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Salon Awesome's scarecrow, Edward Scissors Hands, has been stolen from the Scarecrows in the Park display along Main Street outside Kellogg Park.

**Scarecrow  
stolen**

The scarecrow sponsored by staffers at Salon Awesome has been taken from Kellogg Park. Edward Scissors Hands, with silver fingers, disappeared two days ago.

Edward Scissors Hands was part of the Scarecrows in the Park that features 35 (now 34) scarecrows facing Main Street from Kellogg Park sponsored by local companies and community groups that decorated the them.

Anyone with information on Salon Awesome's Edward Scissors Hands can contact Rachelle Dempster at Salon Awesome, (734) 927-9800.

**Town halls**

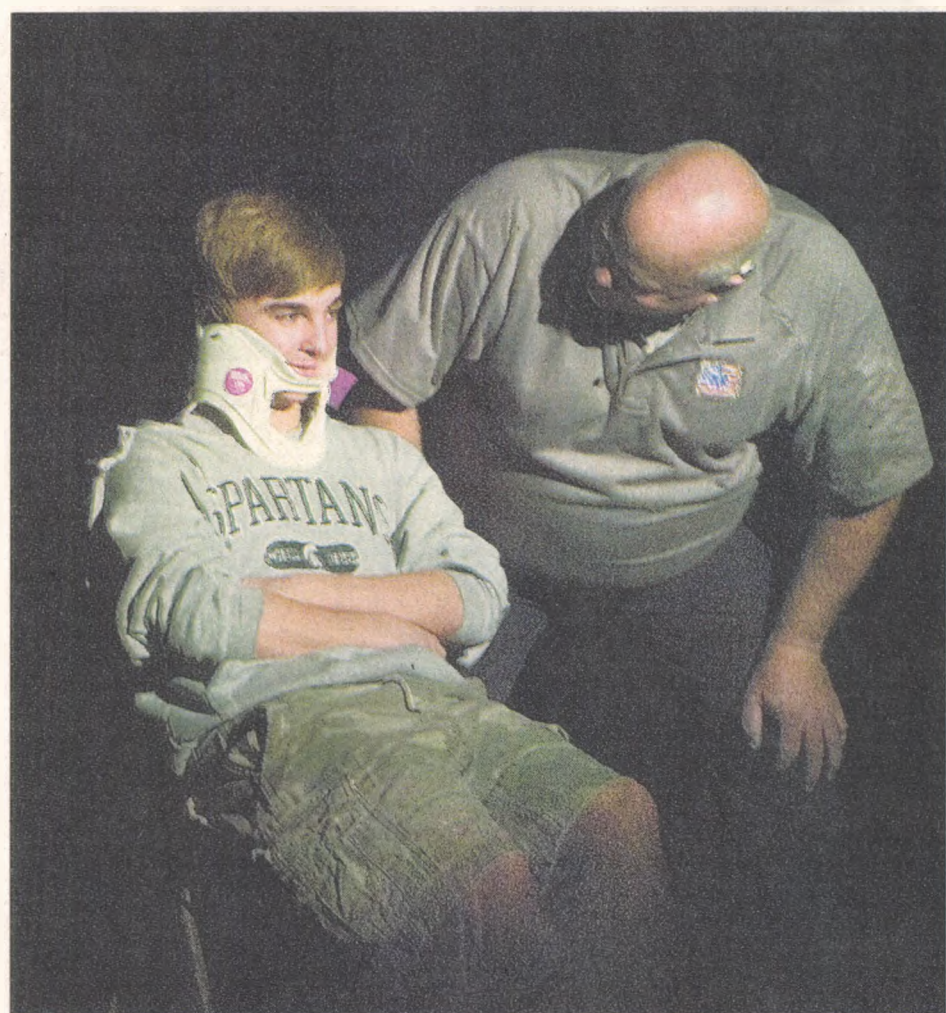
State Sen. Patrick Colbeck will be continuing his series of town halls on the statewide proposals for the Nov. 6 election. The next town halls will be:

• Monday, Oct. 29, 9 a.m. at Senate Coney Island, 39430 Dun Rovin Drive, Northville.

• Monday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

• Thursday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m., at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile, Northville.

For more information, contact Colbeck's office at (517) 373-7350 or senpcolbeck@senate.michigan.gov.



Student volunteer Mike Schultz has a cervical collar fitted by Greg McCarty.

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**Graphic detail**  
Interactive show portrays  
perils of poor decisions

By Brad Kadrich  
Observer Staff Writer

Early on in their presentation on the perils of poor decision making for youngsters, Street Smart master of ceremonies Greg McCarty asked the 1,000 students sitting in the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School how many of them frequently went without seat belts, and senior Mitchell Marshall raised his hand.

By the time the 45-minute presentation was over, Marshall was swearing he'd never ride without a seat belt again.

That's how powerful the message delivered by the two-man firefighter team from Stay Alive from Education was. Their "Street Smart" presentation, given to some 3,000 students in three different sessions Thursday, is designed to help prevent underage drinking, drunken driving and illegal drug use, while encouraging seat belt use.

McCarty and his partner, Ronny Garcia, used Marshall as a test subject, strapping him to a gurney to demonstrate the consequences of making poor decisions rel-

ative to driving. After being strapped down and watching the various needles used and hearing trauma procedures described, Marshall was convinced.

**Right response**

"That sucked," he said honestly after spending about 20 minutes on the gurney. "I've had surgery before, but this (the demonstration) was a lot worse. When they pulled those needles out ... It was scary. I couldn't imagine going through something like that."

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**Clerks foresee  
long lines on  
election day**

By Matt Jachman  
Observer Staff Writer

Voting by absentee ballot  
— are you eligible?, A3.

A long, complicated ballot and strong interest in the presidential race are likely to make for long lines at polling places on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 6.

To ease the situation, the clerks in Plymouth and Plymouth Township are urging eligible voters to cast absentee ballots to avoid having to visit the precincts.

"I've had a lot of people who said, 'We usually go to the polls,'" but are voting absentee this year due to the size of the ballot, Plymouth Clerk Linda Langmessa said of residents

stopping by her office for absentee ballots.

Langmessa's office had issued more than 1,500 absentee ballots as of Thursday afternoon, already more than Plymouth's absentee total for the 2008 presidential election. She attributed the increased interest in absentee voting to the length of the ballot.

The clerk said she expects absentees to reach the 1,600 mark, which would be more than 20 percent of the 7,468 city voters eligible

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Dave Santia's 'The Art of Rock & Roll' live paintings highlight Friday's Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce annual dinner/auction at Laurel Manor.

**Chamber auction  
has tropical theme**

By Matt Jachman  
Observer Staff Writer

for the evening. (Cocktail attire is also acceptable.)

The fall chill won't stop hundreds of people from gathering Friday for a Hawaiian-style luau to benefit the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber's 23rd annual auction, with dinner, dancing, an open bar and live and silent auctions, is 6 p.m. Friday at Laurel Manor in Livonia. It's the chamber's biggest fundraiser of the year, and more than 400 items will be up for auction.

Hawaiian music, tropical drinks and guests in sundresses, sandals and loose-fitting, colorful shirts will turn Laurel Manor into the chamber's tropical paradise

Auction items will include concert and sporting event tickets, golfing and resort trips, massages, a ride with Santa Claus on a fire truck during Plymouth's holiday tree-lighting event and "The Art of Rock 'n' Roll" paintings by Dave Santia.

There will also be raffles, with tickets priced at \$2, \$5 and \$10, and many of the raffle items are worth hundreds of dollars.

Tickets are \$75 each. For reservations, call Teri Fry at the chamber at (734) 453-1540, or email her at teri@plymouthmich.org.

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**On the prowl!**

The Plymouth Wildcats celebrate after beating cross-campus rivals, the Canton Chiefs, 40-28. Friday night's contest is the first step on the road to Ford Field and the state high school football championship. See today's sports section for game coverage.



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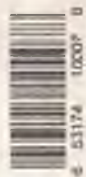
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# City newcomers' house a diamond in the rough

By Matt Jachman  
Observer Staff Writer

Scott and Alison Jones see a lot to love in their "new" house in Old Village. They're looking past the carpeting that covers hardwood floors, past the drywall over original plaster and the shingles over the cedar siding — and looking years down the road — to see the character, charm and solid construction of a Plymouth house built more than a century ago.

"We went looking for an older house," Alison Jones said during recent a tour of their house on Starkweather. "We really wanted a fixer-upper."

The Joneses, who both grew up in Plymouth, also were looking to buy in the city. Character and living in Plymouth were at the top of their list.

"We love the fact that we can walk downtown," she said. The Old Village shops and restaurants a block or two away are also a draw, she said.

**This old house**  
City records date the Joneses' house from 1900, but Mark Oppat, a long-time Old Village resident and neighborhood historian, says it's probably a little older, maybe from around 1890, judging from certain characteristics, like the windows.

The Joneses are among the latest to join what Oppat said is a long trend of Old Village home restoration.

Oppat bought his first home on Caster Street in 1984 and started working on it that year; he has since renovated or restored about a dozen houses in the neighborhood.

Oppat tries to bring those houses back to their original state to the extent possible, but that can vary greatly, as many have been remodeled, chopped up and turned into apartments over the years.

That was the cases with the Jones' house, which



The house on Starkweather has long been a two-family dwelling. Scott and Alison Jones plan to make it a single family home again.

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ly 1920s and still heats up nicely.

"I like the differences, where every house wasn't cookie-cutter," Alison Jones said.

The house also has lath-and-plaster walls, single-pane windows with sash weights (the Jones are opting for greater energy efficiency in replacing them), decorative trim on the edges of the roof and a stone foundation rather than cinderblock or concrete block.

"I love the look, I just love it," Alison Jones said of the stone walls in the basement. "It's original."

"Some poor guy had to move all the stones at some point, mortar them together," Scott Jones said.

Scott Jones said he has respect for the common-sense building practices of years ago. The roof, for example, has no gutters, but was designed to shed water away from the house, and leakage hasn't been an issue.

There were some initial problems, though, like squirrels in the attic and the raccoon in the crawl space under an addition.

**Neighborhood comeback**

Oppat said there have been a few prominent Old Village home restorations in recent years, including a couple of others on Starkweather, and one on North Holbrook of a house that may date from the early 1830s.

When he moved there in the 1980s, Oppat said, the neighborhood was ripe for renovation.

"This was pretty run down here and it was an area where you could buy a house pretty cheap," he said. "This used to be quite the wrong side of the tracks."

The trend is slowing, though, he said, as houses get bought up and renovated or even get torn down.

"Most of the really bad ones were torn down or renovated," Oppat said.

The Joneses say they're in it for the long haul, and haven't lost their enthusiasm for their house, despite having to extend what was originally a five-year plan.

"Some day we'll get there," Scott Jones said.



Original pocket doors still work, but need refurbishing.

had been two separate two-bedroom rental units, with even the front porch split into two. Their long-term plan is to make it

one house again.

"We want to kind of bring a lot of the details back into the house," Scott Jones said. They're living on one side now and working on the other, and when that side is finished, they'll move there and redo the other side.

"We've been reading books and learning as much as we can about



Alison and Scott Jones are taking on a big job, but they're ready for it.

how they did things," said Scott Jones, who said he picked up handyman skills from his parents.

**Decorative details**  
The details that attracted the Joneses aren't hard to find, especially on the house's south-

ern half, where there are wide moldings, a clawfoot tub, and a working pocket door in the living room. There is also an old gravity furnace — it originally burned coal and was converted to gas — in the basement that the Joneses say is from the ear-

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More than 100 voices will join in celebrating Thanksgiving with a music festival featuring choral anthems accompanied by brass, handbells and organ, as well as audience sing-along of familiar Thanksgiving hymns as the combined adult choirs of Plymouth churches present a Thanksgiving Choir Festival. The performance takes place 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial. Admission is free; an offering will be received to benefit the Salvation Army. For more information, call (734) 453-5280.

"Around Plymouth" is designed to announce upcoming events taking place in the community. Items will run on a space-available basis. Send details to bkadrich@hometownlife.com.

POTTERY SALE

**Date/Time:** Thursday, Nov. 15 through Sunday, Nov. 18

**Details:** The Village Potters Guild is holding their annual Holiday Sale. Functional and decorative pottery created by 25 members of the guild, will be available at this much-anticipated event. Items include mugs, ornaments, tiles, dinnerware, and large platters. Prices ranging from \$4 to \$200. The opening reception is Thursday, Nov. 15, from 5-8 p.m. The sale continues on Friday, Nov. 16, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 18, noon to 4 p.m. The studio is located at 340 N. Main St. in Plymouth located behind the Crossings Restaurant.

**Contact:** For more information or directions to the studio for the sale, please visit [www.villagepottersguild.org](http://www.villagepottersguild.org) or call (734) 207-8807.

COMMUNITY SUMMIT

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, Nov. 13, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Location:** Karl's Cabin, 6005 Gotfredson in Plymouth

**Details:** The Community Foundation of Plymouth invites community leaders, businesses and members to a community summit to help shape a vision for the community's future. There will be a luncheon at noon. Sponsored by Community Financial, the morning's program will feature remarks by Dan Gilmartin, CEO of the Michigan Municipal League, who will speak on The Economics of Place: The Value of Building

Communities Around People - with a follow-up conversation and exchange of ideas. RSVP by Nov. 8; email [cfrsvp@aaacf.org](mailto:cfrsvp@aaacf.org) to confirm your attendance.

**Contact:** For more information, visit the foundation's website at [www.cplymouth.org](http://www.cplymouth.org).

NEW MORNING OPEN HOUSE

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m.

**Location:** New Morning School, on Haggerty just north of Schoolcraft

**Details:** New Morning School hosts a middle school open house. The school, originally founded in Plymouth 40 years ago, offers new activities and experiences every day. All local families with a middle school or soon-to-be middle school aged student are encouraged to attend this open house to learn more about the opportunities available at the school.

**Contact:** Call the school, (734) 420-3331.

JAZZ @ ELKS

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, Oct. 30, 7-10 p.m.

**Location:** Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

**Details:** The Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780 has Jazz @ The Elks in a beautiful club setting on the last Tuesday of every month. On Tuesday, Oct. 30, for the first time at Jazz @ The Elks, we are happy to welcome the Latin group, Nuevo Jazz Detroit. The artists are Duncan Jones on Keyboard, Don Lewandowski on Bass, Patrick Fitzgibbon on Vibes, Chuck Golemba on Drums and Jerry LeDuff on Congas. There is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres.

**Contact:** For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or email [plymouthelks1780@](mailto:plymouthelks1780@)

Voting absentee — are you eligible?

By Matt Jachman  
Observer Staff Writer

Unlike many states, Michigan is not offering early voting for the Tuesday, Nov. 6, presidential election.

But there are provisions through which voters can cast absentee ballots, and with long lines at polling places anticipated, local clerks are urging those who are eligible to take advantage of absentee voting.

A registered voter can obtain an absentee ballot if she or he meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Age 60 or older.
- Unable to vote at the polling places without assistance.

- Expect to be out of town on election day.
- In jail awaiting an arraignment or trial.
- Unable to go to polling places due to religious reasons.

Appointed to work as an elections inspector in a precinct outside his or her voting precinct.

Eligible voters can apply for and receive absentee ballots in person at the clerk's office in the community in which they are registered. Township voters can direct questions to Clerk Joe Bridgman's office at (734) 354-3229, while city voters can call Clerk Linda Langmesser's office at (734) 453-1234, Ext 225. Voters can also apply

for absentee ballots through the mail.

Both clerks' offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday to issue and receive absentee ballots. Absentee ballots issued that day can either be voted on the spot or taken by voters and returned later, but ballots must be back with the clerks by 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6, or they cannot be counted.

Absentee ballots will also be available at the clerks' offices on Monday, Nov. 5, but they cannot be taken from the building and must be voted on the spot.

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CLERKS

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to vote in the November election.

The ballot in both Plymouth and Plymouth Township is two pages long, with each sheet printed on both sides. In addition to the presidential race, there are races for the Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives, the state House and the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, public university governing boards and several judge-ships, plus six statewide ballot proposals and five Wayne County proposals.

In Plymouth Township, there is also the race for the Board of Trustees, with candidates running for township supervisor, treasurer and the four part-time trustee positions. (The Republican candidate for township clerk, Nancy Conzelman, is unopposed.)

Current township Clerk Joe Bridgman could not be reached Thursday or Friday, but issued a press release on the absentee situation earlier last week.

Langmesser said voters who do head to the polls Nov. 6 should educate themselves on the ballot proposals and decide

which way they want to vote on them before getting to the voting booth.

Also, she said, voters heading to the city's voting precincts at the Plymouth Cultural Center on election day should be aware that other activities will be in place there, making parking availability tight. City personnel may be on hand to direct traffic.

Sample ballots are available both at city hall and township hall, and through the Michigan Secretary of State's website ([michigan.gov/sos](http://michigan.gov/sos)).

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## Radio station celebrates 40 years

The hits keep on coming for WSDP, the student-run radio station serving Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

A slate of the station's volunteers were honored Tuesday with the Board of Education's Volunteer in Public Schools award for their efforts in keeping the award-winning station on the air.

The honor — which went to volunteers Jake Bugjea, Todd Chatman, Rick Grezebik, Scott Herrold, Elaine Kirchgatter, June Kirchgatter and Mike Schulte — came on the heels of a successful 40th anniversary reunion at Schoolcraft College, an Oct. 13 event that served as part of a weekend of networking and fundraising activities.

The reunion was attended by alums now living as far away as San Diego and Boston. The reunion festivities began Friday night as several of the alums participated in WSDP's first Euchre



Board of Education Treasurer Barry Simescu (from left) with volunteer engineer Rick Grezebik, volunteer Elaine Kirchgatter and WSDP station manager Bill Keith at Tuesday's Board of Education meeting, where the volunteers were honored with the district's monthly VIP award.

tournament. Several of the founding staff members from the 1970s visited WSDP's Studios on Saturday morning for an open house. The reunion festivities were capped off with a banquet celebrating the station's 40 years of using the practice of community radio to invest in the lives of young people and serve the Plymouth-Canton Community.

The event provided alums with an opportunity to visit with old friends and share favorite memories of their time at the station. The alums enjoyed a dinner provided by Schoolcraft Community College's Award Winning Culinary Program followed by a special program which looked back at the station's history, shared the efforts of the station's



The founding staff of WSDP, with original faculty adviser John Seidelman, at the radio station's 40th anniversary dinner at Schoolcraft College.

advisory board and challenged alums to support WSDP financially.

"Our reunions always remind me of the important role that WSDP has played in the lives of so many people," station manager Bill Keith said, noting more than 700 students have served as reporters, broadcast-

ers, writers, engineers, and student directors at the station over the past 40 years. "At this year's reunion many former students underscored the significant impact the station has had in their careers, whether they continued in broadcasting or not."

In her comments during the evening's program, June Kirchgatter

(Salem '83) echoed the importance of the station to alums.

"WSDP has impacted the lives of countless students who left high school with direction, confidence and broadcasting and leadership skills," said Kirchgatter, who now serves on the station's advisory board. "We determined that the station was too important to fail. So we created a series of committees to help raise the profile of the station in the Plymouth-Canton community and to better facilitate fundraising activities in the future. Part of our efforts included a new music format which would be more appealing to the residents of the community that the station serves."

The new Top 40 format was launched in January and the new name and logo debuted in August. WSDP is now known as 88.1 The Park. More information is available at 881ThePark.com.

## District saves \$9 million by refinancing bonds

By Brad Kadrich  
Observer Staff Writer

It was tough to tell which development made Brodie Killian smile wider while delivering two pieces of good news to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education this week.

The first piece of news was the savings the district got from refinancing a pair of outstanding bond issues. The sale of \$64 million in 2012 refunding

bonds, which refinance bonds left from 2003 and 2004, saves the district \$9.3 million over the next 17 years.

The other news flash: The district keeps its credit rating at AA2, the third highest rating it could get from Moody's. Killian said that was crucial to getting the bonds refinanced.

"Despite all the fiscal challenges and tough decisions we've had to make relative to (budget) reductions, we were able to hang onto our bond rat-

ing," Killian said. "It shows our district has been fiscally responsible."

The Board of Education approved the sale of the 2012 refunding bonds, which reduces the interest expenses for the 2003 and 2004 bonds and lowers the district's debt payments through 2029.

The 2003 bonds were refinanced from a 4.5 percent interest cost down to 1.295 percent. The 2004 bonds, with an original interest expense of 4.9

percent, are now being paid at 2.8 percent.

Killian said the interest rates were simply too good to ignore.

"Just like a homeowner who refinances a home mortgage when interest rates fall, our district acted in a similar fashion to refinance our taxpayer-backed bonds," Killian said. "Historically low interest rates paired with the district's strong credit rating were key factors in this successful refinancing." Brenda Voutyras, managing

director with Stifel Nicolaus, the brokerage firm handling the financing, said the district's bonds were "well-received" by the market.

"We saw a high level of demand and were able to take advantage of current low rates that exceeded the goals of the district, as well as producing a very nice level of savings for its taxpayers," Voutyras said.

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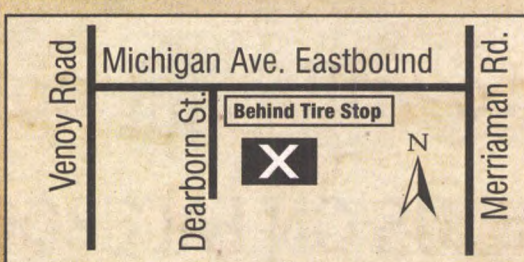
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# Students travel Gallimore's haunted hallways

Thursday night Gallimore students and their families were lined all the way out to Sheldon Road to participate in the first-ever Haunted Hallways trick or treating. The turn-out even surprised the Canton Police Department, members of which were on hand to help with traffic control.

After much discussion, staff decided to try something new and celebrate Halloween in the evening to allow families to be able to participate in the event together. Teachers and staff decorated the hallways and dressed up in all kinds of kooky costumes to pass out candy and other fun treats to their students. The inviting hallways were filled with spooky music, strobe lights, and fog.

When families were done parading through the hallways trick or treating, cider and donuts were waiting for them thanks to the Gallimore PTO. Students also had the opportunity to vote for their favorite decorated classroom! Denny's restaurant and Walmart also helped sponsor this exciting event.

Diane Sterling brought her two daughters, Sarah, who is in fourth grade and her middle schooler, Hannah.

"Everything looks great," she said. "Thanks so much for doing this for the kids."

"We have received so much positive feedback from families," Principal Kimberly May said. "The staff really had fun seeing all our students and families come tonight."

Joelle Zourub is already thinking about what she will be for next year. Even though her older brother Joseph will be in middle school, he said he



The staff, parents and students crowded the hallways of Gallimore Elementary School Thursday for the school's first 'Haunted Hallways' event.



Gallimore student Joseph Zourub was ready for Haunted Hallways with his big hair and even bigger smile.

plans to come back and check out the hallways ...

and maybe get some candy, too.



Gallimore Elementary Principal Kimberly May and resource teacher Erin Allen got into the spirit.

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# Expo showcases businesses, groups

By Darrell Clem  
Observer Staff Writer

An upbeat throng of people jammed Summit on the Park's grand ballroom Thursday afternoon for Consumer Expo, a Canton event that showcased over 70 companies and community organizations during a one-stop event.

Canton residents Ginny and Chuck Mott made their way among the travel agents, restaurants, floral designers, banks, home-care agencies, fitness centers and other companies that filled the ballroom and spilled out into the main hallway.

"We try to come every year," Ginny Mott said. "I like to come here to see what new businesses we have and what they have to offer. It's really worth it. Sometimes you don't know these places exist."

That's exactly why the Canton Chamber of Commerce rolled out the four-hour event Thursday that marked that largest Consumer Expo since 2007. It's not so much a shopping outing as a place where consumers get ideas for businesses they might want to visit.

"Our goal is to be able to give our businesses a platform where they can showcase their services for the Canton community," chamber President Thomas Paden said.

He predicted 300 patrons and businesses had mingled within the first hour of the event. Visitors also learned how organizations such as the Plymouth Community United Way help area residents.

Joanne Darga, community liaison for Plymouth-based Comfort Keepers, touted services such as



Jamie SanFilippo of Killer Crowns talks with Debbie Stewart of Holiday Inn Express.

housekeeping, meal preparation, transportation, grocery shopping and home visits for seniors and others in places such as Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Redford and Detroit.

"We want to be known in the community," Darga said. "Everybody knows somebody who needs us now or will in the future."

Canton resident Joyce Balnaves displayed her Allen Park-based company, Water Gait, a veterinary rehabilitation company that helps pets in pain, whether they have arthritis or need help recovering from an injury. The company offers everything from medical acupuncture to therapeutic laser therapy to water-based exercises.

"I came her to get the word out to people," she said.

Canton resident Brandon Dent, a distributor for Usana, a company that offers nutrition-



Laura Gring, community liaison/social worker for United Home Health Services, speaks with Phyllis Gallatin.

al supplements and skin-care products, said he hoped to teach people how to avoid using items that can be toxic to their bodies. Usana partners with Dr. Mehmet Oz and counts Olympians as its consumers.

"We had 60 Olympians participating this summer (during the London games)," Dent said.

Gary Bigos, Canton

manager for Community Financial, offered information on everything from auto loans to mortgage loans and other financial services. He said Consumer Expo offers a prime spot to promote business.

"It's a good (reflection) of the community," Bigos said. "It is the community."

Chamber board mem-



Tamara Jaros and Colleen Kilpatrick of SendOutCards.com represented one of the many vendors showcased at the Canton Consumer Expo.

ber Denise Staffeld had a triple role in Consumer Expo. She worked to promote the chamber, Huntington Bank and the Spotlight Players, a group that performs at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

"This is really a good way for us to promote all of Canton," Staffeld said.

Kathleen Salla, Canton's Downtown Development coordinator, came to promote the ongoing Shop Canton campaign and its fall brochure, packed with business listings, coupons and community information. She said Shop Canton started a few years ago, when IKEA chose

this community.

Even businesses that haven't yet opened showed up. Menchie's Frozen Yogurt offered samples of what it plans to sell when it opens sometime this fall at Hanford and Canton Center.

Kim Scartelli, Canton chamber board chair, said this year's Consumer Expo seemed to draw a more diverse age group than in the past.

"We're seeing a wider age range," she said. "This really gives the businesses a chance to promote themselves and network."

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**GRAPHIC**

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That's exactly the response McCarty and Garcia are looking for. Street Smart reminds teens — and adults, for that matter — of the dangers of poor decision making. Taught by certified paramedics, the program, which McCarty said reaches some 100,000 students every year, helps audiences better understand the consequences of their actions. They do it by using hundreds of graphic photos and video footage of accident scenes and, especially, of accident victims. The photos show the victims in graphic, unfiltered detail. And they all have one thing in common. "They're dead," Garcia told the crowd bluntly. The presentation is so graphic, it comes with its own warning disclaimer at the beginning. It starts with a four-minute montage of accident-scene

photos and finishes with the 20-minute recitation of the various surgeries an accident victim would have to endure if he survived. That's where Marshall came in. "The graphic pictures drive the point home," Garcia said. "Seeing one of their own (on the gurney), and the dissertation of what you go through, is very powerful. This age group often doesn't think about that part of it."

**Better choices**

The program was developed 12 years ago by Miami-Dade firefighter Vince Easevoli. Two-person teams travel the country talking to students about the dangers inherent in poor decision making. McCarty tells the story of a group of kids watching the TV show "Jackass," and deciding — after a night of drinking and partying — to go car surfing. One man stood atop a moving car while his friends rode in a car behind him

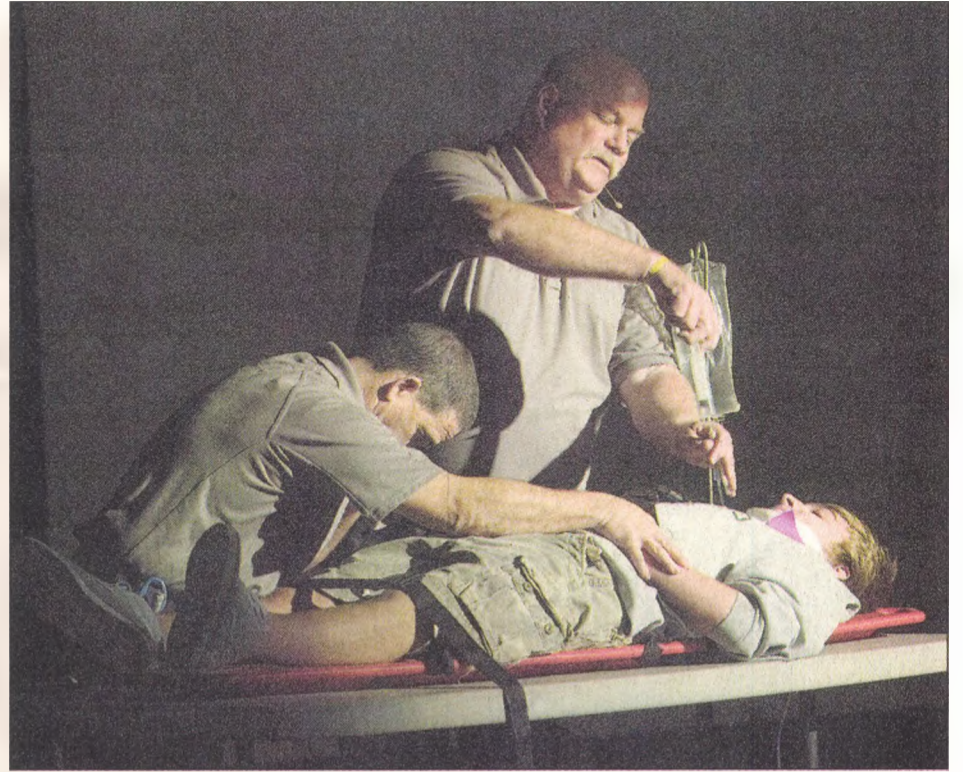
with a video camera rolling. Predictably, the story ends with the man being thrown from the top of the car into the path of oncoming traffic. He was killed.

"Do you think that decision gets made if they're not drinking?" McCarty asked the crowd.

McCarty and Garcia, both firefighter/paramedics, hope they can impart enough wisdom to help youngsters make better decisions when it comes to wearing seat belts — "You're 25 times more likely to be killed in an accident if you're ejected from the vehicle because you weren't wearing seat belts," Garcia points out — and drinking and driving.

"We're trying to make a difference in the poor decisions people make," McCarty said. "We try to give (students) as much information as we can so they can make better decisions."

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Ronny Garcia and Greg McCarty simulate emergency procedures on student volunteer Mike Schultz during a Street Smart demonstration hosted by SADD Thursday at Salem High School.

**Break-in suspect waives hearing**

By Matt Jachman  
Observer Staff Writer

A 48-year-old Plymouth man waived a preliminary hearing Friday on two charges related to the burglary of an Old Village cosmetics shop. Kevin Clinansmith, who was arrested Oct. 9, appeared in 35th District Court before Judge Mike Gerou, where he waived his right to a preliminary hearing on charges of breaking and entering and larceny. Gerou bound the case over to Wayne County Circuit Court, where Clinansmith is scheduled to be arraigned Friday. Clinansmith was being held in the county jail on Friday.

He was arrested in the burglary of Whip Hand

Cosmetics on North Mill, where a computer and cash were reported stolen on Oct. 9. An employee arrived for work that morning and found a door open, a police report said. A brief investigation led to Clinansmith, police said, and he admitted to stealing the computer, which was discovered in a friend's vehicle. Police said a key had apparently been used to enter the business. Breaking and entering is a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison. Clinansmith was charged as a habitual offender, which could increase the length of any prison sentence if he is convicted.

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Music for Malawi drew a huge crowd to the 400-seat Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

PHOTOS BY CORINNE KEE



Raffle coordinator Pam MacKenzie selling raffle tickets equivalent to the height of the purchaser for a 32GB, 4G Apple iPad.



Music for Malawi co-chairs and emcee (from left) Don Kro-nig, Dru Van Campenhout, Curt Rager and the Rev. Doug Campbell.

## Concert raises funds, hope for Malawi school

"It made a difference for that one!" says the little boy, gently tossing one of hundreds of stranded starfish back into the sea.

The story is a familiar one, and was used by the emcee of a recent fund-raising event to illustrate how every effort made toward helping a cause does, in fact, help.

"Music for Malawi, An Evening With the Dale Hicks Band," organized by volunteers at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, combined effort and even more fun, to make a big difference for the people of Malawi. The event held at the Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton raised more than \$40,000 for educational projects at Mtenthera Community Day Secondary School (CDSS) sponsored by FPCP's sister church in Malawi.

The near capacity crowd filled the 400 seat auditorium but many

didn't remain in their seats for long. The night included dancing to the classic rock music, bidding on auction items ranging from Malawian art to a one week stay in a Florida vacation home, and a time to see a video of some of the people who will be helped by the proceeds from the event.

"We were overwhelmed with the generosity of everyone," said event co-chair Curt Rager. "Clearly people were moved by this cause, and every gift given, regardless of the size, will make a difference."

The original event goal was \$25,000 and the larger total will allow more projects to go forward. A girl's dormitory is a priority and when built, will provide access and safety for those who otherwise couldn't travel the long distances from their homes to receive an education.

"Education has been proven the key to hope for a brighter future for entire countries," said Doug Campbell, emcee of the event. "Our contributions will help build those futures."

"On behalf of the people here at Mtenthera Community Day Secondary School," said Greshan Thauzeni, Principal Mtenthera CDSS, "we appreciate very much what the people in Michigan are doing for us. We are praying to God so that God should bless them and our partnership. We are very much in need of their assistance and whatever they can do here is welcome. I thank our visitors for coming here and may God Almighty bless the people of Michigan. I thank you."




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Below is a listing of the offices and proposals that will be on the November 6, 2012 State General Election. Sections are Partisan, Nonpartisan, and Proposal.

**Partisan Section:**

Straight Party Ticket  
Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States  
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Representative in Congress – 11th District, Partial Term Ending 01/02/2013  
Representative in State Legislature – 20th District  
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**Non-Partisan Section:**

Justice of Supreme Court  
Justice of Supreme Court – Incumbent Position – Partial Term Ending 01/01/2015  
Judge of Court of Appeals, 1st District – Incumbent Position  
Judge of Circuit Court, 3rd Circuit – Incumbent position  
Judge of Circuit Court, 3rd Circuit – Non-Incumbent position  
Judge of Circuit Court, 3rd Circuit – Incumbent position – Partial Term Ending 01/01/2015  
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Judge of Probate Court – Incumbent Position – Partial Term Ending 01/01/2015  
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**Proposal Section:**

State Proposal 12-1,

**A REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT 4 OF 2011 – THE EMERGENCY MANAGER LAW**

Public Act 4 of 2011 would:  

- Establish criteria to assess the financial condition of local government units, including school districts.
- Authorize Governor to appoint an emergency manager (EM) upon state finding of a financial emergency, and allow the EM to act in place of local government officials.
- Require EM to develop financial and operating plans, which may include modification or termination of contracts, reorganization of government, and determination of expenditures, services, and use of assets until the emergency is resolved.
- Alternatively, authorize state-appointed review team to enter into a local government approved consent decree.

 Should this law be approved?

State Proposal 12-2,

**A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

This proposal would:  

- Grant public and private employees the constitutional right to organize and bargain collectively through labor unions.
- Invalidate existing or future state or local laws that limit the ability to join unions and bargain collectively, and to negotiate and enforce collective bargaining agreements, including employees' financial support of their labor unions. Laws may be enacted to prohibit public employees from striking.
- Override state laws that regulate hours and conditions of employment to the extent that those laws conflict with collective bargaining agreements.
- Define "employer" as a person or entity employing one or more employees.

 Should this proposal be approved?

State Proposal 12-3,

**A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY**

This proposal would:  

- Require electric utilities to provide at least 25% of their annual retail sales of electricity from renewable energy sources, which are wind, solar, biomass, and hydropower, by 2025.
- Limit to not more than 1% per year electric utility rate increases charged to consumers only to achieve compliance with the renewable energy standard.
- Allow annual extensions of the deadline to meet the 25% standard in order to prevent rate increases over the 1% limit.
- Require the legislature to enact additional laws to encourage the use of Michigan made equipment and employment of Michigan residents.

 Should this proposal be approved?

State Proposal 12-4,

**A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH THE MICHIGAN QUALITY HOME CARE COUNCIL AND PROVIDE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR IN-HOME CARE WORKERS**

This proposal would:  

- Allow in-home care workers to bargain collectively with the Michigan Quality Home Care Council (MQHCC). Continue the current exclusive representative of in-home care workers until modified in accordance with labor laws.
- Require MQHCC to provide training for in-home care workers, create a registry of workers who pass background checks, and provide financial services to patients to manage the cost of in-home care.
- Preserve patients' rights to hire in-home care workers who are not referred from the MQHCC registry who are bargaining unit members.
- Authorize the MQHCC to set minimum compensation standards and terms and conditions of employment.

 Should this proposal be approved?

State Proposal 12-5,

**A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT THE ENACTMENT OF NEW TAXES BY STATE GOVERNMENT**

This proposal would:  
 Require a 2/3 majority vote of the State House and the State Senate, or a statewide vote of the people at a November election, in order for the State of Michigan to impose new or additional taxes on taxpayers or expand the base of taxation or increasing the rate of taxation.  
 This section shall in no way be construed to limit or modify tax limitations otherwise created in this Constitution.  
 Should this proposal be approved?

State Proposal 12-6,

**A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES AND TUNNELS**

This proposal would:  

- Require the approval of a majority of voters at a statewide election and in each municipality where "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" are to be located before the State of Michigan may expend state funds or resources for acquiring land, designing, soliciting bids for, constructing, financing, or promoting new international bridges or tunnels.
- Create a definition of "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" that means, "any bridge or tunnel which is not open to the public and serving traffic as of January 1, 2012."

 Should this proposal be approved?

**County Proposals,**

**FORM OF THE WAYNE COUNTY BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

SHALL THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ADD A NEW SECTION 5.120 AND TO AMEND EXISTING SECTION 5.134 TO AUTHORIZE THE WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION RATHER THAN THE WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ESTABLISH THE FORM (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LUMP-SUM AND LINE-ITEM) OF THE COUNTY BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE; AND TO REQUIRE THE COUNTY COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH THE FORM OF THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY DECEMBER 7, 2012 AND TO ADOPT CHANGES TO THE FORM AT LEAST TEN MONTHS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF A FISCAL YEAR TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR THAT FISCAL YEAR; AND TO ALSO AMEND SECTION 5.121 TO REQUIRE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN THE FORM ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION?

**INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL AUDITOR**

SHALL SECTION 3.119(E) OF THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO REMOVE THE RESTRICTION THAT PROHIBITS AN INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL AUDITOR FROM PROVIDING AUDIT SERVICES TO THE COUNTY FOR MORE THAN EIGHT (8) CONSECUTIVE YEARS; AND FURTHER TO REQUIRE INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL AUDITORS BE SELECTED BASED ON A COMPETITIVE PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE?

**MEMBERSHIP ON THE WAYNE COUNTY RETIREMENT COMMISSION**

SHALL SECTION 6.112 OF THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO EXPAND THE WAYNE COUNTY RETIREMENT COMMISSION'S MEMBERSHIP FROM 8 TO 9, ADDING AS A MEMBER THE WAYNE COUNTY TREASURER OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE; AND ALSO TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION, WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE WAYNE COUNTY RETIREMENT COMMISSION, TO APPOINT A PERSON TO SERVE AS HIS OR HER DESIGNEE ON THE RETIREMENT COMMISSION; AND TO FURTHER ALLOW EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES OF THE WAYNE COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO VOTE FOR AND SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE WAYNE COUNTY RETIREMENT COMMISSION (WITH NO MORE THAN ONE MEMBER BEING AN AIRPORT EMPLOYEE OR RETIREE) UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY ESTABLISHES ITS OWN RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PENSION PLAN?

**REMOVAL OF THE WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FROM OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR**

SHALL THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ADD SECTION 4.124 TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNOR TO REMOVE THE WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FROM OFFICE FOR THE SAME REASONS AND WITH THE SAME DUE PROCESS AS PROVIDED BY LAW FOR THE SHERIFF, PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, COUNTY CLERK, REGISTER OF DEEDS, AND COUNTY TREASURER?

**THE WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION'S POWER TO APPROVE COMPENSATION**

SHALL SECTION 3.115 OF THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER, WHICH SETS FORTH THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSION, BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE POWER AND DUTY TO APPROVE ALL COMPENSATION OF EVERY EMPLOYMENT POSITION IN THE COUNTY, UNLESS THE COMPENSATION IS ESTABLISHED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW?

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Precinct 4	Fiegel Elementary School	39750 Joy Rd
Precinct 5	Isbister Elementary School	9300 Canton Center Rd
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 W Ann Arbor Trl
Precinct 7	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Rd W
Precinct 8	Praise Baptist Church	45000 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 9	Living Word Church	46500 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 10	North Ridge Church	49555 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 11	Risen Christ Lutheran Church	46250 Ann Arbor Rd W
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Rd W

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On Monday, November 5, 2012 qualified voters may be issued an Absentee ballot in person, and shall vote them in the Clerk's Offices until 4:00 p.m.s

Joe Bridgman, MMC  
Township Clerk

# Top wines highlight Nov. 9 benefit

Tickets still remain for the Wine Tasting Benefit & Auction in Livonia, sponsored by Community Opportunity Center and set for Friday, Nov. 9.

Organizers have just learned that a high-end winery from California, the Korbin Kameron Vineyards, will join others to offer the top, most popular California wines for sampling by guests.

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More than 100 international wines from all over the world, ranging in price from \$10 to \$150 a bottle, can be sampled at the festivity that will benefit Community Opportunity Center (COC) which provides housing and supportive services to people with developmental disabilities in western Wayne County.

The Wine Tasting Benefit & Auction, sponsored by The Fine Wine Source of Livonia on behalf of COC, will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, in the Aspen Room of Laurel Manor on the north service drive west of Newburgh Road in Livonia.

Tastaters also will have a chance to bid in a live auction for such items as: a party of 4 to spend 4 nights at Napa Valley winery guest house plus VIP visits to 8 Napa Valley wineries; week in a vacation home in Frankfort; hot air balloon ride for two; dinner for six prepared in a private home by Chef Larry Janes; wine tasting party in a private home featuring 15 wines from around the world.

There will be 10 vendors of fine wine, including several international wines, available for sampling throughout the event which also includes a silent auction, live auction, and an elaborate array of hors d'oeuvres in addition to wine tasting. Tickets at \$65 per person or \$120 per couple may be reserved by calling Diane or Larry Janes at 734-422-5525.

Jim Lutfy, president and owner of The Fine Wine Source, has been in the wine business for more than three decades, almost two decades at 16721 Middlebelt in Livonia. Before that Lutfy distributed wine at the Cloverleaf Market in Southfield. A renowned wine distributor, Lutfy comes from a family that has

been in the wine business for 60 years.

Lutfy has done more than 50 wine tasting benefits over the past three decades, including fundraisers for organizations such as Sarah Fisher & St. Vincent De Paul and the Fr. Solanus Casey Center of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars, and COC.

Community Opportunity Center, based in Livonia, is a non-profit management corporation that provides leadership and oversight to nearly 100 people with developmental disabilities who live among 23 homes and apartment settings in western Wayne County. Homes and apartments are in Plymouth, Livonia, Garden City, Westland and Redford.

In addition to the live auction, many items will be available for inspection and bidding at the silent auction tables including Detroit Pistons and Plymouth Whaler tickets, massage certificates, paintings, a house cleaning service, restaurant certificates, wine baskets, and assorted gift baskets.

For tickets contact Pat at (734) 422-1020. Credit cards will be accepted the night of the event to pay for live and silent auction items.



Bishop Francis Reiss (center), the auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit, performed the blessing and dedication of the new addition. In the background (from left) are Peter Dews, M.D., vice president of medical affairs and chief medical officer; Louis Hallal, M.D., chief of staff; and Jack Kirksey, Livonia mayor.

# St. Mary Mercy dedicates addition

By Karen Smith  
Observer Staff Writer

St. Mary Mercy dedicated its new three-story addition Wednesday, the first portion of a \$89 million project that will completely rebuild the 53-year-old Livonia hospital from the inside out.

President and CEO David Spivey called the dedication of the South Pavilion with a state-of-the-art emergency center and 80 private patient rooms a "tremendous

milestone." He said renovation of the North Wing, where the majority of 90 existing rooms will be converted to private rooms, will begin next month and is expected to be completed in about 16 months. The North Entrance will also be renovated.

"All of this together creates the new St. Mary Mercy Hospital," Spivey said, enabling it to "provide state-of-the-art health care for many years to come."

Private rooms not only meet contemporary standards and expectations, they create a better environment in which to provide and receive care and assist in the healing process, he said.

The dedication ceremony, blessing and cornerstone laying drew about 225 people, including community leaders, longtime employees and members of the Felician Sisters, who founded the hospital in 1959.

"It's something to be admired," Sister Janice Zolkowski said of the new South Pavilion. She remembers cleaning up after the workmen to get the original hospital ready for the first patients. "We were so happy to see what we had at the time," she said.

Mayor Jack Kirksey said as Livonia has grown and its demographics have changed over the years, St. Mary Mercy "has continued to reinvent itself to attract and keep people using its services."

The hospital has four cornerstones representing the significant additions to the original building — 1959, 1972, 1988, 1997, and now 2012.

Betty Lubar of Livonia, a director of nursing who has worked at St. Mary Mercy for 35 years, said the private rooms will provide more space for nurses and for new technology. "It's going to be nice," she said.

Maria Buisson-Bacero of Redford, a 28-year employee who manages patient registration, said the improvements show progress. "We're here to serve" the needs of the community, she said.

Sharon and Dennis Smith of Livonia attended the ceremony with their 2-year-old granddaughter, Brook Smith. Sharon's uncle, Joseph McNamara, donated money for the addition upon his death at age 93 last December. He was a lifelong friend of Sister Mary Modesta Piwowar, a Felician sister who started the No One Dies Alone (NODA) program, Sharon Smith said.

The new emergency center is double the size of the old one. It features a racetrack layout that keeps care team members close to the patient, includes more than 50 specialized treatment rooms, each designed for clinical-specific needs including senior emergency care and behavioral medicine; expanded trauma bays and rapid-assessment areas.

The public may tour the South Pavilion during a grand opening and open house from noon to 4 p.m. today (Sunday).

Activities include health activities, Teddy Bear Clinic, and kids' activities with clowns, balloon animals and face painting. Entertainment includes music by Steve King & the Dittilies, a special appearance from WVDV radio morning show host Blaine Flower from noon to 2 p.m., strolling magicians and photo opportunities with a National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Dragster Team driver and car as well the opportunity to meet community rescue teams.

Refreshments featuring a healthy food menu will also be available. For a complete list of activities, visit stmarymercy.org/grandopening.

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# Reattached hand puts man in medical history books

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Todd Nadeau, 51, of Northville Township holds a place in medical history.

Nadeau was working a summer job at a downtown Northville car wash site, a summer job when an industrial accident severed his hand.

"I had just turned 18" and was a Detroit Catholic Central High senior, the psychologist recalled. "The saw was still moving. The next thing I knew my hand was severed."

Young Nadeau was rushed to then-St. Mary Hospital in Livonia and from there to Harper Hospital in Detroit "where they had a team of hand surgeons."

His first operation was 15 hours, with more surgeries to follow. "It was the first successful reattachment," Nadeau said. "I've had 22 major surgeries (since), about 120 hours of surgeries."

He has about 20 percent use of the injured right



Nadeau severed his right hand in a 1979 accident. He continues to wear a special sleeve to protect the limb.

hand, and can grip with it. Nadeau engineered braces approved by the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) to allow him to play basketball as a Wayne State University and Albion College student.

The accident was Aug. 12, 1979, said Nadeau, who didn't set out to make medical history.

"That wasn't my goal. You go through something like that, you're just gripping the steering wheel as tight as you can."

His great family and school helped, "a lot of encouraging people. It helped me to weather the

storm."

Nadeau had been in several sports at CC but focused on basketball as a senior. "Most people didn't give me a whole lot of respect" as an injured athlete, he recalled.

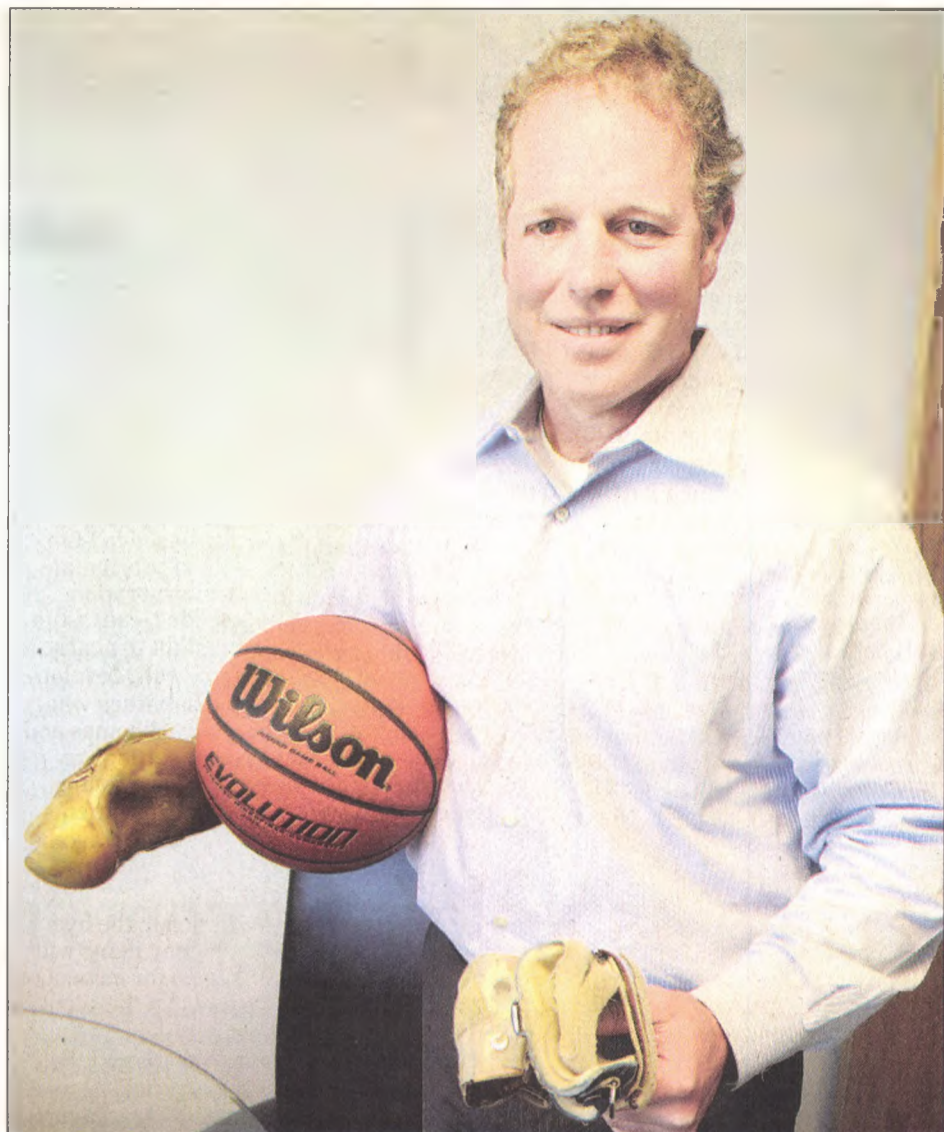
He still plays basketball at Our Lady of Victory in Northville and St. James in Novi.

Nadeau works with traumatic brain injury patients, who also must learn to cope. "Now all of a sudden you have a tragedy. You've got to cope and deal with it."

He gets a lot of questions about his injury. "It was a miracle to have it saved. I was blessed to have strong family."

Nadeau earned a B.S. in biology from Albion along with a B.A. in psychology there. He also holds an M.A. from Western Michigan University in psychology.

He works out of Novi and Grand Blanc offices as a psychologist. Nadeau is married to Julie and dad to two daughters in 10th and ninth grades and a son in first grade.



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Novi psychologist Todd Nadeau severed his right hand in a 1979 accident and was one of the first successful reattachments of a limb in the state of Michigan. He went on to play basketball in college using a padded brace that he designed himself. Nadeau wears the padded brace in this photo and also holds another brace he developed for weight lifting.

# Retired firefighter heads Madonna program



Paul DeNapoli on one of the mission trips he led to help the rebuilding efforts in earthquake-ravaged Haiti.

New to Madonna University's College of Science and Mathematics is Paul J. DeNapoli, who retired as senior captain/paramedic after 27 years with the Livonia Fire and Rescue Department.

As director of Madonna's fire science, emergency management and occupational safety and environmental health programs, DeNapoli will be responsible for recruiting and advising students and ensuring the growth and success of the

programs.

"Paul brings incredible passion and energy to the position," said Ted Biermann, Ph.D., dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. "His enthusiasm, work ethic and dedication will, no doubt, serve him well as he works with students."

DeNapoli earned a fire science bachelor's degree and an MBA at Madonna University, and a bachelor's degree at

Eastern Michigan University. He is a certified fire department safety officer.

For more than 20 years DeNapoli has been committed to the mission of Madonna University serving on the University's Alumni, Mission Effectiveness, and Haiti Outreach committees as well as being a member of the Madonna University Foundation Board.

An active member of

Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church, DeNapoli leads construction/medical mission trips to Haiti to support rebuilding in the city of Jeremie (120 miles west of Port au Prince, where Madonna has launched a distance learning business degree program). DeNapoli and his wife Debbie are lifelong Livonia residents and they have two children, Danielle and Christopher.

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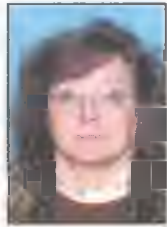
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# Former McCotter staffer expresses remorse

Lorianne O'Brady, former scheduler for Republican Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, was sentenced today to 20 days in jail or 20 days in a work program for her role in the petition fraud scandal that led to McCotter's resignation.



O'Brady

O'Brady, 52, of Livonia was sentenced by Judge Kathleen McCann of 16th District Court in Livonia. O'Brady pleaded no contest Sept. 18 to five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor.

Following her sentence, O'Brady will serve 18 months probation, with the first 12 months as reporting probation, said Joy Yearout, acting director of communications for Attorney General Bill Schuette. O'Brady must also pay \$2,625

in fines and court costs. If she fails to pay the fines and costs, she will serve 12 days in jail.

In a statement to the court, O'Brady said she is remorseful for what she called "a single act of stupidity" and asked McCann to allow the loss of her reputation to be enough punishment.

"There are no words to express the grievous remorse I feel for having put myself in this situation," she read. "I have always tried to be a person of integrity who answers when called, helps when asked and prays when I don't know what else I can do.

"My reputation is something I value very much ... I failed my own standard of behavior. I take full responsibility for the momentary lapse in an otherwise ordinary and ethical life that has brought me here. If I could somehow go back to that moment, I would certainly not make the choice I foolishly did. I would adhere to the morals I have always held myself to.

"I have lost everything other than my family, my friends and my God. I ask that you let the losses I have endured in the last three months be enough and allow me to walk out of this courtroom with my last shred of dignity so that I can rebuild a life for my children and myself. It is my hope that my poor choice gives them

pause to reflect on how not to behave."

Friends, coworkers and community leaders submitted several letters supporting O'Brady to the court.

O'Brady was one of four former McCotter staffers charged after the Michigan Secretary of State determined nominating petitions had photocopied signatures from previous elections.

Schuette did not charge McCotter, saying there was not specific, direct evidence of his involvement.

Paul Seewald and Don Yowchuang were bound over for trial to Third Circuit Court Tuesday by 16th District Judge Sean Kavanagh on several felony charges.

Yowchuang, a Farmington

Hills resident, faces 10 counts of forgery and one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner. Seewald faces one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner. Yowchuang also faces six misdemeanor counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as a circulator, while Seewald also faces nine similar misdemeanor counts.

The fourth staffer, Mary Melissa Turnbull of Howell, faces one count of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator and one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner. Oral arguments are scheduled to be heard Nov. 1 in Troy's 52-4 District Court on whether Turnbull should be bound over for trial.

## Estate issues can be complicated for non-married couples

By Rick Bloom  
Guest Columnist

**Q:** Dear Rick: I'm in my mid-70s and just had a health problem. It got me to thinking about what happens to my property upon my death. I have never done a will or a trust, but I think I've named beneficiaries on most things. I am divorced and have three adult children; two I have a relationship with, the third I no longer speak to. I also have a significant other who I live with. The condo we live in is hers, but I pay the condo association dues on a monthly basis. My main asset is an account I have through Fidelity, which



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Rick Bloom

has a little more than \$500,000 in it. The account is in my name, with my children as beneficiaries. I should also mention that I don't have any medical powers of attorney. My first question to you is I have downloaded a copy of a medical power of attorney form from your website and I plan to complete it. Is there any problem naming my significant other as the

person who has the power or do I have to name a family member? In addition, does my significant other have any rights to my estate? We don't have any prenuptial agreement. I should also mention that because of health insurance, there is no way that we will ever get married. Are there any other issues I should address?

**A:** With regard to your medical durable power of attorney, there is no requirement that you name a relative. The person you should name is someone you feel will carry out your wishes. If that is your significant other, that is the

person you should name. You should also name an alternative in case your significant other is unavailable. I would also consider mentioning to the children you are still in a relationship with that you have named your significant other as the person to make the decisions for you. This may eliminate or reduce the risk that they would somehow try to contest it if you ever were in the situation where you needed the medical durable power of attorney.

I strongly recommend all adults, no matter what

age, have medical durable powers of attorney. You should be the one who decides who makes the medical decisions for you — not a judge. As I've said many times in the past, the more you keep judges, courts and lawyers out of family affairs, the easier life will be.

With regard to whether you have to leave your significant other anything, the answer is no. Since you are not married, there is no legal obligation on your part to do so. However, where difficulties sometimes arise in this type of relationship is upon death

the significant other claims that there was some sort of agreement between the parties. This can lead to legal battles, which no one wants. In co-habitation arrangements, it is not a bad idea to draw up an agreement that just sets forth in writing the understanding between the parties. This can help eliminate the risk of legal battles down the road.

One area where I do believe you are at risk is what happens if your significant other predeceases you. Since you are living in her home, if you're not the beneficiary of that home, your significant other's beneficiaries would have the right to throw you out of the house. If that is an issue, you can address that in the co-habitation agreement.

The last issue I see is the child you have no relationship with. If you want to disinherit that child, then it is important that at a minimum, you should have a will drafted that disinherits that child. If your intent is not to leave them anything, having a will that specifies that as well as changing the beneficiary on your Fidelity account, would be the appropriate course of action.

Just like married couples run into difficulties, the same thing happens to couples that have committed relationships, but are not legally married. Having some sort of co-habitation agreement can make life easier on both parties if the relationship dissolves. Good luck!

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# Voting open in 'friendly' pumpkin election

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

Michigan may not have early voting, but that's what is happening at the VCA of Garden City where a decision as big as selecting the president of the United States is taking place: The winner of the Crystal Pumpkin.

For 18 years, the veterinary clinic has held a pumpkin decorating. It's a "friendly, but intense" competition where the prize is ice cream, the winner's name on the Holy Grail of pumpkin contests, the Crystal Pumpkin, and yearlong bragging rights.

"The excitement is that I won last year and everyone is happy that I'm going to win again this year," said a confident Brad Davis. "It was a very proud moment to see the joy on their faces that I had won."

A veterinarian, Davis started the contest in 1994 to show off his superior pumpkin decorating talents. He buys the pumpkins, and gives them out to staff who come up with their own designs. They're displayed in the lobby of the clinic on Inkster Road from Oct. 21 to Oct. 31, when Davis counts the votes. The announcement is made at the November staff meeting which this year happens to be on Election Day, Nov. 6.

### The voters

The voters are the clients and anyone who stops by — one woman comes in from Chicago each year to visit her parents and to cast her vote. There's no need for photo identification, and the one person-one vote rule



The ballot isn't quite as lengthy as the one in the Nov. 6 general election, but according to Dr. Brad Davis at VCA of Garden City, selecting the winner of the veterinary clinic's annual Crystal Pumpkin Award from the nine "nominees" is just as important. The pumpkins were decorated by members of the staff.



Dr. Brad Davis hoists the Crystal Pumpkin in the traditional Stanley Cup pose after being the top vote getter in the 2012 Pumpkin Contest.

is enforced although voters are "allowed to come back and vote every day, if they're voting for my pumpkin," Davis said.

How voters know which pumpkin is Davis's is a

mystery since each one is assigned a number. A clue, however, might be his penchant for electronics. His pumpkin has it this year, but he hasn't used it.

"Mine is so much better than the others that I don't need to," said Davis.

When he first started the contest, pumpkins were on display for two weeks, but it's been cut to 10 days to minimize the rotting pumpkin smell. In the early days, "you could smell the pumpkin in the parking lot" by the time the contest was over. He suspects there will be a problem with one entry this year.

"Rookies don't know how to keep their pumpkins from rotting, and it appears that No. 9, the Cheshire Cat, may have problems," he said. "All that may be left by Halloween is the smile."

Davis has also turned to social media to promote the contest. Pictures of the entries can be found on the VCA Garden City 2012 Crystal Pumpkin Contest page on Face-

book. People can cast their votes with the like buttons, but Davis isn't certain how that will factor into the contest.

"We offered it online last year, and now that we know Facebook works, it's more like a Florida election with a lot of electronic hanging chads," he said.

### By the rules

Over the years, Davis has developed a two-page list of rules for the contest which staffer Denise Toney has said relates to her "because I've been here the longest." She's right since the subtitle for the rules is "To keep Denise from cheating."

Toney has done better than Davis in the contest. She's won at least four times.

The rules determine the amount of display space per pumpkin — 12 inches wide by 22 inches deep

by 32 inches high — and prohibit the "selling/lending of pumpkin space for the competition." A drawing determines the order in the display, and the assigned space "cannot be traded or altered."

Davis doesn't know if the pumpkin contest is bigger than the presidential election, but "it's more important."

He's considering how to accommodate the media like NBC and CBS when they show up to cover it.

"I assume the media will be calling us, but I'm worried that our parking lot isn't big enough for the news trucks," he said.

And he hopes the newsies realize there's a color difference in this election.

"In the presidential election, you have blue states and red states, but in the pumpkin election every state is an orange state," he said.

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# Lighthouse Home Mission looks for more hot water



Pastors Ruby Beneteau and Michael Enerson are looking for help in getting a source of more hot water for the Lighthouse Home Mission housed at Enerson's Full Gospel Temple in Westland.

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

Pastors Michael Enerson and Ruby Beneteau are hoping someone can help them solve a problem. With winter approaching, they would like to replace the Lighthouse Home Missions' hot water heater with a tankless heater.

The mission has a 50-gallon tank but it's not large enough to meet the needs at the mission. Laundry and dish washing leaves little water for the homeless who stay overnight at the Warming Center during January, February and March, and even limiting showers to 15 minutes doesn't help. Many times, the hot showers are anything but hot, Beneteau said.

"We'll have 35 people shower, we do dishes and run the washer, all with the 50-gallon tank," said Beneteau. "I'm in my office and I'll hear them in the shower when the water gets cold. This would prevent that from happening. We wouldn't have to worry about running out of hot water."

"It would be so right for them to come in and have a hot shower," added Enerson. "The critical thing about this is the Warming Center. We're getting ready to open, we have to wash the bedding."

Enerson called Flame Heating and Cooling to get an idea what it would take to purchase and install one. The company determined the mission needs a 199,000 BTU tankless commercial hot water heater. Installed, it would cost \$4,358, quite a bit more than the \$1,500 Enerson thought it would be, especially for the mission which relies on donations from others to help

## GOD BLESS!

For pastor Ruby Beneteau, it is notes like the following that reaffirm what is being done at the Lighthouse Home Missions in Westland is the right thing to do:

"This is the first time I have had to make use of a soup kitchen. I'm writing this in thanks to the services you provide and the welcoming and concern shown by your volunteers. I have always known, 'Go to church when you need help.' But making that step to finding one close by, contacting them and stepping inside the doors was a difficult one. Once inside, I see these fears were unnecessary. I greatly appreciate what you are doing!"

those in need.

Now Enerson and Beneteau are hoping the community will help out either through donations of money or even the tankless system.

"We don't survive on big gifts but on many small offerings," said Enerson. "It's rough when you come in from the cold and can't get a hot shower. Anyone who showers, we take their clothes and give them fresh clothes."

Beneteau has been serving the needs of the homeless for more than 27 years, first at her small home as the House of Refuge and now in facilities provided by the Full Gospel Temple on Palmer in Westland. The mission operates a food pantry, clothing bank, a soup kitchen that provides hot lunches 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and a warming shelter for the homeless open 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. in January, February and March. The mission also works with the people who come through the doors, finding them the resources to get back on their feet.

Last year, the mission served 5,941 meals in the soup kitchen and provided for more than 100 people in the Warming Center. The food pantry feed 13,240 people and another 3,985 people received

clothing. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, 346 people received food baskets.

The mission is supported by other churches in Westland, Inkster, Garden City, Livonia, Canton and Plymouth. It serves as a satellite center for Gleaners Community Food Bank and through Churches United Against Hunger, a collaboration of 27 churches in the area, has helped feed 86,855 people.

Enerson is hoping to acquire a vacant Wayne TV Lab shop beside the church and turn it into a resale shop. He also would like to add on to the building to create a warehouse where donated items could be repaired. Proceeds would go to the food bank.

"The need is greater and we're doing everything we can do to meet the needs," he said.

People interested in helping can send donations to the Lighthouse Home Missions and designate them for the hot water tank. They can also call (724) 326-3885 for more information, or even stop by to see what's being done.

"I think people would be impressed with what we're doing," said Beneteau. "When someone falls on hard times, they don't have to go downtown for help."

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## CROSS COUNTRY

Warriors  
are best  
of MIACBy Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Lutheran Westland is on top of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference cross country world once again.

The Warriors successfully defending both crowns last week by winning the boys and girls team titles in a meet hosted by Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest at Spencer Park.

The Lutheran Westland girls, led by freshman Jenna Wisner, scored 37 points, well ahead of runner-up Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett's 82.

Rounding out the team scoring was Taylor Baptist Park, third (116 by tiebreaker); Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, fourth (116); Birmingham Roeper, fifth (122); Southfield Christian, sixth (134); Lutheran Northwest, seventh (138); and Ann Arbor Greenhills, eighth (153).

Wisner's first-place time on the 5,000-meter course was 19 minutes, 47.8 seconds. Parkway's Taylor Siegel and Plymouth Christian Academy's Terra Crown placed second and third, respectively, with times of 20:49.9 and 20:43.5.

Rounding out the scoring for Lutheran Westland was sophomore Michelle Greening, sixth

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Mike Kennedy (No. 2) scores in the fourth quarter Friday to make it a 33-21 game. Trying to stop Kennedy is Canton's Matt Suppelsa (No. 45).

## 'Cats knock out Chiefs

By Tim Smith  
Observer Staff Writer

## FOOTBALL PRE-DISTRICT

There was a lot for Plymouth football head coach Mike Sawchuk to like about Friday's 40-28 victory over Canton in the first round of the Division 1 state playoffs.

There was a 300-yard rushing performance by Plymouth junior running back DJ Rossell, four touchdowns by senior Mike Kennedy and tackles all over the turf by sophomore Shane Raymond.

Throw in a 57-yard punt by Brenton Zuzo and key fumble recoveries by senior sparkplug Nate Emminger and Rossell and you get the picture.

But in order for the Wildcats to

duplicate what they did in 2010 — when they knocked out the Chiefs in the second round and went on to reach the D1 finals — Sawchuk knows there are some wrinkles to iron out.

## Things to fix

"I said at halftime we left 11 points on the board," Sawchuk said, referring to two trips to Canton's red zone where the Wildcats either lost the ball or settled for a field goal. "We can't afford to do that if we want to make a run. We got to really clean it up and get better and stop the mental mistakes."

Plymouth (8-2) will need to shore things up because next on the playoff schedule is undefeated Livonia Churchill (10-0).

Still, at least for a day or two, the Wildcats will enjoy ending Canton's season — a payback for 2011, when the Chiefs prevailed in the pre-district encounter.

"It just stinks we have to knock each other out," said veteran Canton head coach Tim Baechler, whose team finished with a 6-4 record. "I think we're pretty good football teams year in and year out. It just stinks one of us has to stop playing so fast, so quick."

The loss also meant the careers

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MU women  
stymie Tech

The Madonna University women's soccer team moved one step closer to hosting a home playoff game following Wednesday afternoon's 4-2 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference victory over visiting Indiana Tech on Senior Day.

Prior to the match, the Crusaders honored their 2012 seniors — Chelsey Budlong (Novi), Lauryn Dostilio (Sterling Heights) and Jackie Vaquera (Brighton).

The victory puts MU, now 9-7 overall and 5-2 in the WHAC, into a second-place tie with Tech and Cornerstone heading into the final conference matches on Saturday.

Madonna jumped out to a 3-0 halftime lead on goals by Jennifer Jurcak, 22nd minute (from Amanda Ferrick); Ferrick, 30th minute (penalty kick); and Kristin Black (from Ferrick).

Tori Singstock cut the deficit to 3-1 in the 65th minute on a penalty kick, but Jurcak gave the Crusaders a three-goal cushion again in the 66th minute off an assist from Parent.

Singstock then notched her 17th of the season just a minute later to complete the scoring for the Warriors (13-4, 5-2).

MU goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg made four saves, while Jordan Roell had seven for the Tech.

Spiker slams adversity  
to enjoy senior seasonBy Tim Smith  
Observer Staff Writer

Abigail Dworzanin jumped up to block the volleyball during a May 2011 tournament in Grand Rapids.

After she landed, her left knee was shot and hopes and dreams to be a student-leader her junior season at Salem High School were shot down.

Now fast forward 16 months after surgery to repair her anterior cruciate ligament and meniscus, the latter which had two tears to fix.

She did make it back for her senior season and this week, the 5-11 outside hitter and co-captain will lead her teammates onto the court at the Novi-hosted Division 1 districts with new hopes — to be a key contributor to playoff success.

It would be nice for the Rocks to come out on fire, the way they did in Dworzanin's first game of the season. Her return that early September

evening was in a five-game thriller against Canton and she showed she could leap, dive and hit with the best of them.

"My personal highlight would be our very first game of the season against Canton," said the 17-year-old scholar athlete. "I thought my team did great. I'm hoping for that energy to come back through districts."

"We didn't win, but it was a fun game, high-spirited by both teams, intense play, no one giving up, everyone giving it their all."

## She made it

Dworzanin did get some games under her belt during the summer, too, once her 10 months of postsurgery physical therapy at University of Michigan Med Sport in Ann Arbor finally ended.

But her performance against the Chiefs validated and verified her comeback efforts.

"Being back in my home gym definitely made me ner-

vous but it was so much fun," said Dworzanin, during a recent practice.

Having fun is something Dworzanin is taking out of every workout, team meeting and contest simply because she wondered for a long time whether her volleyball career would ever get going again.

She said her family (including parents Lynn and Michael and older sister Lauren) and friends on the Rocks such as (co-captain) Emily Lipa, Nikki Manser and Julie DiMichele provided constant encouragement during those endless weeks and months of PT as 2011 stretched into 2012.

"They were always there for me and always telling me, every time people heard about my injury, it was always 'You have your senior year,'" Dworzanin noted. "Everyone was there for me, pushing me to make sure I'd be able to play my senior year."

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Abigail Dworzanin's comeback from a devastating knee injury gives her every reason to smile. The Salem senior outside hitter returned after missing all of her junior season.

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# Crusaders ready to cruise



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Tyler Stewart, shown during a Salem game last season, looks to make an immediate contribution with Madonna's men's basketball team.

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Could the time be now for the Madonna University men's basketball program?

Maybe it's already arrived.

The Crusaders return seven of their top players from last year's 18-13 team led by the dynamic junior backcourt duo of Bobby Naubert and Travis Schuba.

Madonna is starting to gain respect after being picked fourth in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference preseason coaches poll ranked only behind defending champion Davenport, an NAIA Final Four team, along with Cornerstone and Indiana Tech, both of which are also ranked in the top 25 nationally.

The 5-foot-10 Naubert, a first-team All-WHAC selection and NAIA Division II honorable mention All-America, will once again orchestrate the MU attack from his point-guard position where he averaged 15 points per game and set a school record with 6.4 assists per game.

Schuba, a 6-foot shooting guard from Rapid City, shattered an MU record last year for three-pointers while averaging a team-best 15.2 points per game. He earned second-team All-WHAC honors.

"Between Naubert and Schuba, we're going to expect a lot of out them," MU fourth-year coach Noel Emehiser said. "Both are tremendous young men that work very hard and are great at their craft."

"Naubert's speed, his ability to break a guy

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down off the dribble, get penetration, get to the free throw line and his constant improving ability to set other guys up and put them in position to be successful, are really what make him go

"And with Schuba, his ability just to knock down shot after shot, whether he's open or not, it's such a deadly weapon for us. We're really expecting a lot out of both those guys this year on both ends of the floor."

Expectations are as high as they've ever been for the Crusaders, who finished 12-6 last year in the WHAC.

"I feel like this is the closest team I've ever been a part of," Naubert said. "I like the intelligence to this team, which I think will play to our advantage this season."

And Naubert has nothing but high praise for his backcourt mate in Schuba, who shot an impressive 43 percent (117-for-272) from beyond the arc.

"He's a great shooter, first of all," the co-captain said. "We complement each other really well. When I get to the basket, somebody has to help out and usually he's wide open for a three-point shot. He definitely helps me out and it's great to be out there with him."

The rest of the starting lineup will consist of 6-7 senior co-captain Eoghann Stephens, who averaged 6.2 points and a team-best 5.4 rebounds per outing; 6-4 junior guard Matt Jenkins (6.6 ppg); and 6-6 junior forward Fred Williams (7.6 ppg).

Key reserves off the bench include 6-8 sophomore center Donald Owens and 6-6 junior forward Derek Lennen, both

of whom appeared in all 31 games last season.

"The interior of our team, we're going to count on a lot of them defensively," Emehiser said. "With Eoghann Stephens and Donald Owens, we need them stop drives, alter shots and ultimately get offensive rebounds - they're really the key to our defense."

"In that (number) four position, that's where we lose the most production last year graduating Tyler Coker, who was a great leader and hard worker for us, but we have the guys who have stepped into that position and hoping to fill his shoes and be able to do a nice job. Certainly we're going to expect more out of those guys offensively, and their role defensively has never been more important than it is now."

### In the mix

Meanwhile, sophomore Jordan Short will back up Naubert at the point with 6-4 freshman Tyler Stewart (Salem) vying for time at guard along with fellow freshmen Jack Ocobock, Zak Lewis and Richard Katkic, and sophomore Zach Wedesky.

Sophomore Jeff Schmitz and Alex Bedan will also look to earn playing time up front.

"We're not 100 percent healthy, but overall we're happy where we are health-wise heading into the season," Emehiser said. "I think this year one of our strengths is that we have a better understanding of what it takes to be successful. Our guys really believe in what we're doing in our system defensively and understand better the concept offensively."

"Just that experience of having a taste of success and better understanding of what we're trying to accomplish here ... I think it just gives us a lit-

tle bit better of an advantage over teams in our own program history."

The Crusaders open their season Friday and Saturday with a pair of games at Purdue-Calumet.

This year's WHAC features a 22-game schedule, 11 games home and 11 away, with two conference bids on the line for the NAIA Division II National Tournament in Branson, Mo. The WHAC regular season champion along with either the conference tournament champion or runner-up will head to the NAIA's.

"This year we're going to definitely take it day-by-day, but our goal is to get to the national tournament," Naubert said. "It's never been done in school history and we're definitely trying to change the culture around here. I'm 100 percent, ready to go, I'm excited about it."

Meanwhile, it's been a long climb for Emehiser, who suffered through 7-23 and 8-22 seasons before the Crusaders finished 18-13 last year.

"Our philosophy coming in, whether we knew it at the time or not, is to try and build a program rather than assemble a team on a year-to-year basis," the fourth-year coach said. "If you look at our roster, we have just not gone out and looked for transfers and try and piece something together in the short term. We've really tried to recruit the high schools. We've tried to build having guys in our program three or four years, so ultimately they have a deeper connection of what we're trying to accomplish here. It has been a long process. We took a lot of lumps in our first couple of years and I think we appreciate that position now."

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## Lady Crusaders stopped in four

Plagued by its lowest hitting percentage of the season, the 16th-ranked Madonna University women's volleyball team fell Wednesday night to host Northwestern Ohio in four sets, 25-11, 24-26, 25-21, 25-22.

MU and Northwestern Ohio are now tied for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with identical 8-1 records.

Casey Gates paced the

victorious Racers (30-3) with 22 kills and 10 digs, while setter Lauren Maxwell added 38 assists and 11 digs.

Ellie Comes paced the defense with a team-best 19 digs, while Lauren Macuga (Schoolcraft College/Canton) added 10 digs.

Stacey Catalano paced the Crusaders (28-7) with 10 kills and 18 digs.

Samantha Geile and Nastija Baranovska each added nine kills,

while Emilie Freeman (Lutheran High Westland) contributed eight, but MU made 33 attack errors and hit a season-low 0.84 percentage.

Setter Evia Prieditis finished with 40 assists, while Breanna Geile had 16 digs as coach Jerry Abraham's career win total is still holding at 998.

MU returns to WHAC action 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31 at home against Indiana Tech.

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## PLAYOFF

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of a number of outstanding Canton seniors came to a close.

When standout senior lineman Cameron Dillard walked past Baechler on the field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park following the game, the coach slapped the Florida-bound player on the shoulder pads.

"I've had teams that were undefeated and just couldn't wait until they were gone," Baechler said. "This team, it didn't matter what their win-loss record was, these seniors gave everything they had. In the off-season, our chemistry was great."

"That's what I'm really sad about is we got to say good-bye to those guys tomorrow. I love those guys, they're a great senior class."

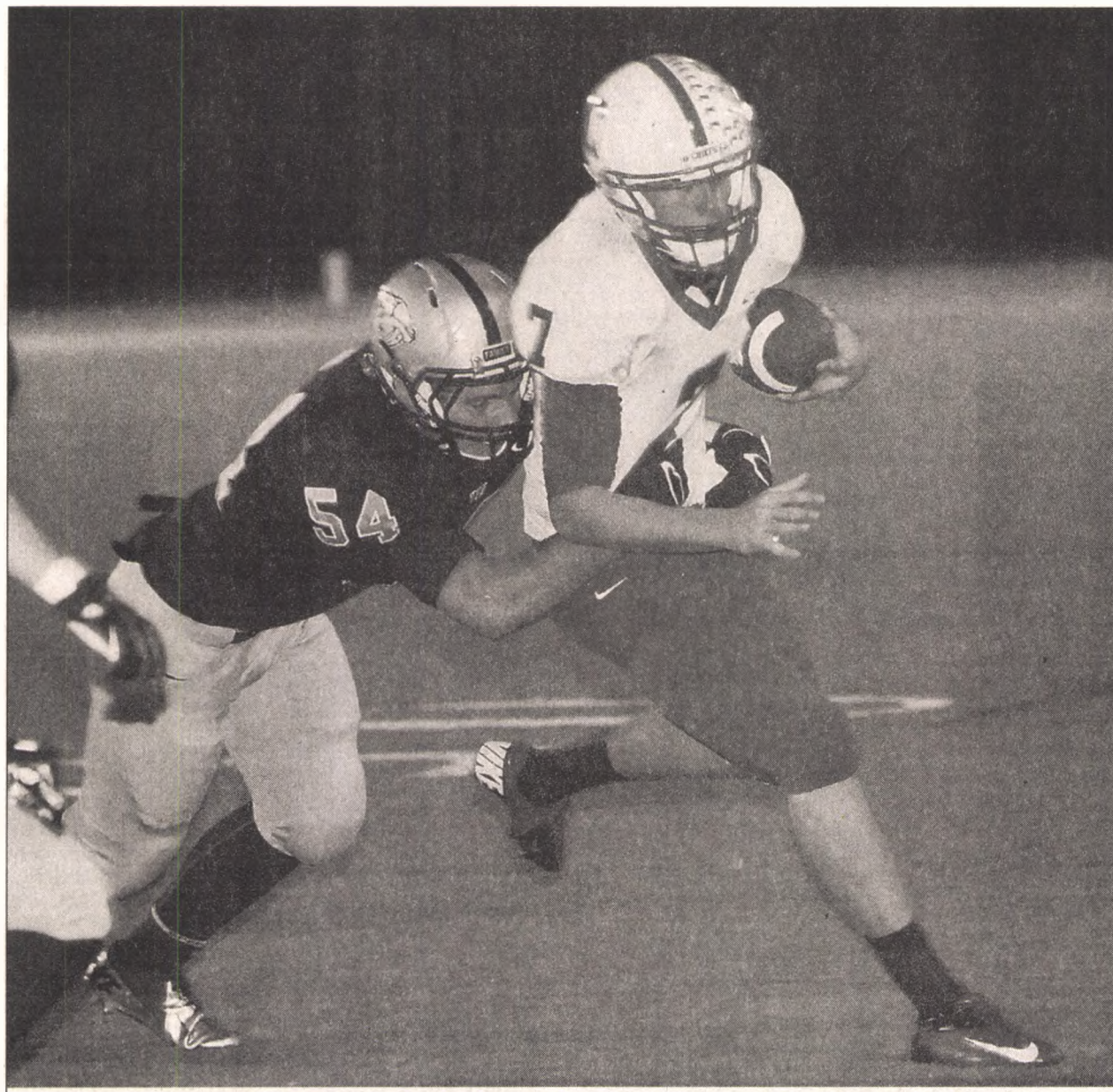
One of those seniors, 5-5 running back Malcolm Hollingsworth (19 carries, 123 yards, one TD) rushed over to congratulate Kennedy, who compiled 202 all-purpose yards — including 167 rushing in 20 carries.

"I love my team, they battled hard and so did Plymouth," Hollingsworth said. "We're all brothers around this Park. I'm proud of them, too, and hope they make it to state. I tried my best, we all tried our best and that's all I could hope for tonight."

### Had to be perfect

Baechler said his team knew it had to play a perfect game on offense to extend the season, and the first series of the night indicated that wasn't to be the case.

Having driven down inside Plymouth's 20-yard line, senior running



Canton quarterback Greg Williams (No. 7) can't elude Plymouth sophomore defender Shane Raymond (No. 54), who registered 6.5 tackles and three assist (tying for team honors with senior Matt Janke).

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back Kendall Scott (seven rushes, 37 yards) carried the ball to the 14, only to have it knocked loose by Emminger.

"We fumbled twice inside their red zone, that was the difference," Baechler said. "We weren't going to stop them, we had to hopefully outscore them and be perfect on offense and we just weren't."

Plymouth fumbled it

right back, with Canton senior Matt McKoy recovering the ball at the Chiefs' 3-yard line.

Backed up, the Canton offense could not move the ball. Senior Connor Shennan tried to punt, but Kennedy brought him down just in front of the goal line.

On the next play, Kennedy scooted in to put Plymouth up 7-0.

The Wildcats opened

up the second quarter with another TD, this time on senior quarterback Jamarl Eiland's 11-yard toss to junior wide-out Connor Stella, who caught the ball deep in the right corner.

Setting that score up was a 44-yard sweep by Rossell, who rushed for 300 yards on just 20 carries before leaving early in the fourth due to a minor leg injury.

"They (Chiefs) saw him the first time (Oct. 5)," Sawchuk said about Rossell. "I don't think they were too surprised, they know what he can do. He's one of the toughest little kids I've ever seen."

Canton cut the lead to 14-7 with 6:07 to play in the second. Sophomore quarterback Greg Williams scored on a 7-yard keeper. Setting up the

26-yard march was a shanked punt that only went 5 yards.

Zuzo immediately made up for that, however. He nailed a 28-yard field goal with 2:07 to go to increase Plymouth's lead to 17-7.

The Chiefs found the end zone just before the end of the quarter to make it a 17-14 contest at halftime. Williams (9-of-18 passing, 162 yards, two TDs) led an 80-yard drive with passes of 34 yards (to Scott), 25 yards (to senior tight end Scott Gring) and 8 yards (to McKoy for the score).

### Momentum lost

Canton finally took the lead, 21-20, thanks to Hollingsworth's 89-yard run up the middle with 3:04 to play in the third. Shennan's extra point actually cracked the tie.

The next defensive series by the Chiefs is what Baechler lamented.

Instead of his defense getting a stop and enabling the momentum to stay on Canton's side, the Wildcats regained the lead 27-21 on a 35-yard scoring strike from Eiland to Kennedy (with 11:53 left in the game).

"We took the lead in the third quarter 21-20, and we just needed to step up and get it going," Baechler said. "We just didn't. Playoff football you have to have a great defense."

The teams traded touchdowns the rest of the way. Kennedy scored on runs of 2 and 27 yards, sandwiched around Canton's 3-yard TD pass from Williams to McKoy.

On the previous play, Williams connected with Gring (four catches, 99 yards) for a 27-yard completion.

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# Churchill fends off Spartans, 49-35

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

Livonia Stevenson made a significantly better showing in its rematch Friday night with unbeaten Livonia Churchill.

The visiting Spartans threw caution to the wind, but it's the Chargers who are moving on in the Division 1 football state playoffs following a 49-35 victory.

In the regular season finale just a week earlier, Stevenson found itself trailing 42-3 at halftime before falling 49-10.

And when Tom O'Brien booted a 29-yard field goal with only 6:46 to play in the final quarter, Stevenson trailed by only one score, 35-27.

But the Chargers' potent offense never blinked, scoring three more times during the final 5:38 to secure the Region 2-District 2 triumph.

Churchill (10-0) will face Plymouth (8-2) for the district title, beginning at 7 p.m. next Friday at home. The two teams met in Week 3, with Churchill prevailing, 35-31.

"The first game, they just moved the ball up-and-down the field on us. We kind of realized we needed to take care of the ball, even if it's on fourth down and going for it," Stevenson coach Matt Fielder said. "We went back and tried to tighten up what we were doing. We limited a little bit what we were doing, and tried to do it well. I think we executed pretty well offensively."

The Spartans gained an even 400 yards in total offense, but gave up 429 in return and had no answer again for 5-foot-11, 246-pound senior tailback Romello Brown, who finished up with 198 yards on 27 carries and scored four touchdowns, including an over-the-shoulder grab of a Seth Suida 22-yard TD pass with 6:24 remaining.

Brown, who sat out nearly five months with a torn Achilles heel, seems to be improving on his cuts and moves each and every week.

"He's been more patient," Churchill coach John Filiatraut said of his star running back. "And I think noticeably in the last six games or so, he's getting in better shape. He really didn't have any spring or summer because of his (Achilles heel) injury. He plays a lot more, he's more sudden in his moves. He's got good burst. He's playing in top form. I don't know how many times were gave it to him, but it feels like we sure gave it to him a lot."

Stevenson opened the game with a 14-play, 76-yard TD drive that con-



Churchill's Romello Brown (13) sheds Stevenson tacklers Matt Rodey (71) and Matt Skibinski (77) during Friday's Division 1-Region 2-District 2 playoff clash.

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sumed 6 minutes, 49 seconds of the clock, capped by Dom Ferrara's 3-yard run.

But on Churchill's second play from scrimmage following a Stevenson false start, senior quarterback Seth Suida hit Hunter Rimatzki on a bomb over the middle for a 79-yard TD to even the count at 7-7.

"Our offense is good, we can score," Filiatraut said. "That's how we've done all year. Sometimes I wish we could put together some time-consuming drives that ended with touchdowns, because you want to make some adjustments with your defense and give them a blow. We put them back out there and had trouble getting off the field. Sometimes that quick-strike offense is difficult to answer on the defensive side."

With 9:39 left in the second quarter, Churchill went ahead for keeps when Malik Johnson scored on an end-around from 18 yards out.

Johnson, a 5-9, 161-pound junior, then jarred the ball loose on the ensuing kickoff and recovered it on the Stevenson 17 to set up Suida's 22-yard scoring strike to Robert Foster Jr. for a 21-7 advantage just 13 seconds later.

But Stevenson would not go away, marching 80 yards in 15 plays, resulting in an 8-yard TD run by C.J. Weiss (74 yards on 18 carries) with 1:54 left in the half.

A 31-yard return on the ensuing kickoff by Jeremy Lewis set up Churchill's fourth TD of the first half, this time on a 3-yard run by Brown with only 39.3 seconds left for a 28-14 lead (following Brian Alsobrooks' extra point).

But after Churchill tried a short kick, Stevenson senior quarterback Joe Mims, who was 22-of-30 passing for 243 yards, competed two quick passes to put the Spartans in field goal range. And O'Brien converted from 42 yards out by sneaking the kick on top of the crossbar, and over, to cut the deficit to 28-17.

Filiatraut said he didn't see many new wrinkles in Stevenson's offense, but "personnel-wise, they got after us."

"We lost a lot of one-on-one battles in the first half and that's really to their credit," the Churchill coach added. "The (Devin) Kelly kid, number 31, and their two guards that were rolling on that sweep did a great

job of getting body on body, and getting on blocks. And they blocked us tonight. They were much better than they were last week, much better."

Churchill punted on its first possession of the third quarter and Stevenson decided to go for it on fourth-and-six at its own 50.

Mims rolled out and hit Billy Bonanno in the flat, who made a one-handed grab, cradling the ball on his hip, gathering it, and racing 50 yards for a TD to trim the Churchill lead to 28-24 with 8:28 to go in the third.

The Spartans then tried an inside kick that was recovered by the Chargers and, just seven plays later, Suida hit Brown with a 24-yard scoring pass to put the Chargers back up 11 with 6:24 to go in the third to make it 35-24.

Brown then shed two Stevenson tacklers on his way to the end zone with 5:38 remaining in regulation for his third TD of the night to put the Chargers ahead 42-27.

He then added another TD with 2:29 to go on a 15-yard run to give Churchill a 22-point cushion.

"My coach told me, 'It's time for the leaders to show up,' and I just took myself in a leader position, and I felt like I had to come out and do something for my team," Brown said.

Stevenson got one more score for good measure during the final minute, when Mims connected with Bonanno again on a 6-yard TD pass, followed by the two-point pass to Weiss.

Brown, who also plays linebacker, saw a new-and-improved Spartan offense in the rematch.

"We just came down to see if we could get another win, but we knew it would be hard because they'd correct plays that they didn't so well last week," he said. "They were way more aggressive. They blocked harder than they did last week. Last week they gave up, but this week they stuck their chests out and played hard. I give them credit."

Suida also had a strong night throwing hitting 13-of-16 passes for 204 yards and three TDs.

Stevenson, making its first playoff appearance since 2008, finishes its season with a 6-4 record.

"That senior class, give them a lot of credit for putting Stevenson back in the playoffs," Fielder said. "(Central) division co-champions, it's just a great group of kids who wanted it and really worked hard. They did everything that I asked of them."

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# Division champs!

St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton completed their third volleyball season by bringing home the division championship title in the Detroit Archdiocese CYO Program. SJN's Varsity No. 1 team went undefeated with a 8-0 record in their division and progressed to the sweet 16 in the CYO playoffs. The 13-14 year-old girls are from the Plymouth-Canton area and have been playing together since mid-August. The team is coached by Sue O'Connor and the players are: eighth graders Alexia Granowicz (captain), Adeline Renzi (captain), Cassie Doutsas (captain), Allison Hurlley, Katelyn Page, Makayla Helmer, Maeve McMaster, Rebecca Barrie, Madison Girdama (not pictured); seventh graders Sophia Pantino and Gabby Mazzuca.



# RUNNING

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(21:28.6); junior Alana Hill, 17th (23:12.0); senior Angela Morrison, 19th (23:18.7); and junior Megan Heil, 22nd (23:35.9).

Sophomores Rachel Wiggins and Allison Johnson placed 23rd and 28th, respectively, with times of 23:36.9 and 24:05.7.

Meanwhile, the Lutheran Westland boys scored 60 points to capture the team title, while PCA beat Greenhills in a second-place sixth-runner tiebreaker after both teams scored 116.

Rounding out the field was Southfield Christian, fourth (119); Oakland Christian, fifth (130 by tiebreaker); Liggett, sixth (130); Roeper, sev-

enth (131); Northwest, eighth (133); and Taylor Baptist Park, ninth (173).

Southfield Christian senior Evan Carter ran 16:16 to take individual boys honors. Greenhills' Ashwin Fujii was second in 17:18.

Senior Eric Smith paced the Warriors' first-place effort in sixth with a clocking of 17:37.

Other Lutheran Westland scorers included senior Daniel Bunge, 12th (18:19); freshman Hunter Roedel, 13th (18:27); senior Pete Silanpaa, 17th (18:36); and sophomore Ian O'Banion, 23rd (19:24).

Freshman Weslee Warren (20:20) and sophomore Josiah Masey (21:26) took 45th and 56th, respectively.

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# THE WEEK AHEAD

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL DISTRICT TOURNAMENT DRAWS CLASS A at NOVI

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Canton vs. (B) South Lyon, 5 p.m.; (C) Salem vs. (D) Novi, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Northville vs. A-B winner, 5 p.m.; Plymouth vs. C-D winner, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Brighton vs. Skyline district champion.)

## at LIVONIA CHURCHILL

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Livonia Franklin vs. (B) Garden City, 5 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Livonia Stevenson vs. Redford Thurston, 5 p.m.; Livonia Churchill vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 5 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Farmington vs. Detroit King district champion.)

## at ROMULUS

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Taylor Truman at (B) Inkster, 5:30 p.m.; (C) Belleville vs. (D) Romulus, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Westland John Glenn vs. A-B winner, 5:30 p.m.; Wayne Memorial vs. C-D winner, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Temperance Bedford vs. Dearborn district champion.)

## CLASS B at SOUTH LYON EAST

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Detroit Communication & Media Arts vs. (B) South Lyon East, 4 p.m.; (C) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs. (D) Detroit Community, 6 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Livonia Ladywood vs. A-B winner, 4 p.m.; Livonia Clarenceville vs. C-D winner, 6 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Livonia Ladywood vs. Adrian district champion.)

## CLASS D at WESTLAND

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Lutheran High Westland vs. (B) Detroit Westside Christian Academy, 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Southfield Christian vs. A-B winner, 5:30 p.m.; Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Novi Franklin Road Christian, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Bellevue vs. Bellevue district champion.)

## HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN

**Tuesday, Oct. 30:** (A) Lutheran High Westland vs. (B) Detroit Westside Christian Academy, 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Nov. 1:** Southfield Christian vs. A-B winner, 5:30 p.m.; Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Novi Franklin Road Christian, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Nov. 6 at Bellevue vs. Bellevue district champion.)

## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY (MHSAA Finals at MIS)

**Saturday, Nov. 3:** Division 4, 10 a.m.; Division 3, 10:30 a.m.; Division 2, 1:30 p.m.; Division 1, 2 p.m.

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY (MHSAA Finals at MIS)

**Saturday, Nov. 3:** Division 4, 11 a.m.; Division 3, 11:30 a.m.; Division 2, 2:30 p.m.; Division 1, 3 p.m.

## GIRLS SWIMMING

**Friday, Nov. 2:** Kensington Conference Prelims at South Lyon East, noon.  
**Saturday, Nov. 3:** Kensington Conference Finals at South Lyon East, noon.

## COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

**Wednesday, Oct. 31:** Indiana Tech at MU, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** MU at Siena Heights, 7 p.m.

## MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

**Thursday, Nov. 1:** St. Clair at S'craft, 7:30 p.m.  
**Friday, Nov. 2:** MU at IU-Northwest, 8:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Nov. 3:** MU at Purdue-Calumet, 3 p.m. S'craft at Lorain (Ohio), 3 p.m.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

**Thursday, Nov. 1:** S'craft at St. Clair, 5:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Nov. 3:** S'craft at Lorain (Ohio), 1 p.m.

# CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

## LIVONIA FRANKLIN INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MEET Oct. 25 at Nankin Mills BOYS TEAM STANDINGS (grades 11-12):

1. Walled Lake Northern, 56 points; 2. Salem, 60 (won tiebreaker); 3. Livonia Churchill, 60; 4. Northville, 64; 5. Canton, 129; 6. Livonia Franklin, 152.

**Individual winner:** Colin Murphy (Churchill), 17:57.9 (5,000 meters).

**Churchill finishers:** 3. Brian Duskwicz, 18:14.4; 9. Sam Yurgill, 18:38.6; 27. Josh Perez, 19:36.2; 30. Dan King, 19:40.5; 31. Austin Villanueva, 19:56.8; 32. Aristotle Zarkin, 20:01.4.

**Franklin finishers:** 29. Michael Elrod, 19:37.4; 36. Bryan Fetner, 20:10.3; 40. Spencer Opie, 20:41.9; 45. Ian McCracken, 20:47.7; 46. Graham Tyrell, 20:52.0; 49. Francis Mina, 21:10.4; 50. Kevin Kerpet, 21:19.4.

**GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS (grades 11-12):** 1. Northville, 23; 2. Salem, 39; 3. Walled Lake Northern, 99; 4. Canton, 137; 5. Livonia Franklin, 142 (won tiebreaker); 6. Livonia Churchill, 142; 7. Warren Regina, 149; 8. Livonia Ladywood and Lutheran High Westland, no team scores.

**Individual winner:** Grace Doolittle (Northville), 20:39.3 (5,000 meters).

**Franklin finishers:** 23. Sheila McKinley, 23:00.7; 32. Jane Modes, 23:42.5; 35. Natalie Desautel, 24:04.5; 37. Alyssa Edwards, 24:22.2; 48. Andrea Wickens, 24:50.3; 56. Michelle Wilson, 25:30.7.

**Churchill finishers:** 19. Jenna Hickson, 22:52.5; 21. Rachel Tomassi, 22:56.1; 40. Alyssa Keeling, 24:29.2; 43. Emma Rich, 24:38.2; 51. Abigail Hagoood, 25:09.8; 62. Carlene Severin, 26:11.4; 69. Lyndsey Terberg, 27:47.9.

**Ladywood finishers:** 39. Pilar Furlong, 24:26.1; 54. Megan Talty, 25:27.7; 76. Brenna Wright, 29:37.0.

**Lutheran Westland finishers:** 63. Annalee Khur, 26:17.7; 70. Chelsea Kovacs, 27:52.2.

**BOYS TEAM STANDINGS (grades 9-10):** 1. Northville, 26; 2. Salem, 43; 3. Livonia Churchill, 92; 4. Canton, 94; 5. Walled Lake Northern, 111; 6. Lutheran Westland, 175; 7. Livonia Franklin, no team score.

**Individual winner:** Connor Lepish (Northville), 18:04.6 (5,000 meters).

**Churchill finishers:** 9.

Steven Kruppa, 18:44.8; 15. Clint Cowen, 19:06.9; 21. John Sas, 19:35.2; 37. Nathan Guzowski, 20:27.6; 47. Tyler Loveall, 21:17.0; 56. Jack Brooks, 21:55.9; 64. Leo Paul, 22:59.3.

**Lutheran Westland Finishers:** 62. Josiah Masey, 22:19.0; 65. Brandon Kruger, 23:23.8; 69. Alex Cook, 24:29.0; 75. Adam Kohtz, 29:07.5; 76. Ray Morrison, 28:48.4; 77. Garrett Kempf, 30:49.0; 78. Ethan Frank, 37:51.2.

**Franklin finishers:** 61. Finn Newcomb, 22:19.0; 66. Eddie White, 23:30.2; 70. Jonathan Quecke, 25:13.1.

**GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS (grades 9-10):** 1. Northville, 30; 2. Salem, 36; 3. Walled Lake Northern, 69; 4. Livonia Churchill, 94; 5. Livonia Franklin, 128; 6. Canton, 146; 7. Lutheran Westland, 193; 8. Livonia Ladywood, no team score.

**Individual winner:** Paige Zimmer (Northville), 20:38.8 (5,000 meters).

**Churchill finishers:** 7. Lauren Bernhardt, 21:31.0; 11. Alexis Lombardo, 22:00.8; 22. Erica Krupsky, 23:29.0; 23. Sediqua Nedam, 23:29.6; 35. Alexia Smith, 24:58.0; 45. Leah Strayhorn, 26:23.4; 48. Susan Ristola, 27:15.4.

**Franklin finishers:** 20. Jennifer Jaynes, 23:21.3; 24. Kaitlyn McWilliams, 23:30.6; 25. Nyres McClaine, 23:32.4; 30. Julie Wonch, 24:11.7; 32. Alexa Orosz, 24:15.6 41. Hannah Drinkert, 25:38.6; 47. Nicole Kosowski, 27:04.1.

**Lutheran Westland finishers:** 38. Allison Johnson, 25:19.3; 44. Gwen Ulrey, 26:23.0; 56. Lis Ivey, 28:26.4; 60. Vanessa Voetberg, 29:38.2; 62. Allison Crawford, 30:35.1.

**Ladywood finishers:** 49. Mackenzie Darr, 27:24.7; 63. Janelle Erlingis, 30:56.6.

**CATHOLIC LEAGUE A-B DIVISION MEET Oct. 20 at Kensington GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Warren Regina, 38 points; 2. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 55; 3. Farmington Hills Mercy, 74; 4. Dearborn Divine Child, 81; 5. Livonia Ladywood, 133; 6. Birmingham Marian, 136.

**Ladywood finishers:** 16. Sarah Wilson, 22:15.76; 24. Kit Taylor, 23:18.59; 28. Carlee Faber, 23:44.24; 31. Erica Mucci, 23:58.29; 34. Hannah Pereira, 24:20.75; 35. Kat Gaffka, 24:23.36; 37. Sinead Cox, 24:34.45.

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# SENIOR

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## Gaining confidence

At first, however, her confidence was a bit shaky, not knowing if the next sudden movement might cause another injury.

That trepidation didn't last, however.

"In the beginning I was staying far away from the net," she said. "I was really hesitant about being close, ... landing, diving and having my full motion. Now, in intense games I rarely think about it."

"Sometimes it's always in the back of your mind, 'Be careful.' But when I'm in the play I'm not thinking 'I can't get this ball because of my knee.' I'm thinking 'That's my ball.'"

Throughout her junior season, Dworzanin would have given anything to have such thoughts because those would have meant she was in the game and not stuck on the sidelines.

## Soaking it in

But given her options a year ago, she made the best of the situation.

"You don't realize how hard it is to be on the bench," Dworzanin emphasized. "Maybe like when you don't get a chance to play. But when you have an injury, when you know you could be on the court but cannot, it's awful."

"And watching your team struggle and seeing that, or seeing your team do great and wishing you were a part of that ... you just have to support them and help them out."

"My coach (Amanda Nies) said I became sort of an assistant coach, always watching things on the floor and helping them out."

Nies credited Dworzanin for the way she stayed part of the team, attending every practice and match — plus observing and communicating what she saw to teammates.

"She was really good for the players off the bench," Nies said. "She started to see the game differently than as a player, recognizing what the



Getting ready to hit the volleyball during a recent match is Salem's Abigail Dworzanin.

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## THE DWORZANIN FILE

**Who:** Abigail Dworzanin, 17, Salem High School senior co-captain and outside hitter on the varsity volleyball team.

**Surgery/rehab:** The Canton resident missed her junior season after tearing the ACL and meniscus in her left knee in May 2011. The injury occurred while playing in a tournament for the Ann Arbor-based A2 club team. Surgery took place in June 2011 and she underwent physical therapy for 10 months before returning to return to practice during the summer.

**Miscellaneous:** Owner of a 3.97 grade point average, Dworzanin is a member of the National Honor Society and is a student ambassador.

**Beginnings:** Abigail began playing volleyball during fifth grade at All Saints Catholic School in Canton, where her mom (Lynn) was her coach. Lynn also coached Lauren, a few years older than Abigail.

**No. 1:** Abigail followed Lauren as a Salem volleyball player wearing uniform No. 1. "I was always looking up to Lauren, wanting to be the kind of volleyball player she was. When she left I wanted to carry on her number. We're best friends."

**College:** She looks to study actuarial science in college and perhaps play club or intermural volleyball. She has applied to the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and DePaul University in Chicago.

girls needed to do.

"She would have her way of talking to the girls, like an assistant coach almost."

## Her message

The coach also said she knew how much Dworzanin missed playing and how hard she would ultimately push it to make it

back as a senior.

"It took a lot longer, but I think that's what really made the difference for her to bounce back as well as she did," Nies said. "She needed that therapy and all of those things to get strong. Now it's not a major issue. Her determination to come back is definitely show-

ing ... It definitely helped her appreciate the game, losing that junior season."

Of course, Dworzanin's senior season now is in one-and-done territory with the state tournament nearing.

However it turns out for the Rocks, Dworzanin's mission could prove to be an inspirational message.

"I would say never give up and always think you're going to make it through," she said, with a knowing nod. "Because if I thought I wasn't going to be here for my senior year I wouldn't have been here."

"I had my eye on playing my senior year and I did it."

Abigail Dworzanin definitely did, with every successful spike doubling as an exclamation point.

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# Rockets win Ladywood quad

The Westland John Glenn girls volleyball team closed out the regular season Wednesday by going 2-1 in the Livonia Ladywood Quad.

Host Ladywood beat Glenn in the opener, 25-16, 25-8. The Rockets then bounced back to beat Hartland (21-25, 25-23, 15-11) and Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (25-16, 26-24).

Glenn, now 12-30-3 overall, got a team-best 28 assist-to-kills and five ace serves from senior setter Claire Truskowski.

Bri Robinson added a team-high 26 digs and added five aces, while Hannah Staples and Kelly Epperson led the offensive attack with 11 and 10 kills, respectively.

"It was a great way to end our regular season and get us ready for the postseason," Glenn first-year coach Krista DePoy said. "A lot of our girls had really great nights like Courtney Schaber, who had an amazing night playing the net."

"We have a lot of girls banged up and Val Ernat took a pretty big spill last night after an amazing play, so we are hoping that everyone can take the next week to recover and get well before we start districts (Nov. 1) at Romulus."

## PCA falls

Plymouth Christian Academy lost in three sets to Oakland Christian, despite contributions from Mary Anleitner (five aces, five kills), Rachael Fuller (11 digs, eight kills), Jen Malcolm (two blocks, six kills) and Kelsey Williamson (four kills).

## Trojans triumph

Livonia Clarenceville celebrated Senior Night Thursday with a 25-20 25-23, 25-20 victory over visiting Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

The Trojans, who improved to 19-17-4 overall, were led by seniors Jodi Ankiel (11 digs), Ashley Murphy (seven kills), Tonya Vernier (three blocks, two aces); Justine Bateman (14-for-14 serving, three aces) and Tayla Heller (defense).

Also chipping into the Clarenceville cause was setter Nicole Kurdziel (21 assists), Ayanna Buckley (eight kills, three blocks) and Christine Hurmiz (10 digs).

"The girls came to play," Clarenceville coach Wendy Merschman said. "Three really good games from both teams. Our blocking and passing was so much stronger tonight."

"We have been really working hard on defense. They played as a unit tonight and really played some exciting volleyball."

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## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### WYAA volleyball

Registration for Westland Youth Athletic Association volleyball is underway and will last through mid-November for the following age groups: 9-10 (freshman), 11-13 (JV) and 14-17 (varsity).

Cost is \$130 (includes volleyball jersey with neon colors, shorts and knee pads).

Practices begin in mid-November and matches start in early December.

You can register online at wyaa.org.

For more information, call Keith Demolay at (734) 722-1251 (leave a message).

### Youth wrestling

Registration for the Westland Bottle Rockets Wrestling Club (ages 4-14) will be from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6 at the John Glenn High School (wrestling room), 36105 Marquette, Westland. The membership

fee is \$50 (includes T-shirt).

Beginners meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and advanced wrestlers from 6:15-7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Nov. 27.

To obtain a copy of the registration form, visit [www.glennwrestling.com](http://www.glennwrestling.com).

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## Creative eye

### Livonia native's photo wins finalist slot in national contest

By Sharon Dargay  
O&E Staff Writer

Photographer Rob Woodcox is waiting for his first big break.

He hopes his surrealistic images will catch a fashion designer's eye, generate work for an advertising agency, or land on the pages of a national magazine.

"I'm still in pursuit of that. But I'm doing well, I'm not suffering," said Woodcox, 22, a Livonia Churchill High School graduate. "I do a lot of small jobs, family portraits and senior portraits and senior portraits, an occasional author or musician.

"A lot of what I've done has been portfolio-building. I'm still in a very transitional phase of my life. I haven't gotten that big break per se."

The Livonia native might not have to wait much longer for it.

His image, "Blue Ridge Mountains," is a finalist in Canon's Project Imaginat10n contest and is in the running for a chance to inspire a film. The contest challenged photographers to submit images in 10 storytelling themes, such as character, goal and mood. Movie producer-director, Ron Howard, a judging panel and the public whittled the entries to 10 per category. Woodcox's moody, blue-



Rob Woodcox spends hours in nature location scouting and taking photographs.

toned landscape of sky, mountains, and lake with a man and woman locked arm in arm, earned a finalist designation in the setting category.

In the final phase of competition, five celebrities — musician James Murphy, fashion designer Georgina Chapman, Twitter co-founder Biz Stone, actor Jamie Foxx and actress Eva Longoria — each will select one winner from each of the 10 storytelling theme categories to help inspire the movies they will write, direct and film. Woodcox's "Blue Ridge Mountains" could inspire the setting for one of the films.

"Imagination defines my images. When I came

across the Canon contest ... it seemed perfect for me," Woodcox said. "Movies inspire me a ton. To see a part of that process was very enticing to me.

"I saw the film that was made last year in the first Project Imaginat10n. One of my friends won last year. It was cool to see the process and see her image become recreated in the movie."

Woodcox hopes his image, if it's chosen, will inspire a film with "magical," style, along the lines of Tim Burton's work or the surrealistic 2001 *Donnie Darko*. But he'd welcome interest from any of the celebrity directors.

"They all have very interesting backgrounds," he said, adding that "the photographer in me" puts Chapman at the top of his list.

"She's in the fashion industry. She's involved with an industry I want to go into."

#### Photographing people

Woodcox moved to Ypsilanti when he became interested in photography in 2009 and started taking courses at Washtenaw Community College. Before that, he took photographs as a part of the yearbook staff at Churchill,



Rob Woodcox shot this photo — a finalist in the setting category of the Canon Project Imaginat10n contest — while on vacation in Vancouver, British Columbia.



"Explosions in the Mind"

where he also played French horn in band, was involved in plays, honors classes and the Creative and Performing Arts program.

"I was very much a people person," he described his high school years. "I've always been fond of nature. I've always loved camping and all of those things. At first I thought maybe I'd shoot landscapes. I ended up loving shooting people even more. People are always different. They are constantly changing."

He chooses mostly location shoots for his photographs, which often "tell stories" and allow the individuals in them to

engage with the environment.

"I spend a lot of time location scouting. Whether it's a leafy forest or pines with no underbrush or a dilapidated building, I have places in mind. One recent shoot was an apocalypse theme fashion shoot. The final image in a field with an abandoned building behind. It was shot in Detroit by the Fisher body plant. The lot next to it is a concrete rubble field. It looked like the apocalypse."

#### On the spot

Although he carefully plans most of his work — taking into consideration props, characters and location — he snapped his winning Project Imaginat10n entry during an impromptu shoot while on vacation with other photographer friends in Vancouver, British Columbia. As the day wound down and the sun began to set over a lake nestled in the mountains, Woodcox noticed the blue cast on the water,

land and sky and started to shoot. He noticed one of his friends was wearing a blue dress. Another sported a blue shirt. He asked them both to wade into the water to become the two lone figures in his image.

"A lot of my work I spend months thinking about and planning and coming up with material. This shot felt natural and meant-to-be."

In addition to photography, Woodcox also is involved with children's programs at NorthRidge Church, Plymouth. He coordinates a team of volunteers who work with youngsters at Northridge's satellite location in Saline.

"Above anything else, God is my biggest inspiration. He's awesome," Woodcox added.

See his work on his website, [robwoodcoxphotography.com](http://robwoodcoxphotography.com) or on Facebook. He also teaches workshops at Photo Studio Group in Ann Arbor, [www.photostudiogroup.com](http://www.photostudiogroup.com).

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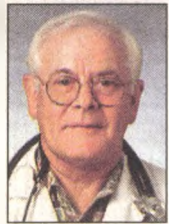
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# Some agitation: Washer articles stir the pot

By Joe Gagnon  
Guest Columnist

Here are just a few of the many e-mails I have received on the subject of today's washing machines. They are typical of the comments I receive in person.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

Patrick writes: "Can you recommend a reliable washing machine manufacturer that really washes clothes. I purchased a top loader a few years ago only to discover that its sole purpose is to be a federal government agency mirage. It doesn't clean but does knot and wrinkle everything. This is a fraud! How do they get away with it? These are Rube Goldberg machines that take an hour

to do nothing, but they sure do save water. Where are the class action lawsuits to sign up for?"

Mary writes: "Your recent article in the O&E newspaper was so informative! We are about to purchase a new washer and dryer but have some serious doubts about their quality. We have talked to salesmen in stores, and researched each machine online and we are more confused than ever. The dryers are so large now that we will have about 2 inches from the wall when the door to the dryer is open! You have written about the lack of water in the new washers. That scares me a lot. I don't have time to redo laundry that comes out of a washer still dirty. Also, one of the big things with the new washers is the locking lids! Whose "not so bright" idea was that? I hope that my husband will be able to take that lock off the new washer."

Diane Armstrong, a noted author and columnist in Tim-

mins Ontario dedicated a whole column to the subject of clothes washers. She writes: "About ten years ago, the Green Movement came into being. We were told to cut back on water usage and electricity or natural gas. Why, in the interest of saving water and utilities, don't the manufacturers go back to the Suds Saver? They already have the blueprints. But this would be logical. Good Grief!! Consumers must buy and use a product to clean a machine whose initial purpose is to clean? What's wrong with this picture?"

### Testing a product

A few columns back I informed you about this recent invention that mounts on the wall behind the washer where you hook up your cold water line. This product allows you to wash clothes with little or no soap and use only cold water. There is a whole video presentation on this product and if

you're interested you can go to greentechenv.com. I saw the video, didn't believe it but had one shipped to me. I have been washing clothes for two weeks now and that's a new venture in my life. I just can't believe it but it works. It's made washing clothes an experiment for me and the results give me the confidence to write about it. This may be the best invention since the microwave oven. I took a 6-year-old Carhart jacket that has never been washed and it came out clean as can be using no soap and only cold water. I washed several other jackets and I was pleased. I took a green T-shirt and covered the backside with blueberry juice and mustard. I let that dry for 4 hours and then washed it with no soap and cold water. All that stuff just plain disappeared. I did about 10 of my under shorts and they came out clean, too. Not only that, but the clothes smell so good and fresh. Suffice it to say that this old guy

who is such a skeptic has been made a believer and it will take a team of horses to remove this from my home.

To my knowledge I don't know if there is anyone selling this product in the area and even if it was sold around here, this column cannot be used as an advertising format. I can tell you it will be soon available at retail locations in the appliance business. I expect this product can save between \$300-\$500 annually, depending on how many wash loads you do per week. Isn't it a shame that the appliance manufacturers couldn't build this product directly into the design of a new washing machine? I bet that sure would stop a lot of complaints from unhappy consumers.

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Guatemalan fair trade jewelry, bags, and scarves from MayaWorks and coffee from Servant Ministries; and Ugandan bark bookmarks, jewelry and edible items from John Paul Secondary School in Cheledura, Uganda.

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# Commission seeks brand designs, slogans

The Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage is accepting entries for a design and slogan contest, sponsored by Health Alliance Plan (HAP). Michigan residents may submit original designs with slogans that will aid in strengthening and clarifying the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage's brand identity as an arts organization. Submissions must be original designs that should be immediately identifiable, compelling artistically, and appropriate for a wide range of applications, including possible use on letterhead, newsletters and website. Computer-generated and non-computer-generated artwork may be entered but must be submitted electronically at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org). Only one entry per person will be accepted. The winning entry will receive a \$500 cash award, provided by Health Alliance Plan (HAP). "This design and slogan contest gives

participants an opportunity to showcase their originality and creativity while promoting the arts," stated Sharon Dillenbeck, Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage chairperson. "We're looking for a design and slogan that is concise, easy to remember, and serves to advocate the arts in the Canton community." The Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage serves the Canton Community by leading efforts to foster cultural arts through progressive, innovative practices and planning, making the Commission a nationally recognized model for regional arts and heritage advocacy. Contest deadline is 4 p.m., Nov. 30. Complete contest rules, entry forms and artwork submission are available online at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org). For additional information, see the official contest rules online or e-mail to [mfalzon@canton-mi.org](mailto:mfalzon@canton-mi.org).



Richard Martinez and Scott Cosnowsk from Redford worked together to plant trees as Redford's community garden took root.

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# Caregiver help is phone call away

The Alzheimer's Association, Senior Helpers and Botsford Commons Senior Community are launching a new, monthly telephone support group to help caregivers struggling with memory loss, Alzheimer's disease or dementia. Beginning Nov. 6, the call-in support group will be held from noon-1 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. Experts from Senior Helpers and Botsford Commons will moderate the

group. The program is free, but callers must register in order to receive a dial-in number for each session. The "lunch hour" time frame is intended to make the conference calls convenient for working caregivers. A different topic will be covered each month with time for questions and answers. "Providing support for caregivers is key in helping to maintain healthy and nurturing relationships with

loved ones," stated Diane Zide, executive director of operations at Botsford Commons. "We hope our community members will take advantage of this opportunity to receive important information, get answers to questions and share experiences." To RSVP, call (248) 865-1000 or visit [alz-dialin@seniorhelpers.com](mailto:alz-dialin@seniorhelpers.com). Visit the Botsford Commons website at [www.botsfordcommons.org](http://www.botsfordcommons.org).

## GARDEN & NATURE

Send garden and nature information and photos to Sharon Dargay at [sdargay@hometownlife.com](mailto:sdargay@hometownlife.com).

### Livonia Garden Club

Lisa Steinkopf, who is a houseplant guru from Steinkopf Nursery, will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Livonia Garden Club, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6 at the Senior Center, located at 5 Mile and Farmington Road, Livonia. Her presentation will focus on the care and cultivation of indoor houseplants, pests, diseases, soils and fertilization. Steinkopf is a certified indoor landscape technician, certified nursery-

man and a member of the Garden Writer's Association. Refreshments will be served; [www.orgsites.com/mi/livoniagardenclub](http://www.orgsites.com/mi/livoniagardenclub).

### English Gardens

• Santa arrives at 10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 4 and will be on hand for photos until 5 p.m. Free photos will be available or bring your own camera. The annual holiday open house will include caroling and refreshments. • Third annual Ladies Night will run 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 at the Royal Oak store and Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Ann Arbor store and will include music,

shopping, decorating advice from experts and displays of professionally-decorated trees. The event is free but registration is required. Register at [www.englishgardens.com](http://www.englishgardens.com). Shoppers can see professionally-decorated trees and other holiday decorations. Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, (248) 280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield; (248) 851-7506.

## REUNIONS

### FARMINGTON HARRISON

**CLASS OF 1982**  
7 p.m.-1 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 24, at Uptown Grille, in Commerce Township; [www.hhs1982alumni.info](http://www.hhs1982alumni.info)

### LIVONIA BENTLEY

**ALL CLASSES**  
Class of 1972 will celebrate its 40th reunion, Friday, Nov. 23 at the Marriott Hotel - Laurel Park, in Livonia and invites

all Bentley alumni to the party. Steve King and the Dittilies will entertain. For information about the event and to register, e-mail the reunion committee at [Bentley72@QPA.US.COM](mailto:Bentley72@QPA.US.COM)

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL

**CLASS OF 1982**  
30-year reunion 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, in Livonia. For information or to register contact Sharon at (734) 261-3264 or e-mail [rsculbert@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsculbert@sbcglobal.net).

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October

TRUNK OR TREAT

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28

Location: Kenwood Church, 20200 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The event is for all ages and will include corn dogs, hotdogs, popcorn, caramel apples, home-made donuts, and candy. Participants can bring their cleaned-out pumpkins and show off their carving skills. The church asks that children refrain from wearing scary costumes or carrying weapons

Contact: (248) 476-8222

YOUTH HALLELUJAH PARTY

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31

Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Wear a costume to this party and carnival. It's designed to be a safe place to play games, eat snacks, win prizes and get candy

Contact: (248) 477-1153, Ext. 12

November

BOOK, BAKE SALE

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3

Location: Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The sale will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Proceeds will support PEAC, Programs to Educate All Cyclists, which benefits autistic children

Contact: (734) 420-9191

CONCERT

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4

Location: Basilica of St. Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit sponsors a benefit concert for International Orthodox Christian Charities. The Orthodox Choir of Metropolitan Detroit, conducted by Vickie Kopistiansky, will sing hymns to the Virgin Mary. Admission is free, although donations will be collected. An afterglow will follow the concert

Contact: Robert Mitchell at (313) 204-5103

FASHION SHOW

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4

Location: Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Doors will open at noon for the preview of gift baskets and silent auction items at the fourth annual luncheon and fashion show organized by the Ladies of Sacred Heart. Thomas Catering of Livonia will provide the lunch. Women of the parish will model casual and formal fashions by Dress Barn. Tickets are \$30 each. Teens and adults only

Contact: (734) 525-5610 or go to www.shbyzantine.com/#events

MOM TO MOM

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 3

Location: Montessori Center of Our Lady, 14200 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Mom to mom sale; \$2 early bird admission at 8:30 a.m. and \$1 admission at 9 a.m.

Contact: mcoolm2m@gmail.com

SENIOR ISSUES SEMINAR

Time/Date: 2-4 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13

Location: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Hear experts explain about care choices and about legal issues for seniors and for those who are planning for the future. This is not a sales presentation, but an explanation of the issues involved. Dessert and beverages will be provided. Call 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday to reserve a space

ST. ANDREW'S DAY

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 11

Location: St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, east of Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Worship service is followed by dinner and bagpipe entertainment. Pre-sale tickets for the dinner are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children, 4-11, and free for children, 3 and under. Admission at the door is \$15 for adults and \$6 for children

Contact: (313) 534-7730

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 5 p.m. social hour, 6 p.m. buffet dinner, Nov. 14

Location: G. Subu's, 20300 Farmington Road, one block south of Eight Mile, Livonia

Details: RSVP by Nov. 6 for this evening of dinner, support and games for widowed men and women. Cost is \$18 and includes meal, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay at the door — cash only with exact amount — and call ahead if you must cancel.

Coming up: Celebrate Mass at 2:30 p.m., followed by refreshments, at St. Kenneth, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth. For information call Pat at (734) 895-6246. Celebrate the holidays at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18 at Compari's, 350 S. Main, Plymouth. Order from the menu. A 20 percent gratuity will be added to each bill. The group will visit "The Walk of Trees" through Kellogg Park. Call

Micki by Nov. 21 at (734) 455-0094

Contact: For buffet dinner RSVP to Carol at (313-) 562-3080, Joan at (734) 331-6866 or Mary Anne at (313) 565-5749

Ongoing

CLASSES/STUDY

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberg at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church

Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am. Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m. Sundays.

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville

Contact: (734) 846-4615

Nicole's Revival

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday

Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford Township

Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer

Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Scripture study

Contact: (313) 534-9000

St. Michael the Archangel

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday.

Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Catholic author and bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of the Gospel of St. Luke. The sessions are open to all, regardless of their faith or

parish affiliation

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniast-michael.org

Ward Presbyterian

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays

Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville

Details: Learner's Bible study is held

Contact: (248) 374-5920

CLOTHING BANK

Canton Christian Fellowship

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m. second Wednesday

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty

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FAMILY COMMUNITY MEAL

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: Free meal

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FOOD BANK

New Hope Church

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only

Location: 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

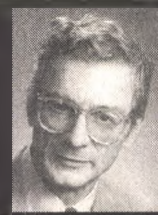
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The development of MRI imaging created a revolution in caring for knee pain. First, the idea that a normal x-ray meant a normal knee ended. Second, common problems that were hard to diagnose became evident under MRI imaging; the same images took the guesswork out of surgical intervention. The orthopedist lost no time looking around, but instead could plan the operation before the initial incision. That approach saved time and accelerated healing. Third, MRI imaging revealed conditions such as bone marrow edema, that the medical community was previously unaware existed. The gain from technology far exceeds its costs.

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## MCCULLOUGH-ROZMAREK

Lesa Rozmarek and Brian McCullough wed Sept. 22, at The Whitney in Detroit, Michigan. The double ring ceremony was officiated by Leigh Greden, friend of the couple.

Lesa, formerly of Canton and Plymouth, is the daughter of Henry and Janet Rozmarek of Manistee. Brian is the son of Steven and Ann McCullough of Ft. Myers, Fla.

Melissa Gibson, served as matron of honor. Bridal attendants included Julie

## Milestones

Bonfiglio, Bradley Cambridge, and Levi Hillger. Mark McCullough, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen attendants included Justin Schwinghamer, Werner Stocker, and Mike Dushane.

Lesa, who will keep her maiden name, graduated with a bachelor of science in architecture and a master of architecture from Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. She also earned a master of science in archi-

teature from Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. She is an architectural designer and historic preservation specialist with CWB Architects, in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Brian graduated with a bachelor of arts in English with a concentration in film from the University of Florida in Gainesville, Fla. He is the CEO of ResumeWriting.com. He was also the founder of the job search startups, ResumeWriters.com and WhoToTalkTo.com.

A spring 2013 honeymoon is planned to visit Iceland and Norway. The couple currently resides in New York, N.Y.



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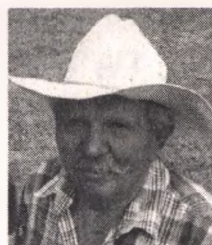
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### BUCHANAN, BERTHA RAY

Age 88, October 22, 2012, formerly of Livonia. Beloved wife of the late Lee. Loving mother of Regina (Steve) Douglas, Robert (Polly), Nancy (Ken) Mantay, Edmund, Charles, Kathy (Ted) Stein, Vickie (Joel) Goudreau and Darlene Horen. Dear sister of Billie Hillen. Many grandchildren and great-grandchildren survive. Visitation Thursday, 3-9pm at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford Rd., Garden City where funeral services will be held on Friday at 11:00 a.m. Please sign the on-line guestbook at: [www.rgerharris.com](http://www.rgerharris.com)



### LUTE, WILLIAM S.

Age 87, passed away peacefully on October 20, 2012 at his home in Livonia; right next door to where he was born on April 3, 1925, son of Charles and Bertha (nee Christ) Lute. He was united in marriage to Mary Rose Joyal on November 1, 1951; and they spent 60 loving years together. William grew up on a farm in Livonia and later worked as a Heavy Machine Operator for Superior Products in Taylor. He is described by his family as a simple farmer, who was born 100 years too late. He was a passionate collector of anything that had to do with farm life; including a huge collection of antique John Deere Tractors from the 1930's, one of the largest collections in the state of horse drawn vehicles, as well as hand tools, traps, washing machines, and lanterns. Many of his treasures were found at the farm auctions he frequented on the weekends. William was a volunteer with Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia; where he operated some of the antique equipment he donated and advised the Livonia Historical Commission on the history of Livonia. He also volunteered with Henry Ford Village during Harvest Festival. He is survived by his beloved wife Mary Rose Lute; his daughters, Cathy (Edward) Klockner, Debbie (Robert) Shaw, and Peggy (Anthony) Ignagni; his siblings, Celesta Van Hellemont, Donald (Agnes) Lute, Bernice (Othel) Baggett, and Alice (Frank) Caldwell; his grandchildren, Sean, Ian, Halle, Dawn (Jason), Brandon, Nickholas, Vincenzo, Blaise, and Noelle; and his great grandchildren, Makenna, Brielle, and Greisha. He was preceded in death by his parents and 4 brothers and sisters. The funeral service will be held Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 11 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at The Newburgh Church at Greenmead, 20501 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48152. Mr. Lute will be laid to rest at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to American Cancer Society, PO Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718 or Livonia Historical Commission/Greenmead Historical Park. Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.



### MILLER (nee HYDE), MARGARET

July 14, 1922 ~ Sept. 12, 2012. Wife of the late Joe Miller, mother of Mary Miller (Mike Swallow), Barbara Staniszewski (Gary), Katherine Miller (Jim Stiff), and Ann Anderson (Gary). Grandmother of Katherine, Daniel (Lauren), Samantha, Monika, and Kalena. Sister of the late James Hyde and the late John Hyde. Former editor, Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. Memorial service to take place Sunday, October 28, 4 PM, Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia.



### PAUL, WILLIAM ROBERT "BOB"

Age 85, of Livonia, retired Ford Motor Co. employee, died October 20, 2012. He is the dear father of Rick (Lynn), John (Linda) and Lee (Jamie); fond grandfather of Christopher, Alexander, Michael, Stephanie and Justin. Bob was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Bernice. Funeral Service Wednesday, October 24, 10 am, at the Heaney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Visitation Tuesday 2-8 pm. Memorial tributes suggested to Angela Hospice, [angelahospice.org](http://angelahospice.org) [heaney-sundquist.com](http://heaney-sundquist.com)



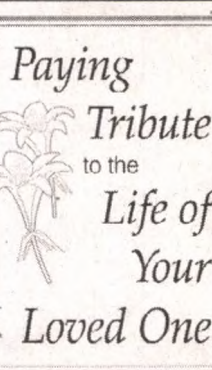
### SELLMAN, BERNARD L.

Age 84, Kalamazoo, MI. Passed away early in the morning of Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at Tendercare in Kalamazoo, MI. Barney was born January 9, 1928 in Detroit, MI the son of the late Walter and Maybelle (Humpert) Sellman. After graduating from St. Leo's High School in Detroit, he went on to serve his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. Barney's passions were gardening and woodworking and he also enjoyed sports, especially his Detroit Tigers. Above all else he loved spending time with his family. On January 21, 1956 in Detroit, Barney was united in marriage to his loving and devoted wife of 56 years, Carolyn (Ridley) Sellman, who survives. Also surviving are his children, John (Linda) Sellman, Jeanne (Jim) Hess and Jim (David) Sellman; grandchildren, Andrew & Kevan Hess, Lana, Erin & Brenna Sellman; sister, Charlotte (Charles) Chaffin. He was preceded in death by 3 siblings, Sr. Geraldine, Fran & Delmar. Per his wishes, cremation has taken place. Family will receive friends on Saturday (11/3) from 12-1 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church (new location, 412 Cedar St, Paw Paw), where a memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. with a reception to follow. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mark's Episcopal Church (P.O. Box 307; Paw Paw, MI 49079) or Eleanor's Pantry (P.O. Box 64; Paw Paw, MI 49079) Arrangements are by the Adams Funeral Home, Paw Paw. Share a memory or condolence online at: [www.adamspawpaw.com](http://www.adamspawpaw.com)



### MIELKE, DONALD L.

October 23, 2012. Loving husband of the late Delores. Beloved father of Bruce (Jennifer) Mielke and Janet (Stephen) Pinkham. Proud grandfather of Matthew (Angela), Andrew and Hannah Mielke, and Alyssa Pinkham. Member of the Telephone Pioneers of America and long time volunteer with the American Red Cross, Plymouth Public Library, and Life Alert. Private family services are planned. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter, 20300 Civic Center Dr. Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48076-4166. To share a memory, please visit [vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://vermeulenfuneralhome.com)

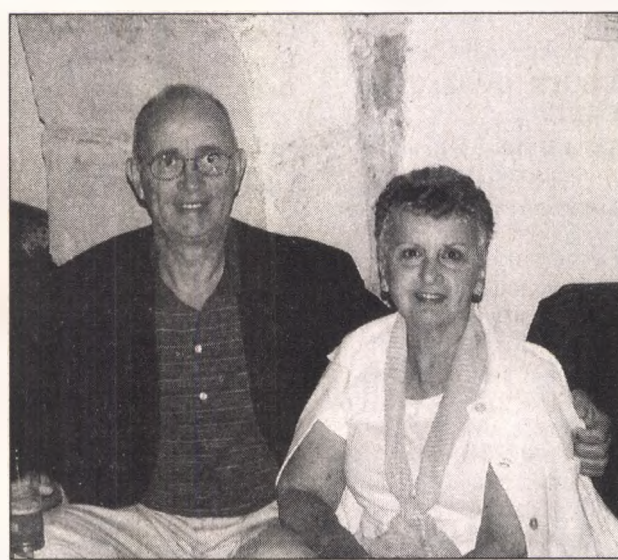


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Joseph and Elizabeth Micallef on their wedding day



Joseph and Elizabeth Micallef of Northville

## 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Joseph and Elizabeth (Vella) Micallef of Northville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, Oct. 27.

Born on the small island of Malta, they both came to the United States as children and met through friends when they were older. They were married in 1962 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Detroit.

Joe worked at The Detroit Athletic Club and for United Airlines in food service. He currently assists in food service at the Inn at St. John and as a ranger for the golf course. Both Joe and Elizabeth were Amway distribu-

tors for many years and reached the level of Ruby Direct Distributorship.

Elizabeth (Betty) worked at A&P as a cashier and also at Me & Mr. Jones clothing boutique in Plymouth. Elizabeth recently retired from All Saint's Catholic School in Canton as a kindergarten aide.

Both Joe and Elizabeth are very active at St. Kenneth's Catholic Church. They also enjoy traveling and spending time with family and friends. They have two children Sandra (Robert) McCrary and Paul (Kim Halkey) Micallef. They have four grandchildren, Peter and Charlie McCrary and Lauren and Theresa Micallef.

They celebrated with a Mass and dinner with family.

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### November

#### CAREGIVING

In recognition of Alzheimer's Awareness Month, Dr. David Sengstock of Oakwood Hospital will talk about caregiving for older adults, at 7 p.m. Nov. 8, at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center, Canton. Sengstock, a geriatrician specializing in internal medicine and hospice and palliative care, will talk about the best ways for family and friends to be alert to signs of change and how to make sure loved ones live in a safe environment, fulfill their needs of care and help them live independent, healthy lives for as long as possible. Questions? Call the library at (734) 397-0999, Ext. 1078.

#### COPING WITH CANCER

Botsford Hospital, in partnership with the American Cancer Society, will present "I Can Cope," a free, educational program for adults facing cancer, either personally or as a caregiver, 9:45-11:45 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14, in the hospital's administration and education center, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington. Get answers to questions about diagnosis and treatment, treatment side effects, community resources, nutrition, physical activity, fatigue and more. Registration is limited to 25 participants. Call (800) 227-2345.

#### DIABETES AND SKIN

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will present "Your Skin, Keeping it All Together" 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, in the hospital's Auditorium. Donna Choma, a registered nurse and nurse specialist at St. Mary Mercy, will be the speaker. According to the American Diabetes Association, diabetes can affect every part of the body, including the skin. As many as 33 percent of people with diabetes will have a skin disorder caused or affected by diabetes at some time in their lives. Choma will talk about preventing wounds through good skin care, common wounds, wound myths and basic wound care for individuals

with diabetes. There is no charge, and pre-registration is not required. For more information call Community Outreach at (734) 655-8961, or visit [stmarymercy.org](http://stmarymercy.org) and click on "classes and events."

#### FUNDRAISER

Five Points of Hope presents "A Night to Remember" 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at Edgewood Country Club, 8399 Commerce Road, Commerce Township. All proceeds go to the Five Points of Hope Cancer Care Fund that assists individuals who are dealing with a cancer diagnosis and are in financial need. The event costs \$5 at the door and will include appetizers, vendors, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, cash bar and more. No RSVP needed. For more information visit [www.fivepointsof-hope.com](http://www.fivepointsof-hope.com).

#### LIVING LONGER

Uncover the simple secrets of zestful living involving food, fun, fitness, friends, family, and personal support in a workshop, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Stevenson High School, Room E-13, 33500 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$22. Materials fee is \$5 cash, due in class. Pre-registration is a must. Call Livonia YMCA at (734) 261-2161. YMCA membership not required for the class.

#### MEDITATION AND HEALTH CLASS

DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, Befitting You Medical Supply & the ISHA Foundation offer a free meditation and health class, 6:45 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29, in the Charach Cancer Center lobby, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Participants will learn a 15-minute meditation practice in this one-hour class. RSVP at (248) 937-3895.

#### MEMORY SCREENING

Botsford Commons Senior Community in Farmington Hills will offer free memory screenings Tuesday, Nov. 13 as part of National Memory Screening Day 2012. The screenings are simple and take approximately five minutes to complete. The Social Services Department

will administer the screenings from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the William Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. To register, call (248) 473-1830.

#### VETERANS PROGRAM

Garden City Hospital will salute veterans with a health fair and lecture, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at the hospital's medical office building, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. The program will include information on veterans benefits and services, post-traumatic stress disorder, health care services and therapy, in addition to free cholesterol and glucose screenings for the first 40 individuals registered, blood pressure screenings, health risk assessments and health care vendors, lunch, prizes and giveaways. The event is for veterans, their family members and caregivers. The event will feature veteran advocate, retired Brigadier General Carl Ann Fausone. Pre-registration is required. Call (734) 458-4259.

## Ongoing

#### AQUATIC CLASSES

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis. Classes are held 11 a.m.-noon Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch; 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch; and 2-3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, at the Birmingham branch. All classes are offered to members and nonmembers of every age and participants do not need to know how to swim to participate. To join or for more information, interested individuals can contact their local YMCA branch or visit [www.ymcadetroit.org](http://www.ymcadetroit.org).

#### ARTHRITIS SUPPORT

2-3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Krieger Center, DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Enter the building via the South Garden entrance. Registration not required.



## U-M research looks at obesity, weight loss

Joint research between the University of Michigan and the Argentina-based National Council of Science and Technology (CONICET) has shed light on one of the most frustrating mysteries of weight loss — why the weight inevitably comes back.

Research using mice showed that the longer rodents remained overweight, the more “irreversible” obesity became.

Over time, the static, obese state of the mice reset the “normal,” body weight set point to become permanently elevated, despite dieting that initially worked to shed pounds.

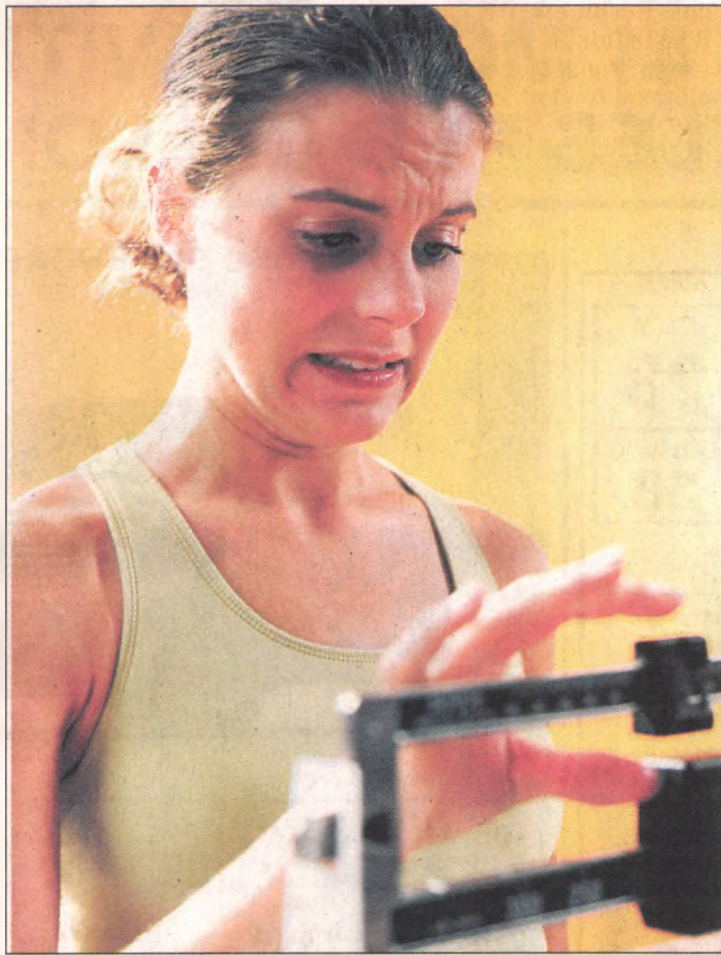
“Our model demonstrates that obesity is in part a self-perpetuating disorder and the results further emphasize the importance of early intervention in childhood to try to prevent the condition whose effects can last a lifetime,” stated Malcolm J. Low, M.D., Ph.D., professor of molecular and integrative physiology and internal medicine. “Our new animal model will be useful in pinpointing the reasons why most adults find it exceedingly difficult to maintain meaningful weight loss from dieting and exercise alone.”

The lead author of the study was Viviana F. Bumaschny, M.D., assistant investigator of CONICET.

Obesity affects more than 500 million adults and 43 million children younger than age 5, while related illnesses are the leading preventable cause of death.

Individuals who are overweight have a much higher risk of type 2 diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular diseases.

The research used a new model of obesity-programmed mice that allowed weight loss success to be



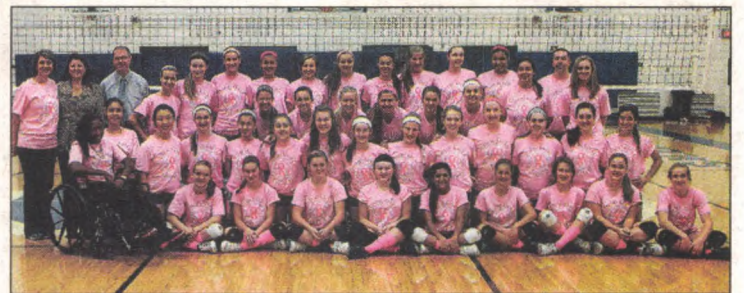
tracked at different stages and ages by flipping a genetic switch that controls hunger.

Turning on the switch right after weaning prevented the mice from overeating and ever becoming obese. Mice that remained at a healthy weight into young adulthood by strict dieting alone were able to maintain normal weight without dieting after turning on the switch. However, chronically overfed mice with the earliest onset of obesity never completely returned to normal weight after flipping the switch, despite eating less

and increasing activity.

The new findings may raise questions about the long-term success rate of severe calorie restriction and strenuous exercise used later in life to lose weight.

“Somewhere along the way, if obesity is allowed to continue, the body appears to flip a switch that reprograms to a heavier set weight,” Low said. “The exact mechanisms that cause this shift are still unknown and require much further study that will help us better understand why the regaining of weight seems almost unavoidable.”



The Salem Rocks varsity volleyball team sports pink shirts and socks while raising funds to pay for mammograms for women in the Canton area. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month wraps up Oct. 31.

## Students raise funds for mammograms

The Salem Rocks varsity volleyball team looked pretty in pink when it recently took on the Wayne Memorial Zebras.

Students were decked out in pink socks, pink shoelaces, pink headbands — even a pink volleyball — as they took part in their first ‘Digging for a Cure’ fundraiser to generate donations and raise awareness of breast cancer.

The team sold T-shirts before the game and donated money from the concession stand for the cause. Students raised more than \$700 which will be donated to Oakwood Healthcare, Inc. to provide free mammograms to uninsured or under-insured women in the Canton area.

“I wanted to make sure the money stayed in the community,” said Lynn Dworzanin, president of the volleyball booster club. A breast cancer survivor, she helped coordinate the fundraiser.

Dworzanin, whose daughter, Abigail, is a senior on the Rocks’ varsity squad, was diagnosed during a routine screening in February and said she understands the value of catching the disease early.

“I was forever grateful that it was caught early; I was very fortunate,” she said. “Breast cancer screening is so important. It’s critical to diagnose it early.”

An early detection leads to faster treatment and quicker recovery times and, ultimately, a better outcome. About 90 percent of women who are diagnosed with the disease are still living cancer free five years after their treatment.

“The goal is to catch it early, before you can feel it,” said Majd Aburabia, MD, an Oakwood-affiliated surgeon specializing in breast care.

Dworzanin said the event received such positive feedback that the students hope to build on it next year.

“We’ll continue this tradition for the next several years,” she said. “It’s not going to just be a one-time thing.”

Nancy Gray, administrator of women’s health services for Oakwood, said she was impressed with the thoughtfulness of the students and appreciative of the donation.

“It is great to see young people so active and engaged in this important issue,” she said. “We’d like to extend our thanks to everyone involved. This could help save lives.”



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## Choosing a nursing career is fulfilling

If you are searching for a career that offers many opportunities, take a close look at the nursing profession. Nursing is projected to grow faster than average for all occupations through 2020, as reported in the 2012 Occupational Outlook Handbook, from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

The BLS attributes this expansion to technological advances and greater awareness of preventive care, in addition to the rising health care demands of the aging baby boomer population. A degree in nursing offers more options than you may think. Wendi Jakubiak, registered nurse and program administrator for Academic Affairs at Brown Mackie College - Oklahoma City, offers insight into the professional options available.

Jakubiak worked as a nurse for 25 years before becoming a certified nurse educator. "I have watched changes happen over the years. Nurses are more involved than taking vital signs, giving medications and bathing patients."

A more team-oriented approach has evolved in hospitals," says Jakubiak. "Nurses don't simply follow doctors' orders. Critical thinking skills are required. Their patient loads are bigger, and patients are more complicated now."

Idiosyncrasies occur in the care of individual patients because of varied medical histories. All members of the medical team rely on one another. "Nurses must be able to work through problems that don't have a recipe solution," Jakubiak adds. "If a life-



threatening problem occurs, the nurse must take action within their scope of practice to save a patient. Nurses must have the ability to think on their feet and assure patient safety." Nurses often go the extra mile to help their patients.

Many people, especially the elderly, are reluctant to take a medicine prescribed by a doctor other than their regular doctor. "I often call a patient's regular doctor to explain this type of obstruction to the patient's current health care needs," Jakubiak says. "Usually a word from that trusted source will help the patient comply. "There are a lot of things a nurse can do other than work at a hospital," Jakubiak says. "Not all aspects of nursing require physical, hands-on care."

One employment option, which appeals to those who don't necessarily want to touch every patient physi-

cally, is to become a care manager or care coordinator. This position involves managing outpatient care to make sure needs are met and health is maintained when a patient leaves a medical facility. The home health care coordinator's job is broadly based on patient education. Good health assessment skills and good nursing skills are necessary elements of care. These skills, plus teaching skills, help keep the patient as independent as possible. The care coordinator's position at an insurance company is similar to one employed by a hospital. "They work with an eye toward keeping treatment aspects in line with guidelines," says Jakubiak. "A knowledge base is essential to perform the job. One must be able to be a manager, have a broad understanding of the body and a scientific background."

Education is another option for those with a nursing

degree. A shortage of nurses, widely reported since 1998, has abated somewhat, due to a large number of nurses delaying retirement in a down economy, according to a recent report by Bloomberg. As the economy improves, another shortage of nurses is anticipated.

According to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, enrollment in entry-level baccalaureate nursing programs increased 5.1 percent in 2011. "I literally run into people who remember me taking care of them 20 years ago. They often stop me to say, 'Thank you,'" Jakubiak says. "The profession can be what you make it. We have the ability as nurses to show compassion and caring - on top of all the technological stuff - to impact someone's life when they are most vulnerable. This opportunity is a huge gift to make a positive impact."

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**ACROSS**

1 Search engine find  
4 Construct  
8 New driver, maybe  
12 Friend or —?  
13 Currier's partner  
14 Lanchester of "Bride of Frankenstein"  
15 Excess supplies  
17 Air pollutant  
18 Vaccine  
19 "Hud" Oscar winner  
21 Evergreen  
23 Goods on board  
27 Jazzy refrain  
30 Fashion magazine  
33 Dinny's rider  
34 Ground breakers  
35 Once named  
36 Fountain treat

**DOWN**

1 Alien tour buses?  
2 Wander about  
3 Smirk's kin  
4 Biscayne Bay city  
5 Dow Jones fig.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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S	B	F	N	E	V	O	L	A	N	O	I	T	I	D	D	A	N	S	H	Fondant	Strawberry
F	B	N	K	U	T	V	C	H	O	C	O	L	A	T	E	P	N	A	Y	Decorate	Frosting
D	S	N	A	P	B	A	S	E	X	G	N	I	T	S	O	R	F	E	O	Ganache	Teaspoon
N	D	E	R	E	I	T	H	W	L	B	E	Y	H	S	U	C	A	R	I	Grease	Tiered
Y	R	R	E	B	W	A	R	T	S	L	K	B	N	T	V	A	B	G	O	Icing	Vanilla
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# Car Report

Advertising Feature

## Chrysler Redoubles Hispanic Outreach in Ram Campaign



By Dale Buss

Chrysler is redoubling its reach-out to Hispanic truck buyers with its new advertising campaign for Ram. And it doesn't hurt that the new 2013 Ram 1500 was just named "Truck of Texas" — a top award in Ram's biggest market and one where Hispanic consumers are crucial.

As part of its new "Moving Heaven and Earth" national general-market campaign around the launch of the new 1500, Ram is running a new series of TV, print and radio ads regionally in its top-volume Hispanic markets that seek to extend its successful initial effort of last year.

The campaign is a new iteration of the "A Todo, Con Todo" theme that Chrysler introduced last year and, this time around, features Juanes, a world-famous Latin musician who has sold more than 12 million albums.

"We're dialing it up a notch" from last year, in part by targeting the 17 leading U.S. metro markets for Hispanics, mostly across the South and West, compared with 15 markets last year, Fred Diaz, president and CEO of the Ram brand and of Chrysler de Mexico, told me.

Also, Ram increased the stakes by turning to Juanes, Diaz said. "He's wildly popular in South America and in Europe, and he's starting to become wildly popular in the U.S. as well." The entertainer recently gave a speech to a national society of Hispanic MBAs in Orlando "and the crowd exploded with applause," he said.

"He's also a philanthropist and just a down-to-earth guy," Diaz said. "Olivier

[Francois, Chrysler's CMO] was able to find us the perfect guy who is working incredibly well with this campaign." (Many had the same feeling after Francois personally recruited Eminem a couple of years ago to star in Chrysler's iconic "Imported From Detroit" Super Bowl ad.)

Juanes demonstrates "the type of personal conviction and dedication to doing what's right that makes [him] an authentic brand ambassador for Ram, a true representative of the idea of living 'A Todo, Con Todo,'" Diaz said in a press release.

Diaz feels intensely about Ram's Hispanic-focused campaign in part because he's a Latino who hails from San Antonio. "This has been a passion point of mine for some time," said Diaz, who was communications manager for Dodge and Ram several years ago and learned about the importance of the Hispanic market to Chrysler's pickup-truck franchise.

It's not that Ram necessarily out-indexes with Hispanic buyers versus the mainstream market, he said. But Latino customers are most prominent in many of the states that are most crucial to the pickup-truck segment. "Ram 1500 and 2500 are among our best-selling nameplates to

Hispanic buyers," Diaz explained.

Ram sales to Hispanic customers are up 33 percent this year, Diaz said, and the brand represents 18 percent of all of Chrysler Group's sales to Hispanic buyers.

Yet, Diaz said, until recently Ram was sort of ham-handed about reaching out directly to Hispanics, he said. "We dabbled with it a bit, and sometimes we'd get excited about it and told dealers we were going to get into it, and then as soon as budgets would get screwed down, the first thing to go was diversity marketing," he said. "But we knew it was important."

Finally last year, as Chrysler's recovery got legs and marketing resources became more available, Diaz vowed to do it right.

So in September 2011, Ram gathered Latino marketing journalists and pitched its first iteration of a new strategy, under the "A Todo, Con Todo" theme — colloquially meaning, as Diaz put it, "Give it everything you've got."

The first foray was a testimonial ad campaign in the 15 Hispanic-heavy markets that featured two Latino truck owners — "guys who



The new 2013 Dodge Ram 1500 is busting out in a new advertising effort.

legitimately use their Ram trucks day in day out for their vocation and recreation" — and recorded different takes with them speaking in English, and in Spanish.

"They had never done a stitch of acting, and it was 100 percent their words and unscripted," Diaz said. "You have to be true and right and authentic and know the cultural nuances. You can't just do a Spanish voiceover, or the Hispanic consumer will see right through it and you'll run the heavy risk of being offensive and disrespectful to the Latino population."

This year, in its expanded efforts featuring Juanes, Ram is placing ads in Spanish and English on Hispanic TV networks such as Telemundo and Univision; in national Hispanic magazines including Automundo and ESPN Deportes La Revista; and in Spanish-language local newspapers and radio stations.



Juanes is the star of the first TV ad in Ram's new Hispanic-focused campaign.

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