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Election forums

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County hosts a pair of candidate forms in the next few weeks to give voters a chance to learn about candidates for state House and U.S. Congressional seats.

A forum for candidates in both the 20th (which serves Plymouth and Canton) and 21st (Canton) House districts takes place 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, at the Canton Public Library.

Candidates for the 11th U.S. Congressional district have been invited to an LWV forum 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, at the Plymouth District Library.

Food crawl

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, in a joint effort with the Friends of the Penn, announce the annual PENN-Taste-Tic Downtown Plymouth Restaurant Crawl 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18. "Crawlers" can walk around downtown Plymouth enjoying samples from local restaurants and sweet shops.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce (850 W. Ann Arbor Trail) and Sun & Snow (388 S. Main St.) in downtown Plymouth. Adult tickets are \$20 each, and children 10 and under are \$15. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Penn and the Chamber of Commerce.

Drive time

Road construction in the area has already been creating havoc for drivers, and with Tuesday's opening of school, it's only going to get more complicated.

Construction crews will close the overpass on Cherry Hill over I-275 beginning Tuesday, and it's set to stay closed until mid-October. Warren Road (the bridge over I-275) has been closed for weeks. and is also set to stay that way until mid-October. And while the Ford Road/I-275 intersection remains open, construction work there is slowing things.

As a result, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials are warning parents that bus runs almost certainly will be behind Tuesday.

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District wants to 'offer more flavors' as new year opens

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

Dr. Jeremy Hughes is proud of the curriculum offered in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools buildings.

It covers all the basics and then some, and district students are among the top-achieving students in the state on standardized tests like the MEAP, the ACT and the SAT.

But Hughes, the district's superintendent, likens the cur-

riculum to vanilla ice cream tasty but pretty straightforward.

'We think we do a good job here ... We have a lot to offer," Hughes said, smiling. "We have a great vanilla. But we want to offer more flavors."

Toward that end, the district is offering a broader slate of curricular offerings than at any time in recent memory, according to Hughes. Topping the list are the three academies — an International Academy, a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineer-

ing and Math) Academy and an arts academy — approved ear-lier this year by the district's Board of Education.

Plenty of interest

There was some concern at the time how much interest would be generated, but district officials are happy with the results. The International Academy is full (with 75 students; there's a waiting list), and the STEM academy has 240 students, and also has a waiting list.

The Arts Academy, meanwhile, still has a little room, with 70 stu-

The district has moved to an all-day kind gar ten while still offering a couple of sections of half-day kindergarten. The move to all-day kindergarten was required by the state, which decreed districts that offered half-day kindergarten would only get half the per-pupil funding for those students.

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Nikki Webb and 3-year-old son Joseph Francis rode the Orient Express on the first day of the 2011 Plymouth Fall Festival. This year's fun starts Friday.

Festival kicks off fall in Plymouth

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Ice sculptors, environmentalists, artists, car collectors, musicians and their fans have had a turn in the downtown Plymouth spotlight this year.

Now, community groups and service clubs are getting their

The 2012 edition of the Plymouth Community Fall Festival, with

Popular pet show, A7.

in a 1950s chicken barbecue, opens at noon Friday and continues through 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9. Held in Kellogg Park and on surrounding downtown streets, the festival is a collection of area community groups that sponsor events to help them raise money, get out the word about their programs and offer festival goers a good time. There are also activities, carnival rides, a car show, a craft



The Rotary chicken barbecue is the signature event of the Plymouth Fall Festival, which returns Friday.

sale and live entertainment.

"I just like the sense of community that it is," said Colleen Brown, the festival president, of the event. "You give back to your community, it comes back to you tenfold, just in the feeling that you're doing something

With the variety of groups

and causes represented, Brown said, at least one will have touched the lives of most festival goers or someone they know.

Participants include the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters, which host Bingo at The

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Clerks predict low turnout for primary **Q** Wednesday

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Voter participation is expected to be low - perhaps not even breaking into double digits for Wednesday's special primary in Michigan's 11th Congressional District, which includes Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

"I'd be shocked if we get 15, 20 percent," said township Clerk Joe Bridgman, who is handling the township's second election in four weeks. "We'll probably be lucky if we get 10 percent show up for this election.'

The special primary was called after former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, who had represented the district since 2003, abruptly resigned July 6, after a candidate petition fraud scandal that recently saw four of his former staffers charged criminally. The primary is to pick a Republican and a Democrat — and there is only one Democrat on the ballot - who will face each other in the November general election. The winner will represent the district, which includes parts of Wayne and Oakland counties, until the end of the year.

It is a separate race from the regular 2012 election in the 11th District, where the boundaries have changed because of once-adecade redistricting. The new district still includes the Plymouth area. In that race, in November, Democrat Syed Taj faces Republican Kerry Bentivolio for the right to represent the new district for the next two years.

Bentivolio, a retired teacher, is also running in the Republican primary for the interim seat, along with Nancy Cassis, Steve King, Ken Crider and Carolyn Kavanagh. David Curson is the only Democrat in the primary.

The special election has an estimated price tag for communities in the district of \$650,000.

"I think people are very upset about the amount of money being

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DISTRICT

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While the bulk of kindergarten students will be all-day students, the district, being pressured by some parents to continue to offer a half-day option for parents who wanted it, did just that. Some 44 students will attend half-day sessions.

Another two sections — including some 44 students - of "Young 5s" instruction will be offered for parents who think their students might still be a year away from being ready for the rigors of kindergarten.

Hughes thinks the additions will give parents who choose Plymouth-Canton a more definitive reason why.

"People are asked 'Why did you choose Plymouth-Canton,' and they give a kind of generic, 'They've got good schools," Hughes said. "I want people to say, 'We went there for the academies.' I want to put some pegs we can hang things on."

Character kids

One of the key changes this year, according

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Clerk Linda Langmesser.

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resentation in Congress

for less than two months.

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tion," said Plymouth

Bridgman said his

to Hughes, is not really a curriculum change. It's more of a philosophical change. Driven in part by challenges from local charter schools and in part by a belief the district should be turning out quality people as well as good students, Plymouth-Canton will institute a "character" component to its teaching this year.

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Hughes is forming a character education committee that will determine how best to instill values such as honesty and integrity, making good decisions, etc., into what students learn in school. The district's media specialists are being asked to search for materials that will help incorporate character into lesson plans.

"We expect good behavior, but we've gotten away from teaching good behavior," Hughes said. "In this community, I think we can do that. I think we can get support, regardless of religion or politics, for teaching that. We want our kids to be powerful learners with great character."

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these laws we have in

place are not the commonsensical thing to do."

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ship will be open from 7

a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

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Robert and Stacey DuRusse of Canton, with 2-year-old daughter Gabriella, stroll through last year's Plymouth Fall Festival. The festival returns Friday.

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Gathering from 6-10 p.m. Friday; the Kiwanis. which fires up the griddle for a Saturday pancake breakfast (7-11:30 a.m.); and the Rotary Club of Plymouth, which puts on its famous chicken barbecue on Sunday (11 a.m. to 5 p.m. or until sold out).

"There are people who look for this event every year," said Sandy Kline, a member of the Boosters, which supports the award-winning marching band at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' high schools.

The group raises money to help pay for students' uniforms, music,

band camp, and travel to competitions. Still, marching band is a payto-play activity. "It would be a lot more if we didn't have these fundraising events," Kline said.

"A lot of people don't know that all of this money doesn't go to the city," Brown said of the fundraisers. "All of this money goes to the community."

The Gathering can accommodate up to 300 players for Bingo; about 30 Boosters members will be on hand to work the event.

"The parents are so involved because they're passionate" about their children and their music, said Kline, whose son, Brian "Mongo" Desjarlais, is the trombone sec-

Other major festival events include the Trailwood Garden Club's free perennial exchange, 9-11 a.m. Saturday at the east end of Kellogg Park; and the spaghetti dinner in the

tion leader in the band.

Club of Plymouth A.M. Plymouth's Taste Fest is 6-8 p.m. Friday in the parking lot at Station 885, an event that draws the Old Village neighborhood

park, 4-8 p.m. Saturday,

sponsored by the Rotary

into the festival Smaller food booths during the festival will offer corn dogs and hot dogs (Canton High School softball), old-fashioned lemonade (Living Word Church), hamburgers and grilled vegetables (Changing Choices Foun-

dation), roasted almonds (Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps), corn on the cob (Vietnam Veterans of America) and more. Other booths will be offering activities for children, such as a coloring contest, and a carnival midway will be open during most festival hours.

"There's something for everyone there," said Brown.

Fall Festival hours are noon to 11 p.m. Friday, 7 a.m. (beginning with the pancake breakfast) to 11 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9. For more information, visit www.plymouthfallfestival.com.

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Contact: Call Jovce Holmes (734) 453-8457 or visit www.millerwoods.com.

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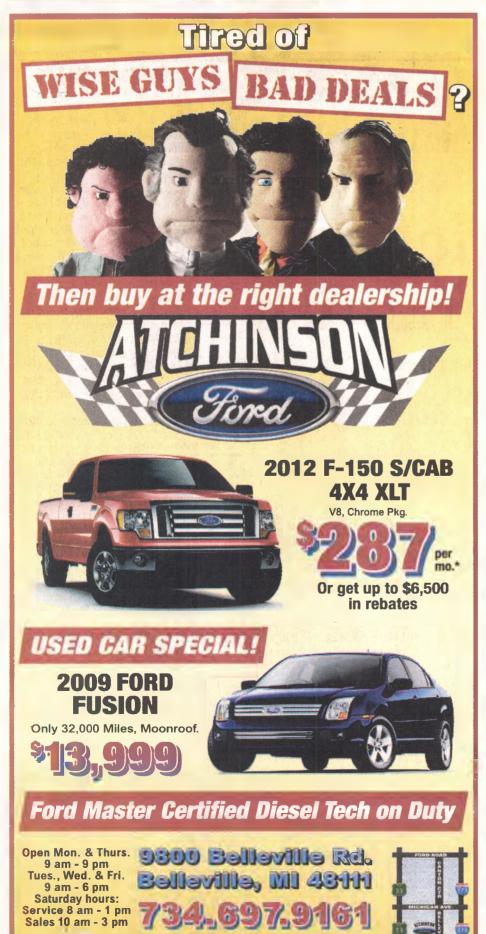
Date/Time: Monday, Sept. 10, varying Location: 10-11 a.m., Northville District Library, 212 W. Candy, Northville; 1-2 p.m., Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe Road, Wayne; and 3-4 p.m., Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. Details: State Rep. Kurt Heise invites his constituents to office hours at these times and locations. Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office. Contact: Residents are invited to call toll free 1-855-REP-KURT or e-mail kurtheise@

house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment. **NOSTALGIA SALE**

Date/Time: Sept. 6-8, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: 345 Sunset in Plymouth

Details: The Plymouth Historical Museum will hold its annual Nostalgia Sale during Plymouth's Fall Festival. The sale will be held at 345 Sunset Street, Plymouth, NOT at the Museum. Sale items include nostalgic and/or historic artifacts no longer needed at the museum, as well as donated items. The museum is currently accepting donated items for the sale in order to raise more funds. The proceeds benefit the Plymouth Historical Museum, which is privately funded and receives no government support.

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New run to aid abuse prevention, victim support

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Talking about child abuse can be difficult, but the Lighthouse Family Charity is looking for ways to make the conversation easier.

One new way will debut in Plymouth on Sunday, Sept. 23, when Lighthouse sponsors its first Run for Ribbons 5K, a fun run to raise awareness of child abuse and raise money for Lighthouse programs.

Lighthouse is an eightyear-old nonprofit that helps families in the Plymouth area cope with child abuse through support services, and also works to raise awareness of the problem and find ways to prevent it.

"Prevention, for any cause, is the first line of defense," said Jasmine Millwood, the executive director of Lighthouse.

Millwood is herself a survivor of child abuse and spent several harrowing years in Michigan's foster care system. Now independent and a college graduate, she documented her and her two



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Jasmine Millwood, who earlier this year published her new book, 'Unbreakable: A Memoir,' has organized the Run for Ribbons 5K Sept. 23 in downtown Plymouth.

sisters' experience in a recently self-published book, Unbreakable, taken from journals she kept during those years.

Money raised through Run for Ribbons - a onemile Pinwheel Parade, designed for younger runners, plus a 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) run through the city — will go toward buying informa-

tional booklets on child abuse to be distributed to fifth-graders, Millwood said. The books tell children that, in cases of abuse, it's OK to tell a trusted adult, she said.

"They kind of instill the idea in children that any kind of abuse is bad, whether it's physical, sexual or emotional," she said. "That would've

RUN FOR RIBBONS

What: The Run for Ribbons 5K, a 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) fun run and 1-mile Pinwheel Parade to raise money for Lighthouse Family Charity.

Where: The Gathering, and Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth, with the run through the streets of Plymouth. When: Sunday, Sept. 23, with the Pinwheel Parade starting at 7:45 a.m. and the 5-K starting at 8 a.m. How: Register on line at lighthousefamilycharity.org; mail-in registration is available, see Website for details. Same-day registration begins at 6:30 a.m. Sept. 23 at The Gathering. The cost is \$30 for the 5K, \$15 for the Pinwheel Parade, \$35 for both. T-shirts available for all registered runners.

changed my life, had I had that idea."

Millwood said much of the marketing for the run — like race T-shirts, signature blue ribbons, and blue pinwheels — is also designed to begin conversations about child abuse. Lighthouse is working to start "pinwheel gardens," displays at, for example, schools, parks and doctors' offices, that can also spark such conversations,

she said. Run for Ribbons is being organized by the Plymouth-Canton Jaycees, or Junior Chamber, of which Millwood is president, with help from other organizations, including local Rotary Club chapters and the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

"The community has really rallied behind us, behind me, and it's been really rewarding," Millwood said.

More than 100 runners have signed up so far; Millwood is hoping for 300 or more.

Abby Stonerook of Plymouth Township is a participating runner who sees a need to combat child abuse locally.

"I think it's something we gloss over in our community," she said.

Stonerook, who works

for the American Cancer Society as liaison for the Relay for Life in several communities, said she's viewed the abuse problem from different perspectives while working semester-long college internships, one at a rape crisis center in Philadelphia and another at a child abuse and neglect prevention organization in the slums on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya.

"It's in the inner city, it's in the slums, and it's in a beautiful city like we live in," she said. "Abuse does not discriminate."

Stonerook said she met Millwood through the Jaycees in April and that she "immediately felt her passion for this cause.'

Millwood, Stonerook said, is an example of how abuse can be overcome and a testament to the need for the kind of work Lighthouse does.

"You just look at her and would never, ever guess that she is a survivor of childhood abuse," she said.

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Great-grandmother celebrates 100th birthday

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

When Esta Vanover gathered at Panache in downtown Plymouth last weekend, she had lots of reasons to celebrate. About a hundred of them, actually.

Vanover reached her 100th birthday Tuesday, and celebrated with a party filled with family and friends at Panache Guests came from as far away as North Carolina, Washington, Arizona and Wyoming to help mark the occasion.

Mrs. Vanover was born Aug. 28, 1912, and is one of the daughters of the revolutionary war, according to Carmen Pruett, who is married to one of Vanover's grandsons.

Mrs. Vanover has two children, Nancy (Raymond) Pruett of Plymouth Township, and Eugene (Patricia) Vanover, who live in Chattaroy, Wash. A retired nurse at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, she



Eta Vanover reached her 100th birthday Tuesday.

has four grandchildren - Roland Pruett, Vernon Vanover, Tonya Vanover and Thomas Vanover and seven great-grandchildren.

"She is one of the most loved, admired and amazing women I know," Carmen Pruett said.

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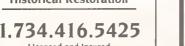
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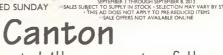
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New charter hopes to meet challenge

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

In a long career, much of it spent with National Heritage Academies, Jaclyn Jeffrey had tackled every challenge but one.

On Tuesday, the former principal at Keystone Academy in Belleville and a former assistant principal and teacher, gets to meet that final challenge when she opens the doors at the new Plymouth Scholars Charter Academy in Plymouth Township.

The school, charted by Bay Mills Community college in Michigan's upper peninsula, welcomes its first students — along with schools all over the state - on Tuesday.

"I wanted the next challenge, and that's opening a new school," said Jeffrey, who taught at Keystone for five years before spending the last three as its principal. "I wanted the chance to learn a new community, an opportunity to build what I had already created (in Belleville).'

She was confident work crews would have the building, and the road in front of it, ready for opening day. Road crews were still busy widening North Territorial and paving parts of the driveways and parking lots as late as Friday and over the weekend.

Plymouth Scholars will open as a K-6 school, and



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Plymouth Scholars principal Jaclyn Jeffrey is eager for her new charter school to open its doors Tuesday.

will add a seventh grade next year and an eighth grade in 2014/15. The school already has established a "Young 5s" program, and will have three kindergarten classrooms.

As of Thursday, the school had some 605 students registered; Jaclyn said there's also a waiting list. The school is built to handle some 750 students when the sixth and seventh grades are added, she said.

Jaclyn said the school, like all NHA charters, will not only focus on the learning, but on character development. To help get there, she said, the school will focus on a "Virtue of the Month" - September's is wisdom -- with

assemblies to help instill these virtues in students.

"NHA has created a curriculum for each moral code," Jaclyn explained. "It's based on state standards, federal standards and now the Core Curriculum. We really believe in having our students come out as citizens of society, not just academic achievers."

The academic achievers part is important, too, she said. Students get the focus — Plymouth Scholars will have a 25-1 ratio in its kindergarten classrooms, a 28-1 in first-through sixth-grade classes. Their academic progress will be mapped not only by state tests such as the MEAP, but

also by periodic in-houses MAP tests that measure academic progress.

Jaclyn said those test results will be compared on a spring-to-spring basis, meaning teachers and students will have some accountability over the summer months as well as during the school year. The tests measure programs in English-Language arts, reading, science, and math.

"We get an accurate, immediate assessment of where students are," said Jaclyn, who has a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University and a master's in special education from Madonna University. "We get a breakdown on where each



Finishing touches in the gymnasium include lighting and

student is at, and we can gauge each student's individual needs from there."

Jaclyn is eager to set it all in motion, now that she's conquered the challenges — big and small of getting started.

"Some of the biggest challenges are the little

unexpected things," she said. "You prepare for certain things, and then timelines get changed and dates change. All those little things are the challenge."

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Firm delivers on web ads promise

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

When Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials hooked up with Troy-based Alternative Revenue Development a couple of years ago to try to drum up new revenue via advertising on the district's website, ARD representatives promised an estimated \$30,000 in the

first year. Last week, ARD delivered on the promise, handing Plymouth-Canton a check for some \$22,000 derived from website advertising. Combined with a check delivered earlier in the school year for nearly \$8,000, the payment met the partnership's goals.

"The district has made a commitment to identifying alternative revenue resources," said Brodie Killian, the district's executive director for finance. "ARD has delivered on that.'

The district's Board of Education has made alternative sources of revenue a priority, tar-

geting not only website advertising, but things like new grant initiatives and sponsorship and other advertising opportunities.

Toward that end, they

became one of 42 Mich-

igan school districts to sign up with ARD. The first were mostly downriver, but also include

Waterford and Farmington, along with districts in Muskegon, Washtenaw and Kent counties.

ARD's primary program is UNITE, which provides sponsorship signage on rotating banners on the district's website. Plymouth-Canton hooked up with ARD in September 2011.

"(ARD) moved very quickly to acquire sponsors for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools," said Dr. Jeremy Hughes, Plymouth-Canton's superintendent. "We are very pleased with their progress on our behalf and look forward to a long and beneficial partnership."

Plymouth-Canton's board has set \$100,000 as the number they'd

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like to see the district get in alternative revenues. Frank Ruggirello, the district's director of community relations, said ARD has projected some \$75,000 of that from UNITE in the 2012/13 school year.

ARD founder, president and CEO Sam Curcuru called UNITE "valuable" to local businesses it gets to buy into the program because the audience is so targeted and there is significant website use by local families.

"I knew I could make a difference for schools, providing them with a big boost for their discretionary spending," said Curcuru, 50, who lives in Bloomfield Hills and who has an advertising and sales background. "A school district might have a \$150 million budget, but out of that there may only be \$50,000 left for principals and superintendents to use for programs and equipment that they feel is important. That doesn't go far.'

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Voters decide Wednesday who advances to finish McCotter's term

By Ken Abramczyk Staff Writer

Voters in the current 11th Congressional District will tend to some unexpected civic business on Wednesday when they decide among five candidates on the Republican ballot or one on the Democratic side in a special primary election.

The special primary, estimated to cost taxpayers \$650,000, was scheduled by Gov. Rick Snyder's office to fill the unexpired term of Thaddeus McCot-

ter, who resigned July 6. McCotter ended his term six months early after what he called a "nightmarish month and a half," an apparent reference to duplicated signatures on his nominating petitions that resulted in criminal charges against four staffers. Snyder's office cited state law in scheduling the election to ensure voters had representation through the end of the year.

'Your voting right'

Livonia City Clerk Terry Marecki estimates that 10 per-



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cent of the city's registered vot-

ers will go to the polls Wednes-

day and acknowledged that res-

"We have devoted voters, but

idents are angry over the spe-

that will be low (turnout) for

Livonia," Marecki said. "I've

heard people say, 'I'm not vot-

ing,' but (this election) is your

The candidates in Wednes-

day's election are Kerry Ben-

tivolio of Milford, Nancy Cas-

sis of Novi and Ken Crider, Car-

olyn Kavanagh and Steve King,

all of Livonia, who are running

for the Republican nomination.

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ning unopposed on the Demo-

cratic ticket; as well as Liber-

tarian John Tatar of Livonia and

The winner will face David Cur-





6 general election.

U.S. Taxpayers Party of Michi-

gan candidate Marc Sosnowski

of Dearborn Heights, in the Nov.

According to the Secretary of

State, primary elections are for

Republicans and Democrats

ered major parties. In order

for a minor party to make it

on a primary ballot, the par-

ty's candidate needs to receive

at least 5 percent of the vote in

2010. Neither the Libertarian or

U.S. Taxpayers party met that

threshold so their candidates'

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The winner of the Nov. 6 gen-

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This election is separate from the election in the new 11th Congressional District. In that race, Bentivolio will face Democrat Syed Taj, Tatar, Green Party candidate Steven Paul Duke of Jonesville and Natural Law Party candidate Daniel Johnson of East Lansing in the general election Nov. 6. The winner of that election will serve a two-year term starting Jan. 3, 2013.

Voters on Wednesday can only cast a vote for either a Republican or a Democrat. If they vote on both sides of the ballot, their ballot will be spoiled, Marecki

Special election tab Marecki estimated the special election will cost Livonia \$45,000.

"We've cut down on workers at each poll because we

think it will be a small turnout," Marecki said.

As of Thursday morning, her office had received 2,592 requests for absentee ballot applications and had received about 1,300 back. "We usually have about 20,000 of those for the presidential election,' Marecki said. For a regular election, absentee voters total about 5,000 or 6,000, she said.

"It is a little bit low," Marecki

Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters at elementary school precincts will be directed to side doors of buildings to enter and exit, and should not use the front doors because the schools will be back in session. Officials were redirecting the voters because officials wanted the front doors used by parents and children.

Signs will direct voters to the proper entry doors, Marecki said.

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urday, Sept. 8, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

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Reservations are required by Wednesday, Sept. 5.

Attorney Robert J. Muise, who has spent the past 13 years defending religious liberties, the freedom of speech. and the right to life in

state and federal trial and appellate courts across the country, will be the speaker.

The legislative update will include a discussion of current legislation affecting Michigan citizens.

Cost is \$20 per person (\$10 for students 21 or younger).

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Tickets will be held at the door for all registered attendees.

For more information, go to www.rtl-lifespan. org (click on Events), or call (734) 524-0162.

off calls for his resignation

By Sue Mason Observer Staff Writer

Wayne-Westland school board Vice President John Goci is making it perfectly clear that he is confident he will be cleared of allegations that he lied to federal agents about a loan he had with Tomo Duhanaj, the owner of Bray's Hamburgers in Westland.

Goci is free on bond after being arraigned Aug. 22 on the charge, a fiveyear felony. Duhanaj was also charged with lying to federal agents. However, federal officials have moved to dismiss charges against him, citing the need for time to obtain evidence against him and investigate other suspects.

"At this time my case is still proceeding, and as I stated before, I look forward with the utmost confidence of being vindicated of the false allegations being made against me," Goci said at last week's school board meeting.

His comments came after two fellow board members - Frederick Weaver and Cindy Schofield — and resident Chris Staley called on him to resign.

Staley expressed "utter disappointment in lack of integrity displayed by a board member," saying that "every human is born with a conscience and, therefore, the ability to know right from wrong. Choosing the right, regardless of the consequences, is the hallmark of integrity."

He also told the board that among its responsibilities is the creation of a "set of sound ethical policies," communicating



them to the staff and students and letting them know deviation from any of them

will not be tolerated. "The problem for the leaders that create and implement the policies is that they must then live by them," he said. "You cannot set policies that employees and students need to live by and not live by them yourself."

Saying that the federal charge is "incompatible with the duties of an elected official," Staley called on school board members "to rise to the occasion."

"Examine your values and principles and join with us to call for this board member's immediate resignation," he said.

The federal indictment charges that Goci lied to federal agents, who found paperwork indicating he had obtained a \$30,000 loan from Duhanaj at a more than 45-percent interest rate. A recent unsuccessful congressional candidate, Goci told federal agents that the interest was 15 percent.

In wiretaps placed on Duhanaj's phone, the indictment charges Goci contradicted his statements made to federal agents.

Goci remains free on \$10,000 unsecured bond, while Duhanaj, a Troy resident, remains in federal custody as an illegal alien and faces deportation.

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Pet show always a Fall Festival favorite

LOCAL NEWS

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

Unlike most events at the Plymouth Community Fall Festival, the Optimist Club of Plymouth's pet show is just for fun.

Pet owners -- mostly kids — get to enter their pets in the show at no charge, then show them off onstage at Kellogg Park, where the animals compete in categories like largest, smallest, longest ears (for dogs) and best trick (also for dogs). There's a section for dogs, another for cats and a third for everything else — and the Optimists have seen goats, a horse and even a boa constrictor, said Michael Cox, the Optimist Club president.

"You get a great feeling," hosting the event, said Cox, of Plymouth, the master of ceremonies for this year's show. "These kids have a great time. ... It's seeing the



The Optimist Pet Show annual draws dogs, cats and other, more unique, pets to the Plymouth Fall Festival.

smiles on their faces, how proud they are of their pets."

The audience appreciates it, too, cheering on the pets, and the dogs get to show off their tricks, Cox said. "Some of them are quite talented," he said. There are ribbons for first, second and third place in each category,

and all participants get a ribbon, he said.

This year's pet show — Cox estimated the event has been at Fall Festival for at least 40 years is on Saturday at the stage in front of the Penn Theatre. There are three separate times: 9 a.m. (for dogs), 10 a.m. (unusual pets) and 10:45 a.m. (for cats). Registration is on the morning of the show.

Judges for this year's pet show are Jill Andra Young, who specializes in photographing pets, and Karen Ochman, who recalls entering a pet goat in the Optimists' show years ago, Cox said.

The annual Fall Festival, which dates to the 1950s, features an array of civic organizations, service clubs, churches and athletic booster clubs that sell food or trinkets to raise money for their programs. There are famous, bigger-tick-

et events, like the Rotary Club of Plymouth's Sunday chicken dinner (\$10 in advance, \$12 at the event, with 10,500 dinners available), and smaller food booths, such as the one sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America that will be selling corn on the cob.

But the Optimists don't make the pet show a fundraiser.

"We don't ask for anything. We just tell them what the Optimists do," Cox said.

The Optimist Club of Plymouth dates from the late 1940s and works to support programs for local young people.

The club has donated to local food banks and the Salvation Army's Plymouth Corps, to the Miracle League of Plymouth, the radio station at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, and toward the restoration of the Penn Theatre, and sponsors an

essay contest that could land winners a \$2,500 college scholarship sponsored by the regional Optimist organization. Closer to home, there is a \$1,000 annual college scholarship for a graduate from one of the PCEP high schools who also attended Allen Elementary.

The club has only about 15 current members and is always looking for more. Allen said. It meets for dinner at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month at Station 885 in Old Village; dues are \$75 a year.

The club raises money by parking vehicles at Saxton's Garden Center during special events, and by a Christmastime white elephant sale.

"Everything we donate is for the betterment of children," Cox said.

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Run/walk to benefit Madonna students

The Crusader 5K and Madonna Mile, a 3.1-mile run or one-mile walk benefitting the Student **Emergency Relief Fund** at Madonna University in Livonia, will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15. The cost is \$45 for the

5K, \$25 for the walk. The Student Emergency Relief Fund helps students experiencing a financial emergency while attending classes.

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The race starts at Madonna University's Activities Center. Runners and walkers will be routed through the Felician Sisters' properties of the Central Convent, Ladywood High School, the Montessori and back to the University Activities Center.

For more information or to register, visit www.tinyurl.com/Crusader5k or call (734) 432-5426.

Center celebrates with sweepstakes

The Huntington Learning Center in Canton, a supplementary academic services provider which offers K-12 tutoring in reading, writing, math, phonics, study skills, test prep and exam prep, is commemorating the company's 35 years in education with a sweepstakes.

Contest entrants will get a chance to win one of two \$500 Huntington scholarships redeemable at any Huntington Learning Center, or an iPad. To enter sweepstakes, contestants may pick up a form at the center, which is located at 44630 Ford Road. The entry form should be completed and returned to the mailing

address indicated on the form. This sweepstakes ends Oct. 30. Winners will be notified by email Nov. 15. Sweepstakes terms and conditions apply.

"We're very happy to provide this sweepstakes opportunity for students," executive director Wie Pan said. "We are committed to offering academic programs that can really help students who may be struggling in school, but we also provide enrichment programs to those students who may wish to challenge themselves academically as well."

The Huntington Learning

Center offers individualized programs to students after conducting an indepth academic evaluation that helps identify a child's performance level in school. The center discusses the results and its recommendations with parents, and builds a customized program that focuses exactly on the child's academic needs. The certified instructors work with children individually, at their own pace, to master each skill before moving on to more difficult tasks and more advanced learning.

The Huntington Learning Center provides sub-

ject tutoring as well, in areas such as pre-algebra, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, pre-calculus, calculus, earth science, biology, chemistry and physics.

'Our mission is to give every student the best education possible," Pan said. "With our extensive curriculum at the center, we are able to tailor a program to each student's specific academic needs. We also want to help students aim for the college of their dreams, so designing a program that can assist with reaching their goal score is very important for us.'



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By Rick Bloom **Guest Columnist**

Q: Dear Rick: I am a Ford retiree and have received a buyout package from Ford. So far I've attended a couple of seminars and plan to attend yours. It seems that the more information I get, the more confused I am. My situation is that my wife has a pension from a school system and that money, along with our Social Security, more than covers our living expenses. We have taken the money from my pension and have invested it. Our thought is that we will not need to touch that money and we'll just leave it to our kids. We also have some other investments, including an IRA. I think it makes sense to accept the buyout and my wife generally agrees. My only issue is the fact that I have good genes and my family generally lives into their mid-90s. Based on that, does



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Money Matters

Rick Bloom

one element. The other key ingredient is how

you invest the money.

It would probably make more sense for investors who only want to invest in things such as CDs, U.S. Treasuries and fixed annuities to keep what they have. Interest rates are very low and will stay that way for at least another couple of years. On the other hand, if you have no problem investing in equities, whether it's individual stocks or mutual funds, I would lean that

way. Over the long run, if you have a well-balanced, diversified portfolio of equities and fixed-income investments, you will do much better by taking the buyout.

Another factor to consider is when you currently receive your pension, it is immediately subject to income tax. Since you don't need the income, you can let your lump sum reinvest and grow within your IRA. However, the money would be subject to required minimum distribution rules. In addition, by taking the lumpsum distribution, if the numbers work, you could consider converting that money into a Roth IRA.

I have heard that a lot of people make the decision of whether to accept the buyout from Ford or General Motors based upon life expectancy. To me, it's a double-edged sword. First, if your health was such that you didn't have much longer to live, then taking the buyout is the way to go. However, it doesn't work the other way.

On Oct. 3, the Observer & Eccentric will be sponsoring my free educational seminars regarding the Ford buyout. My goal is to educate participants so they can make a personal decision. For more information about the seminars, visit www.bloomassetmanagement.com or email your reservation to seminars@ bloomassetmanagement. com. Make sure you specify which seminar you'd like to attend. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@ hometownlife.com.

honor Glenn's **Chuck Gordon**

By Sue Mason Observer Staff Writer

For Bud Somerville, Friday, Sept. 7, can't get here soon enough.

The Westland resident has spent three years working on having the John Glenn High School football field renamed to honor his former coach, Chuck Gordon.

"I've known Chuck for 40 years, I played for him," said Somerville, a 1975 Glenn graduate. "He was an assistant coach for Lloyd Carr in 1973 and 1974. He had 27 years as head coach and was with the program for 32 years."

A special rededication ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. that day to rename the football field as the Irma Kionka-Chuck Gordon Field. Gordon and his family will be there as well as school and elected officials and a large contingent of his former players.

The field was originally named in honor of the late Irma Kionka, who was hired in 1943 as a physical education teacher. She taught at Wayne Memorial high School and finished her career at John Glenn High School, where she also coached volleyball, tennis and women's sports. She retired from the district in 1972.

During his tenure at Glenn, Gordon amassed a 211-64 win-loss record. He had 25 winning seasons, coached two undefeated regular season teams and made the playoffs 15 times. He was voted the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Regional Coach of the Year 11 times and was inducted into the MHSF-CA Coaches Hall of Fame in 1996. He retired in November 2003.

Somerville worked with former athletic director Brian Swinehart and current AD Greg Ambrose, but it was when Carr took an interest in the recognition, things started happening. According to



Somerville, it was a "no brainer when Lloyd got involved." Gor-

don will

be honored on the football field and part of the ceremony will be the presentation of a plaque from the Football Boosters organizations. Westland Mayor William Wild has already proclaimed Sept. 7 Chuck Gordon Day in the city, and Somerville has hopes of the mayor presenting Gordon with a key to the city.

In proclaiming the day, Wild, a John Glenn alum, said, "Coach Gordon found a way to relate to every student, parent and colleague and was one of the most respected teachers at the high school."

The dedication happens to be on Alumni Night, and Somerville is hoping to get even more former players to come back to their alma mater that evening. He already has more than 100 ex-players committed to coming and is looking for more.

"We've got that many through word of mouth, we have a Facebook page and I'm putting my phone number out wherever I can," said Somerville.

Former players can call him at (734) 658-1251 and then show up at the field at 5 p.m. Sept. 7 to register for Alumni Night.

There also will be a meet and greet with Gordon following the festivities and the football game. That will be held at 10 p.m. at Buffalo Wild Wings on Wayne Road north of Hunter.

Somerville knows the rededication of the field is important. He need only look to former U-M tootball coach Gary Moeller.

"When you have people like Gary ask how Chuck is doing, you know this is a big thing," he said.

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Sun-soaked crowd takes in full flavor of Arts, Beats and Eats

By Nathan Mueller Eccentric Staff Writer

ROYAL OAK — Steamy summer temperatures greeted the first wave of festival goers when Arts, Beats and Eats kicked off Friday in downtown Royal Oak.

But despite the 95degree heat, Washington Avenue was filling up by late afternoon with people looking to try new food, pick up some art work for the home or listen to some of their favorite music.

Dom Schulz, who just moved to Detroit from Akron, Ohio, was attending the festival for the first time Friday and waiting with Sarah Wojcik to see Joe Hertler & The Rainbow Seekers perform on the alternative stage.

"It's pretty awesome," Schulz said of the festival. "I have never seen a better selection of food and.music.'

Some of the biggest lines Friday were at the ice cream, lemonade and SnoBalls stands as people tried to stay cool.

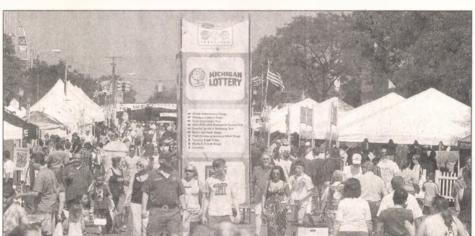
Sarah Wirthlin, who made the trip to Royal Oak from Bloomfield Hills with her sister, Heidi, and friend Katie Robinson, had already checked out a few music stages before taking a seat in the shade.

"We wanted to end summer right and thought this would be a good end of summer activity," Wirthlin said, noting that school starts Tuesday. "We listened to some great bands, and there is so much good food you cannot go wrong with anything.'

Set up for four-day event was still taking place in the early afternoon Friday and vendor lines were relatively short. That will likely change over the weekend as temperatures are expected to drop into the



The Swank Club played jazz at the festival Friday afternoon.



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Arts, Beats and Eats opened Friday afternoon for crowds who used the torrid day to get outside. The festival continues through Monday.

The cost to enter Arts, Beats and Eats increased to \$5 after 5 p.m. (it's \$3 before), but food and drink voucher tickets remained the same at \$10 for 16 tickets. Most food and drink items start in the six ticket range and

Canton resident Shannon Barrick and co-worker Shannon Morgan from Ann Arbor got out of work early for Labor Day weekend and stopped at the festival for lunch.

"We picked what smelled good," Barrick said of their food choices, which included a stop at the Northville-based Gaucho Brazilian Steakhouse.

The music lineup for Sunday and Monday is jam packed with artist like Travis Tritt (6 p.m. Sunday), The Guess Who (9:30 p.m. Sunday), Saving Abel (4:30 p.m. Monday) and Theory of a Deadman (5:15 p.m. Mon-

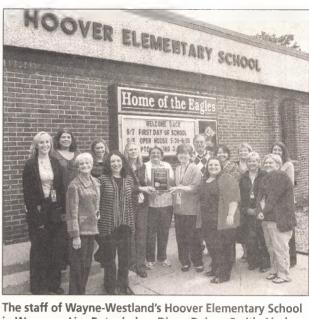
Morris Day & The Time close out the festival with their set at 8:15 p.m. on Monday.

There also is a Kids Zone and stage that features magic shows, clowns, tricks, illusions and more.

Parking for the event is \$15, and there are numerous options near the festival entrances.

"It's a good time to come hang out and eat," Wojcik said. "And it's good for people watching too."

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Hat trick: W-W wins third Muth Award

By Sue Mason Observer Staff Writer

The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has scored a hat trick, when it comes to student achieve-

For the third time in as many years, one of the district's elementary schools has been awarded the Robert and Patricia Muth Excellence in Leadership Award by the Middle Cities Education Association.

Wildwood Elementary in Westland is the latest recipient of the award that comes with \$1,500 prize to be used for school improvement. Hoover Elementary in Wayne received the award in 2010 and Walker-Winter Elementary in Canton in 2011.

"We are honored to have one of our schools selected for the Muth Award," said Greg Baracy, Wayne-Westland school superintendent. "The team at Wildwood is a dedicated group, who are committed to their students. The whole community is proud of their

"Wildwood Elementary School serves as an excellent example of how effective school improvement efforts can make a real difference in student learning," said Ray Telman, executive director of Middle Cities, who presented the 2012 honor to Wildwood Principal Shannon Blick.

"Thank very much for this opportunity," said Blick. "I can't tell you how proud I am, it was just an incredible process to go through with this team.'

Joining her in accepting the award were Julie Rutherford, intervention specialist, second-grade teacher Lisa Sheppard and kindergarten teacher Jennifer Ferris, members of the leadership team who helped developed the plan to improve student learning.

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Suspect gets new pretrial date

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

A Canton man accused of sexually molesting a young girl in his neighborhood has been scheduled for a new pretrial after a hospital visit caused him to miss his Aug. 20 trial on charges of first- and seconddegree criminal sexual conduct, authorities said.

Robert Carl Kahler, 57, faces a Sept. 20 pretrial hearing in front of Wayne County Cynthia Gray Hathaway, who has reinstated Kahler's \$150,000/10 percent bond and ordered him monitored by an electronic tether, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Mark Bernardi said Friday

Without calling the



Kahler missed his trial, though it was learned he has been in a hospital,

authorities have said. Formerly jailed, Kahler had been released June 28 on a \$150,000/10-percent bond, meaning he was freed pending trial after \$15,000 was paid for his release, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Maria Miller has said.

Kahler faces trial after he has been ruled competent to aid in his own defense. If convicted as charged, he could face penalties ranging up to life in prison.

His trial was set to begin 10 months after he was charged amid accusations he molested the girl when she was 7 to 10 years old and living in his neighborhood. She and her family have since

The girl testified last November during a closed-door hearing in 35th District Court that Kahler molested her, prompting Judge Michael Gerou to order him to stand trial.

Canton police have alleged Kahler befriended the girl's family when they lived near his home. Charges stem from allegations he molested the girl between 2007 and 2011.

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Detroit Dog Rescue is teaming up with Home Depot in Canton to try to build 100 doghouses in the 'Roofs for Woofs' campaign Sept. 8.

AROUND CANTON

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DANCE AUDITIONS

Date/Time: Sunday, Sept. 9 or Sept. 16, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Central City Dance, 6700 N. Canton Center, Canton

Details: Central City Dance is holding open auditions for the 2012 Central City Christmas Spectacular Show. Auditions are open to the public and to all area dancers ages 6 to adult, gymnasts of all ages, and singers age 10 to adult. There is a \$10 fee to audition. Dancers will be taught a dance combination as a group, and performers will be chosen not only on their dance skills, but ability to listen. Gymnasts should be able to demonstrate three different passes across the floor and will be chosen based on their technique and originality. Singers are encouraged to bring along a DVD of their favorite holiday music and be able to perform for one minute.

Contact: For specific information regarding the 2012 open audition process for the Central City Christmas Spectacular Show, please visit www.Centralcitydance.com, click on the Christmas Spectacular tab, and 2012 Open Auditions Process. To contact them via phone, call Central City Dance at (734) 459-0400.

Gary is 40 years

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Miss Michigan winners

During the weekend of July 29, six young ladies from the state of Michigan were crowned 2012 winners of the National American Miss Pageant in Dearborn. The ladies will be traveling around Michigan during the next year performing charity work, participating in parades, visiting leaders of local governments, and volunteering. The winners are (from left back row) Danielle Purtell of Midland, NAM Miss Michigan Teen; Regan Castle of Pleasant Ridge, NAM Miss Michigan Pre-Teen; Christina Zitkus of Northville, NAM Miss Michigan Jr. Teen; Victoria Mangham of Detroit, NAM Miss Michigan; (front row) Selia Rendon of Canton, NAM Miss Michigan Jr. Pre-Teen. Not pictured is winner Maddison Kott of Redford, Miss Michigan Princess.

Group hopes for 100 'Roofs for Woofs'

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Mobilizing to help dogs that are living and dying - in deplorable conditions, a Cantonbased Home Depot store and Detroit Dog Rescue are hoping to marshal a small army of volunteers to build 100 doghouses.

An event dubbed 100 Roofs for Woofs happens 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, outside the Home Depot store at 45900 Michigan Avenue, just west of Canton Center.

"We're excited to have an event for needy dogs," store operations manager

Laura Chevrette said. Kelly McLaughlin, Detroit Dog Rescue's director of programs and development, cited a dire need for housing to protect dogs, often in poor neighborhoods, that are penned in or chained up in places with no escape from scorching summer weather and frigid winter conditions.

"We have found dogs that have frozen to death or died from the heat," McLaughlin said.

The first 100 Roofs for

Woofs comes as Detroit Dog Rescue launches an effort, In The Dog House, to encourage dog owners to provide proper shelter, though some have difficulty affording housing for outdoor pets.

"Dog houses are expensive," McLaughlin said. "There's a huge demand."

Doghouse-building volunteers or those willing to donate to 100 Roofs for Woofs can go to www. detroitdogrescue.com, call McLaughlin at (313) 458-8014, ext. 308, or send an e-mail to kellymddr@ gmail.com. Detroit Dog Rescue also has a Face-

book page. DDR is asking for a minimum four-hour commitment for the event. Organizers also advise donors that even \$1 can help save a life, while \$50 can build an entire dog house.

Chevrette said 20 Home Depot associates already have signed up for the all-ages 100 Roofs for Woofs. Company employees already have been involved in outreach programs to benefit schools, veterans and Canton's Christmas in Action event, which provides

home repairs for lowincome seniors and the disabled.

Chevrette said 100 Roofs for Woofs is set to happen outside the Home Depot store's garden gates. Though no dogs will be on site, she said, pictures will be available for rescued dogs that need homes.

This marks the first time the doghouse-building event has occurred without being linked to another effort, such as DDR's Pet Pantry Project, which offers free dog-food distribution.

DDR already has 50 pet owners ready to receive 50 of the new doghouses, while the rest will be distributed as colder weather approaches, McLaughlin said.

She said 100 Roofs for Woofs, with a DJ and lunch, promises a fun

time for a good cause. "It's going to be a good time," she said, though most importantly, the effort will help dogs in desperate need of shelter. "The problem is huge."

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Navy Band's Wind Ensemble presents free concert

The Wind Ensemble of the Navy Band Great Lakes, joined by members of the Marine Corps Band New Orleans, will present a free patriotic concert at 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, on the steps of Livonia City Hall.

The concert will commemorate the 200th anniversary of both the War of 1812 and The Star Spangled Banner. The

show is among the area events to mark Detroit Navy Week 2012.

No tickets are required for this free concert, which will be held on the south-facing side of Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive. Visitors are asked to bring a lawn chair or a blanket for seating on the lawn.

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Pastor pleased with turnout for Hope 4 Western Wayne

LOCAL NEWS

By Sue Mason **Observer Staff Writer**

Dan McGhee remembers the day he and Ian Mulvanev stood behind the former Patchin School in Westland and looked at the field.

The pastor of Harvest Bible Church, McGhee told Mulvaney that "if God gives us this property, I can't see us not doing what we saw in Battle Creek."

The church was able to purchase the building and property from the Wayne-Westland Community Schools and McGhee and Mulvaney were able to recreate Battle Creek's one-day event that offered residents of western Wayne County and beyond a plethora of services free of charge



Western Wayne County," said the Canton resident

wheels

started

turning

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was the

genesis

of Hope 4

People from throughout Wayne County and some from Oakland County attended Hope 4 Western Wayne County Aug. 18. McGhee believes that social media helped "get the word out beyond far beyond what we expected."

"I'm very pleased with what is happening here today, we didn't have any idea as what to expect," McGhee said. "We put out invitations and waited to see who would come. We

trusted God to bring people here.'

"Our prayers were definitely answered here today and our hopes and prayers are to use the whole field not half next year," added Ian Mulvaney.

White canopies dotted the church field, where free services were offered. The event provided families with free bags of groceries, family portraits, medical and dental checkups and a hot dog lunch. The Westland Fire Department had its mobile smoke house on site to help teach fire safety. There also was a children's area with games and inflatables.

Common Ground, a women's ministry of Connections Church in Canton, was there to give out sacks filled with school supplies.

"Our mission is take the love of God from the pew to the pavement and meet people right where they're at," said Tami Frailey. "We have an opportunity to do that with this."

The group held an event and women from 32 different churches gathered more than \$4,000 in school supplies in one night, using them to make up 943 bags to give out.

"A man who was doing the groceries went and got the rest of the stuff so we could give out 1,000 bags," said Frailey.

Close to 300 volunteers from businesses, churches and services organizations helped with the event. It was scheduled to open at 10 a.m., but according to Melissa Mulvaney, the line started

forming at 8 a.m.

"When they come in they're free to go wherever they want, the last place they enter is the prayer tent," said Mulvaney who worked on the project with her husband.

Paul Citkowski of Canton heard about the event in the newspaper. A parishioner at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, he decided to come and help out.

"I'm very impressed with what they're doing here," he said.

"We're doing guest services and security," added Barry Brice of Canton. "We reach out to them, if they look lost, and make them smile. Our principle is that everyone is a guest of honor today."

Among the guests were Daniel and Danielle Ribitsch of Garden City and their children Brianna, 4, and Kaden, 7.

Among their stops was the kids play area. Kaden also was scheduled to get his haircut, and the family was waiting to have

their picture taken. "It was something to do to get the kids out of the house," said Danielle Ribitsch. "I think something like this is good for the community, it keeps people together."

There comments were music to McGhee's ears who was thankful for the all the groups, including 30 churches, that joined in to make Hope 4 Western Wayne a success.

"It's really exciting to have all these folks here," he said. "It's a real joy for us to help the community like this.'



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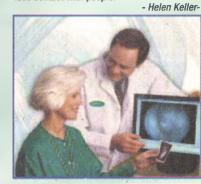
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Canton offers 'Great Artscape' experience

LOCAL NEWS

Art lovers can enjoy an exhilarating day of art on Saturday, Sept. 15, when Canton Leisure Services, the Canton Downtown Development Authority, the Canton Public Library, Midwest Sculpture Initiative, The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, D&M Art Studio and the Detroit Institute of Arts join forces to offer an unparalleled art experience.

Participants can start the morning off with a refreshing autumn walk along Ford Road as artist Ken Thompson offers an informational walking tour of Canton's 2012 Sculpture Installation. Shuttles will leave from the Summit on the Park,



The Canton Public Library is taking part in the DIA art exhibit initiative.

located at 46000 Summit Parkway, at 9:30 a.m. All registrants will receive a T-shirt and are invited to enjoy refreshments

following the tour. Preregistration is required. Reserve your spot for just \$5 per person at www.cantonfun.org - just search "Public Art Tour" under classes and events for more details.

Next, take in Amy DiPlacido's free exhibit on display in the Gallery of The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road. While you're there, let the kids attend a special art workshop from 1-2 p.m. in the vestibule. No registration is required for this free workshop.

If you still haven't had your fill of art and culture, meet at the Summit on the Park for a tour of four of the Canton DIA InsidelOut masterpieces, which will be led by official DIA museum docents. These unique riding Golf cART tours

will begin at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. Pre-registration is required for these free tours, which will start from the DIA masterpiece located in the front of the Summit on the Park.

Finish off your daylong art celebration with the talented artists of D&M Art Studio as they host a Fine Art Workshop for Families at their store, located at 8691 N. Lilley Road, from 3-4 p.m. This hands-on program is FREE but space is limited, so call (734) 453-3710 to pre-register.

"We are delighted to offer this special art experience that gives a unique perspective

on these temporary art installations in Canton," said Recreation Specialist Jennifer Provenzano. "Our goal is to provide special access and insights into these works and to celebrate the importance of art in our everyday lives."

All of the morning and afternoon docent-led tours require pre-registration, as space is limited. There is a \$5 fee for the Ford Road Sculpture Tours, but the remaining tours and activities are free.

To register for these tours and to find additional details about the Great Artscape, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Barefoot teams with Phoenix theaters

Plymouth's Barefoot Productions, a theatre for the community, and the Phoenix Movie Theatres (Laurel Park, Wayne and Monroe) have united in an attempt to keep the arts alive in local neighborhoods.

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At this fund-raising event, audience members garner an appreciation for opera, ask questions, see scene clips, hear anecdotes to learn about this art form.

Participants are then

able to purchase a Phoenix Movie Theatre **Ensemble Specialty Pro**gramme 2012 ticket for \$15 which is good for one of the HD showings at any of their three movie locations. As a fundraising event, a third of the ticket price is donated back to Barefoot Productions to help keep theatre

The rest of the August-October HD ensemble season includes the opera Love Never Dies as well as the ballets Giselle and Swan Lake with dates and times available at phoenixmovies.net.

doors open.

Tickets for the Opera Chat! are \$10 and may be purchased on Ticket Leap at justgobarefoot.com.

• Improvisation in its purest, unscripted form is what Some Kind of Players will be bringing to the table on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 8 p.m.,, at Barefoot Productions in Plymouth.

"The performance is heavily inspired by Whose Line is it Anyway?," said performer Nathan Corliss. "I grew up on Whose Line? and always loved it. After taking an improvisation class at EMU, I knew that I could do this stuff myself."

The performers solicit audience involvement prior to and during the show. Suggestions from the audience will be the basis for the improv games that Some Kind of Players have lined up, including familiar Whose Line? games such as "Questions Only," "The Dating Game," and "Change."

Tickets are \$10 at the door or online at www. justgobarefoot.com. **Barefoot Productions** Theatre is located at 240 N. Main, Plymouth MI. The box office can be reached at (734) 560-1493.



The cast of Some Kind of Players brings improvisation to the Barefoot Productions stage Saturday.



Switzerland Birthday Luncheon Wednesday, September 5 12:00 p.m.

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'Cats pour it on

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth spark plugs Matt Janke and Nate Emminger lit the fuse Thursday night with long punt, kickoff and interception returns.

Quarterback Jamarl Eiland took WEEK 2 it from there as the Wildcats routed visiting Milford, 45-0.

It was such a lopsided KLAA crossover football tilt that almost all of the second half was played with a running clock. The way the game unfolded surprised just about everyone at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's varsity turf field.

"I totally did not expect this," Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk said. "Because I got the utmost respect for coach (Pat) Fox, he's one of the finest coaches in the

"We tried to keep it simple on defense, and let them fly around and not have to think too much. They got it done. We thought we'd be a little faster than they were up front. They're bigger than us, but we figured we could beat them a little bit with some speed."

Milford managed just 138 yards of total offense, with quarterback Alex Larson completing just six of 16 passes for 50 yards.

According to Fox, whose team dropped to 1-1 with the loss, the fact that Plymouth kicker Brenton Zuzo consistently drilled kickoffs into the Milford end zone played a role in the way the Mavericks could not get going. Zuzo averaged 59.1 yards in eight kickoffs.

takes, we got pinned in the hole by a great kicking game," Fox said. "We couldn't get our way out of it, couldn't execute our way out of it."

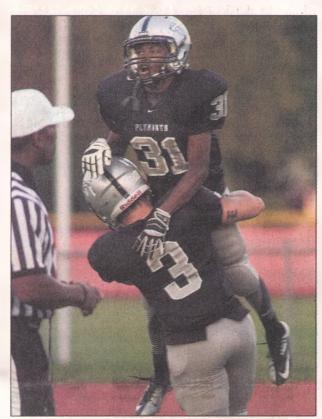
Fox then tipped his hat to the Wildcats, now 2-0, for not allowing Larson to

get off the mat. "Their kids played tre-



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Plymouth running back DJ Rossell (No. 31) leaves Milford defenders (from left) Cameron Bell (No. 36), John Ernst and Danny Wallace in their wake as he scores on an 84-yard run Thursday night.



Plymouth's DJ Rossell (No. 31) triumphantly leaps into the Milford.

mendous tonight and our kids made a lot of mental mistakes," he noted. "They did a nice job of taking the ball out of

The die was cast ear-

(Larson's) hands." **Quick strike**

ly. The Mavericks started the game's first series at their own 20 (following Zuzo's opening kickoff) and were forced to punt after one series.

Janke grabbed a low punt at Plymouth's 27, paused for a seam to open and burst through it and down the right sidelines. Only a desperate tackle inside Milford's 10 saved a touchdown - momentarily as it turned out as Eiland completed a fiveyard TD strike to Jared

'(Janke's) return, that gave us some confidence," Eiland said. "And then we were (near) the 10-yard line and just punched it in real quick."

After Stefan Turrentine's one-yard plunge opened up a 14-0 lead (following one of Bobby Deeg's seven extra points) with 3:17 to play in the first quarter, the Wildcats tacked on 17 points in the second for a commanding 31-0 edge.

Big plays also comprised the bulk of that scoring. Turren-tine bulled his way past defenders and turned second and third efforts 10:06 to play in the half.

After Zuzo nailed a 42yard field goal, the Wildcats turned an 84-yard run by DJ Rossell (7-105) into another six-pointer.

Simply elusive Rossell made tack-

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VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW - PT. 2

New-look Chiefs ready to hit, win

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

It's going to be a season of change for Canton's varsity girls volleyball team, but don't take that to mean the Chiefs won't again be a contender in the KLAA South Division.

Gone from Canton's first-ever regional championship squad is the head coach, Mary Kryska. So too are stalwarts Kristen Muir, Alaina Turner, Maggie Deloy and Lauren Martin.

Enter Steve Johnson as the new varsity head coach, no stranger to several of the 2012 players as he recently coached the Canton junior varsity. Johnson can't wait for Tuesday's KLAA opener at Salem.

"I know Mary left due to a work schedule that was a little more demanding," noted Johnson, also veteran coach of the Hurricanes club team. "And it enticed me because I've been in the program the past six years, and basically was helping build it from the bottom up.

"... Ever since I've

been here I just fell in love with the growth process that we've had over the last six years and when it came open I felt like it was the right time to apply for it."

Different look

Johnson said the team dynamic is going to change from 2011. Last year, the Chiefs finished 42-10 but relied heavily on the power game of Muir and Turner to nail down points and victories while making it to the Class A quarterfinals.

This time around, top returnees and senior cocaptains Erica den Boer (5-9 outside hitter) and Becca Middleton (libero) will look to keep the winning feeling alive.

But the rest of the 15player roster will also be expected to chip in.

"We did lose a lot of key players," Johnson said. "But we are returning a lot of strong players as well, that were both learning under them last year and have gone out and proven themselves since then, playing club

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Making a play up front during a 2011 game is Canton's Erica den Boer (No. 13), one of the team's top returnees.

RENA LAVERTY

Plymouth Whalers JT Miller (left) and Danny Vanderwiel vie for control of the puck Thursday at Compuware Arena.

Whalers crank it up

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

The Plymouth Whalers returned to the Compuware Arena ice Thursday for a pair of scrimmages, officially jump-starting training camp.

Players donned blue or white jerseys featuring the OHL logo for the morning and afternoon sessions, which served as spirited tuneups for Saturday's pre-season opener against Windsor in Wyandotte.

In the opening scrimmage, the Blues won 2-0 behind shutout goalkeeping from Plymouth's likely No. 1 goalie - Matt Mahalak of Monroe.

In the afternoon tilt. Farmington Hills native Alex Aleardi's penalty shot marker in the second half enabled the Whites to square things with a 5-4 win.

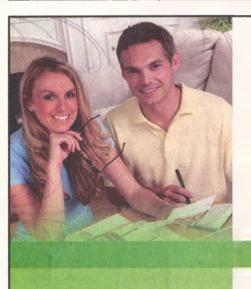
"It's exciting to get training camp started, but I actually think that first scrimmage wasn't very good," said Mike Vellucci, longtime head coach and general manager of the Whalers. "The guys were a little tired

from yesterday's off-ice

workouts and testing. "But the second scrimmage this afternoon was much better. There was a lot more energy, it was more physical, less choppy. It was really choppy early on but I think that's partly due to being off all summer."

Among players competing in the practice games was defenseman Alex Peters, Plymouth's second-round pick in the 2012 Ontario Hockey League draft.

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Jordan's record night paces Rocks

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

After making enough plays to fill a highlight reel in the opener, Salem running back Drake Jordan tied a school record with five touchdowns in Thursday's 49-42 victory over host Walled Lake North-

"It was a track meet it seemed at times. (we) played sloppy again at times but Northern has a good, athletic team," Salem head football coach Kurt Britnell said. "Our guys played with a lot of heart. We need to clean up penalties on offense.'

The victory enabled Salem to be 2-0 to start a season for the first time since 2004.

Jordan's big game helped the Rocks hang on despite almost letting a 42-21 halftime



Salem junior running back Drake Jordan (No. 6), shown from the season opener, scored five touchdowns Thursday at Walled Lake Northern.

lead evaporate. He scored on runs of 52, six and three vards while reeling in a 74yard touchdown pass from

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Jacob Deprez and taking it to the house on a 93-yard kickoff return.

The 5-7, 155-pound junior

finished with nearly 250 allpurpose yards.

Other Salem TDs were registered by senior wide receiver Ivan Rhodes (4-78) and junior tight end Michael Hoover.

Rhodes scored on a 59yard pass from Deprez while Hoover (3-68) registered a 30yard scoring catch-and-run.

Deprez was on target most of the night, leading an offense that racked up 422 total yards. The senior connected on 11 of 18 passes for 241 yards and two TD tosses although he was picked off

Big performances on defense and special teams also contributed to holding off Northern (0-2).

Seniors Mike McNamara and Danny Stropes had nine and five solo tackles. McNamara recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass. Stropes forced a fumble and sacked the Knights' quarterback.

Kicker Alex Kenrick played a major role, going 7-7 in extra points (although he missed a 52-yard field goal). More importantly, he punted the ball inside Northern's 5yard line in the third quarter, which Britnell said was a key moment for Salem.

The Rocks went up 21-7 after one frame and built that lead to 21-points at intermission. But Northern rallied to trail 42-35 entering the fourth and each team traded a six-pointer in the final frame.

Salem will try for a third straight victory 6:30 p.m. Friday, against Novi. The game will take place at the JV grass field.

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lers miss him around the Plymouth 20 and took off down the right sideline.

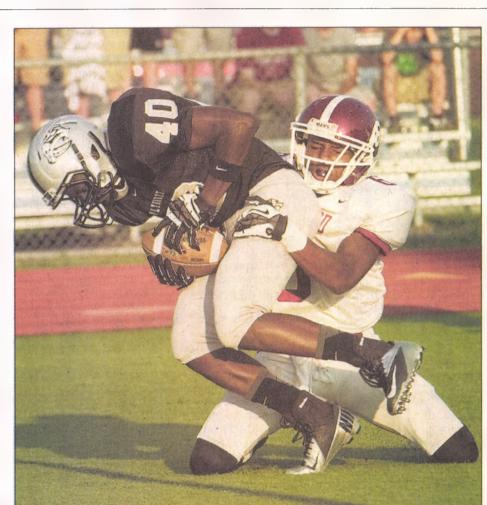
The second half started in similar fashion, with Plymouth making a couple big plays and scoring yet again.

This time, Emminger's. 40-yard kickoff return and a face mask penalty against Milford gave the Wildcats a first down at the Mavericks' 37.

On the next play, Eiland faked handoffs to two running backs before shooting up the middle himself for a big-play TD of his own. The play demonstrated his physical talent and versatility.

"Last year was my first year playing wide-out so I'm back to what I'm used to this year," said Eiland, following the blowout. "So I just go out there and do what I need to do. Wide receivers are helping me out, we're returning kicks and all that stuff."

Emminger's 20-yard interception return with 9:12 left in the third capped off the night's scoring.



Jared Davis (No. 40) scores a first quarter touchdown in Plymouth's thrashing of Milford. Trying in vain for the tackle is Darrion Spencer of the Mavericks.

Reason to smile

Having seemingly a team filled with spectacular playmakers would make any quarterback smile and Eiland is no

different.

"It just takes all the pressure off me," Eiland



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Diving for a loose ball Thursday are Milford quarterback Alex Larson (No. 11) and Plymouth's Gage Fasbender (No. 87).

said, "because I can trust all my other players to go out there and do their job.

"I'm just going to go out there and do my job and we're probably going to win if we all do our jobs and stay focused.'

Eiland only needed to make three passes, and he completed all of them while leading the offense to 234 yards rushing.

"He's grown up a lot and he's a good field

general for us," Sawchuk said.

About Janke and Emminger, the coach added that "they're just great kids, on the field and off the field, And it carries over.'

Sawchuk, of course. would like to see the entire team's dominance carry over into Week 3 when the Wildcats visit Livonia Churchill (7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7).

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Chiefs save best for last against Brighton, 31-10

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Gutsy defense and a couple long gainers enabled Canton to ward off pesky Brighton 31-10 in a Thursday night KLAA varsity football matchup.

Both teams were tied 10-10 entering the fourth quarter of the game, played on the junior varsity grass field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

But barely a minute after the Bulldogs evened the score on a 29-yard field goal, 5-5 senior running back Malcolm Hollingsworth came up huge. He broke free for a 77-yard touchdown to give the Chiefs a 17-10 advantage.

"And then our defense held," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said. "They had a bad snap and we recovered

on the four-yard line."

Making the fumble recovery was Canton senior Benjamin Slater.

A play later, junior tailback Joe Grinage punched it in from oneyard out, opening up a 24-10 lead.

Brighton tried to rally, and drove the ball 77 yards down near Canton's goal line with under three minutes to

"They had a great

drive and we had a great goal-line stand," Baechler said. "They had it first and goal ... and we stopped them on four downs. And then we drove it out."

Grinage, who augmented Hollingsworth (13 rushes, 173 yards, two TDs) and James Hall (3-48), sealed the victory with a 56-yard touchdown run with 59 seconds on the clock.

Baechler credited the

defense, specifically seniors Matt Suppelsa (14 tackles, 11 solos) and Matt McKoy (12 tackles, nine solo).

On the offensive side of things, the coach singled out Hollingsworth and Grinage.

It was Hollingsworth who got the Chiefs (1-1) off to a 7-0 start just 2:26 into the game. He scored on a 26-yard run to close out an 80-yard march.

Chipping in with a 39-

yard field goal with 2:51 to play in the half was Canton senior kicker Connor Shennan, to make it 10-0.

Brighton (1-1) made it 10-7 at halftime, scoring on a one-yard run with just 12 seconds left before intermission.

Next up for Canton is a Sept. 7 home game against Wayne Memorial.

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"I thought it was pretty fast-paced," Peters said. "It got a little rough and that's always good (but) it felt really good.

"It's been a while since I played against high-end players."

Pushing the pace

Veteran winger and Washington Capitals prospect Tom Wilson (formerly of Plymouth High School) also got in on the action. scoring twice for the Blues in the afternoon contest.

"I don't think Vellucci was necessarily happy with the first one," Wilson said. "But I think the guys tried and stepped up and got a little more energy, a little more chemistry in

the second one for sure." Thursday's double scrimmage opened up a stretch where the Whalers were slated to play three scrimmages (another one was Friday) and preseason games Saturday night



Circling the net during a Plymouth Whalers' Thursday scrimmage is forward Tom Wilson (blue jersey), escaping the pursuit of defenseman Gianluca Curcuruto. In goal is Riley Corbin.

and Monday afternoon (in Windsor).

But Wilson said the players are ready to gear up for the 2012-13 season, which opens on Sept. 21 in

Sault Ste. Marie. "I think a lot of the guys put in good work over the offseason and are in good shape," Wilson said. "So I think we just got to go out there and play as hard as

"I know it's exhibition games but no one likes to

lose." Vellucci, meanwhile, said he and other coach-

es will be watching closely in the next several days to see which players can or cannot relish such a heavy schedule.

"We're definitely going to be making more decisions and we're going to use those games as tests for the young kids," Vellucci stressed. "Give them a great opportunity to see what it is to play an OHL game."

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YOUTH FOOTBALL

Canton Lions off to good start

The Canton Lions varsity football started the 2012 season strong with a 24-12 win over the Westland Comets, overcoming a 12-0 halftime deficit.

Down 12-0, C.J. Wieloch intercepted a pass and returned it 30 yards, setting up the Lions first score on an 8-yard touchdown run by Guam Lee, Jr

The Lions other two scores to break the game open came on back-to-back 49 and 65 yard touchdown runs by Jason Arnold. Alan Farmer also converted all three extra point attempts, providing the Lions extra scor-

ing punch.
Strong blocking from
Roger Ayers III, Kyrece
Smith, Trevor Costanzo,
Max Mulvaney and David
Mason III helped open
up big holes for the tail-

backs.
Defensively, the Lions
were led by strong play
from Matt Steeple, Sterling Gingles, Devon Gunn,
Jimmy Gearns, Joey

Glunt and Kyle Petruski.
• The Lions' junior freshmen defeated the Westland Comets in their

first game of the season.
A strong defense led by
Luke Mulvaney, Andon
Locke, Jacob Richter and
Derik Watson helped the

team effort.
Offensively, the team was led by touchdowns by Gavin Bobby, Jake Mason and Tyrun Bond, Jr., behind great blocking by Tyler Klabunde, Daniel Baldwin and Silas

The whole team worked hard and their commitment and determination paid off in their first game.

Bye week

The Lions now face a bye week and are preparing for Ypsilanti Lincoln Railsplitters at the PCEP varsity football stadium on September 16th. First games begin at 10 a.m. for the Junior Freshman team, followed by the Freshman, JV, and Varsity at Noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., respectively.

Eagles ready to soar

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Yes, a Malcolm is still on the Plymouth Christian Academy varsity girls volleyball team.

But the 2012 Eagles have a new coach and a different roster for the most part, with only four players back from the 2011 varsity squad that finished 43-7-4 and fell to eventual Class D state champion Battle Creek St. Philip in the quarterfinals.

At the helm is Katie LeComte, taking over from Kelly Blackney who got married over the summer and is finishing up a master's degree at Eastern Michigan University.

"This year's team is a completely different team than what was seen last year," LeComte said. "With only four varsity returners, there is a lot of young, fresh talent on the team.

"The girls have shown that they have a lot of heart and tenacity while playing and a drive to win, which I hope will take them far

this year."
Recent teams did just that, led by 2012 graduate Kristin Malcolm. She is one of the best players ever to suit up for PCA.

Key performers Amy Zinn, Jessica Rich and Sarah Howard also graduated.

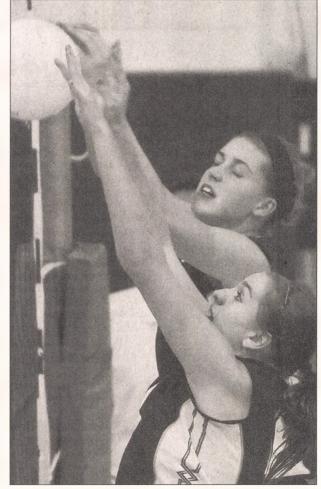
They're back

But junior co-captain Jen Malcolm is no slouch. She primarily played the setter's position last year, but LeComte is moving her over to outside hitter to help take advantage of her good height.

"Jen has filled a hole in the team that needed to be filled as a hitter this year," the coach said, adding that Malcolm will still be seeing playing time at setter.

Co-captain Mary
Anleitner is another
essential member of
the team. She will start
at outside hitter and
"has transitioned from
being primarily a hitter
into an all-around player whose performance
is key to the team's success," LeComte said.

Also returning are junior outside hitter Rachael Fuller and sophomore right-side



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There's a new coach for Plymouth Christian Academy's girls volleyball team, but one of last season's top players is back. That would be Jennifer Malcolm (top), shown in this 2011 game with Katelyn McCormick.

hitter Kelsey Williamson.

Young talent

When Malcolm isn't setting, the job will be handled by freshman Sydney Burton.

"Sydney adds a lot to our lineup as both a setter and a dynamic hitter," LeComte continued. "Sydney is a great all-around player and adds some height and speed to our lineup."

At libero is sophomore Callie Morby, who the coach sees plenty of potential as a floor leader

"It's great to have such a great player at a young age so that they can develop more quickly and be a staple in the team for many years," she said.

Two others who will be called upon are junior right-side hitter Joy Bauslaugh and senior right-side hitter Jasmine Lauch.

The young roster will learn from LeComte, a standout volleyball player at Rochester College — where she was an assistant coach the past two seasons.

During her fouryear collegiate career, LeComte was recognized twice as an Academic All-American and was team MVP in 2009.

Sorry to go

She takes over from Blackney, who oversaw a very successful program in recent seasons. The 2010 team lost to St. Philip in the Class D final.

"I can't say enough about how much I enjoyed coaching at PCA," Blackney noted. "I fell in love with the girls. I am confident there is no other group as wonderful as my girls.

"They blessed me with some of the best sports memories of my life and I feel blessed and honored to have coached a state finalist team."

PCA starts the season Thursday. The home opener is 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18 against Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

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ball.

"I think we'll be extremely competitive. We're very well balanced this year, between offense and defense."

Hard-hitting four-year starter den Boer is a good start.

"She can put the ball down from anywhere on the court," Johnson said. "She brings a nice balance of defense and offense for us."

Another returning senior outside hitter is Jordan Diedrick, described as "a seam hitter (who) does smart placement of the ball."

Lefty righties

Canton will feature two promising right-side hitters who are lefty hitters, in 5-11 junior Sasha Cucuz (a transfer student from Indiana) and sophomore newcomer Courtney Kurkie.

The latter has outstanding jumping ability, touching the 9-8 mark, as well as hitting power and a tough streak that all coaches like.

"She has the mindset to go with it she is a very mature player," Johnson noted. "She doesn't get intimidated, which is nice to see from such a young player."

Having two lefties in the lineup, on the right side, "keeps the other team's middles honest without cheating over onto our outside when there's that threat.... They have to respect that

a player can jump up and hit on the second ball like that," he said.

Starting at middle hitter will be senior Alexis Madis, beginning her second varsity season. Senior Rebecca LeChevalier and junior Lauren Bedro also will help handle what is an important position.

"Our middles are kind of strong, silent types," he said. "You never know when lightning's going to strike with them. Sometimes they come out of nowhere and really put the ball down and surprise everybody.

"These are blocking middles for the most part, but when they do light up it really opens up the rest of our offense."

Middleton, beginning her third year on the varsity, will be called upon to lead the defense from the libero position.

"I think her years of playing under those other players (Muir, Turner, etc.) have given her a lot of maturity and a lot of wisdom to be able to steer this team a little bit as to where they need to set up," Johnson said. "... It's like having a coach out on the floor."

Junior setters Madison Kielty, Chelsea Janice and Rachel Buzenberg will help tee up the frontrow hitters.

Kielty and Janice (5-8) will see most of the time as the Chiefs run a 6-2 offense, which the coach said "means we utilize two setters at the same time."

Bringing more varsity experience is 5-10 Kielty, who came up during districts last season and can also contribute at defensive specialist if needed.

"They both have different setting styles, different abilities," Johnson went on. "... Chelsea has a little bit more experience with our hitters whereas Madison is taller and runs a very quick offense, but she's still learning the plays."

As for Buzenberg, "She'll see time because we have to work two different lineups with Madison running different positions if need be. But at the moment she is the backup."

Bringing it

Another powerful player is senior defensive specialist Dia Jackson, in her second varsity season.

"You never see her coming, which is nice, because her vertical (jump) is ridiculous," Johnson said. "She jumps up and hits hard. She has a lot of floor speed, lateral speed, front-to-back speed. She reads the ball very well."

Backing up Jackson will be juniors Lauren Khars and Lizzy Desmarais while sophomore Lauren Shornack will help out as a middle hitter.

Regardless of where a player fits on the depth chart, Johnson and assistant coach Harrie den Boer will make sure everybody has the chance to contribute.

"Every player was chosen with depth in mind, as well as intersquad competition to keep everybody providing that competition for the starters," Johnson said. "So our hope is they're not just going in to see what they can do, that when they're going in they're able to contribute immediately."

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Canton kickers edge Pioneers

Canton traveled Wednesday to Ann Arbor Pioneer for a rematch of last season's regional championship game, and came away with their third consecutive win over the Pioneers, 2-1.

Pioneer got on the board first, when they converted on a Canton turnover inside their 6-yard goal box. Senior goalkeeper Ian Wingate had no chance on the play, and Canton found itself trailing 1-0 less than three minutes into the

Canton senior co-captain Dan Ovesea nearly tied it twice in the half, just missing on shots after taking passes from sophomore Aiden Shennan and senior co-captain Bobby Budlong

late in the half.

The second half was a different story for the Chiefs, as they came out of their talk with coach George Tomasso with a lot of energy and aggressiveness.

Canton tied it about three minutes into the half, when Budlong beat a Pioneer defender and slid a pass to his left. Cody Widlak cut into the goal box and drilled a perfectly-placed shot. The Chiefs kept up the pressure and nearly took the lead on several occasions, but couldn't find the net again until about 15 minutes were left in the game.

On the winner, Budlong chipped a pass to Ovesea, who beat a pair of defenders and muscled a shot past the Pioneer goalkeeper for his sixth goal of the season.

With the win, Canton improves its record to 4-1-2, heading into KLAA South Division play Tuesday at Livonia Franklin.

PLYMOUTH 2, SALINE 2: The Wildcats bounced back from a pair of tough, shutout losses with Thursday's 2-2 tie against visiting Saline.

Scoring unassisted markers for the Wildcats were Aaron Bergmans and Brian Brown.
Plymouth opened the week falling 3-0 Tuesday against Ann Arbor Skyline and on Wednesday lost 2-0 to North-

Next for the Wildcats is Tuesday's home game against Westland John Glenn.

This was no day at the beach Friday for the Madonna University women's volleyball team in the opening round Embry-Riddle (Fla.) Labor Day Tournament.

Oklahoma Baptist's Kristin Pressley proved to be a major thorn in MU's side as she recorded a match-high 22 kills in a 20-25, 25-22, 25-17, 20-25, 15-13 triumph over the Crusaders.

Patricia Moura added 11 kills and

setter Sabra Clark dished out 46 assistto-kills as the Lady Bison improved to 5-0 overall.

Oklahoma Baptist edges Madonna in 5

Gabby Samuels was one of four Oklahoma Baptist players to record double-digits in digs with a match-high

The 16th-ranked Crusaders got 12 kills apiece from Taylor Dziewit, Stacey Catalano and Nastija Baranovska. Emilie Freeman (Lutheran High West-

land) added 11.

Setter Evia Prieditis finished with a match-best 51 assists.

Defensively, Catalano posted a teamhigh 25 digs followed by Roxy Duzey and Prieditis with 19 and 18, respectively. Samantha Geile added 12.

MU rebounded later in the day to beat Montreat College (N.C.) in straight sets, 25-19, 25-9, 25-15, to improve to 6-2 overall.

Bulldogs champs



The Michigan Bulldogs posted a 15-4-2 division record to place first in the Kensington Valley Baseball Softball Association 14-and-under Advanced League. Team members include (front row, from left): Andrew Klopfer, Livonia Franklin; Ben Zammit, Livonia Stevenson; Cory Linsner, Franklin; Nate Bunton Stevenson; Jack Engel, Franklin; Frank Carlin, Stevenson; Zack Lauer, Novi Detroit Catholic Central; (back row, from left) coach Joe Fetter, coach Jim Hopson, Joe Chinavare, Franklin; Griffin Riley, Livonia Churchill; Gavin McAuliffe, Canton; Kyle Richards, Stevenson; Jay Hopson, Franklin; Jack Fetter, Stevenson; coach Nick Hopson, manager Scott Linsner and coach Tom Chinavare,. (Not pictured Brendan Dudek of University of Detroit Jesuit.)

GIRLS SWIMMING PREVIEW

Salem senior co-captain Abby Aumiller, shown from last year's Division 1 state championships, is one of the reasons the Rocks can be strong in the **KLAA Central** Division.



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Salem pumped to continue success

Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestras of Michigan

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Lauren Seroka's winning legacy with Salem's varsity girls swimming and diving team could very well carry over to the 2012 squad, and proof is already starting to pile up.

Veteran head coach Chuck Olson said the Rocks captured the 10-team Wayne State Warrior Relays on Aug. 28 with the 200-yard medley team of Abby Aumiller, Linda Zhang, Lisa Zhang and Julia Suriano winning with a time of 1minute, 52.09-seconds — qualifying for the Division 1 state meet in the process.

Also winning and qualifying was the 200-free relay team of Aumiller, both Zhangs and Maddie Gorman (1:42.79).

"The rest of the girls also had many good swims and competed well for the first competition," Olson said.

Aumiller (free, back, fly), Gorman (free, back, fly) and Jocey Lamoureux (free, IM) are the team's senior co-captains, and Olson said they are more than ready to pick up where 2012 graduate Seroka left off.

"They have had much success individually," Olson said. "The opportunity to observe Lauren Seroka the past three years as captain along with Maria Radzwion and Maggie Sneideman in 2011, the formula is in place for them to lead."

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Performances include a Winter concert in January, Spring concert in May and many smaller performances from groups for

charities and private events throughout the year.

Other seniors are Bridget Maul (diving, free, fly), Abby Collingwood (free. back), Ade Jepperson (diving), Maddie Makowski (free, back), Andrea Ringer (fly, back, free), Cassie Misolek (free, breast) Kristy Rupp (breast, IM), Amber Schmitt (free, back), Melanie Turner (free), Yllka Veseli (breast) and Michelle Gutta (free, back).

Juniors include Claire Amin (fly, IM), Claire Cousino (free, IM), Quintanya Johnson (breast, free), Noelle Milad (free, back), Julia Suriano (free, back, IM) and Vinnie Zaia (free, fly, IM).

The Rocks also have plenty of promise among the sophomore and freshman classes.

Sophomores on the roster include Alyssa Bucciarelli (free, breast), Sami King (diving), Madeline Klozik (free), Sarah Mapes (free), Mckenzie Maurice (free, back, IM), Maddie O'Donnell (breast, free), Hannah Pollard (fly, breast, IM), Stephanie Solterman (back, free, IM) and Hannah Tardiff (fly, free).

Freshman swimmers include Rachel Godfrey (breast, IM), Allie Kahler (breast, IM), Annie Patterson (free, fly, IM), Cassidy Sargent (free, back, IM), Linda Zhang (breast, free, IM) and Lisa Zhang (fly, free, IM).

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Chiefs, 'Cats should make waves in KLAA South

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

A number of returning state qualifiers indicates Canton's varsity girls swimming and diving team will have another very successful season.

Of course, campus rival Plymouth will want to have something to say about that.

Both teams were among the best of the KLAA South Division in 2011, with the Chiefs claiming the regular season title (5-0 in the division) and the Wildcats - third during the season with a 3-1 mark - winning the division meet ahead of their campus rivals.

According to Canton head coach Ed Weber, who is assisted by Dave Le and Joe Le, the Chiefs "finished up last year with state qualifiers in every event."

Those include Delaney Adams, Destinee Barmore-Hicks, Claire Green, Hannah Jenkins, Abby Madison, Madeline Madison and Caitlin Orr.

"All those swimmers are returning, so they are looking for a very active 'postseason," Weber said." There is still a lot of work to be done to get the girls ready for swimming at the state level. But I look forward to leading them down that path."

The quartet of Orr, Jenkins, Barmore-Hicks and Adams will reprise the 200 medley relay team that had such success last season. Green and Barmore-Hicks will compete in freestyle events while Orr will take on all comers in the backstroke. Adams and Jenkins are looking to continue outstanding swims in IM

With a roster of 59, the



Canton's Hannah Jenkins (above) is one of a number of returning veterans from last season. Jenkins is part of the school-record 200 medley relay team, along with Delaney Adams, Destinee Barmore-Hicks and Caitlin Orr. All are back for 2012.

Chiefs look to have plenty of depth across the board.

So far, so good, as Canton started strong with a second-place showing at the Kenzie Klassic in Howell.

Co-captains will be Adams, Madison, Christine Pray and Erin Bensinger. Other senior swimmers to watch include Neha Bakshi, Melissa Guo, Alexandria Hett, Grace Irwin, Jacquelyne Kuznicki, Emily Petit, Molly Stanford and Meredith White.

Weber listed promising newcomers as Brenna Wayne, Adrienne Paton, Emily Osika, Emily Meier, Rachel McGue, Kelly Hansen, Danielle Drechnowicz, Sydney Darnall, Savannah Byrd, Madelaine Brownlee and Raychel Parks.

Plymouth's poised

Also enthusiastic about the season is Plymouth head coach Doug Schade, pointing to an impressive nucleus of senior co-captains Emily Toro (IM), Linda Erickson (IM), Lydia Matson (IM), Carolyn Stoddard (freestyle) and Emily Weiner (freestyle).

"We have a very strong team this season and we should compete to win the KLAA South Division," Schade noted. "... We are returning over 25 swimmers and divers who scored at the division meet last season."

Others expected to make key contributions for the Wildcats include senior Samidha Visai (IM), juniors Casey Wing (IM), Sarah Dombkowski (freestyle), Lauren Wischer (IM), Abby Humphries (IM), Emily Vos (IM) and sophomore Caylin Waters (freestyle).

Plymouth diving will be shared by Katy Telega and Megan Mckeehan.

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Plymouth's contender status in the KLAA South Division is bolstered by the return of

Marching Band Musicians Linda Erickson, shown during a 2011 meet. Plymouth Family YMCA programs on tap

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of youth instructional programs and leagues this fall. The focus of these programs will be on fun, exercise and social interaction through sports instruction.

Those offerings are as follows:

• Preschool Soccer, Preschool and Youth Basketball and Martial Arts: Ages vary by program but there is something for children ages 3-12. Programs run weeks beginning Sept. 17-Oct. 22 and

are open to YMCA members and community members.

 YMCA Co-Ed Soccer: Leagues are forming for children ages 4-10 with sessions from Sept. 10-Nov. 3. Fundamentals will be stressed through one practice and one game (on Saturdays) each week. The Y fee is \$84 or \$115 for community participants.

 YMCA Basketball: Leagues are forming for boys and girls ages 4-11. The first session will run from Oct. 22 through Dec. 21. Registration begins Sept. 4. There will be one practice per week and one game per week on Friday evenings. The Y rate is \$80 or \$112 for community participants.

The second session runs from Jan. 4 - March 15. The Y rate for 2nd session is \$96 and the community rate is \$128. Programs are filled on a first come-first serve basis.

For more information, please contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadetroit.org/ plymouth.

GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

DUAL MATCH RESULTS S. LYON EAST 197 **SALEM 200** Aug. 30 at Fox Hills (Classic)

S. Lyon East scorers: Sydney Jones, 41 (medalist); Elena Moore, 42; Abbey Bullock, 52; Kyleigh Marshall, 58; Zoe Brown, 59; Mikaila Olson, 62.

Salem scorers: Kiley Flynn, 44; Gabby Leblanc, 49; Christine Li, 51; Amanda Bennett, 56; Hope Warkoczeski, 57; Katie Vena, 60. **PLYMOUTH 158**

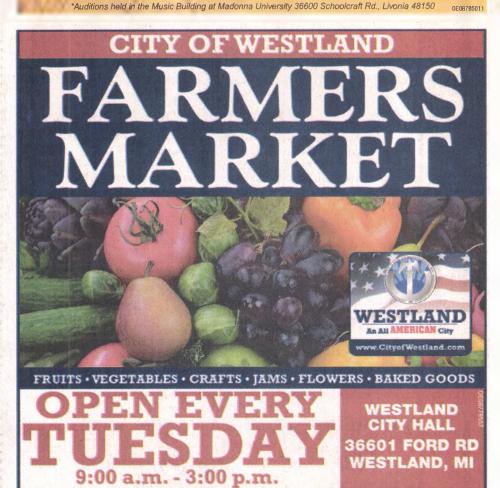
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 224 Aug. 29 at Fox Hills (Classic) Plymouth scorers: Kelsey Murphy, 36 (medalist); Sarah Thompson, 37; Sydney Murphy, 42; Danielle Allen, 43; Kayla Whatley, 45; Katie Chipman, 49. Churchill scorers: Maggie McGowan, 45; Jackie

Burdette, 46; Claire Rose, 63; Katie Shereda, 70; Taylor Cutting, 75; Alyssa Mazur, 76. **Dual match records:** Plymouth, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAA South Division); Churchill, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLAA South.

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In the spotlight

Community, college theaters gear up

By Sharon Dargay
O&E Staff Writer

Christy Mayhew is on the hunt for a 1948 Hudson. Or any Hudson — maybe even a Cadillac — for that matter.

Jason Wilhoite will need a dog by spring 2013. Luckily, he has a lead on a chihuahua.

And Pat Hutchison must locate a huge quilt over the next few months. In the meantime, she hopes she'll find enough actors to audition for 15 roles.

Such are the challenges that local theater directors and board members face as the new season of plays gets underway.

Mayhew, who handles marketing for Barefoot Productions in Plymouth, wants to station a Hudson outside the theater during the run of *Driving Miss Daisy* in November. She also hopes to find a car dealership interested in sponsoring the show. In return, the name of the business will be written into dialogue in the play.

"When we do Strangers on a Train I'll try to connect with Amtrak," Mayhew said. "If someone sponsors a show we can act out commercials at intermission."

Barefoot, known for its cutting-edge material, will mix a few better-known, mainstream shows into its schedule this year, along with some first-time events, including improvand an opera chat.

"Craig (Hane) the artistic director picks the main-

stage shows. He always picks cutting edge, but he also realizes the need to pick some plays that everyone knows."

Ticket-holders shouldn't be surprised if Barefoot takes a non-traditional approach to well-known works. Last year actresses in *The Vagina Monologues* — which returns this year — spoke their memorized parts while sitting in a living room set that suggested a girl's night out. The play has been performed elsewhere on a bare stage with actresses reading the script.

"It was cute because they interacted with each other," Mayhew said. "At the end, one woman in the cast sang a song and all the women held hands. It wasn't like 'I am woman, here me roar' but it was bonding."

Songs will take center stage in the Farmington Players' new season that will include two musicals in addition to a comedy and a drama.

"We don't normally do two musicals," Wilhoite said. "It's a first in a long time."

From film to stage

The theater will present The 1940's Radio Hour and Legally Blonde, which is based on the film with the same title. Wilhoite will direct Legally Blonde, which includes at least one canine cast member.

"It's a relatively new musical that has not been on the scene for a long time. They did a good job



Some Kind of Players improv troupe will perform Sept. 8 at Barefoot Productions in Plymouth.

adapting it to stage. I'm looking forward to have that show be the anchor of our season."

Wilhoite said at one point in its history, the Farmington Players shied away from musicals because it didn't have many singers in its membership.

Avenue Q, which it staged during the summer, brought new, young talent to the organization, enabling it to broaden its repertoire.

"We're interested in doing what we do well. If we can't do it well, we don't want to do it."

In Livonia

Wilhoite and Allison Soranno Boufford, both Hutchison's former students, sang love songs in concert earlier this year as a part of Paul's Players first season. Hutchison, a former Livonia public school teacher, founded the theater at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

This year, former Livonia music teacher Jerry Smith will perform with friends in a mid-season concert for Hutchison's organization.

She also plans to produce *The Man* Who Came to Dinner this fall and *Quilters* next spring.

"We're getting an audience every time. We're getting 100 people or more and we're pleased," Hutchison said. "Actually, folks auditioning is our hardest thing. But I'm lucky. I taught so long I have resources."

She relies on contacts at St. Paul's and in Livonia schools
uth. to help with productions and has offered internships to high school and college stu-

Community college

James Hartman and
Dennis North never rely
entirely on students for
their twice-annual productions. Hartman, who
heads the drama department at Schoolcraft College, and North, head of
Oakland Community College's theater program at
the Orchard Ridge campus
in Farmington Hills, open
auditions to all.

"It has worked beautifully," Hartman said.

He'll stage two classical pieces this season, a French farce and his own edited version of *Hamlet*.

North said OCC's theater produced serious dramas last year but will take a lighter approach this season with a comedy and a musical.

"Think of a white trash musical and that is what it is," he said, describing The Great American Trailer Park Musical that he'll stage this fall. "It's a very funny piece."



Canton resident Christine Kapusky Moore portrays Eliza Doolittle in the much-loved musical "My Fair Lady" at Spotlight Players. David Andrews of Ypsilanti plays Professor Henry Higgins.

Busy theater season gets under way

Here's what is coming up at local theaters:

• Barefoot Productions: Six shows make up the main performance schedule this season. They are Sleepy Hollow, Oct. 19-20, 26-27; Driving Miss Daisy, Nov. 9-11 and 16-18; A Christmas Carol, Dec. 8-9; Kind Sir, Feb. 14-17, 22-24, 2013; The Vagina Monologues, April 5-7, 2013; Strangers on a Train, May 10-13, 17-19, 2013. Folksinger Josh White, Jr., will be in concert Sept. 29. Lecturer Louis Brown talks about Giuseppe Verdi's Un Ballo in Maschera Sept. 7. Tickets are \$15. Some Kind of Players, an improv troupe, takes over the Barefoot stage

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Peace: Yoga fans find love, calm at Livonia gathering

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Linda Venko of Livonia colors a mandala.

By Sharon Dargay O&E Staff Writer

Colleen Mills says she felt peace and love flow last weekend as yoga enthusiasts stretched and posed their way through a daylong series of workshops at the Livonia Senior Center.

"It was awesome. When you do yoga you connect with peace and love. We had a wonderful day,' said Mills, founder of the Livonia-based Citizens for Peace and a student of both yoga and meditation. "Yoga is like giving yourself a huge hug with both

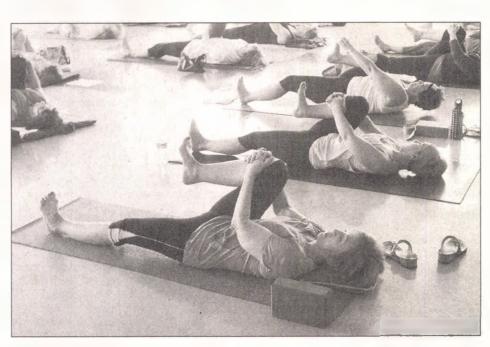
Lynda Herman, president of the Yoga Association of Greater Detroit, suggested the event and asked yoga teachers to volunteer their time. Sharon Brand, an instructor at the Livonia Senior Center — and Mills' yoga teacher — helped turn the day into a fundraiser for Citizens for Peace, splitting the proceeds between Mills' organization and the Yoga Associ-

Participants had the opportunity to attend several different yoga classes, color a mandala design, watch a film about Deepak Chopra on the keys to happiness, and meditate with Kathy Bindu Henning, who teaches classes in meditation at Schoolcraft College and the Livona Senior Center. Mills' husband, George, and his crew of volunteers made and served lunch. Karen Farkas, Brand's yoga teacher, gave a keynote address, encourag-



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Instructor Sharon Brand works with yoga students.



Students in Sharon Brand's yoga class stretch.



Dawson and her mandala. She's from

Freda

ing attendees to take the practice off their mats

and into their daily lives. "It was a fabulous day. People loved it," Mills

said, adding that the event drew yoga practitioners of all skill lev-

els. "There were all ages.

One lady in my yoga class

brought her daughter and granddaughter."

Mills said yoga "keeps the body fit, flexible and balanced," but also helps focus and reduce stress.

"It turns off the chatter in the brain. We go into an experiential peace zone."

For more information about Citizens for Peace, visit www.citizensforpeace11.blogspot.com. For more on the Yoga **Association of Greater** Detroit, visit www.vagd. org. For more on meditation, see www.livinginthepresentmoment.com.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dan Huckins is the new pastor at Northville's First Church of the Nazarene at 21260 Haggerty Road. Huckins moved to the area from Lima, Ohio, and just recently took over shepherding of the congregation.

Pastor aims to help his church grow in faith

By Julie Brown

O&E Staff Writer

Dan Huckins understands the tendency to blame God when things go wrong.

"I think that's pretty normal," said Huckins, 47, the new lead pastor at First Church of the Nazarene in Northville. Even devout worshipers get irritated with God, he says.

"I think it's to stay engaged with God," he said of the answer, not turning your back on God. "Rather than run from God, I think the best course is to run to."

Some of us tend to take credit for our successes and blame God for shortcomings.

"So many of those bad things are just a part of life," often arising from our own and others' choices, he said. "He's not the cause of what's going on. Rather, he's the healer and redeemer of all those things."

Americans often expect affluence, Huckins has found, unlike Christians elsewhere. "They understand that life is not always easy. They're less likely to be

Huckins and his family recently arrived from Lima, Ohio, where he served at Lima Community Church, a Nazarene congregation. He earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Western Illinois University, and only worked briefly in that field.

Graduate school took Huckins to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill., for a master of divinity degree and Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky., for a doctor of ministry degree. He was given his first small church in Illinois at age 21. This is his 27th year as a pastor.

"God called me to do it. There's no easier way to explain it, quite honestly," said Huckis, who felt an inner voice calling him to the ministry.

He was born and raised in the United Methodist Church, with his dad a United Methodist pastor. The Nazarene church came out of the United Methodist in the early 20th century, he said, and shares a similar historical background.

Attendance at the two Sunday services at his Northville church adds up to a little over 500.

"My theme is outreach, particularly to those who do not have a church home," Huckins said.

The church has a strong focus on local and foreign missions, with the latter done through the denomina-

Huckins and wife Pam have three children ages 24, 22 and 13. Their oldest son is in North Carolina, the next oldest son in Ohio and their daughter at home

The family's in the process of buying a home in Farmington Hills. Huckins preached his first sermon Aug. 19 on courage, acknowledging with a smile it takes some courage to preach "even after many years of doing it."

He appreciates the warm welcome. "It's been terrific," he said, citing a welcoming reception. Huckins works with three other staff pastors, two part-time pastors and support staff.

He'd like to grow the church beyond attendance in terms of fully devoted followers of Christ. His predecessor, Ron Blake, became a district superintendent with the church in Indiana.

In free time, Huckins enjoys being with his family. "I like to fish, I like to read." He likes sports, exercise, and motorcycles, although he doesn't own one.

The church's location near Eight Mile and Haggerty, with visibility from I-275, helps.

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"It's a challenging time for churches in our country. We hope to be part of the solution," Huckins said.



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on Sept. 8. Tickets are \$10. Barefoot Productions is located at 240 N. Main, Plymouth. Call the box office for tickets at (734) 560-1493 or visit www. justgobarefoot.com.

• Farmington Players: The Dixie Swim Club kicks off the new season in October, followed by The 1940's Radio Hour in November, Rabbit Hole in February 2013 and Legally Blonde in April and May 2013. Performances are held at The Farmington Players Barn Theatre, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Ticket hotline is (248) 553-2955

• Farmington Hills Youth Theatre: Youngsters, teens and adults may audition for Peter Pan Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Times are 12:30-2 p.m., grades 3-4; 2-3:30 p.m., grades 5-7; 3:30-5 p.m., grades 8-12 and adults. Bring a recent school photo; all other materials will be supplied. No prior preparation for the audition is necessary. Audition forms are available on the City's website www. fhgov.com, under Cultural Arts/Youth Theatre. The show will be staged in November. Call (248) 473-1859 for more information.

• Inspire Theatre: Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap kicks off the theater's new season, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday Oct. 26-27 and Nov. 2-3 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2-3, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. Tickets are \$13



Two Muses Theatre's first production of the season is a new play, "A Little Work." **Author Anita Diamant calls** her work "a mash-up of 'Nip/Tuck' and 'The Man Who Came to Dinner."

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• Motor City Youth Theatre: A Little Princess, based on the story by Frances Hodgson Burnett, will run Nov. 9-11 and 16-18. Youngsters can audition for roles at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, at the Grantland Street Playhouse, 27555 Grantland, Livonia. Callbacks will be held the following day. Participants should e-mail nancy@mcyt.org to schedule an appointment. They should prepare a short reading appropriate for the role they hope to attain. Find character material in the book, A Little Princess, at http:// www.gutenberg.org/ files/146/146-h/146-h.htm

• OCC Orchard Ridge: Auditions for The Great American Trailer Park Musical are Sept. 11-12 in Smith Theatre on campus, located on Orchard Lake Road just south of I-696 in Farmington Hills. Two audition time slots are available. The first runs 6-7 p.m. followed by

a movement audition at 7 p.m. The second is 7:30-8:30 p.m. with a movement audition at 8:30 p.m. E-mail denorth@oaklandcc.edu for preferred audition time, or show up a few minute early to make sure there's room. Actors should be familiar with the scripted material found on the OCC Theatre website and prepare 16 bars of a song to sing. There will not be accompaniment. Participants may sing a cappella or bring their own music source. The musical will run Nov. 8-10 and 15-17. The second show of the season is Alan Ayckbourn's comedy Relatively Speaking in March 2013.

• Paul's Players: The Man Who Came to Dinner kicks off the new season Friday-Sunday, Nov. 16-18 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Its spring show is Quilters, May 3-5, 2013. Jerry Smith and Friends, a musical program, takes over the Paul's Players

stage Feb. 9-10, 2013. • Schoolcraft College: Auditions for Moliere's The Doctor in Spite of Himself, a French farce, are set for 7 p.m. Sept. 11-12 in the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Auditions are open to the public. The theater will produce Hamlet in the spring of 2013. For more information, call James Hartman at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5270.

 Spotlight Players: Look for four shows this season, starting with My Fair Lady, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 14-15, 21-22 and 2 p.m. Sept. 15-16 and 22-23; The Glass Menagerie, Nov. 9-11 and 16-17; The Complete Works of William

Shakespeare Abridged, Feb. 15-17 and 22-24, 2013; Barnum, April 19-21 and 26-28, 2013. From the Shadows, a cabaret set for Oct. 12-13, will bring the villains of musicals and film to life. The theater presents "Reunion at Hippie High" in spring 2013. Tickets for My Fair Lady are \$18 for adults and \$16 for seniors over 59 and students, under 19. Buy them at the Village Theater box office, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton, or call (734) 394-5300.

COMMUNITY LIFE

• Spotlight on Youth: The group starts the season with Beauty and the Beast, Oct. 18-21, followed by Santa's Shoes, Dec. 13-16, Sound of Music, March 14-17, 2013 and The Velveteen Rabbit, May 9-11, 2013. The group performs at the Village Theater in Canton.

• Still Got It Players: The senior troupe associated with Spotlight Players in Canton performs the comedy, One Foot in the Gravy, March 13-17, 2013 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton. Auditions are 7 p.m. Jan. 8, 2013. Their second production of the season, The Gangster Priest is set for May 2013.

• Two Muses: A Little Work, a new comedy, runs Sept. 7-30 at Barnes & Noble Theatre Space, 6800 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield. Advance tickets are \$18 and \$15; \$2 more at the door. Look for Greetings! a play by Tom Dudzick in Nov. 23-Dec. 16. For more information or tickets, call (248) 850-9919 or visit www.TwoMusesTheatre.org

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Cost to attend the lunch is \$25. The price includes a roster of current membership and a memorial page of deceased members. Retirees who can't attend the luncheon or who want to register for future mailings can purchase the roster for \$3.

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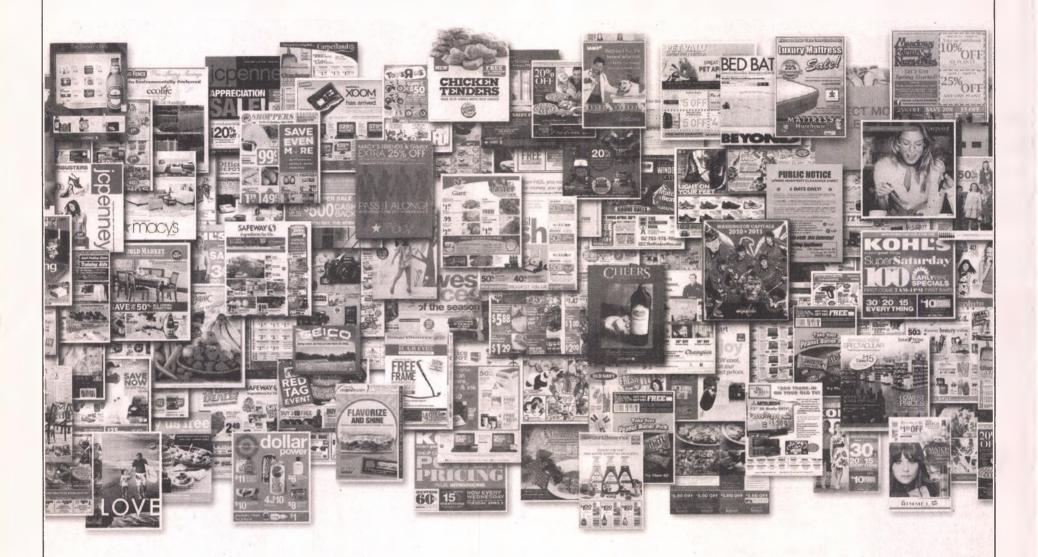
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Brady Andrew Turri

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Grandparents are Jill and Brian Albertsen of Livonia and Gary and Theresa Turri of Westland. Great-grandparents are Marge and Terry Byrd of Livonia.



REUNIONS

BELLEVILLE

CLASS OF 1957

55-year reunion, Sept. 21-22, at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites, I-94 and Belleville Road. Informal gathering starts at 6 p.m., Friday. Social time starts at 5 p.m., Saturday, followed by dinner. Call Donna (Watkins) Gotts at (734) 331-9180 or e-mail to donnagotts@aol for more details.

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Thursday, Sept. 13 at the Stitt Hall in Dearborn Heights. Call Earl Berry at (313) 277-7130 or (313) 727-8983

CLASS OF 1948

The January and June classes will hold a 64-year reunion lunch, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 20, at the American Legion, Carl E. Stitt Post, 232 Warren Road, Dearborn. For more information call Rose Marie Listwan Kopelkin at (734) 421-1485.

CLASS OF 1952

60-year reunion planned for Sept. 15 at Park Place in Dearborn. E-mail Al Orloff at orloffal@att.net or phone him at (734) 432-9308 or e-mail Marvin M. Smyth at mmsmyth@juno.com or call him at (313) 562-4378.

DEARBORN HEIGHTS ANNAPOLIS

CLASS OF 1982

For information about the 30-year reunion on Saturday, Oct. 20, at Fr. Patrick O'Kelley Knights of Columbus in Dearborn, visit the "AHS Class of 82" page on Facebook, or contact Diane Goodreau at dianeschofield@sbcglobal.net or (313) 363-0523; Jim Linaras at godofouzo@yahoo.com; or John Zadikian at zman6754@ aol.com

DEARBORN HEIGHTS ROBICHAUD

CLASS OF 1962

50th class reunion, Sept. 29 at the 1-Under Bar & Grill Banquet Facility in Livonia. The committee is looking for classmates and contact information. All classes are welcome to attend. Send names, contact info and questions to the reunion committee website, robichaud62@yahoo. com. Check out "Robichaud 50th Reunion Class of 62" on Facebook and on classmates. com. Or call Paula (McGue) at (517) 304-9755.

DETROIT CODY

CLASS OF 1962

Looking for Classmates from January and June graduations for 50th reunion, 6 p.m. Sept. 29, at the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr. North, Livonia. Call Neal and Barb Gehring at (248) 568-2254; NGBG@ comcast.net.

DETROIT MACKENZIE

CLASSES FROM 1950-69 Second annual picnic noon-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 23, at Nankin Mills Pavilion in Hines park, located at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive in Westland. Bring your own picnic or purchase Michigan-made hot dogs, chips, pop, water and ice cream at the event. Seating will be available under the shelter, or bring your own chairs. No need to pre-register. Call Janet Cable at (734) 377-4009 or e-mail mackenzie50s-60s@ hotmail.com.

DETROIT WESTERN ALL CLASSES

Friday, Sept. 14 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Familystyle luncheon plus prizes and plenty of school spirit. \$25 per person. Phone Mildred (Lois) Carpenter at (248) 427-0673 for tickets. Deadline is Aug.

CLASS OF 1962

Looking for classmates from January and June classes for 50th class reunion Saturday, Sept. 22 at Western Golf and Country Club, Redford. Cost is \$62 per person. Other weekend activities include tour of

school, evening icebreaker and Sunday brunch. For information call Judy Alegnani Murray, (313) 399-0507, Judy Hull Rakowski, (734) 459-3832,

FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Helen Knight Tucker, (734)

285-4927 or Ralph Brighton,

CLASS OF 1962

(734) 513-7499.

The 50th class reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 22 at Farmington Hills Holiday Inn, 37529 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills; (248) 477-7800. The \$60 per person cost includes a welcome reception from 2-5 p.m. and an evening dinner dance with cash bar. Cocktails will be at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations deadline is Sept. 1. For more information call Michele Cook Hoffmeyer at (602) 290-6006 or e-mail to russmichele@ yahoo.com. Check Classmates and Facebook FHS Class of 62 Reunion pages for more information.

GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL EAST

CLASSES OF 1968-1973 Reunion Sept. 22. Looking for classmates. Check out the

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GARDEN CITY WEST CLASS OF 1972

6:30 p.m. Oct. 27. For more information e-mail to Janine (Alioto) Brown at jbrown@ psm.inc.net.

LINCOLN PARK HIGH CLASS OF 1962

50-year reunion for January and June graduates is set for 6 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Marriott Hotel, located at Six Mile and I-275 in Livonia. For more information or to RSVP e-mail Marilyn Roy Snyder at Marilyn@Marilyn-

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CLASS OF 1972

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40-year reunion Saturday Sept. 15. For information or to register contact Sharon at (734) 261-3264 or e-mail celebrationstoremember@ vahoo.com

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CLASS OF 1962 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012 at Tam O'Shanter Country Club

in West Bloomfield. Make reservations at www.Classof62reunion.myevent.com, where you also will find information about the weekend's planned events and more. Or Carol Rochlen Crotty at (248) 553-4904 for additional information.

PONTIAC CENTRAL CLASS OF 1962

Informal social gathering, 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 21 and reunion, 6 p.m. Saturday,

Sept. 22, both at the Radisson Hotel, 30475 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. For more information call Bob or Marilyn (Coffing) Pomeroy at (248) 625-5301.

CLASS OF 1972

40th class reunion Sept. 22 at The Lafayette Grand of Pontiac. A "Meet & Greet" also will be held Friday, Sept. 21. Location to be determined. Email Tina Johnson tinastribe@ charter.net.

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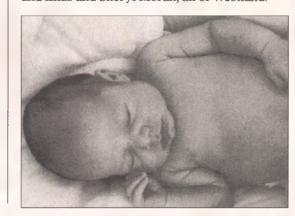
Looking for classmates for reunion on Sept. 8. Contact: nikkiwestberg@yahoo.com or Sue (Hughes) Morman at (734) 414-9941 for information.

Vincent William Johnson

Vincent William Johnson was born June 27, 2012, at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He weighed 6 pounds 6 ounces and measured 20

Proud parents Rob and Angela Johnson of

Grandparents are Robert and Norma Johnson and Elias and Sheryl Moran, all of Westland.



Jaeger-Groh

Suzette Jaeger and Justin Groh announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Anny and Dan Jaeger of Howell, graduated in 2005 from Farmington High School. She owns iClean Maid Service in Denver, Colo.

Her fiance, son

of Terry and Robin Groh of Clarkston, is a 1999 Clarkston High School graduate. He earned an AAS degree in business administration and works in the oil and gas industry in Lonetree, Colo.



A September 2012 wedding is planned at Oakhurst Country Club in Clarkston.

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GARVER, LOUIS WM., "LOU"

Age 87, of Redford; passed away peacefully on August 27, 2012. Mr. Garver was a graduate of Kings Point Merchant Marine Academy, earned his Bachelor of Science degree from his beloved MSU "GO GREEN!" He proudly served in the Navy during the Korean War as an Intelligence Officer. Mr. Garver retired as a stock broker after 30 years, where he enjoyed his family, especially his beloved grandchildren. Beloved husband of 62 years to Joan; dear father of Diane (Fred) Herman, Mary Ann (Doug) Reschke, Richard (Sue) Garver, Carolyn (Garth) Cappy, Cathy (Tom) Mertz, Gerald (Julie) Garver; proud grandfather of nine; caring brother of Dan Garver and the late Blodwen Rogers. The Memorial Service will be Friday, August 31, 2012, at 11 a.m. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Road, Livonia, MI. The family will greet friends at the church on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of the memorial service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations suggested to Veterans Administration Hospital Volunteer Program- Ann Arbor: www.volunteer.va.gov

www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com and share a tribute of Lou.



GUST, ROCKWELL T., JR. Died Monday, August 27 in Naples, FL, formerly from Grosse Pointe Farms and Bloomfield Hills, MI, the age of 88. Born June 23, 1924 in Morenci Michigan, he is the

son of the late Rockwell T. and Anne (Sexton) Gust. Rockwell is survived by his wife, Joan Walsh Gust. He was the loving father of five with first wife Anne Baldwin Gust; Ruthie Tyler, Rockwell III (Julie), Robert, Anne (Jerry) Brown, and William (Karen). His stepchildren are Tom (Kimberely) Walsh and Cathie Fosth. He was a fun-loving "Gramps" to 19 grandchildren and 7 great-children. Rockwell graduated from Detroit Country Day School, Williams College and University of Michigan Law School. He was a Lieutenant in the Navy, serving aboard a PT boat during World War II. Rockwell began his career as an attorney with his father's firm Butzel, Long, Gust and Kennedy and went on to become general counsel at Alexander Hamilton. After moving to Naples, Rockwell went into private practice in real estate development. Rockwell had a lifelong interest in politics. He was nominated to run for Lieutenant Governor in 1962 alongside George Romney. He was also elected to the Michigan State Constitutional Convention in 1961-62. He is father-in-law of current California Governor Jerry Brown. Rockwell was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, The Detroit Athletic Club, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Otsego Club, Kirk in the Hills and First Presbyterian Church of Naples, FL. Rockwell will always be remembered as a man devoted to his family, his religion and his friends. He loved his annual family reunions with his children and, until recently, would make his daily four-block trip to watch the sunset over the Gulf of Mexico. He will be dearly missed. Memorials may be made to the Big D Scholarship Fund, Camp Deerhorn, 3725 Deerhorn Road, Rhinelander, WI 54501 or Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church, 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. Funeral services and internment were held at First Presbyterian Church of Naples, FL on August 31 followed by a private memorial and service at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield

Hills, MI on September 2

HENSLEY, (TRAYNE) DIANE

Age 68 of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, TN lost her battle with cancer on August 29th. She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Jack; daughters Marci Hensley - Tate (Ryan) of Chicago, IL; Karin Hensley - Stern (Jacob) of Carlsbad, CA; son Bill Hensley of Chicago, IL; grandchildren Reagan, Zachary and Emma Stern all of Carlsbad, CA; brothers John Travne (Brenda) of Rhinelander. WI; James Trayne (Leona) of Calumet City, IL; Susan Bakker (Richard) of Schererville, IN; Laura Thornton of Bald Knob, AR; Jeanne Satterfield (Chuck) of Eagle River, WI; many nephews, nieces and cousins, one uncle, Thomas Trayne (Marie) of Hammond, IN and two special cousins, Norene Marnen and Kocka. A Memorial Service will be held September 15 at 2pm at the Community Church at Tellico Village. The family will receive guests immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, charitable donamay be made to the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center in memory of Diane Hensley. Click Funeral Home, Tellico Village, is handling arrangements.

Memories or condolences may be shared at www.clickfuneralhome.com

HOWE, STELLA

Aug 28, 2012 Age 93. Beloved wife of the late Harry. Loving mother of Lawrence Howe and Kathryn (the late Michael) Howe-Vandelinder. Dear grandma of Derek and Kalie. Aunt of Joan Walker. Predeceased by her siblings William, Edward and Helen. Visitation: Tues Sept 4, 1-3pm, Funeral Service immediatefollowing at 3:00pm at Harry J. Will Funeral Home 37000 Six Mile, Livonia, MI 48152.

For more information: www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

LIVELY, WILLIAM E.

Age 88 of Tecumseh passed away Saturday, August 25, 2012. full obituary may be viewed at www.HandlerFuneralHomes.com

MIELKE,

DELORES A. August 30, 2012. Loving wife of Donald for 64 years. Beloved mother of Bruce (Jennifer) and Janet (Stephen) Mielke Pinkham. Proud grandmother of Matthew (Angela), Andrew and Hannah Mielke, and Alyssa Pinkham. Dear sister-in-law of Lillian Vallee. Long time member of the Plymouth Newcomers Club, and volunteer with the American Red Cross, and the Plymouth Library. Private family services are planned. Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Assoc., Detroit MI Office, Telegraph Road Suite 105, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

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PINIS, CONNIE S. Passed away on August 21, 2012 in Boynton Beach, Florida, her residence for the last 24 years. Connie was born in Marysville, Ohio in 1926 to Herman and Helen Shibler (Campbell). She attended Antioch College, graduating from Ohio State University with a B.S. in Education in 1949. At OSU she met Frederick (Fritz) Pinis of Massillon, Ohio. They dated, fell in love, and within a few months of meeting, Fritz brought her home to meet his par-They married in Highland Park, Michigan in 1949. Connie taught in Lorain. Ohio before moving to Ypsilanti, Michigan with Fritz and starting a family. Mark was born in 1956 and after moving to Birmingham, Michigan (where Fritz became principal at Adams School), Marci arrived in 1958, Laura in 1963. While raising her children, Connie volunteered in her field of education, especially the American Association of University Women

(AAUW), where she attained the Presidency of the Birmingham chapter. Connie acquired her position as a guidance counselor at Ferndale (Michigan) High School where she remained for 14 rewarding years, retiring in 1985. Fritz and Connie enjoyed their retirement in Boynton Beach and the Birmingham area for many years, traveling, playing golf, and enjoying the company of their many friends and their family. After Fritz passed in 2003, Connie had the loving support of her children, grandchildren, and her siblings. Her sister Marcia lived

nearby and was a dear companion

and caretaker in her last years.

her grandchildren Sy Schotz,

Theo Frorer-Pinis, and Emma Li

Frorer-Pinis; her sister Marcia

McManamay and brothers Michael Shibler and Stephen

Shibler. Memorial service is tentatively planned for October. Check:

obits.dignitymemorial.com

Connie is survived by her children and their spouses, Mark Pinis and Pamela Frorer, Marci and Roger Heller, Laura and Eric Simmons;



2012 at Terrace Assisted Living in The Woodlands. Born in St. Louis, MO, she was the daughter of the late George and Audrey Headrick. She was predeceased by her husband Darwin Schlesing. She is survived by her son, Bill Schlesing, and his wife, Michelle; her daughter, Nancy Stock, and her husband Mark; her sister, Marie Headrick; and grandchildren, Erin Schlesing, Elyse Schlesing, Janet Stock and Elliot Stock. A memorial service was held on Monday, August 27th at the Terrace with the Rev. Cliff Ritter officiating. There will also be a second memorial service held in Greenwood, SC at Wesley Commons in December, officiated by the Rev. Carol Peppers Wray. It is respectfully requested that flowers be omitted and memorials be made to the American Heart Association, American Arthritis Foundation or Hospice. Condolences can be sent to Bill Schlesing at 76 N. Chandler Creek Circle, The Woodlands, TX 77381 or Nancy Stock at 520 Miner St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

WASHBURN, SUSAN KAY

Age 68, of Royal Oak, passed away August 21 at Beaumont Hospital. A teacher in Ferndale and then in Whitmore Lake for over 30 years, Susan touched the lives of hundreds of children. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Amy Irene Washburn and William James Simon, of West Allis, WI. A memorial service will be held on September 1 at 10:30 AM at the First Congregational Church of Royal Oak (fccro.org). In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Susan's name to the Lupus Foundation of America (www.lupus.org) or the American Diabetes Association

(www.diabetes.org).



WELLS, G. JEAN

Passed away August 28, 2012 after a brief illness, she was 84 years young. She was born June 15, 1928 in Paris, Arkansas to Gus Edward Phillips and Carrie Ophelia (Wilson) Phillips. She was a dear companion to Kenneth L. Green, beloved mother of Jeane Abbott, Kathy Constantine, Nancy Nelson and the late Thomas Abbott. Jean is the dear grandmother of four and great grandmother of six. She is also survived by two brothers. Jean was a 56 year resident of Livonia. She was a retired Medical Records Administrator having worked at Outer Drive Hospital in Lincoln Park and Heritage Hospital in Taylor. Jean loved to travel around the country in an RV, having visited most every state. A Funeral Service took place Saturday, September 1, 2012, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, with interment at Parkview Cemetery, Livonia. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice or American Cancer Society.

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"The holiday weekend falls during the peak of mosquito season, so it is important that when spending time outside with friends and family, residents exercise caution when applying insect repellents," said Jamie Clover Adams, MDARD Director. "You should always follow the guidelines listed on the bottle, especially when applying repellents on children.'

Follow these tips to reduce mosquito bites and mosquito population

· Consider using nonchemical means to prevent biting, such as screens, netting, long sleeves, closed shoes, and pants.

 Practice prevention by eliminating breeding grounds for mosquitoes, such as standing water near the home.

· Consider using biological controls for small lakes and ponds you own, such as Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis, which is available at many stores.

When applying insect repellents on children, follow the guidelines recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Environmental Health:

- Do not use repellents with DEET on infants less than two months
- Apply repellent on your hands and then rub it on the child.
- · Avoid spraying children's eyes and mouths, and use the repellent sparingly around their
- · Never apply repellent to children's hands or their skin under cloth-
- Do not allow young children to apply insect repellent to themselves.
- When a child goes indoors or the repellent is no longer needed, wash the treated skin with soap and water.
- · Keep repellents out of reach of children.

Additional precautions to keep in mind regarding applying repellents and eliminating possible breeding grounds for



summer insects:

 Avoid mosquitoes during their prime feeding hours of dusk and

dawn. Before applying repellent, read all label directions; not all repellents are intended to be applied to the skin.

- Repellents with low concentrations (10 percent or below) are effective and may be preferred in most situations. Start with a lowconcentration product and re-apply if neces-
- If applying repellents over a long period of time, alternate the repellent with one that has another active ingredient.
- Do not use repellents on broken or irritated skin or apply to eyes and mouth.

 Avoid breathing sprays and do not use near food.

Reactions to repellents are rare, but exposure to excessive levels of DEET may cause headaches, restlessness, crying spells, mania, staggering, rapid breathing, convulsions, and possibly coma. MDARD and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency also warn consumers to stop using a repellent if they experience any of those symptoms. If the product is swallowed, consumers should contact a poison control center or the hospital emergency room immediately.

To determine if a repellent is registered for use in Michigan, visit www.michigan.gov/

Class benefits parish

Joe Mason, a certified personal fitness trainer, will offer a six-week exercise class beginning Monday, Sept. 17 at St. John Neumann Parish in Canton.

The class will run from 10-11:15 a.m. and costs \$36. A portion of all class fees will be donated to the parish.

The workout is aimed at all skill levels and will begin each week with gentle aerobic movements. The sessions will include strength training, high repetitions with light hand weights, abdominal and back exercises, body stretching and balance work. Each participant will receive handouts with easy-to-follow workout recommendations. To be successful, daily home exercises must be

Students should wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga or exercise mat to class, along with light hand weights and bottled water.

Mason guarantees improvement in sleep patterns, flexibility, endurance, strength and stamina.

In addition to being certified as a personal trainer, Mason is a certified instructor in yoga and indoor cycling. He also is certified in CPR and defibrillator use.

St. John Neumann Parish is located at 44800 Warren Road, Canton. Call (734) 455-5910 with questions or to reg-

LEARN ABOUT P.A.D.

More than eight million Americans suffer from peripheral arterial disease, commonly known as P.A.D., a serious but often unrecognized condition with life-changing consequences. Without timely detection and treatment, P.A.D. can make walking difficult and increase the risk of heart attack, stroke, leg amputation, and even death.

In support of September as P.A.D. Awareness Month, St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will present a community seminar designed to help identify and reduce the acceleration of P.A.D. among high-risk individuals.

Dr. John Iljas, DO, limb salvage specialist at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, will speak from 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, in the auditorium at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, about leading medical technology that will help reduce the risks and alleviate P.A.D.

Individuals who are at risk for P.A.D. include anyone over age 50 who has a history of smoking, diabetes, high blood pressure or high cholesterol.

P.A.D. occurs when fatty deposits block or narrow arteries in the legs, reducing blood flow to the lower extremities and other areas of the body. According to recent research, vascular disease such as diabetes and P.A.D. is the leading cause of amputations. Symptoms include painful cramping in the lower body after an activity and sores on legs and feet that won't heal. Sometimes there are no symptoms.

The event on Sept. 18 is free. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required. Limited space is

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Companies hiring this month 15 companies hiring in September

Debra Auerbach, CareerBuilder Writer

Another summer has come and gone, and as the weather gets cooler, the clothes get heavier and warm-weather fun is replaced by indoor activities. If you're a job seeker, the summer months may not have been the most productive ones for job hunting, and understandably so. But the new season brings with it the opportunity to wipe the slate clean and get a fresh start on your search.

There are a lot of reasons why fall is a great time to ramp up your job search. Since summer is a popular vacation season, you might have better luck networking with people now that they're back in the office. Plus, there are a lot of companies that are looking for great people to join their team immediately. To help start your fall job search off on the right foot, here are 15 companies hiring in September:

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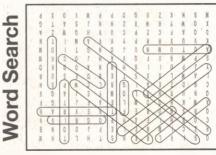
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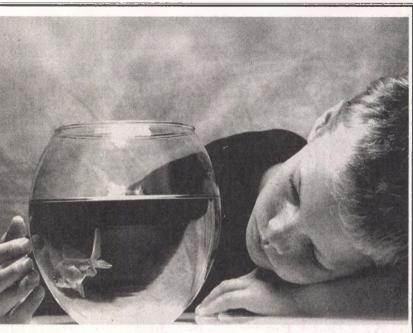
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