastle.com

THE MIX THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. April 18

Location: 8 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti

Details: Mark Sweetman, veteran headliner and professional comic, will host an evening of professional comedy with guests Ruben Ruben, Darnell Anderson, Mike Evitts, Shelly Smith, and Mike Szar. Admission \$10. Tickets online or call 734-985-0875 to pay at the door

Also playing: The Laugh Riot Dolls, founded by Heather Kozlakowski, perform at 9 p.m. April 17. All seats \$10

Contact: emergentarts.com,

FILM

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11; 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, April 12; 7 p.m. Thursday, April 16

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: *Still Alice*; admission \$3

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penn-theatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. April 17-18 and 1 p.m. April 19

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit

Details: *Gone With The Wind*, with appearances by Mickey Kuhn who played Beau Wilkes in the film and Kathleen Marcaccio the "Gone With The Wind Answer Lady"; \$7. Special meet-and-greet, 4:30 p.m. April 18 with Marcaccio and Kuhn, includes desserts and preferred seating for Saturday's show; \$25

Contact: 313-898-1481 for additional information

HISTORY

KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through May 3

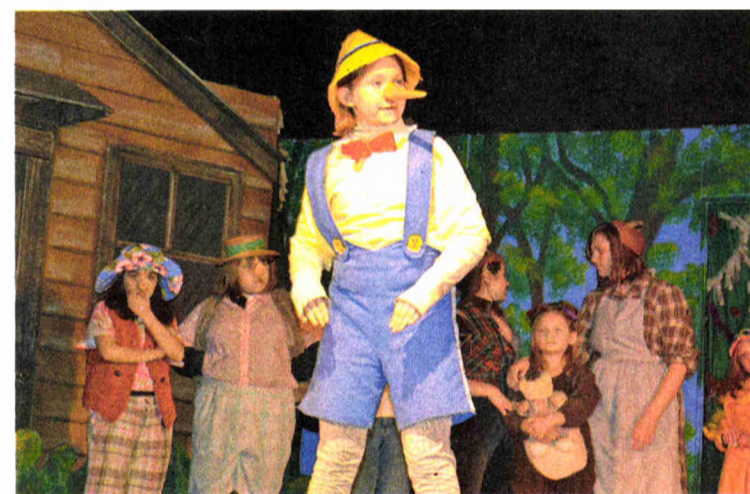
Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

Details: "Death Dogs: The Jackal Gods of Ancient Egypt," features approximately 40 artifacts, some never before displayed, along with archival photographs and explanatory graphics

Family day: 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 11, includes special tours in the galleries, and mummy-themed arts and crafts

Drop-in tour: Anna Volante, Near Eastern Civilizations & Anthropology major, leads a tour 2 p.m. Sunday, April 12, starting at the Museum's Maynard Street entrance

Contact: 734-764-9304



Ava Savageau portrays Pinocchio in the Motor City Youth Theatre production of "Shrek the Musical, Jr."

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: "Creative Hands: Busy Hands" runs through June 14. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17

Contact: 734-455-8940

MUSIC

BASELINE FOLK SOCIETY

Time/Date: Sign up for open mic from 6:15-6:45 p.m.; show runs 7-9:30 p.m., third Saturday of the month through May

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

Details: \$5 at the door.

Contact: BFSpresident@aol.com

BLUES@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: On Tuesday, April 14, The Boa Constrictors will perform. Bring your dancing shoes. \$5 donation

Contact: 734-453-1780 for additional information

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

Time/Date: 8 p.m. April 11

Location: Seligman Center for Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills

Details: Violinist Daniel Hope, violist Paul Newbauer, cellist David Finckel and pianist Wu Han come together for an evening of piano quartets. Tickets are \$30-\$60 for adults and \$15-\$30 for students

Contact: 248-855-6070; chambermusic-detroit.org

JAZZ@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday

of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Johnny Trudell Quartet performs April 28. \$10 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres

Contact: 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com for additional information

Michigan Philharmonic

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. April 11

Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "Springtime Swan Song" showcases music from Carter Pann Ernest Bloch and Tchaikovsky. Cellist Norman Fischer joins the Orchestra for a performance of *Schelomo - Hebraic Rhapsody for Cello and Orchestra* by Bloch. Tickets are \$30 general admission, \$25 for seniors, age 62 and over, and \$10 for students with ID

Contact: michiganphil.org; 734-451-2112

THE MIX STUDIO THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. April 11

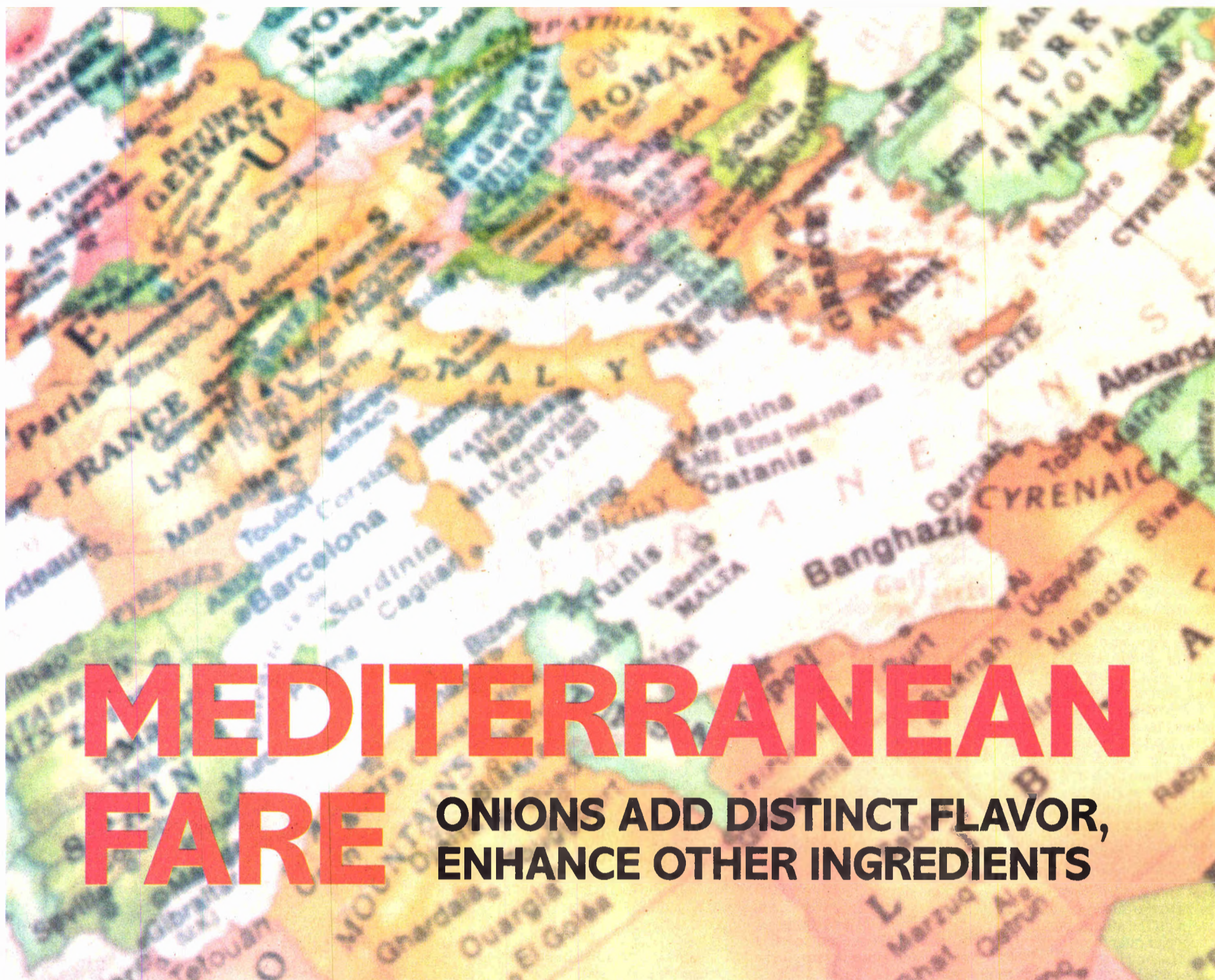
Location: 8 N. Washington Street, Ypsilanti

Details: Rollie Tussing, master of the slide guitar and raggedy folk, performs. Admission is \$10. Pay online or call 734-985-0875 for pay-at-the-door reservations

Also playing: Ann Dahl and Brandon Scott, along with special guests, present "British Invasion: The Best of the Brits."

Admission: \$10

Contact: emergentarts.com for additional information



MEDITERRANEAN FARE

ONIONS ADD DISTINCT FLAVOR, ENHANCE OTHER INGREDIENTS

When entertaining calls for some flavorful inspiration, look to the fresh and abundant offerings of Mediterranean cuisine. Inspired by its coastal origins, traditional Greek dishes feature a colorful collection of fruits, vegetables, grains, legumes and grilled fare. Whether you're serving friends with a themed event or simply enjoying a homemade meal with the family, delicious Greek cuisine is perfect for sharing with those you love.

From raw to roasted, pickled to caramelized, the onion is one of the most versatile vegetables, and is commonly found among the many fresh flavors of this fare. When you cook with the mighty onion, you also serve a good source of vitamin C. The growers and shippers of the Idaho-Eastern Oregon Onion Committee and the National Onion Association offer the following tips about onions:

- » One large onion, diced equals about 1 cup fresh and ½ cup cooked.
- » Grill and saute onions over low to me-

dium heat. This will bring out a savory, sweet, mellow flavor. High heat can cause the onion to taste bitter.

- » Store onions in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place with minimal exposure to light.
- » Keep peeled and cut onions in a sealed container in the refrigerator for seven to 10 days.

For more tips and ideas to add flavor to your outdoor celebrations, visit www.onions-usa.org and www.usaonions.com.

Courtesy of Family Features



TURKEY AND ONION MEATBALL KEBABS WITH YOGURT DIPPING SAUCE

Servings: 6 large or 9 small kebabs

1 tablespoon cumin seed
1 cup plain yogurt
1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
1 tablespoon chopped chives
¼ teaspoon honey
¼ teaspoon salt
1 pound ground turkey
3 cloves garlic, chopped
2 teaspoons lemon zest
¼ teaspoon kosher salt
¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 large yellow onion, peeled and cut in thin wedges
1 green pepper, cut into 1-inch dices
12 cherry tomatoes

Heat small pan over medium heat. Add cumin seeds to toast. Stir frequently, for about 3 minutes or until seeds are fragrant and slightly browned. Remove seeds to spice grinder or mortar and pestle; grind to moderately fine powder.

In medium bowl, combine yogurt, cilantro, chives, honey, salt and 1 teaspoon ground toasted cumin. Cover and refrigerate at least 1 hour.

In second medium bowl, combine turkey, garlic, lemon zest, salt, cayenne and 1 teaspoon ground toasted cumin; mix gently but thoroughly. Shape into 18 1 ½-inch meatballs. Preheat grill. On metal skewers (or bamboo skewers soaked in water 30 minutes), thread meatball, onion wedge, pepper square and cherry tomato. Repeat. Finish skewer with another meatball and onion wedge.

Grill until meatballs reach internal temperature of 160°F, turning as needed. Serve immediately with dipping sauce.

For mini-skewers, use 2 meatballs, 2 onion wedges, 1 cherry tomato and 1 pepper square on each skewer.



LENTIL SALAD WITH MARINATED ONIONS, ROASTED TOMATOES AND OLIVES

Servings: 6-8

2-3 medium tomatoes cut into eight wedges
1 (9.5-ounce) jar whole, pitted Greek olives, drained
4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
8 thyme sprigs, leaves removed
Sea salt
1 ½ cups lentils
½ medium red onion, thinly sliced
1 ½ tablespoons red wine vinegar
2 garlic cloves, pressed
1 medium cucumber, chopped
1 (12-ounce) jar artichoke hearts, sliced
¼ cup parsley, chopped
3 tablespoons chives, chopped
½ cup crumbled feta
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Fresh ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 400°F. On medium-sized baking sheet lined with parchment paper, arrange tomatoes skin side down. Add drained olives to pan; drizzle with 1 tablespoon olive oil and balsamic vinegar. Sprinkle with thyme leaves and sea salt. Roast for 20 minutes. Remove from oven and cool completely.

Cook lentils according to package directions, approximately 20 minutes.

While lentils are cooking, place red onion in small bowl. Pour red wine vinegar over onions and sprinkle with sea salt. Stir and let stand at room temperature while lentils are cooking.

When lentils finish cooking, drain if needed. In large bowl, combine lentils, marinated red onion, garlic and remaining olive oil. Mix well and cool completely. When cool, combine rest of ingredients with lentils. Serve cold.



ORANGE, MINT AND ONION SALAD

Servings: 6

3 navel oranges
½ sweet yellow onion, peeled and thinly sliced
¼ cup fresh mint leaves, torn
¼ cup black olives, oil cured, pitted
Vinaigrette:
½ cup cider vinegar
2 tablespoons honey
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon salt
¼ cup canola oil

For salad, cut top and bottom off each orange so it sits flat on cutting surface. Remove peel and pith (white part) by taking sharp knife and running it down sides of orange from top to bottom, following shape of each orange. Slice oranges into rounds. Arrange slices, overlapping each other slightly, on large platter. Scatter onion, mint and olives over oranges.

For vinaigrette, whisk vinegar with honey, mustard, cinnamon and salt. Slowly add oil while whisking constantly, until well combined.

Drizzle vinaigrette over salad and serve immediately.

Note: Any leftover dressing can be stored, tightly covered, in refrigerator for up to 5 days.