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Money woes scrap Plymouth chili fest

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

A cash shortage is being cited as the major reason behind the cancellation of the Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff, which had been scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 4, in Plymouth.

The cookoff — commonly called the chili fest — is a charity fundraiser, an International Chili Society-sanctioned contest for chili cooks and a

chance for local restaurateurs to market their chili. This year's festival would have been the 20th annual event.

Frank Agostini, a member of the volunteer Great Lakes Chili Inc. board, said sponsorship money was about \$19,000 short of the estimated \$33,000 the not-for-profit needed to cover costs. Those costs include city services, security, tent rental, prizes and more.

"We tried everything in our power to turn over every rock,

try to make the numbers work," Agostini said Tuesday. He said the board made the "gut-wrenching" decision Monday to cancel the cookoff.

"We can't be liable for non-payment of anything and we obviously can't put a charity at risk," he said. Festival profits benefit Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County.

Agostini and fellow board member James Gietzen of JAG entertainment, which produces the festival, said the group

plans to retool the event to make it viable for next year.

"As a board, we'd love to keep it going for Habitat for Humanity," Agostini said.

Gietzen and Agostini said the rumor that motorcyclists would not be welcome at this year's festival, which had spread rapidly via social media in recent days, was false. The festival is typically attended by hundreds of motorcyclists, many of whom travel to it together in "chili ride" fundrais-

ers and put their motorcycles on display.

Rather, Agostini said, organizers were trying to reduce the bill for city services by not closing downtown streets and reserving them for motorcycle parking. Motorcyclists would have been welcomed, he said, but would have had to find parking on their own, like those arriving in other vehicles.

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ORGANIC FARMING



Richard Andres has owned the 40-acre award-winning organic Tantre Farm with his wife, Deb Lentz, for more than 20 years. Located in Chelsea, Tantre Farms produces close to 100 varieties of fruits and vegetables, as well as a small variety of herbs and flowers.

Plymouth, Canton grads answer call of the land

Jill Halpin
Correspondent

Megan DeLeeuw is passionate about the land.

It is this passion that led DeLeeuw, 32, who grew up in Canton, to start organic farming in 2010. It is also what led her back to the area in which she grew up — along with flowers, fruits and vegetables harvested on her 10-acre Hand Sown Farm located in Washtenaw County's Sharon Township.

DeLeeuw, who owns the farm along with her husband Andrew, is a frequent vendor at local farmers markets in

Plymouth and Northville, selling seasonal organic crops ranging from spinach and kohlrabi to raspberries and sun chokes. In addition to local farmers markets, produce and flowers from DeLeeuw's farm can be found in a variety of area markets such as Busch's Fresh Food Markets, Pure Pastures and Vanessa's Flowers — all in Plymouth Township.

For DeLeeuw, it is both a lifestyle and labor of love. "Growing good food — and feeding people — is a way for me to contribute positively to the world around me," said DeLeeuw, a 2001 graduate of Salem High School.

Farming is hard, time-consuming work, she said, adding that she is grateful for the support the farm receives from interns learning how to run a farm, as well as volunteers.

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Pagan: Return tax decisions to local districts

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Conceding she faces an uphill battle, state Rep. Kristy Pagan plans to propose a package of education-reform bills intended to boost funding for public schools, partly by restoring control over tax increases to local communities.

Pagan, D-Canton, revealed her plans Monday evening while hosting a town hall forum on public education that featured Plymouth-Canton's superintendent, school board treasurer and a classroom teacher. About 40 people attended.

"I continue to make education my No. 1 priority and I believe that's what the community is asking of its leaders — to be a strong voice for students, teachers and the overall education system," she said.

Promising to propose a package of bills this fall, Pagan said the linchpin of her plan involves reforming a voter-approved, school-funding law enacted in 1994 that, in part, restricts local districts from seeking operational tax increases.

Sheila Paton, Plymouth-Canton school board treasurer, said she believes local voters would, indeed, be willing to consider a tax increase to reduce class sizes and improve school programs, if the district were allowed to make its case.

"I think they would support this," she said during Monday's forum, adding later, "Just let us help ourselves."

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, said during a telephone interview Tuesday the effort to gut 1994's Proposal A has no chance of winning the two-thirds support of state legislators it needs to get on the ballot.

"I think her proposal is pure grandstanding," he said. "The proposal would take control of education away from parents and increase the power of bureaucrats."

Pagan said her package of bills also will include restricting the School Aid Fund to K-12 grades only, while finding other funding streams for

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Creative hive? Gaming firm CEO also a beekeeper

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Staff Writer

His company's games take players to fantasy worlds, but Brad Wardell stays grounded with a life-sustaining real civilization — a bee colony, just outside his Plymouth Township office.

Wardell, founder, president and chief executive officer of Stardock Corp., has been a beekeeper for about 10 years and has about 300,000 honeybees between the hive at company headquarters and four more at his home in Canton Township, where he has 15 acres and a small apple or-

chard.

"I wanted a hobby that didn't involve computers," Wardell said Monday in his office. "I spend way too much time in front of computers."

But Wardell, who founded Stardock in the early 1990s while in college, is also concerned about honeybees and

the important role they play in pollinating fruits and vegetables.

The bee population has been in rapid decline in recent years — some 33 percent a year, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture —

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BEES

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and the affect of bee die-off on crops worldwide could be catastrophic. Some 71 percent of the world's fruit and vegetable crops are pollinated by bees, according to the United Nations.

The hive at Stardock is about 200 yards from the company's building off of Beck Road. Stardock is keeping the property for possible future expansion, but for now has let nature take over and the tall grasses and greenery seem a perfect place for bees.

"This is his passion. They're very important to him," Chris Kowal, Stardock's vice president for business development, said Monday during a visit to the hive.

The hive is made up of several wooden boxes stacked vertically. Inside each box are a number of frames on which the



Christopher Kowal smokes the bees to calm them.

honeycomb — the bees' nests — and honey are deposited.

Kowal used smoke to calm the bees and slide out a screen and reveal the honeycomb. Wardell

said that one box of frames — one layer of the hive, that is — can weigh 60 pounds when loaded with honey.

Wardell harvests the honey — late summer

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Bees gather near the hive entrance.

that sets us apart," Kowal said.

Wardell said he also began keeping bees to overcome his fear of them, but that hasn't entirely worked. Still, he said, stings are rare, because the bees know they will die when they use their stingers.

"Unless you go and kick the hive, they're not going to sting you," he said.

Stardock, which also

has facilities in Austin, Texas, and Baltimore, Md., is a developer and publisher of computer games and software. Its games include Sins of a Solar Empire and the Galactic Civilizations series; its software, designed to work with Windows systems, includes Fences, WindowBlinds and Multiplicity.

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Two men honored for saving life of toddler

A 3-year-old Northville Township boy, who was swimming with his dad in the Park Place Apartments pool Monday evening, is alive today thanks to the quick actions of two men.

Ryan Kilgore and Andrew Ross were honored Thursday by the Northville Board of Trustees with civilian citations for saving the toddler's life after he slipped out of his life jacket and sank to the bottom of the pool.

It took about a half-minute before the boy's dad realized there was an emergency and retrieved his son from the bottom of the pool. Kilgore had been working out in the gym.

When the father got out of the pool he handed the boy to Kilgore, who



FRED SHADKO

Northville Township Public Safety Director John Werth lauds Ryan Kilgore (right) and Andrew Ross for saving a toddler's life in the pool of the Park Place Apartments Monday night.

saw that the child was not breathing and had no pulse. While telling Ross, another bystander, to call 9-1-1, Kilgore began CPR.

After CPR, the boy expelled water and began to respond. The Northville Township Fire Department arrived and began Advanced Life Support. The boy was transported to St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia.

CHILI

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'We wanted the bikes'

"We were trying to keep the festival alive" by cutting costs, he said. "We weren't trying to segregate or hurt anybody."

In past festivals, parts of several downtown streets have been closed for paid motorcycle parking, which was managed by volunteers from the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. The Penrickton Center used motorcycle parking at the cookoff as a fundraiser.

"We wanted the bikes, we just couldn't block the streets off," Agostini said.

Until the festival was canceled, organizers were planning to replace the motorcycle show with a car show — staged on private parking lots, not closed city streets.

While a shortage of sponsorship money was the major obstacle for this year's festival, a falloff in the number of participating chili cooks was also a factor, Agostini said.

Some 32 cooks and 23 restaurants participated in last year's cookoff; this year, Gietzen said, there were 14 cooks and seven or eight restaurants signed up so far.

"When you don't have as many chili vendors, there's not as much chili to sell. Then you start to lose the integrity of what the festival was," Agostini said.

A one-day event — the entire chili festival lasts only about six hours — is a risky venture, Agostini said. If poor weather, for example, leads to reduced attendance and low chili sales, bills still have to be paid, potentially cutting into what's raised for Habitat, he said.

"The bottom line is you can't risk the charity," he said.

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School district officials: We'll end bus overcrowding

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

As the new school year rolls through its third week, officials at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and Durham School Services continue to smooth out student transportation issues.

District parents have complained of overcrowded buses and Superintendent Mike Meissen gave the Board of Education an update Tuesday on the situation.

"We've worked very closely with Durham to make sure we don't experience overcrowding,"

Meissen said during the board's regular meeting. Durham is the district's student transportation provider.

Meissen said drivers report student counts on their buses Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and Nick Brandon, the district's communications director, said the counts are posted on the district's website (<http://www.pccs.k12.mi.us/home>).

The superintendent also said new buses coming in October should add capacity to the fleet.

Mike Peterson, the district's director of operations, later said 18 new

buses are expected next month, the largest of them 77-passenger buses. Most will be replacements, but Peterson said there will likely be a net gain of two buses. The current fleet totals 117 buses.

Peterson said more students enrolled in the district this year than expected, meaning transportation plans had to be adjusted.

Meissen's report didn't satisfy Beth Hurley of Canton Township, who said her son Liam hasn't taken the bus since he sat on the floor to and from Pioneer Middle School the first day of school.

"He will not ride the bus until it is safe and it is not safe," Hurley told board members. She and some other parents have been carpooling their students to and from school.

Hurley said she has tried to reach district and Durham officials regarding the situation without success. "I feel like I am not being heard as a parent," she said.

Peterson said Wednesday that although buses on some routes - including the one Hurley mentioned - have more students on them than district officials would like, none have been over

capacity and all have been within safety standards.

"We are already under capacity on every single bus," Peterson said. "Plymouth-Canton schools doesn't knowingly roll a bus if there are people standing up or sitting on the floor."

Brandon said the district has not confirmed any reports of students sitting on bus floors. Sitting on the floor or standing on moving buses is not permitted, he said.

Peterson said Hurley can expect changes to the route her son would take to Pioneer, in order to reduce the number of

riders, and that parents will soon be notified of new stop times.

Brandon said the district will continue to post information regarding transportation on its website. He also said officials are reaching out to parents who, like Hurley, have reported being frustrated in attempts to be heard on the bus situation.

"We're going to make an effort to connect with them immediately," he said. "District officials will be reaching out to those parents."

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Local peace event draws interfaith group together

All they are saying is give peace a chance.

That was the message Sunday as the Plymouth-Canton Interfaith Community, or ICO, group celebrated World Peace Day 2015 with an interfaith prayer service in Kellogg Park and a faith learning event at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Organizers say about 200 people attended.

The event was awarded an honorary tribute by state Rep. Kristy Pagan of Canton.

Speakers at the Plymouth Cultural Center spoke of the common bonds among faiths and underscored the importance of promoting peace, friendship and understanding in the community. The event included food samples with origins around the world.

ICO represents all faiths in the Plymouth-Canton area and has practiced being an example of peace and community through



Speakers at the local World Peace Day rally were honored by state Rep. Kristy Pagan of Canton.

monthly community service events over the past eight years.

Those events include 9/11's 10th anniversary peace event, clothing drives, health fairs, hunger walks, bell ringing, youth movie nights and discussions, youth poetry, packing food for the hungry, game nights, breaking bread at local homeless shelters, partnering at the Plymouth Opportunity House and visiting local seniors, among others.

The latest event was

sponsored by the Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit, Geneva Presbyterian Church, Gurdwara Sahib Singh Sabha of Michigan, Living Peace Church of Plymouth, Mata Tripta Ji Gurdwara Sahib, Muslim Community of Western Suburbs and the Plymouth-Canton Hindu Community.

Anyone wishing to join ICO is encouraged to send an email to plymouthcantonico@yahoo.com.

Canton to host peace, unity rally

A community unity and peace rally is set for Canton's Heritage Park to promote tolerance, combat hate and strike back against bullying.

The event, set for 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, is modeled after a national effort, dubbed Not in Our Town, intended to build safe, inclusive communities.

Community residents of all ages are invited to attend. Rally events are to include a community discussion, solidarity walk, guest speakers and activities such as crafts for children.

This inaugural event is being sponsored by a partnership including the Canton Police Department, Canton Leisure

Services, the Canton Public Library and the Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition. The latter organization is an award-winning coalition committed to raising awareness of hate crimes and bias incidents, offering support to victims and restoring a sense of

community after any incidents occur.

The event is set for the Heritage Park Amphitheater, behind the library at 1200 S. Canton Center.

More information on the rally and the Not in Our Town movement can be found at www.cantonpublicsafety.org.

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Canton fire station opens its doors for tour

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton children will don firefighter gear, tour the township's main fire station, see fire trucks up close and learn how paramedics pluck motorists from crash-damaged cars.

More than 1,000 children and parents are expected for a Canton Fire Department open house, set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, at Fire Station No. 1, 1100 S. Canton Center.

Fire officials say the event provides a fun way for children and, indeed, entire families to learn fire safety rules.

"The benefit of the open house is to get the fire prevention message and the importance of smoke detectors out to

the community," Fire Chief Joshua Meier said.

Canton resident Ashish Patel last year took his son, Aayan, then 2½, to the open house, calling it "a wonderful experience for the kids to have." He lauded the fire department for involving the community.

Deputy Fire Chief Chris Stoecklein said as many as 1,200 people last year toured the fire station, with children spraying hoses, climbing inside fire trucks, dressing up like firefighters and learning how firefighters save lives.

Meier said a large crowd also is expected this year.

Again this year, youngsters will get to tour a fog-filled fire safety house as firefighters demonstrate what it's like be-

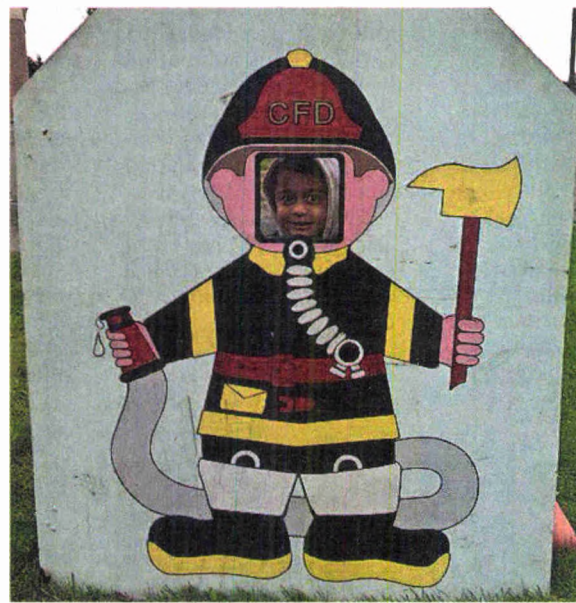
ing inside a burning building – and how to safely get out. Children also learn tips such as checking smoke detectors.

Youngsters will get fire prevention handouts and, after working up an appetite from their activities, enjoy hot dogs and popcorn.

Fire officials say residents often only see firefighters during stressful times involving fires or medical emergencies. The open house allows for more casual interaction.

The event coincides with National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-10. For more information, call 734-394-5455.

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ASHISH PATEL
Ashish Patel's son Aayan peered through a wooden cut-out of a firefighter uniform during last year's fire station open house.

CANTON CRIME WATCH

Pot-selling suspect claims he was robbed, assaulted

An 18-year-old Canton man told police he was robbed and assaulted while he was attempting a marijuana sale at The Crossings, an apartment complex southeast of Joy Road and I-275.

The incident unfolded about 8:45 p.m. Friday, when the alleged victim said he had arranged to sell marijuana to a female teen he knew only by her first name.

The teen said he drove to Honey Lane, parked and waited to make the sale when a male approached the driver's side window and punched him several times in the face, while the female teen reached into his vehicle, seizing the marijuana and his cellphone, a police report said.

The victim said his assailant and the teen female then fled on foot. He described the assailant as a heavyset black male, 25-30 years old, 5 feet, 8 inches to 5 feet, 10 inches, with braided hair and wearing a

dark plaid shirt and shorts. He said the female was heavyset, 25-30, with her hair pulled back. He said she wore a red pattern dress.

Police were investigating the incident.

Summit dispute

A dispute between two men outside Canton's Summit on the Park escalated when one of them allegedly drove a vehicle toward the other, missing him but prompting witnesses to contact police for help.

The incident unfolded shortly before 8:30 p.m. Saturday near the splash playground outside the Summit, located on Summit Parkway west of Canton Center.

Police rushed to the scene and ordered all motorists in the parking lot to shut off their engines until officers could single out the men involved.

The alleged victim, a 48-year-old Canton man, said a friend – identified as a 25-year-old Center Line man – became upset because the older man had returned a gift the younger man had given

him.

The victim told police the suspect took off his shoes, threw them at him and then pushed him before getting into a Toyota Yaris and driving toward him, though the victim wasn't sure if there was an attempt to hit him with the vehicle, a police report said.

The victim said the younger man is a friend who calls him uncle, although they are not formally related.

The suspect told police the entire incident was a misunderstanding, though witnesses told officers they saw the suspect driving recklessly in the Summit parking lot. The suspect began to apologize to police.

Police cited the suspect for reckless driving and disorderly conduct.

Ex-boyfriend harassment

A 19-year-old Plymouth woman called police for help amid allegations her ex-boyfriend has been harassing her at work and slashed the tires on her car while she was on

the job.

Police were investigating the incident but, in the meantime, cited the 20-year-old Canton suspect for operating while impaired after he drove from the woman's workplace to his home while intoxicated, a police report said.

The victim told police the tires of her 2009 Chevrolet Cobalt were slashed between 5:45 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday while she was working inside Bailey's Sports Grille, southwest of Ford and Canton Center. She said her ex-boyfriend has been showing up at her job since they broke up two months ago.

She was told by others that the suspect was seen slashing her tires. She said when she left Bailey's about 12:45 a.m., she became fearful after she saw the suspect's vehicle parked in a nearby Kroger parking lot, before it pulled off and headed west on Ford Road.

Police arrived at the suspect's home shortly after he did and confronted him while he was inside his vehicle, with

what was described as a long, thin steak knife on the passenger seat. Police said the strong odor of alcohol also was noticed.

The suspect admitted he had been to Bailey's, but said he left when asked by the manager. He denied slashing the tires, but offered no explanation why he had the knife.

Police arrested him for operating while impaired and turned the knife over to his mother. The investigation involving the former girlfriend was continuing.

Pharmacy spray-painted

A manager at the CVS store near Canton Center and Warren notified police after someone spray-painted graffiti on two sides of the business sometime between 10 p.m. last Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday. The graffiti read, "Stop mind control drugs" and "Cancer is a lie."

The manager told police she had no idea who might have caused the damage.

– By Darrell Clem

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The Canton Chiefs will be scoring touchdowns against cancer Friday when they host a Coaches vs. Cancer event during their game against John Glenn. The Plymouth Wildcats will be doing likewise during their home game against Franklin.

P-CEP gridders, fans join cancer fight Friday

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Football players from Plymouth and Canton high schools will play home games Friday while enlisting fans in a larger, off-the-field fight — the battle against cancer.

The Chiefs and the Wildcats are each sponsoring a Coaches vs. Cancer game, meaning Friday's football action will come with extras intended to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

For example, at the Wildcats' game, against Livonia Franklin, fans will be able to buy dedications — typically for loved ones who have been lost to cancer or who are battling it — on a "hope wall." At the Chiefs' game, against Westland John Glenn, the competitive cheer team will be selling pom poms in pink, the color of the fight against breast cancer.

There will be a variety of fundraising events at each game, promotional T-shirts tossed out and the donation bucket will be passed in the bleachers.

"It's a fun way to get students involved in the event," said Megan Schaper, a publicist with the American Cancer Society.

There is a modest fundraising goal of \$1,000 per game. "Anything will help," Schaper said.

The Coaches vs. Cancer program was founded in 1993 and has raised some \$85 million for the ACS nationwide since then. Money raised supports the ACS mission of helping people prevent cancer or detect it early, helping people get well by supporting them after a cancer diagnosis, investing in cancer research, urging lawmakers to pass laws to defeat cancer and rallying communities to join the fight.

Vernon Crump, Canton athletic director, said many families in the school community are affected by cancer.

"Our staff and athletes feel very strongly about this event and have great pride in raising money for such an important cause," Crump said.

Kyle Meteyer, athletic director at PHS, said the Coaches vs. Cancer games unifies Wildcats athletic programs around a worthy cause that helps the larger community.

"Every student, coach and parent has been affected by cancer in one way or another, so this is an opportunity to remember that while we all care about the football score, there are far more important battles going on daily all around us," said Meteyer.

Canton's game against Glenn is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday at the junior varsity field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Plymouth's contest against Franklin, which is also the Wildcats' homecoming game, is 7 p.m. Friday at the PCEP varsity field.

The Remedy Band headlines arts fundraiser



The Remedy Band will be a headliner Oct. 10 at a fundraiser for the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities.

Enjoy a night of fantastic music featuring Karin Elizabeth and The Remedy Band and tasty bites from area restaurants at the Partnership for Arts & Humanities' special fundraising event Saturday, Oct. 10, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

The lively evening of entertainment will benefit the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, dedicated to supporting the growth of cultural arts in the Canton community.

The fundraiser will begin at 7 p.m. with a reception, featuring sample appetizers from Karl's Cabin, The Post Local Bistro and the Rusty Bucket.

In addition, participants will receive special promotions from Showroom of Elegance and Indigo Salon & Day Spa.

"Every year we host a fall event at The Village Theater, said Jill Engel, executive director of the Partnership

for Arts and Humanities.

"We take a look at the schedule for the season and our previous performers, then try to come up with something new that patrons of all ages will enjoy. This year, we are super-excited to have The Remedy Band joining us."

The festivities continue with a special "Got Fiddle?" concert at 8 p.m., featuring Karin Elizabeth and The Remedy Band.

The event is supported by sponsors Jack Demmer Ford, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, Toll Brothers and Aisin World Corp. of America.

Tickets to the fundraiser are \$35 and include the welcome reception and concert. Purchase tickets online at www.cantonvillage-theater.org or by calling 734-394-5300.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.



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Help kidney foundation at Trick or Feet!

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan is asking the community to step up and join the more than 500 runners and walkers Sunday, Oct. 4, at its annual Trick or Feet! 5K/10K Run, Walk & Roll at Maybury State Park.

This Halloween-themed event will transform Maybury's beautiful terrain into a "spooktacular" atmosphere for your whole family. There will be 5K and 10K course for participants to choose from and a half-mile Mini-Monster Dash for children ages 12 and under. All three courses are on a paved trail. The day will include live music, food and refreshments, massages, giveaways, exercise demos by Gazelle Sports and kids activities like face painting, pumpkin painting, a Home Depot workshop and much more. Participants are encouraged to dress to impress for the following costume contest categories: Best Individual Costume, Best Group Costume (4 or more),



The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's annual Trick or Feet! event will be Oct. 4.

Best Kids Costume, and Cutest Furry Friend! (Please note: dogs on a leash are welcome to attend.)

"We're asking the community to step up and fight kid-

ney disease this fall by helping us reach our Trick or Feet! 5K/10K financial goal of \$20,000," National Kidney Foundation of Michigan special events coordinator Kiel Porter said. "In return, we are creating a fun and festive atmosphere to celebrate Halloween while enjoying the beautiful Maybury State Park with family and friends. We encourage everyone in the community to join us."

HAP is the presenting sponsor of this year's Trick or Feet! and has chosen this event as its 5K Challenge race. HAP members and community members who have stepped up to complete HAP's Couch to 5K Challenge have received a nine-week training plan, participate in group trainings and will be running with the HAP Orange Strivers team the day of the event.

The event begins at 10 a.m. on a paved trail. The half-mile Mini-Monster Dash, for all kids under the age of 12, begins at 11:30 a.m.

Registration is \$35 for the 5K, \$45 for the 10kK and \$10 for the Mini-Monster Dash. All race participants will receive a finisher's medal and T-shirt. There will also be awards for the top three male and female runners in each age group: 17 and under, 18-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, and 70 and over.

Participants can register before the event online at www.nkfm.org/TrickorFeet or on the day of the event starting at 9 a.m.

Maybury State Park is located at 49775 Eight Mile Road in Northville. A recreational passport is required to enter the state park. For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/recreationpassport. One can also purchase a recreational passport at the Eight Mile entrance of Maybury State Park.

For more information about Trick or Feet! 5K/10K Run, Walk & Roll, go to www.nkfm.org/TrickorFeet or contact Porter at 800-482-1455.

Meet Plymouth's ghosts on cemetery walk

Meet and greet some of the ghosts from Plymouth's past Saturday, Oct. 24, at Riverside Cemetery, 660 Plymouth Road, enter between Courthouse Grille and the 35th District Court, during the Plymouth Historical Museum's "Plymouth Ghosts" Cemetery Walk.

Walks begin at 4 p.m., with small groups departing promptly every 15 minutes. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be available for purchase 3:45-7 p.m. The walk lasts 60-90 minutes and involves some walking over uneven ground, so wear sturdy walking shoes. Bring flashlights for later tour times.

Just Hearse N' Around will provide the Casketeria grill and its hearses for an entertaining backdrop.

Last year's Ghost Walk was sold out several weeks before the event. Tickets are \$10 each. If tickets are still available the day of the event, they will cost \$15.

Purchase tickets at the Plymouth Historical Museum or on the Museum's website (http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/Plymouth-Ghosts-Cemetery-Walk-at-Riverside-Cemetery_ET45.html?Sort-Box=201510) using Paypal.



FILE PHOTO
Kristen Mrozek portrayed Ellen Shattuck in the 2013 "Plymouth Ghosts" Cemetery Walk.

Area students traveling this week to see Pope Francis

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

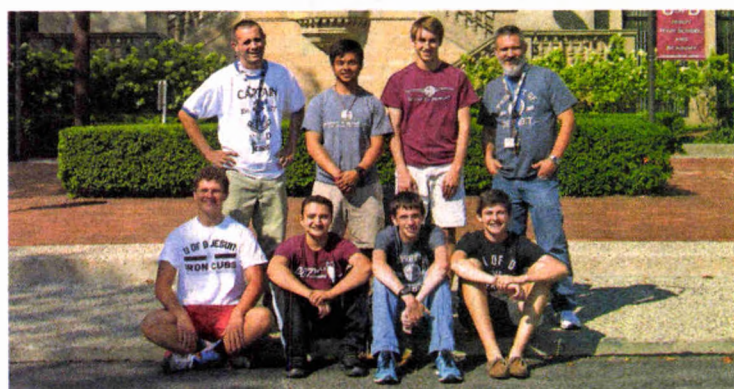
Livonia resident Sean Butler will miss a few days of school this week for a trip to the East Coast. The U-D Jesuit High School and Academy sophomore can expect a little extra homework once he returns, but the reason for the trip, a pilgrimage to see Pope Francis, is well worth it.

"Pope Francis, he's a great example of how a Catholic person should live," he said. "When people come into contact with great people, like Pope Francis, it makes a good impact."

Butler, along with five other students and some chaperones, will make the trip this week to Philadelphia, where the boys will get a chance to see the pontiff in person as he visits the United States. The delegation, one of many Michigan groups making the trip east, will stay at a Jesuit high school in Philadelphia that invited Jesuit high school students from across the country to use its facilities to see Pope Francis.

The trip will be the first to the United States for the pope, who was elected in 2013 following the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI. He is expected to spend several days in the U.S., visiting Washington, D.C., New York City and wrapping up in Philadelphia, where he will attend the World Meeting of Families in addition to several other stops.

Those U-D Jesuit students



ERIN CHEKAL

Nick Rennpage, theology instructor (top, from left), students Josh Gonzalez of Trenton and Dawson Myers of Rochester and Joseph Gall, director of campus ministry and (bottom, from left) students Noah Pylutki of Grosse Ile, Carlos Pages of Bingham Farms, Peter Chekal of Beverly Hills and Sean Butler of Livonia will travel this week to Philadelphia to see Pope Francis.

attending from the area include: Butler, Carlos Pages from Bingham Farms, Peter Chekal from Beverly Hills, Josh Gonzalez from Trenton, Noah Pylutki from Grosse Ile and Dawson Myers from Rochester. Nick Rennpage, a theology instructor, and Joseph Gall, director of campus ministry at the high school, will also attend.

Pages said he hopes the experience will help him connect with his faith even more, as the impact of hearing directly from the pope is more influential than reading a book.

"I think it will help me deepen my faith. Actually seeing him is a lot more real," he said. "Hearing what he's saying directly, I think it will

affect me a lot more than reading from a textbook."

Gall said the school has shown excitement since the pope's election two years ago. He said students are excited at the opportunity to see the pope, especially since he's generated a lot of buzz during his tenure.

"He has a kind of draw in his approachability," he said. "You get a sense of how much he cares."

Connecting with others

Anthony Trudel, principal at U-D Jesuit, said officials heard of the opportunity for their students last year after it was announced the pope would travel to the U.S. The school took applications from students, which also required

them to write an essay explaining what it would mean to them if they were able to see the pope.

The pilgrimage is especially touching to students at U-D Jesuit, he said, because of the connection the Jesuits have to the pope, himself a former Jesuit priest.

"His message is speaking to the message our school is all about," Trudel said.

In addition to seeing the pope speak and say Mass, the group will be able to connect with other Jesuit high school students from across the country. Some from as far as Puerto Rico and Alaska are expected to attend.

"I'm really looking forward to meeting a lot of other kids like me," Chekal said.

While they may have some time to see the city, the young men know the trip isn't about going and relaxing. Case in point: they'll be sleeping each night on a gym floor.

"It's not a vacation," Butler said.

And yes, when they return this weekend, the six will probably be expected to do some additional work to help share what they experienced with their fellow students, Trudel said, though that hadn't been determined earlier this week.

"We have great expectations for when they return," he said.

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FARMING

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In addition to working four acres of crops from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily during harvest season, there are countless hours of paperwork to keep the farm running efficiently, as well as the typical challenges that most small businesses face in their first five years.

However, "I often ask myself what else I could do in life that is so fulfilling," she said.

DeLeeuw's path to farming was fairly direct. She headed to France after graduating from Central Michigan University with a degree in political science and philosophy, taking a position with an organization that links volunteers with organic farms and growers.

It was there that she honed her skills in the field, learning about the care and nurturing necessary to yield healthy crops.

After a few years in France, she returned to the United States, working for a nonprofit in Boston and finally returning to metro Detroit, where she met her husband, a co-worker at a city farming organization and a native of Holland, Mich.

Their shared passion for building healthy communities — DeLeeuw's husband works in finance for Washtenaw County — led them to purchase Hand Sown Farm.

The farm has grown exponentially since its establishment, with business increasing 50 percent every year, DeLeeuw said.

She attributes consumer recognition of the benefits of eating locally grown foods to the farm's success.

Another factor of its success



Megan DeLeeuw, co-owner of Hand Sown Farm in Sharon Township, is a frequent vendor at the Plymouth Farmers Market.

Megan and Andrew DeLeeuw own the Hand Sown Farm in Washtenaw County. Megan grew up in Canton Township. Andrew is a native of Holland, Mich.

is the farm's CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program, which offers participants an opportunity to purchase an annual share of the farm's products for a set price.

CSA provides a direct link between local farmers and consumers by letting members purchase a share of a farmer's crop before it's produced each season, allowing the farmer to pay for seed and other necessary equipment during the slow season, DeLeeuw explained. In return, CSA members or "shareholders" receive boxes of the farm's bounty throughout the growing season.

According to a 2012 report by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, participation in CSA programs has been steadily increasing.

Participation in Hand Sown

Farm's CSA has been increasing as well, according to DeLeeuw.

The farm's CSA program, which is offered during both spring/summer and fall/winter seasons, allows for the purchase of seasonal produce and has been wildly popular, she said.

"We offer a CSA in both the spring and fall; they both often sell out," she said.

The fall CSA program includes a box of fruits and vegetables for seven weeks at a cost of \$300. The autumn boxes include produce such as mixed greens, sweet potatoes, radishes, sun chokes and a variety of root vegetables, among other offerings, and can be picked up locally or at the farm.

"It's about \$35 to \$45 worth of fresh produce every week.



MORE INFORMATION

For more information on Hand Sown Farm, go to handsownfarm.com or call 734-718-5506.

For more information on Tantre farm, go to tantrefarm.com or call 734-475-4323.

There are not many opportunities like this for people to access fresh, locally grown food," DeLeeuw said. "People are growing savvy. They care about where their food came from and knowing what they are putting into their bodies. They want their food to be healthier; fresher. It doesn't get much fresher than being picked the very morning that you purchase it."

Another native of both the Plymouth and Canton communities agrees wholeheartedly.

Richard Andres, a 1981 Salem High School grad, has owned his 40-acre award-winning organic farm with his wife, Deb Lentz, for more than 20 years.

Tantre Farm, located in Chelsea, produces close to 100 varieties of fruits and vegeta-

bles, as well as a small variety of herbs and flowers. In addition to winning awards from local publications and food magazines, he was featured in a 2010 *New York Times* magazine story on the growing interest in local farms.

His connection to the land took root as a child growing up in Plymouth, where his father, a now-retired biology teacher at Salem High School, and mother, a preschool teacher in Detroit, owned a 13-acre parcel of land.

"We grew strawberries, had some horses on the land ... it was our playground," Andres said. It was on this playground that he developed a natural affinity and respect for the land, as well as recognition of Earth's finite resources, he said.

Andres said the farm's mission of producing and distributing fresh, organic produce while serving as an educational, sustainable and social network for the surrounding community supports that recognition.

"Eating locally grown foods is something you can do yourself without having to rely on big institutions and corporations. The food is direct. It hasn't traveled thousands of miles to get to your table — and it tastes better," he said.

In addition to selling crops at the Chelsea and Ann Arbor farm markets and local stores and restaurants, Tantre Farms offers a CSA program.

The Tantre Farms CSA program boasts close to 350 members and offers three options: a summer share; a three-week fall share; and a Thanksgiving share, which features three to four bushels of storage crops, as well as locally fermented and canned produce. Prices begin at \$32 per week.

Walks to end suicide unite caring communities

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Suicide is the fourth leading cause of death in the U.S. among adults 18-65 and the second leading cause of death among teens and young adults. There's so much pain, but public awareness efforts are starting to ease that.

Out of the Darkness Community Walks shed light on suicide prevention and a couple of local walks are upcoming. There's no charge to walk in the events, which are major fundraisers.

On Saturday, Oct. 10, at Nankin Mills-Hines Drive in Westland, registration will begin for a Walk To Fight Suicide at 11 a.m., followed by the 1 p.m. walk. The contact is Pamela Riley, 313-575-7910, pamelal1061@aol.com. Its goal is \$15,000.

On Sunday, Oct. 11, at Kensington Metropark, the Metro Detroit/Oakland/Livingston Walk will have its 11 a.m. registration followed by the 1 p.m. walk. Anne Perry, the contact, can be reached at 248-425-2178 or annetper-



Attending last year's Kensington walk were (back row, from left) Ava Frommert, Kenny Frommert, Kristyn Wilhelm, Oliver Perry, Anne Perry, Erika Bond, Colten Perry and Richard Bruder and (front row, from left) Amy Frommert, Charlotte Perry, Aubrey Frommert, Laura Gunn, Michelle Martin and Ian Perry with Georgina Perry. All are members of Team Kram (the team for Mark Heller).

ry@gmail.com. The goal is \$150,000, Perry said.

Perry, who's chairing the Oct. 11 walk, lives in Beverly Hills and lost friend Mark Heller to suicide in January 2007. She's among many volunteers with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (afsp.org/walk).

"Michigan was one of the first chapters

formed," she said, noting many walks are held here. Her walk had some 200 people in 2007 and has grown to some 1,500 this year.

All sectors impacted

In the U.S., a person dies by suicide every 13.3 minutes, claiming more than 39,500 lives each year. It's estimated that an attempt is made every

minute, with close to one million people attempting suicide annually. Those ages 65 and older account for 16 percent of all suicide deaths. The public health issue doesn't discriminate by age, gender, ethnicity or socioeconomic status.

Perry's stepson, 20, has a former girlfriend working on the local committee and attached to the cause. Earlier generations' efforts to ease stigma of mental illness are starting to work, Perry said. High school teams are forming "just because they recognize it as a social issue. The main idea here is to have it be prevention."

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. "It's getting some more attention, as it should," Perry said. "We're talking about getting to the root of that."

She got through her loss "by leaning on other friends." Participating in AFSP walks, first as a walker (fundraising isn't mandatory), helped her, too.

"I found it comforting to be around people who knew that kind of loss,"

she said. "It's just a nice way to channel that energy. I always leave the day looking more hopeful. There's a lot of hope there."

Organizers of the Kensington 5K will have music, a raffle, speakers and "a lot of nice things lined up," she said. "It's nice that it's growing for people. It's bittersweet."

VA resources will be on-site Oct. 11 for military veterans and walk organizers are working to get resources lined up for teenagers and the LGBT community. There's a Facebook page of Out of the Darkness Walk-Milford, MI that has current information on the walk.

Also, 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, Perry is working on a benefit at the Alex and Ani jewelry store in downtown Birmingham. Half of all sales in that time will go toward the walk she's chairing.

The Westland walk Oct. 10 is chaired by Riley, who lost her son, 29, to suicide in 2011. This is the fifth annual walk there, Riley said, and it draws up to 400 people.

'Stigma's still there'

"Not at all," Riley said when asked about improvements related to mental health issues. "I don't feel that personally. The stigma's still there." She's for advocacy, better resources and awareness of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-TALK (8255).

Her son sought help in a hospital, Riley said. She believes the medical community "doesn't know how to treat people with mental illness. People don't understand mental illness."

Riley favors teaching all the signs of suicide and training for health care staffers. She agreed walking each year helps her and others, "to help them know there's resources, they're not alone."

The walk she chairs includes a physician along with educational materials and people sharing their experiences. The goal is "to reach out for help, that it's OK. There's no shame in being sick," Riley said.

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TAX

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community colleges and universities. And she called for reforming the teacher pension system and diverting some money from online "cyber schools" to public education.

Michael Meissen, Plymouth-Canton superintendent, said districts have struggled to maintain programs and services amid strained funding levels that still haven't recovered from the Great Recession.

Even so, Meissen said, the district has managed to offer high-quality programs, with 95 percent of students moving on to some form of post-high school education.

"Most of our kids do continue with something beyond high school," he said.

Adrienne Quinn, a Discovery Middle School teacher, said she believes the vast majority of teachers are highly dedicated to their jobs, despite attempts by critics to portray them as "union thugs." She said issues such as budget problems and too much emphasis on statewide testing procedures can interfere with classroom instruction - and she said students sense it.

"They know when we are arguing about dollars and cents," Quinn said, "and they know when we are fighting for them."

Meissen, Paton and Quinn responded to written questions posed by the audience and read aloud by Pagan. Among the highlights:

» Paton said talks have begun that could lead to ramped-up efforts to improve specific programs by convincing local donors to give to the Plymouth-Canton Educational Excellence Foundation.

» Paton said the per-pupil state foundation allowance for Plymouth-Canton has actually declined from \$7,500 in 2008 to \$7,391, partly because more money has been steered to retirement funding.

She said the district's enrollment has dropped from 18,853 in 2008 to 17,360. Even so, Meissen has said enrollment shows signs of stabilizing.

» Paton said the district has sold land and privatized transportation and custodial services, among other cost-cutting measures. She said budget constraints now require new solutions.

» Meissen said strong public schools lead to strong local neighborhoods. He said the Plymouth-Canton community is engaged in education.

» Paton said more

funding would allow Plymouth-Canton to expand courses such as technical programs for students who may not be college-bound.

"It breaks my heart that we can't help all kids," she said.

» Pagan said Plymouth-Canton consistently ranks among the state's best districts. However, she said Michi-

gan as a state has fallen behind and she wants to make it a top 10 state in the nation for public education, saying the quality of education is tied to "the future of our children and the success of our economy."

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St. Mary Mercy's annual benefit gala set for Oct. 16

The 23rd annual St. Mary Mercy Livonia Gala, Cinderella's Magical Dreams: A Fairytale Evening, will take place at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center.

The evening will include a live and silent auction, entertainment by Dance Dynamic and Intrigue and a special appearance by Cinderella and her prince. This year's event committee chair is Monique Marks, president and CEO of Franklin-Wright Settlements in Detroit. Tickets to the event are available, as well as VIP tickets which include an invitation to an exclusive pre-party Thursday, Sept. 24.

Proceeds from the 2015 St. Mary Mercy Livonia Gala will make a life-changing difference for patients who turn to St. Mary Mercy's Behavioral Health

Services Unit.

"This important renovation project in our Behavioral Medicine Unit will enhance patient comfort and care, creating a modern, updated space that better supports current treatment models and philosophies of care," said David Spivey, president and CEO, St. Mary Mercy Livonia. "Throughout the past 40 years, our specialized staff has offered care that meets the medical and emotional needs of our patients. This is the next step in transforming our inpatient services throughout St. Mary Mercy to reflect our commitment to advanced medicine and compassionate care."

The proceeds will improve the health and quality of life of hundreds of individuals and allow St. Mary Mercy to serve as a beacon of hope in the community.



Livonia CERT members conduct a grid search in the rain Saturday at Livonia's Rotary Park.

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Being prepared: 100 attend CERT training at Rotary Park

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Rotary Park was filled Saturday with about 100 volunteers from all over Wayne County practicing search-and-rescue techniques.

While there wasn't anyone in danger at the Livonia park, the practice was done in case there is a need for Community Emergency Response Team, or CERT, members, to go out and assist law enforcement during emergencies.

The Wayne County Citizen Corps Disaster Exercise takes place each year and focuses on different aspects. Saturday's training focused on searching for evidence using a grid search, as well as combing the woods of the park for a lost victim.

Sgt. Brian Kahn of the Livonia Police Department said CERT teams from Livonia, Redford, Plymouth, Canton, Dearborn and Detroit came to the park on Six Mile to participate.

"We did our grid search; then we did a wood search," said Kahn,



CERT members practice carrying a victim out of the woods at Rotary Park during their training exercise held Saturday in Livonia.

TOM BEAUDOIN

teams in identifying and correcting any gaps in team response," Director of the Wayne County Homeland Security and Emergency Management department, Tadarial J. Sturdivant, said in a statement before the event.

Kahn said he believes the event went well and hopes to see more training done in Livonia in the future. He said Rotary Park, with its deep woods and space, was a perfect place to hold such a training event, especially as the park was being used by other groups.

"We had a lot of good area. It wasn't this sterile environment where it was locked off," he said. "You get into the woods, you get surrounded pretty quick."

For information on joining the Wayne County Citizen Corps, contact Danielle Elzayat, Wayne County Citizen Corps chairperson, at 734-728-3711 or go to www.wayne-county.com.

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who serves as director of homeland security for Livonia. "It's a real methodical search."

The teams are used for various emergencies that could range from keeping an eye on downed power lines, Kahn said, to assisting with natural disasters, such as the 2014 floods in the Detroit area.

"They could be used for anything," Kahn said.

"Cities and municipalities, they get swamped very, very quick."

Also included in the training, besides CERT teams, were the Medical Reserve Corps, which consists of volunteers with medical backgrounds, according to a news release from Wayne County.

"By testing these capabilities, this exercise will assist our CERT

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Estate planning attorney David Mammel and Glen Eden's Sharon Molinaro will present a fact-packed seminar. They will share the latest information that you need to know on planning for your estate, survivors, assets and final arrangements.

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Northville path finally links Maybury to Hines

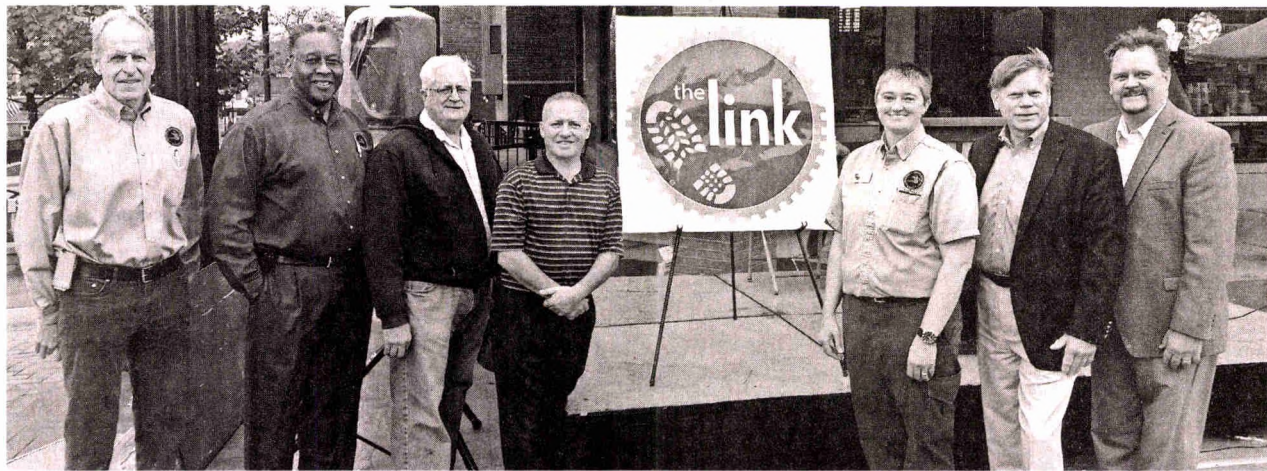
Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Walkers and bike riders who have been clamoring for years about more non-vehicle ways to get to Maybury State Park now have their wish.

When officials from the Northville Township Parks & Recreation Department, the Michigan DNR and several other entities gathered Saturday to dedicate "The Link," it solidified the creation of a connection between Hines Park and Maybury State Park that folks have wanted for a long time.

Jason Spiller, director of parks and recreation for Northville Township, said the idea came up three years ago, but a culvert in the road at Eight Mile and Beck was preventing the connection.

When work was done



Dedicating The Link in a ceremony Saturday during the Victorian Festival were (from left) Ron Olson, chief of Michigan DNR Parks and Recreation Division; Murdock Jemerson, Rose Lake district supervisor; James Gallogly, director of public works, city of Northville; Jason D. Spiller, director of Northville parks and recreation; Nikki VanBloem, Maybury State Park supervisor; Robert R. Nix, Northville Township supervisor; and Patrick Sullivan, Northville city manager.

on Eight Mile, Spiller said, that area was built up, providing the final piece to The Link.

"We didn't have connectivity into Maybury; there was never a pedestrian path into the park,"

Spiller said. "That 200-foot connection (on Eight Mile) was pivotal. Now people can get connectivity from Maybury to Hines and all the way to Dearborn."

The Link was the re-

sult of a collaborative effort between the cities of Northville and Novi, Northville Township and its parks and recreation department, the Northville DDA, the DNR and Wayne County Parks.

According to Spiller, the desire for a comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding program assisting users navigate between the parks was paramount. Now both the bike

route and pedestrian route are open. The routes, according to Ron Carlson, chief of parks and recreation for the DNR, are helping to identify the state as trail friendly.

"We're trying to promote Michigan as a trail state and with (The Link) being up, that's happening," Carlson said. "The bottom line is it contributes to the quality of life."

Northville Township Supervisor Bob Nix said The Link fits well with society's desire for healthier ways to conduct their lives.

"Lifestyles change," Nix said Saturday. "We see more and more people demanding a healthier lifestyle. Now everyone wants to walk or ride a bicycle. Times have changed."

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Play euchre to raise funds for 88.1 The Park

An evening of playing euchre, making new friends and supporting the community is in store when WSDP-FM (88.1), The Park, hosts its fourth annual Euchre Tournament at 7 p.m. Saturday Oct. 3, at the Plymouth Elks Club.

Players can enjoy a great evening of euchre and support the student radio program that has

been impacting students and serving the community for more than 43 years.

The tournament was created by 88.1 alum Denny Kapp.

"I've enjoyed playing in tournaments and decided to share the idea with WSDP's Alumni Committee. They thought this might be something we could do

on an annual basis and we're excited to bring it back for a fourth year," said Kapp, a Westland resident.

The tournament costs \$20 per player, if they register before Sept. 28, or \$25 at the door. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top 10 percent of the field. Players will enjoy pizza, snacks and a cash bar.

"We hope to have an even bigger turnout this year, because it helps a really great program. 88.1 gave me a head start into a career working in sports media. I learned how to cover a team through my broadcasts of Canton and Salem games. I'm glad to be able to still help the station," Kapp said.

You can sign up by

emailing wspdeuchre@gmail.com or by calling 248-WSDPEUCHRE (973-7382).

WSDP is owned and operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district. The station is staffed by students at Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools.

Royal Garden Trio set to perform at Plymouth Elks

For the first time Sept. 29, The Royal Garden Trio with James Dapogny will bring some Dixieland and early jazz favorites to the Elks

The group consists of Tom Bogardus on clarinet, tenor sax and tenor guitar; Brian Delaney on guitar; Mike Karoub on cello; and guest James Dapogny on keyboard and trumpet. The group is known for its traditional sound and stage presence.

For more information, call 734-453-1780, go to www.plymouthannarborrelks325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com. The lodge is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

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+.

Three dates are available to take advantage of this opportunity to expe-

rience world-class visual arts. On Friday, Sept. 25, 6-10 p.m., participants will enjoy all of this package's offerings, in addition to admittance to the DIA's Friday Night Live! concert with live music and cash bar. 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.

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HEROES ON HINES HALF MARATHON AND 5K

Wayne County's 3rd Annual Heroes on Hines Half Marathon and 5K



Saturday, October 3, 2015

Half Marathon: 8:00 a.m.

5K: 8:45 a.m.

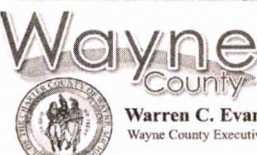
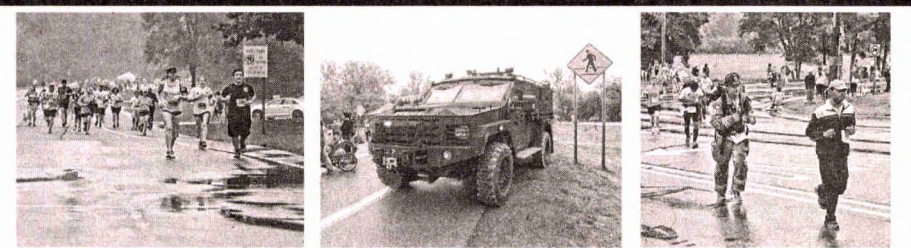
Hines Park in Plymouth Township, MI

Entry includes technical race shirt for all distances and a finisher's medal for all distances

All proceeds will go towards the maintenance and upkeep of the First Responders Memorial (Hines Drive and Haggerty Rd.)



For registration and race details, visit www.HeroesOnHines.com



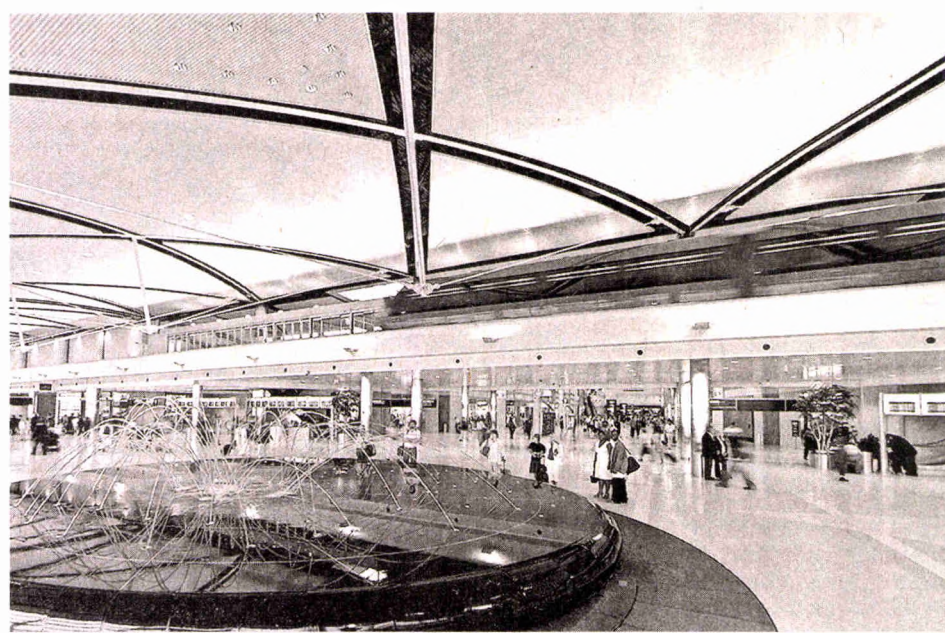
Airport Express Tram cars earn three-week 'vacation'

The Express Tram cars operating in Detroit Metropolitan Airport's McNamara Terminal are taking a needed break.

The tram cars, which have each traveled 1 million miles, are on a three-week "vacation" through Oct. 12 to replace the two steel cables that pull each car. All Concourse A gates remain accessible by using the network of 20 moving walkways along the concourse or wheelchair service. Customers may want to allow extra time to reach their departure gate.

"Delta has averaged better than 99.5 percent reliability on the Detroit Express Tram System since the McNamara Terminal opened in 2002," said Dennis Farmer, Delta's general manager. "Replacing the original tram cables now allows us to continue providing Concourse A's dependable customer transportation."

Work began Monday



Express Trams move almost 4,300 people per hour in each direction at the McNamara Terminal of Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

on the 2½-mile long tram cables that are nearing the end of their projected useful life cycle. The Express Trams are literally horizontal elevators as they float on a cushion

of air and are pulled by cables. The tram system is capable of moving almost 4,300 people per hour in each direction at a maximum speed of just over 30 mph.

"Preventative maintenance on the facilities is important, as safety is the No. 1 priority for Detroit Metro Airport and Delta Air Lines," Airport Authority CEO

Thomas Naughton said. "It's astonishing to think that both trams have traveled more than 1 million miles, enough to circle the Earth 40 times."

Otis Elevator Co., under contract to Delta Air Lines, is performing the tram cable replacement. Signs are posted throughout the McNamara Terminal informing passengers and employees of the temporary tram closure, along with email notifications being sent by Delta to their passengers traveling through Detroit Metro Airport.

While the Express Trams are receiving their well-needed break, some concessions within the terminal will be giving passengers a discount to help make their travel experience more enjoyable. While in the McNamara Terminal, guests can visit The Body Shop for a complimentary skin care sample, or Be Relax Spa, ZOZO,

Detroit!, Wall Street Journal, Time Newsstand, Desigual, Sunglass Icon, Z Market & Mills Pharmacy, Green Store and Creative Kidstuff and ask for the "Tram Special" to receive 10 percent off their purchase.

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport welcomed more than 32.5 million passengers in 2014 and is one of the world's leading air transportation hubs. With service from 13 scheduled passenger airlines, Michigan's largest airport offers more than 1,100 flights per day to and from nearly 150 non-stop destinations on four continents.

DTW is operated by Wayne County Airport Authority, which also operates nearby Willow Run Airport. The Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive tax dollars to support airport operations. Go to www.metroairport.com for more information.

BRIEFS

Comcast names VP

Comcast of Plymouth has named Mikel Slater vice president of human resources for Comcast's Heartland region, which encompasses Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky.

Slater

As a key member of the region's senior leadership team, Slater is responsible for partnering with organization leads to develop and implement the HR strategy for attracting and retaining top talent and meeting the needs of employees and the business. He is based in Plymouth.

Slater has more than 15 years of leadership experience in all facets of HR that he's earned at several Fortune 500 companies, including Meritor and DTE Energy. Most recently, he served as vice president of human resources, Americas for Plastic Omnium's INERGY Automotive Systems division, a leading global designer and manufacturer of automotive fuel systems in New Boston.

"Comcast is very focused on improving the customer experience at every touch point and that starts with hiring, developing and retaining the right employees," Slater said.

Business awards

The Canton Chamber

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of Commerce will host its annual business awards ceremony and luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Summit on the Park.

Membership awards, Ambassador of the Year and Business Person of the Year will be presented.

Tickets are \$25 per person. To register, contact the chamber at 734-453-4040.

Rouge workshop

Friends of the Rouge and the Alliance of Rouge Communities invite property owners along the Rouge River and inland lakes to attend a class where they will learn how to protect their property from the impact of flooding while improving water quality.

Workshops will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in Canton, Sept. 29 in Franklin and Oct. 6 in Novi. 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

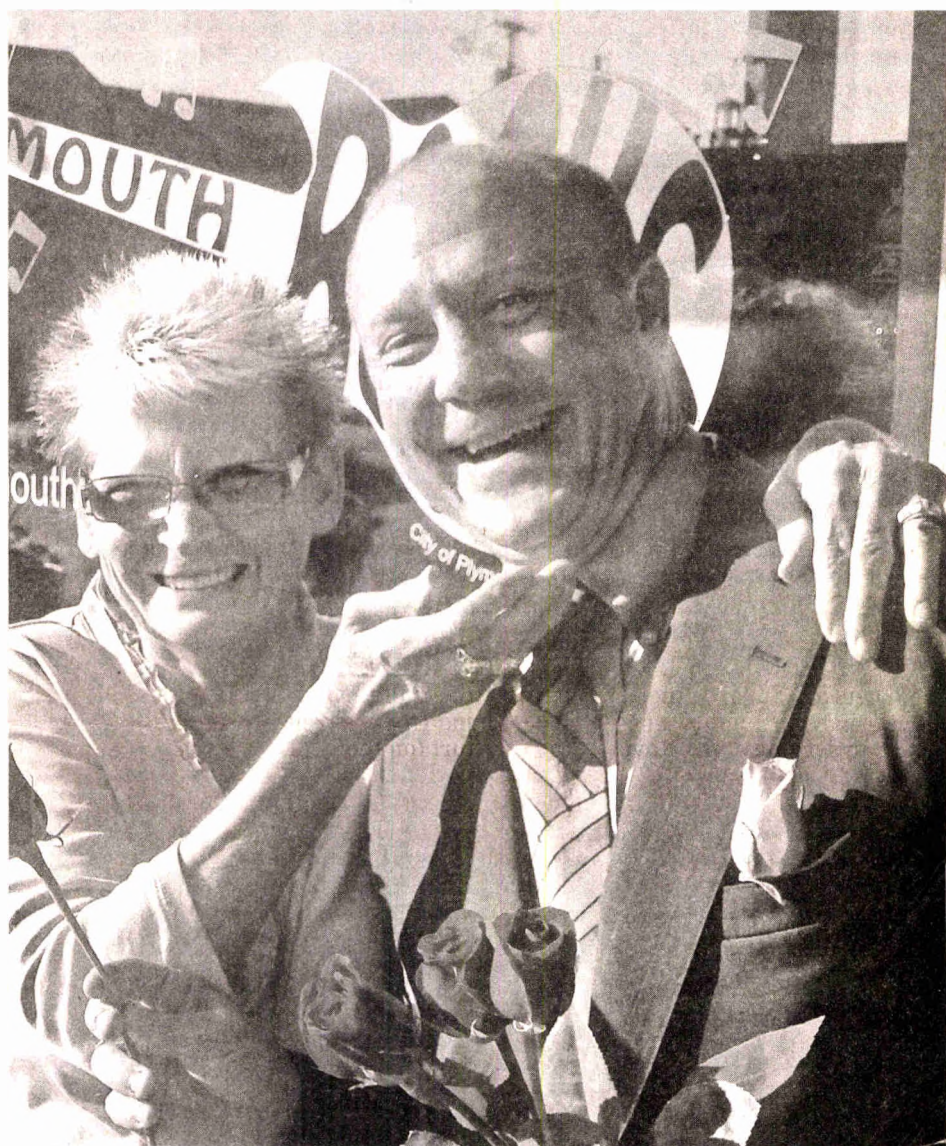
away their land and leave trash and woody debris in its place," said Cyndi Ross, River restoration program manager for the Friends of the Rouge. "We aim to help these residents care for their land to reduce the impact of flooding as well as protect the Rouge River."

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 destroys 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 <http://therouge.org/687628/>.

Downtown ladies night



Shoppers can enjoy prizes, free samples, refreshments and extended business hours 5-9 p.m. Thursday in downtown Plymouth with the annual Ladies Night Out. The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce event has more than 30 participating businesses around downtown. The first 500 ladies to show up will get a free rose outside the chamber office on Ann Arbor Trail. Recent events have attracted about 800 participants, like the two shown above in front of the chamber office.

Identity thieves have new targets

Identity theft is a rapidly growing crime and, in reality, authorities don't have the means to stop it. That's why it is important for consumers to do what's necessary to protect themselves.

I recently read an article that said that identity thieves are using two new tactics - targeting newborns and those who recently died.

Newborns are a hot area, because the thieves know that their chances of being caught are slim. Since newborns don't have a credit history or financial history, they are starting with a clean slate. As a result, they can do irreparable damage.

Identity thieves are also targeting those who are recently deceased. During the initial period when the person dies, but before financial institutions and government entities are notified, thieves can do serious harm, which could impact the estate and potentially cause problems for beneficiaries.

What can one do to prevent identity thieves from targeting a newly deceased person or a



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

newborn? In reality, there's nothing that will offer 100-percent protection. But there are steps to take that can reduce the chances that your loved ones become subject to identity theft.

When someone dies, notify various entities of the death. For example, it would make sense to send a copy of the death certificate to the deceased's financial institutions, brokerage houses, government agencies and even credit bureaus.

The Social Security Administration, through its death master file, usually will notify financial institutions, but we all know that the government doesn't always act in a timely manner. Sometimes there is a lag between the death and when financial institutions are notified.

In addition, review any financial statements from banks or other financial institutions to

make sure that everything is in order.

For newborns, it is more difficult. However, there are things you can do. I recommend obtaining a copy of your own credit report and do the same for a newborn. A few months after birth, it may make sense to pull a credit report to make sure that no one applied for credit in the newborn's name.

In addition, pay particular attention to any letters you receive for the newborn from banks and other institutions. It may be a sign that an identity thief is at work.

I wish there was one sure thing you could do that would give 100-percent protection from identity theft. Unfortunately, it doesn't exist. Don't let your guard down when it comes to protecting yourself.

Good luck.

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

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH CLOSE OF REGISTRATION GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 3, 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that registration of qualified electors for the General Election to be held on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2015, will be taken at the Office of the City Clerk during regular office hours. Close of registration is MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015 at 4:00 p.m., to vote in the General Election. Any interested person may also register at any Secretary of State Branch Office during their regular business hours. Qualifications of an elector (registered voter) are as follows:

1. Citizen of the United States
2. At least 18 years of age
3. Resident of the State of Michigan for thirty (30) days
4. Resident of the City of Plymouth on or before thirty (30) days prior to the date of the election

Qualified electors who are registered now with the City Clerk, will not have to re-register. If you have a physical problem and cannot come into City Hall, please call and make other arrangements. The telephone number is 734-453-1234 x225 or 234. Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Linda Langmesser, CMC
City Clerk

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OUR VIEW

Register to vote now for Nov. 3 election

Plymouth residents will choose new city commission members in the Nov. 3 election. They will join Plymouth Township and Canton Township residents in deciding whether to approve a tax increase request from Schoolcraft College. It's not a presidential election, but nonetheless important for residents' hometowns. That's why we hope more people will get to the polls and make their voices heard.

But people can't vote unless they are registered to vote. September is National Voter Registration Month, established by the National Association of Secretaries of State in 2002 to encourage voter participation and increase awareness of state requirements and deadlines for voting.

In 2008, six million Americans didn't vote because they missed a registration deadline or didn't know how to register. National Voter Registration Month presents an opportunity to reach the nearly one out of every seven American citizens of voting age (18 years or older) who are eligible, but not yet registered, to vote.

Do your part to celebrate National Voter Registration Month — get registered to vote if you aren't already. The deadline to register is Oct. 5 for the Nov. 3 general election.

If you are eligible to vote, take a few minutes to check your voter registration information. Updated information is critical to casting your vote Election Day.

If you aren't already registered to vote, make sure you do so in time for the November general election. And being out of town or too busy to vote Nov. 3 is not an excuse. Absentee ballot applications are available in all communities.

Why should people want to get out and vote?

Here's why: Voter turnout, for example, was light in the August primary for the Plymouth City Commission, with only 860 people casting ballots, about 11.5



FILE PHOTO

Now is the time to register to vote in the Nov. 3 general election.

percent of the city's 7,481 registered voters.

A handful of voters decided who should advance to the November election. If people remain on the sidelines, those same people could be the ones deciding who will lead the city for the next two to four years.

Local leaders make the decisions that impact your life the most, including those affecting police and fire protection, garbage pickup, snow removal, park maintenance and other quality-of-life issues.

Those who made it past the Plymouth City Commission primary and will appear on the Nov. 3 ballot are: incumbent commissioners Mike Wright, Colleen Pobur and Daniel Dalton, as well as challengers Suzi Deal, Ed Krol, Robert Jablonski, Charlie Gabbart

and Jack Wilson. Only one candidate, Thomas Guina, was eliminated in the primary. This lineup will fill four commission seats.

Equally important on the November ballot is a millage increase request from Schoolcraft College, which seeks to add an additional 0.6 mills beginning next summer.

The *Observer* will continue with its election coverage, publishing news stories and endorsements. But voters also must do their own homework and decide who they believe is the best fit for the community.

And that all starts by registering to vote. Don't wait, register now. The deadline is just around the corner.

GUEST COLUMN

Remember our freedom on anniversary of Berlin Wall's fall

Joe Neussendorfer
Guest Columnist

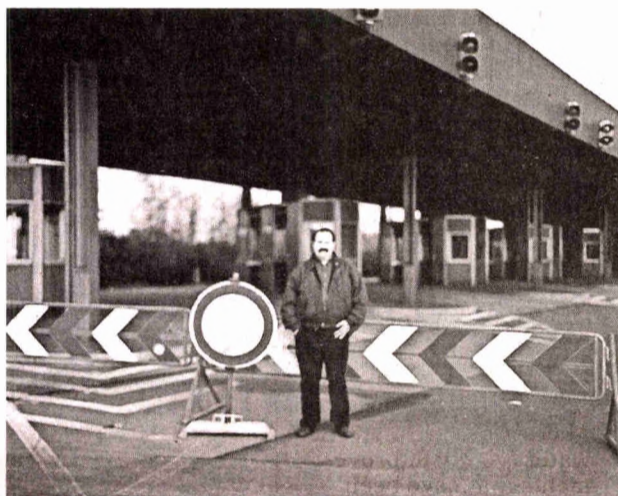
On Oct. 3, the Federal Republic of Germany and the rest of the world will observe the 25th anniversary of Germany's unification of East and West. The observance is called "Deutsche Einheit" (German Unity Day). Prior to that date, of course, was the tearing down of the infamous Berlin Wall on Nov. 10, 1989.

As a U.S. Air Force airman during the Cold War, serving at the Royal Air Force Station in Wethersfield, Essex, England (a joint RAF-USAF base), in the 1960s, I was tremendously interested in East Germany, which was under Soviet control. Our base's mission was to stand ready and prepared for any possible nuclear airstrike from the old Soviet Union. As an airman at a strategically

located air base across the English Channel from the German Eastern bloc, I was always learning about Germany, as my late father's family was from the Munich (Mun-chen) area.

When the televised fall of the Berlin Wall filled worldwide airwaves in mid-November 1989, I was hoping that I could travel to the newly opened East German frontier. Fortunately, I was able to visit the area for two weeks in early 1990. Flying from Detroit to Frankfurt (on the Rhine), I rented a car and drove to Frankfurt-on-the-Oder (Oder River, at the border of East Germany and Poland).

Along the way, I visited Berlin and made several side trips to Mecklenburg, Leipzig and Dresden in the east. I witnessed firsthand the environmental havoc that the East German government caused in the area



Livonia resident Joe Neussendorfer at the border between West Germany and East Germany.

(coal-dusted towns, consequences of ill-repaired infrastructure). Being part of the first wave of Americans to travel this route, I was so impressed by the attitude and demeanor of the welcoming East Germans. One night, I needed to find a certain

hotel in the Leipzig area. I stopped at an old gas station to ask for directions to the place (no Google maps back then). One young man who spoke English overheard my request for directions and volunteered to pilot me to the hotel. I fol-

lowed him, trustingly, for several miles to the hotel. Once there, I sounded my car horn and gave a gesture to stop so that I could thank him. Instead, he just drove off, so I could not thank him. I'll never know his name, but he was such an ambassador for the newly freed East Germans.

One memorable stop during the trip was Berlin, where I visited the still war-ravaged Reichstag, the stately Brandenburg Gate and the Berlin Wall. I brought back several pieces of the mob-breached wall as mementos. One photograph that I treasure and serves as a daily reminder of how blessed we free Americans are was taken along the River Spree that runs through Berlin. That was the area where East Germans attempted to swim to freedom. So many of those who attempted to escape via the river were

killed. The site is marked with crosses with the names of those who were shot to death seeking freedom in the West.

As part of Germany Unity Day celebrations, the German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest, Michigan Chapter, of which I am a member, is sponsoring a German Unity Day celebration Wednesday, Oct. 7, at historic Meadowbrook Hall in Rochester. The featured speaker will be Dr. Guy Stern, distinguished professor emeritus at Wayne State University, who will deliver remarks about the 25th anniversary of the Unification of Germany. The event is hosted by Frederick W. Hoffman, German honorary consul-Detroit. For event information, contact Janina Luomala at info@gaccmi.org.

Joe Neussendorfer is a Livonia resident.

LETTERS

Cultural zombies

People of Plymouth! I did not consider you cultural zombies — until now. Your park is filled for sometimes so-so-concerts. Your sidewalk tables are full outside restaurants, which sometimes offer so-so food. But a timeless, classical musical such as *Man of LaMancha* comes to town — no, is produced in town — and the seats are half-empty?

If you ever have enjoyed the musical *Man of LaMancha*, as I have often in times the past, you will cry at the beauty of Barefoot Productions' effort. Rarely shown these days because of the setting and singing complexity, the *Man of LaMancha* production offered by Barefoot Productions was, well, bare, but innovative. And the singing and music for this great play were, well, great.

Yes, you can find classier looking theaters and more comfortable seating, (and more expansive concession of-

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ferings), but the play, which you came for, was done far better than most local productions who dare try to produce this play — of this, I am sure.

So, where were you Plymouth?

Tom Salapatek
Canton

Pass Medicare drug savings

Passage of the Medicare Prescription Drug Savings and Choice Act (H.R. 3261 and S. 1884)

would create one or more Medicare-administered prescription drug plans to compete with the expensive, privately administered prescription drug plans currently offered under Medicare Part D.

The bill would also require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate for lower drug prices. Or passage of the Medicare Prescription Drug Price Negotiation Act (S. 31 and H.R. 3061) would empower Medicare to negotiate for the best possible prices of prescription medications for Medicare Part D.

Passage of the Personal Drug Importation Fairness Act of 2015 (H.R. 2623) would give access to safe, reasonably priced prescription drugs by allowing importation and re-importation of prescription drugs from countries with safety standards that are at least as strong as those of the United States. Or passage of the Safe and Affordable Drugs from Canada Act (S. 122 and H.R. 2228) would allow individuals to import safe prescription drugs from our northern neighbors.

John Humitz
Livonia

Whose grasp?

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck's proposal for fixing roads sounds like it might be an answer

and is headlined that a "fix is within our grasp."

However, utilizing his figures and calculating when our roads would be fixed with this plan indicates that we would have good roads in about 21 years. That calculation utilizes his Version 2 fix and would build roads that according to him would last twice as long.

At that time, about one-third of the roads would be of the higher quality and other roads would be brought up to that quality as they were replaced. If Version 1 roads were built, it would take over 10 years to get into good roads. Either of these proposals are unacceptable.

The governor's proposals and identification of the \$1.2 billion requirement makes very much sense when used with Sen. Colbeck's numbers. Utilizing his numbers with a \$1.2 billion funding, it would take less than four years to get to good roads with Version 1 and, if Mr. Colbeck's Version 2 roads were built, it would take less than six years to get to good roads and have his "sustainable solution."

We got into this mess because we as a state population were unwilling to pay the appropriate taxes to maintain our infrastructure. Mr. Colbeck seems to believe we should continue that. That sounds like "politics

as usual" as he likes to say. We need funding that provides \$1.2 billion to roads and it should be one that everyone supports.

I say a 21-year solution to our road problem is no solution or a "politics as usual" solution. It certainly does not sound like a "fix within our grasp."

Joseph Dunkerley
Northville

Shot in the arm

The new requirements to get an immunization waiver might just save my life.

Failing to immunize your child could be a major risk for your child and other children. As a middle school boy, I hate immunizations as much as the next person, but I would rather get poked and be safe from a disease than risk getting a disease and possibly dying.

I think it's a great idea that parents have to learn about the consequences of not immunizing their child to get the county waiver. As a student, I do not want to ruin my life by getting sick from a parent's wrong or misinformed decision.

In today's society, some parents are getting incorrect information from the Internet. This could lead to not immunizing a child, which could get him/her or others sick. On a positive note, a trained profes-

sional now must teach these parents about the consequences of not immunizing a child.

Diseases like measles are coming back in the United States, so we have to arm ourselves by getting a shot in the arm, but on the bright side, sometimes we get a lollipop in the end.

Sam Adler, age 13
Meads Mill Middle School
Northville

Freedom to choose analog meter law

All across our nation, Americans are very concerned about the health, safety (thousands of fires) and privacy with smart meters. DTE smart meters can extract your data every 15 minutes. They can program these meters to go off once a minute - pulsed microwave radiation). More than 2,000 health complaints were registered in California in 2011. Michigan has the same Itron Meter.

Dr. David Carpenter testified July 6 in Lansing at MPSC Hearing Case U-17767 that smart meters cause DNA damage and the safe distance from them is 10 feet. There is a bill being drafted in the state Legislature. Interested and informed people should call their state representatives and tell them to support this bill.

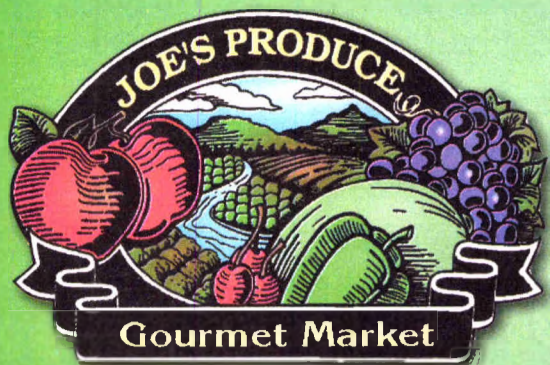
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TENNIS TWINS IN SPOTLIGHT



They're not yet as famous as the Bryan brothers, but Salem junior twins Caden (left) and Conor (right) Sweet are making strides.

KATHRYN HALL

DOUBLE SWEET!

Salem's version of the Bryan brothers making a name for themselves

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

On most high school tennis teams, the singles players draw the most attention.

Not so at Salem, where identical twins Caden and Conor Sweet have become the star attraction and for good reason — they are the Rocks' very own version of the professional Bryan brothers and a dynamite No. 2 doubles tandem.

For non-tennis fans, Bob and Mike Bryan swing with opposite hands. That's exactly the case with the Sweets, with Caden a righty and Conor a lefty.

"Actually, they went to a Cincinnati tournament (Western & Southern Open) a couple weeks ago and they got their pictures taken with Mike Bryan," veteran Salem coach Bill Nelson said. "I said, 'Well, did you tell them that we refer to you as the Bryan brothers?'"

Nelson said the 16-year-old twins did not mention that, but the Sweets are letting their play on the



Conor Sweet (foreground) gets ready to smack the ball while doubles teammate and twin brother Caden Sweet watches.

KATHRYN HALL

court do most of the talking for them.

"They don't talk a lot to each other out on the court," Nelson said. "I don't know if it's just whatever (goes) on between twins, but they kind of know what to do on the court without verbally communicating."

"They're pretty much the same. They like hitting the ball hard, hitting it low, keeping it in play. They both attack the net, which is what

you want your doubles players to do."

Meanwhile, the Sweets, in their second season on the Salem varsity, are used to kiddingly being referred to by Nelson and teammates as "the Bryan brothers."

"Coach has called us that since freshman year (when they were on JV)," Caden said. "And every time the Bryan brothers lose at a tournament, he'll be like, 'What did you guys do yes-

terday?' Just joking and stuff."

Actually, they were eighth-graders at Central Middle School when they began to take the sport seriously. They played the sport during gym class and their dad, Leonard Sweet, bought them their first racquets.

"We started in eighth grade playing with our dad; it was just us two against

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USA HOCKEY PREVIEW

NTDP ice squads ready to drop puck

U18, U17 teams to open season Saturday on road

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Former fans of the Plymouth Whalers will have to hang on until the second week of October to catch the new USA Hockey teams in action.

But the waiting is over for both the National Team Development Program Under-18 and Under-17 teams, which will open their respective 2015-16 seasons with Saturday road contests.



Keller

The U18s skate into action Saturday in Youngstown, Ohio, against the Phantoms, while the U17s open Saturday against the Chicago Steel.



Kryz

According to U18 head coach Danton Cole, the older of the two NTDP squads can't wait for the games to begin and promise a fun and fast brand of hockey at USA Hockey Arena, when the home schedule begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11 (against the Steel and University of Notre Dame, respectively).

"The U18 team is a very sound team with good depth," Cole said. "We like to play a fast-paced game and always be on the attack."

"The NTDP does a great job building up the strength and maturity of the players and fans will be impressed with the level of hockey these young men are able to play at their age."

Players such as forward Clayton Keller and defenseman Chad Kryz are expected to lead the team. Both won gold medals last year at the U18 World Championship.

"That experience is something that we look to help the rest of the team, who will be going through it for the first time," Cole said. "We also feel our goaltending tandem of Joe Woll and Jake Oettinger is

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Balanced attack, relentless defense spark Plymouth Christian to victory

Eagles take care of Crusaders in four sets

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Despite a hiccup Tuesday night in the third set, Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity volleyball machine continues to run smoothly.

The Eagles needed four sets to dispatch visiting Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, thus improving to 19-3 overall and 4-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division. PCA won 25-20 and 25-18 in the opening sets before stumbling to a 23-25 loss in the third.

In the fourth set, however, the Eagles got back to doing what they do best — moving the ball around on the attack and playing a fierce defensive style to boot — and clinched the match with a 25-20 victory.

"We've got a great group of girls," said first-year head coach DJ Kellogg, an assistant on the 2013 and 2014 teams, which both lost in the Class D regional final. "They're hungry, they're willing to challenge themselves and push themselves every game."

"They really take it on themselves to fight through it if they're down. They've been very good this year at making comebacks."

And the Crusaders, despite

strong performances from middle blocker Kaily Grulke and setter Megan Haller, had trouble containing a PCA attack that comes from everywhere.

Junior setter Jessica Paulson (27 assists, six digs) perfectly set up front-row players such as sophomore outside hitter Grace Kellogg (18 kills, 13 digs, three aces) and junior outside hitter Olivia Mady (13 kills, eight digs).

Other standouts included junior libero Divna Roi, who tallied 16 digs and on numerous occasions kept the ball alive with selfless dives to the floor.

"It's like any sport — defense

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PEGGY PAULSON

PCA players show their enthusiastic teamwork during Tuesday's match.

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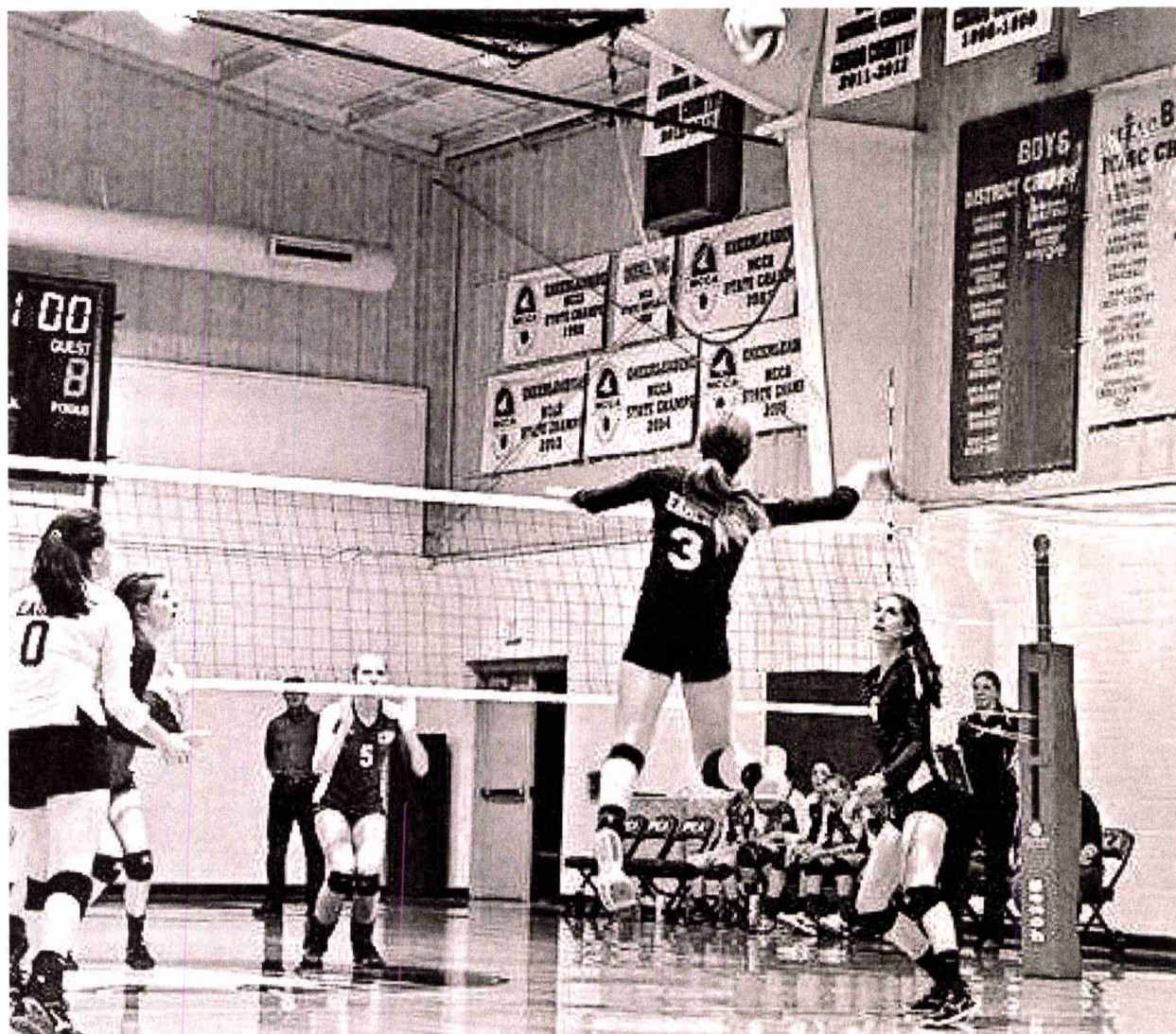
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PCA's Grace Kellogg (No. 3) returns the ball for the Eagles with teammates Divna Roi (No. 0) and Jessica Paulson (No. 6) ready to help. PEGGY PAULSON

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Blazers complete second straight tourney triumph

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

three solo blocks and seven block assists.

With its rigorous Catholic League schedule just days away from kicking into first gear, the Livonia Ladywood volleyball team displayed mid-season form Saturday during the Bay City Invitational.

The Blazers captured their second consecutive weekend tournament by cruising to a first-place showing against teams from the host site's area.

Ladywood went 3-0 in pool-play action, upending Freeland, Bay City Western and Bay City All Saints in straight sets.

The Blazers' only hiccup of the day came in quarterfinal round of bracket play, when they dropped the opening set against Bay City John Glenn, 25-17, before rebounding to win the final two, 25-8 and 15-13, to advance to the semifinals, where they continued their successful run against Western, 25-22 and 25-18.

Ladywood had to earn its trophy against Essexville-Garber, which pushed the Blazers to three exciting sets before the Blazers won, 25-17, 22-25, 15-13.

Senior co-captain Haley Moores had a spectacular day, registering 36 kills, 16 aces and a 2.25 passing ratio.

Fellow co-captain Kayla March led the winners with 44 kills. Also contributing to the attack were Madison Benoit (22 kills) and Natasha Strzelewicz, who put down 16 set-assists.

Setters Monique Lamoureux (44 assists and 17 digs) and Colleen Barnes (37 assists, 10 aces and 16 digs) both shined for Ladywood.

Defensive dynamo Abbi Laurentius posted 36 digs and 12 aces. Madeline Hudson was magnificent in the middle, picking up

Cougars clip T-Birds

Garden City's volleyball team continued to run like a well-oiled machine Monday during its 25-16, 25-21, 25-16 sweep of visiting Dearborn Edsel Ford.

The victory lifted the Cougars' record to 14-5 overall and 3-0 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Blue Division.

Seniors Allie Lynn and Heather Pennington paced the winners' attack with 10 and 12 kills, respectively. Lynn dug up 11 would-be kills, while Alex Roffi finished with eight digs to go along with her 19 assists.

Lynn was perfect at the service line, ripping all 29 of her serves in play, with 10 resulting in non-returnable aces. Lynn was also remarkable on defense, successfully handling 18 of 19 serves.

"This was a good, competitive match with several long rallies," GC head coach John Pace said. "There were numerous times when athletes ran off the court to bring a ball back in play."

Edsel Ford suffered a setback when their setter went down with an injury in the first set. Later on in the first, Pennington went down with an ankle injury, but she was able to return in set two.

"We had a great night serving," Pace said. "As a coach, to see your team so comfortable at the baseline is a great feeling. It seemed we were better out of system and that was the difference."

"Edsel has a solid team this year, not just as volleyball players, but as young adults. How they are off the court as well as on shows the character they possess."

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fuels offense," coach Kellogg said. "When the defense happens, the energy goes up. When the energy goes up, they play. Divna's awesome, she's a great player."

Agreeing with that sentiment was Mady, who pointed to the outstanding team chemistry.

"We just work so well together and it obviously showed today," Mady said. "We had our defense on-point and covered all the positions because they were running some quick balls."

"We got to those. Our libero, Divna Roi, did a great job and so did (sophomore right-side hitter) Robin Albert (seven digs)."

The Eagles still needed to hold off the Lutheran Northwest rally the fourth set, in order to make sure a winner-take-

all fifth set wasn't needed.

After the Crusaders built an early 9-5 lead, the Eagles started chipping away and finally took the lead 13-12 on a Paulson-to-Kellogg combo point.

A spike by Mady made it 16-12, but it took a diving save by Roi to keep that ball in play.

Lutheran Northwest closed the gap to 20-18, but the Eagles got a key defensive sideout point on a spike by Kellogg.

Stepping up to the serving stripe was Albert and she strung together three points, helped along by Mady's nifty spike from the back row.

For the set and match point, Paulson passed the ball over to Kellogg for a thunderous slam.

"That last game, we were playing to win. We didn't want to go a fifth game," Grace Kellogg said. "We were playing more as a team."

Salem prevails

An excellent all-around effort Tuesday night lifted host Salem to a 3-0 win over KLAA Central Division opponent Livonia Stevenson.

For the Rocks (9-6 overall), Tess Ganich led the way with 14 kills and 13 digs.

Helping the cause were Kendall Gillen and Emma Merlington (six kills each), Sara Soltis and Lauren Wylie (14 assists each).

Salem's night got easier as it progressed. After a 25-22 win in the first set, the Rocks earned 25-17 and 25-18 victories to close out the triumph.

"We had a really great team effort tonight," Salem head coach Rebecca Middleton said. "Every player got time on the court and played with confidence."

"We were executing our plays and staying competitive with Stevenson. We had excellent

defense today and we made quick pursuits to keep the ball alive."

Canton wins in three

In a Tuesday match-up of KLAA South Division squads, Canton rolled to a 25-21, 25-19, 25-22 win over Livonia Churchill.

Key contributors for the Chiefs included Emma Clark (15 kills, 11 digs), Gina Giacomi (12 kills) and Lexi Granowich (16 digs).

"The team played well against a good team," Canton head coach Irick Gardner said. "We were a little flat, but found a way. I thought Lexi played well as our libero, as she filled in for our senior who was out injured. Gina also had a great night."

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PREP FOOTBALL

Shamrocks steamroll Pioneers on gridiron

It was no contest Friday at Fr. Richard Elmer Stadium, as Novi Detroit Catholic Central rolled to a 58-8 victory over Detroit Delta Prep Academy for Social Justice.

The Shamrocks, who were originally scheduled to play Pauline Johnson (Ontario) Collegiate, roared out to a 30-0 first-quarter advantage.

CC got a 1-yard touchdown run by Nicholas Capatina, a 30-yard pass from Austin Brown to Victor Diritra and a 2-yard run from Matthew Young.

Chyle Johnson had a 25-yard interception return for a TD. The Shamrocks (3-1) also got a two-point safety when a Pioneer's punt bounced backward and into the end zone.

In the second quarter, Catholic Central added four more TDs on runs by Philip Schmitz (5 yards), Matt Conrado (3 yards), Mike Molchan (2 yards) and Hunter Now-

ka (7 yards).

After a scoreless third quarter, the Pioneers (1-2) got on the board in the middle of the fourth when Robert Beaty hit James O'Neal on a 2-yard TD pass and ran for the two-point conversion.

Capatina (seven carries, 51 yards) and Cameron Ryan (two carries, 36 yards) were the Shamrocks' top rushers. CC had 213 yards total offense, including 183 on the ground. CC limited Delta to 94 yards.

Alex Bock, Jacob Fanning and Michael Edwards also all had an interception. Nowka and Carson Kovath both had a fumble recovery.

Pilots down Rice

Warren DeLaSalle eliminated Brother Rice from last year's Division 2 playoffs with a monumental victory.

The Pilots ended Rice's three-year title reign and snapped its school-record 33-game winning streak. DeLaSalle went

on to succeed Brother Rice as the D2 state champion.

The teams renewed their rivalry Saturday at Berkley's Hurley Field. The Pilots made it two straight wins over the Warriors with an easy 30-6 triumph.

DeLaSalle led 24-0 after three quarters and had the game under control the entire way.

The Pilots outgained Rice in total yards (374-102), registered more first downs (18-7) and had nearly double the time of possession (30:45 to 17:15).

DeLaSalle was led by Tru Wilson, who scored three touchdowns on runs of 1, 17 and 36 yards.

The fourth touchdown was a 77-yard pass from Josh Wilk to Miles Charley. Trent Piwinski bootied a 29-yard field goal and all four extra points.

Brother Rice's lone touchdown came early in the fourth quarter, on a 24-yard pass by sophomore quarterback Steven

Krajewski to Carter Dunaway.

Rice had just 44 net rushing yards, including 28 by sophomore Ruben Williams. Krajewski completed 7-of-11 passes for 58 yards.

Wilson accounted for 155 of DeLaSalle's 274 yards rushing.

The Pilots hiked their record to 3-1; Rice fell to 1-3. It was the Catholic League Central Division opener for each team.

Knights beat Eagles

Grosse Pointe Liggett scored on its first seven possessions Friday and dominated Southfield Christian in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game, 56-26.

The visiting Eagles were led by DeShawn Moore, who completed 7-of-13 passes for 150 yards and two TDs.

Cameron Springer caught five passes for 133 yards and two touchdowns. Rodger Johnson scored the other TD on a 70-yard kickoff return.

HOCKEY

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going to be very good for us and a strength."

Cole's team also sports a Michigan flavor. On the roster is 6-3, 214-pound defenseman Griffin Luce (grandson of former Detroit Red Wings player Don Luce), who has committed to play collegiately at the University of Michigan.

Macomb native Keenan Suthers is a left wing who plans to skate at Western Michigan University after his NTDP career.

Detroit-area players who are slated to play up front include Brighton's Keeghan Howdeshell (Ferris State) and Bloomfield Hills' Will Lockwood (U-M).

Cole also will have a physical defense, with Luce alongside J.D. Greenway (6-4), Luke Martin and Michael Campoli (each 6-2). Kry stands 5-11, while other defensemen include Ryan Lindgren (6-0), Matthew Hellickson (6-0) and Adam Fox (5-10).

Rounding out the U18 roster are forwards Trent Frederic, Nick Pastujov, Patrick Khodorenko, Zach Walker, James Sanchez, Joey Anderson, Clayton Keller, Graham McPhee and Kieffer Bellows and goalie Jordan Severo.

U17 outlook

Also primed for the Plymouth era to begin for the NTDP is U17 head coach Don Granato, who agrees with Cole about the style of hockey fans can expect.

The U17 home opener is at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, against the Madison

Capitols.

"Fans can expect a fast-paced, back-and-forth game," Granato said. "As a coaching objective, we want to elevate the pace of the game. We want to play at a high tempo."

One player who already knows what the Detroit-area spectator is like is Northville's Dylan St. Cyr, a promising goalie for the U17 squad and a U-M recruit. Also in goal will be Adam Scheel.

Among others with state ties are forwards Logan Cockerill (Brighton) and Josh Norris (Oxford).

"Everyone is a key player," Granato said. We are working with some of the best talent in the country and each player brings something special and different to the table."

Skating up front, in addition to Cockerill and Norris, will be Joey Cassetti, Michael Pastujov, Brady Tkachuk, Graham Slaggert, Sean Dhooghe, Logan Hutsko, Grant Mismash, Randy Hernandez, Jacob Tortora, Scott Reedy and Evan Barratt.

On the blue line will be Tyler Inamoto, Josh Maniscalco, Quinn Hughes, Nate Knoepke, David Farrance, Phil Kemp and Max Gildon.

Rarin' to go

Meanwhile, both Cole and Granato said the players are looking forward to the first season of USA Hockey in Plymouth at the former Computware Arena. The NTDP squads previously skated at the much-smaller Ann Arbor Ice Cube.

"They have been impressed with how welcoming everyone has been," Cole said.

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Livonia Franklin (1-1, 2-2) at Plymouth (2-0, 3-1)
Wayne Memorial (0-2, 0-4) at Livonia Churchill (1-1, 2-2)
South Lyon (0-2, 2-2) at Livonia Stevenson (2-0, 4-0)
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Dearborn Edsel Ford (1-1, 1-3) at Liv. Clarenceville (1-1, 1-3)
Redford Thurston (1-1, 2-2) at Dearborn Fordson (1-1, 2-2)
Redford Union (0-2, 1-3) at Garden City (0-2, 1-3)
Southfield Christian (0-2, 1-3) at Lutheran Westland (1-1, 1-3)
Last week's record
Overall record

Ed Wright	Dan O'Meara	Tim Smith
Canton	Canton	Canton
Northville	Northville	Northville
Franklin	Franklin	Plymouth
Churchill	Churchill	Churchill
Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson
Harrison	Harrison	Southfield
Farmington	Farmington	Farmington
Edsel Ford	Edsel Ford	Clarenceville
Thurston	Fordson	Thurston
Garden City	Garden City	Garden City
Southfield	Southfield	Luth. Westland
11-2	10-3	8-5
42-13	41-14	35-20

SWEETS

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him," Conor said. "And then we didn't make soccer, so we went out for the tennis team. We ended up playing really well and that was kind of the start of everything."

Just like 'em

They also watched the Bryan brothers play a match on television, bumping up their interest.

"I think we saw them on TV and went, 'Oh wait, we're right- and left-handed, just like them, and we're identical twins,'" Caden said.

According to Conor, "At the time, we really didn't follow tennis very much. We didn't know about the Bryan brothers. But as we played we started watching more ... we realized it's really cool. Not many people do this."

Of course, what's in a name if the game isn't there?

For the Sweets, at least so far, the ingredients of sibling chemistry, determination and flat-out talent are yielding impressive results.

As of last week, the Sweets' lone losses were against Northville and Novi, but the Mustangs and Wildcats perennially have premier programs that give plenty of teams fits, Nelson noted.

In addition, their unique logistics give opponents fits.

"We both have our forehands in the middle,"



The Sweet twins got to meet one half of the famous Bryan brothers, Mike Bryan, during the recent Western & Southern Open in Cincinnati.

Conor said. "And we go up to the net, so it's really nice because it's a lot harder to hit it out wide."

"So then instead of people fighting over their backhands or whatever, we both have our forehands, so it's a lot better to put shots away."

Plus, Caden noted, he hits the ball harder and Conor is more consistent. "I think it's a good combination," he said.

Different look

Another benefit is switching things up when it comes to who serves when and where.

"If the sun's facing one way, we can go 'OK, you serve on this time so you don't have to look into the sun,'" Caden

said. "And right-handed/left-handed usually is really good, because it throws the opponent off."

"They're used to right-handed/right-handed. And it's better, a lefty slicer is really good. Not many people are used to that, so it's really good."

Getting to meet the Bryan brothers at the Western & Southern Open was nifty, too.

"We went to Mike and Bob's practice. They have all the practice courts open so we can go and watch," Caden said.

"There were so many people there; they were just signing autographs. Bob ran off to do something with his racquet."

"But Mike was there signing autographs, so our mom (Kathryn Hall)

went up to him and said, 'Can we get a quick picture?' We did ... it was really cool."

Conor chimed in that they had gotten both Bryans' autographs the previous day and "that we thought was really cool. And then the picture made it really awesome. Our goal was to get a picture with both, but one was good."

Going solo

Although it has been a lot of fun being part of a sibling duo, Caden and Conor acknowledged they might have to split up as seniors and join Salem's singles lineup.

Doing so would be to maximize college opportunities. Most colleges recruit singles players.

Yet staying together and maybe even playing on a college team as "The Sweet Brothers" is something both smile a lot about.

"That would be really cool, to play into college," Conor said. "But we know you got to be really, really good to do that. So we're not setting the expectations too high."

"Obviously, we really want to, so we're going to try our best and hopefully that can work out."

Concurring was Caden, who added that smaller colleges might be more amenable to recruiting them as doubles players.

"If it's a smaller-name one, we might be able to get on that team," Caden

SWEET COMBO

Who: The Sweet brothers, Salem junior twins who comprise the No. 2 doubles team for the Rocks varsity boys tennis team. They are in their third year with the Salem program and their second as varsity regulars.

About: Both are 16 years old who live in Canton, whose parents are Leonard Sweet and Kathryn Hall, and carry 3.9 GPAs. They practice during the off-season at Huron Valley Tennis Club in Ann Arbor.

Opposites: Caden swings right-handed, while Conor swings left-handed, complementing each other on the court. They started playing in eighth grade with encouragement from their dad and are in their third year playing the sport at Salem.

Future: They likely will be split up to start the 2016 season, to see if they can compete in the singles lineup. Most colleges recruit singles players. But they wouldn't mind playing together at a college. Caden would like to pursue a degree in science, while Conor is looking into engineering as a career.

said. "But if it's U-M or something, they'll probably have so many good players that we probably won't make it."

"But for now, we're just going to focus on high school and doing our best. It would be awesome."

Indeed, that would be pretty Sweet.

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PREP BOYS SOCCER

STEADY AS SHE GOES

Stevenson falters down stretch against Salem

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

The way the first 22 minutes of Tuesday night's Salem-Livonia Stevenson boys soccer match unfolded, it appeared as if the final 58 minutes would be packed with drama and intrigue.

Unfortunately for the Spartans, the Rocks' steady play turned the would-be cliff-hanger into a relatively breezy 4-1 triumph.

The result left Stevenson with a 6-4 overall mark and 2-3 record in the KLAA Central Division. Salem improved to 9-3-1 and 4-1, respectively.

On a bright note, Stevenson out-shot the visitors 11-7, but Salem goalkeeper Karson Gregory was up to the challenge.

"We just haven't been able to string together a full game against the top teams," Stevenson head coach Ken Shingledecker said. "We have had quality moments, but there haven't been enough."

Salem struck first in the seventh minute, when senior captain Max Kummer roped a textbook corner kick to the far post, where senior Jay Lee was waiting to head the ball past Stevenson senior goalkeeper Austin Kaczmarek.

Stevenson senior forward Ryan Theisen nearly tied the game 90 seconds later, when he bolted down the left flank before ripping a left-footed laser past a diving Gregory, but just wide of the right post.

Theisen was right on target with his second scoring opportunity of the night in the 12th minute. Following a strong throw-in by senior captain Ian Henzi that landed deep inside the 18-yard box, the front of the goal crease resembled a pinball machine, with Stevenson senior Tyler Gregory's right leg serving as one of the flippers.

Somehow, Tyler Gregory managed to out-duel three Rocks



Salem senior defender Matt Cook (left) tries to stymie a Livonia Stevenson player.

defenders for possession before slipping a short pass to Theisen, who one-timed a missile past Karson Gregory, whose chances of stopping the well-struck ball from the doorstep were slim to none.

Stevenson kept the heat on as moments later Tyler Gregory's free kick from about 30 yards out rammied into the crossbar. Valjon Qejvani got his head on a rebound, but the ball sailed just over the bar.

The Rocks regained the lead and the mo-

mentum with 18:08 left in the first half, when sophomore midfielder Christian Freitag controlled the ball about 40 yards out before dribbling hard and fast at a slight angle toward Kaczmarek, who went low to block the ensuing shot.

Freitag, however, chipped the ball deftly over Kaczmarek and the ball rolled into the back of the net to give Salem a 2-1 lead.

The Rocks put together a couple of more scoring threats in the final

two minutes of the half, but Stevenson defender Max Hoover cleared a ball off the goal line at the 1:20 mark and Kaczmarek stepped in front of a well-positioned Nick Massey shot with just five ticks on the clock.

The second half was all Salem, as Kummer hummed a shot into the net in the 54th minute to up the winners' lead to 3-1. Nineteen minutes later, Massey scored the final goal of the night.

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PREP BOYS SOCCER



Plymouth Christian bested Southfield Christian on Tuesday with help from Nevin Ruiter.

PCA flying high with 7-0 victory

Eagles No. 2 in D4; P-CEP teams win

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Plymouth Christian Academy is rising to the top of Division 4 in varsity boys soccer, as demonstrated by Tuesday's 7-0 shellacking of Southfield Christian.

The host Eagles, now ranked No. 2 in the state and tops in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, routed Southfield Christian behind a three-goal outing by Austin Andres.

PCA head coach Kris Warnemuende, however, said his team faces a key test Thursday at Ann Arbor Greenhills, the team that is on the Eagles' heels (No. 3 in the state, third in the MIAC).

"We will have a tough battle against Greenhills on Thursday to keep that spot," Warnemuende said.

But for a couple of days, the Eagles can bask in the glow of Tuesday's lopsided win.

The Eagles got it started just five minutes into the contest, when Kent Mickelson took a feed from Andres and drilled a low shot into the net.

PCA enjoyed a 3-0 lead at halftime, following a goal by Ethan Willis off of a corner kick by Brian Schlientz.

"We scored one goal early in the second half and kept increasing the pressure on Southfield over the next 20 minutes," Warnemuende said. "The last six minutes of the second half were very exciting when we scored three goals."

Luke Yakuber headed in a cross from Will Creelius for one of those goals.

In the final minute, Sam Spada sent a pass over to Andres inside the penalty area on the right flank and Andres "drove a hard shot to the top left corner" for his team-leading eighth goal of the season.

PCA goalie Nick Andres needed to make only two stops.

KLAA roundup

Teams based out of Plymouth-Canton Educational Park — which are in Division 1 — continue to enjoy success, too.

» Canton blanked Livonia Churchill, 2-0, Tuesday behind goals by Matt Rockafellow and Hunter Olson (off a good feed from Caleb Moraw).

The Chiefs (8-3-3 overall and 4-0-1 in the KLAA South Division) also were sparked by the strong defense of Beau Hoffman, Jordan Percy, Trevor Turko and midfielder Avery Olson. Earning the shutout was Steven Page.

On Friday, Canton routed Livonia Franklin, 7-2. Registering two goals each were Matt Eastman and Colin O'Keefe, while Hunter Olson, Luke Kurili and Ryeen O'Meara also scored.

» Also posting a win over a KLAA South opponent was Plymouth, with Tuesday's 4-2 decision over visiting Livonia Franklin. All of the game's scoring came in the second half. Scoring two goals for the Wildcats was Mike Blake, with single goals by Nick Freda and Sawyer Egan.

PREP ROUNDUP

PCA harriers claim first place at invitational

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Rising above aches, pains and illness, the Plymouth Christian Academy boys cross country team finished first in its division at Saturday's Nike/Holly Invitational in Davisburg.

PCA tallied 59 points, comfortably ahead of runner-up Potterville (72).
"They did exceptionally well on a drizzly, cool day, with two of them sick and all just back from a two-day school retreat," PCA head coach Jennifer Lemieux said. "Their entire goal was to run for the team and help out the guys that were sick."

In the top 10 for PCA were Seth Windle (third), Ben Fuller (sixth) and Aaron Vicars (seventh). Other finishers were Gareth Matson (19th), Paul Chamberlain (24th),

Aaron Giesler (69th) and Kyle Siedgewick (76th).

Also competing for PCA on the girls side were freshmen Sienna Ruitter and Joy Chamberlain. They finished 10th and 44th, respectively.

More cross country

» Salem's boys cross country team defeated South Lyon, 25-34, on Tuesday. Finishing in the top 10 and running new personal bests were junior Alex Lindsay and freshman Shane McKimmy.

The Rocks also were 24th (out of 43 teams) at Friday's prestigious MSU Spartan Invitational with 560 points. Senior Chaz Jeffress placed 30th with a time of 16:35.

Also scoring for Salem were senior Jacob Kubinski (17:22), sophomore Ryan Exell (17:35), sophomore Andrew Beyer (17:40) and junior Alex Kroll (17:43).

» Canton's boys cross



Plymouth Christian's cross country team and head coach Jennifer Lemieux celebrate winning the Nike/Holly invite.

country team routed Wayne Memorial, 15-50, on Tuesday. The Chiefs took the top-13 spots.

In first was Zac Clark with a time of 17:27.

Canton teammates Nick Socha (second, 18:22), Bradon Heimbaugh (third, 18:39), Javier Diaz (fourth, 18:47) and Xavier Reinders (fifth, 18:50) were right behind Clark.

» Also Tuesday, the Salem girls cross country team prevailed against South Lyon, 15-50, to improve to 2-0 in dual meets.

Salem swept places one through eight: Kayla Hughes (first, 20:31), Sierra Bowden (second, 20:33), Erin McCann (third, 20:39), Madison Justice (fourth, 20:39), Gabrielle Mancini (fifth,

20:41), Madalyn Simko (sixth, 20:45), Hannah Jeffress (seventh, 21:08) and Kaya Knake (eighth, 21:27).

"Great day for racing," Rocks head coach Dave Gerlach said. "The girls pace raced the first two miles with South Lyon's No. 1 girl and then took off in the third mile to take care of the victory."

» Plymouth's girls cross country team came in sixth out of 16 teams at Saturday's Autumn Classic with 159 points despite missing several runners due to illness.

Annie Bonds finished seventh overall with a time of 20:32, followed by Arwa Harawala (33rd, personal best 21:53) and Olivia Schafer (43rd, personal best of 22:15).

Other Plymouth finishers included Claire Curvin (48th, 22:19) and Allison Beshears (57th, 22:36).

Girls golf

In a tri-meet Tuesday at Idyl Wild Golf Course, Salem's varsity girls golf team defeated Livonia Franklin (174-185) and Livonia Churchill (174-225).

The Rocks were led by junior Darby Scott's 38, with other finishers including Kiley Flynn (42), Hope Warkoczeski (45), Genevieve St. Jean (49), Hannah Saad (52) and Grace Grelak (54).

At Saturday's M&M Varsity Invite at Hudson Mills, Flynn was tournament medalist with an 18-hole score of 76.

"Kiley put together an outstanding performance in some difficult conditions leading to a career low score," Salem head coach Ryan Nimmerguth said.

Others scoring were Warkoczeski (87), Grelak (100), St. Jean (109) and Nicole Hahn (114).

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Catholic Central topples arch-rival Brother Rice, 3-0

Marty Budner
Staff Writer

Catholic Central and Brother Rice opened the Catholic League boys soccer season Thursday afternoon in Bloomfield Hills. It was the visiting Shamrocks who got off on the right foot thanks to a huge gift by the host Warriors.

After the teams played 55 minutes of tight, scoreless soccer, the defending league champion Shamrocks were awarded with an own goal 15 minutes into the second half. No. 1-ranked and undefeated CC (8-0-1) took advantage of the Rice misplay and went on to dominate the rest of the game en route to a 3-0 triumph.

"They are our biggest

rivals. It's the kind of thing that you know all bets are off when you get to the Catholic League," CC coach Gene Pulice said. "I don't care what you do in the preseason tournament or what you do up until that first whistle blows. It can be anybody's game when we play Rice."

"I think (Rice head coach) Barry (Brodsky) had them well-organized and I think their plan of sitting back and trying to cut out overanxious balls from us in the first half worked," he added. "Tactically, we countered back and drew them into our game and we just fundamentally broke them down and we were able to play through them."

CC junior forward Cade Kozlowski had control of the ball deep in Rice territory on the right side of the field when the game turned.

Kozlowski lifted the ball into the crease area. The ball slipped through Rice goalie Nick Guglielmetti's hands and landed just short of the goal line, where it was kicked by a Rice defender to the opposite side of the goal and appeared headed out of harm's way. However, the ball hit another Rice player's leg and deflected into the net for the own goal.

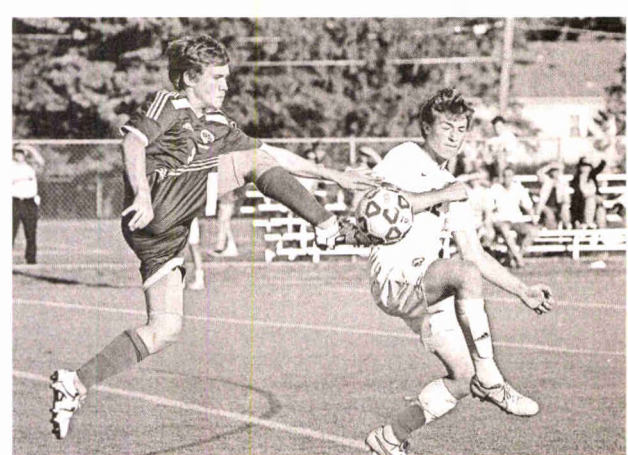
The goal was officially awarded to Kozlowski, since he was the last CC player to touch it, at the 25:40 mark. The Shamrocks took advantage of

the huge break and went on to score two more goals in a five-minute span to put the game out of reach.

"If you play soccer, those kinds of goals happen and you have to be strong enough to play over it," Brodsky said. "We pretty much collapsed after that happened. You have to be a little bit more mentally stronger than to let one goal crush you and that crushed us today. So hopefully, we learned a lesson."

The other two Shamrocks goals were scored by senior forward Anthony Chavez at 17:38 and junior forward Noah Walter at 12:23.

Chavez blasted a hard shot to the lower left



Catholic Central sophomore Ryan Pierson (left) gets a leg up on Brother Rice junior Michael Cummins during Thursday's Catholic League opener.

corner that Guglielmetti never had a chance on. Walter's goal came on a clear-cut breakaway.

"We just needed to settle in and stick to our game and not play their game, but play our game, which we train hard to

play," Pulice said. "And I think we stuck with our game. We started playing through them and started playing fewer balls into their back line."

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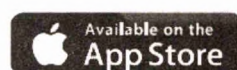


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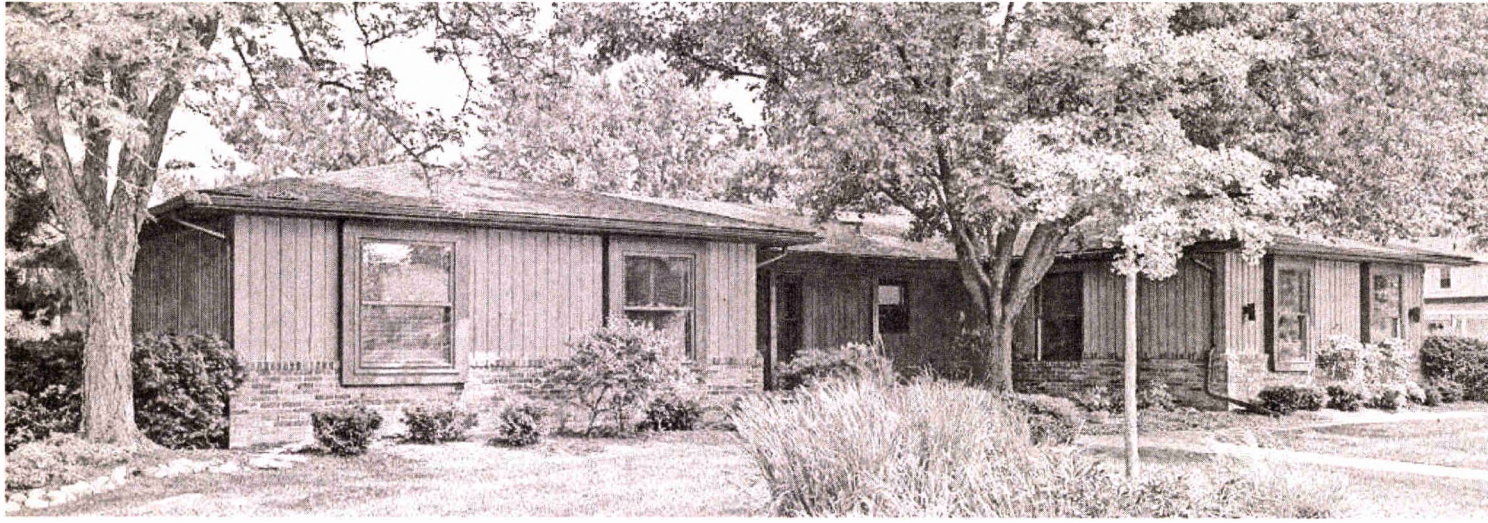
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The Talltree Drive home in Plymouth Township is within walking distance of downtown Plymouth.

Plymouth Township home ideal for boomers, empty nesters

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

A home at 11182 Talltree Drive in Plymouth Township is on the market. "It's single-floor living," said Patrick Wong, broker/owner with Plymouth's Bake Real Estate. "It has a superb location in the middle of Trailwood."

The home is listed at \$340,000. Added Carrie Bake, broker/owner, "It's a really nice house."

Wong noted the home's great view from the deck. "Values are going up. I think it's reasonably priced," he said of the Talltree Drive home.

He agreed baby boomers often look for ranch-style homes offering first-floor bathrooms and laundry rooms. "I think that's a very true statement," Wong said. "We're seeing many baby boomers and empty nesters. We are seeing more homes with those types of features."

Information on the Talltree Drive home is available at Bake Real Estate, 734-453-8080.

The home has 2,100 square feet, three bedrooms, two and a half baths and a finished basement. The posting online touts "a short walk to the shops and restaurants of downtown Plymouth."

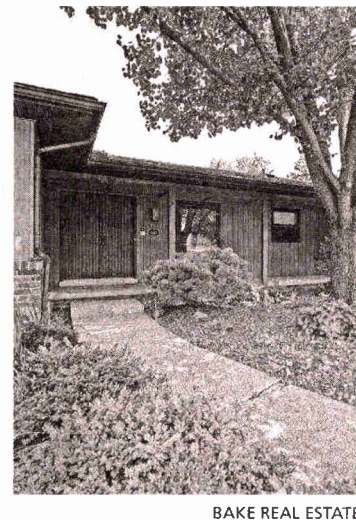
It also lists mechanical updates such as furnace, A/C and humidifier (2012), new downspouts (2010), added insulation (2006), tear off roof (2006), updated alarm system (2006), and tankless hot water (2007). The corner lot features a variety of trees (Parrotia, Hemlock, Gingko, tri-colored elm) and plantings.

It also lists: a natural fireplace in family room; exposed brick in several areas — lower level, family room and breakfast area. The listing adds, "Spacious lower level is finished with areas for work, play & storage (including



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The living room lends itself to relaxed, easy lifestyles.



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The Plymouth Township home boasts a covered porch.



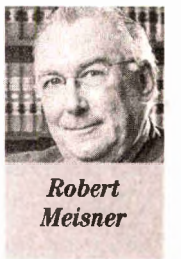
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Portions of the Talltree Drive home include exposed brick.

cedar closet). No association. Short walk to Red Bell, Bird & West schools. This is the well-designed & maintained ranch home you have been seeking! Welcome home!"

Heed ethical standards on fiduciary duties of board

Q: Can you tell me what the measure of damages is when a condominium association board member violates his fiduciary duties? A former board member pushed for the hiring of a particular contractor to perform work in our complex and we later found out that he personally received a kickback on the deal. Now that the work is completed, both the former board member and the contractor are asserting a "no harm no foul" defense regarding the accusations. They argue that even with the kickback, the association still got a good deal.



Robert Meisner

A: A few important issues are raised in this situation. First, the board member clearly failed to adhere to his duties of loyalty, good faith and full disclosure in this matter. His behavior should be considered a fiduciary or ethical violation under the association's condominium documents and/or general corporate law. Secondly, because of his misdeeds, the association was denied the opportunity to seek other bids for the project and, therefore, there is now no way to tell whether a good deal was indeed provided. If no penalty is enforced as a result of these self-dealing actions, and the "kickback" funds are not immediately disgorged, it will not deter similar circumstances of this type in the future. I would suggest that the board consider amending the association's Articles of Incorporation to include a conflict policy that provides a measure for damages that may occur in similar instances. Also, the association should pursue the directors, if possible, after seeking advice from a qualified lawyer in community association affairs.

Q: I am a member of a condo association and observed excessive moisture in my unit which has caused damage to the unit and its contents. I reported the problem to the association, but it has failed to do anything. I learned that a moisture barrier over the concrete floor slab in my unit would solve the problem. However, the association refuses to provide a barrier and says that I am responsible for the repair. I had to move out of the unit since it has become uninhabitable. I talked to a lawyer who said I might be able to get an injunction. What do you think?

A: In a similar case out of Florida, which is likely to be the case anywhere on the facts that you presented, the court noted that injunctive relief is specifically authorized by statute in cases brought by unit owners against the condo association for their failures to perform obligations as required by the condominium documents. In this case, it appears that the association has violated your rights, and because the association had the exclusive duty to make repairs to the slab in that case, the co-owners could not make the repairs and obtain reimbursement from the association. That meant that they had no adequate remedy of law in the face of the association's ongoing failure to perform its obligation; therefore, the co-owner was irreparably harmed because they lost the use of their unit and personal belongings and were, therefore, entitled to injunctive relief. Go for it!

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 4-8, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office.

Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS					
18020 Beverly Rd	\$134,000				
21861 Beverly Rd	\$313,000				
18191 Hampstead St	\$342,000				
16961 Locherbie Ave	\$285,000				
17022 Marguerite St	\$242,000				
BIRMINGHAM					
704 Hanna St	\$735,000				
1493 Maryland Blvd	\$825,000				
413 N Eton St # 206	\$115,000				
763 N Old Woodward Ave	\$270,000				
411 S Old Woodward Ave Unit 600	\$375,000				
1200 Shipman Blvd	\$1,200,000				
616 Suffield Ave	\$1,934,000				
1630 Villa Rd	\$620,000				
2362 Windemere Rd	\$303,000				
BLOOMFIELD HILLS					
2987 Aspen Ln	\$240,000				
1430 Highmoor Way	\$385,000				
3944 Shelmar Ln	\$385,000				
490 E Long Lake Rd	\$100,000				
1134 Hillpointe Ir	\$325,000				
5477 Lahser Rd	\$422,000				
4258 Stoneleigh Rd	\$518,000				
1038 Stratford Pl	\$370,000				
5819 Sutters Ln	\$285,000				
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP					
1001 Brenthaven Dr	\$298,000				

2308 Brenthaven Dr	\$340,000				
366 Concord Pl # 4	\$76,000				
4481 Conmore Ct	\$618,000				
1974 Klingensmith Rd	\$105,000				
2820 Middlebury Ln	\$290,000				
1029 Oak Tree Ln	\$350,000				
870 Pine Hill Dr	\$307,000				
1920 Pine Ridge Ln	\$382,000				
1597 Sandringham Way	\$735,000				
444 Steeple Chase Ct	\$535,000				
5068 Van Ness Dr	\$408,000				
4047 W Maple Rd # B202	\$90,000				
447 Weybridge Dr	\$308,000				
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP					
228 Cardinal St	\$75,000				
1996 Colferest Dr	\$300,000				
1888 J Anthony Pointe Ln	\$390,000				
3466 Moberly Rd	\$382,000				
5256 S River Dr	\$195,000				
4227 Stone Meadow Ct	\$51,000				
FARMINGTON					
32718 Grand River Ave Unit B27	\$70,000				
34132 Schulte Dr	\$230,000				
FARMINGTON HILLS					
21413 Archwood Cir	\$190,000				
27395 Arden Park Cir	\$167,000				
29460 Ashford Pkwy	\$210,000				
22277 Atlantic Pointe	\$70,000				
32176 Baintree Rd	\$178,000				
25848 Castlereigh Dr	\$335,000				
31182 Claymore Rd	\$175,000				
38664 Evonshire	\$265,000				
21130 Gill Rd	\$175,000				
29374 Glen Oaks Blvd W	\$128,000				
35947 Johnstown Rd	\$238,000				
30083 Kimberly Ct	\$280,000				
21992 Lancrest Ct	\$220,000				

30414 Orchard Lake Rd Unit 10	\$90,000				
28825 Rockledge Dr	\$244,000				
23684 Springbrook Dr	\$205,000				
23221 Tuck Rd	\$95,000				
28601 Venice Ct	\$219,000				
29806 W 11 Mile Rd	\$209,000				
30056 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 80	\$77,000				
33819 Yorkridge St	\$370,000				
FRANKLIN					
25800 Franklin Park Ct	\$497,000				
HIGHLAND					
2987 Cloverdale	\$135,000				
2025 Clyde Rd	\$550,000				
546 Fisher Rd	\$96,000				
5071 Harvey Lake Rd	\$355,000				
3389 S Woodland Dr	\$420,000				
LATHRUP VILLAGE					
18725 Wiltshire Blvd	\$122,000				
MILFORD					
1130 E Buro Rd	\$415,000				
618 Florence Ct	\$320,000				
1306 N Milford Rd	\$260,000				
1870 Quendale Ln	\$286,000				
NORTHVILLE					
22342 Lujon Dr	\$540,000				
912 Millpond Ct	\$550,000				
52134 Pierce Dr	\$605,000				
22144 Roberts Dr	\$540,000				
42190 Roscommon St	\$113,000				
NOVI					
48051 Andover Dr	\$440,000				
41856 Cantebury Dr	\$180,000				
22047 Clover Ln	\$253,000				
39454 Country Ln	\$140,000				
26278 Fieldstone Dr	\$333,000				
42167 Loganberry Rdg S	\$179,000				
180 New Ct	\$180,000				

47269 Scarlet Dr N	\$270,000				
49945 Streamwood Dr	\$320,000				
25242 Sutton Ct	\$426,000				
22657 Winfield Rd	\$222,000				
44604 Yorkshire Dr	\$207,000				
SOUTH LYON					
27655 Henry	\$325,000				
61820 Richfield St	\$135,000				
23556 Stoneleigh Dr	\$508,000				
52743 Trailwood Dr	\$475,000				
60725 Trebor Dr	\$355,000				
900 Village Way	\$116,000				
58818 Winnowing Cir N	\$88,000				
SOUTHFIELD					
21803 8 1/2 Mile Rd	\$14,000				
27150 Berkshire Dr	\$185,000				
20260 Briarwood Ct	\$203,000				
22163 Chatsford Circuit St	\$160,000				
20981 Duns Scotus St	\$155,000				
17381 Evans St	\$120,000				
29471 Marimoor Dr	\$200,000				
19099 Midway Rd	\$120,000				
12777 Redwood Ct	\$110,000				
23212 Reynard Dr	\$158,000				
28041 Selkirk St	\$68,000				
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951 Roman Dr	\$223,000				
8730 Scenic Bluff Ln	\$280,000				

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 26-29, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office.

Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

CANTON					
3960 Berkeley Ave	\$129,000				
1998 Cedar Valley Dr	\$152,000				
626 Cherry Orchard Rd	\$189,000				
1029 Dundee Dr	\$245,000				
43512 Laurelwood Ct	\$159,000				
47792 Pembroke Dr	\$143,000				
771 Queens Way	\$210,000				
2151 Town Center Rd	\$75,000				
GARDEN CITY					

28500 Leona St	\$106,000				
LIVONIA					
36677 6 Mile Rd	\$177,000				
14676 Berwick St	\$160,000				
14226 Blue Skies St	\$176,000				
14766 Fairway St	\$162,000				
17007 Fitzgerald St	\$215,000				
14316 Gary Ln	\$185,000				
29780 Hathaway St	\$150,000				
15169 Houghton St	\$220,000				
30130 Hoy St	\$133,000				
29720 Mcintyre St	\$138,000				
18752 Milburn St	\$135,000				
30426 Minton St	\$142,000				
32605 Oakley St	\$144,000				
14015 Stamford St	\$217,000				
15282 Taylor Blvd	\$211,000				
32928 Vermont St	\$155,000				

33901 Wadsworth St	\$50,000				
16203 Wayne Rd	\$235,000				
NORTHVILLE					
46876 Greentidge Dr	\$392,000				
46438 Pinehurst Cir	\$713,000				
44548 Spring Hill Rd	\$590,000				
PLYMOUTH					
50564 Beechwood Ct	\$185,000				
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Garage/Moving Sales

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Canton: Estate Sale 170 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr. Cherry Hill & Lotz Rds. Thur. Sept. 24-Sat. Sept. 26 9-5. Furniture, tools, crafts household items and more.

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 - 59 Like fairly high-quality bonds
 - 61 Form images
 - 62 At the stern
 - 64 Penniless
 - 66 Sports org.
 - 68 See 2-Down
 - 69 Be a sign of
 - 70 One talking to the very first man?
 - 73 Author Janowitz
 - 75 Waco-to-Austin dir.
 - 76 Q-U string
 - 77 Went off course
 - 78 "Yeesh!"
 - 79 "La —" (Puccini opera)
 - 81 Region in central Italy
 - 84 Young miss
 - 86 Abel, e.g.
 - 87 Atlanta university student's little slip-up?
 - 89 Nothing except glowing coals?
 - 92 Morning glistener
 - 93 Dusk- — dawn
 - 94 Hornets' org.
 - 96 Glacial ridge
 - 97 Sauna output
 - 99 Shark's place
 - 102 Charge with an offense
 - 106 Curved entryway under which Antarctic birds pass?
 - 111 Unit of conductance now called a siemens
 - 112 Pot fragment
 - 113 Unit of work
 - 114 Tallies
 - 115 "Peek- —!"
 - 116 Neighbor of an Iraqi
 - 118 Unable to afford any more dental visits?
 - 123 Seyfried of "Big Love"
 - 124 Eldritch
 - 125 Virtual vendors
 - 126 Abhor
 - 127 Turn a car
 - 128 Short-term
 - 2 With 68-Across, Lincoln's nickname
 - 3 Like instincts
 - 4 Frog kin
 - 5 Pixieish sort
 - 6 Inferior mutt
 - 7 "It's — cause!"
 - 8 Like mechanically delivered well water, say
 - 9 Antiseptic compound
 - 10 Tow-offering gp.
 - 11 Ullmann of Hollywood
 - 12 USMA freshman
 - 13 Madrid men
 - 14 Carders check them
 - 15 Potential shooting star
 - 16 Pretties
 - 17 Neighbor of a Yemeni
 - 18 Al Capp's Hawkins
 - 19 "It's nobody — business"
 - 24 Engage
 - 29 Low card
 - 32 Entirely wrong
 - 33 "You — mouthful!"
 - 34 Winter illness
 - 35 Lake craft
 - 36 More cheery
 - 38 Language akin to Thai
 - 42 Leaps
 - 44 Approx. takeoff info
 - 46 Cotton State native
 - 47 Nastigrams
 - 48 Stupefaction
 - 49 116-Across, for one
 - 50 Cytoplasm particle
 - 51 Musical on tour, e.g.
 - 52 Utah city near Provo
 - 53 Absorbed-dose units
 - 55 "Boyhood" actor Ethan
 - 56 Below, to bards
 - 60 Blood classifier
 - 63 Not as many
 - 65 Really enjoy
 - 67 Shims, e.g.
 - 70 "What —!" ("Whew!")
 - 71 Lake north of Sandusky
 - 72 Film director
 - 74 Avakian
 - 78 TV twins Ashley and Mary-Kate
 - 79 Sleeping spot
 - 80 1987-90 NBC sitcom
 - 82 Popular Web portal
 - 83 Jazz genre
 - 85 Alan of film
 - 88 Off to — start (behind)
 - 90 Stupefied
 - 91 City reg.
 - 95 A 29-Down may beat it
 - 97 Holy spot
 - 98 Sharp pang
 - 100 Playwright
 - 101 " — walks into ..."
 - 103 Infused (with)
 - 104 Writer
 - 105 Foot, cutesily
 - 106 116-Across president
 - 107 Rapper's skill
 - 108 Gem unit
 - 109 Marsh water
 - 110 "Space — premium"
 - 115 Folkie
 - 116 Woody's son
 - 117 D.C. player, for short
 - 119 Equal
 - 120 Be situated
 - 121 "No" voter
 - 122 First-aid collection

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RELIGION CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Time/Date: Thursday-Monday, Sept. 24-28

Location: Mercy High School, 29300 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: 70th anniversary will include a bonfire for students, family and alumnae, 8-10 p.m. Sept. 24; open house and luncheon, noon to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 26; Mass at 10 a.m. Sept. 27; and golf outing at Western Golf and Country Club, Sept. 28. The luncheon is \$30 and will include tours, a photo booth, history display unveiling and more. RSVP for luncheon and Mass at mhsmi.org/70thanniversary. Sign up for golf at mhsmi.org/advancement/golf-outing/2015

Contact: Julie Earle at hearle@mhsmi.org or call 248-893-3591

BIBLE STUDY

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of the month, beginning Sept. 24

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

Details: Gary Michuta, author and Livonia resident, leads the series, which will focus on the Book of Isaiah. Bring your own Bible

Contact: livoniastmichael.org

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 John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization. Visit www.goodmourning-ministry.net for registration details. Advance registration 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: \$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

MOMNIPOTENT

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 29-Nov. 17

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

Details: The new study series validates the dignity and importance of motherhood. Registration is required and course fee is \$30. Includes child care

Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 207; livoniastmichael.org

MOVIE NIGHT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Sept. 25

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills

Details: Ring the Bell is a faith-based movie about a slick, big city sport agent with a win-at-all costs mindset and a transformation that happens. A potluck dinner is included for this family night

Contact: 248-553-3380

TRUNK SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Church members will sell garage sale items from the trunks of their cars and from tables in the church parking lot

Contact: 734-522-6830

WHY BE CATHOLIC?

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29

Location: St. Michael School cafeteria, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: Former president of the Michigan Board of Education and founder of Detroit's Cornerstone Schools, Clark Durant and his wife, Susan, sharing their joint conversion story. Free

Contact: whybecatholic@livoniastmichael.org

OCTOBER

ANIMAL BLESSING

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11

Location: The Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills

Details: Dogs, cats, hamsters, goldfish, ferrets, snakes, spiders, rats and other pets may attend this outdoor blessing, on leash or carried in appropriate containers for their species. The Rev. Leonetta Bugleisi will talk about the importance of animals and Bell, Book and Canto, will provide the music

Contact: 248-478-7272

FAMILY DINNER DANCE

Time/Date: 5:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24

Location: St. Simon and Jude Parish, 32500 Palmer, Westland

Details: Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children, 4-12, and free for ages 3 and under and include dinner, live entertainment, a raffle of cash prizes from \$100-\$3,000, a gift basket raffle and 50/50 raffle

Contact: www.stsimonandjude.com; stsimonandjude@gmail.com

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 percent 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

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Oct. 16, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17

Location: St. Genevieve-St. Maurice, 28933 Jamison, Livonia

Details: \$5 admission Oct. 16 and free admission Oct. 17; \$1 bag sale 2-3 p.m. Oct. 17. Sale items accepted 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 14-15 at the church activity center

Contact: 734-261-5920

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday Oct. 23, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 24

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, north side of 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Sale includes clothing, household goods, furniture, small appliances, linens, bedding, jewelry, toys, books, boutique, baked goods and \$3 and \$6 bag sale on Saturday.

Contact: 248-553-3380

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 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal

Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

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

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

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

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

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

Contact: 734-459-3333

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: 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org



ANTON, M. LOIS

Nee Farquharson, 87, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and wife of the late Sid Anton, died September 6th in Traverse City due to pneumonia and complications. She was born in 1928 in Detroit, attended Saint Gregory's Catholic School (1946) and Michigan State University. She was married in 1950 to Sid Anton and together they raised six children in Detroit and Birmingham. In 1975 Lois received a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Mercy College of Detroit. Lois was a devoted Catholic and very active in the parish community at Saint Regis in Birmingham. Lois and her husband Sid were also active members of Oakland Hills Country Club. In the 1990's, she and Sid began to winter in Atlantis Florida. After Sid's death in 2002, Lois moved to Traverse City. Lois loved to sew, work the daily crossword, play Scrabble and card games. She had a dry wit and was quick to laugh. Those who knew her will cherish her memory as a good natured, thoughtful woman and a compassionate listener who gave practical and insightful advice. Lois was happiest when surrounded by family and friends, at the holidays and on vacations. She is survived by her children Steven (Nancy), Peter, Michael (Jill), Patrick (Patricia), Thomas and Celeste; 13 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; her sister Joan (John) Buchanan; brother Gary Farquharson and many beloved nieces and nephews. Funeral service Saturday October 10 at 12:00 Noon at Saint Regis Church, 3695 Lincoln Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Visitation will be held at the church from 11:00 a.m. Memorial tributes may be made to the Children's Defense Fund. www.childrensdefense.org/inmemoryofLoisAnton. Please visit www.lifestorytc.com to sign the guest book, share a message, view photos and more.



BEER, DONNA J.

Age 72, September 19, 2015. Beloved wife of the late David G. for 53 years. Loving mother of Craig (Kate), the late Jennifer A. and David W. Dear grandmother of Janet, Jennifer, Charlie and Emily. Great-grandmother of Camron. She was dearly loved and will be deeply missed by many family members and friends. Visitation Monday 2-8 p.m. with the Funeral Service Tuesday 10 a.m. at the John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 N. Inkster Rd., Garden City (Between Ford Rd. & Cherry Hill). In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Jennifer Ann Beer Scholarship Fund. www.santeiufuneralhome.com

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GRAHAM, MAURENE

Age 95 of Plymouth, September 18, 2015. Wife of the late Theoplus. Loving mother of Joyce Maguran, Kenneth (Mary Jane) Graham, and Andrea Graham. Funeral service Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth, visitation will be Wednesday 1-9 p.m. Interment at Riverside Cemetery. To see full obituary visit www.schrader-howell.com



HANTON, CATHERINE ISABEL "CATHIE" WATT

Age 95, passed away September 9, 2015 in Provo, Utah. She was born January 20, 1920 in the Lake District of northern England to William and Catherine (Kate) Carruthers Watt, originally of Scotland. They immigrated to Detroit, Michigan when she was seven. She married John Thomas "Jack" Hanton on January 22, 1943. She is survived by her sons Jack and Bill (Peggy), grandchildren Philip, David, Andrew (Denise), Bethany (Paul) Lundgreen, Justin (Bonnie Jean), and Brianna, as well as nine great-grandchildren. She is predeceased by her husband, one grandchild, and her sister. Visitation will be held at Fred Wood Funeral Home- Rice Chapel, 36100 Five Mile Rd. (E. of Levan) in Livonia. Saturday, September 26th at 9 a.m. Funeral at 10 a.m. Interment will take place at Grand Lawn Cemetery. Please share memories at fredwoodfuneralhome.com



HARDIMAN, LEON

Passed away on September 17, 2015 at the age of 75. He was the beloved husband of Joan Hardiman (nee Cross); father of Jason and Aaron Hardiman; dotting grandfather of Amaia; brother of Maxine (Leamon) Jones; uncle, cousin and friend. He was preceded in death by his parents Edgar and Anna Hardiman. He was one of Jehovah's Witnesses since the age of 12. A graduate of Mumford High School, Wayne State University and Detroit College of Law, he was an attorney for Chrysler where he worked for 36 years. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 21950 W. 14 Mile Rd., Bloomfield Hills, 48301. In lieu of flowers, please donate in his memory to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. pff.org/pulmonaryfibrosis.donorpage.s.com/Tribute/LeonHardiman



INGRAM, CHRISTINE

Age 86, of Tazewell TN passed away Sunday, September 20, 2015 at her home surrounded by her family. She was born June 2, 1929 in Greasy Creek, KY, the daughter of the late Dan and Ethel Patterson. In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband, Dempsey Ingram; brother, Eugene Patterson and son-in-law Tim Ryan. She is survived by the following members of her family: Daughters: Gail Diamond of Tazewell, TN, Vicki (Mick) Hoskins of Tazewell, TN, Brenda Ryan of Farmington, MI, Kathy (David) Miracle of Miracle, KY and Kim (Steve) Eyged of Houston, TX. Sisters: Pauline Wyatt of Middlesboro, KY and Martha Patterson of FL. Funeral arrangements will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at the Creech Funeral Home with Rev. David Miracle and Rev. David Gibbons presiding. Music will be provided by Sandra Miracle, Zale Quillen and Ruby Mason. Interment will follow in the Green Hills Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at the Creech Funeral Home. Online condolences and guestbook are available at www.creechfh.com Creech Funeral Home, Middlesboro, is in charge of all arrangements.



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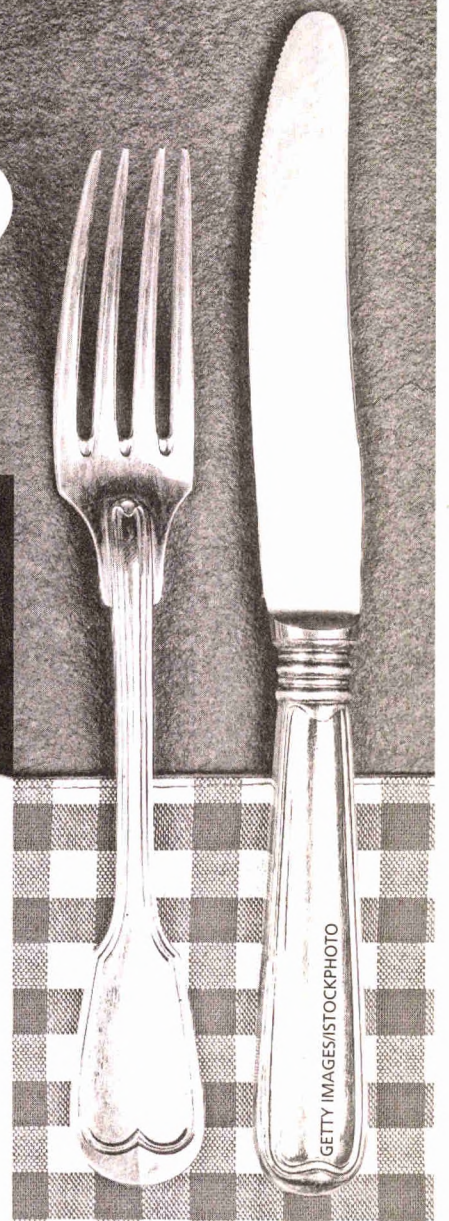
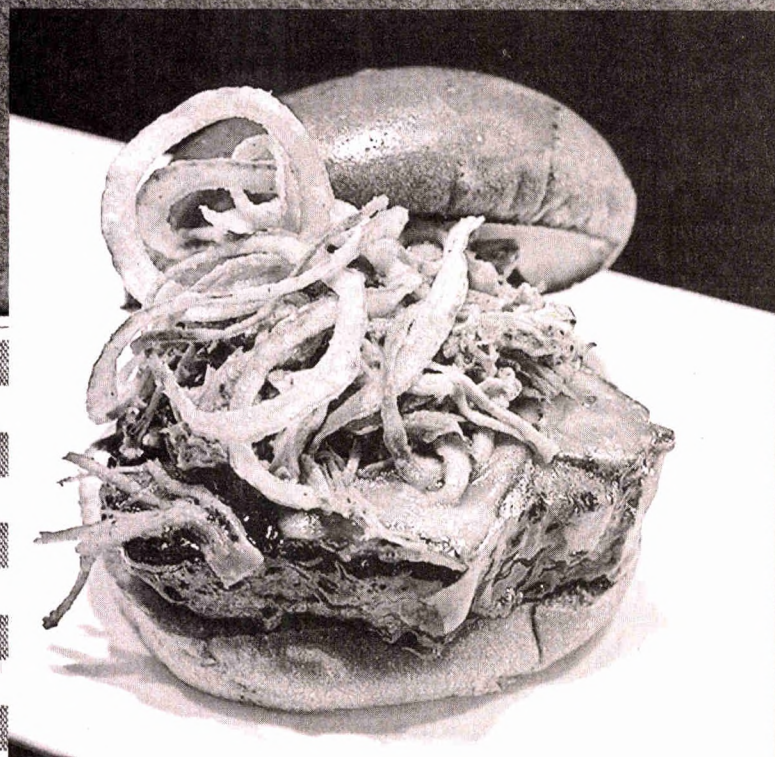
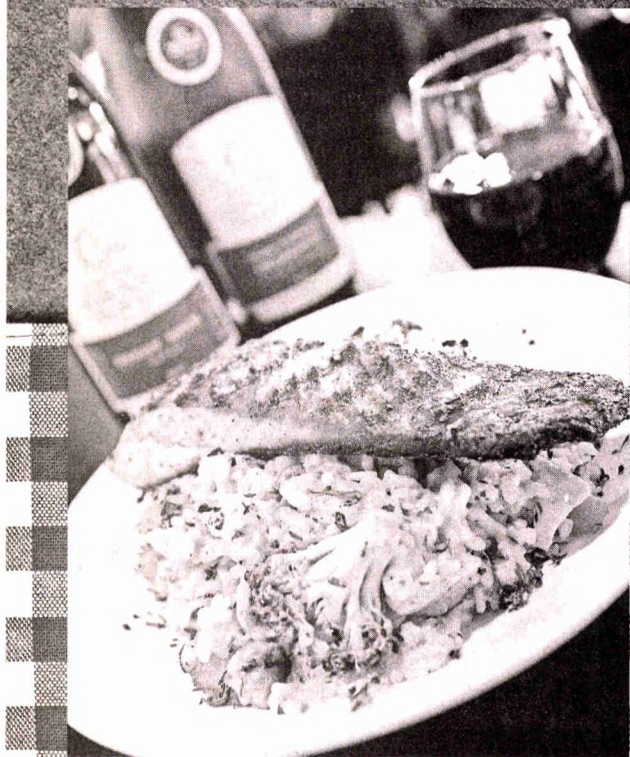
Passed on September 15, 2015 in Beaumont Hospital. He was born on October 15, 1929 in Clayton, Georgia to Estel E. and Lela M. Nichols. He leaves his beloved wife, Annie Allan Nichols; his devoted sons, Neil A. Nichols and Eric T. (Lanette) Nichols; his loving grandsons, Nicholas (Sascha), Michael (Alli), and Jonathan (Nichole) Zurek; his cherished great-grandchildren, Matthew, Daniel, Gavin, and Scarlett Zurek; his step-great grandchildren, McKenna, Jason, and Kaylie Ellis; his brothers, Denver, Donald, Lloyd, and Daniel Nichols; and his sister, Sharon Sloan. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Lynn Ann Zurek; his granddaughter, Victoria Faith Nichols; his brothers, Clyde, Charles, and Dewey Nichols; and his sister, Monteen Thompson. Neil proudly served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked at GM Proving Grounds in Milford for 38 years. A Funeral Service was held at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in South Lyon with Pastor Terry Nelson officiating the service. Burial was held at Great Lakes National Cemetery where Mr. Nichols received military honors. Contribution appreciated to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 24155 Griswold Road, South Lyon, MI 48178. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home.



Randall, Margaret

Age 84 of Livonia passed away Tuesday, September 15, 2015 after losing her battle with cancer. Beloved wife of the late Robert and loving mother of Thomas and Sarah (Geoff) Llerena. Cherished grandmother of Alexandra and Chloe. Margaret was loved deeply and will be missed by her family and friends. A memorial service will be held Monday, September 28, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. The family will gather at 1000 to receive friends until the time of service.

HUNGRY?



Left: Wild grilled salmon over roasted vegetable parmigiano risotto is among the entrees available at Nico & Vali during the fourth annual Plymouth Restaurant Week. Right: Smoke House Burger is one of the selections available on the prix fixe menu at Ironwood Grill during the fourth annual Plymouth Restaurant Week.

Check out these upcoming restaurant events in Plymouth

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Taste, nibble, savor and sip your way through Plymouth with two major restaurant events over 10 days.

The fourth annual Plymouth Restaurant Week runs Friday, Sept. 25, through Saturday, Oct. 3, and the 10th annual PennTasteTic Downtown Plymouth Restaurant Crawl is set for 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Restaurant Week involves 10 restaurants that will offer prix fixe lunch and dinner menus for \$15, \$25 or \$35 per person. The Restaurant Crawl costs \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 10 and under and proceeds benefit the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and Friends of the Penn, an organization that supports the Penn Theatre. Crawl attendees taste samples from 15 restaurants and treat stores.

Chamber President Wes Graff said few ticket holders visit all 15 PennTasteTic stops.

"There are only so many courses one can eat," Graff said. "This is your chance to sample a lot of different places."

Barrio, a Mexican restaurant, and Simply Fresh Mediterranean Grill, are new to the restaurant crawl. Other participating restaurants are Burger Spot, E.G. Nick's, Fiamma Grille, Ironwood Grill, Jay's Stuffed Burgers, Jimmy John's, Little Bangkok, Nico & Vali, and Post Local Bistro. Yogurt Palooza, Alpine Chocolat Haus, Cupcake Station, and Kilwin's will serve treats.

"Downtown Plymouth is a great walking district and place to come to," said Graff, adding that the restaurant crawl coincides with the annual Scarecrows in the Park display in Kellogg Park. "It's a fun downtown, a fun place to be."

He said PennTasteTic generally draws couples and single persons of all ages. Participants also get a chance to vote for their favorite taste and restaurant.

Paul DePalma, owner of Nico & Vali, said his restaurant earned a people's choice designation during the crawl last year. Can he repeat it?

"The chef's got a challenge," he said, with a laugh, referring to chef Nicole Polidori. He's not sure what she plans to serve during PennTasteTic this year.

"We're a from-scratch menu. Literally it will depend on what we get in fresh those days prior to it."

His menu is set for restaurant week and in-



Tom and Sandy Leighton enjoy the PennTasteTic Downtown Plymouth Restaurant Crawl.

cludes a choice of Roasted Acorn Squash, Mussels Siciliano or Lamb Porter for the first course and a choice of Baci Pasta, Risotto Al Almone or Chef's Cacciatore for the second course, along with a dessert for \$25.

"It's been great for us," he said, adding that Nico & Vali has participated in restaurant week since it began. "From a consumer perspective, it's great because they get to experiment with different entrees they might not normally order. The great part is that it brings a lot of attention to the city."

Crab cakes and more

Jennifer Dales, owner of Post Local Bistro, said both restaurant events celebrate Plymouth. She'll participate in restaurant week with a three-course, \$25 menu that includes Scottish Salmon, Mac and Cheese with Cajun Chicken and Crab Cakes as a main course. She'll serve turkey chili and homemade kettle chips during PennTasteTic.

"It gives people an opportunity to come in and try your popular items at a special price," she

said, describing restaurant week. "Our (regular) menu is small and people go crazy for everything."

Ironwood Grill offers one of the more extensive entree menus for restaurant week and will serve its signature pulled pork during the restaurant crawl.

"One of the reasons the menu is so big is I want people to have variety," said Landon Garrett, Ironwood owner. "We're discounting our menu but it's bringing in customers that are regulars and it's bringing in new customers. I support (restaurant week) a lot."

"We're not competing against each other as restaurants. The goal is to get people into Plymouth," he said. "Plymouth is an amazing place."

View menus of all restaurant week participants, including Compari's On the Park, E.G. Nick's, Fiamma Grille, Penn Grill and Bar, The Sardine Room, and Barrio, at plymouthrestaurantweek.com.

Get restaurant crawl tickets from the Chamber office, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth.

Astronomy stars in annual event at Kensington Metropark

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

If you're searching for an inexpensive and entertaining family activity this weekend, look up. Way up.

The Great Lakes Association of Astronomy Clubs presents two days of stargazing at its 19th annual Kensington Astronomy at the Beach, 6 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26, at Maple Beach in Kensington Metropark, Milford.

Then, on Sunday, Sept. 27, some of the association's member clubs will gather to view the lunar eclipse of the "super moon." Ford Amateur Astronomers will meet at 7 p.m. at Island Lake State Park in Brighton. The Student Astron-

omical Society will view the moon from the Thompson Street parking structure in Ann Arbor and University Lowbrow Astronomers will set up telescopes at 7:30 p.m. at County Farm Park in Ann Arbor.

"I've heard this full moon will be 14% closer to earth. That doesn't necessarily translate into 14% brighter or bigger. It will be a slightly closer moon. If you haven't looked at the moon every night, you might not notice," said Joe Velez of South Lyon, a computer administrator at the University of Michigan Health System, who participates with his wife, Shannon Murphy, in several astronomy clubs. Murphy manages the U-M Astronomy Department's website and

social media, along with its observatory and planetarium.

"The moment where the moon will be covered with as much of the earth's shadow as it's going to get will be around 10:45 p.m. and at that point ... the moon will turn red," Velez said. "One of the tricks I like to do when the eclipse starts — it will be at 8:30 p.m. — is to take a quick cell phone picture of my back yard and then take another from the same spot later. You can tell the difference in the lighting."

Velez said no equipment is needed to enjoy the lunar eclipse Sunday-Monday, although some backyard astronomers use binoculars or telescopes.

"Looking at the full moon, people can do it whenever they

want and be perfectly safe," Velez said. "During the (Kensington) event, we'll have solar viewing telescopes with solar filters."

Weekend event

The 19th annual Astronomy at the Beach will include both daylight activities and after-dark presentations, including a Children's Sky Tour Treasure Hunt.

Mike Broughton, an interpretive naturalist at the park, said the event has drawn thousands of participants over two nights in previous years, depending on the weather. Some just want the opportunity to look through a telescope.

"A couple of years ago we



For a complete list of Astronomy at the Beach activities, visit glaac.org.

GET OUT! CALENDAR

ANIMALS

DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sept. 30; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 1-March 1

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

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

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS

CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, through Oct. 2

Location: The Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Artist Sue Majewski commemorates her love of food and flowers through intricate bead and tile work in a solo exhibit called "Things I Love"

Contact: 248-473-1859

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: Exhibit hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, through Sept. 26.

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: "Ten to One - Interpretations of the Studio Model," features works by 10 artists who meet weekly at the studio of artist Mary Step to paint models in costume

Contact: 248-344-0497 or www.NorthvilleArtHouse.org

PCAC

Time/Date: Runs through September

Location: 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth

Details: Photographers John Angus, Amy Lockard and Sylvia Ford exhibit "Different Perspectives." Refreshments will be served, art will be for sale and the photographers will be on hand at the reception

Contact: 734-416-4278; plymoutharts.com

VILLAGE THEATER



Shoppers receive flowers from "Mr. 48170" during Ladies Night Out in downtown Plymouth. It runs 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24.

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public performances, through September

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

Details: "Tell Me, Berenice Abbott," is a fine art digital photography exhibit by Tim Ruane

Contact: 734-394-5300

VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday-Friday, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 18; artist reception 3:30-4:30 p.m. Sept. 27

Location: Livonia Community Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia

Details: The juried show includes watercolor, acrylic, pastel and mixed media

Contact: Dorothy Amberger at 734-261-7633

FILM

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26; 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27; and 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: *Infinitely Polar Bear*, \$3

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Sept. 25 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 26

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

Details: Three Stooges Festival includes *Half Shot Shooters*, *I'll Never Heil Again*, *Spook Louder*, *If a Body Meets a Body*, *Sing a Song of Six Pants*, *Cents Without Cents*, \$5

Contact: 313-898-1481

HISTORY

KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Nov. 29

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

Details: "Passionate Curiosities: Collecting in Egypt & the Near East, 1880s-1950s," focuses on the individuals who helped to build the Kelsey Museum collection

Contact: 734-764-9304

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17.

Exhibit: The Fair That Changed America runs to Nov. 1, and focuses on the 1893 World's Fair in Chicago, Ill. Many contemporary, commonplace objects were introduced at this World's Fair, including the Ferris wheel

Contact: 734-455-8940

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BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE VIVACE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: The Aeolus Quartet with Steve Wogaman on piano; tickets are \$28 general admission, \$25 for members and seniors, and \$10 for students

Contact: Joyce Cheresch at 248-788-9338 or Ann Sipher at 248-661-1348

BLUES@THE ELKS

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

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

Details: Bring your dancing shoes. \$5 donation

Contact: 734-453-1780

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3

Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile at Lahser, on the campus of Detroit Country Day, in Beverly Hills

Details: Baritone Thomas Meglioranza will make his Detroit debut with pianist Reiko Uchida. Members of the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra, Velda Kelly and Nadine Deleury, will join Meglioranza on several selections. The concert features songs by 19th and 20th century German and American composers. Tickets are \$32-\$64 for adults and \$16-\$32 for students

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

FRIENDS OF UNITY

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3

Location: Plymouth Community Arts

Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: "Posipalooza" features four singer/songwriters, Daniel Nahmod, Sloan Wainwright, Glen Roethel, and Sue Riley. Their songs convey positive messages of peace, love and compassion. Stylistically, the music is contemporary, upbeat, soulful, folksy and jazzy. Tickets are \$20 for adults; \$10 for students with ID

Contact: 734-635-6949; friendsofunity.org

ITALIAN AMERICAN CHORALE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8

Location: Italian American Club of Livonia, 39200 W. Five Mile, Livonia

Details: The event will include a pasta dinner from 6-7:30 p.m. Members, \$10, nonmembers, \$15, children, ages 5-12, \$5

Contact: 734-953-9724

JAZZ@THE ELKS

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

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

Details: The Royal Garden Trio with James Dapogay plays Dixieland and early jazz favorites, Sept. 29; \$10 donation at the door

Contact: plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Time/Date: Noon Wednesday, Sept. 30

Location: Kehrl Auditorium, VisTaTech Center, on the main campus on Haggerty, north of Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Javier Calderón performs on guitar

Contact: schoolcraft.edu/music

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Claire Holley with Annie and Rod Capps, Sept. 24; Stewart Francke, Sept. 25; Michigan Fingerstyle Guitar Society presents Pat Donohue, Sept. 26; Open Stage, Sept. 29. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers.

Contact: 734-464-6302

STARS

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had the editor-in-chief of *Astronomy* magazine as a guest. He said this was the best astronomy event for the general public. That was a great compliment," Broughton said.

Safe solar viewing kicks off the program at 6 p.m. and will continue to sunset both event days. Michigan Science Center's portable planetarium will

open at 6:20 p.m. and will take visitors on a tour of constellations every 20 minutes until 10 p.m.

Broughton will demonstrate comet-making from dry ice and household ingredients at 6:15 p.m., and then lead an interactive story, the "Rescue of Andromeda," selecting children from the audience to star in various roles.

"The kids will act out the rescue and I narrate the story," said Broughton, noting that all of the "fall constellations,"

such as Andromeda, Perseus, and Cassiopeia will be visible in the night sky.

Binary star

During the treasure hunt, youngsters will look for objects such as a nebula or stars.

"One thing that can be seen on the treasure hunt is a binary star — two stars close together," said Broughton, adding that a binary star is visible in the handle of the Big Dipper. "It was used as an eye test for the Roman Army. If you could

see two stars, you were good enough for the Roman Army."

Velez will give one of the four presentations scheduled for the evening. He'll talk about light pollution and why it's making it harder to see stars and other astronomical objects.

"How does any given city turn on lights? They do so with taxpayer dollars. You are paying for the city to take away your own sky. But you aren't powerless," Velez said. He'll give advice on reversing the

trend.

Vendors will be on hand with displays and astronomy products for purchase. Many telescopes will be set up to view the night sky.

Astronomy at the Beach is free, although a vehicle pass is required to enter Kensington Metropark. Or a daily pass is available at the park entrance for \$7.

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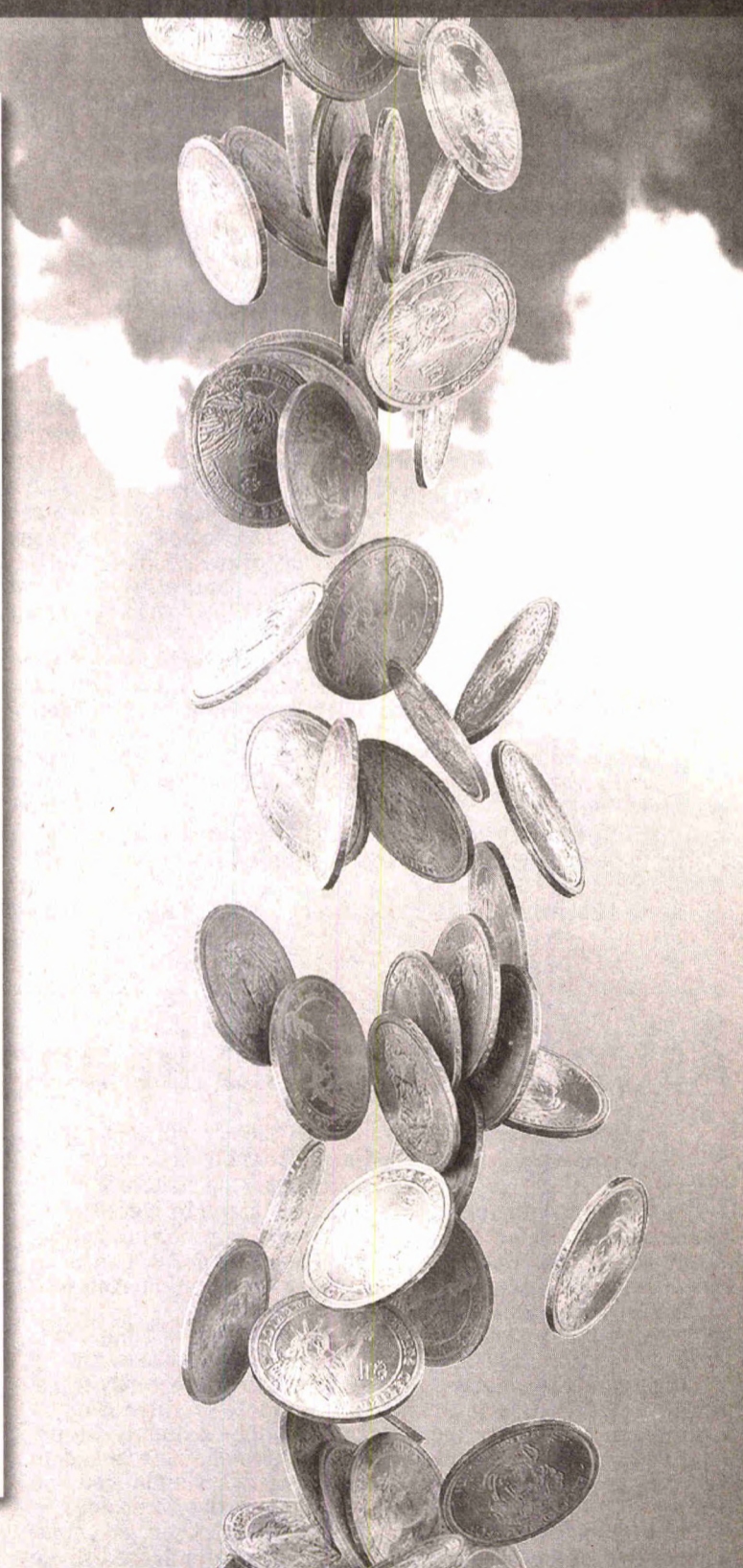
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Cook up a taste of the new season with these apple butter recipes

When the crisp air and festive colors of fall arrive, it's time to get out and enjoy the best the season has to offer.

From catching a hayride to diving into a pile of crunchy leaves, there are

plenty of family activities that can build up a healthy appetite. Some of the tastiest dishes to serve the family at the end of a perfect day feature the warmth and comfort of fall flavors.

Few ingredients say fall like apples, and apple butter is an ideal ingredient for incorporating

the rich, traditional flavor of apples and cinnamon into your favorite foods.

For recipes featuring all your favorite fall flavors, or to download a free e-recipe book, visit www.musselmans.com.

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APPLE BUTTER ROAST CHICKEN

Recipe courtesy of Heather of SugarDishMe.com

½ cup Musselman's Apple Butter
1 teaspoon chili powder
1 teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
1 whole chicken (3-5 pounds)
4 sprigs fresh thyme
3 cloves garlic, peeled
1-2 teaspoons kosher salt

Heat oven to 375°F. Line roasting pan with foil for easy cleanup.

In small bowl, mix together apple butter, chili powder, cumin, paprika and red pepper. (Adjust spice level to personal preference.)

Gently pull skin away from flesh of bird. Scoop a little apple butter mixture in your hand and push it between skin and flesh. Lay skin back down and gently rub so apple butter mixture is coating as much of meat under skin as possible. Repeat with legs, thighs and breasts, trying not to tear skin. Place chicken breast-side down in prepared pan. Stuff one thyme sprig under each wing and remaining thyme and garlic cloves inside bird. Sprinkle outer skin with kosher salt.

Bake 20 minutes per pound. Tent with foil after 40 minutes to prevent skin from getting too dark. Let chicken cool/rest for about five-10 minutes before slicing and serving.



SPICED APPLE CAKE WITH ORANGE GLAZE

2 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon nutmeg
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon ground cloves
¾ cup sugar
½ cup softened butter
2 eggs
½ cup buttermilk
1 cup apple butter
1 cup powdered sugar
2 tablespoons orange juice
1 teaspoon orange peel

Heat oven to 350°F. In medium bowl, sift together flour, baking soda, salt, nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves.

In large bowl, cream sugar and softened butter, then add eggs and beat thoroughly. Add dry ingredients alternately with buttermilk. Stir in apple butter. Pour into a greased 9-by-5-by-3-inch loaf pan. Bake 55-65 minutes or until cake tests done. Cool 10 minutes before removing from pan.

Make orange glaze by combining powdered sugar, orange juice and orange peel. Spoon glaze over warm cake.



APPLE BUTTER PANCETTA BLUE CHEESE PIZZA

1 pound pizza dough
½ cup apple butter
1 cup mozzarella cheese, divided
½ apple, thinly sliced
4 ounces pancetta, cubed and lightly browned
½ cup blue cheese, divided
1 cup arugula
2 teaspoons olive oil
1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar

Preheat oven to 425 degrees and line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper or Silpat liner.

Stretch out dough until it's almost the size of the pan. If you let your dough rest at room temperature for a few hours it's easier to stretch.

Top with apple butter, ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese, apple slices, pancetta, ½ cup blue cheese and remaining ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese. Bake for about 18-20 minutes until dough is cooked and pizza is browned on top.

While the pizza is cooking, toss arugula with olive oil and balsamic vinegar.

When pizza is fully cooked, remove from oven, top with arugula and remaining blue cheese.

Let cool slightly and cut into slices.



HEAVENLY SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

2 pounds (3 large) sweet potatoes, peeled and cubed
¾ cup apple butter
2 eggs
¾ cup heavy cream
¼ cup honey
¼ cup butter, melted
2 teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon white pepper
½ cup brown sugar
½ cup pecans, chopped (optional)
2 tablespoons butter, melted (for topping)

Place potatoes in medium saucepan; add about 1 inch of water.

Cover and cook for 10 to 15 minutes or until tender. Drain very well.

Heat oven to 350°F. Spray 1 ½-quart casserole dish with cooking spray.

Mix apple butter, eggs, cream, honey, ¼ cup of melted butter, salt and pepper. Add potatoes and beat by hand or with electric mixer until mashed and well mixed.

Spoon into casserole dish. Mix brown sugar, pecans and remaining butter in a small bowl. Sprinkle over potatoes.

Bake for 20 to 30 minutes or until hot and bubbly.



PUMPKIN WALNUT DIPPING SAUCE

½ cup toasted walnuts, coarsely chopped
¾ cup apple butter
¾ cup pure pumpkin pie spice
½ cup heavy cream

Toast walnuts in a small skillet over low heat, shaking pan occasionally, until fragrant and slightly darker in color, about 5 minutes.

In a separate, medium saucepan, bring apple butter, pumpkin, and spices to a sputtery simmer over medium heat. Continue to simmer to blend flavors, a few minutes longer. Stir in cream, and then chopped walnuts. Serve warm for dipping.

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