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#### Closings

City offices, including the William Faust Public Library, recycling center and 18th District Court, will be closed on Monday, May 31, due to the Memorial Day holiday. The library and recycling center also will be closed on Saturday, May 29, and the library will be closed on Sunday, May 30.

There will be no rubbish pickup on Memorial Day which will delay the regular trash collection one day for the rest of the week.

#### Pool opens

The Bailey Pool and H20 Zone will open Saturday to kick off the summer season.

The Bailey Pool will be open from noon to 3 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. on weekends, weather permitting. Weekday hours will be 4-7 p.m. until Thursday, June 17. The Bailey Pool features a water slide and a climbing wall.

The H20 Zone will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week, weather permitting, and is free. It features buckets that dump water, crocodiles that shoot water into the water everywhere.

Call the Westland Parks and Recreation Department at (734) 722-7620 or visit www. cityofwestland.com for additional information on hours and rates.

#### Planting day

The rescheduled planting day for Westland's DTE Energy Community Garden will Sunday, June 6.

Volunteers are still being sought for planting, weeding and harvesting the food that will be grown and donated to Gleaners Food Bank of Southeast Michigan to be distributed to children, seniors, disabled people, working families and other individuals in need of emergency food.

Volunteers should plan to bring their own gardening tools, sunscreen, drinking water and closed-toed shoes. The DTE Energy Garden is located at 38155 Cherry Hill, west of Newburgh.

# RESA drops plan for school millage

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Officials at Wayne Regional Educational Services Agency needed school districts representing 51 percent of the county's public school students to ask for a ballot initiative that would have created a countywide 1.9-mill school enhancement millage to help financially struggling school districts.

They didn't get it.

three of the county's larger districts Dearborn, Livonia and Plymouth-Canton — decided not to take part, RESA's initiative was killed last week when officials at Detroit Public Schools, the state's largest district, decided not to take part.

That left 17 school districts, representing just 22 percent of the county's students, in favor of the initiative.

"When Detroit backed out, that left them well short," Plymouth-Canton

Already facing an uphill battle when Community Schools Superintendent Craig Fiegel said. "It's really too bad they didn't announce that decision sooner. It would have saved a lot of angst."

Plymouth-Canton school officials were a little bothered by the delay in Detroit's decision, figuring a decision not to participate could have come sooner and saved some headaches.

Without Detroit, Livonia, Plymouth-Canton or Dearborn, the largest district on board with the plan was

Wayne-Westland.

\$1 million

Walkers put best foot forward

BY SUE MASON

Overnight thunderstorms and intermittent show-

ers during the day did little to dampen enthusiasm of

walkers who took to the path at Jaycee Park for the

They wore birthday hats, blew bubbles and basi-

city's annual Relay for Life.

cally let cancer know

they're in for the long fight for a cure.

"It's a little wet, but we're making it,"

said Kelly Bates, this year's Relay chair.

'Ninety percent of the

teams are here and

we still have a ton of people walking."

The 24-hour event

is more like a huge block party with

teams setting up

booths to sell every-

goods to hamburgers

thing from baked

"We did not reach the 51 percent we needed to go forward," said RESA representative Tracey Wright. "There's no way for this to go forward at this time."

For Wayne-Westland, the millage would have been a win-win proposition. Not considered a "giving district," the tax levy would have generated \$4.9 million of which \$4.7 million would come back to the district based on the

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Walkers had to avoid huge puddles after heavy down pours the night before, but the wet didn't dampen their enthusiasm for the Relay for Life.

Westland enjoys the bubble machine at the Fight Like a Girl booth.

Five-year-old Cameron Toth of

and hot dogs. Susie Yeger, a 15-year, five-month, breast cancer survivor, had plenty of customers for her spin the wheel game aimed a wiping out colon cancer.

"I've already taken two men for five bucks," said Yeger, a member of the Women of Westland team. "They keep promising to come back."

In its 10th year, this year's goal was to break the

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# Wayne-Westland's I-Save program wins state honor

BY SUF MASON OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Wayne-Westland school officials knew the district's in-house energy conservation program was good. They only needed to look at the more than \$400,000 savings in utility costs that have occurred thanks to the efforts of staff and students.

That success hasn't gone unnoticed by others.

Monday evening, Mary Reynolds, a member of the MASBO Board of Directors, went before the Wayne-Westland school board to present Nick Thornton, supervisor of energy and facility services, with a Meridian Award of Excellence for the district's

I-Save (Individuals Save And Vie for

Efficiency) program he oversees.

"This is in special recognition of your successful practices in the area of management," said Reynolds, the executive director of business for the Farmington Public Schools. "The award was one of five given out by the MASBO and the only one for energy management."

According to Reynolds, the award

recognizes the individual effort that has gone into the highly successful program. The I-Save program has saved the district 11.4 percent in gas and electricity costs.

"This is a real grassroots efforts to get everyone to turn off the lights and turn the thermostat down," said

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## Veterans prepare for annual parade

BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Honoring veterans will be the focus of the annual Wayne-Westland Memorial Day Parade

The parade begins at 1 p.m. at the Town 'N' Country Bowling Alley parking lot, 1100 S. Wavne Road at Avondale, then heads south to the Wayne Library for a short wreath ceremony.

"We always alternate so the parade goes to Wayne one year, Westland the other year," said Tom Dobrowolski, secretary of the Wayne-Westland Veterans Parade Committee.

The parade committee organizes the parade as the group designated by the various VFW, American Legion, AMVETS and other area veterans groups who participate.

"It's a pretty big parade. The

route to the Wayne Library is 1.43 miles. The parade starts at 1 p.m. and won't get to the Peace Memorial at the library until close to 2 p.m.," said Dobrowolski.

The parade will include appearances by marching bands from John Glenn, Wayne Memorial and Inkster high schools along with marchers and floats from various churches, Scouting troops and similar groups.

There are no clowns and we don't pass out candy," said Dobrowolski, who estimated the parade has been held for at least 15

Veterans, including color guards and ritual teams, from posts in Westland, Wayne and Livonia will begin the parade. The parade has traditionally been held on Sunday of the holiday weekend rather than Monday, Dobrowolski said, to increase participation.

Members of the parade committee solicit contributions to cover the parade costs and also confirm participation by the various groups and bands. The cities of Wayne and Westland each make a contribution to support the parade. About 2,000 people turn out for the parade, said Dobrowolski, based on the number of American flags passed out along the route.

"This year, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will pass out the flags. They will walk on the sidewalk," he said. "In the past, they walked off to the side in the street. People got confused and thought they were leading off the parade.

After the parade, a luncheon will be hosted at the Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323, 1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale in Westland.

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\$100,000 mark and hit \$1 million raised for the American Cancer Society. Walkers made it happen, raising more than \$105,000 for ACS

"The young people are a major plus for us," said Bates. "They're our future committee members."

Down the path, Team Red, White and Blue was keeping track of the different themed laps, making sure walkers wore the birthday hats or blue bubbles at the right time. Members of the American Legion in Livonia, the group was aiming to go purple by raising more than \$10,000.

"We have to have someone on the track for 24 hours, so we've broken it up in onehour increments," said Linda Roman of Livonia. "We're doing good for a team of little old ladies from the Legion."

This year's Relay had a number of teams from the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. Young people from Wayne Memorial and John Glenn and Livonia Churchill High Schools, as well as Stevenson and Marshall Middle Schools participated.

The Stevenson National Junior Honor Society had a steady business for its bake sale. Twenty-nine students from the school were on the team and many planned to be there the entire 24 hours.

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'This is the first time I've been on a team, I've been doing it since I was three or four with my mom and grandmother," said eighth-grader Zac Bryant. "It's heartwarming to be here and show you care. Cancer touches so many lives. It's good to see people out here."

His mother is Westland Councilwoman Christine Cicirelli Bryant and his grandmother is 18th District Judge Sandra Ference Cicirelli.

"I think it's great for the kids to do this," said his mother, who was dividing her time between her son's team and Mayor William Wild's Wild's Walkers. "They recognize the importance that cancer never sleeps."

Dining on hamburgers at the Wild Walkers' camp was Sally Price and Yvonne Falkner. Price had completed five laps around the half-mile path, while Falkner was at one mile.

"Pretty good for an little old lady," Falkner said.

Price is a walker by choice. She does the mall during the winter and walks at the senior Friendship Center during the

"I had a sister who died of ovarian cancer, everyone else have had heart attacks," she said.

According to Wild, the team's goal was to raise \$10,000. This year the team



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Amanda Kock-Gregory (left) of Dearborn Heights and her nephew Adam Stankiewicz of Plymouth check out the items at a silent action being held by one of the relay teams.

dedicated it efforts to City Attorney Angelo Plakas, who is battling esophageal cancer, and Wild's executive secretary Lori Reddy, who also has cancer. The team's slogans were Reddy To Walk and Paces for Plakas.

Plakas was on hand for the event and did several walks around the path, "including the half mile I walked to get here," he said.

As part of the Relay, a special lap was held to recognize cancer survivors. Seventy signed up for the afternoon stroll, followed by a luncheon



Seven- year-old Alyssa Tams of Canton was part of Ready to Live a-Liddle Team.

served in the Mike Modano Ice Arena.

"The city let us use the arena so we could set up inside, it'll be so nice," Bates said.

According to the mayor, the Westland Relay may become a biennial event. This year, the city of Wayne partnered with Westland and in coming years, the location of the Relay could rotate between the two communities, much like Sunday's Memorial Day Parade.

"We've kind of hit a plateau with fund raising," said Wild. "We've got the crossover to get us over the \$100,000 mark.'

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# Seat belt campaign still nabs violators

BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

For a number of years, Westland police have partici-

pated in the nationwide Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement program and there has been increased compliance. "When we first started this

program, we would write in excess of 50 tickets at Ford and Wayne Road. It's been around 20 tickets in recent years," said Traffic Bureau Sgt. Patrick Corby. "We get quite a bit more enforcement. I'm flabbergasted that we write any tickets.'

That's because during the daytime, the enhanced enforcement details have uniformed officers in neon vests standing in the roadway looking for people not wearing seat belts. About 100 feet away is a marked patrol car, overhead lights on and a large sign announcing the seat belt enforcement zone.

"If they get a ticket for not wearing a seat belt, it's their ... own fault," said Corby.

When someone is not wearing a seat belt, the officers on foot will tap on the window and direct the driver to pull over the receive the ticket from officers at the nearby patrol car.

"You'd be amazed how many people will try to hand us money thinking we're collecting for the Goodfellows," said Corby. "We will also get people who will say that we can't pull them over, if we're not in a car. Some people don't believe we're

the police - we're in full uniform."

The enforcement zones target different intersections each day while there are mobile enforcement units after dark. The special enforcement efforts is leading up to the Memorial Day holiday but Corby said patrol officers also enforce the seat belt law as part of their normal duties.

The seat belt enforcement program is funded by federal money administered by the state Office of Highway Safety and Planning. Michigan law requires all drivers, front seat passengers and any passengers age 15 and younger to wear seat belts. Children must be in a car seat or a booster seat until they are 8 years old or 4 foot 9.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports the national seat belt use rate averages 83 percent — that jumps to almost 98 percent in Michigan. The seat belt use campaign, which also includes media advertising, is credited with a steady decrease in the number of traffic fatalities nationwide.

"Some people just won't wear them — it's like motorcycle helmets," said Corby. "We had a guy call the station to complain about his tax dollars being wasted on having five officers enforcing a violation of something that violates his constitutional rights."

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number of students.

In seeking support of the request, Superintendent Greg Baracy had told the school board "this is the only opportunity we have to increase our revenue.'

Monday evening, he informed the board of the cancellation.

"Fifty percent of the districts

didn't turn in a resolution," he said, adding, "I believe this will be revisited at a later date.'

RESA officials believed the plan, a five-year millage, would have raised some \$92 million, to be divided among the county's districts. In Plymouth-Canton, the millage would have raised about \$11 million, but under the RESA formula, only about \$7 million would have stayed in the district.

Livonia and Plymouth-

Canton officials decided not to support the idea — Livonia school trustees voted against it; the measure died without a vote in Plymouth-Canton and Dearborn officials were so set against it they didn't even take it to a vote.

Detroit's decision not to support it — despite estimates the state's largest district would get some \$31 million — was the death knell for the pro-

Plymouth-Canton trustees,

who initially seemed supportive of the idea, said they heard no taxpayer support for the measure.

"A month ago, I said unless the community was willing to support it, we shouldn't do it," board Secretary Nancy Eggenberger said. "I didn't hear any support for it."

Staff writer Sue Mason contributed to this story.

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Thornton. "I'm the dark knight in the dark classroom."

Thornton has been in charge of the program and has gotten students involved in I-Save through poster and essay contests. This year, he launched a virtual online I-Save store where teachers can use I-Save

coupons to purchase classroom supplies. The I-Save Bucks can be earned for a variety of actions like turning off computer monitor and speakers and powering down staff and student computers at the end of the day.

"The coupons can be spent for items in the classroom, you just need to be caught saving energy to get them," said

Thornton. According to Deputy Superintendent Gary Martin, Thornton has been recognized internally for his efforts.

"It's very flattering to have him recognized outside the district," he said.

"Some districts hired third parties, our folks took on the challenge and developed this program," added Superintendent Greg Baracy. "This program has been highly successful and innovative. It has save the

district a lot of money that we can put back into the classroom."

Reynolds, who told the board she quickly volunteered to come to Wayne-Westland to present the award because she is a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, also presented a check for \$1,500 for the district's scholarship fund.

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#### **AROUND WESTLAND**

#### Baby Contest

Applications are being accepted for the Westland Festival 2010 Baby Contest for 2010. Contestants must be between the ages of 6 months and two years of age.

There are four categories: boys from 6 months to 1 year old on June 30, 2010, Girls from 6 months to 1 year old on June 30, 2010, Boys 1 -2 years old on June 30, 2010 and Girls 1-2 years old on June 30, 2010. The top six vote getters, based on votes collected, in each category will appear on stage July 4 and one final winner will be selected from each category by a panel of judges.

The initial votes for each contestant will be determined by the amount of money deposited at the Baby Contest Booth for each contestant (one penny is one vote) and the top six contestants in each category will be on stage for the final judging which will be based on the judge's opinion of the contestant's appearance, expression and parent's comments.

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The final winner in each category will receive a \$50 savings bond. The remainder of the money collected will be used for local handicapped projects and the Civitan International Research Center which is. involved in research to prevent and cure mental and physical defects in those less fortunate.

Applications will be available at the Bailey Recreation Center and the Westland Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact Pat Quinn at (734)729-1993 or by e-mail at patquinn52@wowway.com.

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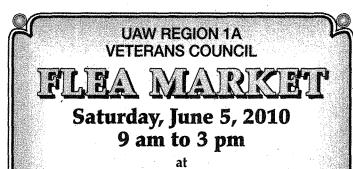
The Basketball Academy is holding its Summer Skill Development camps at St. Damian School on Joy Road in Westland. Coach Paul Tripp is conducting a boys camp June 21-24. The Girls' camp will be held June 28-July 1. Grades 3-5 will meet 8-11:30 a.m., while those in grades 6-9 from 12:30

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## Ford's GT-40 gives students something to ooh about

BY SUE MASON OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The throaty rumble of the Ford GT-40 was enough to turn heads at Henry Ruff Elementary School Tuesday morning, but it was the roar when Mark Carpenter hit the gas that had students oohing and aahing.

"It sits very low, it's very fast and has huge tires in the back that are half the normal height of tires," Carpenter told the students. "It went through a lot of development and a lot of test drives. It was run for 24 hours like LeMans."

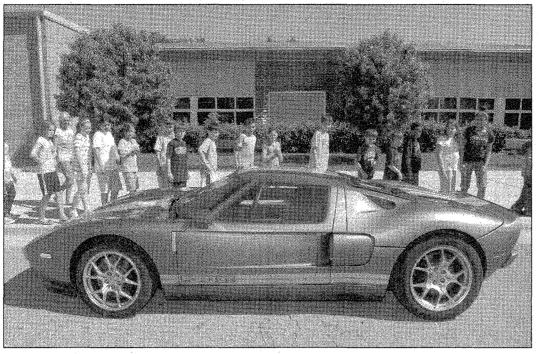
Ford employees, Carpenter, an engineer with the Special Vehicle Team, and Nikola Vidakovic, a world-renowned auto designer and global engineer for Ford, brought the limited edition GT to the school Tuesday fulfilling a promise to show the students a "really cool car" — a concept car turned road car.

"We use it as a show car, we just got it out of storage," said Carpenter. "It needs to be about 45 degrees, but we prefer 55, before we bring it out because the tire composition doesn't stick as well as when it's cold."

"It's a racing car that was made to drive on the road, but it's still a racing car," added Vidakovic.

The visit was part of a motivational drawing and writing contest for fifth- and sixth-graders created by teachers Jennifer Fontenot and Jill Rurak. In December, Vidakovic did a DVD presentation for the students developed for them by Ford engineers. It highlighted the well-known Mustang, and other concept cars which have been shown at the Detroit auto

Vidakovic gave a brief lesson on drawing and auto design, while Fontenot talked about the principles of writing a per-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE

The weather was right for Mark Carpenter and Nikola Vidakovic to bring the limited edition Ford GT-40 to Henry Ruff Elementary School for fifth-sixth-graders to see. The visit was part of a writing project the men worked on with students last December.

suasive selection or marketing paragraph.

"Students were expected to draw a concept car and then write a marketing paragraph selling their car," said Fontenot. "Ms. Rurak launched the drawing contest in her art classes and I went to each fifth- and sixth-grade classroom to review the appropriate components needed to write a persuasive/marketing selection."

The students were judged according to their concept car illustration and persuasive/writing selection. Vidakovic and Fontenot served as the judges and picked two winners at each grade level. The winners received model Ford Mustang cars. There were 20 honorable mentions who received a DVD of the Ford-designed presentation.

But the highlight was a chance to see the \$179,000 car

which has five fuel pumps and gets anywhere from two to 28 miles per gallon, "depending on how you hit the throttle," said Carpenter.

"We drove it from Florida to Michigan and got 28 miles per gallon," he said.

The low slung beauty is just 44 inches high and is extremely light with an all aluminum body. The front end is its lowest part and sits just five inches off the ground. It has 5.4 liter eight-cylinder V-8 engine that delivers close to 600 horsepower going from zero to 60 mph in 3.4 seconds.

The engine is at the rear of the car under a clamshell cover while the trunk in the front end.

"It gets very warm in there," said Vidakovic. "A customer got mad because it melted his wife's makeup and baked his cigars."

gars."
According to Carpenter, the

Ford's GT-40 dominated the GT class in racing, "embarrassing Ferrari." A team of Ford engineers wanted to do a super car and came up with the one he and Vidakovic brought to the school. It took about 2 1/2 years to design and was in production for two years.

Their car they has vehicle identification number of one. It was the only car produced in 2005, the remaining 2,000 were made in 2006.

"It was something we didn't advertise that much, basically it was sold out before we started production," Vidakovic said. "We expected a high demand for it."

Teacher Steve Rogers landed the plum assignment of taking a ride in the GT with Carpenter.

"It was so smooth," he said. "I wish every car drove like that."

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# Police seek suspect in break-in, assault of elderly woman

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Westland police are looking for a man who assaulted a woman, knocking out her teeth, out after entering her home to steal a television early May 20.

Officers were called to the home in the 6300 block of East Morgan Circle shortly after midnight. The woman, 75, told police she had fallen asleep in a chair in the living room. Described as very groggy after the assault, the woman said she recalled seeing a man in the living room and that she believed he had punched her in the face.

The woman, whose two front teeth were knocked out, said she fell to the floor as the man left through the front door, carrying the television. The woman's husband and son told police they were asleep in their bedrooms when they heard something hit the floor and the woman groaning.

Finding the woman had been assaulted and the front door to the home open, her family called 9-1-1. She was treated at the scene by Westland Fire Rescue and later transported to St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Along with the television, a 32-inch flat screen valued at \$400, the woman's purse containing her identification and credit cards was also reported stolen. There was no sign of forced entry found. The son told police his parents often left the door unlocked.

The woman was only able to describe the suspect as a man wearing a gray hooded sweat shirt that covered his head. Police believe the same suspect is responsible for other home invasions in the same neighborhood at the same night.

Just before 2 a.m. May 20, a woman, 67, called police to report someone had just stolen a laptop computer from her home in the 35000 block of Hunter. The woman said she was sleeping in a living room chair next to the patio door. The door wall was open with the screen door closed but not locked, she said.

The woman said she was awoken when the man ran out the door and then noticed the laptop, valued at \$425, missing from the table. She described the suspect as wearing a gray hooded sweat shirt. The woman told police she thought there were two suspects but wasn't positive.

A Dearborn police dog was brought to the scene to conduct a track without success.

Two residents of an apartment at 6926 Lakeview told police that someone had stolen their wallets, a 42-inch plasma television, video games, a cell phone and laptop computer valued at \$1,860 stolen during the night.

One man, 32, told police that he had been sleeping on the living couch until about 3 a.m. then moved to his bedroom and slept until about 6:30 a.m. When he got up, the man said he noticed the door wall was open. He told police it had been unlocked and the wood stick normally used to secure it apparently wasn't in place.

The items reported missing included \$160 in cash from one man's wallet.

Anyone with information about the assault and thefts is asked to call Westland police at (734) 722-9600.

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# Woman recovers purse left in shopping cart

#### Lost and found

A Westland woman, 78, told police May 19 that she had just finished shopping at Kroger, 36420 WESTLAND

Ford, around 1

p.m. Arriving home, she said she realized she gone to her vehicle and left her purse in the shopping cart. The woman returned to the store and checked with the customer service desk but said her purse containing \$70 in cash and her credit cards was gone.
The officer told the woman

to cancel her credit cards and obtain a new driver's license.

The woman later told the officer that she had received a call from a Kroger employee to report that her purse, with all the contents intact, had been turned in to the customer service desk by someone who had found it.

#### Larceny

Four blowers and four weed whips, valued at \$1,800, were reported stolen from an equipment trailer at the Department of Public Services yard, 37905 Marquette, May 20. The equipment had was apparently taken between Sept. 1, 2009, and April 11, 2010.

#### Vehicle stolen

A silver 2007 Ford Fusion was reported stolen from North Bros. Ford, 33300 Ford, May 24 after a prospective customer drove off in the car.

The salesman told police he was approached by a man who expressed interested in buying the used car. The man told the salesman he was unsure about the four-cylinder engine and asked for a key to start it so he could hear the engine.

When the key was provided, the salesman said the man jumped into the vehicle and drove off. He was last seen westbound on Ford. The vehicle was still registered to the previous owner since the dealership indicated they did not transfer the title on a used car until it had a new owner. -By LeAnne Rogers .

# Inkster man arrested for vehicle break-ins

#### Larceny from vehicles

Garden City police arrested a 21-year-old Inkster man with wet gym shoes about 2 a.m. May 21 in connection with a number **GARDEN CITY** of larcenies

from autos in the Bock and Brandt area of Garden City that night.

The police stopped the man who was wearing a backpack bulging with stolen items after they received a call from an alert citizen in the 29800 block of Bock who spotted the man going through a car and called police. Another observer who was leaving a friend's home at that time ran after the man.

The backpack contained primarily GPS units and cell phones taken from vehicles.

The man admitted to the larcenies. He told police that his friend told him that there was "easy money" to be made by going through cars.

The police spent some time returning the items to their rightful owners. They recovered items belonging to three other owners who live in the 29500-29600 block of Bock. Two of these vehicles were unlocked. The windows were left open in a third vehicle.

There was also a larceny reported from an unlocked vehicle parked in the 29600 block of Brandt.

#### Break-in

Sabeen Pharmacy, 241 N. Inkster Road, reported a break-in about 6 a.m. May 23.

Police were called to the scene when the business alarm went off. The owner also responded. An investigation showed that someone gained entry through the roof by prying open the air conditioning unit. The police couldn't tell how the suspect managed to get up on the roof.

No merchandise was stolen from the store.

#### Property destruction

wooden fence. He also told police that recently someone also spray painted the fence with graffiti.

#### Home invasion

During a short period of time about 4-5 p.m. May 21 when she left her home, a 74year-old woman reported that someone broke in and stole two necklaces in the 30200 block of Leona.

The woman returned home to also find out that the suspect went through medicine cabinets in the home but nothing was missing.

A nearby observer told police that she saw a strange car which looked like a model from the 1990s pull all the way up into the driveway about the same time that the homeowner was gone. She described seeing a "scruffy looking" white male about 20-30 years old who wore a knit cap.

#### No license

Garden City police arrested a 39-year-year old Inkster man for driving without a license, having an expired plate and no vehicle registration when they stopped him at Middlebelt and Beechwood at 9:30 a.m. May

#### Drunken driving

The police arrested a 40year-old Livonia man who was driving his 2000 Ford 250 while drunk in the area of Middlebelt and James about 11:30 p.m. May 18.

They first observed him back out of a parking space at Sports Venue, located on Middlebelt, north of Ford Road and into a nearby street sign. His vehicle wasn't damaged. The police stopped him after he made a slow, wide turn onto Middlebelt.

#### Suspended license

A 27-year-old Westland man was arrested on a suspended license at 1:30 a.m. May 19 in the area of Cherry Hill and Arcola. When he was stopped A resident in the 30000 for disregarding a red light, block of Pardo reported that the police found that he had no sometime on May 22, someone driver's license and 4.1 grams or marijuana in the 50 v.

> • The police arrested a 24year-old Inkster man for driv-

ing on a suspended license after they spotted him driving a 1996 Dodge with a cracked windshield and a broken taillight about 9:30 a.m. May 18 on westbound Cherry Hill and Venoy.

#### Larceny

Someone stole a laptop and a camera from a 2010 Chevy Impala that was parked unlocked in the 28900 block of Bock May 18.

#### No license

The police arrested a 33year-old Inkster man after they spotted an expired plate. The man had no license, registration or proof of insurance for his 2002 Dodge Intrepid that he drove in the Middlebelt and Beechwood area.

#### Stolen wallet

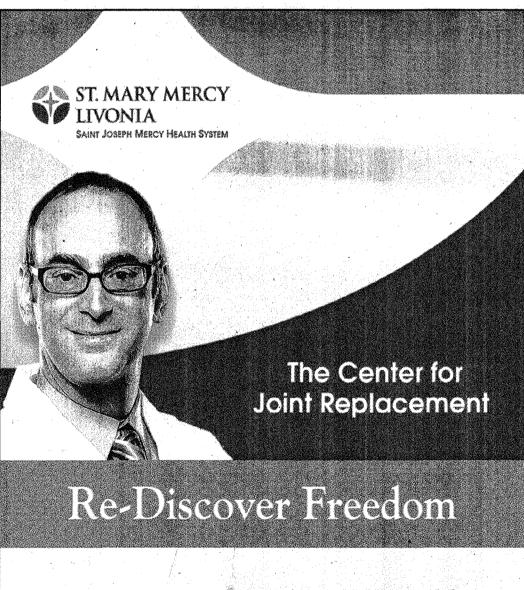
A 68-year-old Livonia man who umpired baseball games at both Moeller Field and Garden City Park May 22 reported that someone took his wallet from his unlocked Buick. He doesn't know exactly what location the wallet was taken from, but he reported it after he had been at Garden City Park.

#### Fraud

A 52-year-old Dearborn Heights woman reported that somebody fraudulently filled three prescriptions in her name on April 11 and April 21 at the CVS store at 27435 Ford. She reported it to the manager after she received a co-pay bill for more than \$100. The store planned to research its records and the police planned to obtain a surveillance tape, according to the police report.

#### Theft

A homeowner in the 28500 block of Sheridan made a delayed theft report on May 18 concerning a central air conditioning unit that was stolen last year. The owner said that he was in the midst of foreclosure proceedings last year but now the matter is resolved. His insurance company asked that he make the police report now. The unit was valued at \$2,000.



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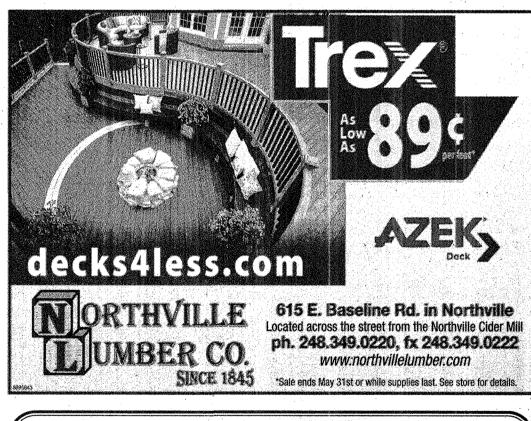
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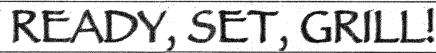
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# Carpenter test skills in DIY Dominator

Matt Sysol will matter-offactly tell you that he grew up in a family of carpenters, and that it was his grandfather, who ran a residential company, who inspired him to start a career in carpentry. When he passed away, he left Sysol with the responsibility of turning his family owned properties into developments.

Now the Westland resident is the owner of BBD Carpentry and has worked on projects such as Asian Village and Westin Book Cadillac Hotel Detroit in Detroit along with several high-end homes, including multi-family proj-

But the biggest project to date may have been competing on The DIY Dominator, a new DIY Network series that pits three of the country's top rough carpenters against each other in a showdown for one grand prize.

Sysol flew to Denver, Colorado in April to spend three days competing for the Dominator title. The series premieres at 10 p.m. Friday, July 30, at 10 p.m. In each episode, host Chris Grundy, also host of Cool Tools, oversees three competitors in headto-head construction and home improvement competitions for one specific trade as they battle it out to earn the "DIY Dominator" title and a \$10,000 grand prize.

Sysol has 13 years' experience as a carpenter, including 12 years with the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters. He also has taken course in set carpentry at the Center for Film Studies.

"Not only by doing this was I given the opportunity to work along side a good group of skilled tradesmen, but I was also given the opportunity to use my skills hand-in-hand with CFS projects," said Sysol. "The experience at CFS was so rewarding! All I can say is thank you to the Center For

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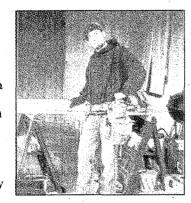
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Matt Sysol of Westland, the owner of BBD Carpentry, has put his carpentry skills to the test as a contestant on The DIY Dominator, a new DIY Network.

Film Studies for putting extra efforts in the work they do.'

He also has kudos for Jennifer Shane, Rachael Grushko and Ron Marcle from the MRCC along with others from the CFS staff who "went completely out of their way to help me land this job on the DIY networks new carpentry reality television show.

"There were thousands of applicants for this, with the Center For Film Studies training and their good reputation is what helped me get on this show," he said. "Watch out DIY 'cause here I come!'

Kimberly Allen, the associate producer of DIY Dominator approached Ron Marcle from the MRCC and asked him to spread the word around about the opportunity. Marcle forwarded the information, and Shane made a pitch about Detroit's unemployment rate, CFS and its graduates to Allen.

She "loved" the concept and asked that the center pick some of our carpenters that have a lot of talent with bold personalities. They talked about who would be best for this position and Matt Sysol was on top of the list.

Mum is the word as to how well Sysol did, so fans will have to watch the show to find

# Tail Wagger's holds low cost vaccination clinic

Tail Wagger's USA, will be kicking-off the summer with their first Low-Cost Vaccination Clinic noon-5 p.m. Sunday, June 6, at Sheehy Animal Hospital in Livonia.

Pet owners are can bring all their animals - both dogs and cats - to receive their necessary, yearly vaccinations. Distemper, rabies and bordetella will be offered for only \$12 each. All three vaccines can be purchased for a discounted rate of \$30. Owners wishing to have their pet micro-chipped and registered can do so for \$30 per pet. Vaccinations will be given

by a licensed veterinarian and also includes a mini-office visit.

Sheehy Animal Hospital is at 18790 Middlebelt, just South of Seven Mile.

"With the tough economic situation that we are all in, it is with high hopes that people will take advantage of this Low Cost Vaccination Clinic and get their pets properly vaccinated to avoid further health issues," said Tail Wagger's founder Laura Zain. "Sheehy Animal Hospital doctors and staff are supporting this clinic by donating their services 100 percent, which

speaks volumes about caring

for the pets in our community."

No appointment is necessary but to help better plan for the amount of vaccines needed to accommodate everyone, send an e-mail to vaccinationclinic@yahoo. com or call (734) 560-4660 to reserve a spot.

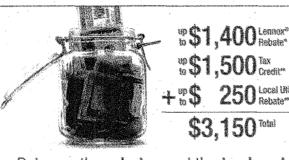
Additional low-cost vaccination clinics are scheduled throughout the summer. For a complete listing of dates. times and locations or to learn more about Tail Wagger's USA and the programs offered to the community, log

onto www.tailwaggersusa.org. Tail Wagger's USA will also

be accepting pet food donations to supplement their Pet Food Assistance Program. For community members that have fallen on tough times, Tail Wagger's USA wants people to know they can depend on them for support in feeding their pet until they are able to on their own.

Tail Wagger's USA is a non-profit organization, committed to helping people help animals. It is their ultimate goal to be able to support dedicated pet owners who are in need of assistance along with providing necessary funding for those animals in emergency situations.

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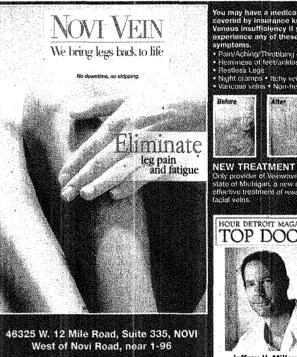


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# American Sailing Institute offers beginners classes

**LOCAL NEWS** 

BY PHILIP ALLMEN STAFF WRITER

Chris O'Reilly loves to sail. When living in California a decade ago, he and a friend owned a 24-foot sailboat on Lake Tahoe. Selling the boat a few years later, he moved around before settling in Milford three years ago. He hadn't sailed for years, but was able to rekindle that passion after finding the American Sailing Institute.

He's gearing up for his third summer with ASI, and looks forward to setting sail.

"I enjoy sailing," said O'Reilly. "It's a fantastic way to get out on the water."

The beauty of joining the nonprofit ASI is members learn how to sail and can glide through the water without owning a sailboat. ASI has boats at Kensington and Stony Creek metroparks, as well as at the Jefferson Beach Marina on Lake St. Clair.

"Owning a boat is extremely expensive. My J/24 (sailboat) was a bottomless pit of money for maintenance, insurance, you name it," O'Reilly said. "The club is one-10th the cost. And you have all those boats

at your disposal. From a cost

perspective, the club makes an

awful amount of sense." ASI offers four levels of sailing classes. Everyone has to start with the first level and pass written and practical tests before starting classes at the

next level. "It doesn't matter what kind of experience you have sailing," O'Reilly said. "Everyone starts at the same spot."

Level 1 classes use Interlake boats, 18-foot centerboard sloops. Classes are taught at



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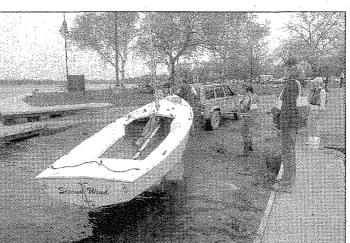
American Sailing Institute members get their Interlakes sailboats ready for the new season, launching them at Kent Lake inside Kensington Metropark.

either of the two metroparks, and include an introduction to sailing and the boat, as well as 4 hours of classroom learning and 14 hours with an instructor on the boat.

- After completing the sailing classes, new members can practice as much as they want with the ASI boats, as long as they have a certified ASI member to assist. Kensington has 11 Interlakes boats; Stony Creek

Once passing the tests, members can use their boats whenever they want. Those boats are used on a first-come, first-serve basis.

"Generally speaking, especially during the week, there's more than enough boats," said O'Reilly about the vessels at Kensington. "For special events or holiday weekends, all the



American Sailing Institute teaches its members how to sail, then provides boats for its members to use at KEnsington and Stony Creek metroparks, as well as Lake St. Clair and Lake Huron.

boats may be in use and you have to wait a little."

Once Level 1 certified, ASI

members can move on to Level 2, which focuses on the fixed keel boats at Jefferson Beach

Marina. Those larger boats sail on Lake St. Clair, and the Level 3 and Level 4 certifications focus more on navigation, plotting courses and sailing farther from shore. Those boats are kept on Lake Huron for the summer. The larger boats can be chartered for longer periods

About half of ASI's 300 members are Level 1 certified, and the remaining have additional certifications.

"You can be as novice of a sailor as you'd like or as serious as you'd like," said O'Reilly. There's so many levels you can learn and master in the club" Membership in ASI starts at \$353 for the first season. Club members need not pay the \$155 instruction fee if no classes are taken that season, dropping the pallmen@gannett.com

cost to \$198 a year.

The club holds a number of events throughout the year, all encouraging its members to take to the water. The club hosts several races throughout the summer. With everyone using the same boats, said O'Reilly, it's like racing in the same model cars.

"It would be similar to race a bunch of Mini Coopers," he said. "Whoever has the best skills driving will cross the finish line first. It's the same with the Interstates.

The club also encourages everyone to stop by for "Wet and Wild Wednesdays" where unrated members can practice sailing skills with other club members who have already been certified.

To keep yearly fees low, all club members volunteer their time for club operations, whether it's maintenance, marketing, teaching or assisting at board meetings.

"That's how we keep expenses under wrap," said O'Reilly. "There's an awful lot of stuff that makes the club operate well. There's no shortage of things to be done."

O'Reilly said joining ASI is a great way to learn to sail.

"Some people seem a bit timid when learning a new thing. Sailing is up there with it," he said. "It's not difficult to do. A lot of people who come out are timid, but once they go through the classes and get some practice, they love it."

For more information and to sign up for classes, contact the sail secretary at (248) 393-4280 or secretary@sailasi.org. Visit online at www.sailasi.org.

(248) 685-1507, Ext. 226

# Independent radio station WHFR hosting holistic fair

Independent, alternative radio station WHFR, 89.3 FM is hosting its second annual holistic fair, called "The Festival of Enlightenment," 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 30, in the Andrew A. Mazzara Conference Center at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

A variety of holistic vendors, readers and bodyworkers will be present to provide participants the opportunity to browse their

wares and purchase hands-on services, all under one roof. Participants can also enjoy special guest speakers who will present free lectures throughout the afternoon on various holistic and metaphysical topics, as well as one-on-one access to some of the best holistic experts in the area. Healthy snacks and beverages will be available for purchase

Guest speakers and their topics include Chrissie Blaze,

"The Spiritual Energy Crisis and Solutions," at noon; Lin Klaassen, "The Ancient Art of Face Reading," at 1 p.m.; Robert Taylor, "Reincarnation, Karma and You," at 2 p.m., and the Rev. Pam Taylor, "Psychic Discovery," at 3 p.m.

The locally-produced publication, "Body Mind Spirit Guide," based in of Westland and serving the holistic-minded community, is serving as media partner with WHFR for this event.

WHFR Radio is the alternative, eclectic non-commercial broadcast and Internet station that operates out of Dearborn's Henry Ford Community College.

Staff member Mike Holloway, host of the monthly WHFR talk show "Metaphysically Speaking," created the idea for Festival of Enlightenment last year to provide much-needed funds to help WHFR's operational costs as well as to bring

the top holistic vendors to the area for all to experience. This year's festival is expected to be bigger and better than the last.

WHFR's mission of playing music and providing talk programming that is little-else heard on Detroit radio due to its local, independent and alternative angle fits well with the holistic attitude of the upcoming fair. WHFR receives a small budget from Henry Ford Community College, but relies

on listener and donor support for 60 percent of its annual operating costs. All funds raised at the fair go directly toward WHFR's operating budget.

The admission is \$5. The Andrew A. Mazzara Conference Center building is at 5101 Evergreen Road, south of Ford and west of Evergreen. For more information on the Festival of Enlightenment, go online to www.whfr.fm or call (313) 317-



#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 10, 2010, a 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan. At the hearings, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard.

The purpose of the Public Hearings is to solicit public comments on

1. 10-006, Special Land Use. The Applicant proposes to open a carry-out restaurant at 33261 Ford Road in the C-1, Local Business district. A carry-out restaurant is a special land use in the C-1 zoning district.

Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing and should be addressed to: The Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135.

> David L. Harvey City Manager

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#### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Thursday, June 10, various items of the City of Westland, Special Investigations Unit, will be sold at public auction. The auction will be held at Insurance Auto Auction 8251 Rawsonville Road, Belleville, MI, County of Wayne, at approx. 10:30 a.m. The following items will be offered for sale to the highest bidder

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All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition.

The referenced vehicles, as well as many others, may be previewed on Wednesday, June 9, 2010, from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the

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#### CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 13 05/17/10

Presiding: President Godbout

Present: Bryant, Hammons, Johnson, Kadi, Kehrer, Reeves

114: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 05/03/10.
- Appr. Salvation Army to "Ring the Bell" on various dates Wayne & Warren Rds.

- Appr. req. of Westland Mall & Wade Shows to hold carnival 6/3-

- Appr. req. of Westland Mall to have Farmers Market every Tuesday, 6/15-10/25.

- Appr. lease of 3 Konica Minolta copier/scanner/fax/printers for 60 months

- Appr. 3rd pmt. to Bidigare Contractors for Sanitary Sewer Rehab project; amt. \$236,445.33.

- Adopted Prep. Res. recognizing Veteran's Memorial Garden. 115: Tabled Site Plan for prop. Kroger Fuel Station, n.w. corner of Ford & Central City Pkwy w/contingencies.

116: Appr. Spec. Land Use for prop. Independent Retail Pharmacy, 8343 N. Wayne Rd.

117: Appr. Rev. Site Plan for prop. addition to Olympic Coney Island, 7011 N. Wayne Rd. w/contingencies.

118: Appr. updated Official Zoning District Map. 119: Appr. PD Chief Salary at 100% of wage scale. 120: Appr. checklist: \$408,823.11 & Prepaid: \$1,238,386.88.

Mtg. adj. at 7:58 p.m. Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

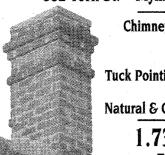
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1. 10-005, Rezoning of the following:

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and should be addressed to: The Office of Community Development, City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135.

City Manager

David L Harvey

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#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Listings for the Community Calendar can be submitted by e-mail at smason@hometownlife.com. They also can be mailed to Sue Mason at 615 W. Lafavette - Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226, or faxed to her attention at fax at (313) 223-3318. For more information, call (313) 222-6751.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Metro Fibromyalgia

Time/date: 1-3 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday of each month **Location**: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, just west of Ford in Garden City

Details: Author Dr. Howard Schubiner from Providence Hospital will discuss his book "Unlearn your Pain" when the group meets on Thursday, June 10. The meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month is the open table talk to discuss living

with our fibromyalgia. Contact: Lucy at (734) 462-1768, www.MetroFibroGroup.com

#### Car show

Time/Date: noon-4 p.m. Saturday,

June 12 Location: Metro Place Mall, 35425 Michigan Ave West, Wayne **Details:** Friends of Community Living Services will hold a Classic Car Show fund-raiser to benefit Community Living Services Inc., a non-profit organization that offers services and supports to more than 3,000 children and adults with developmental disabilities in Wayne county. This fund-raiser will allow people to receive grants that traditional Medicaid funding cannot cover. About 100 classic cars will line the Metro Place Mall parking lot. Classics such as the "Monkee Mobile" from the 1960s show "The Monkees," ECTO-1 from the hit movie, "Ghostbusters," and a replica of "To-Mater" from the Disney/Pixar movie "Cars" will also make an appearance. Other "classics" scheduled to appear the Gran Torino from the TV show "Starsky and Hutch," "Herbie the Love Bug" from the 1960s Disney movie and

will be more than 30 food and craft vendors, mostly people with disabilities, selling their products and services. Vendors include Dearborn Sausage, hand-popped kettle corn, handcrafted arts, crafts and jewelry, face painting, balloon artists, games and prizes for kids, Jimmy Buffet style music from Las Vegas entertainer Ron Devon, classic music of the 1950s-1960s by DJ David Dewitt Taylor. There will also be two pet adoption organizations - Waggin' Tails Dog Rescue and St. Julians Cat Adoptions - where kids can get their pictures taken with the animals. Contact: For more information, visit the website at www.comlivserv.com.

#### Earth Angels

**Details**: Earth Angels, a children's entertainment/ performance nonprofit group composed of kids ages 9 - 16 years old, is currently looking to fill spots. There's opening for girls ages 9 - 11, with at least two years of dance experience, and boys, ages 9 - 12 with no experience needed just an interest in performing. The group delivers a high energy show made up of choreographed dance routines spiced with theatrics and lip-synching to the great Oldies music of the '50s and '60s as well as some current fare.

Contact: www.earthangelsontour. org or by e-mail to eangel1986@ comcast.net

#### Higher Rock Cafe

Time/date: 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Fridays of the month.

Location: Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer,

Details: Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the

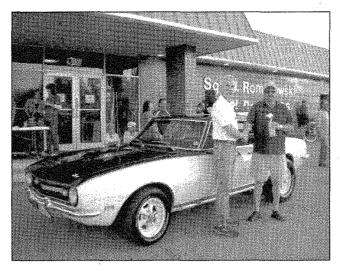
Contact: www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t. com or call (734) 722-3660

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Willow Creek

Location: 36660 Cherry Hill in

**Details:** Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool offers a Parent/Tot,



#### **Cruiser of the Night**

Jim Kolodziej of Allen Park walked away with the Cruiser of the Night trophy at the first Westside Rod And Customs cruise night at the Romanowski VFW Post on Joy Road, east of Middlebelt, Kolodziej won with his 1968 Chevrolet Camaro with a 350 engine stroked to a 383 with 500 Horsepower. The car is immaculate from the engine bay to the trunk. The club holds a Cruise Night is starting at 5 p.m. every Wednesday, weather permitting, at the VFW. For more information about the club of the cruise night, go online to www. WestsideRodAndCustoms.com and click the tab marked Cruise Night.

Young 3's, 3-year and 4-year pro-

#### Contact: (734) 326-0078

St. Damian

Location: 29891 Joy, Westland Details: St. Damian Catholic School offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8.

Contact: (734) 427-1680, www.stdamian.com.

#### YWCA Preschool

**Details:** The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs to children aged 2-5 years old at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Homebased programs are also available. Contact: (313) 561-4110, Ext. 10

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

#### First Step

**Details**: First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne County and Downriver communities for more than 20 years, is looking for volunteers. Interested people must be at least 18, willing and able to travel to the Downriver area and complete a 55hour training program.

#### Contact: (734) 416-1111, Ext. 223

#### **Drivers Needed**

**Details:** Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wayne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. The meetings take place 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road south of Five Mile. Drivers may be offered a stipend. Parkinson's patients, caregivers and others may attend the meetings. Contact: (734) 459-0216 or (734) 421-4208

#### **VNA Hospice**

**Details: Visiting Nurse Association** of Southeast Michigan's (VNA) hospice program needs volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life. Volunteers can provide

companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family or work as office support. A free 18-hour training program is provided at the VNA headquarters, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600. Registration is required.

Contact: (248) 967-8361, www.vna.

#### Seasons Hospice

**Details:** Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to patients dealing with life limiting illness. No special skills, other than objectivity and compassion, are needed. Training provided. Volunteers are matched with patients in their own community. Contact: (800) 370-8592

#### **Literacy Council**

**Details:** The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area.

Contact: (734) 416-4906

Details: Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeep ing, errand running, grief support and clerical services.

Contact: (888) 973-1145

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Friends of Eloise

Time/date: 7 p.m. third Tuesday of the month (except July, August and December)

**Location**: Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Westland. Contact: Jo Johnson (734) 522-3918

#### **Writing Group**

Time/date: 7 p.m. the second

Wednesday of every month Location: Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne **Details:** The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through life-writing, writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs and autobiographies, in diaries, journals and personal essays. Participants should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are comfortable doing so, sharing their writing. Membership in Story Circle's National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free. Contact: www.storycircle.org or send an e-mail to shepry@yahoo.com

#### **Toastmasters**

Location: Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club meets every Thursday at 6:45 P.M. in the lower level of the Bailey Recreation Center, located behind the Westland City Hall on Ford between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

**Details**: Toastmasters provides a supportive environment where members can overcome the fear of speaking in public. The membership is a diverse group from different walks of life.

Contact: For information, call Bill at (734) 306-3980 or Curt at (734) 525-8445.

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# Council OKs revised plan for North Creek Estates

**OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

the Trans Am from "Smokey and the

Bandit" and "Knight Rider." There

The credit crunch and poor real estate market has taken its toll on residential development - some projects don't get off the ground while others falter

before completion. North Creek Estates, a

Planned Unit Development run with it for this developon the east side of Newburgh south of Joy, is one of those uncompleted developments. Eight homes remain to be constructed in the 70-home development originally developed by Dorazio.

"We have builders who are going to pick up the ball and

ment," said Westland Planning

Director Bruce Thompson. Nick Canzano of Northcreek Partners, LLC, and Nick Mancinelli of Westland Investments, LLC, are taking over the project. The council approved a revised site plan to add one additional home to the development along with the existing eight homes to be constructed. There will also be an added home model offered — a 2,040-square-foot colonial.

"The plan meets the ordinance requirements and is consistent with the elements of the approved site plan for the development," said Thompson.

LIVONIA FAMILY YMCA

subdivision, said Canzano. "We're trying to build a few homes. It's not good times for us but we're out there fightthink this (added) house will

#### ing the good fight," he said. "I Irogers@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-5428 www.unitedtemperatureservices.com

#### Livonia Public Schools Opens Renowned Academically Talented Program to Out-of-District Students

Eleven seats are open to students entering 1st or 2nd grade in fall 2010. Twelve seats are open to students entering 3rd or 4th grade in fall 2010. Limited Registration window: May 24-June 7, 2010

Livonia Public Schools is opening its Alternative Classrooms for the Academically Talented (ACAT) program to Limited Schools of Choice for the 2010-11 school year. This program is geared toward academically talented students looking for a specialized learning experience.

Registration will be open from May 24-June 7, 2010 at Webster Elementary, 32401 Pembroke, Livonia 48152 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday All candidates MUST meet the ACAT selection testing criteria.

> For complete information on the application process, contact Webster School at 734-744-2795.

# SOCIAL SECURIT

Many people are wrongly rejected when they apply for Social Security Disability benefits. Money was taken out of their paychecks for Social Security taxes to ensure that they would receive disability benefits if they could no longer work full-time Sadly, the government denies approximately 60% of those who apply for disability benefits.

The tragedy is that less than half of those persons who are denied benefits file an appeal. Thus, many thousands of people who deserve benefits never receive them

Those denied can appeal on their own, but statistics for many years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security Disability cases win a much higher percentage yet.

Attorney J.B. Bieske has represented only Social Security Disability clients for over 20 years. That is the only type of law he with all clients and appears himself at all court hearings. Many large firms assign clients to young associate attorneys with much less



In addition to practicing only Social Security Disability law Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the subject. He also has been interviewed on various radio and television programs and has given speeches to many groups.

Bieske's office staff consists of paralegals and secretaries who are also highly experienced in assisting him with Social Security Disability cases. And they are extremely helpful in answering questions with regard to the status of clients' cases and administrative procedure

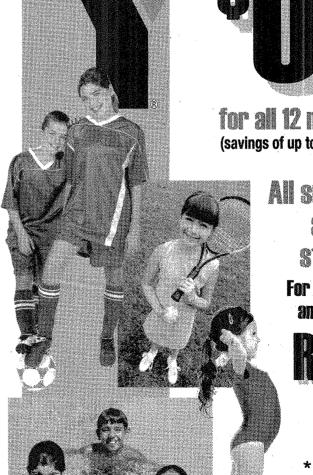
Attorney Bieske welcomes you to call him to determine if you may be

eligible for these benefits. He offers free phone or office consultations. If Bieske represents you, there will be no fee charged until after the case is won. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits

In a recent radio interview attorney Bieske explained that many people are not even aware that they are eligible for Social Security Disability benefits. These are not the same as Workers' Compensation benefits. It is possible to receive both benefits at the same time. If you have an illness or injury (whether or not related to your work), are under 65 and unable to work full-time you may be eligible. Social Security Disability benefits are based on your work record or your deceased spouse's work record (Widow's/Widower's benefits).

Bieske represents clients from all over the state of Michigan. Call him at 1-800-331-3530 for a FREE consultation if you have been denied. Or if you are thinking of possibly of applying for Social Security benefits call him for FREE advice.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Memorial Day is time to recall sacrifices made

On Monday, America will pause to remember those who have given their lives in the defense of this country. There will be parades, memorial services and flags fluttering on the graves of the servicemen and women who have given their lives so we can live free.

It's the one day of the year set aside for the nation to get together to remember, reflect and honor those who have given their all in service to their country. In the Gettysburg Address, Abraham Lincoln called on Americans to complete the unfinished task of ensuring that liberty shall not perish from the earth."

Americans have never wavered in that commitment to freedom, nor to help those who seek to be free. Americans have fought in two World Wars for freedom, in Korea and Vietnam. Americans have fought a Cold War, in Desert Storm and now in Iraq and Afghanistan against tyranny, oppression and terror.

However, the traditional observance of Memorial Day has diminished over the years. Some people think the day is for honoring any and all dead, and not just those fallen in service to our country. For many, Memorial Day and the three-day weekend marks the official start of summer. People use the time to open their pools and their cottages and gather for picnics.

Some will take time to observe the parades like the one in Westland at 1 p.m. Sunday and attend the ceremonies, but, by and large, Americans will focus on having fun.

To help re-educate and remind Americans of the true meaning of Memorial Day, the National Moment of Remembrance was established in 2000. It asks that at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day all Americans voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to Taps.

An e-mail we received sums up best what we should ponder, during that moment of silence. The author is unknown, but the sentiments are on the money:

- It is a veteran, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.
- It is a veteran, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.
- It is a veteran, not the poet, who has given us
- freedom of speech. • It is a veteran, not the campus organizer, who
- has given us freedom to assemble.
- It is a veteran, not the lawver, who has given
- us the right to a fair trial. • It is a veteran, not the politician, who has

given us the right to vote. On this Memorial Day 2010, we urge you to take time to remember what it stand for. Enjoy your barbecues, open the pool, spend a relaxing weekend at the cottage. But take a moment to say thank you to those who have made all that

We cannot afford to forget, nor should we ever forget why there is a Memorial Day.

#### ONLINE **VOICES & VIEWS**

Here's a sampling of what our online readers have been saying:

#### Town hall meeting 'staged'

Another "staged" town hall. Most of us realize the health care changes that were rammed down the throats of the American people was done so utilizing lies, distortions and have truths. We already know that the less than one trillion dollar price tag was a lie ... who would have guessed it? The work of Congress and the President was done behind closed doors ..."the most open and transparent government in history." Bribes, pay-offs and special treatment sum up how this "thing" got passed. We can only hope that "Americans" wake up as to what is happening to their country and change its course through the ballot box ... and soon

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#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

#### What does Memorial Day mean to you?

We asked this question at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City.



"It's a remembrance of the soldiers who work hard for our country."

**Lenise Smith** Garden City



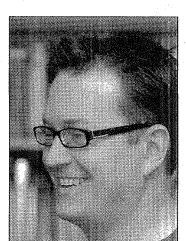
"It a time to remember those people who gave their lives for us, worked for us and supported our country."

**Jennifer Ross** 



"Memorial Day is a time of remembrance and to show respect for those who have served our country."

Valerie Grant Garden City



"I was born on Memorial Day, it's my birthday weekend. It's a family weekend to celebrate my birthday."

**Adam Gomoli** 

#### Youth Assistance needs staff

I was disturbed to read in the Westland Observer that the mayor wants to drastically cut funds to the Westland Youth Assistance Program. The mayor says Youth Assistance "does an incredible job," but does he think they can continue to do an "incredible job" when they already struggle with the current budget?

Director Paul Motz and his staff do an exceptional job with the youth they are entrusted with but if the city and the mayor want them to continue with this excellence, they will need ALL of their staff. Actually, it would be helpful if they could hire more help, not lose

Westland

#### Thank you, Sister Modesta

A few weeks back, you had an article on Sister Modesta and her volunteers. I want to thank Sister Modesta and her volunteers — they were there for my husband when he passed away.

Because of health issues, I was not able to be there with him and a volunteer said someone would be with him during the night. He passed away at 2 o'clock in the morning and he was not

Thank you again, Sister Modesta and your volunteers.

Virginia McDonald

#### Garden City

#### Changing the focus

In response to the many letters and articles regarding the Tea Party movement, I would like to know how these people can possibly allow themselves to be whipped up into a frenzy by media pundits who are paid millions of dollars to tell them how to act, think and feel.

How can they be duped by millionaires who are paid by special interest groups to constantly repeat the same inaccurate information? Their main goal is to spread fear, hate and paranoia to the uninformed masses.

Why are these people convinced that health insurance reform would destroy our country and create death panels and prison sentences for those who did not purchase health insurance? Why do they feel that insurance companies have the right to deny health care to those who become seriously ill and disabled or increase our premiums at will? By putting the socialist label on any type of regulation or reform, they are taking the focus off of the real issues.

If these Tea Party protesters are really middle class Americans, as they claim to be, I would like to know how they feel about the fact that this year, people in their income bracket paid the lowest amount of taxes in 50 years. Would those who are protesting the payment of taxes like to see America turn into a Third World country, similar to Haiti or Somalia? Is that the Tea Partiers' interpretation of freedom?

Mary Young Canton

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#### Lest they be forgotten

On a warm, sunny afternoon, a week and a half before Memorial Day, the Raisin River shimmers. Joggers, walkers, and cyclists pass by while others sit on picnic benches, enjoying the threshold of summer, perhaps planning the upcoming long weekend, the official beginning of summertime, picnics, beaches, and backyard barbecues.

I just finished my substitute teaching assignment for the day at Douglas Elementary School in Garden City and on a whim decided to drive to Monroe, Michigan, to finally see the Raisin River after having wanted to go there for several Now that I'm here, I realize it isn't the

silver ribbon of the Raisin River with ducks Yvonne Roy and ducklings frolicking in the water, or the people in the park which hold my attention. It's a soldier's helmet perched on a gun and the boots on either side that captivate me. It's the things he carried that resonate deep in my soul because I realize it's the soldier, representative of all brave men and women, who paid the highest price for our freedom, the soldier who is no longer with us.

The helmet, the gun, and the boots are on top of the Afghanistan-Iraq War Memorial in the Veteran's Memorial Park in Monroe, Michigan. The inscription says: "War on Terror, Monroe County's Fallen Heroes, Lest They Be Forgotten ..."

With only a week and a half from Memorial Day, I grab my camera, take a picture, grab my laptop and write this tribute to the fallen "lest they be forgotten."

#### MY COUNTRY, MY COUNTRY

I've given you all of me; Now I'm gone in the dust of forgotten

No more pain, no more sorrow; I'm final-

In the land of sand, an explosion I didn't

Scattered my body and splattered my blood around an I.E.D.

War on terror we proclaim; Iraq, Afghanistan, fear, and pain. My country, my country, what have we to lose or gain?

Ask yourself, my country, in our republic's name.

Recall the terror that shocked us sense-

Catching us off guard, weakened, and defenseless;

But like eagles we arose, and fearless we

On wide soaring wings on liberty's quest.

My country, my country, join hands and

unite;Be determined and bold even in the

 $bloodiest\ night$ To fight for the right, to fight for the right

Of freedom's precious enduring light.

Stand up, my country, from sea to sea. Wave the star-spangled banner for all to

While my comrades and I still silently

In graves beneath our people's feet.

My country, I've given you all of me, Gone to lie in the dust of forgotten dreams, No more pain and sorrow; I'm finally

My country, my country, beneath grass

sweet and green, My country, my country, what have you given to me?

My country, my country, Have I become just another forgotten

Erika Martin

#### What values?

memory?

Eric Prince, the disgraced former CEO of Blackwater, told 900 true believers in Holland, Mich., claiming America has moved away from Holland values of "self-reliance, liberty, entrepreneurship and action" in his recent speech.

We are unsure of the Holland values Prince made mention of. Prince, the brother of Betsy DeVos, was awarded a secret no bid contract during the Bush administration to send a group of renegade mercenaries to Iraq. Before deployment, Blackwater was awarded immunity from Iraqi law so this group of hired guns were without any deterrents to murder Iraqi citizens. Since there are no public records of Blackwater activities, Prince is free to describe them without rebuttal.

Since Prince has now moved his operations to Dubai, we wonder what Holland values he is personally following. We also wonder about Prince's claim that this country is "being bled by debt, litigation and regulation." It was due to this very lack of oversight that Prince was awarded his secret contract by the Bush administration. Bush doubled the national debt from all other presidents combined and the lack of regulations and litigation gave Prince a free hand in Iraq.

If a group of mercenaries were sent to this country to create mayhem and havoc, they would be termed terrorist. Hmmm?

**Gerald and Dolores Maxey** Farmington Hills

#### Stop the madness

It simply amazes me that our elected officials in Lansing have approved a bill allowing high-powered fireworks to be legally sold in Michigan.

After years of blatantly spending taxpayers' money without any good reason, why now are they trying to find ways to raise any amount of tax money to cover up their useless ways they have spent over the last seven years. I know whose hands these fireworks are going to wind up in and it's not going to be adults.

There are many teenagers in my neighborhood and I'm sure these fireworks will be used to celebrate our country's birthday in an unsafe way. With all the cuts that have been made over the last few years to fire and police protection, I just hope we don't see a night where firefighters are working like former years on Devil's Night in Detroit.

**Robert Denstedt** 

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Alberta Karll

of Canton slices her famous

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# Bakers sweeten final days of hospice patients

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Every Tuesday, the smell of freshly baked pies fills the hallway at Angela Hospice in Livonia.

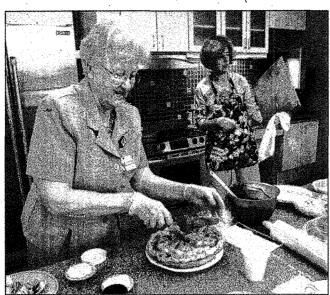
Volunteer Alberta Karll of Canton spends four or five hours in the kitchen rolling dough, preparing fillings and piling the crusts with sweet goodness for patients and families, a welcome break for them from the sobering reality of mortality and a limited time left with loved ones.

The smell and tastes of Karll's pies and other sweets created by volunteer Pam Shorter of Livonia is a refuge for the patients, warming their hearts and filling their stomachs with a sweetness that matches the volunteers' intentions.

"I just feel that I'm blessed to be able to do this," Karll said. "It's a God-given talent to be able to bake and for me to be able to volunteer, it is a blessing to meet so many dear people."

She'll bake banana and chocolate cream pies, but the favorite is apple, according to Shorter, who is responsible for brownies, cookies and other sweets.

"People keep tabs," Shorter said. "They will be in here (the kitchen) asking, 'Where is that apple pie?'"



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Karll has baked for 16 years at Angela Hospice. Karll had baked for friends who had battled cancer and found that they really appreciated her efforts. She also baked goods for special occasions for others, such as birthdays. "It's just something I've always enjoyed immensely," Karll said.

If she is baking apple pies, Karll will peel apples, usually golden delicious and empires, at home.

Karll uses an oil crust, then drops in flour, cinnamon and sugar and apples into the crust before baking it for at least 45 minutes. She usually bakes four pies for the patients. "They like the cream pies, too," Karll said.

Shorter usually bakes cookies or a seasonal cake or bread, such as blueberry or banana.

Volunteers appreciate the work of the bakers. Virginia Hayes, a Plymouth resident who volunteers at Angela Hospice, said Karll is "absolutely fantastic." "The food is fantastic," Hayes said. "Her apple pie is outstanding."

pie is outstanding."

"People will ask, 'When's the pie ready to be cut' and she'll say '5:45,' and she won't let it be cut early,"
Hayes said. (Karll likes to let the pies sit to settle so the fillings won't be too runny.)

"It's nourishing," Hayes said. "It's like a big home here. Sometimes it's better than home because I don't bake like this."

Karll will take the pieces to the rooms and tell them what they've baked. "I want them and their families to come down to our new kitchen," Karll said. On Tuesday afternoons and evenings, the pie is served.

Volunteers serve meals on Wednesday nights, Thursdays a high tea is served and Fridays feature an ice cream social.

#### Vets should use benefits accorded them

**Money Matters** 

**Rick Bloom** 

he Memorial Day weekend is here and it is important to remember what it is really about It is more than just picnics, barbecues and golf. It is a day to remember those who served our country and make the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms.

Democrat, Republican, independent or other—the one thing all should agree on is that we owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women, past and present, of the United States Armed Forces.

So as we celebrate the Memorial Day Holiday, it is appropriate to remind veterans that there are a wealth of programs and

services available to them. Whether it deals with assistance in obtaining an education, prescription drugs or other, many benefits are available to veterans. Unfortunately, many veterans do not take advantage of the opportunities available to them. Many believe that veteran benefits are available only for career military. That is not the

In addition, you don't have to serve in a war zone to be eligible for certain benefits. The fact that you are a veteran qualifies you for a variety of benefits.

The key is the government doesn't do a very good job of informing veterans about available benefits. That is something that veterans unfortunately have to discover on their own.

That is where the Internet has become such a great tool. In addition to the Veterans Administration website www. va.gov, there are a number of other websites that veterans can access to help discover benefits available to them.

It is surprising to me that many veterans do not think that they are entitled to benefits. I had a conversation with a World War II veteran who was hurting financially. One of the main causes of his financial condition dealt with prescription drugs that he had to take, however, he had no insurance coverage. I said he would qualify for a prescription drug plan through the Veterans Administration. His initial reaction was that he was a veteran over 60 years ago and only in the military for a few years. In addition, he felt that for some reason he didn't deserve the benefits.

I encouraged him to contact the Veterans Administration and eventually he did. He qualified for benefits. His monthly savings on prescription drugs is substantial and by qualifying for benefits he has an improved quality of life. Veterans should not hesitate to apply for and collect benefits they deserve. I encourage all veterans to be proactive and look for benefits for which they qualify.

There is a caveat. There are companies that will charge veterans a fee to help with their benefits. Some of these companies are legitimate, others should be avoided. If hiring a company, make sure you investigate them independently such as checking them out through the Better Business Bureau.

I want to take this opportunity to wish all the veterans and particularly my father, Mitch Bloom, a World War II Navy veteran, a heartfelt thank you.

Thank you for your sacrifice and thank you for protecting the freedoms that we all have in this great country.

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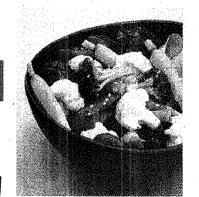
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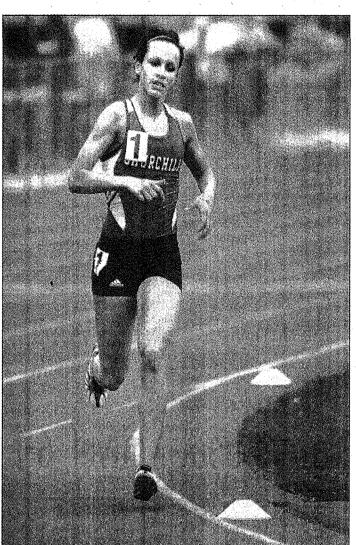
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# HOMETOWN LIFE



# Churchill girls dominate, hoist another trophy



Churchill's Sara Kroll captured two individual events, the 800 and 1,600, and also helped the Chargers to a first in the 3,200 relay.

## Franklin runner-up at Canton regional

See complete regional results, Page B3

BY BRAD EMONS

It took two days to complete, but there was no doubt who dominated the MHSAA Division 1

**OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

girls track and field regional hosted by Canton. Livonia Churchill proved it could weather the storm, repeating as team champion with 133 points followed by runner-up Livonia Franklin (86), Redford Thurston (79), Plymouth (60), Westland Livonia Stevenson (49) and Westland

John Glenn (48.5). Senior Sara Kroll figured in three of Churchill five first places winning the 800- and 1,600 runs with blistering times of 2:13.6 and 4:55.5 (school record), respectively. She also teamed up with senior Tiffany Raisanen, freshman Kerrigan Riley and sophomore Bethany Pilat for a first in the 3,200 relay (9:40.2).

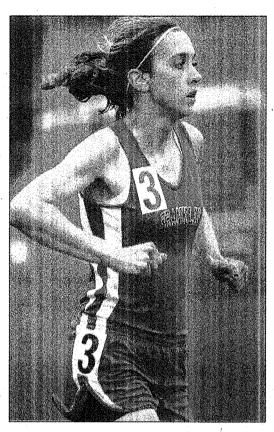
Churchill also got a first from Senclair McDonnell in the high jump (5 feet, 2 inches) and Megan Kelly in the 400 (1:01.3).

The meet was suspended Friday night with two events to go - the individual 3,200-meter run and the 1,600 relay.

Action resumed at 9 a.m. Saturday and the Chargers added 22 more points to their firstplace total with seconds and thirds by Kerrigan Riley and Bethany Pilat in the 3,200, as well as a second in the 1,600 relay.

"Everyone ran their best time they've ever run in the 4 x 4 today," Churchill second-year coach Pat Daugherty said. "And in the two mile we qualified both the girls who maybe didn't do their best in the mile, but came back and ran a P.R. by 20 seconds in the 3,200.

"Probably the biggest surprise was Megan



Franklin's Megan McPherson captured the 3,200-meter run and was runner-up to Churchill's Sara Kroll in the 1,600 during Friday's Division 1 regional at Canton.

Kelly running the 400 yesterday. She's a great kid and she deserved it. We had four seniors qualify for 'states' and three of them were in more than

Please see GIRLS TRACK, B3

# Kelly hero as Trojans win crown

BY BRAD EMONS

It was a landmark day for the Livonia Clarenceville boys track program.

The Trojans rode the legs of sprinters Kassius Kelly and Ben Watts to win the MHSAA Division 3 regional Saturday at New Haven.

It wasn't even close as Clarenceville scored a teamhigh 156 points to runner-up Clawson's 92.

'We performed well,"

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Stevenson's Will Burek captured the 110-meter hurdles and was runner-up in the 300 hurdles in the Division 1 regional at Canton.

# Plymouth boys 1st in D-1 region meet

See complete regional results, B3

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

Friday's thunderstorms forced the Division 1 boys regional track and field meet at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park to wrap up on Saturday morning.

And it did with a recordbusting flourish, as the topfour teams all broke school records in the 1,600-meter. relay.

Yet the final standings still had Plymouth at the top right where the Wildcats were when the meet was suspended Friday night.

Plymouth finished the meet in first with 113.5 points, while finishing twothree were PCEP neighbors Salem and Canton, with 93 and 78.5 points, respectively.

In fourth with 67 points was Livonia Stevenson, followed by Livonia Churchill (57), Livonia Franklin (46) and Westland John Glenn

"We came back on Saturday, we knew what we had to do," Plymouth coach Jon Mikosz said. "We set two school records out there and that capped off a great meet.

"I was proud of everyone,

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#### MU golfers lag

After the opening round of the NAIA Women's Golf Championships in Rapid City, S.D., the Madonna University team finds itself 21st out of 25 teams with a 67-over total of 355.

Michelle Hall and Sara Simnitch each shot 87s (tied for 83rd) to lead the Crusaders.

Other MU scorers included Mariel Meyers (Livonia Franklin), tied for 94th (89); Chelsea Bathurst (Livonia Stevenson), tied for 112th (92); and Caitlin Steele, 122nd (99).

#### Dark Angels fall

The Detroit Dark Angels slipped to 2-3 in the North Central Division of the Women's Football Alliance with a 32-14 setback Saturday against the host Pittsburgh (Pa.) Force.

The Force, which dominated both sides of the ball most of the game, improved to 2-3 with the victory.

Brooke Kosanic figured in both touchdowns for the Dark Angels with a 56yard reception from quarterback Kris Vidojevski in the second quarter followed a 102-yard interception return in the third quarter.

Detroit middle linebacker Yarlen Henry led the defense with a team-high 14 tackles, including a sack and fumble recovery.

The Dark Angels have a bye this week before returning to action 7 p.m. Saturday, June 5 against the Cleveland Fusion (5-1) at Westland John Glenn High School.

#### PDL Bucks split

The Michigan Bucks season Saturday with a 1-0 Premier Development League loss to the Dayton (Ohio) Dutch Lions at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac.

But on Tuesday night, Rubin Bega had one goal and two assists in a 3-1 win over the host Kalamazoo Outrage in a game played a Loy Norrix High School.

Stu Givens and Andy Lorei also scored for the Bucks, who improved to 2-1-0 in the PDL's Great Lakes Division of the Central Conference.

Bucks goalkeeper Mitch Hildebrandt (Livonia Stevenson/Oakland University) made seven saves against the 0-3 Outrage.

On Saturday, Brett Jones scored the game-winner in the 50th minute to give the Dutch Lions (2-0-1) the win.

Bucks' first-year attacking midfielder Scott Caldwell had a chance to tie it, but his penalty kick rang off the post.

The Bucks return to PDL play at 3 p.m. Saturday at Îndependence Park as part of the Canton Cup against the Cincinnati Kings.

## Patriot netter 'states' her case

See complete regional results, Page B2

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

Livonia Franklin's Angelica Woods put an extension on her girls tennis season Friday when she took runner-up honors at No. 1 singles in the Division 1 regional hosted by Novi.

The junior, who sports a 19-2 overall record, guaranteed herself a spot at the upcoming state finals when she upended Northville's Joanne Weber in a three-set semifinal, 6-4, 1-6, 6-1. It was a match which ended up indoors (because of wet weather) at Farmington Racquet Club.



Woods

Novi's Amanda Border. a state quarterfinalist last year, then captured the No. 1 flight regional singles title with a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Woods.

Woods guaranteed her trip to Midland by avenging a 7-5, 6-0 setback the previous week to Weber

in the KLAA Kensington Conference semifinals. "I tried to grind, hit the ball deep with

spin," Woods said. "I had to change it up if I wanted to win."

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Debay, who shot a 78, analyzes his putt during Tuesday's Kensington Conference boys golf tournament at Pheasant Run. For a recap of the tournament, visit

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# Marian juggernaut continues with 4-0 win

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The Detroit Catholic League girls soccer trophy will have an all too familiar name etched again on the champi-

onship plate. Birmingham Marian continued its dynasty by earning its eight straight A-B Division crown Saturday with a 4-0 victory over host Livonia Ladywood.

The Mustangs, ranked No. 2 and defending Division 2 state champions, won their 14th straight match to improve to 14-1-1 overall. It was their 12th A-B title in school history.

Ladywood, which lost to Marian for the third time this season, falls to 9-4-4. Danielle Mazur, a junior forward, tallied a pair of goals including what proved to be the game-winner just 38 seconds into the match.

"The girl (Mazur) just got in behind the defense and got running," Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker said. "It was a good ball in. I was scared. I told you before the game that that could happen, and it did.

"Their first to every ball, they get good bumps on you, and it gets you off track sometimes. You've got to meet that physical battle, and we didn't get it done.

In the last meeting between the two teams, Marian jumped out to a 6-0 halftime advantage en route to a 6-2

But this time the Blazers settled down and kept it to a one-goal deficit at halftime.

"We played fine from there on out," Shingledecker said. "And I thought we kind of carried a little bit of the play near the end of the half, but we just couldn't get that goal to make

Ladywood defender Allison Bielski went down with an apparent concussion midway through the second half and Marian took advantage by notching three goals during the final 22 minutes.

Catherine Anger scored off an assist from Stephanie Pilarski with 21:29 remaining followed by Pilarski's goal with 15:35 to play.

Mazur then notched her second of the game with only 3:21 left off a feed from Elizabeth Tresnak.

"The injury to our center back (Allison Bielski) was real costly," Shingledecker said. "She's been playing center

a junior, she's a leader back there. Her going out with a concussion, and three goals scored after that tells the whole story. It was a physical play and she got the worst end of it. Again, it was those physical battles. They bring those to you. Sometimes they don't

work out." Ladywood goalkeeper Maddie Reed made eight saves, while Marian's Makenzie Larson needed just one stop to post the shutout.

"When you play someone for three times it's pretty tough," Marian coach Barry Brodsky said. "The thing that we've got is a lot of players that can play. And on a day like today when it got warm, I think in the second half our depth kind of wore them down a little bit. They did a good job."

Brodsky, meanwhile, felt the pressure of continuing the streak of Catholic League

"In 2003 we beat (Madison Heights) Bishop Foley on an overtime goal," he said. "People from that team texted me this morning, so it's pretty special to have the lineage from one year to the next.'

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# **Scoreless in Livonia**

#### Stevenson-Churchill tilt goes to PKs after 2 OTs

KLAA SOCCER

It goes in the books as a 0-0 deadlock, but a shootout was required Monday night between host Livonia Churchill and girls soccer rival Stevenson to determine the next crossover match in the KLAA.

Stevenson, now 8-4-4 overall, won on penalty kicks, 4-2, and plays Wednesday on the road against the Lakes Conference third-place win-

The two third-place divisional finishers in the Kensington Conference played a pair of 15-minute golden goal halves to break the deadlock on a hot night, but it remained scoreless.

The Spartans got goals from Sami Gutkowski, Dayna Stevens, Kayla Kimble and Ashley Welch, while Kelsey Rothermel and Nicole Marlow countered for the 7-7-2 Chargers.

"It was definitely a playoff atmosphere," Stevenson firstyear coach Chris Grodzicki said. "Both teams pressed hard and it was an up-and-down

"We were real dangerous the first half and we stuck with it the second half, but

#### they (Churchill) made some adjustments to stop our attack and we got caught a couple

attack.' Churchill goalkeeper Kaylie Secord was stellar all night.

of times defending on the

"She made about eight saves that mattered, it was the best game she's ever played," Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit said. "She was obviously one of our top three players along with our defenders Megan McDonald and Kelsey Rothermel."

Michelle Krawczyk made four saves for the Spartans.

We lost to them 2-0 earlier in the year (April 15) when they (Stevenson) had their way with us," Hebestreit said. "Tonight it was different. There were distinct period were we carried the play. We're playing a new system and our goal was to play a tight game against a good team and it showed tonight. We have a young team - only two seniors - and they've grown quite a bit. They've turned it around and I'm happy with the effort. Both teams were exhausted."

FRANKLIN 3, S.L. EAST 1: Alejandra Mesa tallied a pair of goals and one assist Monday as host Livonia Franklin (1-15-2) earned its first win of the season against South Lyon East (3-13-2).

'It's good to get the first one of the season," Franklin first-year coach Dean Kowalski said. "It seems like we have a different team right now. They want to play Wednesday and they're excited for the (state) playoffs."

Jessica Maurer, making her varsity debut, also scored for the Patriots, who led 2-1 at halftime. Natalie Desautel also chipped in with an assist.

Franklin goalkeeper Alexis Smith made nine saves.

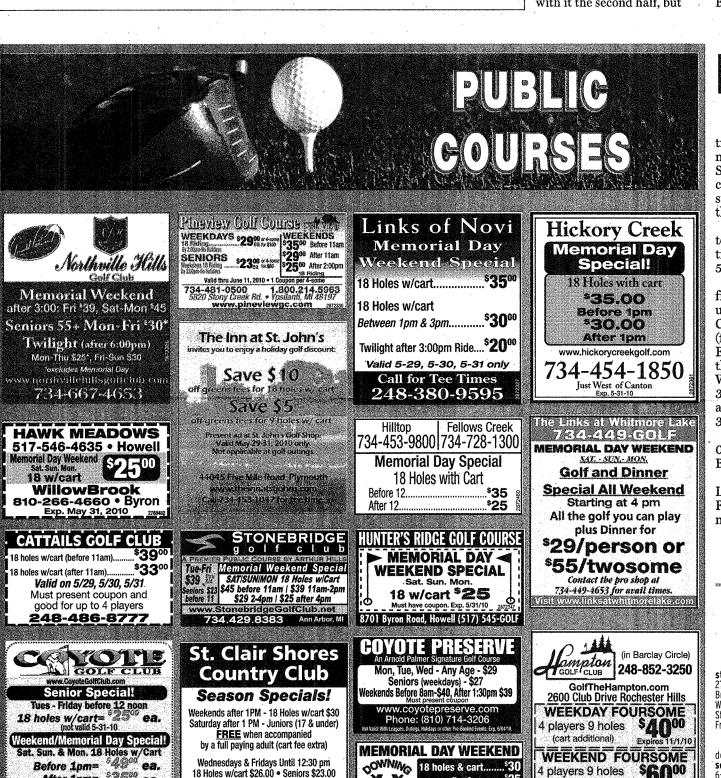
Paige Colosimo's first-half goal staked the Cougars to a 1-0 lead.
SALEM 5, JOHN GLENN 0: In a

Kensington Conference crossover of fourth-place teams Monday, the visiting Rocks (9-5-3) pulled away in the second half with three goals to beat Westland John Glenn (4-11-2).

Andee Samborski stood out in goal for the Rockets, while Ali arate sparked the defense.

"We hustled and fought to the end," Glenn coach Jimmy Mortada

SOUTH LYON 9, WAYNE 1: Senior captain Megan Maynor had the lone goal in the second half on a penalty kick Monday as host Wayne Memorial (3-12-2) fell in a eightgoal mercy to the Lions (7-9-3).



# Blazers boot Nouvel, 6-1

Livonia Ladywood was hitting on all cylinders Tuesday, making the road trip to Saginaw Nouvel Catholic and coming away with an impressive 6-1 girls soccer win over the state-ranked Panthers.

Ladywood, which improved to 10-4-4 overall, scored five times in the opening to lead

Goals in the first half came from Liz Danger, second minute (from Kelly Capoccia); Capoccia, seventh minute (from Shea McParlane); Sara Even, her first career goal in the 27th minute (from Shelby Walsh); Capoccia again in the 30th (from Paige Brennan); and Dominique Sarnecky, 33rd (from Brennan).

Rachel Maceri made it 6-0 in the 46th minute from brennan.

Mackenzie Smith spoiled Ladywood goalkeeper Maddie Reed's shutout bid in the 61st minute on a penalty kick.

"It was nice to see us get off

#### **GIRLS SOCCER**

to a quick start considering the long bus ride," Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker said. "I like where we are at heading into districts."

The loss drops Nouvel, rated No. 2 in Division 4, to 14-3-1

CLARENCEVILLE O, LIGGETT 0: In a battle of former Metro Conference foes Monday, host Livonia Clarenceville (5-8-2) and Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett, now a member of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, fought to a scoreless

Clarenceville goalkeeper Kristen Jolly preserved the tie with 25 saves. On Friday, Clarenceville lost a nonconference match at Ferndale, 5-0.

N.B. HURON 5, LUTH. WESTLAND 1: Kellsey Poston scored four goals and Angelia Marchiondia added one Monday as New Boston Huron downed host Lutheran High Westland (2-10-2) in a non-conference match.

Sarah Frusti scored the Warriors' lone goal off an assist from Taylor Wiemer.

#### **GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS**

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Brighton, 8; 6. (tie) Walled Lake Central and Walled Lake Western, 7 each; 8. (tie) Livonia Stevenson and Howell, 5 each; 10. Livonia-Franklin, 3; 11. Pinckney, 1. FINAL FLIGHT RESULTS

No. 1 singles: Amanda Border (Novi) defeated Angelica Woods (LF), 6-0, 6-0; semifinals: Border def. Rena Molnar (WLC), 1, 6-2; Woods def. Joanne Weber (N'ville), 4, 1-6, 6-1.

No. 2: Abby Wang (Novi) def. Erin Doud (N'ville), 6-3, 6-0; **semifinals:** Wang def. Nicole Kruse (LC), 6-0, 6-0; Doud def. Sayuri Yoshida (WLC), 6-0, 6-1,

No. 3: Sara Carlson (Novi) def, Jessica Yu (N ville), 6-4, 6-2; semifinals: Carlson def. Ani Cooper (LC), 6-0, 6-0; Yu def. Vidya Sadasivan (WLW), 7-5, 6-1.

No. 4: Mackenzie Powers (N'ville) def. Lauren Felcher (Novi), 6-3, 6-0; semifinals:

Powers def. Melanie Leonard (Hartland), 6-2, 6-0; Felcher def. Lia Mancuso (B), 6-1, 6-1 No. 1 doubles: Jenna Snyder-Julia Thomas (Novi) def. Laura Taylor-Caiti Darish (N'ville), 7-6 (7-1), 6-3; **semifinals:** Snyder-Thomas def. Anna Keough-Cartherine Bacheldor (Howell), 6-2, 6-0; Taylor-Darish def. Erika Paajanen-Elizabeth Jaros (Hartland), 6-2, 6-1.

No. 2: Jenna Grezlik-Amy Bernstein (N'ville) def. Andrea Lollo-Meggie Riegel (Novi), 7-6 (7-4), 6-4; **semifinals:** Grezlik-Bernstein def. Nikki Fat-Quincy Banini (LC), 6-1, 6-1; Lollo-Riegel def. Mary Villerot-Kaitlyn Ratliff (Hartland), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

No. 3: Jackie Kjolhede-Ally Weaver (N'ville) def. Ashley Aljadah-Ori Nagasaka (Novi), 6-1, 6-7 (5-7), 7-5; semifinals: Kjolhede-Weaver def. Sophia Shui-Shayna Lickford (WLW), 6-2, 6-1; Aljadah-Nagasaka def. Katie Ayaub-Aubry Russell (B), 6-0, 6-1.

No. 4: Megan Foland-Christy Murphy (N'ville) def. Meng Meng Jie-Emily Kwederis (Novi), 6-0, 7-5; **semifinals:** Foland-Murphy def. Jenna Christensen-Lauren Hall (Hartland), 6-2, 6-1; Meng Jie-Kwederis def. Rachel Raneses-Alyssa Pratt (B), 6-2, 6-1.



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In the regional quarterfinal, Woods needed a first-set tiebreaker to oust Livonia Stevenson's Laura Gumpper in straight sets, 7-6 (7-4), 6-1.

"Angelica was really strong with her first serves — she was in the mid-90s (mph)," Franklin first-year coach Rick Clack said. "She showed what she was capable of. She was just relentless at getting the ball back. She wanted it bad — that's for sure."

Woods' semifinal victory may have been the deciding point for the team title with Novi edging Northville for first place, 28-27. It was a repeat of the Kensington Conference tourney when Novi edged the rival Mustangs by a point, 31-

Rounding out the top five at the Novi regional were Livonia Churchill (10), Hartland (9) and Brighton (8).

Stevenson tied for eighth with five points, while Woods garnered all three points for the 10th-place Patriots.

Both Novi and Northville, along with Woods, advanced to the state finals in Midland (June 4-5).

Entering the state finals, Woods will stay sharp hitting with her brother, Walter, a standout on the Patriots' boys team, along with his practice partners.

She also hits at Dearborn Heights Crestwood High School with Katherine Colarossi, a teaching pro at Dearborn Racquet Club.

"She (Colarossi) has helped me improve my serve and coach Clack has helped me on my serve and given me a lot of support, too," Woods said. "I'm hoping to do my best and win a couple of matches."

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# O.K. City rally stuns Madonna in NAIAs

Heartsick is the only way to describe Madonna's University's second-round 6-

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

4 loss Saturday to Oklahoma City in the NAIA Women's Softball National

Championships held in Decatur, Ala.

The Crusaders carried a 4-0 lead into the top of the seventh, only to give up six unanswered runs keyed by Lily LaVelle's 2-out grand slam homer to give Oklahoma City a 6-4 triumph at Wilson Morgan Park.

The loss dropped MU (43-11) to 1-1 in the four-team Pool H and eliminated the Crusaders from advancing to the eight-team national finals.

Meanwhile, Oklahoma City (42-11) won Pool H with a 2-1 record.

The ninth-ranked Stars had collected only one hit through the first six innings off MU starter Jess Irwin (29-5), but pinch hitter Kendall Hobens started the seventh-inning rally with a bunt single.

Lauren Hess was then hit by a pitch and LeeAnn Lopez followed with an RBI single to make it 4-1.

After a pair of Madonna errors, Hess scored on a groundout, setting the stage

for LaVelle, who drilled an 0-2 pitch over the left field fence.

Winning pitcher Ashley Wilburn (15-3), who went the final 5.2 innings in place of LaVelle, the starter, earned the

Wilburn held the Crusaders in check on three hits and three walks the rest of the way after they scored four times in the second inning highlighted by bloop 2-run single by first baseman Cat Sidor (Livonia Churchill).

Irwin gave up four hits, walked one and struck out five in seven innings

MINOT STATE (N.D.) 4, MADONNA 0: Mandy Greenberg tossed a 4-hitter and struck out 11 Monday as Minot State (34-14) ended the Crusaders'

2010 campaign at 43-12 overall.

Deanna Mitchell went 1-for-3 with two RBI for the Beavers, who scored the game-winning run in the first inning against MU starter Jess Irwin (29-6). The junior gave up three earned runs on five hits in 4.1 innings. She struck out seven and walked two before giving way to reliever Hallie Minch (Garden City), who went the final 1.2 innings.

Tiffany Friesen's RBI single in the fourth made it 2-0 and Minot State added two more in the fifth, one coming on an MU error and the other on an RBI single by Molly Lundeen.

Minch, Cat Sidor, Ashley Shay and Kelly Lesko had the lone hits

# Lutheran Westland girls 1st in D-4 regional track

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So far this season, there's been nobody better than the Lutheran High Westland girls track and field team.

The Warriors, coming off a decisive triumph in last week's Michigan Independent Athletic Conference meet, captured nine events Saturday en route to the Division 4 regional title at home.

Coach Alissa Hall's squad scored a team-high 187 points followed by runner-up Royal Oak Shrine (146), Plymouth Christian Academy (54),

Warren Michigan Collegiate (42), Detroit Christo Rey (33), Detroit Allen Academy (21), Sterling Heights Parkway Christian (17), Detroit City (11) and Pontiac Academy of Excellence (8).

The Warriors boasted a trio of double winners including Alyssa Shirkey, shot put (28 feet, 9 inches) and discus (93-5); Rachel Storck, pole vault (7-0) and 100-meter hurdles (17.7); and Nicole Zehel, 800 (2:29.29) and 1,600 (5:30.39).

Emilie Freeman also added first in the high jump (5-2).

The Warriors' 4 x 400 relay team of Freeman, Alyssa Flury,

Zehel crossed the line first in 4:25.10, while the 4 x 800 team of Sarah Maynard, Erin Lyle, Brittany Maynard and Jess Rice also won in 11:00.33.

Others headed to the Division 4 state finals June 5 in Jenison as automatic qualifiers by virtue of their second-place finishers include: Storck, high jump (4-11); Erin Hardin, long jump (14-0.5); Marcellla Flury, pole vault (7-0); Terranella, 300 hurdles (52.4); and Maynard, 3,200 (12:36.76).

The Warriors' 800 relay of Alyssa Flury, Hardin, Terranella and Freeman also

Amanda Terranella and Nicole placed second in 1:55.94 and earn the state finals trip.

Meanwhile, the 4 x 100 team of Megan Lohn, Marcella Flury, Jackie Schwartz and Alissa Flury took third in 56.6.

Other individual point-getters for Lutheran Westland included: Freeman, third, 400 (1:05.91); Storck, third, 300 hurdles (52.86); Rice, third, 800 (2:39.75); Lyle, third, 3,200 (12:44.29); Janine Erickson, fourth, discus (65-1): Hardin, fifth, 400 (1:05.91); and Jamilyn Preece, eighth, shot put (22-9).

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#### **GIRLS TRACK RESULTS**

MHSAA DIVISION 1 REGIONAL TRACK & FIELD MEET

May 20-21 at Canton H.S. GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill, 133 points; 2. Livonia Franklin, 86; 3. Redford Thurston, 79; 4. Plymouth, 60; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 49; 6. Westland John Glenn, 48.5; 7. Dearborn, 40; 8. Canton, 33.5; 9. (tie) Detroit Cody and Salem, 31 each; 11. Inkster, 18; 12. Wayne Memorial, 15; 13. Garden City; 14; 15. Dearborn Fordson, 3; 16. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 1; 17. Detroit Western International, D. FINAL EVENT RESULTS

(top 2 qualify for state meet)
Shot put: 1. Chelsea Carradine (RT), 38 feet,
1.5 inches; 2. Taylor Byron (LC), 37-2; 3. Mahogany Miller (LC), 33-9; 4. Jasmine Wilson (DC), 32-2; 5. Savannah Haig (LF), 31-6; 6. Delia Bercea (Dbn.), 31-4; 7. Andrea Gordon-McClain (WJG), 30-10; 8. Chanelle Wright (WJG), 30-8.

Discus: 1. Haig (LF), 105-1; 2. Cally Perkins (GC), 99-0; 3. Carradine (RT), 94-7; 4. Kayla Branton (LS), 93-1; 5. Emily Norscia (LC), 92-9; 6. Byron (LC), 92-8; 7. Rebekah Hendrian (Salem), 89-11; 8. Bercea (Dbn.), 88-2. **High jump**: 1. Senclair McDonnell (LC), 5-2;

2. Lindsay Lipa (Canton), 5-2; 3. Ashley Cochran (LC), 5-0; 4. Liz Hollaway (LF), 4-9; 5. Bridget

oessler (LS), 4-9. **Long jump:** 1. Aubrie Scott (WJG), 17-0.5; 2.

Becka Knox (P), 15-10; 3. Leah Heinzelman (LC), 15-10; 4. Michelle Lu (Canton), 15-7; 5. Domonique Smith (RT), 15-6.5; 6. Kayla Jones (WJG), 15-5.25; 7. Marci Kovsky (LS), 15-5; 8. Sara Behrendt

Pole vault: 1. Reagan Engstrom (P), 9-8; 2. Megan Paruta (Salem), 9-4; 3. Meghan Lark (LF), 9-0; 4. Emily Wolf (LS), 8-8; 5. (tie) Jane McCurry (P), Lindsey Kreutzman (LC) and Kara Bongiovar (Canton), 8-2 each; 8. Nancy Krutty (Salem), 8-2.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Senneca Scott (LF), 15.7; 2. Madi Lewis (P), 15.7; 3. Altemecia Martin (RT), 16.1; 4. Jen Mueller (LF), 16.7; 5. LaShawnda Sharp (DC), 17.8; 6. Sophia Sareini (DF), 18.0; 7. Vnicia Smith (Ink.), 18.0; 8. Lindsey Piestrak (DHC), 19.5.

300 hurdles: 1. Becky Adamcheck (LS), 46.1; 2. Martin (RT), 49.4; 3. Scott (LF), 50.6; 4. Jessica Balaka (Dbn.), 52.0; 5. (tie) Kovsky (LS), Bobbi Beveridge (GC) and Molly Jarvis (LC), 52.1 each; 8.

Paruta (Salem), 53.8. 100 dash: 1. Brianna Nixon (RT), 12.6; 2. Essence Bulger (DC), 12.8; 3. Scott (WJG), 12.9; 4. Tina Davis (Ink.), 12.9; 5. Rochelle Woods (WM), 13.1; 6. Smith (RT), 13.2; 7. Lipa (Canton), 13.2; 8. Khyli Ray (Salem), 13.3.

**200**: 1. Lewis (P), 26.1; 2. Nixon (RT), 26.6; 3. Davis (Ink.), 27.3; 4. Ray (Salem), 27.7; 5. Sonya Burks (RT), 27.8; 6. Kathryn Chinavare (LF), 27.8; 7. Woods (WM), 27.9; 8. Megan Kelly (LC), no time

available. **400:** 1. Kelly (LC), 1:01.3; 2. Stephany Brown (WJG), 1:01.4; 3. Beth Swanberg (Canton), 1:01.6; 4. Davis (Ink.), 1:01.9; 5. Deja Wright (Salem), 1:02.3; 6. Adrianna Beltran (Salem), 1:03.3; 7. Krystal Whitlow (GC), 1:03.5; 8. Knox (P), 1:04.1.

**800**: 1. Sara Kroll (LC), 2:13.6; 2. Sara Stassen (Dbn.), 2:21.3; 3. Anna Stassen (Dbn.), 2:25.0; 4. Tiffany Raisanen (LC), 2:25.4; 5. Rachael Hille (P), 2:27.4; 6. Karlie Gallagher (LS), 2:28.5; 7. Jordyn Moore (Salem), 2:30.4; 8. Alex Hamlett (WJG), 2:34.8.

2.34.8. **1,600**: 1. Kroll (LC), 4:55.5; 2. Megan McPherson (LF), 5:07.4; 3. Kerrigan Riley (LC), 5:20.2; 4. Bethany Pilat (LC), 5:29.0; 5. Nancy Baydoun (Dbn.), 5:44.3; 6. Leslie Gomez (LF),

5:48.4; 7. Nicole Traitses (P), 5:48.5; 8. Kaylee Dolinski (LS), 5:50.0. **3,200**: 1. McPherson (LF), 11:11.7; 2. Riley (LC), 11:22.7; 3. Pilat (LC), 11:27.4 (sq); 4. Bianca Kubicki (Canton), 11:31.1 (sq); 5. Victoria Tripp. (Salem), 12:21.9; 6. Baydoun (Dbn.), 12:21.9; 7. Gomez (LF),

12:25.0; 8. Paula Green (P), 12:35.1. 400 relay: 1. Thurston (Burks, Nixon, Martin Smith), 49.2; 2. Cody, 51.2; 3. Wayne, 51.3; 4. (tie) Canton and John Glenn, 52.2 each; 6. Redford Union, 52.3; 7. Franklin, 53.0; 8. Churchill, 53.1. **800 relay**: 1. Thurston (Burks, Nixon, Ariele

Paris, Smith), 1:45.6; 2. John Glenn (E'Aijsha Guster, Jones, Brown, Scott), 1:47.5; 3. Cody,

1:47.8; 4. Stevenson, 1:48.8; 5. Churchill, 1:49.1; 6. Wayne, 1:49.8; 7. Franklin, 1:52.6; 8. Salem, 1:53.4. **1,600 relay**: 1. Plymouth (Lewis, Knox, Carissa Buttermore, Rachael Hille), 4:05.7; 2. Churchill (Kelly, Raisanen, Kroll, McDonnell), 4:06.4; 3. Stevenson (Jordan Verleye, Stephanie Batshon Adamcheck, Breanna Gabrielson), 4:06.4 (sq); 4. John Glenn, 4:10.9; 5. Dearborn, 4:11.3; 6. Franklin,

4:18.8: 7. Salem. 4:20.4: 8. Canton. 4:21.2 3,200 relay: 1. Churchill (Raisanen, Riley, Pilat, Kroll), 9:40.2; 2. Dearborn, 9:56.5; 3. Franklin, 10:12.7; 4. Stevenson, 10:20.5; 5.

Plymouth, 10:29.5; 6. Canton, 10:48.3; 7. Redford Union, 11:10.7; 8. Garden City, 11:34.3. (sq): additional state qualifier. DIVISION 3 May 21 at New Haven

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. New Haven 100 points; 2. Clawson 78; 3. Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy 70; 4. Madison Heights Bishop Foley 67; 4. Livonia Clarenceville, 48; 5. Detroit Cesar Chavez 41; 6. Detroit Communication & Media Arts, 35; 7. Mt. Clemens 26; 8. Madison Heights Madison 13; 9. Harper Woods 10; 10. Detroit Community 1.

Clarenceville 2nds: Evangela Daniels, 100-meter hurdles (18.4); 300 hurdles (54.69); 800 relay. 2:02.22; **3rds:** Emily Jasmer, discus (84-0); Melanie Keiling, 800 (3:06.69); 400 relay, 58.67; **6ths:** Jasmer, shot put (25-9); **7ths:** Kamai Sanders, 100 (14.75); **8ths:** Melanie Keiling, 400 (1:13.88).

#### Warriors win 4-3, gain title share

Lutheran High Westland gained a least a share of the Blue Division baseball title in the Michigan

PREP Independent BASEBALL Athletic Tuesday by pulling out an

eight-inning 4-3 win over visiting Allen Park Inter-City Baptist. The Warriors, who

improved to 17-4 overall and 12-1 in the MIAC Blue, won it in the bottom of the eighth on Tony Cipolla's RBI single scoring Taurrek Fikes.

Inter-City took a 3-2 lead by scoring a run in the top of the seventh, but Warriors answered in the bottom half of the inning when Marc Rosin singled, stoled second and came home on an Inter-City infield throwing error.

Winning pitcher Austin Baglow went all eight innings, allowing six hits and three walks while striking out 12.

Baglow, Cipolla and Rosin each collected two hits for the

"We're one step closer, but we dodged a bullet today," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said, "Inter-City picked up every ball and it was a good aid for us to have to grind out a win.'

Dillon Doarn went 2-for-4 and Jimmy Van Derra clubbed a solo homer in the first inning for the Chargers, who slipped to 6-7 in the MIAC Blue.

Losing pitcher Jimmy Van Houten also went all eight innings. He allowed nine hits, struck out two and did not allow a walk. HURON VALLEY 12, LUTH. SOUTH 8: Andy

Barber went 3-for-3 with three RBI Monday as host Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (15-1, 12-0) put a cap on its perfect season in the Red Division of the MIAC with a triumph over Newport Lutheran South (2-12,

Tyler Wagaman added a hit. walked twice and drove in a run for the victorious Hawks

Barber, the winning pitcher, also ran his record to 9-0. He allowed six hits, walked three and struck out five in six innings.

Jacob Diroff and Adam Scott each had two hits for the Saints.

Philip Anderson was the losing pitcher, allowing nine runs on eight hits and five walks in 5.1 innings. He struck out seven

LUTH. WESTLAND 11, OAK. CHRISTIAN 0: Jake Andrezejewski belted a 2-run homer and Gage Flanery added a solo shot Monday as Lutheran High Westland (16-4, 11-1) invoked the five-inning mercy rule against visiting Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (1-14, 0-12) in a MIAC Blue encoun-

The Warriors collected 13 hits with Flanery going 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored.

Winning pitcher Taurrek Fikes also went 2-for-3 with an RBI, while Aaron Gartha went 2-for- with a double and RBI.

Fikes pitched the first 3.2 innings. allowing no hits, a pair of walks and three hit batters. He struck out five before Thomas Handschumacher came on to get a strikeout and preserve the no-hitter in the final 1.1 innings.

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one event."

Kroll, a senior headed to Michigan State, scored 20 points individually and was part of 18 other points in two relays.

"I think she's stamped that she's the most dominant runner in the area in the last 20 years probably," Daugherty said. "She'll run, the mile, the 800 and the 4 x 400. We'll give her a chance to get first or second in the mile, and definitely try to win the 800 is her goal. She's done back-to-back the last two weeks and she's done great.

"Overall we had kids qualify

across the board and it shows not only how good our kids are, but it also says something about our coaching staff."

Franklin was runner-up to the Chargers for the second straight year.

On Saturday, McPherson set a school record in the 3,200 with a time of 11:11.7. She also was runner-up to Kroll on Friday in the 1,600 with another Patriot mark of 5:07.4.

"McPherson does well either way in the 1,600 or 3,200," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "She's very resilient. She ran a great mile and two mile. We have three girls (McPherson, Senneca Scott and Savannah Haig) going (to the state meet). This is the second year in a row we've been second and I'm proud because a lot of girls scored points even though they're not going to the big meet."

Thurston dominated the sprint events winning both the 400- and 800 relays.

Senior Sonva Burks, freshman Brianna Nixon, senior Altemecia Martin and sophomore Domonique Smith clocked a 49.2 in the 4 x 110, while the quartet of Burks, Nixon, freshman Ariele Paris and Smith won the 4 x 200 in 1:45.6.

Nixon also captured the 100 dash (12.6) and teammate Chelsea Carradine, a senior, took the shot put (38-4.5).

"It's a little bit of a surprise since we moved up to Division 1 this year," Thurston coach Al Chambo said. "We really didn't know what to expect. We felt

pretty confident we'd score well, but obviously it's a very pleasant surprise. Other area first-place finish-

ers included Aubrie Scott (John Glenn), long jump (17-0.5); Reagan Engstrom (Plymouth), pole vault (9-8); Scott (Franklin), 100 hurdles (15.7); Becky Adamcheck (Stevenson), 300 hurdles (46.1); Madi Lewis (Plymouth), 200 (26.1); and Megan McPherson (Franklin), 3,200 (11:11.7).

Plymouth's 1,600 relay team of Lewis, Knox, Carissa Buttermore and Rachael Hille also took first in 4:05.7.

The top two finishers in each event at the regional automatically qualify for the Division 1 state meet Saturday, June 5, at Rockford.

8:28.0; 6. Franklin, 8:48.0; 7. Redford Union,

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Warren Michigan

Collegiate, 134 points; 2. Detroit Loyola; 131; 3. Lutheran Westland, 126; 4. Royal Oak Shrine, 69;

. Plymouth Christian Academy, 45, 6. Newport utheran South, 36, 7. Sterling Heights Parkway

May 21 at Lutheran Westland

(sq:): additional state qualifier.

#### **BOYS TRACK RESULTS**

MHSAA DIVISION 1 May 20-21 at Canton H.S.

FINAL BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth, 113.5 points; 2. Salem, 93; 3. Canton, 78.5; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 67; 5. Livonia Churchill, 57; 6. Livonia Franklin, 46: 7, Westland John Glenn, 44: 8 Dearborn, 39; 9. Dearborn Fordson, 34; 10. Redford Union, 30: 11, Inkster, 27: 12, Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 19; 13. Redford Thurston, 8; 14. Detroit Cody, 2; 15. Garden City, 1; 16. (tie) Wayne Memorial and Detroit Western International, O each.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS (top 2 qualify for state meet) Shot put: 1. Feerooz Yacoobi (Dbn.), 53 feet, 0.5 inches; 2. Kyle Brindza (P), 51-3.5; 3. Ed Merhi (Salem), 51-0.5 (sq); 4. Jon Aneed (LS), 50-2 (sq); 5. Dana Baltazar (Salem), 50-0 (sq); 6. Sean McAuliffe (LF), 49-5; 7. Jay Woolfork (LF), 48-0; 8.

Bryan Bartig (LC), 47-8.5. Discus: 1. Yacoobi (Dbn.). 158-3: 2. Nate Coleman (LF), 150-3; 3. Ethan Walsh (Salem), 138-5; 4. Brindza (P), 134-9: 5. Apeed (LS), 134-3: 6. Keith Choma (P), 132-10; 7. Bartig (LC), 130-9; 8. McAullife

High jump: 1. Yusef Naser (DF), 6-5; 2. Matt Schacht (Canton), 6-1; 3. Ghassan Fadallah (DF), 6-1; 4. (tie) Pawań Dahliwal (P) and Ben Spreitzer (Canton), 6-1 each; 6. Anthony Blair (WJG), 6-1; 7. (tie) Anthony Johnson (WJG), Antoine Banks (LF)

Alex Ruffin (P), 20-1; 5, Nick Alaniva (Canton), 19-9.75; 6. Nick Podulka (LS), 19-9; 7. Kenya Gholston (DF), 19-2.5; 8, Fadallah (DF), 18-10 Pole vault: 1. Joe Marlow (LC), 14-2; 2. Alaniva (Canton), 13-10; 3, Joe Bockstanz (P), 12-4; 4, Carl

Colin Mahar (DHC), 12-4; 7. Derek Draplin (Salem), 11-10; 8. Andy Bihn (P), 11-10. 110-meter hurdles: 1. Burek (L.S.), 15.3; 2. Yusuf Naser (DF), 15.8; 3. Brandon Piligian (P), 16.2; 4. Dion Walker (Salem), 16.6; 5. Kelly Maxwell (WJG), 16.6; 6. Tom Brokaw (LF), 16.8; 7. Moe Krayem (DHC), 17.1; 8. Doug Deykes (P), 17.2. **300 hurdles**: 1. Scott O'Connor (Salem), 40.2;

2. Burek (LS), 41.1; 3. B. Spreitzer (Canton), 41.2; 4. Piligian (P), 41.9; 5. Deykes (P), 42.2; 6. Jose Amado (Salem), 42.4; 7. Rico Cole (WJG), 42.5; 8.

100 dash: 1. Jeremy Langford (WJG), 10.8; 2. Terrence Stevens (Ink.), 11.0; 3. Alonso Collins (Ink.), 11.0; 4. Ryan Jones (Ink.), 11.2; 5. Keith Marshall (RU), 11.3; 6. Stefon Anthony (WJG), k 11.5; 7. Coppola (LC), 11.5; 8. Vaughn Frederick (GC), 11.7. 200: 1. Zach Gaskell (Salem), 22.6; 2. Kevin

Buford (Canton), 23.0; 3. Anthony Frezzell (LC), 23.1; 4. Brandon Tinsley (RU), 23.2; 5. Richard Duncan (LF), 23.4; 6. Chris Anderson (Salem), 23.8 400; 1. Buford (Canton), 49.5; 2. Gaskell (Salem), 49.6; 3. Marshall (RU), 49.7 (sq); 4. Nicholas McIntosh (Dbn.), 51.3; 5. Anthony

LeMerise (P), 51.7; 6. Tinsley (RU), 51.8; 5. Pat Smith (LS), 52.3; 8. Jordan Wisniewski (Canton), 52.8. **800**: 1. Dan Martin (Salem), 1:56.2; 2. Warren Buzzard (P), 1:58.4; 3. Keith Zech (Canton), 1:59.9; 4. Matt Williams (LS), 2:02.1; 5. Frances Mensah (RU), 2:02.3; 6. Raidan Nagi (DHC), 2:02.7; 7. Adam Dabkowski (LS), 2:06.4; 8. Jarek Hoffman (Dbn.),

1,600: 1, Nagi (DHC), 4:32.6; 2. Buzzard (P), 4:32.6; 3. Matt Neumann (P), 4:33.0; 4. Zach Spreitzer (Canton), 4:40.7; 5. Adam Chludzinski (LS), 4:41.8; 6. Joe Urso (LS), 4:45.6; 7. Mark Freyberg (LC), 4:47.7; 8. Robert LeBrell (Dbn.),

3,200: 1. Joe Porcari (P), 9:42.6; 2. Thomas Windle (LC), 9:45.8: 3. Derek Gielarowski (P), 9:2.2 4. Austin Jones (LF), 10:01.4; 5. Hamed Saleh (DF), 10:02.9; 6. Donald Davis (Dbn.), 10:11.4; 7. Quinn Osgood (LC), 10:18.8; 8. Steven McEvilly (Salem),

400 relay: 1. John Glenn (Cole, Umberto Kenle, Anthony, Langford), 43.6; 2. Franklin (Ryan Hurt, Banks, Mike Baumgardner, Duncan), 44.0; 3. Salem, 44.8; 4, Canton, 44.9; 8, Fordson, 46.2; 7,

Redford Union, 46.6; 8. Crestwood, 46.6 800 relay: 1. John Glenn (Cole, Kenle Anthony, Langford), 1:30.6; 2. Inkster, 1:30.9; 3. Franklin, 1:31.9; 4. Salem, 1:32.1; 5. Plymouth, 1:33.3; 6. Churchill, 1:34.0; 7. Cody, 1:34.6; 8. Dearborn,

1,600 relay: 1. Salem (Martin, Gaskell, Kenneth Middlebrooks, O'Connor), 3:22.5; 2. Canton (B. Spreitzer, Wisniewski, Zech, Buford), 3:24.1: 3. Stevenson (Smith, Chludzinski, Travis Gosselin, Williams), 3:25,5 (sq); 4. Plymouth, 3:27.1 6. Redford Union, 3:31.8; 6. Dearborn, 3:38.8; 7. 3,200 relay: 1. Plymouth (Neumann, Justin Heck, Porcari, Buzzard), 8:01.9; 2. Stevenson (Chludzinski, Urso, Gosselin, Williams), 8:03.4; 3. Canton (Zech, Max Schmiel, Paul Rakovitis, Z.

Spreitzer), 8:04.6; 4. Dearborn, 8:26.8; 5. Salem,

Christian, 26, 8. Detroit Allen Academy, 24; 9. Detroit Christo Rey, 16; 10. Pontiac Academy of Excellence, 6: 11. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran Lutheran Westland 1sts: Ethan Haller, long jump (20 feet, 0.5 inches); Martin Kemp, pole vault (no mark): Zach Musial, 110-meter hurdles

15.77; Jacob Fairbairn, 300 hurdles (42.86); 400 relay (Haller, Musial, Matt Erickson, Derrick Mozham), 46.21; 2nds: Dawson Davenport, shot put (39-9); Micah Kempf, 110 hurdles (16.52); Dave oldenhauer, 1,600 run (5:03.75); 3,200 relay (Eric molder (300 full (33.73), 3,500 feay (11.6 Smith, Caleb Kempf, Stuart Tarp, Moldenhauer), 9:00.65; 1,600 relay (C. Kempf, Moldenhauer, Josh Andrezjewski, Fairbairn), 3:51.07; **3rds:** Travis Doney, discus (102-4); Mozham, 200 (23.45); **4ths:** Fairbarin, high jump (5-4); Joshua Kirk, 3,200 (11:44.5); 800 relay (Haller, Fairbarin, Musial, Mozham), 1:36.46; **5ths:** M. Kempf, 300 hurdles (45.51); **6ths:** Andrzejewski, 110 hurdles (17.86) Tarp, 800 (2:17.12); Peter Sillanpaa, 3,200 (11:46.63; **7ths:** Nolan Edwards, high jump (5-4); Kirk, 1,600 (5:16.37); **8ths:** Eric Smith, 800 (2:18.88).

Huron Valley 5ths: David Adlof, shot put

# Spartans salvage split

Mike Vomastek's bases loaded walk-off single in the bottom of the eighth inning enabled state-ranked Livonia Stevenson to earn a split of a baseball double-header Saturday against visiting

Walled Lake Central. The Spartans, ranked No. 4 in Division 1, lost the opener to the Vikings, 10-4, but bounced back to win the nightcap, 5-4.

Nick Anderson pitched three scoreless innings of relief to earn the victory in Game Two as the Spartans improved to 25-6 overall. Dan Lopez went 3-for-4

with a triple and RBI, while

Evan Piechota went 3-for-

3 with a double and RBL to spark Stevenson's 12-hit attack. Tyler Lynch also contributed two hits and an RBI. Blake Burns went 2-for-4

for Central, which slipped to 22-8 overall. Burns also went 2-for-4

with a RBI in the opener, while Joe Harris drove in a pair of runs. Karl Boedecker, who scat-

tered six hits and two walks,

got the victory on the mound

for the Vikings. He fanned

Piechota, who gave up five earned runs, took the loss. He struck out six and walked

Lopez and Vomastek

each collected two hits for

Stevenson. HARTLAND 10-11, JOHN GLENN 2-1: In a non-conference double-header Saturday, the host Eagles (22-9)

captured both ends against Westland John Glenn (3-20). Dan Richmond belted a 3-run homer to key a 7-run fifth inning as

Hartland captured the opener, 10-2. Winning pitcher Jake Lowrey went the first five innings, allowing two runs on four hits and three walks. He struck out six.

Glenn starter Brandon Martin, a freshman, went the first 3.1 innings and took the loss. Andrew Benyo went 2-for-4 and Caleb Clenney knocked in two runs

for the Rockets. In Game Two, Sean Bennett clubbed a 3-run triple in the first inning and Richmond added a 2-run triple in an 11-1 mercy rule victory.

Jake Jessen, who went all five innings, got the victory for the Eagles. He allowed one run on five hits and one walk. Glenn starter Rob Schurig suf-

fered the loss, while Shane Anderson

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everybody came together as a team and we scored all around in almost every event, and that's what you've got to do to be regional champions.'

In the first event Saturday, Plymouth's Joe Porcari and Churchill's Thomas Windle had a fierce fight to the finish line with Porcari's schoolrecord 9 minutes, 42.6-seconds edging out Windle's

Then with all the athletes be for the meet-closing 1,600 relay, Salem's top-rated quartet of Dan Martin, Zach Gaskell, Kenneth Middlebrooks and Scott O'Connor won with a time of 3:22.5. That broke a 35-year Salem record (3.23.0).

an additional state qualifier in

the shot put (50-2, fourth).

mances and will also move on to the D1 state meet. Churchill boasted a pair

jump (21-2). Glenn senior Jeremy Rockets showed plenty of stuff

The team of Rico Cole, Umberto Kenle, Stefon Anthony and Langford claimed the top spot in the 400-and 800 relays with times

In the 400-meter relay, Franklin's Ryan Hurt, Antoine Banks, Mike Baumgardner and Richard Duncan qualified with a second-place finish (44.0). They will be joined by senior Nate Coleman, who

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# **BOYS TRACK**

Clarenceville coach Brady Gustafson said. "The kids are in great shape. We worked hard to get here and had a great day. All the work put forth from startto-finish has paid off."

Kelly, a sophomore, swept the 100- and 200-meter dashes in 11.15 and 22.54, respectively. He also anchored the Trojans' firstplace 400- and 800 relay quartets that posted clockings of 44.62 and 1:32.34, respectively.

"Kassius Kelly just had an outstanding meet," Gustafson said. "When you win two events at a regional it's quite impressive."

Clarenceville earned 12 automatic qualifying berths for the state finals trip June 5 to Comstock Park by finishing either first or second at the regional.

Other regional champions included DeHondre Hogan in the shot put (46 feet, 8 inches) and Ben Watts in the 110

hurdles (15.75 edging teammate Antonio Hawk by 1-hundreth of a second).

"Ben Watts had a great meet winning the 110 hurdles and taking second in the 300," Gustafson said "And Leonard Hogan probably had the best meet of anybody qualifying in two relays."

MHSAA DIVISION 3 BOYS TRACK REGIONAL RESULTS May 22 at New Haven
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Clarenceville 156 points; 2. Clawson, 92; 3. New Haven, 68; 4. Madison Heights Madison, 57; 5. Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy, 47; 6. Detroit Communication & Media Arts. 45: 7. Madison. Heights Bishop Foley, 39; 8. Detroit Cesar Chavez, 26; 9. Mt. Clemens, 22; 10. Detroit Community, 21;

11. Detroit Douglass 8; 12. Harper Woods 3.

CLARENCEVILLE FINISHERS

(top 2 finishers qualify for state meet)
Discus: 2. DeHondre Hogan, 110 feet, 4 inches; 7. Tony Giordano, 102-0; shot put: 1. D. Hogan, 46-8; 5. Shawn Cummings, 38-1; long jump: 3. Moses Hobson, 19-3; 3,200-meter relay: Clarenceville, 9:31.67: 110 hurdles: 1, Ben Watts, 15.75; 2. Antonio Hawk, 15.76; 100 dash: 1 Kassius Kelly, Clarenceville, 11.15: 800 relay: 1. Clarenceville, (Levonte Brooks, Hobson, Leonard Hogan, Kelly), 1:32.34; 1,600: 6. Alec Jones, 5:24.4; 8. David Gibson, 5:40.0; **400 relay:** 1. Clarenceville (Brooks, Hobson, L. Hogan, Kelly), 44.62; **400:** 31. U. Hogan, 52.31; 6. Kenny Williams, 55.93; **300 hurdles:** 2. Watts, 42.10; 5. Antonio Hawk, 47.07; **800:** 2. Chevas Dooley,, 2:15.57; 5. Carlito Robles, 2:22.27; **200:** 1. Kelly, 22.54; 6. Hobson, 24.64; **3,200**: 2. Brendan Groves, 11:31.32; 5. Mattius Hoffman, 12:03.96; **1,600 relay:** 2.

Clarenceville, 3:40.45.

fresher than they'd normally

Fourth-place Stevenson will send its 1,600 relay team along with Will Burek (first, 110 hurdles, 15.3; second, 300 hurdles, 41.1). Jon Aneed was

Several other Observerland athletes had strong perfor-

of regional champions in Joe Marlow, who cleared 14-2 in the pole vault, and Scott Coppola, who took the long

Langford won the 100 dash with a time of 10.8. The in the sprint relays, too.

of 43.6 and 1:30.6, respectively.

threw 150-3 in the discus (second place).

(WGc)

# Westland-Garden City Strictly Business



Josef Schulz (from left), Lee Ann Wheelock, Joseph Jenkins, Jasper Smelser, Marilyn Smelser are graduates of the LifeBio 101 program at American House on Hunter in Westland.

# **American House residents** map lives with LifeBio 101

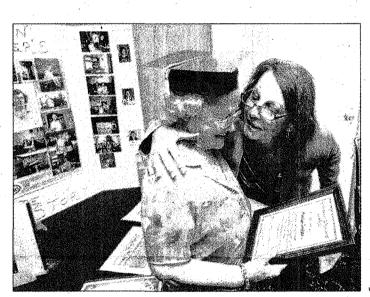
Sometimes it's tough to know how to start an autobiography, but residents at American House on Hunter in Westland have not only started, but finished their biographies using a new group class, journals and storyboards.

Five residents of American House Westland graduated from the LifeBio 101 Class on April 30. For the last few months, residents have met together weekly to complete reminiscence exercises during class and to recall important details of their lives that deserve to be recorded. Their completed Storyboards, a collection of pictures and memories on a display, were presented at the Story Sharing and Graduation Party with many family members in attendance.

The class has covered the people, history, childhood memories, love, marriage, children, grandchildren, pets, friendship, beliefs, values and much more. Residents have grown closer and forged new friendships and they have realized how

"They have gone through their whole lives, and they have created such beautiful stories to share with their families. It's been an honor

unique each life story is.



Cindy Lear, American House-Westland activity director, gives Marilyn Smeiser at the Lifebio graduation

to get to know them even better," said Cindy Lear, American House-Westland activity director.

American House has been committed to capturing the life stories of the Greatest Generation and the LifeBio program is helping them accomplish that goal. LifeBio helps thousands of people to capture their life stories through journals, an online template at www.lifebio.com, classes, Storyboards and

Founded in 2000, LifeBio is the nation's leading legacy

company, helping to preserve relationships and memories that last for generations. The LifeBio product and service line includes the Memory Journal, LifeBio 101 Classes, the LifeBio Video Recording Kit, MemoryBio Photo Album and Journal, The Great Story and Your Story and much more.

These tools help fight against ageism, improve intergenerational relationships and help people redefine their lives through self discovery. For more information, visit www.lifebio.com

#### **BUSINESS MILESTONES**

Time/Date: 4-8 p.m. Fridays **Location**: Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 Merriman, Westland

**Barbecue Buffet** 

Details: Stop by Hawthorne Valley for its all-you-can-eat Barbecue Buffet for just \$12.95 per person. Enjoy chicken, ribs, pork, corn on the cob, corn muffins, potato, vegetables, salads, fruit and dessert table. Dine in only.

Contact: (734) 422-1970

Summer School Time/Date: 6 p.m. Tuesday, June

**Location**: Westland Specialty Center, Community Room, 35550 Central City Parkway, Westland Details: Garden City Hospital will present its Diabetes Summer School during June, July and August, in place of its monthly Diabetes Support Group. Each two-hour class will include a speaker presentation and discussion. The session begins with registration, displays, book sales and light refreshments containing approximately 30 grams of carbohydrate. There is no fee; family and friends are welcome. Subject for June is "Diabetes, Heart Disease and Sleep Problems: Is There a Connection?" People being treated for a sleep disorder using a CPAP or BiPAP Mask, can arrive one hour early and attend Garden City Hospital's Sleep Disorders Center Mask Fitting Clinic. Find out what's new in masks. Be sure to bring your old

Contact: Registration is necessary by calling (734) 458-4330 or e-mail at sgoodsell@gchosp.org.

#### **SEND IT**

Are you having a special event, a sale or just want to let people know where you are? Interested in being featured in our Business Q & A? It's as easy as sending your information to or requesting a Q & A form from Sue Mason at smason@hometownlife. com. You can also mail it to Sue Mason, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226.

#### Car Show

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 5 Location: Metropolitan Lincoln-Mercury, 32000 Ford Rd., Garden City

Details: Metropolitan Lincoln-Mercury and Kar-Go Carburetor are sponsoring the second annual Classic Car and Truck Show. Register in advance for \$15, or \$20 the day of the show. Registration is 8-11 a.m., judging starts at 10 a.m. with awards at 3 p.m. Last year's show drew nearly 300 cars and 1,000 people. This year there will be more trophies, food and fun for all, including music, moon walk and goody bags for the first 300 pre-registered participants. Also Metropolitan is proud to present a martial arts demonstration feature time-time world cham-. pion martial artist Mariah Moore. This family-friendly event is a free admission event and all net proceeds from concession sales and raffles will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

**Contact**: (734) 458-1965 or online at www.metropolitanmichigan.com

#### 25th Anniversary

Location: Independent Carpet One Floor & Home, 1400 N. Wayne Road,

**Details:** To Celebrate Carpet One's 25th anniversary, Independent Carpet One Floor & Home will install your newly purchased carpet throughout your entire home for only \$25. Independent features premium quality brands. Whether it's a small room remodeling project or a complete renovation, you'll discover great new looks and versatile flooring choices in a wide range of colors, patterns and sizes.

Contact: For more information, call (734) 447-5449

#### Camp Day

Time/Date: Wednesday, June 2 Location: Tim Hortons, 30121 Ford, Garden City, and 715 S. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: It's Camp Day! Camp Day is the one day a year when Tim Hortons store owners across Canada and the United States donate every penny from coffee sales to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation. In 2009, Camp Day raised more than \$9.4 million CDN (\$8.5 million U.S.). Every time a customer buys a coffee at Tim Hortons on Camp Day they will help send more than 14,000 kids - who could otherwise not afford it - on the camping adventure of a lifetime. All children who attend one of the Foundation's six camps are selected from within the communities where Tim Hortons stores are located. Tim Hortons store owners work closely with local youth organizations and schools to select children, between the ages of nine and 12, to attend a 10-day summer camp session or seven-day winter camp session.

Contact: (734) 595-0452 (Westland) or (734) 762-9108 (Garden City)

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#### **BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS**

#### Resource workshop

In an effort to help communities diversify industry, move the region forward and create jobs, Wayne County, in partnership with the University of Michigan's Community Economic Adjustment Program, is hosting a Community Resource Workshop at Henry Ford Community College to give businesses an edge on economic recovery.

"This workshop will directly link Wayne County's local communities and community agencies with representatives from the state and federal government, which helps the region continue to move forward, diversify and grow," said Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. "Together, participants and businesses will discuss projects, funding opportunities at the state and national level, and subsequent proposals for development."

The workshop will be held 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 28 from at Henry Ford Community College, located at 5101 Evergreen Road in Dearborn. Wayne County Executive Robert A. Ficano will give opening remarks. Since 2006, CEAP has

been working with communities in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin greatly impacted by auto manufacturing decline, providing assistance to these communities to access resources helping to address economic recovery. Program assistance is free of charge and is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration.

For more information on Wayne County's Community Resource Workshop and to register, contact Carmen Wells Quigg at (734) 998-

#### Massage therapy

On Tuesday, July 13, the Massage Therapy program at Schoolcraft College will host an orientation session from 6-10 p.m. at the Radcliff Center in Garden City. This is an opportunity for those who are interested in a career in massage therapy to come and learn the requirements for earning a certificate or associate degree, as well as explore career opportunities in this rapidly growing healthcare

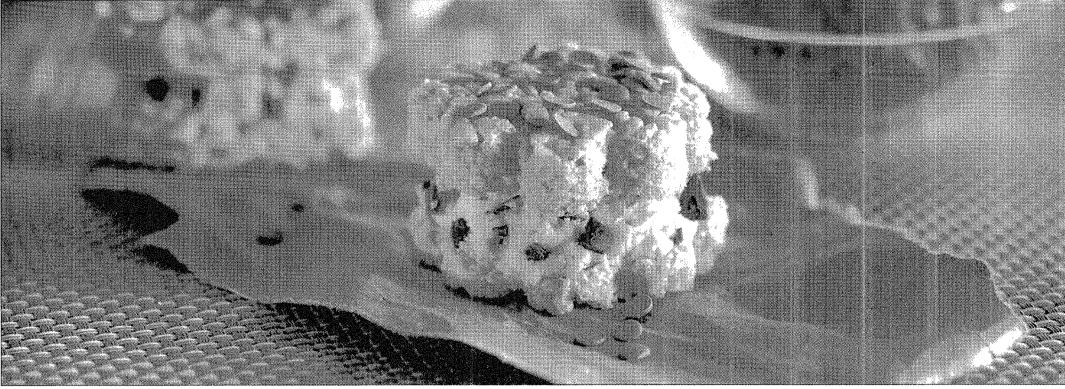
Participants will have the opportunity to meet instruc-

tors in the program, as well as current students, and tour the facility. Anyone is invited to attend, however, the orientation session is mandatory for any student who plans to enroll in the program for the fall 2010 semester, which begins Sept. 1. The Radcliff Center is at 1751 Radcliff Street, just south of Ford.

To learn more about the Massage Therapy program orientation session call (734) 462-4746 or e-mail massage@schoolcraft.edu. A Massage Therapy Information and Application Packet can be downloaded from www. schoolcraft.edu/pdfs/admissions/mas.pdf.

To learn more about Massage Therapy and other Limited/Restricted Enrollment programs at Schoolcraft College visit www. schoolcraft.edu/programs/ limited.asp.

Massage therapy is one of the fastest growing specialties in healthcare and is recognized as a valuable preventive health option as well as being a beneficial treatment modality following injuries and illness. Students at Schoolcraft College can earn either a certificate or associate's degree in massage therapy.



Ice Cream Sandwich Treats

# Easy, no-bake goodies

Summer is a great time to get kids into the kitchen to make some snacks and desserts. Whether you need something to take to a picnic or just something to do on a rainy day, making easy, no-bake goodies like Rice Krispies Treats can show kids just how fun cooking can

Even young children can be kitchen helpers, so the whole family can get involved. What can your child do to help prepare a recipe?

Youngsters, age 2-3 can wash and scrub fruits and vegetables, and name and count foods. Ages 3-4 can shape foods, mix dry ingredients together and pour pre-measured liquids into batter. Ages 4-5 can help measure ingredients, open packages, pour cereal, mash soft fruits and vegetables, and press cookie cutters into dough or soft food. Six-year-olds can beat recipe ingredients with a whisk and help locate ingredients in a spice rack or pantry.

Make some summer magic with these tasty no-bake recipes for Choco P'Nutty Bars, Itsy Bitsy Fruit Pies, and Ice Cream Sandwich Treats. For even more kid-friendly recipes you can make together, visit www. Ricekrispies.com.

Note: The following recipes should be made with adult supervision.

#### ITSY BITSY FRUIT PIES

Prep Time: 25 minutes Total Time: 30 minutes Servings: 24

% cup butter or margarine 1 cup milk chocolate morsels

4 teaspoon cinnamon

4 cups Kellogg's Rice Krispies cereal 2 cups assorted fresh chopped fruits Frozen non-dairy whipped topping, hawad

Assorted sprinkles

In medium saucepan, melt butter over low heat. Stir in chocolate morsels until melted. Remove from heat. Stir in cinnamon.

Place cereal in large bowl.
Carefully pour melted chocolate
mixture over cereal. Gently stir
until cereal is completely coated
with chocolate.

Spoon cereal mixture into twenty-four 1½-inch muffin-pan cups coated with cooking spray. Using your finger or thumb, press cereal mixture onto bottoms and

up the sides of each cup, forming

Place crusts in freezer for 30 minutes. Remove from freezer. Refrigerate, covered, until ready to serve. Before serving, fill each crust with fresh fruit. Dollop with whipped topping. Decorate with sprinkles. Serve immediately.

Note: Extra unfilled crusts may be frozen in air-tight container for up to a month. Let stand at room temperature for 15 minutes before serving.

Kid-friendly Kitchen Tips:
• Children of all ages should

have an adult assistant with them at all times when cooking.

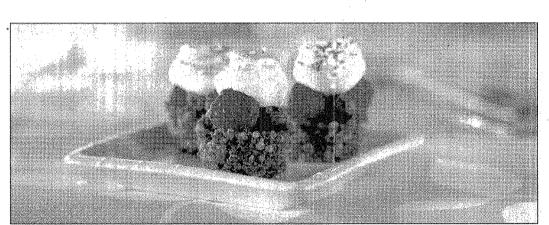
• Chefs 7 and older can measure the ingredients and help stir the melted chocolate into the cereal.

• Little ones, ages 3 to 6, will enjoy pressing the mixture into the muffin cups and decorating with the fruits and whipped

• Make sure to have plenty of extra fruits for snacking while making these little pies.

#### ICE CREAM SANDWICH TREATS

Prep Time: 15 minutes Total Time: 3 hours Servings: 10 to 12



Itsy Bitsy Fruit Pies

3 tablespoons butter or margarine

110 ounce-package (about 40) marshmallows, or 4 cups miniature marshmal-

2 teaspoons vanilla

6 cups Kellogg's Rice Krispies cereal

½ cup assorted sprinkles 2 pints desired flavor ice cream, fro-

zen yogurt, sorbet or gelato
In large saucepan melt butter
over low heat. Add marshmallows

and stir until completely melted. Remove from heat. Stir in vanilla. Add cereal. Stir until well

coated.
Using buttered spatula or wax paper, evenly press mixture to %-inch thickness on baking sheet coated with cooking spray. Decorate with sprinkles. Refrigerate

for 15 minutes.

Remove from refrigerator.
Using 2-inch cookie cutters coated with cooking spray, cut into

desired shapes. Place small scoop of ice cream on undecorated side of one cut-out. Top with another cut-out, decorated side up. Gently press together. Return to baking sheet. Repeat with remaining cut-outs and remaining ice

Freeze for 30 minutes. Transfer to airtight container. Freeze for 2 hours to 1 week. Let stand at room temperature for 10 minutes before serving.

#### CHOCO P'NUTTY BARS

Prep Time: 15 minutes Total Time: 1 hour

Servings: 18 112-ounce package (2 cups) semi-

sweet chocolate morsels
% cup peanut butter

6 cups Kellogg's Rice Krispies cereal 3 cups miniature marshmallows 18 wooden or plastic sticks In large saucepan, melt chocolate morsels and peanut butter over low heat; stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Stir in cereal and marshmallows.

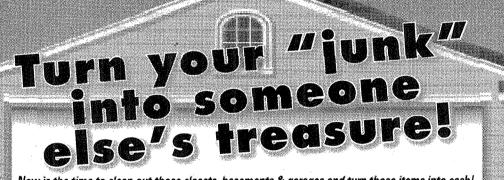
Using buttered spatula or waxed paper, press mixture evenly into 13- by 9- by 2-inch baking pan coated with cooking spray. Chill in refrigerator about 45 minutes.

Cut into 18 bars. Serve by inserting plastic or wooden stick into each bar.

Microwave Directions:

Microwave Directions:
In large microwave safe bowl,
melt chocolate morsels and peanut butter at medium power for 2
to 2½ minutes. Stir until smooth.
Add remaining ingredients, stirring until well coated. Continue
with recipe directions.

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# Honoring veterans

#### Bring on the floats, bands and flags this weekend

Cities throughout Metro Detroit will offer parades, concerts and ceremonies to honor military veterans and fallen heroes Friday-Monday, May 28-31. Before you stoke up the barbecue grill, grab a lawn chair and stake out a curbside seat to watch bands and floats parade in your community. Or take a moment to reflect on the men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, at a Memorial Day ceremony.

#### CANTON

• 1 p.m. Memorial Day,

May 31 A Memorial Day service will take place at the Canton Veterans Memorial in Heritage Park. A ceremony will honor fallen soldiers, and a special brick will be added to the memorial in honor of Marine Cpl. Jacob Turbett, a 2007 Canton High School graduate who was killed in February in Afghanistan.

• 2:30 p.m., Memorial Day, May 31

The Beckridge Chorale will perform patriotic music at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Cost is \$8 per person. Proceeds after expenses will be divided among the Memorial Day committees in Canton, Plymouth and Northville. Call (888) 459-4887.

#### DEARBORN

• 10 a.m. Memorial Day, May 31

Dearborn's 86th annual parade marches from Michigan Avenue, Greenfield to Schafer and is followed by a ceremony honoring veter-

#### **FARMINGTON**

• 10 a.m. Memorial Day,

The parade will begin on

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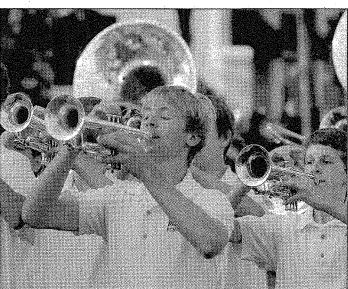
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**FRIDAY NIGHTS** 

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Mooney Street and heads west on Grand River through downtown Farmington. The American Legion Post, Auxiliary and SAL present the festivities. A ceremony will be held at the Veterans Monument just west of Farmington Road. Participants, members and their friends may return to the Post afterward for refreshments and hot dogs. Awards to the participating groups will be presented. Wally Christensen, Legion Chaplain and Memorial Day Parade chairman, said 3,000 flags will be placed outside every home in Farmington to honor those who have served their country. Flags also will be placed on 175 local gravesites.

• 5:30 p.m., Sunday, May

A special service will be held in North Farmington Cemetery, where service personnel from every war from 1776 until now are buried.

Call Christensen at (248) 474-8554.

**GARDEN CITY** 



Thousands of people line Grand River Ave., in Farmington at a previous Memorial Day parade.

• 11 a.m., Monday, May 31 Garden City Memorial Day Services will be held on the front lawn of city hall. The City Administration Office is located at 6000 Middlebelt, between Ford and Warren roads.

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School Band under the direction of Elizabeth Hering, take place at Veterans Memorial Plaza at Five Mile and Farmington roads.

After the event, guests may visit the Memorial Wall that honors those Livonia veterans who were killed in action, wounded in action, missing in action or a prisoner of war. Call (734) 466-

#### NORTHVILLE

• 10 a.m. Memorial Day, May 31

Northville's Memorial Day Parade draws thousands of people each year to honor veterans. The parade begins in downtown near Northville Downs Race Track on Griswold and Main streets. Call the VFW at (248) 348-1490.

#### NOVI

• 10 a.m. Memorial Day,

The Novi Parks' Annual Memorial Day Parade begins on 10 Mile and Karim Boulevard and travels west to the Novi Civic Center. A ceremonial presentation honoring veterans will follow. Children may show their community spirit by decorating their bikes with streamers, crepe paper, balloons,

American flags and more. Call Rachel Zagaroli at (248) 347-0403.

#### **PLYMOUTH**

• 7:30 a.m. Memorial Day, May 31

American Legion Post 391 presents the annual parade, which begins at Harvey and Wing streets and heads down Main Street in downtown Plymouth. Call (734) 459-

#### REDFORD TOWNSHIP

• 2 p.m. Sunday, June 6 The parade begins on Six Mile at Beech Daly Road. Call Parade President Walter Bates at (313) 768-6858 for more information.

#### **WAYNE-WESTLAND**

• 1 p.m. Sunday, May 30 The annual Wayne-Westland Memorial Day Parade starts at Wayne Road and Avondale in Westland and will go south to the Wayne Public Library in Wayne.

#### Art & Ideas

Time/Date: Through June 5 Location: 15095 Northville Road, south of Five Mile, Plymouth **Details:** "From Women to Little Girls" portrait exhibit Contact: (734) 420-0775

Livonia City Hall

Time/Date: Through May 28 Location: 33000 Civic Center Drive,

Details: Spring Art Exhibit, juried fine arts show, all media, photography and sculpture

Contact: (734) 838-1204

#### **Lotus Arts Gallery** Time/Date: May

Location: 995 W. Ann Arbor Trail, downtown Plymouth Details: Exhibit of figurative works, from minimalist and abstract to

Contact: (888) 889-4ART (toll free) or (734) 453-5400

#### **AUDITIONS**

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#### 8th Wonder Theatre

Time/Date: Open call, 6 p.m.-10 p.m. June 14-15; 6-9 p.m., June 16, callbacks

Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, at Ridge, in Canton.

**Details**: Auditions for "Blackwater Ballad" and "Phantom." Both are musicals. Actors auditioning may be asked to stay for a dance call the night they audition. Everyone should prepare two 16-bar selections that are contemporary - musical theatre or pop - and include a ballad and up-tempo piece. Participants may sing songs from the shows. Neither a Capella nor karaoke auditions are permitted. Everyone must have sheet music, and must sing with the accompanist at the piano. 8th Wonder is composed of theater professionals with extensive experience, including Broadway veterans, and faculty in the theater department of Eastern Michigan University

Contact: Ryan Lewis at (734) 945-5316 or e-mail him at rvan. lewis@8thwondertheatre.com

#### COMEDY

#### Go Comedy!

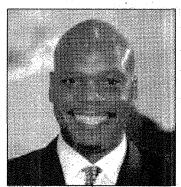
Time/Date: Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays Location: 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale

Details: Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays Contact: (248) 327-0575: www. gocomedy.net

#### **GET OUT**

JD's House of Comedy Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings

Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield **Details**: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www. ticketmaster.com



Eilliott Branch performs through Mav 29 at Joey's Comedy Club, in Livonia.

#### Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Mondays, Open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays, Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** Elliot Branch and Mary Ann Demoss, through May 29 Contact: (734) 261-0555, www. kickerscomplex.com

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle Time/Date: Mike Green, May

Location: 269 E. Fourth, Royal

Contact: (248) 542-9900, www. comedycastle.com

#### **CONCERTS**

#### The Ark

Time/Date: Diane Birch, May 27; Gaelic Storm, May 29 Location: 316 South Main, Ann

Contact: (734) 763-8587; www. theark.org

#### **Detroit Institute of Arts** Time/Date: Friday Night Live con-

certs, 7 and 8:30 p.m. Location: 5200 Woodward Ave Contact: (313) 833-7900, www.

dia.org

#### Magic Bag

Time/Dates: The High Strung CD release party, May 22; Members of Morphine, May 28; the Mega 80's, June 5; MacPodz, June 6; The Original Wailers, June 9 Location: 22920 Woodward,

Ferndale Contact: (248) 544-3030, www. themagicbag.com

#### Music Hall

Time/Date: Music Hall Star Search Finals, May 27 Location: 350 Madison Ave., Detroit

Details: Jazz Cafe performances Contact: (313) 887-8500

#### **Trinity House Theater**

Time/Date: Sweethearts of the Yellowroom Gang featuring Kitty Donohoe, Annie Capps, Jill Jack and Allison Downey, June 4; Wayward Roots, June 5; Jennie DeVoe, June 11; Chris Trapper with Billy King, June 12

Location: 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia Contact: (734) 464-6302, www.

trinityhouse.org

#### **FAMILY**

#### Bakers Keyboard Lounge

Time/Dates: 2-5 p.m. Sundays Details: Jazz for Kids Program Location: 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit

Contact: (313) 345-6300, www. bakerskeyboardlounge.com

#### **Detroit Institute of Arts** Time/Dates: 2 p.m. Sundays

**Details**: Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances, free with admission

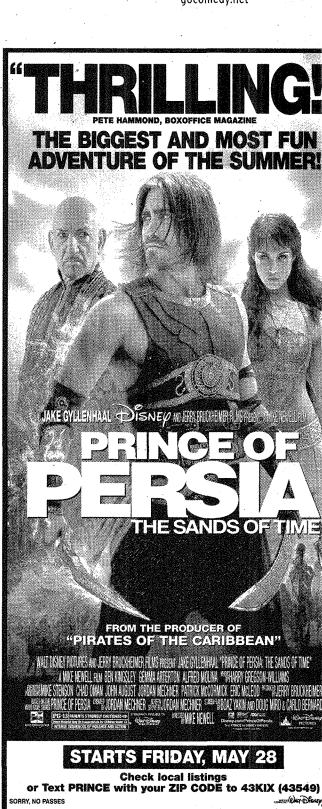
Location: 5200 Woodward, Detroit Contact: (313) 833-7900, www. dia.org

#### **Detroit Zoo**

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Labor Day Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

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2 are free. Contact: (248) 541-5717



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salad, Margarita Shrimp Salad features tender shrimp, which are marinated in a mixture of lime juice and garlic, and tossed with crisp bell peppers, onions and romaine lettuce. Zucchini Soup with Herbed Cream is a fresh way to savor squash. To move vegetables to the center of the plate, try Vegetable Stir-Fry which features a sauce made with ginger, garlic and soy sauce, or try Broccoli & Garlic Penne Pasta for a versatile dish that's certain to please.

#### BROCCOLI & GARLIC PENNE PASTA

Prep: 20 minutes Cook: 10 minutes Makes: 4 servings (about 2 cups

- 1 cup chicken broth ½ teaspoon dried basil leaves,
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 cups broccoli florets 4½ cups penne pasta, cooked and
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

2 tablespoons grated Parmesan

Heat broth, basil, black pepper, garlic and broccoli in 10inch skillet over medium heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook until broccoli is tender-crisp.

Add pasta and lemon juice and toss to coat. Sprinkle pasta mixture with cheese.



Broccoli & Garlic Penne Pasta

#### MARGARITA SHRIMP SALAD

Prep: 15 minutes Marinate: 30 minutes Cook: 10 minutes

Makes: 4 servings (about 2 cups per serving)

- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 2 teaspoons grated lime zest
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 pound fresh large shrimp, peeled and deveined ¾ cup chicken stock
- 1 medium orange or red pepper, cut into 2-inch-long strips (about 1½ cups)
- 1 small onion, sliced (about ¼ cup)
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 4 cups romaine lettuce or iceberg lettuce torn into bite-sized pieces
- 2 large tomatoes, thickly sliced
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper

Stir lime juice, lime zest and garlic in 2quart shallow, nonmetallic baking dish or gallon-sized resealable plastic bag. Add shrimp and toss to coat. Cover dish or seal bag and refrigerate for 30 minutes, turning shrimp over several times during marinating.

Heat stock in 2-quart saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil. Add pepper and onion, and cook until vegetables are tender-crisp.

Reduce heat to medium. Add shrimp and marinade to saucepan and cook until shrimp are cooked through. Stir in cilantro. Divide lettuce, tomatoes and shrimp mixture among 4 serving plates. Sprinkle with black pepper.

VEGETABLE STIR-FRY

Prep: 5 minutes Cook: 15 minutes Makes: 4 servings (1 cup each)

- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 4 cups cut-up vegetables (broccoli florets, cauliflower florets, baby car-

rots and sliced celery) 2 teaspoons grated fresh

ginger root or 1/8 teaspoon ground ginger

1 clove garlic, minced Toasted sesame seeds

(optional) Stir broth, cornstarch and soy sauce in small bowl until mixture is smooth.

Heat oil in 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat. Add vegetables, ginger root and garlic and stir-fry until tender-crisp.

Add broth mixture to skillet. Cook and stir until mixture boils and thickens. Sprinkle with sesame seeds, if desired.

Tip: You can substitute your favorite vegetables in this recipe.

#### ZUCCHINI SOUP

WITH HERBED CREAM Prep: 15 minutes

Cook: 30 minutes Makes: 6 servings (1/4 cups each)

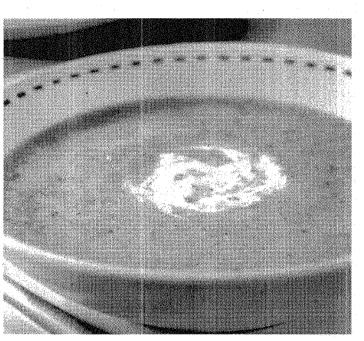
- ½ cup sour cream 4 teaspoons chopped fresh basil
- 4 teaspoons chopped fresh oreg-
- ano leaves 2 tablespoons olive oil 1 large onion, finely chopped
- (about 1 cup) 1 clove garlic, minced
- 4 medium zucchini, thinly sliced
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 3 cups vegetable broth Stir sour cream, I teaspoon

basil and 1 teaspoon oregano in small bowl. Cover and refrigerate.

Heat oil in 4-quart saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and cook until tender. Add zucchini and black pepper. Cook for 5 minutes or until zucchini is tender.



Vegetable Stir-Fry



Zucchini Soup with Herbed Cream

Add broth, remaining basil and remaining oregano. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook for 15 minutes.

Place one third of the zucchini mixture into blender or food processor. Cover and blend until smooth. Pour mixture into large bowl. Repeat blending process twice more with remaining zucchini mixture. Return all puréed mixture to saucepan. Cook over medium heat for 5 minutes or until hot.

Divide soup among 6 serving bowls and top with about 1 tablespoon sour cream mixture, using a spoon to swirl cream in a decorative pattern on soup surface.

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# **Author looks past** stained glass to find Jesus

**BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER** 

Kendall Rogers hopes his first book will compel readers to open a second: The New Testament.

In Stained Glass Jesus, the Westland man challenges Christians to become better acquainted with Jesus Christ and his teachings.

"There are many people who are following a Jesus who really is not the son of God at all," Rogers said. "They've become used to fitting into the church. But would the real Jesus actually be welcomed in their midst?"

After returning to the U.S. from Russia, where he spent 14 years with his family in mission work, Rogers, 29, began to wonder if many American churchgoers merely serve a "stained glass image" of Christ, Rogers moved from Ohio to St. Petersburg with his missionary parents and sister when he was 12. He learned to speak and read Russian fluently and co-pastored church.

"Our ministry and the church we had was the people's church," Rogers said. The family also ministered in  $or phanages, \, hospice \, wards$ and to shut-ins.

"The people I grew up around and those I helped survived World War ll and the Holocaust. Seeing people who had lost hope, having

hope regained had an impact on me. It did light a passion in me."

#### **U.S. MINISTRY**

Rogers, who holds a master's degree in theology and doctorate degree in ministry, returned home to complete his education, with an ultimate goal of teaching. He moved to Westland, but continues work with Last Day Harvesters, the southern Ohio ministry founded by his parents, and began ministering at nursing homes. He also attended churches and talked to members.

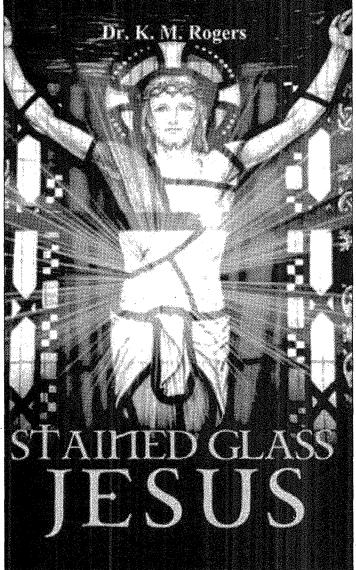
"It became apparent people fell into the trend of religion, but weren't getting much out of worship ... they were not growing from it."

He began to write, starting each chapter with scripture or a quote and basing each one on Christ's message found in the New Testament.

"I'm hoping to help people get their focus back," he said.

#### TWO VIEWPOINTS

Rogers found two distinct messages in the sermons he heard while attending various churches after his return to the U.S. One, often delivered with "hellfire and damnation, " along with references to the Old Testament, urged listeners to "be above sin." The other was "all about prosperity - being healthy



Buy Stained Glass Jesus online at Amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com.

"It's always about how you can get rich quick or how you're going to hell no matter what," Rogers noted. "So many people don't open the New Testament to see what Jesus said. Jesus is an amaz-

We divide people and Jesus never did that. One thing I found fascinating in the Gospels ... there is no racism, no sexual prejudice, no denominational barrier.

"They are all people. People

are people. Some are lost, some in darkness. It's our responsibility to take the light to them, to carry the light."

Rogers aims to reach out to both "seasoned believers" and nonbelievers in his book, which was published by Holy Fire Publishing in March. It's available in paperback online from Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble. Cost is \$15.99.

#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

Religion calendar items appear on Thursdays on a space available basis. To submit an item, e-mail sdargay@ hometownlife.com or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 615 W. Lafayette-2nd Level, Detroit, MI 48226, Attn: Sharon Dargay. Item must include the venue address and phone number and any admission costs for events, Items must be submitted at least a week in advance of publication. Feel free to send a related photo in jpg form.

#### MAY 27-JUNE 2

**Lighthouse Worship Center** Time/Date: 7-9:30 p.m., June 2 Location: 19827 Middlebelt, Livonia Details: Murray Feldman, Fox 2 News anchor and host of the "Job Shop" is guest speaker. During his "Job Shop" segments on the news, Feldman offers advice on finding and landing a job. Contact: (248) 476-7933

#### **JUNE 3-9**

**Canton Christian Fellowship** Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m., Sunday, June 6 Location: 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton -**Details**: Annual health assessment screening and education seminar will include screenings for blood sugar levels, blood pressure and cholesterol. Cholesterol test costs

Contact: (734) 404-2480 St. Robert Bellarmine Time/Date: 8 p.m. to midnight Location: 27201 W. Chicago Road, Redford

**Details**: Monthly Bethany Suburban West singles dance. Admission is \$10 which includes refreshments and a free "Fox Trot" dance lesson from 7:15-8:15 p.m. Contact: (734) 261-5716.

#### **JUNE 10-16**

Faith Community Church Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 12 Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia Details: Outdoor sale; spots for rent. The church will supply the area and vendors supply "the stuff" to sell. Cost is \$10 for a 12foot by 12-foot spot. All proceeds support the Vacation Bible School program at the church Contact: (313) 541-0396 or (313) 255-9717

St. Anne Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, June 11 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: 38100 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Rummage sale Contact: (734) 462-3200

St. Dunstan Time/Date: Doors open at 6 p.m.,

silent auction starts at 6:30 p.m., starts at 6 p.m., June 11 Location: 1526 Belton, Garden City Details: "Slide into summer" silent

auction with fellowship, food and fun; tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Ticket price includes buffet dinner

Contact: (734) 425-6720 Unity of Livonia **Time/Date**: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.,

Friday-Saturday, June 11-12

Location: 28660 5 Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Livonia Details: Rummage sale Contact: (734) 421-1760

#### **JUNE 17-23**

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m., June 19 Location: 30149 Ford Road, Garden

**Details**: Bethany Suburban West monthly breakfast meeting Contact: (734) 513-9479

#### **JUNE 25-30**

**Canton Christian Fellowship** Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 a.m., June

**Location**: Burton Manor. 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia Details: Women in the Word ministry annual prayer breakfast with guest speaker Tara Jenkins; \$30 per person. Attire is dressy. The event colors are purple and white. Contact: www.cantoncf.org or (734) 404-2480

#### ONGOING

#### **AWANA**

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills **Details**: AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade

Contact: (248) 426-0096

Breakfast St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to noon,

through May Location: 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth, in Livonia

third Sunday each month, October

Details: The Ushers' Club presents an "all-vou-can-eat" pancake break-

Please see CALENDAR, B9

#### Women: Try paddling, archery, camping at park staff will give basic camping tips, and to attend this workshop. The \$60 Looking for something different to do outdoors? Women can discover the participants will practice setting up a fee includes instruction in all sesjoys of kayaking, archery and camping,

at the 11th annual Women Outdoors: Kensington Adventure! on Saturday, June 26, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Kensington Metropark Farm Center.

This one-day workshop will teach women basic paddle strokes and safety, as well as paddle a kayak; learn how to use a bow and arrow safely, and have some target practice. REI

The Adventure is a "Beyond BOW Becoming an Outdoors-Woman" (BOW) program hosted by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment, Heavner Canoe Rental, REI, Safari Club International and Huron-Clinton

Women, 18 or older, are eligible

sions, program materials, use of demonstration equipment and lunch. Registration deadline is June 18. Enrollment is limited to 40 partici-

To receive more information and request a registration form, contact Kensington Metropark at (248) 685-1561 or e-mail sherrie.borchardt@ metroparks.com.

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St Genevieve Roman Catholic Church St. Genevieve School - PreK-8 29015 Jamison • Livonia • 734-427-5220 (East of Middlebelt, between 5 Mile & Jeffries) MASS: Tues. 7 p, Wed., Thurs. 9 a, Sat. 4 p. Sun 11a

St. Maurice Roman Catholic Church 32765 Lvndon • Livonia • 734-522-1616 MASS: Mon. 8:30 a. Fri. 8:30 a. Sat. 6 p, Sun 9a

#### **CHURCHES OF** THE NAZARENE

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Sunday School - 9:45 A.M. Sunday Worship - 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M. Family Night - Wed. 7:00 P.M. NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN LEARNING CENTER (734) 455-3196 OE0888787

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NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN MARY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 39851 West Five Mile, Plymouth Twp., Mi Sunday Services Matins 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Rev. Fr. George Vaporis Parish Office 734-420-0131 Office Hours M-F 10:00 am - 2:00 pm www.nativitygochurch.org

#### PRESBYTERIAN

Fellowship Presbyterian Church **Adult Sunday School:** 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. • **Worship:** 10:30 a.m.

Childrens Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Dr. Jimmy McGuire Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road in Livonia • South of Six Mile Road Nursery provided • www.fellowship-presbyterian.org

For Information regarding this Directory, please call Donna Hart at 248-437-2011, Ext. 247 or e-mail: dhart@dnps.com

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9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

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ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL 17810 FARMINGTON ROAD, LIVONIA (734) 261-1360 WORSHIP SERVICES SUNDAY: 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. THURSDAY: 6:30 P.M. website: www.stpaulslivonia.org

#### CONGREGATIONAL

North Congregational Church



10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School Faith - Freedom-Fellowship

Ministers Dr. Mark P. Jensen Rev. Mary E. Biedron

#### CALENDAR

fast served in the school cafeteria and featuring pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns, and assorted breakfast beverages. Meals are served buffet-style. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, 4-11, free for children under 3, and \$15 for a family with two adults and children

Contact: (734) 261-1455 Career workshops

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Time/Date: First and third Mondays **Location**: 30900 Six Mile, Livonia **Details:** Workshops are designed to help people in employment transition build a network and use their resources to find that next good job. Workshop leaders are available to work one-on-one with anyone looking for work.

Contact: (734) 422-6038

#### Classes/study **Detroit First Church of the** Nazarene

Time/Date: 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesday Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of **Eight Mile** 

Details: Tuesday Ladies Bible Study; \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Child care available for children through age 5

Contact: (248) 348-7600 **Emmanuel Lutheran Church** Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia

Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to icook59@att.net.

Livonia Unity Time/Date: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia **Details:** Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions Contact: (810) 813-4073 or gary@ energeticarts.org.

Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 p.m.

21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

Location: Kirby's Coney Island,

Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

**New Life Community Church** Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: (734) 846-4615 **Our Lady of Loretto** 

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, **Details:** Scripture study

Contact: (313) 534-9000 St. Andrew's Presbyterian Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Wednesday and 10:30 a.m. Thursday Location: 26701 Joy

Details: Wednesday study/discussion group focuses on relationship with God and that of other religious groups and philosophical and scientific issues that might impact faith. Thursday group examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor

Larry Hoxey Contact: (313) 274-3820 St. Michael the Archangel

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., second and fourth Thursday of each month **Location**: 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, in Livonia **Details**: Led by Catholic author and apologist, Gary Michuta. The in-depth study of the Gospel of St. Matthew continues, using the Hahn-Mitch study guide. New students of any faith are welcome Contact: (734) 261-1455

**Seeds of Mercy Mission Home** Time/Date: 7 p.m., every Friday Location: 21819 Middlebelt,

Farmington Hills Details: Bible study Contact: Nicole Christ at (313) 531-

**Ward Presbyterian** Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville

**Details**: Learner's Bible study is held Contact: (248) 374-5920

**Canton Christian Fellowship** Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth

Clothing bank

in need

Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley

and Haggerty **Details**: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men. women and children) for those

Contact: (734) 404-2480, visit www. CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@ cantoncf.org

Fellowship dinner St. James Presbyterian Time/Date: 6 p.m., the first

Thursday of the month Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Details: Cost is \$8 and includes dinner, beverage and dessert. The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, provides the meals

Contact: (313) 268-7780. The church phone number is (313) 534-7730

Food Bank

**New Hope Church** Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill Rd.,

Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at (734) 270-2528

Moms **Christ Our Savior Lutheran** Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday and 7-9 p.m., fourth Tuesday Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers. Aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

**Contact**: Angle at (248) 427-1020 **Dunning Park Bible Chapel** Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., first and third Tuesdays

Location: 24800 West Chicago Road, Redford

**Details**: MOP\$ 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

Prayer Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesday Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

**Details:** Prayer, spiritual healing Contact: (734) 427-3660 **Nardin Park United Methodist** 

Church Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday

Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Participate in an open

time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests

Contact: (248) 476-8860 St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through the back of the church

Details: Music, singing, prayer Contact: Grace at (734) 464-1896. Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906

St. Michael's Church of Livonia Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. third

Location: Corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads, Livonia Details: Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. Benediction service follows. (734) 261-1455

Singles First Presbyterian Church Time/Date: Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville **Details:** Single Place Ministry meets: cost is \$5

Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org **Ward Evangelical Presbyterian** 

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., Sunday Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville **Details:** Single Point Ministries, for ages 30 and older, offers fellowship and related topics. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation

Contact: (248) 374-5920 Song Circle Congregation Beth Ahm · Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m., every Shabbat Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

**Details:** Sing zemirot (traditional

Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

Contact: (248) 737-1931 or e-mail nancyellen879@att.net.

Support **Detroit World Outreach** 

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford: room 202

**Details**: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling

Contact: (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244 **Farmington Hills Baptist Church** Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt. between 12 Mile and 13 Mile **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 Fibro-Myalgia sup-

port group meets; no dues, but donations are accepted Contact: www.metrofibrogroup. com; or call Lucy with questions at

(734) 462-1768 St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday morning

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available. There are no requirements, this a service the church. wants the community to be aware of and use if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted for the cupboard.

Contact: (734) 421-8451. St. John's Episcopal Church Time/Date: 10 a.m., the first and third Friday

Location: 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth **Details:** St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meets. Respite care is provided. The group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association

Contact: Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426

Thomas a' Becket Church Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group meeting starts at / p.m., inursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton **Details:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly encourages members to lose weight and keep it off

Contact: Margaret at (734) 838-

Unity of Livonia Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia

**Details**: Overeaters Anonymous Contact: (313) 387-9797. www. oa.org

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. praise/worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/des-

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville **Details**: Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors);

child care is free Contact: Child care, call (248) 374-7400. Visit www.celebraterecovery. com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

Thrift store St. James Presbyterian Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday

Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Contact: (313) 534-7730 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

#### WORSHIP

**Adat Shalom Synagogue** 

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., Saturday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., Sunday and 6 p.m., week days 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 Bet 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

Contact: Roberta Malkowski, president/treasurer at (248) 231-6280 **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 Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday; learning hour is at 9 a.m. for all ages Location: 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia

Contact: Visit www.livonfaith.org **Garden City Presbyterian Church** Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with traditional hymns, scripture readings and choral music; 10 a.m., youth Sunday school and nursery care; 8:30 a.m. adult Sunday school; 6 p.m., informal gathering with scriptures and discussion every Sunday

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 ser-

Sunday service, and 10:30 a.m., contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m. Location: 46001 Warren, 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

vice with communion each Sunday;

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden

Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesdays

Contact: (734) 427-3660

**Grace Lutheran Church** 

Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional

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 **New Beginnings United Methodist** Church Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Sunday Location: 16175 Delaware at Puritan,

Redford Contact: (313) 255-6330 **New Life Community Church** Time/Date: 11 a.m., Sunday **Location**: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: (734) 846-4615 or www. newlifecommunitychurch4u.com

**Plymouth Baptist Church** Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., Sunday Location: 42021 Ann Arbor Trail,

**Details:** Both services feature contemporary and traditional worship music and in-depth Bible teaching.

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Full nursery and preschool programs available at both services Contact: (734) 453-5534

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church** Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with an education hour from 9:30-10:40 a.m. Social hour follows each service

Location: 37775 Palmer, Westland Contact: (734) 722-1735 Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 6:30 p.m., every second and fourth Sunday

Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia **Details**: Non-traditional service designed to touch all the senses. Step into the light with relevant messages and modern music in a casual atmosphere

Contact: (734) 464-0990 St. John Lutheran Church Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday; traditional worship at 9 a.m., Sunday, and contemporary service at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Beginning Oct. 11, one 10 a.m. service on Sunday Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills

Contact: (248) 474-0584 St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Time/Date: contemporary service, 11:30 a.m., fourth Sunday of the

**Location**: 30900 Six Mile, Livonia Contact: (734) 422-6038

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 10 a.m., Sunday Location: 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia Contact: (734) 422-1470

**Trinity Episcopal Church Time/Date**: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Sunday, 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, 6 p.m., Sunday Bible studies and worship center for all ages includes dinner, child care

Location: 11575 Belleville Road, four miles south of Michigan Avenue Contact: (734) 699-3361



#### FRANCES MARIE **BOWLBY**

Age 95, passed away on May 18, 2010, at her home. Beloved wife of her late husband, J Craig Bowlby. Loving mother of their three children: Marilyn J. Bowlby, Patricia A. Givens and J. Craig Bowlby II. She is also survived by six grandchildren: Denise Davis, Scott Stratton, Steve Robertson, Mark Robertson, J. Craig Bowlby III, and Christopher Bowlby; and five great-grandchildren. She was born in Detroit, Michigan, in 1915, and married her husband of 62 years in 1935, living and raising their family in Plymouth, Michigan, she then moved to Little Rock, AR in 1995. Frances was an accomplished artist, pianist, and enjoyed golf and choir. A memorial service will be held at a future date.

> May You Find Comfort in Family Friends



#### LAURICE WILLIAMS

Age 86, of Livonia, went home to be with the Lord May 20, 2010. Beloved mother of Barb, Phil, Ginette, Candy, Mike, and Steve. Loved and cherished by her grandchildren and great grand-children. Dear sister of Odette Williams. Predeceased by her former husband Phillip, Son; Robert, and Sister; Marguerite Baum. Throughout her life, Laurice was always faithful to the Catholic Church. The things that gave her most joy was making sure that her children and grandchildren were happy, healthy and never (ever) hungry. We will all miss her warm heart, humor and infectious smile. Visitation was held Monday 2-9 p.m. with 7 p.m. Rosary at the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home, 30200 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Instate was 10:00 a.m. Tuesday until time of funeral mass 10:30 a.m. St. Michael's Catholic Church, 11300 Fairfield St., Livonia. Memorials to Salvation Army appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Gramer Funeral Home. 248.435.9010 www.GramerFuneralHome.com

#### FRANCES W. YORK

of Delaware, Ohio passed away early Monday morning May 24, 2010 at the Cherith Care Center at Willow Brook, Delaware. She was born March 15, 1931 in Mt. Vernon, Maine to William Henry and Barbara Dudley (Sawyer) Williams. She was a 1949 graduate of Gardiner High School and attended the University of Maine, Orono for three years before receiving her BA and MA from the State University of New York at Albany, New York. She taught English at Albany High School in Albany, New York, Nottingham High School in Syracuse, New York, and Frost Middle School in Livonia, Michigan before finally retiring from Franklin High School in Livonia, Michigan. She was a very active member of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington, Michigan, and an avid reader. She loved the ocean and family vacations, especially to her summer home in Somerville, Maine which she and her husband built and lovingly shared with their children, grandchildren, extended family, and many dear friends. She valued education and encouraged, inspired, and supported students, family, and friends alike in any academic pursuit. She is survived

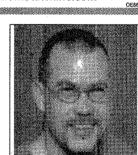
by her husband of almost 60 years, Frederick York; son, Gregory F. (Regina) York of Delaware; daughter, Linda Cook of South Lyon, Michigan; 10 grandchildren, Joshua and Trisha Cook, Maria, Katie, Gregory, Tina, Tommy, Susie, Bethy, and Johanna York; dear cousin, Rachel Johnson of Maine; very special "niece", Mary Beth Hennet Becker and her daughter Alexis Frances Becker of New York. She was preceded in death by her daughter Maureen Frances York and a brother Everett Williams. The family will receive friends on Thursday May 27th from 11:00 am until time of funeral services at 1:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River Avenue, Farmington, Michigan where the Rev. Carolyn Sue Wik will officiate. Graveside services will then be held on Saturday May 29th at 11:00 am at the Hallowell Cemetery, Hallowell, Maine. Rodman Neeper Funeral Home, 1510 W. William St., Delaware, Ohio 43015 is

handling the arrangements. To share a

memory of Frances or to offer condo-

www.rodmanneeper.com

lences to the family, please visit:



RYAN CHRISTOPHER FOX

Age 32, May 24, 2010. Loving father of Morgan and Cadence. Dear son of Pamela and Mike. Brother of Holly Lee and Michael. Uncle of Ashley Gregory. He will be missed by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Visitation Thursday 3-9pm and Friday 1-9pm with a Funeral Service Saturday 10am at the John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster Rd. (Between Ford Road and Cherry Hill.)

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# Wild about blueberries

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, May 27, 2010

If you're looking for tasty ways to improve your diet, you're in luck. You can get big taste and big benefits from a little fruit — wild blueberries.

A diet rich in fruits and vegetables can help maintain a healthy weight and reduce the risk of chronic diseases like diabetes, heart disease and some cancers. Eating across the color spectrum is important so you get a variety of nutritional benefits.

Wild blueberries get their color from naturally occurring phytochemicals, which are primarily responsible for antioxidant activity. Wild blueberries are antioxidant rich, making them a great choice for their nutritional benefits and disease fighting potential. In fact, USDA studies rank wild blueberries highest in antioxidant capacity per serving, compared with more than 20 other fruits including cranberries, strawberries, apples and even cultivated blueberries.

Health magazine also has named wild blueberries high on its list of "America's Healthiest Superfoods for Women," singling out their variety of potential health benefits, including preventing memory loss, improving motor skills, lowering blood pressure, and fighting wrinkles.

Wild blueberries are available year-round in supermarkets nationwide. Frozen at the peak of ripeness, all the farm-fresh taste and nutritional benefits are locked-in. Most studies show that frozen fruits and vegetables are higher in vitamins, minerals and phytonutrients because they are frozen near the time of harvest.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Wild Blueberries are a different berry from cultivated blueberries. They grow naturally in the fields and barrens of Maine and Canada. They are smaller in size, have a unique sweettart taste, and are only available frozen.

#### CHICKEN BREAST WITH SWEET AND SOUR WILD BLUEBERRY SAUCE

Prep Time: Approximately 20 minutes Serves 1

16-ounce skinless, boneless chicken breast

Salt and pepper to taste

1 teaspoon oil

1 small red pepper

1 small green pepper

2 tablespoons fig jam (or apricot jam)

4 teaspoons balsamic vinegar

¼ teaspoon sugar

2 tablespoons sweet and sour chili sauce

3/2 cup frozen wild blueberries, thawed and drained Season chicken breast with salt and pepper. Heat oil in small, non-stick frying pan. Fry chicken breast for 12 to 15 minutes. Remove from heat and

Wash, seed and cut peppers into bite-sized pieces. Cut cooked chicken breast into bite-sized pieces; combine with peppers. Mix jam with balsamic vinegar, sugar and chili sauce. Gently stir in Wild



Wild Blueberry Ice Cream Pops

#### WILD BLUEBERRY GINGERED LEMON MUFFINS

Prep Time: 30 minutes Yield: approximately 36 muffins

6 cups cake flour

2 tablespoons baking powder 2 teaspoons baking soda

½ teaspoon salt

2 cups low-fat buttermilk

1½ cups (12 ounces) egg substitute

1½ cups granulated sugar

½ cup canola oil

4 cups frozen wild blueberries

½ cup (3 ounces) crystallized ginger, chopped

½ cup granulated sugar, for topping

2 tablespoons lemon zest

In bowl combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt; reserve.

In another bowl beat together buttermilk, egg substitute, 1/2 cups sugar and oil; stir into flour mixture just to blend. Fold in Wild Blueberries, ginger and lemon zest.

Scoop ¼ cup batter into each greased ⅓-cup muffin tin. Sprinkle each muffin with sugar. Bake in 400°F conventional oven or 375°F convection oven 18 to 22 minutes or until firm to the touch.

#### WILD BLUEBERRY ICE CREAM POPS

Prep Time: Approximately 15 minutes, plus thaw and

Yield: 6 Pops

1 cup frozen wild blueberries

1 ounce milk chocolate chips

2 cups fat-free vanilla frozen yogurt, softened slightly Materials: small wooden or plastic sticks

Thaw Wild blueberries and purée. In a bowl, combine puréed wild blueberries, chocolate and frozen yogurt. Mix thoroughly.

Rinse 6 standard muffin cups with cold water and spoon in Wild Blueberry mixture, dividing it evenly between the cups (silicone muffin cups need not be rinsed first). Place a stick in the center of each "muffin" and freeze until firm, at least 2

Tip: Mixture can also be frozen with plastic sticks in small glasses or espresso cups.

(Courtesy of Family Features)



#### Top ratings

Megan McCarthy, Director of Front Office Operations, with the Townsend Hotel, and Keith Scoffield, director of food and beverage at the Rugby Grill in Birmingham and Megan McCarthy, director of front office operations for the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham, show off the Four Diamond Awards their facilities received recently from AAA Michigan. Other local award winners included Cafe Cortina in Farmington Hills and the Westin Hotel in Southfield.



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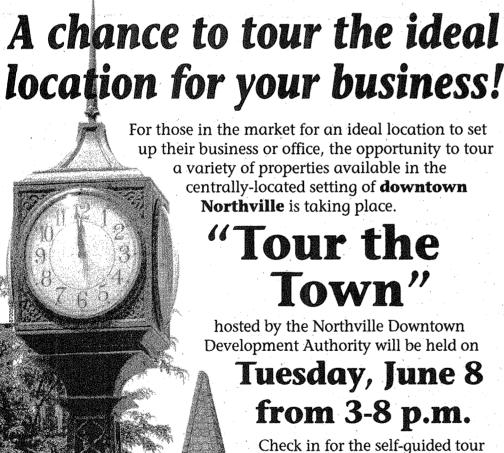
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