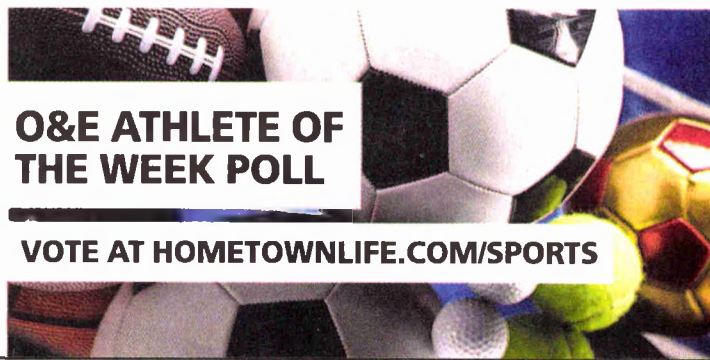


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Parents: School buses overcrowded and students are being put at risk

P-CCS officials working on glitches with contractor Durham

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

When they realized that Plymouth-Canton school buses were overcrowded, with students sitting on the floor, a number of Canton parents joined together to share a car-pool to get their kids to and from school this past week.

"I've seen enough of it," said parent Mike Scopone, who lives near the former Allen Elementary, adding there is video available of kids sitting three to a seat and some on the bus floor.

When students participating in cross country at East Middle School are finished for the season, Scopone anticipates

that's another 160 who will need to hop on a school bus.

"God help us if one of these buses gets into an accident," Scopone said.

That's just one of his concerns. The other is that arrival and departure times for the buses have changed — almost daily — since the start of school Sept. 8. "We were never

notified of the changes," Scopone said.

Aware of concerns and complaints about the transportation system, provided to the district under contract by Durham School Services, P-CCS officials say they are on it. "We understand that there are concerns with long bus waits and overcrowding," Superintendent Michael Meissen said. "We are working directly with

Durham to ensure solutions to these concerns."

A number of issues have added to the busing problem, including road construction and boundary changes. "We want to be open and transparent with the community," said Nick Brandon, P-CCS community relations director.

To that end, Durham's per-

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The new Rosenbauer Cobra aerial apparatus is a demonstrator model. It should be in service in late October or early November.

Long reach: Fire department gets new \$800K aerial truck

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Plymouth and Northville are sharing the cost of the biggest piece of firefighting equipment either city has purchased in decades.

The new aerial bucket truck with a 101-foot boom, to be used for high rescues and pouring water from above on fires in multi-story buildings, is being prepped in South Dakota for use by the Northville City Fire Department, which also serves Plymouth.

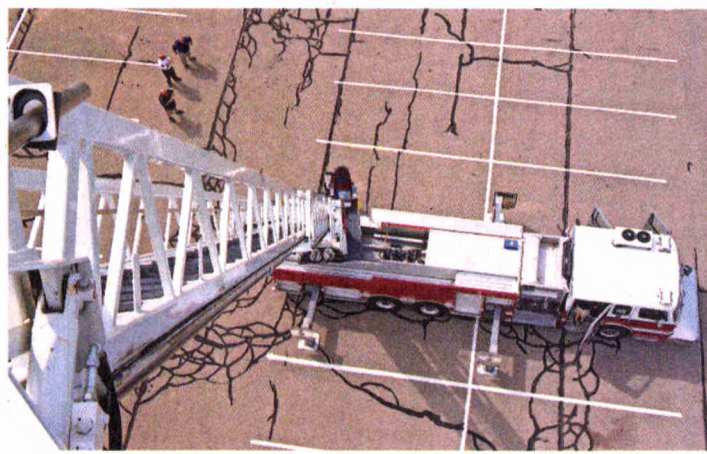
The 2015 Rosenbauer Cobra, a demonstrator model, came at a discounted

price of \$807,423. Similar trucks, new and unused, can sell for more than \$1 million.

"It's one of those pieces of equipment that you hope you don't have to use it, but when you do, you really need it," Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock said.

"This is one of the most expensive pieces of firefighting equipment you can buy," Fire Chief Steve Ott said. "The partnership allows us to save some significant money."

Plymouth made a down payment of \$200,000 on the



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The ladder and bucket extend 101 feet.

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PARC open house to show off changes at former school

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

The Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex committee, or PARC, will showcase its headquarters with an open house Thursday evening.

The open house at 650 Church Street in Plymouth, the former Central Middle School, is 6:30-8:30 p.m.

PARC president Don Soenen said he wants to show off improvements made to the former school building and introduce PARC's 10 tenants, which include arts organizations, athletic programs, a music teacher and even a rock 'n' roll academy, to the community.

"We've really got some momentum right now and I want to keep that going," Soenen said.

In the three months since the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district closed Central, PARC has hosted swimming programs, tennis clinics, stage productions, music lessons and football games.

The Plymouth Steelers youth football organization uses the site, as well as Our Lady of Good Counsel Grade School, which has consolidated all its athletic programs there.

"I have no more gym time during the week. I am booked up solid," Soenen said. The Plymouth Cruisers youth swimming program uses the pool, while swimming lessons have been offered since June.

'Lot of synergy'

Arts organizations - PARC houses the Michigan Philhar-

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Plymouth-Canton district enrollment stabilizing; drops less

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

With the latest student count in hand, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Michael Meissen sees this school year's enrollment stabilizing.

"It is a snapshot," Meissen said.

Student counts were taken this week on the sixth day of



Meissen

school — following the post-Labor Day start — that indicates the district has 107 additional students, an increase over what was projected for the new school year. Official state counts will occur in October in all public schools.

When the numbers are sifted, the district has lost 22 fewer students this year compared to last year. "That's way more stable," Meissen said.

School officials typically prepare for a new school year, not only with the district budget, but teacher assignments and other resources using only projected student counts. "We don't know until kids show up," Meissen added.

Preschool enrollment this year also increased by 50 students, said Nick Brandon, P-CCS community relations director. Plus, some 8,000 students have been shifted among schools in the district, due to boundary redistricting.

In the past five years, P-CCS — as in many other school districts — have been losing students each year. In 2010-11, the district had 18,627 students

enrolled. By the next year, enrollment dropped to 18,195. In 2012-13, enrollment was at 17,790 and continued to drop in 2013-14 when it was 17,406 and finally 17,128 last year, according to information provided by the district.

School officials just might see light at the end of the tunnel because, this year, the de-

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truck, while Northville put down about \$148,000. The proportion was based on the percentage of NCFD runs to each community. The balance is being financed.

The Cobra was in Plymouth last week, as it had been in the region as part of its demonstration tours, Sincock said. It is now back in South Dakota, where the manufac-

turer, Rosenbauer America, is adding equipment extras included in the purchase, giving it a thorough inspection and detailing and branding it for use by NCFD, Ott said. The chief expects delivery in late October or early November.

Replacement truck

The truck will replace Plymouth's aerial truck, which went into service in 1980. Northville had an aerial truck of a similar age that was taken out of service recently.

Ott said the aerial truck will respond to structure fires for extra support, even if the full reach of its 101-foot boom isn't needed.

The truck will be based in Plymouth, going between the NCFD's Station 2, which is next to Plymouth City Hall, and Station 3 on Spring Street in Old Village.

The height of the bay doors at each of those stations, Sincock said, is too low to accommodate the new truck, but work is currently being done to

raise that height. Funding for that work, \$26,486, was approved by the Plymouth City Commission last month.

The fire station in Northville doesn't have a deep enough bay to house the truck.

Once the truck is delivered, firefighters will have to train on it, so the current 35-year-old aerial truck won't be taken out of service immediately. No decision has been made about how to dispose of the older truck, Sincock said.

PARC

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monic, the Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, a pottery group, a youth theater company and more – find a particular advantage in locating there, Soenen said.

"They feel there is a lot of synergy involved in putting these organizations in one facility," he said. "It brings a lot of

traffic into that single location, so everyone gets exposed to everyone else's operations."

Many of the arts organizations have renovated and updated their spaces within PARC, Soenen said, turning classrooms into offices with new paint, flooring, carpeting and furniture.

Thursday's open house will start in the building's cafeteria with brief remarks by Soenen and the introduction of repre-

sentatives from the building's tenants, who will talk about what their organizations do. Tours of the building will be given every 10 minutes starting around 7 p.m.

Soenen said PARC has been a success so far because it's renting space to the arts and athletic tenants to pay its bills.

But the committee's long-term plans are to gain status as a taxing authority and ask voters

in the area for a tax that would raise money to renovate and improve the building and its athletic fields. A tax of up to 1 mill, or \$1 for every \$1,000 of a property's taxable value, has been discussed.

The site is being purchased from the school district for PARC's use for \$3.3 million by Mark and Patty Malcolm of Plymouth, who made the first installment, a \$1.5 million payment, in June.



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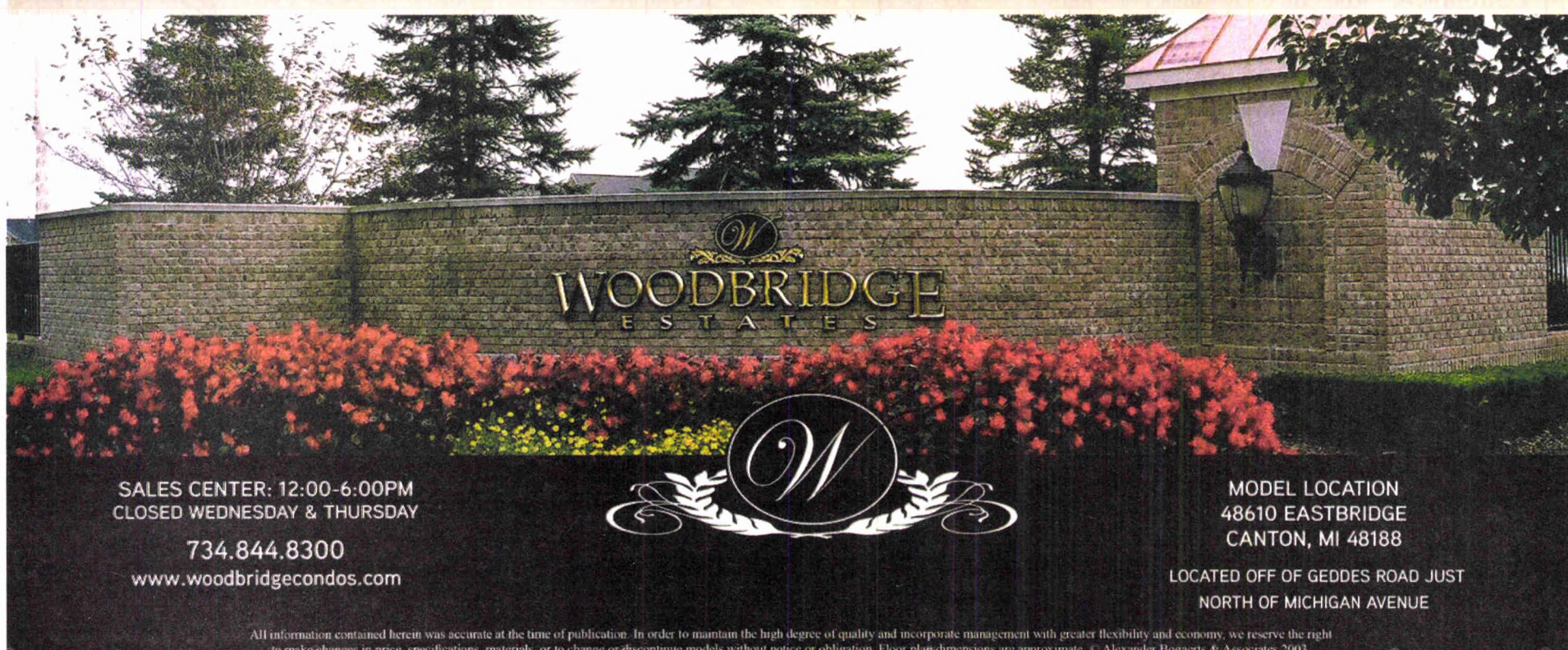
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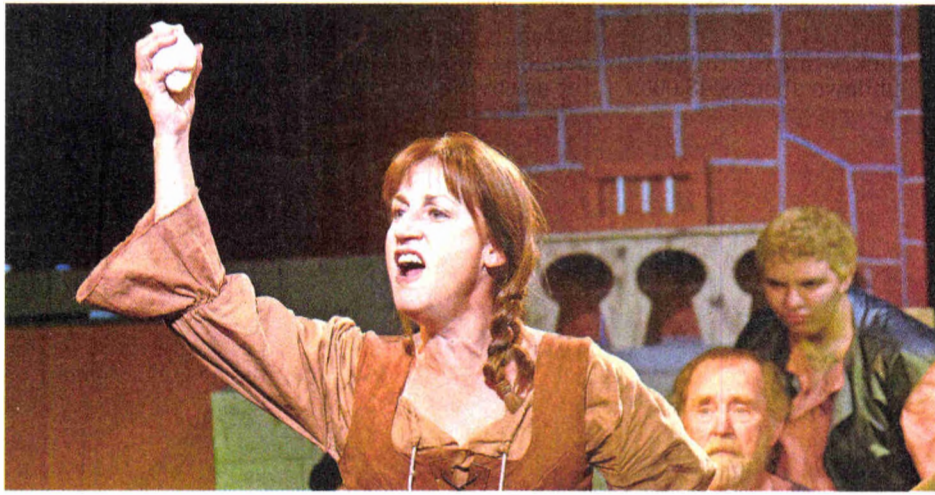
Having achieved his own "impossible dream," Craig A. Hane is bringing to the stage the musical that introduced that phrase to the world.

Hane's Barefoot Productions – he is the founder and artistic director – opened its 10th season Friday with *Man of La Mancha*, a musical inspired by Miguel de Cervantes and his classic 17th-century novel *Don Quixote*.

Hane, with the support of a group of friends and actors, opened Barefoot in October 2006. The nonprofit theater is at 240 N. Main in Plymouth.

Man of La Mancha, written by Dale Wasserman and with music by Mitch Leigh and lyrics by Joe Darion, is Barefoot's first musical. The 1965 Broadway production won several Tony awards, including for best musical.

The show features



Anne Morgan of Livonia plays Dulcinea.

classic songs such as *I, Don Quixote*, *Dulcinea* and *The Impossible Dream* (also called *The Quest*). Barefoot's production is co-directed by Hane and Mike Cuba, while Hane is also the scenic designer and lighting engineer.

Principals in the cast include Butch Plague of Canton Township as Cervantes/Don Quixote, Ann Morgan of Livonia as Aldonza/Dulcinea and Jonathon Wennstrom of Canton as Sancho Panza, Quixote's "squire."

Man of La Mancha

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Butch Plague is Don Quixote, the Knight of the Woeful Countenance, in Barefoot Productions' season opener, "Man of La Mancha." Plague is a Canton resident.

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continues through Sunday, Oct. 4. Shows are at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. All seats are \$20.

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formance will be posted daily on the school district's website. "That is so families and the community can follow the progress," Brandon added.

Progress reports are already on the site at <http://www.pccs.k12.mi.us/>. Additionally, Durham officials and Meissen have posted open letters on the site regarding transportation glitches. As the contractor, Meissen said, Durham will be reviewed based on performance.

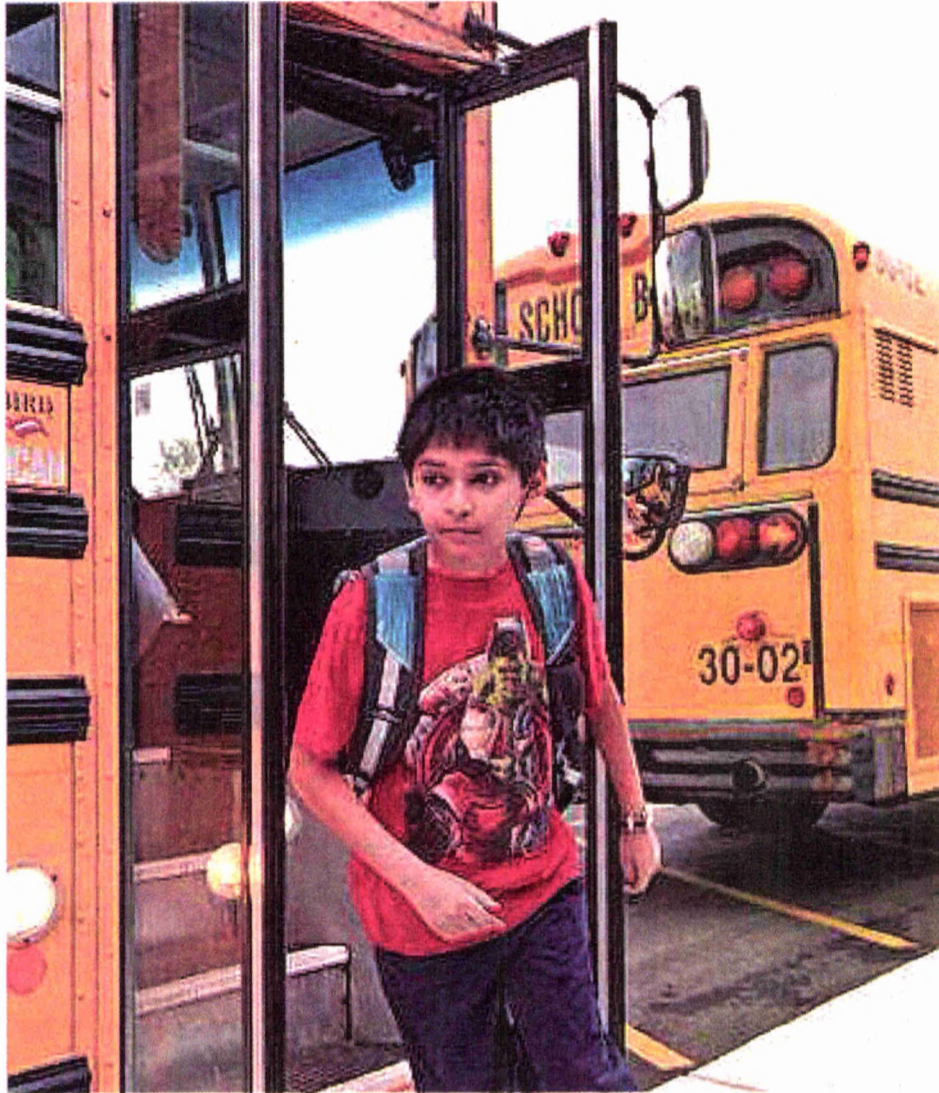
Meanwhile, Beth Hurley is one of those parents who has taken her middle school son off the bus. She has joined with other parents near her home — across from Workman Elementary — in a carpool to take them to Pioneer Middle School.

"My son is the last pickup (and dropoff). He has been sitting on the floor of the bus," Hurley said.

In an online message to the community, Durham officials addressed the overcrowding issue: "As for the idea of bus overcrowding, we adhere to the federal and manufacturer standards and we do not exceed the number of passengers allowed on each bus; however, we are working hard to find a solution that places fewer students on each bus."

While Durham is the contractor, the school district remains the owner of the buses, which include a total of 117 with 84 on regular routes and 54 for special education students.

Hurley recalled the public discussions on redistricting school boundaries when parents told the Board of Education that the new plans would have a negative impact on the bus system. "We're told that wasn't true. They made



Parents are concerned about overcrowding and the timeliness of school buses.

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us kind of seem like we were crazy," she said.

Like Scopone, Hurley has tried to contact Durham School Services. At one point, she managed to get through to the company's customer service department, with an employee telling her someone would return her call.

"No one ever returned my call," Hurley said.

Brandon, however, said that Durham has reported to school officials that they are now responding. "If someone is not immediately available, parents need to leave a message," he said.

Last year, when the district used two vendors

to provide bus services, plenty of problems and concerns arose. This year, the district is contracting solely with Durham School Services, which was one of the two used last year. Durham is responsible for management, operation and drivers.

Meanwhile, parents whose children are on overcrowded buses or are late arriving to and from school are hoping changes will be made that ensure the safety of their children. "I am not angry with the bus drivers," Scopone said.

Meissen and Brandon said officials will continue working with Durham to smooth out the

glitches and ensure students are safe and taken to school on time.

"It is not uncommon for there to be a few glitches during school start-up and, in addition to running 116 routes and transporting more than 10,000 students each day, one of the changes that we have had to take into consideration this year is redistricting, which has required Durham to make adjustments," according to the Durham statement.

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Pagan hosts town hall forum on education

State Rep. Kristy Pagan has announced she is sponsoring a community conversation to spur discussion and seek input from residents about the state of education in Michigan.

The event, free and open to the public, is set for 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 21, at the Canton Township board room, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

"Advocating for a strong education plan locally and making Michigan a top 10 education state in the country continues to be my top priority," Pagan, D-Canton, said in a statement, adding she hopes residents will attend the town hall forum.

The town hall is expected to feature guests from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district:



Pagan

Superintendent Michael Meissen, Board of Education Treasurer Sheila Paton

and Discovery Middle School teacher Adrienne Quinn. They will share their perspectives on education in P-CCS and in Michigan, plus audience members will be given the opportunity to ask questions and suggest discussion topics.

Meanwhile, Pagan encourages residents to sign up for her email updates, which provide information about her work in Lansing and in the community. To sign up, go to www.pagan.houseedems.com. Residents also can contact Pagan in her Lansing office at 517-373-2575.

Sacred Heart hires new admissions director

The Academy of the Sacred Heart has announced that Kris Sanders of Canton has been hired as admissions director, overseeing recruitment and retention for all age levels, infancy through Grade 12.

Sanders most recently served as director of admissions, marketing and operations for Ladywood High School in Livonia. She is also an accomplished varsity field hockey and lacrosse coach; among her many honors, she was inducted into the Catholic League Hall of



Sanders

Fame in 2013. Sanders is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Indiana

(Pa.) University. "I am thrilled that Kris has joined us," Head of School Sister Bridget Bearss said. "She has extensive leadership and admissions experience and brings great enthusiasm and energy for our mission and vision for the future."

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Michigan's first lady at Schoolcraft to promote safe sleep for infants

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

When Shareece Lee got a call regarding her daughter after getting off work several years ago, she knew something was horribly wrong.

Her husband said their daughter was blue and not responding and he was trying to talk to 9-1-1 as well to get help. Their daughter Layla would later be declared dead, a loss Lee said was preventable had she known more about safe sleep methods for infants.

"I was about 30 minutes away," said Lee, a Roseville resident and recent Schoolcraft College graduate. "I'm the nurse. I'm the one who should be able to handle this. But I couldn't get to my child."

"This did not have to happen to my daughter."

Lee was introduced during a presentation at the Infant Safe Sleep Forum: Community Conversations & Collaborations event held Tuesday at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center in Livonia. The event was held to help increase awareness of safe ways to put children down for sleep. Some of those methods include: having the baby sleep alone on



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Michigan first lady Sue Snyder speaks Tuesday afternoon at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

their back, having them sleep in their own crib on a firm mattress, and without toys or blankets surrounding them.

The event was held in conjunction with Safe Sleep Awareness Month.

Michigan first lady Sue Snyder, who introduced Lee to the audience Tuesday, said she knows that losing a child

affects not just the parents, but extended families and entire communities. She said too many times, a parent thinking they are helping their child can instead lead to tragedy.

"I'm sure all mothers can agree: it's hard to imagine the loss of a child," she said. "Especially a loss that is 100-



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Shareece Lee speaks Tuesday at Schoolcraft College.



DAVID VESELENAK
Michigan first lady Sue Snyder talks about safe sleep for infants. Snyder gave a short address during an event on safe sleep Tuesday at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

percent preventable. "It is on each of us to encourage everyone we know to use safe-sleep practices. Not just this

month, but always." She said there were 142 infant deaths in Michigan in 2013 related to unsafe sleeping condi-

tions, and that number could increase as figures roll in from 2014 and 2015.

Gov. Rick Snyder signed the Infant Safe Sleep Act in 2014, which requires hospitals and health professionals to provide parents readily available information and educational materials regarding infant safe sleep practices following the birth of a child. The materials must also explain the risks associated with unsafe sleep environments.

More information on safe sleep for infants can be found on the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services website.

Lee said while it is tough telling the story of the loss of her daughter, it's important to her to try and help others before another child dies.

"It is very difficult," she said. "What's more difficult for me to continue to see families experience the same tragedy rather than me come out and explain that this can happen to you. It can happen to anybody."

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Canton Club 55+ plans journey to Detroit Institute of Arts

Area seniors are invited to explore the Detroit Institute of Arts during three guided tour opportunities this fall and winter with Canton Club 55+.

These special packages, part of the Detroit Institute of Arts' "Come Wonder Around" program, include general admission, transportation to and from the museum, a tour of the permanent collection, plus a private welcome reception with baked goods, coffee and

tea. Join members as they wander around the DIA, one of the premier art museums in the United States and home to more than 60,000 works that comprise a multicultural survey of human creativity from ancient times through the 21st century. From the first Van Gogh painting to enter a U.S. museum (Self-Portrait, 1887), to Diego Rivera's world-renowned Detroit Industry murals (1932-33), the DIA's collection

is known for its stellar quality, range and depth.

Three dates are available to take advantage of this unique opportunity to experience world-class visual arts. On Friday, Sept. 25, 6-10 p.m., participants will enjoy all of this special package's offerings, in addition to admittance to the DIA's Friday Night Live! concert with live music and cash bar. In addition,

beer, wine, specialty drinks, gourmet snacks and tapas are available for purchase in the Kresge Court.

On Saturday, Nov. 14 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., participants will also have the chance to enjoy art-making workshops, drawing in the galleries and more! Save the date for an upcoming trip scheduled this winter Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016

from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sign up today for just \$4 for Summit on the Park members, \$5 for Canton residents and \$10 for non-residents. To register for any of these special DIA guided tours, go to www.cantonfun.org. In person registration is

available at the Canton Club 55+ front desk in the Parkview Room of the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway.

For more information or to register for these special tours, go to www.cantonfun.org, or call 734-394-5485.

DISTRICT

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crease was not as deep as expected or as in recent years. "We feel real good about this," Meissen said.

He credits the smaller decline to the district's marketing efforts, particularly its Learn. Prepare. Thrive. brand. "I think it is producing good results," he said.

With an idea of just

how many students are attending school in the district now, needs will continue to be directed to following parameters for class size and distribution of resources. "We are looking at it: Do we have the resources and the teachers for maximum learning?" Meissen said.

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BeckRidge youth choirs prepare for fall season

The BeckRidge Youth Choirs are getting ready for their fall season, with directors Alex Ellul from Eastern Michigan University and Leah Beard from Oakland University leading the ensembles.

This year, the program is adding a girls-only ensemble for girls in grades 6-9. The youth choir also offers an elementary choral program for youngsters in grades 2-5.

The second- through fifth-grade choir offers either a Wednesday or Thursday evening session.

Wednesday rehearsals for the youth choir are happening 6:30-8 p.m. Sept. 23. Thursday evening rehearsals occur 6-7:30 p.m. Sept. 24.

"We got some wonderful feedback from the parents regarding rehearsal offerings," said Michael Gross, artistic director of BeckRidge Productions. "With sports schedules, homework and the longer school



This was the BeckRidge youth spring choir.

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days, parents wanted more availability than one night per week. We hope by adding an additional class offering, more young people will

be able to participate." Parent feedback also prompted the organization to add the girls-only ensemble. "Our objective from

the beginning has been to enhance the educational aspects of music," Gross said. "Both Alex and Leah are terrific educators and recognize the signif-

icance arts bring to young people. While every session will include a performance, our primary objective is to educate young people in the

arts. Help them become better students and performers. Teach them the language of music along with the team building component. Choirs work as a team. While there are solo opportunities, life and music should always reflect how our best work is demonstrated when we work together."

At this time, the girls-only ensemble for grades 6-9 will meet on 7:30-8:45 p.m. each Thursday starting Sept. 24. Beard will lead the new ensemble.

Members of the BeckRidge Youth Choirs come from as far away as Ann Arbor. A number of the children are home-schooled. The fall sessions will run for 10 weeks, with concerts slated for the first weekend in December. Sessions include training in reading music, vocal technique, part-singing and rhythm.

For more information, go to www.beckridge.org or call 734-667-3127.

Man, 81, targeted in iTunes gift card scam

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Seniors in Livonia continue to be targets of phone scams and police are warning residents to be aware and careful when handling such calls.

The most recent incident was reported to Livonia police Thursday evening, when an 81-year-old Livonia resident came to the police station to file a report.

The man said he received a call a week earlier from someone claiming to be his grandson. The suspect on the other end of the line told the man he had gotten into a bad car accident and was at an unknown hospital. He said the other driver involved

was seriously injured and could face criminal charges.

The suspect then passed the phone to another individual, who claimed he worked out a settlement with the other driver for \$1,500 and needed the money. The second suspect told the Livonia man on the phone he needed to go to a CVS and purchase three \$500 iTunes gift cards, which the man did. The cards are used to purchase music, movies and games on iTunes and through Apple's App Store.

He then read off the redemption codes to the suspect on the phone, who then asked him to send an additional \$3,000 in addition to the redemption codes. The

victim hung up and called his grandson, who informed him he was not injured or in a car accident.

After the man called his bank to report the incident, they told him to file a police report and that they could assist with getting his money back. He told police he was not out any money in the incident.

Police advise those who receive such calls to be skeptical and to contact that individual on a communication line they know they will answer, such as a cellphone.

Any resident who has had similar occurrences and may have lost money through similar scams can contact Livonia police at 734-466-2470.

Man in wheelchair struck by car while trying to cross Ford Road

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

An 81-year-old Canton man crossing Ford Road in a wheelchair was struck by a car Thursday evening, but police say he fortunately survived the incident.

Police Sgt. Dale Waltz confirmed the victim was knocked out of the wheelchair and taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti.

A family member said Friday afternoon the victim was in serious but stable condition and hadn't yet been released.

The accident happened about 5:45 p.m., when a 71-year-old Canton man

driving southbound on Morton Taylor made a right turn onto Ford Road in his 2003 Toyota Camry, police said.

"The driver apparently did not see an 81-year-old Canton resident in the crosswalk in his motorized wheelchair and struck him," police Lt. Pat Sullivan said in a statement he issued after the accident.

Police issued an advisory that Ford Road, between Lilley and Sheldon, had been closed to traffic during the investigation. A second advisory issued shortly after 10 p.m. said the road had been reopened.

The driver of the Toyo-

ta Camry was not injured and was released at the scene. Speed and alcohol do not appear to have been factors in the crash, police said.

Police say it appeared the pedestrian had the right of way while crossing the road.

The Canton Police Department's Accident Investigation Team was called in to investigate. The crash remains under investigation.

Police haven't disclosed the identities of the victim or the driver.

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Eighteen original Rosies had front row seats for the official Guinness Book of World Records photo taken at Willow Run Airport in March 2014.

Yankee Air Museum vows to reclaim Rosie world record

In March 2014, 776 women, children and even babies gathered at Willow Run Airport to claim the Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of women dressed as the iconic World War II post-er girl Rosie the Riveter.

The record stood until Aug. 15, when 1,084 women gathered at the National Rosie the Riveter Park in Richmond, Calif., for the "Keep the Spirit of '45 Alive!" celebrations.

Inspired and challenged by the phenomenal result, the organizations of Willow Run are coming together to reclaim the world record and prove that Michigan is the physical and symbolic home of the original Rosie the Riveter.

The Michigan Aerospace Foundation, Yankee Air Museum and Wayne County Airport Authority have announced that, as part of the effort to save a portion of the original Willow Run Bomber Plant, an attempt to reclaim the world record will happen Saturday, Oct. 24.

Co-chaired by U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Dearborn, and Ypsilanti Township Supervisor Brenda Stumbo, the challenge will take place in Hangar 1 at Willow Run Airport, 801 Kirk Profit Drive.

"We are humbled yet thrilled that so many people in California came out to honor the women of WWII by breaking our world record," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum. "Now we ask the women of Michigan to take pride in this historic local treasure and bring the record back home to Rosie's factory, because victory started here."

Sign-in will begin at 10 a.m. with the record-setting photo to be taken at 2 p.m. Early arrival is encouraged due to an expected large turnout. There will be special guest speakers and entertainment throughout the day. The event is free and participants should register at www.SaveTheBomberPlant.org. Costume instructions and recommendations also are available online.

"Michigan Aerospace Foundation, Yankee Air Museum and the women of Michigan are doing tremendous work to make sure that the Willow Run Bomber Plant in Ypsilanti Township is known worldwide as the home of Rosie the Riveter," said Michael Conway, director of public affairs for Wayne County Airport Authority. "Willow Run Airport and the Wayne County Airport Authority are excited to once again help sponsor the Rosies as they set out to reclaim the title as world champions."

According to Dennis Norton, president of the Michigan Aerospace Foundation, the Save the Bomber Plant campaign is well into the beginning stages of restoration of a significant part of the

plant. He said the project demonstrates the resilience of the entire community.

"The March 2014 Rosie record helped focus millions of people on our effort and I look forward to being there when these women retake the record and bring it back to Willow Run," Norton said. "There is widespread 'can do' optimism inspired by these ladies."

During World War II the Willow Run Bomber Plant produced 8,685 B-24 Liberator Bombers and employed more than 40,000 men and women. One of these was riveter Rose Will Monroe, more

famously remembered as "Rosie the Riveter."

When the Save the Bomber Plant Campaign reaches its next goal, estimated to be the end of 2017, the Yankee Air Museum will move from its current location on the east side of Willow Run Airport to the former bomber plant, and become known as the National Museum of Aviation and Technology. For more information about the "Save the Bomber Plant Campaign," go to www.savethebomberplant.org.

Yankee Air Museum is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 charitable organization

founded in 1981 to preserve and honor aviation history and its participants. The museum works to positively excite kids and stimulate interest in science, technology, engineering and math to help meet the challenges facing America. The annual Girls TEAM Summit Oct. 3 is an example of the museum's stimulating, experiential programming.

Yankee Air Museum, located at Willow Run Airport, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. For more information, go to www.yankeeairmuseum.org through

Canton police seek help identifying fraud suspect

The Canton Police Department is asking for the public's help identifying a man suspected of using a cloned credit card to make purchases at an undisclosed retail store in Canton.

The suspect's image was captured by a surveillance camera. He is suspected of using the cloned credit card Aug. 28.

Anyone who recognizes the man is asked to call the Canton Police Department at 734-394-5400.



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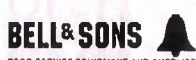
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Representatives of the Greater Wayne County Caucus include (from left) state Reps. Erika Geiss, D-Taylor; Bill LaVoy, D-Monroe; Frank Liberati, D-Allen Park; caucus chair George T. Darany, D-Dearborn; Leslie Love, D-Redford Township; Kristy Pagan, D-Canton; Julie Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights; and Robert Kosowski, D-Westland. Also a member is Paul D. Clemente, D-Lincoln Park.

Legislative caucus renews focus on out-Wayne County neighborhoods

The Greater Wayne County Caucus has come together with a renewed focus on issues that impact communities in the Detroit area.

The Greater Wayne County area is home to a unique blend of communities and it is an integral part of the state of Michigan. This caucus is committed to the specific needs of these neighborhoods and will help ensure that their issues and concerns are being addressed.

The caucus will work together to bring area issues to the forefront when discussing legislation and state priorities. Most recently, the caucus voted Rep. George T. Darany, D-Dearborn, as the caucus chair.

"As someone who has lived in this area my entire life, it is truly an honor to be selected by my colleagues to serve as the chair of the Greater Wayne County Caucus," Darany said. "This caucus will provide our communities with a distinct voice and it will bring together some of the hardest-working and most dedicated legisla-

tors. I sincerely appreciate this opportunity and look forward to working with my caucus members to best serve our residents."

The current nine-member caucus consists of Darany and fellow state Reps. Paul D. Clemente, D-Lincoln Park;

Erika Geiss, D-Taylor; Robert Kosowski, D-Westland; Bill LaVoy, D-Monroe; Frank Liberati, D-Allen Park; Leslie Love, D-Redford Township; Kristy Pagan, D-Canton; and Julie Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights.

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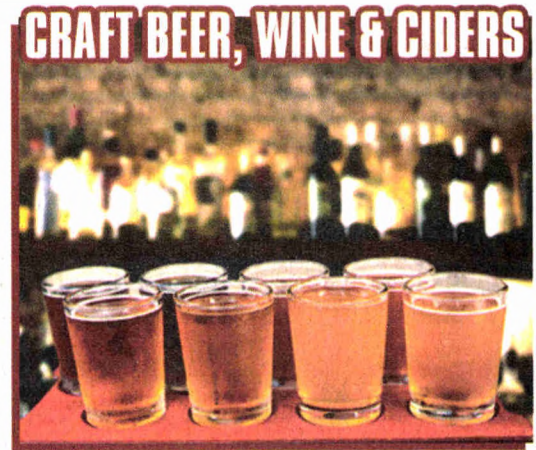
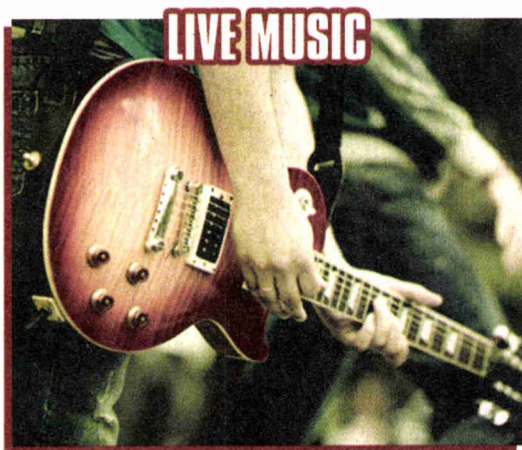
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Class will give homeowners methods on how to protect property, Rouge River

Friends of the Rouge and the Alliance of Rouge Communities are offering a class for property owners along the Rouge River and inland lakes to learn how to protect their property from the impact of flooding while improving water quality.

The workshops will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton; Tuesday, Sept. 29, at the Franklin Community Church, 26425 Wellington, Franklin; and Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the Novi Council Chambers, 45175 10 Mile, Novi.

The workshops are free and open to everyone, including residents who may live outside of the communities hosting the workshops.

"Riverfront property owners have a special connection to the river. They relish in the beauty provided by the river and anguish over the flood waters that carry away their land and leave trash and woody debris in its place," said Cyndi Ross, river restoration program manager for the Friends of the



A project was done to restore the stream bank at the historical Mill Race Village in Northville.

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Rouge. "We aim to help these residents care for

their land to reduce the impact of flooding as

well as protect the Rouge River."

Storm water is a leading source of pollution in

urban rivers like the Rouge. Rain carries chemicals and bacteria from residential lawns, roads and parking lots to the river through storm sewers. Surges in flow following rain destroy habitat for fish and other life in the stream. The result is the death of these animals in spite of the water quality improvements that have been made over the past 30 years.

Simple, low-cost solutions are available to reduce erosion and improve habitat in the river. Attendees will learn about the river's health, what they can do at home to improve water quality and what type of work near a lake or river requires a permit from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. They will also learn about a project has been done to restore the stream bank at the historical Mill Race Village in Northville.

Registration is required. Space and materials are limited. Those interested in attending may register by calling 313-792.9621 or online at therouge.org/687628/.

Review documents before signing

Q: Dear Rick: I got divorced about three years ago. As part of the divorce settlement, I was obligated to pay my ex \$75,000 by the end of this year. The money was basically coming from the sale of our home, which closed in February. I didn't want to give my ex the money early and it was recommended by my financial adviser that as opposed to putting the money in the bank, which I wanted to do, he convinced me that I can make more money by putting the money into an annuity. I just found out that not only is the annuity worth less than I originally paid but, in addition, I have a substantial penalty if I close it. I now find that my annuity has a 10-year penalty provision. I never would have purchased this annuity if I'd known that I could lose money or I had to pay a penalty to get my money out. My adviser knew that I needed this money by the end of the year. Is there anything I can do?

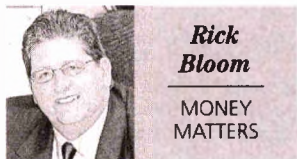
A: You may have a legal claim, but it will be difficult. What you would have to show is that the adviser - or, as I prefer to call them, salesperson - sold you an inappropriate investment for your goals and objectives.

Depending on the documents that you signed, you may have to go through an arbitration procedure that, unfortunately, will take time. It's unlikely that you can have this issue resolved either through litigation or arbitration in just a few months.

That said, I do believe that you should sit down and consult an attorney who specializes in this area of the law. The attorney may be able to reach out to the annuity company to reach some sort of settlement.

In many situations, annuity companies are willing to make settlements when the facts are clear that the investment was inappropriate. However, you do have a difficult road ahead of you. You signed a variety of documents and one of those would have acknowledged that there are early termination fees. It doesn't mean that you don't have a case, but it does mean that it is not a slam-dunk.

Unfortunately, many annuity salespeople are not advisers. They don't



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

necessarily look at what's good for you, but what's good for them. No responsible adviser would ever invest someone's money in a long-term investment knowing that the client needed the money over the short run.

In this environment, it does not make sense to buy an annuity where you're going to have substantial penalties if you decide to cancel your annuity over the next few years. The annuity salespeople don't like to talk about the penalties, because they know that these penalties are not for the advantage of the client but, rather, for them.

The type of annuity you purchased is what is known as a variable annuity. There are many variable annuities you can buy that have very low costs and no back-end penalties. Companies like Fidelity, Vanguard and Charles Schwab all offer no-penalty annuities. Of course, if you go to a commissioned salesperson, they won't recommend that type of annuity because they don't receive commissions.

Investors have an obligation to review documentation before signing. All too often, when people buy an investment, salespeople swamp you with paperwork they say is standard. Don't believe it.

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

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Long line waits for H&M grand opening at Laurel Park Place



H&M district visual manager Stina Turner greets patrons entering the new store.

It's not too often live DJs can be seen performing at the mall. But that's what happened Thursday as crowds awaited the opening of fashion retailer H&M at Livonia's Laurel Park Place.

The store, billed as one of the world's largest fashion retailers, opened at noon Thursday with a line of people almost to the mall's food court. Customers who made it early were provided with free goodies, including gift cards and other

items, as employees danced and entertained the line as they waited for the opening.

The store, which employs about 30 people, offers collections for ladies, men, young ladies and young men, "store within a store" sections for accessories, lingerie, maternity, sports apparel and a plus-size line.

H&M was established in Sweden in 1947. Today there are 379 stores in the U.S. and approximately 3,600 H&M stores in 59 markets worldwide.

Local organization unites piano teachers, students

This is the time of year when many parents begin searching for someone who can help their child, if he or she has expressed an interest in learning to play the piano. The Livonia Area Piano Teachers Forum is a professional organization that acts as a resource for piano teachers looking to enhance their skills as well as piano students looking for the right teacher.

Founded in 1970, the LAPTf members are teachers from all over the Detroit area - not

just Livonia. Its members have a variety of backgrounds and experience. The LAPTf meets monthly from September to May. Every meeting is planned well in advance, featuring guest speakers who share their expertise.

Some of this year's features include "Improvisation: from the heart, through the head, to the fingers" by Dr. William Budai from Campbellsville University, Ky., and "Vive La Femme!" by Dr. Silvia Roederer from the

School of Music at WMU. The 2015-16 year will conclude with a recital by several of the members' students who have received awards for piano performance excellence. Meetings are held at the Steinway Gallery in Commerce Township and Evola Music Center in Canton.

Students of LAPTf have the opportunity to participate in community outreach recitals, judged performance events for students at all levels, collaborative concerts and testing

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

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

LAPTf is a local chapter of the Michigan Music Teacher Association. For more information, go to www.laptf.org.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following:

- Z 15-10** 1032 Beech
Non-Use Variance Requested
Allow a Front Facing Garage on a lot less than 60 feet wide
Allow a Front Facing Garage that is less than 22 feet wide
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: Matt Thurber
- Z 15-16** 772 Forest
Non-Use Variance Requested
Detached Garage Side Yard Setback
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: Tara & Dan Mahoney
- Z 15-17** 402 N. Sheldon
Non-Use Variance Requested
Detached Garage Rear Yard Setback
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: Wolfgang & Janet Henkel

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

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Red Cross seeks to increase blood donations this month

The American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to help their communities prepare for emergencies by giving blood during National Preparedness Month this September.

Becoming a regular blood donor is one way to help ensure communities are prepared for any emergency, including those where blood transfusions are needed. The Red Cross also encourages the public to get prepared by making a disaster plan for their homes or work places.

A sufficient blood supply is central to en-

suring hospitals are prepared to meet patient needs in times of disaster, including the very personal ones that can happen any day. Because blood takes about 48 hours to be tested, processed and made available for patients, it's the blood already on the shelves that can help save the day when emergencies occur.

This month also marks the sixth year that the Red Cross and Sport Clips Haircuts have teamed up to help increase blood dona-

ting Lives Never Looked So Good" campaign, Sport Clips is thanking those who come to give blood in September with a coupon for a free haircut at participating Sport Clips locations. The coupon is valid through Nov. 8 and will be sent to donors via email a few days after their donation.

Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and volunteer donors are the only source of blood for patients needing transfusions.

The Red Cross needs blood donors of all types

— especially those with types AB, O-negative, B-negative and A-negative — to give blood regularly.

To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, go to redcrossblood.org or call 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767). For information on planning for emergencies and preparedness training, go to redcross.org/prepare.

The following donation sites are available:

Canton
» 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Sept. 29, Summit on the

Park, 46000 Summit Drive
» 1-6:45 p.m. Sept. 30, Friendship Church Canton, 1240 N. Beck Road
» 1:30-7:15 p.m. Sept. 28, Geneva United Presbyterian, 5835 Sheldon Road

Garden City
» 1-6:45 p.m. Sept. 24, American Legion Post 396, 6860 Middlebelt Road

Livonia
» 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Sept. 20, Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail
» 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sept. 20, St. Aidan

Catholic Church Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road

» 11 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. Sept. 23-24, Madonna University Center, 14221 Levan Road

Northville
» 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Sept. 20, First United Methodist Northville Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road

» 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sept. 27, Our Lady of Victory Social Hall, 133 Orchard Drive

Plymouth
» 1:30-7:15 p.m. Sept. 28, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

COLBECK HOURS

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 28

Location: Canton Senior Citizen Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton

Details: Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton and district manager Penny Crider will meet with the public. No appointment necessary

MINISTRY TRAINING

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct., 17

Location: Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Rd., Northville Township

Details: Twenty-eight classes with keynote speaker Diane Frank; music, lunch included in registration fee; bonus prize drawing, Christian books, CDs, DVDs, videos; 11-day Kids Korner

Contact: To register, call 248-557-5526 or go to www.iceaOnline.org

CLASS REUNION

Time/Date: Saturday, Oct. 24

Location: One Under on Five Mile, 35780 Five Mile Road, No. 2, Livonia

Details: Livonia Stevenson High School Class of 1975 reunion.

Contact: www.stevensonclassof75.com, and click on the reunion tab or call Ray Walker at 734-718-5629.

CPR TRAINING

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22

Location: St. John Neumann,

44800 Warren Road, Canton

Details: Plymouth Community United Way is partnering with Huron Valley Ambulance and St. John Neumann Catholic Church to present a free CPR training course. The session can accommodate 30 people. The American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR course is designed to teach non-medical responders, including corporate and retail employees, security, law enforcement, health and fitness staff or anyone who needs basic CPR certification.

Contact: To sign up and for more information, contact Randi Williams at 734-453-6879, ext. 7, or randi.williams@pcuw.org. For more information about PCUW, go to www.plymouthunitedway.org or [facebook.com/plymouthunitedway](https://www.facebook.com/plymouthunitedway).

ANTIQUAIRE APPRAISAL

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23

Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street

Details: The museum will host an antique appraisal clinic with auctioneer Doug Dalton. Items to be appraised include antique furniture, art and small objects. No jewelry, coins or stamps. Appraisals are by appointment only; time slots are still available. Oral evaluations will be provided for \$10 per item. There is a maximum of four items to be appraised per 15-minute time slot.

Contact: Call now for an appointment at 734-455-8940,

ext. 0, or sign up at http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/Antique-Appraisal-Clinic_ET712.html?Sort-Box=201509.

SPOTLIGHT ON 'PRODUCERS'

Time/Date: 8 p.m. for Saturday performances; 2 p.m. for Sunday performances, Sept. 20 and 25-27

Location: Village Theater is at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton

Details: The Spotlight Players stage *The Producers*

Cost: Tickets are \$16 to \$18 each. They can 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 box office one hour prior to show time.

WORLD PEACE DAY

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sept. 20; prayers for world peace at 1:15 p.m.; refreshments at 2 p.m.

Location: Kellogg Park, Plymouth, followed by refreshments at Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street

Details: Plymouth Canton Interfaith Community Outreach World Peace Day 2015, sponsored by: The Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit, Canton and Plymouth Hindu Community, Geneva Presbyterian, Gurdwara-Sahib Hidden Falls, Living Peace Church, Muslim Community of Western Suburbs, Singh-Saba of Michigan Gurdwara. Open to all faiths

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Time/Date: Apply now; orientation Oct. 13

Location: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 N. Lilley Road, Suite A, Canton

Details: Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more. Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentiality, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer.

Contact: Volunteer coordinator with questions or to apply for a brief interview 888-983-9050.

RCIA CLASSES

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22

Location: St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren, Canton

Details: An informal RICA — Rite of Initiation of Adults — meeting for adults who are not baptized or baptized in another faith, also those who still need to receive the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation and those interested in a review of the church.

Contact: The church at 734-455-5910

Contact: Booster club member

Todd McCall at 734-748-9649; sponsorships requested

VISIT THE FAIR

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Nov. 1

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

Details: The Fair That Changed America — also known as the Chicago World's Fair — the 1893 Exposition and all the history it made comes back to life at the Plymouth Historical Museum with the newest exhibit, "The Fair That Changed America."

Admission: \$5 for adults; \$2 for children ages 6-17. Through Labor Day, active duty service men and women are admitted free to the museum, designated as a Blue Star Museum.

Contact: www.plymouth-history.org or 734-455-8940

SALINE ANTIQUES

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22 and Dec. 6

Location: Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor/Saline Road, Ann Arbor

Details: The Saline Antiques & Vintage Market is open. The event is pet-friendly, but pets must be leashed. The event continues rain or shine. Everything is under cover with food and refreshments.

Cost: Admission is \$6. Parking is free

Contact: www.salineantiques-market.com. To become an exhibitor, contact Doug Sup-

inger, manager, at 937-875-0808 or email salinemar-ket@gmail.com

NEW FOOD PANTRY

Time/Date: 2-4 p.m. each Thursday

Location: Abundant Life Church of God, 21000 Hannan, Canton

Details: The church has opened a food pantry for individuals and families in need.

Contact: Church office, 734722-7688

MEETINGS CHANGED

Time/Date: 3-5 p.m. second Sunday of each month

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

Details: PFLAG P-C is committed to advancing equality and societal acceptance of LGBT people through its threefold mission of support, education and advocacy.

CANTON MARKET

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Sunday

Location: Preservation Park on Ridge Road, Canton

Details: Canton Farmers Market now open

PLYMOUTH MARKET

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 30 (except Sept. 6)

Location: In and around The Gathering, downtown Plymouth

Details: Plymouth Farmers Market open

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Plymouth Boy Scout earns Eagle rank

Bryan Stephen Hives — a member of Boy Scout Troop 1539 in Plymouth — received his Eagle Scout rank Dec. 9, 2014, for helping the members of VFW Post 6695.



Hives

one in need, as well as a spot to store other items that will be donated.

The Plymouth post sponsors Bryan's troop. When it came time to develop an Eagle Scout project, the Livonia resident consulted with Dennis Bielskis, then-post commander.

With Bielskis' help, it was decided that the best way to help was to construct wooden shelving units and a work bench out in the pole barn to help get the place cleaned up and organized. Bryan held a bowling fundraiser to purchase all the materials needed and it was a huge success. The project was successfully executed and finished Oct. 11, 2014.

The importance of Bryan's project stems from VFW members' need for an organized place to repair donated medical equipment before given to some-

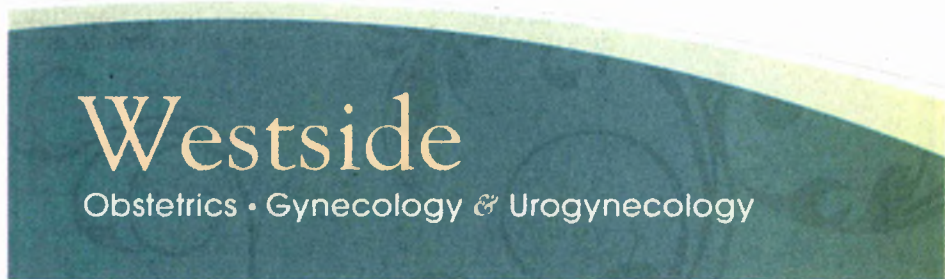
Bryan's first experience with scouting was not a positive one, back in first grade, when he went to his first Tiger Cub meeting. He and his dad came home overwhelmed and decided it wasn't going to be for them.

But after a year, Bryan's dad decided to try again. This time it stuck and Bryan became a Wolf Scout at Cleveland Elementary with Pack 897 in Livonia. He finished Wolf and Bear with Pack 897 and then moved to finish Webelos with Pack 271 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Livonia. Bryan completed all requirements needed and then some to earn his Arrow of Light award and Super Achiever.

He crossed over to

Troop 1539 in 2010 and did not let any grass grow under him when it came to advancement. He has held the positions of patrol leader, assistant patrol leader, instructor, webmaster, scribe and is currently troop guide. He earned a total of 27 merit badges to rise to the rank of Eagle Scout in five years at the age of 15. He is an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow and a member of the Southeastern Michigan Regional Contingent that serves as the governor's Honor Guard on Mackinaw Island every summer, where he serves on the guide staff.

Bryan is a varsity swimmer at Livonia Franklin High School and member of the LCSC swim club. He has also runs track and cross country. He currently holds down two jobs, working the shotgun counter at Western Wayne County Conservation Association and at LightSource, Inc., working with theatrical lighting.



Women's Health Presentation Series

Dr. Paul Makela, urogynecologist, provides insight and education about a variety of female conditions including bladder dysfunction, overactive bladder and pelvic prolapse. Grab a friend, your sister or mom and learn about the latest therapies and procedures available that may help eliminate or reduce your symptoms or pain, and improve your quality of life.

Upcoming Presentations:

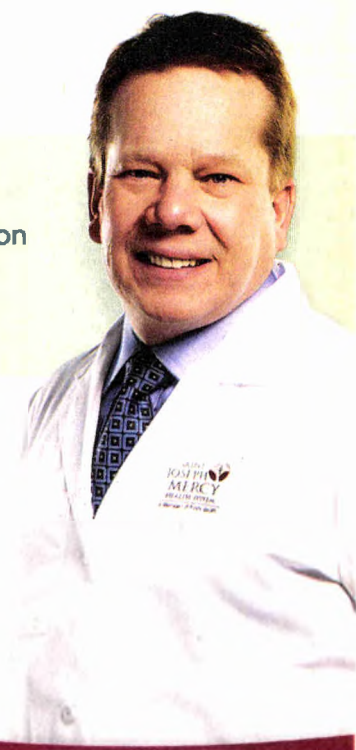
Sept. 16: Meadowbrook Country Club
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Oct. 14: Cantoro Italian Market II
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Woman charged with stealing from Westland youth hockey group

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

A Westland woman is facing charges that she embezzled thousands of dollars from the Westland Hockey Association.

Sheri Benton, 44, has been charged with embezzlement and writing insufficient funds checks.

She entered a not-guilty plea in Westland 18th District Court and

was released on \$10,000/10-percent bond. A condition of bond is no contact with the Westland Hockey Association, a youth sports group.

Westland Police report that the hockey group initially thought about \$8,600 was missing over the last couple of years. Instead, police said the financial records were closely scrutinized and approximately \$45,500 was missing over three

years. The charges are that Benton used the funds to pay personal expenses, including \$8,000 on a mortgage, and withdrew money from the group's account using an ATM card.

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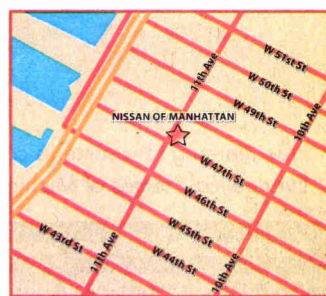


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County commission adopts balanced budget

The Wayne County Commission voted 14-0 Sept. 17 to approve a \$1.56 billion balanced budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year, which starts Oct. 1.

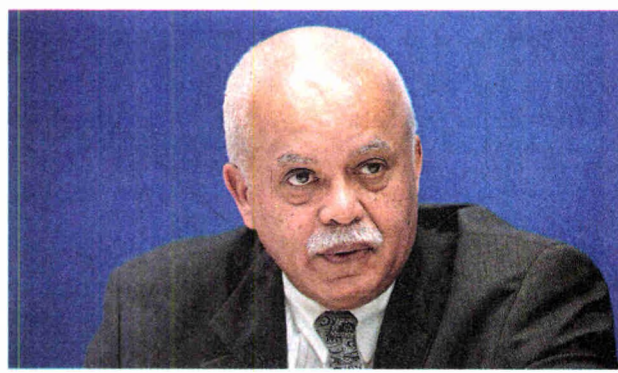
The 2014-15 adopted budget was \$1.68 billion, meaning it was reduced by about \$120 million, or more than 7 percent.

The Commission's Committee on Ways and Means held seven hearings between late July and early September in which each department gave feedback about its proposed budget. The committee met again Sept. 16 and gave a recommendation to the Committee of the Whole, which on that day sent the proposed budget for the full Commission for a final vote.

"The committee, commission staff and administration worked very hard together to craft this budget, which addresses the county's precarious financial position head on," said Commissioner Joseph Palamara, D-Grosse Ile Township, Committee on Ways and Means chairman. "There were some difficult decisions to make, but we've made them in the course of righting the county's financial ship."

The budget was adopted under the parameters of Wayne County's consent agreement with the state of Michigan, which went into effect Aug. 21. The agreement, approved Aug. 13 by the commission, came on the heels of Gov. Rick Snyder declaring a state of financial emergency in Wayne County.

The consent agreement is in effect for at least three years, including two years after the state treasurer declares that the county's financial situation is stable.



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The only department that didn't see a cut was the office of Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and that's because several positions were transferred from other departments' budgets, administration officials said, in the name of furthering transparency.

The budget - which the administration said will eliminate structural and accumulated deficits that were \$52 million and \$88 million, respectively, at the start of this calendar year, but have since been reduced, and aims to shore up a pension system that's 47 percent funded - factors in several money-saving measures, including a reorganization plan that was unanimously approved by the commission. The biggest part of the plan was the creation of the Department of Health, Veterans and Community Wellness, which merges services that were offered by several other departments and divisions under one umbrella, with the goals of improved customer service and reduced costs.

The budget also reflects some employee pay, benefits and pension reductions starting Nov. 1. And it reflects the elimination of retirees' health care. They'll receive a stipend instead.

The departments taking cuts in the budget are: Corporation Counsel; County Clerk; Health, Veterans and Community Wellness (based on bud-

gets of previous departments and divisions); Homeland Security and Emergency Management; Management and Budget; Personnel and Human Resources; Probate Court; Prosecuting Attorney; Public Services; Register of Deeds; Retirement Commission; Senior Services; Sheriff's Office; Technology; Treasurer; and non-departmental.

Also taking reductions are the county commission and 3rd Circuit Court, which are separate branches of county government.

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A major reason for the county's financial distress is a significant drop in property tax values since the 2007-08 fiscal year. That year, the county collected \$389 million in property taxes. In 2015-16, the number is projected to be \$266 million, or a reduction of nearly 32 percent.

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Human trafficking survivor tells her story to help others

Beth Jachman
Staff Writer

She was just 15 years old, living in Birmingham, and she didn't even know the name of the situation she was facing.

Years later, she learned what it was called: human trafficking.

"I lived for 25 years not knowing what happened to me was called," said Theresa Flores, a human trafficking survivor and author. She was the guest speaker Thursday at two programs in Redford.

"It was really hard. I didn't have any support," she told a group of educators, law enforcement officers and others at the Redford Township District Library. She also spoke Thursday evening at Thurston High School.

When she did find out, she also found she isn't the only "Theresa" out there.

Starved for attention and new to the area, she found herself gaining attention from a boy at Groves High School.

One afternoon, she accepted a ride home from him and ended up drugged and raped.

But it didn't end there as the boy had photos of the incident, which he threatened to make public unless she "worked" to earn them back.

Flores ended up working as a sex slave at night for two years without the knowledge of her parents. The traffickers scared her into thinking her family would be harmed if she told anyone - so she didn't.

"Nobody had any idea that something like that was happening to me," she said.

Effects of trafficking

The ordeal with the traffickers finally ended



THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Guest speaker Theresa Flores talks about the causes and effects of human trafficking Thursday at Thurston High School.

when her father took a job transfer to Connecticut and they moved away.

Years later, when she attended a conference and learned about human trafficking, she knew that is what she had been through.

Flores has found that, like her, victims are afraid to seek help. They may be drugged by their tormentors and don't know where to seek help - especially if they are being moved from place to place.

If they are lucky enough to be rescued, it's a hard road back, Flores said.

It's like being in a cult where victims need to be reprogrammed, she said.

Victims have post traumatic stress disorder, trouble with relationships, flashbacks and depression and it's difficult for them to trust, she said.

The knowledge she's gained on the issue led

her to write three books about the subject and become a speaker.

Human trafficking has gained more attention in recent years and legislators strengthened Michigan's human trafficking laws last year.

Changed thinking

Judge Karen Khalil, chief judge of Redford's 17th District Court, said she read one of Flores' books two years ago and it has changed her perspective.

"Since reading the book, I look at the cases in court in a much different way," she said.

FBI statistics show more than 100,000 youth are being trafficked in the U.S. About 3 percent are kidnapped from malls, shopping centers and other places, 35 percent are sold by family members and 62 percent are tricked by another person, according to Flores.



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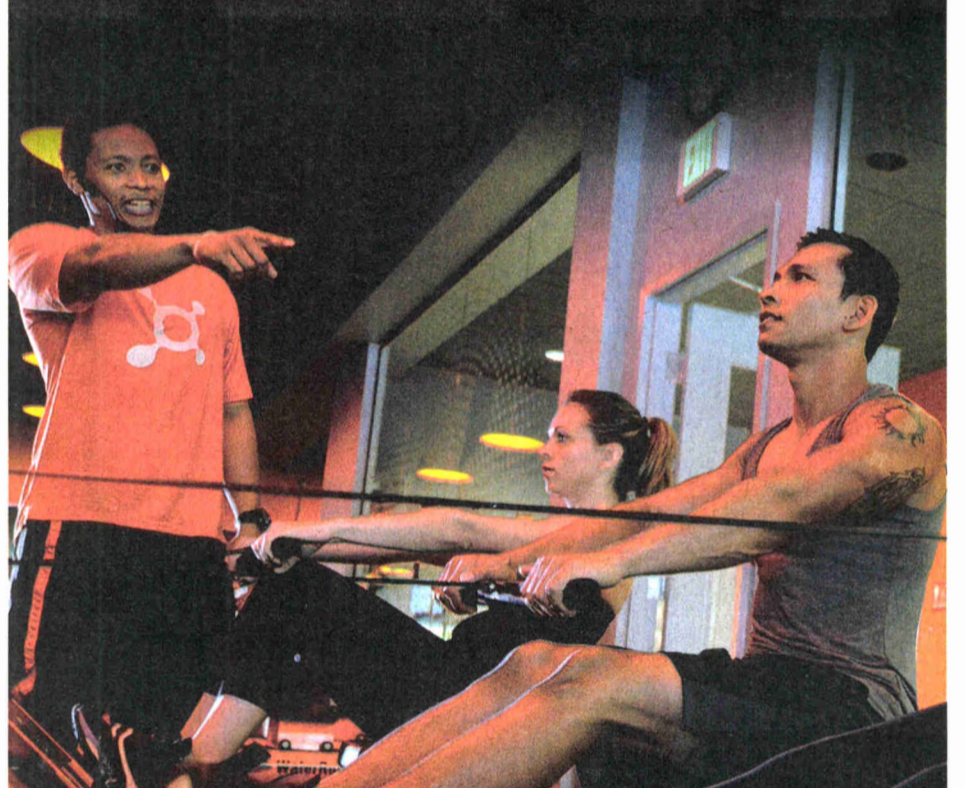
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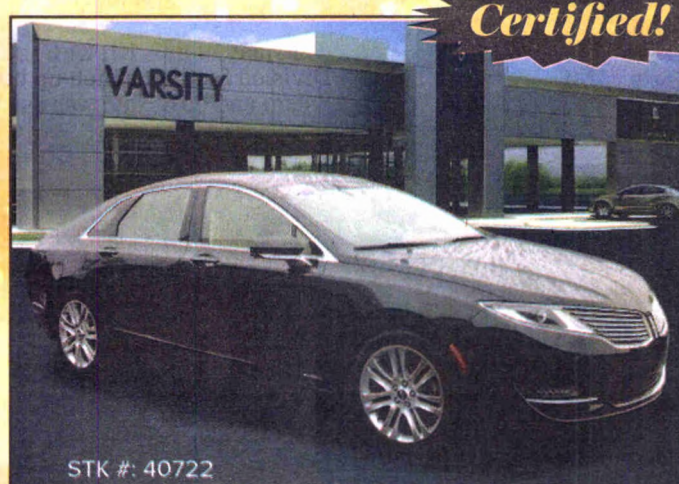
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PREP FOOTBALL



Plymouth quarterback Chris Walls (left) eludes a tackle attempt by Livonia Churchill's Jacob Chantres on the way to a TD. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

PREP FOOTBALL

Novi defense puts clamps on Salem

Rocks unable to climb out of 21-point hole

Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Friday night's KLAA Central Division football match-up between Salem and host Novi was as close as can be.

Novi had two fewer first downs than Salem, but outgained the Rocks 255-222 on offense.

But the Rocks paid the price for falling behind 21-0 and could not come all the way back, falling 28-14 to the Wildcats.

The tough loss dropped Salem's record to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the KLAA Central; Novi won for the first time this season.

Getting the night off to a rough start against Salem was Novi's Traveon Maddox. He grabbed a 25-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Alec Bageris midway through the second quarter.

Novi then took a 14-0 lead into the intermission following a 1-yard TD plunge by Emanuel Jackson.

The Wildcats opened up a three-touchdown advantage when Jackson ran it in from the 5-yard line with 5:22 remaining in the third. Setting up the TD was a 39-yard run up the

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PLYMOUTH PAYBACK



Livonia Churchill's Joe Hatley (right) tries to stop Plymouth senior running back Cameron Stella.

Led by Stella, 'Cats turn tables on Churchill

Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Cameron Stella remembers how last season ended for his Plymouth Wildcats football team, dropping a playoff game to Livonia Churchill.

Actually, the Chargers defeated the Wildcats twice in 2014, including a regular-season tilt.

But Friday, the hard-nosed Stella returned from a two-week injury absence to make sure that losing skid against Churchill came to a stop — running 28 times for 202 yards to spark host Plymouth's 24-16 KLAA South victory.

"Our linemen did exactly what they

what they were supposed to do," Stella said about his big game. "I couldn't have really asked for anything else."

Stella smiled about being able to enjoy a little payback against the Chargers (2-2, 1-1 in the KLAA South.)

"Huge, especially because we're really young this year and it's personal to all of us," Stella said. "Our coaches are friends with them and they beat us twice last year."

Key return

Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk said it was a key to get Stella back on the field. He had missed two games

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO
 Hanging on to the football is Salem's Trevor Nowaske (left). At right is Shaw Lyall.

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Salem falls short in division showdown

Northville goal in first half holds up, Mustangs win 1-0

Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Thursday night's varsity boys soccer matchup pitting KLAA Central Division co-leaders Northville and Salem was as good as advertised.

In a hard-fought, well-played contest, the visiting Mustangs came away with a 1-0 victory at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park to remain undefeated at 9-0-0 overall and 4-0-0 in the KLAA Central.

The only goal Northville needed came with 21:36 to go in the first half when Troy

Borawski received a long, crossing feed from Jake Reitzloff and deposited a shot past Salem goalkeeper Karson Gregory.

"My captain, Jake Reitzloff had a great ball from half, on the other side of the field and I had a nice touch on it," Borawski said. "I hit it around the outside back defender and I hit it with the outside of my foot near post, it went around the goalie and into the net."

"I had about two or three touches, had enough time to get a good shot on net."

Borawski said it helps to have the poise to not rush a

shot in that situation. "It's all confidence."

The play brought a smile to the face of Northville head coach Henry Klimes.

"It was a great goal by Troy," Klimes said. "It was a great ball, Jake created a ton of space taking the guy on with the open space and then (sent) a great ball."

"Troy with some composure brought it back down and tucked it inside. I thought it was a deserving goal for sure."



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 Racing for a 50-50 ball Thursday are Northville's Garret Weaver (No. 9) and Salem's Nick Massey (No. 7).

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Cancer battle comes to Canton

'Coaches vs. Cancer' benefit game set for Sept. 25 at Park

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

The fight against cancer is headed to the gridiron on Friday, Sept. 25.

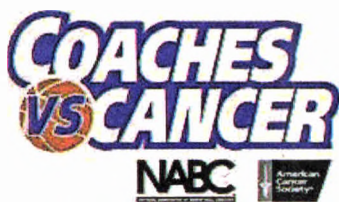
That evening, a fundraiser will take place at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's junior varsity football field as part of the national "Coaches vs. Cancer" program — de-

signed to help raise dollars and awareness to battle the deadly disease.

Playing in the 6:30 p.m. KLAA South Division football matchup will be host Canton and Westland John Glenn. The contest will be played on the grass field located off of Beck Road near Plymouth High School.

The program is a nationwide endeavor between the American Cancer Society and National Association of Basketball Coaches.

"The students at Canton High School have been longstanding supporters of the



cancer fight," noted spokeswoman Megan Schaper.

She added that a Canton Chiefs family member is battling cancer "and everyone wants to fight back against cancer in any way possible." Schaper said the goal is to

raise \$1,000 Friday, with donations accepted along with the sale of pink pom pins. In addition, a 50/50 raffle will be held.

"The cheer team, pom squad, coaches and parents also have some fun things happening throughout the evening as well," she added. "And you can't forget about the varsity football team giving us a great game and being great hosts."

Funds raised Friday will help support groundbreaking cancer research grants along with helping continue patient services and programs such

as a 1-800 helpline.

Since Coaches vs. Cancer was initiated in 1993, high school and college coaches and their wives across the country have raised more than \$85 million. The money has helped the American Cancer Society "to save lives by helping people stay well, finding cures and fighting back against cancer."

For more information, contact Schaper at Megan.Schaper@cancer.org or 248-663-3417.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Isaac Emminger (right) races toward the end zone Friday night, scoring on a 30-yard pass from Chris Walls. Chasing Emminger for Livonia Churchill is Jamal Allen.

PLYMOUTH

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with a shoulder injury.

"The kid's a game-breaker, he's a game-changer," Sawchuk said. "That's huge for us. But our other back (Darius Timmons) is good, too."

"So we just got to clean it up, stop the undisciplined stuff and we'll be all right."

Another standout for the Wildcats was senior quarterback Chris Walls, starting his first game this season. He complemented Stella, running for 113 yards in 21 carries and scoring on runs of 35 and 15 yards. The Wildcats outgained Churchill 424-161.

Churchill also completed a 30-yard TD strike to junior Isaac Emminger late in the first quarter to even the score at 7-7.

On the play, Walls dumped the ball over the middle to Emminger, who took it from there down the field.

Churchill had taken an early 7-0 lead on a 28-yard pass from junior quarterback Evan Cummins to Matt Pachota.

Before the opening quarter could end, the Chargers took a 14-7 advantage on a nifty bit of trickery.

Cummins handed the ball off to halfback Mike Hill, who dropped back and fired an aerial to wide-open Antonio Alexander. He caught the ball near the 30-yard line with nobody around him and took it in for a 43-yard score.

"We had a couple plays that we had in our game plan," Churchill head coach Bill DeFillippo said. "That that was one of our keys, when we had a chance to get some explosive plays to make sure we hit on



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Livonia Churchill's Jake Osen trips up Plymouth running back Darius Timmons. At right for the Wildcats is Victor Abraham.

them. We did early."

Plymouth bounced back to match 7-26 for the equalizer with 7:26 left in the second.

Walls found junior Chase Timko (two catches, 69 yards) for a 34-yard reception down the right sideline to keep the drive going. The quarterback's 35-yard run capped the drive.

He faked a handoff and shot up the middle through the line, accelerating with every step.

"We struggled to contain their quarterback," DeFillippo said. "Third-and-long, he'd scramble around and hit a 30- or 40-yard pass downfield in a key situation."

The Wildcats took their first lead of the night when Alan Farmer connected on a 32-yard field goal, with just 39 seconds to go in the first half.

Missed chances

It was far from an immaculate contest between division rivals, on the varsity turf football field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

There were numerous muffed handoffs and fumbles

sustained by both sides.

"We just had way too many self-inflicted wounds tonight," DeFillippo said. "Offensively, we snapped the ball at the wrong time a couple different occasions that messed up some plays."

For example, a fumbled exchange by the Wildcats gave the Chargers a first down at the Plymouth 22.

But two plays later, a sack by Matt Wayne knocked the ball out of Cummins' hands to give the ball right back.

Sawchuk lamented some of the miscues by his own team (3-1 overall, 2-0 in the division), such as "turning the ball over, running in the end zone (on a safety that drew Churchill to within 17-16 in the third) and kids being kids."

On the safety, DeMarco McKinney chased down Walls in the end zone.

Closing out the scoring early in the fourth was Walls, on a 15-yard scoring run.

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Looking for more yardage on a run is Salem's Roger Ayers III (right) during the Rocks' game at Novi.

SALEM

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gub by Nathan Hankerson.

That's when the Rocks' offense finally responded.

Salem needed 10 plays to drive 71 yards and get on the scoreboard on a 15-yard run over right tackle by Deston Langford (21 carries, 85 yards).

An interception by Freddie McGee III got the ball right back for the Rocks and quarterback Alex Nicholson carried the ball into the end zone from 1-yard out to make it a 21-14 game (following William Neumaier's extra point).

But Salem's momentum came to a sudden halt thanks to another scoring drive by Novi.

And once again, it was Jackson to spoil things for the Rocks. He tallied 54 yards on a run around the right edge for another touchdown.

Salem head coach Kurt Britnell tried to get things going in his team's direction by putting junior Roger Ayers III in at quarterback in the fourth. The Rocks could not get much going, however, as a drive stalled near midfield.

On fourth-and-10, a pass to McGeen was good for 9 yards, but Novi defender Ryan Welch made the tackle in the nick of time for the Wildcats.

Novi parlayed a solid game from quarterback Bageris, who completed 13-of-20 attempts for 132 yards, includ-

ing a 42-yard pass to Anthony D'Annibale.

Augmenting Jackson in the running game for the Wildcats was Aahmaud Jenkins, who gained 62 yards in 12 attempts.

For Salem, Nicholson ran the ball 12 times for 53 yards and a touchdown. He also hit 5-of-11 passes for 49 yards.

Ayers chipped in with 41 yards via the air, connecting on 3-of-9 passes.

Top Salem defenders included Trevor Nowaske (seven solo tackles, eight assists), Jason Arnold (five solos, four assists) and Shaw Lyall, who tallied nine tackles.

Contributing five tackles for the Rocks was Christian Pearson, while Parker Selby helped the cause with two solo tackles and two assists.

The Wildcats' defense was spearheaded by the strong play of Brent George and Nick Sabo.

Each player recorded eight tackles, with George chalking up one sack.

On offense, Salem lost four fumbles to Novi's none. But the Wildcats were penalized 11 times for 58 yards, compared to the Rocks only being whistled four times for 32 yards.

CANTON 57, WAYNE MEMORIAL 0: In a Friday night game between KLAA South Division teams, the visiting Chiefs routed the Zebras to improve to 4-0 overall and 2-0 in the division. Canton was led by Markus Sanders and Reid McDonnell (three TDs each). The Chiefs outgained Wayne 426-163.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Canton rips Zebras in three sets

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Still feeling good about a victory against campus rival Plymouth, the Canton varsity girls volleyball team kept rolling Thursday against Wayne Memorial.

The Chiefs swept to a 3-0 victory in the KLAA South Division dual match.

"We had a chance to get some other players in today and once we got into a rhythm we played well," Canton head coach Irick Gardner said. "A couple players stepped up with our second string, but those are the things I want to see."

Victoria Porter and Ciara Walega were instrumental to the Canton attack with six and five kills, respectively.

Also helping the cause with four aces each were Gabrielle den Boer, Hailey Hodgson and

McKenzie Fistler.

Hodgson also tallied eight digs to lead the Chiefs.

Others contributing key solo blocks were Alyssa Burke, Hannah Stefanek and Olivia Zander.

Rocks prevail

Also Thursday, Salem needed five sets to get past visiting South Lyon, 3-2.

The Rocks won the first two sets, 25-19 and 25-21, only to see the Lions bounce back in games 3-4.

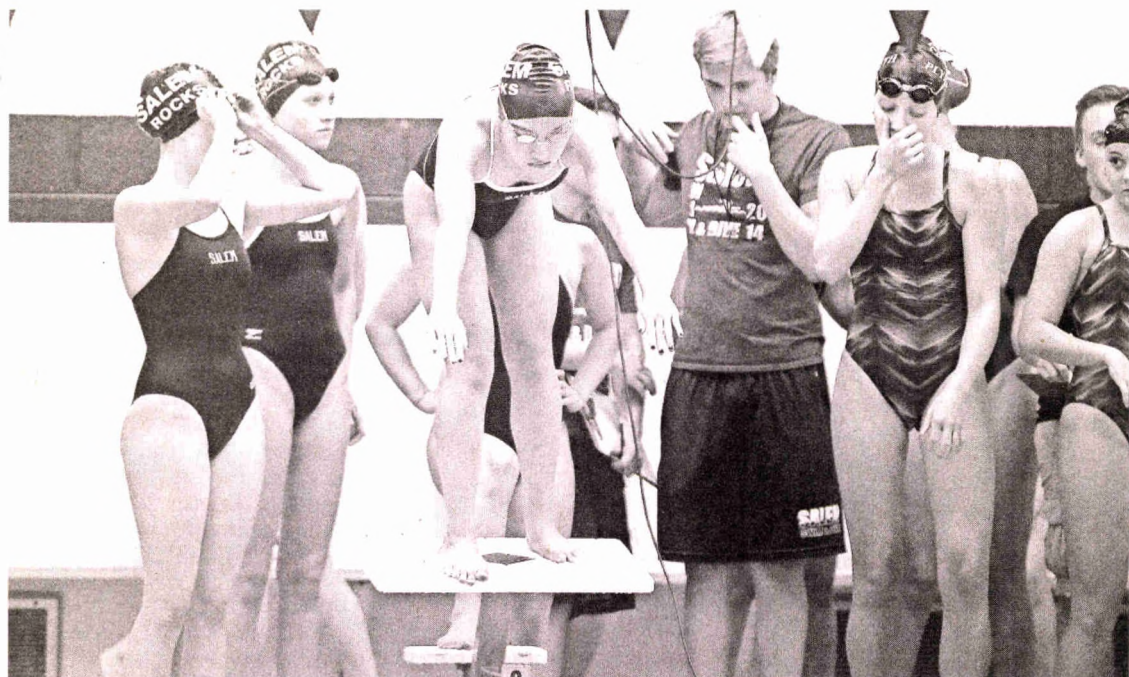
In the deciding fifth game, Salem earned a 15-8 victory.

Top performers for the Rocks were Tess Ganich (six aces, 23 kills, 27 digs), Drew Smiley (three aces, 20 digs), Kendall Gillen (10 kills, 28 digs), Emma Merlington (seven kills), Sara Soltis (30 assists) and Lauren Wylie (22 assists, 12 digs).



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

The Canton Chiefs display trademark teamwork during a recent match.



Getting ready to jump in during a relay at the tri-meet is Salem senior Lisa Zhang.

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P-CEP TRI-MEET

A CUT ABOVE

Rocks girls swimmers enjoy state and MISCA cuts while winning fifth straight Park title

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Zhang-boom, the Salem varsity girls swimming and diving team continues to make a huge splash this season.

Led by senior twins Linda and Lisa Zhang, the Rocks easily topped the three-team field at Tuesday's first annual Plymouth-Canton Educational Park tri-meet with 605 points.

Salem outscored runner-up Canton (422) and third-place Plymouth (359) to nab Park championship honors for the fifth consecutive season.

The Zhangs were part of a quartet of Salem swimmers coming away from the Salem High School natatorium with Division 1 state qualifying times.

Linda Zhang qualified in the 100 breaststroke as well as part of the 200 medley relay with Lisa Zhang, Molly Rowe and Katie Xu. They won with a time of 1:52.25.

In addition, Lisa Zhang (200 IM, 100 butterfly) and Xu (200 IM, 100 backstroke) garnered two individual state cut times.

A number of swimmers from all three teams also made Michigan Interscholastic

Swim Coaches Association meet cuts, which are slightly lower qualifying times than DI standards.

Lisa Zhang also prevailed in the 50 free in 25.46 to earn a qualifying time for the MISCA meet.

Salem enjoyed several other first-place finishes. Those included Camille Burt in 1-meter diving (219.90 points), and the 400 free relay team of Lisa Zhang, Patricia Freitag, Xu and Linda Zhang (a MISCA qualifying time of 3:46.69).

Top finishers for Canton included Meghan Mans in the 500 free (a MISCA qualifying time of 5:22.48) and the 200 free relay team of Emily Osika, Kristen Wiseman, Jessica Clark and Mans (a MISCA qualifying time of 1:47.10).

Plymouth's Allison Lennig had a big day. She took first in the 200 and 100 free events with respective marks of 1:59.64 and 55.69.

Both of those times were fast enough to qualify her for the MISCA meet.

Following are the P-CEP tri-meet results:

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SALEM 605
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Sept. 15 at Salem
200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Molly Rowe, Linda Zhang, Lisa Zhang, Katie Xu), 1:52.25, DI; 2. Canton (Meghan Mans, Ellie Caruso, Emily Osika, Jessica Clark), 1:57.80, MMC; 3. Salem (Kate Cousino, Grace Harding, Meghan Maikowski, Samara Sarmiento), 2:04.18, MMC.

200 freestyle: 1. Allison Lennig (P), 1:59.64, MMC; 2. Mans (C), 2:00.33, MMC; 3. Patricia Freitag (S), 2:04.06, MMC; 4. Sarah Griffiths (S), 2:09.40; 5. Jessica Zhang (S), 2:12.66.

200 individual medley: 1. Linda Zhang (S), 2:11.37, DI; 2. Xu (S), 2:14.38, DI; 3. Clark (C), 2:23.68, MMC; 4. Kelsey Peregor (P), 2:26.31; 5. Miranda Li (S), 2:27.28.

50 freestyle: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 25.46, MMC; 2. Isabella Giacobone (P), 27.13; 3. Nicki Pumper (N), 25.70; 4. Gillian Zayan (N), 26.19; Maikowski (S), 27.68; 5. Kristen Wiseman (C), 27.92.

1-meter diving: 1. Camille Burt (S), 219.90 points; 2. Jordyn Williams (S), 164.70; 3. Beth Henderson (P), 151.85; 4. Olivia Richmond (P), 135.90; 5. Sofia Giacobone (P), 133.35.

100 butterfly: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 1:00.02, DI; 2. Osika (C), 1:02.32, MMC; 3. Kathryn Waters (P), 1:03.71, MMC; 4. Rowe (S), 1:06.61; 5. Annie Patterson (S), 1:09.53.

100 freestyle: 1. Lennig (P), 55.69, MMC; 2. Freitag (S), 57.61, MMC; 3. Clark (C), 59.38; 4. Jenna Chen (S), 59.73; 5. Federica Russo (C), 1:01.07.

500 freestyle: 1. Mans (C), 5:22.48, MMC; 2. Waters (P), 5:38.75, MMC; 3. Griffiths (S), 5:42.40; 4. Sophia Balow (C), 5:51.51; 5. Grace MacLellan (P), 5:58.74.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Osika, Kristen Wiseman, Clark, Mans), 1:47.10, MMC; 2. Salem (Chen, Maikowski, Freitag, Griffiths), 1:51.03, MMC; 3. Plymouth (Alyssa Crisp, Audrey Roth, Kaylee Yang, Lennig), 1:53.35.

100 backstroke: 1. Xu (S), 1:00.38, DI; 2. Rowe (S), 1:04.02, MMC; 3. Osika (C), 1:04.04, MMC; 4. Russo (C), 1:07.40; 5. Sydney Darnall (C), 1:11.68.

100 breaststroke: 1. Linda Zhang (S), 1:07.84, DI; 2. Peregor (P), 1:15.87; 3. Harding (S), 1:16.80; 4. Li (S), 1:18.01; 5. Caruso (C), 1:18.19.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Lisa Zhang, Freitag, Xu, Linda Zhang), 3:46.69, MMC; 2. Plymouth (Waters, Giacobone, Peregor, Lennig), 3:57.73, MMC; 3. Salem (Chen, J. Zhang, Griffiths, Rowe), 4:06.68, MMC.

(DI: Division 1 state qualifying time; MMC: MISCA meet cut.)

PREP BOYS SOCCER

PCA battles back to earn 1-1 tie

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

A goal in the final two minutes Tuesday enabled host Plymouth Christian Academy to earn a 1-1 tie against Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett.

The Michigan Independent Athletic Conference varsity boys soccer matchup was a fast-paced affair, despite a scoreless first half.

Midway through the second half, the Knights struck first. But PCA kept battling and it paid off.

"Ben Fuller took a hard shot at the 25-yard line," Eagles head coach Kris Warnemuende said. "It hit the crossbar near the left corner. Ethan Willis followed the shot into the goal area and kicked the ball in off the deflection."

Willis has six goals and two assists this season, second only to Austin Andres (five goals, seven assists).

Neither team was able to break the tie during a pair of

10-minute overtime sessions.

Helping the PCA cause with 11 saves was goalkeeper Nick Andres, while defender Mathew Cusamano "showed his speed and ability to take on any forward."

Warnemuende added that Will Crecelius played his best game of the season.

On Tuesday, PCA played well despite losing 1-0 against Summit Home Schools in Romeo.

"I am confident that our defense will continue to do a great job shutting down the attacks with Ben Fuller and Matthew Cusamano keeping the (back) line together," Warnemuende said. "Brian Schlientz and Luke Yakuber played exceptionally hard both games."

"Going into the second half of the season, we are still leading in our conference."

PLYMOUTH 4, JOHN GLENN 0: The Wildcats earned their fourth shutout of the season, netting two goals in each half against KIAA South Division rival Westland John Glenn.

CANTON 1, JOHN GLENN 1: On Tuesday, Hunter Olson's goal (from Jimmy Walkinshaw) helped the Chiefs earn a draw.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Chiefs second at Titan Invitational, top 'Cats

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Canton's varsity boys cross country team is off to a good start this season, finishing second at the recent Detroit Titan Invitational and following up Tuesday with a dual match victory against Plymouth.

In the dual meet against Plymouth, the Chiefs dominated the top 10.

In second place with a time of 17:10 was Zac Clark — trailing Plymouth overall medalist Ethan Byrnes, who finished in 17 minutes — with Canton's Shane Andrews third (17:33).

Also in the top 10 for the Chiefs were Nick Socha (fifth, 18:43), David Kight (sixth, 19:04), Javier Diaz (seventh, 19:07), Zach Carey (eighth, 19:11) and Dam Jimenez (ninth, 19:11).

In addition to Byrnes, the Wildcats' lineup featured Brandon Boyd (fourth, 17:45), Nolan Oulette (10th, 19:27), Lucas Kapala (11th, 20:04) and Gary Jones (12th, 20:22).

At the Titan Invite, the Chiefs finished with 93 points, trailing only Macomb Dakota (42). Top finishers for Canton were Zac Clark (eighth, 17:12.6), Shane Andrews (ninth, 17:16.4) and Nick Socha (19th, 17:52).

Plymouth and Plymouth Christian placed sixth and seventh, respectively, with 169 and 191 points.

Top Wildcats were Ethan Byrnes (fifth, 16:58.6) and Brandon Boyd (11th, 17:21.1).

For the Eagles, Seth Windle (12th, 17:25.7) and Ben Fuller (15th, 17:40.2) had strong performances.

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SALEM

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Oh so close

The Rocks, who dropped to 7-4-1 overall and 3-1-0 in the division, came close to drawing even with 3:30 remaining in the half.

Off a free kick, Robert Callender headed the ball from near the right post only to have the ball snagged by Mustangs goalie Evan Treiber.

"We had a chance on a free kick late in the first half to get an equalizer," Salem head coach Scott Duhl said. "That would have been a huge boost for us. You just have to generate chances."

Duhl said his team played well against "a top team and we're still right there. We play in a really tough division so anything's possible long term."

After the Mustangs grabbed the lead, they turned up the defensive heat to foil the Rocks.

"It was really frustrating," Salem forward Nick Massey said. "Since the beginning of the game I had the center-back (Garret Weaver) in my back the entire game."

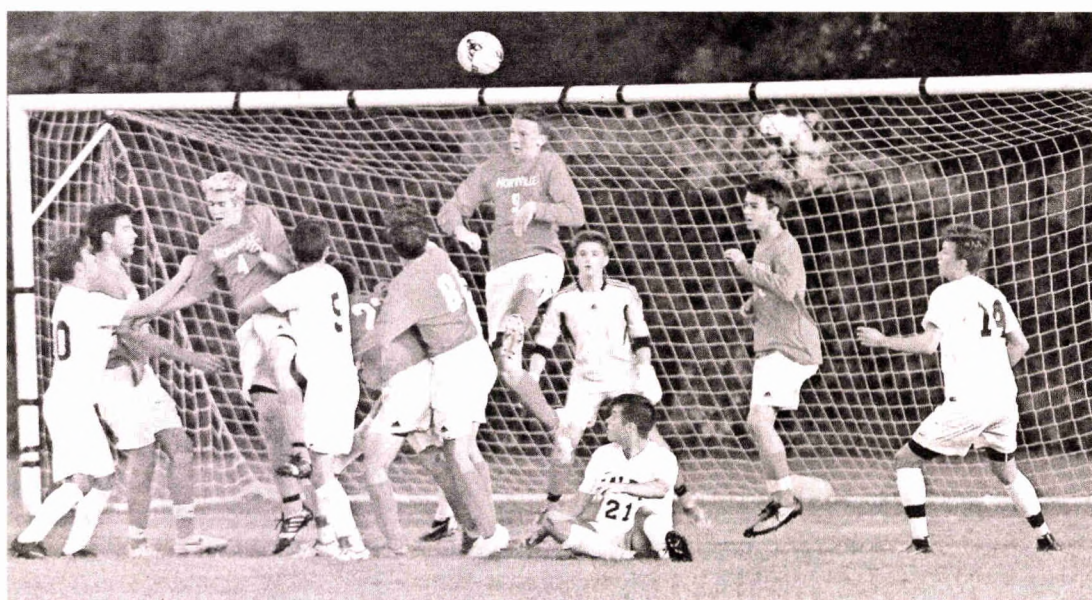
"Every time I received the ball he was at my back. He's a really good player. I tried to keep passing the ball, moving without the ball and try to get the ball back but it never really worked out that way."

The Rocks had some fleeting moments on the attack during the second half. Those were few and far between, however.

With about 15 minutes remaining, sophomore stand-out midfielder Christian Freitag was tripped up to give Salem a free kick.

"Christian Freitag has just been fantastic for us," Duhl said. "... I thought everybody was good."

The subsequent bid by



Northville goalkeeper Evan Treiber (green shirt) and his defenders hold the fort to deny Salem late during the first half.

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Getting a step ahead of Northville's Jake Reitzloff (No. 12) is Salem's Robert Callender (No. 14).

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Jordan Salhani was grabbed by Treiber, who was strong whenever he needed to be.

"Evan on the one free kick, I thought, this was the first game he's really been tested and has been called upon," Klimes said. "Your goalie needs to make those

saves when they come to him.

"I'm excited for him. A game like this will give him a ton of confidence."

Statement time

In the late stages, Max Kummer chipped the ball

into the 18-yard box looking for a teammate to cash in on.

But Northville's Ben McCauley was there to clear the ball away before the Rocks could get to it.

"Their center-backs are just dynamite," Duhl noted. "They're probably the best center-backs we've gone against all year — organized, big, fast, they don't run themselves out of position. We really struggled to get behind them."

According to Klimes, his team wanted to make a statement against one of Northville's division rivals.

"We knew what was at stake," Klimes said. "It's still early in the division play ... we knew Salem was going to be a tough game."

"Last year, both games (between the teams) could have went either way when we played. Today's game it was one play that we capitalized on."

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Pack mentality working for Salem girls harriers

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

On the heels of an impressive showing at the Ramblin' Rock Invitational, Salem's varsity girls cross country team bested Novi 20-43 Tuesday at Cass Benton Park in Northville.

The Rocks nailed down places 2-8 to demonstrate the strength in numbers that the squad is displaying early this season.

"The girls started off the dual meet season with an impressive team victory," Salem head coach Dave Gerlach noted. "The girls ran a very intelligent race by letting Novi press the pace early but staying in contact."

"All the training we have been doing really paid off as the girls raced a terrific last two miles to pack it in for the victory by placing seven runners before Novi's second. We are team packing and pacing right now which is our strength."

Erin McCann led the Rocks, finishing second with a time of 20 minutes, 35 seconds.

Other Salem performers in the top 10 were Kayla Hughes (third, 20:41), Madison Justice (fourth, 20:46), Gabrielle Mancini (fifth, 20:55), Sierra Bowden (sixth, 21:06), Madalyn Simko (seventh, 21:25), Hannah Jeffress (eighth, 21:41) and Lizzy Lu (10th, 22:23).

But the Rocks showed depth beyond the top group, with Hallie Younglas (11th, 22:40) and Kayla Delacruz (12th, 22:42) performing well.

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YOUTH FOOTBALL

Canton Lions enjoy big day against Meteors

Lions teams go 2-0-1 on Sept. 13 at Wayne Memorial

Week 2 was a good one for the Canton Lions with two victories and a tie against the Westland Meteors at Wayne Memorial High School.

The varsity squad Sunday won 26-0, with the offense igniting in the second half after a quiet start.

Cameron Wilburn scored on a four-yard run while quarterback Jeremy Fuchs connected with Daylin Banks on a 35-yard TD toss. Other offensive highlights included a 20-yard TD run by Josh Bergevin, a nine-yard scoring run by Ezell Snipes and extra points by Ivan Davis and Jon Hanton.

Varsity Lions highlights on defense included a fumble recovery and an interception by Lucas Holden, and a pass that was blocked by Davis and intercepted by Nicholas Azzouz.

Leading tacklers were Bergevin and Davis, with more than 10 each. Also contributing with tackles were Azzouz, Banks, Eli Bond, Sean Britt, James Goldring, Hanton, Lucas Holden, Seth Humm, Snipes and Wilburn. Hanton also had a sack.

JV Lions fall

A hard-working Canton Lions junior varsity defense, lead by middle linebacker Josh Nichols, still wasn't able to stop the Meteors, as they suffered a tough loss, 51-0.

The JV Lions, with a current record of 1-1, plan to rebound in week 3. They will



Canton Lions freshman Kris Easley (No. 4) heads for the end zone against the Westland Meteors with blocks from Luke Rayborn (No. 20), Aaron Alexander (No. 51) and Caleb Williams (No. 5).



Canton Lions junior freshman running back Jacob Modelski carries the football last weekend.

face the Milan Big Red, new to the Western Suburban Junior Football League, on the Lions

home turf Sept. 20.

Freshmen win

The kickoff recovery by Canton Lions freshman Luke Matusik set the pace for a 19-0 win, the team's second straight shutout victory.

Running back Aaron Alexander scored the game's first touchdown, followed by an impressive 80-yard touchdown by running back Kris Easley.

The freshmen defense held the Meteors scoreless with key stops by Justin Anderson, Brynden Millet, Luke Rayborn and Avery Satterlee. Alexander scored the final touchdown of the game, and Josiah West carried in the extra point.

Jr. freshman recap

The junior freshmen Lions offense made an early push toward the end zone in their meeting with the Westland Meteors. Consecutive carries by Brandon Willis, Brendan Seed and Jacob Modelski set the stage for a 30-yard touchdown run by Julian Nichols in the first quarter.

On the other side of the grid iron, the Lions put up a strong defensive front led by Evan Williams, Modelski, Nichols and Seed. Despite a 47-yard offensive drive and fumble recovery late in the second half, the contest ended in a stalemate with each team making one trip to the end zone.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Marlins have room for improvement

Dan O'Meara
Staff Writer

Coach Gary Servais will be looking for improvement from his Mercy High School team as the girls cross country season moves forward.

The Marlins finished third among the four biggest all-girl schools in the first Catholic League jamboree Tuesday.

Warren Regina won the meet with 25 points at St. Clair Metro Park in Harrison Township.

Livonia Ladywood edged Mercy for second place, 51-54, and Birmingham Marian was fourth with 103 points.

"I thought we should have done a little better than we did," Servais said. "We had some kids in there who don't have a lot of experience yet."

The overall winner Tuesday was Regina's Theresa Diehl with a time of 20:11.

Mercy had the third- and fourth-place runners in junior Lauren Lytle (21:02) and senior Hannah Lesko (21:11).

Sophomore Erin Haapala was 14th (22:41), junior Julie Lilley 16th (22:44) and junior Mallory Demeter 19th (23:08) to complete the Mercy scoring.

The top seven included sophomore Sophia Lamphier (23:14) and junior Kaitlin McHenry in 21st and 23rd places.

All but Lilley, who ran track in the spring but not cross country last fall, are returning runners.

Mercy, which has 20 girls on the team, must find a way to compensate for the loss of Allysen Eads, last year's league champion and all-Observer athlete who is running for Hillsdale College.

"Lytle, McHenry and Haapala are back up there," Servais said. "They had pretty good years last year, and I'm hoping they improve this year."

"I think we're deeper this year. If these rookies and returning people keep working hard, I think we can move up (in the league meet)."

PREP GIRLS GOLF

Salem defeats Canton in KLAA golf match

Salem's varsity girls golf team defeated Canton 186-221 Thursday at Fox Hills, behind a 40-stroke performance by junior Darby Scott.

Other Salem scorers were Hope Warkoczeski (41), Kiley

Flynn (50), Genevieve St. Jean (55), Hannah Saad (55) and Grace Grelak (56).

Individual scorers for Canton were Nicole Dawson (49), Molly Mundorf (53), Simi Neeluru (59), Manasa

Potluri (60), Meghan Meredith (63) and Caroline Jones (66).

Meanwhile, Salem lost Tuesday to South Lyon East, 173-174 at Tanglewood. Leading Salem was Scott (40),

followed by Flynn (41), Warkoczeski (45), St. Jean (48), Saad (54) and Grelak (56).

Medalist for South Lyon East was Kiersten VanNorden, who tallied a 39.

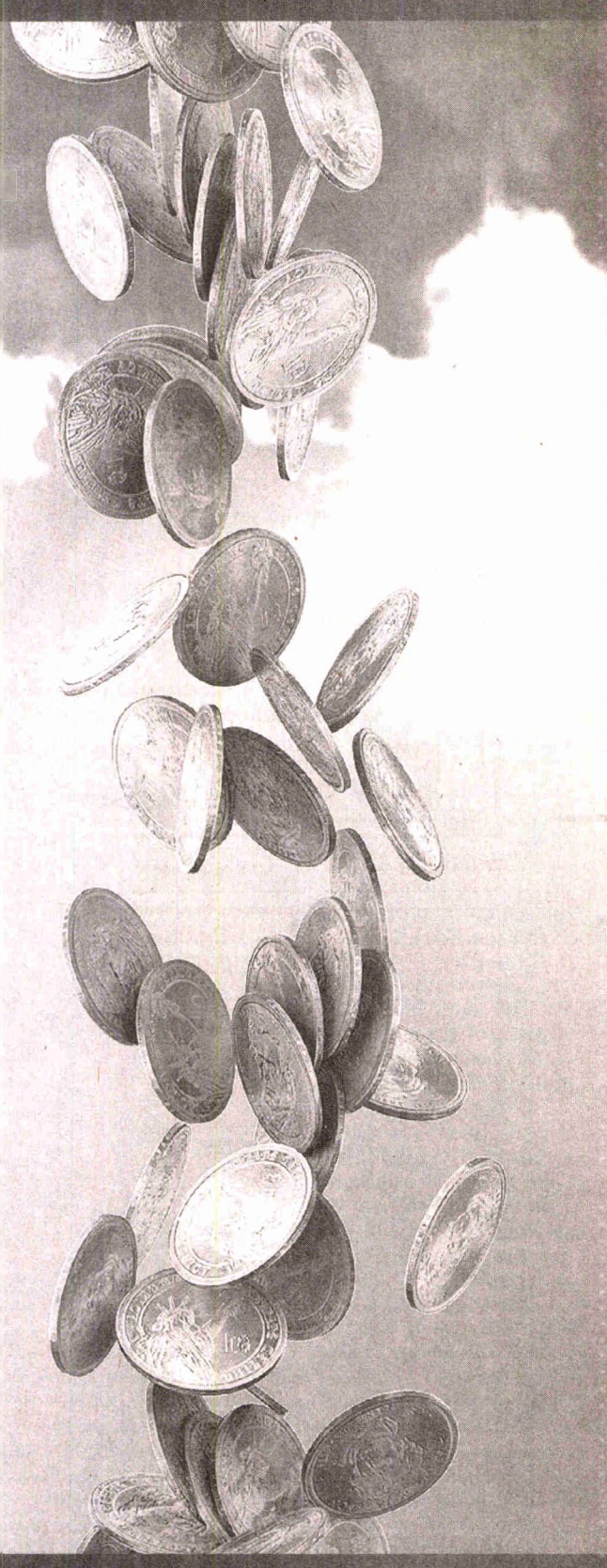
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2015 Lincoln MKC: Arrive in style

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

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

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

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

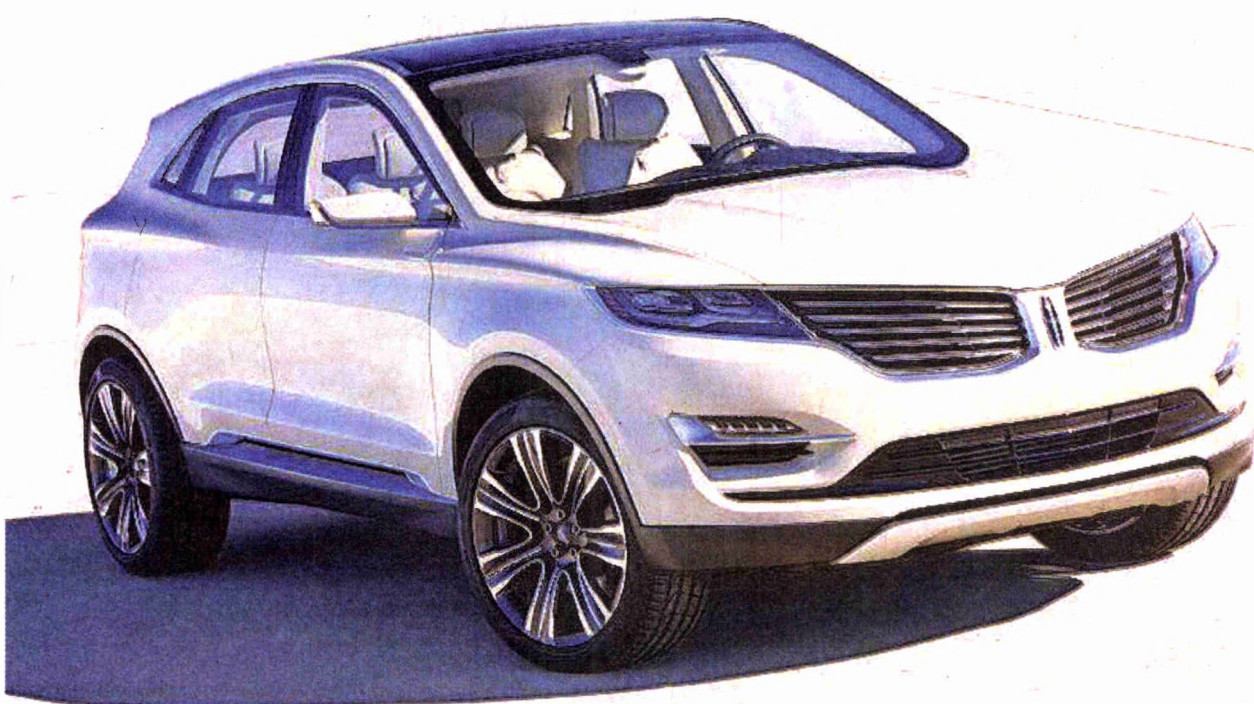
"It's a great day for Jack Demmer Lincoln."

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

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

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

Coupled with the seal of approval from A-list movie star Matthew McConaughey — who's



The 2015 Lincoln MKC aims to compete with established luxury compact crossovers.



The MKC retains the concept's prominent winged grille, sculpted body and full-width LED tail lamps with wraparound lift gate.

Unlike many vehicles that use Ford's troubled multimedia system, the MKC's panel also features buttons and knobs for controlling audio and climate functions — a welcome sight.

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

Under the hood

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

makes 240 horsepower in this application. Lincoln hasn't confirmed the MKC's transmission, but we expect it to use the Escape's six-speed automatic. One item carried over from the concept version is the push-button shifter instead of an actual mechanical shifter.

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

Safety features

The MKC is loaded with safety options, including a blind spot warning system, collision warning with brake support, lane keeping system, cross-traffic alert and the class-exclusive park-out assist system. Rather than help guide the vehicle into parallel parking spots, the latter system helps steer the car out of a tight parking spot.

Value in its class

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

— Cars.com contributed to this report

appearing in a series of sleek, memorable TV commercials — the 2015 Lincoln MKC is a brand on the rise.

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

which is fantastic.

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

Exterior

The MKC slots below the MKX in size and Lincoln stayed true to the concept car in styling the production version. The MKC retains the concept's prominent winged

grille, sculpted body, menacing LED-accented headlamps and full-width LED tail lamps with wraparound lift gate.

Interior

Inside, a panoramic sunroof, leather seats with French stitching and real wood trim give the cabin an airy, upscale look. An 8-inch touchscreen that uses Ford's Sync with MyLincoln Touch is front and center.

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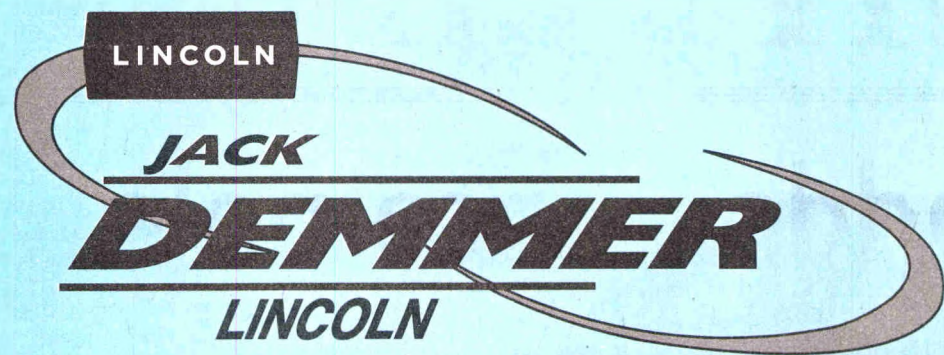
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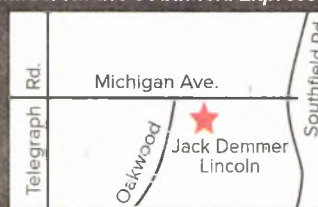
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Livonia church adds peace pole to its labyrinth prayer park

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Lunice Clay hopes visitors think about peace as they walk the labyrinth at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church in Livonia.

She and other members of the congregation will help meditators focus on the issue by installing a peace pole Sunday, Sept. 20, at the entrance of the church's prayer park. The pole planting, held after the 10 a.m. worship service, will include a blessing and music. The peace pole will be the newest addition to the park, which includes a patio, benches, a fountain, and the maze-like labyrinth which recently was lit for night use. It comes just in time for the International Day of Peace, which is celebrated worldwide on Sept. 21.

"It was my big idea. I've had some prior experience with peace poles," said Clay, church labyrinth facilitator. "I thought it would be nice to observe that day. This is a wonderful place to put a peace pole. When people transition from the parking lot to the labyrinth, it's something to get them focused on the connectedness between us all."

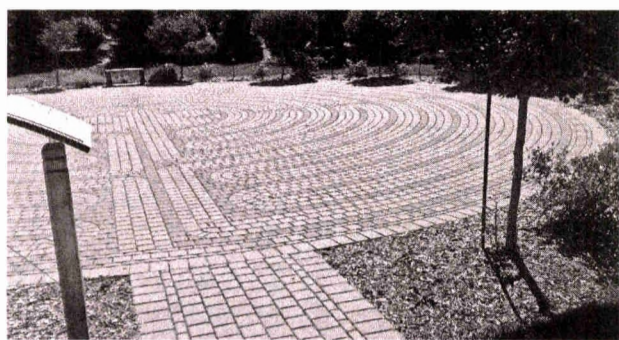
The peace pole shows the phrase "may peace prevail on earth" in a different language on each of its four sides.

"We chose English, Hindi, Arabic and Hebrew," Clay said. "The thinking behind that was that English is used in the church here. Judaism and Hindu are major religions, along with Islam. This is kind of a prayer that the major religions live in peace and the people live in peace."

Peace poles began showing up in Japan in the 1950s and were introduced to the United States in 1986, when The World Peace Prayer Society opened offices on both coasts. A program of the organization is The Peace Pole Project which seeks to unite individuals through the peace message, "may peace prevail on earth."

"Peace never gets old," Clay said.

The church bought its pole from Peace Pole Makers USA, a company based in Maple City, near



The labyrinth at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church enables visitors to walk and meditate.



Plantings, benches and a fountain are part of the church's prayer park.



David Moffat and Mary Kay Whalen make and sell peace poles.

Glen Arbor, in northwest Michigan that has produced poles for 30 years. David Moffat took over the company from its original owners in 2001 and sells approximately 500-600 mostly four-sided poles every year. His busy season is spring-fall, with a major push just before the International Day of Peace.

Variety of sizes

The poles are made of Canadian western red cedar and the message is either written on an environmentally friendly plaque that is attached to

the pole or is sandblasted directly into the wood. Moffat crafts four-sided and six-sided full-sized poles for placement outdoors, 20-inch-tall desk-top poles and 7-inch mini poles.

"We've had people use the mini poles as place settings at weddings," Moffat said. "Quite a lot of churches and schools use (full-sized poles) for conflict resolution." They're also placed at hospitals, domestic abuse shelters, and private residences.

"I had a mini pole go into space years ago on



Cindy Channey, church secretary, places the peace pole into the ground at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, Livonia.

the space shuttle. There's one at the North Pole and South Pole. We've sent them just about everywhere and pretty much on every continent."

Customers can choose from 1,000 different languages, including Esperanto and Braille. Moffat said English, Russian and Spanish were the most popular languages when he took over the business 14 years ago. Now it's Hebrew, Arabic, English and Spanish.

Moffat said he has several peace poles at his home. That includes a half-purple pole he made for a woman in California who loves purple. The stain on the first pole he made wasn't drying properly. The second took more than nine months to dry. He ended up with one of them.

"That's why we don't do custom painting any more."

Moffat said the outdoor poles last for years

if they get a fresh coat of stain occasionally.

"There's been a pole at a local restaurant for 10 years that doesn't look a day over a year or two. We try to make them as weatherproof as we can."

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is located at 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. The prayer park and labyrinth are free and open to the public. Visit holycrosslivonia.org.

Visit Moffat's business online at peacepoles.com.

It counts: Nine steps to help your kids save, spend money wisely

Kids and money, how frustrating. I thought I taught my kids to value money, don't get into debt, pay

your bills on time and save, save, save. I think it went in one ear and out the other side. I know, why should my kids be



Paula Swain
GUEST
COLUMNIST

any different than I was at their age?

We all go through that period where we think we know more than our parents. It isn't until later that we figure out they were right. But now that I am a parent it is my responsibility to teach my kids, even though they don't think I have a clue. "You know, mom, it's totally different today than when you were a kid." UGH! Those words drive me crazy.

I happen to come across an article on the "Nine Steps to Raising Money-Smart Kids," so I thought I would share some steps with you.

1. Help your children realize money doesn't grow on trees. How many times did you hear that growing up? When my kids were young they thought you could go to the money box, ATM, and get money any time you wanted.

2. Get children interested in money early.

When they are around 3 or 4 show them how to tell different coins apart. Give them piggy bank to keep their money safe.

3. Teach your children the difference between a "need" and a "want." A need is something you have to have. A want something you would like to have. I reinforce this concept again with my clients when they are ready for retirement.

4. Give regular allowances. An allowance allows kids to experience real-life money matters. Guidelines you may want to consider:

» Encourage them to save at least some of their allowance

» Advise them to spend it wisely

» Do not take away allowances as a punishment

» Do not be too generous

» Set guidelines for raises

5. Encourage them to look for other money-earning ventures. Help your children earn money beyond their allowance. Encourage them to do special household chores or seek jobs around the neighborhood.

A family I know puts money inside envelopes, writes a chore on the front and hangs it on the fridge. If you complete the chore you get the money inside.

6. Open a savings account in their name. My children would get really excited to go to the bank to deposit money. Even if that deposit was just a dollar. I would let them fill out their own deposit slip. Their little faces would light up when they looked at their balance. They has such a feeling of accomplishment. It was fun.

7. Encourage them to set goals. Help them make a lists of their wants. Make a poster board with photos of their wants. I still do this today. My photo boards help me visualize my goals which then inspires me to achieve them.

8. Help them determine the cost of their wants. Give them ideas on how they might earn the money needed. You might also want to consider contributing a matching amount every time they achieve one of their saving goals.

9. Making savings a

habit can often get children off on the right foot.

Consider making it a house rule to save 10 percent or more of their allowance, cash gifts, part-time job or any other income they earn. If you implement this at a young age, you should not run into any resistance. If you don't set some sort of guidelines and stick to them it is pretty slim your child will take the initiative and save on their own. For proof, all you have to do is think back to when you were a child. Were you encouraged or not?

Saving money is a learned skill. Maybe one day they might even turn to you and say, "Thanks, mom and dad, I owe it all to you."

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COLCHICINE

Colchicine goes as far back as the history of medicine. Hippocrates in 400 B.C. recommended the drug as the treatment for gout. His recommendation of one pill an hour for 12 hours, or until the attack broke or diarrhea struck was the first line treatment up to the 21st century.

In the year 2000 and 2001 the medical community took a new look at this regimen as so often colchicine did not end the gout attack even if the patient took all 12 tablets. Also, more often than not, stomach pain and diarrhea would occur stopping therapy before the patient took the full complement of colchicine tablets.

More investigation revealed that the best chance for success occurred if the patient took 2 colchicine immediately when an attack came on, and another tablet one hour later if the flare had not subsided. In sum, three tablets taken in short order worked better than 12 tablets taken over half a day.

Medical investigators also found another use for colchicine in gout. When a patient was starting either allopurinol or febuxostat (Uloric) for the long term control of gout, the body reacted by releasing stores of uric acid, the chemical that causes gout, into the blood stream in amounts that led to gouty flares. Colchicine stops such attacks.

Colchicine is not the drug of choice for long term control of gout. Colchicine can stop an acute attack much like sandbags can prevent an overflowing river from flooding the countryside. But long term prevention requires keeping the water at a safe level. Allopurinol or febuxostat can bring serum uric acid to a safe level, colchicine cannot.

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Let go of anger, hate to find peace in any situation

There are certainly a lot of challenges we face as parents. As a single parent, I face some challenges different from those "Married With Children" folks.



I don't think I am alone when I say that being a single mother pulls on a lot of emotional strings. I think it is common for a single mother to have felt rejected, alone, hurt. I believe these feelings that break you down to the core are just little bits of what will become armor for us. It is OK to have felt lost and unsure, to have wondered why you weren't lovable enough for someone to want to be with you. And it's certainly OK to cry. In fact, I think we need to! We need to let out all of the hurt, anger and resentment. And when we are finally done letting it go, we will build that shield of armor that will help us become better, stronger parents. As a single mom, I wonder why my co-parent gets to go out whenever he wants, parenting at seemingly convenient times and not parenting at other times. I sometimes want to scream at him and other days I have so much anger built

up that I have to leave quickly when I see him for fear that I might. But that's OK. It's not OK to scream and yell, but it is healthy to feel this way, just not for forever.

Making a change

Today, I am working on letting it all go. I am letting go of the hate, and resentment, anger, frustration and rejection. I am trying to find peace with the situation, and be grateful for what the other parent is going to do. It is not easy to let these feelings go, but it is so important for my daughter that I do. I need to teach her patience, kindness, love, and I cannot do it when I am full of anger and hate.

I believe you become who you think you are, and who you act like you are. If you are mean and angry and constantly yelling at people you pass in traffic, you will become a mean and angry person who constantly yells. If you can let the irritating things in life

not bother you, find a way to love even the people you hate the most, then you will bring love into your life and be at peace. Life is not about being "right" or winning arguments or debates. Life is about so much more, and it's important to remember that, and just let all the negative things go.

I encourage anyone else in a similar situation to join with me, and finally find peace in whatever circumstances are bringing you down in your life. We cannot grow more or become better individuals until we close up the bags and leave them behind. Find joy. Find a way to love people who you think are the most unlovable. It's probably those people who need the love the most. We are here on Earth for some reason much bigger than being "right." Let's instead be "better" and finally just LET-IT-GO (cue the Frozen theme song).

Sarah Davies of Livonia writes about the ups and downs of being a single mom. Contact her at sa-rahmarieda-vies@gmail.com.

RELIGION CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

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

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

Contact: 734-425-4421

GRIEF SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Sept. 25 and 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township

Details: Grieving with Great HOPE is a weekend grief support series for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Presenters will include the Rev. John Riccardo as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization. Visit www.goodmourning-ministry.net for registration details. Advance registration by Sept. 21 is \$15, after is \$20

Contact: 734-453-0326

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25

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

Details: \$5 if paid by Sept. 23 and \$6 at the door

Contact: pastor Steve at 248-890-5718; cwm@crossroad-snow.org

MOM2MOM SALE

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia

Details: \$2 early bird admission, \$1 after 9 a.m., strollers welcome.

Contact: newburg-mom2mom@gmail.com

PEACE POLE PLANTING

Time/Date: Following the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, Sept. 20

Location: Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The congregation will place a peace pole at the entrance to the church's prayer park and labyrinth in recognition of the International Day of Peace. The pole includes the phrase "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in English, Arabic, Hebrew, and Hindi

Contact: 734-427-1414

RALLY/HOMECOMING

Time/Date: After 10 a.m. service, Sunday, Sept. 20

Location: First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Games, crafts, prizes, and fun for all ages. Bring a favorite dish to share

Contact: 734-421-8628

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

Location: St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township

Details: Mass and light lunch for widowed men and women

Contact: Liz at 734-452-9149 or Pat B. at 734-895-6246

OCTOBER

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1; 9 a.m. to noon Friday-Saturday, Oct. 2-3

Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Newburgh and Wayne Road, Livonia

Details: \$2 admission per adult Thursday only; free admission Friday-Saturday. Saturday half-price sale

Contact: 734-422-0149

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: Grand opening with 20% mark up on items, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9; and bag sale, 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday Oct. 10

Location: The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Farmington Hills

Details: Includes specialty boutique, housewares, electronics, toys, books, home décor, linens, shoes, clothing for baby, kids, teens, adults, furniture, sporting goods and more. Cash only

Contact: 248-477-1410

ONGOING

CLASSES/STUDY

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

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia

Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more information, email Motta through zumba.com

Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

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

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiwasssee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

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

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

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free-will offering in the vestibule of the church.

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

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

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

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

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

Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.

Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

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

Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church

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

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows

Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223

St. Michael Lutheran Church

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

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.

Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information

SINGLES

Detroit World Outreach

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

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304

Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.

Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org

First Presbyterian Church

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

Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

REUNIONS

CANTON AND SALEM

CLASS OF 2005

Classes from the two high schools combine for a 10-year reunion Nov. 6 at the Detroit Beer Company. Get tickets at pcep2005reunion@gmail.com.

DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1965

Reunion is planned for Sept. 25-26. Call Nancy Gervais Olszewski at 248-701-9374.

DEARBORN LOWREY

CLASS OF 1965

50th class reunion is set for Sept. 26. For more information, email kmharleyriders@wow-way.com or call 313-414-8980.

DETROIT COOLEY

CLASS OF 1965

Looking for classmates from January and June for 50th reunion on Oct. 3 at Livonia Marriott Hotel. For information, email reunioncooley65@aol.com or call 734-397-3308.

FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1954

61st reunion lunch, noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at the Stitt American Legion Post Hall in Dearborn Heights. For information, call Nancy Barlow Gaspar at 313-581-6623 or 318-399-7718 or email Patc629@aol.com.

GARDEN CITY WEST

CLASS OF 1975

40th reunion Saturday, Oct. 3. Event includes tour of the high school, 5-7 p.m., and gathering, 7 p.m. to midnight, at Albert's on the Alley, 5651 Middlebelt. The cost is \$10 per person, \$15 per couple in advance; \$15 per person, \$20 per couple at the door. Visit the Garden City West Class of 1975 40th Reunion on Facebook or email cynthiahinckley@att.net.

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30-year reunion set for Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Livonia Marriott. Tickets in advance are \$45. Call Tanya (Ibrahim) Williams at 734-223-5558, tanyadolour@tripointis.com, or Steven Johnson at 734-635-0369.

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GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

Bees

Chris Lapinski, Master Gardener and an environmental consultant, will talk about raising Mason bees for pollination and which native plants to use to attract them, 7 p.m. Oct. 6 at Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, Farmington Road at Five Mile, Livonia. Three Livonia Garden Club members also will demonstrate what to do and what to avoid when designing a creative or traditional entry into a flower show. livoniagardenclub.org or email lcpresident@yahoo.com.

Newburgh Lake

Take a walk with Mike Darga, Friends of the Rouge board president, around Newburgh Lake in Livonia, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22. Meet at the comfort station on the south side of Hines Drive, west of Newburgh for this three-mile hike. Register at therouge.org.

Ponds

Barson's Greenhouse offers a free seminar, "Pond Closing, What You Should Do and Why," 3-5 p.m. Sept. 20, 23, 29 and 30, at 6414 Merriman, Westland. 734-421-5959.

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Age 78. Passed away peacefully July 24, 2015. She is survived by her two children, many loving relatives and great friends. Juanita attended Eastern Michigan University (at the time Michigan Normal College) where she earned a teaching certificate and a M.A. in English. Juanita loved teaching children. She created the unique Sunflower Nursery school and ran it from her home in Royal Oak for over 25 years. She enjoyed organic gardening and various forms of art with her many friends. A memorial service will be held on September 26, 2015 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Service will begin at 12 p.m. and lunch will be provided at 1 p.m.



COOK, MAUREEN MCGINNIS

Age 79, died peacefully on September 10, 2015. Loving mother of Pamela Wil

St. Mary Mercy Livonia targets obesity, substance abuse

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia in conjunction with key community organizations, hopes to reduce childhood obesity and improve behavioral health over the next three years.

Those two health issues were identified in a year-long health assessment led by the Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. It determined that both obesity and behavioral health were the most important health needs in the communities served by five of its hospitals, which includes St. Mary Mercy.

Under the Affordable Care Act, tax-exempt hospitals must complete a Community Health Needs Assessment every three years. The idea is to implement strategies and programs to address the needs.

That's just what St. Mary Mercy did after identifying senior health care, chronic care management, access to care, obesity and behavioral health in its last assessment in 2012.

"It's not something we do because it's mandated. It's something we do because it's the right thing to do," said Michaeline Raczka, St. Mary Mercy director of community health.

After the last needs assessment the hospital expanded its senior emergency room, par-



Seniors learn exercises to maintain balance in a class at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. The hospital introduced the class after a community assessment in 2012 indicated that senior care could be improved.

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care over the next three years have hit the ground running. Raczka said the hospital has partnered with South Redford Schools and Meijer for an "All School Tasting Day" and family grocery store tours to encourage children to eat more fruits and vegetables.

"We're hoping it will start in October. We're starting with one school and the goal is to build a program that is sustainable and can be replicated."

The group working with behavioral health needs set a goal to reduce consumption of alcohol by 5 percent in the community.

"That was a lofty goal," Raczka noted. "They decided to approach that goal by partnering with Livonia Save Our Youth and Growth Works Incorporated, in a monthly forum."

The forum on substance abuse and recovery meets at 7 p.m. the first three Tuesdays of the month at the hospital.

"It reduces the stigma of talking about the issue and gets people the information they need at the time they need it."

To read the complete Community Health Needs Assessment and its implementation plan, visit stmarymercy.org.

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participated in healthy aging conferences, and added classes and activities, such as fall prevention exercise classes, aimed at seniors.

"We launched a diabetes prevention program with the National Kidney Foundation," said Raczka, identifying one of the ways the hospital addressed the need for chronic disease management.

It added cooking demonstrations — a swipe at obesity — at major events it sponsored. It created a specialist care program for uninsured patients who need follow-up care after an emergency visit and it provided room for mental health and substance abuse support group meetings.

Collaboration

Although both the 2012 and 2015 assessments included a community questionnaire, this year's assessment, which started in Sept. 2014, was led by a Community Health Needs Assessment Steering Committee comprised of both hospital staff and members of key community organizations. Raczka said that steering committee helped to double questionnaire responses from residents in Canton, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford and Westland.

"This is what is really exciting. This survey cycle, one

thing we committed to was collaborating with community partners. We called the community partners together and had them form a steering committee," Raczka said. "We had a grass roots effort and because we had built collaboration, the partners went to their constituents and said this is important, you should fill it out."

"We had 800 (completed questionnaires) in 2012 and 1,578 this year." The survey also went from eight questions in 2012 to 30 in 2015.

New programs

Committees working on strategies to address obesity, behavioral health and access to

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Aging parents

St. Mary Mercy Hospital-Livonia will partner with local organizations to offer advice on caring for aging parents, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22-Oct. 13, at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. To register, call 734-738-6300 or visit <http://bit.ly/1LjrF6Y>.

Blood drive

1-6 p.m. Sept. 21, at Monahan Banquet Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia. Gourmet desserts will be available at the blood drive and those who try to donate will get a chance

to win a \$100 gift certificate to Meijer. 734-591-3237.

Bullying

Phil O'Dwyer, clinical director of the Center for Counseling at Garden City Hospital, will tell parents how to reduce their child's risk of being bullied, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at Westland Shopping Center, East Court, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. 734-458-4259.

Celiac support

The Tri County Celiac Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at the First Presbyteri-

an Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. Lori Shepard will talk about "Gluten Free the Scrumptious Way." A gluten-free food demonstration will be included. tccsg.net

Diabetes PATH

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will present a free six-week workshop for adults with diabetes called Diabetes PATH (Personal Approach Toward Health), sponsored by the Redford Township District Library, 1-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23-Oct. 28, at Livonia Family YMCA, 14255 Stark, Livonia. The workshop will

teach participants to handle with the challenges of diabetes, manage symptoms and communicate more effectively with physicians and family members. Register at 734-655-8955.

Diabetes Prevention

The Garden City Hospital group is designed for individuals who have been diagnosed with pre-diabetes, had gestational diabetes, are overweight, have high blood pressure or are at risk. It meets at 6 p.m. Monday, beginning Sept. 21, in the Medical Office Building on the hospital campus,

6345 Inkster, Garden City. Register at 734-458-4330.

Medicare workshop

Bettie Hughes of The Senior Alliance, Area Agency on Aging 1-C, will answer questions about Medicare eligibility, coverage, and enrollment options with Medicare and the new Integrated Care dual program MI Health Link, 10 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 29, at the Plymouth District Library. Register by calling 734-453-0750, ext. 4, or visit plymouthlibrary.org and click on "events."

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Do job-search gimmicks work?

BY MATT TARPEY
CAREERBUILDER

Every once in a while a story will pop up about a frustrated job seeker going above and beyond to get the attention of hiring managers. Such outside-the-box tactics as renting out a billboard or creating a resume in the style of a recipe may be great for getting the attention of the media, but are these gimmicks actually an effective way to get hired?

In a competitive job market, it can start to feel like the only way to get noticed is by doing something big and eye-catching. And while some job seekers have found success with unusual tactics, it's important not to sacrifice substance for style.

"Job seekers know they're competing with a lot of other candidates, so they're trying more unusual tactics to stand out from the crowd," says Rosemary Haefner, chief human resources officer at CareerBuilder, when commenting on a recent CareerBuilder survey about unique tactics job seekers have used to get noticed. "But while these tactics may succeed in impressing hiring managers, what ultimately determines if they get the job is having the necessary skills and experience hiring managers are looking for."

Consider your message

Getting creative with how you present your resume may effectively communicate that you are self-motivated and willing to test new ideas, but that's not the only message you may



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be sending.

"Job-search gimmicks are a bit of a Hail Mary," says Nick Fox, career coach at SuccessHacking.com. "Most people don't start their job search out looking to use them; they use them in an act of desperation because they're not getting the traction they deserve." A flashy gimmick may get you noticed, but at the end of the day, employers are looking for substance.

Pick your battles

One of the most crucial things to consider before donning an elaborate costume or reaching for the rhyming dictionary to find a rhyme for "self-starter," is the general attitude of the

industry you're looking to join.

"The name of the game is standing out; for some that just takes a compelling cover letter. For others, it takes quite a bit more than that," says Fox. "Obviously, more storied industries aren't going to leap at gimmicks. You're not going to see a law firm or a finance company hire you because you bought a billboard, but startups, media companies and more creative fields tend to want someone who thinks more out of the box."

While many companies will tell you they're looking for creative individuals, most aren't talking about creativity for its own sake. Employers want people with fresh ideas as it relates to

their business. Successful gimmicks showcase the job seeker's creativity and demonstrate how that can be translated to meet the needs of the employer.

Start small

Putting in extra effort to show how dedicated you are to finding the right job doesn't always mean sending pun-heavy gifts to the office or formatting your resume into a playable computer game.

"An out-of-the-box approach can be as simple as finding the hiring manager's email address and contacting them directly," says Angela Copeland, career coach at Copeland Coaching. "Or, it can mean attending an event where the company CEO is speaking, and introduce yourself. These approaches do help increase your chances, because you go from being just a number to being a real person."

Going above and beyond to demonstrate your excitement about an open position is great, but you also have to practice some restraint. As Copeland warns, "When trying alternative approaches, it's important to keep professionalism in mind. You don't want to cross the line from being innovative and ambitious to creepy."

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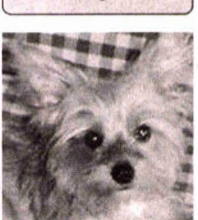
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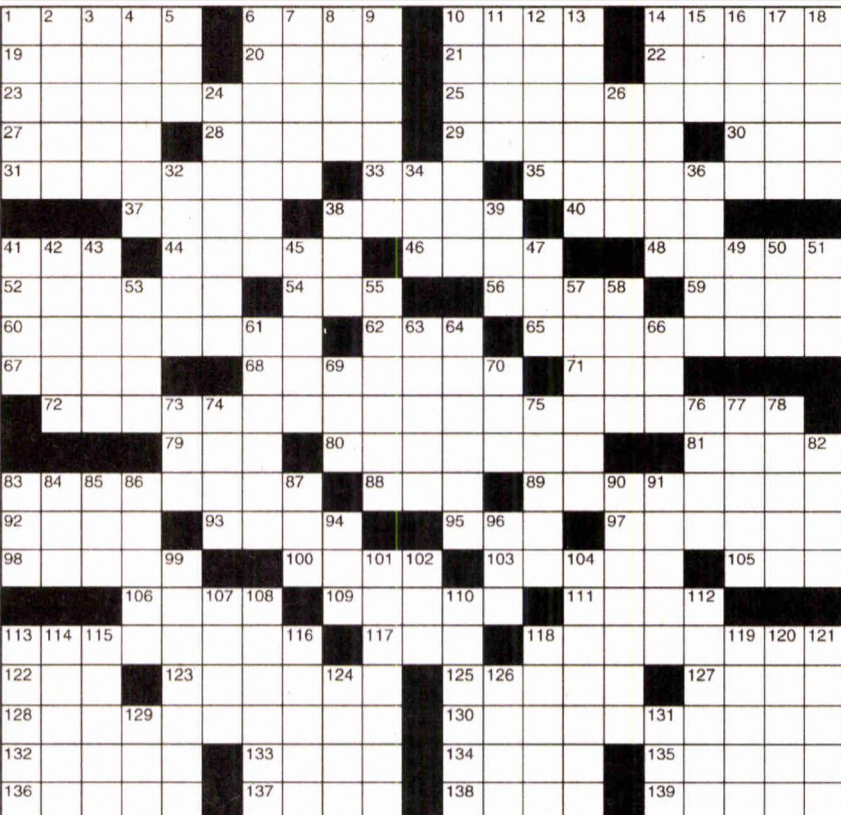
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| ACROSS | 1 Integrate | 6 Nile vipers | 10 Cubes in miso soup | 14 Honshu hub | 19 Stellar tennis servers | 20 Midday time | 21 Revival shout | 22 Y, at times | 23 Funny film brand | 25 "Dolphin adventure" park in Florida | 27 Author Paton | 28 "Il Trovatore" | 29 Frankfurter brand | 30 Deli loaf | 31 Weather station pointer | 33 Prez Coolidge | 35 Calligraphy mishap | 37 Passe letter opener | 38 Sniffers | 40 "I — bad moon rising" | 41 Din-din tie-on | 44 Mission (Orange County city) | 46 Like the acid in vinegar | 54 Cyber-address | 56 Kennel barks | 59 Data, briefly | 60 Million-dollar contract, e.g. | 62 Gall | 65 Barq's maker | 67 VW or BMW | 68 Flax product | 71 Cruise of film | 72 State short forms strung together in 12 long answers in this puzzle | 79 ER neighbor 80 "I — agree more!" | 81 Finger's end | 83 Device setting for store display | 88 Madrid-to-London dir. | 89 Pitman's workplace | 92 Above | 93 Tucker (out) | 95 Joanne of "Drango" | 97 Keanu of "Speed" | 98 Fish lures | 100 Costa — | 103 Teaser ad | 105 Lamb bearer | 106 "What'll —?" | 109 Piece of PC hardware | 111 Bit of force | 113 Popular way to have chiii | 117 Film director Howard | 118 Approach | 122 "Bali —" | 123 — Marcus (luxury retailer) | 125 Nile city | 127 Novice | 128 Ms. Pac-Man, for one | 130 Like some elite U.S. athletes (or an apt alternate title for this puzzle) | 132 Bobby of the Chicago Eight | 133 Re-sol linkup | 134 Chicken chow — | 135 Bows | 136 Rocker Van Halen | 137 Beggar's cry | 138 Exam for H.S. juniors | 139 Spawn | 1 Cockatiel kin | 2 Bacteria in the gut | 3 Staff again | 4 Crushes up | 5 "Get out" PC key | 6 Sweet smoke | 7 Our, in Paris | 8 Tasty | 9 With 12-Down, Manhattan Project physicist | 10 Tex-Mex treats | 11 Epps of "The Mod Squad" | 12 See 9-Down | 13 Partnerships | 14 Across the pond | 15 Seville sun | 16 Mindful | 17 African nation | 18 Catkin-bearing tree | 24 Great greed | 26 A-bomb, e.g. | 32 Very intense | 34 "Hugo" star Butterfield | 36 Penn & Teller's field | 38 Fish-fowl connection | 39 Bug planter | 41 Crimson Tide, briefly | 42 Glaze over | 43 "I — differ!" | 45 Chef Child | 47 Air cell, e.g. | 49 English rocker Brian | 50 Vikings' org. | 51 Burn — crisp | 53 New Mexico art colony | 55 Capital of Portugal | 57 Starchy food | 58 Kilt sporter | 61 Refer (to) | 63 Show over | 64 Overtuned, with "over" | 66 Pal, to Yves | 69 "Dateline —" | 70 Netflix item | 73 Pol Pawlenty | 74 "Don't have —" | 75 Rack up | 76 "You can count —!" | 77 Unworldly | 78 Bone-muscle connector | 82 — majesty | 83 Strike lightly | 84 Zeta-theta linkup | 85 Me, in Paris | 86 Of the eye | 87 Teacup part | 90 Military mother | 91 Sierra — | 94 Cup edge | 96 Meas. of engine speed | 99 Bus rider with no seat | 101 Eye layers | 102 Excitement | 104 Scenting substance | 107 One of the "Desperate Housewives" | 108 It's a mystery | 110 Use a tent | 112 Main order | 113 Hurry after | 114 Propelled a boat | 115 Battery type, briefly | 116 AOL memos | 118 Paramesium propellers | 119 Staining at | 120 — Triomphe (Paris attraction) | 121 Be very hot | 124 Radio toggle letters | 126 Bexley brews | 129 Old Frazier foe | 131 Abate |
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken 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 provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

3	4	9	1	8	6	7	2	5
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6	5	4	8	7	3	9	1	2
8	9	3	2	1	4	6	5	7
7	2	1	5	6	9	8	3	4
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- CHIEFTAIN
- CORTLAND
- CRISPIN
- DANDEE
- DELBLUSH
- DELICIOUS
- DULCET
- ELSTAR
- ENTERPRISE
- FALSTAFF
- FIESTA
- FORTUNE
- FUJ3
- JONAGOLD
- JURILEE
- MACOUN
- MCINTOSH
- NEWTOWN PIPPIN
- NOVASPY
- PEARMAIN
- ROUVILLE
- TAYLOR
- TJOGA
- VIKING

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

Crossword Answers

MERGE	INGE	TOFU	OSAKA
ACERS	NOON	AMEN	VOWEL
COMIC	ACTOR	MARINELAND	
ALAN	VERDI	ARMOUR	RYE
WINDVANE	CAL	INKSMEAR	
SIRS	NOSES	SEEA	
BIB	VIEJO	ASPS	AGENT
ACETIC	UURL	YAPS	INFO
MEGA	DEAL	IRK	COACOLA
AUTO	LINSEED	TOM	
POSTAL	ABBREVIATIONS		
ICU	COULDN'T	NAIL	
DEMOMODE	NNE	COALMINE	
ATOP	WEAR	DRU	REEVES
BAITS	RICAN	PROMO	EWEE
ITBE	MODEM	DYNE	
CONCARNE	RON	COMENEAR	
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ARCADE	GAME	ALLAMERICA	
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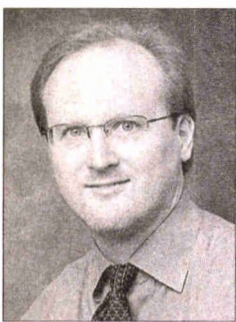
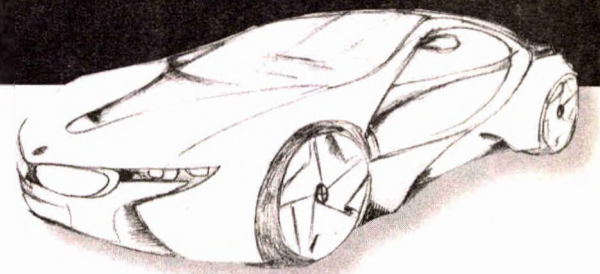
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Car Report

Hyundai Kicks Off Its New Official NFL Sponsorship with Tucson Play



By Dale Buss

Hyundai launched its first ad campaign for the new Tucson in its new role as the "official automotive sponsor" of the NFL, and it's a fetching effort out of the box.

The initial TV spot under Hyundai's #BecauseFootball rubric promotes the brand's most important new vehicle in a while, the completely redesigned 2016 Tucson SUV, and its hands-free lift gate feature. The ad follows a sort of formula that has become common to much of the best football-related advertising: an appeal to the true fan, with a knowing nod to those who aren't quite so much into the game.

In the case of "D-Gate," an Arizona Cardinals fan has purloined part of the beautiful white picket fence in front of his house so he and his buddies at the game can spell out, of course, "D-[fence]." His wife, contacting him via cell phone, isn't amused—although she does sign off, "Go Cardinals."

"We wanted to showcase what passionate fans do #BecauseFootball and include the role our vehicles can play in that," explained Jacquelyn Kim, a Hyundai marketing executive, to Mediapost.com.

A second ad, "Field Goal," slated to debut September 24, features a newborn baby in the Sonata sedan.

Tucson "provides us with an incredibly competitive product in the fastest-growing segment of the industry," Hyundai of

America CEO David Zuchowski recently told me.

And the NFL sponsorship—which Hyundai took over this year from long-time holder GMC—"is a big opportunity for us," he said. "The NFL has had some bumps and bruises over the last year, but it's still a huge brand, the biggest in the United States, with 188 million fans."

Zuchowski said that Hyundai's global status could play an increasing role in its relationship with the NFL as well. "They see an opportunity to expand their global presence beyond just a few games in London," he said. "And we can leverage our global brand."

The new Tucson features a revised exterior, updated interior and all-new drivetrain. It's got a wedge-shaped exterior with alloy wheels, tinted windows and a standard 5-inch touchscreen display with rear-view camera. Options, including LED headlights, 19-inch wheels and a panoramic sunroof, underscore the notion that the new Tucson is stylish and upscale — and going upscale has become a brand specialty of Hyundai.

It also helps that Hyundai selected "standard and optional features that offer a lot of value for the money," as Karl Brauer of Kelley Blue Book put it. There's also value in the fact that the 2016 Tucson feels larger on the inside than it looks on the outside, with abundant head, shoulder and leg room. Tucson happens to also provide the longest wheelbase in the segment.

The brand further seems to

have accomplished its goal of delivering a quiet and refined ride. This is a particular achievement given the fact that the frame of the new Tucson consists of 51 percent high-strength steel, up from 18 percent in the previous model. The key is stronger adhesives that hold things together even better than the previous model's metal welds — to the point of ensuring a nice hush in the cabin.

A sine qua non these days despite rather quiet gas prices is improved fuel economy, and the new Tucson delivers there as well. With its 2.0-liter, four-cylinder engine, Tucson has increased fuel efficiency by 1 mpg, now rated at 23 city, 31 highway and 26 combined. (And you can be sure those numbers are as accurate as possible given the trouble that Hyundai encountered with federal regulators a few years ago when it fudged the mileage estimates of some of its most fuel-efficient models, for marketing purposes.)

The engine is connected to a 6-speed automatic transmission that generates 165 horsepower and 151 pound-feet of torque.

Prices start at \$23,595 for the new Tucson, which is a competitive point in a compact-SUV segment that is increasingly crowded and where sales have increased dramatically this year.

But more to the point, sales

of the 2015 Tucson have been down versus last year, a stat that woefully highlighted the necessity for a new version of this model. Not only will a new Tucson address the shortcomings of the old one and Hyundai's place in the compact SUV segment, but it will help the brand do a better job in

SUVs in general. Its relative lack of presence in SUVs has been an Achilles heel for Hyundai at a time when its sedan sales have continued to be robust.

"It's incredibly important," Zuchowski told me. "It provides us with an incredibly competitive product in the fastest-growing segment of the industry."



A take from Hyundai's first TV ad as official NFL sponsor.



Interior of the all-new 2016 Hyundai Tucson.

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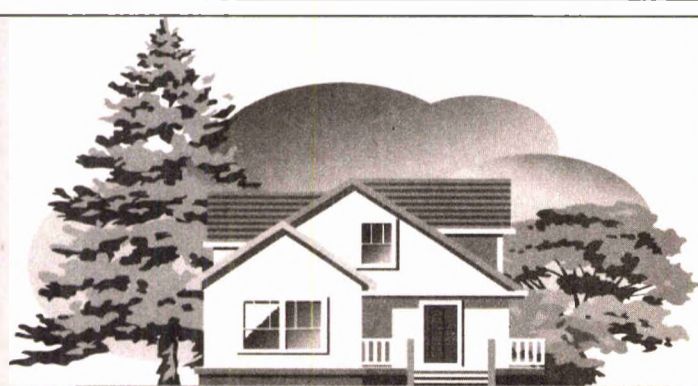
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Meadowbrook Forest estate-perfect place to live & entertain inside & out. \$500,000
4 Bedrooms | 4 Full and 1 Half Bathrooms
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4 Bedrooms | 2 Full and 1 Half Bathrooms
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