

CANTON OBSERVER

A GANNETT COMPANY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2014 • hometownlife.com



Canton board OKs police, fire tax hike

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Vowing to safeguard police and fire services while averting a \$15.8 million budget deficit, Canton's elected officials Tuesday gave sweeping approval to a 1.5-mill public safety tax increase.

"We want our residents to feel safe and secure," Supervisor Phil LaJoy said.

In a separate decision, the township board voted to charge Canton households a \$140-a-year trash pickup fee

while reducing the general fund tax rate by 1 mill. Officials say the change mirrors the way most communities already handle the service.

Woven together, the financial package will cost the owner of a home with a \$200,000 market value an additional \$190 a year starting with next winter's tax bill. Officials have the authority to raise public safety taxes without asking voters due to a decades-old ballot measure.

Trustee John Anthony, a former FBI special agent, said

Canton has the finest police and fire departments in Michigan. "It takes money to stay at that level," he said.

'An investment'

Resident Greg Demopoulos, a former trustee, told the board he supports efforts to maintain a low crime rate. Even with the tax hike, he said, he still will pay less in taxes than he did in 2007 due to a sharp decline in property values.

"As far as I'm concerned," Demopoulos said, the public

safety tax hike "is an investment in Canton."

Resident George Miller has repeatedly suggested Canton consider contracting out public safety services, an idea officials have dismissed.

"Here we are again asking for more money," Miller said Tuesday.

Rich Keenan, a Canton resident of 19 years who called himself a fiscal conservative, said he strongly supports the tax increase to maintain top-rate police and fire services.

"The one thing we can never

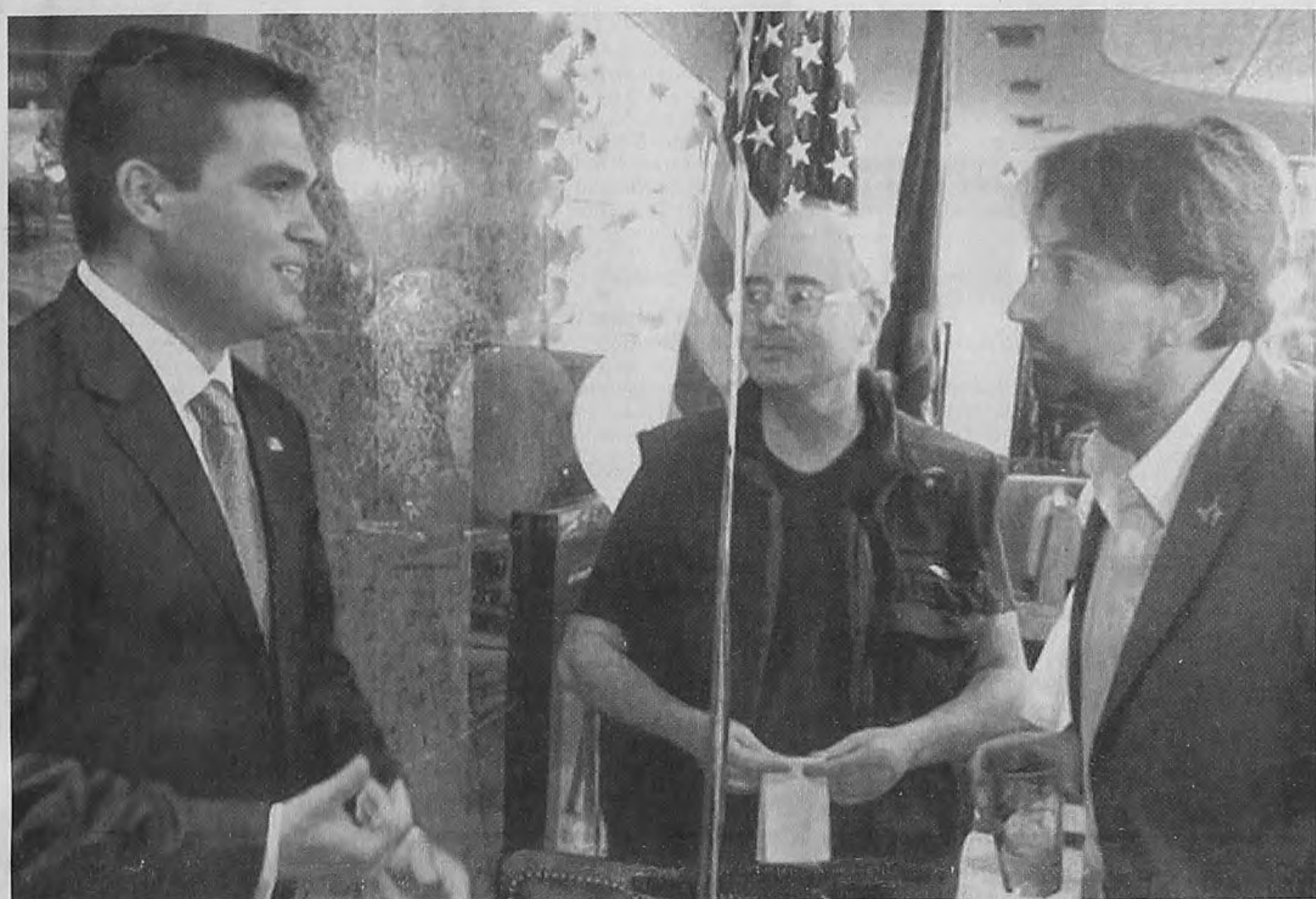
afford to skip on is public safety," he said.

Maintain safety

Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin called it paramount that Canton remains a community where women "can make a diaper run" at night without fear and where a resident having a heart attack can get quick help.

Without the tax increase, officials had projected a \$15.8 million deficit within four

See TAX, Page A2



John Dalton talks to supporters after winning the Republican nomination for Wayne County executive in the Aug. 5 primary.

SALEM GRAD TAKES LONG SHOT IN WAYNE COUNTY RACE

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Sure, John Dalton is only 23 and he's seeking his first political office.

But that doesn't mean he's naïve.

Dalton, a Livonia resident who grew up in Plymouth and is a 2009 Salem High School graduate, knows the tough row he'll have to hoe as the Republican nominee for Wayne County executive.

He just doesn't care. What's more, he's willing to do it.

"I know it's a longshot, but I thought this would be a way to gain support and to show peo-

ple someone actually has a message," Dalton said. "People are tired of the status quo. At the very least, we've got to show people we have options, we have answers. We're not just the party of no."

Dalton was born in Tuscon, Ariz., but his family moved to Plymouth when he was very young. He's a product of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, having gone to Fiegel Elementary, Central Middle and Salem High schools.

It was at Central when a history teacher first got him

See RACE, Page A2

Oops! Canton water bills contain wrong due date

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

A water-billing snafu has left some Canton residents panicked, fearing they might be late making their payments, Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin said Monday.

Water bills arriving by mail late last week mistakenly indicated they were due Aug. 21.

"It was a quirk or a flaw or something (with the billing system)," McLaughlin said, adding township offices have been bombarded by calls from residents.

McLaughlin is reassuring residents their bills will not be late – and no penalties incurred – as long as they are paid by Sept. 24.

Customers who have their water bills automatically debited from bank accounts also need not worry that their money will be withdrawn early.

McLaughlin estimated thousands of people have made inquiries about the bills. Many people who didn't call the Canton treasurer's office actually showed up at the front counter, including one elderly lady who had never been late paying her bill.

"She was shaking. She was so upset because she thought she was going to be late," McLaughlin said.

The treasurer's office is seeking to educate residents about the snafu, but doesn't plan on sending out replacement bills.

McLaughlin was apologetic about the wrong date appearing on bills.

"This has never happened before," she said.

dclem@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @CantonObserver



McLaughlin

O&E Media launches new website, apps

Welcome to the new Hometownlife.

Observer & Eccentric Media is thrilled to offer its readers a new, fully redesigned and vivid website.

We're offering you all the great hyper-local coverage our readers love in a bolder, more app-like design. Plus, you'll find photo galleries and videos are easier to find and featured more prominently. O&E Media



Larry Ruehlen

remains your essential source for everything local, but now our readers have much more to explore at Hometownlife.

Here's some of what you'll find on the new website:

» Our new home page offers top news stories from all 13 of our publications, as well as photos and videos from sports, business, life, entertainment and opinion at the top of the home page. You'll easily find the most important, need-to-know headlines for all of our key topics. Finding news from your hometown is easier than ever with our new **Communities** module on the home page.

We also have an all-news section that features a mix of news from our Observer Newspapers, Eccentric Newspapers and Hometown Weekly publications. And for those who like to bookmark a local site and return often – the Livonia Observer, for example – each publication also has its own dedicated space on the

See APPS, Page A2



PRICE: \$1

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA
hometownlife.com
A GANNETT COMPANY

© The Observer & Eccentric
Volume 40 • Number 20

Home Delivery: (866) 887-2737 | Return Address: 29725 Hudson Dr., Novi MI 48377

INDEX

Business.....	A11	Homes.....	B6	Services.....	B6
Crossword Puzzle.....	B7	Jobs.....	B6	Sports.....	B1
Entertainment.....	B9	Obituaries.....	B8	Wheels.....	B6
Food.....	B11	Opinion.....	A12		

Home Equity Loans Made Easier

Rates as low as **2.50%** APR*

COMMUNITY FINANCIAL
right here right for you
www.cfcu.org
(877) 937-2328

*Variable rate of 2.50% Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is based on a \$25,000+ line of credit and 80% Loan to Value (LTV). Rate assumes excellent credit and includes a .25% rate discount when payments are automatically deducted from a Community Financial checking account. Rates are based on the published Prime Rate and subject to change without notice. Additional rates available based on loan amount, LTV and individual credit history. Maximum rate 18.00% APR, minimum rate 2.00% APR. An early termination fee of \$300 will be charged on lines closed within the first 24 months. Federally insured by NCUA. Equal Housing Lender. ©2014 Community Financial

TAX

Continued from Page A1

years. The \$140 trash pickup fee became a bit more contentious, though it was approved unanimously by the seven-member board.

Trustee Steven Sneedman said he considers it unfair that a household with a \$500,000 home will pay the same amount as a homeowner with a far less expensive house.

"I think it penalizes people with lower-value homes," Sneedman said, adding later, "I don't think it's right to do it this way."

He suggested the board next year discuss a possible ballot measure to let voters decide if they want their trash pickup paid with a set fee or a tax tied to property values.

McLaughlin said she believes the \$140-a-year fee is fair. She said it costs the same to pick up trash from all homes, regardless of property values.

"I think it's a true fee for service," she said.

The board's decision to raise taxes and switch the way it handles trash pickup costs came as no surprise since the plan was rolled out earlier this summer. Overall, tax rates will inch up from 10.4 mills to 10.9 mills, with the general fund millage decrease partially offsetting the public safety tax hike.

The plan comes after Canton lost \$20 million during the last five years amid plunging property tax values. The tax plan will raise about \$5 million a year.

The plan also comes just four years after the township board imposed a 1.75-mill tax increase to avert police and fire deficits.

dclm@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @CantonObserver

Board mulls new boundary decisions

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Administrators are getting set to deliver a new study about how Plymouth-Canton school boundaries are going to look when the district opens its new middle school in Canton to start the 2015-16 school year.

Before that study can be completed, though, the Board of Education has program decisions to make that will shape the district physically and academically headed into the future. And those decisions revolve around a couple of the district's most popular programs – the Talented and Gifted program and the special-needs and early education programs at Tanger Center.

"Those are the key factors that will help drive" the study, Dr. Michael Meissen, the district's superintendent, told board members Tuesday.

Boundaries are being redrawn ahead of the opening of the new middle school at Cherry Hill and Canton Center in September 2015. The district, which has been losing students the last several years, is also likely to close at least



Plymouth-Canton's Board of Education hears details of its boundary study committee at Tuesday's meeting.

one school at the same time.

Ahead of those decisions, board members heard Meissen's recommendations for five key areas Tuesday, though no decisions were made. The board is expected to address – and perhaps decide on – those programs at its Sept. 11 meeting. The key areas:

» TAG – Long one of the district's most popular, and protected, programs, TAG could be in for a major change. Currently housed in magnet schools at Dodson and Miller elementaries and East Middle School, Meissen is recommending the program be changed to cluster

TAG students in their home schools, starting in 2015.

That option met with a little push-back from board members Tuesday.

"I've seen (examples) of a hybrid program in other districts that kept the magnet program and offered individual programs in home schools and that seemed to work well," Trustee John Barrett said. "I hope that's the program we're going to go with."

» Tanger Center – The district is considering whether to continue to operate the programs at Tanger or move them to another location. The problem, according to administrators, is that

much of the special-needs operation at Tanger would have to move en masse because of the needs of the program and the need to keep the "core" classrooms together.

» Pre-K-4-year-old – The district currently offers a half-day, tuition-based program, but could offer a funded half-day program if the state decides to fund it. If that happens, the district could merge it with Tanger.

» Schools of choice – The district earlier this year offered a limited schools of choice option to students from outside the district. The district opened 200 seats in grades K-2 and 115 families applied. Only 75 actually enrolled. The problem for some families, according to Kurt Tyszkiewicz, the district's executive director of staffing, student services and policy, was the question of older siblings who wanted to come, as well.

"Parents didn't want to separate them," Tyszkiewicz told the board. "One option might be opening up some seats in higher grades" for those siblings.

» PRA – The Parent

Requested Assignment for Boundary Change was in effect eliminated this month, though the district is still trying to accommodate such requests. One option for 2015-16 would be to allow only fifth-grade students to remain at their current school if the boundary changes next year. Meissen recommended the continue with the elimination of the PRA program.

The district will continue to seek community input by hosting three community forums by the end of October. The boundary study advisory committee, made up of two-thirds staff and one-third community members, will be seeking input from the community and will pass that input on to the committee.

District officials will host community forums 7-9 p.m. Sept. 25, Oct. 16 and Oct. 30, at Discovery Middle School in Canton.

The boundary study committee is slated to make regular reports to the board over the next couple of months, then present its final recommendations Nov. 11.

bkadrich@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @bkadrich

APPS

Continued from Page A1

new and improved Hometownlife.

» Real-time news updates. The latest news filters automatically to Hometownlife's new **Right Now** rail at the top of the website, so you can find the absolute latest news.

» Share your favorite stories, photo galleries and videos with your friends with one-click

access to Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and email.

» Breaking news alerts. A red alert banner tells you when a key story is developing – even before a story is available. Once more information is available, you can click directly into the story for the latest details.

» Interactive weather. Check out a customizable radar map for any city in the nation. Plus, you'll find hourly and seven-day forecasts, UV

and allergy indexes.

Special coverage

» Watchdog work: Holding public officials and entities accountable is what O&E Media does. You'll easily be able to find that work in one central location.

» Interesting features about the people, places and businesses in your hometown. No one covers the suburbs like O&E and we now have a more engaging way to deliver that local content.

» National and world

headlines: Our partnership with USA Today will bring you the latest news from around the nation. Plus, get links to more than 100 other Gannett news sites.

Don't miss

We're happy to offer a new searchable, mobile-friendly website to connect you when you're browsing for info on your phone or connecting through social media. Check it out at Hometownlife.com. Also for the latest

news on the go, download O&E Media's new iPad, iPhone and Android apps. They are a major improvement in both content and user experience that we are really excited about. Take a look around the new Hometownlife and tell me what you think.

Larry Ruehlen is managing editor of Digital Content and Audience Development for O&E Media and he welcomes feedback at lruehlen@hometownlife.com or 313-595-1007.

RACE

Continued from Page A1

interested in politics. It's where he learned, he said, that a political career could allow him to do some good.

"It sparked an interest in me," Dalton said. "The ability to do something positive ... that you could have a positive impact on a lot of people."

Early start

His taste for the political realm manifested itself in high school. Bill Keith, the station manager for 88.1 The Park, the student radio station where Dalton worked in high school, said Dalton was "one of the few people who enjoyed" interviewing politicians and local officials.



John Dalton on the microphone in his days at the student radio station serving Plymouth-Canton schools.

"John was also one of the sharpest dressed people in the school," Keith said. "You never had to suggest to John to dress up for an event, that was just the way he did

things.

"I always knew he would get into politics. From the moment he ran a campaign for homecoming king and won, I knew he was destined for political office."

Dalton is studying political science at Schoolcraft College, where he actually finished fourth among seven candidates for a spot on the college's board of trustees in 2012.

He's worked on other people's campaigns – Chris Roosen's campaign for Northville Township supervisor and the campaign of former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter – and he was appointed a Human Resources commissioner for the city of Livonia by Mayor Jack Kirksey in 2012.

His failed Schoolcraft College board campaign – he drew some 23,000 votes – taught him a lot, he said.

"I did really well and I learned a lot," Dalton said. "I learned about grass-roots organizing, but there are other components, as well."

First a friend

Before getting himself into the Wayne County executive race, Dalton was trying to talk a friend into it "so we could get young people involved."

After some consideration, though, Dalton



John Dalton announces his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Wayne County executive.

decided he had something to say.

"I thought about it myself and I knew I had my own message I wanted to get out," he said. "I ultimately decided it would be better if I ran and had my friends support and guide me."

He's running the basic Republican playbook in Wayne County: change the status quo. He'll try to hammer home the idea that former sheriff and Detroit Police Chief Warren Evans, the Democratic nominee, is part of the system that corrupted the county in its first place.

Colbeck, like Dalton, knows it's a pretty steep Democratic hill for a Republican to climb in Wayne County.

"The challenge ... is the election is tipped in favor of the Democrats," Colbeck said. "But if you talk to people one-on-one and tell them the truth ... we can do a lot better. Wayne County is in worse shape than Detroit (financially). If he talks to them about that, I think that would be a positive."

Keith said though Dalton has a tough road ahead, the experience will be good for him, win or lose.

"I'll just say it is uphill all the way for John in this election," Keith said. "But if he isn't elected, I know the experience will lay the ground work for bigger and better things. John is definitely driven."

For his part, Dalton thinks the Republicans too often almost concede the seat to a Democrat. He also thinks, though, that this could be the year for a change.

"People are fed up with the way things are and Warren Evans is really just more of the same," Dalton said. "I think that could bring out a lot more people. No one has really tried. Why not take a shot?"

bkadrich@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @bkadrich

OBSERVER NEWSPAPERS
Published Sunday and Thursday by Observer & Eccentric Media
www.hometownlife.com

HOW TO REACH US

Newsroom:
313.222.2223
Fax...313.223.3318

To Advertise:
Classified Advertising & Obituaries...800.579.7355

Legal Advertising:...586.826.7082
Fax...313.496.4968
Email: oeads@hometownlife.com

Print and Digital Advertising:...586.826.7377
Email: fcibor@hometownlife.com

Home Delivery:
Customer Service...866.887.2737
Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00 p.m.
after hours by voicemail
Email: custserv@hometownlife.com

Subscription Rates:
Newsstand price:
\$1.00 Sunday
\$1.00 Thursday
Sunday/Thursday carrier delivery:
\$8 EZ Pay per month
\$49 six months
\$98 per year

Advertising Policy:
All advertising published in this newspaper is subject to the conditions stated in the applicable rate card, copies of which are available from the advertising department. We reserve the right not to accept an advertiser's order.

Our ad-takers have no authority to bind this newspaper and only publication of an ad constitutes acceptance of the advertiser's order.

A. GANNETT COMPANY

GREAT LAKES DERMATOLOGY
MICHAEL R. COHEN, D.O.
Board Certified Dermatologist

Specializing in Diseases w the Skin, Hair & Nails

Invites you to visit and receive the care you deserve.

- Skin Cancer
- Eczema
- Moles
- Warts
- Psoriasis
- Hair Loss
- Acne
- Botox
- Much More

Accepting New Patients • All Ages

Call for Appointment 248-324-2222 Evening appts. available

Lewis Medical Office Centre, 39475 Lewis Drive, Suite 150, Novi, Michigan 48377

greatlakesderm@yahoo.com

PHYSICAL MEDICINE and REHABILITATION in Your Neighborhood

General | Spinal Cord Injury | Traumatic Brain Injury

University Physician Group is proud to announce the latest addition to the physical medicine and rehabilitation team.

Cassandra Johnson, ANP-BC
Adult nurse practitioner specializing in spinal cord injury.

Appointments: 313-745-4600
NEW PATIENTS WELCOME

Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan
Novi Center
42005 W. 12 Mile Road
Novi, MI 48377

University Physician Group

pmr-rim.med.wayne.edu | upgdocs.org

50 Amp Fuse Your Generation
IN CONCERT

Sept. 20
Downtown Farmington | 8 p.m. Riley Park
\$7 at the door / Advance tickets \$5 at

Meadows Fine Wines / Basement Burger Bar / Page's Restaurant / Dagwood's Deli / Basement Burger Bar / John Cowley's & Sons / Tina's Coney Island / St. Gerald's Office
Advance purchase tickets non-refundable

Help St. Gerald Church Celebrate 50 Years in Farmington. (616) 299-1999

Candidates for library board narrowed to five hopefuls

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton Public Library trustees have chosen to interview five candidates from a field of 14 applicants to replace departing board member Kim Schulz, who is leaving her position by late September due to an out-of-town move.

Laurie Golden, the library's community relations department head, said trustees plan to interview the candidates during a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at the library, 1200 S. Canton Center. The position is an unpaid, volunteer post.

Candidates include: » Mushir "Marshall" Khwaja, chief commercial officer/corporate planning strategist for EXO Dynamics, a start-up company in Ann Arbor. He is a 1997 graduate of Salem High School and has a master's degree in business administration from the University of Michigan Stephen M. Ross School of Business.

» Valerie Krimmer, a certified public accountant with Cole, Newton & Duran of Livonia. Her volunteer positions include serving on the Canton Leisure Services advisory committee and various posts with Fairways at Pheasant Run Homeowners Association. She is a graduate of Cleveland State University.

» Kelli Lauria, global account manager at

Avaya, Inc., with a background in developing and executing business and technology strategies. She has 25 years of corporate experience and is a graduate of Oakland University.

» Annie Rosinski, a middle school English and language arts intervention specialist for Wayne-Westland Community Schools who serves as secondary ELA district department head. She has a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University, a master's degree in literature from Eastern Michigan University and a master of education degree in educational leadership from Concordia University-Portland.

» Don Turner, a former Canton library trustee with community service experience for organizations such as Canton Lions, Carriage Hills Homeowners Association, First Step and various Plymouth-Canton Community Schools committees. He is owner of Mid-Michigan Meats and is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The trustee selected from the five candidates will replace Schulz, a trustee since 2009 who is stepping down nearly midway through her current four-year term. Her successor will join board holdovers Nancy Eggenberger, Michelle Farrell, James Fausone, Sommer Foster and Thomas Hartnett.

dclcm@hometownlife.com

"Chalk Pastels" by Leonardo Savage is the first solo exhibit of the Plymouth Community Arts Council's 2014-15 season.



Local artist opens 2015-16 PCAC season

The Plymouth Community Arts Council announced its first solo exhibit of the 2014-15 season, "Chalk Pastels," by Leonardo Savage. The public is invited to the opening reception

4-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6.

Most of the pieces in the show are available for sale. The Plymouth Community Arts Council is at 774 N. Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

Food truck event draws crowds to Ford Field

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

There's just something about the food trucks that have a way of attracting large crowds to downtown Northville—especially when you throw in a little live music, a beer tent, classic car show and an outdoor movie.

Add it all up and you had another great downtown event Saturday when the Northville Chamber of Commerce held its 2nd Annual Food Truck Festival. The chamber did throw in a little wrinkle this year, moving the event down to Ford Field from Main Street where there was a little more room. The move allowed the chamber to expand the event, bringing in more than a dozen food trucks that served up a wide variety of food.

"I think the move down to Ford Field worked out really well," said Northville Chamber Executive Director Jody Humphries. "It was pretty busy all day. I think we had more people than we were expecting. We couldn't be happier about the turnout. Everyone really seemed to be having a great time."

Northville resident Vivian Batarse brought her two daughters—Nicole and Brittney—and their friend, Sydney Reed, to the event. One of the reasons she moved to the community, she said,

was due to all the downtown events put on during the course of the year.

"It seems there's something going on almost every weekend, especially during the summertime. It's really nice," Batarse said.

The move down to Ford Field didn't seem to hurt any of the downtown businesses. All of the restaurants were jammed packed for

much of the day.

The food truck vendors did pretty well, too, as most drew lengthy lines right to the end of the day.

Vanessa Domenick, who was manning the Kona Ice truck, said she was "crazy busy" all day.

"We did better than I was expecting, especially with all of the other trucks here," she said, estimating her sales in "the hundreds."

Other food trucks included The Pita Post, Jacques' Tacos, Shimmy Shack, The Rolling Stoves, Concrete Cuisine, Rollin Stone Pizza, Mystic Kettle, Qais Truck, Treat Dreams, Dago Joe's, Ol' Tyme Good Humor Ice Cream, Stewards for Strangers, Time2Chill and Wooden Spork.

kkuban@hometownlife.com
734-716-0783

END OF SUMMER BLAST!

NEW COLOR FOR 2014

1-004810

WEBER GRILL
NOW \$749
GENESIS EP-310 LP
Model 6513301
reg. \$899
in Crimson!

in-stock PATIO SETS
50% OFF
including Bistro Sets

ROSE OF SHARON
Many colors.
Tall bush with long-blooming summer flowers. Sun.

MUMS & ASTERS ARE IN!

OPEN LABOR DAY 9am-3pm

734-453-5500

www.plymouthnursery.net
Mon-Thurs 9am-6pm
Fri 9am-7pm • Sat 9-6 • Sun 10-5
Offers Expire 9/3/14

PLYMOUTH NURSERY
HOME & GARDEN SHOWPLACE

9900 Ann Arbor Rd W
7 Miles West of I-275 • 1 1/2 Miles South of M-14
Corner of Gotfredson Rd.

ANNUAL LABOR DAY Blowout SALE!

Wall-to-Wall Savings
Canton Location Only
ONE DAY!
Monday, Sept. 1, 2014
10am - 3pm ONLY
(Closed Sunday to prepare for this HUGE SALE!)

Pool Closings...
Above or In Ground
SAVE \$50
Plus...
FREE CHEMICALS!
Schedule Your Appointment Today!

60% OFF
All In-Stock
Winter Covers

Pool Toys
Buy 1, Get 2nd
FREE

50% OFF
All In-Stock
Pool Accessories

60% OFF
All In-Stock Winter
Accessories

Liquid Chlorine
\$8.99 Per Case
Limit 4

50% OFF
All In-Stock
Pool Chemicals

60% OFF
All Display Pools

25lb. Buckets
Chlorine Tabs
\$69.99

Nature 2 Vision
\$74.99 Limited Supply

50% OFF
All In-Stock Pools

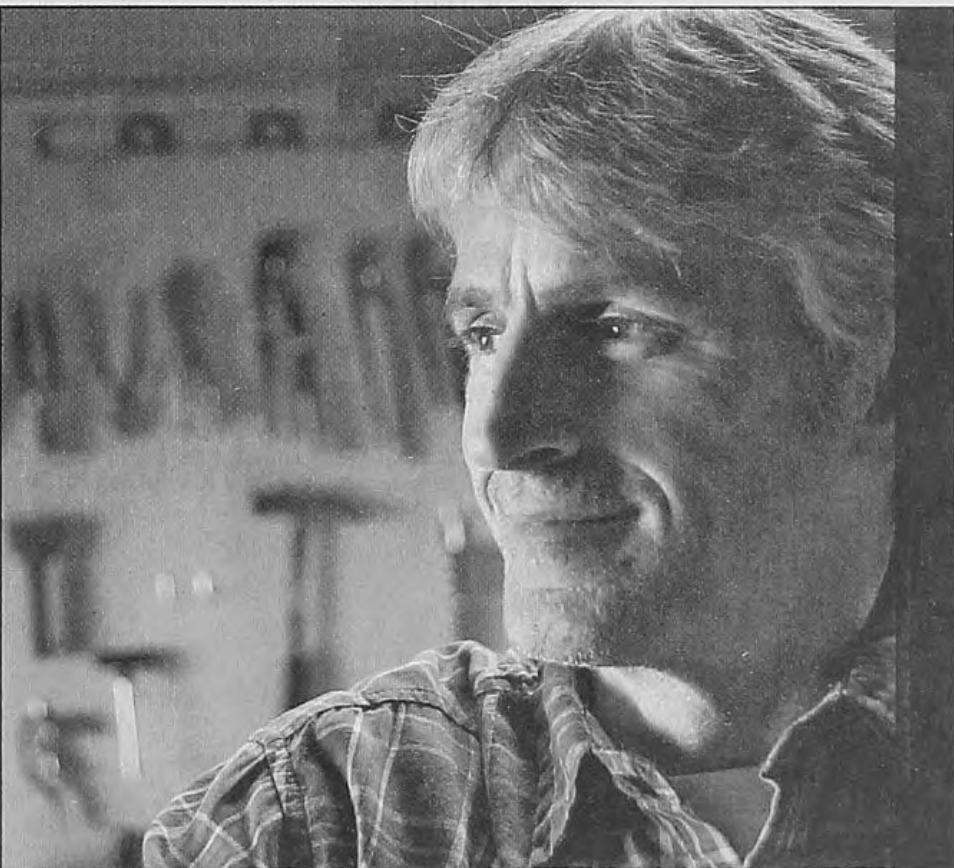
ROCKWOOD POOL
FROM **\$5474**

8-Person Spa
\$4999
Reg. \$10,199

Limited Supply
Family Sized
Above-Ground Pool
WAS \$2999
NOW **\$899**

Includes: Pool, Lint, Skimmer, Ladder, Solar Cover, Winter Cover, Filter, Starter Chemicals, Vacuum Kit & Fountain

42045 Michigan Ave.
(West of I-275) Canton
734-394-5500



BACK PAIN? OAKWOOD offers Back Pain 101

OAKWOOD'S NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ORTHOPEDICS TEAM OFFERS FREE BACK PAIN 101.

Anyone struggling with back pain knows it can become unbearable over time and rob you of enjoyment whether you're standing, sitting,

lying or walking. Oakwood recognizes that every back pain condition is unique, so we offer Back Pain 101 – a FREE and informative class hosted by a panel of Oakwood orthopedic spine specialists who explain what causes back pain and the variety of treatment options available, from medical treatment to physical therapy to surgery.

If you or someone you know is struggling with back pain, we'll answer your questions personally at Back Pain 101. Class size is limited, so please register by calling **800.543.WELL** or visiting the Classes and Events section at **oakwood.org**.

Visit **oakwood.org** or call **800.543.WELL (9355)** to register for a date and time that works for you.



Oakwood
We specialize in you.

Employer jailed for firing worker at gunpoint

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

A Canton gas station employer has been sentenced to three months in the Wayne County Jail after police say he threatened a worker at gunpoint, fired him and accused him of giving away merchandise to his friends.

Adel Yasser Berry, 25, also has been placed on probation for two years by Wayne County Circuit Judge Dana Margaret Hathaway after Berry pleaded no contest to a charge

of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Hathaway's courtroom clerk confirmed the details of his sentencing.

Berry's sentencing came last week after he accepted a plea deal that averted a trial in June. Authorities agreed to dismiss other charges of felony firearm and misdemeanor assault stemming from an incident that happened Feb. 24 inside the BP gas station at Ford and Haggerty roads.

Berry could serve some of his jail time through super-

vised outings to perform community service as part of a work-release program, court documents show. He also received credit for three days he spent behind bars prior to his sentencing.

Berry, who police say has an Oscoda address, could have faced penalties ranging up to four years in prison if he had been convicted as charged. He was sentenced Wednesday by Hathaway after the judge referred the case to probation officials for a report prior to sentencing.

Canton police arrested Berry after a 23-year-old worker claimed he was taken into a back office of the BP gas station. The worker told police Berry climbed a ladder, concealed a surveillance video camera and pointed a handgun at him.

The worker alleged he was pushed in the chest before he was fired and ordered out of the gas station. No shots were fired.

According to police, Berry made the initial contact with police, saying he had received

harassing text messages after he fired the worker.

Police say Berry claimed he fired the worker for giving away food and lottery tickets while on the job. The worker told authorities he only gave a container of Muscle Milk to his brother.

Berry had initially denied he threatened the worker at gunpoint. Police found an unloaded gun in a filing cabinet at the gas station.

dclcm@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @CantonObserver



Police say this woman is a suspect in the July 15 theft of a stuffed animal puppet from the Genuine Toy Co. in downtown Plymouth.

Plymouth police seek help identifying suspect in puppet theft

Plymouth police are looking for help identifying a suspect in a theft from a downtown toy store last month.

Police want to talk to the woman captured in surveillance photos July 15 about the theft of a stuffed animal puppet from the Genuine Toy Co.

The suspect is described as a white female with blonde hair and glasses.

Anyone with information about the incident can contact Detective Lt. Jamie Grabowski at 734-453-1234, ext. 272, or jgrabowski@ci.plymouth.mi.us.



Plymouth police are looking for help identifying this woman, captured on surveillance photos at the Genuine Toy Co.

CANTON CRIME WATCH

Child neglect

A 37-year-old Canton woman was issued a citation for child neglect after police say she left her three children – crying and sweating – in her car late Monday morning as temperatures topped the 80-degree mark, a police report said.

The children were ages 7 and 5 years and 11 months. Only one window was slightly open, the report said.

A witness saw the children alone in a Honda Civic outside the Office Max store on Ford, west of Morton Taylor. She notified police.

The mother told police she was only inside the store a couple of minutes, but the police report indicated an officer obtained video from a surveillance camera indicating the children had been left alone closer to 20 minutes.

The incident happened as the temperature had reached 81 degrees and the humidity 87 percent. It wasn't immediately known if Child Protective Services had become involved in the case.

Disorderly conduct

A 21-year-old man was cited by Canton police for being

disorderly after he broke out a window after his father locked him out of their residence in Sherwood Village, a mobile home community near Michigan Avenue and Haggerty.

Police arriving on the scene noticed the suspect, heavily intoxicated, had cut his right hand. He told police his father locked him out, so he broke a window to get inside, a police report said. The incident unfolded about 11:20 p.m. Monday.

The father came outside and told police he and his son had argued after his son allowed a "crackhead" inside the residence while the father was gone for a few days. The father also told police he believes his son has been stealing from him, allegedly because his son has a heroin problem.

As police investigated, the son fell and hit his head on the ground, prompting officers to call Canton firefighter paramedics. The son was taken to Oakwood Annapolis Hospital for treatment.

Home intruder

A Canton public works employee mowing grass outside an abandoned home in the 3600 block of South Sheldon notified police after noticing the rear

door had been pried open sometime prior to Friday.

A police report indicated someone had tampered with ceilings in the kitchen and basement, though nothing appeared missing. The report said pipes and wires had been exposed as though perhaps an intruder had been prepping the house to return later, possibly to steal scrap metal.

Bad checks

An employee of Canton Cinema, on Ford west of Morton Taylor, summoned police Monday to report two fraudulent checks had been passed at the theater over the weekend. One check totaled \$20; the other, \$10.

Inmate injury

A 26-year-old Garden City man was taken from a Canton jail cell to an Oakwood Hospital facility after he told authorities he rolled off a bench and injured his left shoulder. The incident happened shortly before midnight Saturday.

The inmate told police he was asleep and rolled off the bench. He said his shoulder had been previously injured during an unrelated incident.

—By Darrell Clem

End of Summer Savings!

PERSONAL LOANS

Includes payment protection. We've got you covered!

Monthly payments as low as:

\$107* **\$160*** **\$213***

When you finance: **\$5,000** **\$7,500** **\$10,000**

Join Catholic Vantage Financial and enjoy our End of Summer Savings*!



www.mycvf.org 734.432.0212

Catholic VANTAGE FINANCIAL where You matter most

*These are approximate payments based on rates as low as 6.99% Annual Percentage Rate, a 60 month term, and includes payment protection insurance. Ask us for details. This rate is available as of August 1, 2014 for members with A+ credit scores. Your rate will be determined based on your credit history, loan term, and program selected. Rates are subject to change without notice. Visit our website for current rates and membership eligibility. New loans only. Federally insured by NCUA. Equal Housing Lender.

ST. MARY MERCY
LIVONIA
SAINT JOSEPH MERCY HEALTH SYSTEM

EMBRACE LIFESM

8th Annual
5K Run/Walk
for Cancer

Sunday, September 7, 2014
9 a.m.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital grounds
36475 Five Mile Road
Livonia, MI 48154

Mobile
Registration



Scan QR code
to your mobile
device to register.

We celebrate and Embrace LifeSM for
cancer awareness. Proceeds support
St. Mary Mercy Cancer Services.

Register Now!

- Register on or before August 22 and save \$5!
- Flat, fast course
- Easy team registration
- B-tag chip timing
- Awards to overall and age group winners

For more information or to register
visit smarymercy.org/EmbraceLife5K

Thank You to Our Sponsors

A special thanks
to our Presenting
Sponsor

bright
house
NETWORK

Gold Sponsors:

- Huron Valley Radiology, PC
- Mercy Cancer Network
- Ms. Roberta Palmer

Silver Sponsors:

- Bill and Rod's Appliance
- Concord Ambulance
- eBuy Media
- Huron Valley Ambulance
- Huron Valley Radiation Oncology
- Mendelson Kornblum
- Orthopedics
- Michigan Educational Credit Union
- Redford Jewelry & Coin
- Schoolcraft College

Klassic Haulers (from left) Buck and Sue Sobolewski of Livonia, Randy Bastion of Canton, Bob Mroz of Livonia, Mark Laskosky of South Lyon and Gary Michalak and his son Kevin of South Lyon were among people at Cruisin' Hines.

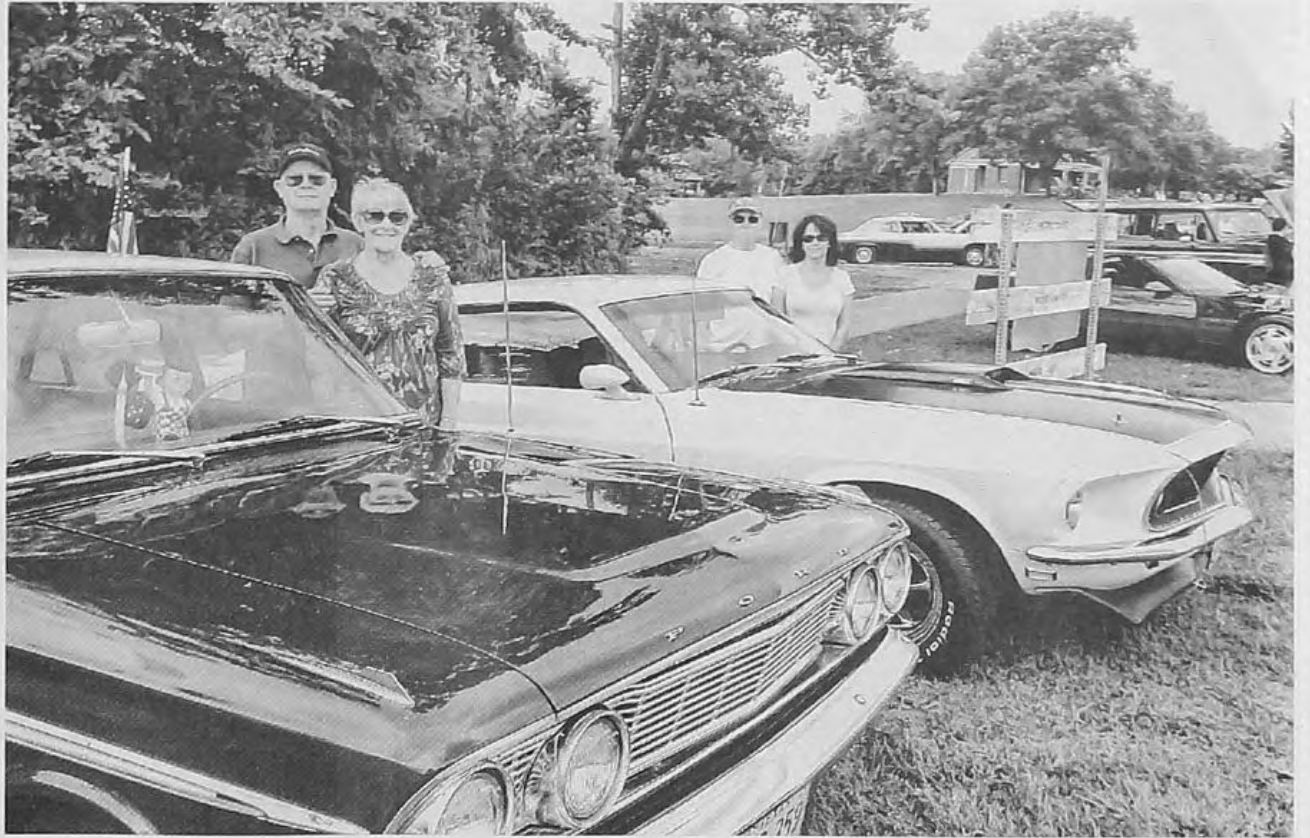


SUE MASON



SUE MASON

The Klassic Haulers showed off a few of their Ford pickup trucks along Hines Drive.



SUE MASON

Ron and Sheila Wahl of Grosse Ile (left) and Larry and Mary Ligenza of Farmington Hills parked their cars by Nankin Mills to watch the cruise.

CLASSICS, HOT RODS TAKE OVER HINES DRIVE FOR ANNUAL CRUISE

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Ask people what they don't want to see at a car cruise and they say minivans – but that doesn't put off Gary and Joyce Swain.

The Westland couple sat under an awning Sunday along Hines Drive with their 1992 Chevy Lumina minivan, which they've named Westland's Largest Hot Wheels. And the blue and gray minivan does look like an oversized kid's toy with flames covering the front end.

"I was at Toys R Us and heard a kid tell his parents that it looked like a big Hot Wheels. That's where I got the idea," Gary Swain said.

The Swains were among thousands of cruisers and spectators who converged Sunday on Hines Drive for the fourth annual Cruisin' Hines. Spectators and cars lined the roadway from Outer Drive in Dearborn to Ann Arbor Trail in Westland to see and be seen in a cruise that has become a popular event for car buffs.

"We love the Hines cruise," said Ron Wahl of Grosse Ile, who was there with his wife Sheila and Larry and Mary Ligenza of Farmington Hills. "You can actually cruise and not get jammed up in traffic."

"This year, we came in off of Ford Road. I don't know who thought of that, but it was great," Larry Ligenza said. "I waited on Merriman Road to get in last year."

The two couples staked out a spot near Nankin Mills to show off their vehicles – Wahl's 1964 Ford Fairlane 500 and Ligenza's 1969 Ford Mustang Mach 1 – and watch the car show.

"We do as many



SUE MASON

Classics mixed with hot rods and even a few minivans Sunday at the fourth annual Cruisin' Hines event.

cruises as we can," Ligenza said. "We did the Woodward Dream Cruise and a Mustang cruise last weekend and the week-end after Labor Day we'll do the Frankenmuth cruise."

Grandfather's car

Wahl was a senior in high school when his grandfather bought the Fairlane. When he died in 1968, his grandmother drove it for a few years, then parked it in a garage in Texas. In 1974, she came to visit at Christmas and gave Wahl the title as a present.

"He bought a car with a small block V-8 engine and a stick shift," Wahl said. "My wife and I dated in that car."

"He likes to say, 'Same care, same gal,'" his wife said.

Ligenza's car wasn't quite as clean.

"It was a mess," he said. "The original owner drove it for 20 years and I don't think he ever washed it. He bought it right out of the showroom and drove it. He was in a carpool and a guy bought it for his son, who had it one month and got in trouble, so he sold it. We got it in 1992."

Further down the road, the Klassic Haulers

were watching the show with their pickup trucks lined up beside them. The club draws members from throughout south-east Michigan and uses Rotary Park in Livonia as its meeting spot.

"We're about Ford trucks, 25 years and older, specifically the 1948-56 trucks," said Mark Laskosky of South Lyon.

Joining him were Buck and Sue Sobolewski of Livonia, Randy Bastion of Canton, Bob Mroz of Livonia and Gary Michalak and his son Kevin of South Lyon. They started at Ford Road in the morning and decided to park for a while near Nankin Mills.

"After lunch, we'll go cruise back and forth," Laskosky said.

Taking a walk

Gene and Fran Lucier of Westland had parked their 1985 Corvette and were walking along the parkway to see the other cars.

"We enjoy seeing the old cars here," Fran Lucier said. "This is the only place you see the nice cars. At the other cruises, you have to wait seven or eight cars before you see a nice one."

In 1985, the Luciers couldn't afford a Corvette – they were busy raising five children – but eight years ago, Gene Lucier brought the Corvette. It surprised their sons.

"When he bought it, we had a picnic and my one son came up (and) he asked who owned the Corvette," Fran Lucier said. "Our other son said, 'Dad' and he replied, 'No, I'm serious. Whose is it?'"

The cruise weekend started Saturday at Crosswinds Church in Wayne, which hosted the pre-cruise kickoff party as part of its Family Day. More than 500 cars showed up for the event.

"We went to look at the cars," Gene Lucier said. "It was really good."

Matt and Julie Burns and their three children used their bikes to get around the park to see the cars. Son Brandon rode his own bike, while sons Shawn, 6, and Zachary, 3, rode in a pull-

along cart.

"We come every year. I enjoy it," Matt Burns said.

"He loves it; it's in his blood," his wife added. "When he smells that smell, he has to come. He

and his dad go to cruises and car shows."

Matt Burns had a 1973 Camaro, but sold it years ago.

"I was young and didn't realize its value," he said. "It's like everyone says, I wish I hadn't."

Spectators and cruisers alike took photos of the cars and the crowd. Some even had video cameras set up along the road to record the event.

"This is going to be the best cruise ever," Gary Swain said. "It's slow enough you can see the cars and cut across the road."

smason@hometownlife.com
734-674-2332
Twitter: @SusanMarieMason



SUE MASON

Matt and Julie Burns of Westland and their children Brandon (right), Shawn and Zachary used their bicycles to get to the cruise.

Subscribing has Rewards!

We appreciate
YOU
as a subscriber and we
want you to know it!



Win concert tickets, Emagine Theatre passes, Buddy's Pizza coupons, or giftcards from Meijer, Speedway or Joe's Produce!

WANT YOUR CHANCE TO WIN?

Simply enter the Reader Rewards drawing when you receive your monthly e-mail.

If you're not a subscriber yet, call or click today and save 25% off the regular rate plus receive a \$10 giftcard!



CALL
866-887-2737

or CLICK

hometownlife.com/bestoffer



Offer is valid to new subscribers only. Must not have had a subscription within the past 30 days

Reach.

Connect with more of your best customers through the combined power of O&E Media's family of brands and the expanded digital reach of Yahoo!



Lisa, Mom



Sara, Affluent

Targeting.

Zero in on your ideal customers with our expanded audience targeting capabilities based on geography, demographics, interests, and user behaviors.

Results.

Our growing collection of digital solutions will drive people like Lisa, Sara, and Mike to your business when they are ready to buy.



Mike, Young Professional

Searching for digital marketing solutions?

(Look no further.)

We understand that reaching and engaging people is challenging in this fragmented digital landscape. Our expertise in multi-media solutions — enhanced by partnerships with companies like Yahoo! — makes O&E Media the local leader in digital marketing.

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
hometownlife.com MEDIA
A GANNETT COMPANY

in partnership with

YAHOO!

Connect with your best customers at the best time.
Call O&E Media Advertising at: 734-582-8363 or 248-437-2011

Learn more! Visit us online at hometownlife.com

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THRIFT STORE SALE

Date/Time: Monday, Sept. 1, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Location: Salvation Army Thrift Store, Canton

Details: The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Center family thrift stores host their annual Labor Day sale. In addition to 50-percent savings on clothing, shoppers will have opportunities to pick up deals on accessories, home goods and other items during bonus sales announced each hour. Proceeds from all stores benefit The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Centers, independently funded, 180-day residential rehabilitation program for adults.

Contact: Call 734-416-1925 for more information.

PETE THE CAT PARTY

Dates/Times: Friday, Aug. 29, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 30, 11 a.m.

Location: Barnes and Noble, 17111 Haggerty (at Six Mile), Northville

Details: A special event for kids who love a popular story character "Pete the Cat." There will be a costumed Pete there to take photos with the kids. The Friday night event is a pajama party, so kids are encouraged to wear their pajamas. There will be games and activities, along with a photo op with Pete.

Contact: Call 248-348-0696 for more information.

CRAFT BAZAAR

Date: Saturday, Dec. 6.

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

Details: The Plymouth Historical Museum is accepting applications for its annual Juried Craft Bazaar. Applicants are required to submit three or four photos of craft items for judges to select participants as there is a limit of crafters to five per category. Table rentals are \$30 each and most are 8 feet wide, although there are some space variations available. The museum is offering free admission that day for both museum patrons and Craft Bazaar shoppers. Crafters are requested to donate an item for the museum's raffle. The application is available at www.plymouthhistory.org/cm/dpl/downloads/events/117/craft_show.pdf.

TASTE FEST

Date/Time: Friday, Sept. 5, 6-8 p.m.

Location: Station 885, 885 Starkweather, Plymouth's Old Village

Details: The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club and Station 885 are sponsoring the Taste Fest, which will offer great food and wine tasting. Participants include Bahama Breeze, Claddagh Pub, Cupcake Station, Elite Catering, Grand Traverse Pie Co., Happy's Pizza & Ribs, LaBistecca Italian Grille, Max & Erma's Plymouth, Mitchell's Fish Market, Noodles & Company, Plymouth Roc, Rocky's of Northville, Rusty Bucket, Station 885, Vintner's Canton Winery and Zoup Soup, Salad & Sandwiches. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. There's a live band, cash bar and more food and tables. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, Station 885 and at U.P. Pasties on Main Street.

Contact: Call 734-459-1896 for more information.

FALL FEST CRAFTERS

Date/Time: Craft show is during Plymouth Fall Festival, Sept. 5-7

Location: Downtown Plymouth

Details: It's not too late to send in an application for a booth in the Plymouth Fall Festival Craft Show. Applications are available on the Craft Show page at www.plymouthfallfestival.com.

Contact: For more information, contact Colleen Brown at craft-show@plymouthfallfestival.com.

SENIOR FITNESS

Date/Time: Wednesday, Sept. 3, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Location: Friendship Station Senior Center, 42375 Schoolcraft, Plymouth Township

Details: The Plymouth YMCA offers an open house and demonstrations of fitness classes offered by the center. The Silver Sneakers yoga classes feature a modified version of yoga designed for adults 65 and older. Zumba Gold is a specialty dance-inspired fitness class that takes the Zumba flavor and modifies the moves and pace to suit the needs of active older adults, baby boomers and the beginning fitness person. Six-week sessions start Sept. 9. Classes are free with participating Health Plans or \$39 annual YMCA fee or \$25 per session.

Contact: Registration will be available at the open house. For more information, contact the Plymouth YMCA at 734-453-2904.

JAZZ @ THE ELKS

Date/Time: Tuesday, Aug. 26, 7 p.m.

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

Details: Jazz @ The Elks is \$10



Bucket challenge

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools board members (from left) John Barrett, Kim Crouch, Superintendent Dr. Michael Meissen and Sheila Paton took the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge last week. Doing the pouring are Erin MacGregor, Nancy Laws, John Stewart and Kurt Tyszkiewicz.

donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres. Featured will be the Tommy Good Quartet with Tommy Good on vocals, Chuck Shermaturo on keyboards, Ray Tini on bass and Jim Ryan on drums.

Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or visit www.plymouthannarbor.org/elks325.com.

BLOOD DRIVES

Dates/Times/Locations:

» Thursday, Aug. 28, 2-7:45 p.m., Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Drive

» Thursday, Aug. 28, 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main

» Friday, Aug. 29, 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Canton Library, 1200 Canton Center

» Friday, Aug. 29, noon to 6 p.m., Compuware Arena, 14900 Beck

» Wednesday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Biggy Coffee, 44601 Five Mile, Plymouth

Details: The American Red Cross sponsors a series of blood drives in the Plymouth-Canton area. Appointments can be made and walk-ins are wel-

come.

Contact: Call Diane Risko to set up an appointment at 313-549-7052.

PERENNIAL EXCHANGE

Date/Time: Saturday, Sept. 6, 9-11 a.m.

Location: Plymouth Fall Festival, east end of Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth

Details: The Trailwood Garden Club sponsors a Perennial Exchange at the Plymouth Fall Festival. This is open to the community without charge; bring something (healthy plants only), take something or just stop by and see what is available. Members will be available to answer questions. Trailwood Garden Club is a member of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association.

Contact: For further information, call 734-459-7146.

MEDICARE/MEDICAID COUNSELING

Date/Time: Wednesday, Sept. 17, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: United Home Health Services, 2200 N. Canton Center Road, Ste 250, Canton

Details: United Home Health

Services offers free individual counseling with a certified MMAP (Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program) counselor who will help you understand: Medicare/Medicaid eligibility, transitioning from employer coverage to Medicare, plan options, assistance programs, drug insurance, and Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse identification and reporting. Medicare plan enrollment and subsidy application assistance also provided.

Contact: Heather Pinage, 734-727-2063. Please specify you are requesting an appointment for the United Home Health location. For MMAP information visit www.mmapinc.org/pages/about.html

OLGC ALPHA SERIES

Date/Time: Courses begin week of Sept. 9 and end week of Nov. 18. Times vary.

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

Details: Registration is now open for the parish's Alpha Course. The 11-week program involves interactive sessions exploring the basics of the

Christian faith. Each session includes a meal, short talk and informal group discussion. Our Lady of Good Counsel launched Alpha September 2013. By the end of the winter session in 2014, a total of 1,500 people completed the course.

Contact: To register or for more information, go to www.olgc-parish.net/events/alpha or call 734-453-0326. Open to all, Alpha is free to anyone living in the OLGC Parish boundaries and not registered at another parish.

HEAD START ENROLLMENT

Date: Starts Sept. 8

Location: Plymouth-Canton Head Start, 5880 Canton Center, Suite 450, Canton

Details: Registration is now open for Plymouth-Canton's Head Start program. The program is open to children ages 2 1/2 to 4 years old (must be 3 years old by Oct. 1). Head Start is a free preschool for low-income families and accepts children with disabilities/special needs.

Contact: For more information and to enroll, call 734-354-5196.

Hurry In For Incredible Labor Day Mattress Savings from Serta!

icomfort | iseries
Sleep System by Serta® | Hybrid Sleep System by Serta®

FREE BOXSPRING
or
SAVE UP TO \$1000
on a Serta® Adjustable Set!

Serta perfect sleeper
Pillow Top Queen Mattress for as low as **\$549**

YOUR CHOICE HOT BUY

Serta Memory Foam Queen Adjustable Set for as low as **\$999**

NEW! Serta VIP REWARDS

EARN \$100 PER YEAR UP TO \$1000 TOWARDS YOUR NEXT BED PURCHASE!
Plus, other VIP benefits and offers!

**VIP Rewards Members on \$299+ purchases after 120 days. May enter on multiple qualifying beds at 20%. Maximum rebate/offer of \$1,000 on \$1,999+ purchase. Value of reward credited by 20% for half or full size. Part of registration included customer agreement to receive marketing communications in exchange for earning rewards. If you opt out of marketing communications, you will lose your points after 90 days. †Purchase any Serta iComfort or iSeries mattress set between August 20th, 2014 and September 8th, 2014 and receive either a free adjustable bed (value up to \$1,000) or a qualified Serta adjustable foundation. Savings offers on the adjustable foundations will vary by model and size and is available only with the iMotion Custom™ iMotion Perfect™ iMotion Signature™ adjustable foundation models. Offer available only at participating retailers in the United States and the District of Columbia. This offer is not to be combined with any other offer. Void where prohibited by law. See store for details.

FREE Local Delivery | **FREE In-Home Set Up** | **FREE Removal** | **FREE Bed Frame** | **PLUS! Financing Available** | Serta WE MAKE THE WORLD'S BEST MATTRESS™

What's Cooking in the Bill & Rod's live kitchen with Chef Pam

September 20th
Pie Crust Class time 11 am
2nd Annual Pumpkin Pie Contest
Bring your fully cooked pumpkin pie to the store Sat. Sept. 20 between 9am and noon. Winner announced 4pm
Call store for more information

Whirlpool
America's Favorite Savings Event
Up to \$650⁰⁰ rebate with the purchase of select appliances
valid 8/20/14-9/1/14

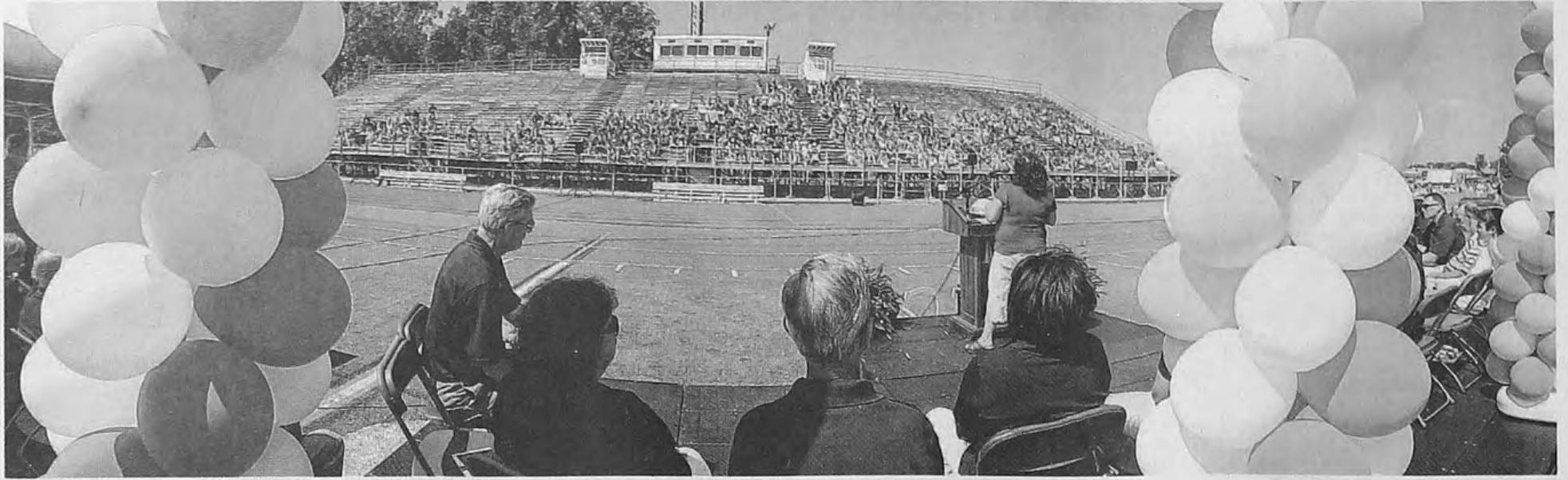
KitchenAid
INVITATION TO SAVINGS
Save on appliances that complete your kitchen with this exclusive invitation
Receive up to **\$1000**
MasterCard Prepaid Card by mail with purchase of select KitchenAid® Brand appliances.
Offer valid 9/30/14. See store for details.

KitchenAid
Installation Too Event
Up to \$75⁰⁰ allowance on select KitchenAid Dishwashers
valid 8/20/14-9/21/14

Bill & Rod's APPLIANCES & MATTRESSES
Honest and Dependable Since 1963

15870 Middlebelt Road
North of Five Mile • Livonia
734.425.5040
SALES • SERVICE • PARTS
BillAndRodsAppliance.com

KitchenAid FOR THE WAY IT'S MADE™
BRAND SOURCE MAYTAG
Whirlpool
SUPER SERVICE
VISA



District teachers and staff gathered in the stadium for the rally.

ANNUAL RALLY DAY KICKS OFF NEW SCHOOL YEAR

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

The 2014-15 school year starts Tuesday for the students.

For Plymouth-Canton Community Schools teachers, administrators and staff, it started this past Monday, with the district's annual Rally Day at the varsity football field.

Hundreds of teachers and staff gathered in the bleachers to hear Superintendent Dr. Michael Meissen welcome them back and to listen to a variety of speeches designed to kick the school year off with an energetic start.

"It's critical to celebrate the greatest assets in the community ... the teachers, students and support team," Meissen said, headlining his second rally day at the start of his second year at the district's helm. "We have a tradition of excellence here that needs to be celebrated."

In addition to speeches by former teacher Tom Williams, who retired last year after 40 years in the district, Board of Education President Judy Mardigan and Carole Kody, head of the district's Educational Excellence Foundation, the audience was treated to speeches from two students.

Central Middle School eighth-grader Marcellus Gaines, whose family just moved to the district last year, hailed his school's "welcoming spirit" for helping him adjust to his new surroundings.

"I started the school year not really knowing what to expect and kind of nervous about being the new kid," said Gaines, who said he hopes to go to a Big Ten school and play collegiate football. "To my surprise, before long, I was well-adjusted and had lots of new friends. That kind of welcoming spirit is just one of the things that makes Central such a unique and wonderful school."

Plymouth High School senior Ethan Hopper blended humor - "I would only be half-lying if I said this is the first time in August I've been awake early enough to say 'good morning' to someone," he said - with appreciation in addressing the teachers.

"There is no other place I'd rather be going to school ... I am grateful for your expertise, professionalism, respect and dedication," Hopper told teachers and staff. "Until I started thinking about this speech, I hadn't really considered some of the more subtle things that staff do every day for students."

The event also featured performances from the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, the Canton Chieftesses, the Salem Rockettes and the Plymouth Wildcats cheer/pom teams.

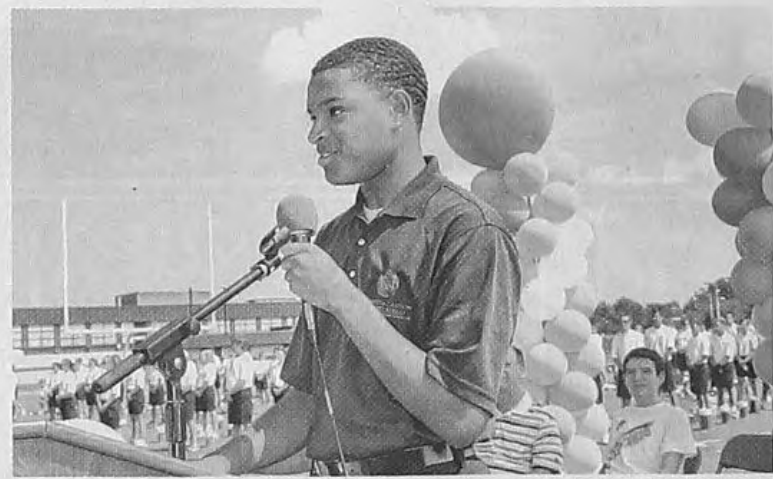
It was an event designed to get the staff jazzed for the new year and it seemed to work.

"(Rally Day) is a great idea," said Canton High School teacher Joanna McLean, whose team won the first Rally Day Spirit Trophy. "We never get to see everyone. ... It brings us together as a whole."



The rally closes with high-flying cheers.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Marcellus Gaines, a student at Central Middle School, thanks staff and teachers.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



The Canton staff earned the first Spirit Award.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Superhero Diane Klupacs, a paraprofessional at Field Elementary, got into the spirit of the day.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



The P-CEP Marching Band, here standing at parade rest, provided the entertainment for Rally Day.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

bkadrich@hometownlife.com
Twitter: @bkadrich

Fun time: Getting 'Down & Dirty'



LAURA COLVIN
Steve Katz, 48, of Farmington Hills finished the six-mile course with a time of 58:30.



LAURA COLVIN
Joe Lang, 23, of Westland finished the six-mile race third overall, crossing the finish line with a time of 48:49.



LAURA COLVIN
Nataasha Young, 20, of South Lyon makes her way up a slippery slope in the six-mile race. She finished with a time of 1:14:41.



LAURA COLVIN
Ryan Rivamonte, 23, of Royal Oak placed first overall in the six-mile course with a time of 45:38.



LAURA COLVIN
Brien Baumgartner, 28, of Canton finished the race with a time of 57:14.

Racers came in clean and went out dirty Sunday after participating in the Merrell Down & Dirty Obstacle Race at Kensington Metropark in Milford.

Participants ran, climbed, crawled, jumped and splashed through muddy pits during the six- and three-mile courses.

More than 3,000 racers – including nearly 500 kids who participated in the Adventure Kids one-mile race – completed the course.

The Merrell Down & Dirty Obstacle Race partners with Operation Gratitude, a charity organization that sends care packages filled with snacks, entertainment items and letters of appreciation addressed to U.S. service members deployed in hostile regions such as Iraq and Afghanistan and on naval ships at sea.



LAURA COLVIN
Six-mile racers hit the course during Sunday's Merrell Down & Dirty Obstacle Race held at Kensington Metropark in Milford.

Open Thursdays, 3 - 7 pm in our new location!!



TODAY IS
"BACK TO SCHOOL"
KID'S DAY
AT THE MARKET!!

We're in Central City Park @ 1901 S. Carlson between Ford & Marquette

Over 25 vendors featuring
Regular & Organic Produce
Plants & Herbs, Fresh Breads,
Honey, Jams, Baked Goods,
Candles, Soaps, Jewelry & more
While you're shopping, enjoy
great entertainment and food!!

Face Painting, Music,
Balloon Animals,
Story Telling & Special
Treats for Kids!!!
Puppet Show @ 4:30pm.
Get your goodie bag at the
balloons inside the pavilion!

Westland Farmers & Artisans Market is brought to you by Westland Downtown Development Authority
www.westlandfarmersmarket.com
Managed by Westland Chamber of Commerce

Sponsored by: MICHIGAN CHIROPRACTIC SPECIALISTS, PC
Dr. Amanda L. Apfelblat, Board Certified Pediatric Specialist

Free Parking **Free Admission**

Hugel Park RACEWAY

What's Everyone Talking About?

Thoroughbred Horse Racing

Conveniently located at the I-75/I-696 Interchange!

Every Friday & Saturday Night Now Through October 11, 2014.

Fridays – 7:30pm Post Time

- \$1 Hot Dogs, Popcorn, Pop, Programs & \$2-16oz Draft Beer

Saturdays – 7:30pm Post Time

- Tiger Ticket Drawing
- Buffet Night in the Dining Room

10 Mile Rd. & Dequindre Rd. - (248) 398-1000
Problem Gambling Call 1-800-270-7117

ST. MARY MERCY LIVONIA
SAINT JOSEPH MERCY HEALTH SYSTEM

Women's Services

WOMEN'S HEALTH PRESENTATION SERIES

Dr. Paul Makela, gynecologist, provides insight and education about a host of female conditions. Grab a friend, your sister or mom and learn about the latest therapies and procedures available that may help eliminate or reduce your symptoms or pain, and improve your quality of life.

REGISTER NOW!

The presentations are free, but registration is required. Please call 734-655-1980.

Registration Deadlines:

- August 27 - register by August 22
- September 24 - register by September 19
- October 22 - register by October 17
- November 20 - register by November 14

Light refreshments will be served.

Featured Speaker:
Paul R. Makela, MD
Medical Director, Gynecological Robotic Surgery, St. Mary Mercy Hospital

Upcoming Topics in 2014:

- Aug. 27: **Bladder Dysfunction and Overactive Bladder**
Cantoro Italian Market II
15550 Haggerty Rd.
Plymouth
- Sept. 24: **Pelvic Prolapse**
Cantoro Italian Market II
- Oct. 22: **Bladder Dysfunction and Overactive Bladder**
Meadowbrook Country Club
40941 W. 8 Mile Rd., Northville
- Nov. 20: **Pelvic Prolapse**
Meadowbrook Country Club

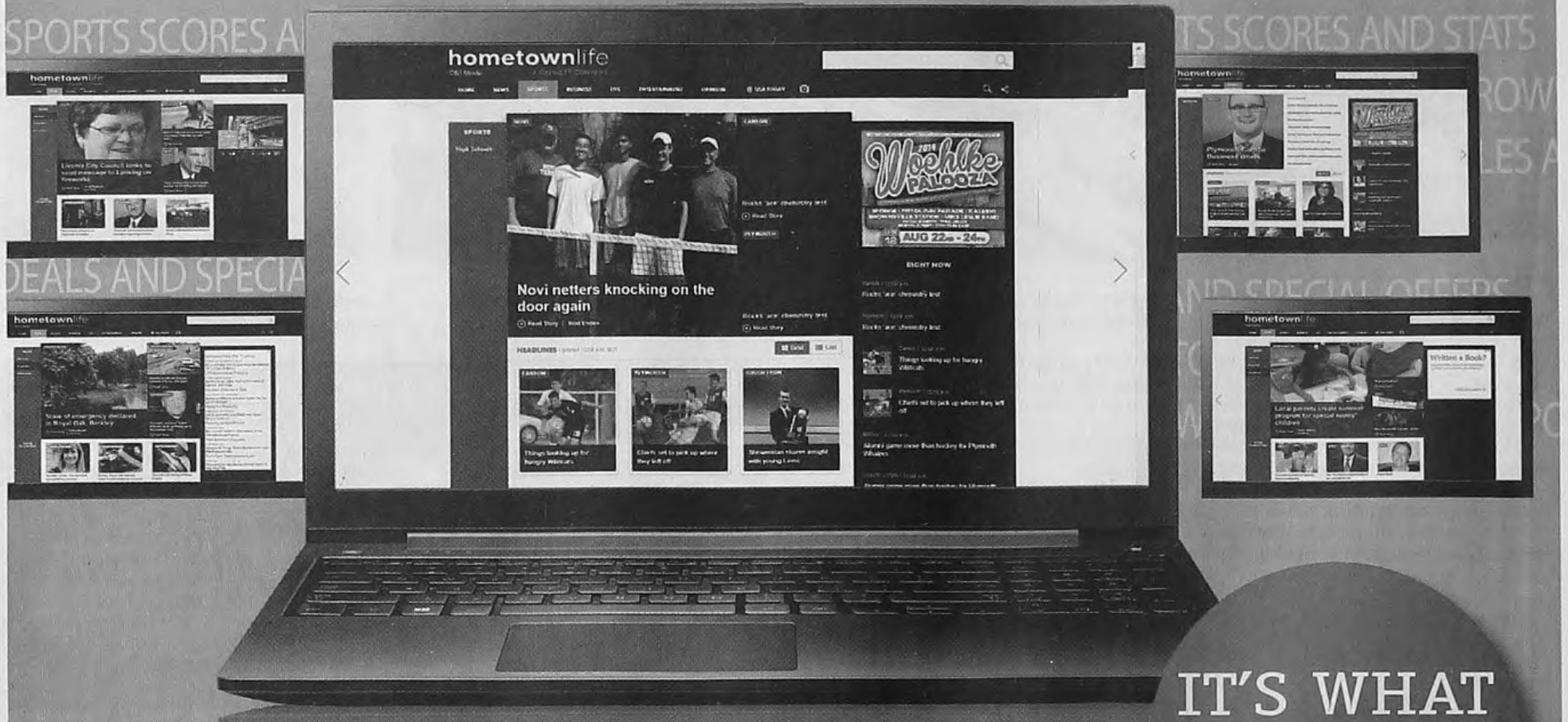
5:45 p.m. - Check-in
6 p.m. - Presentation

stmarymercy.org

REMARKABLE MEDICINE. REMARKABLE CARE.

The New hometownlife.com

MORE LOCAL NEWS; MORE VIDEOS; MORE PHOTOS
WITH OUR NEW APP... and it's FREE!



IT'S WHAT everyone's talking about.

- **Deeper Story Telling**

Rich interactive features including video

- **Real-time updates!**

- **Stunning photos, videos and navigation**

- **Robust Weather**

Current, hourly, and weekend forecasts plus interactive weather radar map

- **Save it for Later**

Enhanced article saving capabilities

NEW MOBILE APP

TRY IT TODAY



GET CONNECTED. 24/7. 

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
hometownlife.com **MEDIA**
A GANNETT COMPANY

Kids 'Kick Butt' for good cause, clean up downtown Plymouth

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Beckett and Noah Watson are 15-year-old twin brothers and sophomores at Plymouth Canton High School. They were eager to take to their longboards and pick up trash the morning of Sunday, Aug. 24, in the city of Plymouth.

"It's fun and it's great for the community," Beckett said inside the sponsoring Sun & Snow store in downtown Plymouth. Young people showed up in droves that morning to ride their longboards through Plymouth and pick up trash in the "Kick Butt" event.

"I think it is a cool thing we're doing," Noah said. They've been using longboards some two years, according to Beckett: "It's a lot different from skateboarding."

The "Kick Butt" concept evolved from Andy Bihn, 21, an Eastern Michigan University senior who's worked about two years at Sun & Snow.

"We put it on so the kids can come down and skate downtown for the one day," said Bihn, who's studying environmental geology at EMU and graduated from Plymouth High School in 2011. "We're just trying to let people know we're not out here ruining stuff. We can be helpful."

For safety reasons, the event was held Sunday and much of it beyond the immediate downtown area. Bihn, whose family lives in Canton, noted about 1,200 pounds of trash got picked up last year.

"Last year turned out really well for us," he said. "It's really good to see all of them come together for something like this."

Helmet use was also emphasized for safety, Bihn said. He appreciates support from city of Plymouth folks, including police, as well as the Downtown Development Authority.

"They appreciate and respect what we were doing," he said. He estimated the corps of young people Sunday at around 100. A "Kick Butt" event was also held in early June.

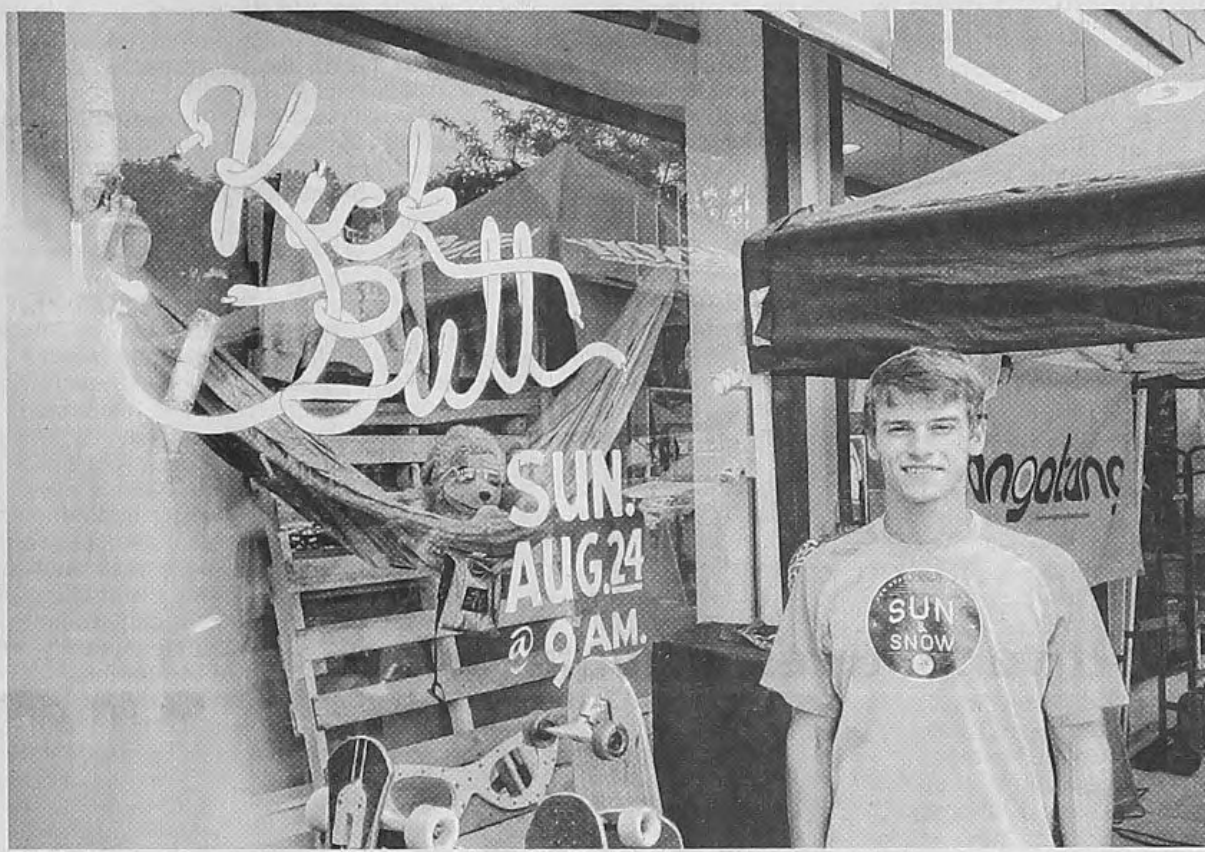
Susan Watson of Plymouth Township is mom to Beckett and Noah. "I'm proud of them for being part of this," she said. "There's sort of been a bad rap about the kids. They're all super great kids. I just love it. And it's good to see all these younger kids, too."

She regularly has a number of great teen boys who are her



Young people showed up in droves for the Sunday, Aug. 24, trash pickup in Plymouth.

JULIE BROWN



Sun & Snow staffer Andy Bihn, 21, takes a break from organizing duties at Sunday's "Kick Butt" trash pickup. He's a 2011 Plymouth High graduate and a senior in environmental geology at Eastern Michigan University.

JULIE BROWN

sons' friends at their home. Her sons are both in Canton High's Arts Academy.

"They're very solid students," she said. Sun & Snow's Bihn agreed the event boosts

the image of boarders.
jcbrown@hometownlife.com

BUSINESS BRIEFS

New Esquire location

Locally owned Esquire Interiors of Ann Arbor is opening a second store in downtown Plymouth.

The new store location is reported to be next to Starbucks and Panera Bread, across from the Ironwood Grille, on Ann Arbor Trail.

Esquire Interiors moved its main location eight years ago to 5863 Jackson, across from Lowe's, in Ann Arbor and has reported an average of 10-percent growth, even through recession, company officials said. Esquire has been nominated by Hunter Douglas Blinds and Shades as a Gallery Centurion Store, one of six in Michigan, and has consistently been one of the most successful Hunter Douglas retailers in the state.

Owner Ted Barron explains why the extraordinary growth in tough market.

"I believe having a no-commission sales staff that concentrates on doing the right thing - not selling, but helping - is one of the keys," he said. "Also standing behind our best-priced promise, even when we go up against the Internet, helps, too."

Esquire is a full-service home fashions retailer. Featuring upholstered furniture from Norwalk, custom window fashions, flooring and kitchen and bath remodeling. More information is available at www.esquireinteriors.com

Fish Window honors

Bridget and Joe Lang, owners of the local Fish Window Cleaning, were recognized Aug. 2 for top sales at the annual Fish Window Cleaning Convention in St. Louis, Mo.

"We had a great year," Bridget Lang said. "We are thankful for our customers - old and new - for helping us reach this milestone."

The Langs were recognized for adding more than 500 accounts to their customer base in 2013.

"The top sales recognition identifies franchise owners who are committed to growing their business," said Mike Merrick, CEO, Fish Window Cleaning.

"Success doesn't happen overnight and meeting people daily and building relationships in the community is what makes Fish owners so successful."

The Langs opened their business in 2003 and their office provides service to commercial and residential customers in Detroit, Livonia, Plymouth, Northville, Novi, Wixom, Farmington Hills, Southfield, Royal Oak, Birmingham, Troy and Rochester Hills.

To contact Fish Window Cleaning, visit www.fishwindowcleaning.com/540 or call 248-354-3340.



Guernsey president Marty McGuire and manager Colleen Ortman are excited about debuting a special ice cream strictly for the state fair. Novi Mayor Bob Gatt was behind the ingredients for this ice cream that will be served all weekend at the state fair.

Guernsey going for record at fair

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

A big happening at the Michigan State Fair will be Guernsey Farms Dairy attempting to become part of the Guinness Book of World Records.

This local favorite in the Novi/Northville community is working with Sanders Chocolate to serve around 3,000 people dessert at the fair to break the record of nearly 800. Today's event is part of the kick-off for the state fair's VIP Charity Preview Night. A lot of Guernsey ice cream and Sanders hot fudge will be served.

"This should be a lot of fun and interesting to see," said Marty McGuire, president of Guernsey Farms Dairy.

Guernsey has become an even bigger part of the fair this year, with a larger booth to go along with this role. It will again offer "Endless Chocolate Milk"

which has fair-goers able to try their hand at milking Darla the virtual cow and receiving a half-pint. This can be replaced as many times as they wish during their time at the fair.

It will also be featuring more food items like its famous broasted chicken.

The dairy's role has grown more with the help of the renewed partnership with Sanders. At the Guernsey fair booth, attendees will find some classic treats being served, including Sanders Hot Fudge Cream Puffs and Bumpy Cake.

"We're excited to be part of this," McGuire said. "We always want to be involved with the community that supports us and introduce ourselves to new people. This is a great way for us to do those things."

lhuhman@hometownlife.com
248-437-2011, ext. 255
Twitter: @lhuhman

Charity walk to fight cancer

Quick Lane of Plymouth, located at Blackwell Ford, is thinking pink come September for the inaugural Walk for the Cure of Breast Cancer 5K.

The tire and auto center will host its first ever charity walk Sept. 13 at the dealership in Plymouth.

The walk/run will take off from the parking lot of Blackwell Ford at 10 a.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Participants can enjoy refreshments at the starting point before the race starts.

Honorary chair Linda Pond, a breast cancer survivor and Ford Warriors in Pink model of courage, will speak during the opening ceremony. International recording artist Steve Acho will open the event as well.

Quick Lane of Plymouth is accepting registrations for run/walk spots and donations now at BlackwellFord.com/Events.

Registration is free and the first 500 registrants will receive a complimentary T-shirt.

Proceeds raised from the event will benefit the Detroit Komen Race for the Cure in 2015. Together, Quick Lane of Plymouth and Blackwell Ford support Susan G. Komen for the Cure in many of its local organizations and events. Susan G. Komen for the Cure has invested more than \$2.5 billion to fulfill the



Quick Lane of Plymouth, located at Blackwell Ford, hosts its first Walk for the Cure of Breast Cancer 5K in Plymouth on Sept. 13.

promise of working to end breast cancer in the U.S. and throughout the world.

The dealership and service center's goal is to help Susan G. Komen for the Cure with that promise and raise \$10,000 during its maiden Walk for the Cure of Breast Cancer 5K.

"Our staff at Quick Lane of Plymouth is so

excited to host a new event that benefits cancer research," said Steve Colwell, manager of Quick Lane of Plymouth. "We can't wait to get everyone out here to walk for the cure!"

To sign up to run or walk in the 5K, sponsor the event or to find out more information, visit BlackwellFord.com/Events.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a proposal for **Purchase of Technology Education Lockers with Tools**. Specifications of the Request for Proposal (RFP) are available by contacting Kristen Hennessey, Director of Procurement, Plymouth Canton Community Schools at kristen.hennessey@pcck12.com or (734) 416-3013. Details of the proposal are also available on Bid4Michigan.com. Proposals will be accepted as specified in the Request for Proposals at PCCS - E.J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before **Friday, September 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.** The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
Adrienne Davis, Secretary

OUR VIEW

Pay tribute to nation's workers on Labor Day

Holiday more than just long weekend

Come Monday, the nation will celebrate Labor Day. Like other holidays that have been transformed into long weekends, the meaning of Labor Day has been lost on many Americans.

For them, Labor Day is typically a day spent with friends and family, making one last trip to the pool, beach or amusement park. Little consideration is given to why they have a day off from work.

Labor Day was created as a day to celebrate, acknowledge and pay tribute to the contributions that American workers have provided for the country as a whole. Workers are given the day off as a way for the nation to show appreciation for their work.

The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union.

The accomplishments of the labor movement are often forgotten with our celebration of Labor Day.

The holiday was part of the overall labor movement of the late 19th century, which sought greater recognition for fair labor practices for people working in blue-collar jobs. The proposal was for a holiday that included a street parade to exhibit to the public "the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations" of the community.

It took the 1894 Pullman strike to get Labor Day to be recognized as a holiday. Organized by labor leader Eugene V. Debs, the strike included dozens of labor unions and 270,000 workers from 27 states. To keep the trains running, President Grover Cleveland ordered the U.S. military to break up picketing. It resulted in 34 deaths and score of injuries. As a result of the political fallout, Cleveland signed into law an act making Labor Day a mandatory legal holiday.

The accomplishments of the labor movement are often forgotten with our celebration of Labor Day. The union movement has been dedicated to improving working conditions and creating a better standard of living for workers – and it has done that.

In the late 1800s, the average American worked 12-hour days, seven days a week. Children as young as 5 and 6 years old worked in factories and mines. It is because of labor's efforts that we have the eight-hour work day and a five-day work week, plus holidays as days off, vacation and sick time, health care, pensions and child labor laws.

We have all benefited from the efforts of those who fought for good, safe working conditions and a decent wage. Those battles continue to today. It took protests by fast food workers to get the state Legislature to change the minimum wage. The change may not be the \$15 an hour they wanted, but as of Sept. 1, Michigan workers will see an increase in the minimum wage from \$7.40 to \$8.15. That's the first increase in six years and marks the beginning of a gradual 25-percent increase of the minimum wage, resulting in \$9.25 per hour by 2018.

Labor Day was the creation of the labor movement and dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. Today, it recognizes the contributions and achievements of the 155 million men and women who are in the U.S. workforce.

So whatever your plans are for Labor Day, take a moment to think about those who took a stand to make things better in the workplace. Labor Day is your day because of them.



LEWIS HINE

Among the accomplishments of the labor movement often forgotten with our celebration of Labor Day is the passage of child labor laws.

LETTERS

Compromise lost

Trustee Mike Kelly presented the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees with a very simple opportunity to compromise on the ongoing controversial approval process for an amphitheater at the west township park.

As he had to make a motion to solicit citizen input for this project, it seems obvious that despite claims to the contrary, this input does not exist. Otherwise, all trustees would have been given the evidence. If it does exist, perhaps a request under the Freedom of Information Act to produce it could be a next step.

The opportunity for compromise was lost as a result of what has become a predictable bloc voting, with the majority digging in their heels even further. What they need to remember is without data backing up their vote, they are just another opinion. Granted, some of it is a higher-paid opinion – in one case, with a gavel, and in the case of one of the trustees, a back pocket vote who does not seem to have any independent opinion other than "go along to get along."

Bonnie Jos
Plymouth Township

Why the difference?

Stephen Utash was beat to a bloody pulp April 2 in Detroit; there was no rioting, no violence.

He simply stopped to render aid in a minor traffic accident.

Now, Michael Brown is killed in an altercation with police officers in Ferguson, Mo. Looting and violence has followed.

Why? Can you answer that, Rev. Al Sharpton?

Tom Kelly
Plymouth

Negative focus

I was disappointed to read in last Thursday's *Observer* a letter disparaging Rep. Dian Slavens. I am not surprised, though.

The entire focus of state Sen. Patrick Colbeck has been negative in this campaign so far. He does not campaign on what he has done.

I have known Dian Slavens for over 20 years. We were fellow church members. Dian gave generously of her time to teach Sunday school. She is one of the



The amphitheater project in Plymouth Township Park continues to be a controversial issue.

most ethical persons I know. That is why I was not surprised when it was reported in Sunday's (Aug. 24) *Observer* that the Michigan Department of State reported that she had not violated any campaign laws.

Sen. Colbeck should examine why he has little support from the education community and why Rep. Slavens has substantial support from that community. Perhaps it is because Colbeck has voted to raise the cap on charter schools. Also, he is working tirelessly to dismantle the Michigan Education Association.

Dian Slavens opposes cuts to our public educational system. Please join with me and other 7th District voters in electing Rep. Diane Slavens as our next state senator from the 7th District.

Thomas M. Hartnett
Canton

Mud-slinging starts

Last year, I warned our voters to stock up on hip boots because of the BS that was coming from the right-wing politicians and their lackeys. I now suggest raincoats to protect against becoming collateral damage from the mud being thrown by these same hacks.

According to a letter in this paper (Aug. 21), Patrick Colbeck's apologist, groupie fan or whatever he considers himself, Republican spokesman Michael Hansel has fired the opening salvo of mud-slinging. In his letter, he is calling on everybody short of the National Guard to investigate our Demo-

cratic Rep. Dian Slavens over email letters.

Rep. Slavens has been most vocal in opposing, and voting against, all the tax breaks for rich corporate leaders that were paid for by the middle class, the poor, retirees, school districts and local governments. That is one of the reasons she is running for the state Senate 7th District seat, currently occupied by Colbeck.

Colbeck and his minions can throw all the mud they want, but when it washes off, the voting records will show who is a shill for the rich and who works for the rest of us.

James Huddleston
Canton

Ignoring the voices

The recent decision by the Plymouth Township board to proceed with the building of an amphitheater at Plymouth Township Park in spite of large opposition by the township residents only shows what has been happening with our governments lately. This includes local, county, state and federal branches.

Our elected representatives constantly ignore the voices of their constituents who protest either through board meetings or petition and vote to proceed with projects or change laws as they (or their campaign contributors) see fit. What a sham.

Voters in November, and in future elections, beware of who you elect and then hold them accountable for their actions.

Thomas Marunich
Plymouth

GUEST COLUMN

Great Lakes restoration bill gets committee hearing

In July, the Water and Wildlife Subcommittee of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee held a hearing on the Great Lakes Ecological and Economic Protection Act, which I introduced along with a bipartisan group of eight Senate co-sponsors, including Illinois Sen. Mark Kirk, my co-chair on the Senate Great Lakes Task Force, and Michigan Sen. Debbie Stabenow.

This legislation would help restore and protect the Great Lakes, the largest source of surface freshwater on the planet. It would target the most significant problems facing the Great Lakes and ensure that we implement these projects cost-effectively.

The Great Lakes are one of the world's great treasures, providing drinking water to more than 40 million people; supporting 1.5 million U.S. jobs and \$62 billion in wages; transporting critical supplies for manufacturing, electricity generation and food for the world; and supporting the region's \$4.6 trillion economy.

The Great Lakes brought industrial and natural resource development to the region, which resulted in tremendous economic development and population growth. This development, however, also resulted in toxic substances polluting the waters and sediments, untreated waste water threatening public health and polluted runoff choking habitats and killing aquatic life. The recent toxic algae bloom on Lake Erie that cut off drinking water to a half a million residents is just one example of how much we depend on our lakes.

The Great Lakes Ecological and Economic Protection Act, also known as GLEPPA, would tackle problems from past pollution and protect the lakes



Carl Levin

GUEST COLUMNIST

from current and future threats.

GLEPPA would formally authorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, an inter-agency program launched by President Obama in 2009 to implement a regional collaboration strategy developed in 2005 through a process established in an executive order by President George W. Bush.

The history of the restoration strategy clearly shows the work of restoring and protecting the Great Lakes is founded on a plan that reflects a broad range of viewpoints and has strong bipartisan support.

GLEPPA would focus federal resources on the areas of highest priority identified in the collaborative plan, which would be further refined as new science and information become available. While the GLRI is broadly authorized in the Clean Water Act, passing this legislation would help ensure the program has clear congressional direction and goals, is results-driven and transparent and implements the most cost-effective solutions.

The bill would also formally establish the Great Lakes Advisory Board to provide advice and recommendations concerning restoration and protection. The board would reflect many different viewpoints, including local, state and tribal governments; environmental, agricultural and business organizations; hunters and anglers; and academia.

Finally, the bill would formally establish a 10-member

inter-agency task force to coordinate restoration efforts, ensure projects are not duplicated and that they use existing successful programs. GLEPPA also would accelerate progress toward the goals of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, a formal agreement between the U.S. and Canadian governments establishing shared goals for protecting and improving water quality of the Great Lakes.

The GLRI has achieved real progress: cleanup of more than 1.3 million cubic yards of contaminated sediment; control of the destructive sea lamprey and restoration of sturgeon, trout and other important fish species; construction and improvement of barriers to prevent an invasion by destructive Asian carp and planning for additional measures to keep these fish out of the lakes; protection of tens of thousands of vital habitat acreage; and restoration of thousands of miles of rivers for fish passage. GLEPPA would help ensure that progress continues to be made using a solid framework for achieving measurable and outcome-based results.

The Great Lakes are precious and irreplaceable. As temporary stewards of this invaluable resource, we must do all we can to restore and protect the Great Lakes for the millions of people who depend on them today and the millions more who will in the future.

I'm glad the Water and Wildlife Subcommittee held an important hearing on this vital legislation and I'm hopeful it can receive approval from the full committee and move on to a vote in the Senate.

Carl Levin is a U.S. senator from Michigan and co-chair of the Senate Great Lakes Task Force.

CANTON OBSERVER

A GANNETT COMPANY

Brad Kadrich,
Community Editor
Susan Rosiek,
Executive Editor

Grace Perry,
Director of
Advertising

State Fair: 20 more acres of fun for 2014

The Michigan State Fair rolls into the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi over Labor Day weekend, Aug. 29 through Sept. 1.

Now produced as a private enterprise and with Fifth Third Bank as the presenting sponsor for the second year, the fair continues to honor all of the great traditions and legacy of the treasured event, but with a 21st century twist.

The fair, which welcomed 80,000 folks in 2013, will expand by 20 acres westward along I-96 this year, featuring the famous agriculture, tourism and products of Michigan in the clean, modern environment of the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue (between Novi and Beck roads).

"What makes the fair better this year is its size and expansion," said Blair Bowman, manager of the fair and owner of the Showplace. "Literally every area of the fair has expanded. We have more animals with over a 60-percent increase in livestock participants. The home arts area doubled in size from last year."

The Detroit Shrine Circus, presented by Bright House Networks, returns for 2014 with three of the world's largest circus tents. It includes the world famous Flying Wallendas high wire act, featuring Rietta and Lyric Wallenda. The majestic and stunning equine steeds also return with the Zoppee-Zamperla Riders. Plus, visitors will see the Wheel of Thrills featuring Joseph Dominic Bauer. The Shrine Circus features lions, horses and a host of thrilling circus acts.

Fair-goers will also enjoy an expanded Arnold Amusements Midway featuring a giant Ferris wheel and popular Freak Out ride, Tilt-a-Whirl, Groovy Bus and Shock Drop, along with giant slides, bumper cars and much more. There is also a special area of the fairgrounds equipped with rides just for the little ones; Tiny Totville offers parents a place for their toddlers to play, with rides and play-capes just for them.

Another new addition is the Kroger Michigan-Made Pavilion, which offers exhibits and sampling for a broad array of food, beverage and other products manufactured within the state. "Kroger is proud to be a presenting sponsor of the Michigan-Made Pavilion at the Michigan State Fair," says Jayne Homco, president of The Kroger Co. of Michigan.

"Everything has truly expanded this year and about 80 percent of the fair is under cover and the weather has a minimal effect on the fair goer experience," said Steve Masters, the fair's executive director.

There is also a new Guernsey Dairy and Sanders Candy collaboration being churned up. The two iconic Michigan companies have entered into a sweet new partnership which will debut at the fair. Guernsey is now slated to produce Sanders ice cream, bringing back some of Sanders' most popular flavors - using original recipes dating as far back as the early 1920s - as well as collaborating on developing new flavors. Guernsey Dairy



Fair-goers can again enjoy carnival rides.

will also again offer Endless Chocolate Milk, where fair-goers are able to try their hand at milking Darla the (virtual) cow and receive a half-pint, which can be replaced as many times as they wish during their time at the fair.

4-H Clubs and youth members from counties all across southeast Michigan will offer a new children's activity area, with a take-home craft project and a chance to learn about the wide spectrum of 4-H club activities available to local youngsters.

The time-honored fair agricultural and livestock exhibits return, including the Beginning of Life, with baby farm animals, Butter Cow sculpting presented by CF Burger Creamery and also many horse and pony breed demonstrations.

Expanded Home Arts exhibits, contests and activities are also included in the 2014 fair. The King Arthur Baking Contest returns, along with a new Soup Contest, plus spinning and weaving demonstrations and more crafts and projects. The fair will also debut its new Farm Favorites Cookbook at the fair (available for purchase at \$15), a three-ring binder style with more than 250 recipes that will be updated annually with additional new recipes from Michigan cooks and chefs.

Bowman said what he is looking forward to most is awarding even more scholarships to both urban and rural youth agricultural applicants. He said another highlight will be the Charity Preview night, where deserving military veterans and their families, Shriners Hospital kids, Rainbow Connection and wish families, as well as Michigan's special Olympians along with other charities, get a chance to come and enjoy the fair free of charge.

Musical entertainment

Live family entertainment features live music from a full slate of Michigan singer-songwriters Friday evening, all sharing Michigan roots - Billy Brandt, Jason Den-

nie & John Holkeboer; Don 'Dooop' Duprie and Jennifer Westwood & Dylan Dunbar.

The new Michigan State Fair Superstar talent competition will showcase 14 local acts both Friday and Saturday afternoon. The finalists were selected from more than 70 applicants following live auditions in late July; they will all be performing at the fair. The showcase performances will run 2-6 p.m. Friday,

Aug. 29, and Saturday, Aug. 30, with the grand prize winner and runner-up performing as headliners on the Main Stage, sponsored by St John Providence Health System, at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 31.

The 2014 Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair Superstar Finalists are: Alison Albrecht, 14, Novi; Karley Davidson, 20, Madison Heights; Leah Ginsey, 15, Commerce; Shannen Hawkins, 28, Flint; Aiesha "A.J." Jenkins, 17, Roseville; Esther Kaufmann, 18, Plymouth; Alise King, 28, Detroit; Jade Kuzak, 16, Plymouth; Jordan Norman, 18, Allegan; Claudia Paddy, 15, South Rockwood; Ben Will, 28, Detroit; Racecarracecar (group), Berkley; Tim Reeves (group), Westland; and We 3 & She (group), Oakland.

The winner will be awarded a \$2,000 cash prize, plus songwriting coaching, artist and repertoire song selection and publishing consultation from multiple Detroit Music Award winner Nadir Omowale and vocal performance coaching from Wayne State University instructor Gordon Finlay, both members of the Masters of Music Learning Conservatory in Royal Oak. The winner will also benefit from live performance booking consultation from 2 Stones Events; practice studio time at Studio B in Novi; and studio production consultation and direction from producer Chuck Alkazian, with

recording and mastering of a three-song EP at Pearl Sound Studios in Canton.

The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair will present Steinway Under the Stars, a celebration of the Great American Songbook, Saturday, Aug. 30.

The Great American Songbook spans many decades and includes some of the nation's most beloved songs and arrangements. This special Steinway Under the Stars features accomplished local musicians and vocalists, including:

Cliff Monear: A product of the Berklee College of Music, Cliff's jazz group, The Cliff Monear Trio, is one of the busiest performing rhythm sections in the Midwest. In addition to a very full private and public performance schedule as well as teaching commitments at Wayne State University, Monear is the exclusive Steinway & Sons representative for the Michigan jazz community.

Mark Randisi: When Andrea Bocelli first heard Randisi sing, he believed he was listening to a Frank Sinatra recording. That's a common response, but Randisi is modest: "I'm flattered when people say I sound like Sinatra. I developed a love for the music and I respect those who created it. However, I am being myself." Raised in an Italian family in Detroit, Randisi was surrounded by a passion for music. His father was a trumpet

player and his grandfather an opera singer. After working in a family-owned painting business, Randisi (as Casey Kasem would say) "put down his paint brush and picked up a microphone."

Nicole New: The 28-year-old Detroiter is a passionate and provocative singer, alluring crowds with her sensitivity and soulfulness as one of Detroit's premier bandleaders. Her eclectic style of singing, drawing from her early influences of performing jazz, pop, opera and musical theater has transformed into a sound all her own. The Nicole New Group is making a lasting impression at performance venues all over Michigan and beyond. Wowing fans with her rich tone and rhythmic phrasing, venues such as The Jazz Cafe at Music Hall, Cliff Bell's, London Chop House and Steinway Jazz Cafe have become a regular stop for this energetic performer.

The signature Michigan State Fair Choir will open the show, with an energetic tribute to the grand state of Michigan and a lively introduction to Steinway Under the Stars at 8 p.m.

Tickets, which include fair admission, are \$15; tables of eight may be purchased for \$100. Tickets are available online at www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com or at the Steinway Piano Gallery, 2700 E Maple Road, in Commerce (<http://www.steinwaydetroit.com>).



Check these Local Businesses offering Great Values and ready to serve you...enjoy!

8th All in the Family
2014 / 2015 SEASON

Tipping Point Theatre

VANYA AND SONIA AND MASHA AND SPIKE
by Christopher Durang
Sept 18 - Oct 19, 2014

THE RAINMAKER
by N. Richard Nash
Nov 13 - Dec 14, 2014

LEAVING IOWA
by Tim Clue & Spike Manton
Jan 29 - Mar 8, 2015

THE OUTGOING TIDE
by Bruce Graham
Apr 9 - May 3, 2015

A LOVELY SUNDAY FOR CREVE COEUR
by Tennessee Williams
May 28 - June 28, 2015

INVASIVE SPECIES
by Joseph Zettelmaier
July 23 - Aug 23, 2015

LIVE PROFESSIONAL THEATRE CLOSE TO HOME
361 E Cady St, Northville, MI 48167
248.347.0003 | tippingpointtheatre.com
SeasonPASSES on sale NOW
full season for as low as \$144

Don't be left behind
Call 248-437-2011
today to learn more
about advertising in
Out on the Town!

Amantea RESTAURANT

ITALIAN AMERICAN CUISINE

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 4-10 pm, Fri.-Sat. 4-11 pm, Sun. Open at 12:30 pm

\$10 OFF
The purchase of any 2 regular priced entrees and 2 beverages

Valid Sun - Thursdays. May not be combined w/other offers or used on holidays. Must present coupon. Exp. September 30, 2014

LET US COOK FOR YOUR NEXT GET TOGETHER.

32777 W. Warren • Garden City
Just East of Venoy
amantearestaurant.com
734-421-1510

Reaching consumers from Detroit to all of Michigan just got easier.

ACROSS DEVICES. ACROSS MICHIGAN.

The Detroit News, Detroit Free Press, Observer & Eccentric. The most trusted brands in the state. Together, the largest digital collective for growing your business powers solutions no other partner can.

Over 500 dedicated journalists. 6.3 million unique visitors every month*. 76% of the population lives in the communities we serve.

MICHIGAN MEDIA SOLUTIONS
Partner smarter.

Start growing today. Go to michiganmediasolutions.com or call 313-222-6691.

DETROIT FREE PRESS | FREEPCOM | THE DETROIT NEWS | DETROITNEWS.COM | 1822413 | WZZM13.COM | LANSING STATE JOURNAL | LSJ.COM | BATTLE CREEK ENQUIRER | BATTLECREEKENQUIRER.COM | THE TIMES HERALD | THETIMESHERALD.COM | LIVINGSTON COUNTY DAILY PRESS & ARGUS | LIVINGSTONDAILY.COM | OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

*Source: Monthly unique visitors, comScore Multi-Platform Report, March 2013

The Detroit News, Detroit Free Press, Observer & Eccentric. The most trusted brands in the state. Together, the largest digital collective for growing your business powers solutions no other partner can.

Over 500 dedicated journalists. 6.3 million unique visitors every month*. 76% of the population lives in the communities we serve.

MICHIGAN MEDIA SOLUTIONS
Partner smarter.

Start growing today. Go to michiganmediasolutions.com or call 313-222-6691.

DETROIT FREE PRESS | FREEPCOM | THE DETROIT NEWS | DETROITNEWS.COM | 1822413 | WZZM13.COM | LANSING STATE JOURNAL | LSJ.COM | BATTLE CREEK ENQUIRER | BATTLECREEKENQUIRER.COM | THE TIMES HERALD | THETIMESHERALD.COM | LIVINGSTON COUNTY DAILY PRESS & ARGUS | LIVINGSTONDAILY.COM | OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

*Source: Monthly unique visitors, comScore Multi-Platform Report, March 2013

hometown life woman



Arts & Crafts Show

October 25, 2014
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Quality Inn & Suites
Banquet & Conference Center
30375 Plymouth Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

Wanted

Artisan Jewelry,
Arts, Crafts & MORE!

NOW accepting Registrations
Sign-up during our
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
for **ONLY \$90!**

Early Bird registration ends August 29, 2014

Email:

cbjordan@hometownlife.com

or on-line sign up -

[eventbrite.com/e/art-craft-show-tickets-](http://eventbrite.com/e/art-craft-show-tickets-12415048745)

[12415048745](http://eventbrite.com/e/art-craft-show-tickets-12415048745)

(Processing fee may apply.)

313.222.2414



Limited Space
Available!
ACT FAST!

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
hometownlife.com **MEDIA**
A GANNETT COMPANY

MDOT: Contractor deadline for freeway opening is Oct. 11

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

The deadline date for the I-96 reopening through Redford and Livonia is Oct. 11.

That is when contractor Dan's Excavating is required to have I-96 reopen to traffic, per the state's contract with the Shelby Township-based company, said Jeff Horne, an engineer with MDOT.

Dan's Excavating could leave the freeway closed past that date, Horne said, but a penalty of \$150,000 a day would be imposed for every day past Oct. 11 the seven-mile stretch of freeway is not open, with no cap on the maximum fine.

Conversely, if the freeway is opened before Oct. 11, the contractor will receive a \$150,000-a-day incentive bonus that is capped at a maximum of \$4.5 million. The maximum amount would be obtained if the roadway is open 30 days ahead of schedule.

Horne said there was no official word yet as to when the freeway will open, though he did say the entire stretch would open all at once.

But work will still continue after the free-

way reopens to traffic. Some planned work along the embankments may dictate some lane closures throughout the fall and winter, Horne said.

"There's still other work that has to take place after that," he said.

The \$148 million freeway reconstruction has left motorists since early April finding an alternate route to maneuver through Redford and Livonia. The freeway has remained closed between Telegraph and Newburgh since that time.

Columbia light coming back next week

Work crews for the project are having to make some emergency repairs to about 450 feet of eastbound Schoolcraft between Columbia and Breakfast Drive in Redford this week. This work has forced the removal of the temporary traffic signal at that intersection until this weekend, Horne said.

Schoolcraft, being an older road, has had issues whenever crews have needed to do work on the slopes with the freeway, causing some damage that MDOT crews are repairing, Horne said.

"It's really difficult to reconstruct the freeway with walls adjacent to the freeway with a road," he said.

There are several other spots that have had issues with the road needing emergency repairs, though Horne said the stretch between Columbia and Breakfast Drive is one of the more major areas.

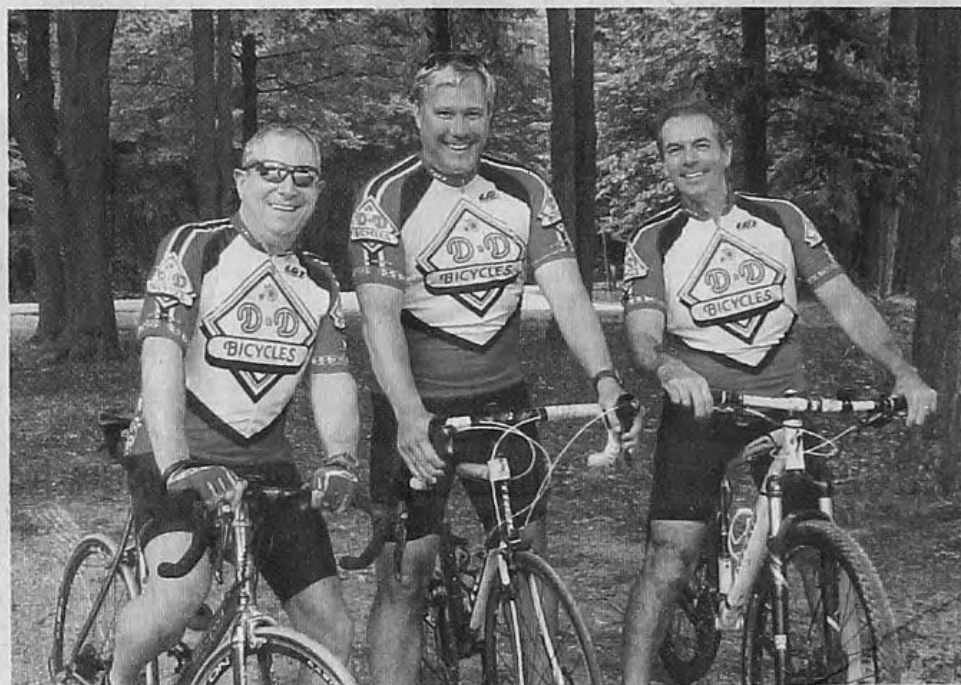
"This is the most important one," he said. "We want to get that light up prior to school starting."

That stretch of Schoolcraft in Redford is maintained by Wayne County. Schoolcraft through Livonia is maintained as a city thoroughfare.

The temporary signal, as well as the Breakfast Drive bridge, should be back in operation before school starts next Wednesday at Thurston High School and other South Redford schools.

Minimal work will take place Monday for the Labor Day holiday, though some workers will be out that day to perform essential services, Horne said. Work will take place throughout the weekend.

dveselenak@hometownlife.com
734-678-6728
Twitter: @DavidVeselenak



The Northville Rotary Club, in conjunction with the University of Michigan-Northville Health Center is presenting the "Tour de Ville Bicycle Ride." Rotarians and residents Patrick Giesa (from left) DJ Boyd and John Kelly are organizing the ride that will travel along Hines Drive.

Northville to stage Tour de Ville for bicyclists

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

With three routes along Hines Drive highlighting the Tour de Ville, this new event expects to be a fun and healthy way for bicyclists of all ages and abilities to enjoy an early fall bike ride.

The event takes place at 7 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 14. The ride coincides with Northville's annual Victorian Festival weekend. Ages 8 and up are welcome to ride.

The Northville Rotary Club, in conjunction with the University of Michigan, Northville Health Center is presenting the "Tour de Ville Bicycle Ride." Organizers hope this can turn into an annual event.

"We want Tour de Ville (TdV) to appeal to everyone, from families to seasoned bicyclists," said co-organizer and Northville resident/Rotarian John Kelly, who is working with fellow Rotarians Patrick Giesa and DJ Boyd to make this happen.

The ride consists of 10-, 30- and 75-mile routes. All three will follow historical Hines Drive and begin at Northville Downs.

"The 10-mile and 30-mile routes are out-and-back rides along Hines Drive. The 75-mile route will follow Hines Drive, Outer Drive and Jefferson Avenue, to Gross

Isle and back," according to Kelly.

Planners said proceeds from this event will benefit Rotary efforts in the local community and around the world.

Rotary International (RI) is largely responsible for the near global eradication of polio and also works to provide clean water, improved education and fight hunger globally.

"Locally, we make significant, annual contributions to scholarships at Northville High School and to the local food bank, Civic Concern," Kelly said. "Northville Rotary Club also sponsors local exchange students both in and out of the country. Currently two Northville High students are studying abroad (in Brazil and Germany) and our club will be sponsoring an inbound student (from Germany) this August."

Event information

Planners said the east foyer of the Northville Downs Racetrack will house the TdV registration area, a food court and a TdV Expo Area for its sponsors. Parking is also provided at the Downs. Two SAG wagons (food and equipment) will be on the course at all times.

The TdV course opens at 7:30 a.m. and starts at the northeast entrance to Northville Downs (in-

tersection of Griswold and Beal streets). A light breakfast will be available at the start. Rest stops will be stationed every 12-16 miles.

Fruit, energy foods, water and sport drinks will be provided at the rest stops. A hearty pasta lunch will be served at the Downs to any rider with a numbered TdV bib placket (event bibs are part of a rider's pre-registration packet or by signing up the day of the ride).

A TdV T-shirt will be automatically included in each pre-registered packet. T-shirts and bike jerseys will be on sale the day of the event.

D & D Bicycles of Northville is donating a 2014 Trek 1.2 C road bike to be raffled off in their store at the end of the ride. The bicycle is on display at their Northville store. Raffle tickets, which cost \$10, can be purchased at any of the five D & D Bicycle stores throughout southeastern Michigan.

Detailed ride information and online registration is available at www.tourdeville.org. Tour de Ville is on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/tourdevilleand> questions can be emailed to info@tourdeville.org.

lhuhman@hometownlife.com
248-437-2011, ext. 255
Twitter: @lhuhman



It's Harvest Time! Michigan Products Are In.
Join us on Saturday and Sunday Labor Day Weekend 11-3
From scrumptious samplings to outstanding savings, you will find plenty to savor at our Taste of Michigan Two-Day Event. We will have produce, beer & wines, cheeses, and other local made items. Our culinary staff, all Michigan graduates, will be featuring items using fresh ingredients produced in Michigan. Stop in and see all that our great state has to offer.

Buy Michigan Now™

Joe's Meat & Seafood

33066 W. Seven Mile Livonia, MI • 248-477-4323
 Tues.- Sat. 9am-8pm; Sun. 9am-6pm; Labor Day Hours 9am-6pm

Prices valid Aug. 28 - Sept. 3
 While Supplies Last.

MEAT PURE MICHIGAN™

All Natural Fresh Chicken Leg Quarters 89¢ lb

Premium Fresh - All Natural Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast \$2.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small>	 USDA Premium Choice Angus Porterhouse, T-Bone or Cowboy Ribeye Steak \$8.99 <small>Save lb \$3.00 lb.</small>	Joe's Ready to Grill Marinated Kabobs Italian, Herb & Garlic, Mesquite or Teriyaki Beef \$8.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small> Chicken \$5.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small>	Fresh All Natural Veal Loin Chops \$10.99 <small>Save \$4.00 lb</small>
 USDA Premium Choice Angus Top Sirloin Steak \$6.99 <small>Save lb \$2.00 lb.</small>	Joe's Ready to Grill Burgers Bacon Cheddar, Jalapeno Cheddar, Mushroom Swiss or Bleu Cheese \$4.99 <small>Save lb \$1.50 lb.</small>	All Natural Fresh - Never Frozen Baby Back Ribs \$3.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small> Spare Ribs \$2.69 <small>Save lb 80¢ lb.</small>	Fresh All Natural Lamb Loin Chops \$12.99 <small>Save \$2.00 lb</small>
All Natural Boneless Pork Chops \$3.49 <small>Save \$1.50 lb</small>	Joe's Handmade Sausage Sweet Italian, Hot Italian or Italian Peppers & Cheese \$3.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small>	Joe's Handmade Chicken Sausage Fajita or Buffalo Bleu Cheese \$3.99 <small>Save lb \$1.00 lb.</small>	Fresh All Natural Lamb Loin Chops \$12.99 <small>Save \$2.00 lb</small>

BEER & WINE

Frankenmuth Oktoberfest  \$9.99	Short's Huma Lupa Licious  \$9.99	Bell's Two Hearted Ale & Oberon Ale  \$8.99 <small>6-packs</small>	Sterling Select Wines  \$8.99 <small>btl. All Varietals</small>	14 Hands Wines  \$9.99 <small>btl. All Varietals</small>
----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

SEAFOOD

Ready to Grill Salmon Patties \$2.99 ea

Fresh Wild Caught Swordfish Steak \$14.99 <small>lb Save \$8.00 lb</small>	Fresh Atlantic Salmon Fillets \$7.99 <small>lb Save \$2.00 lb</small> 	Fresh Wild Caught "Big Eye" Tuna Steak \$14.99 <small>lb Save \$3.00 lb</small>	Farm Fresh Tilapia Fillets \$7.99 <small>lb Save \$1.00 lb</small>
Farm Fresh Catfish \$6.99 <small>lb Save \$2.00 lb</small>	Alaskan Red King Crab Legs \$14.99 <small>lb Save \$4.00 lb</small>	Ready to Grill Cedar Plank Salmon \$6.99 <small>ea Save \$1.00 ea</small>	Fresh North American Lake Trout \$5.99 <small>lb Save \$2.00 lb</small>

GROCERY

Joe's Private Label BBQ Sauces & Marinades 40% OFF	Char Crust Dry Rubs \$2.99 <small>ea</small>	Parkers Tennessee Hardwood Charcoal \$15.99 <small>(20 lb bag) Save \$4.00</small>	Woeber's Mustard 10/\$10 <small>20 oz</small>	Rufus Teague BBQ & Steak Sauces \$4.99
----------------------------------------------------------------------------	---------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------

French Vienna \$2.99	 33048 Seven Mile Rd. Livonia, MI 248-477-4311 Hours: Wed-Sun. 8-6; Labor Day 8-6; Closed Tuesday	Hamburger Buns 4/\$1.99 <small>50¢ ea</small>
Multigrain Bread \$3.49	Slider Buns \$3.49 <small>12 pack</small>	Jams & Jellies 2/\$7 <small>Excludes Organic, Honeys & Marmalades</small>
Brownies Fudge or Walnut 2/\$3		



IT'S HARVEST TIME!

Michigan Products Are In.

Join us on

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
LABOR DAY WEEKEND 11-3**

From scrumptious samplings to outstanding savings, you will find plenty to savor at our Taste of Michigan Two-Day Event. We will have produce, beer & wines, cheeses, and other local made items. Our culinary staff, all Michigan graduates, will be featuring items using fresh ingredients produced in Michigan. Stop in and see all that our great state has to offer.

Tuesday - Saturday 9-8 • Sunday 9-6
Labor Day hours 9 - 6

Prices Good Through Aug. 28 - Sept. 3, 2014
While Supplies Last

33152 W. SEVEN MILE RD • LIVONIA, MI 248.477.4333 (JOE'S PRODUCE)

ORGANIC PRODUCE SPECIALS

Bartlett Pears \$1.99 lb	Yellow Peaches \$2.89 lb
Yellow Nectarines \$2.99 lb	Black Seedless Grapes \$2.59 lb

248.477.4323 (JOE'S MEAT & SEAFOOD)

See the previous page for fantastic items from...

Joe's Meat & Seafood

art of bread

PRODUCE

PURE MICHIGAN

Michigan Locally Grown Sweet Corn 10/\$2	California Ripe & Sweet Raspberries 4/\$5	Michigan Seedless Watermelon \$2.99 ea	Michigan Locally Grown Celery 79¢ ea	Southern Sweet & Juicy Peaches 89¢ lb	Michigan Locally Grown Tomatoes 79¢ lb
----------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------	---------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------

All Natural Fresh Chicken Leg Quarters 89¢ lb Joe's Meat & Seafood Ready to Grill Salmon Patties \$2.99 ea

Premium Fresh All Natural Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast \$2.99 lb Save \$1.00 lb	Premium Choice Angus Porterhouse, T-Bone or Cowboy Ribeye \$8.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb	All Natural Fresh Never Frozen Baby Back Ribs \$3.99 lb Save \$1.00 lb Spare Ribs \$2.69 lb Save 80¢ lb	Fresh Wild Caught Swordfish Steak \$14.99 lb Save \$8.00 lb	Fresh Atlantic Salmon Fillets \$7.99 lb Save \$2.00 lb <i>Filletted Fresh in House</i>
-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

DELI

Boar's Head Oven Gold Turkey \$6.99 lb Save \$4.00 lb	Boar's Head American Cheese White or Yellow \$5.49 lb Save \$5.50 lb	Dietz & Watson London Broil \$9.99 lb Save \$5.00 lb	Hoffman's Super Sharp Cheddar \$5.99 lb Save \$3.50 lb	Cracker Barrel Oven Roasted Chicken \$6.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb
Boar's Head Golden Classic Chicken \$7.69 lb Save \$3.00 lb	Williams Extra Sharp & Sharp Pinconning \$10.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb	Farm Country Extra Sharp Cheddar \$7.99 lb Save \$4.00 lb	Reny Picot Brie & Camembert Cheese \$4.99 ea Save \$1.00 ea	Cracker Barrel Roasted Turkey Breast \$6.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb
Boar's Head Tavern Ham \$7.49 lb Save \$2.50 lb	Dietz & Watson Hard Salami \$6.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb	Joe's Muenster Cheese \$4.99 lb Save \$2.00 lb	Cracker Barrel Brown Sugar Ham \$6.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb	Cracker Barrel Smoked Ham \$6.99 lb Save \$3.00 lb

GROCERY

PASTRY

CAFE

Chuck & Daves Chips and Salsa Mix or Match 2/\$5
Hudsonville Ice Cream \$3.99 1.75 Qt <i>Made in Michigan</i>
Lays Chips Lightly Salted, Classic, Wavy, Sour Cream & Onion Buy 1 Get 1 FREE
Sargento Shredded Cheese \$2.99 8 oz pkg
Chef's Best Hamburger & Hot Dog Buns 10/\$10

Featuring Michigan Bakeries
Awreys, Bill Knapps, Irish Baker, Kuzera's, GM Paris, Bartz

PEACH UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE Whole \$14.99 Slice \$2.49	FRESH BAKED 10" CHERRY PIE \$12.99
CARAMEL POPS MADE WITH BETTERMADE CORN POPS \$8.99 lb	MICHIGAN APPLE CRISP BARS \$1.99 ea

Joe's Fresh Roasted Coffee Flavor of the Week:
Michigan Blackberry **\$8.99**
lb
Save \$1.00 lb

Salt Water Taffy **\$3.99**
lb

Bellstone Toffee **\$6.49**
Starting at
Made in Michigan

Sunkist Fruit Gems **\$5.99**
lb

Beans 4 Blue Coffee **\$9.99**
12 oz bag
Made in Michigan

Everyday GOURMET
Chef's Feature
BBQ Smoked Chicken or Pulled Pork
with Barlow's BBQ Sauce

Twice Baked Potato Salad Save \$1.00 lb \$3.99 lb
Gourmet Mac & Cheese Save \$1.00 lb \$4.99 lb
Southern Fried Chicken Save \$1.00 lb \$4.99 lb
Summer Fresh Broccoli Salad Save \$1.00 lb \$4.99 lb

Enjoy Football Season & Tailgate in Style with Joe's Catering & Events

Our Catering Department can take care of all your party needs. We can arrange your tent, tables, chairs, grilling on site and of course a fantastic menu. Pick-up or Delivery to Full Serviced Events...we make it happen!

Also Visit us at www.joesgourmetcatering.com & The Knot

art of bread
Hours: Wed-Sun 8-6.
Open Labor Day 8-6. Closed Tue

248-477-4311

FRENCH VIENNA \$2.99	MULTIGRAIN BREAD \$3.49
HAMBURGER BUNS 4/\$1.99 50° ea	SLIDER BUNS \$3.49 12-pack

WINE CELLAR

Cigar Zinfandel **\$14.99**
Save \$10.00/btl

Rombauer Chardonnay **\$29.99**
Save \$10.00/btl

Lindeman's Wines **\$4.99**
750ml All varietals
Great Buy

Mezza Corona Wines **\$6.99**
750ml All varietals Save \$2.00

Samuel Adams **\$8.99**
6 packs

Atwater Brewing Company **\$8.99**
6 packs
Michigan Company



Canton's Chuck Turfe charges toward the end zone during last year's Division 1 playoff game against Walled Lake Western.

PREP FOOTBALL PREVIEW — PART 2

READY TO LAUNCH

Healthy QB Williams could be ticket to Canton's chances

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

The more things change with the Canton football team, the more they stay the same.

There is a potent offense featuring gifted players who can run, throw and catch the pigskin and plenty of hard-nosed competitors on both sides of the ball.

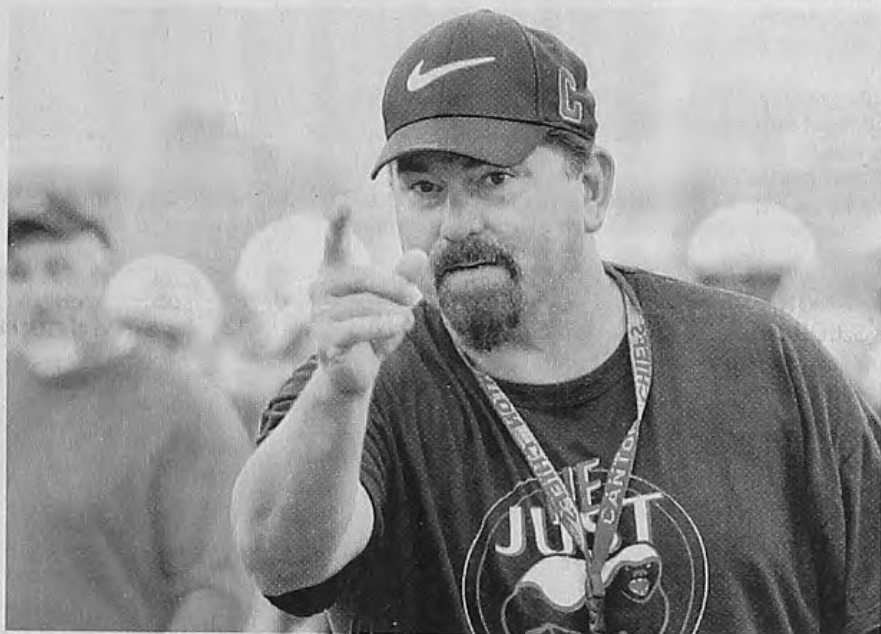
There also is head coach Tim Baechler, who tends to worry about some of the so-called "issues" that crop up every August, including whether inexperienced offensive linemen will be up to speed in time for the opening game. This year kicks off at 7 p.m. today at Holland West Ottawa.

Or whether the fact there are only four returning starters on defense will put a serious crimp in the Canton style — which in 2013 featured an 8-2 record and KLAAs South Division championship.

"Athletically, I think we've got a chance to be better defensively," Baechler said during a practice session last week. "We've just got to get those inexperienced guys experience in a hurry."

More positives

The Chiefs still have a lot of pluses that should offset any minuses that go with youngsters learning the ropes early on.



Directing players before a recent practice drill is Canton head football coach Tim Baechler. His team is expected to make plenty of noise in the KLAAs.

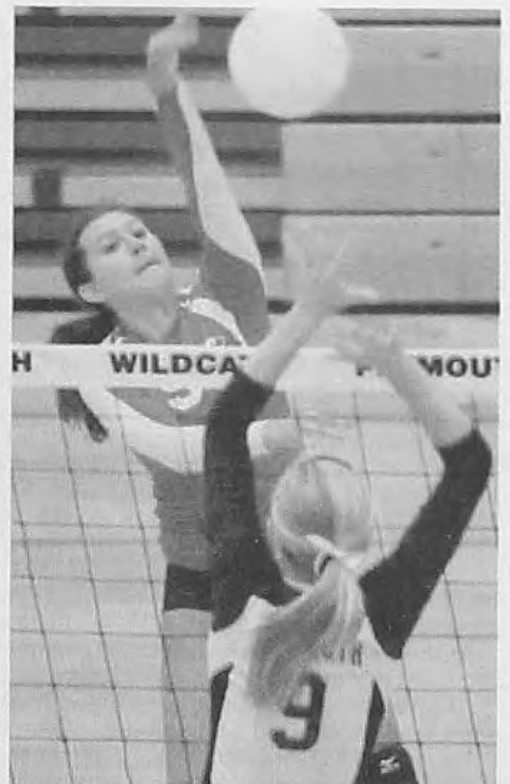
For starters, senior quarterback Greg Williams is healthy after playing with a broken wrist the last two months of the 2013 season, unbeknownst to anyone. He found out about the injury following the season and missed most of the subsequent basketball season.

"It's his third year running the

offense and he's a great leader," Baechler said. "When it's crunch time, I want him to have the ball."

Canton's vaunted offense also will once again feature a potent, triple-back set. Senior Chuck Turfe will be the go-to guy; he gained

See CANTON, Page B3



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Canton's Courtney Kurkie (left) is one of the Chiefs' key returners.

VOLLEYBALL
PREVIEW — PART 2

Chiefs again pack punch

Canton solid at tough Portage Central Invite

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Canton's varsity volleyball team looks ready to pick up where it left off last fall, with a highly competitive and motivated squad.

Canton head coach Steve Johnson wanted the 2014 team to be as sharp as possible to open the new season and the Chiefs were solid at Saturday's Portage Central Invitational, with a 3-2 record against some of the top teams in Michigan.

"We have, by design, scheduled our tournaments to challenge us right from the start of the season," Johnson said, noting that Canton's lone tournament losses were against Grand Rapids Christian and Bloomfield Hills Marian. "Myself and assistant coach Jon Denys were extremely pleased with the team's performance on the day."

The Chiefs went 31-13-1 in 2013, winning the KLAAs South Division, only to be toppled by hard-hitting Northville in a Division 1 district semifinal.

But things could be even better this year, with eight returnees augmented by a group of six promising juniors.

"We feel we have improved on team speed and overall team dynamics," Johnson said. "We are returning eight players from last year's team, anchored by captains Annie McDougall (middle hitter) and Courtney Kurkie (right-side hitter)."

"We are looking for strong contributions from outside hitters Lauren Schornack, Haley Diedrick, Annie and Courtney. Teeing up the ball for them will be returning setter Carleigh Vela and varsity newcomer, senior Chloe Homco."

Speed on serve receive and "quality first-touch contacts on defense" will be

See CHIEFS, Page B4

PREP FOOTBALL PREVIEW — PART 2

Rocks ready to climb Central standings

Salem making strides in numbers, talent as new season nears

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Salem's football program continues to grow and get stronger, but sixth-year head coach Kurt Britnell knows most people measure progress only one way — by looking at the standings.

The Rocks' quest for six wins, a state playoff berth and respect begins at 7 p.m. today against Plymouth on the varsity turf field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"Our goal is to win (the opener)," said Britnell, whose 2013 team went 3-6. "Our expectation is that we will win. Mike (Sawchuk) does a great job over there, we know those kids and, obviously, with the players being friends, they played Little League for so

many years. "Probably it's going to come down to the same thing it came down to last year — it's who makes the less mistakes. We made more last year and they beat us by a touchdown. And that was with seven starting sophomores."

One of those sophomores now is a grizzled junior, quarterback Alex Nicholson.

How Nicholson performs and guides the Salem offense will obviously go a long way in determining whether the Rocks can finally grab a playoff berth.

"His biggest thing we need to see improvement from is decision-making," Britnell said.

"A lot of quarterbacks, they want a big play right now. He's got to play within himself. Play



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO
Scampering for extra yardage during a 2013 game is Salem quarterback Alex Nicholson (No. 18).

disciplined, let the athletes and athleticism of the players around him help him.

"For example, hit the hitch instead of a corner. Hit the dump off to the back that's got great speed and let him run

versus trying to force the issue. If he can play within himself and within the scope and scheme of what we're trying to do, I would expect some big things from him."

Options abound

Britnell said Nicholson expects big things from himself, too: "He is a fierce competitor

See SALEM, Page B3

GARY BALCONI INVITATIONAL

Canton tops field at Balconi

Depth, stellar all-around play propel Chiefs to championship

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Despite broiling temperatures and tough competition throughout Saturday's Gary Balconi Invitational, the Canton Chiefs proved to be a little better and deeper.

And the Chiefs won the annual boys soccer tournament with a convincing 4-0 triumph over Walled Lake Northern at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"It was our depth; we have a lot of depth," Canton head coach Mark Zemanski said. "We came off the bench with a lot of energy both times."

"Guys are hungry, they want to play, they did well and it was a long 180 minutes (the tourney featured 60-minute games). Hats off to Walled Lake Northern. It's tough in this heat, but because we had more depth, we were able to take it to them."

Canton opened the day with a 6-0 rout of Walled Lake Western and then held off Novi Detroit Catholic Central 2-1 in penalty kicks to advance to the title contest.

The Knights tallied successive 1-0 victories over Plymouth and Rochester Adams to make the finals.

In the final, junior midfielder Josh Posuniak got the Chiefs on the board with a goal in the first half. Setting up the scoring play was senior midfielder Jack Zemanski.

Playing the opening 30 minutes in goal was senior Andrew Loehnis, with senior counterpart Dylon DaSilva playing the second half.

Scoring surge

The Chiefs kept coming at the Knights in waves in the second half and scored their final three goals during an eight-minute span to break the match open.

With about 14:20 remaining, a direct kick from about 25 yards out by the Chiefs hit the crossbar and dropped down along the goal line. Senior defender Sam Belcher was there to punch the ball home.

Drawing the assist on the marker was junior forward Sam DeLoy who then scored Canton's next two goals.

"It feels pretty great," DeLoy said, smiling as he clutched his medal for being on the Balconi champions. "I'm glad we won it a second year in a row."

"We all really want to win this, it's just a really fun thing

to do in the beginning of the season. We all come together as a team."

DaSilva made a diving save with less than 10 seconds remaining against Northern forward Connor Rutz.

Canton needed a clutch stop by DaSilva in the sixth round of PKs against Catholic Central to set up the game winner by sophomore forward Mohamad Miri — called up from the JV for the tourney.

Scoring during regulation for the Chiefs was senior forward Carter Schenk.

"Big save by our keeper (DaSilva); he made a big sixth save and we scored on the PK," Zemanski said.

That it was Miri to come up big at that moment was an example of the depth that Zemanski beamed about.

"Mo is going to be a transition player, back and forth for us (JV and varsity)," the coach said. "He plays forward and he has the capability to play with us."

"We just have a lot of players, so we're going to work him both ways."

Starting the game in goal against the Shamrocks was senior Jay Krebs, with DaSilva finishing up.

According to Zemanski senior center backs Belcher and Chris Dooley were outstanding throughout the tournament.

"Their tenacity and hard work helped our team to two shutouts and only one goal against," he said.

Six players scored in the opener against Western. Finding the mark were DeLoy, junior midfielder Hunter Olson, junior forward Matt Causley (penalty kick), Schenk, senior defender Andrew Murphy and Miri.

"You play some good quality teams (at the Balconi) and you really get to see where we need to work," Zemanski said. "I'm proud of the boys. They did a nice job and we just want to keep the momentum going for the regular season."

That's exactly what happened Monday night, as the host Chiefs won 2-0 over Harrison L'Anse Creuse.

Schenk (goal, assist), junior midfielder Jimmy Walkinshaw (goal) and DeLoy (assist) sparked the offense.

Loehnis and DaSilva split goalkeeping duties, with defensive support from Belcher and senior Kyle Mettlach.

tsmith@hometownlife.com



Canton junior Sam DeLoy (No. 23) flicks the ball away from a Walled Lake Northern player during the final of Saturday's Balconi Invitational.

ED HENGESH | EXPRESS PHOTO



A Canton player proudly displays his medal for being on the Balconi Invitational champions.

It's GARAGE SALE SEASON!

Place YOUR garage sale ad with Observer & Eccentric Media!

Our Digital GARAGE SALE KIT includes:



- Printable Signs
- Printable Price Stickers
- Two pages of ideas and advice for having a great garage sale
- One pass for two to any Emagine Theatres
- Coupon for a FREE 4-square Buddy's Pizza
- Buddy's Pizza food discount card
- Interactive "Map It" feature online at hometownlife.com with a print and online ad purchase.

BONUS OFFER...

Place your ad online at hometownlife.com and we will double the movie passes to Emagine Theatres!

Call NOW...

1.800.579.7355

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA
hometownlife.com A GANNETT COMPANY

Here's additional savings from our sponsors.

\$3.00 OFF

ANY 8 SQUARE PIZZA

Not valid with any other coupon or discount. One coupon per person, per pizza, per table. No cash value. Offer Expires: 12-31-14

- Restaurant/Bar/Carryout**
- Detroit - 313.892.9001
 - Warren - 586.574.9200
 - Farmington Hills - 248.855.4600
 - Livonia - 734.261.3550
 - Dearborn - 313.562.5900
 - Auburn Hills - 248.276.9040
 - Shelby Twp. - 568.566.1233
- Carryout Cafe**
- Pointe Plaza - 313.884.7400
- Carryout ONLY**
- Royal Oak - 248.549.8000
 - Bloomfield Hills - 248.645.0300
 - www.buddyspizza.com

\$2.00 OFF

the purchase of any

LARGE COMBO

at our concession stand
One coupon per purchase. Not valid with other coupons. No cash value. Offer Expires 11-01-14

- EMAGINE**
THE HOME OF MOVIE & MORE
- EMAGINE CANTON**
39535 Ford Road - Canton
 - EMAGINE NOVI**
44425 W. 12 Mile Rd. - Novi
 - EMAGINE WOODHAVEN**
21720 Allen Road - Woodhaven
 - EMAGINE ROCHESTER HILLS**
200 Barclay Circle - (N. of M-59)
Rochester Hills
 - CINEMA HOLLYWOOD**
12280 Dixie Hwy. - Birch Run
 - EMAGINE ROYAL OAK**
200 N. Main St. - Royal Oak
- www.emagine-entertainment.com
Movie Line: 888.319.FILM (3456)

Werthman's OT goal lifts Ocelots in opener

Livonia Stevenson alum Billy Werthman couldn't have gotten his Schoolcraft College soccer career off to a better start.

Werthman scored in the 95th minute Saturday to lift the host Ocelots to a

3-2 overtime victory over South Suburban College. Setting up the winner was Adam Antosh.

The teams traded goals all afternoon, with Schoolcraft striking first at the 4:39 mark, when Alex Podolski scored the

first of his two goals (both assisted by Werthman).

Erik Avalos responded at 27:19 to make it a 1-1 contest at the half.

It took the Ocelots just 16 seconds of the second half to get back in front. Once again, Podolski teamed up with Werthman for the scoring salvo. Schoolcraft goalkeeper Andres Hernandez, who was outstanding with 13 saves, nearly won the game in regulation time. But Avalos equaled the match at 2-2 at 78:05.

That was how the contest remained until Werthman weaved his winning magic in overtime.

SC harriers excel

On Saturday, the Schoolcraft cross country team participated at the 38th annual Crim Road Races in Flint.

Winner of the 10-mile race was Julius Koga, who finished in 46 minutes, 35 seconds.

Freshman Liam Cardenas (Plymouth) finished the 5K in fifth place overall (out of 1,492 runners) with a time of 19:07, while returning letter winner Brandon Sutton (recovering from a torn ACL) finished the race, but is still working to improve his endurance.

Caton Hacker (Plymouth) completed the 8K trek in 32:00 flat to finish ninth overall, while Ethan Levack (PCA) finished 26th overall in 35:38.

Family Heating, Cooling & Electrical Inc.
Serving the entire metropolitan area.

North Oakland: 248-886-8626
North Woodward: 248-548-9565
Detroit: 313-792-0770
East: 586-274-1155
Downriver: 734-281-3024
West: 734-422-8080

FULL ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

FURNACE SALES, SERVICE, PARTS & INSTALLATION

MASTER ELECTRICIANS!

- Service changes & upgrades
- Outlets added • Generators
- Installation of fixtures, ceiling fans, hot water heaters, garages, pools, & outdoor lighting

LICENSED & INSURED #71-16061

FURNACE CLEAN & CHECK SPECIAL
REG. \$89.95
\$69.95
SAVE \$20.00...NOW ONLY!
With this ad. Not valid with any other offers. Offer good Sept. 1 thru Dec. 31, 2014

We Sell, Service and Install All Brands

BENEFIT GAME HONORS SLAIN SOCCER REFEREE

Whalers-Spits to 'Play it Forward'

Saturday OHL exhibition game to aid family of John Bieniewicz

In soccer, the term "friendly" refers to a game between two teams that is an exhibition game. A "friendly" is a match that has no impact in the standings.

"Friendly" is not usually used in the same sentence with the Plymouth Whalers and Windsor Spitfires. The two bitter Ontario Hockey League rivals have battled through 206 regular season games since 1990 and several memorable playoff series.

That's going to change at 2 p.m. Saturday at Compuware Arena. The Whalers and Spitfires hook up in a "friendly" in a benefit for John Bieniewicz, the Livonia soccer referee who died after being assaulted while working a game earlier this summer.

Called Play it Forward for Bieniewicz, 100 percent of the proceeds in the game benefit the John Bieniewicz Foundation and C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors) Michigan Chapter.

Tickets run \$10 in advance (general admission) and \$12 at the door and can be purchased online on www.plymouthwhalers.com. Tickets are also available at the Livonia Police Department (734-466-2470).

Admission to the game includes a meet-and-greet session with the Whalers after the

game. The game provides the backdrop for the hockey and soccer community to rally around a good cause for good people.

Bieniewicz died after being assaulted while working a soccer game June 29 at Mies Park in Livonia. Bassel Saad is charged with second-degree murder in his death. The trial is ongoing.

The local community has taken a pro-active approach toward the John Bieniewicz Foundation, with various fundraisers held over the summer and more events on the way, including the Whalers/Spitfires game Saturday.

"The support from everyone is amazing," said Kristen Bieniewicz, John's wife. "When I saw that the Whalers were looking to do a game, I wondered, 'How would hockey even get involved?' But then I found out it was through the Livonia Police Department and they had been involved in a game before (in 2013)."

There is a hockey connection with the Bieniewicz family. Son Josh, 9, plays for the 2005 Farmington Fire.

"With everything that has been going on, it's proven to me that there's still more good out there than bad," Bieniewicz said. "It's impossible for me to



During this 2013-14 game, Plymouth Whalers forward Matt Mistele (No. 22) drives against Windsor defenders.

RENA LAVERTY | PLYMOUTH WHALERS

thank everyone for everything that they are doing. I can't express my gratitude enough."

Livonia Chief of Police Curtis Caid deals with his share of serious, real-world issues every day. He's happy to lend support to the game and the heartfelt cause of helping peo-

ple. "This game is a great opportunity for the city of Livonia, our citizens and everyone else to get involved with a worthwhile cause," he said. "It gives the community an opportunity to see great hockey while helping a local family help over-

come a tragedy. "There are some parallels in hockey, soccer and police work. All three will work together for one day to assist the Bieniewicz family." Fans on both sides of the border can lend their support by attending the game.

CANTON

Continued from Page B1

more than 1,100 yards on the ground in 2013 and also is a threat catching passes out of the backfield.

Junior Jakob Wickens and sophomore Marcus Sanders (5-6, 165) will also line up in the backfield, at least in the opener, Baechler said.

Asked whether Turfe would drive the bus on offense, Baechler nodded.

"Perhaps, but we're a system offense," he said. "If they're taking him away, something else is going to be there."

"That's the thing. I've got our offensive linemen's mentality. I don't care who scores the touchdowns or gains the yards, as long as we score points and win games. But (Turfe) is definitely a key cog running the ball and catching the ball."

The Chiefs also have seniors Jake Pagel, Brian Newton and Lavelle Steeple working for opportunities to help the ground game.

On the offensive line, an injury to senior lineman Collin Cafilisch is forcing Baechler to move pieces on his chess board. For the season opener, juniors Devin Obrec and Ben Phillips are vying to start at center.

Returning senior Christian Mayberry, who likely would have been the starting center, is filling in at tackle until Cafilisch returns from his injury.

Also returning are senior guard Darin Tuttle, senior tackle Adam Armesto (6-6, 240) and senior guard Scott Bazner, who is ready to roll after an injury-plagued junior year.

"(Bazner) was going to be a great player last year, but hurt his hip and couldn't play at all," Baechler said. "He's back 100-

FOOTBALL PICKS

All games 7 p.m. unless noted

Thursday, Aug. 28

B. Atherton (5-4) at Luth. Westland (2-7), 5 p.m.
Farmington Harrison (10-2) at Farmington (2-7)
North Farmington (5-4) at Pontiac (0-9)
Plymouth (5-4) at Salem (3-6)
Canton (8-2) at Holland West Ottawa (5-4)
Livonia Churchill (2-7) at Milford (1-8)
Livonia Franklin (4-5) at Livonia Stevenson (5-4)
Wayne Memorial (0-9) at Waterford Mott (4-5)
Redford Union (1-8) at A.H. Avondale (5-4)
Ecorse (0-8) at Redford Thurston (6-4)

Friday, Aug. 29

Ferndale (2-7) at Livonia Clarenceville (11-1)
Westland John Glenn (6-4) at A.A. Skyline (4-5)
Riverview (7-3) at Garden City (4-5)

Ed Wright

Atherton
Harrison
N. Farmington
Salem
Canton
Churchill
Franklin
Wayne
Avondale
Thurston
Ferndale
John Glenn
Garden City

Dan O'Meara

Atherton
Harrison
N. Farmington
Plymouth
Canton
Churchill
Stevenson
Mott
Avondale
Thurston
Ferndale
John Glenn
Riverview

Tim Smith

Atherton
Harrison
N. Farmington
Plymouth
Canton
Milford
Stevenson
Mott
Avondale
Thurston
Clarenceville
John Glenn
Garden City



After being bothered by a broken wrist last season, Canton quarterback Greg Williams is ready to get off to a strong start in his senior year.

percent healthy and he's going to be a heck of a good player for us at guard."

Baechler did say if a lineman was going to get injured, like Cafilisch did, it was better that it happened with enough time for Obrec and Phillips to learn the ropes.

"We hope that (Cafilisch)

gets healthy quick and we get Mayberry moved back over to center," Baechler said. "If it doesn't happen, the good thing is, the last week, those two young guys have been getting all the reps. They're getting it."

Aerial attack

Canton's attack won't just be about running the football.

Williams can look to connect with wideouts and tight ends, speedy senior Robert Guajardo, seniors Nolan Gilo, Brett Lee and Nick Durocher and juniors Jared Stephens and Jalen Cochran.

"At tight end, we've got Nolan Gilo, who got a lot of reps last year," Baechler said. "He'll probably start at one of the tight ends. And we've got Brett Lee, who may start at outside linebacker and tight end. Jalen Cochran's going to play tight end and we also got Nick Durocher at tight end, so we have a big group of tight ends and we like all of them right now."

"Receivers, we've got Robert Guajardo, Brett Lee, Jared

Stephens, who is also a safety. He's a good athlete out there at a slot. Of course, we also spread Chuck Turfe out there to catch the ball, too."

When drives bog down, the Chiefs can look to senior kicker Andrew Loehnis to make field goals.

The Chiefs' defense will be led by a quartet of returning starters in Pagel at linebacker, Evan Piontek at nose guard, Cochran at outside linebacker and Victor Villarini at cornerback. All but Cochran are seniors.

"They look good, now we have to get everybody else going," the coach added.

Slated for work on the defensive line will be Tuttle, senior Richard Lenczewski and junior Thomas Evely with junior Jake Stephan, Durocher and senior Mike Loe in the mix for linebacker minutes.

Canton's secondary will be populated by a number of players with speed, skill and savvy. Turfe, Stephens, Sanders and junior Micah Rinke are slated for safety, while Guajardo,

senior Jacob Mallad and Newton are expected to handle cornerback duties.

"We've got some options," Baechler said. "But nobody's really separated themselves yet."

It shouldn't take too long before injured starters are back in the fold, not to mention players rising to the top of the depth chart.

Baechler might still worry after that, but he is cautiously optimistic about the 2014 season.

"We think we should be better than last year," Baechler said. "I don't know what that means in terms of win-loss record, but we think we'll be better than we were last year, which means, certainly, we hope to win those close games ... get ourselves in position to play for a league championship and get it this time."

"And we'd like to win a playoff game, it's been a couple-year drought and we're not used to that."

tsmith@hometownlife.com

SALEM

Continued from Page B1

and wants to win so badly."

Ready to be called upon is junior quarterback Luis Carrion, who the coach said "is progressing well, understands what he can and can't do."

The passing attack has the potential to be lethal, with a promising receiving core of seniors Joey Miazek, E.J. Joseph and Brayden Abundis and junior Calin Crawford, along with sure-handed tight ends Christian Pearson (junior), Brendan Wright (junior) and Trevor Nowaske (sophomore).

"A lot of speed there, athleticism," Britnell said. "Calin's probably our biggest playmaker, he's got great hands and offensively just always seems to be making plays. You

can't cover everybody."

Don't expect the Rocks to merely throw the ball, either.

Senior fullback Devin Cameron and juniors Jacob Miller, Dominic Hodge and Deston Langford look primed to chew up plenty of yards on a regular basis.

Salem's big, physical offensive line is a key ingredient to how successful Nicholson's group will be. Junior Tommy Rudnicki will line up over the ball, with seniors Ben Howie and Ryan Broughman at guard and senior Luke Callahan at one of the tackle spots.

Britnell is still determining who will start at the other tackle.

"(Junior) Eric Daniels is going to be in the mix, (junior) D'Angelo Meredith," he said. "We're averaging 220 (pounds); we got some big boys up there."

Handling kicking and punt-

ing duties will be junior John Kwiecinski, rated 39th overall (and second among juniors) by Ann Arbor-based Kornblue Kicking.

One downer for the Salem offense is the loss of wide receiver Shaw Lyall to a torn knee ligament. Lyall was a top performer as a sophomore, both at wideout and safety.

"He tore his knee up at the U-M camp," Britnell said. "He was a two-way starter for us. It hurts."

Lining up

One benefit of having a bigger roster is limiting the need for players to do double-duty on offense and defense.

Some of that will still continue, but two-way linemen such as Howie, Callahan and Broughman now are expected to be part of a deep rotation on the defensive line.

Juniors Martez Gibbons

and Tommie Terrell-Davis (both 6-1, 340) are very agile for their size, while seniors Ty Traylor and Anthony Gueorguiev are ready for the trenches.

Handling linebacker chores will be Cameron, Nowaske, senior Everett Czarnota, junior Deston Langford, senior Jacob Sydowski and Pearson.

"Everett and Devin are big and physical," Britnell said. "They have a lot of experience. They're definitely the leaders of the defense."

In the secondary, junior Freddie McGee III and Joseph are set for the corners, with Crawford and sophomore Jason Arnold ready at safety.

Also in the mix will be Abundis and Miller.

Tune things out

Britnell said the current group is bigger in numbers, with about 50 on the varsity

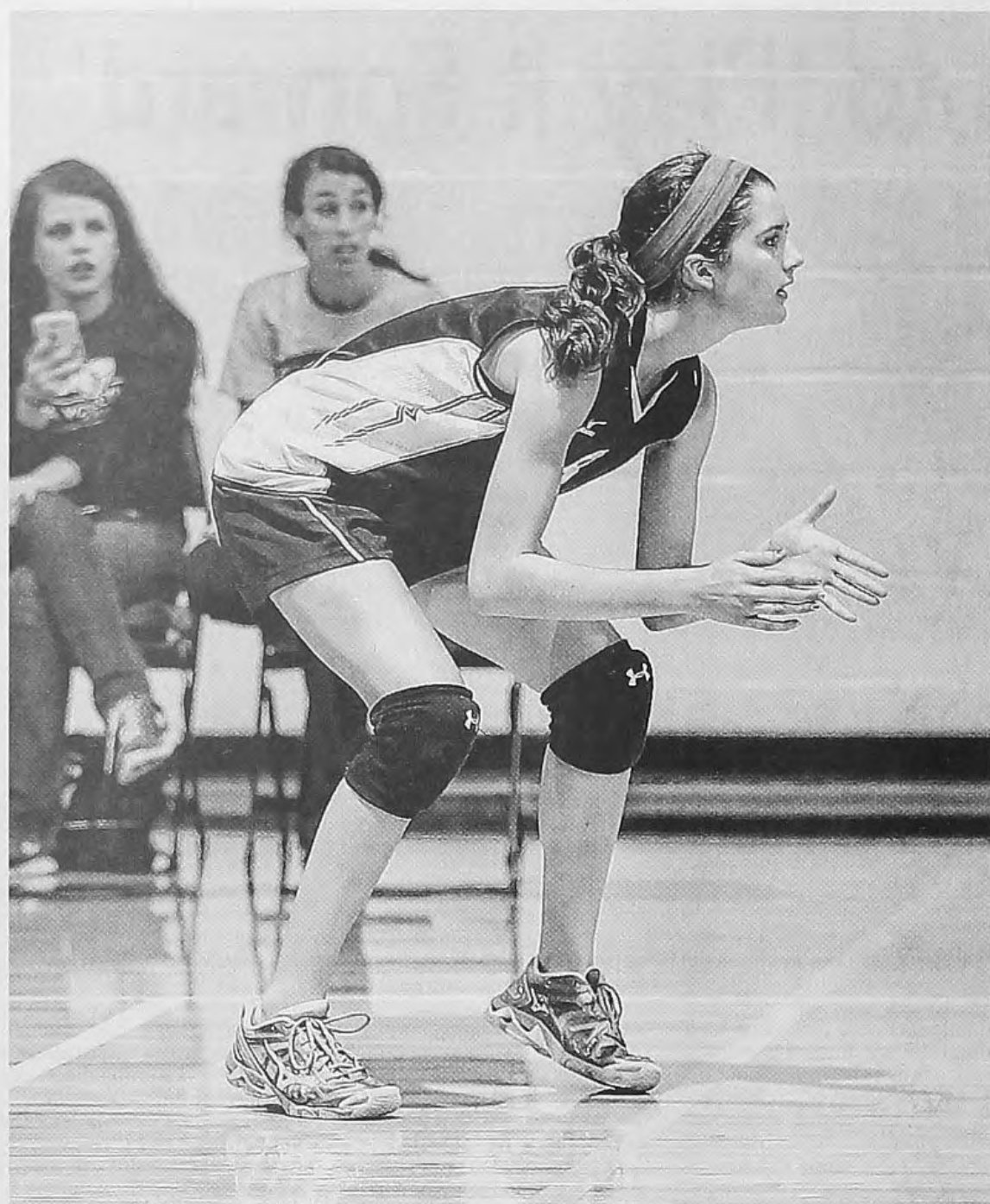
and some 140 over the three levels (freshman, junior varsity, varsity). It is "as strong as ever, athletic as ever and speed-wise the best ever" during his tenure at the helm.

Now, the key will be to help those players remain focused and achieve some big things on the football field, too.

"Every year, we have sort of a theme," Britnell said. "This year it's 'Avoid the Noise.' It's pretty cliché, but it's true. Whether you start the season 3-0 and everybody tells you how great they are or if you're 0-3 and everybody tells you how bad they are, you just got to stay focused on what we do as a team."

"You're going to hear it, but you got to avoid it and just focus on what our mission is here. So far, I think they're doing it."

tsmith@hometownlife.com



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Plymouth Christian's Olivia Mady, shown from last season, already is a key member of the squad and she is only a sophomore.

VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW - PART 2

PCA spikers look to keep on winning

Youngsters ready to build off of last year's success

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

It isn't often that a sophomore is considered a primary cog in the wheel of any high school team.

But when it comes to the Plymouth Christian Academy volleyball squad's fortunes, that applies to sophomore outside hitter Olivia Mady.

As a freshman, Mady was outstanding as she helped spark PCA to a 19-16-7 record — including a postseason that lasted all the way until the Division 4 regional final against No. 2-ranked Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes.

"Olivia Mady, of course,

was a key player for us last year," Eagles head coach Katie Decker said. "Now with a year of varsity level experience under her belt, the team really looks to her for leadership through her strong play."

Mady is one of four returning starters for PCA, with senior libero Callie Morby, senior right-side hitter Kelsey Williamson and sophomore defensive specialist Divna Roi also back.

"Callie Morby and Divna Roi will also be key to the team this year as they both are heavily relied upon for their defensive skills," Decker said.

Other returnees include senior right-side hitter Danielle Witkowski, senior setter Raina Postma and sophomore right-side hitter Josie Postma.

Decker also is looking forward to seeing how quickly freshman outside hitter Grace Kellogg and senior middle hitter (and transfer student) Abby Wyman mesh into the lineup.

"The addition of Grace Kellogg adds a different dimension to the team through intensity hustle and strong play," she said.

"Transfer Abby Wyman is a senior middle/outside hitter that adds experience and strong skills to help out the team."

Rounding out the roster are newcomers Aliya Pries (sophomore middle hitter), Jessica Paulson (sophomore setter) and Paige Perky (senior middle hitter).

tsmith@hometownlife.com

CHIEFS

Continued from Page B1

provided by Megan Roy, Sydney Torres and Taylor Pellend.

Canton also will feature plenty of potential out of the junior class, led by middle hitter Hannah Madis, "who is already having success blocking and hitting. Emma Clark brings an exciting, quick attack to the outside position."

According to Johnson, junior defensive specialist and setter Alyssa Burke "may very well be the fastest player Canton volleyball has ever

had. She will see regular duty in both positions over the course of the season."

Another junior defensive specialist is speedy Hailey Hodgson, while right-side hitter Victoria Porter will provide good court presence and awareness.

Starting the season as a backup at middle hitter is Hannah Stefanek, although Johnson said she is working on also playing the right side.

Good start

At Saturday's Portage Central Invite, a number of Canton players were heard from. On offense, Schornack

tallied 26 kills, with McDougall and Diedrick each chipping in with 18.

Setting up the attack was Vela, with 51 assists, while Burke and Homco tallied 27 and 26, respectively.

Defensively, Roy excelled with 45 digs, followed by Schornack and Diedrick, with 26 and 21, respectively.

Kurkie led the team in blocks with eight, with Madis helping the cause with six.

Burke added 27 assists, 15 digs and led the team with five aces. Clark registered 14 kills.

tsmith@hometownlife.com

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Crusaders second in Early Bird

The Madonna University women's volleyball team rebounded Saturday to post a pair of victories and earn a second-place finish in the University of Michigan Early Bird Invitational.

The No. 4-ranked Crusaders, who were upended in Friday's second match by St. Catharine (Ky.) in four sets, downed Spring Arbor University, 25-13, 25-20, 25-12, and Shawnee (Ohio) State, 25-18, 14-25, 25-12, 25-14, to improve to 3-1 overall.

Against Shawnee State (2-2),

senior Casey Gates was MU's top attacker with 14 kills, while senior Samantha Geile added 12.

Junior setter Spencer Stokes also collected 43 assist-to-kills to go along with 13 digs. Senior Amanda Obrycki led MU's defense with 16 digs.

Kristi Humble and Tiffany Jackson each had 10 kills for the Bears, while Christina Shelton added a match-best 23 digs.

Gates, a transfer from the University of Northwestern Ohio, finished with 13 kills and

eight digs against Spring Arbor (0-3). Junior Emily Johnson added eight kills, while Stokes racked up 32 assists.

The Crusaders return to action this weekend in Daytona Beach, Fla., for the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Labor Day Classic.

They'll take on three ranked teams, including No. 14 Oklahoma Baptist and the No. 21 host Eagles, both Friday, followed by matches Saturday against Bryan (Tenn.) College and No. 3 Wayland Baptist (Texas).

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW - PART 1

Rocks plan on staying the course

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Salem's varsity girls cross country team is entering a new era this fall following the June graduation of Kayla Kavulich, now running at Michigan State University.

That doesn't lower the standards of excellence that the Rocks always strive for under head coach Dave Gerlach.

He stated the 2014 squad will look to make it to the state finals, not to mention ranking at or near the top in the division and conference standings.

"After graduating several college-bound athletes the last two years, we look to try and fill the holes on varsity," Gerlach said. "Several current and new athletes will need to step up if we are

going to be competitive in the conference and make it back to the state finals as a team."

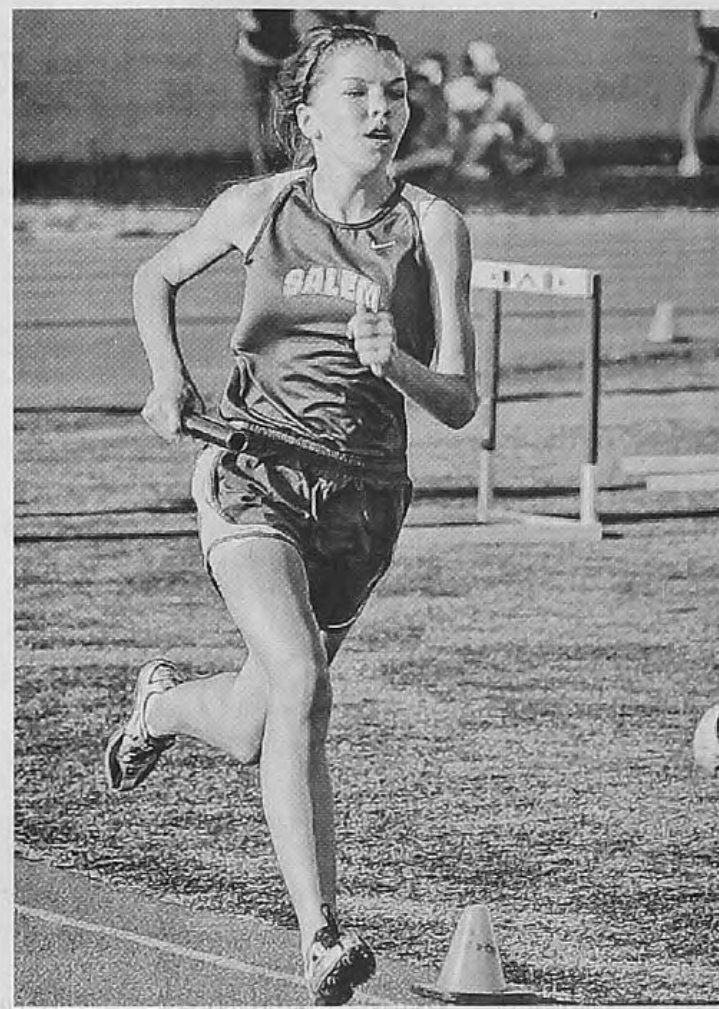
Gerlach emphasized that there continues to be strong leadership, with senior co-captains Anya Cho and Lauren Arquette at the top of the list.

Other co-captains include Kristen Willmer and Haleemah Shajira.

In addition to Cho and Arquette, top returnees include senior Elizabeth Tripp, juniors Kayla Hughes and Sierra Bowden and sophomore Erin McCann.

Looking to make an impact are newcomers Shekinah Johnson (senior), Kaya Knake, Gabby Delacruz and Kayla Delacruz (juniors) and freshmen Madalyn Simko and Jessica Hughes.

tsmith@hometownlife.com



FILE PHOTO

Salem's Elizabeth Tripp is one of the team's returnees.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Madonna announces new Hall of Fame class

The late Julie Martin is among a new class of athletes to be inducted into the Madonna University Athletics Hall of Fame.

The Livonia Stevenson High grad, who died of cancer in 2000, will be joined by fellow volleyball All-American Ashley Frost, the 2002 NAIA Final Four volleyball team and men's soccer player Scott Emert.

Martin, a 6-foot-1 middle hitter, helped lead the 1993, 1995 and 1996 MU teams to the NAIA National Tournament while earning All-America honors as a senior in 1996.

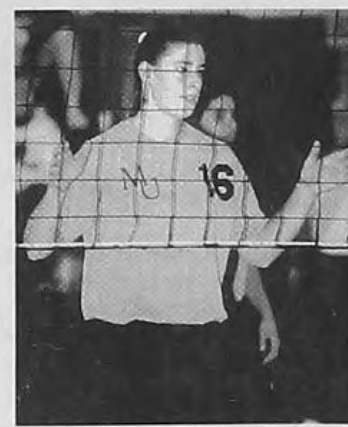
A two-time all-region selection, Martin graduated ranking four times in the single-season kills record book and was the career leader with 2,851 kills. Her .413 attack percentage is currently sixth in the MU record books, while her 419 career solo blocks is still the top mark in program history.

Frost (2002-05) led the 2002 and 2005 volleyball teams to the NAIA Final Four during her tenure as the setter in a prolific MU offense that won four Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference titles and advanced to the NAIA National Tournament in each of her four seasons.

Frost graduated as the program's career record holder for assists with 6,866 and her teams' combined record in her four years was 182-15 overall while posting a 43-1 mark in conference play.

The 2002 volleyball team posted a 48-4 record and went into previously uncharted territory for a by reaching the NAIA Final Four.

With five all-WHAC first team selections, including WHAC Player of the Year Shelley Stanton, the Crusad-



MADONNA ATHLETICS

The late Julie Martin (Livonia Stevenson) will be inducted into the Madonna University Athletics Hall of Fame in 2015.

ers marched through the conference slate at 12-0 before sweeping through the WHAC and Region VIII tournaments and advancing to the NAIA National Tournament.

At the national tourney, MU rolled through pool play and into a showdown with Houston Baptist in the national semifinal before falling in five sets.

Emert (1995-98) becomes the first men's soccer alumnus to be inducted as the skilled forward graduated from Madonna as the program's leader in points (142), goals (49) and assists (44). He was named the WHAC Player of the Year as a senior in 1998 and earned All-America honors along with all-WHAC and all-region accolades.

Together, the new inductees will bring the number of greats in the hall of fame to 11 while raising the team total to two.

The induction ceremony and celebration will take place in 2015, with an exact date to be announced soon.

HOMES

apartments.com HomeFinder.com

Homes

MILFORD: 2856 Skyline. 3 bdrm, 2 full ba, frplc., 1rm occ. \$23,500. (810) 227-3880

Milford Twp: gorgeous 2 story updated home. 4 br, 2.5 ba, hrdw flrs. 2316 sq. Built 1995. C/A. \$294,500. 248-684-6275

Condos

NORTHVILLE - For Sale By Owner: 3 Bdrm., 2.5 Bath on Silver Springs Lake. For info call: 248-348-6933

Lots & Acreage Vacant

CANTON: Sale or build-to-suit land behind Hertz & Victory Lane on busy Michigan Ave in Canton. Approx 2.5 acres. Possible auto use or warehouse/storage. \$300,000. Bela Sapos 734-669-5813, 734-669-1100 #3212813

Lease - Option To Buy

HAMBURG TWP. Lake front, all sports. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. 2.5 car att. gar., \$1,800/mo + sec. 810.599.9581 after 5 p.m.

Cemetery Lots

Oakland Hills Cemetery at Sermon on the Mount. We have two lots side by side for sale. This is a \$4600.00 value, selling for \$2300.00. Contact Doug at (734)475-0761

RENTALS

apartments.com HomeFinder.com

Apartment For Rent

No RENT until October 1, 2014*

Rentals starting at \$799 3 bed, 2 bath, all appliances including washer & dryer.



CHILD'S LAKE ESTATES
4377 Old Plank Road, Milford
248-820-5836
www.childslake.com

*WAC: Deposits start at \$699 per mo. 15 mo lease. Community owned homes. Offer expires 8-31-14.

GARDEN CITY:

Beautiful remodeled 2 bdrm. Heat & water incl., credit friendly. (248) 474-3005

PLYMOUTH APARTMENT

All utilities included, shared laundry and patio. \$625 per month. (734)637-8843

RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

HOMES FOR RENT

No RENT until October 1, 2014*

CHILD'S LAKE ESTATES
Rentals starting at \$799 3 bed, 2 bath, all appliances plus washer and dryer
4377 Old Plank Road, Milford
248-820-5835
www.childslake.com

Homes

MILFORD: 2856 Skyline. 3 bdrm, 2 full ba, frplc., 1rm occ. \$23,500. (810) 227-3880

Milford Twp: gorgeous 2 story updated home. 4 br, 2.5 ba, hrdw flrs. 2316 sq. Built 1995. C/A. \$294,500. 248-684-6275

Condos

NORTHVILLE - For Sale By Owner: 3 Bdrm., 2.5 Bath on Silver Springs Lake. For info call: 248-348-6933

Lots & Acreage Vacant

CANTON: Sale or build-to-suit land behind Hertz & Victory Lane on busy Michigan Ave in Canton. Approx 2.5 acres. Possible auto use or warehouse/storage. \$300,000. Bela Sapos 734-669-5813, 734-669-1100 #3212813

Lease - Option To Buy

HAMBURG TWP. Lake front, all sports. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. 2.5 car att. gar., \$1,800/mo + sec. 810.599.9581 after 5 p.m.

Cemetery Lots

Oakland Hills Cemetery at Sermon on the Mount. We have two lots side by side for sale. This is a \$4600.00 value, selling for \$2300.00. Contact Doug at (734)475-0761

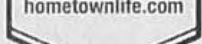
SERVICES

hometownlife.com

Apartment For Rent

No RENT until October 1, 2014*

Rentals starting at \$799 3 bed, 2 bath, all appliances including washer & dryer.



CHILD'S LAKE ESTATES
4377 Old Plank Road, Milford
248-820-5836
www.childslake.com

*WAC: Deposits start at \$699 per mo. 15 mo lease. Community owned homes. Offer expires 8-31-14.

GARDEN CITY:

Beautiful remodeled 2 bdrm. Heat & water incl., credit friendly. (248) 474-3005

PLYMOUTH APARTMENT

All utilities included, shared laundry and patio. \$625 per month. (734)637-8843

RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

JOBS

careerbuilder.com

Help Wanted - General

AUTOMOTIVE TECHS
Busy shop needs certified mechanics. High flat rate pay with paid holiday & vacation pay. Call: 248-349-0290 ask for Tom or Sandy Or apply in person:
NOVI MOTIVE
21530 Novi Rd.,
btwn 8 & 9 Mile Rd. Email:
novimotive@yahoo.com

Help Wanted - General

Concrete Finishers & Laborers
Some Exp req'd Action Concrete
denrybye@wowway.com
734-455-7548

COUNTER CLERKS

Full or Part-Time
Or Students. All locations.
Mai Kai Cleaners
Call Robin or Steve:
313-537-8050

DENTAL HYGIENIST

Seeking motivated, enthusiastic, dependable and hard working Dental Hygienist. Exp preferred. To join a skilled, team-oriented Plymouth practice. Tues 11-7pm, and one 1/2 day on Sat each month. Hours will expand when expected demand increases. Dentrix software and digital x-rays
Contact Carol at (734) 454-5656
Resume to:
dental_arts@yahoo.com

Rooms For Rent

CANTON: Sleeping room. Newly decorated, flat screen, tree w/it. 734-259-8569
Cell: 734-386-6213

NORTHVILLE or PLYMOUTH DOWNTOWN

1st week with full deposit. Furnished sleeping rooms. Newly decorated. \$90/wkly. Security deposit. 734-355-6453
248-305-9944

DIRECT CARE:

Make a difference! Support people with disabilities living their life the way they want to! Assist with personal care, meals, taking care of their homes, getting places etc. Many locations & shifts! Must be at least 18 yrs old, have valid MI Driver's License & are CLS, Inc. trained, call our Job Line 734-728-4201, #

DIRECT CARE STAFF

Work with developmentally disabled adults. Westland. (734) 722-4580 x9

DRIVER-WRECKER

Weekend & Night Shift avail. Experience preferred. Call Mon-Fri. 9-5pm. (734) 591-0456

INDUSTRIAL REPAIR TECHNICIAN

Livonia-based industrial electronic repair company with 25+ year track record has several immediate openings for experienced component-level repair technicians. Current experience in one of the following areas is required: Servo Drives and Motion Control Systems, Siemens and Fanuc CNC Systems, Display, HMI, Operator Interface Devices, and PLC Systems. Company offers very competitive pay with full benefit packages. These are key positions for well qualified individuals.
For consideration, please email your resume to:
resume@ivincorporated.com
EEO and Veteran friendly.

JEWELRY SALES

Full Time & Part Time Positions Start up to \$13 Exp up to \$20 Benefits - Bonus - No Nights! Call 734-525-3200 Fax 734-525-1443
jobs@jewelryexchange.com

LABORER & MAINTENANCE

Swimming pool co. offering outdoor physical work. Top dollar paid. (248) 477-7727

Landscaping & Lawn Maintenance Co.

Hiring Full-Time LABORERS Call: (248) 669-1350

Lead Building Engineer

Hiring at our retail facility in Troy. Apply see full details: careerbuilder.com Keyword 2445190

QUALITY PAINTING

Interior/Exterior. Work myself. Reasonable. (248) 225-7165

RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

Help Wanted - General

MANAGEMENT TRAINEES

Experienced for oil change locations. Flexible scheduling. Veterans welcome. Resume employment@victoriaklane.net
WHEELS
QUICK OIL CHANGE

OFFICE HELP

Full time position available for Office Help in busy Northville office. Must have pleasant phone voice for incoming & outgoing calls, excellent computer & internet skills. Send resume psugars@fb-firm.com Or fax: (248) 380-3434

PAINTER Exp. necessary

Must have transportation. Mostly exterior work. Call Evenings 248-446-0026

PORTER NEEDED

RAULPH THAYER AUTOMOTIVE
BODY SHOP
Valid Driver's License & clean driving record. Email resume to: brenda.bachman@thayerauto.com

Preschool in Redford needs exp'd Assistants & Head Teachers.

401K offered. 313-541-5887

SNACK BAR HELP

Part-Time, Days & or Evenings. Apply at: Woodland Lanes 33775 Plymouth Rd., Livonia 734-522-4515

VET ASSISTANT

Part Time / Full Time Experience required. Must adore cats. Apply at Carousal Cat Clinic 38437 Grand River Ave Farmington Hills 48335 248-476-9860

Help Wanted - Office Clerical

CLERICAL
Canton area business looking for a full-time office clerk. Quick learner with sharp data entry skills and detail oriented person needed. Benefits and good opportunity for the right candidate. Forward resume: Reference Box 1001 oeresome@hometownlife.com

LEGAL SECRETARY

Wanted for high volume fast paced Lathrup Village law firm. Applicant must have some knowledge of workers' compensation as well as being familiar with Microsoft Word, Outlook & Needles.
Position is permanent, full time with salary & benefits.
Please respond to: bpreznov@lawfirmofbernstein.com

Help Wanted - Dental

DENTAL ASSISTANT

Minimum of 2 yrs assistant experience in General Dental Office mandatory. Proficient in all areas of assisting. Good organizational & people skills. Good at multi-tasking & critical thinking for busy dental office. Full-Time with benefits. Some evenings & wkends req. Fax resume to: 313 557-0956

Dental Receptionist Part-Time/Full-Time

Some Sat's for Periodontal & Implantology Practice in Milford/Farmington Hills. Must have dental knowledge. Contact Karen at: 248-851-1034

Help Wanted - Medical

MEDICAL ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST

Full-time for busy internal medicine office. Great pay, benefits & hours. No holidays or weekends. MA experience necessary, with receptionist knowledge preferred. Call Lisa (313) 561-4540

REGISTERED NURSE

Busy multidisciplinary pain practice in Novi is seeking a full-time RN who must possess excellent communication and critical thinking skills. Minimum of 2 years experience required & prior EMR experience a must. We offer competitive wages and excellent benefits. No weekends or holidays. Please send resume to: elynch@procareystems.com

CASH IN with O&E Media's CLASSIFIEDS

800-579-SELL

Help Wanted - Medical

RN

Full-Time position available in busy pain management practice in Ypsilanti. Experience with recovery or critical care background preferred. Excellent wage & benefit package. Clinic Hours are Mon-Fri, day shift. No holidays or weekends.
Send resume via fax: ATTN: HR Manager 734-547-4851 or email to: marybob@michiganpainspecialists.com

RN TELEPHONE TRIAGE

Rapidly expanding GI practice seeking experienced RN. Responsibilities will include safe and accurate telephone assessment, patient intake, electronic charting, infusions and a variety of other duties. Strong computer skills preferred.
Fax resume and cover letter to Human Resources 734-434-9571, email to jobs@hurongastro.com, or mail to 5300 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Food - Beverage

RESTAURANT DELI MANAGER

Experienced only STEVE'S DELI Bloomfield Hills Ask for Bob, 248-932-0800 stevedeli@comcast.net

PERSONALS

Card of Thanks

PRAYER: Pray 9 Hail Marys for 9 days. On the 9th day make 3 wishes & publish this prayer. Your wishes will be granted. -M

BUY & SELL

Absolutely Free

Light Oak Armoire

TV entertainment. Like new! 734-968-3645 to inspect.

OLD UPRIGHT PIANO - 1/2

Hutch cabinet, all glass shelves with lighting in hutch. Very good cond., 248-486-4943

ONE WHITE ELECTRIC STOVE.

ONE GAS STOVE and REFRIGERATOR YOU PICK UP. Almond in color. 734-449-0753

Garage/Moving Sales

BIRMINGHAM - garage/estate sale 1825 Pine St. Chesterfield /Maple. 8/28-8/30 9-4pm Furn., dishes, designer clothes/purses, antiques & Much More

FARMINGTON HILLS - 24408

Springbrook Dr. N. of 10 mile Rd. Aug 29th - 30th Fri - Sat 10a-5p Sun Aug 31st 11a-5p. Furniture, household & Misc.

Farmington Hills: Garage Sale

(Moving) Furniture, yard tools, books, household items and a LOT more. 21151 Parklane St. Thurs-Sat. Aug 28-30 8a-4p

SALE NORTHVILLE - Labor Day Sale

Household items, kids toys, and clothing. Aug 28th-31st 9a-4p. 48742 Stoneridge Dr. 6 mile & Beck Rd.

CASH IN with O&E Media's CLASSIFIEDS

800-579-SELL

Garage/Moving Sales

Goodrich: HUGE ESTATE SALE!

Cash ONLY! Five living room sets of furniture, oak tables, desks, leather chairs, patio furniture, tools, pinball machine, kitchen items and much more! Thurs-Sat, Sept. 4-7th, 9-5pm; Sun 9-1 9195 Ridge Rd., (M-15 & Green Rd. area)

LIVONIA - 19200 Gary Lane

Fri-Sat. Aug. 29-30, 9-5pm Furniture, household, electronics, toys, exercise equip., Christmas decor.

Livonia: Remember our May art-in-the-park

overshock sale? We're back - one day only THURS 8-28 9am-7pm (rain date 30th) 17428 Parklane N. of 6mi-E of Levan. Yard tools, wind chimes, books, clothing

Livonia Sale-36510 Bennett

Btwn 6-7 Mi. W of Levan. Sept 3-5th, 10-4pm. Ladies wear 1-3x & 18-20. Mens wear 3x shirts & 48-52 pants/jeans. Some designer wear, table saw, roll away bed frame, books, coats, cookware, jewelry, dried flowers, Holiday!

LIVONIA - YARD SALE

8/28-8/31, Thurs - Sun. 9-5pm. Only 27499 Five Mile Rd., W. of Inkster.

MILFORD-Moving Sale!

Thurs., 10-4pm & Sat, 10-4pm. 1059 Deep Valley Dr. Glassware, Snow boot, Antiques, Heritage Hillside Sub.

NOVI: Huge Multi-Family

Garage Sale. Tools, sports equipment, lawn/garden tools, household items. August 28-30, 8am-5pm. Briarwood Village, 10 Mile and Beck.

Plymouth: ESTATE SALE

Aug 30-31, 10-4pm Something for everyone! Furniture to trinkets. To much to list! 42257 Old Pond Circle

Plymouth Twp Garage Sale

44571 Clare Blvd. Aug 28-30th 9-4pm. China, furn, toys, misc.

Redford 26536 Student

Fri-Sat 8/29-30 9-4PM: Twin Bed, gas stove, microwave, small refrig, small kitchen appl, baker's rack, Chandelier, Longaberger items, sports jerseys/ baseball cards, kids' vintage table w/2 chairs, kid's table w/4 stools, toys, games, clothing and more.

Redford: ESTATE SALE -

Sat-Sun 10-5 household items, piano, precious moments, furniture, books and much, much more. 11731 Centralia. N. of Plymouth W. of Beech Daly (313)937-1974

REDFORD - Huge Labor day

sale Sun. 8/31 & Mon 9/1, 9-5pm 17411 Delaware. Life fitness treadmill, Nintendo donkey kong hockey, electronics, 1940's quilts to finish, needle crafts, vintage christmas, 2-1950's oak student desks, Rooster & Roses & Much More

Redford: Retired Teacher's

Goodies: Pre-K-3 resource materials, chart stand /w bins, kid's book sets, Curious George dolls, misc. Low prices! 313-541-883. Tu-Fri, 9-5pm.

South Lyon: "HUGE SALE"

Garage sale w/ Home Decor, Outdoor Furniture, Freestanding Hot Tub, Antique Pepsi Machine, Tools, Entertainment Centers, TVs & MUCH MORE! Aug 28-29th 9-5pm 24600 Fairview Dr.

WESTLAND MOVING SALE!

8/29 to 9/1 9a-6p Antiques, clothes, sporting goods, boat and much more!

WESTLAND:

Thurs 8/28 - Sun 8/31, 9-5pm. Clothing, children's toys, etc. 349 South Byfield, Cherry Hill & Wildwood.

Household Goods

BED - Stanley wood twin bed, solid wood & mattress. Exc. cond \$500/best offer. **DOOR** - Jeld-Wen EXTERIOR, Knotty Alder, solid wood, unfinished, never used. \$800/best offer. Call: (586) 817-2127

DESK: Executive cherry wood,

matching chair, extensive brass trim, green leather top, 6ft by 3ft. Italian import from Doumouchelle's Gallery, \$4200. Ray: 586-484-7277

Glasstop coffee table. Glasstop

end table. \$45 each. Like New! 810-231-1701

Bicycles

PLYMOUTH - TREK all terrain lady's 21 speed bike. Multi trak color black, excellent condition, owners manual. \$230 248-207-8846

SCHWINN 240 RECUMBENT EXERCISE BIKE:

Like new, \$300 Call: 248-437-0687

Wanted to Buy

WANTED: Old Fishing Tackle & related items. Successful Deer Hunter Patches. Call Bill: (734) 890-1047

CASH IN with O&E Media's CLASSIFIEDS

800-579-SELL

Wanted to Buy

CASH PAID or CONSIGNMENT

for Vintage, Antique and Other Valuable Items. Single items to storage units to entire estates and estates sales. Professional, courteous, fair, honest, discreet older gentleman. I drive to you. Coins, costume and fine jewelry, knock knacks, military collections, toys, books, stereo, instruments, ephemera, clothing, Christmas, more. References. Richard, BSE, MBA, (248)795-0362 richard.preston48@yahoo.com

4 Wheel Drive

LOCAL HOUSES OF WORSHIP OFFER VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES

AUGUST MOVIE ON THE LAWN
Time/Date: 8:30 p.m. Aug. 30
Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merri-

man, Livonia
Details: Bring a lawn chair or blanket to watch *God's Not Dead*. Movie starts at sunset. Admission, popcorn and ices are free. Movie will be shown

indoors in inclement weather
Contact: Steve Morgan at 313-377-0832

SEPTEMBER FITNESS CLASSES
Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Monday, beginning Sept. 15
Location: St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren Road, Canton
Details: Joe Mason, certified personal fitness trainer, instructs a 10-week series of classes that include aerobic movements, strength training with light hand weights and yoga stretching, followed by abdominal and back exercises. Cost is \$70 with a portion of proceeds going to the parish.

Contact: 734-455-5910
GRIEF WORKSHOP
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, beginning Sept. 10
Location: St. Priscilla's Church, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia
Details: "Grieving with Great Hope" is a five-week series for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. The workshop is conducted by Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization co-founded by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy. For more information and registration details, visit the Good Mourning Ministry website at www.goodmourningministry.net or contact Kay at St. Priscilla.

Contact: 248-476-4700, kay@saintpriscilla.org
RALLY DAY
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sept. 14
Location: First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman Road, at Maplewood, Garden City
Details: Worship, food, games,
Contact: 734-421-8628

REVIVAL
Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sept. 7, 7 p.m. Sept. 8-10
Location: Palmer Road Baptist Church, 33740 Palmer, Westland
Details: Worship with praise and music, along with messages of repentance, renewal and revival with the Rev. Charles Ozment
Contact: 734-729-2434

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS
Time/Date: Sept. 7, Oct. 12 and 26 and Nov. 9
Location: National Council of Jewish Women Greater Detroit Section, 26400 Lahser, Southfield
Details: The council seeks volunteers to help with activities and field trips for clients of Kadima, a mental health facility in Southfield. Trips include a Detroit Tiger game on Sept. 7; Succot celebration at Kadima on Oct. 12; Franklin Cider Mill and Johnson Nature Center on Oct. 26; and the Royal Oak Flea Market, Nov. 9
Contact: 248-355-3300, Ext. 0

OCTOBER CRAFTERS WANTED
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11
Location: St. Theodore Parish Social Halls, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: St. Theodore Confraternity of Christian Women is looking for crafters for its Fall Craft Show. There are 70 tables available. Each costs \$25.
Contact: Mary at 734-425-4421 (voice mail #10)

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY
Men's Bible Study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberg at 734-464-9491

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township
Details: Scripture study
Contact: 313-534-9000
St. Michael the Archangel
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday.
Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia
Details: Catholic author Gary Michuta leads a study of Acts of the Apostles.
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniastmichael.org
Ward Presbyterian
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays
Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Learner's Bible study is held
Contact: 248-374-5920

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

MOMS
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners
Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

Dunning Park Bible Chapel
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays
Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.
Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE
Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday
Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.
Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER
Nardin Park United Methodist Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday
Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests.
Contact: 248-476-8860

St. Edith Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through back.
Details: Music, singing, prayer
Contact: Grace at 734-464-1896, Shirley at 734-464-3656 or Geri at 734-464-8906

St. Michael Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday
Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton

21200 Haggerty, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberg at 734-464-9491



RELIGION CALENDAR

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

SINGLES
Detroit World Outreach
Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304
Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated.
Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org

First Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays.
Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville
Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5
Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant
Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 14 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.
Contact: 313-534-0399

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Single Point Ministries, for 30 and up, offers fellowship, coffee, doughnuts, conversation.
Contact: 248-374-5920

SONG CIRCLE
Congregation Beth Ahm
Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat
Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield
Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.
Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

SUPPORT
Apostolic Christian Church
Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily
Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia
Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.
Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

Connection Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday
Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton
Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups. Child care is available for free
Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009

Detroit World Outreach
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202
Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive

behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling.
Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244
Farmington Hills Baptist Church
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August
Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills
Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group
Contact: 248-433-1011

Merriman Road Baptist Church
Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City
Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations
Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

Fireside Church of God
Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday
Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry offers an activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center
Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday
Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available
Contact: 734-421-8451

St. John Neumann
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesdays
Location: 44800 Warren Road, Canton
Details: Overeaters Anonymous meets
Contact: Mary at 734-634-7154 or Jennifer at 734-812-6077 for additional information

St. Thomas a' Becket Church
Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group meeting starts at 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton
Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly encourages members of the organization to lose weight and keep it off for good.
Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322 for additional information

Unity of Livonia
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia
Details: Overeaters Anonymous
Contact: 248-559-7722; www.aa.org for additional information

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/desserts)
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.
Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org celebrate

Passages View Online www.hometownlife.com
 Obituaries, Memorials & Remembrances
 How to reach us: 1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • www.mideathnotices.com
Deadlines: Friday, 4:00 p.m. for Sunday papers
 Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. for Thursday papers
 Holiday deadlines are subject to change.



CARAMAGNO, JOAN
 August 24, 2014, age 84. Dear mother of John Veselenak, Nicholas Veselenak, Paul (Barbara) Veselenak, and Matthew (Tonya) Caramagno. Grandma of David (Holly) Veselenak, Sarah and Scott Veselenak, Matthew and Chase Caramagno. Sister of Donald (Lynn) Bartolero, and Sheila Gazdecki. Visitation MANN'S-FERGUSON FUNERAL HOME 17000 Middlebelt (S. of 6 Mile) on Thursday from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., with Parastas Service at 7 p.m. In State Friday 9 a.m. until time of Divine Liturgy, 10 a.m., at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, 29125 Six Mile Road in Livonia. Share a memory at www.mannsfuneralhome.com



FLOHR, JOAN M.
 Loving wife of the late Dale. Cherished mother of Bruce (Linda), Gary (Zita), Tom, Lesley (Jim) Page and Karilyn (Andy) Lytle. Proud grandmother of 16 and great-grandmother of 8. Also survived by dear brother Rev. Thomas (Betty) Edge. Visitation Wednesday 5-8 p.m. at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Rd. in Livonia. In state Thursday 10 a.m. until time of Funeral Service 11 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Rd. in Livonia. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions are appreciated to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra or Alzheimer's Association.



DUNCAN JEANNETTE
 Age 95 August 25, 2014. Beloved wife of the late Harry for 47 years. Loving mother of Elizabeth Suvoy. Predeceased by her son Michael Everton and son-in-law Frank 'Buck' Suvoy. Sister of Simone Hanvey and Rejeanne Jarmosevich. Grandmother of Lisa Everton, Cheryl (Jeff) Lampman, Louis Suvoy and Aurea Suvoy. Great grandmother of Corey and Jack Lampman. Also survived by her caregiver Julia Everton and many loving nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday 1-8pm at the John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 N. Inkster Rd., Garden City (Between Ford Rd. & Cherry Hill). In state Friday 9am followed by the 9:30am Funeral Mass at St. Richard Catholic Church, 35637 Cherry Hill (west of Wayne Road). www.santeiufuneralhome.com



O'NEIL, JR. JAMES STANLEY
 Age 70. Loving father and proud grandfather, passed away peacefully August 25 with his family by his side. He was a former resident of Canton, and Northville. James was a strong man who persevered through the challenges that life threw his way and loved to get around town and converse with those he met. He was a proud U.S. Navy Veteran who served during the Vietnam War and he excelled as a Senior Account Executive in the automotive industry. James will be deeply missed by his family and friends. He is survived by four children and six grandchildren. Visitation Friday, Aug. 29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Griffin Funeral Home in Canton.

SEYUIN, GATHA M.
 Age 92, of Farmington Hills, died August 25, 2014. Gatha is survived by her beloved husband of 72 years, Joseph; devoted children, Joann Schlicht and Joseph (Mary); 17 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, eight great-great-grandchildren; and sisters-in-law, Anna Jodway and Belle Seyuin. Sadly, Gatha was preceded in death by her daughter, Ruth Kelley. Visitation Thursday, August 28, 5-8 p.m., with a 7 p.m. Rosary, at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home 23720 Farmington Rd., (btwn. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N. of Grand River), downtown Farmington, (248-474-5200). Funeral Mass Friday, August 29, 10:30 a.m. (in state 10 a.m.) at the Servant Church of St. Alexander, 27835 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills. Interment Mt. Hope, Livonia. Memorial gifts suggested to Angela Hospice.
[heenev-sundquist.com](http://www.heenev-sundquist.com)
HEENEV-SUNDQUIST FUNERAL HOME

May you find comfort in family & friends

Your Invitation to Worship

<p>CATHOLIC</p> <p>ST. ANNE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH Tridentine Latin Mass St. Anne's Academy - Grades K-8 38100 Five Mile Road Livonia, MI 48154 • (734) 462-3200 Mass Schedule: First Friday Mass 7:00 p.m. Saturday Mass 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses 7:30 & 10:00 a.m. Confessions Heard Prior to Each Mass Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. AT100641</p>	<p>PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)</p> <p>Rosedale Gardens PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) 9601 Hubbard at W. Chicago, Livonia, MI (between Merriman & Farmington Rds.) (734) 422-0494 Friends in Faith Service 9:00 am Traditional Service 10:30 am Visit www.rosedalegardens.org For information about our many programs AT100637</p>	<p>ASSEMBLIES OF GOD</p> <p><i>A Church for Seasoned Saints</i> OPEN ARMS CHURCH Worship: Sunday 10:30 am Wednesday 7 pm Pastor Grady Jensen & Music Minister Abe Fazzini 33015 W. 7 Mile Rd., Livonia 48152 Between Farmington & Merriman Across from Joe's Produce 248.471.5282 Church As You Remember it! AT100632</p>	<p>LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD</p> <p>ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL 17810 FARMINGTON ROAD LIVONIA (734)261-1360 WORSHIP SERVICES Sunday: 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Thursday: 6:30 P.M. website: www.stpaulsilivonia.org AT100640</p>	<p>EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN</p> <p>WARD CHURCH 40000 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48168 248.374.7400 Sunday Worship Services 8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11 a.m. 4 different music styles from classic to modern www.wardchurch.org 10-0000184424</p>
<p>CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE</p> <p>PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 45801 W. Ann Arbor Road • (734) 453-1925 Sunday School - 9:45 A.M. Sunday Worship - 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M. Family Night - Wed. 7:00 P.M. NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN LEARNING CENTER (734) 455-3196 AT100639</p>	<p>PRESBYTERIAN</p> <p>Fellowship Presbyterian Church Adult Sunday: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. • Worship: 10:30 a.m. Childrens Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road in Livonia • South of Six Mile Road Nursery provided • www.fellowship-presbyterian.org AT100638</p>			

For Information regarding this Directory, please call Sue Sare at 248-437-2011 ext. 247 or e-mail: ssare@hometownlife.com

Comedy, musicals, more take to stage

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Craig Hane hopes to "raise the bar" at Barefoot Productions this season.

And with nearly one play per month scheduled through May 2015 at its Plymouth playhouse, Hane, director and founder, will have plenty of chances to do just that.

"I'm going into every show with nothing more than perfection," said Hane, who will direct the entire season at Barefoot. "Mouths will drop with each show."

Barefoot started the 2014-15 theater season a few months before other local troupes, staging *Play It Again, Sam* in July, followed by *Southern Hospitality* this month. It will take a break in September as it gears up for a re-telling of the Lizzie Borden tale in October, just in time for Halloween.

Inspire Theatre will bring *Blithe Spirit* to the stage in mid-October at its Westland playhouse, but other local theaters plan to start new seasons in September. Farmington Players will stage the comedy, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Sept. 26 through Oct. 18. Both Spotlight Players in Canton and Two Muses Theatre in West Bloomfield are rehearsing musicals.

Spotlight opens with Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic *The King and I*, which will run weekends, Sept. 12-21.

"Spotlight is very pleased to be offering something new this year, season packages. They are similar to season tickets but offer much more flexibility," said Lia De Biasi, who is producing *The King and I*. "For \$54 you get four tickets for the price of \$13.50 each."

Individual tickets for *The King and I* run \$15-\$18.

"Save by purchasing season coupons. Four coupons per package," De Biasi explained. Season coupons can be exchanged for tickets to desired Spotlight Players' shows. They also may be exchanged for Spotlight Players' youth group shows and its senior troupe performances.

From the West Coast

Two Muses Theatre will open its new season with the Midwest premiere of *At the Bistro Garden*, a new musical with ties to both Michigan and Los Angeles, Calif.

"One of our regular patrons has a son who started a theater. He moved to L.A. and directs on the East Coast as well," said Barbie Weisserman of Farmington Hills, co-founder of the Two Muses, in West Bloomfield. "So, I gave her my business card. Her son called me and said he'd love to direct at Two Muses. He had heard wonderful things about Two Muses."

When he mentioned that a friend had written a new musical and had been testing it out in workshops, Weisserman was eager to read it.

"The script is hilarious and the music is fabulous," Weisserman said. "They were so excited to come and have someone interested in producing their show."

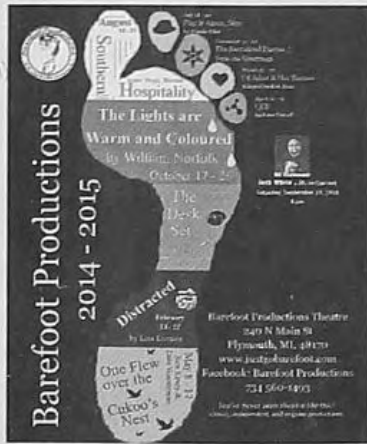
Deborah Pearl, the author of *At the Bistro Garden*, Jules Aaron, the director, and David Kole, the composer, flew to Michigan to work with the cast and crew.

"This is really exciting for us," she said. "The composer is staying with me and the author is staying with me. It has been really fun."

Here are the details about upcoming shows:

» Barefoot Productions stages *The Lights are Warm and Coloured*, a crime drama, at 8 p.m. Oct. 17-18 and 24-25 and 2 p.m. Oct. 19 and 26. *Santaland Diaries/Seasons Greetings* by David Sedaris, follows for two nights only in November. *The Desk Set*, a comedy romance that inspired a film starring Katharine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy, is set for December. Director Craig Hane said the play includes "a huge scene with an office Christmas party." *Distracted, Of Juliet & Her Romeo, QED and One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* round out the season, at 240 N. Main, Plymouth. 734-560-1493; justgobarefoot.com.

» In addition to *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Farmington Players will stage *Leading Ladies*, November-December, *Miracle*



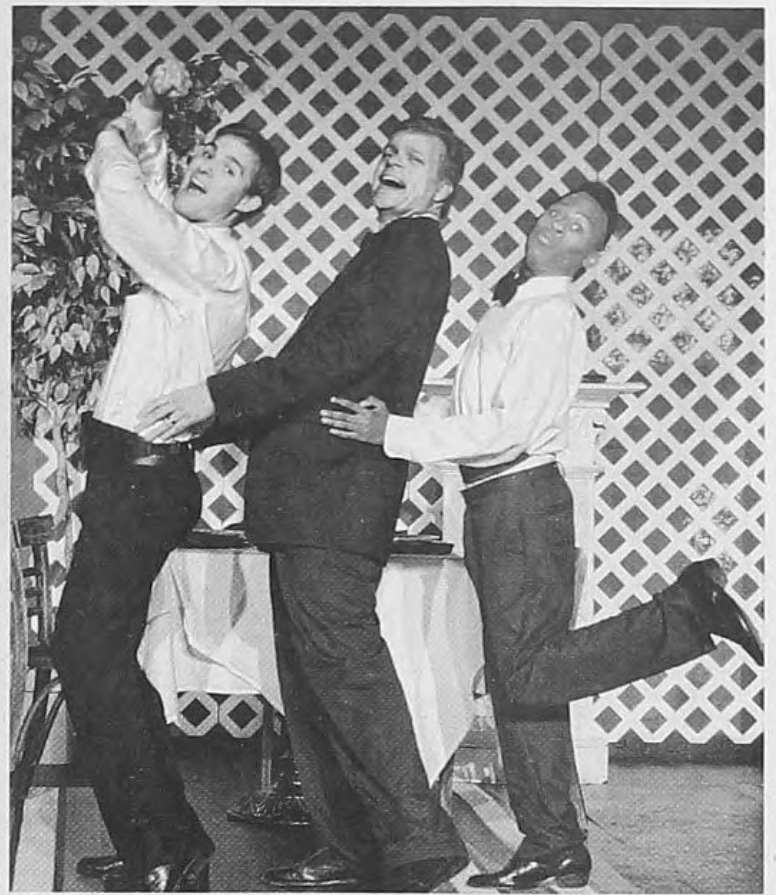
Barefoot Productions in Plymouth will stage more plays this season than it has in the past. It found a creative way to package the play titles and dates onto one flier.

on *South Division Street* in February 2015 and *How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, April-May 2015, at 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. 248-553-2955; farmingtonplayers.org.

» Inspire Theatre runs *Blithe Spirit* at 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 17-18 and 24-25, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at 5767 Executive Drive, Westland. 734-751-7057.

» Spotlight Players presents *The King and I*, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12-14 and 19-21, at the Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Other plays include a youth production, *Harry's Hotter at Twilight*, in October, *Steel Magnolias* in November and two Mel Brooks plays, *Get Smart* in February 2015 and *Young Frankenstein* in April 2015.

» Two Muses Theatre runs *At the Bistro Garden* at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27, Oct. 3-4, 10-11, and 17-18 and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 and Oct. 5, 12, and 19. Other shows are *Jake's Women* in November, *Basheret* in February 2015, *God of Carnage*, April 2015, and *Clybourne Park*, June 2015, in the theater at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Season tickets are available. Call 248-850-9919; twomus-theatre.org.



The Maitre D with his waiters at the *Bistro Garden*, Rusty Daugherty, (left) of Southfield, John DeMerell of White Lake and Miles Bond of Detroit. At the *Bistro Garden* opens the new season at Two Muses Theatre.



Diane Hill of Wolverine Lake (left) and Amy Lauter of Farmington Hills play best friends in Two Muses Theatre's season opener, *At the Bistro Garden*. In this scene, Cheyenne, played by Carrie Jay Sayer of Dexter, entertains with stories of Hollywood romances while the John DeMerell of White Lake, as Maitre D, listens in.

GET OUT!

ANIMALS DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Labor Day, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning Sept. 2

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.

Run Wild: 5K and 10K runs, and a 1.5-mile fun walk will benefit the zoo's Ruth Roby Glancy Animal Health Complex, Sept. 14. The 5K starts at 8 a.m., the 10K at 8:45 a.m. and the untimed fun walk is at 9 a.m. Routes start at the zoo and wind through Huntington Woods. Registration fees run from \$25 for the walk to \$55 for both the 5K and 10 K runs. www.detroitzoo.org/runwild
Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Oct. 10
Location: The Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: "Artpack Services Employee Exhibit"

Contact: 248-473-1859

JANICE CHARACH GALLERY

Time/Date: Noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Sept. 11

Location: Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: "Daily Gratitude: Art, Sport and Cupcakes," features the work of Jessica Kovan. Also on exhibit are works by glass artists and Teresa Petersen, who creates art from thrift store and hardware shop finds

Contact: 248-432-5448

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through Sept. 27; opening reception is 6-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 5

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: "Lines," an all-media juried exhibition

Contact: 248-344-0497

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, opening reception; exhibit open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday through September

Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth



SUBMITTED

Building by Ford #17 by Aileen Mozug is among the works on display through Sept. 27 at Northville Art House.

Details: Chalk pastels by Leonardo Savage
Contact: plymoutharts.com

AUDITIONS EMERGENT ARTS

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 6-7

Location: The Mix Studio Theater, 8 N. Washington St., Ypsilanti

Details: Auditions for *Hollywood And Hyde*, a dark comedy, will be by cold reading from the script. Actors will be seen in the order they arrive. The play will be performed Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 23 through Nov. 9. Parts for six men and one woman.

Contact: emergentarts.com; 734-985-0875

MOTOR CITY YOUTH THEATRE

Time/Date: By appointment, 7-9 p.m. Aug. 28

Location: 27555 Grantland, Livonia
Details: Placement auditions for the theater's "Acting for the Serious Student" course, which will run Friday evenings Sept. 5 through Oct. 17. The class is for ages 8-18 and costs \$100 for nonmembers and \$80 for members. Audition consists of a 30-second monologue or two 15-second monologues that will demonstrate skills in memorization, text interpretation, character and stage presence.

Contact: Nancy Florkowski, 586-894-8628; nancy@mcyt.org

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Time/Date: 5:30-9:30 p.m. Sept. 15-16



SUBMITTED

The Senegal St. Joseph Gospel Choir kicks off the news season, Sept. 21, at Music Hall in Detroit.

Location: Orchard Ridge Campus, located on Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696 in Farmington Hills

Details: *Godspell* auditions are open to all. Prepare 16 bars/measure of music either from the show or music that best displays your vocal talents. Bring your own CD or audition a cappella. Email to request an audition time

Contact: denorth@oaklandcc.edu

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 2-3

Location: Liberal Arts Theatre, in the Liberal Arts Building, on the main campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

Details: Neil Simon's *The Star-Spangled Girl*. Auditions are open to the general public as well as students. No experience necessary

Contact: James Hartman at 734-462-4400, Ext. 5270

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 29-30

Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: DJ Dangler; tickets are \$12 show only, \$22 with dinner on Thursday; \$16 show only, \$29 with dinner, Friday

Contact: joeyscomeclub.net; 734-261-0555

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28

Location: Fourth and Troy Streets in downtown Royal Oak

Details: Open Mic Night; \$3

Coming up: Ben Moore, 8 p.m. Thurs-

day, Sept. 4, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6; tickets \$18

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

FILM PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, and Thursday, Sept. 4, and 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 30-31

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: *How To Train Your Dragon*, admission \$3

Summer Cinema Series: The series wraps up with *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, Aug. 28. Shows at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

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

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Sept. 12 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 13

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

Details: *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*, \$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 Sept. 7

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor

Details: The exhibit, "Ancient/Modern: The Design of Everyday Things," examines how inhabitants of the ancient Mediterranean and Near East both resembled and differed from contemporary Americans

Contact: 734-764-9304



SUBMITTED

Violinist Anne Akiko Meyers opens the 71st season of the Chamber Music Society of Detroit on Sept. 20 at Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills.

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: *Wheels of Summer*, an exhibit of toys with wheels, runs through Nov. 2. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17

Contact: 734-455-8940

MUSIC ARTS, BEATS AND EATS

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Aug. 29-31 and 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Location: Along Washington Street and adjacent parking lots and streets in downtown Royal Oak

Details: Nine stages with local and national bands, such as The Applesseed Collective, Candy Band, Orbitsuns, Village People, The Spinners, .38 Special, Detroit Chamber Wind and Strings, Killer Flamingos, Ara Topouzian Ensemble and more. Festival includes a juried art show with more than 140 artist booths, and more than 35 food booths, some with gluten-free, vegan, low-carb, sugar-free and low-fat options. Admission is \$3; \$5 after 5 p.m. Visit artsbeatseats.com for a full music schedule and parking information

Contact: 248-541-7550

BLUES@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tues-

Catch a new movie this holiday weekend

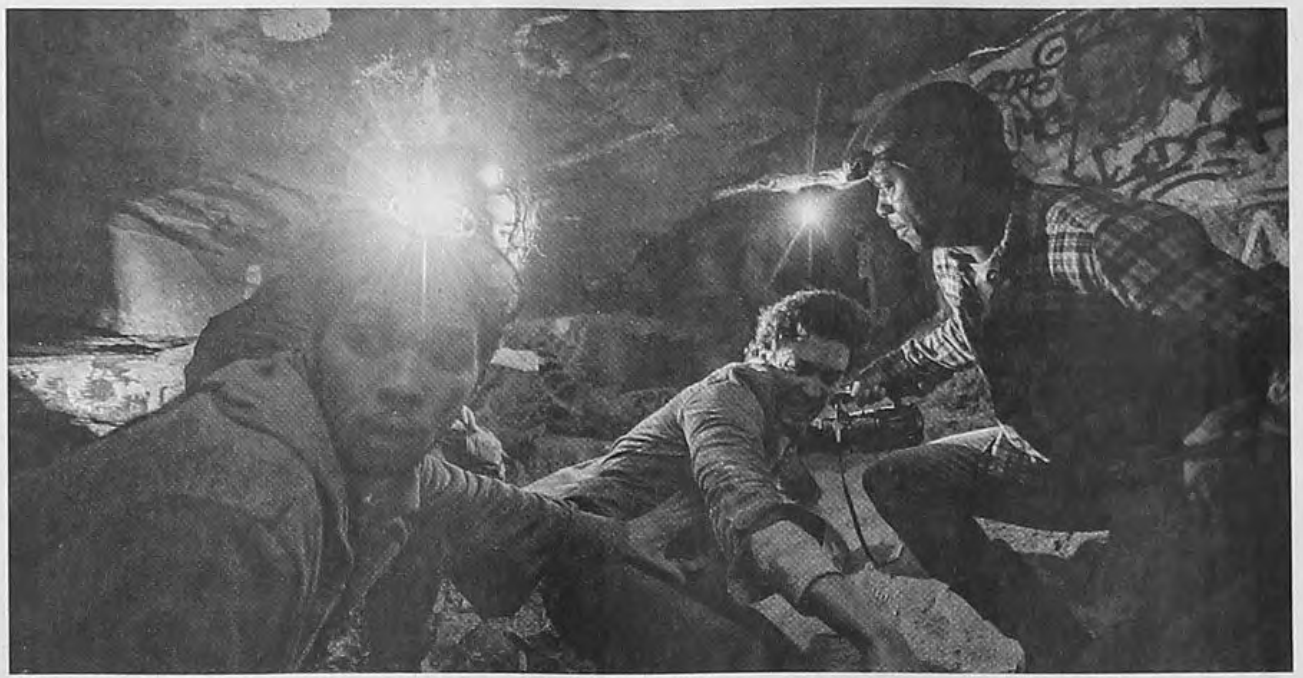
Kick back with a bucket of popcorn and watch a new film this Labor Day weekend. Movies opening Friday, Aug. 29:

» *As Above/So Below*: Miles of twisting catacombs lie beneath the streets of Paris, the eternal home to countless souls. When a team of explorers ventures into the uncharted maze of bones, they uncover the secret of what this city of the dead was meant to contain. *As Above, So Below* reaches deep into the human psyche to reveal the personal demons that come back to haunt everyone. Written by John Erick Dowdle and Drew Dowdle and directed by John Erick Dowdle, the psychological thriller takes viewers on a journey into madness and terror. Stars Perdita Weeks, Ben Feldman, and Edwin Hodge. Rated R.

» *Land, Ho!* opens at Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor. Back when they were brothers-in-law, married to two sisters,

Mitch, played by Earl Lynn Nelson, and Colin, played by Paul Eenhoorn, were close friends, but they drifted apart as Mitch and his wife divorced and Colin's wife died. Now Mitch, a retired surgeon who can't quite admit to being retired, recruits a reluctant Colin on a holiday to Iceland. It's the perfect way to perk up the pair who have endured their share of disappointments but still have a spirit of adventure in them. In upscale Reykjavik, they hit the nightclubs with Mitch's much younger first-cousin-once-removed, Ellen, played by Karrie Crouse, and her friend, Janet, played by Elizabeth McKee, who happen to be traveling through at the same time. The vast, haunting landscapes — moss-coated cliffs, fog-shrouded mountains, geothermal pools — form the perfect backdrop for the friends' escapades. Rated R.

» *Life of Crime* is based on the late Elmore



(L to R) Zed, played by Ali Marhyar, (left) Souxie, played by Marion Feldman, and Benji, played by Edwin Hodge, traverse miles of twisting catacombs beneath the streets of Paris in *As Above/So Below*. The film opens Friday, Aug. 29, at area theaters.

Leonard's novel *The Switch*. It is a dark caper comedy starring Jennifer Aniston, Tim Robbins, John Hawkes, Yasiin Bey, Isla Fisher and Will

Forte. The wife (Aniston) of a corrupt real estate developer (Robbins) is kidnapped by two common criminals (Bey and Hawkes), who intend to

extort him with inside information about his crooked business and off-shore accounts. But the husband decides he'd actually rather not pay

the ransom to get back his wife, setting off an unbelievable sequence of double crosses and plot twists. Directed by Daniel Schechter. Rated R.

GET OUT!

Continued from Page B9

day of the month
Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: \$5 donation
Contact: 734-453-1780

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Sept. 20
Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center at Detroit Country Day School, corner of 13 Mile and Lahser in Beverly Hills

Details: Violinist Anne Akiko Meyers opens the 71st season of this Farmington Hills-based music organization. Tickets range from \$30-\$60

Contact: 248-855-6070; chambermusicdetroit.org

DETROIT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Time/Date: 4-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, noon to 11:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 30-31, and noon to 8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 1

Location: Hart Plaza and Cam-



Works by Leonardo Savage, including this pastel, are on display beginning Sept. 6 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

pus Martius in downtown Detroit
Details: Nearly 60 local and national jazz musicians, in-

cluding Stanley Clarke, Ramsey Lewis, The Dirty Dozen Brass Band, Joshua Redman, The Motown Legends Gospel Choir,

and more, perform at this free festival. Catch the Northville High School Jazz Band at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, on the JP

Morgan Chase stage
Contact: detroitjazzfest.com
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: \$10 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres
Contact: 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

MUSIC HALL

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21

Location: 350 Madison, Detroit
Details: The Senegal St. Joseph Gospel choir kicks off the 2014-15 season. Tickets are \$20

Contact: 313 887-8501

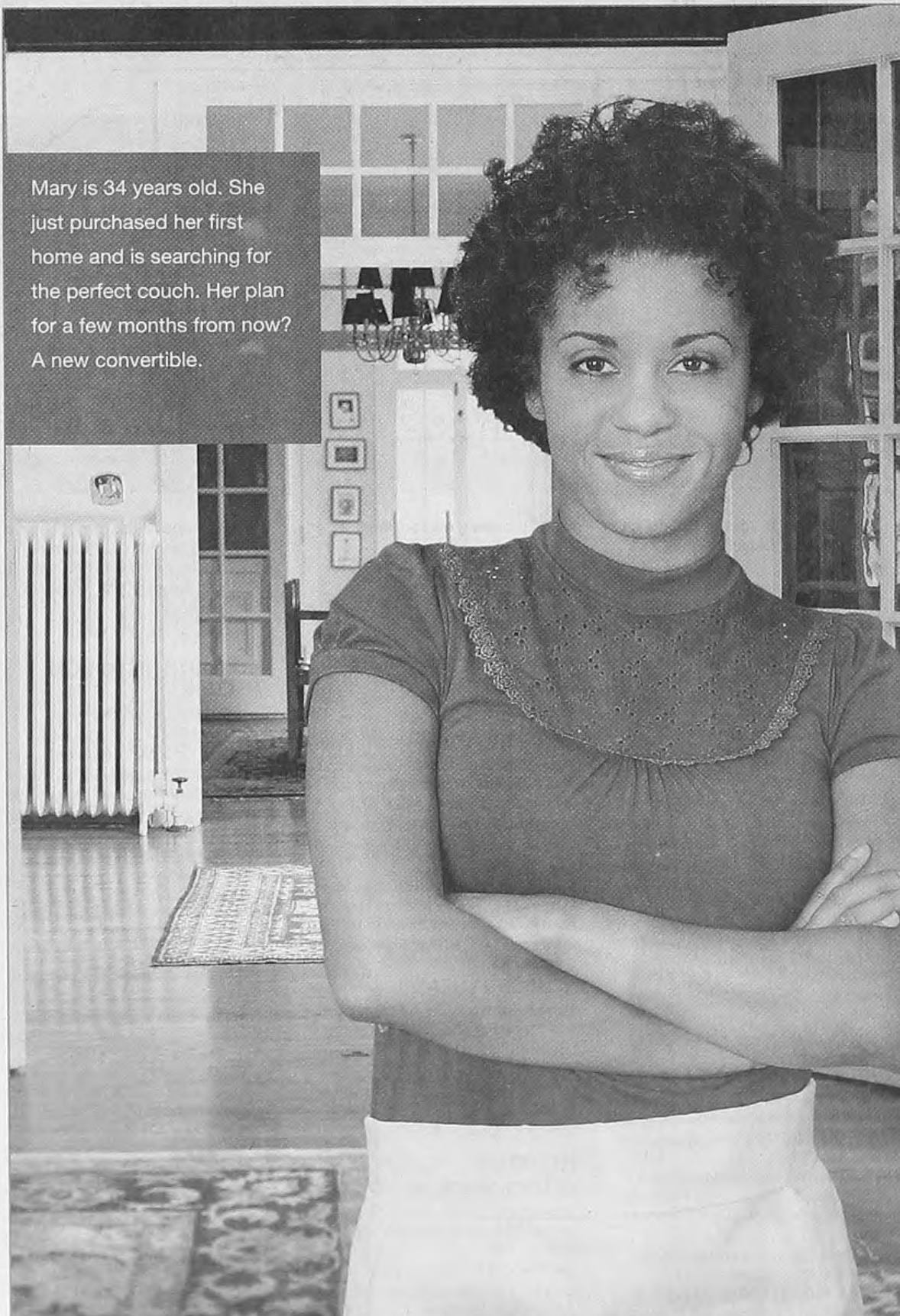
TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

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

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Open Mic, Sept. 2; Greg Trooper and George Worthmore, Sept. 6; Empty Chair Night featuring Annie and Rod Capps, Joel Palmer and Jo Serrapere, and John Devine, Sept. 7. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted.

Contact: 734-464-6302



Mary is 34 years old. She just purchased her first home and is searching for the perfect couch. Her plan for a few months from now? A new convertible.

Do you know what moves Mary? (We do.)

And with our audience expertise and pinpoint targeting, we can help your business reach more women like Mary.

In fact, we know local women on a better-than-first-name basis.

Find out today how O&E Media's multi-media solutions — enhanced by partnerships with companies like Yahoo! — make us the local leader in digital marketing.

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
hometownlife.com MEDIA
A GANNETT COMPANY

in partnership with
YAHOO!

Connect with your best customers at the best time.
Call **O&E Media Advertising**
at 734-582-8363 or 248-437-2011 today.

Learn more! Visit us online at hometownlife.com



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Carol Strom (foreground), a Schoolcraft College trustee, enjoys some of the desserts offered at the VIP reception at the Culinary Extravaganza last year.

Taste unique cuisine at Culinary EXTRAVAGANZA

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Send your taste buds on a bittersweet trip via the Midnight Train to Traverse next month at Schoolcraft College Foundation's Culinary Extravaganza.

The chicory-chocolate-cherry ice cream, created by chef James Rigato of The Root restaurant in White Lake, will be among six Guernsey Farms Dairy ice cream flavors served in the expanded "tailgate" portion of the annual event that raises funds for student scholarships and the college's culinary arts program.

"It's got a nice toasty bitterness to it," said Rigato, describing the flavor he created for Guernsey. "Chicory is a coffee substitute. I think about midnights, drinking coffee. We use Traverse City cherries, too."

The Northville-based dairy will participate in the Culinary Extravaganza for the first time, offering Peanut Butter Mackinac Island Fudge, Lemon Custard, Grandpa's Blueberry Way, Creme de Novi and Vanilla ice cream flavors, in addition to Midnight Train to Traverse.

"We have ties with Schoolcraft in terms of them using our products for their cooking school. It's a world class culinary institution," said Phillip Bec, sales and marketing manager for Guernsey Farms Dairy. "The days of the locally owned and sourced dairy are far gone. So Guernsey is unique." The company gets its milk from the Lansing area and processes it quickly so that dairy products are fresh when they hit store shelves. "Anytime I can connect with chefs that I know appreciate the (product) I try to. The Extravaganza is a great platform for us to get exposed to up and coming chefs."

The 23rd Culinary Extravaganza will run 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, in the VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. More than 40 restaurants, pastry shops and beverage vendors will serve tastings of their signature culinary creations. Certified Master Chef, Jeff Gabriel, and expert vintner, Lee Hershey, will demonstrate healthful food and wine pairings. A silent auction will include gift baskets, fine dining,



Vintner Lee Hershey teaches a class in "Wholesome Healthy Food and Wine Accompaniments." Master Chef Jeff Gabriel handles the food portion of the session and Hershey talks about wine-food pairings.



Rebecca Himm (left), a member of the Schoolcraft Foundation Board of Governors, and her friends enjoy delicacies from Steve & Rocky's of Novi.

travel and sporting event packages, along with other items. A raffle will award the luckiest ticket-holder with \$1,500. Other prizes will include cash and dinner for two at the college's American Harvest Restaurant.

Tickets for the Culinary Extravaganza are \$50, \$20 of which is a charitable contribution. Order tickets by calling 734-462-4689 or visit scf.schoolcraft.edu/culinary-extravaganza.

Tailgating

"Nowhere else can you attend an event of this magnitude for such a great price while helping such a great cause," said Sheri Frader, Extravaganza coordinator. "We have several new restaurants this year and we are continually working to add new restaurants."

"The tailgate area will be expanded to include the Lions game and possibly the Ryder Cup."

The tailgate room will offer pub- and tailgate-style foods, along with the Detroit Lions game televised

live on large viewing screens. The main event, located in the DiPonio Room, serves signature dishes and fine dining cuisine.

Rigato, a 2005 Schoolcraft graduate, will be represented in both locations. While Guernsey Farms Dairy serves Midnight Train to Traverse in the tailgate area, Rigato will offer foods typical of his The Root restaurant in the DiPonio Room.

He'll wait until closer to the event to choose a menu.

"We do things seasonally at the restaurant. If I were doing it tomorrow, I'd make something with the 200 pounds of tomatoes I just received," Rigato said, adding that he created gazpacho for a recent demonstration at Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market. "I like to stay as seasonal and fresh as possible. And I never want to repeat anything at an event. That's boring. I want to do something new."

For a complete list of vendors, visit scf.schoolcraft.edu/culinary-extravaganza.

Sweet stuff: Hydrate your way to more energy with watermelon

Americans thirsting for more energy can refresh their hydration habits by thinking outside the water glass. Some foods — including flavorful, water-rich produce like watermelon — can help hydrate the body as well.

"Sliced, cubed or blended, or even simply juiced, watermelon is a delicious way to increase fluid intake and boost energy," said Elizabeth Somer, a registered dietitian and author of several nutrition and wellness books. "Watermelon is 92 percent water, and the perfect ingredient for salads, salsas, smoothies and more."

With a distinctively sweet, refreshing taste, it may be hard to think of watermelon as a nutritious, low-calorie hydration boost. But actually, beyond its high water content, watermelon is loaded with vitamins A and C, potassium and magnesium, fiber and phytonutrients, such as lycopene.

Watermelon selection

Choosing a good whole watermelon at the store may seem like a challenge, because the thick rind hides the vibrant fruit inside. But actually, making a good pick is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

1. Look the watermelon over. You are looking for a

firm, symmetrical watermelon that is free from bruises, cuts or dents.

2. Lift it up. The watermelon should be heavy for its size; most of the weight is water.

3. Turn it over. The underside of the watermelon should have a creamy yellow spot from where it sat on the ground and ripened in the sun.

Once your watermelon is home, there are dozens of ways to enjoy it, including a wide range of cold, refreshing beverages. One easy way to up your water intake with watermelon is this simple one-ingredient recipe for watermelon juice:

Just cut a seedless watermelon into one-inch chunks with a sharp knife and place in blender. Blend watermelon well until juice is smooth. If you prefer, you can strain the juice to remove the pulp.

For a little extra flavor, try combining watermelon juice with other fruity flavors, such as Agua Fresca, which blends that natural sweetness of watermelon with lime, a small amount of sugar and water.

Find more ideas to help you sip your way to hydration with mouthwatering inspiration at www.watermelon.org.

AGUA FRESCA

1 cup finely chopped watermelon
7 cups coarsely chopped watermelon
6 cups watermelon juice
½ cup sugar
1 large lime, juiced
1 serving water (if needed)
Watermelon wedges
Mint leaves

Combine all ingredients, including slices of juiced lime, in large serving pitcher. Garnish with watermelon wedges and mint.



Courtesy of Family Features

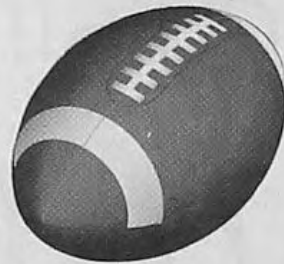
WE SUPPORT OUR

Varsity Plymouth

Thurs. Aug. 28: vs. Salem at P-CEP - Thurs. Aug. 28: vs. Salem at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 5: vs. Pinckney at P-CEP) - 6:30 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 12: vs. Wayne Memorial at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 19: at Livonia Churchill -7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 26: at Livonia Franklin - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 3: vs. Westland John Glenn at P-CEP -7 p.m. (Homecoming)
 Fri. Oct. 10: vs. Canton at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 17: KLA A Crossover - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 24: Belleville at P-CEP - 7pm
 Fri. Sept. 5: vs. Pinckney at P-CEP - 6:30 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 12: vs. Wayne Memorial at P-CEP -7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 19: at Livonia Churchill -7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 26: at Livonia Franklin - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 3: vs. Westland John Glenn at P-CEP -7 p.m. (Homecoming)
 Fri. Oct. 10: vs. Canton at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 17: KLA A Crossover - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 24: vs. Belleville at P-CEP - 7pm

Varsity Salem

Thurs. Aug. 28: vs. Plymouth at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 5: at Walled Lake Western- 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 12: at South Lyon - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 19: vs. Novi at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 26, vs. Northville at P - CEP - 7 p.m. (Homecoming)
 Fri. Oct. 3: at South Lyon East - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 10: at Livonia Stevenson - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 17: KLA A Crossover - 7 p.m.
 Sat. Oct. 25: vs. Hartland at P-CEP - 6:30 p.m.



Varsity Canton

Thurs. Aug. 28: at Holland West Ottawa - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 5: vs. Hartland at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 12: at Livonia Franklin- 7 p.m.
 Fri. Sept. 19: vs. Wayne Memorial at P-CEP-7 p.m. (Homecoming)
 Fri. Sept. 26: at Westland John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 3: vs. Livonia Churchill at P-CEP- 6:30 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 10: vs. Plymouth at P-CEP - 7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 17: KLA A Crossover-7 p.m.
 Fri. Oct. 24: vs. Detroit Public School TBA at P-CEP - 6:30 p.m.



JV/Freshman Plymouth

Wed. 8/27 Salem @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 9/18 Churchill @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 9/25 Franklin @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/9 Canton @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/16 Plymouth Crossover 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm

JV/Freshman Salem

Wed. 8/27 Salem @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Wed. 9/3 WL Western @ Salem 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 9/11 South Lyon @ Salem 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/2 SL East @ Salem 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/9 Stevenson @ Salem 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm

JV/Freshman Canton

Wed. 8/27 West Ottawa @ Canton 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 9/11 Franklin @ Canton 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 9/25 John Glenn @ Canton 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/9 Canton @ Plymouth 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm
 Thur. 10/16 Canton Crossover 9th/JV 4:30/6:30pm

The perfect gift for every occasion awaits you at The Showroom of Elegance!

EXQUISITE DESIGN

20% OFF
 IN-STORE PURCHASE OF \$40 OR MORE

OFFER VALID THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2014. OFFER NOT VALID ON PRODUCTS OF LOCAL MANUFACTURE. CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR SPECIAL. OFFER VALID THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2014.

HVSPORTS.COM
 (734) 487-7678

HIGHVELOCITY SPORTS

\$25 OFF A BIRTHDAY PARTY

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER

BEFORE (Repaired in 24 hours or less) **AFTER**

We sell phones, along with cellphone and tablet accessories, cell phone cases, batteries, car and wall chargers and much more.

\$10 OFF
 Your next purchase or repair over \$50*

*OFF REGULAR price of repairs, offer can't be combined. Coupon has no cash value. Limit 1 Per person Per visit.

Cell Phone Repair

CPR - Novi
 43348 Grand River
 Novi, MI 48375
 248-344-4900
 web@cprr-novi.com
 web@cprr-novi.com

CPR - Canton
 39958 Ford Rd
 Canton, MI 48187
 734-667-3509
 web@cprr-canton.com
 web@cprr-canton.com

HVSPORTS.COM
 (734) 487-7678

HIGHVELOCITY SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL COED SOCCER & SPORTS SAMPLER LEAGUES START THIS FALL!

FAST LANE QUICK OIL CHANGE

5881 N. Canton Center Rd.
 (just N. of Ford Rd, next to Auto Lab)
 (734) 451-9722
 M-F 8-7 • Sat. 8-6 • Sun. 10-4

\$10 OFF COUPON

HVSPORTS.COM
 (734) 487-7678

HIGHVELOCITY SPORTS

GRAD PARTIES
 IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO PLAN YOUR CHILD'S GRAD PARTY AT HVS!

