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Lawmakers differ on 'gag order' fix

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

State legislators from the Plymouth-Canton area differ on how to fix a new election law that has triggered criticism and led to a federal judge's injunction that blocks its enforcement.

Senate Bill 571 has been roundly attacked by local and

school district officials from around the state, who say the measure would prevent them from providing simple factual information, about local ballot proposals that would increase taxes, within 60 days



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of the election in which the proposal is to be decided. Even issuing sample ballots, they contend, would be barred.

The Plymouth City Commission last month approved a resolution against

the so-called "gag order."

Supporters say the bill was designed to prevent taxpayer money from being used to push for ballot proposals that would raise taxes, while critics say such guidelines were already in place.

The measure, now Public Act 269 of 2015, was blocked Feb. 5 by U.S. District Judge John Corbett O'Meara. The

injunction had been sought by 18 people, most of them officials in communities and school districts, who filed suit against the state and Secretary of State Ruth Johnson.

Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, whose district includes part of eastern Canton Township, said he

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WORLD OF BEER EXPECTS SUMMER OPENING



World of Beer is expected to open this summer in Canton.

WORLD OF BEER

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Thirst not, Canton. The beer is on its way.

Work crews have cleared a once-wooded area on Ford Road, west of Lilley, where World of Beer is coming with more than 600 varieties from at

least 30 countries.

Chad Wilson, owner of the Canton WOB, said preliminary construction is expected to begin within weeks.

"It's looking like we definitely should be open this summer," Wilson said Thursday, though a precise date isn't yet known.

World of Beer, just west of La-Z-

Boy's furniture gallery along Canton's bustling Ford Road corridor, will be a 5,500-square-foot tavern and restaurant with an outdoor patio. WOB is expected to have a seating capacity of about 200.

Wilson said the tavern will have about 75 beers on tap and another 550 in

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P-CCS teachers seek salary change

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Plymouth-Canton teachers want a return to the step salary system that pays according to years of service.

"We don't want to alienate the community," said Bob Williams, PCEA president. "I get the big picture."

Williams spoke after a budget forum Feb. 8, following a presentation by Board of Education Vice President Sheila Paton, during which it was announced a \$3.6 million anticipated deficit for the 2016-17 school year.

Board President Kim Crouch told the crowd of some 200 at Discovery Middle School last Monday that the special meeting was designed for the public to let officials know "what you think we should be thinking about."

Audience members did just that, but not necessarily about the district's continuing financial woes, which begin with the anticipated deficit and small growth - if any, in real dollars - for per-pupil spending from the state.

Tensions have been rising with the school board with what was the effective dismissal of Superintendent Michael Meissen and last week's appointment of Monica Merritt as new superintendent, effective July 1, the day after Meissen's contract expires. And then there are the continuing contract negotiations with the teachers after union members rejected a proposed contract - the first time in recent memory - last December.

But Williams - in front of an audience filled with teachers in red T-shirts - told the board that labor peace will move the district forward. He urged the board to "return to the old way of doing business" by honoring the salary steps for teachers in the contract now under negotiation.

In 2010, Gov. Rick Snyder and state legislators passed two significant laws directly affecting schools district. One was that school boards no longer had to honor and pay the traditional salary step-ups based on years of service for

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District starts budget season with predicted \$3.6M deficit

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

A budget deficit of at least \$3.6 million is predicted right out of the gate as the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education begins planning for the new school year.

The announcement opened a budget forum Feb. 8 at Discov-

ery Middle School, during which Sheila Paton, board vice president, provided a gloomy financial picture of what is ahead for the district. That

was one of the reasons for the public forum as Kim Crouch,



Paton

board president, asked the 200-some member audience - heavy with teachers - to let the board "know what you think we should be thinking about."

The district has been beset with financial woes as per-pupil funding remains flat, student enrollment decreases, costs increase and public complaints over the district's contracted transportation and

custodial operations continue, as well as increased participation fees for sports and other extracurricular activities.

"We have very little local control," Paton told the crowd, referring to per-pupil funding from the state.

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Bennett will not seek township trustee seat

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett, who already had announced she would not seek reelection after 21 years, has confirmed she also will not campaign for a part-time township trustee position.

Her decision ends speculation over whether she would try to remain in local office.

"I am not going to run," she said Thursday.

Bennett, a Republican who also has received accolades from some Democrats for her job as

clerk, has opted to step aside to spend more time with her family, including her 95-year-old father and two daughters who live in New Hampshire.

"I want to spend more than three days a year at Christmas with my daughters," she said.

Bennett called her decision bittersweet and said she will miss serving in public office after a 21-year run as clerk.

"This has been a very enriching and enjoying and stimulating and satisfying job," she said. "I love what I do."

Bennett indicated she will offer to help with the

transition, if needed, as Canton's next clerk takes office in November.

"I'm going to be here to do that," she said.

Two candidates already have confirmed they are running for the clerk's job — Republican Linda Obrec, a community volunteer and businesswoman, and Democrat Michael Siegrist, a Plymouth-Canton school board member, accountant and former Canton Public Library trustee. The full-time job pays \$104,827.

Bennett had announced Jan. 12 she would not seek another

four-year term, calling her decision "extremely difficult." She first became clerk during a special election in April 1995, replacing husband Loren after he became a state senator.

Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy has lauded Bennett's job as clerk, saying "nobody could do it better and I don't think anybody ever has."

Steven Sneideman, the township board's only Democrat, has called Bennett "one of the most professional people I've ever met."

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FILE PHOTO

Canton's Summit on the Park and Canton Public Library are open as warming centers.

Canton designates warming centers amid cold blast

Two Canton facilities are open as warming centers as the area is hit with some of the winter season's coldest weather.

The Canton Public Safety Department has announced the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, and the Canton Public Library, 1200 Canton Center, are serving as warming centers.

Library hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday

through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

For more information, call 734-397-0999.

Summit on the Park hours are 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.

For more information, call 734-394-5460.

BEER

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bottles — predominantly craft beer. He told the *Observer* last August that he wanted to locate in Canton and, specifically, on Ford Road.

"We think Canton is a perfect fit, because it is under-served in the craft beer market," he has said.

WOB comes to Canton as Michigan's craft beer industry has witnessed rapid growth.

Rex Halfpenny, publisher of *Michigan Beer Guide*, said Michigan ranks fifth in the nation for its craft beer industry, including microbreweries and diversity of styles.

"Michigan is on the map," he said.

And while World of Beer doesn't brew its own beer, it literally taps into a consumer thirst for multiple styles.

"We don't have any brand loyalty anymore," Halfpenny said. "We're all over the place and these new places like World of Beer cater to that. What they're doing is capitalizing on all these styles and diversity of beer. It's a very



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The site on Ford Road, west of Lilley, has been cleared to accommodate World of Beer.

different beer climate right now."

Canton officials say WOB broadens an already diverse group of businesses that dot the Ford Road landscape. Economic Development Manager Kristen Thomas has called it "a great fit for Canton."

WOB will offer beers

from about 30 countries such as Germany, France, Scotland, Italy, Thailand, Japan and Brazil, among others — but many brews will come from across the nation and closer to home, Wilson has said.

WOB has more than 70 locations across the nation. Halfpenny said

he believes the company can prosper in Canton, as long as it offers quality beer, food and service.

"It's like you need those three things to make fire," he said.

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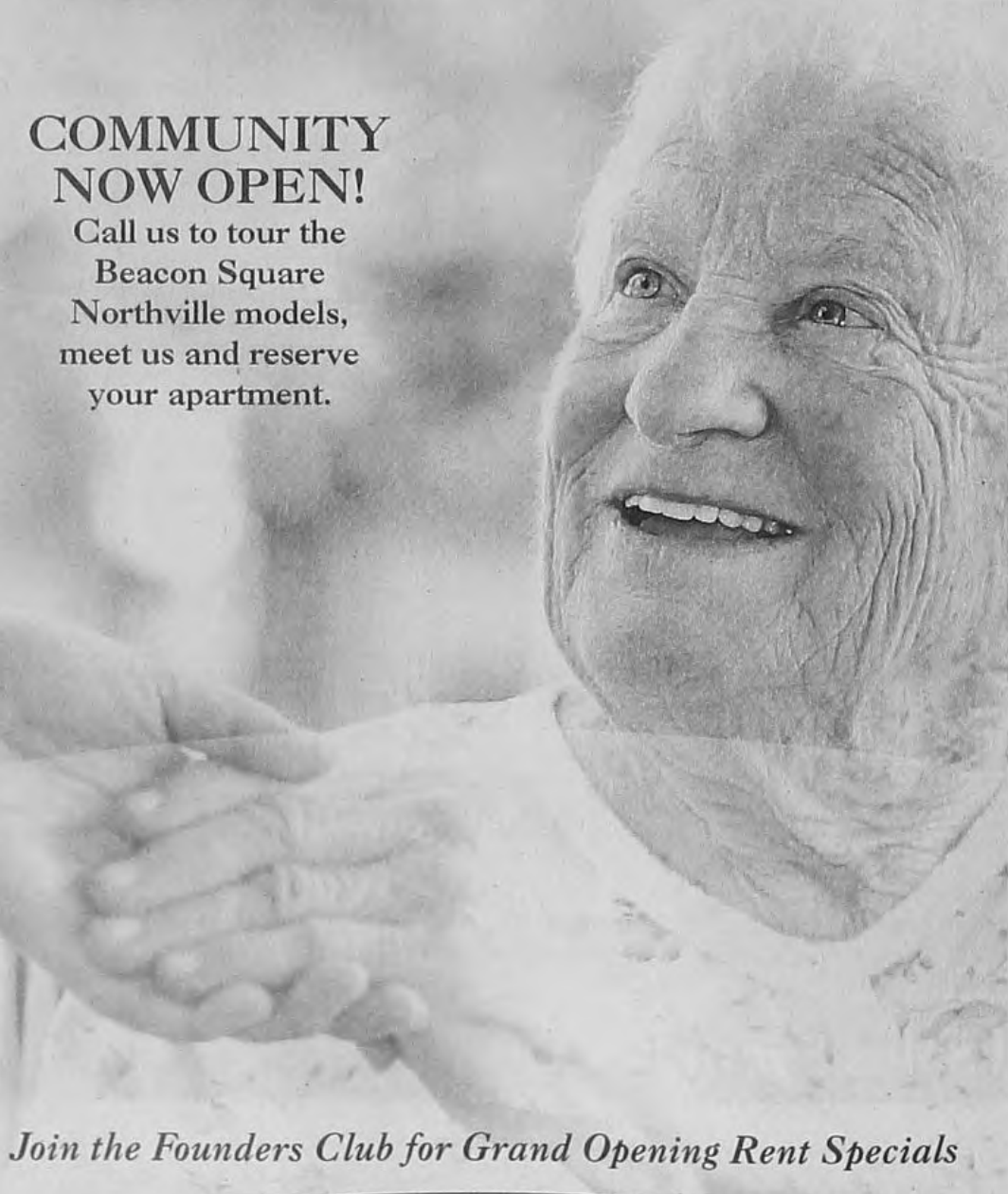


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Menu tinkering pays off at Burger Spot

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

The Burger Spot, the hamburger joint at 550 Forest in downtown Plymouth, has been hitting its marks under new ownership.

Well, not exactly new. Jack Ayoub and his wife Lisa have owned the business since May 2014, but say they're always open to making menu changes to get the recipe right.

So far, Jack Ayoub said, the tinkering has paid off.

"The increase in business that we've had is just tremendous in the last two years," Ayoub said Thursday at The Burger Spot.

The Ayoubs are Burger Spot's fifth owners since the place opened in 2004, Jack Ayoub said. He said the place "never reached its potential for downtown Plymouth," but that he thinks that potential is now in sight.

Jack Ayoub is from a restaurant family; his parents opened their first pizzeria in Fairfax, Va., in 1972 and his father at one time owned several pizzerias in northern Virginia.

"I started out making pizzas at 13, 14 years old," he said. His sister, his mother and his wife all help him out at the restaurant.

The Burger Spot has a hamburger-focused menu with a "build-a-burger" option diners use to customize their sandwiches, 13 specialty burgers and 10 meatless burger and hot dog options, plus sides, snacks, fish and meat hot dogs. While the Ayoubs change up the menu, customers urged them to keep interior touches intact, like the wood floors and the



MATT JACHMAN

Jack Ayoub, his wife Lisa (right) and sister Tiffany have found the right ingredients at The Burger Spot in downtown Plymouth.

murals on the walls.

Ayoub and his wife were looking for a restaurant to buy a couple of years ago when they found The Burger Spot. They hesitated a bit, they said, because it seemed off the beaten path downtown, but now they like the amenity that comes with that: the large parking lot out back, off of Harvey.

"This is the absolute best location in Plymouth, because of the parking," Jack Ayoub said.

The usual crowd

The Burger Spot has a lot of regulars and Lisa Ayoub said that's an important part of its appeal for her.

"The cool thing about being here in downtown Plymouth is you get acquainted with everybody," she said. "It's nice to know these people."

The menu's vegetarian and vegan section is one area where they Ayoubs have added to the menu. Jack Ayoub said he was tempted to drop it when he took over — they

seemed out of place in an eatery that bills itself as a "burger joint" — but soon changed his mind.

"I saw the potential and we started creating new ones," he said. Now, he said, the meatless selections account for 25-30 percent of his business.

The Burger Spot has a mobile kitchen that's brought to the Friday evening concerts in Kellogg Park and also to on-site catering of events like graduation parties, birthday parties and business gatherings.

Stella Delap, owner of the gift shop Basket Kreations on Forest, stopped in for lunch Thursday. She said she's a regular and there almost every day.

"The food is excellent and I love that you are always bringing out something new," she told Jack Ayoub.

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Plymouth arts council to host DIA art talk Feb. 18

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will present the DIA "Behind The Seen" Art Talk and Open Gallery Night on Thursday, Feb. 18.

Gallery doors will open at 6 p.m. for an evening viewing of Mark of The Hand: EMU Fibers exhibit, a unique collection of

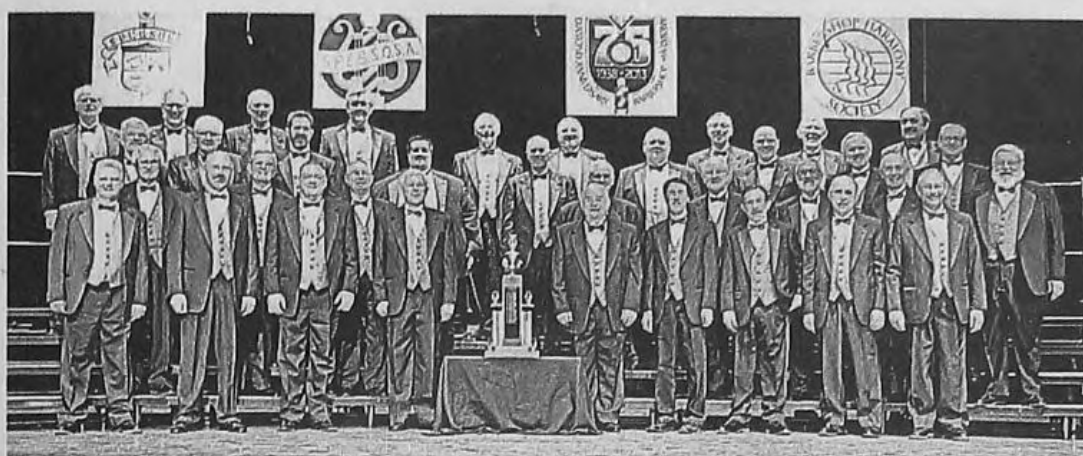
woven tapestries, printed textiles, handmade needlework and fiber art pieces by graduate students in Eastern Michigan University's fibers program.

At 7 p.m., Debra Marcon with the DIA Behind The Seen Program will present Cows at The Opera House and other

Museum Mysteries.

The event is free for PCAC members, affiliates and sponsors. Admission is \$5 for non-members. Complimentary refreshments will be available.

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is at 74 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth.



The Royal Oak-based Gentlemen Songsters, the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, will present its annual show Feb. 27.

The Gentlemen Songsters group presents 'Looking for Work'

Harmony is finally coming to Royal Oak — Barbershop Harmony, that is.

The Gentlemen Songsters, the Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the 22,000-member Barbershop Harmony Society, will share some songs and bring a note of harmony to the Royal Oak area with its comedy show, "Looking for Work."

The show will feature the Forefront quartet, the 2015 International Silver Medal winners, as well as Michigan's own medal-winning quartet, Tonal Eclipse, along with some top-level barbershop harmony.

Based in Royal Oak, the Gentlemen Songsters are a group of men of all ages — many without formal musical training — who enjoy singing a cappella music in the barbershop style. The group meets at 7:30 p.m. each Monday at Royal Oak Middle School.

Performances of

"Looking for Work" are scheduled for 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at Royal Oak High School. Tickets for each performance are \$20 in advance or \$22 at the door. Go to www.detroitoakland.org or call Thomas Uicker at 248-559-7082. Group rates are available.

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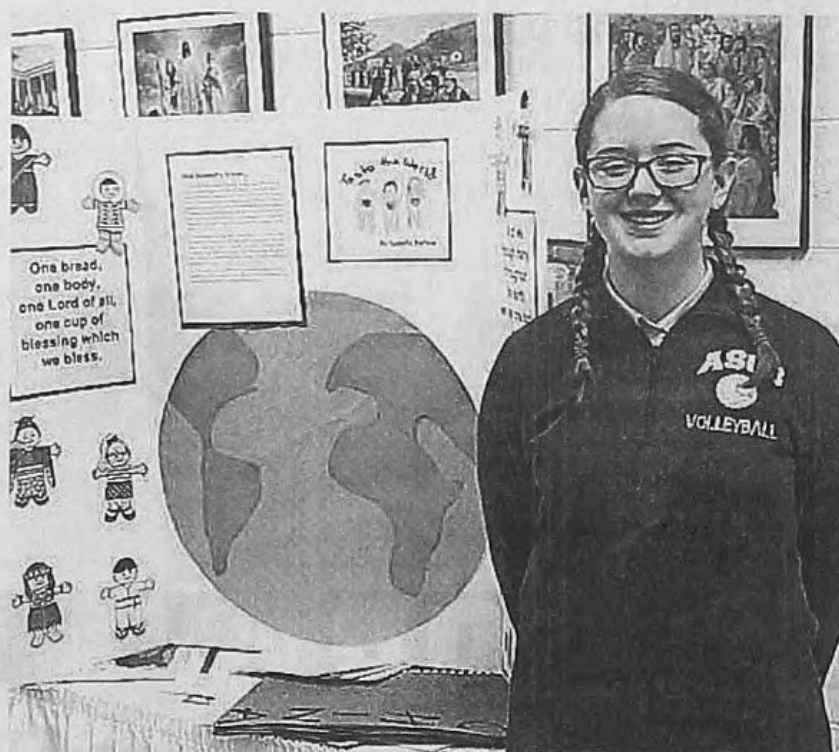


All Saints seventh-grader shares the beauty of world's cultures

It started as a simple idea two years ago and became a reality last week, when All Saints Catholic School student Isabella Barlow, in conjunction with the school's curriculum director, found a way to share the beauty of cultures from around the world during National Catholic Schools Week.

"We were able to incorporate Isabella's concept of celebrating cultures from around the world easily into our history and geography curriculum due to the rich depth of topics covered at each grade level," said Michelle Shore, curriculum director. "Celebrating throughout Catholic Schools Week allowed teachers to put a greater emphasis on studying each country through a Catholic lens. It was really a great project for the entire school community to enjoy and learn about, not just the countries at their grade, but to hear about them school-wide throughout the week."

Each grade level completed research about its assigned country, which included the presence of the Catholic Church, saints from the region, historical events, cultural elements, currency and economics. The week's events concluded with Olympic-like games and ceremonies representing each of the countries cele-



All Saints Catholic School student Isabella Barlow with her celebrating cultures project.

brated throughout the school. "My goal was to bring a number of new cultures into school as a way for us to learn more about the different places and, hopefully, eliminate some of the stereotypes that exist," said Isabella, a seventh-grader. "I was so excited to see this entire project come together and become

such an intricate part of our curriculum over the last few weeks."

The students' work will remain on display throughout Lent as a reminder of the presence of the Catholic Church throughout the world and to celebrate the curriculum students are exposed to through the year.

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In 2011, for example, the per-pupil foundation grant was at \$7,604 and then dropped to \$7,234 – representing a \$7 million loss, Paton said. In the current school year, the district received \$7,391 per pupil. "This is the problem. This is the big struggle for us," Paton said.

According to the Michigan Association of School Boards, it is predicted that state funding of public education will look like the following – at least at this point:

» \$60 to \$120 per-pupil increase to the foundation allowance

» \$10 million statewide for educator evaluation implementation

» \$4 million statewide for school safety grants

» \$2.5 million statewide for a STEM advisory council and another \$2.5 million for FIRST Robotics

» \$10 million statewide for CTE (technological) equipment, plus a \$5 million increase for early/middle colleges

» \$9 million for statewide voluntary school water testing

In 2004-05, the district received \$7,025 per pupil. That peaked at \$7,604 in 2008-11. It dropped to \$7,234 in 2011-12 and even further to \$7,226 in 2012-13.

Paton highlighted the disparity between what surrounding school districts receive in per-pupil funding. Northville and Livonia, for example, receive \$8,099 per pupil, while Novi receives \$8,049, Farmington gets \$9,975 and Bloomfield Hills receives \$11,934.

"A Northville kid is worth more than a Plymouth-Canton kid and I don't know why," Paton said.

While funding creates a problem, so does fewer students, with birth rates dropping and competition from charter and private schools. With a \$152 million budget

"A Northville kid is worth more than a Plymouth-Canton kid and I don't know why."

SHEILA PATON
PC-CS board vice president

as of June 30, 2015, salaries accounted for 85 percent, purchased services (such as transportation and custodial) use 10.3 percent, while supplies are at 4.1 percent and capital outlays at 0.09 percent. Meanwhile, payments to the state for pensions continue to mount and are taken out of the district's school aid.

A fund balance is another part of the budget that school officials continually monitor. The state now requires each school district to have a balance of at least 5 percent of total expenditures. Anything under that level sends a warning to the state, Paton said.

In this school year, the fund balance is about 6.7 percent, allowing Plymouth-Canton a small margin. By the end of this school year, with the sale of property, P-CCS could end with an 8-percent fund balance, Paton said.

The fund balance is used to provide payroll until the state provides the per-pupil money. "Fortunately, we haven't had to borrow," Paton said, adding fund balance provides cash flow and determines, in large part, the district's credit rating.

That's also why school officials focus intently on the projected deficit, because that could be better or worse depending on a decline in enrollment and any increases in pension costs. "We start every year behind the eight ball," Paton said.

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

University of Findlay

Evan Rinke of Plymouth was named to the fall 2015 dean's list.

University of Nebraska

Canton residents Steven Michael Hurley and Alexander James Schroeck have been named to the fall 2015 dean's list. Hurley is a graduate stu-

dent in the College of Business Administration, master of business administration. Schroeck is a sophomore studying physics.

Plymouth resident Monica Mackie was named to the fall 2015 dean's list. She is a senior majoring in Spanish.

University of Akron

Andrew Souders of Canton was named to the fall 2015 dean's list.

Kent State University

Evin Maguire graduated from Kent State University with a master of science degree.

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favors House Bill 5219, which the House elections committee sent Feb. 3 to the full House, as means of clarifying the new law.

Heise, who serves on the elections committee, said O'Meara's injunction makes the need to clarify the law more urgent.

"The Legislature has to provide clear direction and certainty, so that we're all not just relying on a court decision," he said. "A good judge is going to be happy when the Legislature can clarify the issue and everybody knows what the rules are."

A vote on HB 5219 was postponed Thursday, Heise said, but it could

still be voted on this month.

Pagan: Full repeal

Rep. Kristi Pagan, D-Canton, said the House's clarifying legislation doesn't go far enough.

"What I think we need is a full repeal," Pagan said.

Pagan referred to a Center for Public Integrity study, announced last year, that ranked Michigan last in the country in its study of transparency and accountability in state governments. Such a ranking means more government information is needed, not less, she suggested.

"Voters need to be informed in a non-biased, factual way and that's why we are seeing injunctions like this come down," she said of

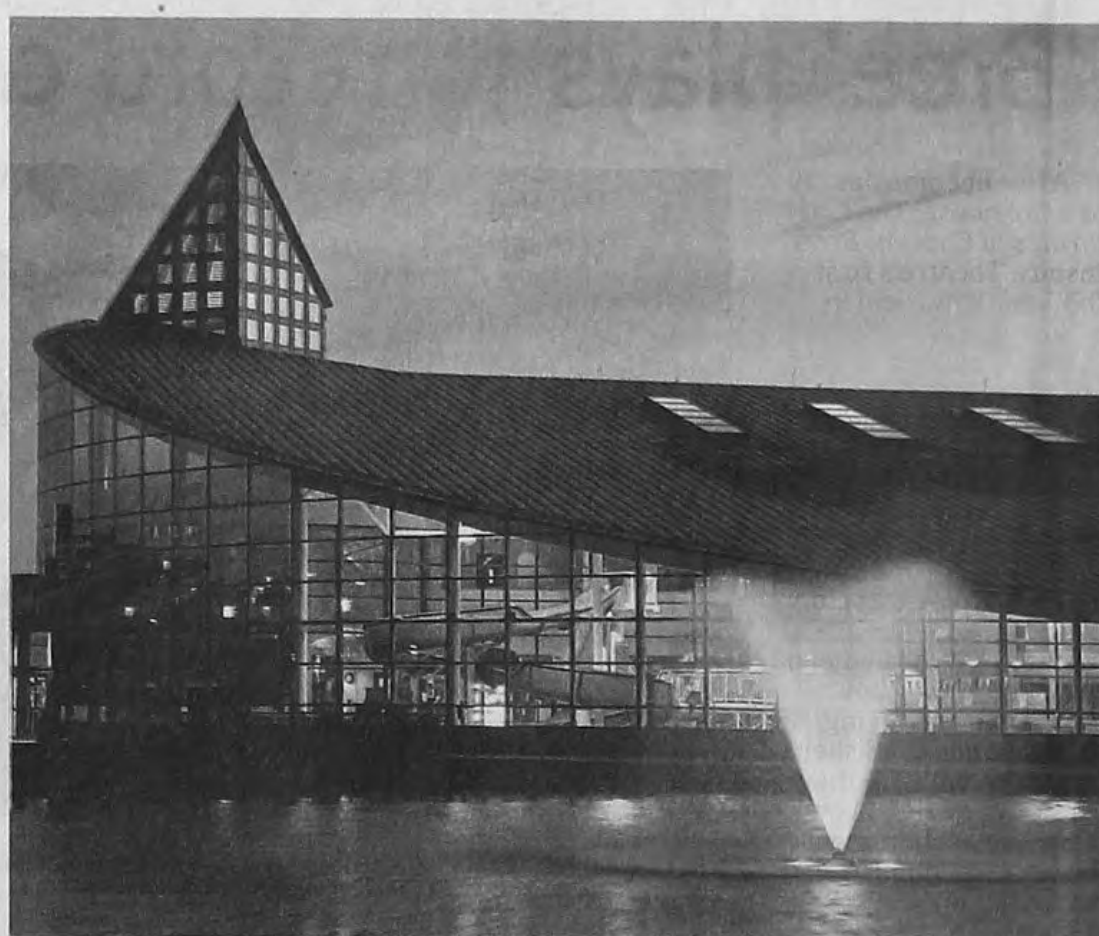
O'Meara's ruling.

Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, whose districts include Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, said he's open to the House's clarifying legislation, as long as it keeps intact his "core premise." Colbeck said he had no problem clarifying, for example, that sample ballots would not be illegal.

But, "We shouldn't be using taxpayer funds to advocate for increased taxes," he said.

SB 571 was passed by the Legislature in December and signed by Gov. Rick Snyder, who also urged lawmakers to clarify it.

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CANTON TOWNSHIP

Canton's Summit on the Park is celebrating 20 years.

Summit on the Park plans celebration for 20th anniversary

The Summit on the Park, Canton's premier recreation facility since 1996, will open its doors to area residents for a special 20th anniversary community celebration 1:30-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28.

Commemorating two decades as the community's fitness and recreation destination, visitors will be given a chance to experience many of the Summit's amenities. Entry to the building is free for all ages on this day.

Re-dedication of the facility will be held at 4 p.m. in the Summit's grand ballroom, followed by a light reception with

cash bar, featuring duel-

ing pianos and giveaways through 6 p.m. Children and youth are invited to have fun "Under the Big Top" in the gymnasium and in the aquatics area for open swim 1:30-5:30 p.m. Participants also can compete in a rubber duck race at 3:30 p.m.; check in at the aquatics center by 3:15 p.m. The first-place winner will receive a free private swim lesson, with the second-place winner receiving a free group session. Additional festivities also include giveaways throughout the day and refreshments, while supplies last, as well as a chance to win an individual annual

membership. The celebration will continue all year long for Summit members, with membership appreciation events on the 20th of each month and special activities in appreciation of the community's support. The Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, offers flexible membership options. Current hours are 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. For additional information about the 20th anniversary, go to www.summitonthe-park.org or call 734-394-5460.

TEACHERS

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teachers. The second was that school boards must adopt balance budgets.

About five years ago, Plymouth-Canton abandoned the teachers' 11-step salary system for 14 steps, stretching out the potential for salary increases for years of service.

"Just because state law says you don't have to doesn't mean you have to," Williams said, adding teachers are not asking for an actual raise, but to honor the step system. Calling this request the "heart and crux" of it, Williams added that with the step system intact, "labor unrest will go away. It's not a true negotiated wage."

By returning to the step system, new teachers, for example, who may have started in Plymouth-Canton five years ago would be allowed to receive pay based on the next step.

According to the 2009-10 teacher salary schedule, a teacher with a bachelor's degree would

earn \$39,954 at the first step. If the teacher had a master's degree, the step would pay \$43,954. In this schedule, the next half-step increase (established to slow down salary advances), the teacher would have earned \$41,686 with a bachelor's degree and \$45,951 with a master's degree.

The schedule was changed effective for the years 2012-15 to \$39,954 for the first step with a bachelor's degree and \$43,954 with a master's degree. The next half-step would pay \$41,111 for a bachelor's degree and \$45,320 for a master's degree.

PCEA teachers last had a 2-percent salary increase in 2006-07. In 2008-09, teachers at the top of the schedule received a 2-percent raise. Since 2009-10, PCEA members have had no increases.

According to the National Education Association, in 2012-13, the average starting salary for Michigan teachers was \$35,901, while the national average was \$36,141. During that same time period for nearby states, such as Illinois, the aver-

age starting salary was \$37,166, for Indiana it was \$34,696 and Ohio at \$33,096.

"We are very interested in you guys budgeting for the steps," Williams said.

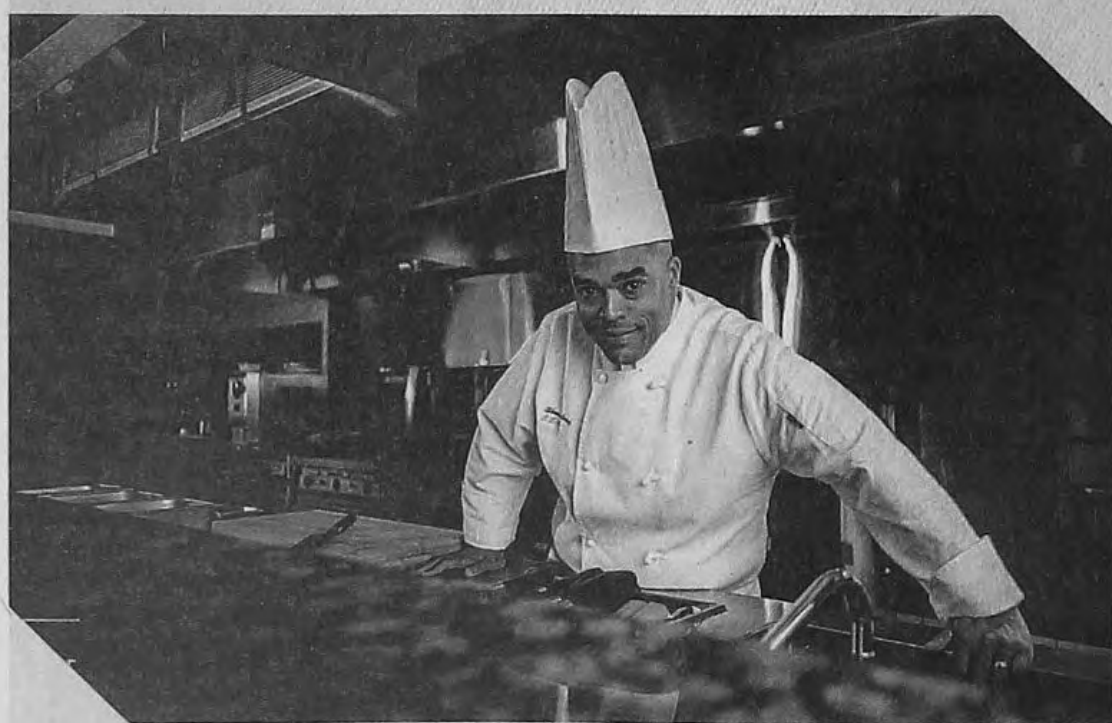
Others in the audience also criticized the board's apparent lack of transparency in choosing Merritt for the superintendent's job. "We need to be mad at our paychecks, but we are mad we vote for people who are not representing us," Discovery teacher Adrienne Quinn said.

Yet another audience member told the board: "I am concerned about that (transparency). We ought to know what is happening."

She also asked the board what it is doing to inform the state Legislature that public education needs money: "What can the community do? I am energized to get my community together."

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'Bree' plays to record crowds at Inspire Theatre

After opening Jan. 29 to a full house, *The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree*, Inspire Theatre's first full-length musical in more than nine years, has been playing to sold out audiences.

The largest undertaking for IT in recent history, *The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree* has already surpassed anticipated projections for attendance. Artistic director Len Fisher said he's "amazed" at the audience response to the show.

"People are raving about the show," Fisher said. "Not only are they excited about the show, many are acclaiming it the best community experience they can remember. They gush about the costumes, the set, the music, the acting. What more could a direc-



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tor want? We have some amazing people.

"It's been an incredible amount of fun," he

added. "And the show is campy hilarity."

The play takes place on the merchant ship, *The Kayla May*, where pirates, are holding the passengers and crew of hostage. Leader of the marauders, known only as "Bree," is demanding an undisclosed amount in gold for their release. The fact the pirates are women adds to the hijinks which takes place on the ship. The Royal British Navy is dispatched to end the siege and rescue the hostages. As this drama unfolds, sword fights and musical numbers fill the deck of the *Kayla May*.

Westland's only live theater, Inspire Theatre is located inside the Westland Center for Performing Arts. Located in the former Westland cable TV station, WLND, the building has

been refitted by IT for performances, classes and concerts. Playback rooms, studios, editing bays and office space have been revamped to theater space, dressing rooms, concession and ticket offices, a green room and a scene shop. IT has been located in Westland for most of its 10-plus years of existence.

As part of the festivities, IT is holding a costume contest at each performance. Patrons dressed as pirates will be judged on creativity and prizes will be awarded.

The show closes at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. Tickets are \$16 and are available online at inspiretheatre.com or by calling 734-751-7057. The theater is located at 33455 Warren Road.

Presidential candidate Kasich plans campaign stop Tuesday in Livonia

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Yet another presidential candidate appears headed to Livonia for a campaign stop.

Ohio Gov. John Kasich will make a campaign appearance next week at the Livonia GOP field office on Seven Mile, west of Farmington, according to an event listing by his campaign.

Kasich, who came in second in Tuesday's New Hampshire primary, is scheduled to appear at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the office at 33462 Seven Mile. The event listing describes it as a "special town hall event."



Kasich

He will be the second presidential candidate to stop in Livonia to campaign since August. U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio stopped in and gave an address at the field office back in August when he was in Michigan. Former presidential candidate Rand Paul addressed

Republicans at the same office back in 2014.

The event is free, though the campaign is requesting those planning to attend to register beforehand, which can be done on the Eventbrite listing page for the event.

Before coming to Livonia, Kasich plans on stopping at Allendale and Utica the day before. Other Republican candidates who remain in the race as of Wednesday morning include: Jeb Bush, Donald Trump, Ben Carson, Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz and Jim Gilmore. Both Carly Fiorina and Chris Christie dropped out of the race Wednesday.

Democrats still in the running include Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders.

The stop comes just under a month before Michigan's primary March 8. Before Michigan's primary election, candidates have several other contests, including the South Carolina primary and Nevada caucuses later this month. The Super Tuesday primaries, when elections are taking place in several states, will happen March 1.

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Book sale on tap at GC Historical Museum

The Friends of the Garden City Library will have an off-site used book sale at the Straight Farmhouse/ Garden City Historical Museum from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 24-25. There will be no Friday hours. However, Saturday, Feb. 27, is \$5 bag day in which you can fill a paper bag from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and pay \$5. Hardcover books are

\$1. Large paperbacks will be 50 cents, small paperbacks 25 cents as well as children's books for 25 cents. There will be CDs and DVDs for \$1 each. The museum is at 6221 Merriman, south of Maplewood.

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Farmington Players presents the classic 'Diary of Anne Frank' through March 5

The Farmington Players perform the classic drama *The Diary of Anne Frank*, through March 5 in Farmington Hills.

It's the gripping tale of the teenage writer, her family and others, who struggled to hide from the Nazis in their attic in Amsterdam. Despite the dark theme, Anne's unbridled optimism and dreams give the group hope for the future. Anne's adolescent antics are qualities all families can relate to, as she struggles with teenage angst and imagines the possibility of romance.

This version of the play weaves writings from Anne Frank's diary together with survivor accounts to create a passionate story of people driven by hope and to spotlight the triumph of the human spirit.

Anne Frank recorded her experiences in a diary that she left behind in 1944, when the Nazis



JAN CARTWRIGHT
Amy Cassell (Detroit, from left), Nancy Cooper (Farmington), Gary Weinstein (Farmington Hills), Madison Krumins (Waterford) and Laurel Stroud (Redford) in a scene from "Diary of Anne Frank."

captured her family. Her work has since inspired generations. The story by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett was adapted by Wendy Keselman and earned two Tony Award Nominations in 1998 for Best Featured

Actress (Linda Lavin) and Best Revival of a Play.

The play is profoundly important to director Maureen Mansfield of Farmington Hills, who is Jewish.

"My family's history is

intertwined with the Holocaust," Mansfield said. "When I first read *A Diary of a Young Girl*, by Anne Frank, it helped me understand what my family had been through. It somehow made me feel closer to them.

"Growing up, I was always told that it was our job, as Jews, to spread the word of the Holocaust," she added. "We had to make sure that no one ever forgot about the atrocities committed, because if they did, it could all happen again. I believe anyone involved in the production of this show is doing a mitzvah, a good deed, by telling a story about that horrendous event."

The show features Barn regulars Alidor P. Lefere III (Metamora) and Laurel Stroud (Redford Township) as Otto and Edith Frank and first-time Barn member Amy Cassell (Detroit) as the young diarist Anne Frank. Barn veterans Gary Weinstein (Farmington Hills) and Nancy Cooper (Farmington) play Hermann and Petronella Van Daan. Connor Green (Farmington) is Peter Van Daan. Jared Kovacs (Detroit) plays

Mr. Dussell. Annie Schunior (Dearborn) portrays Miep Gies. Jerry Gass (Novi) lends his talents to Mr. Kraler, SS officer and assorted voices. Allie Walter (Canton) plays a soldier.

Mansfield wants everyone to know this is a story of "hope, love and courage" and she is "proud" that her talented cast will help Anne Frank's message resonate with audiences.

Reserved seats for *The Diary of Anne Frank*, sponsored by Weinstein Jewelers of Novi, are at farmingtonplayers.org or by calling 248-553-2955.

The show runs at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday, with a performance at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 3. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$14 for students and seniors. The Farmington Players Barn is located at 32332 W. 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

Sports Center to host snowball tourney

The Canton Sports Center is set to host the Canton Co-Ed Snowball Tournament from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20.

This 16-inch Chicago-style softball tournament will feature WRIF-FM (101.1) celebrities, live on-site broadcast and old-fashioned fun in the snow.

Kicker's Bar & Grill, located at Canton Sports Center at 46555 W. Michigan Ave. in Canton, will host indoor corn hole games, cocktail specials and a full-service menu, with proceeds going to Sparky Anderson's CATCH Charity for Children.

This unique charity is dedicated to improving the quality of life for pediatric patients and their families at Children's Hospital of Michigan and Henry Ford Hospital.

Additional activities planned for the day include the think spring softball special registration promotion.

Any team that registers by phone, in person or online is eligible to win a free league registration, a set of team jerseys, Detroit Red Wings tickets, concert tickets and more — all valued at more than \$1,500.

Register online at

csc.canton-mi.org, by calling 734-483-5600 or in-person at the Canton Sports Center.

"The Canton Sports Center is excited to continue its long-standing tradition of hosting this annual snowball tournament outside in whatever weather we happen to have on game day," Canton Sports Recreation Coordinator Ann-Marie Carravallah said.

"We're looking forward to getting players energized about our upcoming spring season and this is a good way to put softball on everyone's mind even in the winter."

Canton hires new police officer

The Canton Police Department has welcomed its newest police officer, Robert Pasick, to the department. He took his oath of office Monday with township Clerk Terry Bennett.

All new police officers in Canton are required to successfully complete a 16-week, field training program prior to working on their own. This program is designed to orientate and develop recruit officers, maximizing their potential and providing them with the tools necessary to successfully make the transition into the position as a Canton police officer.



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Police: Pair swindled in travel agent scam

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Livonia police are warning residents to be careful and diligent after two women were scammed out of several hundreds of dollars by someone claiming to be a travel agent.

The two women, a 27-year-old from Detroit and a 27-year-old from Warren, came into the Livonia police station Thursday morning to report the incident, which began last month.

They told police they met an individual at LA Fitness, who told them he was a travel agent, a month ago. The two were looking to book a trip and find a travel agent, so they began speaking to the suspect. They later arranged a meeting at the Target on Plymouth Road and met with him at the store.

They gave the suspect \$400 to begin the process of setting up their trip while at the store. He told them he would be in touch and gave them his contact information, including his personal cellphone number.

Later, the women attempted to reach the suspect to inquire on the status of their trip. He told them he was still working on the trip and that they should call him back. A meeting with the women was arranged with him and was supposed to take place at a residence in the 25000 block of Midland in Redford Township, but when the women showed up at the home, no one answered the door.

They told police the originally-planned trip was supposed to begin the day they filed the police report, but they had not heard from the man. They then came to the conclusion the man was not a travel agent and had swindled them out of their money.

Anyone who has been swindled in a similar fashion can report the incident to at the Livonia police station, 15050 Farmington.

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Time/Date: Donations 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, through February

Location: Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, 9451 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: The Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, in conjunction with the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, is asking the community to "Share the Love - Not the Flu" and donate items that will keep students and teachers well during the flu season

Contact: Laurie Aren at laurie_aren@usc.salvationarmy.org or call 734-453-5464

WINE, BEER TASTING

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Feb. 14

Location: Waltonwood at Cherry Hill, 42600

Details: The event will feature wine and beer tasting and hors d'oeuvres, compliments of Holiday Market.

Cost: \$35 admission; sponsorships range \$250 to \$500

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 20; 7-8:30 p.m. Feb. 25

Location: Canton Public Library

Details: The Canton Public Library has announced a series of programs to celebrate Black History Month. Mancala, a challenging game that has been played from ancient times throughout Africa, is featured Saturday, Feb. 20. All ages are welcome. "Buffalo Soldiers: History & Horses" featuring a presentation by James H. Mills of the Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Center, happens Thursday, Feb. 25. Mills is set to share the history of the legendary African-American U.S. Army regiment.

RECORD SHOW

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20

Location: Salem High School cafeteria, 46181 Joy Road

Details: Hosted by student radio station WSDP-FM (88.1), known as The Park, the annual record show returns. Record show patrons often can find early releases by groups such as the Beatles and the Rolling Stones — sometimes "for significant amounts of money" — or they can opt for the \$1 album bins, 45-rpm vinyl singles and the occasional cassette tape

BEN DANIELS BAND

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Feb. 20



The Ben Daniels Band will perform Feb. 20 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill and Ridge in Canton.

Location: The Village Theater at Cherry Hill at Ridge and Cherry Hills roads, Canton

Details: The band brings to the stage original songs and covers that span a wide range of music genres, including Americana, blues, jazz and rock 'n' roll. Son of actor Jeff Daniels, Ben Daniels is joined by Tommy Reifel on bass, George Merkel on guitar and Wesley Fritzsche on drums and mandolin, along with Daniels' wife, singer/songwriter Amanda Daniels.

Cost: Tickets are \$15 and available at www.cantonvillagetheater.org or by calling 734-394-5300

BASELINE FOLK PERFORMANCE

Time/Date: Sign up for open mic, 6:15-6:40 p.m.; open mic performances at 7 p.m.; featured guest at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20

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

Details: Second gathering features Beverly Meyer, singer/songwriter. Room for 10 open mic performers. Host is Rick Pitts, president of East River Folk Society, who will perform a couple of tunes and introduce entertainers for the night.

Cost: \$5 per person

Motorcycle swap meet

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21

Details: Motorcycle enthusiasts are expected to pack the Sub-

urban Collection Showplace during the Detroit Area Motorcycle Swap Meet. With a new event manager, the swap meet returns after a one-year absence. The event will be a one-stop-shop for bikers looking to buy, sell and swap motorcycles. Individuals attending the event will also have the opportunity to shop a variety of vendors offering one-of-a-kind accessories, bike parts, leather apparel and more.

Admission for the event will be \$8 per person and free for children 12 years of age and younger. For more information on the Detroit Area Motorcycle Swap Meet call 989-225-1244 or go to www.hugeswapmeet.com.

ESSAY CONTEST

Time/Date: Applications due April 1

Details: The Beloved Community, partnering with the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion, has announced the second annual Dr. Martin Luther King Essay Contest. The contest is open to all sixth- through 12th-grade students in Plymouth and Canton, including those children who attend traditional public, charter and private schools or who are home-schooled. Participation in the essay contest is intended to foster a deeper understanding of the importance of diversity and inclusion and further the goals of education, deep reflection and reconciliation on topics critical to racial justice in the Plymouth-Canton community.

Contact: Inquiries about the

application process may be directed to Loren Khogali at lorenkhogali@gmail.com or Sommer Foster at sommer.foster@gmail.com.

Bollywood Bash

Time/Date: 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, March 11

Details: Third annual Bollywood Bash to benefit Good News India, which rescues children from bonded labor, sex slavery, providing them a safe haven. It runs the largest network of care centers for orphaned and destitute children, seeing them through university and vo-tech training. GNI currently owns and operates 30 "Dream Centers." To be held at Novi Christian Community Center, 45301 W. 11 Mile Road, Novi. Tickets are \$12 online or \$15 at the door. Email novibollywoodbash@gmail.com or go to www.facebook.com/nccc78 for more.

ANNUAL AUCTION

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14

Details: Concordia Lutheran School hosts its annual auction, "With One Heart," at the Helenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, in Westland. Tickets are \$30 (\$270 for a table of 10) and must be ordered by Feb. 8. Ticket includes appetizers, dinner, dessert and drinks. For more information and to order tickets, call 248-474-2488 or 313-937-2233.

CANCER SUPPORT

Time/Date: 6-7:30 p.m. third Monday of each month

Details: Connecting with others who know what it is to have lung cancer can help during this difficult time. To start, join the Lung Cancer Support Group at the Beaumont Cancer Center-Farmington Hills, 27900 Grand River Ave., Suite 230. Thoracic surgeon Dr. David Sternberg leads the group. The group is open to anyone living with lung cancer and their loved ones. Meetings are free the third Monday each month. For more information, call 248-473-4828.

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month

Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Men's Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt Road, Livonia. Contact Dick at 313-534-0399.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first and third Monday of each month

Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting a Ladies Only Breakfast and Fellowship at Connor's Restaurant, Haggerty/Five Mile Road, Northville. To save a seat, contact Carol at 313-562-3080.

Time/Date: 9 a.m. the first Thursday of each month

Details: Join Widowed Friends, a peer support group, hosting Co-Ed Breakfast at Richard's Restaurant, on Plymouth Road at Eckles Road. Contact Jerry at 734-455-2651.

SENIOR PROGRAMMING

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday

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

Details: The Plymouth Community Council on Aging announces new programs for senior community from the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township. Upcoming programs and events will include Chair Exercise, Free Wii Bowling, Knitting & Crocheting Class, Craft Classes, Free Drop in Game Day, Senior Cardio Fitness and Senior Yoga. In addition to the new programs, the center will offer free monthly bingo beginning Feb. 15. Presently, the Community Senior Transportation is at the Friendship Station. The center will offer Focus Hope distribution and a newly created food pantry.

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Wayne County Executive Warren Evans was joined by a diverse group of residents when he visited Canton.

Wayne County executive makes visit to Canton

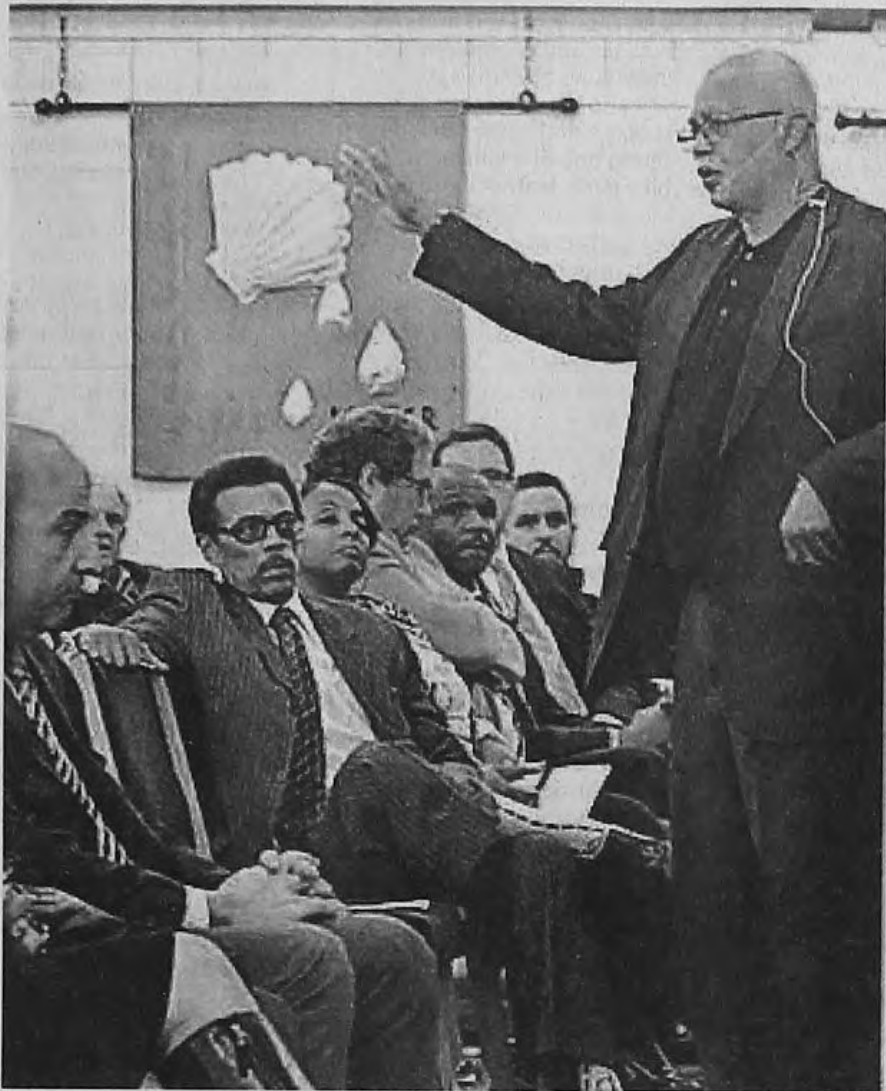
Topics such as roads, taxes and the Flint water crisis arose as Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and 15 of his department heads paid a visit to Canton.

The event in late January was hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Interfaith Community Outreach group at Geneva Presbyterian Church.

Residents and the ICO team asked the county administration about issues such as roads, jail bonds, taxes, domestic violence, homelessness, Michigan State University extension courses, health and dental care for senior citizens, veterans services, substance abuse and juvenile justice, ICO coordinator Anne Marie Graham-Hudak.

She said the discussions emphasized building bridges and sharing services in order to eliminate duplication of services and costs to taxpayers. She said follow-up meetings will occur between Wayne County departments and the community to assist residents, build relationships and establish funding partnerships.

Anyone who has more questions for the county or ICO may send an email to plymouthcantonic@yahoo.com.



Wayne County Executive Warren Evans address a group in Canton.

Library hosts Oscar Shorts fundraiser

The Farmington Community Library hosts the fourth annual Oscar Shorts Red Carpet event Sunday, Feb. 21.

The event is a fundraiser for the Farmington Friends of the Library. Tickets are on sale at both library branches for \$20 per person. The event includes a pre-party at the downtown branch library beginning at 6 p.m. The shorts will be shown at the Farmington Civic Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

"We will be showing the live action and animated shorts that are nominated for an Academy Award," adult services librarian Judy Donlin said. "It should be noted that the evening is intended for adults only."

Shorts being shown include:

Short film-animated

» *Bear Story* — Every day, a melancholy old bear takes a mechanical diorama that he has created out to his street corner. For a coin, passersby can look into the peephole of his invention, which tells the story of a circus bear who longs to escape and return to the family from which he was taken.

» *Prologue* — 2,400 years ago, four warriors — two Spartan and two Athenian — battle to the death in an intense struggle witnessed by a little girl, who then runs to her grandmother for comfort.

» *Sanjay's Super Team* — Young Sanjay, a first-generation Indian American, is obsessed with TV, cartoons and his superhero action figures. He is reluctant to spend time in daily prayers with his devout Hindu father, but a flight of imagination helps him develop a new perspective that he and his father can both embrace.

» *We Can't Live Without Cosmos* — Two best friends have dreamed since childhood of becoming cosmonauts and together they endure the rigors of training and public scrutiny and make the sacrifices necessary to achieve their shared goal.

» *World of Tomorrow* — A little girl named Emily is taken on a fantastical tour of her distant future by a surprising visitor who reveals unnerving secrets about humanity's fate.

Short film-live action

» *Ave Maria* — Five nuns living in the West Bank find their routine disrupted when the car of a family of Israeli settlers breaks down outside the convent. Unable to use the telephone due to Sabbath restrictions, the family needs help from the nuns, but the sisters' vow of silence requires them to work with their visitors to find an unorthodox solution.

» *Day One* — On the heels of a painful divorce, an Afghan-American woman joins the U.S. military as an interpreter and is sent to Afghanistan. On her first mission, she accompanies troops pursuing a bomb-maker and must bridge the gender and culture gap to help the man's pregnant wife when she goes into labor.

» *Everything Will Be Okay (Alles Wird Gut)* — Michael, a divorced father devoted to his 8-year-old daughter Lea, picks her up for their usual weekend together. At first it feels like a normal visit, but Lea soon realizes that something is different and so begins a fateful journey.

» *Shok* — In Kosovo in 1998, two young boys are best friends living normal lives, but as war engulfs their country, their daily existence becomes filled with violence and fear. Soon, the choices they make threaten not only their friendship, but their families and their lives.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Jamming me: Ryan's dunk spree lifts Chiefs

Senior sparks 15-0 run against Plymouth

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

For a while Friday night, Plymouth's varsity boys basketball team looked in control against Canton.

It was a 6-0 lead for the host Wildcats in the second half of an emotion-packed Canton-Plymouth twinbill (the girls teams played the night's first contest.)

Plymouth enjoyed a 15-7 advantage with 1:15 to go in the first, following a triple by Julian LeDoux. But after a tip-in at the buzzer by Canton's Obi Okoli the lead was down to six (15-9).

And then, Logan Ryan took over. By the time he was done hammering home dunks of the roundhouse and two-handed variety, the Chiefs were in the midst of a 15-0 run. Plymouth never recovered, falling 51-40.

The division champion Chiefs improved to 16-0 overall and 10-0 in the KLAA South, the first undefeated division record in school history.

Special stretch

"Plymouth came out like gangbusters and, as a staff, we had a feeling that might happen," Canton head coach Jimmy Reddy said. "They're talented,

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO
Flying to the basket Friday night is Canton senior forward Logan Ryan.

D1 WRESTLING TEAM DISTRICT



Battling it out at 189 during Wednesday's D1 team final are Salem's Roy Foster (top) and Plymouth's Ethan Shulaw. Foster won the bout.

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SCALING THE HEIGHTS

Rocks climb to top at Division 1 team district

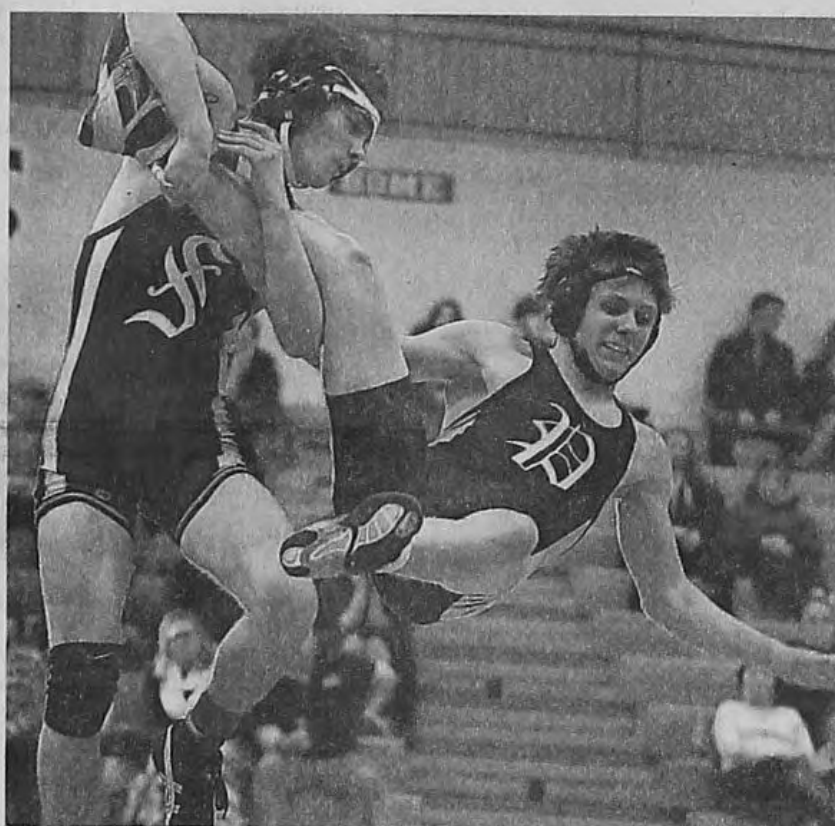
Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Sequels can be pretty sweet.

Just ask the Salem varsity wrestling team, winner of a Division 1 team district championship for the second season in a row.

The Rocks captured the crown Wednesday at Plymouth High School, knocking off both campus rivals to get it done. Salem opened with a resounding 55-6 victory over Canton before outlasting gritty Plymouth, 35-29, in the district final.

"I am so proud of our boys tonight," said Salem coach Jeremy Henderson, who shares coaching duties with



Cam Shaughnessy of Salem (left) takes down Plymouth's Josh Banks during the 130-pound bout of the Division 1 team district final.

MICHAEL VASILNEK

Pete Israel. "We set a goal at the beginning of the season to be division and district champs and that's exactly what the kids did."

Of course, awaiting Salem in the D1 team regional semifinals is top-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central. The Rocks-CC match-up is set for 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at Salem.

Henderson said there were numerous wrestlers who stepped up against the Chiefs and Wildcats.

"Cam Shaughnessy avenged a loss to Harrison Samoy (Canton), then came up big in overtime against Josh Banks of Plymouth," Henderson said. "Andrew Lindsay came up with a big win against Justin Winnie (Canton) and lost a nail-biter to Collin Reed (Plymouth). Both these guys have been pushing the pace lately and it

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NATIONAL SIGNING DAY — PART 3

Club players get their due

Michigan Hawks, Wolves connect with college soccer programs

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Serious soccer players deserve a serious send-off.

On National Signing Day at Total Soccer in Wixom, that's exactly what was given to a large group of Michigan Hawks and Michigan Wolves elite club players who made official their plans to continue playing the sport at the collegiate level.

"They grow up here at our club and they get to see each other bloom as players and as people," said Hawks/Wolves coach Scott Duhl, also varsity

boys soccer coach at Salem. "And to see the end product of them signing at big-time schools ... it's fun not only for us as coaches, but for parents and friends' parents.

"It's just a fun night that we're trying to make bigger and bigger, to celebrate the players and all the work they've put into it."

The Feb. 3 event featured nearly 50 student-athletes, coaches and family members for plenty of ceremonial photos, congratulations and conversation — about the role played by the Hawks and Wolves in helping young women and men, respectively, grow into college-bound standouts.


"We're really fortunate to come from a place that's had a

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MICHIGAN WOLVES AND HAWKS SOCCER CLUB

Michigan Hawks and Michigan Wolves elite club players signing with colleges who have connections to Canton and Plymouth include (front row, from left) Casey Muglia (Ashland), Natalie Winters (Iowa), Justin Murray (University of Detroit Mercy), Madeleine Lucas (Northwestern) and Leah Moss (Iowa) and (back row, from left) Olivia Janke (Valparaiso), Megan McCurry (Siena Heights), Madison Archibald (Siena Heights) and Anna DeBiasi (Cleveland State). Also signing were Hunter Olson (Calvin) and Hunter Gibbons (Spring Arbor).



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FIVE NATIONS TOURNEY

Team USA bounces back

NTDP U17s skate to wins over Finland, Sweden

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Team USA is on the rebound — and that's a good thing — after hitting a Czech wall named goalie Tomas Vomacka in Tuesday's opening game of the Under-17 Five Nations Tournament.

The United States National Team Development Program U17s skated to a 5-2 victory Wednesday against Finland at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

Making 34 stops for the victory was NTDP goaltender Dylan St. Cyr of Northville, while forward Sean Dhooghe scored a pair of goals.

Other goals for Team USA came from Brady Tkachuk, Grant Mismash and David Farrance.

Riding the momentum of that victory into Friday, Team USA prevailed 5-2 over Sweden to improve to 2-0-0-1 (seven points), one point behind first-place Finland in the round-robin tournament.

Only 35 seconds after spotting Sweden an early 1-0 lead, the NTDP U17s struck for an even-strength goal by Vanya Lodnia. Breaking the deadlock at 10:37 was Dhooghe.

Lodnia and Dhooghe each scored their second of the game in the second and third period, respectively, to make it 4-1. Closing out the scoring for Team USA was Scott Reedy, who also had two assists.

St. Cyr made 19 saves to earn his second straight win for the NTDP U17s.

The only blemish on his record after the early goal was a shorthanded tally at 17:48 of the third period by Max Wennlund, but by that time the outcome was decided.

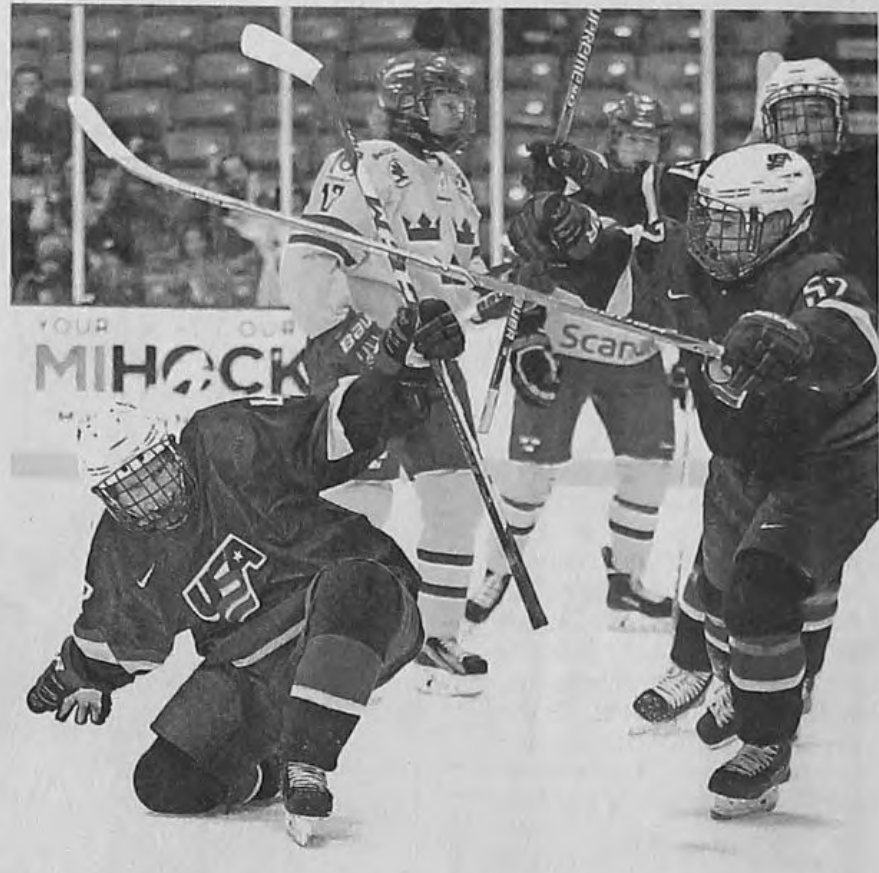
Team USA bombarded Sweden goalie Olle Eriksson Ek with 46 shots.

On Saturday, in what could be the deciding contest, Team USA was scheduled to square off against Russia (2-1-0-0, six points). An overtime or regulation win will give the hosts the tourney championship, because Finland is idle on Saturday.

In the tournament, regulation wins are good for three points, with overtime victories good for two. Teams falling short in OT or shootout garner only one point.

On Thursday, Finland (2-1-0-0, six points) blanked Sweden, 4-0, and Russia earned a 5-2 win over the Czech Republic (0-1-1-0, two points).

Earlier Friday at USA Hockey Arena, Finland defeated the Czech Republic, 3-2, in overtime. Finland finished the tourney with a 2-1-1-0 record (eight points).



RENA LAVERTY | USA HOCKEY

Team USA's Sean Dhooghe (from left), Jacob Tortora and Scott Reedy celebrate after Dhooghe's goal in the first period Friday.



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Canton junior Kelsea Kernosek was one of many key contributors for the Chiefs against Howell and Brighton.

PREP ROUNDUP

Canton depth comes through again

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Canton's varsity gymnastics team finished 13-1 in dual meets with Wednesday's victory over Howell and Brighton.

The Chiefs, also undefeated in league matches, tallied a season's best 145.65 points, enough to stymie Howell (140.5) and Brighton (139.475).

"With a dozen nines, we are starting to round into late season form," Canton coach John Cunningham said. "The KLAA conference championship at Walled Lake Central on Feb. 20 is the next challenge."

Securing Wednesday's wins for the Chiefs were five nines on beam (a 38.6 total, a team record) and four nines on floor.

Jana Hilditch registered 9.8 on beam to tie Stephanie Cox's 9.8 record; Cox and Hailey Hodgson were close behind

with 9.65 scores. Kelsea Kernosek and Rachel Socha chipped in with respective scores of 9.5 and 9.2.

Hodgson placed first on floor exercise with 9.35, with teammates Katie Dickson (9.075), Cox (9.025) and Hilditch (9.0) close behind.

Going third through fifth on vault were Hodgson (9.05), Hilditch (9.0) and Kernosek (8.95).

Victorious on uneven parallel bars with 9.0 was Dickson, followed by Kernosek (8.7), Hodgson and Hilditch (each with 8.65).

CANTON BOYS HOCKEY: A four-goal first period Wednesday sparked the Chiefs to a 9-4 varsity boys hockey win over Dexter at Arctic Edge.

Registering two goals each were Michael Tucker and Marcus Cook, while Brian Oldani spearheaded the rout with a goal and four assists.

Other Canton skaters with multiple points included Jalen Miller (goal, two assists), Michael Testani (goal, assist), Michael Gaffka (two assists), James Tucker (two assists) and Joe Powers (goal, assist). The ninth

goal was scored by Jake McClune. Splitting goaltending duties for the Chiefs were Donald Jardine and Isaac Salinas.

PENGUINS FALL SHORT: The Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins varsity girls hockey team lost 3-1 Monday to Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

Scoring the lone goal for the Penguins was Brianna Waggoner.

PCS head coach Jennia Donnelly said her team played strong defense against the undefeated Liggett squad.

The Penguins dropped a 3-1 decision Feb. 2 to perennial Division 1 powerhouse Cranbrook-Kingswood.

Michelle Cirino's goal late in the second period was all the scoring for PCS.

PLYMOUTH BOWLING: Wayne Memorial bowling teams earned their stripes Tuesday against Plymouth at Novi Bowl.

In the boys contest, the Zebras won, 23-7, despite Plymouth standouts Luke Meiers (240, 192 games), Justin O'Shaughnessy (204, 216 games) and freshman Brett Caldwell (213).

On the girls side, Wayne prevailed, 22-8. Leading the Lady Wildcats was freshman phenom Maddie Harden, with 191 and 205 games in her first stint at the anchor position.

Also solid for Plymouth were sophomore Madison Sharp (169) and senior captain Jessica Joppich (172, 170).

Both Plymouth teams will wrap up the regular season Tuesday, Feb. 16, against Canton at Town and Country Lanes.

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PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL

Chiefs ward off 'Cats to clinch KLAA South

Canton able to withstand late push by Plymouth

Tim Smith
Staff Writer

When Jordyn Chouinard hit a nifty scoop layup with just 17 seconds left Friday night, host Plymouth closed the gap to two points against first-place Canton.

The gym at Plymouth High School rocked with anticipation of a possible upset in the making. But then Brianna Finn stepped up to the free-throw line and hit both shots to make it a two-possession game.

Ultimately, the Chiefs managed to hang on to a 47-45 varsity girls basketball win over Plymouth, clinching the KLAA South Division title in the process.

"I think it was definitely emotional," said Canton's Erin Hult, who noticed the gritty effort turned in by Plymouth. "Any time you play a Park team, anything can happen."

"It doesn't matter who the better team is. It's always emotional, it's always high-energy. They were hyped."

Rob Heitmeyer, first-year coach of the Chiefs, gave high marks to the way his team competed defensively to make sure Plymouth shooters Cassidy Lewis (13 points) and Hannah Badger (10 points) were

unable to get loose and do serious damage down the stretch.

And he underscored the contribution made by Finn with her clutch free throws.

"If she misses one or two of those, it's a completely different game," Heitmeyer said. "They have a shot at a tie."

Canton (13-3, 9-1 in the KLAA South) was strong on the glass, with 17 offensive rebounds. Leading the way with 16 points and 12 rebounds for another double-double was Madison Wolfbauer.

Hult contributed 15 points and five boards, while senior guard Natalie Winters helped the cause with seven points and strong defense.

"Natalie Winters had just an absolutely rock-solid steady game," Heitmeyer said. "Defensively, she's everywhere."

Ryan Ballard, first-year head coach for Plymouth (6-10, 5-5), said his team "got crushed on the glass," but played a relentless brand of basketball.

"At any point in the game when we were down, we didn't think we were going to lose, we thought we were going to win," Ballard said. "That's why I love our kids. They battle, they battle through adversity. They just played so hard."

Canton led 13-7 after one quarter and 28-19 at halftime, with the 'Cats closing to within 38-31 going into the fourth.



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Canton senior Natalie Winters dribbles around Plymouth's Jordyn Chouinard (middle) and Madison Wolfbauer (left) of the Chiefs.

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they're a good team and they were ready to play.

"We sustained that first punch and we had a really good second quarter there. There were a couple plays in the run that I haven't seen before. The steals and the dunks, it was one of the best runs I've seen as a head coach."

Three of the dunks were by Ryan (19 points, seven rebounds), who transformed a 19-14 deficit into a 25-19 edge over a 2:15 span.

"I think it conveniently happened," Ryan said. "We were in a slump and that's a good way to bring a team out of a slump — get a blocked shot

or a dunk. The bench got into it after that and that was kind of the turnaround for the game."

From the Plymouth perspective, the way the contest did a 180 was a shocker.

"We turned the ball over like that and you let the other team get momentum," Wildcats senior guard Brent Davis said. "A few dunks here and there, it could have gone either way."

"Once they got that momentum, they kind of shocked us a little bit. We're a young team. ... We got a lot of sophomores on the team, so this is really their second big Park game, so they don't really know how to react when there's a momentum change."

Davis scored six of his team-leading 14 points in the first quarter, but was blanked

during the second by Canton sophomore guard Colin Troup.

"I think the guy that changed the game for us defensively with Davis was Colin Troup," Reddy said. "I told him he did a heck of a job. Davis had a tough time scoring on Colin tonight."

Under the radar

According to Plymouth head coach Mike Soukup, whose team takes a 7-9 record (5-5 in the KLAA South) into the conference tournament, the way Ryan seized control of the game was something the Wildcats could not recover from.

"He made some plays, we just weren't able to respond," Soukup said.

Soukup noted two early fouls called against senior guard Pete Carravallah as a

key factor in how Plymouth got into trouble during the second quarter (which ended with the Chiefs up 29-21). "Carravallah does so many things that go under the radar for us."

The coach added that scrappy senior guard Pete Brown (13 points) also was strong for the Wildcats.

"Frank really played hard today, really played hard," Soukup said. "It was awesome effort on his part."

Canton wasn't without a number of gritty performers, such as Troup, Okoli (14 points, five rebounds), senior forward Jalen Cochran (seven points), senior guard Hamoudy Turfe (five rebounds) and freshman guard B. Artis White (four assists).

Almost as impressive as Ryan's torrid stretch was a

steal-and-slam to close out the third quarter by Okoli, which provided an exclamation point on the night. That basket at the horn made it 47-31.

"The dunk that Obi finished the third quarter with was amazing," Reddy said. "A steal and a dunk at the buzzer and it looked like his elbow was above the rim."

According to Okoli, a key to the win was getting in sync defensively following the first quarter. He also pointed to the fact anybody that takes the floor can do just about anything it takes to win.

"We got a diverse team. Everybody can do almost everything and it makes us hard to defend," Okoli said. "We got a lot of weapons; we share the ball. I feel like we can be the best Canton team yet."

NATIONAL SIGNING DAY — PART 3

Zhang twins eager for own identity

Salem seniors get scholarships to separate NCAA Division I colleges

Tim Smith
Staff Writer



Salem's Zhang twins — Linda (left) and Lisa — celebrate on National Signing Day with parents Jie Liu and Kevin Zhang.

ride away from each other. It's an hour-and-a-half train ride."

The swimming sisters, whose parents are Jie Liu and Kevin Zhang, both are students with 4.0 grade-point averages who earned full-ride scholarships.

It's not just about swim-

ing. Lisa will go for a degree in economics at Columbia, while Linda said she liked Pennsylvania because it has "one of the best business schools, so I decided to go there."

Of course, swimming still will be an important compo-

nent of the next four years for both Zhangs.

"I really liked the team when I visited there," Linda said. "The coach is really nice and all the teammates were really encouraging."

Lisa said she's "really excited to be competing for a D-I

swim and dive team. The team is really welcoming and the coach really thought I can help the team become better. I'm excited to go to Columbia."

She added that she is optimistic about being slotted in the backstroke and butterfly events. "I hope some relays, too," she said.

"It's really nice to finally see our hard work pay off," Linda added. "After, like, 10 years of swimming."

Hard-working duo

They might be splitting up, but both said competing for the Rocks helped them improve immensely.

"The high school team, it builds a sense of teamwork and helping other people," Linda said. "At practice, if you're the only one swimming, there's no way you could go that fast. It's the other people around you that help you get to where you are."

"They push you to work harder and swim faster."

Lisa had a similar take about her Salem career and the impact it had on her development as a versatile swimmer. "The work ethic I learned in high school helped me, pushed me to go after my goals," she said.

Longtime Salem coach Chuck Olson, who recently retired, also lauded both Zhangs for their solid leadership and academic skills. They were co-winners of the team's Rock Maurer Award.

"Obviously, they've been a big part of the program for four years," Olson said. "They did a great job all four years and served as captains this year. I can't say enough about them."

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Topic of debate

According to Lisa, whether or not to stay together in college proved to be a topic worthy of much debate around the family dinner table.

"It was a hard decision for us to make (to be split up)," Lisa said. "Throughout the whole process, we were, like, debating and it could go either way."

"But in the end, we think that we're going to be OK being apart. It's only a short train

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paid off.

"We got clutch bonus points from Bruce Haslitt, Demetrius Fields and Roy Foster, as well as a big win at heavyweight from sophomore Jake Giorgi."

Bouncing back

According to Henderson, there were some mini-plots against Plymouth that were worth watching.

"That was a big pin from Bruce (against Lucas Harden, in 5:18)," he said. "(Haslitt) had just had a tough match with that kid Saturday (at the KLAA individual championship), so for him to step up and pin him was huge for our team."

"Jake Giorgi has also been working hard and beating some quality kids lately. Jake's match (a 9-3 decision against Sean Jensen) sealed the deal for us and it was good for him to get that experience."

Shaughnessy (130), Haslitt (140), Foster (189), Fields (171), Giorgi, Akash Rai (125) and Seth Dunn (160) all went 2-0 for the day.

Plymouth actually opened the district final with a win at 103 to take a brief 5-0 lead. Isiah Berry won in a technical fall at 5:50 against Salem's DaQuan Baker.

After a Salem victory via forfeit at 112, the Rocks built a



Salem's varsity wrestling team celebrates after winning the Division 1 district title for the second year in a row.

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15-8 lead following wins by Rai, Shaughnessy and Haslitt — sandwiched around Reed's 5-2 decision against Lindsay at 135.

Back-to-back pins by Plymouth's Darwin Filey (in 1:17 against Tyler Knopp at 145) and Nourdeen Hussini (in 1:27 against Brodie Saincome at 152) lifted the Wildcats into a 20-18 edge.

But the Rocks regained the lead, 21-20, following Dunn's 3-1 victory against Jacob Griffith. Fields and Foster then

racked up 11 more points for the Rocks with a pin and tech fall, respectively.

The Wildcats did climb back to within 32-23 when Zach Lohrmann bested Tyler Moore, 3-2, at 215, but Giorgi's subsequent decision over Jensen virtually sealed the district title for Salem.

"Everybody had a job to do tonight and the kids really dug deep and found a way to get it done," Henderson said. "It is all their hard work and dedication

to the sport that has made Salem a successful program in the last couple years."

Semifinals

Plymouth, meanwhile, reached the district final after routing Northville, 73-6. The lone points tallied by the Mustangs came via forfeit at 119.

Prevailing with pins for the Wildcats were Tyler Campbell (103), Zachary Lundberg (125), Harden (140), Hussini (in 20 seconds at 152) and Charlie

Shaver (171).

In perhaps the closest bout of the semifinal, Griffith earned an 8-7 decision over Artan Tagani.

Helping the Plymouth cause were six wins via forfeits, good for a total of 30 points.

In the Salem-Canton semifinal, the only points secured by the Chiefs came at 160 by Armando Chacon (who pinned Dez Dewberry in 5:26).

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SOCCER

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lot of success over the years, that is a big draw to players," Duhl said. "And even myself, I'm fortunate to work with some good coaches, that have lots of contacts. Because of it, we have over 40 kids signing today."

"Half of them are Division I schools and the other half are really good NAIA, Division II, Division III schools. And places where they're really comfortable and excited about going and playing."

Ramping it up

Several of those future college players live in Canton and Plymouth, two of the club's top areas for recruits (along with Livonia, Novi, Northville and Walled Lake).

"Can't wait to be a Hawkeye, from (Michigan) Hawks to Hawkeyes," said Leah Moss, a Salem senior who is a center-defender for the Hawks' Elite Clubs National League Un-

der-18 team. "It just happened like that."

Moss will be going to play Division I soccer for the University of Iowa, as will Canton High School senior Natalie Winters.

"Hawks just really helps you, because it's intense and they help you get better soccer-wise," Moss said. "Going there with Natalie? That will be nice. Seven hours from home (Iowa City), it's nice to see a familiar face."

Winters, a speedy forward, is in her fifth year with the Hawks after cutting her soccer teeth with the Canton Celtic club.

"I've known Leah since I was, like, 3," Winters said. "I think (both going to Iowa) was coincidence, mostly, but it's going to be fun."

Getting noticed

She stressed that although high school soccer is fun (she is not playing her senior season at Canton, however), "club is more serious and they help you a lot with recruiting."

For anybody hopeful of

getting the attention of college scouts, "it would be beneficial" to play with the Hawks or Wolves, Winters continued.

"We go to a lot of showcases and a lot of college coaches come and watch us," she said.

Plymouth senior Anna DeBiasi joined Moss, Winters and other club players from the Canton and Plymouth communities for a group photo. She also is thrilled about how playing for the Hawks helped her land a D-I scholarship with Cleveland State University.

"I really like it. It's really close to home and it's a good college in academics," said DeBiasi, a midfielder who, unlike Winters, will play this spring with her high school team. "It's D-I, so it was the full package for me."

DeBiasi said she benefited from playing both high school and club soccer, as they complemented each other in helping her grow as a player, although her time with the Hawks "really pushed me to be a better player."

Also gearing up for D-I soccer is Justin Murray, a

senior at Novi Detroit Catholic Central and Canton native who will play defense at University of Detroit Mercy.

"Here, I played two years and Canton Celtic for nine years," Murray said. "It just feels like it's paid off; it really feels good."

Murray stressed that playing for the Wolves was instrumental in UDM spotting him and ultimately signing him.

"They offer big tournaments, Disney (in Orlando, Fla.) being one. That's where I was seen," Murray said. "I think club is more beneficial for a college scholarship. You just see more college coaches; you're playing better teams. But high school is more pride."

Family support

Other area players on the Hawks taking part in the National Signing Day celebration included the following: Madison Archibald (Canton HS), Siena Heights; Olivia Janke (Plymouth HS), Valparaiso; Madeleine Lucas (Canton HS), Northwestern; Megan McCur-

ry (Plymouth HS), Siena Heights; and Casey Muglia, (Canton HS), Ashland;

In addition to Murray, area players from the Wolves signing with colleges included Hunter Gibbons, a Salem senior going to Spring Arbor, and Hunter Olson, a Canton senior who signed at Calvin College.

Duhl — whose duties at the club include coaching the Hawks' U18 Black squad as well as the U17 Wolves and U16 Academy Wolves — also made sure to praise the players' parents for their significant role in helping their athletes stay the course, which veered far away from the club's metro Detroit hub more often than not.

The families "provide a lot for their kids. They give them opportunities to play in our club. They travel and take them all over the country to play in games, different training environments. I think it goes to show you what a great community we have, more so than just a great club," he said.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

FEBRUARY AUCTION

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14
Location: Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, Westland
Details: Auction supports Concordia Lutheran School. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$270 for a table of 10 and includes appetizer, dinner, desserts, drinks and auction. Deadline is Feb. 8. Order by calling 248-474-2488 or 313-937-2233.
Contact: Laura Goodman at 313-937-2233

BIBLE SEMINAR

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17-March 16
Location: Plymouth Seventh-day Adventist church, 4295 Napier, south of Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: The free seminar looks at the book of Daniel. Includes details of the "Daniel Diet" that has been thought to provide protection against heart disease, diabetes and other illnesses. Study guides available for all participants. Bring your own Bible or use one available at the seminar
Contact: 734-455-3580

BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 21
Location: St. Theodore social hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: French toast, pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, milk, juice. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children, ages 2-10
Contact: 734-425-4421

FAMILY FUN DAY

Time/Date: 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27
Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Games, prizes and special activities for kids, including a bounce house. Chair massages, chiropractic screening and a talk on health and wellness for adults. Sponsored by Applied Modern Health Chiropractic
Contact: 734-421-1760

FILM

Time/Date: 6:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26
Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, in Farmington Hills
Details: See a free screening of "A Pattern of Evidence - the Exodus." Filmmaker Timothy Mahoney begins with the question, "Is the Bible just a myth, or did the archaeologists get it wrong?" Chicken gyros will be available for dinner. Call the church office by Feb. 24 to make a reservation
Contact: 248-553-3380

FISH FRY

Time/Date: 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, through March 18
Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: All you can eat, \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, \$5 for kids, ages 3-13, free for kids under 3, carry outs, \$9 and \$10
Contact: 734-261-1455, ext. 200

GRIEF WORKSHOP

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17-March 16

Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: "Grieving with Great Hope" a five week series, is for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization co-founded by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy, leads the sessions. For more information and registration details visit goodmourningministry.net or call the church
Contact: 734-261-1455, www.livoniastmichael.org

GUEST SPEAKER

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 21
Location: The Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills
Details: Willie W. Payne, historian and author, will present a multi-media lecture on "Underground Railroad stops to narrate stories and describe places used to harbor runaway slaves. He will discuss how slave work songs and spirituals were used to communicate escape plans and how these songs also influenced blues, jazz and other music
Contact: 248-478-7272

LENTEN DISCIPLINES

Time/Date: 10:10-11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 14-March 20 and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17-March 16
Location: Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Sunday series is held in the refectory; Wednesdays in the St. Andrew's room
Details: Sunday morning series explores the meaning of Lent. Wednesday sessions focus on Richard Foster's Celebration of Discipline
Contact: 248-626-2515, ext. 117

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Feb. 20
Location: St. Michael Lutheran School, 3003 Hannan, Wayne
Details: Take a guided tour of the school, meet with teachers, and learn more about Christian education for preschool-eighth grade. The school offers licensed latchkey, and bus service for resident of Wayne and Westland schools
Contact: 734-728-3315; stmichaellutheran.org

VENDOR SPACE

Location: St. Mel's Catholic Church, 7506 Inkster Road, north of Warren Road, Dearborn Heights
Details: Vendor and craft tables are \$35 for the 2016 Spring Charity Craft & Vendor Show, which runs 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at the church. Event includes bake sale, raffle, 50/50, with proceeds benefiting veterans and their families. See the Otto Miller JR Auxiliary Unit 396 Garden City, MI Craft & Vendor Shows Facebook page to view the contract
Contact: AmericanLegionAUX396craftshow@yahoo.com

MARCH GRIEF SHARE SEMINARS

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Sunday,

March 6-June 12
Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Details: Non-denominational, Christian-based seminar/support group for people grieving the death of a loved one. Consists of group discussions, DVDs and workbooks. \$15 registration fee includes workbook/journals and weekly handouts
Contact: Rev. Roger Wright at 313-682-7491

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: Noon-2 p.m. Sunday, March 6
Location: Divine Mercy Roman Catholic Regional School, 31500 Beechwood, Garden City on the current site of St. Raphael Catholic School
Details: Preschool 3- and 4-year-olds, grades K-8
Contact: 734-425-4420

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township
Details: Scripture study
Contact: 313-534-9000
St. Michael the Archangel Parish
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursday, through May
Location: 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia
Details: Gary Michuta, author and Catholic apologist, leads a study of Isaiah. Bring your own Bible
Contact: 734-261-1455, ext. 200 or on line at www.livoniastmichael.org
Faith Community Wesleyan
Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Details: This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one
Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

EXERCISE

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday
Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia
Details: Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more information, email Motta through zumba.com
Contact: 313-408-3364

FAMILY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday
Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills
Details: Free meal
Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

HEALING SERVICE

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

English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month
Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia
Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church.
Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners
Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463
Dunning Park Bible Chapel
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays
Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.
Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday
Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.
Contact: 313-563-0162

PRAYER

St. Edith Church
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday
Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows
Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223
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St. Michael Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday
Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton
Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed.
Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information Recycling
RISEN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. third Saturday of the month
Location: 46250 Ann Arbor Road, between Sheldon and Beck roads, Plymouth
Details: Recycle your cell phones, laser cartridges, inkjet cartridges, laptops, iPads, tablets, eReaders on the third Saturday of each month. Use the doors on east side of church.
Contact: Lynn Hapman at 734-466-9023

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
Steve's Family Restaurant
Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 14 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.
Contact: 313-534-0399

SONG CIRCLE

Congregation Beth Ahm
Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat
Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield
Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in 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
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 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: 10-11 a.m. Saturday
Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia
Details: A twice-monthly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available
Contact: 734-421-8451

St. Thomas a' Becket Church
Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton
Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322
Unity of Livonia
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia
Details: Overeaters Anonymous
Contact: 248-559-7722; www.oa.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), Thursday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township
Details: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is free.
Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

THRIFT STORE
St. James Presbyterian
Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford
Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information
Way of Life Christian Church
Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through May
Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth
Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in their lives.
Contact: 734-637-7618

TOUR
Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month
Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit
Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus, a humble Capuchin friar credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are accepted.
Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

WORSHIP
Adat Shalom Synagogue
Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays
Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills
Contact: 248-851-5100
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia
Contact: 734-522-6830
Congregation Beth Chaverim
Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month
Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton
Details: Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore
Contact: www.Facebook.com/betchaverim or email to betchaverim@yahoo.com
Due Season Christian Church
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study
Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia
Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church services.
Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit www.DueSeason.org
Faith Community Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study
Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi
Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 10-14
Contact: 248-349-2345; faithcommunity-novi.org

Faith Community Wesleyan Church
Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays, Soul Retention Discipleship classes, 4 p.m. Saturday
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491
Garden City Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking
Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road
Contact: 734-421-7620
Good Hope Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday
Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City
Contact: 734-427-3660
Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)
Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school/adult Bible study; 10 a.m. Sunday service
Location: 4145 W. Nine Mile, Novi
Contact: Rev. Thomas E. Schroeder at 248-349-0565; GoodShepherdNovi.org
Grace Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m.
Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township
Contact: 734-637-8160
His Church Anglican
Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna University
Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia
Contact: www.HisChurchAnglican.org; 248-442-0HCA
Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10 a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship in the chapel.
Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livonia
Contact: 734-427-1414
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday
Location: 9600 Laverne, west of Beech Daly, north off West Chicago Road, Redford
Contact: 313-937-2424
In His Presence Ministries
Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday
Location: 26500 Grand River Ave., Redford
Contact: 313-533-1956; detroitinhispresence.org
Nativity United Church of Christ
Time/Date: 11 a.m. service with Plum Line Church with the Rev. JoAnn Bastien, Praise Group, Sunday school and child care. Coffee at 10:45 a.m. Traditional Sunday worship service at 2 p.m. with Bastien. No Sunday school or child care. Coffee after the service at 3 p.m.
Location: 9435 Henry Ruff Road at West Chicago Road, Livonia
Contact: 734-421-5406

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DuBOSE, JEANETTE
 On January 26, 2016, we lost the heart and soul of our family, Jeanette Mary DuBose (nee DeSanto), age 93, of Livonia, Michigan. She passed peacefully with her daughters at her side in her daughter's home in Pleasanton, California. Born in Detroit, Michigan on December 9, 1922, she was the daughter of Ippolito and Louisa DeSanto of Rocca Pia, Italy. Loving wife of the late William DuBose. Beloved mother of Donna DuBose (Bob) of Pleasanton, California, Julie Rimer (Rick) of Cincinnati, Ohio and the late Paul DuBose. Cherished grandmother of Francesca Rimer and Louisa DuBose. Dearest sister of Gilda Gervasi (Orlando), Rudolph DeSanto (deceased) and Antonio DeSanto (deceased). Loving aunt to Tom, Dave (Linda) and Steve Gervasi. Proud former employee of Awrey Bakeries. On Governor's Honor Roll for outstanding volunteer work at The American Red Cross. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Suggested memorials to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 1311 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains, NY 10605 or Animal Welfare Institute, 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20003. Mom, you are the pause between my words, the whisper in my silence, and the light when I close my eyes.

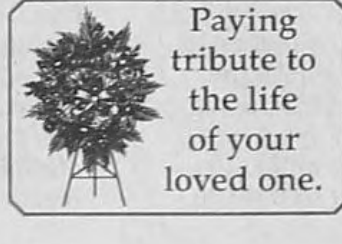


KOETTING, DONALD F.
 Of Talbott, Tennessee, formerly of Birmingham, MI, passed away February 1, 2016. Age 83. Veteran of the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Husband of BJ. Loving father of Fred (Lisa), Mike (Terry Ann), Terry (Jim), Lannen, William (Tammy). Dear grandfather of eleven and great-grandfather of three. Loving brother of Jean (Larry) Tobe. Memorial service to be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 26 at the home of Terry and Jim Lannen, 2863 Portage Trail, Rochester Hills, MI 48309. Followed by a luncheon.

POTTER, ELIZABETH
 Age 86, of Westland, passed away peacefully February 11, 2016. Share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com



SIDDEN, AURELIE MARIE (SPENCER)
 Age 93, died peacefully at her home in Tellico Village, Loudon, Tennessee on November 28, 2015. A Chicago native, she married George Spencer in 1942 and moved first to Detroit, then to Huntington Woods in 1947 and to Franklin Village in 1954. Aurel and George played bridge and traveled extensively, and after his 1985 death, Aurel continued to do both. She met Jack Sidden on a cruise; they married in 1987 and moved to Tellico Village in 1995. After Jack's 2005 death, Aurel continued her travels, returning many times to her favorite place, Hong Kong. All who knew Aurel will always remember her kindness, generosity, and thoughtfulness. Aurel is survived by her children, Michael Spencer, J. Patrick Spencer (Celese) and Isabel Hansen (John); six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.



PET PROJECTS

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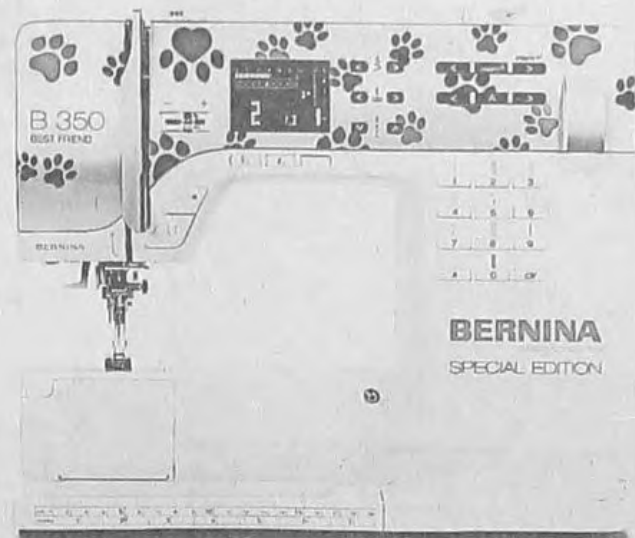
Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer



Ready for your portrait? Pippa the dog says, yes.



Tink is posed with a toy and ready to be captured in acrylic.



Bits 'n Pieces in Wayne quickly sold out of these special paw print edition Bernina sewing machines, but has more on order. Bernina will donate a portion of the machine's sales to Petfinder Foundation.



A previous painting party benefiting The Buster Foundation

aimed at pet lovers.

The 2016 Bernina 350 Special Edition Best Friend is decorated in a paw print design, with a portion of sale proceeds benefiting the Petfinder Foundation.

And boy, is it selling fast. Bits 'n Pieces in Wayne sold two before it even got a machine out of the box for display.

"We sold the last one two weeks ago. Ours are all gone. We've sold out of what we here called the puppy machine," said store owner Julie Hale said. "I know more have been ordered."

Hale and her crew called the product "puppy machine" because of its packaging.

"They made the box look like a dog house with wooden sides and a red top. It was adorable," she said. "I don't have pets but they did such a good job on this I wish I had taken time to photograph the box."

Hale said the machine's paw print faceplate makes it unique among other sewing machines. It also includes a few more accessories than the regular Bernina 350 model. Suggested retail price for the special edition Best Friend machine is \$1,899.

In addition to benefiting Petfinder Foundation, \$30,000 will go to The Quilt Pattern Magazine's Kennel Quilt Team, to help shelter pets. Petfinder

Foundation offers grants animal shelters and rescue groups to make animals more adoptable and shelter operations sustainable.

Bits 'n Pieces is located at 34629 W. Michigan Ave. For updates on Bernina 350 SE Best Friend sewing machine availability, call Hale at 734-641-4970 or visit bitsnpieces.net.

Spay and neuter

The Humane Society of Huron Valley is offering \$20 spay surgeries for up to 150 female cats this month through the "Beat the Heat" campaign sponsored by PetSmart Charities.

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advance of their heat cycles and prevent unwanted litters from being born this spring. Spaying and neutering is safe for kittens as young as 8-10 weeks, according to the American Veterinary Medical Association.

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Handbell ensembles move, ring in sync at BronzeFest

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Imagine ringing one bell that's as round as a metal trash can and another that's as small as a thimble.

Add 78 bells of different sizes to fill that seven-octave stretch.

How would they sound? "In sync. We're the same thing. We're one instrument," said Darlene Ebersole, director of Classical Bells, a Livonia-based handbell music group.

"We have one of the largest sets of bells. We have 80 bells and almost that many chimes. We have ringers who can ring from a dozen big bells on the table. In the upper (octave) bells they usually have two bells in each hand.

"We get just so many notes and we're all a piece of that. You have to be in tune with everyone to do that."

That isn't so easy for beginning bell choirs, but Classical Bells, now in its 32nd season, consists of handbell ensemble directors and experienced musicians. The 15-member group includes flute players, piano teachers and percussionists who all love to ring bells.

The group has played with the Detroit Symphony, the Michigan Opera Theater and for Pope John Paul II's visit to Detroit.

"We rang once on a moving float in the Thanksgiving Day parade. We do some crazy things. You get a little seasick when what you're standing on is moving," Ebersole said.



Members of Classical Bells perform during the 2014 BronzeFest.



Classical Bells rehearses at St. Matthews United Methodist Church in Livonia.



Classical Bells is Dave Hunsche (seated, left), Sue Minkus, Karen Thompson, Melanie Notestine Draper, Sally Spearin, Julie Douse-Angileri, Rebecca Rowan, Margie Moore, Kay French, Darlene Ebersole, director, (standing, left), Amy Clark, Darcie West, Heather Mills, Kayren Cross, and Judy Mellen.

Public concert

Classical Bells will be on solid footing — with six other handbell choirs on hand — at BronzeFest Invitational, a weekend workshop that culmi-

nates in a public performance at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, at Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills.

Classical Bells is hosting the event that will give advanced

handbell ensembles from Midland, Kalamazoo, Ohio and West Virginia the chance to work with Fred Gramman, a composer-arranger who is director of music and an organist at the American Church in

Paris, France.

"We love doing stuff like this because it makes you grow as a musician. It stretches you," Ebersole said.

BronzeFest, held biennially, celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. Ebersole said it's one of few gatherings that bring advanced ensembles together for practice and performance.

"We don't get to do mass ringing very often because we're not a church or school group. There are a lot of bell festivals with church and school groups, but when you put seven professional groups together, it's an amazing sound," Ebersole said. "The conductor is an incredible musician and he will get the ensembles to sound like one instrument magnified."

Sound, choreography

Participating ensembles each will perform a solo piece, in addition to playing together in one massive choir. Viewers may see more than just ringing by hand. Ebersole said handbell players have invented new techniques and pay close attention to their choreography as well as sound.

"It's not just malleting them on the table. It's taking a wooden stick and stirring it around the rim to make the bells sing. It's suspending the bells and playing them with mallets. There are a lot of techniques for bell."

She said Classical Bells has invented a few techniques of



Former race horses and a work horse spend some time outside the barn.

JOE GAGNON

KEEPING IT SIMPLE

The Appliance Doctor spends three days living with the Amish

The story begins last summer while driving a county road near Union City with my good friend, Bob Merchant, who owns the hardware store in town.

I was telling him of my great interest in the Amish way of life when he pulled into the driveway of a well-kept white house.

When we stepped out of the vehicle, a group of little kids surrounded us and the mother came out onto the porch and asked how she could help us. We conversed for a while and then I boldly came right out with the question: "Is it possible that I could spend three days living with you and I

would be willing to do whatever chores might be assigned?" A date was set for three days and nights.

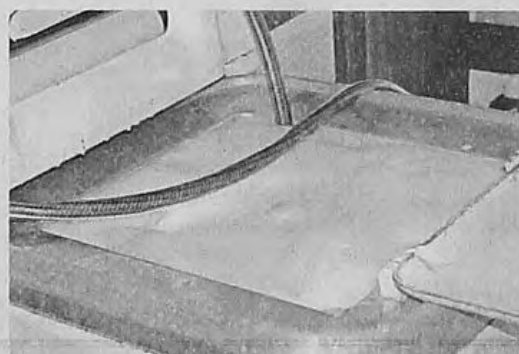
The day I arrived, it was 2 degrees above zero. Armed with long underwear and gloves and boots and a Red Wings Alumni Carhartt jacket, I was ready. Let me tell you right now, it was the most beautiful visit of a lifetime. You just can't imagine the love and kindness that I felt in those three days. The grandparents who put me up live in an addition to the home that the son built when he purchased the farm two years ago. Between the two homes is a breezeway that has a propane gas range, a Maytag wringer washer and four large laundry tubs with a huge table and chairs.

The grandparents live alone and the son and his wife with four children live in the original home. Across the driveway is a huge barn with six horses in immaculate stalls. Two of these beautiful creatures are used to drive the buggies. Keep in mind, when you are driving down the highway and see these buggies on the side of the road, that the horses mostly are former racers. There is a huge shed which contains a storage area for the buggies and a large workshop with another smaller shed they call the chicken coup. I quickly became an expert in that subject. There is another penned-in area where they keep piglets, raising them for a year and readying them for a dinner table. Needless to say, ham is a favorite meal.

Everyone works

There are many Amish families in the area and all play and pray by the same rules. No electricity in the homes, no telephones in their pockets, with a land line allowed in the barn connected to an answering machine. They make their own clothes, which are solid colors, and wear these little bonnets that remind me of the nuns who taught me in the old days.

The men do not farm, except what they need from their small acreage for their homes, because they work every day at factories that produce small and large campers. The two men in this family are up at 4 a.m. to



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The wringer washer is in full agitation cycle, filled with homemade detergent made of lye, rendered tallow, ammonia, white sugar, borax and water.



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A steam iron that uses white gas has a temperature setting control and a face cover installed to prevent a shiny effect on the outside of men's pants.



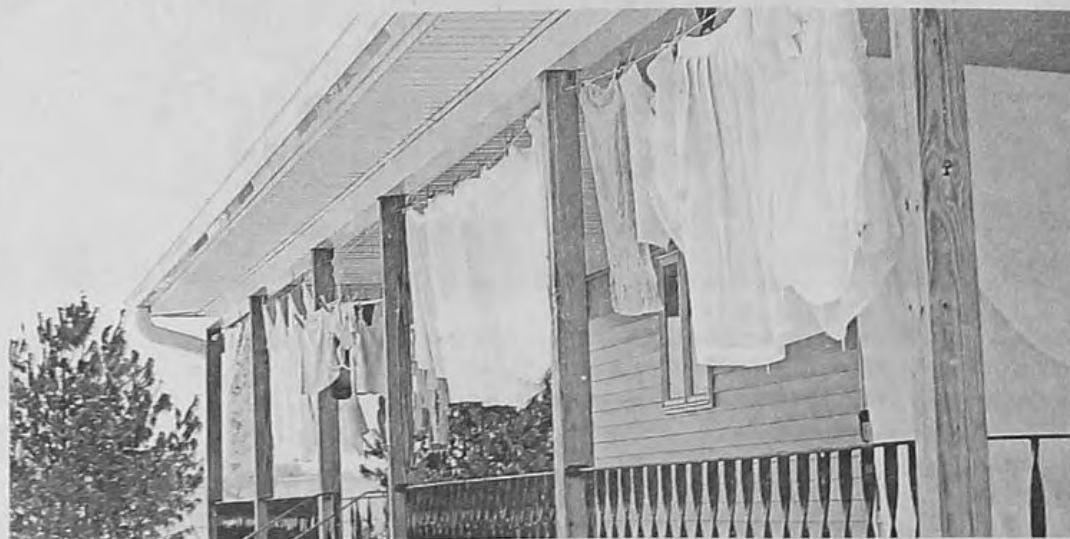
The home's kitchen includes a large wood- and coal-burning range.

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The family's summer harvest is canned and used throughout the winter.

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Clothing hangs on a line outside the Amish home where Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, spent three days learning about the family's lifestyle and appliances.

JOE GAGNON

feed the horses, no matter what temperature, sit for breakfast and leave for work when their driver picks them up at 4:30 a.m. sharp. It was a long day for the new guy by the time they arrived home at 4 p.m. The children arrived from school and each had certain chores to do before the dinner hour arrived. There is no slacking off for anyone.

There was a birthday celebration during one dinner, where three mothers, three husbands and eight children sat at the dinner table. The meal was out of this world, but most beautiful were the children participating with about 30 seconds each saying grace. It was all in German, which is their main language. Each person speaks perfect English, with a bit of an accent on some words.

Versatile stove

Bedtime arrives at 8:30 p.m., when the very beautiful and large wood-burning stove is filled with coal and banked for the night. The temperature inside is 88 degrees, but a cool 60 degrees when you get up at 4 a.m. Call it "sleep like a log." This huge kitchen stove is not only used to heat the place, but all cooking is done on and in this range. The top is a solid piece and clean as a whistle; bread is simply laid on it to give you the most evenly-browned toast imaginable. There is a long tray with a cover that you fill with water and leave open to provide humidity in the house and also a ready supply of hot water. It reminded me so much of growing up in northern Canada. Doing the wash brought back more memories.

The Amish are very religious and abide by ways that live up to their culture. They love to do it all their way. Their children are very well-behaved and very warm once they get to know you. Their clothing is immaculate and, let me tell you why. This family's clothes washer is an old Maytag Square tub wringer washer, which is driven by a gasoline motor. The grandmother and I spent more than three hours doing the wash. We pre-soaked for a half hour, rinsed, placed it in the wringer washer, put it through the wringers and rinsed it again and ran outside and hung it all on clothes lines that run around the porch. I remind you, it was 6 degrees outside and the clothes froze quickly. Once that happened, they were brought inside to hang on lines throughout the house. I can attest to the fact that there is not one speck of any dirt on any item of clothes, just unbelievable.

Each night when we knelt down to prayers, I thanked God for giving this opportunity to all of us as it opened all eyes to what is right and wrong in this world. It gave me a whole new perspective, which was so easy to feel, but hard to describe. Asked by a friend what I learned from this wonderful experience, I replied, "Keep it simple." Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. each Saturday on WAAM-AM (1600). You can email your problems and questions on appliances to appldr@twmi.rr.com.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Taste healthy foods, learn home exercise tips and get free health screenings at Heartland Health Care's annual heart health event.

It's free and runs from 2-4 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Heartland, 7025 N. Lilley, Canton.

"It will all be going on at the same time. There will be different stations and you can come through at your own pace," said Melissa Kersten, Heartland business development director.

Blood sugar and pressure screening will be available, along with body mass index assessments.

"We'll have cards to write it all down and take back to your physician."

The center's dietary department will demonstrate heart-healthy recipes and offer tastings. Its physical therapists will teach exercises for practice at home.

Heartland Health Care in Canton is a short-term rehabilitation facility, that helps patients transition from hospital to home after surgery, such as hip or knee replacement, or illness. Heartland Health Care, with locations nationwide, also offers skilled nursing facilities, assisted living residences, hospice and home health care.

Other health-related events:

Blood drive

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will hold a blood drive from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, in the North Auditorium of the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. To schedule an appointment, call 800-GIVE-LIFE or visit redcross-blood.org. Walk-ins also are accepted.

Childbirth education

Expectant parents can learn about the stages of labor, relaxation and

breathing methods, strategies for managing discomfort, C-section deliveries, medications, anesthesia and more from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, 9, 16, and 23 at Beaumont Hospital-Farmington Hills, 28050 Grand River Ave. The Childbirth Education Comprehensive Series costs \$75. Register by calling 248-888-2500 or visiting botsford.org.

Hearing Loss Association

Rick Boyce of Memtech Acoustical will present "Acoustic Noise Control" from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster, Garden City. For more information, call Tony at 734-664-3297 or email afe-rack@comcast.net.

Joint replacement

Learn about joint replacement procedures and implant options from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, at St. Mary Mercy Livonia, 36154 Five Mile, Livonia. To register, call 734-655-2345.

Peripheral Arterial Disease

Mohammed Abu-Mahfouz, M.D., and Mohammad Sobh, D.O., will discuss the guidelines for diagnosing, treating and managing PAD from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at Westland Shopping Center, 35000 W. Warren, Westland. Attendees will receive a free screening certificate. Register at 734-458-4259.

Enjoy a light lunch while vascular experts Nicole Kennedy, M.D., and Syed T. Ahsan, M.D., discuss peripheral artery disease from noon to 1 p.m. Feb. 22, in the demonstration kitchen at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, 6777 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. Peripheral artery disease (PAD), is a narrowing of the peripheral arteries to the legs,

stomach, arms, and head. PAD is similar to coronary artery disease. Register by calling 248-325-3890 or email dk@hfhs.org.

Women's heart health

The women's heart health conference starts at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend, in downtown Birmingham. Session topics include stress reduction and integrative medicine, the power of positive self-talk, heart-healthy foods and recipes, the perils of sitting versus standing, and more. The conference will include exhibits, massage and an opportunity to talk with physicians and medical experts. Cost is \$25. Register at beaumont.edu/cardiology-conferences or call Shannon Herrington at 800-732-6368.

Ongoing

Ab-Anon Twelve-step program and weekly group to help those suffering with eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia and exercise compulsion is held from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, at the Friendship Circle, 6892 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. An Ab-Anon meeting group is available for families and loved ones from 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, also at the Friendship Circle. For more information, contact Mindy at 248-672-9776.

Amputee support

The Amputee Support Group meets from 2-3 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month in Classroom #1 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile (use south entrance off Levan), Livonia. Call 734-655-2837 for more information.

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GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

Butterflies

Mark Hunter, University of Michigan professor, will talk about the current patterns and future problems for Monarch butterflies at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Free for members of the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association; \$3 for non-members. 734-223-5510. sembutterfly.org

Livonia Garden Club

Cheryl English, Advanced Master Gardener and Master Composter, will talk about incorporating native plants into the garden at 7 p.m. March 1 at the Civic Center Senior Center, Five Mile and Farmington Road, Livonia. English has almost 200 species of native plants and more than 50 varieties of clematis growing in her yard in Detroit. She owns Black Cat Pottery and will have pottery samples and note cards for sale at the meeting. For more information, visit livoniagardenclub.org or email lgcpresident@yahoo.com.

Valentine Day hike

Adults, age 18 and up, can take an evening hike from 8-9:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, through Heritage Park, 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. A naturalist will lead the "Stroll with your Sweetheart" hike, while talking about courtship behaviors of the park's nocturnal animals. Hot



SUBMITTED

Find dendrobium orchids and other species at English Garden's 14th Annual Orchid Festival Feb. 20.

drinks and sweet treats will be available after the hike, along with an opportunity to win prizes. Cost is \$5 per person. Register at recreg.fhgov.com or at the Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Call the park nature center at 248-477-1135 for more information.

Frogs

Friends of the Rouge seeks volunteers for its annual frog and toad survey. Surveys are conducted independently on warm evenings, after dark, several times each month from March-June. Potential volunteers must attend a training workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 27, at Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. Register for the

workshop at therouge.org.

English Gardens

14th Annual Orchid Festival will include a free presentation, "Orchids 101," at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20. Make an orchid garden for \$24.99 at 2:30 p.m. Sign up online.

Learn the latest trends and tips for landscaping to increase your home's value, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27. Free.

Classes are offered at all stores. Local stores are 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 248-851-7506.

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its own and makes choreography a prominent part of its performance.

"We like to think of ourselves as the Rockettes," she said, with a

laugh. "Trying to make it look easy is important."

The group will play a new arrangement of Singin' in the Rain at BronzeFest.

"They'll be some rain stick and umbrella action," Ebersole noted. She doesn't want to reveal all about the piece, but hints at a twist in the choreog-

raphy. Think Gene Kelly meets handbell ringer.

Tickets to the BronzeFest concert are \$10 and will be available at the door. For more information, call 734-521-2525 or email info@classicbells.com.

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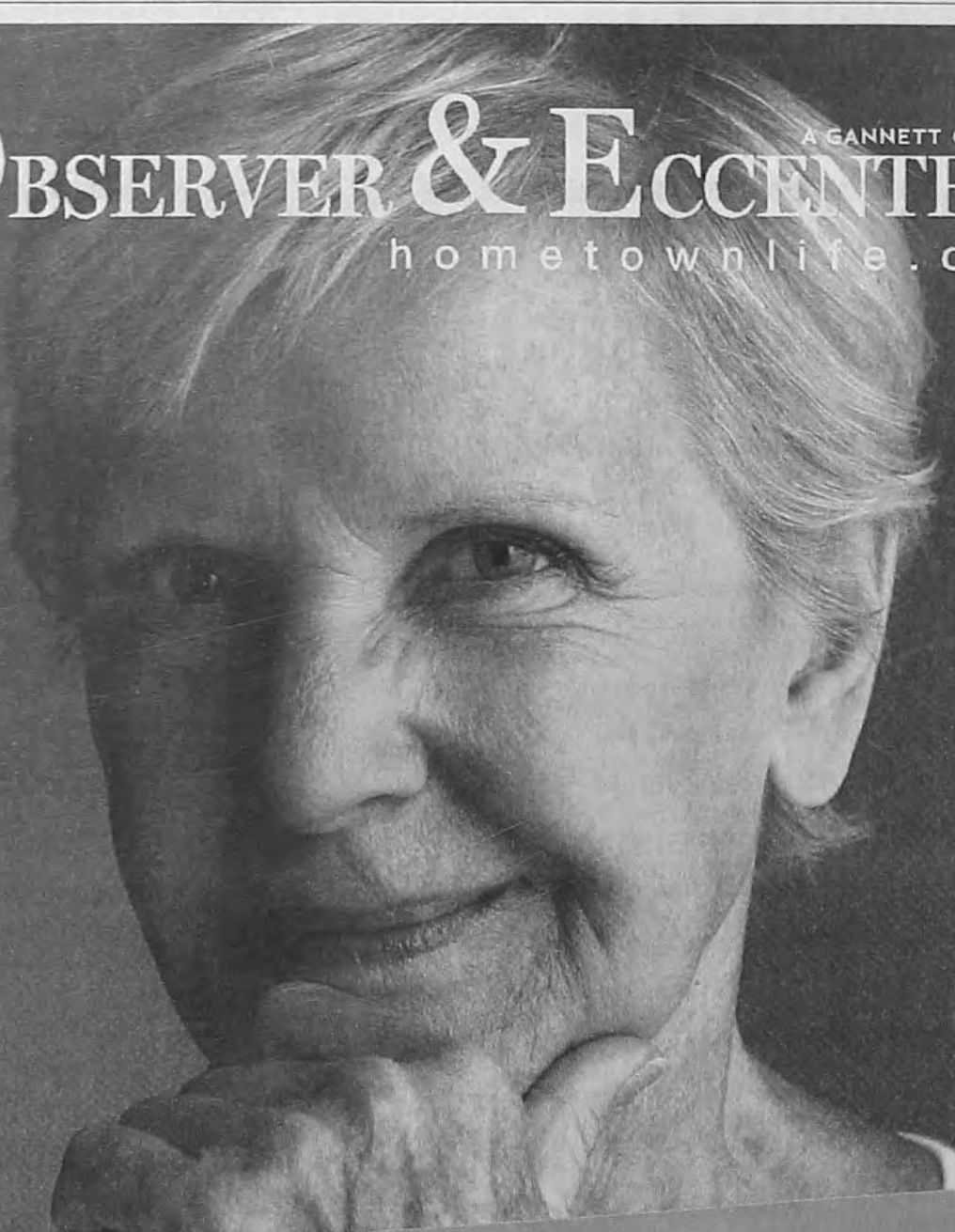
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Build a brand that sends the right message

BY DEANNA HARTLEY
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It's nearly impossible to remain anonymous in today's connected world. The rise of the Internet and social media has had a profound impact on how we ought to conduct ourselves in the public eye — which extends to the job search as well.

Here are five tips to help you build and maintain your personal brand.

1. Identify your brand.

In today's digital age, you already have a brand, whether you like it or not. Do some research to find out what that is.

"Google yourself (and) see what your potential employers see," says Darius Fisher, president and co-founder of Status Labs, an online-reputation management firm. "Search yourself and analyze what shows up online. Anything you want to improve? Immediately tackle and correct areas of vulnerability."

"It's natural to be concerned with negative publicity or unflattering photos, but be equally concerned if nothing shows up in your search results," he adds. "If you have no digital footprint, create one today."

2. Be authentic.

It's important to be yourself, or people will see right through you. "Be authentic in all communications. Be likable and someone your audience can relate to," says Trish McDermott, co-founder of Panic Media Training. "When thinking in terms of your personal brand, you must first



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be authentic with yourself."

Lida Citroën, owner of reputation-management company LIDA360, echoes that sentiment. "Strive for consistency in building a reputation that's authentic and compelling," she says. "Be the same person online as in person, stay authentic and relevant, and build your reputation over time to achieve your desired brand."

3. Add value on social media.

Ross Simmonds, a strategist and entrepreneur who co-founded Crate content marketing software and the Hustle + Grind subscription service, suggests leveraging social media to drive awareness to your personal brand.

"It's very important for individuals looking to build their personal brands

to be consistent in telling their story," he says. "You need to identify the channels — Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram or Snapchat — that you want to use as your primary channel for communication, and be consistent in adding value in that space."

4. Start a website or blog.

It may seem intimidating or tedious, but a website or blog is a great way to control your messaging while showing off your interests and areas of expertise.

"Start a blog based on a passion or hobby or something having to do with your career," says Jennifer Krosche, president and founder of Blue Frog Communications. "For instance, if you are an HR person, you can write about connections and helping people; or if

you are (an) accountant, you can write about tax tips and deduction; or if you are a nurse, maybe a blog on health and wellness."

Regardless of the avenue, what's important is to put yourself out there. "Whether through blogging, podcasting, creating videos or self-publishing a book, if you can find a way to share your ideas publicly, it reduces the risk for employers to hire you because they already will have a sense of who you are and whether you'd be a good fit for the organization," says Dorie Clark, an adjunct professor at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business and the author of "Reinventing You" and "Stand Out."

5. Don't be afraid to show your personality.

While you should be letting your professional side out for the world to see, it's equally important to show a little personality.

"If you love travel, you may want to have pictures of the places you have gone or want to go; if you are athletic, maybe posts of fitness and health; and if you are focused on goals, maybe inspirational quotes, books you are reading and workshops you attend," Krosche says. "Whatever your hobbies, you should communicate those in a positive and fun manner to let people get to know the real you as well as the professional you."

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Honda Got Super Sendoff for New Ridgeline, Hoping For Relevance in Booming Mid-Size Truck Segment



By Dale Buss

Honda had good reason to be apologetic about its Ridgeline mid-size truck from the day it was introduced in 2005. Its unconventional bed design never really caught on, and Honda wasn't even prepared to give Ridgeline a second chance when the mid-size segment came back from the dead last year.

But now that Honda executives believe they're finally ready, with a newly designed Ridgeline, to give this market a push again, they're not being sheepish about it: Honda used its ad in Super Bowl 50 to highlight the new design with a song from Queen, a Super Bowl-experienced director, and a flock of — well, sheep.

Trying to wedge its way back into a segment that now is

dominated by GM, Honda has chosen to emphasize features its new Ridgeline offers that are unique to the field. Two of them are an in-bed storage trunk and a dual-action tailgate.

"The premise for our making the investment was that we just wanted to tell people that Ridgeline is back — and, by the way, it's been restyled," Tom Peyton, Honda's assistant vice president for advertising and marketing, told me. "As a hallmark of the brand, if we are coming to the truck party, we have to have innovations that others don't have, and if there is one that is easy to demonstrate, it's truck-bed audio. No one else has it.

"It doesn't even need speakers," he told me. "Basically, the whole bed is a speaker—one huge woofer—and the ultimate tailgate machine for those reasons. And as we were looking at features to highlight in the Super Bowl, it led to the genesis of this idea: What if you had animals in the back of the

truck? They would be engulfed by sound. So we ended up with singing sheep."

So the Big Game ad, "A New Truck To Love," featured a flock of sheep singing the classic Queen song, "Somebody to Love."

"Great Super Bowl spots are entertaining for the fans while communicating an essential value of the product, and we believe our Honda Ridgeline commercial accomplishes both objectives in dramatic fashion," said Jeff Conrad, who oversees U.S. marketing as senior vice president and general manager of the Honda Automobile Division, in a press release. "With so many truck buyers passionate about football, the big game is the perfect setting to introduce the all-new Ridgeline, and the distinctive features that make it the ultimate tailgating vehicle."

Directed by Oscar-nominated Bryan Buckley, a Super Bowl ad pro, the Honda spot also featured plenty of sharp views of the new Ridgeline design—most definitely on purpose.

The challenge for Honda: truck buyers have lost their passion for Ridgeline, whose non-traditional design never quite caught fire, while General Motors has reignited the mid-size truck segment with the new Chevrolet Colorado and GMC Canyon models.

"In general," Peyton conceded, "the previous Ridgeline was



Truck-bed audio in new Honda Ridgeline teaches sheep to ... sing.

heralded as a breakthrough in a number of areas. It was different from traditional pickups. But the way we designed the bed previously was polarizing; some people liked it and some didn't. Going with this more traditional design, we've had universal acceptance. This is a different mid-size truck. And we have much greater upside potential for Ridgeline this time around."

In fact, the Super Bowl ad was only the initial foray in what Honda plans as an extended launch campaign for Ridgeline, befitting what it sees as the importance of its effort to pick up some of the action in the mid-size truck segment that almost went extinct. Honda will follow up with a "more fundamental launch campaign once the truck is in dealerships," Peyton said.

Peyton rejected the suggestion that the new Ridgeline might be

too late to a party where not only GM has entered again but also where Toyota, overhauling its Tacoma, and now Nissan, with a reportedly planned update of its Frontier, also have a significant presence. Honda sold only several hundred Ridgeline units last year as the old version was on its way out, and only about 13,000 in 2014.

"I think our timing is perfect" with the new version, Peyton said. "The segment is prepared for growth. We're not going after traditional pickup truck buyers, but we are going predominantly after males, in their 40s and early 50s, and predominantly suburban. It's a vehicle that will enable activities for him that are friendly in a suburban environment in addition to the truck environment. For that reason we think the opportunity for growth is great for us and for competitors."



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