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Modest water rate increase proposed

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

In what might be a good kind of sticker shock, Westland is projecting a 2.35-percent increase in the water/sewer rate for 2016.

"I went back 16 years — this is one of the smallest rate increases we've had," Westland Finance Director Steve Smith said.

The city anticipates 5-percent increases from both the Great Lakes Water Authority and Wayne County, the latter handling sewage. By using a five-year rate study and analy-

sis, the city attempts to avoid rate increase spikes by spreading out the increases.

With an average Westland water customer using 13.5 units of water — a unit is 1,000 gallons — during a two-month billing cycle, the city projects the average water bill will increase \$3.78 or \$22.68 annually. Additionally, the city passes on \$28 per billing for the fixed rate charge from GLWA and an increase is not proposed.

"When you look at the proposed rate, it's \$10.12 for 1,000 gallons of water. When you add the \$28 fixed rate charge,

it's 4 cents per gallon," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "If you buy a bottle of water at a gas station, you'll probably pay \$2. This is very reasonable for clean drinking water when you turn on the tap and having it go away when you flush the toilet."

Wayne County has shifted from a commodity charge to billing communities entirely through a fixed rate for sewage.

"Now it is all fixed-cost charges. It's not based on usage anymore," Smith said. "We are currently paying just under \$1 million per month in

fixed costs (combined water and sewer). If we bill to collect the fixed charges, it would cost \$400 per bill. The charge is at \$28 currently."

Even with the proposed rate increase, Westland's water/sewer fees are lower than current rates charged by neighboring communities, including Wayne, Canton, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights and Inkster, which has the highest rate in the area. Smith noted Inkster doesn't charge for the fixed rate, which means that cost must be recouped through the rates.

Westland converted the

different community billing rates to the average 13.5 units used in the city's rate model. The bill ranged from \$115.02 in Livonia to \$260.43 in Inkster.

Garden City, \$155.55, and Plymouth Township, \$164.07, at the current rates would be below the proposed new rate in Westland. Livonia recently posted a comparison chart that incorrectly calculated Westland's water-sewer rates due to an error in applying the fixed rate charge, Smith noted.

"We got calls about our

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State Sen. Hoon-Yung Hoppood, D-Taylor, (far left) with members of the Westland John Glenn High School Junior ROTC posing in front of the Wayne-Westland Board of Education.

Walk again part of MLK program in Westland

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

As Westland turns 50 in 2016, the city's annual Martin Luther King Jr. program is going back to an earlier format, beginning with a walk.

"Originally, the city included a walk and we're going back to it," Westland Mayor William Wild said. "There will be a prayer breakfast instead of a formal program. We're trying to keep it fresh."

The walk will begin Monday at the Wayne-Westland Schools administrative building on Marquette west of Carlson. Participants in the walk are asked to gather at 8:30 a.m. with the walk beginning at 9 a.m. The walk will head west to Newburgh and on to the Friendship Center.

The Freedom Walk will symbolize all of those who marched with King over 50 years ago.

The prayer breakfast and ceremony, which begins at 10 a.m. will include uplifting messages from local clergy and is being funded by the Westland Police Community Partnership Committee.

"People can do either or both," said Wild about the walk and prayer breakfast. Continuous shuttles will be available to return you to your vehicle.

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Glenn ROTC students recognized

LeAnne Rogers
Staff Writer

Members of the Westland John Glenn High School Junior ROTC were recognized recently for their volunteer efforts at a Veterans Day event.

State Sen. Hoon-Yung Hoppood, D-Taylor, whose district includes Westland, presented students with certificates in honor of their help at the free Veterans Day movie.

It's a Veterans Day tradition started by former state

senator Glenn Anderson — a free movie showing for a veteran and a guest.

The students helped out at the theater — this year the veterans were treated to a showing of the latest James Bond movie *Spectre* at the MJR Westland Grand.

"I'm amazed at how much appreciation there is for this. I'm still getting thanks from veterans and the family who attended," Hoppood said.

"You (Junior ROTC members) helped make it possible. They could feel

your honor and respect for them. You had some fun also."

Hoppood connected with the students after meeting their senior instructor Sgt. Major Stephen Young at Glenn.

"The kids clamor to do it — I turn them away. They ask when it is and if they can get involved," Young said. "They get to visit with veterans from World War II through the current war. The veterans appreciate the time spent with the ROTC members."

With a display of humility, character and palpable sense of respect for the veterans, Young said the students were excellent representatives for the high school.

Hoppood presented the certificates at the Wayne-Westland Board of Education meeting.

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Wayne St. Mary School hosting open house

In conjunction with Catholic Schools Week, St. Mary of Wayne Catholic School will be hosting an open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31.

This event is open to anyone who may be interested in the school for grades pre-school-3, preschool-4 and kindergarten through eighth grade. There will be an opportunity to meet teachers and administration as well as view classrooms and work done by St. Mary students.

St. Mary is a diverse school that offers many extracurricular activities to meet each individual student's interests. The school learning specialist will be on hand to discuss extra help that is available to students during the school day as well as after-school small group tutoring.

Students from the middle school will demonstrate a dissection in the science lab. Registration and tuition information for the 2016-17

school year will be available. Families may also inquire about tuition assistance programs.

Stop in and see what St. Mary School has to offer. For more information regarding St. Mary School, visit stmaryschoolwayne.org; call the school office at 734-721-1240 or email schooloffice@stmarywayne.org.

St. Mary Catholic School is located at 34516 Michigan Ave. in Wayne.



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WATER

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rates being the highest, but that's not true. We're still on the smaller end of the rates," Smith said. "I talked to them and they are supposed to be correcting it on their website."

"It's so hard to get an apples-to-apples comparison. Canton and Northville are considering building a water tower," said City Attorney James Fausone, past water board

chairman. "Debt has to be factored in."

The rates also don't include other charges such as 1.75 mills levied in Dearborn Heights to cover combined sewer overflow expenditures.

Administration presented the water/sewer rate study to council with any changes in the rate expected to be effective July 1.

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CORRECTION

A story in the Sunday, Jan. 10, *Observer* should have said Jillian Tosolt wrote the play she is directing in the Stevenson High School "Night of One-Act Plays" production Jan. 14-15.

Skaters find city rink the place to be

The Garden City Figure Skating Club knows how to have a good time. Members were skating this past Saturday at the city's ice arena, as they often do.

A Learn To Skate class offered the day after Christmas proved popular, and many skaters are visiting the rink for fun and exercise. A number of hockey players and teams also use the city facility for practice and games.

The rink is north of Cherry Hill Road between Middlebelt and Merriman.

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Shelby Baker of Garden City, who has been skating for eight years, practices the "Scratch Spin."



Garden City resident Alisha Saille shows off her skating skills.



Emily de Haan of Garden City shows the elegance of figure skating as she perform the "Biellman Spiral" during the Garden City Figure Skating Club open skate held Saturday.

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Awarding-winning news/talk show host Mildred Gaddis will deliver the keynote address.

Gaddis, a 40-year radio veteran, has been described by the *Detroit Free Press* as one of 10 African Americans to watch in Detroit. Her sometimes no-nonsense, but warm and inspiring style has made her a force to be reckoned with and admired by politicians and residents through Metro Detroit. For 13 years she reigned as the only woman in the male-dominated morning drive slot.



Gaddis

"In this 21st century America, the great tragedy is still man's inhumanity to man," Gaddis said. "I look forward to sharing my message of hope with the proud residents of Westland, as they honor the life of one of America's greatest sons."

The master of ceremonies for this year's celebration will be Detroit historian Ken Coleman. Author of *On this Day: African-American Life in Detroit*, Coleman is a native Detroit resident and former news reporter and editor at the *Michigan Chronicle*.

"Martin Luther King

Jr. Day is a time to honor Dr. King's life and legacy and reflect on how we can best live up to his dream today," Wild said. "I am honored to be joined by such esteemed figures as our community pauses to celebrate the life of this incredible man."

Those planning to attend the program are asked to RSVP to the Mayor's Office at 734-467-3200.

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Hearing #1: City Council - Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 8:00 P.M.
Hearing #2: City Council - Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 8:00 P.M.

Both hearings will be held in the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd., Wayne, MI 48184. As the allocation amount is not yet available, planning is proceeding based on the current program year (2015-2016) allocation of \$141,367.58. The proposed activities and estimated amounts are as follows:

Code Enforcement, Police	\$123,444.58
Public Services, Senior Citizens	\$ 15,000.00
Administration	\$ 2,923.00
Total	\$141,367.58

Final funding decisions by the City Council are also subject to U. S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations, as administered by the County of Wayne. Inquiries: Matthew K. Miller, City Clerk (734) 419-0145.

Matthew K. Miller
City Clerk

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City of Livonia - 12/2/2015 Regular Meeting Synopsis

Present: Meakin, Toy, Scheel, Nash, Kritzman, Pastor, and Brosnan
Absent: Toy.

- #367-15 Approving the minutes of meeting held on 11/16/15. An X-Item was announced. Items were received and filed.
- #368-15 Approve site plan petition to remodel restaurant at 20120 Haggerty Road (Twin Peaks), subject to conditions; FURTHER, denying petition to construct an outdoor dining patio.
- #369-15 Recognizing Building Families First Community Development Organization as a non-profit organization.
- #370-15 Accepting low bids for supplying the Parks and Recreation Department with clothing for the 2016 fiscal year.
- #371-15 Approve Sublease Agreement between the City of Livonia and the Livonia Junior Athletic League to lease Rotary Park Softball Diamonds.
- #372-15 Approve additional wall sign at 36083 Plymouth Road (Cozy Corner Cafe).
- #373-15 Approve extension of approved site plan for additions to the nursing home at 14900 Middlebelt Road, for one year. (CR 345-14)
- #374-15 Approve selection of John DuPuis, as caretaker at Greenmead Historical Village.
- #375-15 Approve a Sublease Agreement for Devon-Aire Ice Arena between the City of Livonia and the Livonia Hockey Association.
- #376-15 Approve a Sublease Agreement for Eddie Edgar Ice Arena between the City of Livonia and the Livonia Hockey Association.
- President Brosnan stepped down at 7:20 p.m., passed the gavel to VP Meakin.
- #377-15 Refer proposed Sublease and Health Services Agreement between the City of Livonia and DMC Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan to the Committee of the Whole. President Brosnan returned to the podium at 7:24 p.m.
- #378-15 Accept Grant of Easement at 8971 Floral Avenue.
- #379-15 Accept Grant of Easement at 11225 W. Clements Circle.
- #380-15 Accept Grant of Easement at 9371 Iowa Avenue.
- #381-15 Accept Grant of Easement at 32570 Plymouth Road.
- #382-15 Authorize a closed Committee of the Whole meeting for pending litigation.
- #383-15 Suspend the rules. Knapp, City Attorney, stepped down, Bernier, Asst City Attorney, stepped up to the podium at 7:28 p.m.
- #384-15 Amend Council Resolution 308-15 adding necessary language for a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate at 27403 and 27451 Schoolcraft Road, (CRD #3). Bernier stepped down from the podium and Knapp returned to the podium at 7:29 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Full text of the official minutes available in the Office of the City Clerk. Adriane D. Spencer
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GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

Larceny

A resident in the 600 block of Helen told police Jan. 12 that he arrived home just before 2:30 a.m. and noticed the garage door was partially open. After going inside to make sure his father wasn't in the garage, he said he checked and found that his snow blower valued at \$778 was missing.

The officer noted footprints and tracks from the snow blower in the fresh snow. The footprints and tracks went into a neighbor's driveway where the officer reported it appeared that the snow blower had been loaded into a vehicle.

Checking the area, the officer found footprints going to several garages but no wheel tracks that would indicate something had been stolen. The officer found a garage

partially open at a home in the 500 block of Gilman and made contact with the homeowner.

Larceny from a vehicle

A flashlight valued at \$50, a seven-inch folding knife valued at \$70 and \$30 cash were reported stolen from a vehicle parked in the 30000 block of Pardo on Jan. 10. The owner told police he had accidentally left the vehicle unlocked overnight and found it had been ransacked when he returned.

Attempted vehicle theft

The driver's door lock and the ignition were reportedly pulled out on a 2009 Ford Econoline van parked at United Baptist Church, 236 Middlebelt overnight Jan. 11.

A church member told police he had used the van the previous day and parked it in

the church's north parking lot. Nothing was missing from the van. The officer described the damage as an attempt to steal the vehicle. A small screwdriver was found broken at the scene.

Fraud

A Garden City man told police Jan. 11 that two fraudulent charges were made on his bank account using his debit card. He said the charges were made Jan. 2 in Macomb Township and Jan. 4 in Clinton Township. The charges were for nearly \$97 total.

The man still had his debit card and told police he had no idea who had made the charges.

LeAnne Rogers

Results can be deadly in fire when children are left home alone

I only wish I could be referring to the lighthearted Christmas comedy *Home Alone*. Unfortunately, I am referring to a fire that happened in a Romulus home in October of last year.

In that fire, a 1-year-old baby girl died and her 3-year-old brother was in critical condition after the fire that found them home alone. While the mother who left these children home alone faces involuntary manslaughter and child abuse charges, the fact is that the kids were left home alone. Many of the neighbors interviewed knew that was common for the mother to do this, but didn't report it or offer help.

These young children are in a risk category all their own. They depend on adults for every need they have, including safety and security. While this mother often left them home alone, disaster had not been present in those instances. This time, the odds weren't in their favor. A fire broke out, and the results were deadly.

In many cases, a quick and proper response to an unwanted fire can result in everyone getting out of the home safely. If you add in some home fire safety items like working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms, then you increase your odds by having those devices work when you are sleeping or have your attention turned elsewhere.

The upper-story bedroom in this fire could have been equipped with an escape ladder for a way out from upper floors when fire blocks the stairs leading down. This fire lacked the responsible adult to implement the plan.

While the 1-year-old had



Shadd Whitehead

GUEST COLUMNIST

little they could physically do to escape the fire, the 3-year-old may have had the physical ability, but lacked the knowledge and experience of an adult. Most children this age tend to hide from things that frighten them. They may be found in closets or under beds, neither of which are safe havens from the deadly effects of fire.

The main point regarding this tragedy is that young children should not be left home alone, without adult supervision until you have a comfort level in their abilities to react to situations involving fires, medical emergencies, strangers at the door and a host of other things that often confront people at home. Many places offer babysitter classes that follow a schedule of all of those items and more, and are usually open to those around the age of 12 or older.

None of the children in this story were that old. This is where the family, friends and neighbors may have been able to step in. While I am not familiar with all the dynamics of this family situation, family did speak out on the mother's behalf after the incident.

We can't go back in time and save this baby girl. We can only learn from the incident and plan how we would better handle the situation if we are confronted with it. This incident happened close to where we live. Plan ahead.

Shadd Whitehead is the fire chief for the City of Livonia.

WESTLAND COP CALLS

Break-in

Police were called to Stor-N-Lock, 7840 N. Wayne Road, Dec. 28 after a Garden City man reported the padlock missing from his rented unit and items missing from inside. The man said an upright tool chest with air tools for working on semi tractors and assorted hand tools valued at \$2,000, a large bag with hockey gear valued at \$400 and an unknown number of plastic totes containing assorted household goods.

The man told police he had

rented the unit for about 18 months and was last there in October. The employees told him they do weekly checks of the units and had found nothing amiss.

Fraud

A Clarkston woman told police Dec. 23 that someone had made an unauthorized purchase of \$472 with her credit/debit card Dec. 20 at the Westland Meijer store, 37201 Warren Road. She told police she had possession of the card and was contesting the charge.

Larceny

A resident in the 31000 block of Glen told police that overnight Dec. 23 someone entered his unlocked vehicle to steal boxes wrapped for Christmas and a pair of sunglasses. He told police the boxes contained 12 pairs of hospital scrubs, two U.S. Marine Corps t-shirts and a Marine Corps hoodie. The gifts were valued at \$270.

LeAnne Rogers

WAYNE COP CALLS

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident at the Park Hill Apartments, 33080 Park Hill, told police Jan. 4 that someone stole a tire and 20-inch aluminum rim from his 2015 Dodge Charger while it was parked in the lot. The vehicle was left sitting on a jack. The stolen items were valued at \$500.

Larceny

On Jan. 9, a Garden City teen told police that he was playing basketball at HYPE Recreation, 4635 Howe, and placed his cell phone and a couple of items of clothing near the court. After

the game, the teen said his phone was gone. He told police he had not seen anyone near his clothing.

The iPhone 6 was valued at \$750.

Suspicious person

Police were called to the area of Michigan Avenue and Wayne Road just after 10 a.m. Jan. 4 with a complaint about a man approaching people using an ATM and standing nearby watching them. The man had left before officers arrived.

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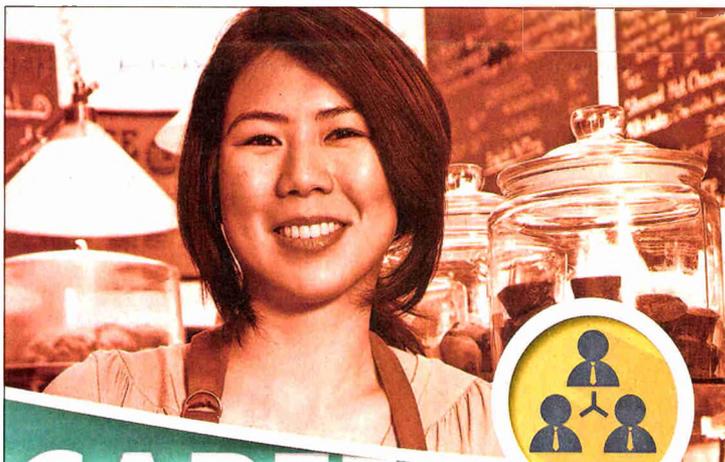
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Wild to chair Conference of Western Wayne board

Westland Mayor William Wild has been sworn in as chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne board of directors.

Composed of the chief elected officials from each of the 18-member communities, the bipartisan CWW board works collectively to discuss mutual issues, share information and generally improve the quality of life for the nearly 700,000 residents who live in the area.

"I am truly honored to serve the 18 communities in western Wayne County that make up this consortium," Wild said. "We meet monthly to discuss issues such as legislation, transportation, public safety, substance abuse prevention, community and economic development, employment and



Westland Mayor William Wild was recently sworn in as new chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne.

the environmental health of the region."

The CWW communities are the cities of Belleville, Dearborn,

Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus, Wayne and Westland and the town-

ships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

Joining Wild on the

CWW 2016 executive board are: Dearborn Mayor Jack O'Reilly, vice chairman; Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff, secretary; Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix II, treasurer; and Redford Township Supervisor Tracey Schultz Kobylarz, who led the CWW the last two years, chair emeritus.

"This position complements an initiative I started last year to mobilize mayors in the state," Wild said. "We are all facing issues at the state level that impact our cities and communities. It is imperative that we collaborate and create solutions to the challenges we encounter."

The conference is the access point for funneling information to local units from county, state and federal agencies. In

this capacity, the CWW will monitor state and federal legislation for its impact on local government. In addition, the CWW works as a liaison between local government and many service organizations by representing its members on various committees and boards.

The conference serves as a collective program planner and developmental entity and provides a forum for the discussion and review of issues.

"We are fortunate to have many strong leaders in western Wayne County like Mayor William Wild, who has volunteered his time, effort and experience to the benefit of all the Conference of Western Wayne communities," CWW Executive Director Jordyn Sellek said.

Westland's Inspire Theatre presents high-seas drama

Westland's Inspire Theatre is presenting its first full-length musical in more than nine years when it presents *The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree* for what theater officials are calling "an unprecedented" three-weekend run that starts Jan. 29.

In a bold move, pirates are holding hostage the passengers and crew of merchant ship *The Kayla May* and demanding an undisclosed amount of gold for their release. Included in the passenger list are the wife of Ambassador Prescott, Madam Prescott and their niece Julia and nephew Samuel.

Although not as well known as other pirates, the leader of the marauders, known only as "Bree," is notorious for forcing her captives to walk the plank. In this unprecedented move, it is suspected that the pirates are capitalizing on the fame of the Madam to garner more than just the suspected cache carried by this type of ship. The Royal British Navy has dispatched a fleet, led by the esteemed Admiral Moore, to end the siege and rescue the hostages. As this drama unfolds, waiting seems to be the only course of action for the family and friends of the Prescotts.

The Lady Pirates, is the largest undertaking for Inspire Theatre in recent history and certainly in its short history at its new location on Warren Road. Moving in July of last year, this is only the second production at the Westland Center for Performing Arts.

Listed on Facebook as Westland's only live theater, Inspire Theatre has been located in Westland for most of its 10-plus years of existence. Formerly housing the Westland cable TV station, WLND, managed by Craig Wellenbach and owned by the city of Westland, the building has been refitted by IT for performances, classes and concerts.

Playback rooms, studios, editing bays and office space have been revamped into theater space, dressing rooms, concession and ticket offices, a green room and a scene shop.

Artistic Director Len Fisher said he's amazed at the level of talent represented in this show.

"We have some amazing people," Fisher said. "Directing 27 people and coordinating all the moving parts of a musical is part organized chaos and

part herding cats. But it's an incredible amount of fun. And the show is campy hilarity. How can it not be with a stage full of women acting like bawdy pirates?"

The cast includes a mixture of Inspire regulars and newcomers from Wayne, Westland, Garden City, Canton, Livonia, Royal Oak, Redford, Plymouth, Farmington Hills, Northville and Ann Arbor.

As part of the festivities, IT is holding a costume contest at each

performance. Patrons dressed as pirates will be judged on creativity and prizes will be awarded. The show opens Friday, Jan. 29, and runs for the next three weekends on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$16 and are available on line at inspiretheatre.com or by calling 734-751-7057. The theater is located at 33455 Warren Road in Westland.

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The Dodge Challenger starts at under \$27,000, but maybe not this particular one.

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The classic design of an elderly Rolls Royce stands out at the Robb Report's exhibit.

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United States Senators Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters (left) of Michigan, touring the Fiat Chrysler Auto exhibit with Head of Quality Mark Chernoby.

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The Robb Report's display of classics includes the Acura NX5.

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The Chevy Bolt is an electric that helps reduce "range anxiety." The careful driver could get 200 miles on a charge.

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ZF Group shares its plans for future at auto show

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

ZF Group isn't wasting any time after purchasing Livonia-based TRW Automotive last year. The company discussed its plans for driving technology during a press event Monday at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

Stefan Sommer, CEO of ZF Group, said the company is moving forward with the three trends it envisions becoming most important in automated driving, something he said will become important not just for places such as freeways,



Stefan Sommer is CEO of ZF Group.

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but in more urban settings as well. "We are also seeing it

significantly in the city environment, in valet parking and what you can

imagine further on," he said. "If we are talking about automatic driving, we talk about basically three major technologies, which are: see, think, act."

Some of that technology includes automatic braking, rear-braking assist and products that already exist but continue to see improvements as national regulations become more stringent.

"Active safety is one key element of our product strategy, but we shouldn't forget passenger safety," Sommer said. "And there is huge opportunities in this as well."

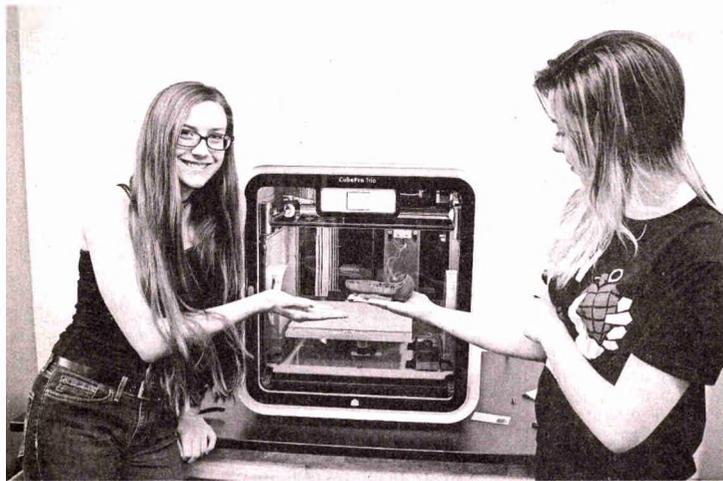
That passenger safety included airbags that deployed between the front seats to prevent the passengers from hitting heads in the result of an accident, plus a rear-passenger airbag that deploys to protect a passenger sitting in back.

"Safety is not only for the front, it's for the rear as well," Sommer said. He touted the work being done with the company's "innovation car," which has several newer features to it. Described as an "advanced urban vehicle," Sommer said the vehicle is also able to upload data to the cloud to share information from the vehicle.

The system running the vehicle is also on two separate electric engines, allowing for a wider turn radius for the front wheels. That, along with more space in front because of a lack of a combustion engine, increases the turn radius from 45 degrees up to 75 degrees.

"Why is this possible? Because, as you can see, it is a pure electric car," he said. "Two engines on each side, which allows us to ... steer the car in a very sharp way."

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Ninth-graders Megan Olkowski and Cheyenne Frederick show off the model organism they designed and printed in the school's 3D printer.

Oakland FlexTech Academy opens state-of-art makerspace

Oakland FlexTech Academy announced the launch of its state-of-the-art makerspace. Community members of all ages are invited to tour the space, experiment with the new tools and technology, participate in hands on activities and enjoy light refreshments. The academy cut the ribbon on the space Thursday (Jan. 14).

Oakland FlexTech Academy instills in its students a love of learning by making school a place to explore real problems in an environment that emphasizes creativity and craftsmanship, the school says. In line with its belief that students learn best by doing, FlexTech launched its makerspace.

Makerspaces are community studio spaces where people gather to build, share resources, experiment with new tools and technologies, tinker and create. Makers inhabit a spirit of innovation and problem solving. Student-makers tackle challenging tasks, work together in teams and prototype new ideas using cutting edge technology like laser engravers, 3D printers, vinyl cutters and design software.

Sarah Pazar, the school's principal, shared what impact the makerspace has had on her students.

"The addition of the makerspace has activated in our students a sense of agency and ownership over their school work and projects," Pa-



Eleventh-grader Shannon Queen and 10th-grader Gabby Wilber display a handcrafted wood design they made using the laser engraver.

zur said. "They are inspired by the technology to create things to make our school a better place, all while learning important 21st century skills like creativity and collaborative problem solving."

Oakland FlexTech students have developed physical prototypes of their ideal high school, used CAD to create a custom aquarium stand, engraved original pieces of artwork to accompany a piece of short fiction and 3D printed a model organism for a Biology project.

"As a project-based learning school we are always looking for new and innovative ways for our students to add variety to our projects," said Chris Quiambo, Oakland FlexTech's science teacher and maker-educator. "The creation of the makerspace has given us the opportunity to explore more projects that involve skills used in designing, building, and

engineering." These unique learning experiences help students synthesize content across disciplines into visible artifacts that demonstrate what they've learned. Through these projects, students have refined their research and critical thinking skills and learned how to present their ideas to public audiences, the school says.

Students at Oakland FlexTech will graduate equipped with a maker-mindset — the ability to approach complex problems with confidence, creativity and resilience. With this mindset, students are poised to succeed in both college and career, the school says. Oakland FlexTech Academy is a tuition free public charter school that is currently enrolling for the Spring 2016 semester.

Visit www.oaklandflextech.org for more information.

Oakwood ACO participating in federal Shared Savings Program

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services announced 121 new participants representing 49 states and the District of Columbia will take part in an innovative initiative — Medicare Accountable Care Organizations, which are designed to improve the care patients receive in the health care system and lower costs.

The Dearborn-based Oakwood Accountable Care Organization was selected as one of nearly 150 renewing Medicare Shared Savings Program Accountable Care Organizations providing Medicare beneficiaries with access to high-quality, coordinated care across the United States, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services announced. That brings the total to 434 Shared Savings Program ACOs serving more than 7.7 million beneficiaries.

Doctors, hospitals and health care providers establish ACOs in order to work together to provide higher-quality coordinated care to their patients, while helping to slow health care cost growth. The Oakwood ACO will be one of 434 ACOs participating in the Shared Savings Program as of Jan. 1. Beneficiaries seeing health care providers in ACOs always

have the freedom to choose doctors inside or outside of the ACO. ACOs receive a portion of the Medicare savings generated from lowering the growth in health care costs as long as they also meet standards for high-quality care.

"People across America are going to be better cared for when they go to their health care providers, because these hospitals and providers have made a commitment to innovation, a commitment to change how they do business and care for patients," HHS Secretary Sylvia Matthews Burwell said. "Medicare, and the health care system as a whole, is moving toward paying providers based on the quality, rather than just the quantity of care they give patients. The three new ACO initiatives that are being launched today mark an important step forward in this effort."

Since ACOs first began participating in the program in early 2012, thousands of health care providers have signed on to participate in the program, working together to provide better care to Medicare's seniors and people with disabilities. The new and renewing ACOs will bring approximately 15,000 additional

physicians into the ACO program starting Jan. 1.

ACO's are delivering better care and they continue to show promising results on cost savings, the organization says. In 2014, they had a combined total net program savings of \$411 million for 333 Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program) ACOs and 20 Pioneer ACOs. Based on 2014 quality and financial performance results for Shared Savings Program ACOs who started the program in 2012, 2013, and 2014, ACOs that reported in both 2013 and 2014 improved on 27 of the 33 quality measures, including patients' ratings of clinicians' communication, beneficiaries' rating of their doctors, screening for tobacco use and cessation, screening for high blood pressure, and Electronic Health Record use. Shared Savings Program ACOs also outperformed group practices reporting quality on 18 out of 22 measures.

For a list of the new and renewing ACOs announced today, go to the Shared Savings Program News and Updates webpage: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/shared-savingsprogram/News-and-Updates.html>.



CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS JANUARY 25, 2016 and FEBRUARY 22, 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearings at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on January 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. and February 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the proposed use of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The following projects are being proposed for the use of these federal funds for the period beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017:

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide the benefits of using CDBG funding directly to persons of low- to moderate-income and/or areas where 51% of the residents are of low- to moderate-income.
- To reduce negative environmental impacts.
- To maintain a high level of performance in the management of CDBG non-federally funded programs.
- To improve the quality of life for low- to moderate-income persons.
- To create affordable housing for low-income households.

ESTIMATED FUNDING

\$114,750
\$22,950
\$12,000
\$3,300

PROPOSED PROJECTS

Citywide Housing Rehabilitation
Senior Services Coordinator
CDBG Administration
Planning
(Combined total of Planning and Administration cannot exceed 10% of total allocation)

The following items are contingent upon the availability of funds and may vary depending upon:

- The repayment of prior Housing Rehabilitation loans through lien pay-offs.

\$ 10,000

Program Income (Housing Rehabilitation)

\$163,000

Total Proposed Allocation (estimate)

Everyone is encouraged to provide input regarding the proposed allocations of the CDBG programs. Documentation regarding the CDBG program is available at the Community Development Department, 6000 Middlebelt, Garden City, Michigan 48135, (734) 793-1663.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS
City Clerk / Treasurer

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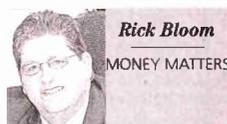
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Stay the course in turbulent times

Rutal — that is the only way you can describe how the markets began the new year. Across the board, markets were down on average 6 percent during the first week of 2016. This makes it the worse opening week on Wall Street in history.

The news is full of doom and gloom and, as a result, investors are nervous. That's why I think it's important to take a step back and understand what's happening before you decide to make a move. Remember, one of the keys of investing is don't let short-term comfort cause long-term pain.

If you take a step back and analyze what's happening, it's clear that China has been the main reason for the downturn. China, which has been the fuel that's driven the world's growth over the last number of years and whose economy has been growing at an incredible pace, has started to slow down. As a result, the markets have had an adverse reaction. It's not that we didn't know that China was slowing, but every time there's a new



report that confirms it, markets are adversely affected. It is important to understand China is the second largest economy in the world. When the Chinese economy slows, it has a domino effect worldwide.

The other major reason for the market sell-off has been oil prices, which continue to fall. In fact, oil prices are now around \$33 a barrel, where they were in 2004. A drop in energy prices is a double-edged sword. As consumers, we love the fact that we can fill up our tanks at less than \$2 a gallon. The other side is that many economies throughout the world are dependent upon energy prices, including ours. Numerous oil wells throughout the United States have been shut down because of low energy prices. As a result, jobs are lost and local economies are hurt.

The question we're faced with as investors

is, What do we do? Do we sell off and wait it out or do we stay the course? My problem with selling out is that, now what? Do you leave your money in cash that is paying virtually nothing? You are losing purchasing power because we know the cost of living is going up much faster than the return you're getting in the bank.

It would be nice if we could get out of the market when it's retreating and get back in when it starts going up, but that's nearly impossible to do. Markets in today's world can change direction relatively quickly. Don't forget, last August we saw a 10-percent correction before markets bounced back. As I've said many times in the past, it is impossible to time the market because good news is bad news and bad news is good news. When you attempt to time the markets, you have to be right twice: once when you buy and once when you sell. No one's been able to do that consistently.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser.

City of Livonia - 11/16/2015 Regular Meeting Synopsis

Present: Pastor, Meakin, Toy, Scheel, Nash, Kritzman, and Brosnan
Absent: None

#352-15 Approving the minutes of meeting held on 11/04/15.

Public Hearing Announced - Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7PM regarding Petition 2015-09-01-08 submitted by Ashley Capital, LLC to rezone property at 28101 Schoolcraft Rd.

An X-Item was announced. Items were received and filed.

#353-15 Approve reappointment of Kenneth Harb to Livonia Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for a 3-year term.

#354-15 Approve reappointment of William Fried to Livonia Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for a 3-year term.

#355-15 Authorize Fiore Enterprises LLC, to provide snow removal services for City streets during the 2015-2016 snow season for snowfalls of over 4 inches and as authorized by the Mayor.

#356-15 Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for resurfacing of Inkster Road between Plymouth and Schoolcraft Roads.

#357-15 Authorize a contract with Citizens Management, Inc. to provide the City with claims administrative services and authorize a Contract with Midwest Employers Casualty Company for excess insurance coverage when losses from any one claim reaches \$750,000.00.

#358-15 Approve 2016 City Council meeting schedule.
FIRST READING was given to an Ordinance amending Section 1 of the Zoning Map of the City of Livonia. Emergency clause invoked. Second read and approval of Ordinance. (Petition 2015-06-01-06)

#359-15 Request to administration for a report and recommendation from LPD on measures necessary to ensure storage facilities are not used for illegal activity.

#360-15 Approve petition by Charter Real Estate, on behalf of Livonia Storage Units, to develop a self-storage facility at 28153 Eight Mile Road.

#361-15 Authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$6,900.00 for unforeseen issues arose in connection with the 2015 Street Tree Planting Program to Greg Davis Landscape Services, Inc. and referring the balance of \$2,600.00 to the Committee of the Whole for its report and recommendation.

#362-15 Referring petition for a ground sign at 19046-19048 Middlebelt Road, to the Committee of the Whole.

Pastor stepped down at 7:36 p.m.

#363-15 Approve petition for waiver use for Popeye's restaurant, 13050 Middlebelt Road. Pastor returned to the podium at 7:39 p.m.

#364-15 Approve petition to rezone the property on the SW corner of Hix and Ann Arbor Roads from PL (Public Land) to R-1 (One Family Residential 60' x 120' Lots), for preparation of the ordinance.

#365-15 Suspend the rules.

#366-15 Approve appointment of Adrians Spencer to Deputy City Clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.
Full text of the official minutes available in the Office of the City Clerk.
Susan A. Hoff
Livonia City Clerk

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Food distribution

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, the City of Livonia will distribute, through the State of Michigan Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) beef stew, dried cranberries, bran flakes, UHT milk, tomato juice, sliced carrots and macaroni. Other items will also be provided from Forgotten Harvest.

The distribution is from noon to 2 p.m. at the vacant district court building, 15140 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile. This distribution is offered to Livonia residents who are currently enrolled in TEFAP with a TEFAP identification card. Distributions are scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month. Senior housing residents should check with their housing office for TEFAP information.

If further information is needed, contact the Community Resource Department, Commodity Food line at 734-466-2673. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

'Donut Man'

"The Donut Man" Rob Evans and his puppet sidekick, Duncan, will perform original Bible story-songs in a "Donut Man" Children's Concert



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Golf sponsor

St. Mary Mercy Livonia announced the 21st annual Tee it Up Golf Classic presenting sponsor: the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Medical Staff. This group of over 650 dedicated physicians is committed to the improvement of patient care as well as to the community it serves. "Providing access to care and other much needed community outreach programs to our patients is very important to our medical staff," said Michael Calice, MD, St. Mary Mercy chief of staff. Donations raised through the event will help the hospital implement programs to achieve the goals it set in response to a Community Health Needs Assessment. Since its inception, this golf event has generated over \$2.75 million. This year's event takes place at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills.

set for 1:30-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile in Livonia. The concert will have a Lenten theme. Admission is \$5 per person at the door, children age 3 and under admitted free.

For more information, call Rev. Joseph Marquis, 734-522-3166.

Colbeck hours

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, will hold office hours in Livonia this month.

Livonia hours are set for 11 a.m. to noon Friday, Jan. 15, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. Colbeck will be on

hand to answer questions and respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. No appointment is necessary.

"I encourage anyone who needs help, has questions, or wants to express a viewpoint to stop by," said Colbeck, R-Canton. "I'm looking forward to continuing a regular series of office hours throughout the district and hearing directly from constituents about state and pocketbook issues."

Colbeck represents the 7th Senate District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne, as well as the townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth. For more information or to contact Colbeck, visit www.SenatorPatrickColbeck.com or call 517-373-5713.

Library meeting

The Library Commission of the Livonia Public Library will hold its regular meeting at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 25, at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road.

As always, the public is invited to attend all Library Commission meetings. In accordance with Title II of the American with Disabilities Act as it pertains to access to public meetings, the

Library Director's Office of the Livonia Public Library, upon adequate notice, will make reasonable accommodations for persons with special needs. If you need assistance, please call Library Director Toni Laporte at 734-466-2451 or email laporte@livonia.lib.mi.us.

Annual auction

Concordia Lutheran School hosts its annual auction, "With One Heart," at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Helenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road in Westland. Tickets are \$30 (\$270 for a table of 10) and must be ordered by Feb. 8. Ticket includes appetizers, dinner, dessert and drinks.

For more information and to order tickets, call 248-474-2488 or 313-937-2233.

Tail Waggers drive

Tail Waggers is calling all animal lovers to participate in its Winter Fund Drive. The group's goal is to raise \$25,000 by March 31 so that it can continue to provide wellness services at an affordable rate. Here's how your donation can impact an animal's life:

» \$10: Will supply a bag of pet food for the Pantry 4 Paws Pet Food Assistance Program

» \$25: Will vaccinate a cat with the Feline Indoor Package

» \$50: Will vaccinate a dog with the Canine Core Package or three individual vaccinations

» \$100: Will spay and/or neuter, and microchip a dog or cat or provide financial assistance for owners with multiple pets.

Donations will help the group continue to carry out its mission of "Helping People Help Animals." Financial contributions can be made by mail to: 28402 Five Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48154; online at tailwaggers1990.org/donate.html; or by phone at 734-855-4077.

Hula classes

Times/Dates: Wednesdays, starting Jan. 20 (10-week winter session)

Details: Instructor Fran Price offers a Hawaiian "Hula" dance class in which students will enjoy exercising and having fun while learning the culture of the Hawaiian Islands. The beginner/family class runs from 6-6:55 p.m. (cost is \$50 for adults; \$25 for children under 8). The adult intermediate and advanced classes run from 7-8:30 p.m., at a cost of \$75. There is a material fee of \$5.

Exhibit shows work of concentration camp prisoners

Collected from Auschwitz and other concentration camps, the sketches, carvings and other pieces of artwork represented in Forbidden Art are also pieces of history.

The powerful and poignant exhibition will be on display in Madonna University's Franciscan Center through Feb. 9. The collection includes photographs of 20 pieces of art, as well as accompanying historical com-

mentary for each.

"The Nazis did all they could to make their captives faceless; in a sense, the numbers tattooed on their arms became their new identities," said Deepinder Singh Uppal, assistant professor in the Religious Studies Department, and co-director of the Center for Catholic Studies and Interfaith Dialogue at Madonna University. "In the midst

of profound loss, Forbidden Art became a means for prisoners to express their defiance and preserve something the Nazis could never take: their dignity. If we can learn only one thing from Forbidden Art, perhaps it should be what happens when the exclusion of religious and ethnic identities is left to grow unchecked."

Among the art are candid sketches of pris-

oners, abstract representations of emotion and even miniature carvings. Many artists are represented in the exhibition, although some were never identified.

Sr. Nancy Marie Jamroz, co-director of the Center for Catholic Studies and Interfaith Dialogue at Madonna, said the mission of Madonna University is to instill in its students Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry and a respect for diversity.

"This mission receives its spirit from Franciscan Values, two of which are respect for the dignity of each person and education for truth and service," she said. "With this in mind, the suggestion, from Marcin Chumiecki, di-

rector of the Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools, that Madonna University host the Forbidden Art exhibit was eagerly welcomed."

The display is hosted by the Madonna University Center for Catholic Studies and Interfaith Dialogue, and presented in North America by The Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools in exclusive partnership with the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum. After premiering at the Galeria of The Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools in 2012, project manager JJ Przewozniak, with the support of the Polish Mission team, has coordinated showings at premier locations across the United States.



COURTESY MADONNA UNIVERSITY
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**Grant Elementary School
Hoover Elementary School
Randolph Elementary School**

will be received by Nick Armelagos, Administrator of Finance, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154 until 12:00 P.M. (noon), local time on **Monday January 25, 2016**. Bids will be opened and read publicly immediately following the due date and time at the Administrative Offices in the Livonia Public Schools Board Room.

Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

This Project will consist of separate sealed bids for the following Bid Divisions of work:

109	Roofing	
115	Metal Studs / Drywall / Plaster / EIFS	

Bidding documents prepared by French Associates will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.**, 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335; the Dodge Plan Room, Construction Association of Michigan (CAM), Reed Construction Data, and Builders Exchange, Lansing.

Bid Documents will be available beginning at on January 8, 2016 via the following:

- Bidders may obtain one (1) set of 1/4 size bidding documents for a non-refundable \$80.00 deposit, beginning at 12:00 P.M. on January 8, 2016, by contacting the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.**, at (248) 427-8400. Checks should be payable to Livonia Public Schools.
- Bidders may download bid documents from Gradebeam.com free of charge.
- Documents can be purchased from Dunn Blue/ARC, 1009 Maple St. Clawson, Michigan (248) 288-5600

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope. The bid division(s) being bid is/are to be identified on the outside of the envelope.

There will NOT be a pre-bid meeting. Bidders shall contact McCarthy & Smith with any questions regarding the bid. Questions should be submitted by 12:00pm January 20, 2016 to sbanchero@mccarthysmith.com.

All bids should include 2 copies (1 original, 1 copy) of the Proposal Pricing Form (Section 00 41 26), Proposal Execution Form (Section 00 42 00), Familial Disclosure Affidavit (Section 00 42 05), Iran Economic Sanctions Act Affidavit (Section 00 42 10) and the Equal Opportunity Statement (Section 00 42 15).

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security, in either the form of a bid bond (by a listed U.S. Treasury surety company) or certified bank check, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Livonia Public Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the school district is secured from loss or damage by reason of the withdrawal of the bid or failure of the bidder to enter a contract for performance. Further, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract.

Contractors will be required to meet the prevailing wage requirements.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder may be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the district, with rationale to support such a decision. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

Nick Armelagos
Administrator of Finance
Livonia Public Schools
Published: January 14, 2016

OUR VIEWS

Honor MLK, explore diversity close to home

There's a great line in the movie *The American President* from a couple of decades back. Michael Douglas, as the U.S. president, says, "America isn't easy. America is advanced citizenship. You gotta want it bad, 'cause it's gonna put up a fight."

The specific context in which Douglas, as President Andrew Shepherd, spoke in the 1995 movie was a personal attack on him and a loved one by a political rival. The film's larger point shows that, throughout our nation's history, we have indeed faced advanced citizenship if we care to live up to the ideals of our founders.

This month, many communities will celebrate observances of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., whose leadership of the U.S. civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s forever changed America. Some communities take a more active role than others do in honoring the King and discussing how America has changed and hopefully advanced since his 1968 assassination.

Westland's Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom walk takes place Monday at 9 a.m., moving from John Glenn High School to the Friendship Center for a prayer breakfast. The formal presentation, which

starts at 10 a.m., features keynote speaker Mildred Gaddis as well as local church leaders.

Locally, our communities are changing, too, becoming more ethnically diverse and becoming home to those of multiple faiths. Many houses of worship that are not Christian have held open houses, to explain their beliefs and practices and engage those who live and work in their communities.

This is particularly important in a time of fear in the U.S. and worldwide, as evidenced by the recent attacks in Paris and closer to home. It's understandable to worry for the safety of your loved ones, but we must avoid becoming a nation so gripped by fear that we stereotype those who are different and fail to see our commonalities.

In the wake of World War II, many Germans struggled with their role in the Nazi Holocaust, which killed millions of Jews and others. If more in their nation had spoken out earlier — and been more informed by a free press of their government's actions — who knows how different history would have been?

It's all too easy now to look at Muslims and others of Middle Eastern background with suspicion, to

question their motives and allegiance to this country, where many are U.S. citizens. We must not let history repeat itself by allowing legitimate law enforcement concerns and practices to be overridden by fear and abuse of power.

Why not participate in your local Martin Luther King Jr. Day observance or visit a nearby community if no such observance is available? Schools that remain in session on MLK Day often use much of the great and age-appropriate curriculum on civil rights and related issues in their classrooms.

Dialogue is the key to welcoming new neighbors to our communities whose backgrounds vary from our own. Don't think your question is silly; speak up in the forums that are available in which to learn about people's heritage, beliefs and religious practices.

Don't underestimate the power of food, either, in such gatherings. There's a Christian hymn that says, "May we who eat be bread for other," and often the simple but common act of breaking bread together (and learning of foods of different cultures) helps to "break the ice."

Plight of Detroit Public Schools' children impacts us all

The Michigan Legislature must put an end to the educational travesty taking place in the city of Detroit.

Don't turn away from this column or issue, believing because you don't live in Detroit and your children don't attend its schools that this educational travesty does not impact you — it does!

The state has a moral and constitutional responsibility to fix what it is partially responsible for breaking. The state of Michigan took control of Detroit Public Schools,



Tom Watkins
GUEST COLUMNIST

placing an emergency manager in charge, which has proved to be an utter failure. The district's financial woes have not been fixed, thus it can't provide even a minimal education to the majority of Detroit students.

Be clear, this is not solely a Gov. Rick Snyder issue. Going back as far as Govs. Engler and

Granholtz, state intervention has not provided the return on investment anyone wants.

The public schools in Detroit have been hollowed out over the years. Today, there are not enough fingers on two hands to point to the various culprits responsible for the mess that exists. This is not to say there are not exceptional teachers, principals, classrooms and schools. There are many. Yet, for far too many of our children, public education (both traditional, charter and EAA schools) exists as small islands of excellence surrounded by a sea of despair.

Know this: A child without a decent education today becomes an adult without much of a future tomorrow. Our failure to educate the children of Detroit to even minimal standards, let alone world-class

standards, dooms them to a mediocre life at best and a collective disaster for us all at worst.

The problems with public education in Detroit are immense and will require real change to produce the results our children need and deserve. Detroit's schools — public, charter and EAA — have been found to be among those with the worst test scores and graduation rates in the nation.

DPS enrollment has dropped by nearly 100,000 students in the past decade, which greatly contributes to the accumulation of more than \$500 million in operating debt. That figure, combined with borrowing for buildings, puts the district at risk of fiscal collapse — and soon!

Such a collapse would greatly affect students, schools and local units of

government, as the state is constitutionally responsible to cover many debts and liabilities, a figure that could be in billions of dollars.

If you don't care about what this means to these children, you'd better — if only for selfish self-interest. Without the ability to read, write, calculate or navigate life, these children will be coming to your place of business someday — as potential customers, employees or, perhaps, with nefarious ideas in mind. Let me assure you, the uneducated children of Detroit don't simply disappear.

DPS has reached a tipping point which the governor and Legislature must address early this year. Every day of inaction delays the day when learning can begin. Proposed legislation, backed by Snyder, builds upon recommendations from a community coal-

ition of Detroiters.

The proposed goal is to address the financial crisis while offering Detroit parents access to quality schools, regardless of the type of public school they want their children to attend.

A legislative package, supported by Snyder, to address the financial crisis is apparently ready to be introduced.

Clearly, there is not a consensus on the governor's plan in the streets of Detroit, inside the state Capitol, among teachers union leadership or in the mayor's office. One needs to be forged. It is past time for the focus to switch from power, control, ideology, politics and adults to TLC: teaching, learning and children.

Tom Watkins served as Michigan's superintendent of schools, 2001-05.

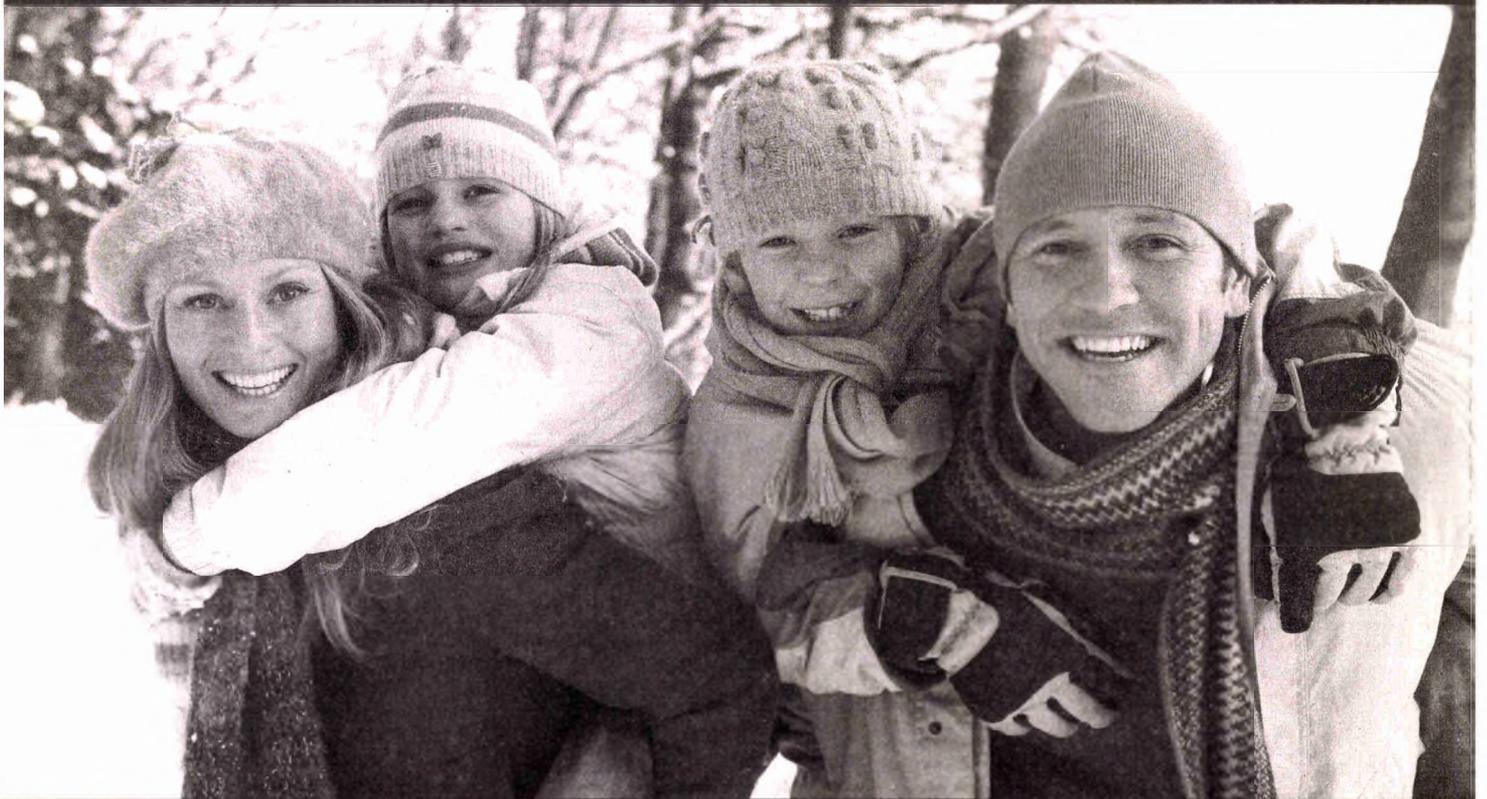
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Residents fight proposed cell tower near church

Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

A proposal by Verizon Wireless to build a cell-phone tower behind a Canton church has ruffled some nearby residents who fear the plan could hurt property values, intrude on wetlands, create an eyesore and potentially pose health risks.

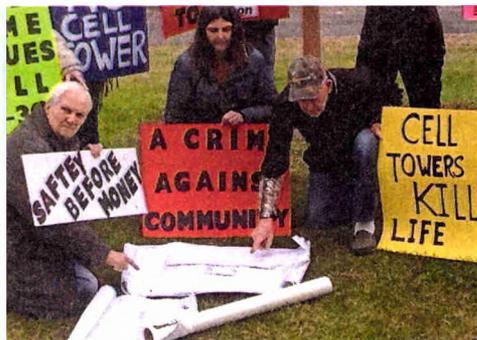
Verizon wants to build a 120-foot tower behind Adundant Life Church of God, on the west side of Hannan, south of Palmer, and lease the property for \$1,000 a month. It's money the pastor, the Rev. Dan Smitherman, said could help a church food pantry that feeds 250-300 people a week.

"We're walking a thin line here," he said. "We don't want to make enemies of the community because, as a church, we are here to serve the community."

Verizon and church leaders have discussed a lease agreement, but it hasn't been signed. "It's not a done deal," Smitherman said.

Some residents of Canton, Westland and Wayne oppose the Verizon plan and have initiated a petition drive that, as of Thursday morning, had received about 145 signatures against it.

"I oppose it because



Protesters carry signs to oppose plans for a Verizon cellphone tower proposed near a Canton church.

our property values are going to take a huge hit," said Cindy Campeau, who lives in the Meadows of Canton subdivision.

Residents plan to oppose Verizon's proposal during a Canton Planning Commission public hearing — initially set for Monday — that has been delayed until February at township hall. The commission is expected to decide whether to issue a recommendation to the Canton Township Board of Trustees to approve or deny what is called a minor planned development agreement, including a preliminary site plan, Canton Community Planner Jeff Goulet said.

Goulet said Verizon officials have to make a

case for the plan.

"They have to demonstrate that the service is needed and that it's a benefit to the community," he said. "The benefit to the community would be providing continuity of cellphone services in this area."

The company has said its network has a service gap near Hannan and Palmer. Verizon last July lost a battle to build the cellphone tower on township-owned property north of the church, on the east side of Fellows Creek Golf Course, after the township board rejected it, amid opposition from residents.

Under the latest plan, Goulet said the closest house would be about

240-250 feet from the tower.

Resident Steve Sereny said he has lived for 50 years in the first house just south of Abundant Life Church of God. He opposes the Verizon tower.

"I don't want to look out my window every day and see it," he said, adding that he has two children, 14 and 15, and he is concerned about potential health risks.

Theresa Walter, who lives in Brookside Village subdivision, said Verizon needs to find a more suitable location.

"This is not an industrial park," she said.

Campeau said residents just emerged from the housing market crash and foreclosure crisis and can't withstand another hit on property values. She said a Verizon tower would keep new homeowners away.

Responding to questions by email, Karen Smith, Verizon public relations manager, said the tower is needed "to continue to provide reliable service to our customers, including public safety service providers."

Smith said Verizon works with local jurisdictions to ensure all federal, state and local regulations are followed. The company also will need final site plan approval in Canton.

"For this project, we

worked diligently to locate a viable location that meets the needs of our customers and the community," she said.

Regarding a potential wetlands issue, Goulet said Verizon will, indeed, have to move the proposed tower location a few feet closer to the church. Original plans call for it to be built 85 feet behind the church.

Despite the petitions signed by about 145 people, Smitherman said the church had received only a couple of phone calls about the Verizon tower. He said he hadn't been aware of the level of opposition.

Smitherman said \$1,000 a month from a Verizon lease would help the church expand its food pantry services to help people who are home-bound or don't have transportation.

"We would definitely like to do this," he said. "It would tremendously help our food pantry."

Some residents indicated they may move away from the Palmer-Hannan area if the tower is built. They questioned why Verizon couldn't improve its service using an existing tower, such as one near Stevenson Middle School in Westland.

Jim Rubasky, who lives in Westland, just across the road from the church, said he belongs to a group — the Westland Homeowners Committee

for Conservation and Smart Growth — that opposes the tower. He said some residents have met with Westland officials to discuss the issue.

Verizon has said it needs a tower close to Palmer and Hannan.

Goulet said the tower would be 340 feet from the center of Hannan Road and 820 feet from Palmer.

Some residents say their Verizon cellular phones work in the area, while others say they do have some issues. Smitherman said when he is at the church, there are times when he can't get on the Internet or make a phone call.

Resident Nancy Lemkie, who lives two houses south of the church, said the problem isn't enough to warrant building the tower. She said she's not willing to take a hit on her property values because some people experience dropped calls.

Tower opponents have letters from two Realtors, Pat Rice and Laurie Radiwon, who contend that property values could drop 10 percent or more because of the tower. They do live near the area.

Radiwon called the potential impact on property values "a big deal. It's huge."

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WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING RECORD OF ATTENDANCE 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

Pursuant to City of Westland Council Resolution No. 8-85-441, the following record of attendance of Council members at regular and special meetings is published for the year 2015.

Councilperson	No. of Meetings	Meetings Attended	Percentage
Christine Cicirelli Bryant	26	23	88%
Kevin Coleman	26	25	96%
James R. Godbout	26	24	92%
Adam Hammons	26	25	96%
Bill Johnson	26	25	96%
Michael Kehrer	26	24	92%
Dewey K. Reeves	26	25	96%

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 1 1/4/16

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Coleman, Hammons, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
02: J. Godbout declared Council President.
04: C. Cicirelli-Bryant declared Council President Pro-Tem.
05: Adopted Prepared Resolution to accept Harvest Bible Church's LSW Facilities Maintenance Agreement.
- Appr. Harvest Bible Church's LSW Facilities Maintenance Agreement.
06: Appr. minutes of regular meeting held 12/21/15.
07: Rev. Site Plan for prop. accessory structures, 37115 McKinney w/contingencies.
08: Conf. re-appt. of J. Fausone as City Atty., thru 12/31/17.
09: Conf. re-appt. of B. Thompson as Planning Dir., thru 12/31/17.
Mtg. adj. at 8:00 p.m.

James Godbout
Council President

Richard LeBlanc
City Clerk

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WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION RECORD OF ATTENDANCE 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

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Kevin Coleman	24	24	100%
James R. Godbout	24	23	96%
Adam Hammons	24	24	100%
Bill Johnson	24	21	88%
Michael Kehrer	24	23	96%
Dewey K. Reeves	24	23	96%

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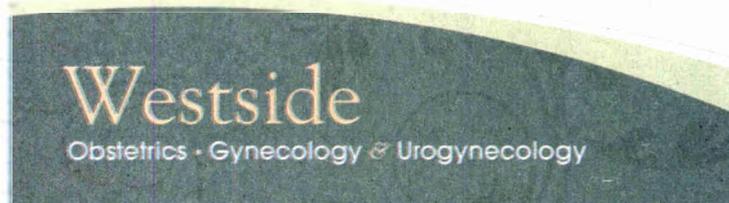
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Present: Scheel, Nash, Kritzman, Pastor, Meakin, Toy, and Brosnan
Absent: None

#385-15 Approving the minutes of meeting held on 12/02/15.
Public Hearing Announced - Wednesday, January 6, 2015 at 7PM - PET. 2015-09-01-09 submitted by 15983 Middlebelt, L.L.C., to rezone \ the property located on the west side of Middlebelt Road between Five Mile Road and Puritan Avenue, (15983 Middlebelt Road) in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 14, from OS (Office Services) to C-1 (Local Business).
Two (2) X-Items were announced.
Items were received and filed.
#387-15 Approve waiver of sidewalk requirement at 32555 Greenland Court.
#388-15 Approve permit to Wade Shows for amusement rides at SPREE-66; authorize a fireworks display at Veterans' Park, authorize use/lease of Ford Field, Eddie Edgar Arena and Veterans' Park during SPREE-66, waiving all fees, as well as all vendors' license fees authorized to participate in SPREE-66.
#389-15 Approve closing of Stark Road in connection with SPREE '66 fireworks display.
#390-15 Approve banners and signs at City Hall and Ford Field for SPREE '66.
#391-15 Accept quote of DSS Corporation, for purchase of Laserfiche Standard Public Portal, first year maintenance, installation and training from funds budgeted.
#392-15 Refer an amendment to the City of Livonia Retiree Health and Disability Benefits Plan (V.E.B.A.) to incorporate language ensuring that all employees and Judges of the 16th District Court are included in the City's V.E.B.A. Plan to the Administration.
#393-15 Approve remodel exterior of existing restaurant located at 34110 Plymouth Road.
#394-15 Refer the subject of elected official vacancies to the Committee of the Whole.
#395-15 Request report from the Administration regarding the manner that other local municipalities prevent and abate vermin problems. (CR 322-15)
First Reading was given to an ordinance amending Section 25 of the Zoning Map. Nash stepped down from the podium at 7:50 p.m.
#396-15 Refer matter of consideration and approval for the installation of street lights on University Park Drive to the Infrastructure and Community Transit Committee.
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Nash returned to the podium at 7:51 p.m.
#398-15 Authorize a Closed Committee of the Whole Meeting for pending litigation.
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#400-15 Suspend the rules.
#401-15 Confirm appointment of Glen W. Long, Jr., to City Planning Commission.
#402-15 Authorize a Closed Committee of the Whole Meeting for pending litigation.
President Brosnan passed the gavel at 7:56 p.m. to VP Meakin.
Council renamed the Civic Center Library to the Robert and Janet Bennett Library.
President Brosnan resumed the gavel at 8:02 p.m.
Council renamed the Livonia Recreation Center to the Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center.
First Reading, Emergency Clause invoked, Seconding Reading and Roll Call, to an ordinance amending sections 020, Title 12, Chapter 18 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
Full text of the official minutes available in the Office of the City Clerk.
Adriane D. Spencer
Livonia Deputy City Clerk

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Kids and parents brave the mud to play interactive ice games.

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Fans warm to ice fest despite weather

Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

Fans found it cool at this year's Plymouth Ice Festival, organizers say, even though the weather — and the ice itself — were unseasonably warm.

The three-day festival, the city's 34th annual, opened Friday to rain, temperatures near 40 degrees and small crowds. On Saturday, temperatures climbed but so did attendance, said producer James Gietzen, demonstrating the festival's unwritten law: Higher temperatures mean larger crowds but smaller ice.

"It's really a love-hate relationship with the weather," said Gietzen on Monday. "It's hard to find that happy medium." On Sunday, with the weather colder and roads snowy, the crowds dipped again, he said.

But Gietzen and Rob Parent of Sun & Snow Sports, a festival sponsor, said festival-goers had a good time regardless.

"The festival this year just seemed to have a very positive energy," said Gietzen, whose JAG Entertainment has produced every festival since 2014. "I think things are going to be even bigger and better" next year, he added.

"People understood that the weather was out of anyone's control," Parent wrote in an email.

Sun & Snow, with help from Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Michigan, sponsored the festival's cross-country skiing track, a return attraction.

The Sun & Snow staff spent days making snow

and shaping it into a course; Parent said visitors lined up to try out the trail all day Saturday, and that it was kept open an extra hour that evening to accommodate everyone.

"The kids had a blast. Most had never experienced a winter sport of any kind," he said. "It was a special feeling to introduce them to an activity that will hopefully develop into lifelong passions."

There were more than 100 ice sculptures at the festival, including about 50 in Kellogg Park. Gietzen said that canopies, donated by local companies, protected some sculptures from the rain on Friday and the sun on Saturday; likewise, Parent said, tarps were put over critical sections of the cross-country trail to keep it from melting.

"The course actually turned into an ice block and held together better than years prior," Parent said.

Ford Motor Co. was a major new festival sponsor, and its sculpture devoted to its Mustang GT was the festival's largest.

Jeff Lao, an instructor at Henry Ford Community College, won the Dueling Chainsaws speed-carving contest Saturday with his sculpture of a hippopotamus.

The individual collegiate carving competition was won by Steve McCormick, a Henry Ford student, with James Seeterlin and Lauren Klapek, both of Oakland Community College, placing second and third, respectively.

The team competition was won by Henry Ford (carvers McCormick and



Oakland Community College student Cherilyn Martinez carves a seahorse.

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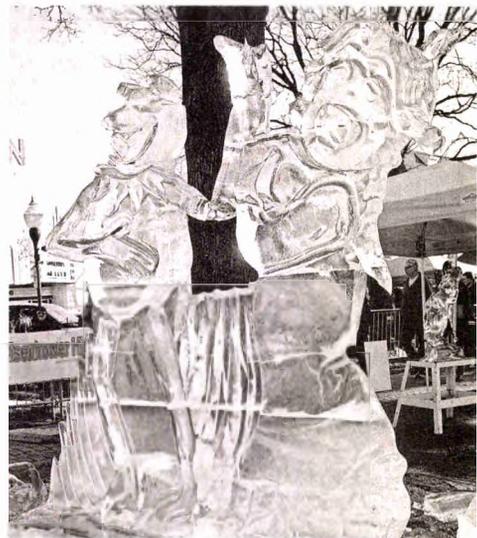
Two-year-old Adelaide Gabler and her dad Brandon Gabler take a selfie with a melted penguin. They are from Canton Township.

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Mark Tampakes), with OCC coming in second (carvers Matt Larsen and Klapek) and third (carvers Seeterlin and Jon Manschreck).

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Kermit and Miss Piggy, sweating in the brutal January sun.

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**CITY OF WESTLAND
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On January 19, 2016 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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1997 MERCURY SABLE 4D	1MELM50U1VG631192
2004 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX 4D	2G2WP522441372537
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2007 FORD FREESTYLE SW	1FMDK02127GA39803
1997 BMW 528i 4D	WBADD6325VBW26285
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2002 FORD WINDSTAR VA	2FMDA58482BB04283
2003 CHEVROLET MALIBU 4D	1G1ND52J63M657372
2004 FORD TAURUS 4D	1FAHP56S84A183979
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1999 DODGE DURANGO SW	1B4HS28Y9XF663316
2004 BUICK LESABRE 4D	1G4HP52K84U102196
2002 FORD TAURUS 4D	1FAFP53U32G187106

***All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

**** The below listed vehicle's ownership is unknown and will be sold at a public auction no sooner than 30 days from this notification if ownership is not determined****

1993 FORD F350 STK 1FDPKF37H6NB04716

**ABSTRACT
WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NO. 2016-01
January 5, 2016**

A Special Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. A presentation was given by The Great Lakes Water Authority about water and sewer rates. Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller
City Clerk

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**ABSTRACT
WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NO. 2016-02
January 5, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. Moment of Silence was given for Paulette Medvecky. Presentation of Audit Report by Plante & Moran. APPROVED: minutes of reg. mtg. of Dec. 15; spec. mtg. of Dec. 15; reappt. Terry Shenk to Housing Comm.; sale of lot on Laura St. to Carol Pershing; established a Community Financial Task Force; Goals Workshop on 1/12/15 at 8:00 p.m.; consent calendar Received and filed Communications and Reports. Referred to a Closed Session at 9:05 p.m., reconvened at 9:34 p.m. Adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller
City Clerk

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Grys named new Franklin coach

Former pitching standout has big plans for Patriots

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Given the impressive credentials its new coach has accumulated, it's safe to say the Livonia Franklin softball program could be on the same path as one of Brittany Grys's best pitches: the fast riser.

A former stand-out pitcher at Portland High School, which is located about 30 miles west of Lansing, Oakland University and Alma College, Grys was named the Patriots' new softball coach in mid-December.

She will succeed the popular and successful Linda Jimenez, who stepped down following the 2015 season.



Grys

In addition to her full-time job as a district manager at Vector Marketing in Northville, Grys is a softball instructor at Top Prospects Sports in Farmington Hills.

Pitching runs deep in her DNA as both of her parents — Mike and Kelly — were stand-outs on the mound in high school and at the collegiate level and two of her three sisters also pitched for the Raiders.

"I am excited to start," said Grys, whose high school pitching accolades include a season when she went 42-4 with an 0.54 earned-run average while leading Portland to the state

semifinals. "The team has six or more seniors returning, along with some very skilled underclassmen, so there's already a solid foundation."

Knowing firsthand the importance of top-notch pitching, Grys has worked briefly with two of the Patriots' returning hurlers — senior Kaeleigh Kerpet and junior Danielle Hoskins.

"I actually had an opportunity to work with Kaeleigh this past summer (at Top Prospects), before I knew anything about the coaching opportunity at Franklin," said Grys.

Grys has already taken steps to introduce herself to the Franklin community. Along with meeting with the Patriots' returning players, she visited Emerson Middle School to

discuss her favorite sport with potential future Patriot diamond gems.

"One of my goals is to build a community program — by offering camps and clinics — for the area's up-and-coming softball players," said Grys. "There were about 20 girls at the middle school meeting, so interest is high."

Grys has received commitments from two assistant coaches: Ashley Jones, who is a former teammate of Grys's at Alma, and Danielle Godair.

Willie Monroe will return as the Patriots' junior-varsity coach, she said.

Grys pitched one year for OU before transferring to Alma, where she earned three letters for the Brits.

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Edwards contributing at Georgia

Former Westland John Glenn basketball standout Mike Edwards is making an early impact for the University of Georgia's basketball team

Edwards, who is listed as 6-foot-9 and 220 pounds on the Bulldogs' website, had played in all 13 of Georgia's games prior to Tuesday. He



Edwards

is averaging 2.8 rebounds and 3.1 points per game while seeing an average of 16.8 minutes of action.

Edwards, who was an all-state performer for the Rockets, is shooting .545 percent from the field. He has also blocked five shots.

PREP PROFILE

Gymnastics bring out the best in McVey

Junior excels when spotlight is hottest

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

The majority of the gifts you receive on your eighth birthday end up in a garage sale by the time you reach high school.

Others — like the one Livonia Churchill senior Marissa McVey received from an aunt close to 10 years ago — are the rare kind of presents that never cease to enhance your life, no matter how old you are.

"On my eighth birthday, my aunt gave me gymnastics lessons at the YMCA," McVey reflected Monday afternoon, just outside the Livonia Churchill gymnastics room. "I thought it was going to be a fun hobby at first, but then I started to take it more seriously."

"I found a love for the sport — not because of the spotlight, but because of the sense of accomplishment it brought me. There came a point when I figured out that, hey, this is difficult; not everyone can do this."

McVey has proven that she can do it very well — but her talent hasn't come without an incredible amount of hard and strenuous work.

The multiple-time state-qualifier, who started entering official competitions when she was 10, consistently leads Livonia Red's squad in all-around points thanks to a well-honed combination of grace and athleticism.

"At first, when I started competing I was very shy and self-conscious; I was very hard on myself, and I still am," she said, smiling. "But I was able to get through it and keep going."

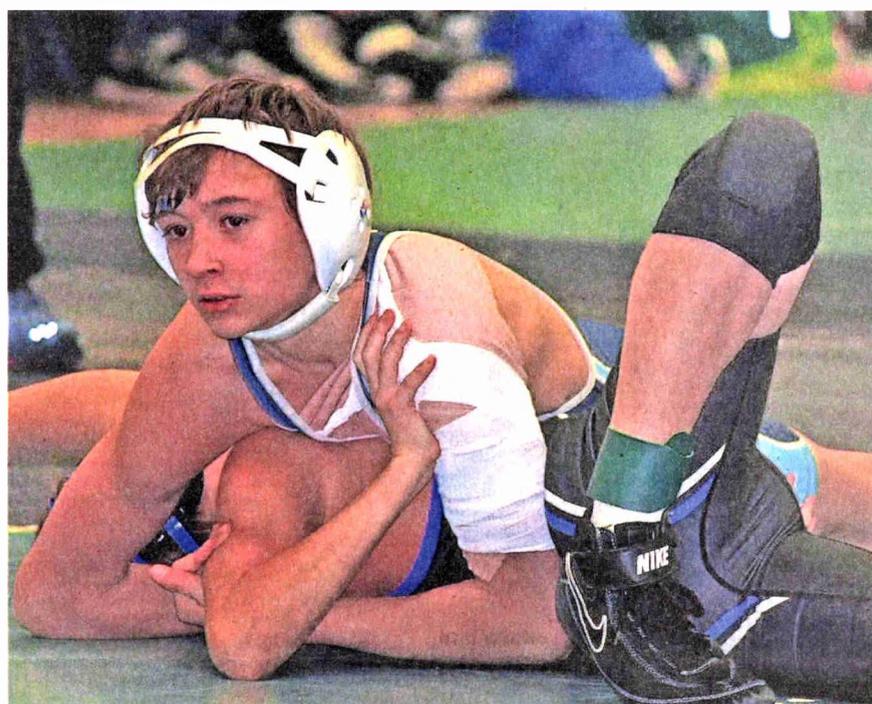
Reflecting the instincts of most productive athletes, McVey figured out quickly that she would need to dedicate extra time to the skills that she didn't necessarily

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Livonia Red senior gymnast Marissa McVey has loved the sport since receiving lessons as a birthday present.

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING



Stevenson's Logan Shoppert is pictured pinning his Ypsilanti Lincoln foe Saturday afternoon.

COMING ON STRONG

Stevenson grapplers impressive at own invitational

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

There were several times Saturday when Livonia Stevenson's wrestling team looked like "The Host with the Most".

The Spartans made themselves at home in three of their five matches during the annual Spartan Invitational, defeating Ann Arbor Skyline and Troy Athens handily before squeezing out a 45-36 victory over Walled Lake Western.

The fact that his team came out on the short end of matches against Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (52-27) and Ypsilanti Lincoln (62-18) didn't diminish Stevenson head coach Dan Vaughan's optimism.

"I feel our kids are continuing to develop and overcome challenges in shifting weight classes," said Vaughan, whose team improved to 14-8 with its 3-2 Saturday ledger. "There have been quite a few setbacks due to injuries, but they continue to battle, which is what wrestlers do."

Perennially-strong Linden won the tournament championship by outlasting Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central in the gold-medal bout.

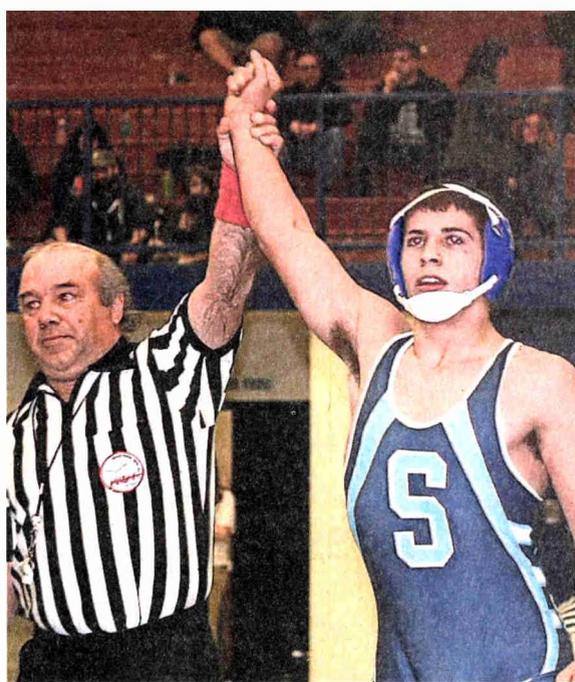
A pair of Spartans powered through the tournament with 5-0 records. Taylor Doste was unbeaten while wrestling at 119 and 125, while Tarik Alcodray carved out an unblemished record at 140 and 145.

Dante Lamb lost just one match at 171 and 189.

Franklin places four

The Franklin wrestling team placed four athletes at the Warren Woods Tower Invitational on Saturday.

Nathan Atienza remained unbeaten for the year taking first at 145. Josh Retting also took first, while staying unbeaten at 215. Johnny DiPonio



Tarik Alcodray was one of two Spartans to go 5-0 Saturday.

(125) and Jeremy Nelson (140) both finished fifth in their respective weight classes.

The Franklin freshman team took first place overall at the 21-team Garden City Novice Tournament.

Leading the way were champions Evan Jaynes and Marino DiPonio. Evan Logan-chuck and Dan Oberman finished second, Russ Russnell and Nick Zajdel took third, while Richie Garcia and Jacob Johnson placed fifth. Manny Willie took first in the sophomore division.

"It's an interesting season,"

said Franklin head coach Dave Chiola. "Every dual meet we throw a different line-up out there to see what results we'll get."

"We have some solid kids having very good years, but we have a lot of guys taking their lumps. It's good to see the freshmen come up big. It's a good group of guys, and I expect big things from them in the future. Some of them will have to grow up fast to get our line-up ready for league meets."

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Blazer icers edged

In a well played game from two of the top teams in the State, Liggett escaped with a 3-1 win against Ladywood at the Pond Saturday Night. The win put Liggett all alone in first place in league play.

The Knights opened the scoring at the 6-minute mark of the opening period to take a 1-0 lead. Ladywood would respond at 6:25 of the second period with freshman Victoria Pilut finding the back of the net and Junior CeCe Werner picking up the assist. Liggett would answer with just 16 seconds left in the second period with a power play goal to go up 2-1.

In the final period Ladywood threatened to tie it up late missing out on a break away and hitting the goal post on a power play with just a minute left. With 46 seconds left Liggett would put the game away with an empty-net goal. Michaela Warner made 22 saves in net for the Blazers.

With the loss, Ladywood falls to 5-2-1 overall and 4-1-1 in league play. The Blazers will next play at Mercy Tuesday at Eddie Edgar at 8 p.m.

Franklin baseball camp

The 10th Annual Livonia Franklin "Future Stars" Baseball Camp will be held Saturday, Feb. 20 at the high school.

The camp is open for girls and boys in grades second through sixth and will consist of two sessions focusing on sport-specific skills.

The camp will be orchestrated by Franklin head baseball coach Matt Fournier and members of the Franklin coaching staff. The first session will run from 9-11:30 a.m. This session will consist of hitting, base running and infield work. Taking the extra base, hitting for average and proper infield approach are just a few of the skills the campers will be drilled on.

Following a half-hour lunch, the second session will run from noon to 2:15 p.m. and consist of defensive work — specifically pitchers' fielding practice, catching drills and outfield approach.

The cost of the camp is \$30 for one session or \$50 for both. Each camper is asked to bring his or her own sack lunch. The campers will eat a supervised lunch together in the bleachers of the field house.

Checks should be made out to "Franklin High School" and sent to Matt Fournier, Franklin Baseball Camp, 31000 Joy Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. For more information, contact Fournier at mfournie2@livonia.k12.mi.us or 734-968-0499.

Campers are asked to bring their own glove, bat and athletic shoes.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lock-down defense leads Zebras to win

Wayne topples visiting Plymouth in KLAA South showdown

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

When crunch time arrived Friday night during the Wayne Memorial girls basketball team's game against visiting Plymouth, the Zebras' defense got extra-sticky.

After trailing the Wildcats by one point at the half, Wayne roared back during the final two quarters to post a 48-32 victory.

Wayne yielded just four fourth-quarter points to Plymouth.

Powering the defense — and offense, for that matter — was sophomore point guard Camree' Clegg, who registered five steals to go along with a team-

high 24 points.

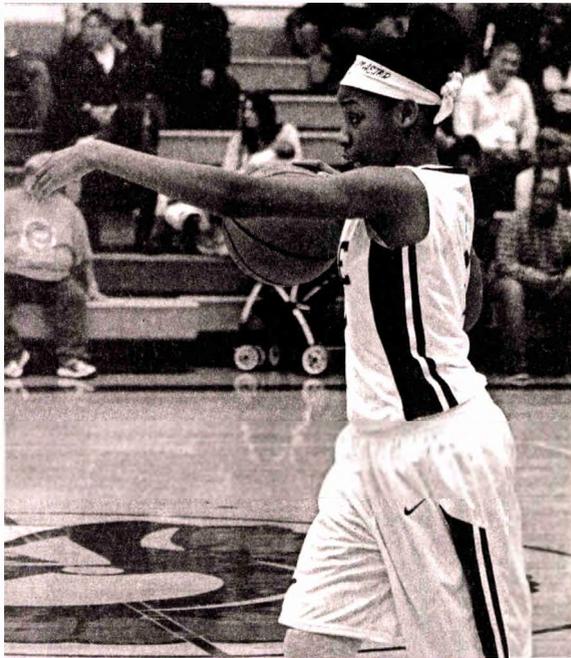
Also making major contributions for the winners were junior power-forward Amara Chikwe, who double-double her way to a 13-point/10-blocks night.

Freshman guard Jeanae Terry added seven points and three steals while junior guard Adrianna Gonzales chipped in four points.

With the win, Wayne improved to 5-2 overall and 1-0 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division.

Plymouth slipped to 1-6 and 0-1, respectively.

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Wayne Memorial freshman Janae Terry directs traffic during a game earlier this season. She scored seven points in the Zebras' victory over Plymouth.

HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING

RU bowling teams fall to Bellville

Bright spots mixed in with Panthers' losses

The Redford Union boys bowling team dropped a 23-7 decision to Belleville on Jan. 11 in a match hosted by Mayflower Lanes.

The Panthers and Tigers split the two Baker games, with Belleville winning the first, 223-135, before RU surged back to take the second game, 224-169.

In the pair of traditional-scoring contests, Belleville won the opener rather handily, 1,011-834, before getting nipped in the 10th frame in game two, 913-111.

Leading the Panthers' charge was Kyle Keating, who rolled a 224 game, and David Nordstrom, who teared the 200 mark before finishing with a 191.

The loss dropped the Panthers' record to 2-3. Dennis Jackman turned in a strong performance for the RU junior-varsity contingent, notching a 207.

RU ladies upended

The Panthers' girls team lost to Belleville by an identical 23-7 count, winning the second of two Baker games, 149-124.

The traditional games were tight, but the Panthers came out on the short end of both, 710-693 and 724-628. Lizzie Pigeon and Erin Kappeler led the Panthers with games of 164.

The loss was the first in five matches for RU's girls team.

— Ed Wright

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Stevenson bounces back against South Lyon

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

With an upcoming schedule that resembles a buzzsaw looming over the next 10 days, it was imperative that Livonia Stevenson's girls basketball team chalked up a win Tuesday night against visiting South Lyon.

Mission accomplished.

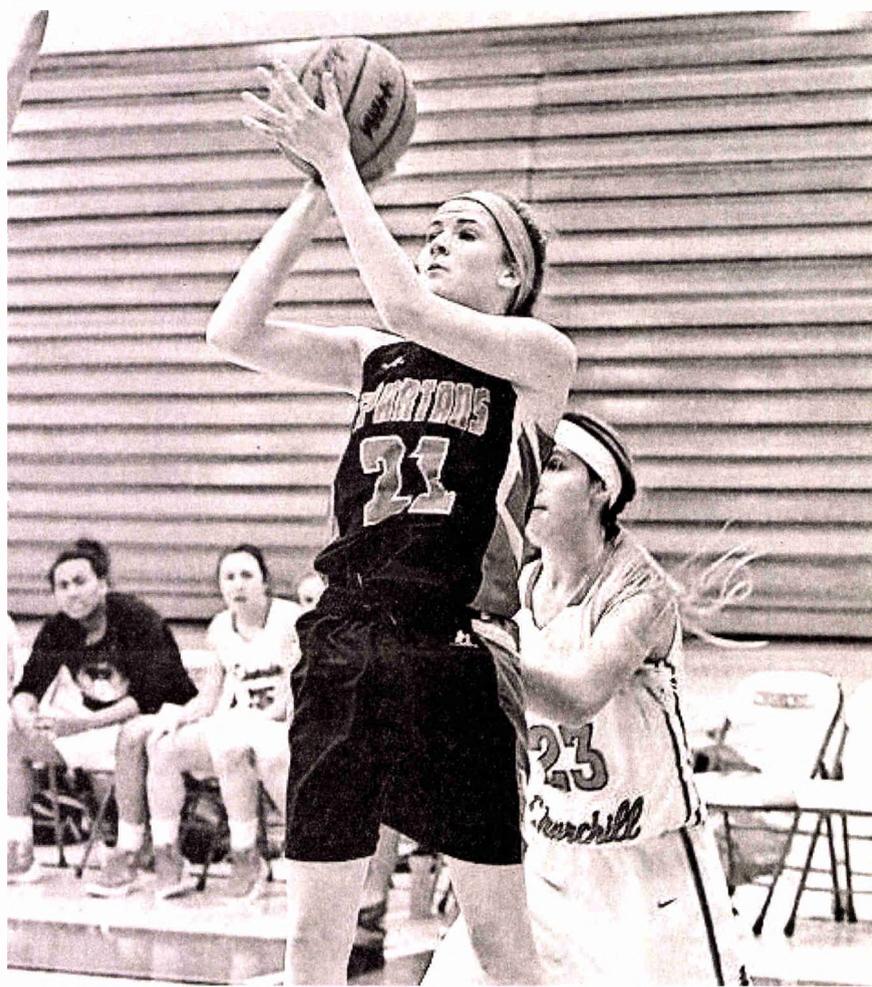
Led by Diane Senkowski's season-high 11 points, the Spartans rolled to a 43-26 victory over the Lions to improve their record to 5-3 overall and 1-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's Central Division. South Lyon is now 0-2 in the Central.

Junior guard Grace Lamerson twined seven points for the Spartans, who were bolstered by six-point nights from both Alyssa Maas and Audrey Stahr. All six of Maas's points came in the third quarter when the Spartans repelled a strong South Lyon push.

Stevenson led 12-2 after one quarter, 21-11 at the break and 39-21 with eight minutes to play.

"We put some points on the board tonight; we were more consistent on the offense end," said Stevenson head coach Tim Newman, when asked what he liked the most about Tuesday's win. "Defensively, we did a nice job of helping out and we forced some turnovers, especially in the first and fourth quarters. We were a little too complacent in the middle two quarters."

Stevenson travels to Northville on Friday before squaring off against Salem and Novi next week.



Livonia Stevenson junior guard Grace Lamerson has been a steady force this season for the Spartans.

Blazers never give up

Livonia Ladywood stormed back in the fourth quarter to slice a one-time 12-point deficit to three Tuesday night against Regina, but the Saddlelites ultimately prevailed, 46-40.

The Blazers' defense made Regina leading scorer Theresa Diehl to work for her points, holding the Saddlelite star to 13 on nine shots.

Ladywood was powered by strong play from Erika Selakowski (13 points and six rebounds), junior Ally Audia (11 points, four rebounds, three

steals and three assists) and junior Kathleen Bushart, who scored nine points on four-of-five shooting.

Other key contributors for the Blazers were junior Maggie Shirk (six points) and junior Abbey Reppen, who filled up the stat sheet with four rebounds, three assists and three blocked shots.

The loss dropped the Blazers to 3-5 overall and 0-2 in the Catholic League. Ladywood will host Dearborn Divine Child Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Garden City upended

The host Cougars hung tough with Dearborn Heights Robichaud for most of Tuesday night's game before ultimately dropping a 48-34 decision.

The result dropped Garden City's record to 3-6 overall and 1-2 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Blue Division. Robichaud, on the other hand, improved to 4-3 and 3-0, respectively.

Aleea Montgomery led a balanced GC attack with nine

points. Kaylee Hewer was solid, contributing eight points and five rebounds, while Lindsey Michalak scored six points.

Kayla Brown was a tough stop for Robichaud, netting 24 points.

Warriors

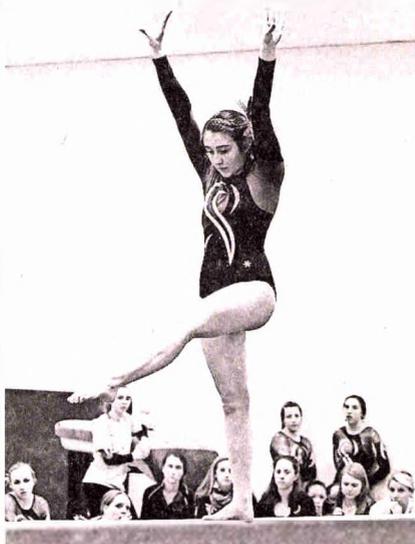
RU victorious

Cassidy Sandelin scored 13 pts and dished out five assists to lead the Panthers to a 38-32 victory over Dearborn Heights Annapolis Tuesday night.

HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

Livonia Blue tumbles past KLAA foe Salem

TOM BEAUDOIN
Bri Rhoad is pictured during a meet earlier this season. She was a consistent performer for Livonia Blue during Monday's victory over Salem.



Rhoad and Grover fuel solid victory

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Led by the all-around brilliance of Bri Rhoad, Livonia Blue's gymnastics team remained unbeaten in dual meets Monday night by outperforming visiting Salem, 137.675-131.500.

Rhoad's scores hovered around the 9.0 mark in all four events as she won the uneven bars competition while placing second in two events and third in another.

Blue's Jessica Weak won the only event she competed in — the vault — by posting a score of 8.95, nipping Rhoad by one-tenth of a point.

Blue's Kyria Gowman was third with 8.625 while Katie

Grover tied for fourth with an 8.55 with Salem's Jordyn W.

Emily Chatterjee earned second-place points on the uneven bars for Blue, impressing the judges with a score of 8.60. Jordyn W. was third for Salem.

Chatterjee continued her strong effort on the challenging balance beam, scoring a second-place point total of 9.10, getting out-pointed by everyone except Jordyn W. (9.30).

Chatterjee was magnificent during her floor-exercise routine as well, earning a score of 9.15 to finish behind only Jordyn W.

Rhoad was third on the floor (8.525) and Grover was fourth (8.475). Blue's Claire Chapski (8.45) just missed finishing in the top four.

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excel at instead of sharpening the ones that were already razor sharp.

"When I was younger, the floor exercise always came easiest to me, because I was pretty good at tumbling," she remembered. "The (balance) beam was the hardest event for me, no doubt about it."

"Now, it's the opposite. I realized I couldn't be really weak in one of the four events, so I worked extra hard on the beam, and the hard work has paid off."

The more committed McVey became to excelling in gymnastics, the more she accepted the reality that it was always accompanied by some not-so-pleasant perks: aches and pains.

"After a tough workout, my joints and muscles are sore," she said. "I crack so much, my parents call me the grandmother of the family. I think it just comes from the fact that gymnastics is such an impact sport — especially with the floor exercise, but with all of the events, really. You kind of get used to the soreness after a while."

McVey showed signs that she meant business in the sport during her freshman year at Churchill when she posted a school-record score of 9.7 on the balance beam.

Competing in a sport in which your score is fully determined by someone else's opinion is "a little scary" at times.

"We know what the judges are looking for, but certain judges pay more attention to different things," she said, "so it can be tricky. Sometimes, you think you may have deserved a little higher score, but other times — like when I received my 9.7 on beam — you're a little surprised by how high the scores are. It works both ways."

A two-year captain for Red, the personable McVey is a solid student who is involved in several extracurricular activities, including Churchill's Spirit Club and Diversity Club.

"The Spirit Club is my favorite because I have a lot of spirit," she said, smiling broadly. "Some of the things we do are create events for homecoming week. It's a lot of fun."

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Redford Union dominates Warriors Invitational

Panthers finish 4-0 to earn first-place hardware

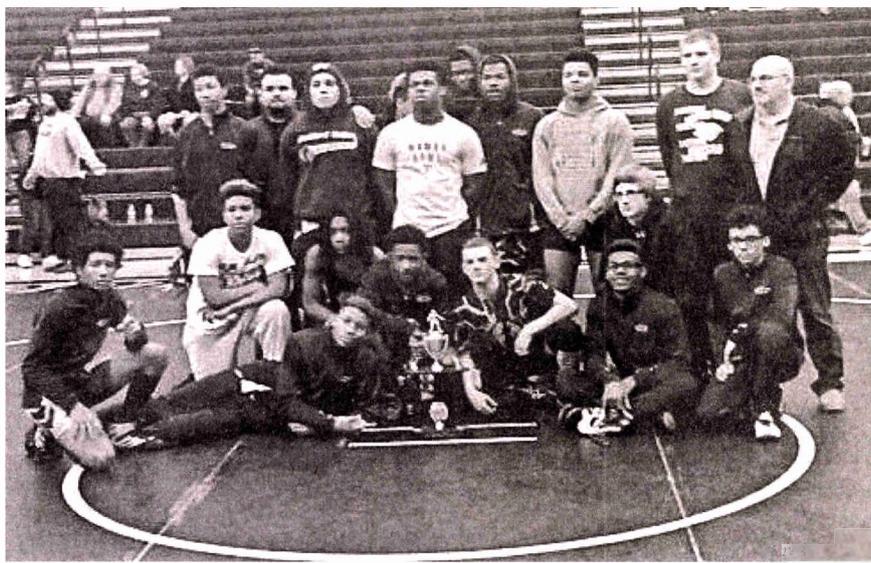
Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Like a knife slicing through room-temperature butter, Redford Union's wrestling team encountered minimal resistance during its championship performance at Saturday's Lutheran Westland Team Wrestling Tournament.

The Panthers successfully defended their 2015 title by going 4-0 and losing just four individual matches throughout the entire day.

RU's first two victories were against wrestling up-starts Jalen Rose Leadership Academy and Detroit Mumford. It closed the day with solid wins against Dearborn Divine Child and the host Warriors.

"Everybody who wrestled for us wrestled great," said RU head coach Rob Rankin, whose team improved to 13-5 overall. "We had a couple guys wrestle against regional qualifiers from last year and they held their own."



Redford Union's wrestling team poses with its first-place trophy Saturday after at Lutheran Westland.

Instead of the participating coaches choosing one Most Valuable Wrestler for the entire tournament, an MVP was selected from each team. RU's main man was senior heavy-

weight James Beaubien, who continued his resurgent season with four pins.

"The first two years I wasn't sure James was going to get it," admitted Rankin. "But he stuck

with it. Last year he was around .500, and this year he's already medaled in four tournaments.

"He had to come back in two of his wins on Saturday, so he's

really doing a nice job of battling."

Beaubien's improvement in the heavyweight class — in which competitors can weigh as much as 285 pounds — is impressive given that he weighs just over 200 pounds, Rankin said.

Rankin also heaped praise on 130-pounder Clifford Stafford, who "wrestled hard" against Lutheran Westland standout Manny Rankin.

Sophomore Isaac Grant continued to shine at 189 pounds as he pinned three of his foes and defeated a fourth with a technical fall.

"The guys really did a nice job of meeting the challenge and winning the championship," Rankin said.

Lutheran Westland's MVP was 215-pounder Nick Glynn, who notched four pins.

GC Novice Tournament

Stand-outs for RU at Garden City on Saturday were Chandler Shettleroe, who placed second at 145 pounds; Ryan Phillips and Cameron Wells, who both took third at 160; and Trevon Williams, who was fourth at 152.

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BOYS HIGH SCHOOL HOOPS

Patriots' rally falls just short

Franklin digs out of early abyss against Plymouth

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Livonia Franklin's basketball team has been dogged by every kind of injury you can imagine this season — but the Patriots' heart has never been questioned.

That was the case Tuesday night when the Patriots nearly climbed out of a 14-point hole before eventually falling, 52-43, to visiting Plymouth.

A pair of sophomores — Mark Mettie (14 points, four blocked shots) and Peyton Harris (seven points, five steals) — had big nights for the Patriots, who also received eight points from Jax Gasaway and seven from Joe Chinavare.

"We're finally healthy and through our distractions," said Franklin head coach Jeremy Rheault. "Our problem tonight was that we couldn't stop Armani Tait. We held (Plymouth's leading scorer) Brent Jones to two, but Tait had 24. He got going early on us and we were very sluggish at the beginning of the game."

The Patriots trailed by just three with two minutes to play, but were stalled down the stretched by "a couple of defensive break-downs," Rheault said.

Chargers survive Zebras

Livonia Churchill may not have had its "A" game Tuesday night against host Wayne Memorial, but the Chargers had enough to pull out a 62-53 victory.

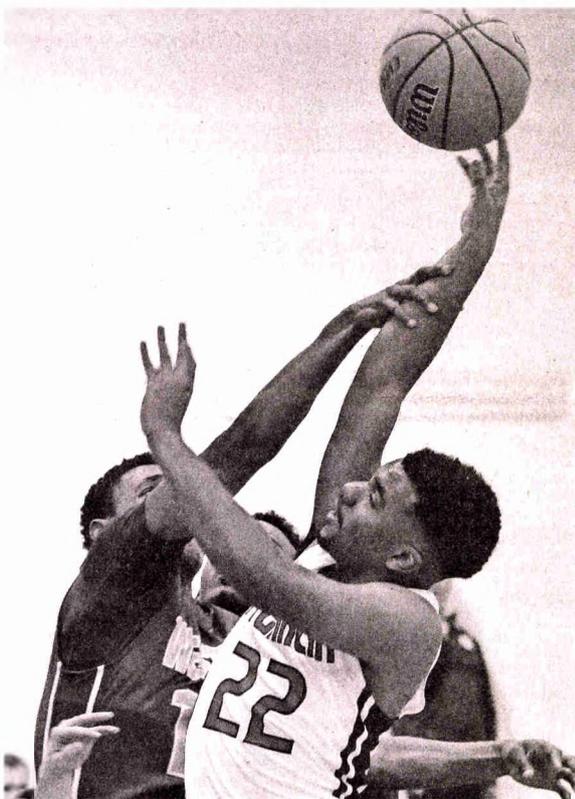
The win lifted the Chargers' record to 6-1 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA South Division heading into Friday's 7 p.m. home game against Plymouth.

The scrappy Zebras slipped to 2-5 and 0-2, respectively.

Senior guards Joan Andoni (18 points) and Dayton Davis (14)

Spartans cage Lions

Sophomore guard Devin Dunn helped Livonia Stevenson break open a close game with an 11-point third quarter as the Spartans went on to



Franklin's Caleb Boyd is fouled while taking a shot during a game earlier this season.

post a relatively comfortable 66-52 road victory over South Lyon.

The triumph improved Stevenson's record to 5-2 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA Central Division.

Dunn finished with a team-high 19 points. Nader Kandala last chipped in with a season-high 10 points while senior guard Gino D'Agostino added eight for the winners.

Stevenson, which held a perilous 27-24 lead at the half, was red-hot from the free-throw line, knocking down six of seven attempts.

Warriors improve to 6-0

Lutheran Westland overcame a shaky first half Tues-

day night against next-door neighbor Huron Valley Lutheran to earn a 66-41 victor over the Hawks.

The Warriors are now 6-0 overall and 2-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference while HVL slipped to 2-4 and 1-1, respectively.

HVL seized an 18-16 lead after one quarter before the Warriors bounced back to carry a 31-26 lead into the intermission.

LW slammed the door shut on an HVL comeback by outscoring its friendly rivals 17-3 over the final eight minutes.

Brent Croft led all scorers with 22 points. Zach Burk also shined, pouring in 19.

HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS

Livonia Red nudged by Farmington United

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

Across-the-board excellence from Jaqu Farquhar led Farmington United's gymnastics team to a 142.000-139.450 victory over host Livonia Red Tuesday night at Churchill High School.

Farquhar posted no lower than an 8.95 score — actually, she earned that tally on both the uneven bars and her floor-exercise routine — on her way to racking up a meet-high all-around number of 36.20.

Farmington's second all-around star was Elisa Bills, whose four-event point total of 35.95 fell barely short of Farquhar's top score.

Livonia Red was led by senior Marissa McVey, whose consistency was reflected in the fact that all four of her scores fell in the 8.7 to 8.9 range.

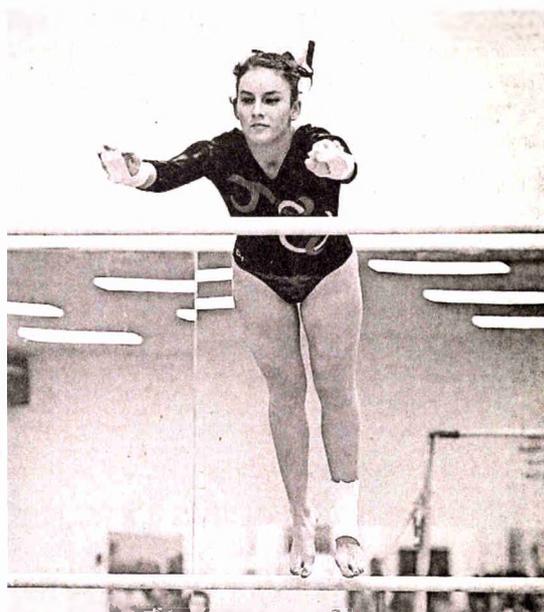
Red's highest individual score of the night was delivered by Mackenzie Boorman, who stuck her beam routine

to the tune of a 9.1, which was good enough for a tie for second in that event with Farmington's Kelly Shroesbee. Farquhar won the beam competition with a splendid 9.3.

Additional stand-outs for Red were Olivia Dillon, who impressed the judges with a floor-exercise routine that garnered an 8.95, and a meet-opening vault of 8.9; Mikaela Hille, who scored a fourth-place 8.9 on the floor; Olivia Ryktarsyk, who narrowly missed scoring with an 8.8 for her floor-exercise routine; and Megan Waters, who was solid in all three of her varsity events: vault, bars and beam.

Shroesbee was on the money when she performed on the beam, netting a 9.1 to finish third in that event. Kennedy Seals (8.9 on the beam) and Emily Stecevic (8.8 on the floor) also had some moments to remember for Farmington.

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Livonia Red's Olivia Ryktarsyk performs her routine on the uneven bars Tuesday night.



Franklin's Nick Salisbury was a key component in the Patriots' 8-2 victory over South Lyon United.

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Franklin devours South Lyon, 8-2

Dynamic 'W's lead Patriots' huge win

Ed Wright
Staff Writer

If you can slow down seniors Chase Wallis and Brendan Whitney, you have a decent chance to compete with Livonia Franklin's hockey team.

South Lyon United couldn't stop either Patriot Saturday night at the Kensington Valley Ice House and Franklin skated home with a rousing 8-2 victory. Both Wallis and Whitney —

who are among the state's top point-producers mid-way through the 2015-16 season — continued their onslaught against opposing blue-liners and they each notched two goals and three assists.

Also turning in pivotal performances for the winners were Trevor Lassaline and Zack Nelson, both of whom recorded one goal and two helpers.

Also scoring goals were

Nick Salibury and Max McCrory, both of whom added an assist.

The Patriots' electric scoring night was capped by Brendan Nutting (two assists) and Cory Linsner (one assist).

Franklin defenseman Jack Engel was an eye-popping plus-seven in the all-important plus-minus department.

Freshman goalie Jake Penny was marvelous, stopping 32 shots for his seventh win of the campaign.

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Home Builders Association buoyed by late 2015 report data

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Mild weather late in 2015 meant that home builders could keep on working. "I've got to believe that it is" a key factor, Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, said of a late December report showing home permits in the region going strong. "Last winter, we spent a lot of time blaming the weather. It's nothing like what it's been the last couple of years," he said of late 2015 weather and home construction.

Residential construction "is a very seasonal activity here in the Midwest," he said. "When it does get cold, people get laid off from their (construction) jobs."

The extra hours and income are helpful to many, he added. "It helps bless a lot of families."

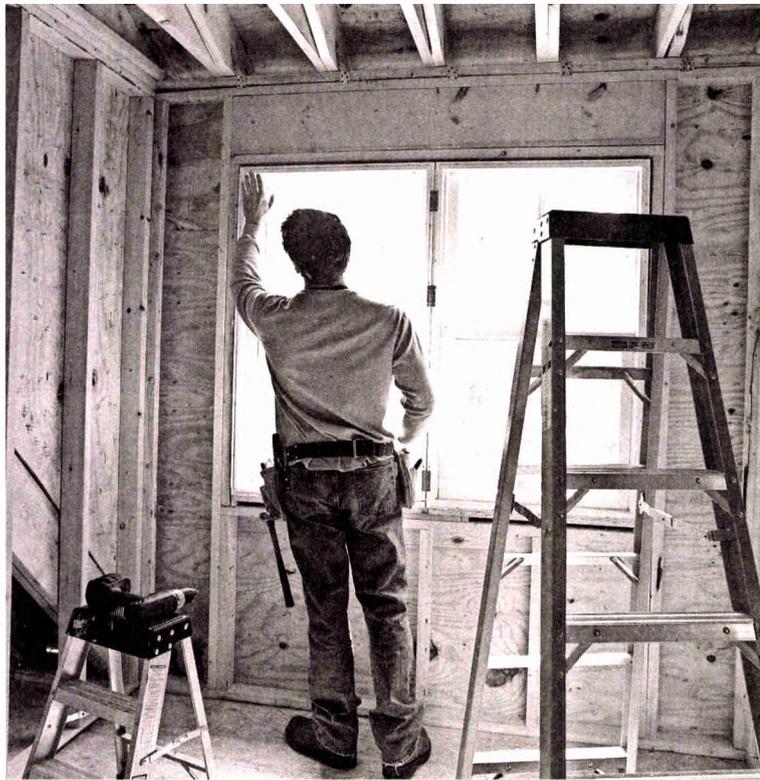
Based on single-family new home permit data compiled by the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the *HBA Southeastern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report*, a total of 308 single-family permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in November 2015. That's the highest November total since November 2006 (404).

Activity was 32% higher compared to a November 2014's total of 233 permits, reflecting the milder weather this year. Oakland County led the way with 163 new home permits issued during the month, nearly matching its revised October 2015 result of 167 permits. This was also Oakland County's highest November permit total dating back to 2005 (249), the report notes.

The region's multi-family construction continued its strong year with another 246 permits issued in November. Similar to the single-family results, this was the highest November multi-family permit total dating back to 2006 (263). November's activity also marks the 14th consecutive month with multi-family permit activity, the longest such streak since a 19-month run dating from July 2004 to January 2006, the report notes.

Based on the econometrics used in the forecast calculations, the *HBA/ASA New Housing Permit Forecast* projects a total of 2,516 permits will be issued in the six-month, December-to-May time frame.

Stoskopf noted Canton, Macomb Township and Lyon Township building of



Contractor working on window in new home

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homes "that have led the way and are continuing to do that." It's "at a pace people can buy at and the market can absorb," he said.

"Canton is probably the closest to being built out" of those three, with Macomb Township next, followed by Lyon Township, he said.

The HBA's 2016 Homearama will be the second half of September and first half of October in Macomb Township, featuring some 10 model homes.

"It should be a real nice time of year weather-wise," Stoskopf said. The homes will be in the \$350,000-\$600,000 price point range.

"We're really excited about being back

out in Macomb Township," he said. "We're excited about returning to Macomb Township."

He added of the December building report, "It's just really exciting to finish 2015 on a high note. We're actually looking at 2016 as having a probability of dating back to 2006" in construction levels.

"We've got that chance in 2016 to get up to that level," he said. "I don't see a recession in the next couple years. Things look real positive for 2016."

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Question arises on email addresses, phone numbers

Q: I am president of our association and am wondering whether we have to provide email addresses and phone numbers to a request for information from a member.

A: There is a new amendment to Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act that provides various questions which have to be satisfied before members are given the right to the access of the books and records of the association. That is yet to be determined and it is on a case by case basis. However, in the case out of Utah, the Utah Court of Appeals on a similar statute held that an association was not obligated to provide a member with the email addresses or phone numbers of other members, although it was not a unanimous decision. Obviously, this is the kind of thing that needs the review by the association's legal counsel as to the purpose for the inquiry and a number of other factors that the new Nonprofit Corporation Act requires.

Q: We are members of a subdivision association wherein all of the owners have easements over the association's own parks and streets. However, the association is threatening to give permission to one of our owners to construct a private deck on the park property next to his lot. Several of us have objected to the deck and we are wondering whether we have a basis to stop the association from authorizing the private use of what we think to be a common area.

A: I think you are on firm ground, particularly based upon a recent decision from the Michigan Court of Appeals that clearly determined that constructing a private deck in the common area was contrary to that subdivision's restrictions and the dedicatory language on the plat. The court reasoned that an easement is a right to use land owned by another, but it does not include the right to occupy and possess the land in the same way as the property's owner. In essence what the court said was where a plat dedicates land for use by all subdivision lot owners, they have an irrevocable right to use it. That should help a lawyer you retain to advise you on this matter.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-Eleven, near Trenton Road.

For more information, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 10-14, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Price
BEVERLY HILLS	21699 Corsaut Ln	\$314,000
	22656 Highbank Dr	\$555,000
BINGHAM FARMS	30275 Oakview Way	\$265,000
	32840 Outland Trl	\$667,000
BIRMINGHAM	1331 Cedar Dr	\$650,000
	1320 Dorchester Rd	\$465,000
	1388 E Melton Rd	\$247,000
	1679 Graefield Rd	\$137,000
	1946 Graefield Rd	\$123,000
	531 Graten St	\$375,000
	959 Hazel St	\$788,000
	1948 Hazel St	\$705,000
	1221 Hillside Dr	\$782,000
	890 N Adams Rd	\$112,000
	1041 N Old Woodward Ave # 1	\$285,000
	1265 S Bates St	\$328,000
	1400 Smith Ave	\$670,000
	155 Wimbeldon Dr	\$485,000
	980 Wimbeldon Dr	\$900,000
	2280 Yorkshire Rd	\$323,000
	902 Tartan Trl	\$425,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	5287,000	
	5576 N Adams Way	\$250,000
	4475 Burnley Dr	\$140,000
	6363 Dakota Cir	\$563,000
	3178 E Bradford Dr	\$276,000
	1790 Huntingwood Ln	\$495,000
	4830 N Harsdale Rd	\$600,000
	437 S Williamsbury Rd	\$307,000
	4216 Sedgemoor Ln	\$315,000
	902 Tartan Trl	\$425,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP		
	3131 Berkshire Dr	\$278,000
	928 Bloomfield Knoll Dr	\$1,055,000
	3871 Carriage Rd	\$480,000
	6785 Cedarbrook Dr	\$345,000
	4563 Chelsea Ln	\$860,000
	383 Concord Pl	\$80,000
	120 Devon Rd	\$690,000

6488 Maple Hills Dr	\$230,000
3320 Squirrel Rd	\$675,000
5543 Westwood Ln	\$360,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
4570 Achilla St	\$165,000
5680 Blackmoor St	\$220,000
4295 Bluebird Dr	\$455,000
5244 Bridge Trl E	\$328,000
5485 Buel Dr	\$320,000
4536 Darlene Dr	\$352,000
4900 Juniper Dr	\$290,000
4705 Kara Ct	\$428,000
3753 Loch Bend Dr	\$830,000
8070 Mario St	\$145,000
2809 Orenda St	\$155,000
4625 Racewood Dr	\$440,000
2784 Red Arrow Dr	\$160,000
185 Robin Rd	\$175,000
1595 Salishan Ln	\$310,000
1656 Trace Hollow Dr	\$317,000
430 W Grand Traverse St	\$250,000
9033 War Bonnet Dr	\$299,000
FARMINGTON	
33796 Glenview Ct	\$150,000
22808 Manning St	\$144,000
23060 Manning St	\$175,000
26247 Valhalla Dr	\$350,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
4222 Albion Ave	\$91,000
21908 Albion Ave	\$96,000
24907 Arden Park Dr	\$305,000
22307 Atlantic Pointe	\$94,000
31691 Belmont St	\$225,000
27590 Bridle Hills Dr	\$235,000
21990 Cass St	\$201,000
39555 Cedarbrook Ct	\$365,000
2982 Edgethill Ave	\$115,000
27697 Forestbrook Dr	\$275,000
27714 Forestbrook Dr	\$212,000
30084 Fox Club Dr	\$420,000
36117 Frederickburg Rd	\$275,000
38543 Horton Dr	\$315,000
34897 Huntington Ct	\$490,000
48807 Westeridge Dr	\$125,000
35872 Johnstown Rd	\$286,000
27848 Kendallwood Dr	\$186,000
28401 Lake Park Dr W	\$239,000
25597 Livingston Cir	\$365,000
32341 Nestlewood St	\$213,000
25220 Pimlico Ct	\$158,000
29551 Pine Ridge Cir	\$128,000

21830 River Ridge Trl	\$270,000
29777 Sierra Point Cir	\$170,000
29779 Sierra Point Cir	\$190,000
23159 Tuck Dr	\$136,000
30040 W 13 Mile Rd	\$147,000
37859 Windwood Dr	\$275,000
FRANKLIN	
26125 Woodlore Rd	\$460,000
HIGHLAND	
3812 Chapin Dr	\$270,000
3481 E Clarice Ave	\$150,000
2794 Gollers Dr	\$110,000
2083 Highland Dr	\$115,000
2257 N Millford Rd	\$62,000
282 Taras Dr	\$161,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
28714 Blackstone Dr	\$115,000
27060 Eldorado Pl	\$190,000
MILFORD	
375 S Summit St	\$269,000
719 Friar Dr	\$157,000
305 Highland Ave	\$190,000
201 Lone Tree Rd	\$350,000
285 Napa Valley Dr	\$340,000
1250 Old Millford Farms	\$286,000
850 Panorama Dr	\$136,000
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31768 Curtis Ct	\$526,000
49551 Deer Run	\$650,000
52314 Ferndale Dr	\$457,000
45150 Mayo Dr	\$351,000
938 McDonald Dr	\$275,000
978 McDonald Dr	\$525,000
487 Weich Rd	\$279,000
876 Yorktown Ct	\$179,000
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45627 Addington Ln	\$440,000
25570 Anthony Dr	\$320,000
31611 Anthony Dr	\$275,000
30665 Ardmore Ct	\$275,000
30695 Ardmore Ct	\$315,000
34890 Bramblewood Dr	\$490,000
31267 Carlton Way Dr	\$125,000
28435 Carlton Way Dr	\$286,000
24868 Christina Ln	\$186,000
28121 Declaration Rd	\$239,000
44149 Durson St	\$365,000
22162 Edgewater	\$213,000
24154 Elizabeth Ln	\$158,000
22481 Fuller Dr	\$128,000

46590 Galway Dr	\$440,000
25614 Gina Ct	\$482,000
40342 Guilford	\$192,000
24361 Kings Pointe	\$210,000
29930 Martell Ct	\$140,000
23720 Maude Lea St	\$175,000
27113 Maxwell Ct	\$308,000
24447 Olde Orchard St	\$120,000
24619 Olde Orchard St	\$107,000
109 Parklow St	\$288,000
24849 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$566,000
24252 Saybrook Ct	\$650,000
41614 Sleepy Hollow Dr	\$218,000
351 South Lake Dr	\$725,000
25186 Sutton Ct	\$540,000
23677 Valley Starr	\$190,000
SOUTH LYON	
1008 Carriage Trace Blvd	\$400,000
59007 Cobblers Ct	\$355,000
225 Columbia Dr	\$308,000
788 Fox Ct	\$210,000
52432 Fremont Dr E	\$473,000
22965 Fremont Dr N	\$490,000
322 Hanover Ave	\$185,000
1213 Horseshoe Dr	\$339,000
25400 Meadow Ct	\$383,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27327 Apple Blossom Ln	\$165,000
17382 Bonstelle Ave	\$288,000
16191 Edwards Ave	\$159,000
27416 Everett St	\$167,000
15870 Fairfax Ct	\$136,000
21671 Frazer Ave	\$25,000
17348 Hilton St	\$65,000
23250 Russell St	\$160,000
16750 Sherfield Pl	\$177,000
25720 Southfield Rd # A206	\$445,000
29746 Spring Hill Dr	\$110,000
19114 Starlane Ln	\$150,000
28295 Tavistock Trl	\$252,000
24604 Templar Ave	\$159,000
5000 Town Ctr # 2205	\$105,000
WHITE LAKE	
17382 Bonstelle Ave	\$437,000
490 Betty Patch Ln	\$158,000
252 Decca Dr	\$231,000
9050 Glasgow Ct W	\$195,000
107 Oxbow Lake Rd	\$260,000
460 Rosario Ln	\$190,000
1292 S Williams Lake Rd	\$125,000
8213 Sequoia Ln	\$190,000
8034 Springdale Dr	\$225,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 31 to Sept. 4, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Price
CANTON	779 Adams St	\$355,000
	838 Adams St	\$309,000
	48520 Antique Rd	\$545,000
	1625 Acadia Dr	\$140,000
	2249 Berwick Dr	\$162,000
	3768 Brooklyn Dr	\$283,000
	4210 Brookstone Dr	\$262,000
	43269 Candlewood Ct	\$267,000
	7605 Claremont St	\$260,000
	378 Constitution St	\$169,000
	39709 Coronation Rd	\$280,000
	45282 Edgemoor Dr	\$282,000
	43581 Emrick Dr	\$183,000
	8188 Endicott Ln	\$484,000
	463 Georgetown St	\$175,000
	48005 Gladstone Rd	\$456,000
	7367 Green Meadow Ln	\$188,000
	46722 Gurney Dr	\$55,000
	42411 Hanford Rd	\$173,000
	3016 Haverford Dr	\$315,000
	44419 Heather Ln	\$225,000
	44619 Heather Ln	\$225,000
	45429 Holmes Dr	\$341,000
	4564 Hunters Cir W	\$118,000
	46462 Inverness Dr	\$349,000
	1625 Mantion Blvd	\$192,000
	44524 Meadowcreek Ln	\$191,000
	1556 N Beck Rd	\$212,000
	45370 Old School Ln	\$75,000
	45176 Quaker Hill Dr	\$250,000
	41817 Ravenwood St	\$188,000

45009 Rolling Ridge Ct	\$280,000
44125 S Umlerland Ct	\$170,000
201 Scarlett Dr	\$293,000
4241 Sherwood Cir	\$275,000
48585 Times Square Ct	\$263,000
43569 W Arbor Way Dr	\$103,000
1310 Wagon Wheel Rd	\$246,000
48807 Westeridge Dr	\$198,000
41830 Winter Ct	\$210,000
GARDEN CITY	
30751 Bock St	\$99,000
28952 Elmwood St	\$65,000
6142 Harrison St	\$160,000
31500 James St	\$87,000
32459 John Hawk St	\$96,000
250 Lathers St	\$80,000
33637 Marquette St	\$135,000
30950 Pierce St	\$105,000
LIVONIA	
36716 Angelique Cir	\$120,000
36713 Northridge Dr	\$170

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the way to reach my ideal.
You who gave me the divine
gift to forgive and forget the
wrong that is done to me, and
you who are in all instances of
my life with me, I, in this short
dialogue want to thank you for
everything and confirm once
more that I never want to be
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how great the material desires
may be. I want to be with you
and my loved ones in your
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Detroit native Beth Stalker.



Jill Jack and the American Songbook Band.



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Kittens & Crooners

Live jazz series coming to downtown Northville

With Northville's live music options limited mainly to summertime events like Arts & Acts, Friday Night Concerts and Victorian Festival, a local company has decided to test the waters and expand offerings by presenting a four-part jazz series at the Tipping Point Theatre.

Kittens & Crooners features four of metro Detroit's top vocalists and their bands on selected Saturdays. The series kicked off Jan. 9 with Brad McNett. The remaining shows feature Jill Jack & The American Songbook Band — March 12; Paul King — May 14; and Beth Stalker — July 9.

"This series focuses on the classic jazz vocalists — like Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald and Nat King Cole," said producer Whitney Stone, of Brighton-based 2 Stones Events, "and the singers we've selected fit the bill perfectly."

In addition, ticket holders will dine on appetizers from area restaurants and explore a variety of wines provided by local shops.

Another element of this series brings in the Northville Art House, which has been using 2 Stones Events to book the musical portion of the annual Arts & Acts Festival since 2012.

At each of the four shows, the Art House will bring in select pieces from one of its featured artists to display in the theater. Concert attendees can even purchase the art with portions of the proceeds going to Tipping Point and the Art House.

"This venue is known for its intimate setting," Stone said. "Depending on the configuration, it only seats between 105 and 120. For live jazz, the sound and visuals will be out-

standing — no TVs blasting sports or any of the other typical drawbacks of clubs and bars."

Doors open at 7 p.m., with wine tasting and appetizers until 7:45 p.m. The shows will run 8-10 p.m. with a brief intermission. There will also be a cash bar with wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages available.

Tickets are \$30, but patrons can save 10 percent by purchasing the four-show series. Tipping Point season ticket holders will also receive a 10-percent discount.

"We want these shows to be an elegant evening of great jazz, wine, art and food — all right here in downtown Northville," Stone said. "The Tipping Point, Art House and 2 Stones are blasting this series out to nearly 10,000 emails twice a month, so I wouldn't wait too long to get tickets."

To purchase tickets online, go to www.2StonesEvents.com. Tickets may also be purchased at the Tipping Point Theatre (361 E. Cady St.) from 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 6:30-10 p.m. Friday. For more information and for business partnership opportunities, call 586-484-8797.

"This is also a great opportunity for businesses to get in front of a select audience and be part of a truly unique event in Northville," Stone said.

Series lineup

» **March 12** — Jill Jack & The American Songbook Band: Thirty-seven time Detroit award-winning singer/songwriter Jack and longtime drummer Ron Pangborn have talked about putting a project together that celebrates the music they both love — The American Songbook. Selecting some of the best musicians in Detroit, they have captured the beautiful essence of the music of an era

long ago. Come celebrate with them as they will take you on their musical journey.

» **May 14** — Paul King: The crooner describes his style as "a mixture of Mel Torme, Joe Williams and Frank Sinatra — with a dash of Cab Calloway thrown in." Detroit's *Metro Times* wrote: "His voice has been banned in some nightclubs for inducing public displays of affection on the dance floor."

King, vocalist for The Rhythm Society Orchestra, has been featured on a number of local television and radio programs. He has also performed with veterans of some famous big bands, including Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, Sam Donahue, Joe Williams, Lionel Hampton and Big Joe Turner.

» **July 9** — Beth Stalker: A Detroit native and seven-time Detroit Music Awards winner, Stalker is no stranger to the music biz, beginning her career at the age of 4. Known then as "Little Liz," she released her first full-length album, *Jesus Loves Me*. Soon after, she began touring and making appearances on several local television shows. And though she loved the glitz and glam of the music industry, she took some time away from the spotlight to focus on school.

At 20, Stalker was back at it, releasing her second album, *Here with You*. The album garnered much praise at the Detroit Music Awards, earning her six awards. One year later, she recorded and released *Hallelujah I Love Him*. But her journey didn't end there. In 2008, she auditioned for *American Idol*, making it to Hollywood after receiving the highly coveted "golden ticket." In 2012, Stalker released an EP titled *A Reason to Smile*. Currently, she's hard at work on her fourth full-length album, her first project to be recorded and released by Decibel.

Detroit Zoo stays wild for winter

Temperatures may be frosty, but there's still plenty of wildlife to see this time of year at the Detroit Zoo, which is coming off a record-breaking year of attendance.

The family-friendly "Wild Winter" weekends are returning from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 16-17 and Feb. 6-7 at the Ford Education Center in Royal Oak. The events are free with zoo admission.

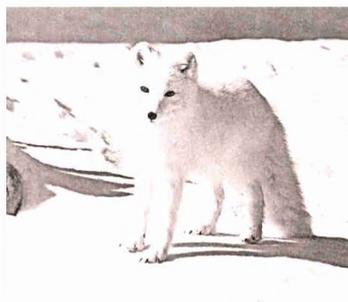
Gray wolves, wolverines, Japanese macaques, tigers, camels, polar bears, arctic foxes and red pandas can all be seen outside, according to a press release.

Visitors can also explore various indoor areas, too, including the Edward Mardigian Sr. River Otter Habitat, the Matilda R. Wilson Free-Flight Aviary, Butterfly Garden Holden Reptile Conservation Center, National Amphibian Conservation Center, Great Apes of Harambee and Penguinarium.

"The zoo is open 362 days a year. When it's too cold for the giraffes and rhinos to be outside, there are indoor viewing areas where visitors can see these majestic animals year-round," Detroit Zoological Society executive director and CEO Ron Kagan stated.



Snowflakes fall on Wazi, a gray wolf, at the Detroit Zoo.



An arctic fox roams on a naturalistic habitat at the Detroit Zoo.



Rofu, a red panda, scampers around the zoo.

New record

In 2015, a modern-record of 1,476,378 people came to the zoo, breaking the 1997 record by more than 100,000. It's also the ninth straight year that attendance has topped 1 million, the zoo said.

Popular attractions this year included: the annual Wild Lights holiday light display, which attracted more than

144,000 people; the Cotton Family Wolf Wilderness, which opened in June; and the Dinosauria exhibit with 40 animatronic dinosaurs, the zoo said.

"Good weather for most of the year, Wild Lights, wolves, dinosaurs and continued improvements in operations and facilities are all contributing factors," Kagan stated. "We're grateful to our community for another fantastic

year and look forward to providing even more outstanding experiences."

The zoo is home to 2,500 animals representing 270 species that live on 125 acres of naturalistic habitats.

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Motown musician to screen, discuss 'Unsung' Jan. 27

Greg Mullin
Staff Writer

Motown's distinct sound produced countless hits and household names in the 1960s and '70s.

But many of its musicians never achieved the notoriety of singers like Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations and Smokey Robinson.

One of those musicians, saxophonist Duane Parham, recently released *The Unsung Musicians of the Motown Empire*, a documentary that he'll screen at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, at the Southfield Public Library.

Outreach librarian Kelly Rembert discussed what inspired the library to screen this film.

"Motown is so connected with Detroit. We always hear about the big names that came out of Motown," she said. "But so many other



Parham

and Motown.

"He was inspired by looking at the legacy of Motown and how some of his fellow musicians have been recognized or not recognized," Rembert said. "So he put this documentary together. He draws from such a wide knowledge, being there personally."

Parham also recently established the Educational Arts Society, a nonprofit organization that aims to provide scholarship opportunities and promote the professional development of aspiring young artists. For more information, go to easzmusic.org.

No reservations are required for the event. DVDs will be available for sale.

For more information about the library, go to southfieldlibrary.org or call the Guest Services Desk at 248-796-4224.

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people produced the Motown sound that we know and love. This documentary highlights those unsung heroes. That's the fun part about it — it gives them the recognition that they created the sound that we know and love."

After the screening, Parham will lead a discussion about the film

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LEWIS, PATRICIA
Age 72, passed away December 23, 2015, after a long battle with MS and cancer. A memorial luncheon is planned for friends and family Saturday, January 16, at 1:30 p.m. at 24388 Kings Pointe, Novi, Michigan, 48375. Arrangements by O'Brien & Sullivan Funeral Home. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

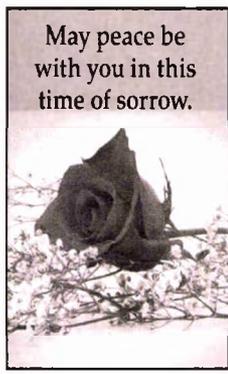


METRO, KIMBERLY EVE (MARVILLE)
December 24, 2015 Age 56 Beloved wife of Ken Metro. Loving mother of Heather Stemen, Travis Stemen and Kaylyn Metro. Dear sister of Nancy Marville (Ken) Wooley, Michael Marville and the late Dennis Marville. Aunt of Jason Marville, Jon Marville, Marguerite Wooley, K.J. Wooley and Megan Marville. Cherished daughter of the late Edwin J. (Marguerite Thomson) Marville. Memorial visitation Saturday, 4-9 pm, L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, 42600 Ford Rd. (W. of Lilley Rd.) Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at griffinfuneralhome.com.

SLOCUM, JOAN KENNEDY
Age 89, of Naples, Florida, died December 20, 2015. Born in Ann Arbor, Michigan, May 26, 1926 to Margaret (Cooley) and James Alexander Kennedy. Margaret predeceased Joan in 1926. In 1932, James married Elizabeth (Earhart) and Elizabeth became Joan's mother. Attended Liggett School in Detroit, Walnut Hill School High School in Natick, MA and graduated from University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1943. Was a member of Delta Gamma sorority and received a BA from the University of Michigan in 1948 and an MFA in metalsmithing from Cranbrook Academy of Art in 1981. Married William W. Slocum (predeceased her in 2013) in Ann Arbor in 1948. In Birmingham, MI she was a member of the Village Club, the Birmingham Athletic Club, the Junior League, and the Michigan Silversmiths' Guild. In Harbor Springs, MI she was a member of Birchwood Farms Golf and Country Club, and in Naples, FL she was a member of Moorings Presbyterian Church and (formerly) a member of the Naples Yacht Club, the Royal Poinciana Country Club, and the League Club. Survivors include her four daughters, Anne Slocum Nelson, (David) of Denver, CO, Libby Slocum of Paw Paw, MI, Jody Slocum Buetow, (Kurt) of Downing, WI, and Meg Slocum Cusack, (Kevin) of Grand Rapids, MI. A fifth daughter, Amy Slocum, of NYC, predeceased her in 2008. Nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; also survive; Jake, Rachael Ringenberg, (Joe) and daughters Lux and Joan, Joanie (Cale) Erickson, Leighton, Alex, Wilson, and Peter Cusack, and Stefan Buetow (Jenna), daughter Jillian and Matt Buetow, as well as brothers David (Sally) and James (Patti) Kennedy, sisters Ann Irish (David) and Susan Kennedy, brother-in-law William (predeceased by Susan in 2014) Klingbeil and many nieces and nephews. Besides raising five daughters, Joan was active as an artist, supporter of the arts and a philanthropist. Her interests in learning new things continued until she died. At 53, she returned to school for her masters degree in metalsmithing. At 80, she became a painter. She delighted in encouraging all those around her to be the best they could be. No one felt this more than her children and grandchildren.



SWANSON, LUCILLE RICE "PAT" "LOU"
In loving memory of Swanson, Lucille Rice "Pat", "Lou". Age 96, passed away January 4, 2016. A longtime resident of Birmingham/Bloomfield Hills, Lucille was born in Detroit, Michigan on September 4, 1919, the eldest child of Frank and Helen (nee Piekarek) Rice. She met and married Bert Alfred Swanson, while both worked at Ford Motor Company in Detroit during and after World War II. Lucille and Bert were wed in 1946 and remained married more than 64 years until Bert's death in 2011. After her mother Helen's death in 1992, Lucille was referred to and considered the matriarch of the Rice Family. She is survived by three siblings, Clarence "Al" Rice (Laura), Betty (Carl, deceased) Weiner, and Frank B. Rice, Jr. (Patricia). She is also survived by her three sons, Thomas (Karen), Gregory (Denise), and Mark (caregiver extraordinaire); along with ten grandchildren, Shawn, Jeremy, and Scott, Sara (Michael), Matthew, Peter, Hanna, Emma, Laura, and Alyssa; two stepchildren, Judith Swanson and Bert Adams; and numerous nephews and nieces. A memorial service/celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial tributes may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or to a charity of choice.



May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.



May the memory of your loved one...

...bring you peace.

RELIGION CALENDAR

JANUARY

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31
Location: Divine Mercy Roman Catholic Regional School, 31500 Beechwood, Garden City
Details: Tour the school, meet the principal, pick up a registration packet
Contact: 734-425-4420

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 17
Location: St. Kenneth, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth
Details: Mass and potluck lunch. Bring a dish to pass. Call Liz at 734-452-9149 to find out what foods are needed. Widowed friends is a peer support group of the Archdiocese of Detroit
Contact: Pat at 734-895-6246

WOMEN'S EVENT

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23
Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City
Details: Authors Lynn Donovan and Dineen Miller are guest speakers at an event for women who are "spiritually mismatched" in their marriage or have loved ones who are non-believers or are not mature in their faith. The conference will include a continental breakfast and lunch. Tickets are \$30, available at <https://spiritualmismatch.eventbrite.com>
Contact: 734-421-0472

FEBRUARY

AUCTION

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

ONGOING

THRIFT STORE

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

TOUR

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

WORSHIP

Adat Shalom Synagogue
Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays
Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills
Contact: 248-851-5100
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia
Contact: 734-522-6830

Congregation Bet Chaverim

Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month
Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton

Details: Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore
Contact: www.Facebook.com/betchaverim or email to betchaverim@yahoo.com

Due Season Christian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study
Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia
Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church services.
Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit www.DueSeason.org

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study
Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi
Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 10-14
Contact: 248-349-2345; faithcommunity-novi.org

Faith Community Wesleyan Church

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays
Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia
Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491

Garden City Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m., traditional worship service, youth Sunday Masses and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking
Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road
Contact: 734-421-7620

Good Hope Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday
Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City
Contact: 734-427-3660

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school/adult Bible study; 10 a.m. Sunday service
Location: 4145 W. Nine Mile, Novi
Contact: Rev. Thomas E. Schroeder at 248-349-0565; GoodShepherdNovi.org

Grace Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m.
Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township
Contact: 734-637-8160

His Church Anglican

Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna University
Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia
Contact: www.HisChurchAnglican.org; 248-442-0HCA

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10 a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship in the chapel.
Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livonia
Contact: 734-427-1414

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday
Location: 9600 Leverne, west of Beech Daly, north off West Chicago Road, Redford
Contact: 313-937-2424

In His Presence Ministries

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday
Location: 26500 Grand River Ave., Redford
Contact: 313-533-1956; detroitinhispresence.org

Nativity United Church of Christ

Time/Date: 11 a.m. service with Plumb Line Church with the Rev. JoAnn Bastien, Praise Group, Sunday school and child care. Coffee at 10:45 a.m. Traditional Sunday worship service at 2 p.m. with Bastien. No Sunday school or child care. Coffee after the service at 3 p.m.
Location: 9435 Henry Ruff Road at West Chicago Road, Livonia
Contact: 734-421-5406

New Beginnings United Methodist Church

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday
Location: 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford
Contact: 313-255-6330

New Life Community Church

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: 734-846-4615 or www.newlifecommunitychurch4u.com

Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Church

Time/Date: 6:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. weekday Masses; 8 a.m. Saturday Vigil Mass; 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon and 5 p.m. Sunday Masses; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 7-8 a.m. Monday-Friday; Eucharistic Adoration, 9 a.m. Monday through 3 p.m. Friday in the Day Chapel; Sacrament of Reconciliation, starting at noon Thursday and 2-3:45 p.m. Saturday or by appointment
Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township
Contact: 734-453-0326

Plymouth Baptist Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday
Location: 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Haggerty

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays, with an education hour 9:30-10:40 a.m. Social hour follows each service.
Location: 37775 Palmer, Westland
Contact: 734-722-1735

Riverside Park Church of God

Time/Date: 5 p.m. every second and fourth Sunday
Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: "Sunday Night Lights" service designed for younger families; other services are 10 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday.
Contact: 734-464-0990

Salem Bible Church

Time/Date: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wednesday
Location: 9481 W. Six Mile, Salem
Contact: 248-349-0674; sbcc4christ.org

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 9 a.m. Sunday
Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia
Contact: 734-421-8451 or st-andrewsilivonia@mi.rr.com

St. John Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday; traditional worship at 9 a.m. Sunday; and contemporary service at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Beginning Oct. 11, one 10 a.m. service Sunday.
Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills
Contact: 248-474-0584

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Time/Date: Contemporary service, 11:30 a.m. fourth Sunday of the month
Location: 30900 Six Mile, Livonia
Contact: 734-422-6038

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday
Location: 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia
Contact: 734-422-1470

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Church As You Remember It!

Swap up with sausage

Chicken wings, guacamole and cheesy dips are America's top choices for most big game day menus, but the same recipes year after year can get tiring. Forget the same old spread and surprise your guests with a little more taste and pizzazz this year.

Put these tips into play for a winning combination your team can celebrate.

Swap up with sausage. Transform typical dishes by swapping sausage into recipes, such as chili and nachos, which typically incorporate ground beef. The built-in flavor lends great taste and convenience to these dishes. Instead of chips and queso, add brat sausage to your nachos to make brat-chos.

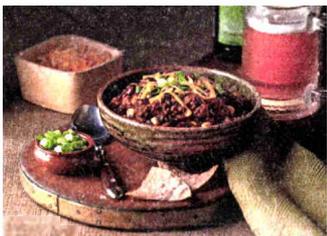
Use unexpected ingredients. Many dips and sides prominently feature the gooey goodness of cheese. Put a fresh spin on these dishes with high-quality, sophisticated options that feature more robust flavors, such as pungent blue cheese, smoked Gouda or tangy goat cheese.

Sweeten up your spread. To mix in sweet with the savory options, find a spot on the table for some fresh fruit flavor. Favorites such as fruit salad, fruit pizza or fruit kabobs can make for a delectable treat to accompany the rest of your game-day fare.

Mix it up. Smoky flavors and bourbon are trending upward in kitchens, backyards, bars and restaurants across the country. Combine the two for a creative spin to your beverage spread. Seep Johnsonville Fully Cooked Smoked Brats in bourbon for about a day to extract smoky and savory flavors and mix the bourbon for a modern twist on the Manhattan cocktail.

Or give this MVP Chili recipe a try!

— Courtesy of Family Features



MVP CHILI

- 2 packages of Johnsonville Hot Italian Sausage Links (use mild links for less spicy chili)
- 1 large onion
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons chili powder (use mild chili powder for less spicy chili)
- ½ teaspoon cumin
- 1 bottle (12 ounces) dark beer (OK to substitute light beer or 1 cup beef stock)
- 1 can (28 ounces) crushed tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) red kidney beans
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) black beans
- 1-1.5 cups corn (frozen or fresh off the cob)
- salt and pepper

- De-case sausage and sauté in large pot; use wooden spoon to crumble sausage as it cooks.
- Once sausage is nicely browned, stir in onion, garlic, chili powder and cumin and continue cooking until onion softens, about 5 minutes.
- Add beer and allow it to simmer for an additional 5 minutes, scraping up any brown bits from the bottom of the pan.
- Stir in tomatoes and tomato paste and allow it to simmer, uncovered for an additional 10-15 minutes on medium-low, stirring occasionally.
- Taste and adjust seasonings with salt and pepper.
- Finally, stir in beans and corn.
- Let this come to a simmer and it's ready to serve! (Can be prepared a day ahead.)



SMOKY SAUSAGE MANHATTAN

- 2 ounces Sausage-Infused Bourbon
- 1 ounce Sweet Vermouth
- 1 dash Angostura Bitters
- 3 Cherries

In ice filled mixing glass, add all ingredients and stir for at least 30 seconds. Strain into martini glass and garnish with 3 cherries on a pick.

Sausage-Infused Bourbon

- Cut Johnsonville Fully Cooked Smoked Split Rope Sausage into ½-inch slices.
- In glass jar with tight lid (canning jar is ideal) add sliced brat with 6 ounces of bourbon and let sit for 24-48 hours.
- Strain through coffee filter into clean container.
- Discard sliced brats.



At \$55, the Rugby Grille Foie Burger is possibly the most expensive hamburger in Michigan.

JOE VAUGHN

Birmingham restaurant introduces \$55 hamburger

Jay Grossman
Staff Writer

If you're tired of steak or lobster, there's always the \$55 hamburger at the Townsend Hotel's Rugby Grille in Birmingham.

Chef Damian Yopek is the creator behind the Rugby Grille Foie Burger. Sold exclusively at dinner, the burger is composed of waygu beef, sweet onion jam, seared foie gras, arugula, braised short rib, parmesan aioli, burgundy truffles and Thomasville tomme cheese. It's served with a side of burgundy truffle fries.

"The \$55 hamburger is pretty much an opulent hamburger," Yopek said. "We know hamburgers aren't supposed to cost that much, but we wanted to offer something unique with great flavor. It's gratifying and satisfying and a good conversation piece."

Yopek said the eight-ounce burger has been on the menu for three weeks and took off right away. The first one to purchase one was a food blogger by the name of Grace D, who gave it a great review on Yelp.

"First time dining here and it was delicious," she blogged about the Rug-

by Grille. "Sat up at the bar and had a nice glass of wine with the new Foie Burger. This burger is outstanding!"

Yopek promises the burger is not as heavy as it appears. As for the competition, he challenges anyone in town to come up with a better burger.

"It's possibly the most expensive burger in Michigan — and the tastiest," he said.

Talk about drawing a line in the grill.

"I don't know what sort of magic they can put in a hamburger to charge \$55," said Kelly Cobb, whose family owns and operates the Hunter House on Woodward Avenue. "My guess is it has to be 25 times the size of a regular hamburger."

The popular slider at Hunter House will cost a customer \$2.23 — with tax. A cheeseburger is \$2.49. Paula Deen herself deemed their sliders as one of the 10 best hamburgers in the country in 2015.

"I think there's beauty in simplicity — that's what Hunter House is all about," Cobb said. "We're no frills ... we just use a lot of fresh ingredients to make a juicy burger."

Bri Traver, supervisor at the Town-

house on Pierce Street, said the bistro's award-winning juicy hamburger is a cut above the competition when it comes to flavor.

"I stand by our burger for sure," she said. "It's so good that I come in here on my days off just to have one."

The Townhouse Burger is a 10-ounce proprietary blend of prime steak cuts that are dry-aged for 28 days, prepared daily and hand-patted to order on a Plugra butter brioche bun, topped with bourbon glazed onions and aged white cheddar.

It's served with Townhouse fries and costs \$19.

"We never season it, and when we cook it on the grill we never press it so you savor that first juicy bite," Traver said. "Let's see the Townsend step up to that game!"

Yopek, who grew up in South Lyon, shrugs off the good-natured taunts. He insists what he created is nothing less than a culinary masterpiece with some sizzle.

"Our first trial run ended up being a \$500 hamburger," he said with a smile. "This one is much better."

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Add simple, satisfying soup to the spread

SOUTHWESTERN BEAN AND PASTA SOUP

Preparation time: 25 minute
Cook time: 20 minutes
Servings: 8

- 2 cans (15 ounces each) READ Southwestern Bean Salad, divided
 - 1 tablespoon olive or canola oil
 - ¼ cup chopped bell pepper
 - ½ cup sliced green onions
 - 1 small jalapeno, seeded and finely chopped
 - 1 large clove garlic, minced
 - 1 can (14.5 ounces) no-salt-added diced tomatoes
 - 1 carton (32 ounces) low sodium, reduced-fat vegetable or chicken broth, divided
 - 1 cup water
 - ½ cup ditalini pasta, uncooked
- Optional toppings:
sour cream
plain yogurt



Southwestern Bean and Pasta Soup

chopped cilantro
avocado
tomatoes

Place contents of one can bean salad in blender or food processor. Process until partially pureed, with small chunks remaining. In large soup pot or Dutch oven, heat oil over medium-high heat until hot. Add bell

pepper and onions; cook and stir about 2 minutes to soften. Add jalapeno; cook and stir 1 minute. Add garlic; cook and stir 30 seconds. Stir in pureed bean salad; add second can of bean salad and tomatoes. Add 3 cups of broth and water. Bring to boil; reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, 15 minutes. Add pasta; cook 7-9 minutes, or until pasta is al dente. Add additional broth as desired for consistency. Serve with toppings, as desired. Variations: During step two, cook ½ pound lean ground beef, chicken or turkey breast in oil, stirring frequently until cooked through. Add pepper and onions and continue as recipe directs; add additional oil 1 teaspoon at a time if needed for cooking vegetables. Nutrition information per serving (½ of recipe): 180 calories; 6 g protein; 26 g carbohydrate; 5 g total fat; 530 mg sodium; 0 mg cholesterol; 6 g dietary fiber; 11 mg iron; 0.06 mg thiamin; 944 IU vitamin A; 13 mg vitamin C.

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