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Township mulls automated trash pickup

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

Plymouth Township residents may be getting standardized carts for the pickup of household trash and recyclables – or maybe not.

A new seven-year contract with Rizzo Environmental Services, conditionally approved by the Board of Trust-

ees last week, includes options for using wheeled carts that would allow for automated pickup, enabling Rizzo to use one-employee garbage and recycling trucks.

But another option would keep things are they are, with residents using their own trash cans and 18-gallon bins similar to those currently used for recycling. Under that option,

the containers would continue to be dumped by hand. Under either option, yard waste would be picked up as it is now.

Rizzo, which serves about 40 communities in the area, was the lowest bidder among five companies that submitted bids, for all options under consideration. The current contract with Duncan Disposal Systems expires in October.

Cans or carts?

Township officials plan to ask residents for input on whether trash and recyclables pickup should be automated or not and, if automation is chosen, whether 65- or 95-gallon carts should be used. Another option would have recyclables picked up on an every-otherweek basis, although Rizzo bid

the same price both for weekly and every-other-week pickup.

With about 8,600 residential pickup stops in the township, Rizzo's bid would cost about \$1.23 million in the first year of the contract if the current service model is adopted. That would move to \$1.28 million by the seventh year of the con-

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JOANNE MALISZEWSKI

Veteran Steve Monaghan, former post commander for the American Legion Post 112, led the Memorial Day ceremony.

Plymouth honors fallen soldiers, all veterans

Despite drizzly rain and a slight wind, an estimated more than 2,000 residents turned out Monday morning for Plymouth's annual Memorial Day parade and ceremony to honor military men and women who have lost their lives, as well as veterans. Turn to page A6 for a story and more photos.



A Marine honor guard helped begin the annual Memorial Day ceremony Monday morning at Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park.

Friends remember Margaret **Dunning**

Friends stopped Tuesday at the Plymouth Historical Museum to say goodbye to the woman who was most responsible for its continued existence.

A day of visitation for Margaret Dunning, who died May 17 at age 104, was held on the museum's second floor, amid a display of dozens of photographs that chronicled her life from her growing-up years in Redford Township to her roughly 90 years in Plymouth to her most recent trip to an event in California for automobile collectors.

It was her wish that visitation be held in the museum, to which she had contributed more than \$1 million over the

"I believe that Margaret would have been moved by the love shared by her many friends," museum director Liz Kerstens wrote in an email.

"Every time she talked (about the museum), it was with a sense of pride and caring," said Pam Yockey, the museum board president.

Yockey remembered Dunning as "a strong woman very caring" and said she was comfortable talking to people of all kinds, no matter their

"She made everybody feel warm and welcome," Yockey

Longtime friends told stories about the businesswoman and philanthropist.

Rachel Churches, 88, who had known Ms. Dunning from a young age, showed off a recent photograph of her friend at the former Oak Country School, near Outer Drive and Lyndon in Detroit. Ms. Dunning had attended the school as a youngster, along

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Summer concerts will once again draw fans to Kellogg Park

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

When the Plymouth Community Band strikes up the note at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11, in Kellogg Park, it will be carrying on a tradition dating back to 1960.

'Having done this for so many years, we have lots of friends, individually and as a group," said Carl Battishill of Plymouth, PCB director. "It's like playing for your family. It makes it very comfortable to perform."

The Plymouth Community Band, with wind and percussion instruments, will continue concerts at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday, June 18 and 25, July

2, 16, 23 and 30 and Sept. 3, in the band shell of Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. There is no concert July 9 due to Art in the Park or during the month of August.

The PCB will also present the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Wind Ensemble/ Symphony Band at Kellogg Park at 7:30 p.m. Thursday,

May 28.

Battishill has been with the PCB since 1979.

'It's a lifetime," he said. The PCB has about 65 members in each school year, with an increase of 10 in summers with some students coming home from college.

The Plymouth Community Band presents "stuff that people like to hear," he said. Making it enjoyable for the mu-

sicians is also key.
"If they're not enjoying the music, it's not fun for anybody," Battishill said. "Every one of them is a little different," he added of the concerts.

Information on the PCB is

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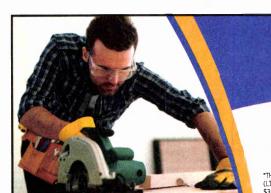
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FILE PHOTO

Longtime Plymouth philanthropist Margaret Dunning (1910-2015), with her prized 1930 Packard.

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with two of Churches' sisters and a brother, while she lived on her parents' farm in the area of Plymouth Road and Telegraph.

Churches also had a

photo from more than 90 years ago, of her siblings, Ms. Dunning and their classmates posing outside the school.

"We wanted to make sure this was a day that was just Margaret," Yockey said.

– By Matt Jachman

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online at plymouthcommunityband.org.

Battishill teaches music at Scotch Elementary in the West Bloomfield district and has been a music teacher 41 years, mostly in West Bloomfield, as well as six years in Plymouth-Canton and four in Frankfort.

If you're busy Thursday nights, you have other options. The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents Music In The Park concerts at noon each Wednesday in Kellogg Park with a focus on families. The series runs from June 17 through Aug. 26.

'It's really popular," said Lisa Howard, PCAC executive director. "This is our 31st year. They come when it rains. Our rain location is under The Gathering."

Wednesday concertgoers pack local restaurants or bring their own picnics, noted Howard, a Plymouth resident. "It's more of a Wednesday afternoon tradition. There are grandparents that come with their grandchildren," she said.

Season sponsors for the PCAC are The Wilcox Foundation, Monroe Bank & Trust, Kona Ice, Genuine Toy Co., Plymouth-Canton Montessori School, DJL Builders and Huron Valley Ambu-

This summer is extra long, Howard noted, so PCAC concert organizers



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Carl Battishill conducts the Plymouth Community Band in a previous summer performance.



Matt Watroba will perform at noon Wednesday, July 1, for the Plymouth Community Arts Council's music series.

put a Wednesday, July 1, concert featuring Matt Watroba in the lineup.

"He was so kind," Howard said. "I'm really excited that we could include one more" concert, during a week some will be off work.

The PCAC lineup is: » June 17, Chautauqua Express

» June 24, The Kerfuffles

» July 1, Matt Watroba

» July 8, The Music Lady

» July 15, Nessa » July 22, Mr. Seley & The Troublemakers

» July 29, Chautauqua **Express**

» Aug. 5, The Joel Tacev Show

» Aug. 12, Gemini » Aug. 19, Barbara

Bailey Hutchinson » Aug. 26, Saline Fid-

dlers Philharmonic Prefer Friday night fun? This summer's Music in the Air lineup in Kellogg Park for Friday

evenings includes: » May 29, Julianne Ankley (country)

» June 5, Big Ray & The Motor City Kings (blues, classic rock, soul and Motown) » June 12, The Shawn

Riley Band (Celtic/classic rock) » June 19, Gia Warner

» June 26, Rick K &

The Allnighters (retro rock 'n' roll) » July 3, Lady Sun-

shine & The X Band (rhythm and blues)

» July 17, Cosmic Groove (blues/southern

rock) » July 24, Global Village (classic rock)

» July 31, Mainstreet Soul ('70s disco) » Aug. 7, The Dan

Rafferty Band (dance

music) » Aug.14, Phoenix Theory (classic rock and

dance favorites) » Aug. 21, The Randy Brock Band (classic

rock/blues) » Aug. 28, Magic Bus (psychedelic rock) » Sept. 4, Steve King & The Dittilies (old-time

rock) The Music in the Air Friday concerts are offered by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, with major sponsors Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, John-

son Controls and Hines

Park Lincoln. "Ir's become a very popular series over the years," Plymouth DDA **Director Tony Bruscato** said, noting some 4,000 to 5,000 people attend each Friday. "It's just a great atmosphere. It's a family-

friendly atmosphere.' Some families pack picnics, noted Bruscato, a Canton resident. "It's just a great event. A lot of people end up in our area establishments, whether they be the restaurants or the retail

shops," he said. There is also a Jazz in the Park series in Kellogg Park, July 5, 19 and 26 and Aug. 2, 9, 23 and 30. It will feature free performances by local and regional jazz mu-

sicians.

Pet walk-a-thon benefits Stiggy's Dogs charity

The Michigan Boxer Club is partnering with the Bouvier Club (The Bouvier des Flandres Club of Southeastern Michigan) for the sixth annual pet walk-a-thon May 31 in Milford.

Bring your pooch for a stroll through downtown Milford while helping Brighton-based Stiggy's

Dogs, an organization that rescues and trains shelter dogs to be psychiatric service dogs for military veterans living with post traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

The walk-a-thon runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Milford's Central Park. The walk route leaves Central Park heading north on Main Street. turns west on Commerce, turns south on Cabinet,

east on Liberty and returns to Central Park.

New this year will be some pet demonstrations, including a cart pull at 11 a.m., nose work at 11:30 a.m. and retrieving at noon. Coffee, pop, water and snacks available by donation. No pre-registration is needed and organizers request a \$10 donation. Contact Jeff or Sue Schultz at 248-684-9098 for more information.



HAL GOULD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Sue Schultz stands with Fancy and Jeff Schultz is with Charm at Milford's Central Park. The couple is organizing the pet walk-a-thon.

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tract.

With automated pickup, Rizzo would charge nearly \$1.37 million in the first year of the contract and nearly \$1.42 million by the seventh year.

Trustees Bob Doroshewitz and Chuck Curmi questioned why, with the service model not yet decided, contract approval was being sought months before the current contract expires.

Curmi also questioned why automated pickup cost more than keeping the current system of hand-dumping trash cans and recycling bins.

"My gut feeling right now is status quo," Curmi said. "Keep doing what we're doing at the lowest

Uniform look

Mary Jo Vannatter, representing Rizzo, said

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MATT JACHMAN

Wheeled bins like this one may soon be used for trash and recyclables in Plymouth Township under a new waste hauling contract with Rizzo **Environmental Services. The** bins would have lids of different colors in order to differentiate them.

the lidded bins for automated pickups would give streets a cleaner look on trash day, prevent litter from recyclables being blown out of containers and be easier for some people to wheel to the curbside

compared to bins that now have to be carried. Clerk Nancy Con-

zelman pointed out that Rizzo's bid for automated pickups was lower that other bidders' price for staying with the current model.

Treasurer Ron Edwards said Rizzo needs lead time, ahead of the expiration of the current contract, to order equipment and plan for servicing the the township.

'Rizzo is the low bidder and there are a lot of things we have to get moving," he said.

Voting for the contract were Edwards, Conzelman, Doroshewitz, Supervisor Shannon Price and Trustee Kay Arnold. Curmi voted no.

Township officials are expected to soon launch a survey of residents to help determine service options.

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Band fundraising effort starts on a strong note

Fundraising for the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band's trip to California got off to a strong start May 15 at The Henry Ford.

The Tournament of Roses Gala, organized to raise money to send the award-winning band to the 127th Tournament of Roses parade in Pasedena next January, drew a crowd of about 250 peo-

ple and the auction raised close to \$10,000, said John Stewart, master of ceremonies for the event.

Band boosters are trying to raise \$500,000 to send the more than 200 band members, plus their instruments and props, to Pasedena for the Friday, Jan. 1, parade that accompanies the Rose Bowl. Shipping the

band equipment alone will cost an estimated \$25,000.

Stewart, who got involved with the fundraiser at the behest of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters, said he was struck by the grassroots support shown at the

"I'm totally impressed with the dedication, the involvement," Stewart

said. "This is called pride in your Plymouth-Canton area."

The marching band is made up of students from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools high schools. It last appeared in the Tournament of Roses Parade in 1973; Stewart said that no band from Michigan has appeared in the parade in more than a dozen

Stewart, a former state representative, led a group May 14 to the State Capitol in Lansing that included band director David Armbruster and Tournament of Roses president Mike Matthiessen. There, they met with two local state representatives, Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, and Kristy Pagan, D-

Canton Township.
Other fundraisers are planned, including a Sunday, May 31, golf outing and a Thursday, July 30, "band-o-rama" in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

"It's something that the community and the schools can really rally around," Stewart said.

- By Matt Jachman

Allen, Central school communities say goodbye, celebrate history, good times

By Joanne Maliszewski

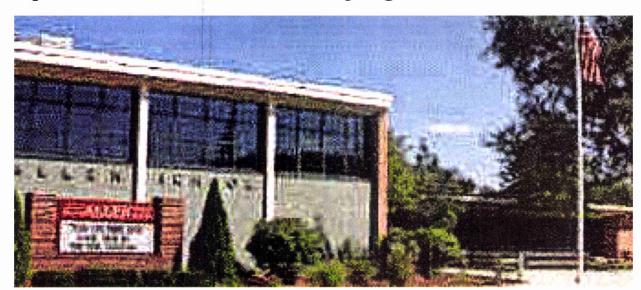
Staff Writer

Alumni, families, friends and current students of Allen Elementary School and Central Middle School will cele-brate the good times as they say goodbye to their schools this weekend.

The Allen school community will say goodbye with a party, sponsored by the school PTO, 5-8 p.m. Friday, May 29. The Central community will do the same with "Celebrating 650 — More Than an Address," starting with a ceremony 3-4 p.m. Saturday, May 30, in Kellogg Park. Following the ceremony, folks will head over to the middle school for fun, music and

games, 4:30-8:30 p.m. In both cases, plenty of students, staff and residents will reminisce about the good times at both longtime Plymouth-Canton Community

Schools buildings. Allen's fate was announced in late 2014, when the P-CCS Board of Education voted to close it due to declining enrollment and other factors. Central, the former Plymouth High School, will close as a school at the end of the current term. The site was purchased



Allen Elementary School.

by Plymouth resident Mark Malcolm for about \$3.2 million on behalf of the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex. PARC plans to remodel parts of it into a community center for the many groups that already use Central for athletic and educational purposes.

Since its announced closing, a decision was made to re-purpose Allen as an early childhood center for the next school year.

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Central Middle School.

Starkweather to hold fundraiser for memorial scholarship

The Starkweather Key Club will host a fundraiser 6-8 p.m. Friday, June 5, at the school, 39750 Joy

Road, in Plymouth to finance a scholarship in memory of Heather Nicole Hill, who died in 2012.



Hill

The fundraiser will offer dinner and refreshments, plus a baked goods sale and a 50/50 raffle, Key Club president and senior Erik Hyde said.

Tickets are \$9 for adults (12 years and older) and \$5 for children ages 2-11. Hyde expects the fundraiser to have a speaker who will talk about Hill and the schol-

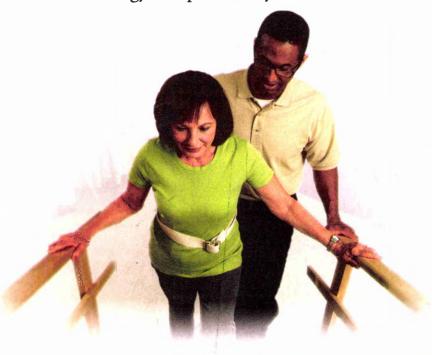
Hill drowned in Belleville Lake in August 2012. Her mom, Dana Cowell, is trying to endow the scholarship in her daughter's name. Hyde said the Key Club fundraiser has a goal of raising \$1,000.

For more information, contact the school at 734-416-4901.

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CANTON PUBLIC SAFETY

Deputy Chief Scott Hilden is flanked by Canton's two newest police officers, Kenneth Montone ande Kenneth

Canton hires two new police officers

With their families and friends watching, two new Canton police officers took their oath of office Monday, May 18, during a swearing-in ceremony at the Canton Administration Building.

The new officers are Ken-

neth Kleszcz and Kenneth Montone.

They have started their new jobs after completing a required 16 weeks of field training led by a police instructor. Now the officers are deemed qualified to work on

their own.

The training is designed to orientate and develop officers, maximizing their potential and giving them the tools needed to make the transition to Canton police officer.

PLYMOUTH CRIME WATCH

Licenses suspended

Two men, one driving 90 mph and the other even faster on freeways in Plymouth Township, were arrested over the Memorial Day weekend for driving with suspended licenses. They were also given speeding tickets.

In the first incident, a 21year-old man was clocked traveling nearly 100 mph on the freeway about 9:30 a.m. Saturday, according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report. Driving a Dodge, he was heading east on M-14 when a township officer monitoring freeway traffic with radar near Beck Road measured the car's speed at 94 mph, police said.

The officer stopped the driver in the area of Haggerty Road, found his license had been suspended and arrested him, police said.

There were two women in the Dodge, one of whom had two warrants out of Redford Township. They were released after police in Redford were informed of the situation. The Dodge was impound-

The second incident occurred shortly after 1 a.m. Monday. An officer on I-275, near Ann Arbor Trail, spotted a northbound vehicle and

more than 85 mph, police said. Radar, however, showed the car, a 2006 Ford Five Hundred, was traveling at 90 mph, police said.

The driver said he had no license and showed the officer his work identification, police said. Police found his license had been suspended 10 times and that he also had outstanding warrants from four communities, including Livonia and Redford. He was arrested.

No license

A 50-year-old man was ticketed for not having a driv-

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CANTON CRIME WATCH

Driver claims gun aimed at her

An Inkster woman claims that another motorist pointed a handgun at her and was driving erratically Monday evening near Geddes and Denton, on Canton's west side. No shots were fired.

The 34-year-old woman, who had children with her, told Canton police that she was driving west on Geddes and noticed a silver Jeep close behind her vehicle. She said the other driver, described as a middle-aged white female, was tailgating her and appeared to be drinking an alcoholic bever-

The Inkster woman reported that, as she approached Denton, she could see in her rear-view mirror that the other driver had pulled out a black handgun and pointed it in her direction several times, a police report said. She said the other woman then drove north on Denton.

The victim told police she wasn't able to get a license plate number before she pulled off the road to notify authori-

Police searched the area, but couldn't find the suspect's

Assault threats

A 17-year-old Canton male reported that his girlfriend's former boyfriend has threatened to assault him.

Police received a call about 11:30 p.m. Friday from the Canton teen, saying he was at his 16-year-old girlfriend's house on Palmer while she was having a phone conversation with her ex-boyfriend - the father of her child, a police report said.

The teen told police the former boyfriend had made threats over the phone. The teen said he spoke with the suspect and told him that he didn't want trouble over the girl who, according to police reports, he has been seeing for two weeks.

The girl told police that her ex-boyfriend can be violent and that he has been making

threats since she began dating someone new. The new boyfriend told police he didn't want to prosecute the case.

Police contacted the suspect, who said the new boyfriend had been antagonizing him. The suspect told police he would cease any contact.

Suspicious man

Canton police went to the Lowe's Home Improvement store on Ford Road, near Sheldon, after employees reported suspicious behavior, a police report said.

Lowe's workers notified police shortly after 7 a.m. Sunday to report what was described as strange behavior by a white man wearing a hooded sweatshirt and carrying a yellow bag.

Police found the 46-year-old man near Ford and Sheldon and conducted a background check on him, learning he had recently been released from a Madison Heights hospital, where he had received psychiatric care.

Police contacted the man's mother, who is his legal guardian, and arranged for her to pick him up.

Fireworks trouble

A report that began as possible gunshots led police to The Crossings, a north-end apartment complex, where police learned the noise was apparently caused by someone setting off fireworks.

Police received a call shortly before 10:30 p.m. May 20 from a woman who thought she had heard gunshots outside her apartment on Nectar. Police arrived and spoke with another resident who said he, too, had heard noise, looked outside and saw a small fire coming from a grassy area where fireworks had been set off, the police report said.

The male resident said it appeared as though the perpetrator was aiming the fireworks at a Dodge Challenger that was parked near the scene. He said he doused the fire with water.

- By Darrell Clem





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Grant to Madonna will help deaf kids communicate better with families

Deaf children and their hearing family members will learn how to better communicate with each other thanks to a \$25,000 grant from The Carls Foundation to support Madonna University's Deaf Family Litera-

cy program.
The grant, presented
to Madonna President Sister Rose Marie Kujawa last week, will cover the cost for families in the Deaf Family Literacy Program to participate in a week-long intensive educational retreat this summer, as well as some staffing, training, travel, supplies and technology costs.

The 38-week, in-home Deaf Family Literacy Program, which involves mentors teaching sign language and literacy skills to hearing parents and deaf children in about a dozen families, has received additional support from Madonna University and from other grants.

Most deaf and hard-ofhearing children have hearing parents and, because of the communication barrier, deaf children often have language delays and enter school



Carls Foundation Executive Director Elizabeth Stieg (seated center) delivered the grant to Madonna University and those involved in the Deaf Family Literacy Program joined her for this photo. Seated with Stieg are Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, Madonna president, and Andrea Nodge, vice president for advancement. Standing (from left): Debbie Mitre-Smith, SLS faculty member; Ernest Nolan, provost and vice president for academic administration; Kathy Stenman, Carls Foundation program officer; and Dan McDougall, director of Madonna's SLS

with limited reading ability. The Deaf Family Literacy program came out of the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy and includes parent education, social/ community events and classes and weekly home visits.

In addition to learning sign language, the program focuses on strategies to help families facilitate reading skill

development so children can be successful in school and beyond. Families with deaf parents and either hearing or deaf children also can benefit from the program.

Daniel McDougall, chair of Sign Language Studies at Madonna, said the program had a waiting list before officials could even advertise it. "It's going to make a

huge difference for children," he said. "Our goal is to make sure parents and siblings can communicate around the dinner table."

Madonna University established its Sign Language Studies program in 1975 and, with its commitment to providing interpreters as needed, enrolled a significant deaf student population within a few years. Today, the program remains the only bachelor's degree program in SLS in Michigan and Madonna is seen as a regional center for deaf activity.

The Carls Foundation, carlsfdn.org, supports children's health care facilities and programs, with emphasis on prevention and treatment of hearing impairment; and recreational, educational and welfare programs for children, especially those disadvantaged for economic and/or health reasons. It also supports preservation of natural areas, open space, historic buildings and areas with natural beauty or significance in America's heritage, through assistance to land trusts, land conservancies and environmental educational programs.

Born in Germany, the foundation's namesake, Bill Carls immigrated to the U.S. in 1924 at age 21. He established the William and Marie Carls Foundation with his wife in 1961 as a way to return benefits to his community and as an expression of his appreciation for the opportunities America afforded him.

Human trafficking topic of workshop

To help bring awareness to the prob-lem of human trafficking, the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth will host a June 5 workshop dedicated to informing the public on this topic.

The event will include a host of speakers representing public service, law en-forcement, legal, clergy and human service, as well as a human trafficking survivor who now freely shares her experiences.

"The event is designed to give attendees a 'real world' look at human trafficking,' organizer the Rev. Carrie Wood said. "It will address the current status/impact of the problem as it exists throughout our region, as well as providing information on common-sense steps laypersons can do to help support its eradication. We really do feel that increased awareness, coupled with public involvement and support from the faithbased community, can help make a difference."

The workshop will take place at the church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, approximately one mile west of the city of Plymouth (one-quarter mile west of Sheldon Road). The event will run from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. A registration donation of \$10 will be collected at the door, which includes lunch.

For more information or to register, contact Wood at stophtnow@yahoo.com.

Johnson

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er's license after a traffic stop Monday night. The man told the arresting officer he had never had a license, police said.

The driver was stopped shortly before 11 p.m. Monday in the area of Ann Arbor Road and I-275 after a patrolling officer noticed a license plate light on the Chevrolet Blazer he was driving was not functioning, a police report said. Because of a medical issue, police ticketed the driver and released him; the Blazer was turned over to a licensed woman who had been a passenger.

Wine, bread shoplifted

A 65-year-old man was ticketed on a shoplifting charge May 19 after carrying a bag of groceries out of the Kroger at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon, police said.

A store employee told police he saw the man put two bottles of wine in a reusable grocery bag,

pass the checkout lines without paying and exit the store shortly after 1 p.m., according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report. The employee confronted the man outside, the report said, and, upon looking into the bag, found it contained more items, including rye bread, apples and a jar of marinade.

Police were called and the suspect cited. The items were returned to the store.

Drunken driving

A 21-year-old woman was arrested on a drunken driving charge early May 10 after telling police she'd had "one beer." then admitting she'd also sipped someone else's

Police also found a partly full bottle of vodka in the car, a police report said. A male passenger claimed the vodka was his; police poured it out.

A test later estimated the woman's blood-alcohol content at 0.10, over the limit at which a driver can be charged with driving while intoxicat-

The woman, driving a Pontiac G8, had been stopped in the area of Main and Ann Arbor Road shortly before 2 a.m. May 10 after a township officer spotted her making a prohibited right turn on a red light from eastbound Ann Arbor Road to southbound man, police said. The passenger was released and picked up by

his mother, police said.

- By Matt Jachman



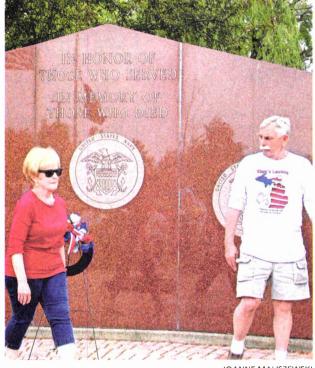
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Jan and Terry Blumberg place a memorial wreath at the Veterans Memorial in Canton. The Blumbergs lost their son, Sgt. Trevor Blumberg, in Iraq in 2003.



Veteran and chaplain Don Dignan provides the opening prayer Monday morning for Plymouth ceremonies.



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Steve Dahms on bagpipes leads the honor guard to begin the Memorial Day ceremony in Plymouth Community Memorial



The Canton Young Marines march in the Memorial Day parade in Plymouth.

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'NEVER FORGET'

Plymouth, Canton remember those who died for freedom

By Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

In Canton, John Spencer read the names of soldiers, beginning with those killed during the Civil War through the present. A few hours earlier, Steve Monaghan urged the crowds gath-ered at the Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial to remember soldiers' sacrifices and to never forget the price of freedom.

"War has its casualties and its ugliness," Monaghan, a veteran, said Monday morning following the annual parade down Main Street. Again, he asked those at the Memorial Day service in Plymouth to "realize the

riches of freedom." In both communities Memorial Day, ceremony leaders and participants were reminded of the sacrifice made by service men and women and, as Spencer, president of VVA Chapter 528, pointed out, "The attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, remind



JOANNE MALISZEWSKI Veteran Mike McMahon provides a reading of "Freedom Isn't

us that this sacrifice is not limited to our service men and women, but to our police officers, firefighters and ordinary citizens."

Free" during Canton's ceremony.

Patriotic songs and poems, such as In Flanders Fields, as recited by Jerry Thomason in Canton, and a presidential speech, The Gettysburg Address, reminded residents Monday of the

sacrifice made by soldiers and the freedoms they died protecting.

As Vietnam veteran Sgt. Dennis Bielskis stood to provide his keynote address, rain began to fall, but in deference to those gathered in Plymouth, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools graduate shortened his comments.

Monaghan in Ply-



Girl Scouts, Brownies and Boy Scouts marched the parade route in Plymouth.

mouth urged residents, particularly the younger generation, to never forget the poor treatment

of veterans coming home from Vietnam and to remain dedicated to treating all returning

soldiers with respect and welcoming arms.

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Canton library summer reading kicks off soon

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Michelle Neuwirth Gray and her fellow children's librarians at the Canton Public Library always look forward to summer.

"It's a good time," Neuwirth Gray said of summer reading programs at the CPL, where she's worked almost eight years. "I enjoy my time with the kids."

She added summer reading for kids is fun and also keeps school skills sharp for children.

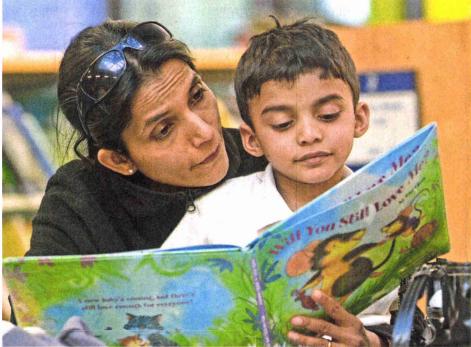
"Connect Your Summer" sign-up begins June 1 at the CPL on Canton Center Road and librarians are eager to match up children, and those of all ages, with great books. Fun activities for youth, tween, teen and adult patrons are scheduled for summer.

"The nice thing about reading in the summer is kids get to pick what they want to read," said Neuwirth Gray, in her profession about 10 years. "It reminds the kids that reading is fun.

"My mom always let me read what I wanted to read," she added, noting that fostered her love of books. "We don't want reading to be a chore, we want it to be fun and exciting.'

Program organizers invite you to join them from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, June 15, in the Community Room for the 2015 Connect Your Summer reading program kick-off celebration. Patrons of all ages are encouraged to stop in and learn about this year's badges and the ways to earn them. Staff will be on hand to explain all the ways to win exciting prizes. Activities will happen throughout the day, including:

» Decorate your own tote bag to carry your summer reading library



Swathi Bangera reads "Will You Still Love Me?" by Carol Roth, to her son, Neel Bangera. Kids will flock to the Canton Public Library this summer for reading fun and related programs.

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"It's one of the biggest participation programs that we do all year," said Laurie Golden, the CPL's department head for community relations. "Canton people are definitely readers. We are really giving people opportunities to explore all aspects of the library. For many families, it's their fun thing to do over

the summer.' The Friends of the Canton Public Library support the program, Golden said, making it free for participants.

Neuwirth Gray said, "Some kids are much more tied to their comfort zone than others" on books. She and colleagues encourage children to give new things a try, especially in sum-

The story times can move outdoors in summer, she said. "I know we look forward to it. It's just so nice to get out. How relaxing and fun that is," Neuwirth Gray

"We are a very wellloved and well-supported library. We are lucky,' she added. "They use their library, that's for sure. It's so wonderful."

Golden said last summer CPL patrons earned more than 5,860 badges online. Animal Lover was the most popular badge, followed by the Around the World badge, she said. Organizers provide options for patrons to read, use an electronic resource or attend a program/participate in an activity to earn a badge, but the largest percentage of badges were earned by reading.

Organizers distributed 10,000 activity sheets across the 12 badges, Golden said.

Neuwirth Gray is expecting her first child in July. "I will definitely bring her up to the library," she said, adding their story times start with newborns. "We always encourage reading even to the very young. A parent is your very

first literacy teacher." Canton residency isn't required for the all-ages program. Badges must be claimed online to be eligible for prize drawings. You can get going by creating an account at www.cantonpl.org/cpl/ register. Then you should click over to the Connect Your Summer 2015 link for badge details

There are three badge paths:

» Super Bookworm: Read to earn each of the 12 badges and get a bonus Super Bookworm

» On the Scene: Attend



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Azza Tulba, Myar Tulba, Kareem Bashir and Nihal Osman take advantage of the Canton Public Library.

a library program or participate in a CPL activity for each of the 12 badges and get a bonus On the Scene badge.

» e-Lectrified Path: Use electronic media such as e-books, audiobooks, videos and others to earn each of the 12 badges and get the related bonus badge.

Those who earn a badge on all three paths will get a Mega badge and be entered in a drawing. If you earn all 36 badges, you will receive

a Super Mega Ultra badge and an entry into that drawing.

Offline participation is fine, too, and those participants should submit one completed Super Bookworm log for entry into the prize drawing.

A variety of fun programs for varied ages will take place June through August as part of Connect Your Summer. Details are online at www.cantonpl.org.

The Canton library's phone is 734-397-0999.

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Summer reading fun to kick off at Plymouth library

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Summer is busy but fun at the Plymouth District Library as young readers - and those of all ages — dig into new books.

Carol Champagne, department head for youth services, said the "Read to Me" program and summer reading program for ages 5-8 are always popular. The second program she referenced is generally for independent readers.

"But we play it loose," she said. "They can read some and listen to some. It's all about feeling good about reading.'

The PDL also offers in summer an "Edge" program for kids 9-12, as well as teen and adult programs. Champagne recently attended a conference where a speaker emphasized pleasure reading.

"It just reinforced everything I ever believed," she said. "It's all good. The feelings engendered by reading something they want to read are way more important.'

She sympathizes with teachers under pressure now. "They have to be so focused on teaching for the test," Champagne said. In summer, having freedom to pick books or to reread them is vital,



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Summer reading for kids combines fun time with learning. Librarians encourage children to explore new interests and read what they like.

she said.

"They really drove it home that fun is most important at this age,' she said of her conference. Extensive research shows summertime (and all-year) pleasure reading boosts children's and teens' academic skills.

June 1 begins sign-up

at the library for summer reading, either at the library, 223 S. Main, or online at www.plymouth library.org. A variety of programs at the library will add to the fun. "Ev-

this year's theme. From 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the

ery Hero Has a Story" is

PDL there will be an open house for youth participants and their families. "We'll have all kinds of fun things for them," Champagne said, listing karaoke, crafts and a scavenger hunt that day. Registration is needed for summer reading, but you can just show up for the open house, being done differently this year due to ongoing library construc-

The summer fun continues for each age group with a variety of programs at the library. Plymouth residency isn't required to participate.

"I hope to see every-

body in the library this summer," Champagne said, adding 1,449 kids participated last year, not counting teen or adult programs. The Friends of the PDL support the program each summer, making it free to participants.

Champagne finds fantasy books remain popular with kids, but are morphing into fantasy-mystery. "We still see an awful lot of non-fiction being read," she said. "For some kids, that is their pleasure read-

She added, "When I retire, it's going to be a shock to my system to

know what summer is. But it is a lot of fun" at the library when young readers descend. "I look forward to it.

She and colleagues are thrilled when a child loves a suggested book and comes back for more. "Nothing makes me happier than that. It just validates everything we do here in the library," Champagne said.

Even reluctant young readers can find something to suit them. "I guarantee, it's here. You just have to keep working and have faith, Champagne said.

Kids will have the incentive of prizes, like free skating at Skatin' Station or Dairy King gift cards, as they continue their summer reading. Major prizes for drawings are Kindle e-readers and a four-pack admission to Cedar Point.

She added the library has many computers and librarians can help if you're stymied by online sign-up. Edge kids will keep an online log of books read.

Susan Stoney, PDL community relations specialist, said the library construction is on schedule and its main entrance should be open the third week of June. "We do want people to know absolutely we're open," Stoney said. She agreed summer reading

is both fun and popular

with patrons.

"People like to read," Stoney said. "There's the family tradition of coming to the library in the summer. People have a little more time to do these things and they enjoy it."

The teen program and adult program also are popular each summer at the PDL. Starting June 11, teens will meet for programs, read and and redeem points for "cool stuff."

The adults can: » Play Library Bingo, exploring library resources and reading various genres for prizes like Penn Theatre tickets. Bingo sheets will be at the library or online at www.plymouth

library.org.

» Maintain an online summer reading log online for prizes; read five books of your choice and stop by the library for your prize. Adult readers are welcome to post book reviews. Reading for this runs through Aug. 10 and your online account can be created at www.plymouth

library.org. The library's phone is 734-453-0750. Registration for individual programs throughout the summer will be at the Youth Services Desk or by phone, to help with planning.

Retiring Madonna University president honored at reception

Well-wishers lined up to congratulate Madonna University President Sister Rose Marie Kujawa on a job well done during a retirement reception held in her honor May 20 at Laurel Manor.

Kujawa is retiring June 30 after 14 years at

She will be succeeded July 1 by Madonna's first lay president, Dr. Michael

A. Grandillo, a consultant with the Registry for College and University Presidents who most recently has served as interim vice president at St. Mary's (Md.) College.

During Kujawa's leadership, the Livonia university's retention improved by 8 percent, its first doctoral program was launched and Madonna became the first independent university in Michigan to be awarded the Community Engagement Classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. She led more than \$40 million in campus improvements, including construction of the school's first standalone building in 40 years

and Livonia's first LEED

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Her commitment to academics resulted in the growth of academic programs to 100 undergraduate and 35 graduate offerings and her dedication to serving others compelled her to establish the Haiti Educational Leadership Program, which graduated its first eight students in May



PHOTOGRAPHER Sister Rose Marie Kujawa is honored for her service to Madonna

University.



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Home Instead Senior Care encourages regular meals with elderly

Glenna Yaroch, owner of Livonia-based Home Instead Senior Care, is on a mission to see more families share sit-down Sunday dinners with their senior loved ones. The reason? New research shows that 50 percent of surveyed families living near senior relatives feel they do not share enough meals with older loved ones, losing an important family connection.

"For seniors, it's not what's on their plate that matters most at mealtime it's who is at the table with them," said Yaroch, whose business serves western Wayne County. "When seniors share meals with a companion. they have a better mealtime experience - both nutritionally and emotionally."

Home Instead Inc. completed surveys Feb. 10-15 with a random sample of 1,000 households in the U.S. and Canada. Participants were 50 percent male and 50 percent female, with 900 households in the U.S.

and 100 in Canada. Almost 75 percent of the people surveyed said they only sit down for a family meal with senior loved ones for special occasions, events or holidays. They say a big part of the problem is time both not having enough of it and conflicting schedules.

To encourage families to make time for these meals, the Home Instead Senior Care Foundation will donate \$1 to Meals on Wheels America (up to \$20,000 total through July 31) for each person who commits to regularly scheduling family dinners at Sunday

DinnerPledge.com. Pledging to have a sitdown dinner with loved ones will help to ensure other seniors will have a quality meal through the Meals on Wheels pro-

"We hope families will make the pledge to either revive or begin new mealtime traditions with their senior loved ones," Yaroch said. "This small commitment can have a big impact on a senior's well-being.'

To help families across the country host their own Sunday dinner, Home Instead Senior Care has partnered with celebrity chef and mother of four Melissa d'Arabian to develop easy, nutritious recipes.

For these free resources and more information on how you can bring back the Sunday dinner and reconnect with your senior loved ones, go to www.SundayDinner Pledge.com or call Home Instead Senior Care at 734-525-5300.

School board rates Harmala as highly effective leader

By Sue Mason Staff Writer

Almost a year to the day of her selection, Wayne-Westland Superintendent Michele Harmala found out how well she is doing at the helm of the state's 14th largest school district.

The school board rated Harmala as highly effective, giving her an overall comprehensive rating of 93.10 percent for the 2014-15 school year based on her performance in 11 different categories. Those categories included her relationship with the school board, community relations, staff relationships, business and finance, education relationship and student growth and achievement.

"We couldn't be more fortunate to have her as superintendent," board President Thomas Buckalew said in announcing the results of the evaluation, completed May 11. "These are extraordinarily challenging times. Consistent, competent and strong lead-

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ership is the backbone to successful organizations. Dr. Harmala has shown her devotion to the job and understanding of what is best for the students of this district. She is deeply committed and exhibits her dedication to this district on a daily basis."

"Everywhere we go, we hear nothing but great things," board Treasurer Shawna Walker said. "We're blessed to have her. She brings great things to our school

The board voted unanimously to approve the evaluation. Harmala is in the first year of a threeyear contract and received a one-year extension based on her evaluation. Based on law, she also was entitled to \$5,000 in merit pay for being rated highly effective; however, in recognition of the district's financial condition, she opted not to accept it and 'allow the district to retain the bonus," Bucka-

lew said. "I'm not surprised with your decision that's the kind of person you are," Buckalew said.

"I admire Dr. Harmala for making that decision," Trustee Charles "Trav" Griffin said. "The board did not ask her to do this. When we get back in bargaining, it's important that we show that any money we have we share together top

dealing with

"Thank you for not joining us, but leading us," Trustee Sally Madison said. "You are an excellent leader."

The release of the

results of the evaluation came one year after the board voted unanimously to hire Harmala as superintendent to replace Greg Baracy, who retired after 17 years as the district's top administrator. She came from the Farmington Public Schools, where she had been the associate superintendent for instructional services and organizational leadership.

"The fit has to go both ways," Harmala said. "As much as you say it has been a good fit for you, it has been a good fit for me."

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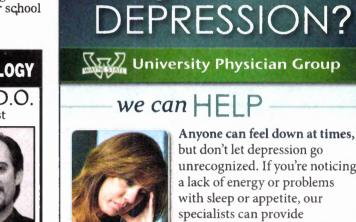
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Leah's legacy: Children's book honors girl who fought cancer

Leah James loved the color purple, Nemo and storybooks. She was also well-known for her contagious smile and the phrase "my heart is happy," even when she was fighting cancer at age 4.

Nearly 10 years after the Livonia preschooler lost her battle to an inoperable brain tumor, she has inspired a children's book designed to help other families like hers cope with a cancer diagnosis at the University of Michigan's C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

Wings of Courage, produced by U-M's Department of Neurosurgery, will be given to all pediatric cancer patients at Mott and is also available on Amazon, with proceeds funding the book's redistribution at the hospital. Wings of



Family photo from 2004 with mom Karen, dad Phil, Leah and sister Kylie.

Courage was created thanks to a \$15,000 donation from the Livoniabased foundation created in Leah's memory, Leah's Happy Hearts.

'One of the hardest parts about having your child diagnosed with an

illness is feeling isolated," said Karen James, Leah's mother. "You tend to notice all the healthy families and children around you and feel like you are the only one going through something

"We hope this book inspires hope in children fighting cancer as well as their families and helps them feel less alone. Even through radiation treatments, Leah expressed joy and showed far more courage than we could have ever imagined. We hope to share her beautiful, cheerful, kind spirit through this story and that it helps other children find courage, too."

While the book is fictional and not Leah's story, she inspired the main character "Leah," who is learning to be strong and brave while fighting a brain tumor. When her butterfly at school seems scared to fly away, she shares the story of how she finds courage when she is scared, helping the butterfly spread its wings and take flight for the journey ahead. The book was written by Northville third-grade teacher Sue Beth Balash, who has had students with cancer in her classes.

Former U-M School of Art and Design student Ellen Nelson created the illustrations in Wings of Courage and the book was published by U-M Publishing. It will be sold at a retail value of \$9.99.

"The innocence and honesty of children are only matched by their resilience and ability to thrive even under the most adverse of circumstances," says Karin Muraszko, M.D., F.A.C.S., chair of the U-M Medical School's Department of Neurosurgery. "Wings of Courage will help children, parents, family members and caregivers have a meaningful dialogue about how to support a child who is battling a serious illness. It will confirm the amazing optimism within children and inspire hope for tomorrow.'

Wings of Courage goes on sale May 28, two days before the annual 5K Family Fun Walk in Northville benefiting Leah's Happy Hearts, a nonprofit founded by the James family that funds brain cancer research and support for kids with brain cancer. The May 30 walk will be at Maybury State Park in Northville; registration starts at 9 a.m.

For more about Wings of Courage, go to mottchildren.org/ wingsofcourage.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Sunday,

Location: Village Arts Factory, 50625 Cherry Hill Road, Canton Details: The Partnership for the Arts and Humanities needs volunteers to help prepare the



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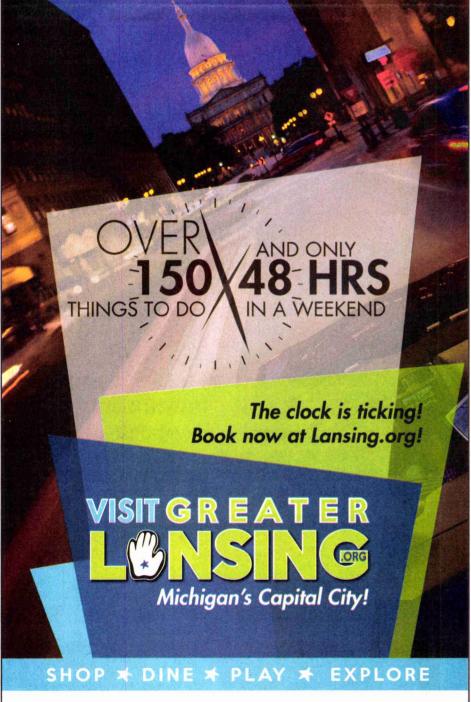
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Oakwood Healthcare partnership makes career transition possible

Emily Dyer stepped off of a plane from Hong Kong on May 18 and into a classroom May 22

The 34-year-old Dearborn resident is a paramedic and, through a partnership between Oakwood Healthcare nursing and Lansing Community College, she will be one of seven students to take part in the inaugural year-long accelerated program to move from paramedic to becoming a registered

"I like practicing medicine and this program is one way for me to help people and broaden my options for providing patient care," she said. The idea came more

than three years ago, when executive nursing leaders at Oakwood were brainstorming ways to increase the pool of nurses in the emergency



EMS personnel John Kalisz (from left), firefighter/paramedic; Robert Bruley, ENG, paramedic; Sgt. Thomas Gross, paramedic; Dr. Allan Lamb; Kelerin Lewis, firefighter/paramedic; Sgt. Bradley Myles, paramedic; and Lt. Michael Clark, paramedic, tend to patients.

departments. Oakwood identified Lansing Community College as a partner, as it had a specialized one-year non-traditional track for an accelerated

RN nursing degree.

The program was individualized for Oakwood employees and for those employed by Healthlink, the community emergency medical service joint venture between Oakwood and Botsford Hospital.

"There's a need for more emergency nurses program locally to our own employees just made sense," said Joanne Mc-Kay, administrator of clinical services, Oakwood Healthcare. "Nursing is an excellent career and this program opens up an endless set of career options within the nursing field for the candidates.

"We're thrilled to have been able to facilitate including our employees in this novel program, and we look forward to their continuing commitment to our health care system in the future," she added.

The program is designed for Oakwood/ Healthlink licensed practical nurses, respiratory therapists and paramedics who meet licensure and work experience

criteria. "This program will

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Fowler

help us to enlarge the number of qualified nurses in the emergency departments and critical care areas throughout Oakwood," said Sandra Schmitt, manager of nursing development and clinical outreach, Oakwood Healthcare. "It's a great opportunity for employees who had considered nursing, but couldn't travel to Lansing to complete the training.

The classes and clinical sessions meet for three semesters, beginning with a 10-week summer session and continuing through fall and spring semesters. Portions of the face-to-face, online and clinical courses will take place at Oakwood.

To find out more about Oakwood's nursing program, go to www.oakwood.org/nursing.

Help veterans

The Canton location of Bagger Dave's Burger Tavern wants to thank veterans for their service and will collect donated travel-size toiletries in its Random Acts of Dave, through May 30.

The restaurant has teamed with the Salvation Army to help support hospitalized veterans in metro Detroit. Staff and customers are encouraged to visit nine of the restaurant's participating locations and provide donations. The items will be donated to the nonprofit's partner agencies that serve local veterans

"Our team members are grateful for the service of our military and want to thank them on this important holiday," Bagger Dave's CEO Michael Ansley said. "At a time when the nation pauses to remember those who serve us, we also invite the entire

community to join us in donating items to support and comfort our veter-

Bagger Dave's is collecting the following new, unopened travel-sized items: toothpaste, soap, body wash, shampoo, plastic combs, hairbrushes, deodorant, new socks, hand sanitizer, lip balm and mouthwash.

Canton's Bagger Dave's is at 2234 N. Canton Center.

New map

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce has partnered with NovoPrint USA to update the official area map. This detailed map is free to consumers and is expected to help with the community's continuing marketing and promotion

The full-color, multimedia map will provide chamber members an affordable opportunity to promote their business, while showing their support for the community.

The map will be in print and online in an interactive format that will be linked to the chamber website. The online map is Googleintegrated with driving directions and printable PDF files

To see the interactive map, go to www.1001-map.com/Map/Plymouth.

Maps will be distributed throughout the area and will include a QR Code for easy access to the mobile version. Additionally, laminated wall maps will also be available for placement in businesses. Member sponsors will be represented in print, online and display exposure all for the price of one advertisement.

Two Men help First

More than 3,000 personal care items were cent Movers for Moms campaign, led by Two

Men and A Truck north Wayne franchise in partnership with the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and four Ply-

mouth-Canton business,

including Fractured

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Prune Doughnuts. The items were delivered May 7 to First Step in time for Mother's Day.

Resident top star

Plymouth Township resident Rod Fowler was one of two Huron Valley Ambulance employees honored as the 2015 Stars

Star of Life recipients are honored for their dedication, adherence to

ideals of the EMS profession and exemplary performance.

Fowler

was honored May 19 at the EMS Recognition Awards by Emergent Health Partners, HVA's parent company.

Although he has only been with HVA for the past three years, Fowler exemplifies what it means to be an excellent team member. He has a strong work ethic, meets challenges head-on and is not afraid to go above and beyond the call of duty. Combine this with his positive attitude and problem solving approach and you have the kind of person that every leader would want on their team.

"Rod has excellent clinical skills and a compassionate bedside manner. He not only takes care of patients, but spends extra time and effort to keep the patient's family informed about what he is doing and why," HVA Vice President Paul Hood

Monroe Bank recognized with award for its savings promotions

On May 20, Monroe Bank and Trust, which has branches in Plymouth, Canton and Northville, received the America Saves Designation of Savings Excellence for Banks, a new designation from America Saves that recognizes banks that went above and beyond to encourage people to save money during America Saves Week.

This is the first year America Saves has offered the designation.

By focusing on the America Saves campaign's initiative to increase awareness on saving money throughout the month of February and year round, MBT promoted saving to youth and young families in several ways. A student essay contest was held throughout 27 of MBT's participating Partnership In Education schools in which they asked what saving money actually means from a student's point of view. Winning essays from each elementary school won a pair of passes to enjoy the Splash Universe indoor water park in Dundee. More than 27 pairs of passes were awarded, along with other prizes for the winning essays.

MBT also hosted an open house at its main office, where it brought in representatives from Banker Jr., a new financial literacy mobile application. Banker Jr. is MBT's free iPhone, Android and tablet app using interactive, age-appropriate games to teach chil-



Pictured are the award winners for banks, which included Monroe Bank & Trust, M&T Bank, New York Community Bank, First Citizens Bank, BancorpSouth, The First, a National Banking Association, TS Bank, First State Bank of St. Charles, Mo., VisionBank and Torrington Savings Bank.



This is the first year that America Saves has offered the designation of Savings **Excellence for Banks.**

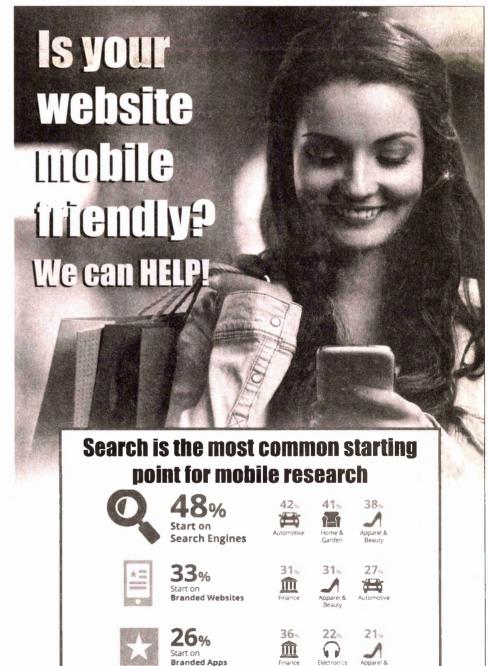
dren simple concepts related to money and

New games are added throughout the year to keep the app fresh and engaging. Parents download and have control of Banker Jr. The app does not link directly to bank accounts for added security. Parents can download Banker Jr. on their cellphones or tablets simply by searching "Monroe Bank & Trust" or "MBT" in the Google Play or Apple App Store.

"We are proud to be able to provide this free new interactive tool that extends financial literacy efforts outside the classroom, teaching children money concepts and budgeting principles," MBT President & CEO Doug Chaffin said.

A "build your own backpack" station was created for children to gather lesson plans and newsletters on financial education to discuss at home with their families. Games, prizes and refreshments were all on hand in support of this fun afternoon open house. "Students see the need to save money for their future and we are encouraging them by giving practical ways to do that," MBT Financial Education Officer Jennifer Tucker

MBT, one of nine banks throughout the country receiving this designation, was recognized at the America Saves National Savings Forum and received a **Designation of Savings** Excellence seal for its website.



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OUR VIEW

Watch out for motorcyclists during summer

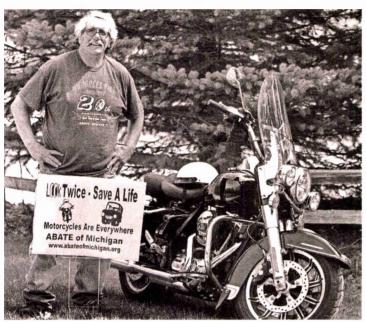
The Oakland County Sheriff's Office reported a fatal motorcycle accident in Rochester Hills during the Memorial Day weekend. A preliminary investigation indicated the victim crossed the center line and collided with an oncoming vehicle.

According to the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning, there were almost 300,000 accidents in Michigan last year. Of those, 2,860 involved motorcycles.

For those on motorcycles, the safety trend falls in their favor. Data show the number of accidents involving motorcycles has declined each of the past two years. Last year, there were 3,114 such accidents and 3,510 the year prior. Such accidents are at the lowest level in a decade.

Local numbers are similar. Motorcycle crashes in Wayne County have declined in the past few years and are at the lowest levels in more than a decade. There were 410 reported in 2014. In Oakland County. there were 258 motorcycle-related crashes last year, down from the previous two years, but slightly higher than five years ago.

But while motorcycles are a small part of accidents in the state, the percentage of fatal accidents is much larger in-



HAL GOULD I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Milford resident Vince Consiglio is president of American Bikers Aiming Toward Education, or ABATE, of Michigan

volving such vehicles. There were 806 fatal accidents reported in Michigan last year. Of those, 105 involved motorcycles. Oakland County saw eight fatal motorcycle accidents last year; Wayne had 12.

It's the fewest motorcyclerelated deaths in the state since 2009, another welcome trend, but something we'd like to see continue to improve.

If those numbers are to continue to drop, says ABATE of Michigan (American Bikers Aiming Toward Education), it's going to take increased awareness of everyone on the road to make that happen.

National Highway **Traffic Safety Administration** reports that 62 percent of motorcycle fatalities occur between May and September.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month, time at the beginning of motorcycle season, to remind everyone that not all drivers on the road are cruising on four wheels. Motorcycle riders can be harder to spot on the road. And in an accident, those motorcycles and their drivers are no match for cars and trucks.

In an era where there's a good chance you'll see the driver in the next lane on a cellphone, here are some reminders from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on how to minimize potential accidents with motorcyclists.

» Allow the motorcycle the full width of a lane at all times. » Always signal when changing lanes or merging with traffic.

» If you see a motorcycle with a signal on, be careful: Motorcycle signals are often non-canceling and could have been forgotten. Always ensure that the motorcycle is turning before proceeding.

» Check all mirrors and blind spots for motorcycles before changing lanes or merging with traffic, especially at intersections.

» Always allow more follow distance - three to four seconds - when behind a motorcycle. This gives them more time to maneuver or stop in an emergency.

» Never drive distracted or impaired.

It's not just the casual driver that needs to watch out. It's a two-way street for safety. Those on motorcycles need to remember that they are in the minority, and as a seasonal vehicles many drivers "forget" about them. Bikers must remain vigilant, watching out not only for themselves, but everyone else around them while on the road.

Motorcyclists can increase their safety by following these tips from the NHTSA:

» Always wear long pants and closed-toed shoes.

» Wear a DOT-compliant helmet and other protective

» Obey all traffic laws and be properly licensed.

» Use hand and turn signals

every lane change or turn. » Wear brightly colored clothes and reflective tape to

increase visibility. » Ride in the middle of the lane where you will be more visible to drivers.

» Never ride distracted or impaired.

Everyone can play a part in getting those motorcycle accident numbers to stabilize and, hopefully, decrease. Awareness is the first step.

LETTERS

Do right thing

When Mr. Price assumed the role of supervisor in April, he told us that there would be changes, including re-introducing respect for the public and greater transparency.

Well, it's only been two meetings and we're back to business as usual. He has shown himself to be part of the same voting block that's made up of Ron Edwards, Nancy Conzelman,

Kay Arnold and Michael Kelly. This block has infuriated Plymouth Township taxpayers for more than two years and continues to do so. Price could have stopped Edwards from berating a citizen at a recent meeting and failed to do so. Moreover, the "special meeting" of April 30 didn't have much purpose, especially as the township board moves ahead with its decision to build a totally unnecessary pavilion.

Price had a chance to demonstrate leadership right out of the gate, but he stumbled instead. It's time to "break the block" around Edwards and insist that Price do the right thing and repre ent the citizens of this community

.en Garner Plymouth Township

Deja vu — again

I see where the U.S. Senate passed the new Asian Free Trade bill, over the objections of our Sens. Stabenow and Peters. Unbelievably, President Obama is on board with this monstrosity. I love the man, but he is 100-percent wrong on this

Reading about this bill gave me a case of deja vu all over again. Former President Clinton, at the behest of business leaders and Republicans, signed off on the North America Free Trade Act. NAFTA turned out to be the worst trade bill signed in modern history. Ross Perot, at the time, said, "The great sucking sound you hear will be our manufacturing jobs leaving this country." That is exactly what happened when hundreds of plants closed and reopened south of the border.

Now, incredibly, this AFT bill will have the same effect. One section refers to providing money to help our workers after they lose their jobs. They know what the bill will do to our labor force and still pass it. Corporate money sure buys a lot of votes.

I once heard that a country that makes nothing, is nothing. Sadly, that's where we are headed.

But on the bright side, when we finally go to war with China, they can make the arms our troops need at a cheap price.

James Huddleston

Colbeck does homework

Mr. Dubanik is expressing his true feelings on positions taken by state Sen. Patrick Colbeck. I, along with a room filled to capacity March 20 at the Livonia Senior Center, met with the senator.

We discussed your concerns and the senator answered many questions. The responses were not always to our satisfaction, but they were direct and supported by documentation.

Sen. Colbeck has done his homework, unlike Rep. Pelosi, who had not read the ACA, and Sen. Reid, who blocked full discussion of issues on the Senate floor, or the recent candidate for governor of Michigan, who had no plans for the future of our state.

Sen. Colbeck has regular meetings with constituents to help them develop better understanding of his ideas.

Orville H. Kappen

Tourney a boon to **Canton, Plymouths**



CHRISTOPHER GUDDECK

The 33rd annual Canton Cup tourney this past weekend was expected to draw an estimated 40,000 people from across the Midwest and Canada. The event, started by Canton Supervisor Phil LaJoy, has put the Canton-Plymouth area on the map and is a boost to the local economy. Here, Cooper Nieunstadt of the Plymouth Reign kicks the ball during a

GUEST COLUMN

It's time to open our minds and end stigma in Michigan

Decades ago, people suf-

institutionalized. Today, things

fering from mental health

issues were sent away and

are better, but stigmatizing

beliefs still lead to discrimi-

nation in the housing market,

in employment, in education

against those with the disease.

issues are more likely to be the

It's time to change the per-

spective and ensure that peo-

and often lead to violence

People with mental health

victim of a crime than the

perpetrator.

By Brian Calley, Tom Watkins and Andrea Cole

Guest Columnists

ay is Mental Health Awareness Month. This is a perfect time for us to join forces as Michiganders to combat stigma and support persons with mental health issues on their road to

If we join forces, from the state and local level, from the rural and urban parts of our great state, Republicans and Democrats, together we can help eradicate the stigma that prevents far too many persons in our state from seeking help. Mental health is just as important as physical health and impacts every ZIP code in Michigan. This is only complicated by the stigma associated with it.

While one in four adults will experience a mental health issue in a given year, only about two-thirds of those people will seek treatment. It's an

unfortunate state of affairs that people often avoid treatment due to societal shame and stigma. The fear of prejudice and being ostracized by family, co-workers and friends leads many with treatable mental health issues to conceal their conditions. The fear of being shunned is a heavy weight to cast aside as one battles a serious mental health issue. We are committed to improving the lives and quality of health care for individuals living and dealing with these issues.

ganders, with and without mental health issues, to speak out and break the cycle of shame and stigma that impedes recovery. Imagine having cancer, diabetes or high blood pressure and being afraid to tell someone about it for fear of society's reaction. Mental health issues are not something to be ashamed of. They are diseases of the brain that are not in a person's con-

It is important for Michi-

ple with mental health issues receive the safety, quality treatment, respect, understanding and a pathway to recovery they definitely de-The difficulty of dealing with mental health issues does not need to be compounded by society's misunderstanding of

its causes. Yet beliefs still persist that those with mental ĥealth issues are inherently dangerous, untrustworthy, hopeless or irreparable. These generalizations are contrary to the evidence. In fact, some of humanity's most beloved contributors and today's celebrities and have been touched by mental health issues - Albert Einstein, Abraham Lincoln, Michelangelo, Buzz Aldrin, Princess Diana, Catherine Zeta

Everyone deserves the opportunity to recover. With the

Jones, Beyoncé and Robin

Williams.

proper diagnosis, treatment and support, a productive and satisfying life is possible. But those burdened by stigma and shame come to believe the myths about mental health issues and are left hopeless and as if the disease was their

The Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority recently partnered with the Ethel and James Flinn Foundation, a Michigan-based foundation dedicated to improving mental health treatment, to produce an educational television documentary titled Opening Minds, Ending Stigma.

The documentary sheds light on the varying perspec-tives of those affected by mental health issues from all walks of life. This documentary will help to educate communities, as ignorance makes it easier for society to blame persons with diseases of the brain and prevent them from obtaining the treatment and support they

We all have a role to play when it comes to ending stigma. By increasing our awareness of mental health, we can create a world where people with these diseases feel safe. You can expand your awareness by tuning in to Opening Minds, Ending Stigma, which is available by going to www.dwmha.com or www.flinnfoundation.org to watch it.

Awareness is the first step toward changing behavior. Think before you mock someone with a mental health issue or consider them flawed, weak and unworthy of assistance. You can help spread awareness and positively impact the way we view our family members, neighbors and friends that have mental health issues. Coming together on this issue will certainly impact our community's health.

If you or someone you know needs help with a mental health issue, intellectual/developmental disability or substance use disorder, call the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority crisis line at 800-241-4949.

Together, we can eradicate stigma and help those with mental health issues live productive lives.

Brian Calley is Michigan's lieutenant

governor and serves as the co-chair of the Michigan Mental Health and Wellness Commission. Andrea Cole is executive of director of the Detroit-based Ethel & James Flinn Foundation and is dedicated to improving the quality and scope of mental health services available. Tom Watkins is president and CEO of the Detroit Wavne Mental Health Authority. He has served the residents of Michigan as state superintendent of schools and state mental health director. Watkins can be reached at tdwatkins88@gmail.com and follow on Twitter: tdwatkins88.

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69th Annual Festa della Repubblica

At The Italian American Cultural Society Banquet & Conference Center Sunday, June 7, 2015

On Sunday, June 7, 2015, the Council of Presidents, COMITES, and the Italian American Cultural Society, in cooperation with over 22 Italian Clubs and Associations, are pleased to announce the celebration of the 69th annual Festa della Repubblica commemorating the birth of the Italian Republic. Our Special Guest speaker for this event will be Mr. Anthony Rugiero, restaurateur. Our young special guests are Ms. Ylenia Bonni and Mr. Damiano Alloggia

Anthony Rugiero Philanthropist Entrepreneur Guest Speaker



Anthony Rugiero was into a family understands the value of hard work and commitment. He s proud to be part of a first generation Italian American family that fundamental values beliefs given to him by his parents, Antonio Sr. and Enrica (Rita) Rugiero. When his father passed in 2008, Anthony was proud to step in as president of the original Roman Village Cucina Italiana in Dearborn along with Antonio's Corporation, which now operates five growing restaurants; Antonio's Cucina Italiana in Dearborn Heights, Canton & Farmington Hills Antonios Piccolo in Livonia. Anthony believes it is structure and family great food along with a modern-day business plan that makes for Receiving success. numerous awards over the past 50 years, none is more important than a



Frank Stella passes the torch to Anthony Rugiero

customer's compliment of the great food prepared just like mom used to make.

However, it is family and faith that remains a priority. People say his love for family is Grande. Anthony and his beautiful wife have been married for 15 years, and they have four children, two boys and two girls. Despite a busy schedule, he enjoys spending time coaching his oldest son's hockey team, attending school events, spending quality time with his wife and family. Anthony and his family embrace traditional values attending church on Sunday, ensuring that their children understand the importance of honor, honesty, and tradition especially tradition, sharing in holidays and



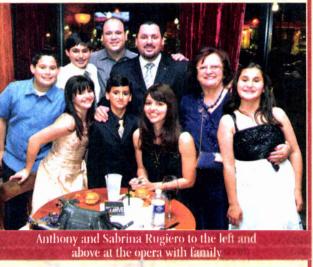
celebrations with his brothers and extended family.

It does not stop there, even with his busy schedule of business and family, Anthony established the Rugiero Foundation, volunteer-only organization, driven on a commitment to improving the quality of life in the communities he serves. Anthony, along with his brothers, founded the signature event Rugiero Casino Royale. This event honors his father and generates funds and awareness for Diabetes research at the University of Michigan. Since its inception, the Rugiero Promise Foundation has supported numerous charities including Boys and Girls Towns of Italy, Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, Cirpriano Foundation, Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, (RIM) Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, University of Detroit International Residential College in Volterra, Italy and Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute.

Anthony also serves on many Boards throughout community include the Michigan Opera Theatre, Patrons of the Art of the Vatican Museum, (ILICA) Italian Inter-Cultural Language Alliance, Antonio's Dearborn Heights Spirit Fest, Finance Chair of the 12th District Republican Party and the Veteran's Court for Southeast Michigan. Recently,

judges, and senators in their bid for office based NOT on their party affiliation, but their affiliation with Anthony's belief of American values recognizing that we elect the candidate that is best qualified for the position. Anthony's faith is the foundation for business and charitable work he does. His work with the Patrons of the Art of the Vatican Museum is one that he and his wife are proud to serve. He is honored to have had an audience with Pope John Paul, Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis and

Presidential candidates,



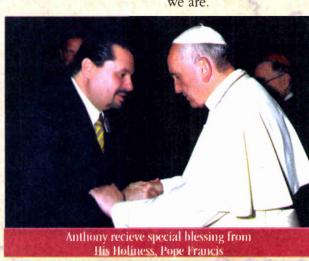
appointed HERITAGE Foundation, organization dedicated to supporting programs for immigrant families and hosting an event each year to successful recognize business and community leaders that have come to live the American Dream.

Anthony Rugiero's longtime friend and mentor, Frank D. Stella, once told him, if you don't like what you see, it does no good to complain; get involved; get active; do your part and make a difference.

Throughout the years, Anthony has supported

Chairman believes the blessings he International has received have helped shape his future. The family lives their motto tiriamo avanti, which means to always move forward in good times and bad; a positive spirit will prevail.

> He makes frequent trips to his family home in Italy and values the time he spends with family. He enjoys taking the kids around to all the places where he spent summers as a little boy, showing them the rich history and tradition of his family as his parents did for him ... Remembering who and where we came from will help us become who we are.



Festa Program:

Doors open 2:00 p.m.

Entertainment by IACS Coro Italiano

2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Formal Program

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Dancing and Refreshments

6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Speakers:

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Ms. Ylenia Bonni & Mr. Damiano Alloggia, Young Special Guests Mr. Domenico Ruggirello Chairman, Council of Presidents

Young Special Guests

Damiano Alloggia



Alloggia Damiano is a member of the Federazione Abruzzese del Michigan (FADM) and is on the board of directors. At 27 years old, he is the youngest on the board and leads the FADM Giovani young adults group.

Damiano was born in Ottawa, Canada. His mother, Anita, is from Savuto di Cleto, a small town in the province of Cosenza in Calabria and his father, Tony, is from Camarda, a small town in the province of L'Aquila in Abruzzo. Growing up, he and his twin sister, Fabiana, would spend almost every summer visiting their grandparents in Italy, practicing Italian spending with friends and family. Damiano has always been involved in the Italian Italian for most of his community, Italian events in Ottawa member of the Abruzzese Italian Canadians. became a member of

these organizations until he moved to Michigan in

Damiano studied Mechanical Engineering at Carleton University in Ottawa. While studying, he worked at the National Research Council Institute for Aerospace Research. This would eventually help in find work in the automotive sector. He was on the Dean's list and won two aerospace scholarships.

After graduating, he worked as a consultant for a building engineering firm until he received an offer to work for Chrysler in Auburn Hills as a product engineer for the Jeep Cherokee and the Chrysler 200. His fluency in Italian enabled him to work closely with Fiat engineers in Turin, Italy. In July 2013, Damiano left Chrysler to work as a Vehicle Integration Engineer at Ford where he is currently working on future products.

Besides work, Damiano enjoys spending his free community and studied time involved in the Italian life. At a young age, his soccer and traveling. He parents brought him to often flies home to visit family in Ottawa and still since his father was a strives to travel to Italy as often as possible as well club, as well as, a director as visit other countries. in the National Congress Presently, his focus in the Italian community is to As he got older, he too build the FADM Giovani group and host events to attract young people.

Ylenia Sandra Bonni



Ylenia Sandra Bonni is a senior at Dakota High School.

She was born on January 23, 1997, in Detroit, Michigan. As a child Ylenia grew up speaking Italian around the house and can read, write, and speak fluent Italian. Ylenia's family's origins from Partinico province of Palermo and Sora province of Frosinone.

Ever since she was in 6th grade, she has been in the choral programs at her school, which has come in handy for when she started singing at Holy Family Church. Ylena is currently the choral director at the church.

present, Ylenia Dakota's attends Medical Academy, where she volunteers at Henry Ford Macomb. She's been accepted at Wayne State University to fulfill her bachelor's in Nursing. Her ultimate goal for the future is to become an acute care nurse practitioner.

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DIVISION 1 BASEBALL PRE-DISTRICT

Rockets' Wetmore stymies Chiefs

John Glenn pitcher puts damper on Canton's postseason hopes

> **By Ed Wright** Staff Writer

Pressure is to Brendan Wetmore what spinach is to Pop-

eye.
"I don't get nervous when
there's pressure; I actually like it, it makes me stronger," Wet-more said, moments after his complete-game five-hitter lifted Westland John Glenn to a 1-0 victory over Canton in a high-intensity Division 1 predistrict baseball game played under ominous skies at Plymouth. "After the first few innings, I knew it was going to be a low-scoring game, but we buckled down and got the run we needed.'

Although his record improved to a modest 5-4, the wiry lefty has been money every time he's taken the mound this spring, having never yielded more than two earned runs.

A four-year varsity player, Wetmore had not experienced a district win prior to Tuesday since his freshman season at John Glenn.

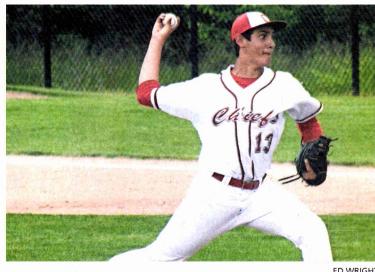
"I'm proud of all of our seniors, but especially Brendan because he's been working his tail off the past four years, John Glenn head coach Lawrence Scheffer said. "We've

been preaching pitching and defense all season and we knew coming into today those two things would be important, because we knew we'd be facing a tough pitcher."

Canton starter Nick Sprosek was Wetmore's equal all afternoon. The crafty righty yielded just three hits and four walks

while striking out six.
"Nick did a nice job for us," said Canton head coach Mark Blomshield, whose team finished 19-15. "He kept the ball down most of the day and gave us a chance. Their guy did a nice job, too. We had a couple decent scoring chances that we didn't take advantage of. That's baseball.'

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Delivering a pitch Tuesday for Canton is Nick Sprosek, who lost a tough 1-0 pre-district game to Westland John Glenn.

33RD CANTON CUP



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Happy members of the Canton Celtic '04 White boys soccer team congratulate each other after winning Sunday's championship game in their bracket at Heritage Park.



TIM SMITH

Canton Celtic players hoist their Canton Cup trophy Sunday at Heritage Park after winning the U-11 White bracket.

Canton Celtic boys thrilled to capture Canton Cup U-11 championship

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

After the Canton Celtic '04 White boys team prevailed 5-4 Sunday in a see-saw match against Northville's Michigan Rush at Heritage Park, players raced across to the other side of Field No. 1 and did a victory lap - slapping the hands of family and

friends. "Absolutely," Celtic coach Jason King said. "We got to show our appreciation to the

parents, the people that love

us most." There undoubtedly were scenes just like it Sunday all over Canton Township, as the 33rd Canton Cup soccer tournament came to a close at five venues.

In their fourth straight victory of the weekend, Celtic employed a bend-don'tbreak style. They always had a response whenever one was needed.

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SOFTBALL PRE-DISTRICT

Chiefs ride big inning to blowout victory

Canton scores 13 runs in first inning en route to 22-0 win over John Glenn

> By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Sparked by two run-scoring doubles by Olivia Grant, Canton's varsity softball team sent 19 batters to the plate and scored 13 runs in the first inning of Tuesday's Division 1 pre-district game at Plymouth against Westland John Glenn.

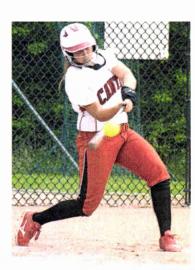
By all intents and purposes, that was the ol' ballgame as the Chiefs polished off the Rockets 22-0 in a game concluded after three innings due to the mercy

"I just feel when we really imp on the hall and start o the inning strong, that's when we do our best," Grant said. Indeed, the Chiefs (24-14

overall), who will square off at 10:30 a.m. Saturday against Salem, jumped all over John Glenn starting pitcher Mackenzie Huren, who had pitched well against Canton earlier in the season.

"Everything just kept falling in in the first inning," Canton head coach Al White said. "It was just little bloops and they couldn't make a play. A couple walks and all heck

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Canton's Maddie Stowe hits the ball during Tuesday's second inning against Westland John Glenn.



MICHIGAN BUCKS AT THE CANTON CUP



K-W United goalkeeper Nicholas Ciraldo (left) goes up to snag the ball during Saturday's Canton Cup game against the Michigan Bucks. Closing in on Ciraldo is Tom Owens of the Bucks.

V(TSH

Bucks treat Canton Cup fans to thrilling 3-1 victory over K-W United

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

The Michigan Bucks and Kitchener-Waterloo United developmental teams put on a fastpaced, thrilling performance Saturday for Canton Cup fans such as Natalie Nissen, Mya Sheridan and Mae Ri-

The girls, teammates on Canton Celtic's '05 Green team, watched a break between their own games and afterward got to meet and get autographs from Bucks players, including Francis DeVries — who struck the winning blow in a 3-1 victory.

"I'm picking up things (from the Bucks game). like getting open and talking (on the field)," Natalie, 10, said during halftime at Independence Park.

She smiled when asked what her favorite part of the first half was.

"When the ball's almost hitting us and we're all cuddling up and like, 'Oh, no!'"

The young Celtic players and other fans who checked the Premier Development League game at Independence's Field No. 3 were thrilled with how the game turned right before halftime.

DeVries, a centerback from New Zealand, scorched a free kick from 25 yards away over a wall of defenders into the top-right corner of the United goal seconds before intermission to break a 1-1 tie.

Perfect timing

"I was here (Canton Cup) last year. It was a great experience and luckily this year we played a lot better, so I'm happy for that," DeVries said just before signing some shirts for Natalie, Mya, Mae and other Celtic players. "It's really cool to have a lot of people come out, especially the kids. It's nice to put on a show.

"We scored three goals today, so they saw some good attacking soccer and hopefully they can come to a few more of our games if they'd like."

Bucks head coach Demir Muftari said the goal by DeVries was the big moment of the wellplayed, 90-minute tilt, the team's eighth visit to the Canton Cup.

The shot zoomed over the wall and curved away from K-W United goalie Nicholas Ciraldo, finding the mark inside the right

"It was a great shot," Muftari said. "Francis is such a good player, it was nice to see him ... hit such a great free kick. Happy for him and happy for the team, the timing of it us a lift.

"It was nice to go into halftime with a lead; we felt like we deserved

Muftari said DeVries puts in a lot of hours perfecting his free kicks and that hard work paid off Saturday.

"He knows where the goal is and the wall's designed there to help the goalkeeper out," Muftari said. "It was well-placed over the wall, but away from the goalkeeper and it was bending away from him. You're not stopping that; that's special."

The Bucks took a 1-0 lead about 17 minutes into the game, when David Goldsmith scored off a feed from Calvin Rezende.

K-W United knotted the game up 1-1 with about 30 minutes left in the half on a goal by Sergio Camargo, who ripped a drive behind Bucks goalie Nathan Steinwascher.

Always great

Following the clutch goal by DeVries, the Bucks added an insur-

ance goal by Jeff Adkins. That came about 15 minutes into the second half. Rezende sent a pass from the right side of the pitch to Adkins, who took a couple of steps into the box before launching a high shot into the middle of the K-W net.

"It was a really tough game today; they're a really good team," Muf-tari said. "We're really excited about the win. This is our fourth game in 11 days, so we're tired at the moment.

"We've got a couple days off, so this is a nice way for us to break for a couple days until we get back at it again Tuesday."

He added that the team always enjoys making the trek to the Canton Cup, to provide high-



Michigan Bucks and K-W United players shake hands following pregame introductions before their game Saturday at the Canton Cup.



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Getting ready to score the game's first goal Saturday is David Goldsmith of the Michigan Bucks.



TIM SMITH

Waiting for the second half of Saturday's Michigan Bucks game at the Canton Cup are (from left) Natalie Nissen, Mya Sheridan and Mae Ridalls. All are players on the Canton Celtic's '05 Green girls team.

level soccer for youngsters such as the Celtic players.

"We love coming out here. It's always a fun experience, a fun experience for the guys," Muftari said. "We've got turnover on the team every year and we've got some returning guys on the team every year, so it's always a mixed batch.

"The guys who get to do this multiple times tell all the new guys that this is a great experience, it's fun, it's fun being out here in this atmosphere. It's a great tournament. It's great seeing all the youth teams and trying to encourage them to come watch a game like



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Catching part of the Michigan Bucks game Saturday is Emma Fairchild, 13. She was at Independence Park to watch her brother Ben play for one of the Canton Celtic teams.

this."

Meanwhile, there were some older fans on hand for the contest, like Marysville's Cory Gardner. He also enjoyed the action and high level of skill demonstrated by the Bucks and K-W United.

Gardner said Saturday was his "third or fourth" time watching the Bucks at the Canton Cup, although his main reason for being at Independence Park was to watch his friend's younger brother play for the Chesterfield-based Michigan Burn.
"It's pretty good,

they're connecting passes well, moving the ball quick," Gardner said during halftime. "I came here (Canton Cup) when I played, but I never thought they did this (Bucks soccer). But I guess it's been an ongoing tradition."

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33RD CANTON CUP

WHAT A WEEKEND!

The Canton Cup once again nails it for soccer players, fans, families

> By Tim Smith Staff Writer

The Canton Cup came and went and what a Memorial Day weekend it was.

There were all kinds of boys and girls soccer games going on between Friday night and Sunday evening at Independence Park, Heritage Park, Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, Griffin Park and Flodin Park.

All told, about 650 teams - from recreation to premier, not to mention the Michigan Bucks — were displaying their various skills over the three-day span, competing for the fun of it. And for Canton Cup medals, too.

Although parking at times was as tricky as some of the fancy footwork displayed on the various pitches, there were few if any wrinkles to deal with as the tournament organizers (Canton Soccer Club) once again had everything covered and then some.

Soccer was great, but the games were only part of the story.

Families came out in droves (it was estimated that between 30,000-40,000 people attended the tournament), the weather cooperated for once and the so-called "Canton Cup experience" rocked.

If the soccer itself was a big hit, so were the many food booths (fajitas, burgers, hot pretzels painted with butter) all over the landscape at the various locales

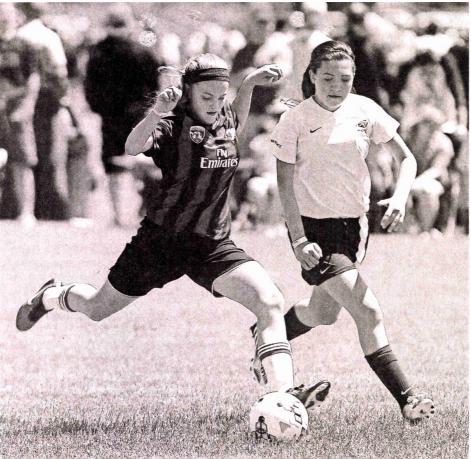
Once again, the Canton Cup hit the "back of the goal" with gusto.

More to come Sunday: Meanwhile, come back to Sunday's Observer for bracket results, as well as a feature about Tvler Winningham, one



Under sunny skies and with the one-of-a-kind Canton Cup backdrop, these girls soccer teams get after it at Independence Park.





Nevada Larson of Livonia-based AC Milan Detroit's U-13 girls team outraces an opponent during a Canton Cup contest.

of the many Canton Cup referees. He also is a Canton High School

graduate who was a member of the Chiefs' 2011 boys soccer state championship team.

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Evan Berger, a midfielder for a Canton Celtic U-12 boys team, puts everything he has into a kick Saturday afternoon at Independence Park. His team was playing in the U-13 bracket.



CHRISTOPHER GUDDECK Plymouth Reign player Tyler Berezak kicks the ball up the field Saturday during a **Canton Cup** game at Independence Park.

CUP

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Scoring one goal each in the boys Under-11 White clincher were Christian Cade Austin, Jake Benford, Ouinn McGill, Andrew Laesch and offensive star David Idegbu — who scored 10 goals to lead the team to a 4-0 record over the week-

"We had a lot of people who contributed to the final victory," King said, answering questions while his players huddled in a circle around him. "It was a tough game, it was a great game to win, yeah boys?

The players yelled, "Yeah!" in unison. "It was a good oppo-



David Ibegbu, 11, sparked Canton Celtic '04 White to a bracket title by scoring 10 goals over the course of the Canton Cup weekend.

nent, it was a good environment, great weather," King added. "I'm very proud of the boys. It was



Elle Sudderth of the Romeo Velocity displays her first Canton Cup medal; her team came in third Sunday at Heritage Park.

a special moment to win the Canton Cup, yeah?" Once again, the play-

ers jumped up and yelled

their approval in unison. One of those players was 11-year-old David, who said he was happy to win a Canton Cup after losing in the finals in 2014.

'It means a lot, especially to me," David said. "It's my first Canton Cup that I ever won. I went to the finals last year, but I lost. It feels a lot better to be a champion this time."

All deserving

After the postgame celebration, King led his players to a tent at the other end of Heritage Park, where the individual medals and Canton Cup trophy were award-

King told his players they all deserved a game ball for the way they competed over the week-

Saturday at Independence Park (Canton Cup headquarters), Celtic won 5-3 over Michigan Rush Downriver and 6-2 over Power FC. Sunday morning, also at Independence, the team reached the final thanks to a 5-2 victory over TNT.

Not all medal winners were on championship teams, but those players were pretty happy, too.

One was Elle Sudderth of the Romeo Velocity U-11 girls team. She and her teammates did not win their bracket, but they did finish third. For their efforts, they received Canton Cup med-

als.
"It was really fun; it's pretty cool," Elle said. "It (medal) means a lot. It's my first time getting a medal."

She said she came "very close" to scoring a goal Sunday against the Novi Thunder at Heritage Park and added that she wants to play in next year's Canton Cup.

That would be fine with her mom, Debbie Sudderth.

"I think it's awesome. I love the fields, it's really big," Sudderth said about the massive tourney hosted by Canton Soccer Club. "We played at the other park, Independence Park, that's really awesome with lots of stuff.

"It's fun to watch all the other teams, too. I enjoyed it. ... a lot of fun, a lot of competitive kids here.'

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GIRLS SOCCER DISTRICT

With Winters back in lineup, sun shines on Wildcats

Plymouth rolls to 8-0 victory over Zebras

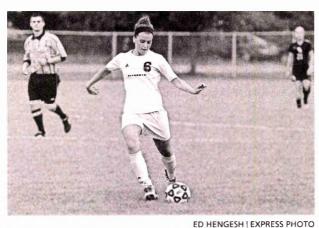
> By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Tuesday's brief deluge gave Plymouth senior defender Erin Winters reason to pause.

After all, she was about to make her return to the lineup after missing action due to a badly sprained ankle.

The last thing she wanted to do was reinjure it on the raindrenched grass field at Plymouth-Canton Educa-

tional Park. "I had an ankle brace that was on the right ankle," Winters said. "But yeah, I was a little worried. You just got to play through it."



Making a triumphant return to the lineup Tuesday was Plymouth senior Erin Winters. She scored twice in the Wildcats' 8-0 victory over Wayne Memorial.

Did she ever do that. Winters survived the girls soccer Division 1 district match-up against Wayne Memorial with flying colors from a physical standpoint, and

scored two goals - one on a penalty kick - as

Plymouth won 8-0. "It feels really good, honestly," Winters said. "I've been really trying to work hard to come

back to this. Now, I'm

excited for Thursday. The Wildcats (8-4-1) now will face Canton at 7 p.m. Thursday at Westland John Glenn.

Thrilled to have Winters back was Plymouth head coach Jeff Nes-

"Our soccer IQ goes up a little bit with her in the lineup," Neschich said. "She's a real smart player and got good experience, just a calm player.'

After a brief rain delay, it only took the Wildcats about five minutes to get on the scoreboard, when Kathryn Gordon chipped a shot in off the post.

Plymouth doubled that edge to 2-0 with 21:49 remaining in the half, when Olivia Janke threaded a pass to Alys-

sa Swanson, who ripped a shot into the Zebras' net.

About seven minutes later, Winters followed with her PK goal, a rising shot that caromed in off the crossbar.

Goals by Rachel Rubio and Swanson upped Plymouth's lead to 5-0 at the intermission.

In the second half, goals by Katie Chipman (re-directing a slick pass from Karishma Nair), Janke (on a great individual effort) and Winters finished the scoring.

On the night's final goal, Winters got on the end of Lexi White's corner kick.

Rocks win 3-0

Also in a D1 district match-up Tuesday, Salem earned a weather-delayed 3-0 victory over

host Westland John Glenn.

Salem, which will play Livonia Churchill at 5 p.m. Thursday at John Glenn, got out to a 1-0 lead and tacked on two more goals following a 70-minute delay for lightning.

It was 3-0 at halftime and the Rocks held off the Rockets behind a five-save shutout performance by sophomore goalie Skylar Brant.

The Rocks were led by senior forward Bridget Nicol, who scored two goals. Also scoring was

Rachel Light. Collecting assists were freshman midfielder Ari Finn and junior midfielder Caroline Sim-

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PREP BASEBALL

Thurston splits pair of WWAC contests

Snell, Phillips excel in victory over Tractors

By Ed Wright

Chalfonae Phillips stroked four hits and senior right-hander Bobby Snell threw a complete-game shutout May 20 during Redford Thurston's 7-0 white-washing of Dearborn Fordson.

Phillips was on fire at the dish, ripping three singles and a triple while driving in three runs. Snell scattered five hits and two walks while striking out 10.

Thurston plated two runs in the first inning, two more in the second and three in the fourth. Austin Benoit brought home the first run with a fielder's choice before Zack June picked up a ribbie with a sacrifice

In the second inning, Snell reached on an error and scored on a triple by Phillips, who came home on a throwing error on the same play.

The Eagles broke the game open in the fourth thanks to big hits by Donald Permuy (double), Joe Beauchamp, Snell and Phillips.

The Eagles closed out their regular-season slate Friday by dropping a 17-11 slug fest against Dearborn Heights Crest-

Thurston fell into an early 11-2 hole against Crestwood, but battled back to within 13-11 after five innings before the Chargers tacked on four insurance runs down the stretch

Snell drilled four hits, including a triple, and drove in three runs. June and Joe Cornejo

both went 2-for-4.
The Eagles' pitchers were hampered by 15

Spartans drop pair Belleville swept host Livonia Stevenson 7-1 and 7-3 in a non-conference doubleheader Saturday.

The double dip dropped the Spartans to 21-14, while Belleville improved to 20-3.

The Tigers never trailed after scoring once in the top of the first. They added a single run in the second, two in the third and three more in the fifth.

C.J. Breen scored the Spartans' lone run in the fourth.

Belleville, which outhit Stevenson 12-7, was bolstered by a completegame pitching gem from Hunter Cole, who did not yield an earned run while striking out four and walking three. Gordon Ferguson took the loss after giving up four runs (three earned) over the first three frames.

Eddie McWilliams was a beast at the plate for Belleville, going 4-for-5 with two RBIs. Ferguson had a nice day at offensively for Stevenson, finishing 3-for-3.

The Tigers jumped out to a 5-0 lead after 31/2 innings and never trailed thanks to solid pitching from Jacob Hill, who gave up two runs, two hits and two walks while fanning a pair over the first four innings.

Connor Beck took the loss for Stevenson after yielding five runs (only

two earned) and five hits while striking out two over four innings. Danny Morris pitched a near-flawless final two innings as the Tigers managed to get just one base-runner against the freshman.

McWilliams went 3-for-4 with an RBI and three runs scored for the winners.

Big swingers for Stevenson included Nate Leach (1-for-1, two RBIs), Frank Carlin (1-for-3, RBI), Ferguson (1-for-3, double, run), Morris (double, run), Devin Dunn (1-for-2) and Breen, who scored a run.

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The game's only run scored in the bottom of the third inning. With one out, Wetmore ripped a double up the right-center field gap. He then scored when Noah Damian reached on a throwing error.

Brian Martin singled to put runners on first and third with one out, but Sprosek got the next batter to hit into a 6-4-3 double-play.

The Chiefs threatened to tie the game in the top of the fifth. With two outs, Andrew Loehnis singled, Noah Spencer walked and they both moved up a base on a daring double-steal. However, Wetmore doused the rally when he got Sprosek to ground out to second base.

Canton ramped up the pressure again in the top of the seventh, when Aaron Miller opened the inning with his second single of the day. Pinchrunner Jake O'Donnell advanced to second on a perfect sacrifice bunt by Michael Flaishans, but Wetmore got Loehnis to fly out to left before Spencer hit a rocket to left-center that Jacob Damian chased down feet short of fence.

"The last guy up wasn't hitting my curve ball too well, but (the home plate umpire) wasn't giving me the corner, so I had to focus on spotting my fast ball,"



ED WRIGHT

Canton's Noah Spencer makes a nice running catch in shallow left field during Tuesday's Class A pre-district baseball game.

Wetmore said. "Right when he he hit it, I knew it was high and I thought it might be a double, but Jacob ran it down and I thought to myself, 'There you go!' It was about time we won one of these games."

Plymouth goes 2-1

The Plymouth Wildcats played three games Saturday at Grosse Pointe South — all featuring outstanding pitching - to wrap up the regular season, winning two of

the three contests.

The tripleheader did not start well for Plymouth, which fell 2-1 to Grosse Pointe South despite a strong, complete-game effort from starting pitcher Josh Sulak. Both Sulak and Jared Merandi went 1-for-2 at the plate, while Patrick Downing doubled

in three at-bats. But the Wildcats rebounded with a 1-0 win over Fraser. Downing had a key hit for Plymouth to support the

shutout pitching of Owen Spryszak, who struck out 11.

In the third game of the day, Plymouth outlasted Warren DeLa-Salle, 4-3.

Plymouth pitcher Kevin Anthony went the distance for the win.

Helping the Wildcats' cause from an offensive standpoint were Downing (2-for-3, RBI) and Merandi (3-for-3, two RBIs).

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GIRLS LACROSSE

Tourney loss to United spells end of year for Salem

Rocks fall despite Tardiff's three goals

> By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Hoping to break into the postseason winner's circle, Salem's varsity girls lacrosse team instead took it on the chin May 20 against South Lyon United.

The visiting Rocks lost 18-8 in the first round of the state tourney, finishing the season 8-10-1.

"It's always tough to end your season with a loss," Salem head coach Dave Medley said. "But this is the state playoffs; all but one team will end their season with a loss."

Salem just had no answer for United's Hannah Burczyk, who scored six goals and chipped in two assists.

The Rocks, who were on a 5-2-1 roll entering the contest, got off to a promising start just 30 seconds into the matchup when sophomore Leah Tardiff scored her first of three goals.

After United tied the game, Salem went up 3-1 thanks to goals by sophomore Stephanie Miller

(just called up from the JV) and Tardiff. Setting up Miller with her first of three assists was senior captain Joslyn Longe.

But United went on a 10-1 surge to close out the half up 11-4. The lone Salem goal during that span was scored by Tardiff.

In the second half, the Rocks could not gain much traction and fell behind 15-4. Salem did go on a mini-run thanks to a pair of goals by freshman Natalie Branum and one by sophomore Madison Mullin. That cut United's lead to 15-7 with over nine minutes to play.

Salem's final goal of the night and season was registered by senior captain Andi Marthaler, from Maddie Johnson.

'There is no doubt when we were down 15-7, with a little under eight minutes to go," Medley said, "we had to sell out, pressuring the ball and leaving us vulnerable to defend our goal.

"That is not the position anyone wants to be in against a good team like South Lyon United and most will come up short in that situation."

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SOFTBALL

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broke loose."

Early trouble

John Glenn head coach Dan Huren said the Chiefs took it to his team right from the get-

"They got on top of us early," Huren said. "We played them pretty tough the first time we met up with them.

"They hit our number one pitcher pretty hard. As far as our at bats, we were quick, we weren't patient. But I think the seniors went out with some pretty good effort."

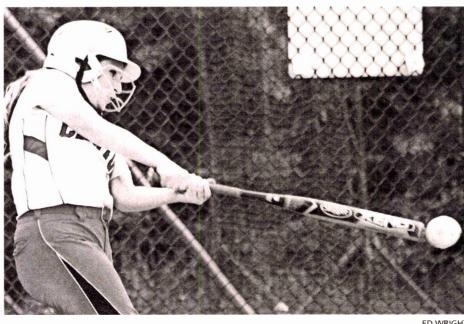
Canton's lead-off batter, Elizabeth Yager, walked (her first of two bases on balls in the inning) and singles by Izzy Dawson (4-for-4, two RBIs) and Hannah Shuler loaded the bases.

A wild pitch enabled Yager to score and Mc-Kenna Payne's walk forced in another.

The next batter, Peyton Philbeck, lined a three-run double to rightcenter to make it a quick 5-0 advantage. Philbeck (2-for-3, four RBIs) doubled again later in the

contest. Then came Grant's first double of the inning, a drive to right-center, which scored Philbeck. Two batters later, Dawson doubled in two more

to up Canton's lead to 8-0. On and on it went. Knocking in runs before the end of the first with hits were Payne (2-for-3) and Grant, with her sec-



Taking a healthy cut during Tuesday's Division 1 pre-district softball game is Canton's Hannah Zajdel.

ond straight double. The Chiefs tacked on three more runs in the second, scoring on two infield grounders and an

error. Finishing salvo

Canton then scored six more runs for good measure in the third inning, despite White trying to hold down the score by stopping runners at third when they could have

Molly Main walked and Val Lentine singled before Dawson loaded the bases with another hit. An infield out and balk scored two runs and Aleya Griggs brought home another with a

single. Payne singled, Philbeck doubled and Maddie Stowe drove in two with

a base hit to left, giving the Chiefs a 22-run lead. John Glenn (11-19)

could not manage a hit against starter Payne (one scoreless inning) and Philbeck until the third, when Jasmine Pickens and Heather Gains connected on backto-back singles.

After a walk to Julia Michalowski loaded the bases, Philbeck retired Bailey Hamill on a fly out to end the contest.

"They're a good team, well-coached," Huren said. "Al White's a good coach; he's been around a long time. I think the experience really showed on their end a little bit."

Although the predistrict win was about as one-sided as it could be, the Chiefs don't intend to take anything for granted Saturday when they go up against Salem.

"We need to bring it Saturday," Grant said. "We've lost to them twice, but I definitely think we can beat them.'

According to White, it's turn-the-page time.

"That's what it's all about now," White said. "This is what you play the game for. We'll be in for a tough one."

Despite the blowout loss, John Glenn's Huren gave props to his team.

"I did like our girls' effort," he said. "They did stay together as a team. It's been a very good year for us.'

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KLAA BOYS GOLF TOURNEY

Plymouth garners conference crown

Kapke medalist at Whispering Willows

By Tim Smith

They played the KLAA golf championship Tuesday at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

But for Plymouth, it was something to shout about as the Wildcats finished third out of 24 teams to win the Kensington Conference title.

Plymouth (also KLAA South Division champ) registered a team total of 306 strokes, led by medalist Justin Kapke. He registered a 71 score.

Also playing we<mark>ll</mark>

were Kyle Kozler (76), Jack Boczar (79) and Joe Fontana (80).

Rounding out the score sheet for the Wildcats were James Baldwin (81) and Andrew Lloyd

"Our guys continue to find ways to win," Ply-mouth head coach Dan Young said. "They compete and grind with the best of them.

'This team is made up of good golfers, but also good guys."

Canton and Salem also participated at Whispering Willows, but results were not available as of press time.

Plymouth and Canton were scheduled to take part in Wednesday's Division 1 regional at Dearborn Country Club.



Plymouth won another tournament trophy Tuesday.

Condo pact

questions?
Ask an

attorney

Q: An attorney friend told me that some of these devel-opers who sell new condos

have entered into confidenti-

elaborate on what he meant

A: I presume what he meant by that is that developers have

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ality agreements. Can you

been sued by condo associa-

tions for construction defects

and deficiencies and financial

a release from the association

on any and all claims and want the terms of the settlement kept confidential, even from

the co-owners. While I think

that is improper, purchasers of condos from these developers

working through single-entity

the quality of construction that has occurred in this and other

property, particularly on when

the same units are constructed in a new project. You are best to consult with an attorney who

has knowledge of the litigation

history of developers in the

Q: I have heard the term "crowd funding" bandied about since 2012 and I am

wondering what is going on

in Michigan and what it is all

credited investors" since 2012, many states (including Michi-

gan) have opened the door for in-state crowd funding as of

discussion, very few compa-nies have established Internet

benefit budding entrepreneurs

or real estate developers look-

ing for gap funding in order to

complete their enterprise. This

nancing tool which gives small

investors an opportunity to get

other ventures. There is some-

Crowd Fund Program which

is basically an alternative fi-

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can give you additional in-

Dec. 30, 2013. Despite much

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A: Since the SEC has continuously postponed publishing crowd funding rules to "unac-

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June 1 opening for Parade of Homes

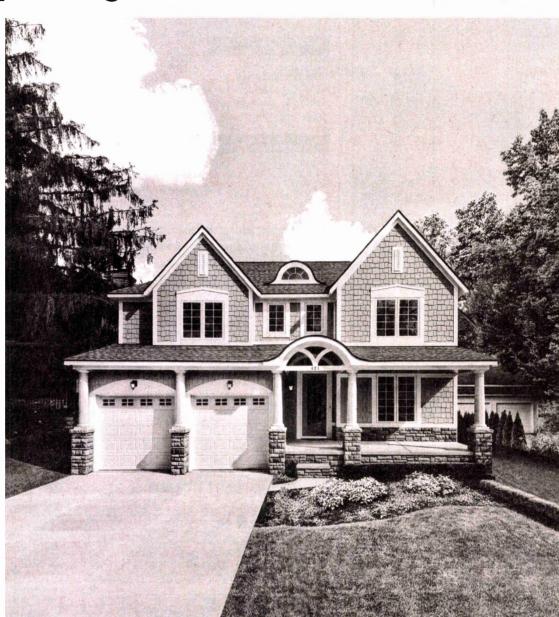
Parade of Homes 2015, the 26th annual exhibition of new model homes located across southeast Michigan, will open June 1 and run through June 30, 2015. Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and Bank of America Home Loans sponsor this free public event.

"The new homes featured in this program offer a good cross section of the homes being built throughout southeast Michigan," Norm Finkelstein, builder, of Norwood Homes, Ltd. and 2015 president of HBA, said in a statement. "We're excited to be building innovative new homes for the families of southeast Michigan and to be offering them at a variety of price points."

The Parade of Homes offers potential home buyers a unique opportunity to visit the area's finest model and inventory homes, including condominiums and singlefamily homes, affordable housing and estate-sized homes. Visitors to the homes will have an opportunity to see firsthand the latest trends in energy efficiency and green building, architecture, interior design, amenities and materials. The 53 models under construction and preconstruction homes and condominiums range in base price from \$139,900 to \$1,358,000. ,358,000.

The homes are built by 22 different builders, all members of HBA. The Parade of Homes includes three attached condominiums, four detached condominium and 46 single-family homes. Nine of the homes are pre-construction, so potential home buyers have the opportunity to work with the builder from the beginning of construction. Another three of the homes are currently under construction. The remainder are built and will be open for visitors beginning June 1.

Architects and industry experts will judge the homes and award blue ribbons in several categories. The judges will make their decisions based on a combination of factors, including innovation, aesthetic appeal and value for the price. Judges for this year's program will be Lonny S. Zimmerman, AIA, NCARB of Siegal/Tuomaala Associates; Benedetto Tiseo, FAIA, NCARB of Tiseo Architects, Inc.; Michael J. Gordon, RA of Moiseev/Gordon Associates; and Paul Sal-



The Gardenia by Norwood Homes is located at 421 Gardenia in Royal Oak.

loum, retail sales manager, of Bank of America Home

A free Parade of Homes magazine, including photos, renderings, features, hours and location maps for all homes, will be distributed Sunday, June 7, within select home delivery of The Detroit News and Detroit Free Press, available at Bank of America locations throughout southeast Michigan, at select Kroger locations and at all participating model homes beginning June 1. The Parade of Homes website will also be available beginning June 1 at: www.ParadeHBA.com. This is the only Parade of Homes event HBA will sponsor this year.

Headquartered in West Bloomfield, Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and Apartment



The Muirfield by Pinnacle Homes is located in Andelina Ridge in Novi.

\$405,000

\$385,000

\$66,000

Association of Michigan are trade associations representing more than 800 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the singlefamily and multi-family residential construction industry.

HBA is affiliated with the Home Builders Association of Michigan in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 150,000 individuals and companies.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 19-23, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses,

and sales prices. CANTON 498 E Canford Park \$391,000 4598 Hunters Cir W \$110,000

42501 Proctor Rd

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35973 6 Mile Rd 38760 Ann Arbor Trl 35681 Elmira St 18583 Glengarry Dr

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28425 Pontiac Trl

formation. Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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legal advice.

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32300 Plumwood St	\$320,000
16238 Reedmere Ave	\$240,000
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1771 Birmingham Blvd	\$270,000
1650 Hazel St	\$255,000
1592 Henrietta St	\$317,000
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1060 Kennesaw St	\$385,000
1370 Latham St	\$833,000
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301 N Eton St # A	\$94,000
1826 Pierce St	\$602,000
662 Purdy St # 214	\$249,000
564 Ridgedale Ave	\$438,000
1220 Smith Ave	\$655,000
452 Suffield Ave	\$475,000
2425 W Lincoln St	\$280,000
1620 Washington Blvd	\$902,000
1659 Washington Blvd	\$420,000
1992 Washington Blvd	\$356,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	£305.000
5026 Kellen Ln	\$395,000
4555 Stoneleigh Rd	\$540,000
25 Cabot Pl	\$1,090,000
2694 Heathfield Rd	\$815,000
6445 Thurber Rd	\$429,000
893 W Glengarry Cir	\$1,350,000

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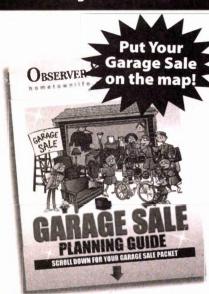
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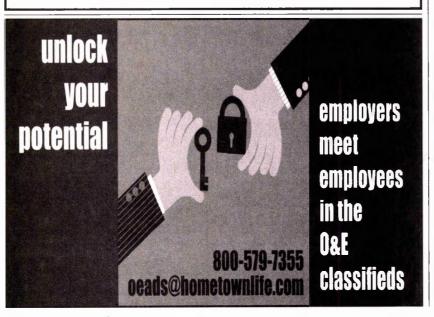
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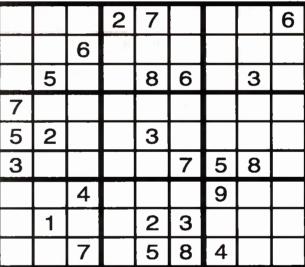
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MAY **BIBLE COLLECTION**

Time/Date: Through May 31 Location: Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman, Livonia Details: The church is collecting Bibles for Africa through Helping Hands Touching Hearts, a nonprofit organization founded by church members Wayne and Sidney Bonyallet of Farmington Hills. Drop offs may be made any time at the collection box at the main entrance to the church. Follow the Bonvallets at helpinghandstouchinghearts.blog-

Contact: 248-476-8222 CONCERT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Saturday, May 30

Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster Road and Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Tatiana Scavnicky and Mark Watson perform a combination of rock, world beat,

mystical and pop. Tickets are \$15 and available through Unity of Livonia Bookstore or by phone Contact: 734-421-1760

JUNE **CONCERT**

Time/Date: 3 p.m. Saturday,

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth **Details:** The Mobile Millennium Carillon from Ohio will be on hand for a free concert featuring Julie Ford, director of music at St. John's, and Kimberly Schafer of Chicago, III. Attendees may bring blankets or chairs. The church will serve ice cream. Contact: 734-453-0190; stjohn-

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Time/Date: 8 p.m. June 4-6,

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DAVIES, ALVA MAE

May 8, 2015. Age 106 of Plymouth. Beloved wife of the late Reverend David T. Davies. Loving mother of Dr. Allen (Karen) Davies and the late John (Phyllis) Davies. Proud grandmother of Amy, Heather, Megan, Janet and Jim, and great-(Phyllis) grandmother of Jack, Emie and Amelia. Dear great-aunt of Kristy (Todd) Russell. The family will gather with friends, Saturday, May 30th at 10:30 a.m until the 11 a.m. Memorial Service at St. John's Episcopal Church 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the Church. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfh.com

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GILLER, DEBRA LEE

Age 58, May 25, 2015. Beloved wife of Martin. Loving mother of Candis (Chuck) Jason (MacKenzie), Dawn Adam (Janet) and Heather Kilpatrick. Dear (William) grandmother of Jessica, Chuckie, Austin and Carley, Exavor, Kaden and Liam, Vanessa, Kaden and Liam, Vanessa, Terrance, Omari, Jaxon and Autumn, Alyssah Declan, Alaina and Faith. Dear sister of Wallace. Suzanne and Michael. Funeral Service at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Saturday at 11 a.m. Visitation, Friday from 1 - 8 p.m. Memorials may be directed to

Heart To Heart Hospice. Please share a memory at www.rggrharris.com



LEE, CHARLES

Retired Commander, Charles E. Lee from the City of Farmington Police Department passed away today; Memorial Day. Visitation will be held in Bryson City NC on Thursday, May 28, 2015 from 2-6 p.m., with Military Funeral Service on Friday at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made memory woundedwarriorproject.org. Rest Peace Dad. We forever love you.

LEWIS, ANNA MAE

(VOORHEIS) 2015 of Age 90, May 23, Woodstock, Georgia. Longtime resident of Redford, Michigan. Born May 11, 1925 in Detroit. Ml to Edna (Bashelier) Voorheis and Leland Voorheis. Anna was the beloved mother of Ellen McManus, Linda (David) Bell, David (Joanne) Lewis, and

Kathy Williams. Loving grand-Conor mother (Leah) of McManus, Justin (Cianna) Bell Curran, Nathan (Kelly) James McManus, Katherine Bell, Bell, David Lewis, and Sarah Lewis. Aunt to

Nicholas Walter (Nancy) Fleming and Vikki Owen. Anna predeceased by husband Everett Willard Lewis, brothers Donald and Paul Voorheis, and son-inlaw Bruce Williams. Anna was a United States Marine Corps veteran. She was involved in Girl Scouting as a leader, was also a member of National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, John Sackett Chapter. She was a member of Augsburg Lutheran Church in Redford, Michigan and South Lyon First United Methodist Church. Service: Saturday May 30th, 11a.m., Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, Michigan 48178. 248-437-1616. Visitation:

SCHUT (NEE MATZO) AMANDA MARIE

Friday May 29th, 5-8p.m. and

Interment Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park, Livonia MI.

Saturday May 30th, 10 a.m.

Suddenly May 21, 2015 Age 45 of Kalamazoo, formerly of Canton. Beloved mom of Loving daughter of

Augustin and Hilda Matzo. Precious sister of Rebecca Deborah (Jonathan) Crocker and Dianna Matzo. Dear Aunt of Zack, Noah, Joy, Hope, Mercy, Malachi, Ezra, Grace, Abigail, Moriah, Elijah, Josiah, and the late Ian. The family will be holding a private memorial service. Memorial contributions may be made to "Not For Sale" (an organization to combat human trafficking) at the website

giving@notforsalecampaign.org To share a memory, or send a message of condolence, please visit vermeulenfh.com

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Details: The Trinity & Friends Choir presents "Farmington Follies: Trinity goes to Broadway," featuring selections from Les Miserables, Mary Poppins, The Sound of Music, The Lion King, Aladdin, Grease, Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit, and others. Tickets are \$10

Contact: trinityinthewoods.org **CONCERT**

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. June 26 Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: David Roth, singer,

songwriter, guitar player, performs. Tickets are \$20 Contact: unityoflivonia.org; 734-421-1760

ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY

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 **Faith Community Wesleyan**

Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every Saturday Location: 14560 Merriman,

Livonia **Details:** This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All

ages welcome. Bibles available if

Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

you don't have one

CLOTHING BANK

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Saturday of the month Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: No documentation

needed

Contact: info@cantoncf.org **EXERCISE**

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 2300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia **Details:** Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more information, email Motta through

Contact: 313-408-3364 **FAMILY MEAL**

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

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington

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

Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4 p.m. first Tuesday of the month;

English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month ocation: The Antiochian

Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia **Details:** The service includes

prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church. Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacev Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

MOMS

Christ Our Savior Lutheran

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 St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thurs-

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for sing-

ing, praying and short teaching Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at 734-464-1223

Contact: 734-464-1223 St. Michael Lutheran Church Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

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 for additional information

SINGLES Detroit World Outreach

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford, Room 304 **Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals

going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated. 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., Northville

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

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 transliteration as well as the original Hebrew.

Contact: 248-737-1931 or email nancyellen879@att.net.

SUPPORT

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

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

Connection Church Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday

Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connec-

tionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **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 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

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 » Fireside Church of God Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Monday-Friday Location: 11771 Newburgh,

Details: Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program

ing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@fire-

for dependent adults, specializ-

» St. Andrew's Episcopal

sidechog.org

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia

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

Contact: 734-421-8451 » St. Thomas a' Becket

Church Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m.

Thursday Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton Details: Take Off Pounds Sen-

Contact: Margaret at 734-838-0322

» 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

» Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (op-

tional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee desserts), Thursday Location: 40000 Six Mile, North-

ville Township **Details:** Celebrate Recovery

helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is Contact: Child care, 248-374-

7400; www.celebraterecovery-

.com and www.wardchurch.org/ celebrate **THRIFT STORE**

St. James Presbyterian Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Contact: 313-534-7730 for

additional information

Way of Life Christian Church Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through

Location: 9401 General Drive, Plymouth

Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in

Contact: 734-637-7618 **TOUR**

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit

Details: Led by Capuchin friar Larry Webber, the director of the Solanus Casey Center, the tour focuses on the spirituality and holiness of Father Solanus. No reservations are needed, although the center requests an advance phone call for groups of five or more. No cost for the tour, although donations are

Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

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accepted.

» Adat Shalom Synagogue Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays

Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-851-5100 » Bethlehem Lutheran

Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday service

Location: 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills

Contact: pastor Terry Miller at tshelton@mi.rr.com; 248-478-

» Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia Contact: 734-522-6830

» Congregation Bet Chave-

Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the Location: At the shared facil-

ities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, **Details:** Reformed Jewish

Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist Robin Liberatore Contact: www.Facebook.com/

tchaverim@yahoo.com » Due Season Christian

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible

Location: Stevenson High

Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church

www.DueSeason.org » Faith Community Presby-

terian Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study

Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 10-14

» Faith Community Wesleyan Church

Time/Date: Prayer service, 9 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays Location: 14560 Merriman,

Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491

» Garden City Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available. Refreshments in the church fellowship hall immediately after service. Elevator and handicap parking

Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road

Church Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Commu-

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill,

Garden City Contact: 734-427-3660

» Grace Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15

Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and

Beck, Canton Township Contact: 734-637-8160

Location: Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, and Kresge Hall

Livonia Contact: www.HisChurchAngli-

can.org; 248-442-0HCA » Holy Cross Evangelical

Time/Date: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Faith Forum; 10 a.m. Sunday school; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday worship in the

» Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11

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Contact: 248-349-2345; faithcommunity-novi.org

Livonia

Contact: 734-421-7620 » Good Hope Lutheran

nion each Sunday; Bible study 10 a.m. Wednesday

a.m.

» His Church Anglican Time/Date: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity and 10 a.m. at Madonna Univer-

on the Madonna University campus, 36600 Schoolcraft,

Lutheran Church

Location: 30650 Six Mile, Livo-Contact: 734-427-1414

Location: 9600 Leverne, west of Beech Daly, north off West Chicago Road, Redford Contact: 313-937-2424

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Rock-pop duo brings good vibes to Livonia church

By Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

The Rev. Eileen Patra hopes a benefit concert Saturday,

May 30, will help "raise the roof," at Unity of Livonia.

"It's an older building and it needs a lot of work," said Patra, senior minister. "We have seven roofs. We repaired one last year and two more are in dire need. We have a couple leaking significantly and causing interior damage. They all need replacement.'

But the "High Vibration Concert" by Ferndale duo Tatiana Scavnicky and Mark Watson will raise more than just roof repair funds for the church. Patra says their music, a combination of rock, world beat, mystical sounds and pop, is bound to lift up listeners' spirits as well.

'They have beautiful music. They do a really beautiful rendition of some great rock cov-er-type songs," Patra said. "But they also do some beautiful consciousness-raising songs of their own making. And in addition to what they do in concert performance, Mark has written meditation music that we now use at our Wednesday night meditation service.

The couple performed at a "Mind, Body, Spirit Festival" at the church last fall and will return for their solo concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 30, at the church, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. Tickets are \$15 and available through the Unity of Livonia Bookstore or at the door.

Patra said the singers were a "delightful surprise" during their first appearance at the church last year.

"They were amazing. They played their own songs that touched people in a special way," Patra said. She asked for an encore and they were happy to oblige.

Positive lyrics

The pair perform as the Haight Ashbury band, singing cover tunes by everyone from Adele and the Beatles to Tom they also write and sing their own songs which offer a "high vibration positive message about how you live your life, believing in good things, living



Tatiana Scavnicky and Mark Watson will bring their "High Vibration Concert" to Unity of Livonia.

from your heart and with truth," Scavnicky said.

"His stuff is a little more pretty and mine has more of an edge to it," she said, adding that her original song, Believe in Yourself, sounds a little like a Kid Rock — "it's a move your butt song" — with a positive

Watson, who is the keyboardist for local band, Dr. Pocket, and creator of AE Music Studios, also has recorded several meditation CDs. Scavnicky,

who was the keyboardist and lead vocalist for RH Factor and Ridgemont High, also sang with Norma Jean Bell & the All Stars before joining forces with Watson. She has recorded two of her own CDs, Mrs. Blue and I Will.

Dance music

"It is very uplifting," Scavnicky described their original tunes. "But sometimes we struggle with how do we describe the music we do. Sometimes when you say inspiring and you're at a church, people think it must be church music. It's high vibration message but you can still party and have a good time."

Some of their music, including Tatiana's Air Fire Water Earth, a dance tune, is likefeet. Others, like the "mother song" off of her I Will CD offers comfort, "like a lullaby from your higher power."

Scavnicky said the duo will

play a mix of both fast-paced songs and ballads at the Unity

"I want them to walk away feeling good about themselves and about life," she said, "like pushing a reset button, a let-

For more information about isii umtyomivo nia.org. Visit the musicians' websites at tatianascavnicky-.com and angelearthmusic-

ANIMALS

DETROIT ZOO Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$10 for senior citizens 62 and older, and for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and

Dinosauria: Forty animatronic dinosaurs are on display through Sept. 7. Tickets are \$5 with Detroit Zoo admission for visitors ages 2 and older and are available at main admissions, the Dinosauria ticket booth or online at detroitzoo.org/dinosauria Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS

ART ON THE GRAND Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 6, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 7

Location: Off Grand River Avenue. from Farmington Road to Grove Street, in downtown Farmington

Details: Free outdoor art festival features paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, pottery, fiber, glass, metal, furniture, and mixed media, food for purchase, a children's area with special art-focused activities, face painting, and more

Contact: downtownfarmington.org **GALLERY@VT**

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

Friday and during public events, through May 31 Location: Village Theater at Cherry Hill,

50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton Details: "Music & Play" is a collaborative exhibit by artists Michele M. Crimi and Jesse Brandel. Crimi creates sculptures from recycled musical instruments and Brandel makes 3-D contour sculptures from wire

Contact: 734-394-5300; cantonvillagetheater.org

JANICE CHARACH GALLERY Time/Date: The exhibition runs 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, through July 16

Location: Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 6600 W. Maple,



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Folk musician Matt Watroba performs Saturday, May 30, at Barefoot **Productions in Plymouth.**

West Bloomfield

Details: 68th annual Michigan Water Color Society Annual Exhibition Contact: 248-661-1000

LIBERTY STREET BREWING

Time/Date: Through May 30 Location: Upper Hall Gallery at the Brew Pub, 149 W. Liberty, Plymouth **Details:** Works by Lanny Henderson

Contact: 734-207-9600 **NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE**

Time/Date: Opening reception, 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 5, running through

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: West of Center, an all-media

Contact: 248-344-0497 **PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Friday, June 5 reception; exhibit runs through June Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth Details: Denise Cassidy solo show of Contact: 734-416-4278

AUDITIONS

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE Time/Date: By appointment May 30, June 1 and June 6

Location: 1526 Broadway, Detroit Details: Children's Chorus auditions for the 2015-16 season, which includes the Principal Chorus for ages, 10-16, and the Preparatory Chorus, for ages 8-11. Audition requirements are a prepared song that is age-appropriate and selected from the folk or classical genres, a prepared poem, a one-page resume listing music and theater background (if applicable), and a basic photo

Contact: Twannette Nash at tnash@motopera.org

FESTIVAL KITE FESTIVAL

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 6, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday,

Location: James F. Atchison Memorial Park, 58000 Grand River Ave., New

Details: 7th annual Lyon Township Kite Festival will include internationallyknown kite designers, kite acrobatics, free kites and kite decorating, petting zoo, magic shows, roaming cartoon characters, bouncy houses and festival food concessions

Contact: lyonevents.org; 248-437-2240

FILM **PENN THEATRE**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 28 and June 4; 7 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30; and 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 31

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth Details: Woman in Gold; admission \$3 Coming up: Home, 7 p.m. Friday, June 5 and Thursday, June 11; 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 6-7

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penn-

REDFORD THEATRE Time/Date: June 7-8

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

Details: Cinetopia International Film Festival includes Wings, a silent film accompanied by Stephen Warner on organ, 2 p.m. June 7; Lawrence of Arabia, 6 p.m. June 7; Tab Hunter Confidential, 5 p.m. June 8; and Ghostbusters, 7 p.m. June 8. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for ages 12 and under for Wings; \$12 general admission for

Contact: 313-898-1481 **SUMMER DRIVE-IN**

the other films

Time/Date: Beginning at dusk, June 5-Sept. 6, excluding June 7

Location: USA Hockey Arena, 14900 Beck, Plymouth

Details: Double features on three screens. Visit summerdrivein.com weekly for updated film list. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for children, 4-12 and free for children, 3 and under.

Contact: 734-927-3284

HISTORY KELSEY MUSEUM

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 5-July 26

Location: 434 State St., Ann Arbor Details: "Rocks, Paper, Memory: Wendy Artin's Watercolor Paintings of Ancient Sculptures" features paintings of ancient Greek and Roman sculptures along with objects from the Kelsey's collection

Contact: 734-764-9304 **PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL**

MUSEUM

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday-Sunday

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth Details: "Creative Hands: Busy Hands" runs through June 14. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17 Contact: 734-455-8940

MUSIC **BAREFOOT PRODUCTIONS**

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 30 Location: 240 N. Main, Plymouth Details: Matt Watroba, folk musician; tickets are \$20

Contact: justgobarefoot.com; 734-560-1493/734-404-6889

BLUES@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Bring your dancing shoes. \$5 donation

Contact: 734-453-1780 **GAELIC LEAGUE/IRISH** AMERICAN CLUB

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, May 29 Location: 2068 Michigan Ave., Detroit Details: Concert and Ceili with Paddy O'Brien on accordion and Nathan Gourley on fiddle. They'll be joined by local musicians. Suggested donation is

Contact: Mick Gavin at 313-537-3489 **JAZZ@THE ELKS**

\$15 for adults and \$10 for students.

Children under 12 admitted free

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

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: \$10 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres

Contact: 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

LAFONTAINE FAMILY AMPHITHEATER

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Thursday, May 28 Location: Central Park on Main Street between Huron and Liberty streets in

Details: Fifty Amp Fuse will help kick off Milford's free summer concert series at the new amphitheater

Contact: meetmeinmilford.com

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia Details: Mike Vial and Peyton Tochterman, May 29; open stage, June 2; Dr. Swing featuring Joel Palmer, June 5; Christopher Williams, June 6; Hiroya Tsukamoto, June 12; Davey O, June 13. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted

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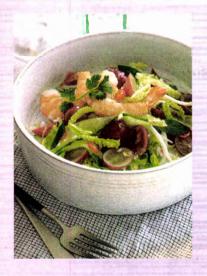
These recipes show how grapes balance the distinct flavor of Brussels sprouts; complement smoky mozzarella; grapes, visit www.grapesfromcalifornia.com.

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SHRIMP THAI SALAD

3 cups shredded savoy cabbage 2 cups bean sprouts, rinsed 1 ½ cups green California grapes, halved

1 large cucumber

¼ cup lime juice 3 tablespoons rice wine vinegar

2 tablespoons brown sugar 3 tablespoons minced shallots 1 tablespoon safflower oil

1 red Thai chili, thinly sliced 1 1/2 cups cooked medium shrimp

3 tablespoons coarsely chopped cilantro

3 tablespoons Thai basil, torn

Combine cabbage, bean sprouts and grapes in large bowl. With vegetable peeler, peel cucumber into long thin strips and put on top. In small bowl, combine lime juice, vinegar, sugar, shallots, oil and chili. Pour over vegetables and mix

Divide among 4 serving plates, top with shrimp and sprinkle with cilantro and basil.

Nutrition information per serving: 186 calories; 3.5 g fat (.2 g saturated fat); 16 percent calories from fat; 14 g protein; 28 g carbohydrate; 4 g fiber; 0 mg cholesterol; 146 mg sodium.



TOFU GRAPE KABOBS

2-3 tablespoons minced jalapeno 2 tablespoons reduced-sodium

soy sauce

2 teaspoons brown sugar 1 teaspoon grated ginger

1 pound firm tofu, cut into 12 chunks 2 cups green California grapes

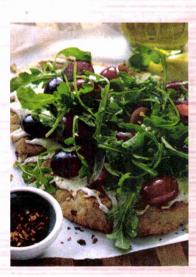
2 cups steamed brown rice 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

Heat grill to high. In small bowl, mix jalapeno, soy sauce, sugar and ginger, and toss.

Add tofu and mix. Thread tofu and grapes onto 4 skewers. Grill 2-4 minutes or until heated through.

Divide rice among 4 bowls, top with skewers and sprinkle with cilantro.

Nutrition information per serving: 271 calories; 6 g fat (.8 g saturated fat); 20 percent calories from fat; 14 g protein; 42 g carbohydrate; 3.5 g fiber; 0 mg cholesterol; 207 mg sodium.



GRAPE AND SMOKED MOZZARELLA **FLATBREAD**

2 large wholegrain flatbreads or

naan (about 8 ounces)

1 1/4 cups grated smoked mozzareila

3 cups arugula

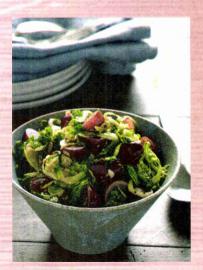
1 cup sliced red, green and black California grapes 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

1 small clove garlic, minced

Freshly ground black pepper Heat broiler to high. Place flatbreads on baking sheet and broil until crisp and lightly browned, about 2 minutes. Turn and cover with mozzarella. Broil until melted, about 2-3 minutes. While mozzarella is melting, toss together arugula, grapes, olive oil,

of flatbreads and cut into wedges. Nutrition information per serving: 323 calories; 14.5 g fat (6 g saturated fat); 38 percent calories from fat; 16 g protein; 37 g carbohydrate; 4 g fiber; 19 mg cholesterol; 626 mg sodium.

garlic, salt and pepper. Place on top



SWEET AND SAVORY GARLIC GINGER BRUSSELS SPROUTS AND GRAPES

Servings: 4 (1/2 cup each)

1 pound Brussels sprouts 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive

1 cup halved red California grapes

¼ teaspoon salt ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper

3 cloves garlic, minced 2 tablespoons fresh ginger,

grated 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard

2 teaspoons honey 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar 1/4 cup wainuts, coarsely chopped

Cut off woody stem on each Brussels sprout and remove any tough or bruised outer leaves. Slice sprouts very thinly to make mound of feathery ribbons. Heat olive oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Add sprouts,

grapes, salt and pepper to skillet and saute 3-4 minutes. Reduce heat to medium and add garlic, ginger, mustard, honey and vinegar to pan. Continue to saute approximately 1-2 minutes, until sprouts are tender and bright green in color. Turn off heat and add walnuts to pan. Gently mix to combine.

Nutrition information per serving: 210 calories; 12 g fat (1.3 g saturated fat); 48 percent calories from fat; 6 g protein; 23 g carbohydrate; 5 g fiber; 0 mg cholesterol; 236 mg sodium.