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Split board OKs money for park projects

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More than \$1.7M added to capital improvement budget

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

A divided Plymouth Township Board of Trustees added \$1.77 million to its 2013 capital improvement budget Tuesday, voting 4-3 to fund projects that include a new pavilion and an amphitheater at Township Park and improvements at Hilltop Golf Course and Lake Pointe Soccer Park.

Officials plan to sell \$1.9 million in 10-year township

bonds to help pay for the budget additions and have lined up another \$524,000 in government grants and private and corporate donations.

The 2013 capital projects budget went from \$785,000 to \$2.55 million with the vote. Officials said the plan will not require a tax increase.

But dissenting board members questioned the need for new park amenities, while Trustee Bob Doroshewitz decried what he said was a lack

of public input on the proposal and a price tag for the pavilion that's climbed since it was discussed in the township's recreation master plan three years ago.

'Scope changed'

The master plan estimated a pavilion at \$80,000 to \$100,000, a figure of \$350,000 was dis-cussed at a board meeting a year ago and the current pavilion estimate is \$625,000, Doroshewitz noted, calling the changes a "bait and switch." "The scope changed also."

responded Treasurer Ron Edwards, saying officials decided on an enclosed, rather than open-sided, facility that can be used in all weather. "We want-ed that to be an all-year facility that Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, everybody could use. ... That's where the increase in the costs came.'

"I'm not sure who 'we' is, because it wasn't the board and it wasn't the public," retorted Doroshewitz, adding that he had favored the pavilion when the price estimate was lower.

Proponents argued recrea-

tion improvements and maintenance are important for maintaining an attractive, family friendly community.

"We're trying to improve what we have and, if we don't improve it, there's conse-quences," Edwards said.

Parks, golf course

The estimated \$625,000 pavilion, including restrooms, would go near the baseball fields at Township Park; the township has lined up \$216,000

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Board bids out school design pact

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

Eschewing an original recommendation from their administration that they hire TMP to design the new middle school, Plymouth-Canton Board of Education trustees Monday voted to put the architectural services contract out for bid.

At stake: The right to design the \$32 million school the district will build out of the \$114.4 million bond approved by voters in May. The school, which will replace Central Middle School in Plymouth, will be built on district-owned property on Cherry Hill just west of Canton Center in Canton.

Requests for proposal were released Tuesday to six firms, including TMP. The others: Fanning Howey (the firm which designed Discovery Middle School), French & As-sociates (which built Plymouth High School), Wakely Associates, Inc. (which has built several schools in the district, including Tonda, Bentley, Workman and Dodson), SHW Group and Integrated Design Solutions.

Local collectors to show off their auto gems



Margaret Dunning is ready to roll in her 1966 Cadillac DeVille sedan. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Concours attracts rare vehicles

By Matt Jachman Staff Write

Car collector Gerald Szostak's 1926 Willys Knight Roadster was a diamond in the rough, while Margaret Dunning found her 1966 Cadillac DeVille as a polished, but hidden, gem.

Both cars will be on display Sunday at the 35th annual Concours d'Elegance of America, an exhibition of hundreds of

Concours has rich history, page A6.

rare, antique and collectible vehicles, at the Inn at St. John's in

Plymouth Township. Dunning, the Plymouth philanthropist and retired businesswoman who still cares for her cars and drives them at age 103, bought the four-door, eight-cylinder DeVille about 20 years ago from a local woman who had it in storage. It had only about 20,000 miles on it. "It's a beautiful car. I didn't have to do a thing on it," Dunning said during a recent interview. "The inside was impeccably clean.' The owner's grandchildren didn't want the car and Dunning heard that some people had been trying to buy it for a few hundred dollars. "I paid a lot more than that," she said.



Szostak, who has an extensive collection of cars that are 80-plus years old, picked up the six-cylinder Roadster about 30 years ago in Virginia, where it had never been repaired after being vandalized in the early 1930s.

They broke the instruments out of the dash and stole the starter and generator," and the wooden wheels were rotted, said Szostak, of Salem Township.

What has he done to restore the car?

Plymouth resident Gerald Szostak, here polishing up his 1910 Stanley at last year's Concours D'Elegance in Plymouth, will be part of the show again when it opens at St. John's Sunday. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

"What haven't I done? Let's put it that way," he said. Szostak, retired from his heating and cooling business, is meticulous about the detailed restoration of his own cars and those of friends.

Return engagements

Both Dunning and Szostak have exhibited cars in the Concours before. Szostak brought a 1910 Stanley Steamer last year and another '26 Willys Knight two years ago. Dunning, two years ago, showed off her pride and joy, a 1930 Packard.

"They have a very nice show over here," said Dunning, who will be at the Concours to talk about her Cadillac. "I think St. John's is doing a very good job."

She's put about 50,000 miles on the DeVille since buying it, driving it out West and taking it to various shows.

'It steps right along. I got a little ticket for doing 72 miles an hour in it," she said.

Dunning likes that the DeVille has no

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Seeking bids

Administrators had originally wanted to hire TMP without bidding the contract out, citing time constraints (officials hope to have the building ready in September 2015). But the board voted unanimously to seek a limited number of bids

"We're going to spend a lot of money on this and we should get the best product for the price," Trustee Mark Horvath said. "There are a lot of things that have taken place since we last built a building. TMP has done a lot of good work for us, but they haven't built a build-

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Margaret Dunning will have her 1966 Cadillac DeVille sedan, one of her stable of cars, ready for Sunday's Concours d'Elegance. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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center posts; with the windows down, she said, it can look like an open car. She also has a 1975 Cadillac El Dorado convertible.

"There's plenty of room in those old cars," she said.

Dunning has the DeVille polished with wax once a year, but

says she doesn't do much else to it. "I try to keep it up.

There's not much repairs to do," she said. "I know about changing oil and keeping it in good shape.'

Szostak's Roadster is a two-door, 60-horsepower model with a rumble seat and a compartment designed especially for a bag of golf clubs. Szostak is a fan of Willys Knight's sleevevalve engines, which

had valves built to much tighter tolerances than the more common poppet (or "mushroom") valves. "It's a lot more expensive engine," and very quiet-running for its time, he said.

Szostak also plans to be at the Concours to talk about his Roadster - and check out the other vehicles on display

"It's always fun. It's a very nice car show, very well done," he said.



Margaret Dunning's 1966 Cadillac DeVille sedan. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Classic cars line up for Plymouth's third Concours

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

The Concours d'Elegance of America, billed as one of the top exhibitions of collectible cars in the U.S., is rolling up to the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth Township this weekend.

The 35th Detroit-area Concours the Concours name is used in auto shows around the country - and the third at St. John's, the Concours d'Elegance of America will feature hundreds of antique, rare and specialized vehicles, both restored and unrestored, on display at the St. John's golf course from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Display classes include Gaslight (the 1906-1914 era), Jazz Age, Pre-War Eu-ropean, American Post-War, Detroit Iron: Cadillac, Chrysler, Lincoln and Packard; and Vintage NASCAR. There will be a special display on the 50th anniversary of the 1963 Chevrolet Corvette.

The local Concours was hosted at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills for its first 32 years, then moved to the Inn at St. John's beginning with the 2011 show.

The Concours, which attracts collectors and car fans from around the country, also offers several days of special events, including a motoring tour, an auction of collectible cars and a Saturday night gala at the St. John's Atrium. See the exhibition website www.concoursusa.org for more information.

Concours amenities

In Plymouth, car buffs can check out 17 Concours-level cars on display during Friday's free concert at Kellogg Park. The 7 p.m. show, part of the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series, will feature Fifty Amp Fuse, a rock classics band that's usually a big draw.

The Plymouth DDA is also sponsoring a weekend shuttle service designed to take Concours exhibitors and visitors between a local hotel, the St. John's complex and the restaurants,

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in grants, including \$100,000 from the federal government through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, that could go toward that project. Also proposed for the



Rod and Pat Hanna of Plymouth are big fans of the band Fifty Amp Fuse. The band plays a pre-Concours d'Elegance concert in downtown Plymouth at 7 p.m. Friday. Fans will also be able to check out 17 Concours-level cars on display during the concert. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

bars and shops downtown and in the Old Village neighborhood. The free shuttle will stop at Kellogg Park (near the Box Bar), on Starkweather next to Station 885 in Old Village, at the Hilton Garden Inn and at St. John's, which is on Five Mile just east of Sheldon.

The DDA shuttle hours are 3-11 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

There will be no public parking at St. John's during Sunday's Concours, but visitors can park for free at the Automotive Components Holdings plant on Sheldon at M-14, about a mile away, where a free shuttle service will take them to the St. John's grounds and back during exhibition hours. Handicap parking will be available. Downtown Northville offers visi-

tors a third parking option. A free shuttle will run between Northville Square (at Cady and South Wing) and St. John's from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Sunday's Concours general admission tickets are \$25 each; children under 12 are free when accompanied by an adult. See the Concours website for ticket purchase.

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Park is slated for field

improvements; a footbridge over the pond;

voted for the new budget.

"I believe people come to Plymouth Township, move here, because of what we have," Edwards said.

Joining Arnold and Edwards in voting for the plan were Supervisor Richard Reaume and Clerk Nancy Conzelman. Doroshewitz and Trustees Chuck Curmi and Mike Kelly voted against

"People have moved to Plymouth Township for 60 years and it wasn't

because of a recreation

plan or a park," Curmi

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LOCAL NEWS

Canton police mark 10th anniversary of fallen officer

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Gordon "Lew" Stevens, the only Canton police officer ever killed in the line of duty, was remembered Tuesday – the 10th anniversary of his death – as a kind, selfless man who helped others, laughed easily and inspired those who worked with him.

Canton police Sgt. Scott Hughesdon, who was trained by Stevens and became his crime-fighting partner, recalled the time Stevens picked up a homeless man in his patrol car and drove him to a McDonald's restaurant.

"Lew gave him a couple of bucks to get something to eat," Hughesdon said. "This is what Lew would routinely do as an officer. He performed random acts of kindness before it had a name."

Golden rule

"Lew loved to laugh and he was genuinely a nice guy," Hughesdon said. "As far as being a friend, he would do anything you asked. He always thought you should treat people the way you would want your family to be treated."

Stevens, 52, was killed the afternoon of July 23, 2003, after he pulled his patrol car off Lotz Road near Van Born to check a vehicle that appeared to have been abandoned.

He had returned to his car while doing his investigation when another vehicle, driven by a 23-year-old Kentucky man, topped a small hill heading south on Lotz and plowed into Stevens' patrol unit, partially throwing him from his car and causing fatal injuries. The driver was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and spent time in prison.

Ten years later, the pain still lingers for those who knew Stevens, one of the first officers when Canton started its full-time police department in 1978. He already had spent two years on the unpaid reserve force.

During a police awards ceremony in June, Public Safety Director Todd Mutchler said the police department will never fully heal from its loss. He made his remarks on a night Stevens was honored with a video memorial as his wife watched inside the Village



Canton Police Officer Gordon "Lew" Stevens is remembered as a kind man who laughed easily and loved to golf.

honored him with a ceremony and by hanging a shadowbox inside the station that holds some of his department awards, his medal of bravery, his police badges and a golf ball and tee, among other mementos for the man who loved to golf. Officers placed a framed American flag over the shadowbox.

"Lew was a cop's cop," then-Public Safety Director John Santomauro said in 2003 during Stevens' funeral. "He loved his family. He loved his profession." Stevens received several

Stevens received several departmental awards, including a commendation and a certificate of merit. He also was honored with a distinguished service medal from the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police for his successful intervention in an armed robbery in progress.

Stevens also is named on the new First Responders Memorial in Plymouth Township.

Board to interview candidates for library director position

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

The Plymouth District Library's only director is retiring after 34 years and the library's Board of Trustees is planning to soon name her

successor. Pat Thomas, who has held the job of director since the library district was founded, is leaving in September and four people, all directors of public coutbeact Michigan



directors of public libraries in southeast Michigan, are finalists to replace her.

The library board will interview each of the four candidates during a public meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the library. Each interview is expected to take 90 minutes, with breaks between each interview and a 30-minute lunch break.

The board will also convene

after the interviews to discuss the candidates and possibly make an offer to one of them.

The finalists are Carol Souchock, director of the Adrian Public Library; David Ewick, the Southfield Public Library director; William Harmer, director of the Chelsea District Library; and Tina Hatch, director of the Milford Township Public Library.

They were selected with the help of Hartzell-Mika Consulting of East Lansing, which screened about two dozen applications, conducted preliminary interviews and made recommendations after a nationwide search.

The Plymouth District Library, supported by property taxes in Plymouth and Plymouth Township, has annual circulation of more than one million. Its yearly budget is about \$3.5 million and its fund balance is just over \$6 million. Of that, more than \$1 million is earmarked for facility maintenance and \$800,000 for equipment.



Theater at Cherry Hill.

'Cop's cop' On Tuesday's mournful anniversary, Canton police

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ing. We'd be doing the community a disservice not to solicit the best minds and do it for the best price."

The firm that wins the bid will design Plymouth-Canton's first new building since the district opened Workman Elementary School in 2006.

Proposals are due Aug. 6 and the architecture selection committee (which includes one board member, along with Executive Director of Finance Brodie Killian and Central Middle School Principal Anthony Ruella) meets Aug. 8 to review them.

Quick turnaround

That committee will spend a couple of weeks considering proposals and making necessary site visits to prototype schools. That committee's recommendation is due to the bond oversight committee (board Vice President Judy Mardigian and Trustees Horvath and Kim Crouch).

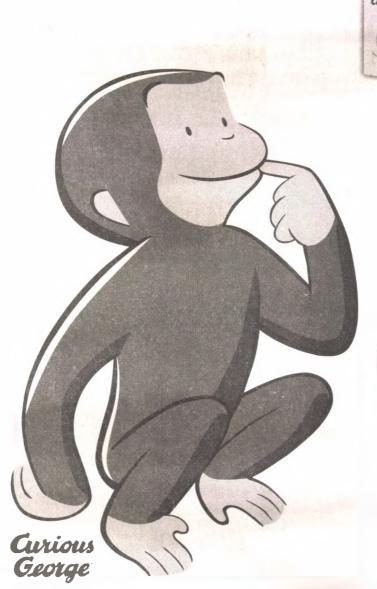
The full board is expected to hear a recommendation and make a decision at an Aug. 27 meeting.

The decision on the project manager has already been made. The board last month approved the hiring of McCarthy & Smith as construction manager. McCarthy & Smith managed all of the projects done under the auspices of the 2004 bond, all of which came in on time and under budget.

Bill McCarthy of McCarthy & Smith said a quick decision on an architect is preferable.

"We need to get going on this," he said. "September 2015 isn't going to be easy to do if we don't get moving soon."

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Canton police need help identifying a suspect (left) in a Dunkin Donuts purse theft.

Canton police seek suspect in purse theft

Canton police have released surveillance photos of a woman suspected of stealing a purse from a patron inside the Dunkin Donuts store on Ford Road near Haggerty.

Police issued a statement describing the suspect as 60-65 years old and 220 pounds. She had gray hair and was wearing glasses.

Police released the surveillance photos after a Dunkin Donuts patron reported her purse was stolen around 2 p.m. July 3.

"It was sitting on a chair," De-

tective Sgt. Craig Wilsher said. "She had walked away from it."

When the victim returned to her seat, she realized the purse had been taken.

Anyone who has information on the identity of the suspect is asked to contact the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400.

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PLYMOUTH CRIME WATCH

Kmart shoplifting

A 26-year-old Plymouth Township man was arrested on a shoplifting charge July 18 after an incident at the Kmart on Ann Arbor Road.

Police said the man admitted to trying to steal a pellet gun, three boxes of pellets and paper targets by concealing the items in a backpack.

According to a Plymouth Township Police Department report, a security guard told police he was in the store when he saw a man take the items into a restroom with a backpack on, then exit the restroom, seemingly without the merchandise.

The guard went into the restroom and found the packaging for the items, he said.

The man, meanwhile, returned

an item, then purchased several other before starting to leave the store. The guard confronted him and he admitted having the pistol, pellets and targets in his backpack, the report said.

Police arrested the man and issued him a shoplifting ticket with an August court date.

Expensive scrap

Six steel shipping crates, priced at \$3,000 each, were reported stolen from outside Headfirst Printing, on Jib in the area of Five Mile and Sheldon.

The theft occurred between July 12 and July 15, a police report said. The crates, weighing more than 1,000 pounds each, belong to another company, the complainant told police.

By Matt Jachman

CANTON CRIME WATCH

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A quick response by Canton firefighters helped minimize damage to a house that caught fire Tuesday evening after flames shot up from a propane gas tank of an outdoor grill, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Stoecklein said.

PUBLIC SAFETY

House fire

The tank caught fire as the family was starting a barbecue, resulting in flames that damaged a garage and a family room area of the home before firefighters doused the blaze.

The incident happened around 6 p.m. on Aberdeen, near Morton Taylor and Saltz. Firefighters moved the tank away from the house "and made a very good stop on the fire," Stoecklein said.

Children had been playing in a swimming pool just a few feet from the tank, but Stoecklein said no one was injured.

House party bust

Canton police busted a house party Saturday evening, arresting a 29-yearold resident and citing a 23-year-old man after officers found underage teens had consumed alcohol, a police report said.

The incident happened just before 7 p.m. at Sherwood Village, a mobile home community southeast of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty Road.

Police turned the teens over to their parents and advised them to have conversations to determine whether the minors may have had sex with adults and, if so, to notify police.

Police went to the residence after receiving a complaint of underage drinking and juveniles possibly having sex with adults. Police could hear people yelling inside the home when they arrived and the police report indicated the smell of marijuana was coming from inside the residence. The 29-year-old woman who owns the home initially denied there was underage drinking, but then admitted she was offering shelter to a 15-year-old girl who allegedly had been kicked out of her mother's house.

That girl admitted to drinking alcohol and smoking marijuana, the police report said. Police went inside the house and found another underage girl and a 16-year-old boy who appeared to be sleeping in a closet. He told police he had consumed beer.

The home owner was arrested for having an open house party and an adult man was cited for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Indecent exposure

A woman told police that a man exposed himself to her while she was jogging in the area of Hanford and Marshall, west of Canton Center, about 9:45 p.m. Sunday, a police report said.

The incident was similar to another incident that occurred July 15 near Sheldon and Cherry Hill, when a man exposed himself to two teenage girls.

The woman who was jogging described the suspect as a white male, about 25 years old, 5 feet, 10 inches with brown hair and brown facial hair. The woman said the male approached her wearing no shirt and she said he pulled down the black shorts he was wearing and exposed himself.

The investigation was continuing.

Traffic stop, arrest

Canton police arrested a 21-year-old Ypsilanti driver after stopping his vehicle and finding he was in possession of illegal brass knuckles.

The incident happened about 2:45 a.m. July 17.

Police stopped the red Ford Explorer on Haggerty near Van Born after checking the license plate and learning the owner had a felony warrant out of Las Vegas for possession of a stolen vehicle, a police report said.

The man driving told police the vehicle belonged to his mechanic. Police continued to investigate the incident and arrested the driver for having brass knuckles, which he said he carried in case he gets assaulted. Police also cited a passenger for violating a personal protection order because he was with in the same vehicle as another passenger, a woman, he was supposed to be avoiding.

Threatening calls

A property manager for Village Green Apartments, northwest of Cherry Hill and Haggerty, notified police after she received threatening phone calls from a tenant who is being evicted, a police report said.

The employee told police the woman threatened to assault her after she allegedly was facing eviction for allowing unauthorized occupants to live with her.

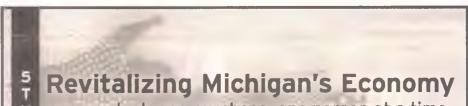
Credit card fraud

A 49-year-old Canton man notified police after someone apparently tried to steal his identity for a credit card, a police report said.

The man said he tried to use the card and it was declined. He contacted the company and was told that someone else had called to request that a new card be sent to a different address.

The company became suspicious and canceled the cards. The man filed the police report to have a record of the incident.

Compiled by Darrell Clem from Canton police reports.



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Youth corps does service learning

Youth Volunteer Corps a \$30 registration fee for of Plymouth Family YMCA is encouraging teens to turn their day off from school into a day off for service this summer.

The Plymouth YMCA's YVC program offers local teens the chance to participate in service learning projects that make a difference in the community.

YVC Summer In Service is a learning-based program. The program is open to grades 9-12, with

each session. Volunteer days run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Plymouth Y's remaining YVC weeks are: » Session 4, July 29 through Aug. 2 (Middle

School Week) » Session 5, Aug. 5-9 » Session 6, Aug. 12-16

» Session 7, Aug. 19-23

Youth must sign up prior to projects. Visit http://ymcadetroit.org/ plymouth/ for further

information regarding

the program, or call the

office at 734-453-2904. Youth Volunteer Corps

of Plymouth YMCA's mission is to promote a lifetime commitment to service among youth by offering volunteer pro-jects for youth ages 11 to 18 throughout the year. The Plymouth Y is one of more than 30 affiliates of Youth Volunteer Corps, headquartered in Kansas City. Find more information at www.yvc.org. The Plymouth YVC is sponsored by The Wilcox Foundation.





Special visitor

Girl Scouts at last week's Maybury Camp got a special visitor when Jan Barker, the CEO from the Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan Council, spent time in camp at Maybury Park in Northville. More than 250 Girl Scouts, a tot unit program, assistant leaders and Girl Scout leaders attended the camp. Barker (top) is pictured with (third row, from left) Olivia Collins, Shannon Hayes, Jennifer Kowalczyk, Samantha McGrath, Kelly Schmidt, Emily Budlong, Miranda VanDerRoest, Mia Hagemann, Carolyn Springer and Ashlyn McCann; (second row, from left) Sarah Sebastian, Abby Schmidt and Megan Adams; and (front) Taylor Vacca.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MEISSEN INTERVIEW

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 31, 5:45 p.m. Location: 88.1 The Park, the student-run radio station serving Plymouth-Canton schools.

Details: 88.1 The Park will air a special Community Focus interview with Dr. Michael Meissen, the new superintendent of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Meissen became the superintendent earlier this month. Prior to arriving in Plymouth-Canton, he was the district improvement/school improvement and student achievement supervisor for the Milwaukee Public Schools. The interview is hosted by Salem senior Archana Sondor, 88.1 The Park's news director. They discussed Meissen's background in education, family, plans for a new middle school, technology upgrades and the future for Central Middle School. The interview will also be available as a podcast at 881The-Park.com beginning July 31

APIA DINNER

Date/Time: Saturday, July 27, 6-10 p.m. Location: East Lake Chinese Restaurant, 5087 Rochester Road, in Troy

Details: Asian-Pacific Islander American/Vote-MI

Medicaid eligibility and the various plans, apply for Medicaid, research and enroll in Medicare Part D Drug Insurance, understand Medicare supplemental plans, find pharmaceutical assistance programs, identify and report Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse and explore long-term care insurance options. No appointment necessary. Contact: United Home Health Services at 734-981-8820 or visit the MMAP website at www.mmapinc.org/pages/about.html

BIPOLAR SUPPORT

Date/Time: Second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon, Suite 1608, in Plymouth. Details: The Depression Bipolar Support Alliance is a self-help group for people suffering from depres-sion and bipolar disorders. Meetings are open also to family members. All DBSA leaders are professionally trained and attend two trainings for every year to update their skills in leading the group. Contact: Call Nancy at 734-536-3457 for directions

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hosts its third annual dinner to honor and recog nize outstanding APIAs in the community. The keynote speaker will be Tuyet Le, executive director of the Asian American Institute, a Midwestern Pan-Asian organization committed to empowering Asian Americans through advocacy by utilizing research, education and coalition building. Tickets are \$65 (general admission and one-year membership), \$50 general admission and \$40 for members. Contact: Sally Kim at 313-438-8862 or email sallykim@apiavotemi.org.

BLOOD DRIVES

Dates/Times/Locations:

» Monday, July 29, 1:30-7:15 p.m., Geneva Presbyterian Church, 5835 Sheldon.

» Tuesday, July 30, noon to 5:45 p.m., Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Dr.

Details: The American Red Cross sponsors several blood drives in the area. Tickets to Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio, will be raffled off at these drives

Contact: To make an appointment, please contact Diane Risko at 313-549-7052.

JAZZ @ THE ELKS

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

Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road

Details: The Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780 welcomes another series of Jazz @ The Elks with the Cliff Monear Trio with Stephenie Monear as the vocalist. Cliff has played at the Elks several times, but this is Stephenie's first appearance. The trio features Cliff on keyboard with Jeff Pedraz on bass and Scott Kretzer on drums. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres.

Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com.

CRAFTERS WANTED

Date/Time: Sept. 6-8, during Fall Festival hours Location: Plymouth

Details: Organizers say it's not too early to send in an application for a booth in the Plymouth Fall Festival Craft Show. There are only a few spaces left in the show. Applications are available on the Craft Show page at www.plymouthfallfestival.com Contact: For more information, contact Colleen Brown, craftshow@plymouthfallfestival.com or 734-455-1614

KIDZ KAMP

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Date/Time: July 31 and Aug. 1, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Location: Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold St., Northville

Details: New Hope Center for Grief Support offers its annual KIDZ Kamp for children ages 4-12. Kids will be able share their own unique stories with other grieving children as well as enjoy music,

games, crafts and food. The two-day camp is free, but space is limited.

Contact: Register by calling 248-348-0115. More information can be found on New Hope's website, www.newhopecenter.net/events.html

MEDICARE/MEDICAID COUNSELING Date/Time: Aug. 7, 1-3 p.m.

Location: United Home Health Services, 2200 N. Canton Center Road, Ste. 250, Canton

Details: United Home Health Services offers free counseling with a certified MMAP (Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program) counselor. The counselor can help you understand your Medicare/

Date/Time: Second Thursday of each month, 2-3:30 p.m

Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main

Details: The Plymouth Lions Club is sponsoring a new Adult Diabetes Support Group. Fern Vining, a registered nurse, certified diabetes educator and Plymouth Lion, will be the group facilitator. There is no charge to attend. Topics for discussion will focus on understanding diabetes and self manage ment strategies.

Contact: Call Fern Vining at 734-454-0859.

SUPPORT GROUP

Date/Time/: Second Monday of each month, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland

Details: Do you have a loved one in jail or prison? Is your heart broken because of it? Then contact Bonnie at Hope 4 Healing Hearts, who will provide a safe place to talk and share with others, a place where you can learn how to cope with all of the new and frightening experiences. Learn from others as they share ideas, resources and support. Donations appreciated.

Contact: For questions or more information, contact Bonnie at 734-646-2237 or by email at prettymonarch@comcast.net.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: West Middle School, Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Crafters wanted for Delta Kappa Gamma's 29th annual Craft Show. Proceeds from the show will be used to support college scholarships for local students focusing on careers in education.

Contact: Call or email Judy at (734) 347-1001 or jbstone716@comcast.net or Alice at 248-348-9610 or dachrenko@hotmail.com.

HOSPICE SUPPORT

Date/Time: Third Saturday of each month, 10-11:30 a.m

Location: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 Lilley, Canton

Details: Compassionate Care Hospice conducts a grief support group, "Compassionate Words," providing emotional support to any adult grieving the loss of a loved one. The group focuses on the various stages of grief and incorporates basic journal writing as a way to express feelings. The program is free of charge.

Contact: To register, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice bereavement coordinator, at 888-983-9050 or email achristensen@cchnet.net.

MOPS MEETINGS

Date/Time: First and third Friday of each month, 9:15-11:30 a.m

Location: St. Kenneth Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township

Details: The St. Edith/St. Kenneth Catholic Parishes' Mothers of Preschoolers group invites all mothers with children aged newborn through kindergarten to join. The group provides encouragement, nurturing and support and features a schedule of activities that includes speakers, crafts and group discussions.

Contact: Heather at 734-437-9517 or email stekmops@gmail.com, or visit www.stekmops.org.

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LOCAL NEWS

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The Canton Community Foundation handed out more than two dozen scholarships worth more than \$21,000 to local students.

Foundation scholarships help students help others

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

rundhathi Hadagali knows what poverty looks like, having spent the first 10 years of her life witnessing it in her native India.

Hadagali, a 2013 graduate of Plymouth High School, wants to do something about it. That's why she's headed to the University of Michigan-Dear-born's College of Business to get started on her degree in economics. She'll get a little help from the Canton Community Foundation after being awarded the \$750 Meredith L. Whalen Memorial Scholarship in the foundation's annual scholarship program.

It was one of more than two dozen scholarships, worth more than \$21,000, handed out this year by the foundation.

"I really am interested in traveling the world and seeing the different cultures," said Hadagali, a Canton resident who moved to the United States eight years ago. "I was more driven to the international side of economics. I'm from India, so I've seen a lot of poverty. I want everyone there who is poor to have a better life, like I have.'

Better life

She's made that life better not only for herself, but for others around her. Hadagali has volunteered at a local Hindu temple teaching youngsters how to speak Kannada (her Indian language). She has volunteered at Open Door Ministry handing out food to those in need and she's gone to senior cen-

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ters and nursing homes to interact with senior citizens

"I really enjoy giving back to the community, which has helped me become who I am," said Hada-gali, who was a tennis player, a National Honor Society and Key Club member and part of the Science Olympiad while in high school. "I get a lot of satisfaction when I help people who need it the

most. I really enjoy bringing smiles to their faces." Canton resident (and 2013 Salem High School grad) Cassandra Misiolek also likes helping people, but she gets particular joy when she's helping young people.

That's one of the reasons Misiolek, who received one of three of the \$500 Dr. Syed Taj Family schol-arships, will head to Saginaw Valley State University in the fall to study pediatric nursing. "I love being around kids, I enjoy working with

their families," Misiolek said. "I thought it would be a perfect fit.'

Misiolek has known for a while she wanted to get into nursing - "I took all the health classes and it just really interested me," she said - and was accepted as a freshman direct-admit into SVSU's program.

Helping others

Misiolek said she "really enjoys helping people," something she wants to continue to do with her career. It's one of the reasons she picked nursing.

"For me personally, I really enjoy seeing other people do better, or feel better, depending on how I've helped them," said Misiolek, a swimmer in high

school who was also a member of Student Council and the Health Occupation Student Association. "I enjoy being a part of someone's life and making it different in a better way.'

She's certainly doing that for a 13-year-old friend and neighbor. Misiolek tutors the teenager, who suffers with Asperger's syndrome, on ways to prepare for school. She helps the friend with her home-work and helps her study for tests.

"She has trouble remembering things, so we work on reviewing her skills and help her figure out ways to remember things better," Misiolek said. "I've known them my entire life and I love helping her. Seeing her do better in school ... it feels good

that I can help her in some way." Foundation chairman Jerry Grady said helping the community's young people is the best way to help the community itself.

"Investing in the young people in our community is the best return on investment," Grady said. "But it is only with the generosity of others that the Canton Community Foundation has been able to help ease the financial burden of these young men and women. We are very proud of these students and wish them great success as they begin this exciting time in their lives.'

For more information on the CCF scholarship program and all the scholarships available, visit www.cantonfoundation.org or call 734-495-1200.

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Student	Scholarship	Amount
Dominic Galati	Treadwell Education Fund	\$2,500
Ellton Chatman Jr.	Heather Nicole Hill Memorial	\$1,000
Maggie Zhou	Jerry & Gayle Grady EMU Accounting	\$1,000
John Newlin	Jerry & Gayle Grady EMU Accounting	\$1,000
Allison Raylean	CCF/EMU Scholarship	\$1,000
Cally Brooks	CCF/EMU Scholarship	\$1,000
Emma Tardiff	Canton Soccer Club	\$1,000
Joshua Joy	CCF Scholarship	\$1,000
Jerey Bai	Jack Demmer Ford	\$1,000
Sachin Pindolia	Canton Soccer Club	\$1,000
Allison Corp	Canton Soccer Club	\$1,000
Aru Hadagali	Meredith L. Whalen Memorial	\$750
Daniel Stropes	Dustin Piepsney Memorial	\$750
Katherin Waldeck	Elizabeth Durack Memorial	\$500
Bryant Chen	Leadership Canton Alumni Association	\$500
Jennifer Gryzmala	Elizabeth Durack Memorial	\$500
Jennifer Gryzmala	Canton Women's Connection	\$500
Alec Drean	Dr. Syed Taj Family	\$500
Oluseun Oladipo	Denski Family	\$500
Emma Lazarus	Linda Hutchinson Memorial	\$500
Maggie Gearns	CCF/U-M Dearborn	\$500
Maham Idrees	Dr. Syed Taj Family	\$500
Jonathan Mani	Penelope Hope Klei/CCF	\$500
McKenzie Hayes	CCF/Schoolcraft College	\$500
Cassandra Misiolek	Dr. Syed Taj Family	\$500
Makenzie Brown	CCF/Schoolcraft College	\$500
Sara Osen	Canton Women's Connection	\$500
Javonne Barrett	Marvin Schultz Memorial	\$300

The Canton Community Foundation has collaborated with community partners to create a Local College Access Network to encourage higher education. The CCF also continue to provide scholarships to high school students and adults returning to college. Since 1990 CCF has awarded more than \$500,000.

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By David Veselenak Staff Writer

One of the last cases resulting from the former U.S. Rep. **Thaddeus McCotter petition** scandal last summer saw a sentence of probation and community service for one of his former staffers.

Mary Turnbull of Howell was sentenced to two years probation and 200 hours of community service Tuesday morning by Oakland County Circuit Judge Leo Bowman. Turnbull was originally charged with conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a felony, and one count of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor. She pleaded no contest to both charges back in May

The sentencing was originally scheduled for July 3, but was adjourned several times.

Turnbull was one of four individuals charged in the petition fraud case, which ultimately led to McCotter's resignation from Congress. Secretary of State officials found several irregularities with the petitions filed by McCotter, a Livonia Republican, and his staff and ulti-

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mately disqualified him from the ballot.

The resignation prompted the governor's office to call for a special election last year to fill the seat, which led to Belleville Democrat David Curson occupying the seat for less than two months.

His former seat in Congress is currently held by Kerry Bentivolio, a Republican from Milford, who won the redistricted seat in the November election.

McCotter was not charged in the case.

The sentencing leaves one pending court case pertaining

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Farmington Hills resident Don Yowchuang each were charged

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with conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, but Wayne **County Circuit Judge Margie** Braxton dismissed those charges.

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette's office appealed the dismissal to the state Court of Appeals. No date for oral argument in that case has been set.

The two pleaded no contest to several charges back in November, including several counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator.

Yowchuang was sentenced to three years probation and 200 hours of community service, while Seewald was sentenced to two years probation and 100 hours of community service.

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Lessons to learn from Detroit bankruptcy

Not surprisingly, the city of Detroit filed for bankruptcy last week. Just like when General Motors filed for bankruptcy, the handwriting has been on the wall for a while. Detroit's finances are a mess and Kevyn Orr, the emergency manager, had very few options available to him.

At this point, I have no idea how long the bankruptcy will last and what the ultimate outcome will be. However, I think it is safe to say that pensioners and creditors – along with Detroit residents – will experience a fair amount of pain. Hopefully, Detroit will use this opportunity to get its fiscal house in order.

There are lots of reasons the city has been a failure fiscally. However, the purpose of this column is not to review those issues, but rather to focus on what individuals can to learn from the Detroit bankruptcy.

Detroit's economic problems did not start a couple of years ago. They have been 30-plus years in the making.

Avoiding problems

They chose the easier course – to push the problems into the future. The result is Detroit's economic mess and the bankruptcy. The lesson to learn is that



economic problems need to be addressed and resolved immediately. Ignoring the problem or trying to resolve it by borrowing more money, like the city has done, is not a solution.

If Detroit would have addressed some of its systemic problems 30plus years ago, it would have been in much better economic shape today. The same thing applies to an individual's financial affairs. Addressing economic problems makes them easier to resolve.

Another lesson to learn from Detroit's bankruptcy is that bankruptcy in many situations is a viable alternative. Many people in severe financial difficulty often will not consider bankruptcy as an option. I believe that is a mistake. That doesn't mean bankruptcy is a first option, but it should be considered.

Bankruptcy laws are meant to give a second chance and the opportunity to wipe the slate clean. In some situations, an individual's economic problems are so vast that bankruptcy is the most viable al-

ternative.

Sometimes people so much want to avoid bankruptcy that they actually get themselves in worse shape by avoiding it. Corporate America has used the bankruptcy laws to its advantage; individuals shouldn't hesitate to also use those laws.

Not a sign of failure

Just because you filed for bankruptcy does not mean that you have been a failure. Sometimes, things just happen that are out of your control. However, in some cases an individual's difficult financial situation was caused by his/her own bad choices and failure to monitor personal financial affairs.

I have no idea how the bankruptcy in Detroit is going to turn out. Will Detroit take this opportunity to get its act together or will it continue to decline? Either way, there will be more lessons we can all learn. Let's hope that the lessons in the future will be positive ones. Good luck.

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

Summit offers fruit, veggie exchange

From now until early fall, Canton Leisure Services is offering its Community Veggie Tray, a no-cost fruit and vegetable exchange designed to encourage Canton residents to trade their produce surplus.

The Community Veggie Tray program is currently held in the lobby of the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Drop off extra items in designated baskets and pick up fresh veggies during regular Summit hours: from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday. Watch the exchange

display for healthy recipe cards and tips when different items are in high season. For more information, visit cantonfun.org or contact Summit on the Park at 734-394-5460.



Hearing set for Friday in '75 killing

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

A decades-old case will have to wait a little bit longer before it has its day in circuit court.

The trial for David Fowler, a man suspected in a 1975 Livonia murder, has been pushed back after Fowler filed paperwork with the court July 8 to change his attorney. The trial was scheduled to begin Monday; a pretrial hearing will now be held at 9 a.m. Friday before Judge Richard Skutt at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

Fowler is charged with first-degree murder in the 1975 death of two Livonia brothers, 34-year-old Michael Belt and 18-year-old Jeffrey Belt.

Police say Fowler was involved in the beating death of the two men during a home invasion at the brothers' home in the 37000 block of Plymouth. Police say robbery was the motive and that a wooden board was used to kill the brothers.

No trial date has been set. If convicted, Fowler faces up to life in prison

faces up to life in prison. The push back is one of many in Fowler's case, which began in Livonia back in February 2012, when he was arraigned in 16th District Court. He was bound over to circuit court in May 2012 and has been since locked up in the Wayne County Jail since then with no bond. Police said two other individuals were arrested and charged in the incident that left the Belt brothers dead, but Fowler escaped and left Michigan undetected for decades. It was only after the advent of DNA testing that police were able to locate him. A warrant for his arrest was issued shortly after the incident in April 1975.

DNA samples found at the scene were linked to a Richard David Taylor, an alias of Fowler's, who was then locked up in a Georgia prison. Livonia police traveled to Georgia and confirmed Fowler as the suspect in the unsolved crime.

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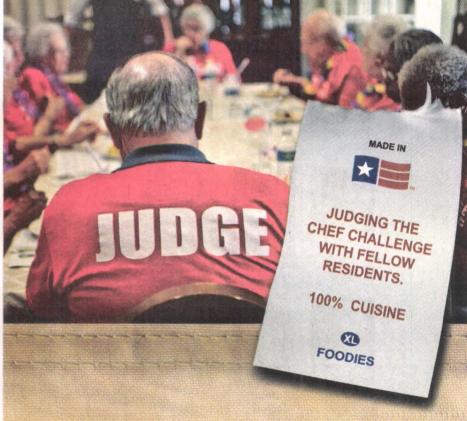
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MPIF award

Russell Chernenkoff, senior research and development engineer at Plymouth-based Metaldyne LLC, received the "Distinguished Service to Powder Metallurgy" award from the Metal Powder Industries Federation for his outstanding career achievements.

Established in 1968, the award was presented by MPIF President Matt Bulger at PowderMet 2013, the International Conference on Powder Metallurgy & Particulate Materials in Chicago. MPIF is the trade association for the North American metal powder and particulate materials producing and consuming industries.

The award recognizes professionals who have devoted a major part of their careers to one or more segments of the powder metallurgy industry and whose contributions and achievements deserve special recognition.

Previously Chernenkoff worked for the Ford Motor Co. for 28 years as a research technical specialist and as a metallurgist for PM carbide mining bits at General Electric Carboloy. He earned a B.S. in manufacturing and an M.S. in materials from Wayne State University and holds a patent for liquid phase sintered powder metal articles. Active in the PM industry, he is a member of APMI International, chairs both the MPIF Technical Board and the SAE Fatigue **Design & Evaluation Commit**tee and heads up the MPIF Task Force of the National Network for Manufacturing Innovation/PM Institute. He is a member of MPIF's Industry Development Board and a current trustee for the Center for Powder Metallurgy Technology.

Website, video launch

Downtown Plymouth's very own Creativibe launched a new website and three videos for Argent International, another Plymouth-based company. Argent is a Tier 1 automotive supplier that specializes in designing, fabricating and distributing a wide variety of



Russell A. Chernenkoff (right) receives his award from MPIF President Matt Bulger. ROBERT ERVING POTTER III | REP3

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For more than 35 years, Argent has served industries such as automotive, medical, health care, industrial, electronics and aerospace/defense - with a client list that is equally as impressive. Creativibe's challenge was to restrategize the website structure and design to better present a large quantity of Argent's offerings in a smart and practical way

In overhauling the website, it has created a user experience that is intuitive and precise, making the presentation of offerings logical, interesting and aesthetically pleasing to site visitors.

"We believe the new website and videos will strengthen the Argent brand and its position in the marketplace, improving lovalties and enhancing their ability to market themselves over time," Creativibe owner Brett Wilson said.

Check out the new Argent website at www.argent-international.com.

Governor appointment

Gov. Rick Snyder announced the appointment of Dr. Crystal Holmes of Canton to the Michigan Board of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery.

The nine-member board assists the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs in overseeing the practice of more than 840 Michigan podiatrists.

Holmes is a clinical assistant professor within the endocrinology and diabetes division at the University of Michigan Medical School's Department of Internal Medicine/Metabo-

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lism. She is also a clinical assistant professor for the Veterans Administration Hospital. Her research interests include diabetic foot management and treatment, wound healing, diabetic limb preservation and diabetic neuropathy.

Holmes holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Fisk University and a doctor of podiatric medicine degree from the Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine. She will represent professionals and replaces Harry Kezelian.

Car shows

» The Showroom of Elegance hosts the annual Classic Car Show 5-7 p.m. Thursday, July 25, at 6018 N. Canton Center in Canton.

Visitors can receive a \$25 gift certificate to the Showroom of Elegance by donating new, lightweight blankets and overseas phone cards to support soldiers serving their country.

For more information, call 734-207-1906.

» Parkside Credit Union's eighth annual Classic Car Show benefiting the Lyman Foundation takes place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at the Westland Shopping Center, 35000 W. Warren Road, in the parking lot facing Wayne Road.

Scholarship presentation begins at noon. All proceeds from this event go to the Lyman Foundation, which supports the Burger School for Children with Autism in Garden City.

This event is open to the public. Those attendees wishing to preregister a classic car may contact Tina Strasser at tstrasser@parksidecu.org or 734-525-0700, ext. 134. Preregistration is \$10 per vehicle, day-of registration is \$15. Registration proceeds will be donated to the Lyman Foundation.

In addition to classic cars, event attendees can enjoy a DJ playing oldies, food and refreshments, giveaways, face painting and a 50/50 raffle.

For more information, please contact Heather Gatewood at hgatewood@parksidecu.org or 734-525-0700, ext. 126.

Backpack giveaway

Canton residents are about to benefit from a national backpack giveaway campaign. The Cellular Connection, the largest Verizon premium wireless retailer in the U.S., in a joint effort with its customers, will be donating 60,000 backpacks full of school supplies to children through its School Rocks Backpack Giveaway initiative.

More than 400 participating TCC stores across the U.S. are inviting local families to bring their children to the store between noon and 2 p.m. Aug. 3 to pick up a backpack filled with pencils, paper, a pencil box, folders, glue and more. Backpacks will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis.

The participating store in Canton is located at 46554 Michigan Ave. Each participating TCC store will donate between 100 and 150 backpacks.

Canton residents have also joined the cause. Since the beginning of May, TCC customers have been given the option to round their purchases up to the nearest dollar, with the difference going directly toward the School Rocks Backpack Giveaway.

'Simple' consultants

Shana Schaefer of Canton has become an independent consultant with Tastefully Simple Inc., a national direct sales company featuring more than 60 easy-to-prepare foods.

Schaefer can be reached at shana3marie@yahoo.com.

These independent business owners offer food samples at home taste-testing parties, along with easy ideas for everyday meals, recipes, serving suggestions and fun.

'In today's world, 'staying in' has become the new 'going out!' You don't have to leave home to enjoy wonderful food, fun and laughter with your family and friends," says Jill Blashack Strahan, Tastefully Simple Inc., founder and CEO. "That's why we're proud to offer great experiences, easyto-prepare products and an exciting business opportunity for people who are looking for something more.'



Station 885 is a popular stop on the Old Village Restaurant Crawl every year.

Old Village eateries set for crawl

Diners who haven't tasted the specialties in Plymouth's Old Village - and those who have - get another chance coming up when the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual Old Village Restaurant Crawl.

The crawl is set for 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 19. "This event provides

diners the opportunity to enjoy a good meal by sampling great food from some of Old Village's well-established restaurants," said Wes Graff, the chamber's executive director. "Each of the stops on the trip provides a good portion of food and drink to sample and, by the time you're done, you have had a great meal with hopefully a few new favorite dishes."

Participating restaurants include Hermann's Olde Town Grille, JoJo's Treats & Sweets, Liberty Street Brewing Co., Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Jeff Zak Catering and Station 885.

A portion of this year's proceeds will go to the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and younger and can be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce Office at 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, the historical museum or at participating locations.

For more information or to reserve tickets, call 734-453-1540.

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set for Sidewalk Sales, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, July 26, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 27, through-out downtown Plymouth.

Merchants and chamber officials are urging buyers to "Shop Local! Shop Downtown Plymouth!" during the sales. Some businesses will also be open Sunday, July 28, with in-door sales.

Downtown Plymouth features a wide variety of unique shops and other businesses that will be offering special discounts and bargains during the annual sidewalk sales. Shoppers can enjoy Plymouth's unique atmosphere and pick up some great bargains.

In addition to the Sidewalk Sales, the farmers market takes place Saturday, July 27. The farmers market is held from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday in The Gathering, on the north side of Kellogg Park.

For more information, call the chamber at 734-453-1540.

Member connection

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hosts a 10-Member Connection 8-9 a.m. Aug. 8 at the chamber office, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, in downtown Plymouth.

The event is an opportunity for 10 members from different business sectors to meet for one hour to present their businesses to each other and make new contacts. For more information, call 734-453-1540.

Joint After Hours

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hosts a joint After Hours with the Livonia Chamber 5-7:30 p.m. Aug. 21 at The Box Bar, 777 W. Ann Arbor Trail, in downtown Plymouth.

It's an end of summer After Hours featuring an

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Grand opening

A ribbon cutting was held Friday, July 19, by Yogurt City to celebrate its grand opening. Yogurt City is located at 42545 Ford Road. Family members, employees, Canton Chamber of Commerce members and residents were among the attendees.

evening of making valuable business contacts from both communities and gearing up for the fall. These joint events usually draw 80-100 people.

Business workshop

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hosts a Business **Development Workshop** 8:30-9:30 a.m. Aug. 27 at the chamber office, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, in downtown Plymouth.

"Prospecting for Sales Success" is the focus of this workshop. The speaker is Rich Austin of Sandler Training, explaining how to build a plan to hit your revenue goals and approaching prospecting unlike a typical sales person.

For more information, call the chamber, 734-453-1540.

Chamber ambassadors

The growing Canton Chamber of Commerce is in need of new members for its Ambassadors Committee.

This committee is for those looking for an opportunity to meet others and establish greater visibility for the chamber and for themselves. This is done through visiting members, attending ribbon cuttings, member retention programs, going to functions and attending Ambassador Committee meetings.

Chamber officials said they're "always looking for members that are willing to act as the pub-

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lic relations arm of the chamber." Ambassadors further their knowledge and potential of chamber membership, gain the opportunity to personally meet hundreds of chamber and community members and develop greater leadership skills with new friends on the committee.

For more questions or an interview to attend the next committee meeting, call the chamber at 734-453-4040.

Networking Coffee

The Canton Chamber of Commerce presents its July Networking Coffee 7:30-9 a.m. Thursday, July 25. The event is hosted and sponsored by Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center, 1600 S. Canton Center.

RSVP by calling 734-453-4040.

Membership to the MAX

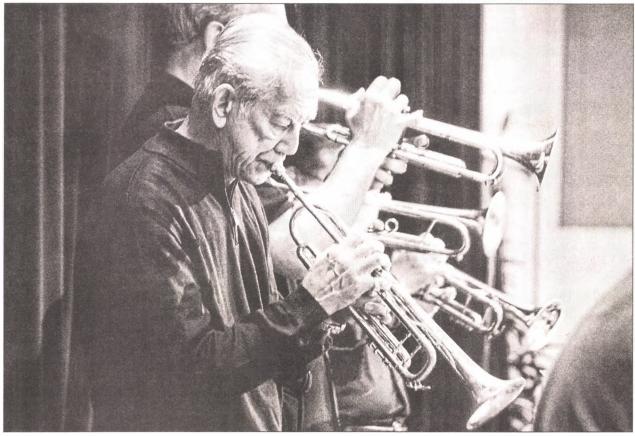
The Canton Chamber of Commerce hosts Membership to the MAX 8:30-9:30 a.m. Aug. 8 at the chamber office, 45525 Hanford in Canton.

If you are a new chamber member or new to a company that is a chamber member, you don't want to miss this program. In just one hour, this program will highlight all the benefits of being a chamber member and show you how to utilize your membership to the fullest.

RSVP by calling 734-453-4040. The event is sponsored by Showroom of Elegance.

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LOCAL NEWS



Legendary trumpet and flugelhorn player Bob Mojica. ALL PHOTOS BY CURTIS DROGMILLER



Big band leader Johnny **Trudell presents Curt** Neumann III an award for his dedication and fundraising for the Michigan Jazz Festival.







The powerhouse of trumpets from the Craig Strain Orchestra belts out the sounds.

Forever After Productions stages 'Chicago

Michigan Jazz Festival hits all the right notes

19th edition highlights prominent area musicians at Schoolcraft College

An estimated 6,000 people attended the 19th annual Michigan Jazz Festival at Schoolcraft College in Livonia on Sunday, featuring six stages of jazz music performed by some of the best jazz musicians in metro Detroit and southeast Michigan.

Performers included the John Trudell Orchestra, clarinetist Dave Bennett, pianists Dennis Tini, Bob Seeley, Ellen Rowe, Gary Schunk and Terry Lower, saxophonists Russ Miller, George Benson and Steve Wood, guitarist Michele Ramo, the Craig Strain Orchestra and bassist Paul Keller, among others.

Every auditorium was beyond capacity for most of the day.

Barton Polot, chair of Schoolcraft's music department and a member of the Michigan Jazz Festival board, said "The musicians were playing at an incredibly high caliber. They're all pros, they all play great, but you could tell they were responding to the large, knowledgeable, enthusiastic crowds. They were at their best."

Midge Ellis, long-time indefatigable coordinator of the festival, was able to step back this year and simply enjoy the music. She was honored by the musicians with a 90th birthday cake. "Jazz and this festival have kept me young," she said.



Vocalist Sarah D'Angelo performs with the Craig Strain Orchestra.

Special guest Peter Erskine added an exciting element to the day. The legendary drummer sat in with Gary Schunk's trio and the Masters of Jazz big band and showed up to give a spontaneous percussion clinic to high school musicians on the Future of Jazz stage.

A particular highlight was a one-hour tribute to local musician Don Palmer, directed by Chris Collins.

Featuring an all-star combo accompanied by a 15-piece string orchestra, the event was sponsored by a gift from the Detroit Jazz Festival. Jazz fans should

check www.michiganjazz festival.org for details about the 2014 festival.



Forever After Productions will present Chicago A Musical Vaudeville Aug. 8-11 at the Berman Center for the Performing Arts in West Bloomfield.

Chicago A Musical Vaudeville is based on the book by Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse.

The music was composed by John Kander and lyrics written by Fred Ebb. The story is based on the play by Maurine Dallas Watkins. **This Samuel French** publication is rated PG with mild language, violence and adult themes.

Winner of six Tony awards, including Best Musical Revival, Chicago combines an adulterous affair, deceit, murder, suspenseful courtroom scenes and glamorous show girls into the longest running revival on Broadway.

It's the Roaring '20s in Chicago. Roxie Hart, an ambitious chorus girl, murders her lover and then tricks her husband Amos into taking the rap. When the police convince Amos that Roxie lied, she lands in jail with another headline hunter stage performer Velma Kelly, both seeking pretrial publicity on their way to stardom.

Brian Buckner choreographs a final pose with some of the featured dancers in **Forever After Productions** presentation of 'Chicago A Musical Vaudeville.'



The cast includes Emma Dwyer, Lindsay Powers, Elizabeth Ash, Jenna Craven, Korina Deming and C.J. Hayes.

Spectacular score

This sharp-edged satire features a spectacular score that includes Razzle Dazzle, Cell Block Tango, Mr. Cellophane and All That Jazz. Showtimes are 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Aug. 8-10, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11.

Tickets are \$15 each, \$12 for groups of 15 or more. Purchase tickets by phone at 734-547-5156, at www.foreverafterrpoductions.com or at the door

The box office opens one hour before showtime.

Forever After Productions is a youth theater company for children

and young adults ages 6 through college.

Upcoming shows for the 2013-14 season in-clude *Willie Wonka Jr.* in November, A Christmas Carol The Musical in late November/early December and Shrek in January.

Forever After Productions is the premiere youth theater destination for southeast Michigan, providing quality theater education while producing Broadway style shows with exceptional costumes, staging, lighting and technical effects.

Visit foreverafterproductions.com for more information about the upcoming season and auditions.

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OPINION

Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

OUR VIEWS

Make a donation Help Yankee Air save bomber plant

The deadline is approaching for the Yankee Air Museum (YAM) to buy 175,000 square feet of the former Willow Run bomber plant from RACER (Revitalizing Automotive Communities Environ-mental Response) Trust which is disposing of properties left after GM's 2009 bankruptcy.

The Museum has until Aug. 1 to raise \$5 million to buy that portion of the five million-square-foot former GM Powertrain plant where more than 8,600 B-24 Liberator bombers were built during World War II. Without the money, YAM sup-porters will have to watch as RACER has the plant torn down to open up 300 acres for development. Raising that kind of money in a short amount of

time is a monumental effort for the museum which signed a letter of intent to purchase the building in April. The deadline is just a week away and the museum has raised approximately \$400,00. Unless many donors step forward, YAM will fall far short of its goal.

YAM has been around since the 1980s, working to preserve the country's aviation history, first in a wooden hangar that burned down and then in a smaller building it recently purchased. Having the opportunity to save a piece of the history of the Arsenal of Democracy and a chance to consolidate its collection, including all but its largest aircraft, under one roof is a huge plus for the organization.

Every dollar counts. According to YAM, every \$50 raised saves one square foot of the bomber plant. That means 100,000 people, businesses, even veterans organizations, would need to do-nate that amount to save the building and let YAM accomplish its dream of becoming a signature accomplish its dream of becoming a signature destination in southeast Michigan. A show of com-munity support could also spur major donors to give.

History was made at the Willow Run Bomber Plant which has close ties to the area. More than 40,000 men and women worked there, and Westland's Norwayne Subdivision was built in 1943 to provide housing for defense workers who built the B-24 bombers.

YAM needs everyone's help to keep its dream alive. Be one of those people and send a donation to the Michigan Aerospace Foundation, "Rebuild-ing the Yankee Air Museum," P.O. Box 8282, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

No amount is too small to save a piece of history.



COMMUNITY VOICE

Could you get behind the idea of a community center at what is now Central Middle School?

We asked these questions outside the Plymouth District Library.



"It would be great to have something for the kids, especially since there's a pool. That sounds like a good idea." **Ronda Pylkas** Canton



"I think that would be great. I hate to see old buildings go. Cost is the key, though."

> Joe Perko Plymouth



"I would support a community center. It would give somewhere for the youth to go." **Heather Swan** Canton



"I would love a community pool for the kids to use. I would love for them to have another place for teens to go."

Valerie Berry (with niece Violet Schultz and nephew Oliver Schultz) Plymouth

LETTERS

Apples and oranges

In a recent op-ed, Sen. Patrick Colbeck says that an alternative to Medicaid expansion is to "look no further than free-market segments such as laser eye and plastic surgery as examples to follow in cost containment." **Comparing market efficiencies** in these two segments of health care with the rest of health care is a misleading comparison of apples to oranges, but sadly something to be expected from Colbeck.

Laser surgery, nose jobs, breast enhancement and face lifts, unlike emergency appendectomies or heart bypass surgeries, are almost always elective and not normally covered by private insurance and certainly not by Medicaid. People "shopping" these markets by choice, not necessity, are almost entirely made up of those who are comparatively very well off, not your average Michigander who Colbeck purports to represent; hence these markets have little in common.

Colbeck then treats readers to an anti-government comment about "the long list of government services that do not promote quality" (What about all the public opinion polls expressing satisfaction with Social Security, the VA hospital system, Medicare or the military, all government programs?) without ever offering an explanation of how to apply those so-called "free-market" principles to Medicaid, lamenting, "as more and more doctors begin refusing Medicaid recipients to avoid going out of business, where will all those people go to be treated?' Is Colbeck's concern here more for doctors or the shunned patients? Perhaps, senator, since the medical market is a life-anddeath matter, free-market principles should not apply. Colbeck, a supporter of rightto-work, seems to be OK with teachers, police officers, firefighters and municipal workers, as well as all private-sector union members, having to accept less. Why then would he avoid any suggestion that as part of a solution American doctors may have to start accepting incomes more in line with doctor incomes in places like Canada and the other OECD countries rather than going out of business? Colbeck again goes to what seems to be his standby, a misleading apples-to-oranges comparison by claiming that "Obamacare" will cause premium increases of 30 to 60 percent without any qualification or citation. According to www.upworthy.com, rather than Colbeck's inferred across-the-board hikes, less than 3 percent of young adults who by law must upgrade from strictly catastrophic (apples) to more comprehensive policies (oranges) resulting in greater cost for greater value may fall into this category. The good news is that there are generous subsidies extending up to incomes of \$94,000 for a family of four, according to the Henry Kaiser Family Foundation, and increased competition within the exchanges suppressing premiums overall. Colbeck concludes with "let the private sector provide a framework where competition thrives in a consumer-friendly environment." Senator, letting the private sector provide the framework has resulted in a for-profit system that has Americans paying up to twice as much for care as those in most OECD nations with inferior outcomes making health care a primary driver of federal deficits going forward, hence Obamacare. **Mitch Smith** Canton

Impressed with Meissen

I read, with interest, your article about our new superintendent of schools. He certainly sounds like a well-qualified indi-vidual – good schooling, experience and history of service to his community and young students. To all appearances, this com-mitment to service rubbed off on his our children with any of his

his own children, with one of his offspring having attended the U.S. Air Force Academy and served in the Air Force and two others in the teaching profession today.

Your article further described what I took to be his philosophy and approach to educating our young people:

» "new, rigorous programs like the STEM Academy ...' » "... pathways of specialties

for kids "» "Getting kids ready globally

» "... position our students to be benchmarked with students around the world, literally ...

Tea Party shame?

I called our U.S. Rep. Bentivo-lio's office in Washington, D.C. I asked the following question: "Is Mr. Bentivolio a member of the Tea Party?"

The answer was, Mr. Bentivo-lio is a member of the Republican Party. I then asked if he identified with the Tea Party and again I was told he was a member of the Republican Party. I asked again, if he identified with the Tea Party and I was then told, "Mr. Bentivolio has attended Tea Party events and Tea Party people support Mr. Benti-volio." I then stated that I was a member of the Tea Party and was immediately told that Mr. Bentivolio was in the Tea Party.

I wonder why he is ashamed to be in the Tea Party. Or is he hiding his affiliation from his constituents, of whom I am one? I will not vote for this man and urge both Tea Party members and Republicans to figure out why his office would evade the question. Liars are liars, no matter what party they are in. **Christine Wolf**

Plymouth

Wrong Yack?

One of the daily papers pub-

The Yankee Air Museum plans to transform the building into a display area filled with many of the planes it now has on static display outside.

Keep the jazz humming: Donate to annual festival

The Michigan Jazz Festival is a perennial favorite at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, with the college taking on a more active role this past weekend, its 19th such annual presentation

In the past, Schoolcraft was always a great venue, but has assumed a more active role with "Ma Jazz" Midge Ellis stepping back into welldeserved retirement.

The festival brings six stages and supertalented musicians to town the third Sunday of July. The event's free and draws jazz lovers from near and far.

The Michigan Jazz Festival is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, dependent on the generosity of music lovers to keep the music free. Donations may be made online at info@michiganjazzfestival.org

Organizers also depend on the annual fundraisers, the Father's Day Brunch at Schoolcraft and a spring performance held this past April. Sponsors from the community are a tremendous help in keeping the music free, but individual support matters a great deal as well.

If you like the jazz event, which dates back to the 1990s and has grown in size and stature, why not consider making a donation?

Checks or money orders payable to the Michigan Jazz Festival are also welcome. They should be sent to: Michigan Jazz Festival, c/o Schoolcraft College Music Office, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia, MI 48152.

One great thing about the Michigan Jazz Festival is its support for young musicians. Your contribution will keep this great community event alive and help educate up-and-coming musicians as well.



Brad Kadrich, **Community Editor** Susan Rosiek, **Executive** Editor

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» "... preparing kids for what comes next ... is at the core of what education is all about

No doubt, we should be paying attention to the Chinese and Japanese educational systems and how that can inform our own approach. I think it noteworthy, however, that Japanese and Chinese educators have visited this country to see how we educate our students so that they have the kind of creativity that their own students lack. Chickens have already come home to roost in Japan.

One of the Scandinavian countries, I think Sweden, has made dramatic improvements in the quality of its education system in the last 25 years by, among other things, significantly raising the level of professionalism in their educators. This suggests good compensation programs and, perhaps more importantly, status in the community for their teachers and administrators. Something we can do here?

Engaging students today is a real challenge due to societal and peer cultural pressures. I would be interested to know how a modern educator would plan to compete with these pressures and help our young students believe that education is at least as important as text messaging and Facebook.

Our schools certainly play a part, although not the only part, in the education of our young people. As Mark Twain once remarked - and I paraphrase only slightly - don't let your schooling get in the way of your education. What should our educators be doing outside the classroom? What other educators do we have other than our professionals?

I am sure that Dr. Meissen has written on this subject and could speak at length on it. My own children are long past their high school years, but I retain an interest in education and how that impacts the future of our country and our world. I look forward to hearing more about Dr. Meissen and how he plans to have a positive impact on education in our community.

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Tim Brown Plymouth

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lished a letter criticizing Sen. Debbie Stabenow because she is in favor of freezing the student loan rates. The writer added that the recipients of these loans are a new group of government dependents.

The letter was signed by Tom Yack-Canton.

Now, I know this is not our previous supervisor/current trustee, Tom Yack. The reason I believe this is that our previous supervisor/current trustee could not be that ill-informed and just plain wrong.

Surely he knows these kids take these loans out of necessity and that due to right-wing policies that have caused low pay (or no) jobs, they have a hard time repaying the loans, even at the current level.

And finally, our previous supervisor/current trustee must know that the federal government makes \$50 billion from these loans - no charity, no dependency. And that's why I believe our beloved Tom Yack was not the author of the asinine letter.

But then again, I was wrong once before.

> James Huddleston Canton

Do a checkup

If you are planning a road trip this summer, it's important to remember that you shouldn't just put gas in your car and go. A pretrip vehicle check is the best way to avoid the inconvenience and potential safety hazards of breaking down miles away from home.

By conducting a thorough vehicle inspection, you can determine how road-ready your vehicle is so you can have any problems fixed before hitting the road.

Following a routine maintenance program, like the Car Care Council's free personalized schedule and e-mail reminder service, can help you drive smart, save money and make informed decisions this summer and throughout the year.

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Youth baseball camp director Pat Watson (standing, red shirt) gives instructions about Extreme Pickle to campers before they begin the game. ALL PHOTOS BY JOHN KEMSKI I EXPRESS PHOTO

Diamond days



Jason "J.J." Whittenburg (foreground) tries to stay ahead of assistant camp counselor Nick

Summer heat doesn't strike out enthusiastic baseball campers

> **By Tim Smith** Staff Writer

All last week, Anthony Genna and nearly 50 other youngsters had to endure brutally hot weather in order to take part in Canton Leisure Services' youth baseball camp. So with the heat index pushing 100 de-

grees all week, it was fitting that the 11-yearold boiled it all down as to why he took his baseball glove, spikes and water jug to Canton Sports Center five consecutive days.

"Because it's fun to play baseball," said Anthony, a Canton resident and Discovery Middle School student who was just 6 when he first signed up for the annual camp coached by Pat Watson. "When you play, try to hit the ball as hard as you can and just get better at it."

Another camp "veteran," Canton's Adam Jaroudi, 12, relished the opportunity to get back on the diamond and sharpen up all aspects of his game.

And his ringing endorsement was good enough for younger brother Ryan, 9, to join the camp roster a couple of years later.



Incoming Salem freshman A.J. Choukair and other baseball campers played Extreme Pickle hoping to win this wood fungo bat.

Their enthusiastic testimonials undoubtedly sound as sweet as bat on ball to baseball lifer Watson, a Canton resident who played the sport at Ann Arbor Huron and coached it at West Bloomfield. Now in his 12th year of coaching the camp, Watson emphasized that interest in the sport among kids these days is "a little down" from a

Rams roll

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Three more games, three more blowout victories for the Michigan Rams. After sweeping Sunday's Livonia **Collegiate Baseball** League doublehead-er against the Southfield Indians (9-0 in Game 1; 12-1 in the nightcap), the Rams went on to trounce the Motor City Pride, 7-0 on Sunday at Ford Field.

The Rams (17-11-2) scored four runs in the top of the first and never looked back. Pitcher Jack Balicki gave up just two hits and one walk while striking out eight.

Big guns included Tyler Baker (2-for-3 with a double and three RBI), Griffin Harms (2-for-4), Justin Sherman (2for-3, double, two runs) and Trent Drumheller (2-for-4).

For the Pride (18-12-0), Joe Killian and Michael Craig each collected one hit in three trips to the plate.

On Sunday against the Southfield Indians at Southfield-Lathrup High School, Spencer Goebel pitched a no-hitter, striking out 14 as the Rams prevailed 9-0 in the twinbill opener.

Baker went 4-for-5 to pace the Rams' 17-hit attack while Sherman (three runs) and Harris (two RBI) each went 3-for-5 with Drumheller and **Chris McDonald** adding two hits each. **Miles Sorise** smacked a solo homer.

In Game 2, six-run rallies in the first two frames lifted the Rams. Ben Yax had a big game (3-for-3, three runs, three RBI).

Earning the win with three innings of shutout pitching was

Basel during a game of Extreme Pickle at High Velocity in Canton. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

"It's a really fun camp," Adam said. "There's really fun counselors and it's a really great time."

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Golfer Verdura sets world record

Former Farmington Hills resident nears goal of 14,000 holes in one year

> By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

John Verdura is living the golfer's dream. He plays golf morning, noon and night – day after day.

And the best part is his wife doesn't even mind. In fact, Karen Verdura is the one who suggested her husband play so



much golf. It's all part of a nearly completed, year-long quest by Verdura to set a **Guinness World** Record for the most holes of golf played in a single

Verdura

year. The former

Farmington Hills resident has the record. That issue was decided back in May. The only unknown is what the final tally will be when Verdura plays his last round July 31.

He is certainly within reach of his goal of 14,000 holes. As of



John Verdura is pictured with his wife Karen at the Firewheel Golf Course, where he played the vast majority of his nearly 14,000 holes of golf.

July 18, the 63-year-old retiree who now lives in Garland, Texas, had played 13,688 holes - an amount equal to 760-plus rounds of 18-hole golf.

Verdura obliterated the old record of 11,000 that belonged to Richard Lewis of Irving, Texas.

"I really didn't think I would shatter it," Verdura said. "I thought I could break it. I just started playing and tried to get in as many holes as I could.

"The gentleman who had the record averaged 30 a day and I'm trying to average 36. If the opportunity was there for me to play more, I took it because I knew there would be days I wouldn't get in 36.

When he started Aug. 1, 2012, it seemed like such a daunting task to Verdura. After he played 72 holes Sept. 28, spending 12½ hours on the course, his spirit and confidence soared, however.

"I wasn't even tired that day," he said, "Right then and there. barring any injury, I knew I could do it. Now, here I am!"

The idea for the record-setting effort came from Verdura's nephew, Jeff Guy of Farmington Hills, during a visit to Texas last summer. On the airplane, he read a magazine article about Lewis and his record.

"He said, 'You know, uncle John, you wouldn't have to change your lifestyle to break this record' because he knew I was playing a lot of golf, too,' Verdura said. "Karen heard that and jumped right on it. She said, 'Starting Aug. 1, start bringing those score cards home to me.'"

Karen Verdura, who still works full time and was transferred to Texas three years ago, thought it was the ideal endeavor for her golf-playing husband.

"I thought that would be pretty fun," she said. "I mentioned it to John but, as soon as our daughter Sara said she thought it would be cool, suddenly that changed everything. He started figuring it out and what would have to be done.'

When people hear about Ver-

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Donnie Eaton (U-M) with Kirk Stambaugh (Western Michigan University) finishing up with two innings of relief.

Rusin shines

Canton native Chris Rusin (Divine Child grad) took full advantage of his emergency start for the Chicago Cubs on Monday night.

Rusin earned a 4-2 win against the Arizona Diamondbacks by yielding just two runs and two hits in five innings. He struck out four and walked two before three Cubs relievers finished the job.

Rusin was promoted for the start after the Cubs' original starting pitcher Matt Garza was traded to the Texas Rangers earlier in the day. Rusin has ex-

celled for the AAA Iowa Cubs this season, having carved out an 8-7 record and a 3.35 earned run average.

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LOCAL SPORTS

By Ed Wright Staff Writer

In an era when many topnotch high school athletes choose to specialize in a single sport, Julene Pummill was a player for all seasons during her recently completed career at Garden City High School, where she earned multiple letters for the Cougars' volleyball, basketball and softball programs.

Pummill's three-sport experience will take a back seat to specialization beginning this fall, but for all the right reasons.

On July 15, Pummill officially committed to play volleyball for Schoolcraft College, which has been a major stepping stone for several area players on their way to four-year schools.

Pummill, a setter, bypassed impressive academic scholarship offers from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Wayne State University to keep her volleyball dreams alive at Schoolcraft.

"I am so grateful that this opportunity came along because after being involved in athletics since about the fourth grade, I don't know what I would have done without sports," she said, smiling.



Recent Garden City graduate Julene Pummill, pictured with her parents Ron and Justine and her younger brother Joe (standing), committed last week to play volleyball for Schoolcraft College.

"There are two other freshmen setters coming in, so I know I'm going to have to work hard, but I'm ready to do whatever it takes."

Pummill's path to Schoolcraft was intriguing due to its late-in-the-game circumstances.

"Kayla Bone, who I played with at Garden City, is going to play at Schoolcraft, too, and she told me they had an opening," Pummill said. "She encouraged me to attend some of the open-gym workouts they had this spring, but our softball team did so well (the Cougars advanced to the Division 1 semifinals), we played well into June.

"I was worried that the roster spot may be filled by somebody else. But once softball ended, I showed up at the open gyms and the coaches got a chance to watch me play. I was a little nervous at first because it was basically like a tryout, but the other players made me feel really comfortable right away."

A starting guard for the Cougars' basketball team this past winter and a starting center fielder for the Cougars' softball team, Pummill said volleyball has always been her favorite activity.

"My favorite part about the sport is the team aspect," she said. "You have to rely on everybody else around you and everybody has to pick everybody else up.

body else up. "I also like that you're never out of the game until the last point; you can always come back."

Pummill has also received strong encouragement from former GC volleyball standout Shannon Pietruszka, who is engaged to marry Pummill's older brother Ron later this month.

"Shannon's been a great influence for me, both with volleyball and away from it," Pummill said. "She knows (Schoolcraft) coach (Rod) Brumfield, too, so she put a good word in for me."

Pummill was an extraordinary student at Garden City, where she carved out a 4.06 grade-point average, which put her No. 3 in her class. Her



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Julene Pummill is pictured with Schoolcraft College volleyball coach Rod Brumfield.

long-range goals include becoming a neurologist. Volleyball-wise, the sky is

the limit.

"Playing for a Division 1 school may be out of the question, but if I could move on to a D-2 school after I'm done at Schoolcraft, that would be awesome," she said. "I love the sport and I want to play it as long as I can."

Pummill is the daughter of Ron and Justine Pummill, both of whom are teachers at Garden City Middle School.

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WWGA finals: Plymouth native Murphy nipped in 20 holes

Championship final was tightly contested

Rain delayed the start of the 87th Women's Western Junior Golf Championships on Friday at Dubuque (Iowa) Golf & Country Club.

& Country Club. But what a finish it was, with Plymouth native Kelsey Murphy (a 2013 graduate and member of the Wildcats' 2012 state championship team) nearly winning the title. The afternoon championship final between Murphy and Heather Ciskowski (Barrington, Ill.) was one for the books. They were both tenacious and never gave up on their respective games.

Through the 12th hole, Murphy was up three and Ciskowski began to fight back.

By the time they arrived at the 17th tee, the match was all square. It took 20 holes for Ciskowski to win the hole she needed to take the championship, 152-154.

Both finalists had to ward off tough competition earlier Friday in the championship semifinal matches, delayed an hour due to rain.

Last year's WWGA Junior Champion, Fai Khamborn of Thailand, was defeated by Eastern Michigan-bound Murphy (with a margin of 5 and 3).

In the other semifinal, Bing Singhsumalee of Naperville, Ill. — who had been victorious in very tight matches through the quarterfinals — was defeated in another close one (2 and 1) by Ciskowski.

For good measure, Ciskowski was fifth in the stroke play portion of the contest held Monday and Tuesday and Murphy was sixth.

Murphy reached the final four with a win over Alice Chen of Princeton, N.J. in Thursday afternoon's championship quarterfinal.

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Kelsey Murphy, a 2013 Plymouth grad, went to 20 holes before falling two strokes short in the WWGA championship finals.

'Summer in Service' program offering teens opportunity

Sports camps are everywhere this summer, but Observerland teens looking for something to do have a unique option.

One prime example of that is the Plymouth Family YMCA's Youth Volunteer Corps "Summer in Service" program, which continues through August.

The program offers local teens the chance to take part in service learning projects "that make a difference in the community," according to a press release from Josh Borg, community program director of the Plymouth Family Y.

Upcoming sessions of YVC are as follows: July 29 through Aug. 2; Aug. 5-9; Aug. 12-16; Aug. 19-23.

Sessions run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and are open to youngsters entering grades 9-12, with a \$30 registration fee for each service.

Youths must sign up prior to projects.

For more information,

visit www.ymcadetroit.org /plymouth or call 734-453-2904.

Youth Volunteer Corps of Plymouth YMCA's mission is to promote a lifetime commitment to service among youth by offering volunteer projects for youths ages 11-18.

The Plymouth Y is one of more than 30 affiliates of YVC, headquartered in Kansas City. Go to www.yvc.org for more information.

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LOCAL BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Michigan Generals

The Michigan Generals travel softball program is back in business and will be running 12U and 14U teams beginning this fall and heading into the spring and summer of 2014.

Coaches affiliated with the organization include Larry Thiede, Al Land, Al White, Tom Hillsey, Dave Brubaker, Gary Arnold and Jeff Simpson.

Tryouts will be held at North Farmington High School 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, and Thursday, Aug. 8. Interested players are encouraged to arrive a early to fill out registration papers.

Motor City Riversharks

The Motor City Riversharks 13U and 14U travel baseball teams will be holding tryouts in August for the 2014 season.

Players must be willing to commit to playing between 40 and 50 games, including weekend tournaments. The season runs from April through July. To preregister or for more

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dura's golfing exploits, he knows what the first question will be.

"They want to know, 'Are you married? What does your wife say?" Verdura said. "I tell them, 'She didn't discourage it; she encouraged it!' She's been very, very supportive toward trying to break this. Heck, I think there are times she's more excited about it than I am.'

Verdura, a former teacher who coached the Farmington High girls basketball team in the mid-1990s, has had to document all of his golf, too. When he's done, a signed score card for every round must be produced to verify his effort and confirm the record.

That's where Karen comes in," he said. "She's the organized one. All I do is golf and bring the score cards home. Karen has put them on a spread sheet. Eventually, we'll email them to the Guinness people."

The Verduras live right next to a 63-hole public golf course, which has offered John a nice senior package for greens fees and, in terms of proximity, enabled him to play a lot of golf.

"Everything fell into place," Verdura said. "We moved down here and found a home on a golf course. Obviously, the climate was in my favor.

"(The large course) g me the opportunity to play and move around. If it was 18 holes, it would be too crowded to play a round and get that many holes in in a day.' "We had a very mild winter in Texas, so that made it a good situation," Karen Verdura said. "Everything does have to line up – geographically, where you

information, send an email to motorcityriver-

sharks@gmail.com. It is recommended, but not required, that players attend all three tryout dates. Tryouts will be held at Jaycee Park, which is located at the corner of Hunter and Wildwood in Westland.

Tryouts for the 13U River-sharks will be held 12:302 p.m. Aug. 3 and Aug. 4; and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 11.

Tryouts for the 14U River-sharks will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 3 and 4; and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 10

Oakland Reds

Tryouts for the Oakland Reds Baseball Club for Youth Division (under-8 through under-13) will be Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 3-4, and for High School Division (under-14 through under-18) Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 10-11.

To register online and for more information, visit www.oaklandreds.com.

Great Lakes Cardinals

The Great Lakes Cardinals, a 14-and-under team in the KVBSA, is looking for five new players for the 2014 season.

Tryouts will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, July 29, at the Wayne Ford Civic Baseball Field, located on Wayne Road, just south of Ford Road.

For more information, call Bill Flohr at 248-761-9694 or Angelo Lanava at 734-395-3355.

Canton Cardinals

Baseball tryouts for the GCYBSA travel team (Canton Cardinals) and competitive program are scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 3, at Heritage Park, 1010 S,. Canton Center Road.

Tryouts will take place as follows: 11:30 a.m: 9-Under; 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: 10U; Noon to 2:30 p.m.: 11U; 3:30 p.m.: 12U; 3-5:30 p.m.: 13U; 4-6:30 p.m.: 14U.

Players should arrive in proper baseball attire, bring all of their baseball gear and

bring a water bottle.

They are encouraged to attend the tryout session and be prepared to attend a combine style workout the following week (date TBD by head coach).

The age group is deter-mined by the player's age on April 30, 2014.

Visit www.gcybsa.com to register for tryouts. Those who cannot attend tryouts should contact a.zidzik@sbcglobal.net prior to the tryout date to make alternate arrangements.

Motor City Chiefs

Tryouts for the 2014 Motor City Chiefs 12-and-under travel baseball team will be 7 p.m. Monday, July 29, at University Field (Madonna University), 15090 Newburgh Rd., Livonia; and 9:15 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at Don Massey Field, 790 Plymouth Road, Plymouth.

Players should arrive 30 minutes early to warm up. To preregister or obtain information about the team, contact the Chiefs at motorcitybaseball@gmail.com or call either Ken Gaffney at 734-395-4058 or Tom Dono at 586-381-3740.

The Chiefs compete in the Kensington Valley Baseball and Softball Association Open Division and various tournaments.

Michigan Blue Jays

2014 Michigan Blue Jays 10-and-under White travel baseball team will be holding open and private tryouts for the 2014 season.

Open tryouts will take place at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, and Sunday, Aug. 4, at the Eastern Michigan University fields.

Participants must be 10 or younger on May 1 to play on the team. Private tryouts also are available.

The team will play in the KVBSA in addition to six to eight tournaments.

Those with a strong desire to excel and are committed to the above schedule, send information to

jays10u2014@gmail.com.



John Verdura (second from right) is pictured with his golfing buddies May 11, the day he broke the record of 11,000 holes of golf in one year.

can play the year round and the weather does have to cooperate.'

Verdura has had to play in some bad weather, however. He had to play whenever possible to keep pushing forward and taking advantage of every

situation. cart with a cover "I've o

was the only car in the parking lot

"You have to play on those kind of days if you're going to do this. If I wasn't doing this, I wouldn't be playing on those days. But since I made it a goal to do it, I was out there play-

ing. Besides sleet, snow and something, he does it."

Verdura, who has averaged 38 holes per day, had played 87 consecutive days as of July 18. That was his longest streak during the run. He was in Michigan a week earlier for a wedding and "only" played 18 holes twice.

et tired of it, "I don't ge

got the first of five overall in 2008 during a visit to Texas.

"Sixty years in Michigan and I never had a hole-in-one." he said. "If you take enough shots, sooner or later you're going to get lucky.

It's not luck that will put Verdura, who taught and bached at Gabriel Richard,

and a heater," Verdura said, adding he could rack up the holes on bad days because there were so few people on the course and he could move quickly.

"There was one day when it was windy and cold and it had rained," he said. "The course was open and I was playing. I

cold, Verdura has played in the extreme heat, too. When he started last August, the temperature was over 100 degrees 12 of the first 13 days.

"We we were like, 'This might be a little harder than we thought," Karen said. "He's an extremely disciplined guy. When he sets his mind to doing dura said. "I get up every day excited about going to the golf course. Sometimes, I come home depressed, depending on how I play. But I like going there. It's not like it's work or anything.'

Verdura, who has a six handicap, has had four holesin-one in the last year, too. He

Shrine, St. Alphonsus and Aquinas high schools, in the Guinness Book of World Records. It was commitment and dedication to a goal that did that.

"Without my nephew stumbling upon it, heck, I would've never even thought about it," Verdura said.

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decade ago.

Yet it's never too late to inspire them to get active and hopefully stay active long after the week is over.

Station to station

"A lot of kids have switched to either staying home and doing nothing," Watson said. "But baseball and basketball have always been my passion. I'm hoping that in our community it (interest in baseball) continues to grow ... to be what it was when I was a kid.'

To that end, he added that it's good that all three varsity teams at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and the major league Detroit Tigers are and continue to be successful.

The youngsters, ranging in age from 7-14 and almost entirely from Canton or Plymouth, found out for themselves what it takes to play the game.

Namely plenty of reps in hitting, fielding, throwing and running.

"We start out every morning and go through different stations," Watson said. "We work on fielding, pitching, hitting, outfield work and base run-

ning. "Then in the afternoon, we allow them to scrimmage. And for a lot of kids, this is their only chance to play shortstop or try pitcher or try catcher. "Because they didn't get to

play it during the regular season and they wanted to try it, so this is a good opportunity for them to try that." Watson added.



Canton's Adam Jaroudi, 12 (right), shares a water jug with his 9-year-old brother Ryan during the Canton Youth Baseball Camp. They and other campers enjoyed some time indoors at High Velocity due to a popup rain shower last Thursday.

Staying hydrated

With one exception — when a popup shower last Thursday forced proceedings inside to adjacent High Velocity Sports campers put in all that work under the broiling sun.

No worries that Watson and assistant counselors such as Canton alum Dane Staples (who in 2012 threw a no-hitter for Spring Arbor University) and Salem player Tyler Brooks would allow them to get overheated in the process.

Watson, currently athletic director at West Bloomfield High School (where he coached baseball from 1994 to 2010), is a stickler for following guidelines on dealing with soaring heat and humidity as set this year by the Michigan High School Athletic Association

When the heat index (which combines air temperatures and relative humidity to determine how hot weather feels) rises into the mid-90s, the MHSAA

breaks it down this way: For every 30 minutes of activity, campers must take a 10-minute break with "as much water as they desire," the website notes. "We actually make them

drink, we take several breaks," Watson said. "And when it gets really hot and the heat index is 95, if we're scrimmaging we'll be outside for 20 minutes and go inside in the air conditioning for 10. Then come back out for 20.

"So it's a lot of transitions, but the kids understand and, of course, the parents want to make sure we're taking good care of their kids.

Throughout the week, campers finished up morning drills and ate lunch indoors before going back out for afternoon activities.

Last Thursday, however, Watson and the campers were thrown a Max Scherzer-like changeup when rain moved in.

Everybody loaded up their gear and headed across the parking lot to High Velocity

Sports.

On the run

They proceeded to turn an indoor soccer field into as good a place as any to get in some "Extreme Pickle.

Watson and his staffers threw a so-called "rag ball" back and forth almost like quarterbacks perfectly leading their wideouts.

Campers ran, ran and ran some more to avoid getting tagged out.

Even if they were, they didn't let up on the footwork or the fun

To ensure just that, all keepaway participants started the game wearing their baseball caps with bills pointed forward.

"That's just because we don't want someone to get out early in the game and have to sit out for 15 minutes and watch everyone else play," Watson said. "So what we do, because we need one winner at the end, you have your hat facing forward. If you get out, you turn the hat backwards.

"You still can continue in the game, you can't win the bat but you can still stay in the game, you can play, so we'll still try to tag you out, so they're still having a good time."

Whoever is the last kid standing wins a bona fide wood fungo bat.

There was white athletic tape wrapped around the blue bat's sweet spot, the preferred location for gap-power contact.

The "Extreme Pickle" game lasted until Friday; Henry Styron finished first and won the prized Louisville Slugger.

But although only one kid could prevail in pickle, un-



Assistant camp counselor and Salem student Tyler Brooks poses with a wood fungo bat — the prize to the winner of Extreme Pickle. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

doubtedly everybody who came out to Canton Sports Center was pretty happy they came out for a week of line drives and laughter.

That's just fine with Watson, who looks like he still gets a youthful kick whenever he can wear a mitt.

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Youngsters enjoy getting 'schooled' by Plymouth Whalers at summer camps

LOCAL SPORTS

Hockey pros provide individual instruction

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

There's nothing quite like the excitement of the shootout in hockey, pitting goalie versus skater in a one-on-one showdown.

That one-on-one component also is a reason why kids keep coming back every year to take part in hockey schools hosted by the Plymouth Whalers

Youngsters between ages 6-12 will get plenty of individual instruction from Whalers players during the various schools at Compuware Arena.

Compuware once again will provide participants with a cool place to pick up some hot ice tips. The first three-day session begins Monday and various schools will continue until Friday, Aug. 16.

Spots for the schools are all but sold out, but some openings remain. Go to www.plymouthwhalers.com for more information.

As for sheer excitement about the offerings, just consider some of the feedback on the Whalers' official website.

"He loves this and can't stop talking about it," said Jodi DiMarco of Chicago, Ill., whose 6-year-old son Braden is a repeat customer. "He loves being on the ice and loves being with

the Whalers.

"I like the small size of the camp. We've done other camps that have had way too many kids in them. Here, they're getting a lot of individual attention.

Closer to home, members of a Northville family are thrilled about the Whalers camps being just around the corner.

Deb Bjorge said sons Seth and Ryan, now ages 9 and 7, respectively, are counting down the days to when they can skate on the Compuware ice with their hockey heroes.

"It's the novelty of being able to skate with the Whalers," she said. "It's big with these guys to try to steal the puck from one of the Whalers.

"They love all the Whalers and they love the game." Bjorge added that this year

marks the first time both Seth and Ryan will be able to participate

"We've done this over a couple of years and it used to be just Seth," she said. "Over time, Ryan is old enough and it's a big deal for him, because he watched his brother skate with the Whalers and now he gets to as well."

Keeping it fun

That young kids want to sign up year after year demon-strates that the camps do a good job meshing fun activities with the drills, Whalers assistant general manager and school instructor Brian Som-

Plymouth Whalers Hockey School instructors Brian Sommariva and Scott MacDonald (back row, second and third from left) take a break with students last summer, PETE KRUPSKY [PLYMOUTH WHALERS

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mariva emphasized.

"There's something to be said about having fun on the ice," he said. "If the kids see that you have high tempo and have energy, you'll keep their attention.

"Anytime you are doing skating drills for 30 or 40 minutes and you are working with kids from 6 to 12 years old, they're not going to be very happy about it.

So you have to find ways to have fun and keep it interesting and be energetic yourself."

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This scene likely will get played out again over the next couple of weeks at Plymouth Whalers summer hockey camps. PETE KRUPSKY [

Playing up a Storm



A Statistic Mark The Livonia Storm, a 14-and-under girls fastpitch softball team, recently posted an 11-0 the Western Wavne e Silver North title of



Farmington Hills golfer Monica Oliver (far left) was crowned the overall low net champion at the Michigan Women's Golf Association's 28th State Championship. Also pictured (from left) are Olivia Bayagich, Lori Rogers and Joan Garety.





Team members include (front row, from left): Erin Andrews, Sarah Cervenan, Ally Shatter, Morgan Pacheco and Rose Thacker; and (back row, from left) Katlyn Stevenson, Melissa Ferrier, McKenna Dogonski, Danielle Hoskins, Delaney Rowader and Alana Wilson. The head coach is Shellee Andrews, who was assisted by Gary Shatter and Ron Thacker. Also on the team is Allison Sciatto.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Golfer shoots ace

Gary Fernyhough of Livonia notched his second hole-in-one in 13 years of playing golf July 12 at Whispering Willows.

He used a 7-iron to ace the 129-yard seventh hole. Fernyhough shot 40 for the round.

O&E golf tourneys

It's not too late to mark a couple of more dates on your summer golf calendar.

That's because the annual Observer & Eccentric men's and women's golf tournaments will headline in the months of August and September.

The O&E women's tourney, an 18-hole medal play event, will start at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at Livonia's Whispering Willows Golf Course, 20500 Newburgh.

The cost is \$50 with a \$14 additional fee for a power cart. The tourney will be flighted by USGA handicap (maximum of 40). Prizes will be awarded for low gross and net.

Meanwhile, the O&Emen's tournament, a 36-hole, two-day medal play event, will be Sunday, Sept. 1, at Fox Creek Golf Course, 36000 W. Seven Mile Road, and Monday, Sept. 2, at Whispering Willows. Tee times will start at 8 a.m.

The cost is \$95 for two days (power cart extra) with four different flights offered including championship, first, senior (55-and-over) and junior (17-and-under). You must have a current

USGA index to participate (maximum handicap of 20).

There will be \$2,500 in guaranteed prizes, including both low gross and net winners.

Entries, open to the first 120, will close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24.

To download a registration form for both the men's and women's tourneys, visit www.golflivonia.com.

For pairings and starting times, call 248-476-4493 (Whispering Willows) or 248-471-3400 (Fox Creek).

CYO soccer signup

The St. Edith athletic program is accepting registrations for its CYO fall soccer teams.

Boys and girls entering grades 4 through 8 are eligible to play. The program is open to those who attend St. Edith, St. Colette, St. Aidan and St. Kenneth parishes.

For additional information, contact Ron Wollenweber at stedithsoccer@gmail.com or visit www.stedithcyo.com.

Beat the heat

Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton has some late July offerings to help folks beat the heat.

Open skate is 4-5:50 p.m. Sunday (admission 5 adults, \$3 children 14 and under) with Sticks & Pucks slated to follow 6-6:50 p.m. (\$5).

Both offerings also are on tap Friday and Saturday, albeit at different times.

On Friday, Sticks & Pucks is 6-6:50 p.m. fol-

lowed by open skate 7-8:50 p.m. Saturdav's schedule is Sticks & Pucks from noon to 12:50 p.m. and open skate 1-2:50 p.m.

For the open skate sessions, skate rental is \$3. Children age 3 and under skate free.

Arctic Edge is located at 46615 Michigan Ave. For more information. call 734-487-777 or go to www.arcticarenas.com.

Team needs players

The Michigan Hawks under-11 girls recreational soccer team needs a couple of players to complete its roster for the upcoming fall season.

The team plays in the WSSL and practices Monday nights (starting after Labor Day) at Jaycee Park in Livonia. The cost to play is \$75.

Players should contact Doug Landefeld at either 660-473-6604 or dbradley1515@sbcglobal.net.

Motor City Junior

The Motor City Junior Golf Championship (ages 12-17), an 18-hole event sponsored by Caddy Shack, will begin at 8 a.m. Wednesday, July 31, at Whispering Willows.

Included in the \$49 cost is one 18-hole tourney entry, one practice round (prior to the event), driving range balls (day of the event), lunch ticket and gift pack. Checks should be made payable to TJW, Inc.

For more information, visit www.golflivonia-.com or call Whispering Willows at 248-476-4493

Local golfers go low at **MWGA** state tournament

A pair of local golfers earned some hardware at the the Michigan Women's Golf Association State Championship, which was held Saturday and Sunday at The Medalist Golf Course in Marshall.

Open to all amateur female golfers in the state, the tournament attracted 41 participants, who competed in two divisions.

Farmington Hills resident Monica Oliver

Wayne grid camp

Wayne Memorial is hosting a football camp 3:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, and Wednesday, July 31.

For more information, email Lee Grizzell at leegriswold47@yahoo.com

Girls on the Run

The YMCA is hosting the Girls on the Run Girls Volleyball Camp, for youngsters ages 8-12

The camp, designed to "give girls the opportunity to gain confidence, make friends and learn about a great game developed at the YMCA" will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, July 30, through Friday, Aug. 2, at the Northville Community Center.

Cost to enroll is \$100; each participant will receive a volleyball.

Contact Josh Borg, community program director of Plymouth

was the overall low net champion in Division 2 after she carded a 36hole score of 145. Canton resident Lu

Stockton was one stroke back at 146. Placing first in the

Collegiate Division with a two-day gross total of 143 was Kimberly Dinh of Midland. Dinh is a junior at the University of Wisconsin

The state champion and first low gross winner in Division 1, Flight 2 was Joan Garety of Ada, who carded a twoday gross total of 155. This was the seventh time Garety has won the MWGA state championship.

In Division 2, Flight 2, the first low gross was awarded to Susan Merrick of West Bloomfield, who posted a 198 total.

Second low gross went to Joan Cleland of Bloomfield Hills, who fired a 199.

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Family YMCA, at 734-

453-2904 or via email at jborg@ymcadetroit.org.

Franklin girls hoop

The Livonia Franklin girls basketball clinic (grades 5-8) will be 5-7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, July 23-25, at the fieldhouse. The clinic is free. To register, visit livo-

niafranklingirlsbasketball.com or email coach Jim Milican at jmilican@livoniapublicschools.org.

Hawks-Wolves

The Michigan Wolves and Hawks will offer a summer soccer camp for boys and girls (ages 5-15) from 10 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, Aug. 12-15, at Jaycee Park, 19800 Mayfield Street, Livonia.

The cost of the fourday camp is \$75 (if registered before Aug. 5) or \$95 (after). Included in the cost is camp T-shirt. For more information, email dbra-

dlev1515@sbcglobal.net; or visiting michiganwolveshawks.com.

Salem soccer

Boys entering high school at Salem this fall are eligible to take part in the Rocks' boys soccer camp.

The sessions will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday through Friday, July 24-26, at the corner of Joy and Canton Center roads.

For more information, email coach Scott Duhl at elduhl@yahoo.com.

GC volleyball

The Garden City High School volleyball program will host a camp for advanced players 5-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 22-26.

The cost is \$100 and includes a T-shirt.

For more information, send an email to gardencityvb@yahoo.com.

JULY **MIME WORKSHOP**

Time/Date: Workshops, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 26-27; worship and mime ministry, 10 a.m. Sunday, July 28 Location: Way of Life Christian

Church, Lilly Executive Plaza, 9401 General Drive, Suite 100, Plymouth

Details: James and Clarice Green, with 17 years together in ministry, will lead the workshop. They use mime as a way of ministering to individuals who may need need "to see it to get what God is saying." Cost is \$30 for adults, \$55 for couples, and \$20 for children and teens, 10 and above

Contact: Dorothy at 313-412-5917 or e-mail to dnborum@yahoo.com

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sundays, through Aug. 18 Location: Grounds at Cherry Hill Village Schoolhouse, located at Ridge and Cherry Hill Roads,

Canton Details: St. Michael Lutheran Church offers a worship service in a casual atmosphere. Bring your own lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, service will

be held at the church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton Contact: 734-459-3333

RUMMAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 26 and 9 a.m.. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 27 Location: Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, south of Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia Details: The sale will be in the lower level of the church Contact: 734-425-3062

SINGLE PLACE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, July 25

Location: First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main St., Northville

Details: Cards and games night is planned for July 25. Ice cream is available for \$5

Contact: www.singleplace.org **VACATION BIBLE** SCHOOL

Time/Date: 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. July 29 through Aug. 2 Location: Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia

Details: "Kingdom Rock" is the theme: \$15 fee includes a T-shirt Contact: 734-425-7280

AUGUST **CAR SHOW**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24 Location: Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia Details: 12th annual Charity Car Show will benefit Angela Hospice. All makes of cars. trucks and motorcycles are welcome. There are class trophies plus best of show, a club participation award, goodie bags for the first 75 entrants, door prizes, a live DJ, and food and drinks available for purchase. The entry fee to show a vehicle is \$15. No

CHOIR DIRECTOR WORKSHOP

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. Aug. 12 Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The three-day workshop at Holy Cross Lutheran Church is designed for choir directors and music educators, led by Michael Burkhardt Contact: www.heartshands-

voices.org; 734-427-1414 for more information

C.L.E.A.P. FROG

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Aug. 5-21 Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: This learning program in a Christ-centered environment is designed to sharpen a child's skills and give them a 'leap' into the coming school year. C.L.E.A.P FROG - which is not a VBS program — will offer the basics, including math, reading, music, science and more. This free program is for children entering grades 1-6. A class for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten also is offered. All children must be pre-registered Contact: Mary at 248/471-1322 or Melissa at 734/466-8694 to register

PARENTING CLASS

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Aug. 5-21 Location: Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The class for adults is based on the book "Have a New Kid by Friday" by Dr. Kevin Leman. It focuses on changing a child's attitude, behavior and character. It provides practical and doable strategies for regaining control and being the parent you always wanted to be. Cost is \$8 payable upon enrollment. Pre-registration is required Contact: Mary at 248/471-1322 or Melissa at 734/466-8694 to register

SOCCER CAMP

Time/Date: 6-30-8 p.m., Aug. 5-8

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia Details: Soccer mini-camp is for boys and girls, 5-12. Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. Items not required to enroll. Cost is \$15 per student and includes instruction, snacks, and a soccer ball to take home. Contact:

www.christoursavior.org; 734-522-6830

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. to noon Aug. 5-8

Location: Fellowship hall at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia Details: Designed for children, 3, through those entering fifth grade in the fall. Cost is \$10 per child and \$25 for families with three or more children. Each child will receive a free CD with

RELIGION CALENDAR

WORSHIP & MUSIC CAMP

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 12-15 Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 W. Six Mile, Livonia Details: "Hearts, Hands and Voices," is designed to help students in grades two-seven grow spiritually and musically.

Contact: Register at www.heartshandsvoices.org; 734-427-1414

Time/Date: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. July

18-19 and 8 a.m.-noon, July 20 Location: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia Contact: 248-442-8822

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GIBBONS, **FREDERICK J.** "MAJOR" JR. Beloved Father, Grandfather

How to reach us:

and WWII Veteran Frederick J. Gibbons, Jr. 88, formally of Redford, MI, died Sunday, July 7,

2013 in the NJ State Veterans Memorial Home in Edison, NJ. He was born on July 12, 1924 in Toledo OH. After serving our country in Europe, he moved to Detroit and worked for Ford Motor Company for almost 25 years. Fred received his undergraduate business degree from Babson College and completed post graduate business education (MBA/DBA) at Indiana Northern University. He retired at 55 and never looked back. He and his wife Helen travelled the world from 1978 until Hel-en's death in 2006. He is sur-vived by his son, Patrick, his daughter-in-law Francie and three grandchildren; Erin, Mollie, and Brian. Fred was an avid military historian (102nd Ozarks Infantry Division, US Army) and accomplished musician. played sax, clarinet and piano. He also spent many years as an assistant scoutmaster, Junior Achievement mentor, and volunteer tax preparer for seniors. He was active in the VFW, Masonic and St. Mark's Presbyterian Church. Most importantly, he was an extremely generous fa-ther and grandfather. A memorial service celebrating Fred's life will be held in Troy, Michigan at a later date.

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LOESCHE, MARGARET ALICE

Age 94, died peacefully at home on June 24. Born February 22, 1919, Margaret was the daughter of Mary and Henry Loesche and the step-daughter of Roland Bird. She enjoyed a more than 30-year career in equipment disposition with the US Department of Defense in Detroit. She is preceded in death by her brother, Francis J. ("Joe") Loesche and sister-in-law, Virginia her "Aunt Margaret" is Loesche. survived by nephew Steven Loesche (Brigitta), nieces Janet Loesche (Dan Luria) and Lynn Morehouse (Mark), and by their children Joe, Laura, Megan, Kristy, Nick, Anna, Sascha. Maya, and Dan. Interment was at Grand Lawn Cemetery. A mePACIOCCO, MATTHEW "MATT" JAMES Beloved husband and father suc-

WATTS, SHIRLEY SCHULKINS

Age 78, of South Lyon, formerly of Farmington, July 19, 2013. Shirley was a 1954 graduate of Farmington High School. De-voted mother of Charles Watts, Diane (Bryan) Zillich and Wendy Tamlyn (John Cohen); loving grandmother of the late Jason, Jennifer, Gregory, Amber, Steven and Justin; great grandmother of Jayden, Karen and Steven; fond sister of George Schulkins. Memorial service Saturday, July 27, 1 pm, at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds., N. of Grand River), downtown Farm-ington (248-474-5200). Visitation Saturday 12-1 pm.

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May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

In Memoriam



BRIAN HINZMAN 3/16/81 ~ 7/27/07 We love and miss you very much and we are thinking about you every day. Love, Your family



ZACHARIAS, DR. K. Who passed away Aug. 1st 2006. Dear husband of Mariann. So lonely without you these seven long years. Miss you so! Love you forever,

Mariann

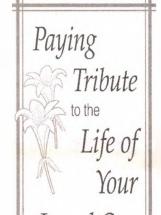
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cumbed to leukemia on Saturday, July 20, 2013 following a five year battle he courageously fought to the end. He was surrounded by his loving family. Matt was born February 19, 1961 in Dearborn, the son of Albert V. and Shirley I. (Kopacz) Paciocco. Matt was a 1979 graduate of John Glenn High School in Westland and on May 8, 1981 he married the love of his life, Karen Sue Winchester. They have two children and spent 32 wonderful years together. Matt had a zest for life which was infectious and inspiring to all around him. His family was the focus of his life but he enjoyed golf and was a master woodworker. Matt is survived by his wife Karen; children, Ryan Paciocco of Westland and Krysta Paciocco of Farmington Hills and mother, Shirley Paciocco of Howell. Brother of Laura (Ed) Kitts of Chandler, AZ, Ken (Sue) Paciocco of Cibolo, TX, Janet (Bob) Blair of Howell, Mike Paciocco of Howell, Nick Nick (Rhonda) Paciocco of Canton, Robb (Nora) Paciocco of Ho-well, Susan (John) Gellert of Westland and the late Steven. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Matt was a mem-ber of Bible Baptist Church, 2258 E. Highland Rd. (M-59), Howell where funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. (instate 10 a.m.) Visitation will be held Tuesday, 2 to 8 p.m. at MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell (517-546-2800). In lieu of flowers, memorial contribu-tions are suggested to the Leuke-mia & Lymphoma Society.

Please visit the family's online guestbook at www.

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charge to view the entries. Organizers also are seeking sponsors for the show Contact: 734-427-8743

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all of the music from the week Registration forms are available in the church office. Contact: Pam Gunderson at ropc.children@vahoo.com.or 734-422-0494, Ext. 14

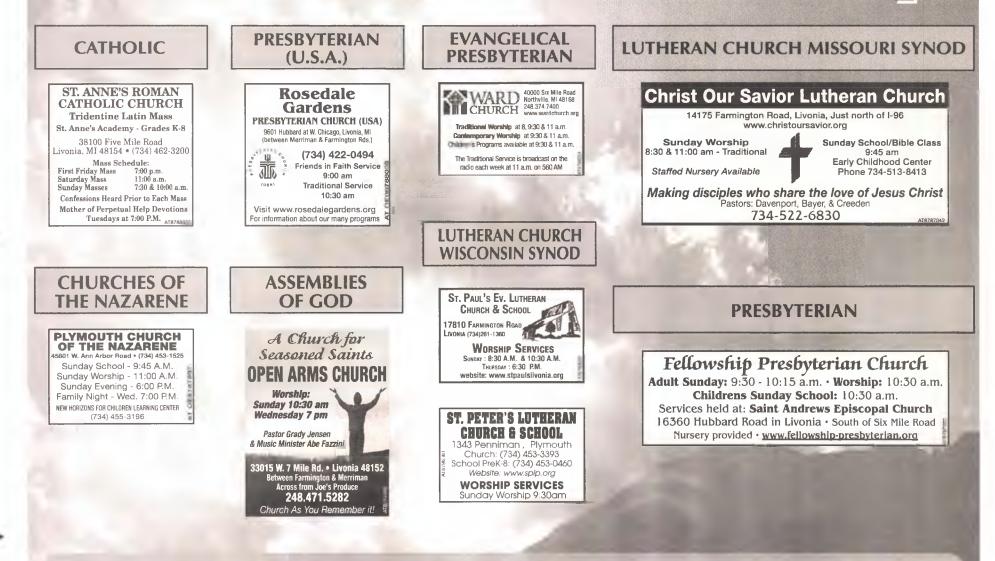
morial to celebrate Margaret's long and healthy life will be held Sunday, July 28 starting at on 2:00 PM at Corsi's Restaurant, 27910 West 7 Mile Road, Livonia.

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ENTERTAINMENT THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2013

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Annual rare car show turns The Inn at St. John into

The Chrysler 300 is one of the featured cars this year.

By Pamela A. Zinkosky Correspondent

he Motor City loves a car show, and a July 28 event in Plymouth Township is an auto extravaganza. Imagine a display of nearly 300 hand-picked rare automobiles, all carefully arranged by type, with no two alike. Add to that a host of car-lovers' activities a car auction, art show, motoring tour, seminars and tours of local rare car collections - and you've got the annual Concours d'Elegance of America.

Now in its 35th year, the Concours d'Elegance draws auto owners and enthusiasts

from around the globe. The ٠ event, which attracted 10,000 spectators last year, has its roots in the original French show of the 1920s, which showcased custom automobiles and fashions of the time. This Concours d'Elegance, one of many such shows around the country, ran for 32 years at Oakland University's Meadowbrook Hall, and is now in its third year on the grounds of The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth Township.

Jim McCarter, executive director for Concours d'Elegance, said the Sunday show, featuring 27 circles, or groupings, of cars, is "like a one-day car museum" featuring rare

automobiles carefully soughtout by a year-round selection committee. Each Concours showcases a unique set of automobile classes along with traditional classes, like Muscle Cars, American Classics 1928-1942 and Post-War European.

This year's featured classes include Vintage NASCAR; Electric Cars; Mercedes Pagoda and 600; Indianapolis Iron; Detroit Iron including Cadillac, Chrysler, Lincoln and Packard; Jet H Convertibles; Porsche 911; Motorcycles: Bobbers; Can-Am and 1963 Corvettes, and more.

Of particular interest is a

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MUSEUM

Car enthusiasts can participate in a Friday motoring tour. These cars were taken out for a spin around town during a previous Concours.



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WORLD'S ONLY FLYING 'MOSQUITO' TO PERFORM AT THUNDER OVER MICHIGAN

A rare British airplane will head into the blue skies Aug. 10-11 over Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti. It's one of the featured airplanes at Thunder Over Michigan Air Show, produced by the Yankee Air Museum..

The de Havilland DH-98 Mosquito was a British multi-role combat aircraft that served during World War II and postwar operations. Sometimes referred to as "Mossie," it held many different roles from fast and fighter bomber, to a night fighter, to an overseas transport aircraft.

The Mosquito is constructed almost entirely of wood and is affectionately known as "The Wooden Wonder." During its frontline presence in the war, it was prized for its maneuverability and speed powered by dual Rolls Royce Merlin engines. Today, it is the only airworthy de Havilland Mosquito in the world.

"We are excited and honored to have the world's only flying Mosquito performing this year at Thunder," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air Museum and director of Thunder Over Michigan. "In efforts to bring our spectators worldclass entertainment, this addition really elevates our lineup to a whole new level."

The Show will feature a lineup including the F-100 Super Sabre Jet, the World's top two civilian aerobatic performers, Sean D. Tucker and Michael Goulian, a World War II and a Vietnam Battle Reenactment including vintage aircraft like Huey helicopters, P-51 Mustangs and T-6 Texans, a Kidz Zone Play Area and much more.

Fans can receive per-

former updates via social media on Facebook.com/ ThunderOverMichigan and Twitter.com/ThunderOverMI or by signing up online for the behind the scenes email list.

Tickets are now on sale for a discounted price if purchased online through noon, Sunday, Aug. 11. General Admission tickets for guests 16 and older are \$30 and kids 15 and under are admitted at no charge. There are also a variety of premium seating ticket options available in advance online for a

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1955 Chrysler 300, an vehicle. There's also a Porsche #313327, the oldest existing Porsche 911, a prototype with a manual sunroof and other unique features.

"There are cars here you're never going to see anywhere else," McCarter said. "Every car is invited and is there for a reason. No two are alike.'

Since auto owners are invited to display their vehicles but are not compensated for their expenses, it makes good sense to court them with events that make their trip worthwhile, McCarter explained. "We want to give them plenty to do.

Additional events

To that end, the Concours d'Elegance has each year added complementary events that span the weekend, culminating in the Sunday show at St. John's. A

formation are available at www.yankeeairmuseum.org/airshow. Thursday-night Automo-

Michigan's rich history of aviation and to educate the public about that history. The museum, featuring aviation displays, historic aircraft, meeting rooms, and a gift shop is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.Tuesday-Saturday.

GET OUT! CALENDAR ARTS, CRAFTS

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Time/Dates: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

Location: 5200 Woodward, Detroit

Family Sundays: 2 p.m. Sundays; storytelling, performances; free with admission Exhibits: Printmaking by Ellsworth Kelly, through Sept. 8 Contact: 313-833-7900, www.dia.org

VILLAGE THEATER

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and one hour before and during public performances at the theater, as well as by appointment through July 28 Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton Details: Kyle Culps and Scot Ferguson exhibit their mixed media works Contact: 734-394-5300; cantonvillagetheater.org

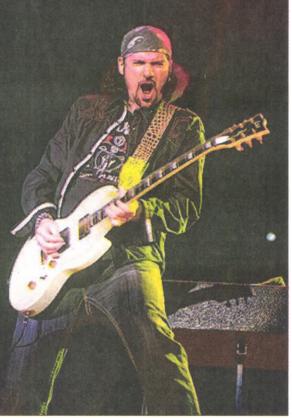
FILM

COMPUWARE ARENA DRIVE-IN

Time/Date: Gates open at 7:30 p.m., with movies starting around 9:20 p.m., daily, through Sept. 1

Location: 14900 Beck between Five Mile and M-14, Plymouth Township

Details: Cost is \$10 for adults; \$8 for children, 4-12; kids 3 and under are admitted free of charge. Students with proper ID are admitted for \$8 Sunday through Thursday. Patrons lister to the movies on the FM band of their car radio Contact: 734-927-3284



Bruce Kulick, who spent 12 years with KISS, will join Grand Funk Railroad at its performance July 26 in Detroit.

and Woodward, Royal Oak Details: Admission is \$11 for adults 15-61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free

Wild Beasts, Wild Wine: Sample wines from more than 30 local and national wineries and vineyards, 6-10:30 p.m., Friday, July 26. The event features live performances by jazz crooner Ben Sharkey and Gino Fanelli's Red Hot Sugar Daddies, after-hours access to animal habitats, complimentary tram

er concerts start at 8 p.m. Contact: 734-454-0178

ROCKIN ON THE RIVERFRONT

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 26 Location: GM Plaza on the Detroit riverfront

Details: Grand Funk Railroad performs in this free summer series

Coming up: Great White, Aug. 2; Loverboy, Aug. 9; Night Ranger, Aug. 16

The world's only flying Mosquito will perform at Thunder Over Michigan. discounted rate. Tickets, sponsorship opportuni ties and additional in-

The mission of the Yankee Air Museum, a non-profit organization, is to preserve Southeast

tive Hall of Fame

awards ceremony and dinner kicks off the weekend, followed by an automotive art show and car auction preview on Friday night, the RM Vintage Car Show Auction all day Saturday, along with auto seminars, and a Saturdaynight gala. See the full schedule of events and ticket prices at www.concoursusa.org.

Car enthusiasts also can buy tickets to the Friday motoring tour, which caravans from The Inn at St. John's to The Lingenfelter Collection, featuring 150 sports cars, or to a Friday tour of The Adderley Collection of automobiles.

The local towns also have gotten involved in the event. There's a free concert and car show in Plymouth's Kellogg Park on Friday night, and a preview party and car show on Saturday is planned in Northville.

New this year is The Italian Happening, a car show on Saturday at The Inn at St. John featuring automobiles from a group of Italian car clubs. Admission to that show is \$15. "I think Saturday is

one of the most interesting times to go," McCarter said, noting that guests can choose to attend The Italian Happening, take a sneak peak at the Concours display that organizers will be getting ready and or one of three free seminars — Mercedes-Benz Pagoda seminar, Haggerty Looks Under the Hood at the Class of '63 and the College for Creative Studies design seminar on electric car design.

The event is largely dependent on the weather, McCarter said, but he expects upwards of 10,000 people to attend the car show and other events over the weekend. "The show gets bigger and better every year," he said.

Tickets for the main show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 28, as well as for the many ancillary events, are available online at www.concoursusa.org. You can also purchase tickets at the gate for the Sunday show. The cost is \$25 for adults. Children age 12 and under get in free.

Use free shuttles from the Automotive Components Plant on Sheldon Road, downtown Plymouth or downtown Northville.



early muscle car originally sold by Knauz Chrysler Plymouth in Illinois by Bill Knauz, who has since repurchased and restored the

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 26-27 and 4:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, July 28

Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth Details: "Star Trek into Dark-

ness," admission," \$3

Coming up: "Now You See Me," 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 2-3, 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4, and 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8; "The Kinds of Summer," 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 9-10, and 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11.

Summer Matinee: "The Goonies," July 25; "Annie," Aug. 1; "The Sound of Music," Aug. 15; "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," Aug. 22; "The Muppet Movie," Aug. 29. Movies run at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, July 26 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, July 27

Location: 17360 Lahser, north of Grand River Avenue, Detroit

Details: "Notorious" \$5 Coming up: "The Long, Long Trailer," with Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10

Contact: 313-537-2560

HISTORICAL

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: The current exhibit, B4TV, highlights leisure activities that families and individuals engaged in before television. The exhibit runs through Nov. 10. Admission \$5 for adults and \$2 for students 6-17

Contact: www.plymouthhistory.org; 734-455-8940

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, until 8 p.m. Wednesday in July and August Location: I-696 service drive

tours, animal enrichment and zookeeper talks. Tickets are \$35 until July 19; after that, any remaining tickets will be available for \$40 online or at the gate.Designated driver tickets are \$25 and include admission, parking and unlimited soft drinks

Contact: 248-541-5717; www.detroitzoo.org

MUSIC

JAZZ AT THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. last Tuesday of the month — except December

Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Cliff Monear Trio will perform July 30. The group will include Monear on keyboard, Jeff Pedraz on bass, Scott Kretzer on drums and Stephenie Monear with vocals. There is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres. Proceeds from Jazz Elks goes toward special needs and disadvantaged children and veterans. Contact: 734-453-1780 or email to plymouthelks1780@ya-

PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN

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Time/Date: 7:30-10 p.m. every Monday Location: 884 Penniman, Plymouth Details: Open mic for music and poetrv Friday featured artist: Potters

Field, July 26. Featured perform-

Contact: www.facebook.com/ RockinontheRiverfront

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m. Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: The Lost Dogs, July 27; Lindsay Lou and the Flatbellys, Aug. 2; Kaivama, Aug. 8. Most shows tickets are \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks are accepted Contact: 734-464-6302

THEATER

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Time/Date: Auditions by appointment for teens and adults, 7-10 p.m. July 25 and by appointment for children, ages 6-15, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. July 27 Location: The Farmington Players Barn Theater 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Auditions for the musical, "Annie," which will be performed Friday-Sunday in December

Contact: Kandi Krumins at 248-797-1818

PAUL'S PLAYERS

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m., July 25-27 Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia Details: "The Sound of Music," includes a cast of more than 50 actors. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors Contact: 248-347-4134, or e-mail paulsplayers@gmail.com



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he best parties bring together great food, great ingredients, and great friends. To make your party stand out, take advantage of resources you already have to create an inviting and warm atmosphere for

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Serves: 4

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2 tablespoons sweet pickle



to a fantastic backyard barbeque are great company, exciting conversation, and delicious recipes — so be sure to pull together the perfect picnic menu that will keep your guests' smiles as warm as the summer sun.

Get creative when planning your summer party. Kids also will love to get involved and add their own personal touches to the big event. Simple items, such as blankets, oversized pillows, Mason jars and mismatched dinnerware will create the feeling of home and comfort to all. These simple additions, along with essential recipe ingredients will make for an amazing summer menu and party for your friends and family.

Here are a few tips to make your outdoor party simple and smooth:

» Opt for Appetizers

Many party guests will want to nosh and mingle throughout the evening, so make sure you have plenty of appetizers, dips and chips on hand. This Easy Asiago Dip offers a cheesy kick with the use of just a few ingredients.

» Self-Serve Drink Stations

Allow guests to refill their drinks themselves by placing a pitcher of drinks on a small end table or cart. Cover it with a brightly colored tablecloth and stacked glasses. Don't forget your ice bucket and tongs to keep drinks cold. If you are serving beer or wine, ice them down in coolers placed next to the drink station. Be sure to position the station away from the food to keep lines from forming.

» Stick with Simple

Don't spend all of your resources on fancy courses that require countless hours of preparation. Choose simple crowd favorites, such as sandwiches, salads and sweets that can be created in a snap. Just create, plate and cover with plastic wrap and you've got the menu covered for a fabulous party. For added simplicity, serve buffet-style so guests can pick and choose while you enjoy the party. A simple dish, like Zippy Ham Salad Sandwiches or tuna melts is a great option that can be made quickly and cut into quarters to be served as finger food.

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- 2 tablespoons finely
- chopped onion 8 slices white or wheat



4 small green leaf lettuce leaves

Combine ham, dressing, relish and onion in medium bowl. Spread bread, if desired, with additional dressing. Arrange 4 bread slices on aluminum-foil-lined broiler pan. Evenly spread bread with ham salad, then top with cheese. Broil 1 minute or until cheese is melted. Top with lettuce and remaining bread.

EASY ASIAGO DIP

Serves: 4 Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 30 seconds

1 cup Hellmann's Real Whipped Tangy Dressing

½ cup grated Asiago ch<mark>eese</mark> ½ cup finely chopped fr<mark>esh</mark> parsley leaves 1 clove garlic, chopped

Combine all ingredients in small bowl. Chill, if desired. Serve, if desired, with your favorite dippers.



JALAPEÑO JACK TUNA MELTS

Serves: 4 Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 1 minute

1 can (6 ounces) tuna

- % cup Hellmann's Real Whipped Tangy Dressing % cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons chopped red onion
- 2 tablespoons chopped pickled
- jalapeño pepper 4 slices white or whole
- wheat bread 1 cup shredded Monterey
- Jack cheese



Combine tuna, dressing, celery, onion and jalapeno in medium bowl. Arrange bread on aluminum-foil-lined broiler pan. Evenly top with tuna mixture, then sprinkle with cheese. Broil 1 minute or until cheese is melted.





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IN YOUR OFF-TO-COLLEGE PLANNING

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Firefighter Tom Kiurski's daughter is used to hearing about fire safety from her dad. She's a senior at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, and her dad recently retired from a 26 1/2-year career with the Livonia Fire Department, most recently as training coordinator.

"Just when she's awake," Tom Kiurski joked. His daughter's gone with him to school demonstrations and open houses. "She knows dad's going to do all his thing."

Kiurski and colleagues in the fire service urge young adults heading off to college and their parents to heed fire safety warnings. Kiurski's daughter began her CMU stint in a dorm, and is now in a sorority house.

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"They're so caught up in the social life, classes and things," he said. He urges families to ask, "Have you walked through this building? Do you know your way out?" That's true both for campus housing and for classroom buildings.

His family set their daughter up with a smoke detector on her dresser, although Kiurski was pleased to see CMU had smoke detectors as well. "They're getting better," he said of colleges and universities and fire safety. "Dorms and classrooms are getting retrofitted" with sprinkler systems and fire alarms.

Her sorority house also has a carbon monoxide detector, which Kiurski recommends for other students. cooking on the fly."

Some of the devices used for cooking may not be the safest, he said.

Careless smoking also contributes to college housing fires, he said. Some students have piles of unwashed clothing which can quickly ignite. "You see a lot of candles, too."

He sees some smaller fires and resulting tragedies in colleges and universities. "Here and there, they still happen," he said.

Also, off-campus housing is hard to inspect, Kiurski said. "That's where most of the problems are in the off campus." "Students will take what-

ever they can get and not worry too much about it."

He recalled one student

make" with no walls to guide them, he said.

Madonna University in Livonia has an advantage in fire safety in that its dorms aren't high rise, and stairs are well marked. "I normally go every fall and teach the RAs (resident advisers) fire safety," Kiurski said.

Madonna is known for its sign language instruction and has hearing-impaired students, Kiurski added, which makes dorm fire safety even more important.

He concluded by reminding parents, "This'll take less than five minutes," looking for exits from college housing. "Just make sure you've got a clear path out." The door may lock you out when you're safely out, he added, but should never lock

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Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condo Living 2: An

"Cooking is still No. 1," he said of what causes fires. "Kids get hungry and they're studying, going to classes. They're

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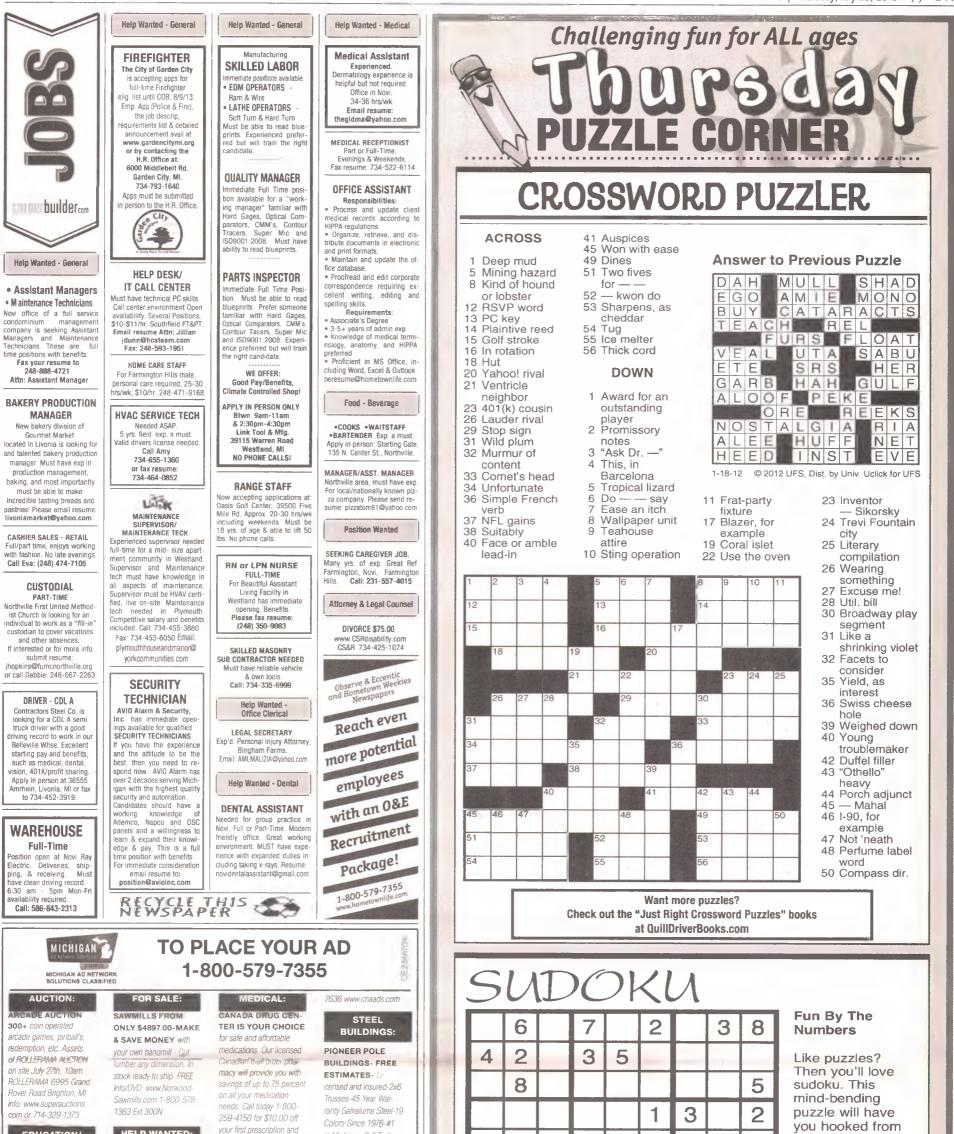
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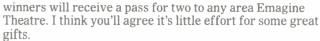
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Take time to enjoy today's *INSPIRE*. See the story on fresh, local, natural foods, a list of area farmers markets, grilling tips and recipes and home improvement stories. And look for the holiday icon.

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Don and Linda Burniac show off some of the fresh vegetables available at Greener Pastures, an organic market in South Lyon. HAL GOULD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jill Halpin

Contributing Writer

Ryan Nunley likes to eat fresh. That means buying locally grown fruits and vegetables and other foods grown and produced close to his home in Clawson.

"Most of my favorite foods are grown or made right here in Michigan," Nunley, 31, said, "from the great McClure's pickles to the fruits and vegetables at Eastern Market."

He is not alone.

Interest in fresh, locally grown food is on the rise, with farmers markets across the country seeing record growth, according to a study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 2011.

That has some area locavores – those who eat food locally grown whenever possible – like Nunley praising the abundance of great local foods due to the state's rich farming heritage.

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Patch holes in garage floor

Q: Our garage floor has small holes and the concrete is crumbling. We would like to paint the floor. What kind of paint would you recommend? Preferably something that has sand in it, to



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prevent slipping. A: I am opposed to epoxy painting garage floors, especially in Michigan. When snow and ice fall off your car, the floor becomes extremely slippery and unsafe. I know someone who used four times the amount

of sand in the epoxy. The next time I spoke with them, they asked how to remove the epoxy because they had to brace themselves by holding onto their car when the floor was wet and icy. Patch the crumbling area with vinyl concrete. I installed an interlocking tile on my garage floor and it works great.

Q: Do flat roofs with either the older built-up roofing material or newer single-membrane products need ongoing maintenance?

A: I'm sure many of you think flat roofs are a conspiracy of the roofing industry and architects to build up business during slow times. It seems like they need constant maintenance or repairs, only because they do.

Built-up roofing requires special experience and equipment. If not done right, it will cause a lot of aggravation and grief, not to mention leaks. Builtup roofs are used when the roof is flat or slightly pitched. The roof usually consists of three to five layers of roofing felt, coated with hot tar or asphalt. The top layer is coated with gravel. The cornice (edge) is usually finished with a metal drip edge. Where the roof meets another wall, beveled trim called a "cant strip" is used in the corners beneath the roofing and the edges must be flashed to make the corners watertight. The flashing usually extends four to six inches above the roof or into the wall.

Now if any of these procedures are missing or improperly done, your guarantee from the roofer may get drenched along with your other possessions. But this is the 21st century and there are new single-membrane materials, which most roofers now install in lieu of tar and gravel.

Of course, they cost more money, but if applied properly, as well as periodically inspected and maintained (that means annually to those of you who don't appreciate the subtlety), they should last for a long time. As you've heard me say before, time is relative.

Q: I am wondering if the tar paper getting rained on in our driveway will still be good to use as we replace our roof? I imagine it should have been stored in the garage, but the painter's stuff was in there. Better to ask now than to be sorry later.

A: It should have been covered with plastic. I don't recommend using it because it can, and usually will, buckle. The unevenness of the paper will make the shingles not lay flat, even though they are nailed in place. Plus, the purpose of the felt paper is to keep the roof sheathing from getting wet. You'll be putting wet paper on the boards and trapping the water beneath.

Q: We have basement leaks. What time of year would be best to get the work done? We also need to redo our driveway, which runs along the side where leaks occur. Should we do the basement waterproofing job first?

A: Actually, your driveway may be contributing to your basement leaks.

Driveways, patios and walks, as well as the terrain, that are improperly sloped back toward the house are the most common major contributors to basement leaks.

Check out waterproofing contractors; many do repairs from the interior. After getting estimates and opinions, decide whether you want it repaired by digging down the exterior or from the inside.

If you chose the interior method, you may find that once you replace the driveway, you may not have to waterproof.

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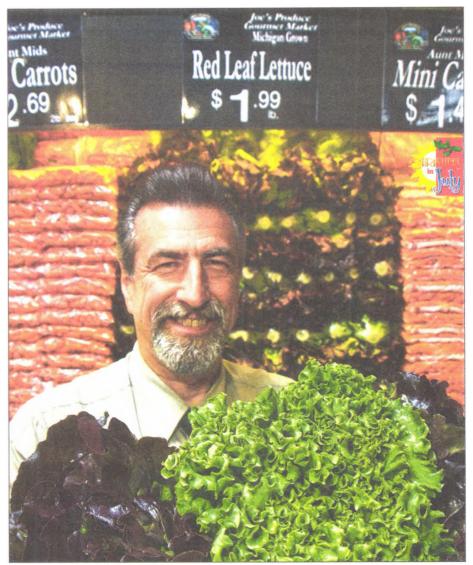
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Joe's Produce manager Randy Killingbeck holds red and green leaf lettuce. Both are Michigan-grown. At the time this photo was taken, Joe's carried more than 29 types of Michigan-grown produce. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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"We're lucky to live in a place where there is such a variety of locally-grown foods – great produce and more," the eco-conscious Nunley said.

"When I buy local foods, I know how fresh they are and where they came from. A lot of local growers don't use pesticides and offer organic options, too," he added.

Access to local products

"Living in Michigan, we really have a lot of great local produce," said Joe Maiorana, owner of Joe's Produce Gourmet Market in Livonia.

And there's more than just local produce – from ripe fruits and vegetables to chemical-free dairy products, pasture-raised meats and wild fish, those interested in eating farm-fresh foods have a veritable smorgasbord from which to choose these days, Maiorana said.

Local meat, poultry and fish products are also growing in popularity, as well.

Many local markets and grocers are now offering beef, chicken and pork products raised on farms throughout Michigan and neighboring states in a stress-free environment without growth hormones, antibiotics or chemicals.

"We buy beef from a farmer in west Michigan who raises the cattle in open pastures as opposed to pens. The cattle are grass-fed, with no hormones. Not only does it produce a richer taste, the beef is also higher in Omega-3s," Maiorana said.

The spike in demand is something that has Maiorana, whose family has been selling produce for more than 70 years, and other local retailers taking note.

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Summer in Michigan is bursting with fresh fruits, vegetables and other local goods at these area farmers markets. Enjoy the bounty of Michigan close to home. If you're traveling, go to michigan.org for a statewide list of markets and farm stands.

Birmingham Farmers Market

Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Sunday through October at Municipal Lot 6 on North Old Woodward, just north of Maple Road. Lots of fresh vegetables, fruits, flowers and handmade crafts at more than 70 booths. Food to eat sold on site. The Birmingham Farmers Market is dedicated to creating a weekly experience for area residents to shop for farm-fresh agricultural products and gather with others in the community, while enjoying entertainment and family-friendly activities.

Canton Farmers Market

Open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Sunday through Oct. 13 in Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road. The market offers seasonal produce, baked goods and a variety of handcrafted goods, all made in Michigan. For more information, visit cantonfun.org or call Tina Lloyd, market manager, at 734-394-5375.

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"We have absolutely been seeing an increase" in locally grown products," said Justin Hiller, vice president of Hiller's markets with seven stores across the Detroit area, including Berkley, West Bloomfield, Northville, Plymouth and Commerce Township.

Expanding market

Hiller said that the interest in eating fresh foods has been expanding for the past six years, and getting stronger, as consumers seek to support their local economies. Hiller said that at his stores, locally sourced products are clearly marked with a "Made in Michigan" label to help guide consumers in their purchases.

"We are responsible for our own salvation. By purchasing locally grown food, we are investing directly back into our own economy," said Hiller, who added he has noticed an increase of people like Nunley, who want to understand the origin of what they are consuming. "It's about knowing where the food came from before it shows up at your door ... how long did the process take?"

"It is true farm to table," he added.



All Michigan produce and other local products such as meat or fish are clearly labeled at Hiller's Markets throughout the Detroit area. JOHN STORMZAND STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The farm-to-table concept is exactly what Jared Burniac had in mind when he opened Greener Pastures Market in South Lyon in October 2012. The market features a wide variety of local products, including wild-caught fish from the Great Lakes, grass-fed beef and bison (buffalo) and pastured pork, turkey and chicken, as well as chemicalfree dairy and organic produce.

Fresh and local, too

Greener Pastures specializes in local meats and fish caught in the wild, as opposed to farm-raised fish, which are often fed antibiotics and food coloring, Burniac said.

He said the South Lyon community has welcomed him and his store with open arms.

"People want to be able to eat food, healthy food. We opened with 600 products; we now have over 2,700," Burniac said, adding that the market was designed to be an ingredient-friendly, natural foods market.

"Everything in here is chemicalfree; there are no labels with ingredients that you cannot pronounce," he said.

Burniac said that buying locally offers consumers an opportunity to eat foods when they are at their freshest – and at the height of their taste.

"Fresh food just tastes better," he said.

Dave Condeni, manager of Busch's Fresh Food Market in Livonia, said that customers are "really embracing local products and are very supportive of the fact that their food is grown locally."

Not only does buying locally grown or produced products help stimulate the local economy, it also fosters a sense of pride and community, he said.

"People appreciate the fact that they are playing a role in supporting their community," Condeni said.

It is important to note that locally grown and produced products are held to the same standards as other products by food regulators, he said.

"The vendors stand behind their products," as well, he said.

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Detroit's Historic Eastern Market

More than 40,000 folks flock to this landmark, which offers 250 produce and plant vendors. The open-air booths also feature homemade jams, maple syrup and lots of other interesting items. The market is at 2934 Russell Street, Detroit . It is open 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Saturday year-round and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Tuesday through Oct. 29. In addition, Eastern Market will host a special Thanksgiving Market on Tuesday, Nov. 26.

Farmington Farmers & Artisan Market

Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday through Nov. 17 at Orchard Street, east off of Farmington Road, behind the Downtown Farmington Center, as construction continues on nearby Grove Street. The market features a wide selection of seasonal fruits and vegetables, specialty products and baked goods. See cooking demonstrations by local restaurants, children's activities, entertainment and more. Go to www.downtownfarmington.org

Lathrup Village Farmers Market

At the Lathrup Municipal Complex, 27400 Southfield Road just north of I-696. The market is open 2-7 p.m. each Wednesday through Oct. 23. Go to lathrupvillage.org for more information.

Livonia Farmers Market

Runs through Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Wilson Barn, 29350 W. Chicago

Road, at Middlebelt. Buy crafts, fruits, vegetables and artisan foods from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Local farmers, crafters and bakers offer a variety of fresh produce, plants and handmade goods Proceeds from the market benefit the Wilson Barn, birthplace of Michigan's milk-hauling business and a state and national historic site. For more information, call 734-427-4311 or visit www.wilsonbarn.us.

Milford Farmers Market

Open 3-8 p.m. each Thursday at 115 E. Liberty Street, next to Fifth Third Bank lot. (Note: The market moves to South Side Park, next to Milford Fire Department, Aug. 8 due to Milford Memories.) The market offers foods and creations by Michigan farmers and local residents. Children's activities, cooking demonstrations and special events are also on tap. See milfordfarmersmarket.org.

Northville Farmers Market

Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Thursday through Oct. 31 in the Northville Downs parking lot, located at Seven Mile and Sheldon. The market includes more than 125 Michigan-made and Michigangrown products. Lunch food service, cold drinks and shaded picnic tables also are available. The Chefs at the Market series occurs 9-10 a.m. select Thursdays. Weekly events include Master Gardeners from 9 a.m. to noon. fresh food collection for Northville Civic Concern in July, new cars on display from Tom Holzer Ford and Varsity Ford and knife, scissor and garden tool sharpening. For more information, visit www.northville.org/Events_Calendar/ Content/Farmers Market.

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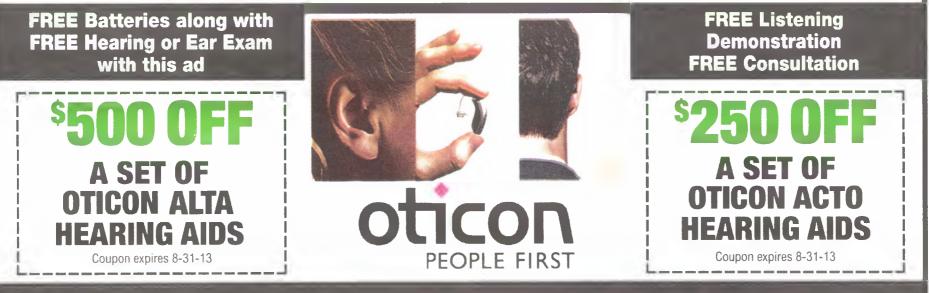
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Eateries offer fresh, local menu choices

Jill Halpin

Contributing Writer

Some area restaurants are expanding their menus to include wild-caught fish and hormone and chemical-free poultry and meat. The Michigan area provides a variety of local options, area restaurateurs say.

"We are lucky to live in Michigan, where fresh fish is readily available," said Louis Poulos of Karl's Cabin in Plymouth Township.

Below are some of the local establishments offering wildcaught fish and hormone- and chemical-free poultry and meat.

TOASTED OAK GRILL AND MARKET 27790 Novi Road, Novi

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Located in the Baronette Renaissance Hotel in Novi, this restaurant offers a variety of options for those looking for wild-caught fish and chemical-free poultry and beef. Diners can choose from an antibiotic-free Creekstone Farms ribeye steak and Amish chicken, as well as a Lake Huron trout, among other menus offerings.

DIAMOND JIM BRADY'S 43271 Crescent Blvd., Novi 248-380-8460

Locally caught fish, including walleye and perch, are featured as part of the daily specials, as well as wild-caught halibut and mahi mahi (when in season).

ROCKYS OF NORTHVILLE 41122 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville

248-349-4434 An extensive menu of wild-caught fish



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is featured regularly and includes perch, walleye, lake trout, Alaskan sockeye salmon and halibut. Occasional specials can include Florida grouper, wild deep sea scallops, tuna, swordfish and Boston sole.

KARL'S CABIN 6005 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth 734-455-8450

All of the chicken dishes served at Karl's Cabin feature hormone- and antibioticfree chicken. Wild-caught fish include Lake Superior whitefish, as well as Lake Erie walleye and perch.

PALATE

449 N. Main Street, Milford 248-714-5707 Almost all of the beef and lamb offered at this establishment is grass-fed and both hormone- and chemical-free. It also uses chemical- and hormone-free Amish poultry products. A wide variety of wild-caught Chilean sea bass, Scottish salmon and Michigan lake perch make the menu.

PLYMOUTH FISH SEAFOOD MARKET

578 Starkweather, Plymouth 734-455-2630

Wild-caught pollock, walleye and whitefish highlight the menu, as do wild-caught swordfish and tuna.

CAFÉ CORTINA

30715 W. 10 Mile, Farmington Hills 248-474-3033 Colorado free-range lollipop lamb chops top the list of the unique entries on this menu, which also includes wild-caught salmon, hormone- and chemical-free aged beef and tall grassfed sirloin.

PEABODY'S RESTAURANT

34965 Woodward Avenue, Birmingham

248-644-5222

In addition to hormone- and chemicalfree chicken and turkey dishes, wildcaught fish such as whitefish, perch and salmon and available.

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27925 Golf Pointe Blvd., Farmington Hills 248-994-1111

This menu features wild caught Dover sole, scallops and Chilean sea bass, as well as wild-caught Copper River

salmon. The chef is also amenable to requests for organic, free-range or grass-fed meats; a few days' notice is required.

LILY'S SEAFOOD GRILL AND BREWERY

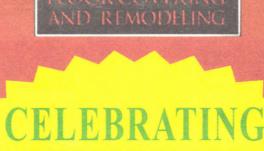
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A wide variety of wild-caught fish, including Copper River salmon, Alaskan cod, mahi mahi and swordfish, as well as fresh-caught tuna, makes the menu at this downtown Royal Oak restaurant.



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Simply sizzling grill ideas

These warm months offer a great excuse to fire up the grill and invite the neighbors over. The opportunities are endless when it comes to backyard grilling, so give the burgers a break and serve up a light, fresh and delicious alternative – shrimp.

Caught wild in warm, salty, nutrientrich waters, shrimp from the Gulf of Mexico have a luscious and flavorful taste. Because of this rich flavor, you won't need many ingredients to create a meal so savory your guests will be coming back for seconds. This easy-togrill crowd favorite can take on a plethora of different flavors. From Asian to Italian, shrimp makes it easy to experience cuisine from around the world. Plus, shrimp offers all the flavor of other grill favorites without the fat, so you can feel satisfied and stay on track to be swimsuit-ready.

Three tips to get your Gulf shrimp ready for the grill:

» **Pick the right size** – Choose the largest size possible, preferably jumbo or colossal. One pound of jumbo size will yield 12 to 15 shrimp, or 10 colossal. Smaller shrimp are prone to falling through the grill rack.

» Clean them up – Many recipes recommend that you de-vein the shrimp. Though it is not as important with smaller varieties, de-veining large shrimp will help avoid getting a gritty bite.

» **Get ready to grill** – You can marinate or grill with or without the shells.

GRILLED CITRUS SHRIMP

1½ pounds fresh Gulf jumbo shrimp ½ cup fresh grapefruit juice ¼ cup fresh orange juice 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro ¼ cup chopped fresh mint ¼ teaspoon salt ¼ teaspoon pepper

Peel and de-vein shrimp, leaving tails intact. Combine grapefruit juice, orange juice, lime juice, cilantro, mint, salt and pepper in shallow glass dish. Add shrimp; toss well. Marinate, covered in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Drain shrimp, discard marinade. Arrange shrimp evenly on 4 metal skewers. Spray grill rack with nonstick cooking spray. Place skewers on rack. Grill, with grill lid down, over medium-hot (350 to 400 degrees) coals for three minutes per side or until shrimp turns pink. Serve over cooked rice.

To peel, simply cut the shell along the back with a sharp knife, removing all but the tail.

For more Gulf shrimp recipes and information, visit www.eatgulfseafood.com.

You and your guests will relish the fresh simplicity of this recipe for Grilled Citrus Shrimp, provided by the Junior League of Mobile, Ala. Serve with rice and grilled vegetables for a delightful dinner.

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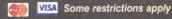


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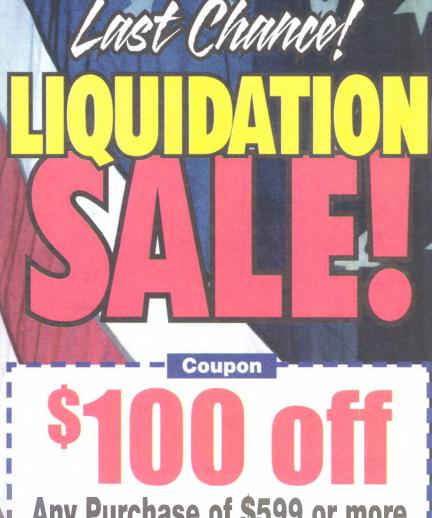
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Novi Farmers Market

Located at Fuerst Park, 10 Mile and Taft roads, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday through Aug. 27 and 3:30-6 p.m. each Tuesday Sept. 3-24. The market is open to Michigan producers only. The market offers fresh in-season produce from local farmers and specialty products like pastries, sauce, sausages, honey, jam and arts and crafts. Live entertainment is also performed every week.

Oakland County Market

Farmers from 10 nearby counties bring their produce, fruit and flowers direct to the public from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through Dec. 23. Also from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. each Saturday from January through April. The market is at 2350 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford. Call 248-858-5495 for more information.

Plymouth Farmers Market

The market is located in The Gathering across from Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. The market runs 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 27. It will be closed Saturday, Sept. 7, for the Plymouth Community Fall Festival. For more information, visit www.plymouthmich.org.

Redford Farmers Market

At the Marquee, located at the Town Hall complex on Beech Daly, one block south of Five Mile. The market runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Sunday through Sept. 29 in the heart of downtown Redford. Plants, produce and special events are part of the market.

Royal Oak Farmers Market

One of southeast Michigan's premium market venues, where farmers are only allowed to sell what they grow. Fruits, vegetables, baked goods, eggs, dairy products, meats, herbs and other goods are available 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday (through December) and each Saturday (year round). Also from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Sunday (for antiques and collectibles). The market is at 316 E. 11 Mile Road, two blocks east of Main Street. Ample parking is available. For more information, call 248-246-3276.

South Lyon Farmers Market

The market runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the corner of Pontiac Trail and Liberty Street in downtown South Lyon. Produce, plants, baked goods and crafts are available.



Walled Lake Farmers Market

Hours are 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Wednesday through October. The market is at 1499 E. W. Maple, next to the fire station.

Wixom Farmers Market

Market is open 3-7 p.m. each Thursday through Sept. 5 at Sibley Square Park, 48900 Pontiac Trail. The market offers the best of Michigan from flowers to fresh produce, special sauces and salsas, honey, breads and more. In addition, you will find unique items such as garden artwork, birdhouses, candles and other items you will want to put in your market bag. In addition, kids crafts, activities and special event days will be offered.

Wayne Farmers Market

Run by the Wayne Chamber of Commerce for the 2013 season, the market is open 3-7 p.m. each Wednesday through Oct. 30 at Goudy Park, behind Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road. More than 25 vendors provide Michigan-made and Michigan-grown products, as well as homemade soap, candles, garden art and more. For more information, call the Wayne Chamber of Commerce at 734-721-0100.

Westland Farmers Market

The market is open 3-7 p.m. each Thursday through October in the Westland City Hall parking lot, 36601 Ford Road. Each week at least one vendor offers produce samplings and there is weekly entertainment for the whole family, including face painters and musicians. The market also accepts food assistance programs, such as SNAP, EBT, WIC Project FRESH, Senior Project FRESH and Double Up Food Bucks

White Lake Farmers Market

This market, featuring fruits, vegetables, flowers and crafts runs 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday at the Lakeland High School campus, 1630 Bogie Lake Road. Call 248-755-1195 or email alaw4196@aol.com for more information.



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Grill potatoes for a unique and healthy side dish

Potatoes are the top food eaten alongside grilled main dishes, according to the NPD Group, so why not put potatoes on the grill too? Try grilling thick potato planks, skewered potato chunks or colorful halved fingerlings in a zesty rub like these Flame-Licked Fingerlings, created by award-winning cookbook authors Karen Adler and Judith Fertig, also known as the "BBQ Queens."

"A lot of people don't know you can grill potatoes," the BBQ Queens said. "They're sturdy enough to hold up well on the grill, versatile enough to grill in many different ways and the nutritional boost is a welcome addition to any meal."

In fact, one medium-size (5.3-ounce) potato has no fat, sodium or cholesterol, provides 45 percent of your daily value of vitamin C and has more potassium than a banana. Plus, cooking potato side dishes on the grill helps to minimize cleanup and doesn't require the heat of an oven during the warmer months.

Visit www.potatogoodness.com to find more recipe ideas for putting potatoes on the grill, including a colorful Grilled Potato Bake which incorporates

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Extensive research was conducted to help prevent confusion when selecting your favorite protein. To simplify the shopping experience, new labeling will begin to appear on your favorite cuts of pork, including porterhouse chops and ribeye chops.

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multiple potato types for a flavorful side dish. You can also sign up to receive a new recipe in your email in-box each week.

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Nutritional information per serving: Calories: 110, Fat: 2.5g, Saturated Fat: 0g, Trans Fat: 0q, Cholesterol: Omg, Sodium: 125mg, Carbohydrates: 20g, Fiber: 1g, Sugars: 0g, Protein: 3g, Vitamin A: 2%, Vitamin C: 40%, Calcium: 0%, Iron: 6%, Potassium: 6mg

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Created by The BBQ Queens for the U.S. Potato Board Makes: 4 side dish servings

Soud Rub:

- 1 tablespoon onion powder 2 teaspoons lemon pepper
- 1½ teaspoons paprika
- 1½ teaspoons smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin Potatoes:
- 1 pound fingerling potato mix
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- **1 tablespoon Spud Rub**
- For the rub, combine all ingredients in a glass jar, close the lid and shake to blend. Store at room tem-
- perature Prepare a medium-hot fire in your grill.
- Place the potatoes in a bowl, drizzle with the
- olive oil and sprinkle with Spud Rub. Toss to coat. Place the potatoes on the grill rack or in grill
- basket directly over the heat and close the grill lid.
- After 3 to 4 minutes, open the lid and toss the pota-
- toes or turn the basket. Close the lid again and re-
- peat the process for 12 to 15 minutes or until pota-
- toes are tender when pierced with a fork. Serving tip: Serve the grilled fingerlings on a
- platter alongside a bowl of Spud Rub Dip. To make
- Spud Rub Dip, combine ½ cup prepared buttermilk or
- ranch-style dressing and 1 teaspoon Spud Rub in
- small bowl. Stir to blend. Refrigerate until ready to
- serve

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exactly how to "grill pork chops like a steak." For the most juicy and tender chops, grill to an internal temperature between 145 degrees Fahrenheit for medium rare and 160 degrees Fahrenheit for medium, followed by a three-minute rest. Be sure to use a digital cooking thermometer to ensure an accurate final temperature.

Impress your guests and pleasure taste buds at your next gathering with these flavorful **Chipotle-Herb Butter** Porterhouse Chops. Be sure to check out www.PorkBeInspired.com/porksocial for more grilling tips and recipes.

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CHIPOTLE-HERB BUTTER PORTERHOUSE CHOP WITH CORN ON THE COB

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes Yield: 4 servings (1 serving: 1 chop, 1 piece of corn and 1 tablespoon of cilantro butter)

4 Porterhouse Chops (a.k.a. bone-in loin chops), about 1-inch thick

- 2 teaspoons paprika
- Salt and pepper to taste

Olive oil for brushing

Corn on the Cob

4 pieces of corn,

shucked 2 teaspoons olive oil

Chipotle-Herb Butter

- 4 tablespoons
- unsalted butter, at
- room temperature
- 2 tablespoons cilantro, chopped
- 1 tablespoon
- chopped chipotle

pepper in adobo sauce

1 teaspoon fresh

lime juice

Preheat grill over medium high heat and brush with olive oil. Sprinkle paprika, salt and pepper on both sides of chops.

Grill pork for 8-9 minutes, turning once halfway through, until cooked to 145°F. Remove pork from orill, tent it with foil and let rest for 3 minutes. Brush corn with olive oil and place on grill. Grill corn for a few minutes on each side, turning regularly until charred. Remove from grill and set aside.

In food processor, combine softened butter, cilantro, chipotle pepper and freshly squeezed lime iuice. Pulse for 1 minute until fully combined. Dish up 1 tablespoon of compound butter on top of each piece of pork, and serve with piece of corn on the cob.

Note: You can find chipotle pepper in adobo sauce canned in the ethnic or Latin section of most major supermarkets.

Serving Suggestions: Play with this recipe by altering the compound butter for a completely different spin on the dish. Subbing in various types of herbs would be an easy flavor swap - try parsley instead of cilantro, or garlic instead of the chipotle peppers.

Nutritional Information per Serving (Not including oil used for brushing grill.) Calories: 330; Fat: 19g; Saturated Fat: 9g; Cholesterol: 100mg; Sodium: 90mg; Carbohydrates: 18a: Protein: 25a: Fiber: 3a

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Keeping a healthy home for your family means more than daily chores and the occasional deep cleaning. It's important to add routine inspections of often overlooked areas and regular maintenance to your list of tasks.

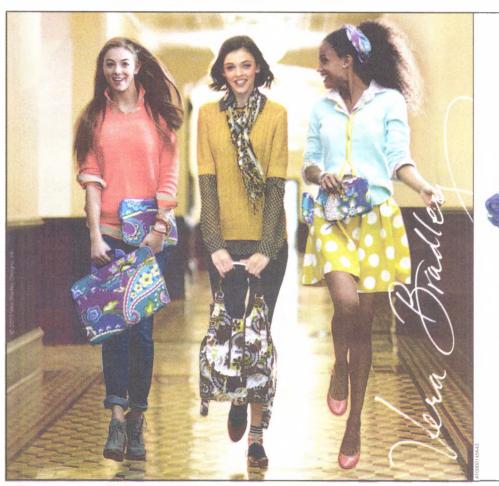
"Every home can have unhealthy, harmful or even hazardous areas," said Mike Holmes, renowned contractor on HGTV and healthy home expert. "It's important to check them out, especially during regular maintenance. Addressing these 'hidden hazards' helps create a healthy home and keeps your family safe."

Holmes recommends following his "SAFETY" checklist to ensure your home is safer and healthier for your family.

S – Seek out lead in the home.

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through the air, drinking water, contaminated soil, deteriorating paint and dust in and around the house. If you disturb any material that contains lead, tiny lead particles could become airborne at home. Talk to a professional to test the entire house and take the necessary steps to ensure your family's safety.

A – Address indoor air quality and change your air filter.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, indoor air pollution levels can be two to five times higher than outdoor levels — sometimes even 100 times higher. Your lungs shouldn't be cleaning the air inside your home. Use an electrostatically charged Filtrete Brand air filter to help capture odors and airborne particles, such as mold spores, dust mite debris, bacteria and viruses. Plus, changing your filter at the start of every season helps protect and maintain your system.

F – Fix leaks to prevent mold and mildew.

Mold spores need moisture to grow and thrive in warm, humid conditions. When mold is disturbed, its spores can get into the air you breathe. Inspect your home for excess water and moisture buildup from leaky roofs, faucets, basement drains, dishwashers and washing machines and fix them immediately. Also, reduce your indoor humidity to 30 to 60 percent and use vents and exhaust fans whenever possible.

E – Exercise caution around appliances.

Before using appliances such as space heaters and toaster ovens, make sure they are working properly. Never drape an electrical cord over a sink, as electricity should never come into contact with water or any other liquids. Also, avoid overloading wiring or plugging too many appliances into a single wall socket because it can cause electrical sparks, leading to an electrical fire. Be sure to unplug appliances when they're not being used and cover sockets with outlet protectors.

T – Test for dangerous gases.

One out of every 15 homes in the U.S. has dangerous levels of radon, according to the EPA. You can purchase a short-term home radon test for less than \$20. Test the lowest lived-in level of your home – if you have elevated levels of radon, call a qualified contractor immediately. Make sure they have plenty of experience dealing with radon. Also, test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors every month by pushing the test button on the unit. Remember to change the batteries every season and replace the entire unit every seven to 10 years.

Y – Yield healthier results with regular upkeep.

Keep up with regular home maintenance to help keep your home healthy and your family safe. Fix small problems now to avoid big repairs later. Remember, big repairs come with big

price tags and can lead to unhealthy and unsafe living conditions.

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Short on time, but looking to

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make a few quick and easy

degrees Fahrenheit or below to avoid potential scalding.

STOVE

Remove and wash stove grates, burners and coils with warm water and soap. Over time, grease can build up around the stove, increasing the chances of a fire.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Check the expiration dates on your fire extinguishers. You should keep one on each floor of your home.

CRACKS

Inspect the floor, walls and foundation of the home for cracks. Jot them down on your home to-do list and fix them before they lead to deterioration and wood rot.



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Make a few easy home improvements to benefit indoor air quality

Runny nose, itchy eyes and headache. These are just a few ailments suffered by homeowners with poor indoor air quality, potentially as a result of smoke, odors, dust or other contaminants. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, people spend up to 90 percent of their time indoors, where air quality can be two to five times more polluted than the air outside.

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Master Mediterranean grilling



Abundant plates of fresh vegetables, delicate fish from the nearby sea and splashes of olive oil are all hallmarks of traditional meals found in the Mediterranean.

The Mediterranean diet has been embraced for thousands of years by those living along the Mediterranean Sea and is now followed around the world as consumers discov-

er its delicious flavor components and researchers uncover its countless health benefits, including helping to prevent heart attacks and strokes, according to a study conducted by *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

It's easy to embrace this healthy lifestyle during grilling season by giving your grill a Mediterranean diet makeover Give your grill a much-needed makeover

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Hungry Grilled Romain Salad

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smoke points of all oils and is a rich source of Vitamin E, has a light taste that will not disrupt the flavors of food while cooking. This versatile, all-natural oil is great to line your grill or pan with before cooking to prevent food from sticking. OlivExtra Mediterranean Blend, a healthy combination of canola, extra virgin and grapeseed oils, is the perfect all-purpose oil that represents key components of the Mediterranean diet and provides essential Omega-3 and Omega-6.

Ready to adopt a Mediterranean lifestyle at home? Check out these easy grilling recipes from Hungry Girl Lisa Lillien. For more information, visit www.Pompeian.com.

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SPICY MUSTARD CHICKEN KEBABS

Servings: 4

- ¹/₄ cup plus 1 tablespoon spicy brown mustard 2 tablespoons Pompeian OlivExtra Premium
- Mediterranean Blend
- ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon Pompeian White Wine Vinegar 1 pound raw boneless skinless chicken breast, cut into 1-inch cubes
- % teaspoon each of salt and black pepper 1 medium red onion, cut into 1-inch chunks
- To make sauce, place 3 tablespoons mustard in
- medium bowl. Add oil and garlic powder, and whisk until uniform. Cover and refrigerate.
- To make marinade, in small bowl, combine
 - vinegar with remaining 2 tablespoons mustard. Stir until uniform.
- Season chicken with salt and pepper. Place chick-
- en and marinade in large sealable plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal. Gently
- knead marinade into chicken through bag. Refrigerate for 1 hour.
- Meanwhile, if using wooden skewers, soak 4 in
- water for 20 minutes to prevent burning.
- Alternately thread marinated chicken and onion chunks onto 4 skewers.
- Bring grill to medium-high heat.
- Brush both sides of kebabs with sauce. Grill kebabs for 5 minutes with grill cover down.
- Flip kebabs and grill for 6 to 8 minutes, or until chicken is cooked through. Enjoy.
- Nutrition per serving: 215 calories; 8.5g fat;
- 415mg sodium; 5g carbohydrate; 0.5g fiber; 2g sugars; 26.5g protein

JALAPEÑO PEACH SHRIMP SKEWERS

Servings: 4

- 2 cups canned peach slices packed in juice, drained and blotted dry
- 2 tablespoons Pompeian Grapeseed Oil 2 tablespoons chopped seeded jalapeño pepper
- 1 teaspoon Pompeian White Wine Vinegar
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar (not packed)
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- % teaspoon salt
 - 12 ounces (about 20) raw large shrimp, peeled, tails removed, deveined
- If using wooden skewers, soak 4 in water for 20 minutes to prevent burning.
- To make sauce, place ¼ of the peach slices
- in small food processor or blender. Add the
- rest of the ingredients except shrimp and
- remaining peach slices and puree until
- smooth. Transfer half of the sauce to small bowl and refrigerate until ready to serve (for dipping).
- Bring grill to medium-high heat.
- Evenly thread shrimp and remaining
- peach slices onto 4 skewers. Brush both sides
- with some of remaining sauce. Grill until
- shrimp are cooked through, 1 to 2 minutes per side, brushing with remaining sauce as they cook.
- Grow Cook.
 Serve with refrigerated sauce for dipping.
- Nutrition per serving: 185 calories; 8g fat;
- 415mg sodium; 6g carbohydrate; <0.5g fiber;
- 4.5g sugars; 21g protein

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HUNGRY GRILLED ROMAINE SALAD

- Servings: 2
- 1 tablespoon Pompeian Extra
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- 1 large heart romaine lettuce,
- halved lengthwise
 - 2 dashes each sait and black pepper
- % cup diced tomato
- ¼ cup diced red onion
- ¼ cup crumbled reduced-fat feta cheese
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped
- basil
- 2 tablespoons Pompeian Balsamic Vinegar
- Bring grill to high heat.
- Drizzle and brush ½ teaspoon of
- olive oil onto cut sides of each romaine half. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.
- Lay romaine halves on grill, cut
- sides down. Grill until slightly
- charred, 1 to 2 minutes.
- Plate romaine halves, cut sides
- up. Top with tomato, onion, cheese and basil.
- In small bowl, whisk vinegar with
- remaining 2 teaspoons of olive oil.
- Drizzle atop salad and enjoy.
- Nutrition per serving: 135 calo-
- ries; 10g fat; 340mg sodium; 9.5g
- carbohydrate; 3g fiber; 5g sugars; 5g protein
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CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE PREVIEW EVENT AND RARE CAR EXHIBIT

To kick off the annual Concours d'Elegance of America event, held at St. John's, Downtown Northville presents the Concours d'Elegance Preview Event and Rare Car Exhibit. Saturday, July 27 ~ 3-9pm.



Car enthusiasts can enjoy a rare, vintage car exhibition featuring up to 30 pre-war vehicles, along with live jazz and swing music throughout the day. The day's schedule includes:

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A simple, sunset happy hour

Happy hour. A time of day renowned the world over for relaxing just before dinner with small bites and small pours. To create your own happy hour at home for family and friends, try a bite-sized menu like this one that pairs light, flavorful dishes with food-friendly wines, such as Mirassou Winery's new red blend, Sunset Red. This pinot noir-based red blend features fresh, dark fruit flavors of black cherry and blackberry with notes of caramel and brown sugar. The wine's deep red color reflects shades of a bright California sunset and provides a perfect sipping experience as the day winds down and your happy hour begins.

To explore more wine pairing options, visit www.mirassou.com.

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Sunset sliders pair with Mirassou Sunset Red





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Submitted photos Milford Attorney Jack W. Bolling loves the historic surroundings of his office now located in a renovated 130-year old home at 334 Union St. in downtown Milford.



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An avid history buff, Milford attorney Jack W. Bolling is passionate about keeping the past alive for future generations.

He is just as interested in preserving your family's legacy by helping you make decisions that will keep your memory alive through your children and grandchildren.

As an estate legacy planner, Bolling has trademarked his approach to the estate planning process and accompanying legal services as Legacy LifeLinesTM. This process includes three steps: 1) counseling and plan design; 2) funding of the revocable living trust; and 3) an on-going maintenance plan that is unique to Bolling's practice.

Bolling encourages his clients to think beyond their financial matters and look into their own life's fulfillment by asking themselves questions like: What really matters most to me? What would I really like to accomplish? What legacy Specializing in estate planning, elder law, Medicaid, and will/trust estate settlement.

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do I really want to leave behind?

These important life questions are all the more reason that Bolling has expanded his practice to include Medicaid planning.

He believes that estate planning and Medicaid planning go hand in hand.

"Through proper planning, it is possible to provide for your long-term care while preserving assets for you and your loved ones," Bolling said. "Why should you give up something that you've worked your whole life for when your spouse becomes ill?"

Bolling is also an accredited VA attorney and can help people who have either served or whose family member has served in the U.S. military. "There are many veterans' programs available, but you need to know who to ask and what to ask," Bolling said. "I am the person who can help you sort through these issues."

While helping people on a one-toone basis with their legacy planning, Bolling reaches an even broader audience as a guest columnist for Gannett Newspapers, including The Milford Times. He is also a guest speaker for many local groups and organizations.

With a deep respect and passion for history, Bolling is pleased that his practice is now housed in a 130-year old Victorian home at 334 Union St. in downtown Milford, which has been renovated to the period of time in which it was built.

Original pine wood planked floors, a cupalo, winding staircases, tall ceilings and etched glass front doors are just a few of the features that drew Bolling to this location in November 2008.

"History comes alive to me while conducting my practice in this historic home," Bolling said. "It gives me a sense of the past and a vision for the future — exactly what I want to bring to my clients."

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Deep clean forgotten areas of your home

Common household items can suffer from the wear and tear of everyday use, but a few simple cleaning tricks will help keep them in good condition and extend their lifespan, saving you money and angst in the long run. Here are a few ideas to help you get started:

Dryer: Make sure to empty the dryer's lint trap on a regular basis. Keeping this often forgotten area lint-free will increase the efficiency of a standard tumble dryer by allowing warm, moist air to flow freely out of the appliance

ly out of the appliance as clothing dries. Additionally, keep

in mind that some

brands of dryer sheets can leave an invisible film on the lint trap. To test yours, run water through it – if it holds water, it's suffering from buildup. If this is the case, scrub it with a stiff brush and soapy water every six months.

behind.

Carpet: Vacuum at least once a week to remove the dust and debris that settles in carpet fibers on a regular basis. If you have shedding pets, or family members who suffer from allergies, you may need to vacuum more frequently.

BISSELL, the floor care experts, recommends you deep clean your carpet at least twice per year to remove the dirt, stains and allergens vacuums can leave behind. To learn more about DIY deep cleaning, including both portable and upright deep cleaners, and professional deep cleaning formulas containing Scotchgard[™] Protection* to prevent future stains, visit www.bissell. .com.

Shower head: If the water pressure in your shower is less than ideal, chances are your shower head is suffering from mineral deposits that inevitably accumulate over time. To promote better water flow, remove the shower head from the wall, if possible, and soak in white vinegar for 15 to 20 minutes. Rinse thoroughly in the sink, re-attach to wall and turn on the water to observe your shower head working at its best again.

If you can't remove the shower head from the wall, bring the solution directly to the problem: slip a rubber band tightly over the shower head, fill a plastic bag with white vinegar and submerge the shower head until all holes are covered. Secure in place with the rubber band and soak 15 to 20 minutes

before removing.

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Refrigerator: Commonly overlooked, the refrigerator's condenser coils - often located in the back on older units and beneath the doors on newer models - are instrumental in allowing the appliance to cool properly. Since dust, grime and pet hair can build up on the coils, it's important to clean them twice a year to ensure your refrigerator is running as efficiently as possible. To do this, unplug the unit for safety, then locate the condenser coils. Vacuum them with the wand attachment of your vacuum, going back over any stubborn areas with a stiff brush if needed. If there's still grime left, you can use a rag and warm, soapy water, but make sure to let the coils dry completely before plugging the unit in again.

Once they're on your radar, these simple cleaning tips are easy to incorporate into your routine. With a little time and upkeep, you'll find the items you use on a daily basis are in better shape than ever before.

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Use paint that reduces some indoor odors and pollutants

Sherwin-Williams Harmony[®] Paint helps reduce common indoor odors like those from cooking and smoke. Harmony's new enhanced zero-VOC formula (available in flat and egg-shell) helps promote better indoor air quality by reducing some indoor air pollutants from potential sources like insulation, carpet, cabinets and fabrics.

Clean up dust-grabbing decor

Household dust can trap chemicals and allergens. Some objects are prone to dust, such as rugs, upholstered furniture and infrequently moved accessories. Opt for easy-to-clean or washable items to avoid dust getting trapped in your space.

Dehumidify moist spaces

Moisture can attract dust mites, mildew and mold, so keep your rooms at a safe 30 to 50 percent humidity level. An inexpensive indoor humidity monitor will check your home's levels and a basic dehumidifier can solve many moisture challenges.

Clean floors regularly

Use a vacuum cleaner that is equipped with a HEPA filter (a highquality, dense type of filter) and rotating brushes to remove dust and dirt from floors and vacuum weekly, especially in high-traffic areas. A good vacuum will not blow dust or dirt out in the exhaust. Twice a month, use a microfiber mop on hard floors, skipping any chemical cleaning solutions in favor of warm water or a natural product.

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The outdoor activities kids love, such as running and playing games with friends, are a great strategy for keeping children healthy and happy. GETTY IMAGES

Today's forecast calls for ... fun

Get kids outdoors no matter what the weather

Parents often keep a running list of rainy day activities, crafts and games to keep kids indoors when the forecast is soggy. But if your kids have never dodged rain drops, built a snowman or enjoyed a lazy summer afternoon outside, they're missing out on something wonderful.

Weather was cited as the biggest barrier to getting kids outdoors by 61 percent of parents recently surveyed by the National Wildlife Federation. But the outdoor activities kids love, such as running, jumping, climbing, playing games with friends and taking nature walks, are a great strategy for keeping children healthy and happy.

"Children are safe to play outside in most kinds of weather, barring the extremes," said Lindsay Legendre, manager of the National Wildlife Federation's Be Out There movement. "Regular outdoor play is so important to kids' healthy development and a little rain shouldn't stop them from being out there. Parents might enjoy puddle jumping again themselves.

Bring on the rain

Rain can sometimes be blamed for causing children to catch colds or flu, particularly when their hair or feet get wet. However, rain cannot make you sick. Dress children in waterproof hats, boots and raincoats to keep kids from getting too soggy. If storm conditions develop, get out of any body of water and seek shelter in a nearby building. Prepare for mud and splashes in advance by keeping a heavy mat and dry towels by the front door.

How hot is too hot?

When temperatures climb, make sure to have plenty of water available and take precautions, such as applying sunscreen and wearing loose clothing that is light in color. Try to schedule outdoor time during the early morning and evening, which are often the coolest part of the day.

Allergies

In many areas, seasonal allergies are another challenge for parents to contend with in regard to outdoor play. Experts say, in addition to any allergy medications recommended by your pediatrician, there are steps you can take to help allergic kids enjoy the outdoors. Encourage kids to go outside in the early morning and evening when

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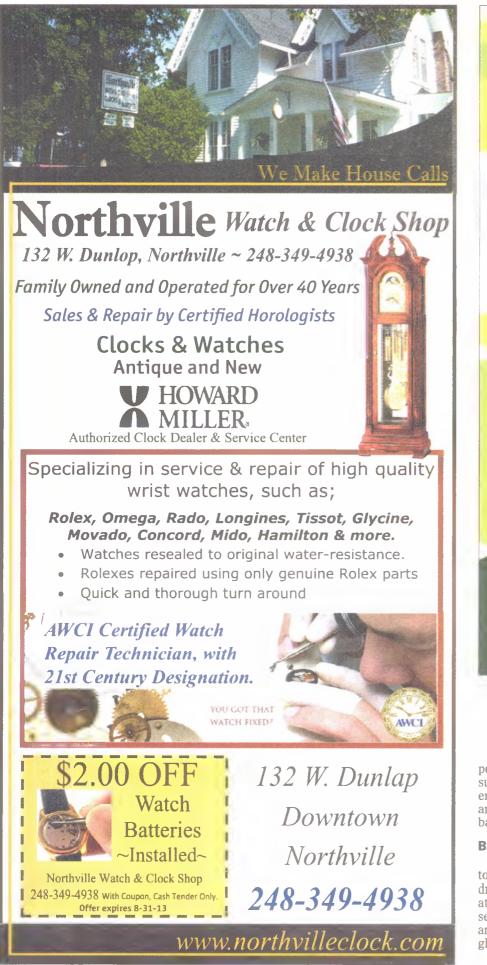
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Here's what Moms are saying: A share by Manual and





More than half of moms believe kids should get at least an hour per day of outdoor time

94% say their kids are not getting enough

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Weather (61%)

Safety Concerns (38%)

Technology (36%)

were cited as the biggest barriers to playing outdoors

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pollen counts are lower. Cool shades or sunglasses can prevent allergens from entering their eyes. Have them shower and wash their hair once they come back in.

Baby, it's cold outside

Many moms and dads are reluctant to send kids outside when temperatures drop. The American Academy of Pediatrics urges parents to dress kids in several thin layers to keep them dry and warm, including warm coats, boots, gloves and hats. It's also important to set reasonable time limits on outdoor play and have children come inside periodically to warm up. And don't forget the sunscreen, as sunlight, especially reflecting off snow, can cause burns.

"Kids should get at least 60 minutes of exercise every day and it's great if they can do so outside for the fresh air and more room to play," said Dr. Jennifer Shu, a pediatrician and author of *Heading Home with Your Newborn*.

For more tips and advice on getting kids outside, visit www.BeOutThere.org/Weather and www.BeOutThere-.org. For more National Wildlife Federation news, visit www.nwf.org/news.

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Grill a better, healthier burger

Now that summer is here, it's time to fire up the grill. For many, a cookout isn't complete without a juicy, delicious hamburger. Even those trying to follow a healthier, natural diet can enjoy this classic summer favorite by using the right ingredients.

Mitzi Dulan, a nationally recognized nutrition and wellness expert and team sports nutritionist for the Kansas City Royals, understands the importance of building a better burger using leaner, healthier ingredients that benefit the body.

"Lean beef is an integral part of a wholesome burger, as it provides essential nutrients and protein to keep you trim and energized," Dulan said. "In addition to choosing nutritious ingredients, exercise portion control and practice moderation to create an even healthier burger."

Dulan recommends considering these tips for building a better burger:

» Simple substitutions, such as using lean ground beef, can create a proteinpacked burger that is low-fat and has fewer calories. Consider using natural brands, such as Laura's Lean Beef, to kick start a delicious, healthy burger. » Keep in mind that lean beef cooks in one-third less time than regular beef since it has less fat. So adjust the cooking time to match your method of grilling. To make the grilling process as healthy as possible, substitute natural charcoal. Products such as Big Green Egg Organic Lump Charcoal use organic hardwoods and burn more efficiently without harsh chemicals or odors.

» Try new, healthier toppings that add a unique twist of flavor to your burger. Instead of ketchup, which can be loaded with excess sugar and sodium, consider fresh salsa. Replace mayonnaise with sliced avocado, which is a creamy, heart-healthy alternative.

» Use whole grain buns in place of white buns. Whole-grains are absorbed slower by the body, meaning they do not raise sugar levels as quickly and keep you feeling full longer. This reduces the urge to eat larger portions or snack after a meal.

For more tips, recipes and to enter Laura's Lean Beef's Summer Grilling Sweepstakes, visit www.facebook.com/ laurasleanbeef starting May 27.

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LAURA'S LEAN BEEF STUFFED CHEESEBURGERS

Prep time: About 10 minutes Cooking time: 5-7 minutes Serves: 4

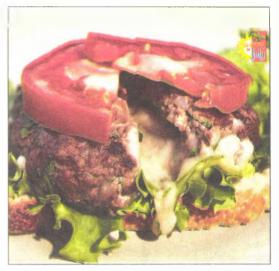
1 pound Laura's Lean Beef 96% Lean Ground Sirloin ½ cup finely minced onion ½ cup chopped parsley 2 ounces reduced fat Monterey Jack cheese, cut into 4 even ½-ounce pieces 4 slices reduced calorie

oatmeal bread 2 tomatoes, sliced

4 lettuce leaves

portions.

1. Mix beef with onion and parsley. Divide beef into 4 equal portions. Divide each individual portion in half so you have 8 equal



Laura's Lean Beef Stuffed Cheesburger

2. Flatten 4 portions into rounds. Place a %-ounce piece of cheese on top of each round. Flatten the remaining four portions of beef into rounds, place on top of cheese then seal edges of rounds together, sealing cheese in.

3. Grill (covered with grill lid) at 400-450°F about 5-7 minutes on each side or to desired degree of doneness.

4. To serve, place each burger on top of one slice of reduced calorie (45 calories per slice) bread. Top each burger with lettuce and sliced tomatoes and serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving:

(1 cheeseburger with tomatoes and lettuce on 1 slice reduced calorie bread) Calories 244; Calories from Fat 74 (30% from Fat); Fat 8g; Saturated Fat 4g; Cholesterol 69mg; Sodium 258mg; Carbohydrates 13g; Fiber 1g; Protein 30g; Vitamin A 14%; Vitamin C 17%; Calcium 14%; Iron 21%



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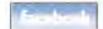
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Bring big taste to the party with flavorful marinades and spices

Every big, juicy steak deserves to be seasoned with an equally big, bold flavor. Next time you fire up the grill, layer on savory goodness with spices and marinades. They bring out the natural flavor of steaks, ribs, roasts, burgers, chicken and fajitas.

Start with a tender, savory cut and there is no need to marinate. Simply rub on a few complementary herbs and spices, then sear in the goodness on the grill. Come up with your own combination or let the professionals do the work. Prepared blends, such as those from Mrs. Dash, are a quick and easy way to give guests great-tasting, salt-free dishes. After all, salt has nothing on the smokin' flavor of Mrs. Dash Southwest Chipotle Seasoning Blend. A blend that includes sweet chili, cayenne and chipotle pepper, it gives a flavorful kick to ribs, chicken, rice or beans.

Herbs and spices aren't just for entrees. Shake some extra flavor on side dishes and appetizers. They can turn your backyard grilling into something grand and gourmet.

For more recipes and information, visit www.mrsdash.com.

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Marinades are sauces designed to flavor and tenderize meat, chicken, fish or vegetables. Building a great marinade is a matter of finding the perfect balance of oil, acid and seasonings. Some spend a great deal of time on trial and error in an effort to perfect their recipe. Others leave it to professionals and buy a prepared sauce, such as Mrs. Dash Spicy Teriyaki Marinade.

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QUICK AND EASY CHICKEN DINNER ON THE GRILL

Servings: 4 Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 12 minutes

4 sheets non-stick aluminum foil, 12 x 18 inches 4 (4-ounce) boneless chicken breasts 1% cups instant rice 12 thin slices red onion 12 thin slices red pepper 1 small zucchini, thinly sliced 4 teaspoons natural butter flavor sprinkles 4 teaspoons Mrs. Dash Original Blend 1% cups low-sodium chicken broth

Preheat grill to medium high.

Place 4 sheets of non-stick aluminum foil on a flat surface. Turn up edges to form a lip. Place 1 chicken breast on each sheet of foil. Arrange ½ cup instant rice around chicken breasts. Arrange 1/4 of the red onion, red pepper and zucchini on top of each chicken breast. Sprinkle 1 teaspoon natural butter flavor sprinkles and ¼ teaspoon of seasoning blend on each chicken breast. Add the balance of the seasoning blend to the chicken broth.

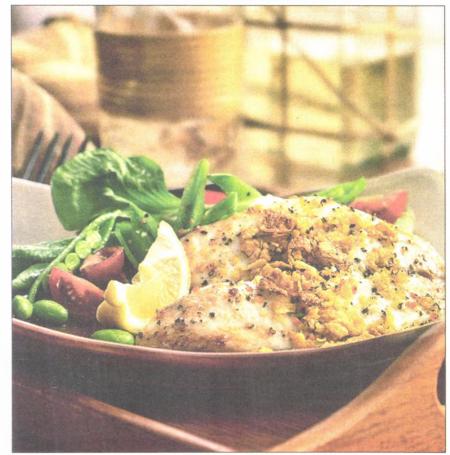
Double fold top on one end; pour ½ cup of the chicken broth into each package. Fold ends tightly, leaving room for heat to circulate and rice to expand.

Place on grill and cook for approximately 12 minutes. Remove from heat; be careful of steam when opening foil. Remove chicken breasts to serving plate. Stir instant rice and vegetables together, place on plate with chicken breasts and serve.

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CRUNCHY BAKED FISH

- Servings: 2 Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 19 minutes
- Cooking spray
- 4 (4-ounce) tilapia or catfish fillets 3 tablespoons Mrs.
- Dash Lemon Pepper Seasoning Blend Juice from ½ lemon
- ½ cup corn flake crumbs
- Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray cooking spray on 9 x 9 x 2-inch pan. Place fillets in pan. Evenly sprinkle tops of fish with 1 tablespoon seasoning blend. Squeeze lemon juice over fish. Toss corn flake crumbs with remaining 2 table-
- spoons seasoning blend. Carefully top fillets with corn flake crumbs. Bake for 20 minutes or until fish is fork tender.



Crunchy baked fish.



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Wills & Trusts: What You Think You Know (But Really Don't)

As a family estate planning attorney, clients often come to me with ideas about wills & trusts that they learned from friends, neighbors, and the internet. I've come to realize that a lot of people think they know about wills & trusts - but they don't. Unfortunately, most people don't ever find out they don't know, because by the time it comes to light, it's simply too late. Here are some frequently misunderstood facts about wills & trusts:

- A will is, essentially, your ticket into probate court. Many people think that if they have a will, they will avoid probate.
- Everything that your will says is completely public. Even worse, any property that passes through a will is public record. This can be bad for those left behind, because even the most sensible people, when in the grieving process, may be vulnerable to predators.
- 3. All property that passes through a will, and therefore through probate court, is subject to any and all debt that you have during your life. I tell my clients, "Probate is a lawsuit you file against yourself, with your own money, on behalf of your creditors." What this means is your creditors, not your family, often gets first dibs on your property.
- 4. A will only controls what you own in your sole name when you die. If you have assets that are jointly owned, or have beneficiary designations (IRA's, 401k's, bank accounts) the property passes directly to that person, even if you didn't mean it to.
- A will is subject to what we call "the State's rulebook." What this means to you is that, regardless of what the will says,

probate is a court process that may result in changes to what you wanted to happen - and you won't have any control over that.

- On the other hand, a trust, if written properly, is your rulebook. It gives your family your rules for life, disability, and death.
 A trust remains private. Any property in the trust passes the
- way you specifically want it to, based on the rules you set in it. A revocable living trust is like an "open box" - it does not
- provide asset protection to you during your life (but it can provide asset protection for your beneficiaries after your death).
- 9. You may name a guardian of your minor child in a will or a trust if something happens to you. That being said, regardless of how you name a guardian, there is a court process that must happen to make it fully legal. Naming guardians in advance makes the likelihood of your child(ren) going to who you want much, much higher (unless the person you nominate is simply not appropriate).
- Irrevocable trusts may actually be written in a way that allows the grantor (you) to retain control of the trust - unlike the way irrevocable trusts worked in the past. Even better, a properly written irrevocable trust can provide asset protection to you during life - unlike a revocable living trust.
- 11. A trust that isn't funded properly isn't worth the paper it's written on. There are a lot of people out there that have trusts and think that they are covered. If your property isn't titled properly into the trust, it's not a part of the trust and will be subject to probate.

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Your Child Is Off To College – Or Just Turned 18. How Will You Know if They Are Hurt? --HIPPA Laws May Mean You Won't

Your child is off to college. Or maybe they aren't – but they have turned 18. Did you know that you are no longer automatically entitled to access your child's health care (or financial, by the way) information? Most parents don't even think about this. Its your child, right? Understand, however, that once this child turns 18,they are legally an adult, believe it or not (sometimes it is hard to believe, right?).

HIPPA is a federal law that was enacted to protect individual's personal medical information. From a practical standpoint, this means all "individually identifiable health information" which is information that relates to a person's :

- past, present or future physical or mental health or condition
- the provision of health care to the individual, or
- the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to the individual, and that identifies the individual or for which there is a reasonable basis to believe it can be used to identify the individual 45 C.F.R.Sec. 160.103

For parents of 18 year old children, this law applies to that child and you will not be automatically entitled to receive their information – unless they execute proper powers of attorney. Additionally, you are not automatically entitled to receive information regarding their tuition, payments, or what is owed – even if you're the one paying the bill. We very highly recommend that you pursue having these documents completed before your child heads off on their own – it will ease your mind and ensure you can be there for your child...just like you always have before.

Milford attorney Nicole Wipp specializes in estate planning for families & elderly. She firmly believes that education is a necessary component in estate planning for everyone.

Do You Need a Will, a Trust, Or Neither? -(it depends!)

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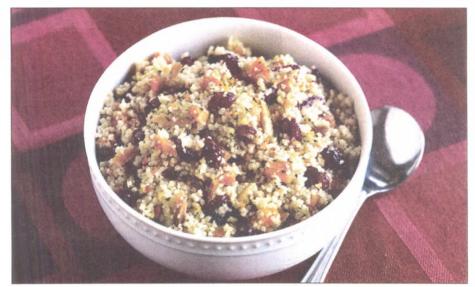
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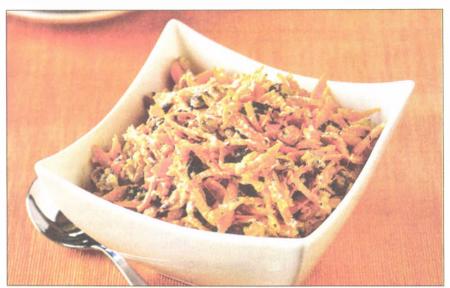


Fruity Couscous

FRUITY COUSCOUS

Servings: 4 Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 5 minutes

1 cup water 2 tablespoons natural butter flavor sprinkles ½ cup uncooked whole wheat couscous 1 teaspoon Mrs. Dash Original Blend ½ cup dried apricots, chopped ½ cup dried cranberries ½ cup slivered almonds, toasted* Combine water and natural butter flavor sprinkles in small saucepan; bring to a boil. Remove from heat. Stir in couscous and seasoning blend. Cover and let stand 15 minutes. Fluff couscous with a fork. Stir in apricots, cranberries and almonds just before serving. *To toast almonds, spread in single layer in heavy-bottomed skillet. Cook over medium heat 1 to 2 minutes, stirring frequently, until nuts are lightly browned. Remove from skillet immediately. Cool before using.





CARROT SALAD

Servings: 6 Prep time: 5 minut<mark>es</mark>

1 pound carrots, grated

- ½ cup raisins
- ½ cup chopped walnuts
- 1 cup low-fat fruit-flavored
- yogurt (pineapple or lemon) 2 tablespoons Mrs. Dash Onion
- & Herb Seasoning Blend
- 1 tablespoon packed brown sugar

Combine carrots, raisins and walnuts in a medium bowl.

Stir yogurt, seasoning blend and brown sugar in small bowl until smooth and well combined. Stir into carrot mixture. Cover and refrigerate until chilled and ready to serve.



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SUNSET SLIDERS

Pairs with Mirassou Sunset Red Servings: 8 Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 6 to 8 minutes

1 pound lean ground beef (preferably grass fed)

- % cup finely chopped baby portabella mushrooms
- % cup minced shallots or red onion
- % cup Mirassou Sunset Red 1 tablespoon minced fresh rosemary
- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- ½ teaspoon sea salt
- Freshly ground pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup shredded aged Gouda cheese
- 8 brioche, ciabatta, or other small slider rolls
- 8 thin Roma tomato slices
- 4 strips cooked cherry wood or apple wood

smoked bacon, broken in quarters 5 to 6 baby arugula leaves

Using your hands, mix beef, mushrooms, shallots, wine, rosemary, Dijon, salt and pepper in a medium bowl. Shape into 8 very flat patties.

Grill, broil or pan fry for 3 minutes. Turn and top with cheese; cook for 2 minutes more. Serve on lightly toasted rolls with tomato, bacon and arugula. Recipe Tip: Dress arugula with a bit of olive oil and balsamic for extra flavor.

SWEET POTATO FRIES WITH SPICED AIOLI

- Pairs with Mirassou Sunset Red
- Servings: 8 to 10 Prep time: 20 minutes
- Cook time: 25 minutes
- Spice Mix:
- 2 teaspoons garam masala 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 teaspoon curry ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- teaspoon turmeric
- ½ teaspoon granulated garlic
- Aioli:
- 3 to 4 cloves garlic 2 egg yolks
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice 1 cup extra virgin olive oil ½ teaspoon sea salt
- Freshly ground pepper to taste Fries: 2 pounds sweet potatoes
- 2 pounds yams Vegetable oil for frying
- 1 teaspoon sea salt

Stir together all spice mix ingredients in a small bowl; set aside. Drop garlic cloves into a blender or food processor with the motor running. Add egg yolks and lemon juice and process briefly. Add oil in a slow, steady stream until mixture becomes thick and creamy. Stir in 2 teaspoons of spice mix and season with salt and pepper. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.



Sweet potato fries with spiced aioli

To prepare fries, peel potatoes and cut into long ¼- to ½-inch-thick strips; place in a large bowl of ice water to keep from browning. Remove a handful at a time and pat very dry between paper towels.

Drop into 1 inch of hot oil (oil is hot enough when a few drops of water added start to pop) and cook for 5 to 7 minutes or until lightly browned, stirring occasionally. Drain well on paper towels and repeat with remaining potatoes. (Keep warm in a 300°F oven.)

Place in a large bowl and toss with remaining sea salt and spice mixture. Serve immediately with aioli.

CHERRY BREAD PUDDING

Pairs with Mirassou Sunset Red Servings: 8 to 10 Prep time: 20 minutes Stand time: 2 to 8 hours Cook time: 30 to 35 minutes

3½ cups half and half

1 cup sugar

- 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - extract 1 teaspoon almond extract
 - 4 eggs
- 8 cups (1-inch cubes) Challah
- or other sweet, eggy bread,
- lightly toasted
- 1 can (15 ounces) pitted sweet
- cherries, well drained
- 3 to 4 tablespoons coarse sugar

Whisk together half and half, sugar, extracts and eggs until well mixed. Place in a 13- x 9-inch baking dish and add bread cubes. Stir lightly and push cubes down to coat completely with mixture; cover and refrigerate for 2 to 8 hours.

Preheat oven to 325°F and lightly butter 8 to 10 small (about 1 cup) ramekins.

Fold cherries into bread mixture and spoon into ramekins; sprinkle with coarse sugar. Place on a baking sheet and cook for 30 to 35 minutes or until puffed and golden brown.



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Cherry bread pudding also

pairs well with Sunset Red.



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