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**2 more hopefuls join library board race**

**Matt Jachman**  
Staff Writer

Four Plymouth Township residents are in the running for three positions on the Plymouth District Library Board of Trustees.

John Morrison and Gordon Totty entered the nonpartisan race last month, shortly before the July 21 filing deadline.

They will join two incumbents, Trustee Jacqueline George and Vice President Mary Maguire, on the ballot in the Tuesday, Nov. 8, general election.

Maguire, 57, a community activist and president of the Plymouth Democratic Club, is seeking a second term on the board of the library that serves Plymouth Township and Plymouth residents, while

George, 71, an attorney, is seeking a third. Their current terms expire at the end of the year.

The term held by Trustee Nancy Anderson, who like George and Maguire was elected in 2012, also expires at the end of the year, but Anderson is not seeking re-election.

Totty, 81, is retired from

management at Ford Motor Co., where he worked for 40 years, and is on the board at his condominium association. He previously has unsuccessfully run for the library board as a write-in candidate.

Totty said he's a big fan of the library and wants to get more involved with it. A neighbor who serves on the board, Treasurer Steve Harper, had

encouraged him to run, he said.

Morrison, 55, works in the shipping department at a manufacturer of high-performance automobile engines, and previously worked as a recruiter at Concordia University. He has run unsuccessfully for office twice before, in races for Ply-

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**A new look at Old Glory by a N.J.-based photographer**

**Matt Jachman**  
Staff Writer

Photographer Sheila Bernard is seeing red — and white and blue — in communities across the country, and it was Plymouth's turn on a recent Saturday.

Bernard, who lives in New Jersey, is known for her architectural photography, and is four years into a project, Shop America, in which she's attempting to document commercial buildings, one in each of the 50 states, with exteriors painted in the colors red, white and blue.

She was in Plymouth last month to photograph American Auto Repair, on Main Street, where the facade, from corner to corner and bottom to top, is painted to look like the U.S. flag.

"Lovely little town," said Bernard during a phone interview, explaining that she and a traveling companion had lunch at the nearby Ironwood Grill. "Good lunch. We walked around and it was very charming."

Bernard got shots of American Auto on a warm Saturday morning, then returned the next day — she likes to have a second look at her subjects — to find it raining. One of her American Auto shots is now posted on the SmugMug photo-sharing site.

American Auto owner John J. Lauerman IV, who has worked at the shop for more than 20 years, was excited that his place got to be part of Bernard's project.

"I think it's awesome, to be honest with you," Lauerman said on Thursday. "Representing Michigan, the state of Michigan, is awesome."

Lauerman said Bernard contacted him nearly two years ago. "Come by any time you want," he told her. The shop has been painted in a flag scheme for about 10 years,



KELLY DOBSON

Sheila Bernard checks her work. "I feel like I'm a painter. I paint with my eyes," she said.

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**Folk musicians head to PARC for Lost Voices benefit**

**Matt Jachman**  
Staff Writer

Folk musician Mike Ball works with lost voices to make sure they are found — and heard.

On Sunday, Ball will bring some of those voices to the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex for a concert to benefit his nonprofit, Lost Voices, which helps at-risk and incarcerated adolescents express themselves through creative writing and music.

The concert, featuring Ball, folk musician Kitty Donohoe and others, plus residents of the Vista Maria center for adolescent girls in Dearborn Heights, is 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, at the PARC. Tickets, \$15 each, should be available at the door.

Ball, who with wife Nancy owned Hands On Leather, a Plymouth leather-goods boutique that closed last summer after 40 years, has worked with troubled young people for about 10 years.

Through Lost Voices, he and other musicians visit small groups of youths in institutions such as youth homes and engage them in week-long songwriting workshops, getting them to channel their experiences and emotions into words and music. By the end of the week, the musicians and workshop participants are staging a concert for other residents, staff and special guests.

"They pour their hearts out to the world, and they're rewarded for it" with applause, Ball said. "It's transformative for them. We've given them breakthroughs."

It's touching, he said, to see young people who've gone through the workshops open up emotionally and creatively and find confidence in themselves.

**'They find the courage'**

"The things they've been through, we don't know. It's hard for us to even imagine," Ball said. "They have to find the courage to tackle really tough lives, and they do."

Ball has worked with Donohoe, singer-songwriter Jen Cass, and folk-blues legend Josh White Jr. on Lost Voices projects.

Sunday's concert will also feature Cass and Eric Janetsky and three girls from Vista Maria. Ball promises concertgoers a life-changing experience.

"They'll see humanity in a whole different way, a much better way," he said.

Lost Voices projects are partly funded by the Michigan Humanities Council, an affil-

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**Kids make their voices heard on election day**

The results are in, and Superman ice cream, the superhero Spiderman and the Plymouth District Library are the big winners among the kids of Plymouth.

Some 73 Plymouth children cast ballots at the city's Kids Polling Station, a kids-only voting experience at the city's polling place at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center during Tuesday's primary voting. Kids got to vote for their favorite cream flavor, favorite superhero and favorite place to visit in downtown

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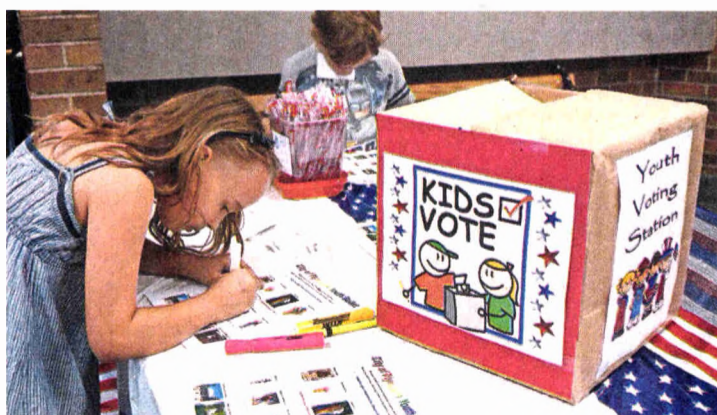
- » Superman, 38 votes.
- » Chocolate, 18 votes
- » Vanilla, 12 votes
- » Strawberry, 5 votes.

**Favorite superhero**

- » Spider-Man, 29 votes.
- » Captain America, 26 votes.
- » Wonder Woman, 11 votes.
- » Batgirl, 7 votes.

**Favorite place in downtown Plymouth**

- » Plymouth District Library, 43 votes
- » Penn Theatre, 13 votes.
- » Kellogg Park, 11 votes.
- » Plymouth Historical Museum, 6 votes.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kids in Plymouth got their own chance to vote at the Kids Polling Station. Lexi Harris, 9, and her brother Caden, 8, cast their ballots.

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mouth Township trustee and township treasurer. Like Totty, Morrison said he's enthusiastic about the library and wants to get involved. The library board seemed like a good opportunity, he said.

"It's important work and it's an important institution in an important community," he said.

The three winners of the library board race will join Treasurer Harper plus President Kimberly Hickey, Secretary Brian Anderson (no relation to Nancy Anderson) and Trustee Mike Pappas, who were elected to four-year terms in 2014.

The library's collection totaled more than 260,000 items in 2013,

and just over 899,000 items were circulated from the library last year. Its annual operating budget is just over \$3.4 million, and its debt-service budget about \$521,000.

Most library revenues come from a tax in Plymouth an Plymouth Township of 1.6 mills, or \$1.60 for every \$1,000 of a property's taxable value. The tax means the owners of a house with a taxable value of \$250,000 (the same house would have a market value of \$250,000 or more) pay \$200 a year toward the library.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The entire Harris family, moms Heather and Jessica Harris and kids Lexi and Caden, got to vote in the city of Plymouth on Tuesday. The kids' ballot, which had young voters choose their favorite ice cream flavors and superheroes, looked like more fun than the grownups' ballot.

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The idea, according to a press release from the city, was inspired by a voter in the March presidential primary who explained his ballot in detail to his young daughter.

"It was the sweetest thing I ever saw," said Sherrie Brindley, an

election worker. "He got right down on the floor with her and explained all about the ballot and how to use it."

Plans are under way to open another Kids Polling Place during the November general election, and City Clerk Linda Langmesser hopes the fun approach will make voting a habit that young people will carry into adulthood.

"It may sound like just a little added fun for kids

on election day," Langmesser said. "But we're also trying to involve kids in the voting process so they learn about voting and make it a habit."

"Voting is such an important part of our democratic process," said Nancy Anderson, a city elections assistant — and an elected library trustee. "We would like to see a higher voter turnout at every election. It's worth investing the time to teach kids now."

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LINDA LANGMESSER,  
City Clerk

COURTESY OF LOST VOICES

Jen Cass and Eric Janetsky will be among the performers Sunday in the Lost Voices benefit concert at the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex.



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ate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Ball said he's brought Lost Voices workshops to other states, and hopes to eventually raise enough money to start "colonies" of musicians who can spread the concept in their own communities. "Before I shuffle off

this mortal coil, I want people helping kids across the country," he said.

PARC is at the former Central Middle School, 650 Church Street in Plymouth. Advance tickets can be purchased online at the Lost Voices website, [lostvoices.org](http://lostvoices.org).

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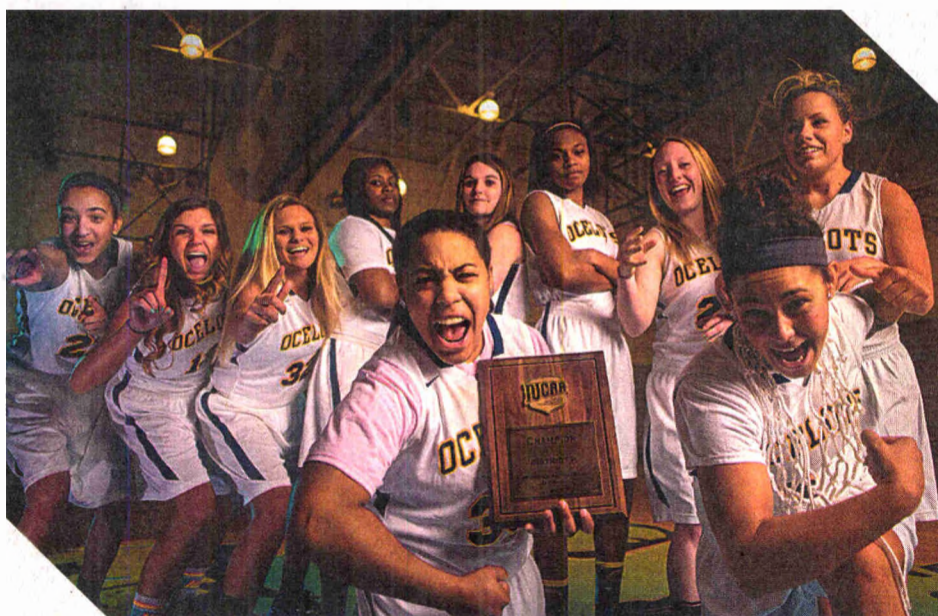
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# Canton community shares its message of unity

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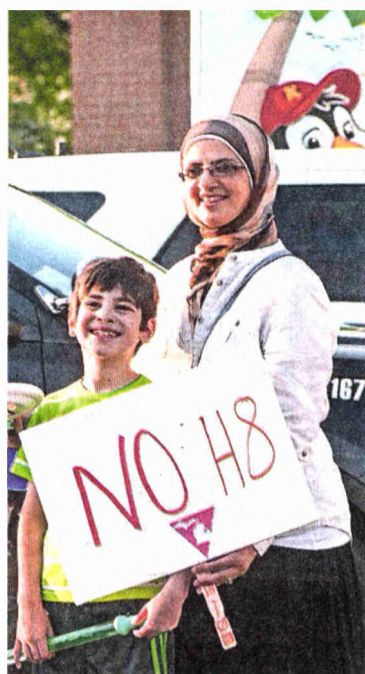
Mesha Bell of Canton brought her four children — 16, 15, 12 and 8 — to an event to encourage community unity and tolerance. Bell, who is black, agreed meeting police officers and others at such events helps.

"It gives us a chance to meet some of the local officers on a more personal level," she said Tuesday evening at the Not In Our Town and National Night Out event at Heritage Park in Canton.

Bell and her family have felt welcome. "I just like how they do community stuff here. There's a lot of free stuff for the kids," she said, adding of Plymouth-Canton schools, "The teachers and staff at my daughter's school have been great."

She relocated in junior high age from Detroit to Westland and, as a young adult, left for Lansing "and came back to be closer to my family," Bell said.

Mohinder and Balwinder Singh of Canton have lived here some 38 years. They're of the Sikh Indian community.



**Sana Soubani and son Ammar Nusiek, 8, show off their support for the Canton community and the goal to end hate and intolerance.**

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He's a retired builder, she a homemaker.

The couple has two grown children, each of whom have

two children. "I was in construction. I had lots of opportunities," Mohinder Balwinder said, with his wife adding, "Now he's building a school, a community school."

He built Canton's Singh Sabha of Michigan, which is of the Sikh faith. "Living here, people are friendly," Balwinder Singh said. "It's a good neighborhood." She's able to find food the family likes.

"She's always looking for new shops," her husband said in a joking tone. "I'm always first to try new things. In the summer, I grow my vegetables myself, gardening," Balwinder Singh said.

This is the second year for the two national movements to come to Canton.

Police Sgt. Dale Waltz, who is white, of Canton's Public Safety Department, serves as co-chair of the Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition, with Eva Davis, Canton Public Library director.

"They're very low. We only have a couple a year, mostly verbal," Waltz said of hate crimes in Canton. Those are anti-gay rhetoric, he said, or "a euphemism about a particular race."

The observance is held to address such hate and bullying, with a goal "of working together and building safe, inclusive communities for all," Waltz said.

He and police colleagues work with the community to let people know if hate crimes are reported, they will be investigated. Waltz said of issues involving black residents and white police officers, much in the news now, "We have to do this together. We do include the community in a lot of the things we do."

In addition to the hate crimes coalition, the Canton Public Safety Department, Canton Leisure Services and the Canton Public Library were sponsors of the event.

Serena Johnson of Southfield was representing Equality Michigan, where she's lead victim advocate. It represents the LGBTQ community with political advocacy and victim services.

"That is definitely an issue within the community," Johnson said of hatred toward the LGBTQ community. "Just as a whole statewide, there has been some violence against the LGBT community."

She liked being able to meet people at Heritage Park. "I think this would definitely be the education component," she said. That includes assisting friends and family of LGBT people, with Johnson adding, "We're here to give advice if needed."

Equality Michigan's website is [www.equalitymi.org](http://www.equalitymi.org). Johnson is new to the job, having come from the Michigan Department of Corrections.

"So I'm not too far away from knowing what's going on," she said. Of violence and hatred toward gays, "I think it is insecurity sometimes. I think different views can be intimidating to people who don't identify with the community," Johnson said. "We're moving in the right direction."

Equality Michigan has recently revamped its victim services. "So that's where I came aboard," she said. "I really love to speak to people in the community," both on political issues and victim services.

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Lauerman said.

Bernard said she spends "a lot of hours, a lot of days and nights doing all sorts of searches" to find U.S. flag-themed buildings in different states. Once she finds a prospect — "it's harder than you think!" she writes on SmugMug — she uses Google Earth to make sure the building's still there, and phones the owner. "They get very excited," she said.

### Sudden inspiration

The idea for the project, Bernard said, struck her one day in April 2012 while walking to a lunch destination during a visit to Philadelphia. She spotted a store, The Suit Corner, boldly painted red, white and blue. "I just had this patriotic feeling," she said. "I wanted to

sing 'The Star-Spangled Banner.'"

Bernard then recalled that the same feeling had been sparked by a flag-colored building in Manhattan, and thought to herself, "I only need 48 more states."

Michigan was the 25th state Bernard visited for Shop America, which she plans to turn into a book. She has specialized in urban architectural photography, capturing patterns, designs and details in buildings that, she says, most people don't see because they're not looking up.

"I feel like I'm a painter. I paint with my eyes," Bernard said. "I see certain things, and all I have to do is move the camera around, up, down, right and left, and I know when it's right and I click."

In Minnesota, she was surprised when she arrived at a location and found a subject different than the Internet had led her to believe. Online, an



KELLY DOBSON

**Photographer Sheila Bernard gets a shot at American Auto Repair. Michigan was the 25th state Bernard visited for her Shop America photo project, which she plans to turn into a book.**

automobile and farm machine repair shop in a small town, she said, appeared "in need of

sprucing up a bit," but she decided to go anyway and make it work.

"I was shocked to see this beautiful red, white and blue. It was like somebody Photoshopped the building," she said.

Her visit paid dividends for the struggling business as well, she said, as media coverage of it spread locally and more people started bringing in their vehicles for service.

Bernard and her friend made a few other stops during their visit to Michigan, including Detroit, where she took photos of urban graffiti, and the area of the Grosse Pointes.

"Grosse Pointe was different than us going to the outskirts of Detroit," she said. "It changed immediately. There's a boundary. Beautiful homes."

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## Shine on

Plymouth Christian students pull out all stops to serve those in need

In just four days this past spring, 630 students, staff and parents from Plymouth Christian Academy volunteered at 22 local organizations as part of the school's seventh annual Project SHINE service week.

Each Spring, PCA works to give back through Project SHINE. During Project SHINE, all students from preschool through 12th grade serve a variety of different organizations throughout metro Detroit. This benefits the local community and teaches PCA students that importance of service.

Project SHINE has become a key part of PCA's mission to produce students who lead lives of learning, leadership and service. With such a wide variety of organizations involved each year, students serve in many ways, including cleaning, painting, organizing and gardening. Here is what was accomplished in four days:

- » Seventh-graders wrapped 202 presents for the Bottomless Toy Chest in Troy
- » Fourth and fifth graders provided 60 fleece blankets for the Foster Care duffel bags at Northridge Church
- » Preschool students provided 60 tie-dyed pillow cases for Big Family of Michigan
- » Beginning and kindergarten students provided 80 place-



Plymouth Christian Academy students helped New Life Recreation Center during Project SHINE.

SUBMITTED

mats for Waltonwood Senior Center

» Fifth-graders provided 55 teddy bears for Mott Children's Hospital

» First-graders provided 75 Busy Book Kits for the Ronald McDonald House

» With the help of Busch's Fresh Market, second-graders provided 175 loaves of bread for the Salvation Army

» Second-graders provided 85 cans of soup with dollar bills rubber-banded around the cans for Ronald McDonald House

» Seventh-graders and eighth-graders provided 35 parachutes for Voice of the Martyrs, Colombia

» Fourth-graders provided 65 teddy bears for the Canton Fire Department to comfort children in rescue situations

» Sixth-graders stuffed 8,250 pieces of mail for Penrickton Center for Blind Children

» Third-graders provided 90 blessing bags for Zambia, Africa by way of PCA Alumni Lauren Paulson

» Forty-two donation houses



Plymouth Christian Academy students volunteer at World Medical Relief in Southfield.

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Students in grades 8-12 also served the following organizations:

- » Starfish Family Services, Livonia and Canton
- » ReStore Habitat for Humanity, Ann Arbor
- » Detroit Rescue Mission, Detroit
- » Vista Maria, Dearborn

Heights

» Gleaners Community Garden in Plymouth Township

» New Life Community Recreation Center in Hamtramck

» World Medical Relief, Southfield

» Waltonwood Senior Center and Plymouth Senior Center

One of the most encouraging things about Project

SHINE is the feedback that PCA receives every year. Rhonda, the site leader at Plymouth/Canton Head Start had this to say about the students she worked with: "They were the best group of teens I have ever worked with; the teachers and the kids loved them. It was so great to see them interacting with the kids and truly enjoying themselves."

## PLYMOUTH-CANTON ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

### Lincoln High grad wins scholarship

Canton resident and Lincoln High School graduate Brittany Barros has received the Judith Dianne Jackson Scholarship award for her commitment in the classroom and dedication to her community.



Brittany Barros

She will receive \$1,000 annually to continue her education at Eastern Michigan University where she has been accepted for the fall of 2016.

Barros and four other metro Detroit students are the first recipients of this scholarship.

The JDJ Scholarship Fund was created to honor the life and legacy of Judith Jackson, a true champion of youth and former president and CEO of Youthville Detroit.

She dedicated her life to improving the lives and opportunities for young men and women by removing barriers and helping them realize their dreams and impact their communities.

This fund was established in her name shortly after her passing to support Detroit-based Neighborhood Service Organization's youth programs and is administered by NSO, in her honor, as she was a close community partner and friend of the organization.

### Dean's lists

#### Indiana Wesleyan University

Lauren Paulson, a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy, has received recognition on the Indiana Wesleyan University School of Nursing Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2015-2016 academic year. Lauren recently returned from an Indiana Wesleyan School of Nursing trip to Zambia. She is entering her senior year at IWU in the fall of 2016.

#### Concordia University

The following Canton students were named to the dean's list for the spring semester: Patrick Downing, Seth Hub-

bard, Paige Messmer, Paige Podlaszuk and Assad Turfe.

### Fellowship earned

Brett Zeuner, a Plymouth native and Eastern Michigan University student, recently was awarded a \$50,000 federal fellowship through the Environmental Protection Agency that will help him continue pursuing an academic career that will enable him to advocate for environmental justice for communities most affected by environmental hazards.

### Graduates

The following Canton residents earned degrees from Grand Valley State University in April: Busuyi G. Agbetunsi, Megan R. Bacigal, Marissa R.

Blassic, Matthew F. Blazo, Lauren E. Branson, Kelley D. Burcroff, Christina M. Cleveland, Jordan R. Cockrum, Jamie L. Emens, Aaron D. Evans, Courtney T. Farmer, Allison J. Ives, Katie M. Kowalski, Jonica M. Lister, Autumn E. Lytle, Megan E. McCormack, Bradley T. Mueller, Paige E. Osler, Kyle R. Stokfisz, Megan N. Wherrett, Megan L. Zarem.

The following Plymouth residents earned degrees from Grand Valley State University in April: Stefanie A. Cesario, Carly C. Curvin, Margaret I. Deloy, Casey M. Hagan, Alex H. Jouney, Katelynn M. Krause, Jackson R. Lytle, Michael D. Moncion, Kate L. Perry, Andrew M. Phillips, Kyle A. Sugg, Sergio A. Troiani, Stephanie K. Zielinski.

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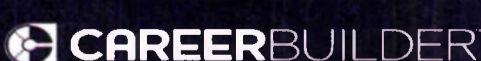
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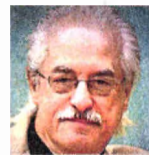
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# Elks features the Alligators and Bill Meyer Group

Blues @ The Elks is on the second Tuesday of the month from 7-10 p.m. at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society. There is a \$5 donation at the door. Bring your dancing shoes.



Bill Meyer

Aug. 9 will feature The Alligators! This group has been together for 29 years recording and playing venues throughout the Midwest keeping the blues alive. Listen and dance to vocalist David Krammer, Frankie Lee on bass, Jon Johnson on drums, Nick Tabarias on guitar and Jason Bone also on guitar.

Jazz @ The Elks is on the last Tuesday of the month from 7-10 p.m. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres. Enjoy jazz in a listening room setting close to the entertainers.



D.J. Holliday will offer a Billie Holiday medley.

On Tuesday, Aug. 30, for the first time guests will be entertained by the Bill Meyer Group, who will be backing DJ Holliday, who sings Billie Holiday favorites and original compositions. Come and hear about the DJ's amazing life story. Bill Meyer on keys, Gayelynn McKinney on

drums, and Ralph Armstrong on bass. Styled after their regular Thursday night gig at Bert's Marketplace, Bill invites musicians to jam with the group. DJ will



The Alligators will perform Aug. 9 at the Plymouth Elks.

have her newly released CD available, "Before I Go." The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, call 734-453-1780, visit [www.plymouthannarborelks325.com](http://www.plymouthannarborelks325.com) or email [jazzattheelks@gmail.com](mailto:jazzattheelks@gmail.com).

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## Northville Art House to host Assemblage Invitational

Be a PART of it! The Northville Art House present the work of six compelling and award-winning artists in its first Assemblage Invitational, Piece by Piece.

Rick Cronn of Ann Arbor, Cre Fuller of Ypsilanti, Ozie of Wixom, Catherine Peet of Royal Oak, Stephen Palmer of Traverse City and Mike Sivak of Ann Arbor each bring a unique perspective to the art of assemblage.

The public is invited to celebrate the work of these talented artists 6-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, at the Northville Art House, 215 Cady.

The exhibit will continue through Aug. 27, during regular gallery hours: noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

For more information, call 248-344-0497.



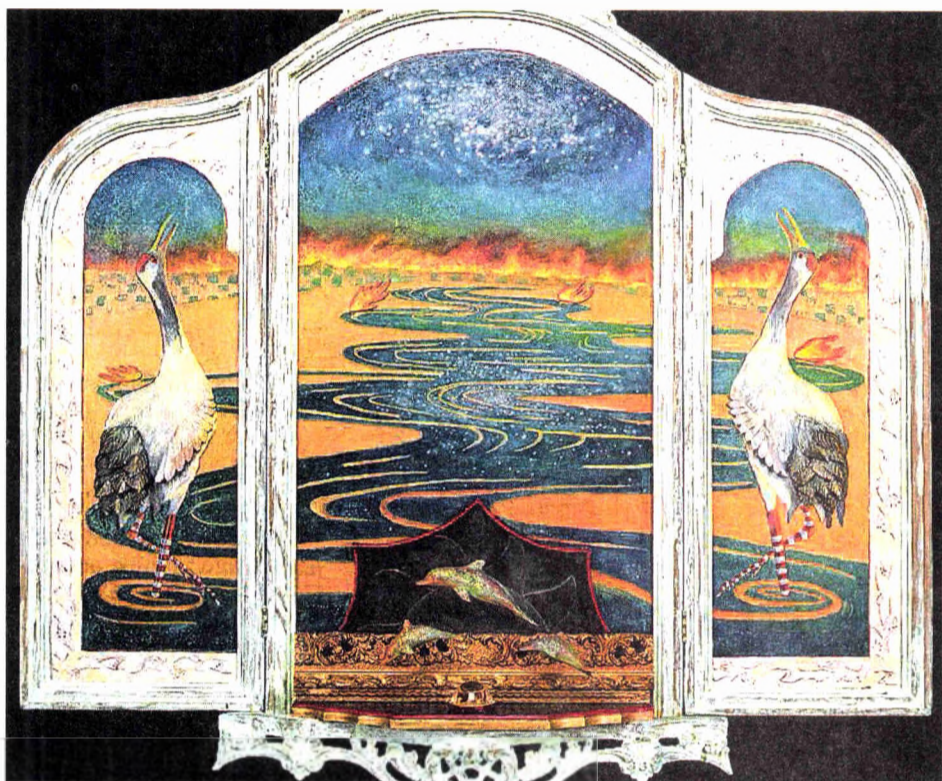
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Rick Cronn's "Guns & Roses."



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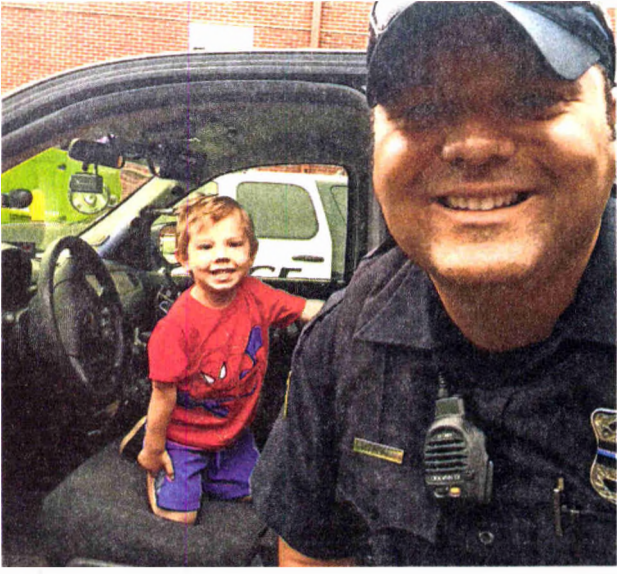
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JULIE BROWN  
Plymouth Police Officer Mark Farhat is happy to show a police vehicle to Blake Wagner, 3, of Northville Township.

# Kids have fun as they meet everyday heroes

**Julie Brown**  
Staff Writer

Superheroes come in all shapes and sizes. Blake Wagner of Northville Township is only 3, but he's learning that lesson early.

Blake, sister Reagan, 11 months, and their parents, Joe and Kellie Wagner, were at a Hanging with Heroes gathering at the Plymouth Fire Station the morning of July 30. Detroit Moms Blog presented the family-friendly event with police and fire help.

"So he could see the superheroes," dad Joe said of his son. "He loves Spider-Man."

The Wagners were visiting with Plymouth Police Officer Mark Farhat, who showed a patrol vehicle. "The kids are great. They love it," said Farhat, a 15-year law enforcement veteran with 4½ years in in Plymouth. "This is much

better than having to arrest people and do some more dangerous stuff.

"It definitely puts a human face to us," he added. "These kinds of things do help (police-community relations). We're fortunate here in Plymouth we don't have the volume cities like Detroit have in terms of violent crime."

Fire vehicles from the Northville City Fire Department, which serves the cities of Northville and Plymouth, were parked outside the fire station. Elizabeth Lewis of Farmington, owner and founder of Detroit Moms Blog, was keeping busy organizing that morning.

"You can see all the kids going crazy," said Lewis of Fairy Tale Entertainment, bringing "Bat-hero" and "Spider-hero" in to meet the kids. For legal reasons, those names were used, al-



JULIE BROWN  
Grandma Diana Scappaticci of Plymouth Township, costumed grandson Chase Scappaticci, 3, and NCFD firefighter-EMT Rachel Allen are having a great time visiting.

though parents used Batman and Spider-Man colloquially.

"They're amazing," Lewis said, as the "Spidey" man did flips and greeted children, with the Batman-based character looking fierce.

"It's a great event for families and it's a great way for families to come together and support their heroes," Lewis said of the event, which was also hosted last fall in Plymouth. "This is one event we absolutely love."

The Detroit Moms Blog is a parenting resource. "We're a diverse group of moms that share the same common goal," she said, noting the 30-some mom bloggers on the team contribute. Events are also hosted around the region by

Detroit Moms Blog, founded in 2014.

Go to [www.detroit.citymomsblog.com](http://www.detroit.citymomsblog.com) to learn more.

They're hoping to secure the River Walk for an event soon, said Lewis, mom to kids 16, 4 and 9 months. "It's something I'm passionate about, connecting moms to one another," said Lewis, who previously had worked at a hospital in radiology.

Of last fall, she recalled, "I was actually nine months pregnant" for that event.

Chase Scappaticci, 3, came with grandma Diana Scappaticci of Plymouth Township to meet the heroes. "This is my Batman boy," grandma said. "Where else can you meet Batman and Spider-Man in your own hometown? He was excited."

She and husband James also brought grandson Clayton, 9. "It is awesome. Spider-Man does all these tricks," Diana Scappaticci said.



JULIE BROWN  
Spidey shares his skills with youngsters July 30 at the Plymouth Fire Station during the Detroit Moms Blog event.

"He was jumping and flipping. All the kids were so excited."

Fire Capt. Jim Davison said, "Their focus here is heroes, Hanging with Heroes." He was glad to share the stage with police.

"Fire safety is our goal, but this event is geared more to the hero aspect," Davison said.

"They can meet us and hang out with us."

The Goldfish Swim School was also there to share its water safety message. Face painting and fancy cupcakes added to the fun, along with firefighter hats for the kids to take home.

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## CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 16-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH TO DEFINE PORTE COCHERE, ALLOW A FRONT PORCH IN THE FRONT YARD SETBACK ON AN EXISTING RESIDENTIAL DWELLING IF THE GARAGE IS PLACED IN THE REAR YARD, REQUIRE FRONT FACING GARAGES TO BE PLACED BEHIND THE FRONT FACE OF THE DWELLING, PROVIDE STANDARDS FOR PORTE COCHERES ON SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS, PROHIBIT GENERATORS IN ANY RESIDENTIAL SETBACK, ALLOW PORTE COCHERES IN THE SIDE YARD SETBACK ON CERTAIN SIZED LOTS, AND ADD STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAYS.

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ARTICLE II- DEFINITIONS: Sec 78-21 Definitions  
ARTICLE IV- R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS: SEC 78-43 SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT STANDARDS  
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ARTICLE XVII- SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS: SEC 78-191 NOTES TO SCHEDULE  
ARTICLE XVIII- MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS: SEC 78-217 PROJECTIONS INTO SETBACKS

Public Hearing Date: May 11, 2016  
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## CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 16-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE REQUIRING THE CLEARING OF SIDEWALKS OF SNOW, ICE DIRT AND/OR DEBRIS AND EXPENSE OF CLEARING Chapter 62 - STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES: ARTICLE III - SIDEWALKS

**Sec. 62-89. - Sidewalks to be cleared.**  
Every owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of land adjoining any Right-of-Way or public place in the city along or across which there is a sidewalk shall, within 24 hours after the same has fallen or formed, remove any snow or ice which may have fallen or accumulated or dirt or debris on such sidewalks, and in case of neglect or refusal to do so the city manager or his agent may cause the removal of same and the expense thereof shall be a lien upon such premises.

**Sec. 62-90. - Expense of clearing.**  
The city manager or his agent shall cause to be kept an accurate account of expense incurred for each lot or parcel of land and such expense shall be charged against such lot or premises and collected by giving notice thereof to the owner of the premises. If such expense or charge shall not be paid the same shall be assessed against the premises and collected as provided by section 12.22 of the City Charter.

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# Hey, Novi – get your Vibe on

New festival takes over Main Street

**Terry Jacoby**  
Correspondent

Main Street in Novi will be closed to traffic Saturday, Aug. 13, but open to good times with outstanding live music, tasty food and beverages and unique merchandise in a “mini bazaar.” The inaugural Vibe on Main festival is sure to spread plenty of good vibrations throughout downtown.

City officials approached Whitney McClellan-Stone and Cal Stone, the husband-and-wife team behind 2 Stones Events, to come up with a new, fresh and “vibrant” event for Novi. The duo put together Vibe on Main to help give this community a signature festival.

“For years, my husband and I were on the board of the Michigan ‘50s Festival, which ended several years ago,” McClellan-Stone said. “This event will focus on great local musicians and food that celebrates this city’s diversity. We’re confident it won’t be long before it really explodes and starts drawing people from all over.”

Local merchants also are confident the event will be a big draw both this summer and in the future.

“We are very excited about this event,” said Hafeez Shaikh, a partner in the Atrium of Novi, which includes the entire west side of Main Street. “We are supporting it and excited to see how it does. We are supportive of anything positive that connects the businesses along Main Street to the community. It should bring great exposure to this growing area.”

The impressive lineup of local restaurants participating includes Steve & Rocky’s, Rojo Mexican Bistro, the Michigan

Beer Co., bd’s Mongolian Grill, Alexandria Mediterranean Cuisine, Pizza Marvelous, Johnny Carino’s, Guernsey Farms Dairy, Bawarshi and Library Sports Pub & Grill. In other words, variety and quality will be on the menu.

Food will include “bites” (at a lower price point) as well as regular portions. Access to the beverage garden and area in front of the stage requires a \$5 wristband and all beers and wines will be \$5 each. A limited number of VIP area tickets (\$45 online now; \$50 at the gate if still available; must be 21 or older) include food from Steve & Rocky’s, premium wines (from Novi Fine Wine & Liquor) and craft beer.

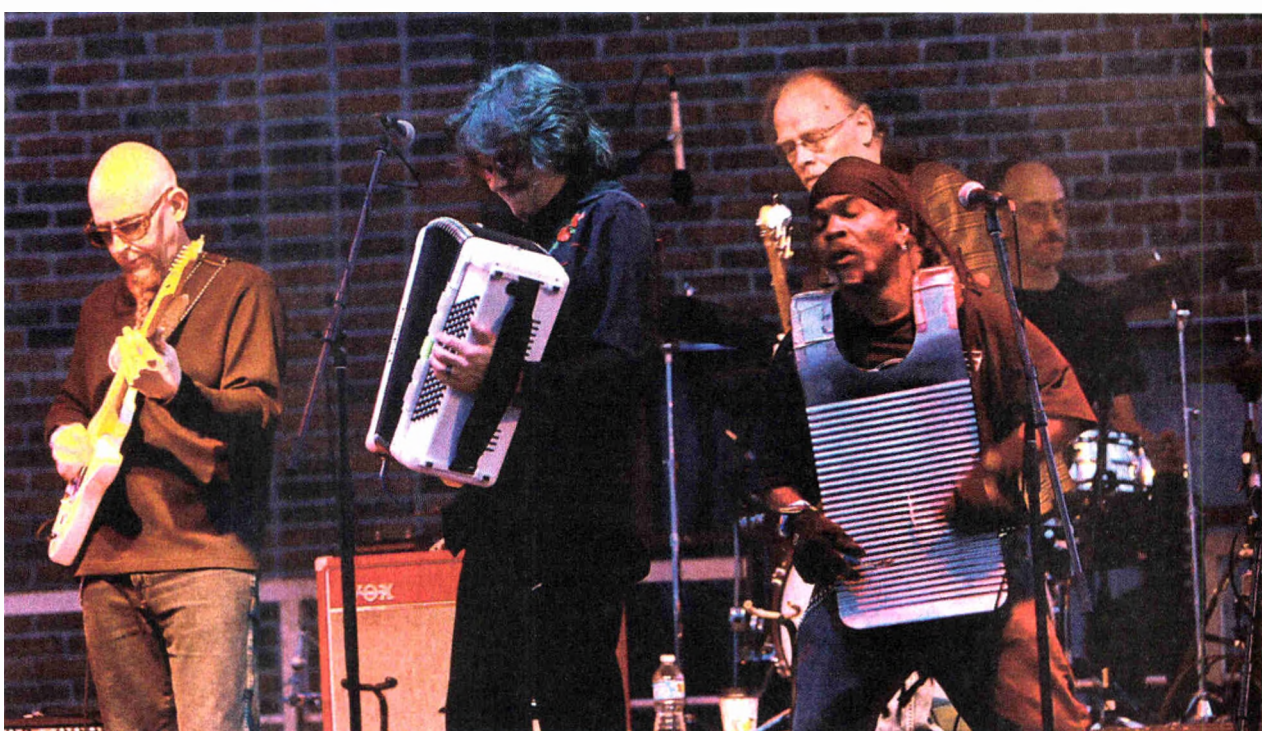
In fact, variety and quality could be the surname of this festival as the theme carries over from the food to the stage. Wristbands and beverages are cash only; an ATM will be located at the entrance to the beverage garden.

“We’re mixing up genres to appeal to a wide audience – zydeco, country, jazz, rock, Americana and funk,” Stone said. “There should be something here for everyone to enjoy.”

Five acts will take the stage 4-11 p.m., beginning with Monsieur Guillaume & His Zydeco Hepcats, a seven-piece band specializing in the Cajun sounds of New Orleans.

The second artist, jazz vocalist Ben Sharkey, has been building a loyal local following putting a unique spin on modern tunes and serving up impressive originals.

Nadir Omowale, a multi-faceted leader in the Detroit music scene, will bring his high-energy funk group, featuring



Monsieur Guillaume & His Zydeco Hepcats, a seven-piece band specializing in the Cajun sounds of New Orleans, will perform at 4 p.m. Aug. 13 at the festival. LINDA MICHELLE DOBEL



Thornetta Davis, the Motor City’s queen of the blues, will close out the Vibe on Main festival Aug. 13. LINDA VAIL

vocalist Caleb Gutierrez. The fourth slot belongs to Ryan Dillaha & The Miracle Men, a five-piece crowd favorite that blends Americana, country and rock.

And closing out the festival will be the Motor City’s queen of the blues, Thornetta Davis, a powerful singer and performer who boasts one of the best bands in the state.

**Community support**

City Councilman Wayne Wrobel is one of

many community leaders behind the project.

“I was very pleased that someone took the initiative to create what looks to be a promising festival for the city of Novi,” Wrobel said. “It’s something different and exciting.”

Wrobel, current president of the Novi Rotary, will be working alongside fellow Rotarian Bryan Berent in the festival’s beverage garden.

“First, as a resident I am thrilled to have this festival in our city,” Berent said. “It’s a long time coming and, hopefully, it will be around for many years. From a Rotarian standpoint, it should be a great fundraiser for us to help support the community projects we are involved in, such as the Feed the Need Summer Lunch Program. And third, it will be a fun experience interacting with the community in the beverage garden.”

They call that a win-

win.

Vibe Credit Union is the presenting sponsor for the festival – and it obviously likes the name.

“We love the name of the festival and we’re proud to be partners,” chief marketing officer Tyler Ross said. “Our name represents the sound waves of our history in the telecommunications industry and this year we’re celebrating our 80th birthday.”

Vibe Credit Union is involved in a number of community events, working in partnership with the Novi library, schools, city and chamber. Ross said the credit union philosophy centers around the idea of people helping people.

“This is really big for Novi and we’re happy to be a part of it,” she said. “People love music and great food.”

Vibe isn’t alone getting in tune with the new festival.

The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair and

Hubert Distributors (Bud Light) have come on board as sponsors, as have several car dealerships: Cadillac of Novi, Tom Holzer Ford, and Marty Feldman Chevrolet. In support of the new festival, services and goods are being offered by the city of Novi, Independent Exhibit Services, Lagarda Security, Menards, Singh Development, Message Makers, Michigan CAT, Novi Public Library, Victor Cassis and Waste Management.

Main Street will be closed to traffic from Paul Bunyon Drive south to Potomac Road and then west toward Novi Road for the festival, allowing for a stage at the Main/Potomac intersection, a beverage garden, a VIP area, food vendors, a mini bazaar and the addition of an outdoor dining area.

“I hope it grows into something that becomes an annual event,” Wrobel said.

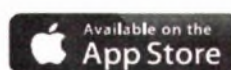
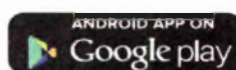


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**PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**RIDE FOR RED SHIELD**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 13  
**Location:** Plymouth Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main in Plymouth  
**Details:** A fundraising partnership ride between motorcyclists and the Salvation Army. This is the second year of the event, which this year will enjoy a full escort of the Wayne County Sheriff Motorcycle Unit to the Downriver/Wyandotte Salvation Army followed by lunch. Participants will leave for Downriver 11 a.m.  
**Cost:** Price to ride is \$25 for a rider, \$15 for a passenger, which includes continental breakfast and lunch  
**Contact:** Registration can be done the morning of the event, or during office hours at the Plymouth Corps on Main, which can be reached at 734-453-5464

**VFW FUNDRAISERS**

**Time/Date:** Various  
**Location:** VFW Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill St., Plymouth  
**Details:** A number of events will be held to raise money for the post  
**Contact:** 734-265-7908

**WORSHIP IN THE PARK**

**Time/Date:** 11 a.m. each Sunday through Aug. 21  
**Location:** Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hills roads, across from the Village Theater  
**Details:** St. Michael Lutheran hosts worship services in a casual atmosphere. Professionally managed child care will be provided. Immediately following Worship in the Park on Aug. 7, a free picnic happens from 12:30-2 p.m. on the grounds of the Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse. Hot dogs, cookies, chips and water will be provided, while you enjoy some musical entertainment from one of our praise bands.

**NEWS OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

The Community Calendar runs in the Plymouth and Canton Observer as space permits. Nonprofit groups and community organizations are welcome to submit news of upcoming events. Please include a daytime telephone number and contact person. Email information to jmaliszews@hometown-life.com.

**SHAKESPEARE FEST**

**Time/Date:** Through Aug. 14  
**Location:** Village Theater, Cherry Hill, Canton  
**Details:** The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is again teaming with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival to present a three-week run of performances in Canton. This year's 22nd festival season will feature productions of William Shakespeare's "As You Like It" and "Richard II," as well as Karen Tarjan's "The Killer Angels," based on the novel by Michael Shaara  
**Cost:** Tickets are on sale now, including season flex passes, at www.cantonvillageheater.org. A flex pass will include one ticket to each production and show dates and times can be chosen at the time of purchase or at a later date. Ticket prices range from \$16 to \$40, depending on patron's age  
**Contact:** www.cantonvillageheater.org or call 734-394-5300

**FIELD DAY AND MOVIE**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12  
**Location:** Heritage Park, west of Canton Center, between Cherry Hill and Palmer roads  
**Details:** Area residents are invited to unleash their inner child and join Canton Leisure Services for fun activities and a little friendly competition that the whole family can enjoy

during the second annual Family Field Day & Movie in the Park. Featured activities on the north side of Heritage Park include classic favorites, such as potato sack races, shoe kicks, three-legged races and wheelbarrow races. You can also learn about family fitness opportunities that take place throughout the year through our Fit Family Challenge. A special showing of Disney's animated movie "The Good Dinosaur" (rated PG) will be held outside in the park on the big screen starting at dusk.  
**Contact:** www.cantonfun.org or call 734-394-5460

**SENIOR GAMES**

**Time/Date:** Aug. 23-25  
**Location:** Various places in Canton  
**Details:** Area seniors are invited to enter the inaugural Canton Senior Games for variety of fun and challenging activities for men and women age 55 and older. This year's events include sports tournaments (golf, pickleball, tennis, billiards); cards/Wii games (euchre, pinocle, Wii bowling); and field games (bean bag toss, bocce ball, Frisbee toss, softball throw, basketball shot, soccer kick, football toss)  
**Contact:** Registration is now available at www.cantonfun.org or in person at the Canton Club 55+ at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway. All participants must register by Wednesday, Aug. 10

**CANTON CHAMBER GOLF**

**Time/Date:** Sept. 15  
**Location:** Pheasant Run Golf Club, Canton  
**Details:** The Canton Chamber of Commerce's annual golf outing is open to the public and various packages are available for purchase. All golf packages include beverages on the course, steak dinner and prizes. Individual golf is \$150 or the dinner alone is \$35. Sponsorships are available.  
**Contact:** 734-453-4040 or go to www.cantonchamber.com.

**SENIOR GOLF**

**Time/Date:** 8 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23  
**Location:** Pheasant Run Golf Club, Canton  
**Details:** Area seniors ages 55 and over are encouraged to hit the links for 18 holes in this four-person golf scramble that includes a continental breakfast, lunch and cart for \$49 for Canton residents and \$54 for non-residents. Come as a foursome, twosome or a single player. Check-in will begin at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start scheduled for 9 a.m. Lunch at the clubhouse is planned at 1:30 p.m. Prizes for several on-course contests will be awarded, including men's and women's closest to the pin. Additional door prizes will also be available. First place will be decided by a blind draw.  
**Contact:** Registration is underway. Seniors are encouraged to reserve a spot by calling 734-394-5485 or register in person through Wednesday, Aug. 17, at Canton Club 55+, Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway.

**FASHION SETTERS EXHIBIT**

**Time/Date:** Museum hours, through Nov. 6  
**Location:** Plymouth Historical Museum

**Details:** The First Ladies Fashion Setters exhibit features more than a dozen dresses of the first ladies throughout history. Other memorabilia highlighting elections, the presidents and the first ladies will also be displayed.

**SUMMER ARTS COUNCIL CAMPS**

**Time/Date:** Through Aug. 19  
**Location:** Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, at Junction, south of M-14 in Plymouth  
**Details:** The PCAC will offer 40 camps in painting, filmmaking, photography, cartooning, graphic design, theater, music and more, with the emphasis on getting campers to "think outside the box" and not follow preconceived notions of art.  
**Costs:** Camp prices range from \$55 to \$145, with discounts for PCAC members.  
**Contact:** View a complete schedule and register at www.plymoutharts.com or register by calling the PCAC at 734-416-4278 or stopping in during business hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

**SEEKING COMPASSIONATE VOLUNTEERS**

**Time/Date:** Until September  
**Location:** Compassionate Care Hospice, 5820 N Lilley Road, Canton,  
**Details:** Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more. Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentially, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer. Interested volunteers must complete the online application process prior to training. Early registration is encouraged, as several steps are to be completed prior to the start of the training sessions. Next new volunteer orientation is Sept. 13 in the hospice office.  
**Contact:** Jeanne Edwards, 888-983-9050.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE Regular Meeting**

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its regular meeting August 16, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Friends Room on the main level of the Library at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

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**Food, concert and classic cars coming to Southfield on Thursday**

The city of Southfield, in partnership with the City Centre Advisory Board, will host the next installment of the Eat to the Beat food truck & concert series on Thursday, Aug. 11 from noon to 2 p.m. and from 4-7 p.m. at the City Centre Plaza located on Central Park Boulevard. The events are held on the second Thursday

each summer from June to September. Each event features a different theme and eclectic musical lineup of artists and genres, including:  
 » **Aug. 11 (Theme: Woodward Tune-up)** featuring CANCEL Monday from 12-2 p.m. and The Paisley Fogg from 4-7 p.m.  
 » **Sept. 8 (Theme: Homecoming)** featuring

from The Randy Brock Group from 12-2 p.m. and The Foster Brooks Band from 4-7 p.m.  
 The City of Southfield was seeking classic, sport, luxury and other "dream cars" for display at the Aug. 11 event.  
 All of the Eat to the Beat concerts will feature a variety of food trucks, including Bigalora, Fuddrucker's, The

Pita Post, Detroit BBQ Company, Nu Deli and Cool Jack's.  
 The Eat to the Beat After Hours events will include fine wines and craft beer for sale to continue the fun into the evening. All events will offer games and activities for the whole family, a mix of live bands and DJs, and free admission and parking.



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MICHIGAN ELITE 25 CAMP



North Farmington basketball standout Amauri Hardy indicated the Michigan Elite 25 Basketball Camp helped to point him in the right direction. MARTY BUDNER

Fastpitch tryouts

Tryouts are just around the corner for the Garden City Gators Fastpitch Softball Program.

Players from Garden City and other communities are welcome to attend the sessions, which will take place on the lighted softball field at Garden City High School (corner of Maplewood and Hartel).

Coach Barry Patterson suggests players arrive 30 minutes before scheduled tryout times to check in and warm up.

Patterson can be reached at gcsoftball@mi.rr.com or 734-635-2388.

Tryouts are as follows:

- » Monday, Aug. 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: 14-and-Under, 16U
- » Tuesday, Aug. 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: 10U, 12U
- » Wednesday, Aug. 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: 14U, 16U
- » Thursday, Aug. 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: 10U, 12U
- » Saturday, Aug. 13, 9-11:30 a.m.: 10U, 12U
- » Saturday, Aug. 13, 1-3:30 p.m.: 14U, 16U
- » Sunday, Aug. 14, 9-11:30 a.m.: 10U, 12U
- » Sunday, Aug. 14, 1-3:30 p.m.: 14U, 16U

Hole in one club

Albert Anderson, 82, of Chelsea, registered a hole-in-one on July 21 at the Hills course of Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center in Plymouth.

Anderson aced the 105-yard No. 6 hole, using a 7-iron and Noodle ball.

Women's scramble

The Golf Association of Michigan is celebrating its 100th Michigan Women's Amateur (Aug. 8-12) at Spring Meadows Country Club, 1129 Ripley Road, Linden.

In conjunction with the tournament, the Michigan Women's Golf Association will host a breakfast and scramble Monday, Aug. 8, followed by a dinner and program at Tyrone Hills Golf Course, 8449 Old U.S. 23, in Fenton.

Many past Michigan Women's Amateur champions will be featured on a video depicting the 100-year history of the event.

Among the featured panel of champions are moderator Joan Garety, Shirley Spork, Joyce Kazmierski, Patti Shook Boice, Mary Jane Anderson Heistand, Stacy Slobodnik Stoll and Allyson Geer, last year's winner.

For more information about the MWGA, go to [www.mwgolf.org](http://www.mwgolf.org).

PAYING IT FORWARD

Learning about life on and off the court is focus of Michigan Elite 25 basketball camp

Marty Budner  
Staff Writer

The Michigan Elite 25 Basketball Camp has impacted a number of young athletes over the past four years. Amauri Hardy is one of them.

An incoming senior at North Farmington High School, Hardy was one of nine four-year players who attended the 2016 camp that concluded Friday at the Hype Recreation Center in Dearborn Heights. He helped lead the Raiders to the Class A

state championship game for the first time in school history last winter.

"This camp means a lot to me. I have grown and learned a lot of stuff from Tim (McCormick) and all the speakers who have come to the camp," said Hardy, a starting guard for the Raiders who netted 15 points and dished a team-high three assists in last year's state semifinal win over Lansing Everett. "This camp has definitely been

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MARTY BUDNER  
Michigan Elite 25 Basketball Camp co-founder Tim McCormick (right) discusses camp matters with instructor and new Salem girls basketball coach Dan Young.



COLLEGIATE SPOTLIGHT

Late bloomer making up for lost time

Canton alum Kayla Buford keeps climbing ladder of volleyball success

Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

When Kayla Buford sets her mind to something, she gets after it. The Minnesota Golden Gophers women's volleyball team is glad she did.

Consider that Buford, 19, is a late bloomer in the world of competitive volleyball. She went from a newbie when she was a sophomore at Canton High School to an integral member of

the on-the-rise Division I program in just a few short years.

"If you were to tell me that I would be playing in one of the best programs in the country, with one of the best coaching staffs and everything, I probably would have laughed and said 'You're crazy,'" said Buford, during a recent telephone interview.

But it's a reality, as the 6-foot-2 middle blocker now starts her sophomore season with the Gophers. Official practice for the 2016 season opens Tuesday.

Wait, there's more. She also trained this year with USA Vol-



Canton alum Kayla Buford powers the ball over the net during a game last season for the University of Minnesota Gophers. CHRISTOPHER MITCHELL / SPORT SHOT PHOTO

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## Take steps toward better communication

BY MARY LORENZ  
 CAREERBUILDER

Look under the list of requirements on almost any job advertisement posted today, and you will inevitably see some variation of this phrase: "strong communication skills."

The ability to communicate effectively is an in-demand skill in any professional setting. In a 2014 CareerBuilder survey, employers named "effective communicator" among the 10 most important soft skills they look for in prospective employees. It isn't difficult to see why this skill is so highly regarded: Poor communication in the workplace has been shown to slow down productivity, hurt morale and even take a toll on business.

But while communication is one of the most crucial business skills a person can have, very few of us receive formal training for it. Whether you're new to the workforce or have years of experience under your belt, taking steps to improve your communication skills is always a worthwhile endeavor.

You will build stronger relationships with colleagues and clients and be more effective at your job as a result. Follow these tips from career experts to become a better communicator.

**Err on the side of communicating too much.** Communication is one of the few areas where less does not equal more. "There is no such thing as being too clear," says Meg O'Hara, a communications specialist with A. Bright Idea, a California-based public relations firm. "Practice over-communicating in all instances and avenues to make sure your message is delivered."

**Know your audience.** To be effective, it's important to understand that communication styles vary among individuals. "Most of the conflicts I have seen in the workplace that are the result of poor communication really stem from communicating in a way that we would want to be communicated with, as opposed to truly understanding how the person



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we are interacting with wants to be communicated with," says James Sudakow, author of the book "Picking the Low-Hanging Fruit ... and Other Stupid Stuff We Say in the Corporate World."

**Check in early and often.** The best way to ensure that you are communicating clearly is simply to ask. Sudakow has avoided confusion by saying, "Here is how I typically communicate. Does that work for you? If not, what are your preferenc-

es?" Not only does this approach tell you what you need to know, but it shows you are considerate of the other person.

**Stay away from jargon.** In the corporate world, certain companies, teams or industries have their own language — something we tend to forget when speaking with "outsiders." Be aware of any idiosyncratic terms, corporate jargon and acronyms you may be using, which can create an unnecessary boundary to communi-

cation, Sudakow advises. Speak as generally and "normally" as possible.

**Practice active listening.** "The most important aspect of communication isn't actually speaking — it's listening," says Sabrina Balmick, a marketing manager at the recruiting firm ACA Talent. She says people often get so caught up in waiting for their turns to speak, they don't actually hear what the other person just said. To prevent that, try active listening. Paraphrase what you've

just heard to the speaker and ask if you've understood correctly.

**Help them help you understand.** If you are having trouble understanding what a colleague is trying to say or ask of you, don't just say, "I don't understand," O'Hara advises. Go further and try to identify exactly what it is that is confusing you. "This can avoid talking in circles and promotes a solution," O'Hara says.

It can also help to ask open-ended questions to draw out more information, says Leigh Espy, a workforce-management expert who provides leadership advice on her blog, [projectbliss.net](http://projectbliss.net). A question as simple as, "Can you share more about that?" not only invites others to elaborate on their ideas, it also shows you are genuinely interested in what they have to say.

Mary Lorenz is a writer for the Advice & Resources section on CareerBuilder.com. She researches and writes about job-search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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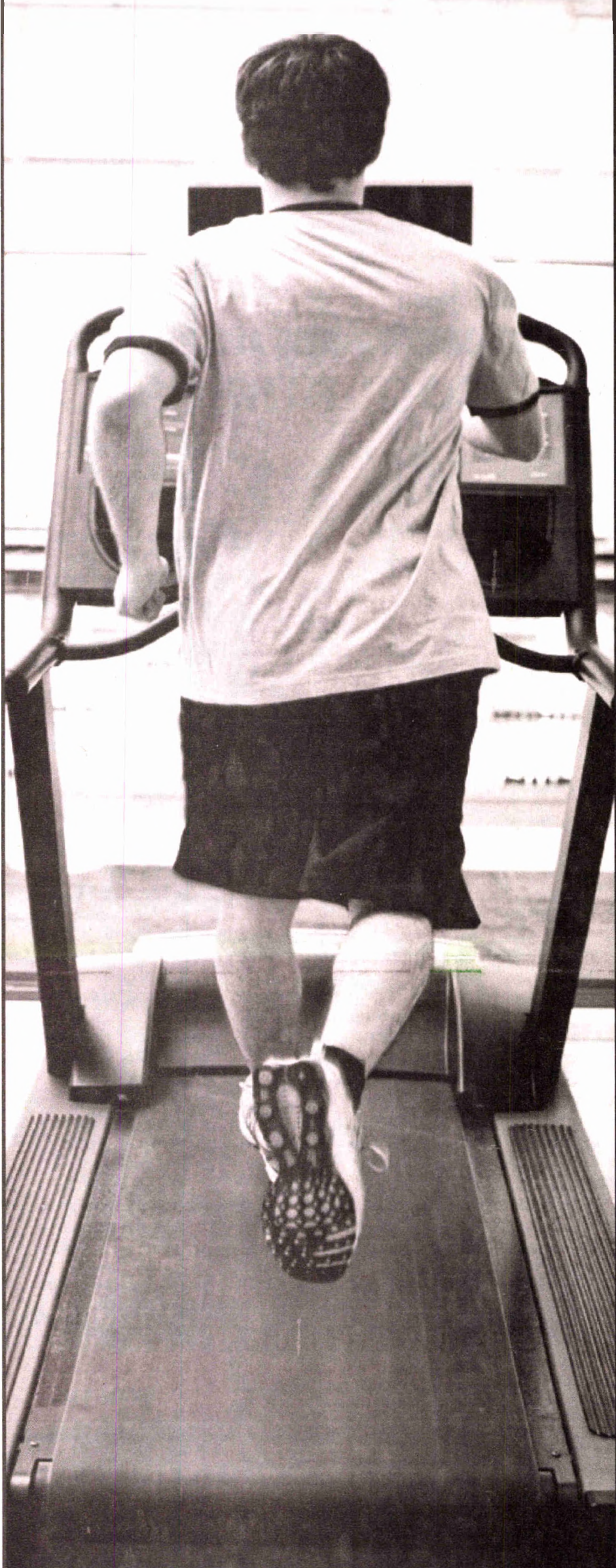
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- ACROSS 1 Divine one 4 Chew on 8 Part of UPI 13 "Yeah, and?" 19 Gilbert and Sullivan work 21 Try to swat 22 Operate a 767, say 23 Tool with a large bony projection? 25 "La Isla —" (1987 Madonna hit) 26 Freshwater polyp 27 Clucking bird 28 Eye, in Versailles 30 Mined rocks 31 On a tool's upper surface? 37 Oomph 40 Roadside assistance gp. 41 Odd one out 42 Bazaar sight 43 Tool given as a peace offering? 47 Czarina, e.g. 50 Glistening rock 51 — Jacinto 52 Jamie of old sitcom 54 Sutcliffe or Erwin 55 Trade sanction 58 Hit a cartoon dad with a tool? 63 Trendy resort 64 State south of B.C. 66 Ending for million 67 Alert at sea 68 Add-on accessory for a tool? 76 "The Big Read" org. 77 Ham's father 78 Mode or king precursor 79 Remind over and over 81 Male bovine using a tool? 87 Hurriedly 90 "Be there — sec" 91 Glen 92 Owns 94 Speak to the masses 95 Get a steal at a store 98 Use a tool on some Heinz products? 102 Disintegrate, as cells 103 Sees in the distance 106 "— out!" (ump's call) 107 Before 108 Priciest tool? 113 "Permit Me Voyage" writer James 114 "Mike & Mike" aircr 115 Taoism's —-tzu 116 Crude-carrying ship 120 Venetian island 122 Statement upon locating someone's lost tool in the dark? 127 Expose by being a fink 128 "It's —!" (quitter's cry) 129 Getting set to propose 130 Gauge 131 Did it wrong 132 Cries noisily 133 Thing, in legalese DOWN 1 Artist Vincent van — 2 Grand Ole — 3 Skillful feat 4 Gain access to 5 Final degree 6 From — Z 7 Missile parts 8 Observable occurrences 9 Divest (of) 10 JFK posting 11 Remove, as a branch 12 Canonized fifth-cen. pope 13 Weasel's kin 14 —-lacto-vegetarian 15 Gain the support of 16 Quality of a yeti or a yak 17 Certifies 18 Bedevil 20 — avis (wonder) 24 With 110-Down, post-tax revenue 29 Buries 32 — chi ch'uan 33 Solo in films 34 Followers of omicrons 35 Pre-CIA gp. 36 "The Racer's Edge" force 37 Printing units 38 Free from obligation 39 Big cheese 44 Rx overseer 45 Plop lead-in to 46 Informal turn-down 48 X-ray alternative 49 Earth lighter 52 Flowerless office plant 53 Match milieu 56 Yankee manager 57 Lofty verse 59 Quite manly 60 My, in Milan 61 Pithy saying 62 Follower of chi 65 Void legally 69 Call a halt to 70 Barely visible 71 Tune penner Porter 72 TV's Linden 73 71-Down, collegiately 74 Cut-rate 75 Talk nonstop 80 Ducks' kin 81 Bro's counterpart 82 Comparable things 83 Members of an elite U.S. force 84 Rolls with holes 85 Shaped with a certain cutting tool 86 Penn of "Epic Movie" 88 Ad — 89 Boat built by 77-Across 93 Knowing glances 96 Parsons of "Roseanne" 97 96-Down's "Roseanne" role 98 Fish by letting the bait bob 99 Clergyman's subj. 100 JFK Library architect 101 Deep anger 104 Lying face-up 105 Try to separate out, as gold 108 One of the von Trapp daughters 109 Time on end 110 See 24-Down 111 Riata's, e.g. 112 Many a sunlit ledge 117 Lion's den 118 Suffix akin to -trix 119 Partner of rules, briefly (sheds) 121 Lean — 123 Locale of Sp. 124 U-turn from "Epic Movie" 125 Game akin to crazy to eight's 126 Civil War southerner

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting positions for clues.

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9x9 Sudoku grid with pre-filled numbers: 6, 9, 7, 5, 8, 1, 3, 6, 5, 4, 3, 5, 1, 4, 9, 3, 7, 8, 2, 5, 7, 8, 5, 7, 4, 2, 7, 6, 2, 8, 8, 9, 4, 8, 1, 6, 5, 9, 5, 2, 8, 2, 6, 8, 6, 2, 1, 3.

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Small table with numbers 1-9 in a grid format.

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Word Search grid with words highlighted.



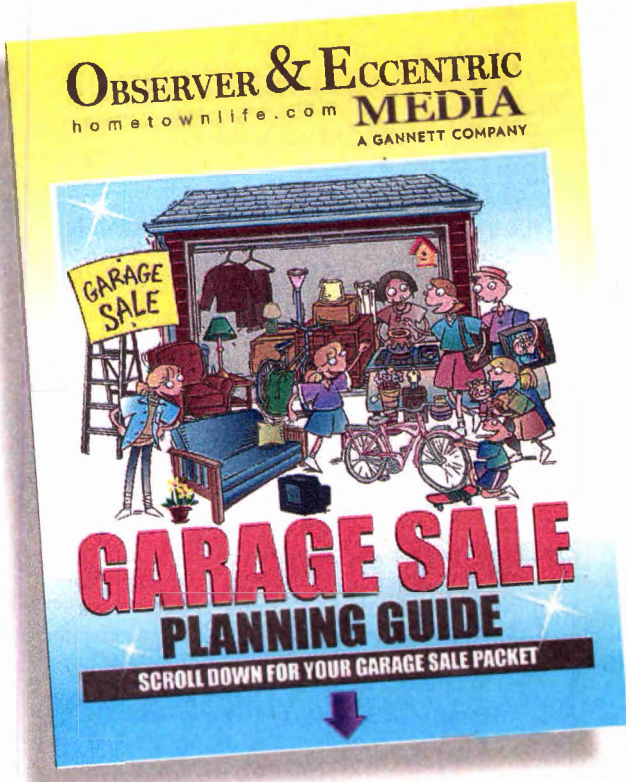
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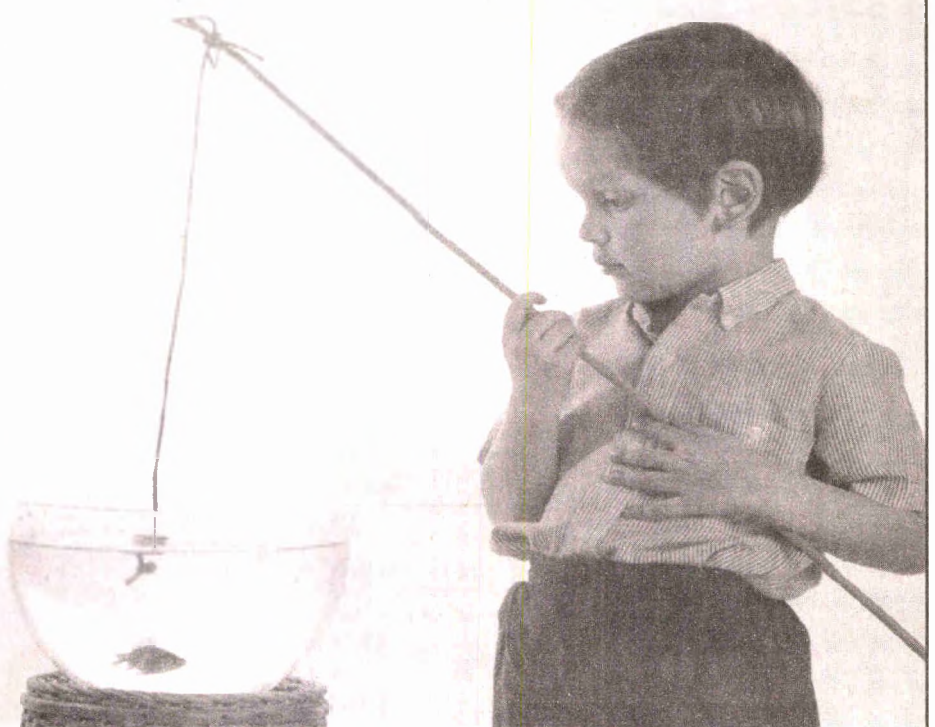


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