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Wayne keeps 2-year mayoral terms

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

The mayor of Wayne will continue to serve a two-year term after the City Council decided not to request a charter amendment that would have increased it to four years. The council in a split vote, and with Mayor Al Haidous abstaining, decided to not put the amendment on the November general election ballot. The decision came after hearing that, with the information pro-

vided, the Michigan attorney general's interpretation of the amendment would have the four-year term take effect immediately, if it was approved by voters. Residents will select a mayor in the November election. The long-time incumbent Haidous, 70, is being challenged by Donald Flynn, 80. The two men are campaigning for a two-year term. "A lot of people say two years was done for a reason," Councilman James Hawley

said. "To me, my thinking is that this wouldn't give people a fair chance to run for four years." "It was suggested that it be a four-year term, but we weren't think about how the election cycle would go, I think we should go back to two years," Mayor Pro Tem Pamela Dobrowolski said. **Not quite right** Resident Ron Roberts, who in the past has agreed the mayor needed a longer term, told

the council it doesn't seem right to change the term in "mid-stream." "What about the opponent? He's running for two years," Roberts said. "I understand the idea of linking this with the city council, but what's the purpose? You're not gaining anything other than the mayor running every four years." "If all the council and mayor were elected at the same time, you'd save money, but what are you gaining here," he added. "It still doesn't seem

quite right to me. This is like the Navy; you sign up for two years and serve four." Councilman Al Damitio voiced support for the amendment, saying that he thought it would be "prove to be beneficial." "There would be continuity of leadership, with two years they're just getting into office and have to run again," he said. Councilman Skip Monit agreed, saying that a two-year

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Wayne-Westland students get ready for TAG

Seven classrooms part of district's pilot Talented and Gifted Program

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Tuesday marks the start of a new school year, and for some 160 students in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools, it marks the start of a year that will challenge them far and above normal academics. The students are part of the school district's new pilot Talented and Gifted Program, launched this year for kindergarten through sixth-graders. The program is based at Walker-Winter Elementary in Canton and Adams and Marshall Upper Elementaries in Westland. "We have about 20 schools of choice students, but a majority of the students in the program are from within the district," said Paul Salah, deputy superintendent for instruction. "We accepted every Wayne-Westland student who qualified. We had some brilliant kids who applied." "We held an open house at the end of last year and you should have seen the interaction between the teachers and the students."

Specialized program Seven classrooms, depending on the grade level, have been set up to offer students a specialized educational program. Their teachers had to apply for and go through a rigorous interview process to be able to be part of the TAG program. "The teachers had to apply and we selected the candidates who had to teach a lesson," Salah said. "The selection was based on the highest performing teacher." The district had offered TAG classrooms at Marshall and Adams last year and will continue to do so this year. However, beginning in 2014-2015, the upper elementary TAG program will be housed at Marshall. "We had a fifth-grade class at Adams and didn't want to move them as sixth-graders to Marshall this year," Salah said. "Next year, it will all be at Marshall, which has more space." Once TAG students complete the K-6 program, they will be able to tap into advanced classes in the middle

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Westland couple waive hearing in sports betting case

Over \$700,000 in assets frozen

By LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

A Westland couple, facing felony charges for running what is described as a multi-county illegal sports betting operation, have waived their preliminary examination in Westland 18th District Court. John Zurich, 70, and his wife Ellen Jane Zurich, 68, are also charged with filing false tax returns. Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette's Criminal Division launched a joint investigation with the Westland Police Department after receiving a tip from that agency. During the course of the investigation, the AG Criminal

Division froze assets of approximately \$733,162 believed to be derived from the proceeds of the illegal gambling operation. The joint investigation found that John Zurich allegedly took straight bets as a bookie between Dec. 2, 2002, and May 1, 2012. It's also alleged that Zurich printed football betting cards at ArtCraft Printing in Detroit, which he owned and operated. The charges are that Zurich would print college and professional betting cards and distribute them across multiple contacts in counties, including Wayne, Oakland and Macomb. While Zurich primarily focused on college and professional football betting, he is alleged to have coordinated bets on college basketball as

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Sherrie Brindley and her granddaughter Alanah Lytle of Wayne cool down as they go through the mister at the CrossPointe Family Fest. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

Crowds flock to CrossPointe for Family Fest

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

The first year CrossPointe Community Church decided to invite folks to a free festival, the crowd numbered 350. That was eight years ago. Saturday, the congregation rolled out the welcome mat to more than 6,100 adults and children. "It was a great time. We were happy to serve the community," Associate Pastor Mick Devins said. In a posting on the church's Facebook page, Senior Pastor Phil DiLerna thanked congregation members who helped make the event happen. "I can just share my sincerest and most enthusiastic appreciation for everyone who served in any capacity before, during, and even after Family Fest," he wrote. "I think we experienced a 'maxed out' show and yet the faces and attitudes of all of who served was amazing to witness and if you think that others didn't notice ... think again. Again and again people would come up to me and acknowledge how kind, loving, and hard working all of you were."



CrossPointe Community Church members prepared thousands of hot dogs for the people who attended the eighth annual family fest on Saturday.

Plenty to do

The eighth annual Family Fest included food, activities, car show and clothing giveaway. Guests dined on hot dogs and chicken wraps, launched water balloons at each other, climbed a rock wall and had their pictures taken in the photo booth. For youngsters, there also was a laser tag

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 term doesn't give the mayor "time to have an impact."
'Brings continuity'
 "I was originally for four years because it brings continuity," he said. "It could end up with a voting bloc, if the mayor does his job well,

but it being an issue to cause concern, I'm certain that it would depend on what the council is voting for."
 Resident Ed McMurray urged the council to put the amendment on the November ballot.
 "I think like you, I'm in favor of letting it go to the people," he said.
 "There's always going to be a voting bloc — the mayor and three votes. This is the first time it's

not that solid of a block."
 Haidout told the council his reasoning for abstaining had to do in part with the potential for it benefiting him.
 "Anytime anything benefits an elected official, I abstain, and this might benefit this official," he said.

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TAG

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 schools and high schools.
 Because the school district considers the TAG program a specialized area, it provided the TAG teachers with professional development over the summer, including training with Ellen Fiedler. An expert in Talented and Gifted education who works

with the Michigan Association of Gifted Children, she has worked with the teachers to develop specific skills and strategies for teaching students with "exceptional abilities."
Time planning
 "The staff has spent quite a bit of time planning on how to build upon what they learned," Salah said. "We're geared up and ready to go."
 The district rolled out

the pilot program in December 2012 after spending almost a year put it together. At the time, Salah said it was the district's "obligation to remain competitive in a difficult day and age."
 "We have to compete and that means surpassing those around us. In education, the typical classroom doesn't meet the needs of gifted students," he said.

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HEARING

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 well.
 Ellen Jane Zunich is alleged to have handled all of the bookkeeping for both the legitimate aspects of the Detroit printing business and the illegal gambling operation. It is alleged that she had knowledge her hus-

band took illegal bets as a bookie, and was instrumental in allegedly making gambling proceeds appear as if they were legitimate income.
 John Zunich has been ordered bound over for trial on one count of conducting a criminal enterprise, punishable by 20 years in prison and/or \$100,000 fine, and one count of failure to file/false taxes, a 5-year felo-

ny and/or a \$5,000 fine.
 Ellen Jane Zunich was ordered to stand trial on one count of failure to file/false taxes.
 The couple are free on \$20,000 personal bond apiece and are scheduled for Wayne County Circuit Court arraignment on Sept. 9.

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Olivia, Joesph and Clara Kimbrough of Wayne pose next to a classic 1962 Ford Econoline van that was part of the festival car show. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

FESTIVAL

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 bounce house and face painting.
 The church which has a clothing closet ministry decided to make free clothes available to those who needed them. According to Devins, some 450 bags of clothes were given away during the festival.



Logan Greficz of Livonia tackles the climbing wall at the Family Fest.

"We get donations from all over, we have way more clothes available than we give away in a week," he said. "This worked out very well."
 The Family Fest stems from an annual fall focus the church would have the weekend after Labor Day. It was DiLernia who came up with the idea to reach beyond the congregation and host an event for the community.
 DiLernia, one of the "bunch of gear heads at the church," who helped get cars for the car show. According to Devins, he passed out 13,000 invitations to the car show at shows he attended with his GTO. The response was excellent. More than 400 cars were on display, including an 86-year-old REO Flying Cloud.

Fine tuning

Each year the organizers look at the event and what can be done differently. Waiting in long lines isn't something they want to see, Devins said. Last year there was a zip line but with an hour wait for a 15-second ride, it was replaced with the rock climbing wall and a laser tag bounce house.
 This year, they will look at the food lines.

Based on the 2012 attendance, they prepared food for 5,000. They ran out of hot dogs by 4 p.m.
 "I'm not sure what we'll do about the food," he said. "I don't know if we can grow any bigger. We've maxed out on parking and I'm not sure what we'll do about the food. We had long lines of people; we hate to see people waiting."
 Formerly the First Baptist Church of Wayne, the non-denominational CrossPointe Community Church is located on Glenwood in Wayne. It draws members from Wayne, Westland, Garden City, Canton, Romulus and Ypsilanti, Church members also come from as far away as Dexter and Brighton.
 "Every year it keeps getting bigger and bigger," Devins said. "We're blessed to have hundreds of people in the church who are happy to serve and to see people come on our campus and see all these people there to serve them."

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WORK ON ROBBERY EARNS KUDOS FROM WAYNE COUNCIL

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

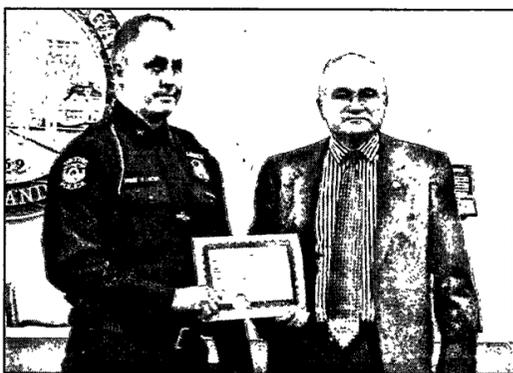
Three members of the Wayne Police Department were recognized for their efforts in apprehending two men accused of taking part in the July 17 robbery of Leo's Jewelry.

Officer David Hamlet, Deputy Chief Alan Maciag and Chief Jason Wright received certificates of appreciation from the Wayne City Council.

"An employee like you makes this city proud," Wayne Mayor Al Haidous said in honoring Hamlet. "You help keep our city safe and secure."

Hamlet was responding to the robbery when he was flagged down and advised that "someone was seen running down Ash Street who looked suspicious." Believing the person could be involved in the robbery, he began searching the area.

He is credited with "using sound patrol tactics" to locate and quickly arrest Jonathan Stalling, 20, of Battle Creek without incident and without backup.



Wayne Police Chief Jason Wright

Maciag and Wright were on their way to the jewelry store when they saw a car without a license plate turn on to Josephine Street. They also saw two people run down Mill and get into the car. The vehicle turned into Dynamite Park, where Wright was able to pin it against some rocks.

Two suspects escaped on foot into the park and, with the help of a Wayne County Sheriff's K-9 unit, officers were able to locate and arrest Quentin Goddard, 23, of Detroit.

Noting the size of the Wayne Police Department, Haidous pointed

out that Maciag and Wright left their offices to assist in the investigation.

"We can't thank you enough. We appreciate that kind of leadership," Haidous said.

"You were able to be there when needed. It shows the quality of the people who serve this city."

Haidous added that Wright, because of his position, "could get away with ramming the car, I can't."

"It makes us proud and the criminals know not to come to Wayne," he said. "It's not the

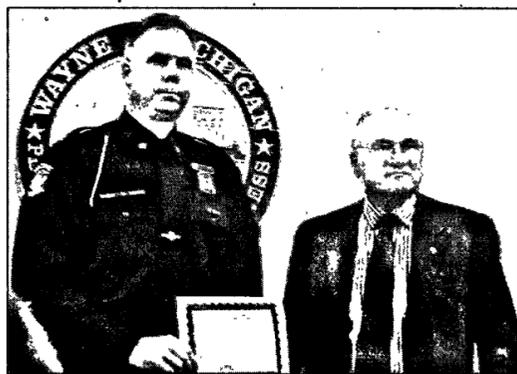


Wayne Mayor Al Haidous presents Wayne Police Officer David Hamlet with a resolution of appreciation for his actions during a July 17 robbery at Leo's Jewelry.

quantity of officers, it's the quality."

Goddard and Stalling have both been charged with armed robbery, larceny from person and larceny in a building. A preliminary hearing on the charges is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 27.

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Deputy Police Chief Alan Maciag was honored for his work in the apprehension of one of the suspects in Dynamite Park.

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WESTLAND COP CALLS

Break-ins

A construction company employee told police Aug. 22 that he arrived at a vacant home in the 31000 block of Alcona, which was undergoing rehabilitation Aug. 16, to find the rear door wall smashed and the home ransacked.

Reported missing were the water heater, furnace, dishwasher and copper wire. The employee said he was unsure how long the home had been vacant.

» On Aug. 25, a Westland woman told police that someone broke into her mother's home in the 1700 block of Westchester, which is in foreclosure. The rear door glass had been broken and the air

conditioning unit was missing.

The woman said she had last been at the house two days earlier. On Aug. 25, she said a neighbor was cutting the grass and reported smelling gas.

That was when the woman checked on the house and discovered the break-in. The officer noted copper pipe had been stolen including the gas line to the water heater. There was water on floor and a strong odor of natural gas.

Break-in

On Aug. 23, a resident of the Woodcrest Villa Apartments, 8295 Woodcrest, told police he went for a walk with his dog and returned 10 minutes later to find his apart-

ment door open. He said he was certain he locked the door and deadbolt, but no damage was found to the door.

He later found \$10 in quarter rolls missing from a storage closet just outside his apartment entrance. Checking his apartment further, the resident reported an older 12-gauge single-shot shotgun missing from his bedroom closet.

Attempted break-in

An attempted break-in was reported overnight Aug. 21 at the T-Mobile Cellular store, 34410 Ford. An employee told police she arrived to open the business and found a glass door smashed with a large piece of concrete but still

intact. All three entry doors had been pried, bowing and bending the frames.

The officer noted the electric meter box had also been pried. Security video reportedly showed a man arrive just before 4 a.m. and try to pry the doors open, then using a piece of concrete to smash the door. The footage reportedly showed the man, who was wearing gloves, repeatedly reaching through the hole attempting to unlock the door. The officer noted the suspect damaged the lock when he tried to pry it open. No entry was made.

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident in the 7300 block of Floral told police Aug. 20

that someone sawed the catalytic converter from her 2003 Chevrolet Cavalier while it was parked on the street overnight.

» On Aug. 23, a resident in the 34000 block of Tonquish Trail told police that someone stole the catalytic converter from her 2003 Pontiac overnight.

Larceny

A Westland man told police Aug. 21 that his son visited a friend in the 500 block of Forest the previous day and left his bicycle parked in the front yard. He said 15 minutes later the bike, a blue Kink transition, valued at \$500, was gone.

By LeAnne Rogers

Fire damages exterior of home

By Sue Buck
Staff Writer

Garden City fire officials have yet to determine the cause of a fire that damaged the exterior of a home in the 5700 block of Helen in Garden City on Monday, Aug. 26.

No one was home and no one was injured in the blaze, which was called in by a neighbor just after midnight.

When firefighters arrived, flames appeared to be coming out of the south side of the building, Fire Chief Catherine Harman said.

"As the firefighters gained entry through a privacy fence, they discovered that the fire was on the driveway at the exterior of the home," Harman said. "It was quickly reaching the soffits and roof of the home."

The firefighters

concentrated on applying water to the exterior of the house to cool it down. The effort was to prevent the fire from igniting the roof or breaching the soffits.

They also concentrated on the exterior of the home where there was a golf cart, a cab for a pickup, a work truck and other miscellaneous materials.

Automatic Aid had been activated, but was canceled after firefighters were able to quickly contain it.

"The crews checked the interior of the home for any fire extension and continued to apply water to the exterior, checking the temperature with the thermal imager," Harman said.

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Assault

On Aug. 24, a resident in the 35000 block of Richard told police that at about noon he was walking his backyard. When he turned the corner by his privacy fence, the resident said he was punched in the face one time by an unknown man.

The victim described the suspect as a white male in his mid 20s, short brown hair, 6 feet tall, wearing a gray shirt and blue jeans. The victim took himself to the hospital and was treated for his injuries.

WAYNE COP CALLS

Larceny

A garden gnome valued at \$30 was reported stolen from a home in the 4000 block of First Street. The resident reported the gnome had been stolen from her yard Aug. 20-22.

» On Aug. 24, a resident in 4000 block of Second told police that he parked his vehicle to unload luggage, leaving the vehicle doors unlocked. When he heard the vehicle door open and walked to the front of the vehicle, he said he noticed an unknown man sitting in his vehicle.

The man appeared to be intoxicated and ran away when the resident said he was calling the police.

The resident then discovered \$47 missing from his wallet which had been in the vehicle.

Vandalism

A resident in the 34000 block of Winslow told police Aug. 22 that someone cut the side wall of a tire on his vehicle overnight.

» A resident in the 32000 block of Bluebird Lane reported someone scratched her vehicle

from the rear quarter panel across the driver's side door, causing an estimated \$100 damage. She said the damage occurred Aug. 22-24.

Larceny from a vehicle

A GPS unit, headphones and a car tool kit valued at \$185 were reported stolen Aug. 26 from a vehicle parked in the 5200 block of Fletcher. The owner said he had left the vehicle parked unlocked overnight in the driveway.

By LeAnne Rogers

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Break-in

A man in the parking lot of a nearby bar reported a possible burglary in progress just after midnight Aug. 26.

He told Garden City Police he saw a man running out the front door of Solar Nails, 27587 Warren Road, and then get into a smaller sized vehicle and drive away southbound on Cardwell.

When the police and owner arrived, they discovered the front door glass was shattered.

Although the cash register was found open on the floor and near the counter, the owner said nothing had been stolen from the store.

Identity theft

A resident in the 400 block of Rose came to the lobby of the police station Aug. 26 to report that she suspects her

grandson has tried to use her personal information to open a credit card account.

She said that she was informed by Capital One that someone tried to open an account and asked for two cards, one for her address and one for a Deering Street address.

She said that she wants to prosecute because this is the second time he has tried to open such an account.

Property damage

A resident in the 28000 block of Hennepin reported at 9 a.m. Aug. 26 that he discovered damage to his 2009 Ford Escape when he went out to the vehicle in the morning to head to work.

He said there were multiple scratches on the driver's side of the bumper as well as a small dent. He doesn't know how it happened.

By Sue Buck

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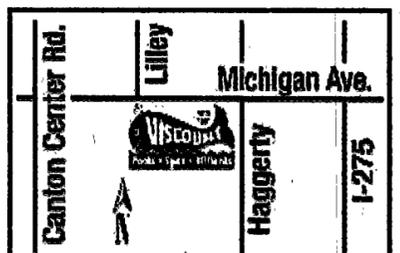
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Rick and Judy Miller of Garden City enjoy the day with their granddaughter Madison and their 1967 Ford Fairlane.



Karen Huges of Garden City reads about the history of the 1937 Seagrave Safety Sedan that is still used today for funerals for fallen firefighters.

OUT FOR A DRIVE



Frank Raymore Jr. of Westland touches up his 2011 Dodge Challenger SRTA that's meant for speed at the race track. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

60,000 classics, hot rods enjoy annual Hines Drive cruise

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

All Rich Schlamp can say about Sunday's Hines Drive cruises is "wow" with two exclamation points.

Schlamp was among fans who lined Hines Drive to watch classic cars and hot rods cruise the parkway from Ann Arbor Trail in Westland to Outer Drive in Dearborn Heights.

"I was parked at the bottom of the Merriman Road entrance, so I got to watch everyone coming in all day long," Schlamp wrote in a posting of Cruisin' Hines Facebook page Monday. "All I can say is wow. ... The cruise in general, best in the world!"

Comments like Schlamp's are music to the ears of organizer Don Nicholson, who has watched the event grow by leaps and bounds since it started three years ago.

"It was phenomenal," Nicholson said. "The first year, we hoped from 4,000-5,000 cars and got 25,000. Last year, it was 40,000. And this year, we estimate it was close to 60,000. Who knows how many to expect, but what I do know is that I expect people to have a good time. Most of the people did."

Lining up to cruise

This is the third year Nicholson has joined Wayne County Parks on putting on the one-day cruise. Its popularity had cruisers lined up from the entrance at Ann Arbor Trail to Plymouth Road and along Merriman past Warren Road.

Nicholson estimates that some 100 cars a minute were admitted to the parkway, but there were a few vehicles that overheated while waiting to get into the park.

Cruisers like Debra McDonald posted that "getting in was not fun, but once we were in it was fabulous." Susan Smith Gronowicz said "getting in was a nightmare, but we did get in. It was great."

And Gerry Silka described Cruisin' as the "best getting in Michigan."

Setting up for the cruise started at 3 a.m., with vendors entering the area between 6-8 a.m. Once they were in place, the gates were opened to cruisers, who this year began lining up at 6 a.m. Cars came from seven states and two Canadian provinces, Nicholson



Organizer Don Nicholson of Westland has a lot to smile about after an estimated 60,000 cruisers turned out for Sunday's Cruisin' Hines.

said. "There were a lot of cars down there this year. Our goal was to keep them moving," he said. "There were a lot of people sitting along the road, shoulder to shoulder. Merriman Hollow was full by 9:30 a.m., the lot at Perrinville School was full. Telegraph Road is our biggest area where we can hold 5,000 cars and that was 50 percent full. That's a lot of cars."

Watching the cars

Nicholson added that at the Warrendale area of the park, people were sitting on the hill with their umbrellas and tents to watch.

Nicholson recruited volunteers to help with the event and said they were phenomenal. Among them was a woman in her 80s whose husband worked at the Model T plant in Highland Park. Another volunteer, Ken Smith, was there at 3 a.m. and didn't leave until 7 p.m., Nicholson said.

The Hines Drive cruise is the only cruise in southeast Michigan in which



Deb and John Kummer of Westland sit with son Nico in the shade as they enjoy all the cars at Hines Park



Kathy and John Saylor of Westland enjoy their third year of the cruise held in Hines Park in Westland.

the road is restricted to only classics and hot rods. With the response to the event almost doubling each year, Nicholson, Wayne County Parks and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department are sitting down this week to go over the event and begin planning for next year. One of the things they'll be looking at is entrances and the possibility of having two for next year's cruise.

Nicholson also is considering a \$5 charge next year, with half of the amount going to Wayne County Parks.

"We've had a lot of responses to the cruise. A lot of people are saying great things," he added.

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Juli Bima, with his cousin Nasiel of Westland and his son Maximus, enjoys the cars at the Cruisin' Hines.

Livonia school board to solicit bids for waste removal services

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

Livonia Public Schools will go out for bid for waste removal services after the board rejected the administration's recommendation Monday to renew its agreement with Waste Management for another three years.

A motion to authorize Superintendent Randy Liepa to execute a three-year agreement with Waste Management calling for a 3-percent increase the first year, a 2.5-percent increase the second year and a 2-percent increase the third year failed in a 3-3 vote. The district paid Waste Management about \$83,000 for waste removal services last school year.

Trustee Randy Roulier said he objected to the motion for consistency's sake. Earlier Monday, the board had approved the purchase of \$86,953 in custodial paper products from HP Products in Indianapolis after receiving bids from 10 companies. HP Products was the lowest bidder. Roulier said that expenditure, which the district put out for bid, is about the same as the cost for waste removal services.

Board Vice President Colleen Burton, who made the motion, said the district has received excellent service from Waste Management, which hasn't raised its prices for LPS since 2010. Administrators surveyed area districts to find out what they are paying for waste removal and while two of the handful of districts that responded paid less than Waste Management

wanted to charge LPS, the rest were higher, she said.

Trustee Tammy Bonifield said there's no guarantee that if Waste Management bids on the services, it will honor the price it quoted for extending its agreement. According to the agreement, Waste Management would absorb all fuel fluctuations, waive its recent Regulatory Cost Recover Charge to cover increases in regulatory costs associated with landfills, waste disposal taxes and over the road taxes, and swap out all damaged cans at no additional charge.

Board President Mark Johnson said he knows what he's getting with Waste Management. "A bird in the hand is worth two in a bush," he said.

But Trustee Eileen McDonnell said competition is a good thing. "I think it's worth a gamble in my opinion," she said.

Burton, Johnson and Bonifield voted for the motion; Roulier, McDonnell and trustee Julie Robinson voted against it. Board Secretary Dianne Laura was absent from the meeting.

In other action Monday, the board:

- Appointed Southfield-based Barton Malow as the technology designers for implementation of the 2013 bond projects at a proposed cost of \$1.17 million and authorized Liepa to negotiate and execute final contracts with Barton Malow on the board's behalf. The \$195 million bond, approved by voters in May, includes \$25.8 million in technology upgrades.

The appointment, recommended by con-

sultants Plante Moran CRESA, was based on bids from eight firms and interviews of four of those firms by Plante Moran CRESA and district representatives. Barton Malow earned the highest score based on a criteria-based selection process, according to Plante & Moran partner Judy Wright.

Barton Malow was No. 2 by a "small gap" going into the interviews, but "leapfrogged" into the No. 1 position, Wright said. Their selection was based on their K-12 technology bond experience, staff expertise and proposed fee, Wright said.

Johnson noted how important the interview process for companies bidding on bond work is. "Anyone coming in, be prepared," he said.

- Approved a resolution endorsing the principles and goals of the Common Core State Standards for English/language arts and math as adopted by the state board of education in 2010 and urging the Michigan Legislature to support and fund their continued implementation in Michigan's public education system.

According to the resolution, failure to implement the Common Core State Standards will jeopardize the waiver Michigan received under the No Child Left Behind Act, causing a majority of schools districts in the state to fall below the adequate year-to-year progress standard and lead to confusion and frustration for teachers and students as to what is expected of them.

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Anderson: Health care bill is 'real tax savings'

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Glenn Anderson is glad the state Senate has finally moved forward on legislation to extend health care coverage to nearly half a million low-income Michigan residents, including 130,234 people in Wayne County.

The Westland Democrat spent part of his summer helping to usher the Medicaid expansion through as a member of a special work group assigned to review the bill.

However, Anderson who represents Westland, Garden City, Redford and Livonia, is disappointed that the partisan politics prevented the bill from taking immediate effect, jeopardizing the timing of implementing Medicaid expansion and potentially costing the state millions of dollars because of this delay.

"I had hoped sound policy would finally win out over politics, and we did clear a very important hurdle today, but unfortunately this issue will not truly be resolved until the Senate Majority revisits the immediate effect vote," he said.

"This bill will ultimately result in real tax savings to us all, by reduced subsidies for hospitals for uncompensated care and emergency rooms and by impacting positive healthy choices for this segment of our population," he added.

It was Sen. Patrick Colbeck, who is steadfastly against the expansion of Medicaid, made sure HB 4714 couldn't pass — on the first vote — when it came up for a vote in the Senate Tuesday.

Vote to abstain
Colbeck, the Canton Township Republican

who has proposed his own alternative to the bill, abstained Tuesday, effectively killing the bill, which died from a 19-18 vote. Since the bill needed 20 votes to pass, Colbeck's action left Lt. Gov. Brian Calley hanging, unable to cast the tie-breaking vote.

"If I had voted, it would have passed, because (Calley) had said he would vote for it," Colbeck said. "Even a 'no' vote would have been a 'yes' vote, so I didn't vote."

That didn't stop the bill from passing — eventually. The Senate voted to allow reconsideration of the vote before going into recess to try and hammer out a compromise. When they came out, an amendment that says hospitals can't charge Medicaid patients more than 155 percent of what they charge Medicare patients was offered.

'High risk venture'
Colbeck, who sponsored an alternative bill

that would have basically scrapped Medicaid for a state-subsidized program that included high deductibles for low-income Michiganders, called the expansion "unconscionable."

"Hitching our wagon to this Obamacare train is a high risk venture," he said. "If this goes into effect, 30 percent of our population is going to be on Medicaid, and then 70 percent is going to be paying for 30 percent."

Since the Senate failed to get the two-thirds vote necessary to make the bill effective immediately, it won't go into effect until sometime next year.

Before the second vote, Colbeck was asked what would happen if the bill failed to pass.

"We stay fiscally solvent," Colbeck said.

Gannett News Service and Staff Writer Brad Kadrich contributed to this report.

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Preparing your child for college

It's late August and kids are back or getting ready to go back to school.

If you have a child going to college there are some things to do to make sure your he or she is protected. I say child but the reality is they are adults and because of that there are some issues to resolve.

The first is to obtain some power of attorneys for your child.

As a legal adult you have no rights when it comes to your children. If there was a medical emergency with your child you would not necessarily be contacted nor would you have any rights. Because of that it is important to obtain a medical durable power of attorney for your child. In case of an emergency you, the parents, should be contacted and you shouldn't have to go to court to be involved. Your child needs to do a medical durable power of attorney naming you in that power.

In addition, you may also wish to obtain a durable power of attorney. A durable power of attorney would allow you to handle issues above and beyond medical if something happens to your child.

The nice thing about medical durable power of attorneys and durable power of attorneys is there are many fill-in-the-blank forms that you can use so you avoid legal fees. Visit my website for some fill-in-the-blank forms that you can use.

Health insurance is another issue to address. Make sure that your child is properly



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covered either under your plan or one that you are purchasing for them.

Another insurance need to explore is whether their personal items that they bring to college (such as a laptop) are insured. Typically, your homeowner's coverage covers your children when they're away at school. However, it is important to confirm that with your agent. If your child is not covered under your homeowners policy, then make a determination whether you should obtain coverage or not.

Remember, whether you insure personal property is no different than any other type of coverage. The question is if a loss occurs is it going to be a financial loss. If yes, consider insurance.

Good luck to all those who are headed back to college or who are starting college for the first time. This is an exciting time in your life and going to college and receiving a quality education is the best investment you will ever make.

I believe that the future is much brighter for those with a college education.

Good luck!

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

AROUND WAYNE AND WESTLAND

Flower sale

Spring is in the air! With summer dwindling down, winter is unfortunately right behind. But before Old Man Winter comes, why not take a moment to plan out your flowers for the spring and help the Ss. Simon and Jude Catholic Parish. Church members are selling flower bulbs that can be planted before the snow arrives. There are 26 varieties to pick from with prices ranging from \$8 to \$25, most are around \$10-\$15. The church receives 50 percent of the sale proceeds.

Place an individual order of \$40 or more and receive 8 Tête-à-Tête Daffodils for free. Orders will be taken until Sept. 21-22 and delivery will be in October. A \$5 delivery fee will not be charged on orders placed at Mass. The \$5 shipping fee does apply to online orders.

For more information, visit flowerpowerfundraising.com/campaign?campaign_id=16623.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Dyer Senior Center in Westland is holding its first monthly spaghetti dinner of the fall from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20. Enjoy spaghetti, salad and dessert, as well as entertainment, for just \$6. The center's monthly night will be 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5.

The center also has euchre and bingo at 1 p.m. Wednesdays and pinochle is played at 1 p.m. Fridays.

The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland. For more information, call (734) 419-2020.

Golf outing

The John Glenn High School Wrestling Program will hold its 16th annual golf outing fundraiser Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Idyl Wyld Golf Course, 35786 Five Mile, Livonia.

The cost is \$85 for golf, cart, lunch at the

turn and steak dinner after golf. Hole sponsorship and raffle donations are also being accepted. All donations are welcome.

Contact Coach Polk at rocketwrestling@gmail.com or Judy at 734-634-4595 with questions, further information or reservations. More information is available at glennwrestling.com.

Concert in Park

TC and the Cats will close out the Concerts in the Park series at Wayne's Goudy Park on Wednesday, Sept. 4. The group will be playing oldies and classics.

The concert will follow the Wayne Farmers Market. It's sponsored by Henry's Service Center, Papa Romano's, Wayne Rotary, Wayne Civitans, Wayne Ripple Effect and the Wayne Dispatch.

Mom to Mom

McKinley Cooperative Preschool is holding a Mom 2 Mom Sale from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday Sept. 21, inside St. John's Episcopal Church at 555 S. Wayne Road, south of Cherry Hill, Westland.

There will be approximately 40 tables with a big item area. There will be concessions and a bake sale. Admission is \$1 per person, and strollers are allowed. Table rental is \$20 for an eight-foot table.

A contract is available at mckinleypreschool.org/mom2mom and can be sent to Rebecca Lay at becca-new1027@yahoo.com.

American Legion

The American Legion, Westland Post 251, meets at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Harris-Kehrer VFW Post, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. All veterans, male and female with an honorable discharge are welcome to join. Visit post251.org or call 734-326-2607.



Cheryl Vatcher-Martin worked on her latest novella, "Time Travelers: Suzanne's Journey" during NaNoWri Mo last November. FILE PHOTO

Author's novella gets published

Last November Cheryl Vatcher-Martin embarked on National Novel Writing Month, a 30-day writing adventure, in the hopes of writing another novel.

Vatcher-Martin was able to accomplish her goal, penning "Time Travelers: Suzanne's Journey" during the one-month period even after her two main computers crashed and died.

"There were more words compiled in both computers than I could even imagine, over 10 plus years on one and the other over three years," Vatcher-Martin said.

"I was in a tailspin with trying to figure out how to restore data and continue on with my work, I felt it was best for me to still participate in National Novel Writing Month. I'm so happy I did."

Vatcher-Martin was able to find a place to extract the data from the hard drive. Her goal was to try to restore "the old work horse" so it could work on an older program. It was accomplished. She also had found a laptop weeks before the two decided to crash, so she had a computer to work on.

"Along the way I knew that I needed to try and do some fine tuning to my national novel writing month piece," she said. "Being a last minute gal, I procrastinated until almost the very last minute."

In June, she was on deadline to complete her National Novel Writing Month book, "Time Travelers: Suzanne's Journey," through Create Space. All National Novel Writing Month Winners were given a code through Create Space to get five free copies of the book, if it was submitted and ready to print by June 30.

"There were some hair-raising moments when I feared that my book would not be ready by the deadline, and lucky for me, I did get it done," Vatcher-Martin said.

A fictional narrative and time travel novella, "Time Travelers" made its public debut at the Redford Township Library on Aug. 17.

"Time Travelers: Suzanne's Journey" is available online at amazon.com.

For more information, contact Vatcher-Martin at pe-roinc5@comcast.net.

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O&E publisher to head Daily Press & Argus

Susan Rosiek, a veteran Detroit-area community journalist and publisher, has been named to head the *Livingston County Daily Press & Argus* and *Livingston Daily.com*. Gannett Michigan President Joyce Jenereaux announced.

Rosiek, publisher and executive editor of *Observer & Eccentric Media*, will also continue to oversee the 13 O&E suburban Detroit properties, which include the *Farmington Observer*, *Livonia Observer* and the *Birmingham Ec-*



Rosiek

centric, and *Hometownlife.com*. O&E and *Livingston* are both owned by Gannett Co., Inc., one of the nation's leading media and marketing solutions companies, with holdings in digital, mobile, broadcast and print media.

The appointment is effective Sept. 4, the date upon which *Livingston General Manager* and Executive Editor Rich

Perlberg has announced he will retire.

"Sue will bring outstanding experience in community journalism to her new *Livingston* responsibilities and is well-qualified to carry on the tradition of excellence at the *Press & Argus* that Rich Perlberg built," Jenereaux said.

Rosiek has spent more than 25 years in journalism, primarily at the *Observer & Eccentric*, in a variety of reporting and editing roles. She has served as publisher and executive editor of *Ob-*

server & Eccentric Media since September 2009.

She is a metro Detroit native and a graduate of Michigan State University. She serves on the boards of St. Joseph Mercy Health System and the Livonia Community Foundation. She is also a member of the Women's Giving Circle of the Canton Community Foundation.

Rosiek lives in Plymouth Township with her husband Steve Barnaby. They have a son, Ian Barnaby.

BCBS, UM sweepstakes focuses on men's health issues

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network are partnering with the University of Michigan to launch The Michigan Football Experience Sweepstakes, a fan contest with a vital message — early detection of cancer through regular visits to the doctor can lead to vastly improved health outcomes for those facing the disease.

The program, launched Monday, will culminate at the Michigan Wolverines' Nov. 30 game against Ohio State. One winner will receive a trip for two to attend the Michigan Wolverines' next bowl game. Four additional winners will receive an opportunity to participate in the Michigan Men's Football Experience, and another five winners will have the opportunity to attend the Michigan Women's Football Academy.

This collaborative effort is designed to increase awareness of Men's health issues, focusing on prostate cancer awareness, early detection and prevention, and U of M's "Men of Michigan" Prostate Cancer Research Fund.

In 2002, while CEO of Dom-

ino's Pizza, Dave Brandon, UM athletic director and former football player under Bo Schembechler, was diagnosed with prostate cancer. Immediately following the diagnosis, Brandon underwent surgery, performed by UM physician Dr. James E. Montie, and pledged to support prostate cancer research. Now, Brandon leads efforts surrounding the Michigan Men's Football Experience, an annual event raising funds for the "Men of Michigan" Prostate Cancer Research Fund.

Brandon, along with former football coach Lloyd Carr, created the Michigan Men's Football Experience in 2009 to offer a program where attendees learn exactly what it's like to be a member of the Michigan Wolverines football team.

The Michigan Men's Football Experience has become one of the most successful support programs for the UM Health System Prostate Cancer Research Program, raising more than \$1 million to date.

The Michigan Women's Football Academy, held annually since 1997, brings together female football fans to ben-

efit the Patient and Family Services Program at the University of Michigan's Comprehensive Cancer Center. The academy has raised nearly \$2 million over the past 12 years.

Individuals who enter the online sweepstakes have the opportunity to win:

» Grand Prize: An all-expense paid trip to an upcoming bowl game (one winner).

» Prize package for winner and a guest includes two game tickets, airfare, lodging and two passes to an official, pre-game hospitality event.

» First Prizes: Michigan Men's Football Experience (four winners) and Michigan Women's Football Academy (five winners).

Registration for The Michigan Football Experience Sweepstakes can be done at www.mgoblue.com/promotions/bcbsm-contest. It's open through Nov. 18. For more information on Men's health, prostate cancer and the benefits of early detection and prevention, visit AHealthierMichigan.org.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network are nonprofit corporations and independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. For more company information, visit www.bcbsm.com.

Simple way to organize notes

Today's sunny note is so simple you might respond with, "seriously ... that's it?" But this is a great little tip to help stay organized, at home or at work.

Keep it together.

If you've ever grumbled, "I know I jotted it down somewhere..." as you shuffled around looking for a note, then you're with me on this one. Instead of using little notepads, scratch paper or whatever is laying around to write on, keep one thick spiral notebook on your desk. (I like spiral because the pages fold flat.)

Train yourself to write every note, every scribble, in the book and nowhere else. What will happen next is like magic. All the little notepapers will disappear right along with the hassle of locating them. Plus, the record of notes can go back for months before it's time for a new notebook.

I decided this idea is worth sharing because over time a number of people have commented about my notebook and their inclination to do the same thing after seeing it. I originally got the idea years ago from another organized businessperson after seeing his note-



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book and saying to myself, "I can't believe I'm not already doing that!" It's been handy ever since.

Happy writing — and have a sunny day!

Clarity

P.S. "A place for everything, and everything in its place."

Isabella Mary Beeton (1836-1865), famous English cookery writer and author of *Mrs. Beeton's Book of Household Management*.

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New physicians

Garden City Hospital welcomed the following new medical staff members, which has supplemented the realm of services available to the public:

» Dr. Antonious Attallah, Cardiology — Dr. Attallah is board certified in internal medicine and cardiology. He attended New Jersey Medical School and completed his fellowship program at Henry Ford Hospital. He has offices at 2421 Monroe St., Suite 101, Dearborn, 313-791-3000.

» Dr. Christina Blevins, Internal Medicine — Dr. Blevins is no stranger to Garden City Hospital. Specializing in internal medicine, Dr. Blevins completed her residency training at Garden City Hospital. She attended Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. She has an office at 6255 Inkster Road, Suite 101, Garden City, 734-421-4850.

» Dr. Antoinette Byrd-Carr, Obstetrics and Gynecology — Dr. Byrd-Carr specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. She attended Ohio State University and completed both her internship and residency training at Oakwood Hospital. She has an office at 9724 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, 313-841-3400.

» Dr. Lauren Coe, Emergency Medicine — Dr. Coe is one of Garden City Hospital's newest emergency room physicians. She attended Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed her residency training at McLaren-Oakland.

» Dr. Robert Covington, Emergency Medicine — Dr. Covington specializes in emergency medicine at Garden City Hospital. He attended Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine and trained at Garden City Hospital.

» Dr. Wayer Katrib, Internal Medicine — Specializing in internal medicine, Dr. Katrib completed his residency at Oakwood Hospital. He attended the University of Aleppo for medical school. He has an office at 18101 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, 313-593-8659.

» Dr. Sara Ornazian, Emergency Medicine — Dr. Ornazian is an emergency medicine physician at Garden City Hospital. She attended Pikeville College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed both her internship and residency training at McLaren-Oakland.

» Dr. Nicholas Packey, Family Practice — As the newest member of the Garden City Hospital Center for Family Medicine in Garden City, Dr. Packey will be specializing in Family Medicine. He attended Michigan State University College of osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency at Garden City Hospital. He has an office at 30730 Ford Road, Garden City, 734-421-7474.

» Dr. Kristopher Richardson, Emergency Medicine — Dr. Richardson specializes in emergency medicine. He attended Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences and completed his internship and residency training at McLaren-Oakland.

» Dr. Laurie Vance, Radiology — Board certified in radiology, Dr. Vance is the newest physician to join Garden City Hospital's Imaging Services department. She attended Wayne State University and completed her internship, residency, and fellowship program at Henry Ford Hospital.

» Dr. David Weidendorf, Internal Medicine — Dr. Weidendorf specializes in internal medicine. He attended St. George's University and finished his residency training at Oakwood Hospital. He has an office at 18101 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, 313-593-8659.

» Dr. Kelly Welsh, Emergency Medicine — Dr. Welsh is one of Garden City Hospital's newest emergency department physicians. He graduated from Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences and completed his internship and residency programs at McLaren-Oakland.

For more information or to make an appointment with one of Garden City Hospital's new or existing physicians, contact the Physician Referral Line at 877-717-WELL or visit GCH.org.

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OUR VIEWS

Join the discussion about labor's future

Students: Work hard and you'll find answers

What was once a holiday for "workingmen and their families" has been transformed over the years into what has now become a time to focus on the economic status of workers, as well as the civic rights and responsibilities for those workers.

Nowhere is that more true than here in the metropolitan Detroit area, where emergency managers are tearing up contracts in Detroit and Pontiac and where such issues as right-to-work and minimum wage are topics for nearly daily discussion.

That is the reality of the modern workers' movement that was originally fomented in the 18th century, burnished in the 19th and that achieved prominence and power in the 20th. It was on the cusp of the latter two that Labor Day, being celebrated this year Sept. 2, was officially enacted by Congress on June 28, 1894.

Now, 119 years later, workers find their movement shaken to its very core, while productivity demands have increased. Economists are often quoted as saying that an uncertain economy — and the looming implications of "Obamacare" — are keeping employers from hiring more workers, keeping jobless rates high, at least in Michigan.

There are always lots of statistics to go with any piece on work and labor, but our purpose here is not to focus so much on the numbers as on the reality — and on what it means to all the teenagers who are heading into high school the very day after Labor Day.

This is for them.

By now, you all have your class schedule, have compared it with friends and made frantic calls to the school to get the wrong courses listed changed. Those schedules have been carefully chosen to comply with state education mandates, but they also have been chosen with your future careers in mind.

Do you find yourself in a drama class or in calculus? The difference will have an impact on what you do — meaning what you work at — in the future.

There are some among you who will never enter the work force, whether because of marriage or parenthood or misfortune, but most of you will. You know you are supposed to work, because that is what people do — but why?

Each of you will find your own answers to that one and, fortunately, there is an endless variety of options. The important thing for you to remember is that whatever you and your classmates choose to do, all work, as long as it is honest, is honorable.

Consider the bumblebee. The so-called "queen" is the only one to winter over. She builds the nest in the spring, lays eggs and generally gets things on a production schedule. Definitely a matriarchal society. The queen is the "boss," so to speak. But there are also the foragers who go out into the world to gather the necessary ingredients for the colony's end product and then, of course, there are the honey bees themselves.

Each is important, each has a role to play, from the queen to the worker bee. Without either, there would be no colony.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, in 2010 there were more people working as teachers — 3.073 million — than any other profession. The next job ranking was the janitorial field, with 1.445 million workers.

Where would you be without either one? Who would tell you how to breathe into that band instrument and who would clean up after a band concert?

Whatever role you choose in the world of work, know that you will be part of the larger picture. Take a good look at it now, because that may have an impact on what you choose for your future.

For instance, if you want to flip burgers, fine. But at a minimum wage of \$7.40 an hour, your future options outside of work will be limited. Is the \$10 an hour minimum wage right for Michigan? Be a part of the discussion; it's your future, too.

Should government employees be forced to take pay cuts? No? What is your solution to balancing budgets and providing services like garbage pickup?

Finding those answers is work, too. Here's the best part: Work hard and you'll find the answers, but work smart. No matter what you and your classmates decide to pursue in the future, it's all good.

Take a moment this Labor Day, no matter where you are, to talk with your parents about their work lives. And remember, at the drive-through or at the lifeguard stand, to say thanks for working this Labor Day.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What are your plans for the Labor Day holiday?

We asked this question at Tattan Park in Westland.



"We're going to a house warming party and a barbecue."

Ashley Waibel
Westland



"We have property up north with my husband's family. We'll be going there."

Bethany Cornett
Livonia



"We'll probably stay at home, hang out and have a barbecue with friends."

Nicole Grove with daughter Elena
Westland



"We're just going to hang out with family ... nothing much."

Debbie Baker
Canton

LETTERS

Grandiose plan?

The only reason I can think that Paul Werhane wants the city to be financially responsible for the library, even though we pay 1 mill for its operation, is that he and his gang have some grandiose plans about either building or buying a new building.

When (David) Harvey was around, the same people wanted a bond issue to build a new library. Fortunately, the majority of people let common sense guide their vote. I remember reading in the *Observer* a while back that some of the board mentioned buying or building. So their goal is to build something we don't need and pass the cost onto the city, effectively dipping into our pockets twice — once with the millage, and once through the General Fund.

The city leadership should have shut the library down when they had the chance. Now, in the near future, it is going to cost us taxpayers big time.

I will take this time to apologize to my son for suggesting he buy a house here. As Ron White says, "you can't fix stupid."

Mark Czajka
Garden City

Offended by comments

Just an email to let you know how offended I was by the comments made about Kevin Coleman at the last city council meeting. I am a Friendship Center member who exercises there and does Zumba classes there. He has come to a few of our Zumba classes and the ladies have really liked it.

It's so sad that everything is so political and so negative when he is obviously trying to do what's best for our senior citizens and the city as a whole.

I know Kevin very well. I used to own the Curves in Westland on Wayne Road. Being a small business owner, he would come and visit the small businesses when he was campaigning for the last election. I never saw him with the buttons that they were talking about either. The literature that was presented at the meeting was obviously from someone's door.

Sharon Perry
Westland

Facts about library

I have seen many misconceptions concerning our library recently. Therefore, I would like to share some things from my long service on the Garden City Library Board.

Firstly, the Garden City Library, which was established in Mrs. Kubec's living room long

before the incorporation of the city, was never a branch of the county library. For many years, services were purchased from the county library and later from the Wayne Oakland Library Federation.

Professional staff, purchasing, book processing, and other support was provided under this agreement, but all costs were the responsibility of the city. One of my tasks as chairman of the board was explaining this at budget time to each new administration. At least one city manager sometimes had never known of a public library.

At the time, the present city charter was being considered, I waited to be called but was not. When I asked a member of the commission why, I found that they thought that because it was a branch of the county library, it need not be covered by the charter. I informed him otherwise. I was never called but the library was provided for in the charter.

It was the result of a struggle to save the library in the 1970s that the city decided to no longer purchase professional staffing through the county but to continue purchasing other services.

Donald Pruden
Garden City

No to Common Core

This letter is to express my fear that the common core curriculum will be continued in our Michigan public schools. I do not believe that teachers, legislators and parents realize what it is all about and what it will or will not do for (or to) our children.

Common core will essentially put all schools (public, private, religious and home) at the mercy of the federal government. And I do not believe that common core will make children smarter either. Their academic level is lower than many states use now. The math standards are very inferior.

Much of my information (and much more) comes from the "Phyllis Schlafly Report" (July 2013) which can be found on the website www.eagleforum.org.

As a taxpayer in Michigan, a former teacher and a concerned grandparent, I urge you to disassociate all Michigan schools from the Common Core curriculum before it is too late. Don't sacrifice our children's education to the whim of the federal government. Keep education decisions in the state.

Beverly Bettega
Westland

DIA Detroit centerpiece

A drive down Woodward will give you an interesting picture of

what Detroiters value. The tranquil redeveloped riverfront, with its gardens, fountains and public artwork, begins the thoroughfare of the financial district's skyscrapers and trendy office space.

The serene Campus Martius, the cafés, Comerica Park and the historic theaters eventually trail off into the blighted neighborhoods, empty factories and neglected lots we're all accustomed to seeing on the evening news.

Yet just further north, the cityscape transforms: the cultural spirit of Detroit, the museums, cathedrals, galleries and music halls form the supporting roles of Michigan's greatest cultural treasure for more than a century: the Detroit Institute of Arts.

I remember taking three city buses downtown to take an art class at the DIA on Saturday mornings. At the same time came the decreased support from Lansing, the white flight, Mayor Young's infamous statement "It's our turn now" and riots that led us down the path of de facto segregation, economic inequality, political disintegration and now bankruptcy.

Yet despite all these years and hardships, the DIA has remained the truly unbreakable link between Detroiters and residents of surrounding suburbs. The threats facing the DIA should be our wake-up call to work together.

We tend to look at the city of Detroit's Chapter 9 bankruptcy as another external financial crisis, one in which the arts are yet again the forefront of the sacrifice needed to be made for stability. This is not one of those cases. Our culture is not a bargaining tool for greedy Wall Street creditors that failed to see the risk in Detroit's junk bonds.

We all have an incentive for the economic prosperity of the city of Detroit and the DIA is a major focal point for these shared interests. Thriving urban centers not only support world-class culture and museums, those institutions give life to their communities as well. For well over a century, the DIA has served this purpose, to exist as the cultural beacon of the state of Michigan and linking everyone together — black and white, rich and poor — through art.

We cannot turn away from Detroit because we live in the suburbs. The division between the city and suburbs has gone on for too long. We all have an incentive for the economic prosperity of the city of Detroit and the DIA is the centerpiece for our shared interests.

Natalie Mosher
Canton

OUR VIEWS

Government access must be affordable

Government accountability doesn't only mean public officials must conduct their business in the open. That requirement is important, of course, and laws such as Michigan's Open Meetings Act prevent our elected representatives from trying to pull a fast one behind closed doors.

But our government must meet another obligation. When members of the public ask for documents, the government must provide them.

That only stands to reason. It's not enough to watch government in action. The public deserves to see the government's information.

The Michigan Freedom of Information Act is the state Open Meetings Act's companion. It requires public institutions — state and local government, public universities and public school districts — to provide information such as employees'

salaries, police reports and other documents.

There are exceptions. Officials could reject FOIA requests only if the information sought might undermine ongoing law enforcement proceedings, violate attorney-client privilege, or cause the illegal release of medical or student records.

That sounds good in principle. But it doesn't always work out so well in practice.

Public institutions have as many as five days to respond to a request or declare an extension of as many as 10 business days is needed to furnish the information. Fees also can be charged. Although they are supposed to be limited to the costs of mailing, duplication or publication, the fees aren't always reasonable.

State Rep. Mike Shirkey, R-Clark Lake, wants to do something about that. The legislation he introduced caps copying fees

for FOIA-request documents at 10 cents a page.

This is the second time Shirkey has proposed the reform, and he deserves credit for defending the public's right to know.

"Costs associated with FOIA had grown to the point they had become a barrier to information the public was otherwise supposed to ordinarily have," Shirkey said in a statement. "If you can't afford to get it, you obviously can't read it."

His legislation, House Bill 4001, also applies a 20 percent fee reduction for each day the requested information is late.

It's not enough to give citizens a way to obtain documents from their government. Acquiring the information ought to be easy, not cost-prohibitive.

Freedom of information isn't an imposition. It's a right. Shirkey's bill deserves the Legislature's support.

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WISH YOU WERE HERE

Mike Veltri of Westland is joined by his brother-in-law and wife Richard and Sandy Johnson and their children Devin and Haila of White Lake in Punta Gorda, Fla., for Wish You Were Here. They were in Punta Gorda to help celebrate the 500th anniversary of Ponce de Leon landing in what he called "La Florida," flowery land. Retired from the Wayne Assembly

Plant, Veltri owns a condo in Punta Gorda and says he's a "future snow bird." If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason as a jpg at smaison@hometownlife.com or by mail to her attention at 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

CELIAC SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16.
Location: First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.
Details: Tri County Celiac Support Group is holding a general meeting. The doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.

OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4.
Location: Westland Free Methodist Preschool, 1421 S. Venoy, Westland.
Details: Enroll at the Open House for classes which begin in September and save half off the enrollment fee - a \$25 savings. Westland Free Methodist Preschool is a tuition-based Christian preschool that offers classes for 3- and 4-year-olds. It offers a theme-based curriculum taught by certified teachers and includes all the basic preschool academic skills as well as a low child-teacher ratio, indoor gym and outdoor playground.

Contact: For more information, to schedule a tour or enroll, call 734-728-3559 or send an email to wfmppreschool@yahoo.com.

PRESCHOOL SIGNUPS

Time/Date: Ongoing.
Location: Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool, 36660 Cherry Hill, in Westland.
Details: Willow Creek Preschool is enrolling for the 2013-2014 school year. Willow Creek offers preschool classes for 4-year-olds, 3-year-olds and a tot to toddler class.
Contact: Call 734-326-0078 or visit www.willowcreekpreschool.com.

Location: Westland Free Methodist Preschool, 1421 S. Venoy, Westland.

Details: The Westland Free Methodist Preschool is enrolling for the 2013-14 year. Enroll now and save half off the enrollment fee, a \$25 savings value. The preschool is a tuition-based Christian program that offers classes for 3-4-year-old children. It offers a theme-based curriculum taught by certified teachers and includes all the basic preschool academic skills as well as a low child-teacher ratio, indoor gym and outdoor playground.
Contact: For more information, to schedule a tour or enroll, call 734-728-3559, visit preschool.livesarechanging.com or email wfmppreschool@yahoo.com.

MOM TO MOM

Time/Date: noon to 4 p.m. Saturday Sept.
Location: McKinley Cooperative Preschool, inside St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland.
Details: Approximately 40 tables, with a big-item area. There will be concessions and a bake sale. Admission is \$1 per person and strollers are allowed.
Contact: A contract, is available to rent an 8-foot table for \$20 at www.mckinleypreschool.org/mom2mom. For more information, email Rebecca Lay at beccanew1027@yahoo.com.

TRIP TO NYC

Time/Date: Oct. 3-9.
Location: New York City.
Details: The Garden City Public Schools Leisure Program is offering a trip to New York City in October. The price is \$699 per person and includes seven days, six nights, double occupancy and motor coach transportation. Also included are 10 meals - six breakfasts and four dinners - two guided tours of New York City. See Central Park, Rockefeller Center, Times Square, Wall Street, and much more.
Contact: For more information, call Cambridge Leisure Department at 734-762-8430, ext. 306.

BOWLING BENEFIT

Time/Date: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 5 (check in starts at noon).

Location: Town and Country Lanes, 1100 S. Wayne Road, Westland.

Details: \$12 per bowler (any age welcome to bowl) includes two games of bowling, shoe rental and pizza and pop. Raffle tickets will be on sale for over 50 awesome local business prizes and baskets. Any registered bowler that is 5 years old or younger will be entered into a "kids raffle" for free.

Contact: Registration form available online at mckinleypreschool.org/fundraising-information. They can be emailed to Rebecca Lay at beccanew1027@yahoo.com. Call her at 734-776-7741.

FALL CRAFT SHOWS

ST. THEODORE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12.
Location: St. Theodore's Parish, 8200 Wayne Road, Westland.
Details: St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women is looking for crafters for its Fall Craft Show. There will be 70 tables available at \$25 each.
Contact: Mary at 734-425-4421 vm#10

ST. MEL

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5.
Location: St. Mel's Parish Gym, 7506 N. Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights.

Details: Crafters are needed for St. Mel's Fall Craft Show. There are more than 50 tables available. Table cost is \$30, table with electricity is \$35.
Contact: For applications, call St. Mel's at 313-274-0684 or email stmelcraftfair@yahoo.com.

PERRINVILLE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12.
Location: Perrinville Early Childhood Center, 28201 Lyndon, Livonia.
Details: Crafters are being sought for the Perrinville Early

Childhood Center's fourth annual Craft/Vendor Show.

Contact: Brenda at wjob2000@ameritech.net.

ST. JOHN'S

Time/Date: Saturday, Oct. 13.
Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S Wayne Road, Westland.
Details: St. John's has tables available for craft sales at its Fall Festival for craft sales for \$25. Anyone interested in renting a table can call 734-721-5023 or Sharon Scott at 734-722-4651.

ORGANIZATIONS

FRIENDS OF ELOISE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. third Tuesday

of the months of February, April, June, September and November.

Location: Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill, Westland.

Contact: Pat Ibbotson at 734-331-9291 or pibbotso@aol.com or Jo Johnson at 734-522-3918.

WESTLAND ROTARY

Time/Date: 12:15 p.m. Thursdays.
Location: Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland.
Details: Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Visit www.westlandrotary.com for more information about meet-

ings, programs and events.

Contact: Jeff at 734-261-5010.

FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Time/Date: 7 p.m. first Monday of the month.
Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth.
Details: For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and United Way.
Contact: Helen Streett at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

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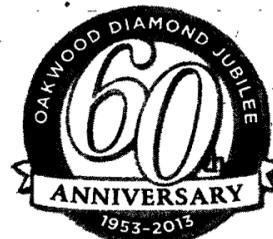
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WOMEN'S GOLF

MU's Shepler scorches Treetops with 69

Madonna University sophomore Jordyn Shepler was in the groove Tuesday, establishing a new women's golf team single-round record with a 3-under-par 69 to close out the Crusader Classic held at Treetops' Smith Tradition Course in Gaylord.

The Crusaders also set a program best with a team round of 306 to finish third in the nine-school field on the 5,834-yard, par-72 layout.

Shepler, a Livonia Churchill High grad, rebounded after an 87 on day one to shoot her record 69 and tie for sixth overall, earning a spot on the all-tournament team in the process.

Shepler broke the previous low round of 71, held by Jacqueline McCormick, that was set during the 2008 fall season.

The Crusaders' 306 is nine strokes better than the record round of 315 that MU carded at the 2013 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Championship last May en route to its third conference title in the last four years.

The day two total for MU was 27 shots better than round one as scores fell across the board on the second day.

Bethel captured the 36-hole event with a 618 total (316-302), three shots better than Ash-

land's 621 (319-302).

MU turned in a 621 (333-306) total, seven strokes better than WHAC rival Indiana Tech's 646 (335-311).

Marian (338-320-658), Davenport (340-333-673), Lake Superior State (350-342-692), Indiana Wesleyan (353-344-697) and Robert Morris (461-429-890) rounded out the field.

MU freshman Natalie Blazo (Dearborn Divine Child) took 11 strokes off of her day one total to shoot 75 (86-75-161) and tie sophomore Holly Laginess (77-84-161) for 17th place.



Madonna's Jordyn Shepler, a sophomore from Livonia Churchill, shot a school-record 3-under-par 69 in Tuesday's Crusader Classic. MADONNA UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

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Conner back with Pens for 2nd stint

For the second time, Westland native Chris Conner will return to the Pittsburgh Penguins after the 29-year-old forward signed a one-year contract last month. Conner's contract calls for a two-way deal worth \$550,000 at the NHL level.

The 5-foot-8, 180-pound Conner first played with the team during the 2009-10 and 2010-11 seasons, logging 68 NHL games. His best season with the Pens was 2010-11, when he established NHL career-highs for games played (60), goals (seven), assists (nine) and points (16). The former Michigan Tech stand-out split the 2012-13 season with the Phoenix Coyotes and their top minor-league team, the Portland (Maine) Pirates.

Whalers eye exhibition

The Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers will face the Windsor Spitfires in an exhibition game to benefit the Livonia Fallen Heroes Memorial Fund beginning at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31 at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door, which opens at 6 p.m. Tickets are available through the Livonia Police Department, Livonia Chamber of Commerce, Edgar Arena, the Livonia Community Recreation Center and the Whalers box office. Visit nehasilpark.org or plymouthwhalers.com.

Moccia rules Girls 18 title

Livonia Stevenson High senior Aimee Moccia captured the Girls 18s singles crown at the Schoolcraft College End of the Summer Open by defeating Plymouth's Madeline Szuba in the finals, 6-2, 6-0, after ousting Novi's Erin Day in the semi-finals, 6-0, 6-1.

In the Boys 16s singles final, top seed Griffin Mertz of Farmington Hills defeated Canton's Jordan Lu, 6-1, 6-0.

Other age-group winners included: Anika Mukerji (Novi), Girls 16s; Daniel Gorelik (Okemos), Boys 14s; Katie Sesi (Ann Arbor), Girls 14s; Jeffrey Etterbeek (Bloomfield Hills), Boys 12s; Leila Cheung (Superior Township), Girls 12s; Gabriel Hand (Byron), Boys 10s; and Hannah Bernstein (Ann Arbor), Girls 10s.

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Brothers Torey (left) and Matt Krug did some off-season training recently with other professional hockey players at Plymouth's Arctic Pond. BRAD EMONS

SEASON ON THE BRINK

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Krug brothers reflect on their hockey journey

It's the off-season, but Torey Krug and his older brother Matt were going through rigorous paces during a recent skating session with other pros at Plymouth's Arctic Pond.

"It's been short, but the nice part about it is being back here and appreciating where you came from," said Torey, who

made a meteoric rise during the Stanley Cup playoffs after being called up by Boston Bruins. "We're around our families. My family is a big hockey family, so it's nice to get out on the ice, train with them and compete. It's been short, but I'm ready to go back."

Training camp starts Sept. 11

for the Bruins and the 22-year-old Livonia defenseman wants to make sure he's ready. He remains grounded after helping Boston reach the Stanley Cup finals.

The Bruins were on the brink of forcing a Game 7, only to give up two late goals in a 3-2 loss at home against Chicago and watch

the Blackhawks hoist the Cup. The former Michigan State standout had logged just three NHL regular-season games prior to getting the emergency call-up from Providence of the American Hockey League. And the 5-foot-9, 180-pound mighty mite made the most of his 15 playoff games by scoring four goals and adding two assists.

BOYS SOCCER

Spartans' two late goals take down Patriots, 2-1

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Robison stars as Churchill corrals Mustangs, 2-0

Gino D'Orazio brought his own birthday cake and blew out the candles in the process.

The senior defender celebrated his 17th birthday by scoring the game-tying with only four minutes left, then set up teammate Hunter Mullett on a breakaway off a through ball with only 18 seconds remaining for the game-winner Monday

night as Livonia Stevenson stunned host Livonia Franklin, 2-1, in a crosstown boys soccer encounter.

The Spartans, who improved to 2-0 overall, appeared to be in serious trouble after Franklin's Nolan Hannis scored unassisted to give the Patriots a 1-0 lead with only five minutes remaining.

"We got caught in the all the

excitement, but then we made two little mistakes and it cost us," said Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos, whose team slipped to 0-2 overall. "We had the mentality that we wanted the game and it was ours."

After Franklin took the lead, Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker made a strategic move. "We moved Gino up top from the back line after their goal,"

Shingledecker said. "He scored and created the game-winner. It's fair to say he had quite the birthday celebration."

It was 0-0 at intermission and the score stayed that way until the 75th minute when Hannis was able to knock home a rebound past Stevenson goalkeeper Mike Bolin, who faced 10 shots and made two saves on the night.

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BOYS TENNIS CAPSULE OUTLOOK

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
Head coach: John Webster, fourth season.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington Conference (South Division).
Last year's overall record: 11-4.
Last year's finish: second, Division 1 regional; third, KLAAs South; ninth Kensington 'A' tourney.
Notable losses to graduation: Joe Mulka, Mayuresh Iyer, Kishan Trivedi.
Leading returnees: Jonathan Martin, Jr. (first-team All-Area Singles, 22-5; regional champion); Rishabh Arvikar, Sr., singles; Mark Denstaedt, Sr., doubles; Riley Prince, Sr., singles; Steven Van Wormer, Sr., doubles; Mit Patel, Jr., doubles; Aditya Vemulopati, Sr., double; Joe Healy, Jr., doubles; Cooper King, Soph., doubles; Drew Lang, Jr., doubles; Raymond Peters, Jr., doubles; Shantam Ravan, Jr., doubles; Alex Rogosch, Jr., doubles; Matt Sabatini, Sr., doubles; Denis Sinani, Jr., doubles; Kevin Xu, Sr., doubles.
Promising newcomers: Sean Mulka, Fr., singles; Tim Ontake, Jr., doubles.
Webster's 2013 outlook: "The Chargers are looking to get back to the state. Our number one singles player Jonathan Martin leads the top of the lineup with the majority of the varsity lineup back in place. This year's team has several key returnees and experienced newcomers. Several of our players have

been playing year-round and putting in the hard work. We are looking forward to a successful and exciting season this fall."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Head coach: Dawn Fallu, fifth season.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (South Division).
Last year's overall record: 3-4.
Last year's finish: fourth, KLAAs South and Kensington 'B' tourney; sixth, Division 1 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: Tim Crouson, Connor Benson.
Leading returnees: Jacob Liberati, Sr., No. 1 or 2 singles; Joe Vetula, Sr., No. 3 singles; Adam Monroe, Sr., No. 4 singles; Lukas Pekorius, Soph., No. 2 doubles.
Promising newcomers: Justin Crawford, Fr.; Jon Montie, Fr.; Griffin Mang, Fr.
Fallu's 2013 outlook: "Our team has 12 new players to add to our very small roster of only nine returning players with five of those returning nine having been beginners last year. I am anticipating as the season progresses this team will get stronger and stronger, and I'm hoping for a better showing at conferences and regionals at season-end. In our first two tournaments we placed second with six of nine



Northey
 flights receiving medals at the Taylor Kennedy Early Bird (Friday) and seven of nine flights receiving medals at the Monroe Olson Classic (Saturday)."



Martin

LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Don McConathy, fifth season.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (Central Division).
Last year's overall record: 7-2.
Last year's finish: 1st, Division 1 regional and Livonia City tournament; third, KLAAs Central; fourth, Kensington 'A' tourney.
Notable losses to graduation: Marcus McConathy, Johnson Yang, Aaron Dziobak (second-team All-Area doubles), Joe Osmialowski.
Leading returnees: Chad Northey, Sr., No. 1 singles (first-team All-Area, regional runner-up); Sam Tabor, Sr., No. 2 doubles; Jason Wysocki, Sr., No. 3 singles; Jeff Frederick, Sr., No. 4 singles (second-team

All-Area doubles); Tom Cwiek, Sr., No. 1 doubles; Neal Adams, Jr., No. 1 doubles; Chase Timham, Jr., No. 2 doubles; Matt Lackey, Sr., No. 2 doubles.
Promising newcomers: David Ajluni, Jr.; Jack Dunne, Soph.; Andrew Dziobak, Soph.; Brendan Parker, Jr.; Brad Weiland, Jr.; Alex Westphall, Jr.; Davis White, Soph.
McConathy's 2013 outlook: "With our top two singles players back this should help us to be a solid lineup in singles. Many of our doubles player are new and untested, but do have good skills and are eager to learn and play. Our veterans in both singles and doubles will need to lead us early until our younger players feel comfortable. I look forward to work with this group very much."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Head coach: Wayne Woodard, fourth season.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (South Division).
Last year's overall record: 4-9.
Last year's finish: fifth, KLAAs South; seventh, Division 1 regional; eighth, Kensington 'B' tourney.
Notable losses to graduation: Ian Villoroman, Chris Sabel.
Leading returnees: Mike Woodard, Sr., No. 1 singles; Dre Black, Sr., singles; Charlie Messics, Sr.,

singles; Coty Diaz, Jr., doubles; Caleb Woodard, Soph., doubles; Kyle Nikula, Soph., doubles; Steve Gray, Jr., doubles; Wes Lawrence, Soph., singles.
Promising newcomers: To be determined.
Woodard's 2013 outlook: "If the kids keep working hard, we hope to compete and look to get better as the season progresses."

WAYNE MEMORIAL
Head coach: Tim Crouson, first year.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (South Division).
Last year's overall record: 1-6.
Last year's finish: sixth, KLAAs South; eighth, Kensington 'B' tourney and Division 1 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: Sam Herber, Josiah Ault, Andrew Watson, Antonio Heberling, Daniel Selvia.
Leading returnees: Tyler Harnos, Jr., No. 1 singles.
Promising newcomers: To be determined.
2013 outlook: Crouson, who played No. 1 singles last year at Livonia Franklin, was named coach on Monday and was expected to start practice on Wednesday.

GIRLS GOLF CAPSULE OUTLOOK

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
Head coach: Paul Worley, sixth year.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington Conference (South Division).
Home course: Whispering Willows G.C.
Last year's finish: third, KLAAs South (4-5 overall); eighth, conference, ninth, Division 1 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: Jackie Burdette (second-team All-Area), Maggie McGowan (second-team All-Area), Claire Rose.
Leading returnees: Katie Shereda, Sr.; Elizabeth Havlik, Sr.; Alyssa Mazur, Jr.; Marin McGowan, Jr.; Jackie Haddad, Jr.
Promising newcomers: Megan Crocker, Jr.; Kristin McLean, Jr.; Kalia Howard, Jr.; Victoria Perez, Jr.
Worley's 2013 outlook: "Getting better throughout the season is the goal, and with that in mind, this year's squad has been working hard to be more consistent tee to green. A lot of time will be devoted to their short game as well, in the hopes of reducing strokes within that segment of

their game, thus lowering scores and winning some matches. All the girls should see playing time, so everyone will be gaining valuable experience as the season progresses."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Head coach: Jason Rammler, first year.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (South Division).
Home course: Idyl Wyld G.C.
Last year's finish: fifth, KLAAs South (0-8); 11th conference; 13th, Division 1 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: None.
Leading returnees: Kendall Payne, Soph. (captain); Jacquelyn Hansen, Jr. (captain).
Promising newcomers: Katera Rincon, Sr.; Carly Culp, Jr.; Jaime Whitney, Fr.; Angelina Diponio, Fr.; Brenna Campau, Fr.; Katie Evans, Fr.; Ki-Jana Malone, Jr.; Jennifer Tripp, Soph.; Emma Witherspoon, Jr.
Rammler's 2013 outlook: "Last year we only had three girls, sometimes four, to compete. This year we have 11 girls

and looking forward to building a team and getting experience playing matches and tournaments. Our main focus this year will be the short game and having fun. Our team captains will be Kendall Payne and Jacquelyn Hansen."

LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Dave Higham, second year.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (Central Division).
Home course: Fox Creek G.C.
Last year's finish: fourth, KLAAs Central (3-7); sixth, conference and Division 1 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: Laura Shureb (second-team All-Area), Kelsey Duntley, Alyssa Blaskiewicz.
Leading returnees: Mary Peltz, Sr.; Jess Crachiola, Jr.; Danielle Marzec, Jr.
Promising newcomers: Meagan Gronau, Fr.; Rachel Crachiola, Fr.; Kristen Szabelski, Fr.; Jackie Green, Fr.; Madison Maurier, Fr.; Callie Kimble, Fr.
Higham's 2013 outlook: "I am very excited about the 2013 golf season. We

have a very young team and a lot of girls that will be competitive for playing spots. I see this team getting stronger as the year goes on with more experience."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Head coach: Steve Pilon, 11th year.
League affiliation: KLAAs Kensington (South Division).
Home course: Gateway G.C.
Last year's finish: fourth, KLAAs South (4-6 overall); 10th, conference; 14th, Division 1 regional.
Notable losses: Olivia Cabildo, Jr. (knee injury, out for the season).
Leading returnees: Haley Aria, Jr.; Ashley Andez, Soph.
Promising newcomers: To be determined.
Pilon's 2013 outlook: "This year is all about improvement. We have two veteran golfers in Andez and Aria, who have played in high school matches, along with four rookies who have never played in any matches. Thus, a great deal of learning will take place. Learning the etiquette of the game, rules of the game, and the rules of

playing in high school matches will all be of the utmost importance. The four beginners have been working hard on putting, chip shots, and full swings with all their clubs. The girls are excited to be playing all their home matches at Gateway. All the girls will represent Glenn in fine fashion."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD
Head coach: Bill Wilson, first year.
League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).
Home course: St. John's Golf Center.
Last year's finish: sixth, Catholic League; seventh, Division 4 regional.
Notable losses to graduation: Sara Even, Kayla D'Allesandro, Caroline Bork.
Leading returnees: Cindy Ding, Sr.
Promising newcomers: Laura Hureski, Jr.; Carley Hall, Soph.; Clare Kelley, Fr.; Lydia Cramer, Fr.; Jordyn Rioux, Fr.
Wilson's 2013 outlook: "It's a rebuilding year with seven players. We'll start working for the future and working to grow the program."

SOCCER

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Franklin keeper Spencer Lewandowski, meanwhile, faced a total of 10 shots and made three saves.
"Franklin played very well tonight," Shingledecker said. "They kept us from being dangerous until after they scored the go-ahead goal. Mike Bolin was excellent in goal for us. He didn't have to face a bunch of shots, but had to deal with a lot of crosses."
Despite the setback, Rodopoulos was pleased about his team's effort.
"I'm proud of the way we played because tonight they defined who they are and what they're capable of doing," the Franklin coach said. "We played above outstanding. We had ball control, our passing was great and we got to the ball first. We did not give them a chance to control the ball.

"And has much as I hate to say it, they (Stevenson) had to come from behind to win."

CHURCHILL 2, NORTHVILLE 0: Senior goalkeeper Colton Robison turned in a stellar performance Monday as host Livonia Churchill (1-1) upended the Mustangs (0-1) in a matchup of Kensington Conference teams.
"Colton was unbelievable," Churchill coach Matt Grodzicki said. "He probably made 12 quality saves."
Senior Luke Otto scored what proved to be the game-winner midway through the first half off an assist from junior Dan Bessen.
Senior defender Tyler Plotrowski then added an insurance goal with 20 minutes left in the match on a direct free kick from 25 yards out.
"We went to a 4-5-1 (alignment) once we got the second goal," Grodzicki said. "Northville came at us and carried the play in the second half.

"But we seem to play differently when we're home"
CLARENCEVILLE 1, HAZEL PARK 1: Goalkeeper Evan Gregg made 11 saves Monday as Livonia Clarenceville (0-0-1) opened its season with a non-conference tie against the host Vikings (0-0-1).
After a scoreless opening half, the Trojans took a 1-0 advantage in the 55th minute on David Vandekerckhove's goal assisted by Armin Andelija.
But with 10 minutes left in the match, Aaron Martin scored the tying goal for Hazel Park, assisted by Zac Fala.

LUTHERAN NORTHWEST 9, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 1: Ontario McDonald notched a hat trick, while Nick Gruenwald and Matt Coleman each contributed a pair of goals Monday as Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (2-0) downed host Lutheran Westland (0-1) in crossover meeting of Michigan Independent Athletic Conference teams.
The Warriors, who trailed 5-1 at halftime, got a goal from freshman Jacob Kuhn off an assist from fellow freshman Kyle Downey.
The match ended with 14 minutes remaining due to the eight-goal mercy rule.

STEINER 6, HURON VALLEY 0: In a non-conference match Tuesday, Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (0-1) dropped its season opener to Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner (0-1).
"We're small and scrappy, but we couldn't match up with them," said HVL coach Jim Ott said.

GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE GIRLS GOLF INVITATIONAL
Aug. 27 at Whispering Willows
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. South Lyon, 335 strokes; 2. Plymouth, 346; 3. Canton, 351; 4. Northville, 358; 5. Novi, 368; 6. Livonia Stevenson, 381; 7. Salem, 394; 8. South Lyon East, 441; 9. Livonia Churchill, 464; 10. Livonia Franklin, 489.
Individual medalist: Sydney Murphy (Plymouth), 73.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORES
South Lyon (335): 2. Caroline Harding, 74; 3. Priscilla Harding, 80; 11. Morgan Abate, 89; 14. Allison Ranusch, 92; 17. Alex Bemis, 95; 29. Vickie Hartlep, 99.
Plymouth (346): 1. Sydney Murphy, 73; 6. Kayla Whatley, 83; 9. Katie Chipman, 88; 34. Alaina Strzalka, 102; 36. Ariana Strzalka, 103; 40. Justin Berry, 106.
Canton (351): 3. Kelsey McDougall, 80; 8. Chloe Luyet, 86; 11. Alyce Krumm, 89; 21.

Rachel Pisano, 96; 27. Madelyn Mans, 98; 45. Shelby Lobb, 113.
Northville (358): Katie Childers, 83; 9. Chloe Page, 88; 14. Jen Kowalczyk, 92; 17. Elizabeth McGowan, 95; 31. Victoria Zarembo, 100; 46. Gerianna Dauber, 115.
Novi (368): 5. Lauren Corej, 82; 14. Katelyn Henry, 92; 24. (tie) Alex Hatz and Lauren Henry, 97 each; 27. Maya Grandstaff, 98; 32. Madison Kroetsch, 101.
Stevenson (381): 11. Mary Peltz, 89;

17. Rachel Crachiola, 95; 21. Kristen Szabelski, 96; 32. Jackie Green, 101; 38. Megan Gronau, 104; 41. Jess Crachiola, 109.
Salem (394): 17. Amanda Bennett, 95; 21. Kiley Flynn, 96; 29. Christine Li, 99; 38. Hope Warkoczkeski, 104; 44. Darby Scott, 112; 51. Keista Elder, 124.
S. Lyon East (441): 24. Sydney Jones, 97; 36. Kyleigh Marshall, 103; 48. Mikaila Olsen, 119; Zo Brown, 49; 53. Molly Young,

126; 54. Annika Olsen, 54.
Churchill (464): 41. Katie Shereda, 109; 43. Alyssa Mazur, 110; 47. Kristin McLean, 116; 54. Marin McGowan, 129; 56. Elizabeth Havlik, 130; 59. Jackie Haddad, 166.
Franklin (498): 34. Kendall Payne, 102; 49. Brenna Campau, 122; 51. Jacquelyn Hansen, 124; 57. Katera Rincon, 150; 58. Carly Culp, 162; 60. Katie Evans, 194.

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COLLEGE SOCCER

Crusader women win in final second over Brock

The Madonna University women's soccer team used almost as much time as it could in the 100 minutes of match action Sunday as senior Amanda Jenaway's shot crossed the goal line with less than one second remaining to give MU a dramatic 1-0 triumph over Brock (Ontario) University at the Madonna Athletic Complex.

Jenaway's goal capped what was an action-packed overtime period as both sides hit the crossbar during the extra session.

Brock had the first two shots of OT, including one off the foot of Nadia Bathish that hit

the crossbar with just under five minutes left. MU senior defender Kristin Black then matched Bathish's effort, ringing a shot off of the crossbar as well, this one coming with 27 seconds to go.

Senior midfielder Amanda Ferrick then played the ball to Jenaway near the top of the 18-yard box and the Livonia Stevenson grad sent her shot to the left post, beating Jenna Vasiliaskas for the winning goal as time expired.

The Crusaders held a 16-5 edge in total shots and a 9-2 edge in shots on goal.

Sophomore Blaire Schmalenberg stopped

both Badgers shots, while Alexa Jackman made three saves for BU during the first half. Vasiliaskas made five saves in the second half and OT.

The loss dropped Brock to 3-1-1 overall. The Crusaders (1-1) are now off until Tuesday, Sept. 3, when they travel to Huntington (Ind.) University. Game time is 5 p.m.

SCHOOLCRAFT 6, LAKE MICHIGAN 1: Freshman Kelly McKay collected a goal and assist Sunday as Schoolcraft College (2-0, 1-0) routed host Lake Michigan Community College (0-2, 0-1) in an MCCAAC match.

The Lady Ocelots, who led 3-0 at halftime, also got goals from Taylor Bunyak, Chelsea Meador, Remy Houttequier, Maggie McLaughlin and Jessica Perry. Alexis Smith (Livonia Franklin) went all the way in goal for Schoolcraft. "We got good play from Jessica Perry and Remy Houttequier," Schoolcraft coach

Deepak Shivrman said. "Remy created a lot of opportunities for us. She hit the crossbar twice on Saturday and once on Sunday."

SCHOOLCRAFT 1, MUSKEGON 0: Kelly McKay scored from freshman Tiffany Gale with only 15 minutes remaining Saturday as visiting Schoolcraft College (1-0, 1-0) opened its season with an MCCAAC win over No. 11-ranked Muskegon Community College (0-1, 0-1).

"I think it was good to get the first game out of the way and now we can start moving forward with more confidence and play better soccer," Schoolcraft coach Deepak Shivrman said.

"Our defenders, Chelsea (Meador), Hunter (Jurecki), and Taylor (Breault), locked things up for us in the defensive end and we were able to focus on the attack."

Goalkeeper Tara Gessler made five saves to post the shutout for the Lady Ocelots while Emily Manchester made nine stops for the Jayhawks.

"We looked tentative the first half and didn't play our best," Shivrman said. "The halftime gave us a chance to regroup and we came out more composed. We started to possess more of the ball and winning the 50-50 balls."

"And Kelly scored a fantastic goal from about 25 yards against a very good keeper, who kept us at bay with some great saves."

COLLEGE SOCCER

Schoolcraft men bounce back from overtime setback

Austin Blaski's goal six minutes into overtime proved to be the difference Saturday as host Muskegon Community College rallied to upend No. 9-ranked Schoolcraft College, 3-2, in the Michigan CC Athletic Association men's soccer season opener for both teams.

Zach Sutton, who tied the game at 2-2 in the 78th minute for the Jayhawks, set up Blaski's game-winning goal.

Schoolcraft's Romario Georgis scored in the 24th minute from Matthew Grove, but Muskegon's Eric Hilt tied it at 1-1 in the 53rd minute from Aaron Dault.

The Ocelots, however, regained the lead in the 72nd minute on Nathan

Bergeson's goal from Georgis.

Muskegon outshot Schoolcraft 12-8 for the match and 3-0 in the OT.

Schoolcraft goalkeeper Sean Simmy made eight saves, while Muskegon's Logan Holland had two stops.

On Sunday, the Ocelots (1-1, 1-1) bounced back with a 5-0 MCCAAC victory over host Lake Michigan (0-2, 0-1) as Jared Phillips and Bergeson each tallied a pair of goals.

Georgis also tallied a goal and had an assist, while Tyler Winningham set up the first goal with a throw-in.

Simmy and Ryan Tikey (Livonia Franklin) combined on the shutout.

BROTHERS

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He was so close to bringing a Stanley Cup back to Livonia, yet it seems so far.

Remains etched

Krug can reflect this summer and admits he thinks about it "all the time."

"You can't get it off your mind," he said. "It's something I'll think about at least until the puck drops again in October. If I ever get back to that point, it's something I'll think about forever. You can't understand it unless you go through it."

Matt Krug, 28, is a the epitome of a journeyman minor leaguer. He's made eight different stops since his college playing days at Wayne State and Robert Morris (Pa.).

He's been in Muskegon, Chicago (twice), Gwinnett (Ga.), Elmira (N.Y.), Fort Wayne and Toledo.

Also a defenseman, Matt actually had called it a career last winter after being released in mid-December by the Missouri Mavericks of the East Coast Hockey League.

He enrolled back in school last January at Wayne State to complete his degree in marketing, only to return to the ice for 25 games after Evansville (Ind.) Icemen coach Rich Kromm (also from Livonia) prodded him to give it another shot.

Career over?

"I thought that was the end," said Matt, who stands 6-0 and weighs a compact 225 pounds. "I was in tears when I made the decision to stay in school. It was a big battle talking about it with my family and my parents. It was a hard decision to make. After playing the 25 games, I said, 'I still have something in the tank.' You don't want to live with any regrets. You want to go out there and know you did your best to make it as far as you could in your profession."

He played one game for Evansville and got the bug again.

"After the game, he (Kromm) came up to me and it was, 'Krug, are you sure you can't come and play with us the rest of the year?'" Matt said. "I said, 'Rich, I can't. I want to go back to school. I got to get my degree.' He said, 'All right, can we just do this the rest of year?' I said, 'Do what?' He said, 'Just

"I was in tears when I made the decision to stay in school. It was a big battle talking about it with my family and my parents."

MATT KRUG

play games for us. We need you," I said, 'Yeah, let me see if I could rearrange my classes to the front end of the week.' And I made myself available for the last 25 games. I think I missed one game. A lot of the games were close - Kalamazoo, Toledo. I drove to those games. I traveled with the team on road games, but a lot of times I flew to the city where they were. It was fun. I wasn't in the best of shape. I was just going to games, going to school full time. No practice."

On the move

Matt has received a contract to play the 2013-14 season in Evansville, a Columbus Blue Jacket affiliate, but has also earned a tryout with the AHL's Oklahoma City Barons, which is the minor league club for the Edmonton Oilers.

"Watching Torey obviously in the playoffs - that right there, kind of inspired me more," Matt said. "I re-motivated myself. I was re-devoted to the game. I got a trainer this summer and did everything I had to do. Changed my diet and nutrition. I'm in the best shape of my life right now, so hopefully I'll go to Oklahoma City and steal a spot."

Matt, who has an 11-month-old daughter (Kylie) along with his fiance Christina, will report to the Barons' camp in mid-September.

"It's really hard to get an invite to an AHL camp," said Krug, a 2003 Churchill High grad. "This will be my third AHL camp in my five years, so I'm doing OK. I'll get down there and see what I can do. Skating with these guys (at Arctic) is great for me. The speed of the game comes back to me so ..."

Ironically, Torey's 2012-13 season got off to a somewhat rocky start. He had played two NHL games the previous season after being signed in March 2012 as a free agent out of MSU, where he earned Central Collegiate Hockey League's Player of the Year honors as a junior.

Nagging injury

"I sprained my ankle early on in the season at Providence

and just wasn't playing well," Torey said. "I was battling through it and playing through it for three weeks, but it just wasn't right. After talking with the (general) manager and trainers down there, we thought it would be best to take some time off. At Christmas time, I took two weeks off and almost three weeks. I came back after Christmas; the (NHL) lockout had ended. I didn't go to training camp with the big Bruins because I was dealing with that injury, but I was able to get back on the ice and started playing my best hockey after that. I was able to get my skating back."

In February, Krug was named the AHL's Defenseman of the Month.

"My skating is the biggest part of my game, along with my intelligence for the game so ... for me that was important because it was hindering me the first half of the season," he said. "Then I started playing my best hockey and was rewarded when the playoffs started."

And when the Bruins' defense was depleted by injuries during their playoff run, Krug jumped into the fray. He was prepared, but certain facets of the game were an eye-opener.

NHL game

"I had played three regular (NHL) season games before my trip to the playoffs, so I had an understanding how the NHL game was played," he said. "It's definitely more a structured game where guys are where they're supposed to be at the right moment at the right time. And when they're not, mistakes are made and goals are scored. Coming into the playoffs, that's kind of what I expected, but when I got out there it was a whole other level. Guys were more willing to sacrifice their body and block shots."

"I had to face that immediately when we played the New York Rangers. You notice they're the best shot-blocking team in the NHL and they pride themselves on that. (Ryan) Callahan, their captain, shows everything what their program is about. We had to face that

and that's one thing I noticed that was different. The speed was a lot faster and guys were more willing to sacrifice, for sure."

Boston head coach Claude Julien's advice to Krug was simply, "Don't play afraid."

"It was true," Torey said. "If I was going to go up there and be scared to make mistakes, I was going to play scared and timid. That was not type of player I am. I'm a guy that's competitive, full of confidence. For me, that was big advice and I definitely took it in stride. It's all about opportunity. My teammates, they definitely provided me opportunities to score goals. I just wanted to contribute to the team and that's all I wanted to do. For me, it's all opportunity and I'm just thankful for that. I was lucky enough for my teammates to support me so much and giving me the confidence that I needed."

Ties the knot

Just a week and a half following the Stanley Cup playoffs, Torey Krug married Melana Flood. It got his mind off hockey, for the time being.

"It was blast, I had all my Michigan State teammates there and a lot of people growing up that I knew," he said. "The best part about it was spending time with the families and being able to celebrate something good."

The Stanley Cup playoff experience was a blur, or what could be termed a whirlwind.

"It was crazy," Krug said. "That was the fastest month and a half in my life. That preceded into even a faster couple months in the summer. When I scored my first (playoff) goal, my family was out there, my wife, my fiance at the time. We were able to celebrate it, but unfortunately it didn't end in the right way, but it was definitely fast."

And Matt was not surprised by Torey's quick ascension into the NHL ranks.

"It was awesome, pretty surreal," he said. "It was fun to watch. I knew that when he got the opportunity that he'd take full advantage of it, but I didn't think he'd score four goals in five games (laughing). It was exciting to see. Once my schedule settled down, I went to Game 2 in Chicago, watched him play and that was a treat."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Stevenson clinic

The Livonia Stevenson Athletic Department will stage a youth development clinic (grades K-4) from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday, Sept. 14, at the high school fieldhouse.

Participants will be put through a variety of drills, simulations and exercise by the Stevenson staff and players stressing coordination, balance, speed, agility motor learning and control. The cost is \$25 per child (includes T-shirt and one ticket to any regular season Stevenson athletic event). Proceeds benefit the Stevenson athletic team room.

For more information, call 734-744-2660, ext. 48117, or email Lori Hyman at lhyman@livonia-publicschools.org.

Try Hockey Free

Try Hockey for Free for ages 4-9 will be offered 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena, 35500 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

All equipment will be provided and skate rental is available.

Visit mha.org/Try-Hockey.aspx or fhha-hockey.org.

Heroes on Hines

Wayne County Parks will sponsor its first Heroes on Hines half-marathon and 5-kilometer races Saturday, Oct. 5, with proceeds going toward the creation and maintenance of the First Responders Memorial to be erected at Hines Drive and Haggerty.

The half-marathon starts at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K at 8:30 a.m. The event is sponsored by Running Fit and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. The cost is \$49 (half-marathon) and \$29 (5K) if registered by Sept. 5. The cost is \$34 (5K) and \$59 (half) after Sept. 6 through Oct. 3. Visit heroesonhines.com.

Signs letter of intent



Livonia Churchill heavyweight Manny Haddad (right), a first-team All-Observer wrestler, recently signed an NAIA letter of intent with William Penn (Iowa) University. Haddad, a two-time Division 1 state qualifier, finished 40-8 his senior year to earn third place in the MHSAA finals last winter. Attending the signing was William Penn head coach Eric Reed (left). MARTY ALTOUNIAN

PREP CROSS COUNTRY

MUSTANG INVITATIONAL

Aug. 27 at Cass Benton Park

GIRLS STANDINGS (grades 11-12):

1. Northville, 39 points; 2. Walled Lake Northern, 73; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 94; 4. Brighton, 125; 5. Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day, 139; 6. Livonia Churchill, 162; 7. Livonia Franklin, 172; 8. Birmingham Groves, 183; 9. Riverview, 211; 10. Novi, 283; 11. John Glenn, 343; 12. Wayne Memorial, 349; 13. (tie) Livonia Ladywood and New Boston Huron, no team scores.

Individual winner: Rachel Coleman (Northville), 19:38.8, 28.4 seconds (5,000 meters).

Franklin finishers: 8. Ellary Marano, 21:16.2; 26. Mandy Pokryfky, 22:55.7; 39. Sheila McKinley, 23:59.9; 53. Alexa Orosz, 25:05.4; 65. Alyssa Edwards,

25:47.2; 68. CC Shoemaker, 25:59.8; 85. Katelyn Kovach, 26:55.4.

GIRLS STANDINGS (grades 9-10):

1. Northville, 32 points; 2. Brighton, 71; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 93; 4. Livonia Churchill, 115; 5. Livonia Franklin, 128; 6. Novi, 138; 7. Walled Lake Northern, 159; 8. Livonia Ladywood, 206; 9. Birmingham Groves, 251; 10. Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day, 278; 11. New Boston Huron, 331; 12. (tie) Riverview, Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial, no team scores.

Individual winner: Lexa Barrott (Northville), 19:38.8.

Franklin finishers: 7. Natalie Douglas, 21:15.7; 21. Natalie Martinez, 22:49.2; 24. Riley Shine, 22:55.7; 25. Julie Wonch, 23:03.0; 66. Camryn Zurawski, 26:13.6; 67. Jenny Perelli, 26:18.0; 74.

Emma Devine, 26:38.8.

SOUTH LYON INVITATIONAL

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Aug. 24 at Island Lake

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS:

1. Clay (Ohio), 42 points; 2. Livonia Stevenson, 75; 3. Temperance Bedford, 85; 4. Canton, 90; 5. Livonia Franklin, 125; 6. South Lyon, 132 (won tiebreaker); 7. Plymouth, 132; 8. South Lyon East, 201.

Individual Winner: Erin Gyurke, Clay (Ohio), 18:57.0

Franklin Finishers: 5. Natalie Douglas, 20:53.2; 7. Ellary Marano, 21:02.9; 32. Natalie Martinez, 22:36.5; 40. Mandy Pokryfky, 23:32.7; 41. Julie Wonch, 23:44.7; 42. Sheila McKinley, 23:51.0; 50. Katelyn Kovach, 25:12.5.

GOLF

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Junior Chelsea Collura (Riverview Gabriel Richard) also rebounded after a tough opening round 88 to cut 10

shots off of her total for a 78 and a spot in 20th with a 166.

Senior Kaitlyn Brasher (Grand Blanc) rounded out the MU contingent tying for 27th with an 87-85-172 total.

The Crusaders return to action Friday, Sept. 13, for the two-day Battle at Blackthorn in South Bend, Ind.

PREP FOOTBALL GRID PICKS

| Week 1 | Emons | O'Meara | Smith | Wright |
|--|---------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| All games 7 p.m. unless noted. | | | | |
| Thursday, Aug. 29 | | | | |
| Cranbrook (2-7) at Luth. Westland (6-4), 4:30 p.m. | Cranbrook | Cranbrook | Luth. Westland | Luth. Westland |
| W.L. Northern (8-3) at Churchill (10-1) | Churchill | WL Northern | Churchill | Churchill |
| Stevenson (6-4) at Franklin (2-7) | Franklin | Stevenson | Stevenson | Franklin |
| Farmington (6-4) at John Glenn (3-6) | John Glenn | Farmington | Farmington | Farmington |
| Waterford Mott (2-7) at Wayne (0-9) | Mott | Mott | Mott | Mott |
| Avondale (9-2) at Redford Union (3-6) | Avondale | Avondale | Avondale | Avondale |
| Thurston (5-4) at Berkley (5-4) | Thurston | Thurston | Berkley | Thurston |
| Det. Renaissance (4-5) at Farm. Harrison (6-4), 6 p.m. | Harrison | Harrison | Renaissance | Harrison |
| Bay City John Glenn (2-7) at N. Farmington (3-6) | BC John Glenn | North Farmington | BC John Glenn | BC John Glenn |
| Salem (5-4) at Plymouth (0-12*) | Salem | Plymouth | Plymouth | Salem |
| West Ottawa (8-3) at Canton (6-4) | W. Ottawa | Canton | Canton | Canton |
| Friday, Aug. 30 | | | | |
| Clarenceville (6-4) at Ferndale (3-6) | Ferndale | Ferndale | C'ville | C'ville |
| Saturday, Aug. 31 | | | | |
| Garden City (5-4) at Det. Mumford (2-7) | Garden City | Garden City | Garden City | Garden City |

*Plymouth forfeited nine victories

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Ladywood places 2nd in opening tournament

Eighteen teams started in the morning and only two were left standing by afternoon in the Livonia Ladywood Invitational volleyball tournament.

On Saturday, the host Blazers captured their first five matches and made it all the way to the finals before Macomb L'Anse Cruese North took home the title, 10-25, 26-24, 15-11.

Ladywood finished 3-0 in pool play before defeating Marysville (25-21, 25-20) in the quarterfinals and Rochester (25-18, 25-19) in the semifinals.

Kayla March, a 5-foot-11 sophomore middle hitter, paced Ladywood's hitting attack with 41 total kills.

Other standouts for the Blazers included Izzy Porada (49 digs, 19 kills), Allie Gluchowski (88 assist-to-kills) and Tess Laurentius (37 digs).

Meanwhile, Livonia Clarenceville finished 1-3-1 on the day as Rochester eliminated the Trojans in the quarterfinals, 18-25, 25-13, 15-9.

In pool play, the Trojans split with Garden City (21-25, 25-17), while losing to Marysville (18-25, 20-25) and Davison (17-25, 15-25).

Clarenceville reached the elimination round with a 22-25, 25-21, 15-11 win over Livonia Franklin as Erica Katz served 13 points in a row and setter Nicole Kurdzziel closed out the decisive third set with two aces.

"The girls showed a lot of determination and heart," Clarenceville coach Wendy Merschman said. "Ayanna Buckley kept Erica's serve alive, dominating the net with six blocks and five kills. There was nothing getting past her and the team covered her beautifully."

Buckley, the 6-foot-1 senior, led the way for Clarenceville with a total of 43 kills, 24 blocks and 23 digs on the day.

Other stat leaders for the Trojans included Kurdzziel (70 assists, seven aces), Sarah Curvin (22 kills, 13 blocks) and Kelsey Griffin (30 digs).

"I think we were

just tired after playing six in a row," Merschman said. "It was a good day of volleyball and we were able to see some really good teams. Everyone contributed today. It was a good tournament to get us ready for the season."

Chargers go 3-3

On Saturday, Livonia Churchill split a total of six matches in the Portage Northern Invitational to finish 3-3 on the day as Anna Gatt made her debut as varsity coach.

The Chargers scored victories over Battle Creek Central (25-10, 25-11), Vicksburg (25-20, 25-21) and Mendon (25-20, 25-21).

Sophomore Natalie Panek had 12 kills, while Mackenzie Hamill and Beth Tarnacki each added four in the win over Central. Amanda Rybak also chipped in with 18 assists.

Panek had 10 kills and five digs, while Hamill added eight kills against Vicksburg. Rybak also had 21 assists.

Gabby Beck recorded five kills and Megan Damico finished with 10 digs in the victory over Mendon.

The Chargers dropped their first two matches on the day against Three Rivers (20-25, 25-27) and Sturgis (24-26, 19-25).

Rayna Yetts had 10 kills, while Natalie Dziewit added seven assists against Three Rivers. Lauren St. Pierre finished with six aces against Sturgis.

The Chargers lost their final match of the day to Mattawan (14-25, 23-25).

Glenn takes silver

Westland John Glenn captured the Silver Division in Saturday's Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Tournament after going 5-3 on the day.

The Rockets defeated Dearborn Heights Robichaud (25-6, 25-3) and Romulus (25-8, 25-13), split with Northville (25-19, 23-25) and fell to Ann Arbor Huron (19-25, 20-25).

Hannah Staples posted a team-high 15 total kills to go along with 20 aces, while setter Courtney Schaber added 27 assists.

Val Ernat was the team's top passer.



Madonna University's Samantha Geile (18) and Emilie Freeman (far right) were both named to the all-tournament team at the UM-Dearborn Early Bird Classic. MADONNA UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

4-0 MU spikers rule Early Bird tourney

The Madonna University women's volleyball team wrapped up a perfect weekend by sailing through the University of Michigan-Dearborn Early Bird Classic with 3-0 wins Saturday over St. Xavier (Ill.) and No. 22-ranked Point Park (Pa.).

Senior Emilie Freeman (Livonia/Lutheran High Westland) and junior Samantha Geile (Fruitport) were named to the all-tournament team as

the No. 11-ranked Crusaders improved to 4-0.

MU opened the season Friday at the Early Bird with a pair of 3-0 wins over Indiana University-South Bend and St. Francis (Ind.).

The 6-foot-3 Freeman and the 6-0 Geile each collected 10 kills, while newcomer Katie Breault added eight in a 25-15, 25-14, 25-13 triumph over Point Park.

Setter Evia Prieditis

finished with 33 assist-to-kills, while Amanda Obyrcki and Stacey Catalano paced the defense with 14 and 10 digs, respectively. Breanna Geile also chipped in with eight digs.

Olivia Fisher led Point Park with a match-high 15 digs.

In a convincing 25-18, 25-12, 25-12 victory over St. Xavier, Freeman and Catalano led the hitting attack with 13 and 10 kills,

respectively.

Prieditis collected 37 assist-to-kills and a team-high nine digs.

Meghan Falsey led St. Xavier (0-1) with eight kills, while Lauren Young contributed 13 digs.

The Crusaders travel this weekend to Daytona Beach, Fla., for the two-day Embry-Riddle Labor Day Classic. MU opens play with a showdown against No. 6 Oklahoma Baptist at 2 p.m. Friday.

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Stevenson soars to tournament championship title at Airport

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson made it a smooth landing in Saturday's Carleton Airport Invitational volleyball tournament.

The Spartans captured all six matches on the day, capped by a 21-25, 25-14, 15-12 victory in the finals against Pinckney.

Other victories came against Chelsea (25-13,

29-31, 16-14), Romulus Summit Academy (25-1, 25-3), Brighton (25-20, 23-25, 15-11), Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (24-26, 25-20, 15-11) and Dearborn (25-18, 25-11).

"Our girls did a great job coming together in some up-and-down close matches to battle back to win," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said. "With having one week to prepare, our seniors did a

fantastic job keeping the girls together and running the court."

All-stater Katie Tomasic, a senior headed next year to Miami (Ohio), led the Spartans' hitting attack with 40 kills on the day. She also added 27 digs and five blocks.

Amanda Hawkins, a 6-0 senior middle blocker, was also impressive with 26 kills, 18 blocks

and 15 service aces.

Other contributions came from Taylor McLaud (15 blocks), Abby Whitehead (19 kills, 10 aces, 20 digs), Carmen Disler (35 assists), Sarah Soave (28 assists), Meghan Knorp (14 digs) and Allie Strautz (13 digs).

"Our two setters did a great job with their attempts at running the court with not much experience on their end," Graham said.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
September 9, 2013**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on **September 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.** regarding Special Assessment Roll #4225 for the properties in the 2013 Bock Lathers Reconstruction Project.

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PUBLIC RESOLUTION (#4)
Roll #4225 Bock-Lathers (2013)**

WHEREAS, at a Regular Meeting of the Council on July 15, 2013, the City Council adopted a Resolution of Determination for Special Assessment District #4225, and the City Clerk Treasurer was directed to prepare such roll; and

WHEREAS, such roll has been prepared and is presented herewith;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Special Assessment Roll #4225 (Bock-Lathers, 2013) be filed with the City Clerk for public examination, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing be held on **Monday, September 9, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, 6000 Middlebelt, Garden City, MI 48135, notice of such Public Hearing to be published in the newspaper of general circulation of the City, and that notice of such meeting be given by first class mail to the last known owner of each parcel affected thereby pursuant to the Garden City Code of Ordinances Chapter 40, Section 40.06(c).

**ALLYSON M. BETTIS
City Clerk / Treasurer**

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**ABSTRACT
WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2013-30
August 20, 2013**

Special Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT Recessed to a closed session at 6:35 p.m. Reconvened in open session at 7:20 p.m. Presentation by WCA Assessing regarding assessments. Adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller
City Clerk

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**ABSTRACT
WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2013-31
August 20, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT Presentation of resolutions to Champions Program, Valerie Orr, Patrol Officer David Hamlet, Dep. Police Chief Alan Maciag, Police Chief Jason Wright; APPROVED: minutes of the regular and special meetings of August 6; bid to Jack Demmer Ford for \$74,383.00; appt. of Janice Kendrick to Commission on Aging until July 2016; ICMA to search for new City Manager; City Manager Search Committee; employment agreement with Youth Services Dir.; PA 345 Committee; resolution to Cross Pointe Church; resolution regarding fireworks on Christmas Day. TABLED: IGA with Wayne County for park improvements. Received and filed Comm. and Reports. Adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller
City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 101-G-8

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 98, ARTICLE II, SECTION 98-34B, AND TO AMEND ARTICLE II, SECTION 98-37 OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE CONCERNING ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE PENALTIES PROVIDED IN THE MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE AND THE PROHIBITION OF THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE INTOXICATED OR VISIBLY IMPAIRED

Section 1. That Chapter 98, Article II, Section 98-34B of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

"Sec. 98-34B. - Penalties.

The penalties provided by the Michigan Vehicle Code are adopted by reference, provided, however, that the City of Westland may not enforce any provision of the Michigan Vehicle Code for which the maximum period of imprisonment is greater than 93 days, except that in the event of a conviction arising out of §98-37(1)(c), in which case the punishment may include one (1) or more of the following: (1) community service for not more than three hundred sixty (360) hours, (2) imprisonment for not more than one hundred eighty (180) days, and (3) a fine of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) or more than seven hundred dollars (\$700.00). The court may also impose any costs and fees permitted by law."

Section 2. That Chapter 98, Article II, Section 98-37 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

"Sec. 98-37. - Operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated or visibly impaired; prohibited.

(1) A person, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state if the person is operating while intoxicated. As used in this section, "operating while intoxicated" means any of the following applies:

- (a) The person is under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.
- (b) The person has an alcohol content of 0.08 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine or beginning October 1, 2013, the person has an alcohol content of 0.10 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine.
- (c) The person has an alcohol content of 0.17 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.

(2) The owner of a vehicle or a person in charge or in control of a vehicle shall not authorize or knowingly permit the vehicle to be operated upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of motor vehicles within this city by a person if any of the following apply:

- (a) The person is under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.
- (b) The person has an alcohol content of 0.08 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine or beginning October 1, 2013, the person has an alcohol content of 0.10 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine.
- (c) The person's ability to operate the motor vehicle is visibly impaired due to the consumption of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.

(3) A person, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles within this city when due to the consumption of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance the person's ability to operate the vehicle is visibly impaired. If a person is charged with violating subsection (1) a finding of guilty under this subsection may be rendered.

(4) A person who is less than 21 years of age, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles within this city if the person has any bodily alcohol content. As used in this subsection, "any bodily alcohol content" means either of the following:

- (a) An alcohol content of not less than 0.02 grams or more but less than 0.08 grams per 100 milliliters of blood per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine or beginning October 1, 2013, the person has an alcohol content of not less than 0.02 grams or more but less than 0.10 grams per 100 milliliters of blood per 210 liters of breath or per 67 milliliters of urine.
- (b) Any presence of alcohol within a person's body resulting from the consumption of alcoholic liquor other than consumption of alcoholic liquor as a part of a generally recognized religious service or ceremony.

(5) A person whether licensed or not is subject to the following requirements:

- (a) He or she shall not operate a vehicle in violation of subsection (4) while another person who is less than 16 years of age is occupying the vehicle. A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:
 - (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (7), a person who violates this subdivision may be sentenced to one or more of the following:
 - (A) Community service for not more than 60 days.
 - (B) A fine of not more than \$500.00.
 - (C) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days.
 - (b) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a)(i), the court may, unless the vehicle is ordered forfeited under section 98-37N, order vehicle immobilization as provided in MCL 257.904d.

(6) A person whether licensed or not shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles within this city if the person has in his or her body any amount of a controlled substance listed in schedule 1 under section 7212 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7212 or a rule promulgated under that section or of a controlled substance described in section 7214(a)(iv) of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7214.

(7) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (1) or (6), all of the following apply:

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (b) and (c), the person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by one or more of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 360 hours.
 - (ii) Imprisonment for not more than 93 days, or, if the person is convicted of violating subsection (1)(c), imprisonment for not more than 180 days.
 - (iii) A fine of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00, or, if the person is guilty of violating subsection (1)(c), a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$700.00.
- (b) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a), the court may order vehicle immobilization as provided in MCL 257.904d.

(8) A person who is convicted of violating subsection (2) is guilty of a crime as follows:

- (a) Except as provided in subdivisions (b) and (c), a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment of not more than 93 days or a fine of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00 or both.

(9) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (3), all of the following apply:

- (a) The person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by one or more of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 360 hours.
 - (ii) Imprisonment of not more than 93 days.
 - (iii) A fine of not more than \$300.00.
- (b) In the judgment of sentence under subdivision (a), the court may order vehicle immobilization as provided in MCL 257.904d.

(10) If a person is convicted of violating subsection (4), all of the following apply:

- (a) The person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by one or both of the following:
 - (i) Community service for not more than 360 hours.
 - (ii) A fine of not more than \$250.00.

(11) In addition to imposing the sanctions prescribed under this section, the court may order the person to pay the costs of the prosecution under the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL 760.1 to 777.69.

(12) A person sentenced to perform community service under this section shall not receive compensation and shall reimburse the city or appropriate local unit of government for the cost of supervision incurred by the city or local unit of government as a result of the person's activities in that service.

(13) If the prosecuting attorney intends to seek an enhanced sentence under this section or a sanction under section 98-37N based upon the defendant having one or more prior convictions, the prosecuting attorney shall include on the complaint and information, or an amended complaint and information filed in district court, circuit court, municipal court or family division of circuit court, a statement listing the defendant's prior convictions.

(14) If a person is charged with a violation of subsection (1), (3), or (6) or section 98-37M, the court shall not permit the defendant to enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a charge of violating subsection (4) in exchange for dismissal of the original charge. This subsection does not prohibit the court from dismissing the charge upon the prosecuting attorney's motion.

(15) A prior conviction shall be established at sentencing by one or more of the following:

- (a) An abstract of conviction.
- (b) A copy of the defendant's driving record.
- (c) An admission by the defendant.

(16) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (18), if a person is charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance in violation of subsection (1) or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (1), the court shall require the jury to return a special verdict in the form of a written finding or if the court convicts the person without a jury or accepts a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, the court shall make a finding as to whether the person was under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.

(17) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (18), if a person is charged with operating a vehicle while his or her ability to operate the vehicle was visibly impaired due to his or her consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance in violation of subsection (3) or a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (3), the court shall require the jury to return a special verdict in the form of a written finding or if the court convicts the person without a jury or accepts a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, the court shall make a finding as to whether, due to the consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance, the person's ability to operate a motor vehicle was visibly impaired at the time of the violation.

(18) A special verdict described in subsections (16) and (17) is not required if a jury is instructed to make a finding solely as to either of the following:

- (a) Whether the defendant was under the influence of a controlled substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.
- (b) Whether the defendant was visibly impaired due to his or her consumption of a controller substance or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance at the time of the violation.

(19) If a jury or court finds under subsection (16), (17) or (18) that the defendant operated a motor vehicle under the influence of or while impaired due to the consumption of a controlled substance or a combination of a controlled substance and an alcoholic liquor, the court shall do both of the following:

- (a) Report the finding to the secretary of state.
- (b) On a form or forms prescribed by the state court administrator, forward to the department of state police a record that specifies the penalties imposed by the court, including any term of imprisonment and any sanction imposed under section 98-37N or MCL 257.904d.

(20) Except as otherwise provided by law, a record described in subsection (19)(b) is a public record and the department of state police shall retain the information contained on that record for not less than seven years.

(21) In a prosecution for a violation of subsection (4), the defendant bears the burden of providing that the consumption of alcoholic liquor was a part of a generally recognized religious service or ceremony by a preponderance of the evidence.

(22) The court may order as a condition of probation that a person convicted of violating subsection (1) shall not operate a motor vehicle unless that vehicle is equipped with an ignition interlock device approved, certified and installed as required under sections 98-37K and 98-37L.

(23) Subject to subsection (25), as used in this section, "prior conviction" means a conviction for any of the following whether under a law of this state, a local ordinance substantially corresponding to a law of this state or a law of another state substantially corresponding to a law of this state:

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (24), a violation or attempted violation of any of the following:
 - (i) This section, except a violation of section 98-37(2), or a violation of any prior enactment of this section in which the defendant operated a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance or a combination of intoxicating or alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance or while visibly impaired or with an unlawful bodily alcohol content.
 - (ii) Section 98-37M.
 - (iii) Former MCL 257.625b.
- (b) Negligent homicide, manslaughter or murder resulting from the operation of a vehicle or an attempt to commit any of those crimes.

(24) Only one violation or attempted violation of subsection (4), a local ordinance substantially corresponding to subsection (4) or a law of another state substantially corresponding to subsection (4) may be used as a prior conviction.

(25) If two or more convictions described in subsection (23) are convictions for violations arising out of the same transaction, only one conviction shall be used to determine whether the person has a prior conviction."

Section 3. That all other provisions of Chapter 98, Article II of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 5. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

Section 6. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law.

THEATER TROUPE STAGES ROCK-STYLE CABARET

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Remember to bring your cell phone to the Rock the House A Rock-and-Roll Cabaret show next month in Canton.

Christopher Tremblay, one of the event's producers, promises you'll get a chance to use it — as long as you silence it.

"This will probably be one of the few shows you can pull out your cell phone, and if you want to throw the light on your phone and use it as your pretend lighter, feel free," Tremblay said. "For those who really get into the music, they will be encouraged to get on their feet."

Tremblay and Tim Chanko hope the show will have the feel of a live rock concert, with a cabaret twist. They and Linda Pohl are the founders of TLC Productions, the Canton-based theater group that is producing Rock the House. Chanko, Maureen Paraventi of Redford, and Kara Fay Cardella of Ypsilanti will sing rock songs from stage and screen, while members of the band Damage Control — Chanko plays keyboard with the group — accompany them.

TLC Productions has staged original musicals and produces a one-act play festival every other year at the Village Theater.

"We have not done a cabaret. I've been involved with one at Spotlight Players. They usually do cabaret with piano," Chanko noted. "Because I'm in a band, we discussed what about doing a cabaret?"

"There will be some choreography with it, and some costuming. But we wanted to make it minimal. We're trying to focus on the music."

Joe Cone, who has been involved in other TLC Productions projects, will serve as emcee and will introduce each song with a nugget of trivia.

Shows are at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, in the Biltmore Studio at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400



Tim Chanko (left) of Canton, Maureen Paraventi of Redford, and Kara Fay Cardella of Ypsilanti rehearse songs for TLC Productions' rock cabaret at the Village Theater in Canton.

Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Tickets are \$15, available online at tlcprod.wordpress.com and www.canton-mi.org/village-theater.

"What's neat about it is it brings together music from stage and screen and some that have been both," Tremblay said. "The songs we selected are universal and well known. We looked at going from the 1950s to the present time to capitalize on all the music, the rock music through different decades. It will be interesting because normally when you think of a rock show, you think big scale. This will be great music, but in an intimate setting."

The audience can expect to hear older tunes, such as *Jailhouse Rock*, and more contemporary pieces, including songs from *Rent*, *Mama Mia* and *Rock of Ages*.

"I just want people to come and have a good time," Chanko said.

Look for TLC Productions' next major project, StageLab 24, in January 2014. Writers will gather on a Friday night to pen 10-minute plays. The works will be cast, rehearsed and then staged the following evening. The public may watch the process during the 24-hour period at the Village Theater.



Damage Control is Tim Chanko on keyboard, John Fitzgerald on bass guitar, Terri Stefanka on vocals, Bob Espinoza on drums and Dave Schmidt on lead guitar. Chako will sing and Fitzgerald, Espinoza and Schmidt will play their instruments at Rock the House/Cabaret.

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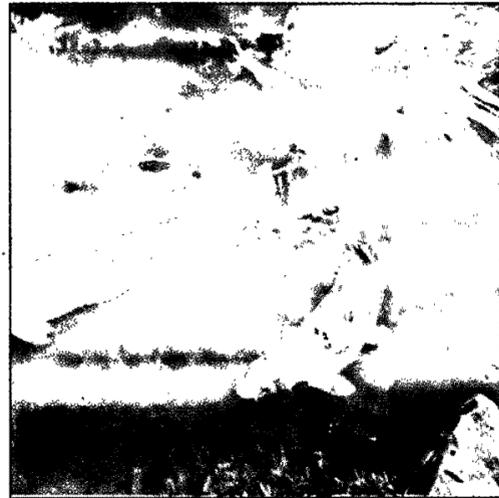
Celebrate Michigan at fair in Novi

From sheep shearing to bagpipers, racing pigs to bean displays, the Michigan State Fair will offer something for everyone Friday-Monday, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, between Novi and Beck Road. The fair runs from 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30-Sept. 1 and from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2. Highlights include: Livestock on display, along with horse, poultry, pig, and goat shows, racing pigs and a K-9 show. Contests, including

pie eating, watermelon seed spitting, sack racing and more. Home arts demonstrations and displays. Shrine Circus performances and carnival rides. A farmer's market and agricultural exhibits. Musical entertainment, including Detroit Soul Men, Gratitude Steel Band and Marshall Crenshaw and the Bottle Rockets. Vendor exhibits. A pass to the fair only — excluding all carnival rides and the circus performance — purchased in advance is \$6 for

adults and children, 12 and older, and \$5 for children, 11 and under. Add \$2 more for adults and \$1 more for children if paying at the gate. A wristband that allows admission to all attractions is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the gate for adults and children, 36 inches or taller. It's \$10 for children, 35 inches or less. For more information about the Michigan State Fair, visit michiganstatefairllc.com. Call the Suburban Collection Showplace at 248-348-6942.

All about koi

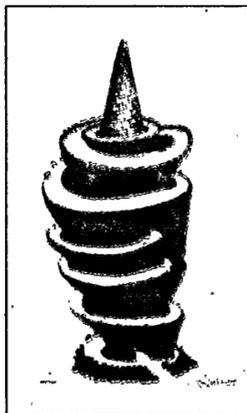


The Michigan Koi and Pond Club presents its second Koi Show, noon-6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1 at The Pond Place, 3505 W. Highland Road, Milford. Admission is free. Koi breeders and dealers will be on hand with a variety of Japanese koi and fancy goldfish for sale. Other vendors will have pond supplies available, from pumps to nets to koi food and more. A koi judging will take place Saturday, Aug. 31. Judges will go from tank to tank on Sunday, Sept. 1, discussing the fish and explaining why the winners were chosen. For more information, see www.mkpcse.com or contact Ray Alexander at 734-846-8588.

GET OUT! CALENDAR

ARTS, CRAFTS

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Time/Dates: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday
Location: 5200 Woodward, Detroit
Family Sundays: 2 p.m. Sundays; storytelling, performances; free with admission
Exhibits: Printmaking by Ellsworth Kelly, through Sept. 8
Contact: 313-833-7900, www.dia.org



Terry Lee Dill's solo exhibition includes fantastical buildings drawn in ink and gold pen. It opens Sept. 6 at Northville Art House.

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Dates: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through Aug. 30
Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville
Details: "Collaboration and Continuum: The Carnival Photographs of Bill Rauhauser and Carlos Diaz," curated by Mary McNichols, Ph.D.
Coming up: Terry Lee Dill's solo exhibition, "Dimorphism" consists of elaborate drawings in black ink and gold leaf. For the past 20 years, Dill conceptualized fantastical buildings as metaphors of his daily life. His work shows hints of Dr. Seuss, M.C. Escher and Erich Mendelsohn. The exhibit runs Sept. 6-28, with an artist talk at 8 p.m. at the opening reception, Sept. 6
Contact: 248-344-0497; http://www.northvillearts.org

FILM

COMPUWARE ARENA DRIVE-IN
Time/Dates: Gates open at 7:30 p.m., with movies starting around 9:20 p.m., daily, through Sept. 1
Location: 14900 Beck between Five Mile and M-14, Plymouth Township
Details: Cost is \$10 for adults; \$8 for children, 4-12; kids 3 and under are admitted free of charge. Students with proper ID are admitted for \$8 Sunday through Thursday. Patrons listen to the movies on the FM band of their car radio
Contact: 734-927-3284

PENN THEATRE

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, and 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 31-Sept. 1
Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth
Details: Monsters University, admission, \$3
Coming up: "The Internship," 7 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7, and 4:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8
Summer Matinee: "The Muppet Movie," Aug. 29. Movie runs at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Dates: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 13-14 and 1 p.m. Sept. 15
Location: 17360 Lahser, north of Grand River Avenue, Detroit
Details: "Muisic Man," with Robert Preston and Shirley Jones, \$6. Jones will appear live at all shows. Autographs will be \$20 per item. Fans may select one of the 8- by 10-inch glossies provided or bring their own personal item to be auto-

graphed. Photos with Jones will be \$10
Coming up: 8 p.m. Sept. 27 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 28, "The Graduate," with Anne Bancroft and Dustin Hoffman, along with the Pink Panther in "The Pink Panther"
Contact: 313-537-2560

HISTORICAL PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Dates: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday and Friday-Sunday
Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth
Details: The current exhibit, B4TV, highlights leisure activities that families and individuals engaged in before television. The exhibit runs through Nov. 10. Admission \$5 for adults and \$2 for students 6-17
Contact: www.plymouth-history.org; 734-455-8940

MUSIC FARMINGTON PLAYERS BARN THEATRE

Time/Dates: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14
Location: 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Peter Oprisko takes on the role of Frank Sinatra in this tribute concert, "Fabulous Frank." The show will include such Sinatra classics as "Strangers in the Night," "New York, New York," and "Fly Me to the Moon," as well as a retrospective of his career. Tickets are \$19 for adults and \$17 for seniors and students
Other concerts at the Barn: "Magic Bus," with music from the Woodstock era, Nov. 9; "Songs We Love," a compilation of songs from the Rat Pack era, Jan. 11, 2014; and performances by Blackthorn, a Players Barn tradition for St. Patrick's Day, March 7-8, 2014
Contact: 248-473-1856

JAZZ AT THE ELKS

Time/Dates: 7-10 p.m. last Tuesday of the month — except December
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: Tommy There is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres. Proceeds from Jazz Elks goes toward special needs and disadvantaged children and veterans.
Contact: 734-453-1780 or email to plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN

Time/Dates: 7:30-10 p.m. every Monday
Location: 884 Penniman, Plymouth
Details: Open mic for music and poetry; come and show your creative side.
Saturday featured artist: Sentimental Value, Saturday, Aug. 31; Marco Aziel and RJ Redine, Sept. 7. Featured performer concerts start at 8 p.m.
Contact: 734-454-0178

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Dates: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.
Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia
Details: Empty Chair Night, Sept. 8; Singers Sing Seger Songs Tribute with John D. Lamb, Dave Edwards, Al Jacques, Charlie Springer and Bob Monteleone, Sept. 13; The Yellow Room Gang featuring Mustard's Retreat, Annie Capps, Matt Watroba and Kitty Donohoe, Sept. 14; Songwriters Anonymous Showcase, Sept. 20; The Boogie Woogie Kid Matthew Ball, Sept. 21. Most shows tickets are \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks are accepted
Contact: 734-464-6302

VIVACE SERIES

Time/Dates: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28
Location: The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: The David Glukh International Ensemble performs improvisation, Yiddish classics, klezmer, and masterpieces by Tchaikovsky, Verdi and Puccini. An afterglow will follow the concert. General admission is \$23; members, seniors and students under 18 pay \$20.

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

SOMETHING DIFFERENT ARTS, BEATS & EATS

Time/Dates: Event hours are 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30-Sept. 1; 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2. Art fair hours are 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30-Sept. 1 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2
Location: On Washington Ave., and adjacent streets, between Lincoln and 11 Mile in downtown Royal Oak
Details: The event includes an art fair with approximately 140 artist booths; food booths from more than 50 of the area's restaurants and caterers; nine different entertainment stages including performances by MC Hammer, Killer Flamingos, Orbitsuns, The Howling Diablos and more; interactive Ford vehicle displays; an outdoor movie, a salute to veterans; vendors, carnival rides and more. Admission is \$3 before 5 p.m. and \$5 after
Contact: artsbeatsseats.com

DETROIT ZOO

Time/Dates: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, through Labor Day, Sept. 2; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. after Labor Day-Oct. 31
Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak
Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$12 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$9 for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and parking
Senior Day: Seniors, 62 and older, from Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties, along with

their caregiver, will receive free admission, parking and rides on the Tauber Family Railroad, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4. The event includes live music, bingo, tractor train tours, zoo-keeper talks and a senior resource area.
Contact: 248-541-5717

UFO SHOW III

Time/Dates: 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 29
Location: The Mix Studio, 8 N. Washington Street, Ypsilanti
Details: Emergent Arts presents an evening of standup, storytelling and original songs, featuring Chevy Hungerford, Drew Grimaldi, Germaine Gebhard, Brad Wenzel, Andy Jentzen, Marty Smith, and Marc Holland. Tickets are \$8, available at www.emergentarts.com
Contact: 734-985-0875 for more information

THEATER BERMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Time/Dates: 7:30 p.m. Aug. 31 and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sept. 1
Location: On the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan



Tickets are available now for the David Glukh International Ensemble's Vivace Series concert in Farmington Hills.

West Bloomfield
Details: Tovah Feldshuh takes on the role of Golda Meir in this one-woman show. Tickets are \$67; \$62 for Jewish Community Center members.
Contact: 248-661-1900; www.theberman.org for more information

FARMINGTON HILLS YOUTH PLAYERS

Time/Dates: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8
Location: The Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Auditions for "Tarzan The Stage Musical," which will be performed Nov. 15, 17 and 22-24 with two casts performing on different dates. Actors cast in the show pay a registration fee and must attend a mandatory parent meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23, at the Costick Center. Participants may drop in at any time during the audition hours. Auditions are open to both residents and nonresidents. No prior preparation is necessary. Participants should bring a recent school photo with them to the audi-

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tion. All other materials will be supplied. Some preliminary materials will be available for review beginning Aug. 23 at WWW.fhgov.com/YouthTheatre.
Contact: The Cultural Arts Division at 248-473-1859

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Time/Dates: 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23-24 and Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 29-31
Location: MacKenzie Fine Arts Auditorium, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn
Details: The college's Humanities and Social Science Division and Theatre Arts Department will present Eric Bogosian's "Drinking in America." Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$12 for faculty, students and seniors. Buy them online at theatre.hfcc.edu
Contact: 313-845-6478

MOTOR CITY PLAYERS

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Sept. 3-4
Location: Motor City Theatre, 27555 Grantland, Livonia
Details: Auditions for actors, 18 and up will consist of cold readings from script. Participants should bring a recent photo to auditions. Motor City Theatre will open its season with either "The Mouse Trap" or "And Then There Were None." The production will run Oct. 25-Nov. 3
Contact: 313-535-8962

SPOTLIGHT PLAYERS

Time/Dates: 8 p.m. Sept. 13-14, 20-21 and 2 p.m. Sept. 15 and 22
Location: The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton
Details: The group stages the musical comedy, "Hairspray." Tickets are \$18 for adults, and \$16 for seniors and youth
Contact: www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater

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» Keep it light. A tailgating scene can seem overwhelming for those who don't want to splurge all their day's calories, so be sure to have lots of fresh, crunchy vegetables on hand. Start with your standard dippers – like sliced carrots, broccoli and cucumbers – or score big with unique vegetable dipper options – like snap peas, asparagus spears

and radishes.

» Serve delightful dippers. Potato and tortilla chips go hand-in-hand with tailgating festivities, but beyond these standards is a whole world of other dipping options. For a Mediterranean touch, go with flatbread, pita bread or pita chips. Instead of plain, old butter flatbread, opt for more texture with multi-grain crackers or crusty garlic bread. Or, serve up a warm batch of buffalo wings with this smoky and spicy recipe for Hummus Buffalo Wing Dip.

» Along with light dips and vegetables, offer a few substantial appetizers, such as nachos and chicken kebabs.

Incorporate a few of these recipes into your game day strategy and watch as fans huddle up to fill their plates. For more great game day ideas, visit www.sabra.com.

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CHICKEN KEBABS

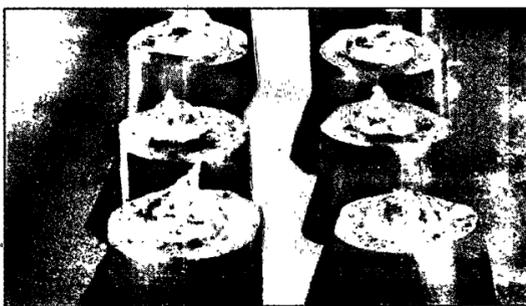
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, chopped into chunks (about 1 inch in size)
- 2 tablespoons Sabra Roasted Garlic or Onion Greek Style Veggie Dip divided
- ½ teaspoon turmeric
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped into chunks (about 1 inch in size)
- 1 small yellow onion, chopped into chunks (about 1 inch in size)

Stir chicken, dip and turmeric together in a small mixing bowl. Refrigerate for at least ½ hour allowing the veggie dip to tenderize and flavor the chicken.

Preheat broiler or grill.

Assemble kebabs, alternating pepper, onion and chicken on the skewers.

Grill on charcoal grill outside or under the broiler indoors. Cook 10-15 minutes or until juice runs clear from the chicken. Brush remaining yogurt dip over hot kebabs.



CUCUMBER CUPS

Yield: 16 servings

- 2 English cucumbers
- 1 container hummus
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 bunch parsley, finely chopped

Peel cucumbers and slice lengthwise into 1 1/4-inch pieces.

Using melon baller, carve out seeds to create a vessel, making sure to leave bottom intact.

Using piping bag or small spoon, fill each with hummus, about 1 teaspoon each.

Sprinkle with paprika and finely chopped parsley.

HUMMUS BUFFALO WING DIP

- 1 teaspoon red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1 cup hummus



Whisk first seven ingredients together (vinegar through paprika). Add hummus and combine thoroughly.



MEDITERRANEAN NACHOS RECIPE

- 4 cups pita chips
- 2 tablespoons Sabra Roasted Garlic Hummus
- 2 tablespoons Sabra Roasted Red Pepper Hummus
- 8-10 grape tomatoes, cut in half lengthwise
- ½ cup chopped zucchini (about ½ inch chunks)
- 2 tablespoons chopped Greek olives
- 2 tablespoons chopped pepperoncinis
- 1 ½ cups shredded mozzarella

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

Place pita chips in a 9- to 10-inch skillet or other oven proof pan or baking dish of a similar size. Top with small spoonfuls of hummus.

Sprinkle tomatoes, zucchini, olives and pepperoncinis over the chips. Top with shredded mozzarella.

Bake 15-20 minutes or until cheese has melted and edges are beginning to brown.

Serve warm.



HUMMUS GARLIC BREAD

- 1 loaf French bread (about 12-14 inches long)
- 1 container Sabra Roasted Garlic Hummus
- 1-2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat Broiler
Slice French bread in half length wise. Set aside

Mix Sabra Roasted Garlic Hummus and garlic together in a small mixing bowl.

Spread hummus mixture on French bread halves. Place bread on a baking sheet. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese

Broil bread on a wire baking rack located in the middle of the oven, not too close to the broiler.

Broil 2-5 minutes or until edges are crispy and the cheese is browning.

Watch the bread closely as broilers vary greatly in their timing.

Cut each half of bread into quarters. Serve warm

Local church baptizes 500 congregants in one night

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

NorthRidge Church's baptism service may have looked a little like a music festival last week. Beach balls bounced through the crowd gathered on blankets and lawn chairs in the church amphitheater on Aug. 21. Some snacked on food as they listened to worship music and cheered on more than 500 individuals who took the plunge in one of five baptismal pools at the Plymouth Township church.

"We had a couple thousand friends and family members to help celebrate, said Pamela Heaton, assistant to senior pastor Brad Powell. "It's the first time we've ever done an outdoor baptism."

NorthRidge generally offers baptismal services indoors on a quarterly basis, but its pastoral staff decided to try an outdoor celebration after hundreds of churchgoers came forward to take the "step of obedience."

"We have a lot of new believers saying 'I want to take that step of obedience,'" said Care pastor Wayne Kuretycz. "This was an exciting way for them to take that step. Baptism is an outward expression of inward faith. They are testifying and sharing their stories."

Heaton said the baptized ranged in age from children to senior citizens. All attend services at the main church or at one of NorthRidge's satellite locations in Saline and Howell. Some are members of the church and some are in the process of becoming members. Congregants who are interested in becoming baptized can sign up online and undergo a baptism interview process.

Heaton said the church typically baptizes 80-125 persons every quarter.

According to NorthRidge Church's website, baptism "does not make you a believer — it shows that you already believe... it's the outward symbol of the commitment that you have made in your heart."

In a press release, Powell said a mass baptism isn't a new concept but doesn't happen often. "We are honored that God could use NorthRidge to change so many lives and proclaim his glory," he said.

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EVANS, M. ANNETTA (ANNETTE)

80, of Suttons Bay, passed away on Monday, August 19, 2013 at her home. She died from complications following knee replacement surgery. Annetta was born on August 15, 1933 in Slayden, TN, the daughter of Eddie and Fannie (Smith) Shelton. On November 14, 1953 in Ferndale, she married Albert A. Evans, who survives. Annette elevated homemaking to a high art. She cared for her husband, Al, and his demanding career as a graphic designer with Skidmore Sahrabian. She shared his love of travel, driving the back roads and visiting small towns and touring the great cities. They shared a love and appreciation for art-high and low, folk and craft. They shared a passion for creating a home for their family and friends that was an expression of each of their aesthetic sensitivities. She raised her two children Karen and Kent, with joy and unabashed enthusiasm. She instilled a love of learning in her kids and made lifelong friends from Franklin who shared this passion. Her love was unconditional, for Kent, Karen and her favorite son-in-law Ken. She took pride and delight in her home, a place nurtured with beauty, love and creativity. She entertained with formal dinner parties, backyard picnics with family and friends, an annual Christmas Eve open house with Franklin neighbors, and breakfast for every teenager found sleeping upstairs. She knew farmers at the market, and found joy in the sheer visual beauty of a pear or a pumpkin. She loved to cook. She served chicken curry, kibbe and steak tartar to her kids when they were small, insisting that they try just one bite, and instilling a love of cooking and food in them both. She savored dinners with her husband and children as a time for conversation and sharing. She helped to create a supportive and positive community working at the library, volunteering at the church, participating in her children's school, belonging to the Garden Club, Quilters, The Giggie Group, Stitchers and PEO. She enjoyed people of all ages and had the ability to turn a casual conversation with a perfect stranger into a meaningful friendship. She delighted in children—her own, their friends, her nieces and nephews. She intuitively understood children and had a way of making each child feel special and perfect, appreciated and loved. She inspired adventures in the woods, ponds, puddles and orchards found around her Franklin home. Annette was a wife, a mother, and a friend. She understood that these roles she chose for her life, were hard work, required commitment, dedication and sacrifice. But, also, that they were infinitely important. And, while she sometimes struggled to understand and change, she embraced the life she lived. Her legacy is found in the hearts and memories of all she loved. She will be greatly missed. In addition to her loving husband of 59 years, Annette is survived by her children, Karen Leslie (Ken) Bryan and Kent Garret Evans; a brother, Larry (Lois) Shelton; and a sister, Carol (Chuck) Ammon. A brother, Fred Shelton, preceded her in death. A memorial service will be held at the Leland United Methodist Community Church on Friday, September 6 at 2:00 pm and at a later date at the Franklin Community Church in Franklin Village. Memorials may be directed to Leelanau Christian Neighbors, PO Box 32, Suttons Bay, MI 49682. Arrangements are with the Martinson Funeral Home of Suttons Bay. www.martinson.info



BRIDGES, NORWOOD RALL "WOODY"

October 10, 1930 to August 23, 2013. Age 82 longtime resident of Farmington Hills, Norwood died Friday August 23, 2013. He is survived by his beloved wife, Joy Lee Bridges (Tackabury). Joy and Woody were married for 63 years. He is the loving father to Merry Kimberly Fischer (Bridges) and David Rall Bridges (Coreen). He has four adoring grandchildren: Jennifer Lavelle Fischer, Eric David Fischer, Jill Alexis Bridges, and Sarah Kaye Bridges. He has one precious great granddaughter, Addyson Kay Fischer. He is a loving brother to Jane Bella Little of Homer Alaska. Uncle Woody was a favorite with his nieces and nephews as well as his many cousins. As a young man Norwood was an Eagle Scout, graduated from Ferndale High School and a member of Submarine Service with the United States Navy. Norwood retired as a Mechanical/Electrical Engineer for Tishken Products after 18 years. He belonged to the Self Realization Fellowship Church which met at the Detroit Institute of Art. He enjoyed teaching yoga classes. He loved nature and spent his free time horseback riding, hiking, canning and camping in the local, metro parks and recreation areas. A memorial service will be held on Sept. 15 beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Farmington Hills Longacre House: 24705 Farmington Rd. Farmington Hills, MI 48336, 248-477-8404. Donations, honoring Norwood R. Bridges can be made to the: Department of Special Services Farmington Hills Senex Adult Respite Program (info. For memo line of check) 28600 11 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills, MI 48336. 248-473-1872



KINNAMON, BETTY JANE M.

Age 96. August 25, 2013. Betty Jane was born March 3, 1917 in Detroit, MI to Lola Mary and Frederick William Kormess. In 1943 she married Van Buren Gilchrist Kinnamon and were together until his passing in 1962. She is also preceded in death by her sister Fern Caroline Kormess-Mitchell in 1992, granddaughter Fern Sarah Nelson in 1999, and son-in-law Robert Paul Barber in 2006. Betty Jane is survived by daughters: Fern R. Barber of Farmington Hills and Leah Mary Nelson of Howell; grandchildren Julie Anne Barber-Blankenship (Steve), Randall Scott Barber (Melissa) and Jim Andrew Nelson (Suzette); great-grandchildren Korah Marie Nelson, Nicholas Cain, Mason Shane, Nolan Payne; and great-granddaughter Amayah Sarah. Betty Jane graduated as Valedictorian, Class of 1933, at the age of 16 from Detroit Mackenzie High School. She worked for the City of Detroit and private C.P.A. firms. She was a musician/pianist, landscape artist, English saddle rider, and a great Mom! A private family graveside service will be held on Friday at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi. Memorial tributes may be made to the Michigan Humane Society, Detroit Center, 7401 Chrysler Dr., Detroit, MI 48211 or Farmington Community Band, P.O. Box 3091, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-3091 www.thayer-rock.com



MULLETT, JOSEPH

Age 51, Suddenly August 25, 2013. The love of Deborah Jo. Beloved father of Justine (Chad) Clemney, Joseph & Jacob Mullett & Angela (Matt) Combs. Dear grandfather of Jordan, Lilly, Justine & Nathan. Dear son of Donald C. & the late Justine Mullett. Brother of Donald W. (Wendy), Michele (Wayne) Woodard, Margaret (Charles) Henry, John (Diane), Marilyn (John) Estrada & Justine (Ron) Pummill. Favorite uncle of 41 nieces and nephews. Visitation at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford Road, Garden City, Wednesday 1-9pm. In state at First Congregational Church of Wayne, 2 Town Square, Wayne, Thursday 10am until time of service at 11am. Please share a memory at www.rghharris.com



MORELAND, STELLA RUTH

96, of Midland, formerly of Livonia, passed away on August 27 at Stratford Village. She was born August 17, 1917 in Bridgeport, CT to the late Adolf and Pauline (Truniec) Colacks. In 1934 she married the love of her life, Ira L. Moreland. Stella was a very loving wife and mother who devoted all of her time to family and community. Her magnetic personality attracted people where ever she went. She was a lifetime member of the Methodist Church and was very active in church work. She also was very active in the public schools. In her earlier years she taught Sunday School, participated in women's groups, was president of school PTA's, was room mother at the elementary schools, and was a Brownie and Girl Scout helper. She especially enjoyed sewing and cooking, and took great pride in making everything very artistic. Family members could hardly wait to see and sample her wonderful Christmas cookies each year. After her husband died she moved to Livonia. There she joined the Moonusters Club, was active in the volunteer group RSVP, became active at Newburg United Methodist Church and the Sunshine Group there, and belonged to several senior groups in the area. She loved ballroom dancing and traveling. As a member of the Nomad Travel Club, she took the trip of her lifetime in 1982: a trip around the world. In 1995 she was appointed Commissioner by the Mayor of Livonia to the Commission on Aging where she served for eleven years until moving to Midland. She received many honors and awards for her volunteer services. Stella is survived by three daughters: Ethel (Kenneth) Hoenicke of Midland, Ilene (Thomas) Hazen of Belleville, Carol (Alan) Ford of Crossville TN; eight grandchildren: Roger (Terri) Ibach, Dr. Eric (Nicole) Hoenicke, Kim (Steve) DeGregorio, Dr. David (Alana) Hoenicke, Charlotte (Nick) Barkley, Rev. Jeff (Jessica) Ford, Scott (Kathleen) Hoenicke, & Nathan Ford; thirteen great-grandchildren: Steven DeGregorio, Ashlie Ibach, Anthony DeGregorio, Shelbi Ibach, Adam Ibach, Karielena DeGregorio, Jayden Ford, Jocelyn Hoenicke, J. Westley Ford, Stella Barkley, Maisy Barkley, Maddon Barkley, and Lauren Hoenicke; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Stella was preceded in death by her husband Ira; one sister, Anna; three brothers, Benjamin, Joseph, and Lawrence; nephew Bernard Celacks, niece Gloria Celacks; and stepfather, Walter Kowlin. Stella's family will receive friends at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI on August 29th from 6-8 p.m. She will lie in state at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 30th. The Reverend Steve McCoy will officiate. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Newburg United Methodist Church of Livonia or the charity of choice in Stella's memory.

STOCKER, Christine M.

Age 66, August 27, 2013. Chris is survived by her devoted siblings, Norman R. "Bob" (Janet) Stocker and Judy (the late William) Mixer; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass Wednesday, September 4, 11:30 am (in state 10:30 am) St. Gerald Catholic Church, 21300 Farmington Rd., Farmington. Interment Holy Sepulchre, Southfield. Memorial gifts suggested to the Monastery of the Blesses Sacrament, Farmington Hills. Arrangements entrusted to the: Heeneey-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington (248-474-5200) heeneey-sundquist.com HEENEY-SUNDSQUIST FUNERAL HOME

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School quality big factor for parent homebuyers

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Greg Baracy, longtime superintendent of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools, is glad to host, with district colleagues, regular luncheons for area Realtors.

"Wayne-Westland's a great place for a young family to move in, raise their family and get a great education," the Wayne resident said. "Wayne-Westland does phenomenally well."

At the Realtor luncheons, district school officials share

"points of pride" such as current offerings, Advanced Placement classes, Talented and Gifted offerings, and athletic and extracurricular opportunities such as band. Wayne-Westland has K-12 World Languages, even Spanish in the elementary schools.



Greg Baracy

"It's a natural for parents moving into the district with young families," he said of Wayne-Westland. "Homes are moderately priced. If you're looking for bang for the buck, Wayne-Westland's the place to be."

Realtors ask him and colleague educators about curriculum, technology and staff. "We're very proud of our highly qualified staff," said Baracy, adding staffers also care about children and teens.

He points with pride to the Midland-based Mackinac Center for Public Policy which gives high educational marks to Wayne-Westland.

Realtor Richard Eisiminger, a Canton resident, served five years on the Wayne-Westland school board during what he noted was a relatively quiet time for school districts. Eisiminger has worked 21 years in real estate and owns his RichRealty, based in Plymouth.

"Very much so, because family and children are the top priority in their lives," Eisiminger said of school district quality influencing buyers.

"We're not supposed to recommend one school district over another," Eisiminger said. "Today's buyers are much more informed than they were in the past."



Websites provide extensive information on school districts.

Eisiminger finds prospective buyers look for good schools, which generally mean a safe city with good community makeup. "If there's good schools, then you've got good stuff following," Eisiminger said.

He agreed, "If we've got bad young ones coming up, it's not a good thing," noting young people are future leaders, such as those who'll serve in the Senate and Congress.

Westland resident and Livonia Realtor Meriem Kadi has been in the field almost

20 years, and has been working with National Realty Centers in Livonia about four years. It also has a Birmingham office.

"As a Realtor for many years, I have seen so many different market values and what potential buyers/sellers are looking for when they are thinking about buying and selling," said Kadi, in her fourth year on the Westland City Council. "I believe that a school district (whether public or private) is still an important factor in some buyers' decision in deciding on a location."

Kadi added parents are concerned about bus pickup

and distance, and what drive time, if any, will be related to work schedules. "I still have faith and believe in our public school system or any teaching institute, that our goal would always be to strive for quality when it comes to the education of our children." Kadi's glad to see market values rising as well, following a difficult time in the field.

Many parents opt to visit the local elementary, middle or high school, to meet the staff and learn more about the specific school their child will attend.

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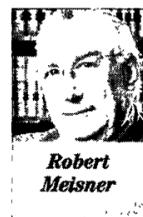
Venice not a place for housing bargains

Q: I hear that people are literally moving out of Venice. Has that made it less expensive to live there?

A: No. A hundred square meter apartment can cost over a million euros (\$1.3 million), and there is concern among Venetians that the exodus of the population, which is now less than 58,000, will result in the city being nothing more than museums and hotels since many of the residences are being bought to be converted into them. Living in the suburbs, i.e., the mainland, makes it much easier to carry out ones daily activities which is the cause of the migration.

Q: Has Croatia recovered from the war in the 1990's to offer reasonable housing as a vacation destination?

A: Yes. Particularly along the Adriatic, the cities and villages have been relatively undisturbed by the war and have seaside villas surrounded by hills and mountains which can be purchased at reasonable prices. Croatia is joining the European Union as of July 1, 2013, but the utilization of the euro as a national currency will not take place for several years, which may give a U.S. investor a window of opportunity to get a good deal.



Robert Meisner

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 22-26, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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15842 Buckingham Ave \$160,000
16291 W 14 Mile Rd \$550,000
21805 W 14 Mile Rd \$65,000
BIRMINGHAM
1057 E 14 Mile Rd \$75,000
1448 Haynes St \$127,000
759 Hazelwood St \$625,000
1500 Henrietta St \$360,000
724 Madison St \$535,000
1135 N Glenhurst Dr \$675,000
1363 Smith Ave \$162,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

300 Cranbrook Ct \$1,775,000
1860 Huntingwood Ln \$484,000
1351 Knollcrest Cir # M-52 \$205,000
81 Manor Rd \$589,000
1110 S Timberview Trl \$230,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
2760 Aldgate Dr \$295,000
400 Billingsgate Ct \$181,000

2549 Bloomfield Crossing \$565,000
925 Dursley Rd \$225,000
264 Eileen Dr \$80,000
2440 Emerson Ave \$235,000
2974 Woodcreek Way \$440,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

325 Anaconda St \$315,000
3570 Clark Cir \$260,000
563 Cranbourne St \$70,000

FARMINGTON

5287 Lancaster Ln \$285,000
5968 Majestic Oaks Dr \$360,000
3856 Sleeth Rd \$315,000
5880 Turnberry Dr \$459,000

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32100 Grand River Ave \$48,000
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31007 Applewood Ln \$236,000
27127 Arden Park Cir \$153,000
37026 Aspen Dr \$386,000
27845 Berrywood Ln Unit \$52,000

LIVONIA

35420 Blue Spruce Dr \$220,000
31228 Country Blf \$95,000
35637 Cross Crk N \$270,000
29143 Glencastle Dr \$190,000
38313 Golfview Dr \$329,000

35195 Hillside Dr \$137,000
27864 Kendallwood Dr \$132,000
28851 Kirkside Ln \$222,000
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900 Bird Song Dr \$91,000
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1102 Hunter Ct \$362,000
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3917 Old Plank Rd \$80,000
432 Pondview Ln \$400,000
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NORTHVILLE

1176 Concord Ct \$115,000
38187 Connaught Dr \$285,000
20858 E Glen Haven Cir \$67,000
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43286 Ashbury Dr \$355,000
30145 Brightwood Dr \$277,000
30146 Brightwood Dr \$287,000
45727 Bristol Cir \$365,000
50651 Glades Ct E \$50,000
50932 Glades Ct W \$50,000
40658 Lenox Park Dr \$250,000
25558 Portico Ln \$140,000
22813 Renford St \$63,000
24411 Surfside Rd \$171,000
28296 Wolcott Dr \$84,000

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1032 Gentry Dr \$318,000
61001 Preakness Blvd \$337,000

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26850 Greenleigh Ct \$110,000
18916 Greenwald Dr \$65,000
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21758 Rose Hollow Dr \$95,000
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41697 Bedford Dr \$26,000
50294 Black Horse Ln \$77,000
8301 Chatham Dr \$560,000
369 Elmington Ct \$405,000
51134 Federal Blvd \$77,000
7089 Foxcreek Dr \$235,000
2321 Hogan Way \$174,000
45197 Horseshoe Cir \$137,000
4621 Pond Run \$210,000
6265 Porteridge Ln \$150,000

1732 S Pennfield Ln \$77,000
1803 S Pennfield Ln \$79,000
1839 S Pennfield Ln \$77,000

GARDEN CITY

33240 Alvin St \$60,000
647 Belton St \$55,000
31764 Rosslyn Ave \$83,000

LIVONIA

19335 Antago St \$44,000
29454 Bobrich St \$45,000
29686 Clarita St \$41,000
34047 La Moyne St \$163,000
17961 Lathers St \$56,000
18906 Melvin St \$118,000
37434 N Laurel Park Dr \$150,000
15049 Nola St \$135,000
35900 Orangelawn St \$141,000
19733 Osamus St \$95,000
19645 Parker St \$134,000

17367 Pershing St \$117,000
34617 Pinehurst Ct \$180,000
20225 Rensellor St \$81,000
38117 S Vista Dr \$252,000
31634 Scone St \$138,000
9633 Stark Rd \$200,000
14207 Stonehouse Ave \$135,000
31636 W Chicago St \$125,000
27861 W Stanmoor Dr \$260,000
18832 Westmore St \$128,000
27995 Whitcomb St \$95,000
15613 Woodside St \$180,000

NORTHVILLE

16897 Carriage Way \$150,000
48913 Freestone Dr \$466,000
109 N Rogers St \$475,000

PLYMOUTH

15251 Maxwell Ave \$228,000
9254 Northern Ave \$315,000

51040 Northview \$277,000
40419 Orangelawn Ave \$165,000

REDFORD

11429 Arnold \$35,000
13012 Hemingway \$72,000
20104 Macarthur \$35,000
9168 Seminole \$72,000
26001 Southwestern Hwy \$30,000

WAYNE

32025 Carlisle Pkwy \$21,000
34460 Van Born Rd \$45,000

WESTLAND

2065 Alanson St \$12,000
6823 Deer Run Ct S \$109,000
35855 Florane St \$83,000
37559 Lang Ct \$96,000
7655 N Venoy Rd \$97,000
39320 Northampton St \$85,000
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- Comparable
- Summer hrs.
- "M*A*S*H" site
- Untainted
- meridiem
- Yale Bulldogs' backer
- Baba au —
- Each
- Raise one's voice
- Arabic lute
- Yield territory
- Shelley selections

40 Grain bundle

42 Mole, sometimes

44 Blueprint

47 Humble

51 Brewery supply

54 Midway attraction

56 Buffalo's lake

57 Untidy person

58 Electric bridge

59 Sudden urges

60 Chapeau's place

61 Reception

DOWN

- Tough fiber
- Counting-rhyme start
- Year-end tune
- Lake birds
- Munich single site
- Knock flat
- Organic acid

9 Handful of cotton

10 Narcissus' flaw

11 — vous plait

16 Internet hookup

20 1950s prez

22 Finish-line marker

24 Bulrush

25 High-fashion magazine

26 Has a fever

27 Ski instructors

28 "No way!" (hyph.)

29 Bad-mannered

31 — Jarrett of NASCAR

32 Three, in Toledo

36 Fluctuates wildly (hyph.)

38 Calgary Stampeder org.

41 Basilica parts

43 Annapolis frosh

45 Type of prof

46 Cleopatra's river

48 Come again?

49 Folk teachings

50 Social org.

51 Yol

52 Pay dirt

53 Sewing kit item

55 Pixel

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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| BAIL | GIMME |
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| CART | IRONS |
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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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| 8 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
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Sudoku

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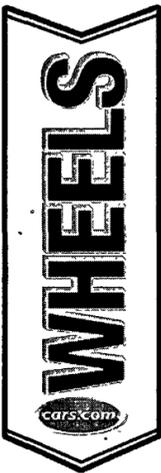
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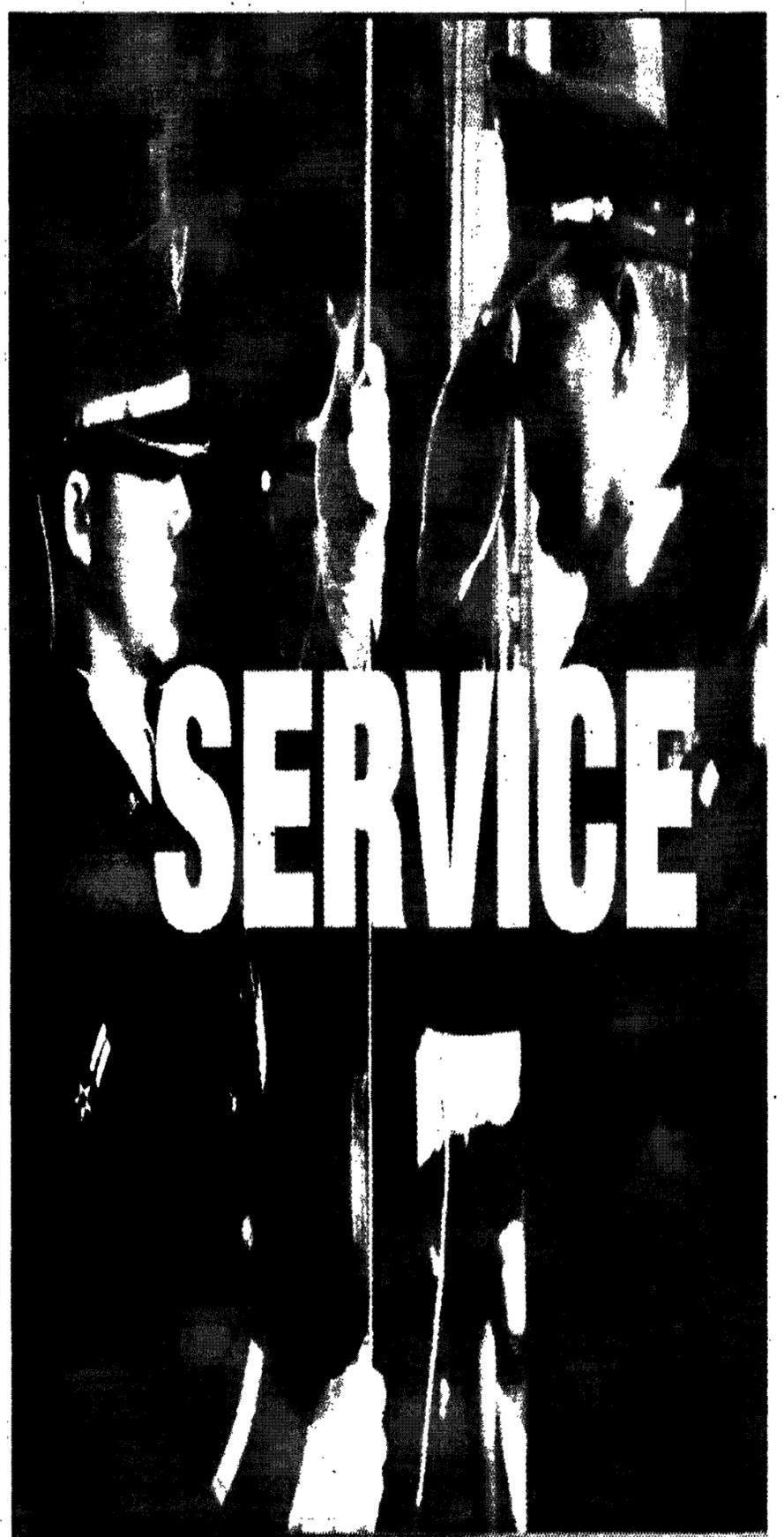
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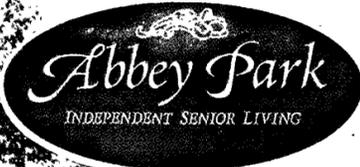
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