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# District studying school boundaries

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Students attending the new middle school that Plymouth-Canton Community Schools officials are opening in September 2015 likely aren't the only ones who will be attending a different building.

District officials have begun the process of conducting a boundary survey administrators say will "make sure we are utilizing our buildings and maximizing the capacities in our buildings."

Steering and advisory committees have already been formed as the district begins to look at school boundaries, programming and other strate-

gies ahead of the opening of the new middle school made possible by last year's bond.

"We have no preconceived notion of what we are going to do," said Kurt Tyszkewicz, the district's executive director of staffing, student services and policy. "We are going to look at all the data and all the information and the committee will make a recommendation (to the Board of Education) based on that information."

Any changes to school boundaries wouldn't be put in place until the beginning of the 2015-16 school year.

Two factors are driving the study: It was recommended in a system assessment the district received last year and, of course, the opening of the new middle school. That school, to be built on district-owned property at Cherry Hill and Canton Center in Canton, will replace Central Middle School, which the district will close following the 2014-15 school year.

Tyszkewicz said the district has buildings at both ends of the capacity spectrum. Field Elementary School in Canton, for instance, is operating at just 58 percent of capacity, while Gallimore Elementary is only at 78 percent capacity.

Hoben Elementary in Canton, meanwhile, is at 101 percent of capacity with 523 students, while Bird Elementary in Plymouth is at 100.2 percent

# **COLLECTING DATA**

**What:** Plymouth-Canton Community Schools public forums on its boundary study

When: Three forums, all at 7 p.m., Feb. 13, Feb. 20 and April 10 Where: Discovery Middle School, 45083 Hanford, Canton

**Why:** The district is conducting a study of school boundaries and is seeking public input. The information is to be compiled into a report the committee hopes to deliver to the full Board of Education by the end of May.

Contact: For more information, call 734-416-2755.

with 568 students. The Hoben numbers are a bit skewed, Tyszkiewicz said, by the fact the school houses half-day kindergarten and the Young 5s program, both of which are only half-day programs.

Still, he said, redistricting

could alleviate both problems. It's going to happen for sure at the middle school level, Tyszkiewicz said, simply because of the new school. Whether it happens at the elementary

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The Plymouth Historical Museum's newest exhibit, Vintage Project Runway, features fashions from the distant past right up to the 1970s. BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

# Rocking the runway

# Plymouth Historical Museum exhibit looks at fashion history

By Matt Jachman

A new exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum highlights 150 years of fashion

With a name inspired by Project Runway, a reality show on the Lifetime channel about clothing designers, Vintage Project Runway features about 30 mannequins dressed in outfits from the 1820s to the 1970s, arranged in a time-line procession along the museum's street scene.

There are also museum storefronts with clothing displays and fashion-related items, including three stores decked out to represent shops that once existed in downtown

Plymouth: Davis and Lent, Cassady's and Dunning's, which was owned from 1947-68 by Margaret Dunning, now

"We've never done something like this," said Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, the museum's executive director. "This was a lot of work, with the mannequins." The museum has done fashion exhibits in the past, Kerstens said, but never one with as many mannequins.

Outfits on display include an 1890s dress with a bustle, long dresses from the 1930s, a double-breasted, pinstriped man's suit from the 1940s, a psychedelia-inspired dress from the 1960s and a 1970s ensemble of blue jeans with a fringed leather vest and elaborate sandals.

# Back in fashion

"It's amazing how times change and some things stay the same," museum board member Mike Pappas said. "That suit down there from the 1940s, you could wear today." At the same time, he added, other outfits look totally dated.

Kerstens and museum exhibits coordinator Donna Keough said much of the clothing came from the museum's collection, but some was lent for the exhibit, including from an active Plymouth Historical Society member who is a fabric historian. The exhibit also bene-

fited, Keough said, from a recent donation of clothing from a family with deep Plymouth-area roots.

"It was an unbelievable treasure trove," Keough said. "There was a lot of history associated with the clothing." Some of the suits donated, Keough pointed out, were custom-made made by Lent's, the Plymouth tailor shop that succeeded Davis and Lent.

# Musuem design

There are also antique books with fashion plates, information on designers like Jacques Doucet, Oleg Cassini and Hollywood's Edith Head and tools of the tailor's trade:

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# Seniors rally early for 10th county Senior Olympic games "My favorite has always gan Senior Olympics and the



Lucky winner Patti Mackiewicz won two tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game. She is from Plymouth. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Staff Writer

At age 94, Canton resident
Jerry Gawura has won 99 med-

She hopes to cross the 100-medal mark by tossing a soft-ball, football, Frisbee, bean bag and horseshoes when the Western Wayne County Senior Olympics celebrates its 10th year in August.

als for her athletic skills.

"My favorite has always been playing softball," said Gawura, who joined 80 seniors and Wayne County officials Wednesday afternoon for an early kickoff party at Canton's Summit on the Park recreation center. "I love playing softball."

Gawura had her medals displayed on a table – honors she earned not only in Wayne County, but also from Michigan Senior Olympics and the National Senior Games Association. She is proof senior athletes can participate in shot put, javelin and discus competition, though she always returns the conversation to softball.

"I was a tomboy when I was a little girl living in Dearborn, but the boys wouldn't let the

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# Ex-con sent back to prison in bank holdup

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

A Canton Township ex-con was returned to prison Wednesday after pleading guilty to robbing a bank in Plymouth Township.

Michael J. Stachowski, 34, was sentenced Wednesday to between two years and 20 years in prison by Wayne County Circuit Judge Bruce Morrow. Stachowski, jailed since his arrest last July, had pleaded guilty Jan. 10 to a charge of bank

robbery.
Stachowski
was arrested
hours after the
July 26,
2013, holdup at the



Stachowski

Bank of America branch at Five Mile and Beck. Information about the holdup, including a photograph of the robber at a teller's window, was published in local media and tips from the public were instrumental in leading police to a suspect,

police said at the time. Stachowski was arrested without incident at his home in Canton. Cash was recovered.

No one was hurt in the robbery, in which Stachowski passed a note that demanded cash and said no dye packs should be included. He escaped on foot with cash and no vehicle was seen.

Wednesday's sentence meant a second prison term for Stachowski. He spent four years in prison, from March 2009 to March 2013 on two armed robbery charges, according to Michigan Department of Corrections records.

According to circuit court records, Stachowski pleaded guilty in 2009 to two armed robbery charges stemming from incidents in 2008 and two other armed robbery charges were dropped.

Stachowski's attorney, Todd Perkins, did not return calls Friday.

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# **Comcast offers extra** viewing options for Games

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

Comcast Corp., a nationwide cable, phone and Internet provider and the owner of broadcast giant NBC Universal, is launching a battery of enhancements for television and online viewing of the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

At a press briefing Monday at Comcast's regional headquarters in Plymouth Township, officials said subscribers to the company's Xfinity system will see beefed-up Olympics coverage and technology that will let them customize and control the way they watch the games, whether on computers, mobile devices or traditional TV sets.

For example, the NBC Sports Live Extra app, available through the Xfinity X1 platform, will give users the ability to watch more than 1,000 hours of streaming online video on their regular television sets.

Comcast provides service to Plymouth and Plymouth and Can-



Comcast Corp. is offering enhancements in both coverage and technology for viewing the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, such as an NBC Sports Live Extra app that will allow customers with Comcast's X1 platform to watch streaming online video on their television sets. The games in Sochi begin Friday, Feb. 7.

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"We want to make it easier for our customers to find the content when they want it,' Jason Gumbs, Comcast's vice president of marketing, told several media representatives.

## TV, online viewing

The games in Sochi begin Friday, Feb. 7. Comcast will offer 500 hours of coverage on five NBC Universal television networks -

can find Olympics coverage on the Internet through their computers or mobile phones at www.NBC Olympics.com. There's also Olym-

Comcast customers

pics microsite www.Xfinity. com/Olympics, with information about the games and links to online coverage.

Comcast used the announcement of viewing enhancements and increased Olympics coverage to also introduce the Product Knowlege Lab at its Concept Drive office. The lab, outfitted with Comcast Internet, cable TV and telephone systems and a giant-screen television, is designed to let employees, people from partner companies and members of the media try out different features, Gumbs said.

"When we're not doing these demos, this is our man cave," joked Randy Jones, Comcast's public relations director for the region.

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# **BRIEFS**

## Woman gets prison in embezzlement

A Canton Township woman will spend up to 14 years in prison for embezzling more than \$465,000 from the Plymouth software consulting company for which she worked for about six years.

Erica L. Mansfield, 39, pleaded no contest to one charge of embezzling \$100,000 or more and two charges of uttering and publishing, a crime related to forgery. Three other charges of uttering and publishing were dismissed.

Judge Timothy M. Kenny, in Wayne County Circuit Court, also ordered Mansfield to pay \$465,871 in restitution, plus \$734 in fines and court costs. Kenny issued a prison sentence in October of between 21/2 and 14 years in prison.

Mansfield was a part-time administrative assistant at AspenTech who was fired in the summer of 2012, after the company owner reported to police his suspicions that she had issued herself nearly \$48,000 in company checks. Further investigation found that \$465,871 had been stolen and the owner provided a list of forged checks to police.

#### Jailed in thefts

A man who pleaded guilty to three charges stemming from crimes committed in Plymouth Township one night last August is spending a year in the Wayne County Jail.

Anthony J. Lankton was arrested early Aug. 7 by Plymouth Township officers who spotted him driving a Chevrolet Trailblazer that had been stolen two days earlier from outside the Plymouth Pub, on Ann Arbor Road near Sheldon. Around the same time as the Trailblazer theft, a cellphone was stolen from an unlocked car parked in a nearby plaza, a man ran from the Plymouth Pub with a beer for which he hadn't paid and a property-damage accident involving a Trailblazer was reported at a nearby apartment complex. Police later found the stolen phone at the Plymouth Pub; the Trailblazer had been stolen when Lankton picked up its keys from the bar, where a patron had left them when he went to use the men's room.

Lankton, 41, pleaded guilty to one count each of vehicle theft, larceny from a vehicle and larceny from a building. He was sentenced to a year in jail and two years' probation in November by Wayne County Circuit Judge Daniel

The judge also ordered Lankton to pay fees and court costs totaling \$566.

- By Matt Jachman

# **SENIOR**

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girls play softball," she said. One day they let me play and then they let me keep on playing.

Seniors from Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Livonia, Garden City, Redford and other western Wayne County communities braved a brutally cold winter day to attend the kickoff party in hopes of inspiring others 50 and older to get involved in the 2014 games, Aug. 18-22.

Participants are expected to start signing up in early April at their local senior centers, whether their interest is golf, billiards, Wii bowling, horseshoes, bowling, card games, softball or numerous other competitions.

Plymouth resident Patti Mackiewicz, 67, said she intends to compete in Wii bowling.

"This will be my first year. I'm very excited," she said, after winning a pair of Detroit Tigers tickets during a kickoff party raffle led by Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano.

Susan Doughty, Canton senior specialist, said Senior Olympics games allow seniors to celebrate fitness with longtime friends and new

"They love the camaraderie and doing things they may never have done be-fore," she said. "They have so much fun."

Canton senior Mickey Stachurski hopes to add medals to her previous golfing honors. "I love golf – and cards, sometimes," she said.

Janet Brady, part-time

Canton senior coordinator, has accumulated scores of medals after participating in county, state and national competitions for track and field, horseshoes and tennis, among other activities. She is most proud of the bronze medal she won last year during the national horseshoes competition for athletes 55 and over.

"I always meet so many different people," Brady, 56, said.

The first Western Wayne County Senior Olympics drew 200 people - a number that grew to more than 700 last year.

'We're probably going to break that record this year," Ficano said.

Maybe, just maybe, Gawura can earn her 100th medal. One thing is certain: The boys won't be telling her that she can't play.



Jerry Gawura of Canton shows off most of the 99 medals she has won in Senior Olympics competition.

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# **FASHION**

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pattern-making paper. measuring tape and sewing machines.

One section shows the work of Stan Baloh, a tailor who owned a shop in Dearborn. Baloh, who lived from 1909-95, learned tailoring from an uncle and worked at it for about 70 years, beginning when he left school after the eighth grade, said Keough, his daughter.

The Baloh display includes a long black coat, in Jacqueline Kennedy when she was the First Lady, that Baloh made for his daughter in 1962 when she was a student at the Unisewing machine from the 1930s that she remembers from his shop.

"He put me through U-M on that machine,' Keough said.

Vintage Project Runway is at the Plymouth Historical Museum through Sunday, June 8. The museum is at 155 S. Main, across from Plymouth City Hall. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. each Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday; the museum is closed most holidays. The phone number is 734-455-8940 and the website is www.plymouthhistory.org.

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# BOUNDARIES

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school level will depend on information gleaned by

the committee. "(Over-crowding) could be fixed by moving boundaries of at-capacity schools," Tyszkiewicz said. "We'll look at enrollment trends, capacities. Can we relieve some of the pressure there by moving some boundaries? We probably can. That'll be

the committee's recommendation to make." Tyszkiewicz said the district has "some programming needs," including expanding the preschool program and incorporating some specialeducation programs into buildings with a generaleducation population.

In addition to the work done by the steering and advisory committees, the district will host a trio of public forums in an effort to get input from the community. The committee hopes to have a recommendation to the school board by the end of May.

"We'll use all of that information to make a recommendation," Tyszkiewicz said. "It's a very important study for us."

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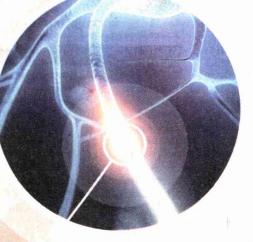
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# ON CAMPUS

#### **Aurora University**

Jahnee Trapp of Canton earned regular honors on the Aurora University Dean's List during the fall 2013 semester.

Trapp joins more than 900 other AU students who were honored for their academic success. The Dean's List recognizes students who have earned a 3.6 GPA or higher. Students recognized with high honors have earned a perfect 4.0.

Aurora University's main campus is in Aurora, Ill.; AU also offers programs online, at its George Williams College campus in Williams Bay, Wisc., and at the Woodstock Center in downtown Woodstock, Ill. Learn more at aurora.edu.

#### **Butler University**

Ciara Williams of Canton is interning with the public affairs office of So Others Might Eat, an organization that provides food, shelter and other services for the poor and homeless in Washington, D.C. Williams is majoring in science, technology and society

Seven Butler students are participating in the spring 2014 Washington, D.C., Learning Semester program through the University's Center for High Achievement & Scholarly Engagement. Participants live and take for-credit courses in foreign policy and the history and public art of Washington, while completing internships and professional experiences with major governmental, business, or nonprofit organizations.

Butler University is located near Indianapolis,

# **Walsh College**

» Two students from Plymouth and two from Canton were among local

students who were fall 2013 graduates from Walsh College.

Plymouth students were Daniel Amos and Ashley Dean, each of whom earned a master of business administration degree.

Canton student Smeet Parikh earned a bachelor of business administration in finance degree, while Andrew Psilis, also of Canton, earned a dual master of business administration and master of science in finance de-

» Rachelle Rodriguez of Plymouth was a summer 2013 graduate who graduated Sept. 16 from Walsh College, with a bachelor of business administration in general business degree.

» Huma Kashif of Canton was among local students who made the Honors List at Walsh College for the 2013 summer semester.

Walsh College has locations in Troy, Novi, Clinton Township and Port Huron, as well as online. For more information, visit www.walshcollege.e-

#### **Lewis University**

Paul Baumgart of Canton was among those honored on the Lewis University Dean's List for fall semester 2013.

To be eligible for this honor, students must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of credit with a grade-point average of 3.5 out of a possible

Lewis University is a Catholic university in the LaSallian tradition offering distinctive undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 6,600 traditional and adult students. Visit http:// www.lewisu.edu for further information.

# Students shine in Farrand science expo

By Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

The annual Farrand Elementary School science fair is designed to get students interested in, and engaged with, science.

Judging by participation at this year's event, it's mission accomplished.

Some 46 students had projects on display. There were also hands-on stations where young people could dissect owl pellets and view microscope slides.

The event drew some 150 spectators from around the community.

The event was well-attended and the Night Crew (owls) as well as Mad Science were highlights of the evening. Students were invited to interact with the Mad Science presentation. The living owls caught everyone's attention as well.

Some of the interesting projects included: the mummification of a hot dog, the transfer of an egg through a bottle neck, the variation of diet in hamsters with the conclusion that junk food is not healthy and experiments with crickets (predicting temperature by their chirps and color preferences).

"It's about engaging young people in science with inquiry based projects," said chairper-son Julie Tafelski, who chaired the event for the final time. "We want kids to develop a passion for science."

Mad Science of Detroit attended with his "Spin, Boom, Pop" show, while representatives from the Leslie Science and Nature Center attended with birds-of-prey, Night Crew.

The fair always draws high interest among the students.

"There was one boy who was super-excited," Tafelski said. "His mom told me he couldn't sleep the night before and could hardly contain himself before



Gaines and his mother present his volcano experiment at Farrand **Elementary** School's science expo.



Mad Science of Detroit was part of the annual Farrand Elementary School science fair.





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# East team qualifies for robotics regional

The RoboRockets, one of three FIRST robotics teams at East Middle School, has qualified for one of four Super Regional tournaments and is headed April 4-6 to the University of Iowa.

The RoboRockets are one of 11 Michigan teams (out of 161) to earn the honor. The RoboRockets will compete against 75 teams from the Midwest. Finalists from this competition will be invited to the world competition April 24-26 in St. Louis.

While not qualifying for regional competition, East's other teams -Robotium and the TechnoBots - also put together successful seasons.

After a successful rookie year in the program in 2012-13, the RoboRockets shared their enthusiasm with others, encouraging more students to form their own teams. As a result, four new Plymouth-Canton middle school teams and two new elementary teams formed in September and worked successfully to learn the skills necessary to engineer, program and build a robot capable of completing the tasks called for in this year's FTC Challenge: Block Party

The tasks include programming for a 30second autonomous phase where a randomly placed beacon must be identified to place a block in the corresponding basket. The second phase of the game is the driver-controlled period featuring intensive strategy of cooperation with a randomly assigned alliance partner robot and team, defending against opponent robots and scoring points by gathering blocks and placing them in the baskets on a pendulum. The final phase of the competition is a 30-second "end game" where the drivers



East Middle School's RoboRockets won the Connect Award at the state robotics competition.

can direct the robot to perform a "chin up" on a hanging bar over the field of play to earn ex-

tra points. Team Techno Bots competed effectively at the Temperance Qualifying Match and won the Inspire Award and a berth at the state championship. The Inspire Award is given to the team that truly embodied the "challenge" of the FTC program.

Robotium competed in the Sterling Heights

qualifying match and took home the PTC Design Award, in addition to third place of the Inspire Award and finalists of the Think Award. Their winning performance also earned them the opportunity to compete at the state champi-

RoboRockets, the "veteran" team, competed at the Discovery Middle School Qualifier, earning the top Inspire Award. RoboRockets were also finalists in the

onship.

following awards: Motivate Award, Rockwell Collins Innovate Award, PTC Design Award and Think Award.

On Dec. 21, the field of 161 competing FTC Michigan teams was narrowed down to 32. In Marshall, RoboRockets, Robotium and Techno Bots faced off against other qualifiers from Temperance to Petoskey, all seeking to demonstrate their robot's unique design, capabilities and innovative programming.

All teams competed admirably and, at the



Robotium competed in the Sterling Heights qualifying match and took home the PTC Design Award.



Team Techno Bots competed at the Temperance qualifying match and won the Inspire Award and a berth at the state competition.

end of the day, Robo-Rockets successfully advanced by winning the Connect Award, given to the team that most connected with their local community and the engineering community. One of RoboRockets' three mentors, Eric Tseng, won the Michigan Compass Award, which recognizes an adult coach who has provided outstanding guidance and support for a team throughout the year.

The RoboRockets team was a first-year FTC team for the 2012-13 season and the first middle school FTC team in Plymouth-Canton Schools. RoboRockets originally formed as a FIRST Lego League team under the leadership of Miller Elementary teacher Kristi Berry and has now received guidance from Tammie Groth at East.

Team members include Sonia Bhakkad, Taylor Ufford, Manasi Sharma, Nick Huang, Nathan Tseng, Shilpa Pindolia, Ritika Parikh,

Chintan Modi, Ryan Wu and Varun Kumaravel. RoboRockets are mentored by Eric Tseng, Henry Huang and Don Ufford. RoboRockets invites you to connect with them on Facebook at "FLL RoboRockets PCCS FIRST" page.

Robotium team members are Alexis Boron, Anwesh Dabade, Brian Derry, Luke Fenstermacher, Brevin Heers, Matthew Pelukas, Emma Reeves, Brendan Smith, Cindy Stuch and Taha Zirapury. The team is mentored by Steve Derry, Alicia Fenstermacher, Rick Boron, Brad Heers and Ali Zirapury.

Techno Bots team members are Akash Joshi, Aneesh Sabnis, Eshwar Sankaran, Jason Zheng, Jonhan Chen, Larry Lu, Lindsay Schamp, Maria Scannell, Matthew Xiao, Rohit Bollampally and Tanvi Sharma. The team is primarily mentored by Raja Sabnis, Ashlesha Joshi and Pankaj Sharma.

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# Youth spelling bee

Date/Time: Feb. 26, 6:30 p.m.

Location: Discovery Middle School, 45083 Hanford, Canton

Details: The Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council hosts a Youth Spelling Bee featuring local fourthand fifth-grade students. The Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council is a local, nonprofit organization that provides free tutors to adults with literacy skills below a ninth-grade level. Proceeds from this spelling bee will benefit the group's adult literacy programs. Students interested in participating in the bee must register online http://www.plymouthcantonliteracy.org/ get-involved/fundraising. Participation is limited to the first 15 students to

**Contact:** Questions may be directed to amy@plymouthcantonliteracy.org.

## **Baby shower**

Date/Time: Through the month of March

**Location:** Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth

**Details:** Plymouth Community United Way is planning a baby shower and everyone is invited. Individuals as well as companies, service clubs, and churches can join in the fun by donating new bottles, formula, bibs, crib sheets, blankets (handmade accepted), diapers, baby clothes up to size 3T, convertible car seats, cribs, strollers, and monitors. The items will be distributed to low-income mothers in Plymouth, Canton and Western Wayne County. PCUW is offering a range of ways to participate from dropping off items at the office to holding a special event like a baby shower. Donations can be brought to Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Ply-

mouth, MI 48170. Contact: Randi Williams at 734-453-6879, ext. 7, or randi.williams@pcuw.org

#### **New Morning open** house

Date/Time: Sunday, Feb. 9, 1-2 p.m.

Location: New Morning School, 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth

**Details:** New Morning School will host an open house for prospective families interested in preschool through eighth grade. Directly following, from 2-3:30 p.m., will be the school's annual Museum Experience, which showcases students and their work on self-selected research topics and projects.

Contact: www.newmorningschool.org or call 734-420-3331.

## VFW craft show

Date/Time: Sunday, April 6, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: VFW Post 6695, Plymouth

**Details:** The VFW Plymouth post 6695 Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a craft show. Rental tables are available for \$25.

# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Contact:** Leslie at the VFW, 734-459-6700, for more details.

# **Book signing**

Date/Time: Saturday, Feb. 8, 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** Biggby Coffee, 400 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

**Details:** Authors Scott J. Karr and Joseph B. Markusic will be available to sign copies of their book, In the Company of Perfection. Contact: 877-727-0697 or Michelle Whitman at

## michelle@keymgc.com. **Love Thy Neighbor**

Dates/Times: Feb. 3-21, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday

**Details:** The Salvation Army's Food Pantry is asking its neighbors to "Love Thy Neighbor" by donating specific items to the food pantry. Among items they're looking for are deodorant and shaving items, toilet paper, body soap, dish soap, detergent, shampoo and conditioner, Hamburger Helper, canned chicken and tuna.

**Contact:** Email Laurie Aren at laurie\_aren@ usc.salvationarmy.org or call 734-453-5464

## Night for the Museum

Date/Time: Saturday, Feb. 15, 6 p.m.

**Location:** Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center, 8768 N. Territorial, Plymouth

**Details:** This is the Plymouth Historical Museum's annual auction fundraiser. Merchants in Plymouth and surround-



#### **Pom prowess**

The Salem High School varsity pom team took second place in both varsity pom and varsity jazz at the recent Dance Reaction Stoney Creek High School Pom Competition. Team members include (top, from left) Maddie Harvath, Olivia Benintende, Abby Schreiner, Jillian Pertler, Lauren Lachowski, Rachel Duprey and Cassie Berlin and (bottom, from left) Raven Reynolds, Brianna Dotson, Captain Vanessa Bank, Captain Olivia Ozeranic, Kayla Stokfisz, Taylor Harvath and Meghan Grossmann.

ing areas have stepped up and donated numerous items for the live auction and raffle. In addition, diners will be entertained with a performance by 12-year-old Makenzie Ryder as well as the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps. The ticket price of \$75 per person includes appetizers, a plated gourmet dinner and dessert; a cash bar will also be available. Tickets can be purchased at the museum during open hours or online at http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/A-Night-FOR-the-Museum\_ET118.html?Sort-Box=201402 using PayPal. Tickets should be purchased by Feb. 7 Contact: 734-455-8940.

## **Canton newcomers** Date/Time: Wednes-

day, Feb. 5, 7:15 p.m. Location: Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford

**Details:** In celebration of Women's Heart Health Month, the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors club will be hosting a themed "Things We Love" adult general meeting. In addition to getting Canton's "scoop" from the club's numberone requested speaker, Canton Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin, the evening will include a recipe exchange, a hearthealthy salad bar, a raffle to benefit Canton's own Partnership of the Arts and more. The club meets the first Wednesday of each month, September through May.

Contact: To learn more about the club. order a complimentary February newsletter and/or RSVP for the free Feb. 5 meeting, contact Noreen at 734-981-0486. email nrybar@yahoo.com or visit www.cantonnewcommersandneighbor-

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counseling

Date/Time: Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1-3 p.m. **Location:** United Home Health Services, 2200 N. Canton Center,

Ste 250, Canton **Details:** United Home Health Services offers free individual counseling with a certified MMAP (Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program) counselor. The counselor can help you understand your Medicare/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. No ap-

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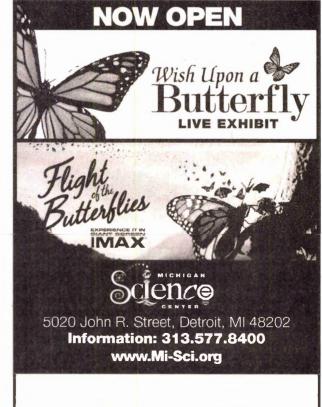
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# Detroit chief: 'It's a new police department'

By David Veselenak Staff Writer

**Detroit Police Chief** James Craig told an audience Thursday at Madonna University he's already seeing a change in crime and policing in the largest city in Michi-

Craig, the guest speaker at Madonna's induction for its Wall of Honor for criminal justice, told a packed house in Kresge Hall that violent crime is already starting to see a decrease in Detroit since he became chief last summer. He said 52 fewer people were killed last year than in previous years and homicides through January were 50 percent lower than they were at the same time last year.

"The results are so significant," he said.
"The city of Detroit, it's the most challenging city in the country to police.'

Craig's talk on Detroit came after several Madonna alumni were inducted into its Wall of Honor. Those inducted included former Livonia Police Lt. Barry Sherman and current Farmington Hills Police Chief Charles Nebus.

The induction recognizes distinguished alumni in the law enforcement community. Nebus, who graduated in 1979, said being inducted was "a great honor."

"I think you learn a lot of valuable lessons when you're a young officer," he said. "The professors here, they had a lot of experience. They passed on their knowledge and experience."

Also in attendance were former inductees, who included current Livonia Police Chief Curtis Caid, retired Livonia Police Chief Robert Stevenson and Madonna instructor and retired Garden City Police Chief David Harvey. More than 70 police chiefs or directors of public safety have their names on

the university's Wall of Honor. Madonna has had many graduates work for several area police departments, including Livonia, Farmington Hills, Redford and oth-

#### 'No credibility'

Everyone in the room listened closely to Craig as he discussed his background in law enforcement, as well as his plans to help create a safer Detroit, a city routinely named one of the most dangerous in America.

Craig, who began his career as an officer with the Detroit Police Department before taking positions in Los Angeles, Portland, Maine, and Cincinnati before taking the top cop position in Detroit last summer, said he has not brought anyone with him to fill positions within the department, saying he has faith in the officers currently employed. He also said he has no intention of allowing what he called "friends and family" perks to continue in the city.

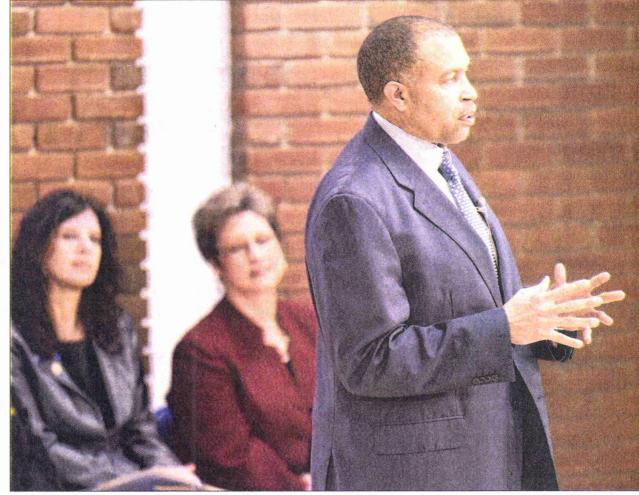
Craig said the days of elected officials having special privileges in regards to the police are over in the city, something that received applause.

"In the new DPD, that won't be tolerated," he said. "Elected officials are held at a higher standard. It's a new day, new police department.'

Some other accomplishments and tasks Craig is attempting to work at include re-opening several police stations and increasing police presence in neighborhoods to help reduce

He said establishing a better reputation for the department is crucial as well, as many residents have stopped calling for service since many calls go unanswered. That's a pattern Craig said he'd like to change.

"That's why there's no credibility with the Detroit Police Depart-



Detroit Police Chief James Craig speaks Thursday at Madonna University. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

ment," Craig said. "The community said, 'Why call? They're not going to come.'

Police officers in the city are also routinely doing other runs to help the community, something many people may not realize. One example, Craig said, is that police will take injured children for treatment if they are found injured in the city, something that isn't widely known to the greater Detroit commu-

nity.
"Detroit police officers routinely transfer them in the back seat in a police vehicle. That's been going on for some time," he said."The media doesn't cover this."

Nebus said that from what he's seen from afar, he's happy with the way Craig is running the department in Detroit and reaching out to other police chiefs in the surrounding suburbs.



Listening to Detroit Police Chief James Craig.

"I've had more encounters with him than with all the other chiefs combined," he said.

"He's doing all the right things. He's a man of change and that's exactly what Detroit needed.'

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# Emergency food available

The next distribution of emergency food by Plymouth Community United Way is scheduled

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This is a supplemental food program that may be used in addition to other assistance pro-

grams. Bridge Card holders automatically qualify,

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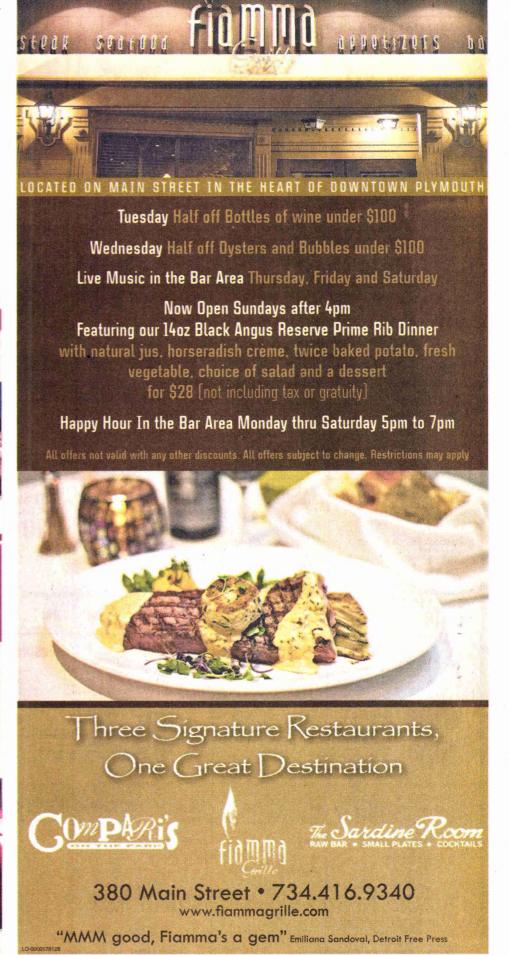
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# Price seeks to help Christmas in Action

Wayne County Commissioner Shannon Price will be distributing 20 pairs of Detroit Tigers tickets for the 2014 season to the first 20 volunteers who sign up for this year's Christmas in Action event scheduled for Saturday, April 26.

Price, 10th District Republican serving Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, hopes to help Christmas in Action.

Christmas in Action of Wayne County was formed as a nonprofit organization in 2005 and is endorsed by the Canton Township Board of Trustees as a means of providing free home repairs to qualified elderly, disabled and lowincome homeowners. Skilled or unskilled vol-

unteers will be called upon to provide various repairs to make homes safe and functional, while at the same time improving the community as a whole.

"We have so many talented and caring people in our community and this is a tremendous opportunity to give something back to those who are less fortunate," Price said. "The people of Canton take pride in what they have and with volunteers applying finishing touches to home repairs it shows that we care about each individual in the commu-

For more information, contact Paula
Kosbe at 734-394-5191 or
by email at pkosbe@canton-mi.org.

# Free filing for federal returns available for some

Q: Dear Rick: Last year, you wrote about filing tax returns for free. Is this still available? If it is, do you think it makes sense for me? I'm in my early 40s, I make about \$50,000 a year and I don't have a lot of deductions. I own a condo, so I do have some interest in property tax

deductions. A: The program is known as "free file" and it is still available. This program is sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service. It allows you to obtain free software from many well-known tax software companies such as Turbo Tax. The IRS has offered this program for a number of years and it is has been successful. I have no problem recommending



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this program to you. The one caveat is that in order to qualify for the program, your income must be below \$58,000.

Many people may think that since the program is sponsored by the IRS, there must be something more to it there is not. It basically is the same software package that companies sell on the open market. The IRS has partnered with software companies for a decade now and there have not been any problems. You may also ask why the company would give these products away for free. The

reason is companies want to introduce you to their other products. They hope that if you like their tax package, you might purchase one of their other products.

The key to this program is to access the free software through the IRS website at www.irs.gov. Click on "Free File" to get started. Keep in mind that this is a federal tax program only and does not include state returns. Of course, for the great majority of people, the federal tax return is much more complex than the state return. However, if you are interested in filing both vour federal and state of Michigan returns for free, you will need to go to the Michigan Taxes Department of Treasury

page on the Michigan-.gov website, click on E-File under the Individual section and then click on "Free e-file services – do you qualify?" to determine if you meet the necessary criteria.

Tax returns, whether you are doing yourself or hiring a professional, are due April 15. If you think you are going to receive a refund, you might as well do your return as soon as possible. After all, why let the government keep your money any longer than they have to?

Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. If you would like him to respond to your questions, email rick@bloomasset management.com.

# Camper, RV show returning to Showplace

The Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds is sponsoring the 48th Annual Detroit Camper & RV Show Feb. 5-9 at the Suburban Collection Showplace on Grand River Avenue, Novi.

All types of new 2014 recreation vehicles – more than 275 units and 50 brands – will be displayed: folding campers, motor homes, travel trailers, truck campers, fifth wheel travel trailers and toy haulers.

On display at the show, you'll see folding campers from \$4,999, trailers from \$8,999 and motor homes from \$49,999.

Discounts on 2013 models, plus manufacturer rebates on select RVs. Booths featuring parts and accessories, campground information, onsite RV financing and RV rentals make this the complete RV show experience.

At the show, enter to win event tickets and camping packages for 2014 summer events from the Michigan International Speedway. Winning package includes tickets and camping to an MIS event of your choice.

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# DETAILS

**Event:** 48th Annual Detroit Camper & RV Show

Location: Suburban Collection Showplace Dates: Feb. 5-9 Hours: 2-9 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday Cost: \$10 for ages 13 and up; \$9 for seniors; free for children ages 12

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admission coupon. Coupons are also available at www.marvac.org, Big Boy restaurants and in area newspapers. With this special coupon, all consumers can get \$1 off any adult or senior admission.

Consumers can pick up the new 2014 RV & Campsite. This guide to camping and RV dealers in Michigan now includes coupons.

The show is sponsored by the Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds, a member organization representing all aspects of the camping and RV industries.

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# Mom packs bags to be in Sochi with daughter

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

By her own count, Cheryl Hunter Davis has visited 20 foreign countries since retiring 12 years ago from her teaching position at Eriksson Elementary School in Canton. While she has seen the sights wherever she has gone, she has also seen the inside of a lot ice arenas.

That comes with the territory when you're a skating mom.

And this week, she will be on the road again, headed for Russia to watch her daughter Meryl Davis and partner Charlie White go for the gold in ice dancing at the Sochi Winter Olympics.

"There is no way I can count the hours I've spent at ice rinks," Davis said. "When they were little, we were there all the time. Now I check in once a month. I retired because I wanted to travel with Meryl. At 12, you don't want to send your daughter off alone to a foreign country.'

Sitting in the stands Tuesday morning at the Arctic Edge in Canton, Davis wasn't far from where she taught school and from where she grew up. She marvels that a small-town girl from Garden City is now traveling the world and is getting noticed along the

### 'Deep, emotional'

Her fondest memories of life are in Garden City. It holds a special place in her heart. She remembers skating at the outdoor ice rink and on a rink her father built in their backyard, the Roaring '20s parade, the close inner circle of friends she had while at Garden City East High School and the close friends she still has there.

For her, there is "something deep and emotional about Garden

"I worked at Kmart, I put myself through college by working in the automotive department," she said. "I'd go over to Little Caesars after work and then walk home. I love Garden City; it's so pure."

She has found that small-town connection in her West Bloomfield neighborhood. She and her husband Paul still live in the same house they moved into the day after they got married. It was 1,400 square feet and one street away from Walnut Lake. The house is a bit bigger now, but the neighborhood has the small-town feel like Garden City. The families gather for neighborhood events. They've lined the street with Christmas lights, brought out the lawn chairs and socialized while the kids went

sledding. The lake is the kids' skating rink. Families keep an area clear for skating and pickup hockey. Some days, the ice is so good, they can skate all the way around the lake.

"It's a very cute neighborhood," she said. "I think we've stayed there because it reminds me of Garden City. That's pretty cool and that's what I wanted my children to have. Both have said they've had a great childhood."

Sochi is a long way from that lake, where she'd sit on a lawn chair and put skates on her daughter then push her out to skate. It's a long way from the Cranbrook ice rink where her 5year-old daughter would put on dresses the babysitter gave her and go out and spin on the ice. That's where White saw Meryl Davis and told his mother Jacqui he wanted to skate just like her.

Four years later, they became a pair and have been skating together ever since.

"Meryl was in gymnastics and freestyle skating," Davis said.
"Her first skating competition was in Cleveland. She won it and knew that was something she wanted to do. She loves the cold. She loves being at an ice rink.'

Since then, Davis has been to 75 competitions.

#### 'Self-sufficient'

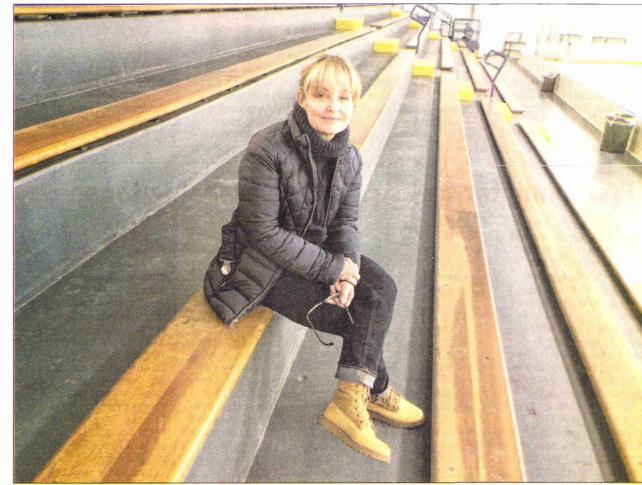
Davis taught school while her husband went to law school. When he decided law wasn't his forte, he switched gears and became a real estate broker. Once her daughter went into skating, her salary helped pay for that. It wasn't until Davis and White made it to the national stage that they started getting help and sponsors. Today, Davis calls her daughter "selfsufficient."

"Ice skating is very costly," she said. "I worked to pay for her skating. Now she pays for everything. Once they started winning at the national level, they got a little award money that went back to the trainers. Now she has sponsors and gets help from the Olympic Committee. She's self-sufficient and on her own. She even owns her own con-

Her son Clayton lives in Colorado and is into skiing and snowboarding. He was always supportive of his sister and was with the family when his sister won a silver medal. At an after-event party, he told his mother he didn't know his sister

was "so good." "He has a whole other world; her life didn't take over his," Davis said. "I've never felt that this was a sacrifice. It was a joyful part of the lives of everybody in the family. This has brought joy to everybody. My stepfather was this huge farmer from Pennsylvania and every time he saw her dance, he'd cry."

Davis takes comfort in the fact that her daughter never had to leave home to train or change her nationality to compete. She and White attended high school locally, spending two hours a day Monday through



Cheryl Hunter Davis isn't sure how many hours she's spent in ice arenas since her daughter Meryl decided to take up ice dancing. Davis, who grew up in Garden City, will be on the way to Sochi this week with her husband Paul to watch their daughter and her partner Charlie White compete for the gold medal. SUE MASON

Friday and each Saturday at the rink. Now they skate four to five hours a day.

"I've never seen them unhappy," she said. "When I watch them practice, they don't look unhappy. They seem to love what they're doing."

The gold medal would be the icing on the cake for Davis and White, who have been skating together for 17 years. They're not talking about what's next, just focusing on the Olympics. Each still has a year to go at the University of Michigan, where White is studying political science and Davis is majoring in anthropol-

Davis and her husband will be in Sochi two days before the Olympics start. That will give Davis time to get her paperwork together to get a day pass, spectator pass and event pass for the Olympic Village. They already have tickets for the opening and closing ceremonies.

Proctor & Gamble which featured Davis and White's mothers on a YouTube video, "Raising an Olympian," has given the mothers of Olympic athletes \$1,000. Davis is putting that toward the cost of the airplane tickets. Hotel accommodations initially were \$1,000 a night, but have dropped to \$500. And the only thing she is saying about the cost of those tickets for the opening and closing ceremonies is: "You don't want to know."

For that small-town girl, it's all part of what has been "a great ride."

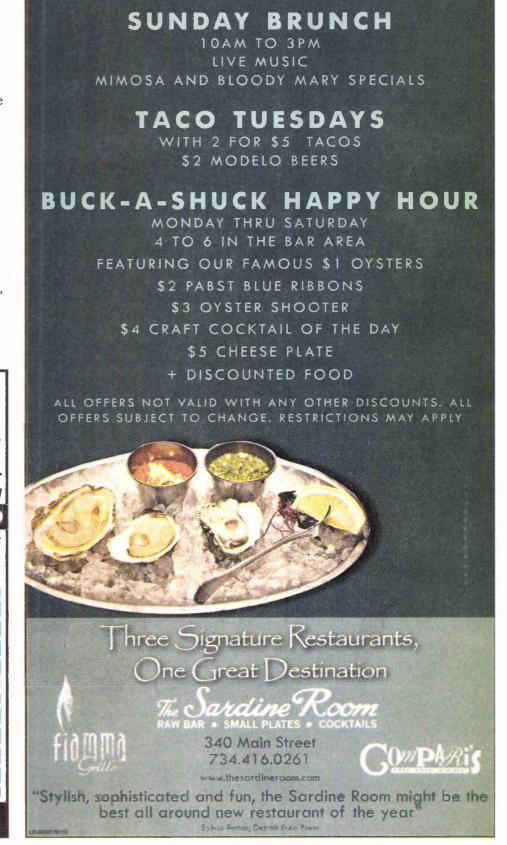
"We're not poor, but we're not wealthy," she said. "We've just been fortunate to have had some nice people do some nice things for us."

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Cheryl Hunter Davis (left), with Jacqui White, has been at 75 competitions with her daughter Meryl Davis.

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A scene from

"Madman or

the film

# 'Madman' documents abolitionist movement

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

What can a 17-year-old teach us about history?

Movie-goers got to see for themselves Friday, when Luke Jaden offered the world premier of his film Madman or Martyr at the Charles H. Wright Museum in Detroit.

It is a documentary focusing on John Brown, the abolitionist movement and the Underground Railroad, specifically dealing with Detroit and the impact it had on that city between the years of 1837-59.

Jaden said his 40minute film searches for the true meaning of Brown's life and attempt to free the slaves from this brutal institution.

"Brown's life falls into a dark chasm filled with a macabre of events that prevents him from achieving salvation for the African-American slaves," Jaden states in his synopsis of the film. "A mere few months before Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry, Va., Brown transports 11 slaves to Detroit, a hub of the Underground Railroad, and discusses his 'Subterranean Pass Plan' with Frederick Douglass and George DeBaptist, along with other local Detroit abolitionists. The freedom will not ultimately come for the African-American slaves for nearly a quarter century

So how did a senior at **Detroit Country Day** 

High School come to tackle such a heavy subject and put it on film?

"It was a history class project last year," Jaden said. "It was our whole grade – either write a paper on Abraham Lincoln or do a documentary on abolition. I thought it would be cool to do a documentary, mainly because I'm an actor. But I wanted to try out this whole writing, producing, directing thing and see what's behind the camera, not necessarily what's in front."



Jaden

Jaden started researching the topic and found John Brown and Detroit as a hub of the move-

ment. He also realized that not much had been done with this particular focus. He wrote a script, which "started getting a lot of buzz," and began auditioning actors in Michigan and accepting tapes online.

## Picking the cast

"This guy, Ed Kelly, blew us away," Jaden said, so much so that in addition to playing the lead of Brown, he's also the narrator. Kelly portrayed Sen. Dennis Darden in The Double starring Richard Gere.

Phillip Edward Van-Lear, known for his role on TV's Prison Break, fell in love with the script and his character.

"He said, 'I am Frederick Douglas. I have to be part of this project," Jaden said.

Next, Jaden approached Tim Holmes, who was producing a film at the time. The Lansing native portrayed the strong man in last year's film "Oz the Great and Powerful" starring James Franco.

"I told him, 'You really look the part and your voice is this character. Will you be part of it?"" Jaden said. "I sent him the script and the next day I got a phone call from him and an email from his agent - 'We have to be a part of this!' I was just jumping up and down with joy. That completed the cast. Three roles and they all have this chemistry that went so well together.'

A "decent size" crew of about 45 was assembled, using film industry grips, gaffers, electricians, assistant directors, cameramen, etc.

"It was a slow time in Michigan - not many films at the time," Jaden said. "They worked for differed pay. If the project makes over a certain amount, they'll get paid."

### **Novi connection**

Through a friend, Jaden met his director of photography, Joel Warren, who runs Axis Media in Novi

"I fell in love with his work and how he shot and his whole style," Jaden said. "I called him up, he read the script and en-

upper elementaries and



ioved it and wanted to be part of it. He actually shot it."

Using Cannon 5D and 7D cameras, the shooting took place over six days in Romeo and Detroit, then all the voiceovers were done at Magnetic Recording Studio in Pon-

But the writing process consumed much time. Jaden said the main script took nearly two months, with research from libraries in Kansas, Illinois, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Detroit.

"That was a very grueling research process," Jaden said.

Then, when the crew was filming in Detroit, Jaden talked to a historian - Roy Finkenbine, a professor at University of Detroit Mercy - and the whole script was changed and rewritten. Jaden actually had three scripts – one detailing the "what and where" of the

scenes; one for the questions to be asked interviewees; and one for the narration.

"It wasn't how most films would be," Jaden said. "Usually, there is just one script.'

Jaden's time line was also different than most

"We edited the film until we could show it to the actors so they could connect and bring their characters to life," he said. "That was also a key factor for the narrator having that visual and knowing what to write for him to tell the story."

Final editing consumed almost three months. Three hours of film was cut to an hour and 20 minutes and then that was whittled down to 40 minutes.

"We had to be very strategic," Jaden said. "We didn't want to take out the juicy stuff. Forty minutes wasn't a requirement, but I wanted to

Martyr," written, produced and directed by Luke Jaden, a **Detroit Country** Day student. The film debuted Friday at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit.

make it shorter. Most documentaries, you lose interest. We wanted this to be high intensity from the first second to the credits rolling at the end."

A key part of the film is the soundtrack, with original music composed by David Winans Jr. (of Detroit's famous gospel family) that Jaden said, "really adds an emotional impact.

Jaden said his film, shot on "the lowest bud-get ever," turned out much bigger than he expected. He has shown it to family, friends, cast and crew, but Friday was the first time for the general public to view it.

Jaden is submitting "Madman or Martyr" to several festivals - Sundance, South by Southwest, Toronto and Cannes - and is hoping the History Channel, A&E or PBS pick it up as well.

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# Wayne-Westland crowns its spelling bee champions

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

It was a "war" of words Thursday as 31 fifth-through eighthgraders squared off in Wayne-Westland's Earle Chorbagian Spelling Bee. Students tackled

words that ranged from simple to difficult as spelling champions were picked from among fifthand sixth-graders from Adams and Marshall

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seventh- and eighthgraders from Franklin and Stevenson middle schools.

Students tried their luck with words like
"verdure," "exorcism,"
"betrothed," "bebop,"
"ostracism," "charioteer"
and "armistice" in hopes of winning a chance to compete in the regional spelling bee that will be held March 8 at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History.

The spelling bee was hosted by Adams Upper Elementary, which it got its start 34 years ago. It's named after Chorbagian, retired middle school principal who has only missed the bee once when he was sick a few years ago. It started out as one spelling bee for students in the fifth through eighth grades, but was split into two spelling bees four years ago.

# Winning word

It took 20 rounds and 174 words to crown the upper elementary champ, sixth-grader Jazlyn Gaton of Westland, who correctly



Competitor Thomas Barnes, an eighth-grader at Stevenson Middle School, waits for middle school competition to begin. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

spelled "netiquette."

"I was a little bit nervous watching her," her mother Windy said. "She practiced almost every day.'

Jazlyn said she was "kind of confident" in her spelling abilities and found none of the words hard. She practiced with her mother and by her-

"I practiced by writing them down," she said. "It took about an hour a day. I'm glad I'm bringing the trophy back to Adams after three years.

The middle school trophy, however, is going to Franklin after eighthgrader Nakiah Bendolph of Wayne correctly spelled "tomahawk" in the 21st round to claim the crown.

"The word I was most worried about was a really simple word, 'disarray.' I couldn't figure out the double letter at first," she said.

The students were given lists of words to study and Nakiah was "frantic" on her way to bee that those words would be used, but was "more comfortable" when she realized they

were using other words. "I was up until <mark>1</mark> a.m.

studying," she said. "I studied with my sister Lashay, who really helped me in going to websites for the pronunciations, and my sister Daija."

# Third appearance

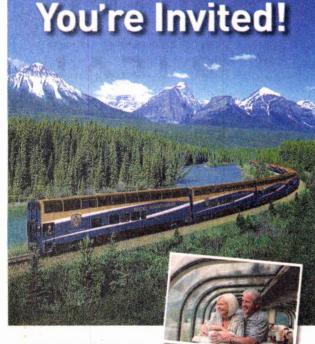
This is her third appearance in the spelling bee and second time by herself. Two years ago, both she and her sister Daija were in the contest together.

Her mother, Shana Wilson, threw her hands in the air when her daughter won.

"Words can't explain how I feel. I'm at a loss for words, I'm overwhelmed by the excitement," Wilson said. "I felt it in me that she would win. It's something she wanted really bad. She was very hungry for this. She's very bright, very goal-oriented. She wants

to go to the national bee.' Nakiah plans to follow her same routine in prepping for the regional spelling bee. The winner of that bee will advance May 25-31 to the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

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# Sondheim musical 'Assassins' debuts Valentine's Day at Players Barn

"Everybody's got the right to some sunshine.' Nine characters looking for either love, equality or a common voice, deliver that message on the Farmington Players stage in the Stephen Sondheim musical, Assassins. They are determined to change the world by targeting the United States president in pursuit of their own twisted versions of "The American Dream.'

Assassins, which won five Tony Awards for its Broadway revival in 2004, will open Friday, Feb. 14, at the Farmington Players Barn. Tickets are available at www.farmingtonplayers.org or at the box office at 248-553-

Players director Mike Smith of Royal Oak said Assassins is a compelling history lesson, a "killer' black comedy with the power to move people, while educating them about some of America's darkest times — the product of nine presidential assassins, four who turned out to be killers.

" Assassins is firstrate entertainment that presents American history with all its warts and foibles," Smith said.
The production is not

recommended for children younger than high school age because of profanity and gun violence, Smith said.

The Barn is encouraging high school and college students to enjoy a special performance on Presidents Day, Monday, Feb. 17. All students will get tickets at half-price, with a complimentary ticket given to a teacher who brings a group of 10 or more students.

The show's premise: Put assassins together in "purgatory," a carnival setting that erases all boundaries of space and time, allowing them the freedom to share their madness in the form of music (including a barbershop quartet singing about their fondness for

Although the subject matter is dark, Smith said it makes for some great theater. "I don't think this show is any darker than other productions out there. Look at Les Miserables as an example or Miss Saigon. Good dramatic theater often takes the most disturbing parts of society or individual character and presents it to an audience. It's an effort to examine the infinite depths of the human condition ... to see who we are as human beings."

The production serves up a host of colorful characters who demonstrate the contrasts between their reasoning and lega-

'ASSASSINS' DETAILS

**SHOW TIMES** 

8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16 (Senior Sunday, \$2 off) 8 p.m. Monday, Feb.17, and Thursday, Feb. 20 (Thrifty Thursday, \$2 off) 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27 (Thrifty Thursday, \$2 off) and Friday, Feb. 28 1 p.m. Saturday, March 1

Adults, \$18; students, \$2 off any production. Available at www.farmingtonplayers.org or the box office at 248-553-2955

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Barb Bruno as Sarah Jane

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Hinckley Jr., who tried to

kill Ronald Reagan, and

Squeaky Fromme and

Sara Jane Moore, who provide on-stage comic

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the show are people in

America's history. Among them are John

gara; Dan Crosby of Livonia as Lee Harvey Oswald; Barry Cutler of Ferndale as Charles Guiteau; Erik **Elwell of Farmington Hills** as Ensemble; Keith Firstenberg of Livonia as Proprietor; Jayne Firstenberg of Livonia as Ensemble: David Galido of Novi as John Wilkes Booth Novi; Keith Janoch of Farmington Hills as Leon Czolgosz Farmington Hills. Also cast are Jim Moll of Farmington Hills as Ensemble; Nick Rapson of Canton as John Hinckley; Martin Rinke of Royal Oak as Ensemble; Pat Rodgers of Novi as Ensemble; Michael Soave of Ferndale as Sam Byck; Alex Spittle of Southfield as Squeaky Fromme; Patrick Whener of Birmingham as Ensemble; Jason Wilhoite of Commerce as Balladeer.

Moore; Bob Cox of Ply-

mouth as Giuseppe Zan-

"Proprietor," intent on dragging the assassins into the abyss.

The cast is rounded

with Erik Elwell (Farmington Hills), Jane Firstenberg (Livonia), Jim Moll (Farmington Hills), Martin Rinke (Royal Oak), Pat Rodgers (Novi) and Patrick Whener (Birmingham).

Rachael Rose of Waterford Township directs a score set to popular American sounds of ballads, waltzes, hymns, marches and fairground music, as well as bluegrass and Dixie. Audiences will tap their toes tapping toes to tunes

such as Everybody's Got The Right, The Ballad Of Booth, The Gun Song, Unworthy Of Your Love and Another National Anthem.

"All the actors have to work together because the music is almost always each of them having a piece of a conversation and when put together in the whole and done well, it is exquisite and a complete conversation or narrative," Rose said. "It is no easy task and this cast is doing a fantastic

include (from left), David Galido of Novi (John Wilkes Booth), Keith Janoch of **Farmington Hills** (Leon Czolgosz), **Barb Bruno of Farmington Hills** (Sarah Jane Moore) and **Barry Cutler of Ferndale** (Charles Guiteau). JAN CARTWRIGHT

Some of the

assassins

job of bringing not only the characters to life, but also the music and themes that Mr. Sondheim intended."

Director Smith considers the components of Assassins "great thea-

"I want the audience to walk away from this production thinking about what their version of the American Dream is and asking themselves if they're taking the steps to make it happen,' Smith said.



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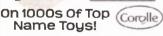
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Its presence at the time of a physician's joint examination is difficult for the doctor to assess. An aching knee can come from a worn cartilage or a torn meniscus but a heavy heart can spill over into the body causing headache, knee ache or both.

Often a physician has to decide to what extent a joint pain comes from injury and inflammation and to what extent, if any, is the discomfort an expression of depression. Location and direction of the pain are helpful clues. A worn knee cartilage or frayed meniscus have pain patterns that relate to their anatomy and function. The pain of depression tends to assert itself at odd times and be present in places not in keeping with anatomical strain.

In most instances pain associated with depression does not need treatment with anti-depressive medication. First, the usual antidepressants such as Celexa or Zoloft may cause more drowsiness than tranquility. Second, what the person often needs is not additional medicine but more movement, that is, emotional and social stimulation. The aching comes from feeling isolated, from a sense that daily life is dull, or from the experience of losing contact with friends, family or neighbors. What the body yearns for is community.

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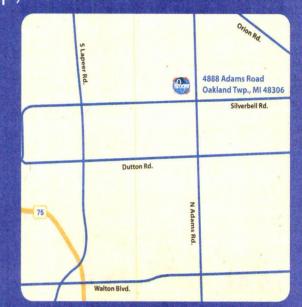
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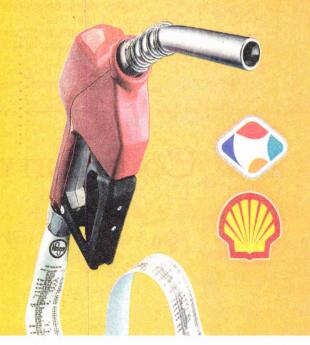




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# **SPORTS**

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# **Chiefs win Park** showdown, 31-29

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

When the going got tough Friday night, Canton seniors Paige Aresco and Rachel Winters went to work.

The Chiefs trailed virtually all night against Plymouth, but Aresco connected on two layups in the final three minutes to square the KLAA South Division varsity girls basketball game at 29-29

Winters then won it, 31-29, when she drained a rainbow jumper from the top of the key with just 2.5 seconds to play.

"I knew we had a little time mouth in the division. The left and I was feeling good, so I shot it," said Winters, who scored 10 points in the contest.
"Paige was coming off a screen 10-3, 5-2.
"Position of the contest of the contes and she found me. I came off another screen and shot it."

She smiled and admitted she was "feeling it" when the time came to throw up the clutch

"Yeah, Park games are always great," Winters said. "We never know what to expect. Everyone comes in with high energy.'

Canton needed to win in order to stay in front of Ply-

Chiefs improved to 9-3 overall and 6-0 in the KLAA South, while the Wildcats dropped to

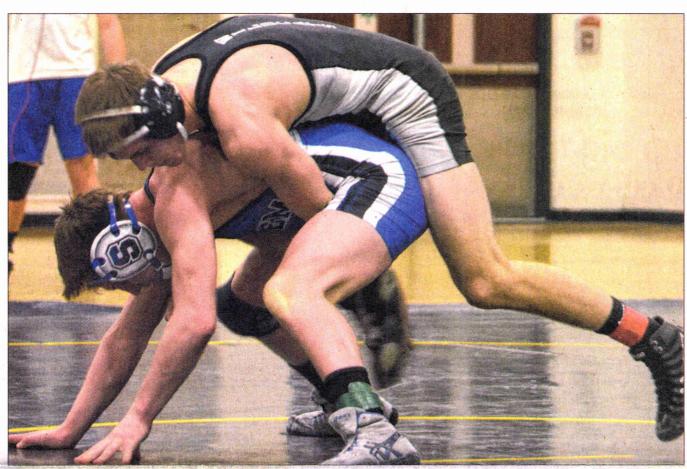
"Rach has been playing outstanding, shooting the ball the best she's shot it in her career,' Canton head coach Brian Samulski said. "More importantly than that, she carries herself with so much more confidence right now and it paid off."

Aresco led all players with 17 points, including seven free throws. She tallied seven of her

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Canton's **Rachel Winters** (No. 10) vies for space against Plymouth's Kýlie Robb (No. 4). JOHN KEMSKII EXPRESS PHOTO



Jon Conn (right), one of seven seniors for Plymouth's Kensington Conference champions, battles against Salem's Caleb McCabe in their 145-pound bout Thursday. PHOTOS BY LISA BUSHAW

# **CONFERENCE CROWN**

But Plymouth overpowered by No. 3 Hartland in KLAA title dual

By Tim Smith

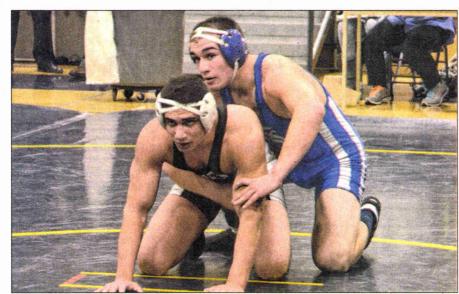
Plymouth senior wrestlers such as Joey Shaver didn't have much time Thursday night to enjoy clinching the KLAA Kensington Conference thanks to a 50-14 win over Salem at Hartland.

That's because the Wildcats - also South Division champions — had to hurry up and literally go to the mat against the KLAA quad host and Lakes Conference champion Eagles in a showdown for the association

"For my senior year it's a great way to go out," said Shaver, between dual meets. "We've had a lot of tough years. After not winning districts last year this was a big win for us.

"We got a lot of people who it's important to, we have a big senior team and it just means a lot to us."

As it turned out, Shaver won both



Salem's Mitchell Gross (top) and Plymouth's Tarek Tamimi wait for the go-ahead to begin wrestling Thursday at Hartland High School.

of his bouts. He first bested Salem senior co-captain Connor Thornbury 5-0 in a scrum at 160 and subsequently earned a hard-fought 2-1 decision over Hartland's Logan Vish to pull Plymouth to within 27-17 during the KLAA title dual.

The Wildcats got even closer (at

27-21) following a 15-5 major decision by junior Hussein Youssef in his 171pound matchup against senior Nate

But other than 103-pounder Collin Reed's third-period pin of Hartland's

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**BOYS HOOPS** 

# Williams' return sparks Canton

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Greg Williams returned to Canton's lineup in a big way Friday, scoring 22 points to spearhead the Chiefs to a 45-

44 victory over host Plymouth. Williams convinced Canton head coach Jimmy Reddy that his fractured wrist was good to go. The junior guard's big night was just what the doctor ordered as the Chiefs held off the pesky Wildcats in the KLAA South Division boys basketball tilt.

"He's back and healthy," Reddy said. "He's had five or six practices under his belt and we weren't sure if he was going to give it a go. But he had a really good night for us."

Another key factor for Canton (10-2 overall, 4-2 in the KLAA South) was senior forward Davon Taylor's improved proficiency from the freethrow line.

"Davon Taylor, last game against Plymouth he was 5for-16 at the foul line," Reddy said. "Tonight he made 4-for-4 down the stretch. The last two put us up 45-41 with six seconds left."

That came in handy be-cause Plymouth junior Josh Reynolds drained a 3-pointer at the buzzer to slice the final score to one point. The Wild-cats dropped to 6-6 overall and 3-4 in the KLAA South.

"I'm proud of my boys' efforts," Plymouth head coach Mike Soukup said. "They (Wildcats) played hard, they competed. We had a little trouble rebounding the basketball. We lost the game on the

Plymouth had trouble at the charity stripe, too, making just 10-of-19 tries.

For the Chiefs, Taylor and senior forward Jordan Nobles augmented Williams with 13

and 10 points, respectively. Reynolds led Plymouth with 12 points, while junior Randall

Aikins chipped in with 11. Reddy and Soukup both will be getting their teams ready for a three-game week, due to make-ups from last week's school closings.

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# Jumping to the top

**By Tim Smith** Staff Writer

Going into the 2013-14 season, the Plymouth varsity competitive cheer team had some snarl and swagger, with unfinished business to attend to.

"Our goal this season was to be the team to fear," Plymouth head coach Kayleen Bishop said. "We wanted to turn heads and get noticed."

Foremost, the Wildcats wanted to turn the tables on last season's KLAA South Division champion, Livonia Churchill.

Plymouth did just that by clinching the KLAA South at Monday's division quad meet at Wayne Memorial. The Wildcats tallied 697.64 points to win the meet and divi-

In second place at the meet was Churchill (689.78), followed by Wayne Memorial (679.80) and Westland John Glenn (555.24).

"My goal as a coach was to win the KLAA South Division," Bishop said. "We went 5-0 and took the title. Last year,

Livonia Churchill took the title. We knew they would be the team to

"We proudly beat them all three times that we competed against them. That was also a big accomplishment for us.'

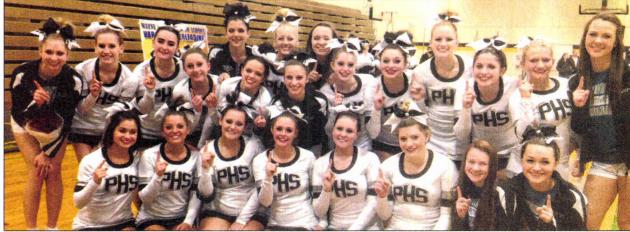
Meanwhile, Plymouth recently nipped the Chargers 676.62-675.08 at another KLAA South quad meet, hosted Jan. 22 by the Wildcats.

That night, Livonia Franklin finished third (669.78) with Canton trailing in fourth (658).

Leading the way for the Wildcats was a stellar cast of seniors, including Raquel Allen, Morgan Birman, Emilie DeVaney, Lindsay Flood, Heather Heuer, Nicole Jahn, Madeline Michels and Taylor Passucci.

"I have eight seniors that have been through a lot in the past four years," Bishop said. "This successful season is exactly what I wanted and wished for. They deserve it."

The seniors were augmented by 15 underclassmen, including Rose Bowen, Breah Carolan,



Members of the Plymouth varsity competitive cheer team are all smiles Monday after clinching the KLAA South Division. They wrapped up the team's first title by finishing first at the quad meet at Wayne Memorial.

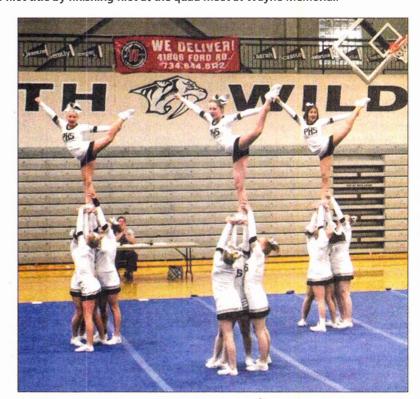
Tori Chlebek, Brittney Colvard, Alexis Dunn, Alex Hutko, Sarah Lynn, Nicole Markham, Brianna Mallia, Gabby McCall, Makayla McDaniel, Allison Pascalo, Kellilyn Rush, Autumn Salts and Cara Wood.

After this weekend's KLAA association championship meet at Novi High School, Bishop and assistant coach Kristin Hoffman will get their team prepared for another challenge.

On Feb. 15 at Wyandotte Roosevelt, the Wildcats will compete at the Division 1 districts (as will Canton and Salem).

If Plymouth finishes in the top four that day, next would be the team's firstever berth in the region-

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The Wildcats perform this scales routine Monday perfect precision teamwork.

# Seniors come up big in win

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Friday was Senior Night for Salem's varsity boys hockey team and the honored players did not disappoint as the Rocks skated to a 5-2 win over Farmington Unified at Plymouth Cultural Center.

Three of the team's 11 seniors scored goals – forwards Jack Driscoll, Jason Newel and Jake Sealy - but it was senior goaltender Parker Godfrey who really was instrumental to the non-league victory.

With Salem (7-10) nursing a 2-1 lead early in the third period, Joey Lajcaj broke in up the middle, only to be stymied by Godfrey (26

saves). The Rocks then scored twice within a 2:30 span to open up a 4-1 edge and hold off the

Flyers. 'We had 30 shots through two periods and we still found ourselves in a one-goal game, a one-shot game and that's a big save," Salem head coach Ryan Ossenmacher said. "Because who knows, maybe they get a little confidence out of that if they score.

'But he (Godfrey) has done that more than a few times for us this year, so I'm not surprised by it."

Salem broke out to a 1-0 lead midway through the first period, when Driscoll scored on the power play. Setting up the goal was sophomore forward Evan Newel.

The Rocks, who peppered Flyers goalie



Salem's Jake Sealy, shown from earlier this season, was one of 11 players honored on Senior Night. BRIAN QUINTOS

Jacob Ponder with 45 shots, went up 2-0 with 11:20 to go in the middle period.

**Newcomer Liam** Walker, a transfer from Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, buried a shot with assists going to Jason Newel and junior derenseman Noan Saad.

Unified cut the lead in half in the final moments of the second period, when forward Matt Goldin backhanded a low shot past Godfrey with an extended five-on-three about to expire.

The big Godfrey stop on Lajcaj enabled Salem to stay in front just two minutes into the final

Jason Newel subsequently blasted a wrist shot from between the circles that sailed over Ponder's glove to give Salem a 3-1 edge with 13:26 left

to play. At 5:59, junior winger Richie Corso banged in a rebound off assists by junior defenseman Nick Smith and junior forward Noah Willer.

Then with the Rocks trying to kill off a major assessed to Driscoll (for checking from behind), Sealy tallied a shorthanded goal.

Sealy sent a shot from along the goal line that banked in off the Unified goalie's skate. Senior defenseman Cam Clark earned an assist on the night's final goal.

"We've been struggling to score goals, so getting five tonight was nice to see," Ossenmacher said. "Our seniors are a big part of this team. Not only in numbers, but what they mean to the team, and it

showed tonight.' Other seniors include Colin Pietron, Taylor Burris, Cam Clark, Nick Danis, Steven Homrich, Cam Nixon and Trevor Mac.

They and their parents were introduced between the first and second periods.

WHALERS RECAP: On Friday night at Compuware Arena, Plymouth Whalers goalie Alex Nedeljkovic stopped 49 of 52 Kingston shots, but it wasn't enough as the Whalers dropped a 3-2 Ontario

Hockey League decision.
Kingston's Sam Bennett scored on the power play with just 52 seconds left in the third period for the winner. Scoring for Plymouth (17-27-0-5) were Ryan Hartman and Zach Lorentz (his 20th of the season). Both Whalers goals were on the power play.

# Red-hot guards not enough for MU

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Madonna University senior guards Bobby Naubert and Travis Schuba played the roles of cold-blooded thrillers Wednesday night against visiting Cornerstone University, knocking down one clutch-coated shot after another.

But it was the Wes Hudson-led Golden Eagles who walked away from the high-intensity Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference duel with an 84-77 victory.

Cornerstone padded its WHAC lead over the Crusaders to two games as it improved to 20-3 overall and 14-1 in the conference. Madonna slipped to 16-7 overall and 12-3 in the WHAC.

Naubert, who shredded Cornerstone's defense with a series of lane-splitting drives, poured in a career-high 34 points while Schuba added 21 - most of which resulted from fade-away, hand-in-his-face threepoint bombs - to help the hosts overcome a deficit that reached 14 at one point in the first half.

The high-stakes contest was knotted at 73-all with 2:25 to play after Madonna's Jordan Short stepped in front of a Golden Eagle pass near mid-court and, four dribbles later, finger-rolled in

However, Hudson, who finished with a teamhigh 25 points, gave Cornerstone the lead for good seconds later when he canned a pair of free throws. The senior guard was money all night from the stripe, burying 15 of 17 attempts.

"I thought Cornerstone just made one or two more plays than we did tonight," said MU head coach Noel Emenhiser. "Down the stretch, I thought we defended well, but then they'd hit daggers from 27 feet. For the most part, we did everything we could. I was proud of the way we played tonight.

The sharpest dagger was delivered by Golden Eagle Cory Cox, whose well-defended deep triple with 1:17 left expanded his team's lead to 78-73. What made Cox's netfinding rainbow more heart-breaking for the Crusaders was that the 35-second shot clock hit



Madonna University senior guard Travis Schuba drives hard to the basket during Wednesday night's game.

zeroes just as the ball left Cox's fingertips.

The victors' final six points all came from the line. MU's final four points came on driving layups from Naubert, the latter of which brought the Crusaders to within 81-77 with 28 ticks to go.

Schuba found all net on back-to-back threes with just under three minutes to play to help slice the Crusaders' deficit to two, but MU could never quite get over the

"Both those guys did a great job tonight," said Emenhiser, referring to Naubert and Schuba. "They helped get each other open and they hit some really tough shots. They kept us in the game for a while."

Other than the senior guards, the next-highest scorers for MU were Short and Matt Jenkins, who both contributed five points.

The other guys do a great job of getting Bobby and Travis open,' Emenhiser emphasized. "They trust those guys to make shots, so they do whatever they can to put them in positions to score."

Led by Hudson, four of the five Golden Eagle starters registered double-digit scoring nights. Six-foot-seven forward Ben Lanning popped in 15, junior guard Travis Wells netted 12 and forward Jake Plite chipped in with 10 points and a game-high 10 rebounds.

Wells, a recent addition to the Cornerstone starting line-up, had a near-perfect night, hitting all five of his shots including a pair of threes and both of his free throws. The slender 6-2 junior also ripped three steals.

The Crusaders shot

better than their visitors from the floor - 48.1 percent to 45.8 - but Cornerstone won the game at the line, making 33 of its 40 free throws (82.5).

Schuba, MU's all-time leader in three-pointers made, drained half of his 12 long-range missiles. Naubert was also lethal from beyond the arc, canning all three of the treys he attempted.

The game was played before a pumped-up crowd, which filled most of the seats in the MU Activities Center.

"The atmosphere was outstanding," Emenhiser concluded. "We had an outstanding showing from our students, alumni and families.'

# **Ocelots crushed**

Thirteen different players scored Wednesday as Wayne County Community College (15-2, 9-0) rallied in the second half for an MCCAA Eastern Conference win over host Schoolcraft College (10-9, 3-6), 74-45.

The Wildcats, ranked No. 7 in the latest NJCAA Division II poll, trailed 26-24 at halftime before outscoring Schoolcraft 50-19 in the second half.

Shaun Duncan and Montel Williams paced a balanced Wayne County scoring attack with 15 and 14 points, respective-

Darerraul Jackson added a double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds, while Paul Standtke pulled down and game-high 16 rebounds.

Terrence Coles (Redford Thurston) paced Schoolcraft with 12 points.

The Ocelots made only 18-of-57 shots from the floor (31.6 percent), 8of-22 free throws (36.4 percent) and committed 27 turnovers.

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# GIRLS GYMNASTICS

**DUAL MEET RESULTS** PLYMOUTH 140.75 LIVONIA RED 133.8

Jan. 30 at Plymouth

Vault: 1. Rebecca Simu (P), 9.3; 2. (tie) Julia Twigg (Red) and
Haley Metz (P), 9.2 each; 4. Kayla Janeveski (P), 9.1; 5. Mikaela Hillie
(Red), 9.0.

Uneven bars: 1. Simu (P), 8.6; 2. (tie) Molly McSween (P) and Metz (P), 8.55 each; 4. Jackie Dziurgot (Red), 8.25; 5. Marissa McVey

Balance beam: 1. Metz (P), 9.3; 2. McVey (Red), 9.25; 3. Brenna Connelly (P), 9.1; 4. Katie Salanga (P), 9.05; 5. Olivia Ryktarsyk (Red), 8.35.

Floor exercise: 1. (tie) Connelly (P) and Salanga (P), 9.0

each; 3. Metz (P), 8.75; 4. (tie) Maddy Pargoff (Red), McVey (Red) and Janeveski (P), 8.6 each.

All-around: 1. Metz (P), 35.8; 2. Simu (P), 35.0; 3.McVey (Red), 34.80; 4. Janeveski (P), 32.75; 5. Hillie (Red), 30.25. **Dual meet records:** Plymouth, 5-0 overall, 4-0 KLAA Kensing ton Division; Livonia Red, 4-5 overall, 1-3 KLAA Kensington

# **CROWN**

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Noah Lopez in the night's final bout, the stateranked Eagles (34-2, No. 3 in Division 1) were in command and won 45-27 for their second association title in a row and fifth in six seasons.

Hopes of an upset grew after Plymouth broke out to a quick 8-0 lead against Hartland. Junior Brandon Harris won a 9-4 decision at 112 over Reece Hughes and senior Mohamad Youssef registered a 20-3 major decision at 119 over Garnet Potter.

After the Eagles took the 125-pound bout, Plymouth sophomore Dylan Dwyer powered his way to a second-period pin (2:31) against Ryan Pietilla and all of a sudden Plymouth was up 14-6.

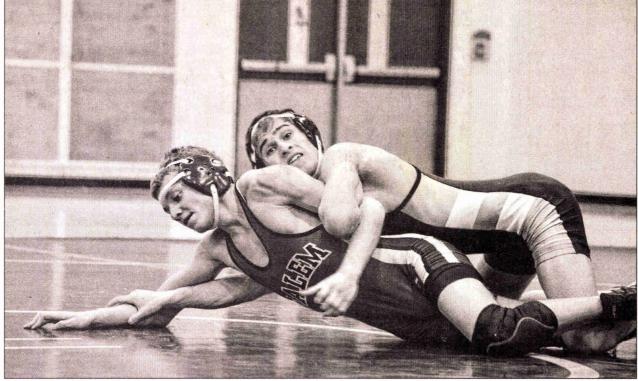
#### **Another level**

That perhaps woke up a sleeping giant as the West Division champion Eagles (also victorious Thursday over North Division winner Waterford Kettering) collected 21 unanswered points before the Shaver-Vish bout

"It was a good experience for our team," Wildcats head coach Ouinn Guernsey said. "I thought our guys did well, hanging with them (Eagles), matching their intensity.

"They're just at another level than we are right now, they're where we'd like to be in the near future.

Plymouth's split gave the team an outstanding record of 33-4 going into Wednesday's D1 districts hosted by Canton High School. Central Division champion Salem (19-7) also will be part of that district, along with the host Chiefs and Livonia Churchill.



Plymouth's Spencer Schiftar (right) gains position over Salem's Charlie Woody in their bout at 125 Thursday. LISA BUSHAW

"Obviously you don't want to look past anybody," Guernsey added. "Salem has a solid team, Canton has a solid team, they both have some good kids they could bump around and do some different things with.

"But it (tonight) lets us know where we stand and we're in a good position.'

Guernsey credited a strong cast of seniors for Plymouth's breakthrough season - winning the division and conference for the first time in school history.

In addition to Shaver and Mohamad Youssef, the Wildcats' lineup features seniors Jon Conn, Sam Campbell, Daniel Ahearn, Sofus Nielson (sidelined Thursday) and Tarek Tamimi.

"Seniors have been coming through all season, they just keep doing it," Guernsey said. "We're going to miss them after this year."

In the Plymouth-Salem

# KLAA WRESTLING RESULTS

KLAA CHAMPIONSHIP OUADS

SALEM 14

Jan. 30 at Hartland

103 pounds: Collin Reed (P) won by major decision over Akash
Rai, 9-1; 112: Brandon Harris (P) won by void; 119: Mohamad Youssef (P) pinned Andrew Lindsay, 3:34, 125: Spencer Schifar (P) p.
Charlie Woody, 5:22; 130: Dylan Dwyper (P) won by void; 135: Daniel Ahearn (P) won by major dec. over Bruce Haslitt, 13-5; 140:
Hamad Abed (S) p. Sterfing Schiftar, 3:33; 145: Jon Conn (P) decisioned Caleb McCabe, 4-2; 152: Sam Campbell (P) dec. Peter
Bushaw, 5-2; 160: Joey Shaver (P) dec. Connor Thombury, 5-0;
171: Hussein Youssef (P) dec. Roy Foster, 8-2; 189: Mirchell Gross
(S) won by technical fall over Tarek Tamimi, 15-0; 215: Tyler Moore
(S) dec. Zach Lohrmann, 8-6; 285: Michael Jordan (P) won by void. (5) dec. Zach Lohrmann, 8-6; **285**: Michael Jordan (P) won by void **Plymouth's dual meet record**: 33-3 overall, wins KLAA Ken sington Conference; **Salem**: 18-7 overall, wins KLAA Ken **HARTLAND 45** 

PLYMOUTH 27 Jan. 30 at Edsel Ford

112 pounds: Brandon Harris (P) decisioned Reece Hughes, 9-4; 119: Mohamad Youssef (P) won by major decision over Garnet Potter, 20-3; 125: Sage Castillo (H) pinned Spencer Schiftar, 4:53; 130: Dylan Dwyer (P) p. Ryan Pietilla, 2:31; 135: Nate Hughes (H) p.

Daniel Aheam, 3:47; 140; Austin Eicher (H) p. Sterling Schiftar, 1:49; 145; Jacob Gorial (H) won by void; 152; Anthony Colaianne (H) dec. Jon Conn, 12-5; 160; Joey Shaver (P) dec. Logan Vish, 2-1; 171; Hussein Youssef (P) won by maj, dec. over Nate Smith, 15-5; 189; Jake Economou (H) p. Tarek Tamimi; 215; Hartland won by void; 285; Kyle Parks (H) p. Michael Jordan, 1:59; 103; Collin Reed (P) p. Nash Jones 4:15;

void; 285: Kyle Parks (F) p. Michael Jordan, 1:59; 103: Collin Reed (P) p. Noah Lopez, 4:15.

Plymouth: 33-4 overall; Hartland: 34-2 overall, wins KLAA title.

SALEM 36

WATERFORD KETTERING 31

Jan. 30 at Edsel Ford

112 pounds: Corey Conrad (WK) won by void; 119: Andrew Lindsay (S) decisioned Gannon Wall, 12-8; 125: Charlie Woody (S) dec. Ben Dowdy, 10-6; 130: Anthony Faitel (WK) pinned Devin Patrick, 0:26; 135: Bruce Hasilit (S) p. Ryan Krumwiede, 0:56; 140: Timmy Hagelin (WK) p. Hamad Abed, 4:31; 145: Caleb McCabe (S) won by technical fall over Alex Dorsey, 15-0; 152: Kyle Piotrovsky (WK) dec. Peter Bushaw, 5-3; 160: Connor Thornbury (S) p. John Sauro, 2:32; 171: Demetrius Fields (S) p. Tyler James, 2:12; 189: Roy Foster (S) dec. John Humphrey, 10-5; 215: Mitchell Gross (S) won by major decision over Caleb Alexander, 12-3; 285: Jake Furnari (WK) maj. dec. Tyler Moore, 15-2; 103: Jacob Dolehanty (WK) p. Akash Rai, 3:50.

Salem: 19-7 overall

conference tilt, the Wild-

cats broke out to a quick 32-0 lead via major decisions by Reed (103), Ahearn (135); pins by Mohamad Youssef and Spencer Schiftar (119, 125, respectively); and Salem voids at 112 and

Still Salem battled until the end and got on the board at 140 when senior co-captain Hamad Abed pinned Sterling Schiftar in 3:33.

Plymouth took the next four matchups, but each one was closely contested: Victorious at 145 was Conn, with a 4-2 decision over Caleb McCabe; at 152, Campbell broke away from Peter

Bushaw in the third period to prevail 5-2; Shaver garnered his win over Thornbury at 160; Hussein Youssef decisioned Roy Foster 8-2 in a power-packed matchup at 171.

## **Giving credit**

The Rocks finished with two straight wins before voiding the heavyweight class.

At 189, Salem junior Mitchell Gross won via a technical fall over Tamimi. Tyler Moore then earned a grueling 8-6 decision over Zach Lohrmann in the 215-pound matchup.

"Plymouth, they have some studs on their team," Gross said. "We wrestled pretty well, we had good matches against them. We hit our shots, we staved off our backs. We did our best.'

Salem head coach Pete Israel credited the Wildcats, but emphasized that the future is brighter than ever for the Rocks (who polished off Kettering 36-31 in Thursday's dual for third place).

"We were shorthanded, (had) three voids, the flu is going around," Israel said. "That didn't help but I don't want to take anything away from Plymouth because they have a really good team.

"They have good upperclassmen and this is time for them to shine this year.'

According to Israel, his squad might have lost the conference title but continues to gain valuable experience down the stretch.

"Really in our lineup we only had two seniors (Abed, Thornbury),' Israel noted. "We have a young team but (this) we'll give them a chance to see what it's like to compete for a championship.

"I thought we did a good job as far as not giving away extra points.

Scoring wins for Salem against the Captains were Andrew Lindsay (119), Charlie Woody (125), Bruce Haslitt (135), McCabe (145), Thornbury (160), Demetrius Fields (171), Foster (189) and Gross (215).

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# SHOWDOWN

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team's 14 points in the first half, which ended with Plymouth leading

19-14. Plymouth defenders Shelby Cheston and Jada Woody gave Canton players fits early on, as the Chiefs could not gain position in the paint

Canton, however, turned up the pressure in the third quarter and put the clamps down on Plymouth's scorers. Rachel Winters and sophomore Natalie Winters combined for eight steals, four each.

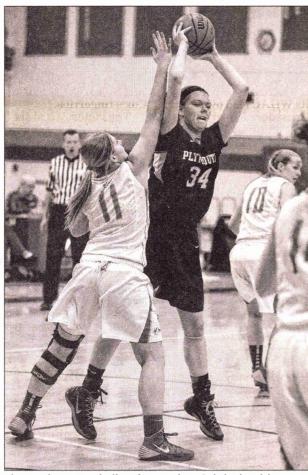
Still, the Wildcats hung on to a 23-22 lead going into the fourth and had a 29-24 edge with five minutes remaining after Cheston (five points, five boards, three blocks) drained a hook from short range.

Missed chances and turnovers in the final minutes finally did the Wildcats in, although head coach Nick Brandon credited the Chiefs' athleticism and team defense

"It's the most important game on our schedule," Brandon said. "I thought their intensity and heart reflected that. We just need to finish against this team.

'This is the second game now where we've had leads in the fourth quarter against Canton and we haven't been able to finish.

Senior point guard Kylie Robb led Plymouth with six points, while Woody and junior post Leah Kliczinski added four points each.



Plymouth center Shelby Cheston (No. 34) deals with Canton's Shannon Perry (No. 11) while looking for a teammate to pass the ball to. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Samulski praised Aresco and Winter for the way they stepped up in the clutch.

"They're both seniors, they're both four-year players," he said. "I don't need to say a whole lot.

"They do what they do and I asked them if they wanted a timeout and they just wanted to play ball. That's why they're good players and good competitors.

**SALEM 38, STEVENSON 25:** A big first half lifted visiting Salem to this KLAA Central Division girls basketball win Friday

The Rocks (9-4, 4-3) were up 22-6 at halftime and were in command the rest of

Kayla Kavulich led Salem with nine points, while Shara Long contributed seven points and nine rebounds. Adding six points each were Kelly Whalen and Jamyra Wilson.
"We came into the game with a bit of
revenge in our eyes," Salem interim coach
Lindsay Klemmer said. "They took one from
us at home and we had to get it back.
"Our energy and intensity was strong
from the jump Our citle have really started

from the jump. Our girls have really started buying into team first both on offense and defense and that is why we are successful right now.

PCA 35, LUTHERAN N'WEST 26: Plymouth Christian Academy improved to 7-4 overall and 4-1 in the MIAC Red Division with Friday night's victory against Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwes Although the Eagles struggled to convert shots around the basket, head coach Rod Windle said hot shooting from the perimeter more than made up for that. PCA hit 5-of-12 3-pointers, with Martha Mullett (12 points) connecting on three of

Scoring 15 points was Rachel Smith, while senior Jen Malcolm led with nine rebounds.

# CANTON

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"We got to control what we can control,' Reddy said. "And that's getting better and playing the team that's the next game, which is Wayne on Monday.

"It's about us getting better right now and getting better for who championships are won, in the middle of February and March."

#### Salem tops **Spartans**

The ongoing cold weather did not ice Salem's offensive attack Friday night, as the Rocks registered a 79-72 win over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

Salem (11-2 overall, 7-0 in the KLAA Central Division) trailed 12-11 after the first, but unleashed a 28-point attack in the second to take a 39-27 halftime lead.

Stevenson bounced back in the third and trailed just 53-48 entering the fourth, but the Rocks took care of business down the stretch.

Coming up big for Salem were junior forward Allante Wheeler (19 points) and junior guard Jake Stropes (11 points), both off the

bench. "Allante did a good job for us coming off the bench and Jake Stropes came off the bench and did a nice job for us,' Salem head coach Bob Brodie said. "That's been our forté all year. We're getting a lot of help and a lot of contributions from players on the bench and players on the



Canton players Chase Winningham (No. 4) and Jordan Nobles (No. 15) put the defensive clamps on Plymouth's Randall Aikins (No. 2). JOHN KEMSKI J EXPRESS PHOTO

"It's about us getting better right now and getting better for when championships are won, in the middle of February and March."

JIMMY REDDY

Canton boys basketball coach

floor. That's a good thing."

Helping the Salem cause with 16 points was senior guard Connor Cole, with senior forward Alec Winfrey (12 points) and senior guard Brady Cole (six points)

chipping in. The top rebounder for the Rocks was junior forward Tyler Brooks, with 10.

Stevenson's top scorer was Noah Campbell, with 32 points.

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**COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** 

# Golden Eagles swoop past Madonna women

Katelyn Cousins shot the lights out Wednesday for the No. 23-ranked Cornerstone University women's basketball team, which rolled to an 87-71 victory over host Madonna University.

The senior guard made 11-of-16 shots from the floor and added 9-of-11 free throws en route to a game-high 33 points as the Golden Eagles improved 16-6 overall and 11-4 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Other contributions for Cornerstone came from Janae Trombley, 17 points and nine rebounds; Jill Hendrickson, 11 points, 10 rebounds; and Tan-

ner Hostetler, 10 points. The Golden Eagles connected on 30-of-57 shots from the

floor (52.6 percent). MU (10-12, 8-7), which had its modest three-game winning

streak snapped, got a teamhigh 20 points and six rebounds from junior guard Chelsea Williams (Livonia Franklin).

Lizzy Otten added 17 points, while the team's leading scorer Rachel Melcher was limited to nine as the Crusaders couldn't overcome a 49-37 halftime deficit.

MU committed 21 turnovers and made only 20-of-65 shots

from the field (30.8 percent).

**Lady Ocelots fall** 

Sabreanna Beard scored 18 points to lead three players in double figures Wednesday as Wayne County Community College (6-9, 6-3) stopped host Schoolcraft College (7-12, 3-6) in an MCCAA Eastern Confer-

ence match-up. Shantique Tolbert added a double-double with 16 points

and 10 rebounds, while April Douglas and Jasmine Holmes chipped in 14 and 10 points, respectively, for the victorious Wildcats, who led 38-28 at intermission.

Jessica Parry scored a team-high 17 points, while Brianna Berberet (Salem) added 12 for the Lady Ocelots, who committed 27 turnovers and shot only 4-of-12 from the foul line.

# THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL** 

Monday, Feb. 3 Plymouth at Franklin, 7 p.m Plymoutn at Pranklin, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Canton, 7 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Livingston, 7 p.m.
Steiner at Huron Valley, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 4
Churchill at Canton, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Salem at Novi, 7 p.m.

Salem at Novi, 7 p.m. Luth, South at Huron Valley, 7 p.m. PCA at Oakland Christian, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 HVL at Luth. Westland, 5:30 p.m. Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Plymouth, 7 p.m. South Lyon at Salem, 7 p.m. Franklin Road at PCA, 8:45 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Monday, Feb. 3

Steiner at Huron Valley, 6:30 p.m. Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Franklin at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4 Luth. South at Huron Valley, 5:30 p.m. Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Wayne at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at Baptist Pk., 7 p.m Mercy at Ladywood, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7
Salem at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Franklin Road at PCA, 7 p.m.
HVL at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY
MONDAY Feb. 3

Novi at Salem, 7 p.m

Monday, Feb. 3 Salem at MPHSH Showcase, at Chelsea, TBD. Tuesday, Feb. 4
Country Day vs. PCS Penguins, at Arctic Edge, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 7
Plymouth at MIHL Showcase,

at Trenton TBD Saturday, Feb. 8 Plymouth at MIHL Showcase, at Trenton, TBD. Canton at Romeo, TBD. PREP WRESTLING Wednesday, Feb. 5 (Division 1 Team Districts) Churchill, Salem, Canton, Plymouth at Canton H.S., 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 Luth. Westland, A.P. Inter-City at Clinton H.S., 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8 (MHSAA Individual Districts)
Division 1 at Saline, 10 a.m.
Division 1 at Groves, 10 a.m. Division 1 at Novi, 10 a.m. Division 3 at Richmond, 10 a.m.

Division 4 at Clinton, 10 a.m. BOYS SWIMMING Thursday, Feb. 6 Salem at WLC, 6:30 p.m. Canton at Franklin, 6:30 p.m hn Glenn at Plymouth, 6:30 p GIRLS GYMNASTICS

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# GC's Patterson receives Hall nod

**By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

On a sunny afternoon in spring 2008, members of the Garden City softball team congregated around head coach Barry Patterson in the leftfield portion of the school's softball field.

The Cougars had just completed a thorough, skills-building practice, but their most important lesson of the day was still to come.

"We all sat down on the grass and Barry read us the Dr. Seuss book Oh, the Places You'll Go," said Kristina Susalla, a senior third baseman on the 2008 team. "His message was that the road to victory isn't just about how well we played, but how we played together, as a team. That's what makes Barry such a great coach: he not only knows everything there is to know about softball, but he knows how to inspire his players."

Oh, the places that 2008 team went a few weeks later - all the way to Battle Creek, where it captured the Division 1 state championship. On Friday, Feb. 7, in

Lansing, Patterson will

be inducted into the Michigan High School

**Patterson** 

Softball Coaches Association's Hall

of Fame – an honor that won't surprise anyone who has played for or coached against the ultra-successful strate-

Entering the 2014 season, Patterson has constructed an amazing 641-246 record (.723 winning percentage) in his 27 years as the Cougars' varsity head coach. In addition to the 2008 Division 1 state championship, he has led the Cougars to the final four five other times. "I felt very honored

and privileged when I first heard I was going to be inducted," Patterson said. "It has been an incredible journey. I am most thankful to the people who have made my coaching career so fulfilling - my players, assistant coaches, the players' parents and the athletic directors I have worked for. And there is no place else in the world I'd rather be coaching than in Garden City. Most of the friendships I have forged over the years are with people I have met through coaching in Garden City."

Patterson's teams are respected throughout the high school softball community for their level of preparation and attention to detail.

"One thing that makes Barry such a great coach is that he is always looking to learn new things about the sports he coaches," said Hallie Minch, the starting pitcher for the 2008 squad and a current varsity assistant softball coach at Garden City. "He's very humble and doesn't think he knows more than anybody else, so he's willing to listen to other people's ideas."

"Barry not only knows how to teach skills and motivate his players, but he genuinely cares for his players," added Melissa Bako, a 1998 graduate of Garden City. "When you know a coach cares about you, you're going to play harder for him because you don't want to let him down.'

Patterson has worked under three athletic directors at Garden City

- Bill Pinnell, who initially hired him in 1985; Bob Dropp (1992-2010); and current AD Rob Phillips.

"Part of Barry's success is due to his unwavering work ethic," Phillips said. "He works as hard as any coach I

know. "And he's very consistent in everything he does, whether it's the workouts or his rules. He treats every player equally, whether you're a superstar or the 15th, 16th or 17th girl on the roster."

Patterson couldn't speak highly enough about the assistant coaches - including current assistants Chuck Drewicz and Al Russell who have joined him in the dugout over the past three decades.

'My mantra has always been that I'm only as good as my assistant coaches," Patterson said. "The knowledge and passion for the sport that they have is incredible."

Patterson said he hasn't put a time table on how long he intends to coach.

The longer, the better, his many admirers would agree.

# SPORTS ROUNDUP

# **Canton girls lacrosse**

The Canton High School girls lacrosse team is having an informational meeting for students and parents.

The meeting will be 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, in the Canton High School Career Center, Room 127. No experience is necessary.

For more information, contact head coach Dave Bower at 734-634-8797 or via email, cantongirlslacrosse@gmail.com.

## Rocks seek assistant coach

Salem girls track & field is looking for an assistant coach for the 2014 spring season that specializes in the

throwing events of shot put and discus. If interested, contact the Salem athletic department at 734-416-7774, head coach Dave Gerlach at 734-416-7708 or refer to the employment/coaching positions on the district website www.pccs.k12.mi.us.

### 65-plus softball team needs players

A new Canton senior citizen softball team is being formed to join the Suburban Senior Softball League of Western Wayne County.

The team needs up to 20 players who either are 65 or who will turn 65 during 2014. The formation of the squad will give the Canton area two teams in the league, which is governed by the Amateur Softball Association.

The league also has teams based out of Livonia, Redford, Westland, Dearborn and Taylor.

Interested players are encouraged to attend an information meeting 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 17, at the Canton Coney Island restaurant, located off Lilley Road south of Joy Road (next to the Secretary of State office).

Call 734-502-7477 or email bwphotol@comcast.net for more information.

# **Malcolm up for MHSAA honors**

Plymouth Christian Academy senior forward Jen Malcolm is one of 120 finalists for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Awards for 2013-14.

Malcolm is one of the finalists eligible for one of two scholarships for Class D female student-athletes.

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the Scholar-Athlete Awards and will present a \$1,000 scholarship to each recipient. Since the beginning of the program, 608 scholarships have been awarded. Selection of the 32 scholarship recip-

ients will take place in early February. Class C and D scholarship recipients will be announced Feb. 4. A ceremony honoring the recipients will take place during halftime of the Class C Boys Basketball Final, March 22, at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lan-

Students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale), and previously have won a varsity letter in at least one sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a postseason tournament.s

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# ANNIE'S GHOSTS

# Author tells story of family secrets at Schoolcraft College

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Annie Cohen was 21 years old in 1940 when her parents committed her to Eloise, an asylum for the mentally ill, that was located in what is now Westland.

Annie's older sister, Beth, kept her sibling's existence a secret, later telling own children that she was an only child

Six months after Beth died in 1999, her son, Steven Luxenberg, discovered a letter meant for his mom - from the cemetery where his grandparents were buried. His mother had been paying custodial fees on her parents' graves. But there also was a third grave for Annie Cohen. The mystery sent Luxenberg on a journey to unlock his mother's lifelong family secret. The Detroit native, who is an associate editor at the Washington Post, turned his research into a book, Annie's Ghosts, which became the Michigan Humanities Council's selection for its 2013-14 Great Michigan Read program, a biennial statewide reading discussion.

"It's a wonderful program that's been in existence about eight years. It's a big honor for me to be chosen for this year," Luxenberg told an audience Thursday, Jan. 30, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Pageturners, the campus book club, had arranged the event which included a Q&A after Luxenberg's talk and a book

Annie's Ghosts is a combination of detective mystery, family story and an exploration of the mental health care culture of the 1940s-60s.

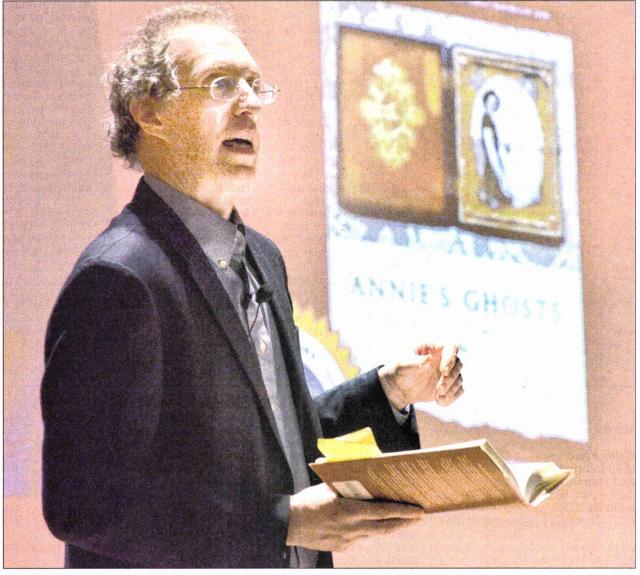
"I'm not a geneaologist. I am a storyteller. And the stories in this book are enriched by my genealogical techniques, as amateurish as they were. I came to this book not knowing anything about family research. It's something I had to learn."

Luxenberg researched records at archives, libraries, government offices, museums, courthouses and spoke with family members, friends, acquaintances, government officials and mental health professionals.

Although the notion of secrets is a major theme in the book, Annie's Ghosts also raises questions about memory and identity. Luxenberg pointed out that his mother "reinvented herself when she left Annie behind in that institution," moved away from the old Detroit neighborhood where she grew up — and where neighbors remembered her sister — married and raised her own family.

# Entering the asylum

Annie, who walked with a wooden leg, insisted she was not insane when her parents committed her to Eloise. Her mother said her daughter had become paranoid, wasn't eating and refused to leave the





Steven Luxenberg drew students, mental health professionals, book club members and other listeners to his talk at Schoolcraft College.

house. The two doctors who evaluated her made different diagnoses. One said Annie was insane and required treatment in an institution. The other said her physical disability had caused an inferiority complex and that although she had difficulty finding employment, was nervous and "feeble-minded" she was not insane. A third

doctor, the tie-breaker, decided that "a little treatment in an institution may help" and Annie was committed — at first on a temporary basis — and then permanently.

"In the 1950 census record, you find she has no address," Luxenberg said, adding that his aunt was among some 5,000 "inmates" at Eloise, which by

then had been renamed the Wayne County General Hospital and Infirmary. "In 1940 the legal standard for commission to a mental health institution was that the state owed care and treatment to its defectives. That's not the standard today—you're a danger to yourself and others. It's a much tougher,

more reasonable standard.

"In my aunt's time, patients didn't have a lot of rights. Today you can't force someone to have treatment without a lot of very good reasons. And then you have to have a review of their case every six months."

Luxenberg said the peak of mental health care institutionalization was 1955 when a half million individuals were housed in asylums. Today that figure is around 40,000, he said.

During the Q &A, two former mental health nurses in the audience defended institutions, saying they gave patients shelter, food and treatment.

Luxenberg said that although he believed his aunt had mental health issues, some of the medication she received likely wasn't appropriate.

"She ended up with a lot of side effects that were the result of one medication in particular," he said, also pointing out that Annie was barred from attending her own commitment hearing "because it was expensive" requiring transportation and security.

"Today we start with the premise that the patient has a right t participate. We don't start with the premise that a

#### STEVEN LUXENBERG SPEAKS

» 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 21, at Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit, 6555 W. Maple, West Bloomfield » 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 21,, at the Holocaust Memorial Center, 28123 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills » 10 a.m. Thursday, May 22, at the Westland Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, West-

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Steve Luxenberg talks about family

secrets. A photo of his book, Annie's Ghosts is on the screen in the background.
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patient has no rights."

Audience members react

Suzanne Martoia-Gordon of Redford, a student nurse at Eloise in 1973 and now a nursing instructor at Schoolcraft, identified with the book's theme of family secrets.

"My family secret was always alcoholism, the family disease," she said, during the Q&A. "And it went on from generation to generation in our family. Finally I was a child let out the secret and I was severely punished for letting out the secret. And I think mental health is also a secret that many of us carry."

Kathleen Richardson of Canto, who attended the lecture after reading the book, said she believes "every family has a secret."

She regrets not having asked her late mother about family secrets and stories.

"I think it's not just secrets, but family stories, so we can pass them on to the next generation. Share some things when you can, before it's too late."

Luxenberg said his book is meant to strike a universal chord with readers.

"It's a book about every-body's family. It's a book about any woman who confronted a situation like my mother did in 1940 and any woman like Annie whose parents felt would do better going to an institution and so they made the hard choice of agreeing with the medical authorities and sending Annie to Eloise. And it's for every son who inherits these stories."

# Telethon, comedy show help animal groups

# Valentine's Day telethon

What better way is there to say "I love you" than to support a furry friend this Valentine's Day?

The Michigan Humane
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Valentine's Telethon
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"So many animals in our community rely on the Michigan Humane Society, and this extremely cold, snowy winter only increases the need for our care services," said Debby MacDonald, MHS chief cruelty investigator, in a press release.

"But we can't do it alone. We rely on the support of pet lovers across Michigan to help us care for animals who are homeless, hungry, neglected and abused."

The 18th annual MHS Telethon will feature adoptable

pets and stories that show how MHS assists area animals. As a private, nonprofit agency, MHS receives no government funding and is not affiliated with any national humane organizations. It relies on donations

from supporters.
Donations can be made on or before Feb. 13 either online at www.michiganhumane.org/telethon or by calling 855-MHS-GIVE (647-4483), 24 hours a day.

# Save the date

Guardian Angel Animal



Alicia Smith holds "Rosie" during the 2013 Michigan Humane Society's Valentine's Telethon.

Rescue in Livonia wants your donations — and laughter — March 14 when it holds its annual comedy fundraiser at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

ymouth Road, Livonia. Seating starts at 7:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. In addition to proceeds from ticket sales, 25 percent of the sale of appetizers and pizza ordered during the show will go to GAAR.

GAAR re-homes animals rescued from the streets of Detroit, from shelters and dangerous situations. It accepts surrendered, abandoned and abused animals into its program, which is run on a foster home basis.

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# Partnership

Detroit Bully Corps is partnering with Pets for Patriots Inc., a nonprofit organization that helps ease rescue animals into the homes of military veterans and servicemen and

"Every day a canine is in our program, it costs us \$5.30 or more if they need extra medical care," said Missi Bellottie, co-founder of Detroit

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Send material for the Garden & Nature Calendar to Sharon Dargay, Observer & Eccentric, sdargay@hometownlife.com.

#### Farmington Garden Club

"Plants that make you itch and twitch and maybe even kill you" is the topic of the Farmington Garden Club's meeting, 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at the Spicer House in Heritage Park, 24914 Farmington Road in Farmington Hills. For more information, call Pat at 248-943-6026.

#### Livonia Garden Club

John MacInnis, a master woodland manager, will speak at the club, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia MacInnis runs the maple syrup project at Michigan State University's Tollgate Farm in Novi. The presentation will include a video and maple syrup samples. For more information, visit livoniagardenclub.org.

# 4 Seasons Garden Club

Joanne DeBruhl from Stone Coop Farm will be the guest speaker at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, at the senior center at South Lyon High School, located on 11 Mile and Pontiac Trail, in South Lyon. Stone Coop Farm specializes in vegetables and fruits, including many heirloom varieties. For more information, call 248-437-8291 or email melchercatgang@yahoo.com.

#### **60-Minute Seminars**

Master Gardeners of Western Wayne County presents four hourlong seminars in February at the Wayne County Extension Office, 5454 Venoy, Wayne. Cost is \$10 each or \$30 for all if registered in advance. Each runs 7-8 p.m.

- » Feb. 4 Unorthodox methods of growing plants includes gutter gardening, spuds in a tub, cukes in a crate, and straw bale gardening, led by Paul Rodman, advanced master gardener.
- » Feb. 11 Diane Post, advanced master gardener, teaches the basics of backyard composting, including the process, stages and methods.
- » Feb. 18 Brian Hintz, coowner of Wild Birds Unlimited in Canton, explains how to create a bird-friendly yard.
- » Feb. 25 Scott Bates, owner of Grass Roots Nursery in New Boston, will talk about tub gardens.

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## **English Gardens**

» Learn how to get orchids to re-bloom at home, along with other tips in a free demonstration, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8. At 2:30 p.m. get tips on repotting orchids. Speakers include Kathy Mykolajenk, past president of the Michigan Orchid Society, at the Ann Arbor store; Carolyn Butcher, past president of the Michigan Orchid Society, at the Dearborn Heights store; Patti DeMaire, orchid hobbyist, at the Royal Oak store; and Joe Peterson, an accredited judge for the American Orchid Society, at the West Bloomfield store

- » Get advice on planning a "four-season" garden at a free presentation, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15.
- » The store's floral staff will demonstrate flower arranging, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. Free Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield; 248-851-7506.

## Heritage Park

» The Junior Naturalist club meets 10-11:30 a.m. the second Saturday of each month. It's for ages 5-11 and is a "drop-off class." Topic for this month is owl prowl on Feb. 9. The fee is \$10 per class in advance and \$12 per class paid at the door. Register online at recreg.fhgov.com.

» The nature center at the park

offers classes for preschoolers Monday-Thursday mornings through March 6. Each class offers a different nature theme each week and time outdoors if weather permits: Nature's Little Artists, for ages 1<AF>1/2<XA>-4, 10-11:30 a.m. Monday; Little Trekkers, ages 1-4, 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; Young Explorers, ages 4-6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday. Preregistration is required for Nature's Little Artists. The fee is \$56 for residents and \$66 for nonresidents. Little Trekkers and Young Explorers Preschool offer a drop-in fee of \$8 per class, paid at the door. Preregis ter at a discounted rate, also available online at recreg.fhgov .com or at the Costick Center. Heritage Park is located at 24914 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills; 248-477-1135.



English Gardens' annual Orchid Festival continues Feb. 8 with free demonstrations and displays of more than 20 varieties of orchids. This flower is a speckled purple phalaenopsis orchid.

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Bully Corps. "Working with Pets for Patriots, we hope to motivate our local veterans and service members to give these animals a loving home. This will help us place more hard-to-adopt pets with good people who need or want a companion animal."

Veterans join Pets for Patriots for free, although they are responsible for the Detroit Bully Corps adoption fee. To help transition the animals into their new homes, Pets for Patriots sends a \$150 gift card upon proof of eligible adoption to help with food and other essentials, and provides access to local veterinary partners who agree to offer ongo-

responsibility.

ing discounted care.

"We are able to place about 10-20 dogs each year," said Bill Bellottie, president of Detroit Bully Corps. "Through our partnership with Pets for Patriots, we hope to provide forever homes to even more canines with the many service members and veterans in our area."

Individuals must first apply through Pets for Patriots and provide proof of their military service or honorable discharge. Approval typically takes one to two business days, after which they can contact Detroit Bully Corps for assistance in choosing their new dog.

Visit Pets for Patriots at petsforpatriots.org. For more about Detroit Bully Corps, visitdbcdogs.org.

## **Open house**

New Morning School will hold an open house 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, at 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth Township.

The open house is designed for prospective families interested in preschool through eighth grade. The school's annual Museum Experience follows the open house from 2-3 p.m. It showcases student in self-selected research topics and projects, including dioramas, graphs, maps, models, characterizations and more.

New Morning School is a nonprofit, parent cooperative offering individualized education, daily student planning, and multi-age classrooms. For more information, visit www.newmorningschool.org orcall 734-420-3331.

# Peace group meets

Motivational speaker Robert Weir will lead the discussion at the next meeting of Citizens for Peace, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

He'll raise the question "What does peace look like?"

Citizens for Peace's three-part series on nonviolence also starts this month. The sessions are based on Michael Nagler's book, The Search for a Nonviolent Future: A Promise of Peace for Ourselves, Our Families, and Our World. They each include a video and discussion designed to aid

in understanding the principles of nonviolence, learning strategies and applying the principles to one's life.

The sessions run

COMMUNITY LIFE BRIEFS

7:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 13, March 13 and April 10 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. For more information

about Citizens for Peace, call Colleen Mills at 734-425-0079 or email cmills0079@yahoo.com.

#### Art critque

Local artist Jean-Paul Abou Dib will offer tips on art technique as he analyzes artwork by members of the Three Cities Art Club, 7-9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, in the lower level of Canton Township Hall, 1150 Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill

Road, in Canton.

Abou Dib received a scholarship to the College for Creative Studies where he earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts before receiving a master's degree of fine arts from Wayne State University. Since then, he has taught art in Canton, Northville and Dearborn. His works have won numerous awards and are in collections owned by such notables as music legend Eminem.

For more information about this free event, contact Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939. To learn more about the art club, visit www.threecitiesartclub.org.

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#### **FEBRUARY AUCTION**

Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb.

Location: Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, West-

Details: Concordia Lutheran School's annual auction, "Winter Wonderland" will include appetizer, dinner, desserts, beer, wine and soft drinks, in addition to an auction. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$270 for tables of

Contact: Racann Kush at 248-474-3991

#### **DINNER DANCE**

Time/Date: 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15

Location: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills **Details:** Valentine Dinner Dance will include dinner and music for dancing by the Dennis Coffey Band. Tickets are \$20 per person

#### Contact: 248-553-3380 **DUELING PIANOS**

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8

Location: St. Damian, 30055 Joy Road, Westland

**Details**: Dueling Pianos show includes light refreshments, cash bar, and 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$20, available at the parish in Westland, west of Middlebelt Contact: Karen Crunk at 734-421-2853 or email klcrunk@quix-

# **EMBROIDERS' GUILD**

Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. social time; 10 a.m. meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 5

Location: Faith Covenant Church, 14 Mile and Drake, Farmington Hills.

Details: The group project is needle cases. If Farmington Schools cancels for weather problems, the Guild meeting is,

#### Contact: 248-474-6771 **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Time/Date: 7-8:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4-March 25

Location: Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14 Mile, at Drake, Farmington Hills Details: Free; presented by New

Hope Center for Grief Support. Register by calling Amanda Haelterman at 248-661-9191

Contact: pastor Dennis Carlson, dennis.carlson@4fcc.org

# JUDAICA ON DVD

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Wednesday, Location: Congregation Beth

Ahm, 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield **Details:** Howard Lupovitch delivers his four-part series, 'Sacred Remnants: Rediscovered

Treasures of the Jewish Past" on DVD. Topics are "The Dead Sea Scrolls: A New View of Ancient Judaism," Feb. 5; "The Cairo Geniza: The Day-to-Day Lives of the Jews of Islam," Feb. 12; "The Aleppo Codex: The Real Text of the Torah," Feb. 19: and Soviet Archives: The Unknown World of Eastern Europe," Feb.

Contact: Nancy Kaplan at 248-737-1931; nancyellen879@att.net

# **POMEGRANATE GUILD**

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb.

**Location**: Prentis Apartment community room, located on 10 Mile, east of Greenfield in Oak

Details: The group will hold a fabric, yarn, pattern and halffinished project swap. The Pomegranate Guild of Southeastern Michigan studies and creates Judaic needlework Contact: Judy Galperin at

#### 248-661-5337 WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2 to March 9 Location: St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

**Details:** This bereavement support series is designed to help deal with emotions, loneliness and other issues experienced after the loss of a spouse. Widowed Friends is a peer support group in the Archdio-

cese of Detroit.

Coming up: Dinner, games and fellowship, Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Corsi's Italian Restaurant, 27910 W. Seven Mile, Livonia. Social hour at 5 p.m. with dinner buffet at 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 and includes buffet, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay at the door with cash only in the exact amount. RSVP by Feb. 8 to Cookie at 248-357-2183, Pat at 248-545-8348 or Carol at 248-924-3677

Contact: Priscilla at 734-591-

#### **MARCH CHILDREN'S CONCERT**

Time/Date: 1:30 p.m., Sunday March 2

Location: Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 Six Mile, just east of Middlebelt,

Details: "The Donut Man" Rob Evans and his sidekick Duncan will perform original Bible story-songs such as In The Beainning and The Miracle Song Families are encouraged to sing along and dance in the aisles. Tickets are \$5 at the door; children under 2 are admitted

free Contact: the Rev. Joseph Mar-

#### gui at 734-522-3166 **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, beginning March 12 for five consecutive weeks

Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard,

Details: "Grieving with Great Hope" is for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. It is conducted by Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization co-founded by John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy. Register through the ministry's website or through the church

Contact: 734-261-1455; good-

#### mourningministry.net **SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Concordia Lutheran School, 9600 Leverne, Redford

Details: Tour the school and visit the annual spring carnival. Incloudes carnival games, book fair, food and more. New students can receive a coupon for \$5 in free carnival tickets by calling the campus or visiting

Contact: 313-937-2233; www.concordials.org

## ONGOING **CLASSES/STUDY**

Township

Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville

Contact: John Shulenberger at 734-464-9491

**New Life Community Church** Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am. Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at

10 a.m. Sundays. Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: 734-846-4615

**Our Lady of Loretto** Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Township **Details:** Scripture study

Contact: 313-534-9000 St. Michael the Archangel

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday. Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Catholic author and Bible scholar Gary Michuta leads the study of Acts of the Apos-

Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200. or www.livoniastmichael.org

**Ward Presbyterian** 

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Township Details: Learner's Bible study is

#### Contact: 248-374-5920 FAMILY COMMUNITY

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

Thursday

Location: The Salvation Army,

27500 Shiawassee, Farmington

Details: Free meal Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

# **FOOD BANK**

**New Hope Church** 

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only Location: 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at 734-270-2528.

#### **MOMS Christ Our Savior Lutheran** Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergart-

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

**Dunning Park Bible Chapel** 

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 W. Chicago

Road, Redford Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope. Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

# **PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE**

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.

#### Contact: 313-563-0162 **PRAYER** Nardin Park United Method-

ist Church Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile,

Farmington Hills Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests. Contact: 248-476-8860

# **RELIGION CALENDAR**

#### St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through the back Details: Music, singing, prayer

Contact: Grace at 734-464-1896, Shirley at 734-464-3656 or Geri at 734-464-8906

St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday Location: 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton Details: Praying silently or

aloud together; prayer requests

welcomed. Contact: 734-459-3333

# **SINGLES**

Redford, Room 304

**Detroit World Outreach** Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday Location: 23800 W. Chicago,

**Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated. Occasionally includes guest speakers; open to the public and visitors are welcome.

Contact: The facilitator at 313-283-8200: lef@dwo.org

**First Presbyterian Church** Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays. Location: 200 E. Main St.,

Details: Single Place Ministry; cost is \$5

Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

**Steve's Family Restaurant** Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others.

Contact: 313-534-0399 Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 11 a.m. Sunday Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

**Details:** Single Point Ministries, for 30 and up, offers fellowship, coffee, doughnuts, conversation. Contact: 248-374-5920

Song Circle **Congregation Beth Ahm** Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield **Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat** songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in trans-

literation as well as the original Contact: 248-737-1931 or email

# nancyellen879@att.net.

**SUPPORT Apostolic Christian Church** Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

daily Location: 29667 Wentworth, Livonia

**Details:** Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act.

Contact: 734-261-9000; www.woodhaven-retirement.com

» Detroit World Outreach Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202 **Details:** Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs,

alcohol, overeating, gambling. Contact:-313-255-2222, Ext. 244 » Farmington Hills Baptist Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in

**Farmington Hills Details:** Western Oakland **Parkinson Support Group** 

Contact: 248-433-1011 » Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City Details: Metro Fibromyalgia

support group meets; donations Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

» Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh,

**Details:** Adult Day Ministry offers an adult daytime care program with a specialty in dementia care. Not a drop-in

Contact: 734-367-4220 or 734-464-0990; www.riversideparkchurch.org; or email to rpadm@riversideparkchurch.org

Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday morning Location: 16360 Hubbard,

» St. Andrew's Episcopal

Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available

Contact: 734-421-8451.

» St. John Neumann Time/Date: 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Wednesdays Location: 44800 Warren Road,

Canton **Details:** Overeaters Anonymous

Contact: Mary at 734-634-7154 or Traci at 734-718-5575 for additional information

» St. Thomas a' Becket Church

Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group meeting starts at 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton Details: Take Off Pounds Sensibly encourages members of the organization to lose weight and

keep it off for good. Contact: Margaret at 734-838-

0322 for additional information » Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia

**Details**: Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722: www.oa.org for additional information

# **THRIFT STORE**

St. James Presbyterian Location: 25350 W. Six Mile,

Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information

# **MILESTONES**

# **LAIRD-GIOVANNI**

Melissa Jean Laird and Sean James Giovanni were married Oct. 19, 2013, at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. The Rev. James O'Neill offici-

ated. The bride, daughter of Michael and Dorothy Laird of Novi, is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in human resources and legal studies. She is pursuing a master's degree in dietetics.

The groom, son of James and Colleen Giovanni of Farmington Hills, is a graduate of

# WEDDING

Detroit Catholic Central. He is a record producer and owns and operates the Record Shop recording studio in Nashville, Tenn.

Courtney Pistolesi served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Katie Pyett, Whitney Haynes, Ashley Glover, Sarah Wolanin, Danielle Dudek and Meagan Giovanni. Calli LeFevre was the flower girl.

Sean Griffin served as best man. Groomsmen were Erik Laird, Paul Cundiff, Chris Evans, Crow Belcher and Travis Singleton.

The reception also was held at the Inn at St.



Melissa Jean Laird and Sean James Giovanni were married Oct. 19, 2013.

John's. The couple took a honeymoon trip to Punta Cana. They reside in Nashville, Tenn.

# **ENGAGEMENT**

# SAGER-THOM

Rachel Mary Sager and Brady Robert Thom announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be and her fiance both graduated in 2008 from Stevenson High School in Livonia and in 2012 from Michigan State University. Sager, daughter of Marty and Julie Sager of Livonia, is a special education teacher in Huron Valley Schools. Thom, son of Jerry and Chris Thom of Livonia, is a vehicle test engineer at FT Techno America, LLC.

A July wedding is planned at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville, with a reception afterward at BayPointe Golf Club in West Bloomfield.

**Brady Robert Thom and** Rachel Mary Sager

# **KEVRA-BROWN**

Kelly Michelle Kevra and Mark William Brown II announce their en-

gagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Karl and Cathy Keyra of Livonia. earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education, with a major in mathematics and a minor in early childhood, from

Eastern Michigan Uni-

versity. She also earned a

master's degree in reading from EMU. She teaches third grade in the Wayne-Westland Community School District.

**ENGAGEMENT** 

Her fiance, son of Pamela and Vernon Childress of Goodlettsville, Tenn., is working on his nursing degree from Eastern Michigan University. He served in the United States Navy for 13 years as a search and rescue swimmer. Mark

has been on three differ-



Mark William Brown II and

Kelly Michelle Kevra ent deployments. A July wedding is

planned in Livonia.

# Passages Obituaries, Memories & Remembrances

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Deadlines: Friday 4:15 p.m. for Sunday • Wednesday 9:45 a.m. for Thursday

# BARNETT, NANCY JEÁN

(nee Willis)

Of Farmington Hills Michigan passed away on January 27, 2014. Born in Toledo, Ohio on September 13, 1932 to the late Alfred (Bus) and Marie (Cready) Willis. A woman of great faith, spirit and love, Nancy brought joy and laughter to those who knew her. Nancy will be greatly missed. Nancy is survived by her sister and brother-in-law Carol (Willis) and Marty McCauley of Denver, Son John (Priscilla) Willis Barnett, daughter Kathy Speier, grandchildren Kelly (Barnett) and Ray Horan, John M. Barnett, Mark and Kevin Speier, great-grandson Brady Horan as well as nephews, nieces and many wonderful friends. Nancy was a graduate of DeVilbiss High School in Toledo, Ohio and later attended University of Toledo. She was a talented miniature artist and continued to work at Miniature Makers Workshop in Royal Oak, Michigan until her death. She was a long standing and active member the Wee Bee Miniature Club of Birmingham, Michigan. Funeral Service Saturday 1 p.m. at Thaver-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave., Downtown Farmington (1 blk. W. of Farmington Rd.). Visitation Friday 2-8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Humane Society.



www.thayer-rock.com

Passed away in Naples, Florida on January 25, 2014. He was born on January 23, 1971 in Lorain, Ohio the son of Andy and Clare (Yanick) May. Jason was raised in Canton, MI and in his youth, played on a travel hockey team and was an avid fan of the Detroit Red Wings. He attended Schoolcraft College, and moved to Naples in 2003. Jason founded, owned and operated All American Painting of Naples, Inc. and was an active member of the Living Word Family Church of Naples. Jason's favorite pastime was riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle and shopping with his mom. He was generous with his love and affections for his family and friends. He is survived by his parents, Andy and Clare of Naples, FL; his beloved sisters, Jackie Parker of Milford, MI and Stephanie May of Naples FL; an uncle, George Yanick of Lorain, OH, and many nieces and nephews. Jason was preceded in death by his sister, Kimberly Allison May in 1994, and by his grandparents, Steve and Mary Yanick. Funeral services will be held on February 2014 at 2 p.m. at the Chapel of Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia, where interment will follow. Arrangements by Keehn Funeral Home, Brighton, MI (810-229-9871). Please visit Jason's Book of Memories at

## www.keehnfuneralhome.com. KEEHN FUNERAL HOME



#### Van Ornum, Elizabeth Helen Age 97, of Batavia, New York

went to be with her Lord and

Savior on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at her home in Batavia. She was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 10, 1916, to Rev. Ray and Edna (Smith) Sellman. After graduating from Houghton College in Houghton, NY, in June of 1937, she married Alden Van Ornum in a beautiful backyard rose garden on August 17, 1937 in Ypsilanti, MI. She and "Van" in Plymouth, MI forty years where he practiced dentistry and they reared two children, David and Ann. During this time, many happy years were enjoyed by family and friends relaxing and eating good food at their cottage on Long Lake in Traverse City, MI. Betty participated in Plymouth Women's Club, as well as being President of the Plymouth Garden Club. Betty was also active at Wayne Baptist Church, Missions and in Campus Crusade for Christ. She was a member of Northgate Free Methodist Church in Batavia. Dr Alden Earle Van Ornum, her husband, died November 2008. Survivors include children, David (Trudie) Van Ornum of Batavia and (Mark) Van Ornum Fackler of Grand Rapids, MI; seven grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. She was the grandmother of the late Benjamin Fackler and sister of the late Dean Sellman. The memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, February 7, 2014 at H.E. Turner & Co. Funeral Home, 403 E. Main St., Batavia. Memorials may be made to Northgate Free Methodist Church, 8160 Bank St. Rd., Batavia, NY 14020. Burial will be in South Lyon Ml. Please leave a condolence, share a story light a candle at www.bataviafuneralhomes.com.

# HEALTH

men have died each year

women comprise only 24

percent of participants in all heart-related studies.

on the Plymouth event,

email Melissa.Thrasher@heart.org. RSVP at

event in southeastern

Michigan is the annual

en Luncheon, 9 a.m. to

1:30 p.m. Feb. 14, at the

MGM Grand in Detroit.

clude a health expo and a

The luncheon will in-

heart-healthy lunch at

noon. Tickets are \$250.

248-936-5820 or visit

goredforwomen.org.

free event, is set for 6

www.detroit

Call Catherine Smith at

Girlfriends Go Red, a

p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, at

Beaumont Hospital, 2601

W. 13 Mile, in Royal Oak. Sciberras will be on hand

and attendees may wear

event includes a health

and fitness demos and

on the AHA Southeast

Michigan website. Visit

info" and type your ZIP

code to bring up the

page.

heart.org, click on "local

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# GO RED FOR WOMEN DRIVE SETS KICK-OFF EVENTS

The American Heart Association launches its monthlong heart disease awareness campaign, Go Red for Women, Feb. 7 with National Wear Red

The organization encourages everyone to don red attire and reminds

women this month to: » Ask your doctor to check your blood pressure and cholesterol.

» Stop smoking, lose weight, exercise and eat healthy.

» Consider the risk that heart disease kills one out of three women. It's the No. 1 killer of women.

» Make healthy food choices and teach your children the importance of staying



Locally, a Kick Off Rally and Lighting Cere-mony will be held 11:30 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 6 at Freudenberg North American Corporate Center, 47774 W. Anchor Court, Plymouth. The event is free and will feature Annette Sciberras, R.N., a national spokeswoman for the campaign.

Sciberras, 54, Cardiac Progressive Care administrative manager for the Beaumont Health System, is among 11 women chosen to represent Go Red for Women nationally. They were selected from hundreds of women who have shared their stories about heart disease and stroke at local events and on the American Heart Association

Born with a congenital heart defect, Sciberras had open-heart surgery in 1965 to repair a faulty valve. As an adult, Sciberras became interested in health issues and pursued a career in cardiac nursing. She soon found herself tak-

ing care of her patients and her aging parents, who both battled heart disease. But like many caregivers, she put her own health aside to focus on her family, ignoring cardiac warn-

ing signs.
"In retrospect I know the signs were all there I see patients with heart disease every day," she said, in a press release. "But I was juggling my four children, a demanding job and my parents' declining health and I just ignored the chest pains I was hav-

ing."
When her mother died after a heart attack and a stroke, Sciberras collapsed and was diag-nosed with "broken heart syndrome," a kind of cardiomyopathy caused by extreme stress. Ironically, her mother had been warning her months before that she needed to focus on her own health again.

"My mother spent her last months of life trying to convince me to take better care of myself, she said. "This event was a wake-up call and it made me feel closer to her than ever.

"I wanted to help people the way my mother had helped me." She became an advocate for women's heart health with the message that balancing work and family obligations must become a priority.

"We have to learn to manage stress and all the demands of daily life better. As women we worry about others but we must also recognize the importance of our own health."

According to the American Heart Association, more women than

Annette Sciberras,. R.N., a Cardiac **Progressive Care administrative** manager at Beaumont Health System, is among the national spokeswomen for the Go Red for Women campaign.

# MEDICAL DATEBOOK

#### **UPCOMING**

### ATRIAL FIBRILLATION

Dipak Shah, M.D., a cardiologist, will offer a free seminar on atrial fibrillation, the most common abnormal heart rhythm, 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, in conference room A at the Outpatient Center, Providence Park Hospital, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. He'll talk about diagnostic and treatment options. The likelihood of developing atrial fibrillation increases with age and increases the risk of stroke. Pre-registration is recommended by calling 888-751-5465.

#### **BREAKFAST WORKSHOP**

Learn how eating a healthy breakfast can help you stay healthy in an interactive workshop led by a dietitian from Botsford Hospital. 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Busch's Fresh Food Market, 37083 Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$5 and includes recipes, samples, nutritional advice, and a \$5 Busch's coupon. Tickets available from Busch's guest services counter or by calling 734-779-6100. Registration required.

### **CELIAC SUPPORT**

Stefano Guandalini, M.D., will present an update on celiac disease, gluten intolerance and other highlights from the 2013 International Celiac Disease Symposium, at the next meeting of the Tri County Celiac Support Group, 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at the First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Members admitted free; nonmembers \$5. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more, visit www.tccsg.net.

#### **HEARING LOSS SUPPORT**

Learn about hearing aids at the Hearing Loss Association of America, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. Call Tony at 734-664-3297 or email aferack@comcast.net

# **Heart Disease**

Is Often Avoidable, Make It Personal!

Heart disease is not only the leading cause of death in

this country, it's also a major contributor to disability.

# Ask A Garden City Hospital Health Expert



So if you could significantly reduce your chances for heart disease, wouldn't you? Well, the good news is you can. Cardiologist and GCH Health Expert, Dr. Nizam Habhab, explains how small steps can lead to big strides in your personal fight for heart health.

Dr. Habhab Cardiology

Q: What is the primary cause of cardiovascular disease?

- A: Coronary heart disease (CHD) is a narrowing of the small blood vessels that supply blood and oxygen to the heart, caused by the buildup of plaque in the arteries to your heart. The plaque build up is a combination of fatty materials and other substances that adhere to the walls of your coronary arteries, and increase your risk for heart disease.
- Q: What are the risk factors for heart disease?
- A: There are several risk factors for heart disease. Some are controllable, others are not. Uncontrollable risk factors include:
  - Being male
  - Older age
  - Family history of heart disease
  - Post-menopausal
  - Race (African Americans, American Indians, and Mexican Americans are more likely to have heart disease than Caucasians)

Still, there are many heart disease risk factors that can be controlled. By making changes in your lifestyle, you can actually reduce your risk for heart disease. Controllable risk factors include:

- Smoking
- High LDL, or "bad" cholesterol and low HDL, or "good" cholesterol
- Uncontrolled hypertension (high blood pressure)
- Physical inactivity
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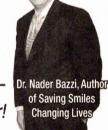


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Notice is hereby given that public hearing concerning the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Meeting Room of the Plymouth Township Hall located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road on Tuesday, February 11, 2014.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to afford the public the opportunity to place before the board any proposed use of the 2014 CDBG funds.

Preliminary indications from the Wayne County Community Development Block Grant program are that the estimated 2014 funding allocation for the Township will be approximately \$97,102. Wayne County requires that our request for public service projects not exceed 15 % of the total allocation. Based on that special requirement the projects are proposed as follows:

# ESTIMATED 2014 ALLOCATION BASED ON 15% PUBLIC SERVICE CAP

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PUBLIC SERVICES	\$15,000				
Senior Services		\$7,500			
Council on Aging			\$5,276		
Senior Alliance			\$2,224		
Senior Transportation		\$7,500			
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ADMINISTRATION	\$9,701				
Administration			\$9,701		
BRICK & MORTAR	\$72,392				
ADA Township Park Improvements			\$72,391		
TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$97,102				

If Wayne County Determines after all applications are received that additional funds shall be available for public service projects the proposed allocations shall be as follows:

# ESTIMATED 2014 ALLOCATION BASED ON TOWNSHIP PREFERENCE

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Administration	\$9,710		
BRICK & MORTAR	\$39,812		
ADA Township Park Improvements	\$39,812		
TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$97,102		

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth will determine the use of the 2014 funds upon completion of the public hearing.

Any written comments regarding the proposed use of the 2014 funds should be directed to Susan Vignoe, Solid Waste and Public Service Coordinator, Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI and must be received by Friday, February 7, 2014.

> Nancy Conzelman Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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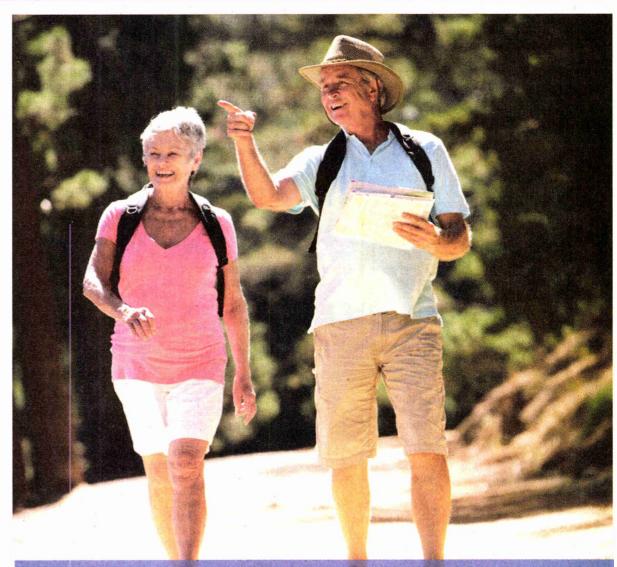
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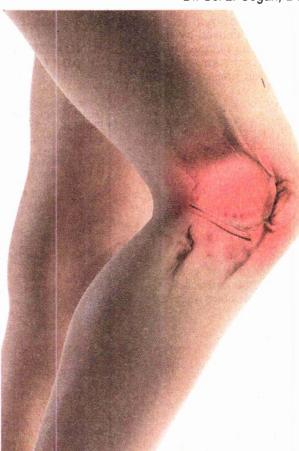
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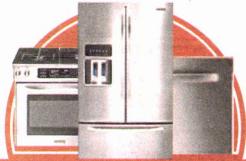
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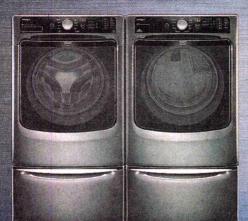
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# 10 mistakes every first-time job seeker makes

**Debra Auerbach** CareerBuilder writer

There's a lot that first-time job seekers bring to the table. They're often eager and enthusiastic, technologically-savvy and up-to-date on the latest skills and trends in their desired field.

Yet there is still a lot that new job seekers have to learn when it comes to mastering the job search. Here, experts weigh in on 10 mistakes many first-time job seekers make and how these errors can be avoided:

### 1. Putting too much weight on their GPA.

"A mistake first-time job seekers make is believing that high academics is the most important factor in finding a job," says Stephanie Kinkaid, program coordinator for the Wackerle Career and Leadership Center at Monmouth College in Monmouth, Ill. "Graduates need leadership qualities and the ability to articulate how those experiences have created a wellrounded individual."

### 2. Not doing enough research.

"Many times, job seekers don't realize the importance in conducting research," says Debra Ann Matthews, professional résume writer and certified career coach. "Learn about how to obtain a job, go to the library and read about job-search tools. Go to your local career center and see what they have to offer. Then take your inquiry a step further; see if these same institutions have social media services."

## 3. Not staying up-to-date on industry trends.

"Graduates should do research not only on the company to which they are applying, but about the field in general,"

Kinkaid says. "For instance, if you are entering the medical field, you should be knowledgeable about the Affordable Care Act, how politics affect medicine and social issues."

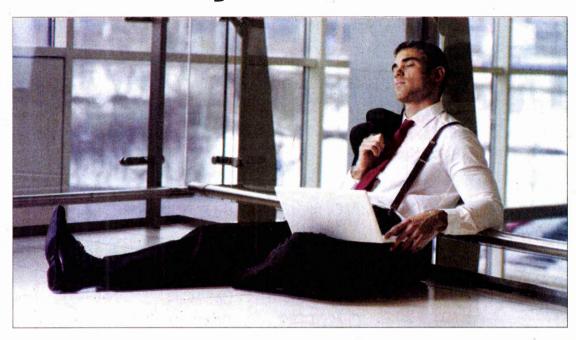
### 4. Only considering full-time jobs.

"First-time job seekers devalue the benefits of temp and short term and placement services," Matthews says. "Temp jobs, can be of value to a job seeker by giving that job seeker work experience in various tasks. Many temp agencies will offer computer-based trainings that can be learned and applied to resumés and used by job seekers to leverage their job search in a more strategic manner."



#### 5. Focusing only on jobs related to their degree.

Dylan Schweitzer, group talent acquisition manager for Enterprise Holdings, says that new job seekers often think they can only work in a field directly related to their major and only apply to jobs in one specific industry. "You major in what you are interested in learning more about, but that doesn't pigeonhole you into one type of opportunity."



## 6. Making the interview about them, not the employer.

"Job seekers who spend their initial interview talking about why they need a job, how much they want some company benefit, etc. instead of talking about how they will solve problems for the company and bring value are ensuring they will not be asked back for second interviews or hiring," says Karen Southall Watts, consultant, coach and speaker. "Everyone is well aware of the fact that people need jobs. Hiring managers want to know why, of all the needy, worthy candidates, they should hire you."

## 7. Dressing inappropriately in professional settings.

"Often, first-time job seekers have not been exposed to workappropriate attire," says Lindsay Witcher, manager of practice development at RiseSmart, which provides next-generation enterprise career management solutions. "How you dress directly affects how people

perceive you and whether or not they will take you seriously. For this reason, make sure you are dressed professionally when networking and interviewing. If you aren't sure what is appropriate, ask for the opinions of a few people you trust who have a few years of successful professional experience under their belt."

# 8. Being unenthusiastic.

"Enthusiasm is critical to being considered for a position," Witcher says. "If you appear bored or as if you have something better to do while interviewing or networking, hiring managers will not consider you as a viable candidate. Show enthusiasm not only through your conversation, but through your knowledge about the company and your interest in the position."

# 9. Focusing on salary.

"Young professionals often fail to look at the big picture when deciding whether or not to take a position and instead focus too much on the salary," says Chaz Pitts-Kyser, speaker

on career/life topics for young professionals and author of "Embracing the Real World: The Black Woman's Guide to Life After College." "But how happy will they be with what seems to be a great salary if their benefits are measly, the commute gives them a headache or their workload is insane? Everything about a company and what it offers and does not offer should be taken into consideration prior to accepting or rejecting a job offer."

## 10. Knowingly taking the wrong job.

"Times are hard, and it's not always wise to hold out for the perfect job," Watts says. "However, when you get that sinking feeling, and you know a position is a poor match for your skills or temperament, you are wise to pass. When in doubt, discuss with a mentor before making irreversible decisions."

Debra Auerbach is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder.com and its job blog, The Work Buzz. She researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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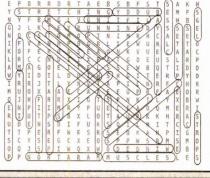
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# Car Report

Advertising Feature

# **Carmakers Dominate Super Bowl Advertising Once Again**



industry has come to define Super Bowl advertising quite like the car business. Automakers, after all, are among the biggest U.S. advertisers and marketers by dollar volume. So for the third straight year, on Big Game Sunday the auto industry was expected to be the

biggest advertiser for the third straight year. Hyundai and Chrysler, according to Kantar research cited by USA Today, made the top

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The Silverado HD stars in one of Chevy's ads in the Big Game.

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me. For the brand and the new A3 sedan, that meant releasing not only an online teaser of its "Doberhuahua" spot but the entire spot itself several days before Super Bowl Sunday. Here's a snapshot of what the auto brands

"We like to build a lot of conversation

before game day," Loren Angelo, head of

brand marketing for Audi of America, told

While not using any big Hollywood names,

Audi deployed its trademark Super Bowl humor in a spot featuring singer Sarah McLachlan (who spoofed her PSAs for PeTA with a teaser) a hilarious dog hybrid, a "Doberhuahua," that exemplifies the horrible results that come from compromise. The point game report.

Chrysler, as usual, didn't' give away its plan for the Big Game, forsaking all the pre-game teasers and other buzz-generating activities that rivals are using more and more before the actual telecast.

Hyundai has a new US CEO but some of the same challenges: how to effectively keep the brand stretched across a broad range of product segments yet battle some supply issues and stiffening competition across the board. With two spots -- one, called "Nice," for the Hyundai Elantra starring Johnny Galecki of Big Bang Theory and another ("Dad's Sixth Sense") for the luxury-sport Genesis sedan, focusing on its driving-assistance featuresthe brand spread its Super Bowl bets once again.

Jaguar, now owned by India's Tata Motors, is continuing its comeback with its first Super Bowl spot. The dramatic 60-second ad featured actors Sir Ben Kingsley, Tom Hiddleston and Mark Strong as a trio of British villains in a spot helmed by The King's Speech director Tom Hooper:

Laurence Fishburne to reprise his role as Morpheus in the cult movie series The Matrix to pull that off.

Toyota last year effectively used actress Kaley Kuoco for a mainstream message, and this year the brand was going back to a proven platform by including the Muppets and Terry Crews as it focused on everything one can do in a new Toyota Highlander.

Volkswagen is more in need of a pick-meup now than it has been for three years, as US sales have leveled off. So reached for nostalgic levers similar to its Star Wars-themed ad from three years ago, "The Force" (often called "Little Darth Vader" for its adorable mini-Darth), which became the most-shared and YouTube-viewed spot in Super Bowl history. This time around, following a teaser that featured Carmen Electra, VW had "Wings," in which the brand played a bit with the "legend" of how every time a reliable VW turns over 100,000 miles, a VW engineer gets his "wings." Jimmy Stewart, star of It's a Wonderful Life, might have been bemused.

"We are thrilled with this year's creative, which highlights the enthusiasm around our



Laurence Fishburne is an ominous presence in the Kia Super Bowl ad.

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surrounding the game that carmakers dominate much of the conversation. It has become standard practice to run pre-Game teasers (trailers, in a sense, of the Game Day spot), and viral videos promoted across YouTube, Twitter and Facebook with hashtags.

is that the German automaker's new A3 sedan. launching in the US this spring, is anything but an exercise in compromise, even though it's priced beginning under \$30,000:

General Motors returned to the Super Bowl after taking a one-year break, with Chevrolet slated to occupy two 60-second spots during the game. One spot, "Romance," featured a voiceover by John Cusack and promoted the 2015 Silverado HD with the hashtag #SilveradoStrong. Two other 30-second ads were to air during the post-

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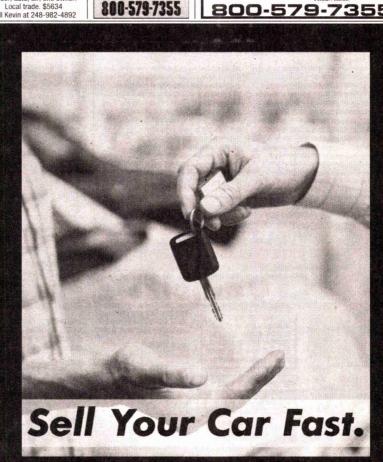


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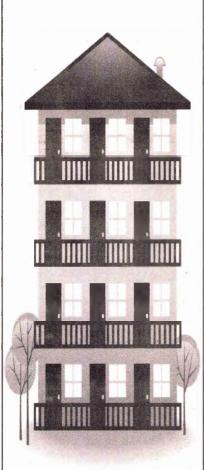
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