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## Township clears hurdles in lot expansion

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

The \$712,000 expansion of a parking lot at Plymouth Township Park has hit two more roadblocks, but township officials say everything should

soon be smoothed out.

A section of newly poured concrete was torn up Wednesday, about two weeks after the discovery that it contained a chemical that prevented it from curing properly, said Shannon Price, township su-

pervisor.

The concrete, in a section covering a third of the planned 209-space lot, had remained soft earlier this month hours after it should've been firm enough to stand on, Price said. "Basically, they got a bad

mix," Price said.

The contractor on the project, Merlo Construction, had purchased the concrete from another company, whose supplier had provided the wrong chemical, Price said.

"The supplier agreed to pay

for everything," said Treasurer Ron Edwards, who has been overseeing the project. Neither the township nor Merlo are on the hook for the added cost of tearing up the bad concrete and

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A team dedicated to fighting human trafficking trains on a regular basis, including each Saturday morning in Hines Park.

LOVE RUNS

## NorthRidge team running to fight human trafficking

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Canton resident Annette Luke shudders to think that one of her four children or eight grandchildren could ever become a victim of human trafficking.

Yet she is aware that every day in metro Detroit, even in well-kept suburbs, human trafficking victims, including young children, are sexually exploited or forced into labor.

"This shouldn't be happening," Luke said.

So she is among a team of more than 400 runners raising money to fight the problem as they train to compete Oct. 18 in this year's Detroit Free Press/Talmer Bank Marathon. The team, based out of NorthRidge Church in Plymouth, hopes to raise \$500,000 to support organizations battling human trafficking.

To donate, get involved or learn more, go to [www.crowdrise.com/LoveRunsNorthRidgeChurch](http://www.crowdrise.com/LoveRunsNorthRidgeChurch).

The team, dubbed Ridge Runners, chose a cause close to home after raising money in past marathons to support projects such as bringing clean drinking water to remote areas of Africa. This year's effort is called Love Runs.

"I think it's time to focus locally and this is a great opportunity for us to get involved with what is happen-

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Annette Luke, running between son Brian Luke and daughter Stacy Luke, is determined to help fight human trafficking.

LOVE RUNS

## Boutique's founders begin new chapter

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Hands On Leather, a Plymouth institution for 40 years, is closing its doors for good, but its founders are taking steps to see that its character lives on.

Saturday was to be the store's last day.

Mike and Nancy Ball, who opened the boutique in 1975, weren't able to find a buyer for the business, but are turning over some stock – and spirit – to Birch Wood, a gift and apparel shop also located on Forest.

Plus, Mike Ball said Friday, they'll continue selling jewelry and perhaps handmade leather goods through [www.nancysstore.com](http://www.nancysstore.com), an online retail site they've had for years.

"It's time to turn a page," Mike Ball said Friday. "Six days a week or seven days a week for 40 years is a long time to do anything."

Mike Ball made many of the leather goods when the business started, in a mini-mall on

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## Trott talks business, burgers in Plymouth

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

U.S. Rep. David Trott, R-Birmingham, toured Plymouth on Friday morning, chatting with downtown business owners, stopping at Kellogg Park and taking in the latest exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

The visit was one of a series of trips Trott is making to communities in his district that have Main Street-style downtowns, said Kristine Zrinyi, a district aide. He'd already been to Northville, Milford and South Lyon and plans to visit Clawson next month.

"It's a good opportunity to find out what people are concerned about, what challenges they have," Trott said as he crossed Main Street at Ann Arbor Trail.

The freshman Trott, an attorney who specialized in

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# Cable TV trends focus of third western Wayne banquet

An evening of networking and collaborating with political and business leaders from communities along the Interstate 275 corridor returns Tuesday, Oct. 6.

The third annual Western Wayne Business Leadership Banquet, presented by Bank of America and Comcast cable, returns to Ford

Motor Co. Conference and Event Center in Dearborn. Corporate table sponsorships and individual seats remain available.

"This event not only provides valuable information, it is also serves as a catalyst for relationship building between business and political leaders," said

Tracey Schultz-Kobylarz, Redford Township's supervisor and chair for the Conference of Western Wayne Board.

The Conference of Western Wayne, a municipal advocacy organization serving the region's 18 cities and townships, teams with local chambers of commerce to coordinate this program

designed to build stronger municipal-business relationships in a region that represents 700,000 residents and more than 54 percent of Wayne County's tax base.

The banquet emcee will be Mary Kramer, publisher of *Crain's Detroit Business*, and keynote speaker will be Tim Collins, Comcast's re-

gional senior vice president, who will discuss how new market forces and technology are impacting cable television and Internet service.

The program is scheduled to feature the appearance of mayors from Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth,

Romulus, Wayne and Westland and supervisors from Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren.

For more information and to register, call the Conference of Western Wayne at 734-953-8834 or the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at 734-453-1540.

## Plymouth museum hosts antique appraisals

The Plymouth Historical Museum will host an antique appraisal clinic with auctioneer Doug Dalton from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23.

Oral evaluations will be provided for \$10 per item. There is a maximum of four items to be

appraised per 15-minute slot.

Call for an appointment at 734-455-8940, ext. 0, or sign up at <http://www.plymouth-history.org/events>.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is at 155 S. Main Street, north of downtown Plymouth.

## BOUTIQUE

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Penniman, but moved on to careers in music, photography, advertising and writing. Nancy Ball has run the store – and made jackets, handbags, wallets, belts, hats and more – for most of Hands On's four full decades.

Mike Ball said they talked to three or four interested parties about taking over the store.

"With one thing or another, it didn't quite work out," he said. There were good people interested, he said, but the store is extremely specialized.



FILE PHOTO

Mike and Nancy Ball in their store, Hands On Leather, earlier this year. Saturday was the last day for the business. Some of the goods found there will be carried at nearby Birch Wood.

He's excited about the transition to Birch Wood,

for which his wife will be making leather brace-

lets. "Nice to know that it's going into good hands," he said.

Mike Ball founded a nonprofit, Lost Voices, to which he's dedicating much of his time. The organization helps at-risk and incarcerated children through creative writing and folk music.

With the store closing, his wife will be able to help him more with the cause and he's looking forward to that.

"That's so important, the things we can do for these children," he said last spring. "We can reach 'em. Like any kid, we can reach 'em."

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## LOT

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pouring a new section, Edwards said.

The section was re-poured Friday, Edwards said. "It's all poured. Looks great," he said.

Torn up was the middle third of the expanded lot, the last section to be poured. Price said it was originally installed Aug. 12.

### Doubled in size

The expanded lot is located west of the baseball fields and the new all-weather pavilion at the park. Formerly paved in asphalt, with about 100 spaces, it is being expanded to 209 spaces paved in



Edwards

Price

six inches of concrete.

The parking lot expansion, plus the new pavilion, are two of several improvements to township recreation facilities that have been undertaken since 2013. The money is coming from part of a \$1.9 million bond sale, plus grants and corporate gifts.

In addition to the faulty section of concrete, Merlo is having to reroute some drainage from the lot to send water

runoff into a prairie area to the south and west, rather than into a nearby creek, Price said.

The creek is part of the Rouge River system and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality had expressed concern that runoff would send contaminants from the lot into the Rouge system.

Price said a drawing detailing the new drainage plan was to be sent to the MDEQ late last week. "We're waiting for them to sign off on the drawing," he said.

The drainage work, Price said, shouldn't take more than a day.

Edwards said the township will incur no extra costs to rework the drainage, as it was due to

an engineering error. "We're not paying anything for it," he said.

Merlo, he said, has done a good job on the lot project. "I've dealt with a lot of contractors and this company's Class A," he said.

The faulty concrete and drainage issues followed a stop-work order, issued July 21 by Wayne County's public services department, that halted the lot project briefly. The order was issued because the township did not have the proper soil-erosion control permit, but the permit was obtained and work resumed within two days.

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# Canton Rotary donates to local, global causes

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Supporting projects from Canton to Ethiopia, the Rotary Club of Canton has ratcheted up its philanthropic efforts by donating \$6,500 to local and international causes.

"That's our whole philosophy, trying to help out where we are needed," said Bill Tesen, the club's secretary and past president.

The latest donations come from money the Rotary Club raised from its annual beer tent sales in June during the Canton Liberty Fest in Heritage Park.

According to its Facebook page, the

*"That's our whole philosophy, trying to help out where we are needed."*

**BILL TESEN**  
Rotary Club of Canton secretary

Rotary Club of Canton was founded in 1977. Tesen announced the latest recipients of club donations:

- » The Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, to buy gift cards for children who need back-to-school shoes. The local corps serves Canton, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Belleville, Northville, Northville Township and Sumpter Township.

- » Programs aimed at helping wounded veterans – one of the charities chosen by district Rotary officials for aid.

- » Scholarships for students in Plymouth-Canton schools.

- » ShelterBox, an international, first-responding program that helps countries that have had devastating events such as the Nepal earthquake. The organization of-

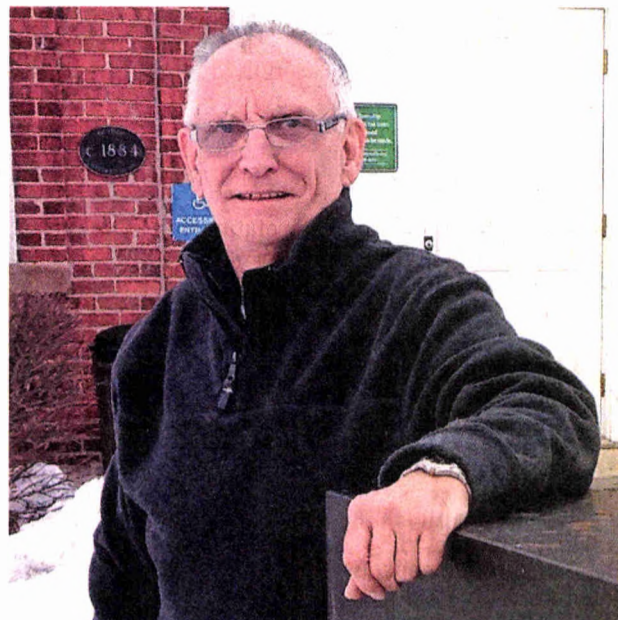
fers supplies and items needed to help families, including those who need shelter.

- » A grade school in Ethiopia that needs help with building supplies.

- » An El Salvador arts center, which needs supplies.

Tesen said anyone who is interested in the Rotary Club of Canton is encouraged to attend meetings scheduled for 12:05 p.m. each Monday, except holidays, at Antonio's Cucina Italiana, on Canton Center south of Ford.

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Bill Tesen has announced recipients of donations from the Rotary Club of Canton.

FILE PHOTO

## Canton, Plymouth bicyclists prepare for tour

Canton and Plymouth residents plan to join some 1,600 other bicyclists in the 45th annual DALMAC — Dick Allen Lansing to Mackinaw — tour this coming week.

DALMAC is designed to develop an appreciation of bicycling as both recreation and transportation and to promote a bicycle-friendly environment in Michigan. Its purpose is also to demonstrate how bicycles and other vehicles can safely share state roads.

This will be Canton resident Kalena Dowling's first DALMAC tour. Joining her are Jon Dowling and Christopher Gavalier, also of Canton and, who with Steve Barnaby, Lee Jasinski, Ryan Lane and Brian Negele of Plymouth, are all tour veterans. This will be Negele's 16th year on the tour.

The DALMAC, founded in 1971 by former state Sen. Dick

Allen, offers riders a choice of four routes beginning on either Wednesday, Sept. 2, or Thursday, Sept. 3, and ending Sunday, Sept. 6, in either Mackinaw City or Sault Ste. Marie, depending on the route chosen. This year's routes range in distance from 295 to 511 miles.

DALMAC is hosted by the Lansing-based Tri-County Bicycle Association, the largest local bicycling organization in Michigan, with approximately 1,000 members. The year-around efforts of the association's volunteers make it possible to offer a high-quality tour at a reasonable price and to raise money in support of numerous bicycling programs without asking riders to collect pledges.

Bicyclists interested in participating in next year's DALMAC tour may view the club's web site at biketcba.org.

## Salvation Army Thrift Stores hold Labor Day clothing sale

Whether it's back to school or back to college, join The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Center family thrift stores as they celebrate the start of a new season with the annual Labor Day sale.

Visit any of the 34 metro Detroit Salvation Army thrift store locations to enjoy 50 percent off clothing on Monday, Sept. 7. Doors will be open at the nonprofit's 32 thrift stores from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at its dollar stores in Pontiac and Detroit.

"Labor Day is the perfect time for families to stock up on back to school essentials," said Merle Miller, administrator of The Salvation Army Southeast Michigan Adult Rehabilitation Center. "As the summer comes to a close, we're pleased to offer families great deals on clothes."

In addition to 50 percent savings on clothing,



Help the ARC continue its work by dropping off gently used clothing, accessories, housewares, furniture and toys to the nearest Salvation Army thrift store donation center.

The ARC is an integral part of TSA's mission and offers substance-abusing adults the opportunity to rebuild their lives through a voluntary, short-term residential self-help program designed to establish a sense of dignity, self-esteem and personal strength that will allow them to resist the desire to abuse a substance and regain their rightful place as contributing members of society.

Completely self-funded, the ARC draws its entire operating budget from the revenue of the 34 Salvation Army Thrift Stores located in southeast Michigan.

For more information, visit [www.salarmythrift.com](http://www.salarmythrift.com) or call 313-965-7760.

shoppers will have opportunities to pick up great deals on accessories, home goods and other items during bonus sales announced each hour. Whether you're stocking a dorm room or gearing up for grade school, make your way to a local Salvation Army thrift store on Labor Day for great savings.

Local thrift stores include:

- » 28982 Ford Road, Garden City, 734-261-7175

- » 3600 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 734-425-7573

- » 27170 Grand River, Redford, 313-255-0777

- » 43403 Joy, Canton, 734-416-1925

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## Good ideas wanted: P-CCS looks to generate revenues to augment budget

By Joanne Maliszewski  
Staff Writer

If you have ideas, strategies or suggestions for alternative revenue sources for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, you are invited to attend a workshop hosted by the Board of Education at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1, in the Salem High School Media Center in the educational park off Joy Road, Canton.

"We really want the public to bring their ideas," district spokesman Nick Brandon said.

The need to generate additional revenue for the school district was driven home in the spring, when the board and administrators struggled



Brandon

Paton

with more than \$5 million in reductions to balance the \$150 million 2015-16 budget.

The approved budget was based on less than expected increases in state foundation aid, which left many board members all the more determined to develop ways to increase revenue locally.

This year, the district received a \$36 per pupil net increase in the foundation grant, which provides in the

coming year a little more than \$7,300 per student.

"We will need to do our own form of local control," Trustee Sheila Paton said, during budget deliberations. "We are in a position where the state is not going to help us."

Paton had urged the board to come together and develop ways of generating revenue locally for the school district. "We need to engage the community in different ways of generating revenues," she said, adding that methods could be as simple as community volunteers to program revenue.

This year's budget includes increases for sports participation, as well as for participation in other school

activities, which are expected to generate at least \$400,000, according to earlier budget discussions.

Next week's community meeting is a step in the direction of finding ways to generate revenue locally. "We have three primary goals for our district, as directed by the Board of Education, which are: improving achievement and reducing achievement gaps; balancing our budget; and increasing market share. Clearly this workshop will help us to take important steps towards continuing our pursuit to achieve all three of those goals," Brandon added.

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## STUDENT ACHIEVERS

### Teach for America

Matthew LeFevre of Canton has been accepted to Teach For America 2015 teaching corps.

Teach For America is a national nonprofit working to expand educational opportunity for students in low-income communities. Corps members commit to teach in high-need urban or rural public schools and become lifelong advocates for educational equity.

LeFevre, a 2010 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School and a 2014 graduate of Albion College, will teach in Indianapolis.

In the country's lowest-income communities, just six percent of students will graduate college by the time they're 25. LeFevre joins a network of 50,000 corps members and alumni working alongside parents, principals and communities for positive change.

"It is with incredible excitement we welcome this group of remarkable and diverse corps members," said Elisa Villanueva Beard, co-CEO of Teach For America. "They join a group of 50,000 leaders who have raised their hand to be part of ensuring every child has access to an excellent and equitable education."

Over the past 25 years, thousands of talented individuals have launched or continued careers in social justice through Teach For America. Hundreds of corps members and alumni have been honored as teachers of the year by their school, district, county or state.

### Dean's list

Kayla Eyster of Canton, a graduate of Canton High School majoring in sociology, has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

### Graduate

Plymouth resident Grace Elizabeth Walter graduated from Wheaton College this year with a bachelor of arts in English with teacher certification and secondary education, with a minor in theater.

## Canton student earns national institute recognition

Alan Sun, 16, a Canton high school student, has been recognized as a Media-Smart Youth@ Teen Leaders by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

Youth today have tremendous access to the media, which can affect their overall health, particularly as it relates to nutrition and physical activity. That's why Sun and his the Little Stars Foundation ([www.thelittlestars.org](http://www.thelittlestars.org)) are taking steps to help youth better navigate today's media landscape and understand how media can influence their choices.

Sun used the institute's free curriculum Media-Smart Youth: Eat, Think and Be Active!@ to teach young people about media, nutrition and physical activity. The first free four-week workshop was in Canton from June to July and more than 20 local kids ages 8-13 participated.



Alan Sun leads a summer workshop.

During the workshop, children analyzed media messages, read nutrition facts

labels, sampled healthy snacks, learned yoga poses and got moving during fun

action breaks. They also created videos, web pages and other media products of their own to encourage their peers to eat healthy and get active, too. The workshop concluded with a final presentation. Each student presented the knowledge they learned from the workshop through songs, dances, physical activities and group presentations.

The national institute developed Media-Smart Youth in response to studies showing a growing number of young people getting little physical activity and not enough needed daily nutrients. These factors contribute to rising rates of overweight and obesity. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about one in three children and adolescents in the U.S. is overweight or obese.

Sun also won a 2015 Kohl's Care for Kids Scholarship as one of eight regional winners in Michigan.

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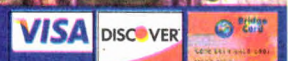
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# Friends brave chill for ice bucket challenge

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Westland native Terri Pickering Saenz has some great friends who didn't mind dumping cold water on themselves on a cool August evening.

Saenz, 47, of Canton was diagnosed in January with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or Lou Gehrig's disease. The evening of Aug. 25, about 30 supporters gathered following a Zumba class at Skateland West in Westland for the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge.

"It's amazing," said Saenz, accompanied by husband Jeff Saenz and her father, Chuck Pickering, a Westland resident and former Westland mayor. "To be facing something so daunting ... the support has been amazing. Oh my gosh, it's huge. I couldn't get through it without them."

After the Zumba beat calmed down inside Skateland West on Cherry Hill Road, many class



Becky Bowles (from left), Christina Tacoma and Kelly Malloy let the water fly for the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge at Skateland West in Westland.



Zumba instructor Derica Wade challenges others to the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge.

participants took to the lawn in front of the business. Buckets full of cold water came from the ALS Association Michigan Chapter.

"I have good and bad

days," said Terri Saenz, whose hands and speech are most affected now. She's among 48 in the U.S. in a study at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., according to her

husband. "There's been lots of support from our Zumba family," Terri said after the dousing. The fundraising helps with family travel costs for medical treatment, she said.

"I'm very touched to see such support," said Saenz, who continues to work part time in real estate with her dad. She didn't get doused Tuesday.

### Close friends

Skateland West instructor Derica Wade suggested the Ice Bucket Challenge for the ALS Association Michigan Chapter, said Peggy Fenwick of Canton. Fenwick, who runs her own PR and marketing firm, is a long-time friend of Saenz and a Westland native.

"Our parents were

very active in the Westland Jaycees," Fenwick said, adding the families lived close together in Westland.

"She's been in a clinical trial for four months," Fenwick said. Saenz had her bone marrow replanted into her body.

"What we're seeing is a plateau of her system. Right now, she feels good. She's been traveling a lot," said Fenwick, who vacationed with Saenz in Naples, Fla.

A July 12 Zumba benefit for Saenz was held at Skateland West, while fundraising is also taking place at [www.myfriend-terri.com](http://www.myfriend-terri.com).

An Aug. 7 bowling benefit for Saenz was held at Westland Bowl, with more than 55 prizes donated and more than

200 people attending.

"Oh, yeah. I'll do it, absolutely," Fenwick said of her own Ice Bucket Challenge and was true to her word. "They're going to repeat it every August until a cure is found."

### Worldwide attention

The Ice Bucket Challenge drew worldwide attention, including many YouTube views, last year.

"A lot of remarkable things are happening with stem cells," Fenwick said, noting Ice Bucket Challenge proceeds fund such research. "I'm hoping. She's trying to spread awareness. It's an underfunded disease."

Baseball great Lou Gehrig died 75 years ago, she added, and yet there's no cure.

"There's no doubt it's changed her life," Fenwick said of her friend, mom to two grown sons. Saenz has slower progression than the average patient, she said.

Paula Morning, CEO of the ALS Association Michigan Chapter, attended the Aug. 25 Ice Bucket Challenge in Westland.

"We try to support all events that help us work for patient care and support," Morning said. "Her friends and supporters have rallied to assist her."

The Ice Bucket Challenge even caught advocates by surprise, Morning said.

"There was so much awareness and it happened so quickly. The new challenge is every August until a cure. A lot of people have done community events to raise awareness," Morning said.

The Michigan chapter plans a Sept. 26 walk in downtown Detroit's Campus Martius and Cadillac Square. Information is at the ALS Troy office, 248-680-6540, or [www.walk-todefeats.org](http://www.walk-todefeats.org).

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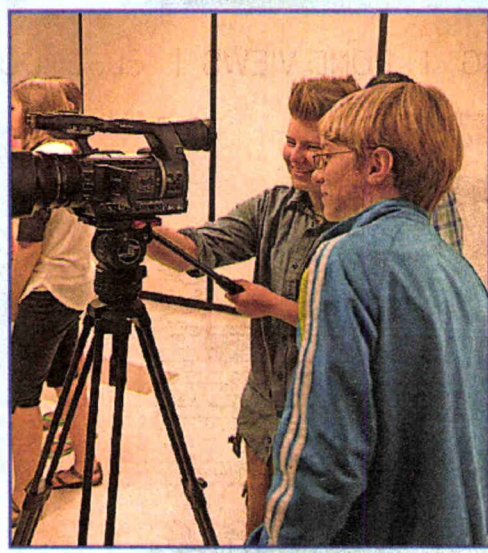
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# TROTT

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representing lenders in foreclosure cases, was elected last November to succeed Kerry Bentivolio, whom Trott defeated in the Republican primary. His district – Michigan's 11th District – includes the city, Plymouth Township and Canton Township.

At Stella's Black Dog Tavern, where Trott joked that it was too early for a burger, owner Bob Ostendorf told Trott it was important to him that the country elect a president in 2016 who understands business better than the current one.

"I'm not sure who I'm going to endorse yet, but there are several of them I think would be good," Ostendorf said.

Trott characterized the administration of President Barack Obama as anti-business.

"Certainly, if a busi-

**"I'm seeing a great downtown and a lot of enthusiasm about what's happening."**

**U.S. REP. DAVID TROTT** representing Michigan's 11th District

ness is making money, they must be doing something wrong," is Obama's view, Trott told Ostendorf.

Joked Ostendorf later, after Trott left, "I have to be politically correct. I have Democrats and Republicans in here." Ostendorf said he's a registered Republican, but that he'd also voted for Bill Clinton.

**'Almost a 24/7 city'**

Mayor Dan Dwyer and Wes Graff, president of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, accompanied Trott on the tour. The mayor told Trott that the

city's biggest challenge of late has been managing its success.

"We've almost turned into a 24/7 city," Tony Bruscato, the Downtown Development Authority director, said during a quick stop at Kellogg Park.

At Realtor Jeff Glover's Keller Williams office on Main Street, Glover told Trott that consumer confidence seems strong, but that the housing market is "starting to shift" in favor of buyers, with more inventory coming available than in recent years.

"That doesn't mean the bottom's going to fall out like it did in '08, '09, '10," Glover said, referring to the housing market crash and accompanying recession of those years. It will be a market correction, Glover said.

Glover also complained about regulations – or sometimes, as Trott described it, lack of clear regulation – coming from the Consumer Financial

Protection Bureau, which Glover said have hampered business. The agency was formed in 2011.

"We want to do everything above board. We don't want to cheat anybody," Glover said.

Trott responded that Congress doesn't have a lot of control over the agency.

"I'd be happy to write a nasty letter to the CFPB," Trott said on the way out.

Trott later said he was impressed by downtown, but also sees a "delicate balance" between accommodating growth and change and maintaining a distinct character.

"I'm seeing a great downtown and a lot of enthusiasm about what's happening," he said.

Other stops Trott made downtown Friday were at Sharer Design Group and Genuine Toy Co.



U.S. Rep. David Trott (left) with Mayor Dan Dwyer on a tour Friday of downtown Plymouth. Trott, R-Birmingham, visited the Plymouth Historical Museum, Kellogg Park and several downtown businesses.

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# Michigan State Fair expands in Novi

By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer

“Growing” is probably the best word to describe the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, now in its third year at The Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

“We have acquired about 43 additional acres since the inaugural fair in 2013 to keep pace with the rapid growth of the fair and to ensure that we have ample room for additional features and parking,” said Blair Bowman, Showplace owner.

Bowman started the privately-funded state fair — the first of its kind in North America — in 2012 as the Great Lakes State Fair. The name was changed the following year with Fifth Third Bank coming on board as the major sponsor.

The facility and fairgrounds property have grown by nearly 80 percent, adding enough land to construct the new Equestrian Show Rings, which debut next week.

Arnold Amusements has purchased more midway rides just for this four-day event, plus Detroit Shrine Circus performances have expanded outside.

“All of this in turn allows more interior space inside the Suburban Collection Showplace to showcase additional livestock breeds, youth shows and home arts exhibits and cooking competitions, which are all so pivotal to the booming agricultural industry in Michigan,” Bowman said.

## Shrine Circus, parade

Craig A. Stigleman, Shrine Circus chairman, said a full lineup of performances includes the famous tiger act, the world famous Flying Walendas, the renowned Liberty Horses and clowns and elephants.

“Our guests will be amazed at all the changes and expansion,” Stigleman said, adding his organization is proud to be a founding member of the Michigan State Fair LLC.

Stigleman said Shriners will have more than 20 marching units, with more than 200 participants, in the state fair pa-



Christine and Willis Plant trim their Romney sheep at a previous Michigan State Fair.

## FIFTH THIRD BANK MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

**Where:** The Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi)

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tendent. “And we are also thrilled that the finals for the Michigan Make it with Wool fiber design competition will also be during the fair.”

The Kroger Michigan-Made Product Pavilion returns this year, with a Michigan Kitchen Demo Stage presented by *Hour Detroit* magazine. It will feature popular Detroit-area restaurant chefs preparing favorite recipes, as well as fair exhibitors and competitors sharing delicious dishes, tips and kitchen tricks. The State Fair Farmers Market has local producers offering fresh and prepared food products straight from Michigan farms.

## Honored Citizens Day

Friday, Sept. 4, will be the debut of a new celebration — Honored Citizens Day — offering free fair-only admission (does not include carnival rides or circus performances) to anyone over 62.

Organized by state Rep. Kathy Crawford, R- Novi, and sponsored by Oakland County Department of Parks and Recreation and St. John Providence Health Systems, this special day will include an awards program recognizing the contributions of senior citizens, entertainment, a continental breakfast for the first 500 guests and seating in a dedicated air-conditioned area for those attending the fair that day.

## Live music

Debuting at this year’s fair is the Monday Michigan Mega Jam with a multi-genre All-Star Revue featuring Thornetta Davis, Jill Jack, Sean Blackman, Brandon Calhoun and others backed by Saint Cecilia, with guest keyboardist Chris

Codish.

“The mission of this All-Star Michigan Jam Band Dream Team performance is to showcase the amazing depth and wide spectrum of Michigan musical talent for the world at large,” producer and host Nadir Omowale said.

Blue Care Network of Michigan also joins the fair this year as presenting sponsor of the Community and Cultural stage, featuring song, dance and storytelling from a wide spectrum of ethnic and cultural community groups.

The second annual State Fair Superstar Contest welcomes new sponsor Pepsi-Cola. This fair feature debuted in 2014 with more than 70 entrants, with the grand prize awarded to Alison Albrecht, 14, of Novi.

The contest offers a purely Michigan mentoring twist on the standard pop music talent contest formula, with songwriting advice plus artist and repertoire coaching from Omowale; live performance booking consultation from 2 Stones Events; production of a three-song EP at world famous Pearl Sound Studios; a cash prize; and indie music business coaching from Jill Jack.

Sixteen finalists will perform Friday and Saturday evenings on the Main Stage, with the grand prize winner and runner-up headlining the evening of Sept. 6.

“The development of the new, private entity Michigan State Fair, LLC continues to be an amazing and surprising journey for us all, made possible through the tremendous support and enthusiasm of our foundation sponsors and the ever growing list of dedicated volunteers that sit on the Executive Board and State Fair Steering Committee,” said Steve Masters, fair executive director.

“This is a true labor of joy and love for all involved, who wish to be part of ensuring continuity of the traditions and legacy of the original Michigan State Fair and also help to determine how the future state fair will evolve.”

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rade, which is new this year. It begins at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 7, on Grand River Avenue, just west of Novi Road, and ends at the fairgrounds.

Area residents, businesses, street performers and community groups are invited to join the fun and celebrate Michigan’s agriculture, communities and businesses, as well as the final holiday weekend of summer.

“There is no better place in our state to hold the Michigan State Fair than at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi,” Mayor Bob Gatt said. “We welcome all of our friends and families, Novi residents and visitors, to come early, set up chairs and enjoy themselves on Labor Day morning.”

Half-off admission coupons for Monday will be available for all parade spectators. The parade lineup will occur on Flint Street. Contact McKenzie Bowman for more information at mckenzie@MichiganStateFairLLC.com or 248-358-5600.

## Livestock, showmanship, Michigan-made

The competitions for livestock breeding and youth showmanship continue to expand at the fair. Approximately 20 percent more farmers and breeders are coming to Novi than in 2014.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**MOVIE NIGHT**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31  
**Location:** USA Hockey Arena, 14900 Beck  
**Details:** Back-to-School Movie Palooza, sponsored by Plymouth Township and USA Hockey at the Summer Drive-In. Free admission to the first 300 vehicles with passes that can be obtained by township and city of Plymouth residents during business hours at the Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty. Screen 1 will offer *The Man From U.N.C.L.E.* (rated PG-13) and *Mission: Impossible – Rogue Nation* (PG-13). Screen 2 will feature *Minions* (PG), followed by *Ant-Man* (PG-13). Screen 3 will be showing *Vacation* (R) and *Trainwreck* (R).

**Cost:** Residents of the city or township can pick up drive-in vouchers at township hall while supplies last; hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Each voucher will allow one vehicle – with as many viewers as can safely fit into it – admission to the drive-in. Those seeking vouchers will have to provide identification to verify residency; there is a limit of one voucher per household.

**'IT'S SO EASY'**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2  
**Location:** Hanford Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road, Canton  
**Details:** Canton Newcomers & Neighbors host a free New Season Kickoff, sponsored by Olga's Kitchen of Canton. The organization meets most months of the year for a full membership event and offers more than 20 special interest groups, including book club, cards, bunco, dominoes, trivia, walking and culinary-interest groups. Members choose to participate in as few or as many events as their interest and time allow.

**Contact:** Reserve a spot; Kathy Cooney at 734-404-5998 or email kpc1202@yahoo.com

**BASKETBALL SIGN-UP**

**Time/Date:** 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9  
**Location:** Pioneer Middle School cafeteria, 46081 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth  
**Details:** Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Community Education Basketball League hosts registration for kids from third grade through high school

**Contact:** Email ceb1@pccsc12.com

**'PALLISER SUITE'**

**Time/Date:** 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30  
**Location:** Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, 650 Church Street, Plymouth  
**Details:** Better Than Ever Productions examines love, sex and loss after 60 in the hilarious new comedy *Palliser Suite* by Caroline Russell-King. The cast features: Jerry Carney, Becky Copenhaver, Linda Trygg, Spencer Brooks, Terry Viviani, Beth Brooks, Harry Stafford and Lee Thomas. The comedy is co-directed by Brian Trippel and Jeanne Prueett

**Cost:** Tickets are \$15 and available online at <http://www.betterthanneverprod.wix.com/btep> or by calling 734-306-7883

**DINNER, MUSIC, DANCE**

**Time/Date:** 6-9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30  
**Location:** VFW-4012, 438 S. Main Street, Northville  
**Details:** VFW-4012 invites you to a great night of dinner, dancing and music by Sam Domicolo, who will perform the oldies with a touch of the new. Dinner will be catered by Geniti's Hole in the Wall.

**Cost:** \$27.25 per person. Purchases can be made online at <http://sam-at-vfw-4012-northville.ticketleap.com> or by dropping a check or cash off at the bar room 2-10 p.m., checks made to George Thomas.

**SEEKING VOLUNTEERS**

**Time/Date:** Apply now; orientation Oct. 13



At last year's Fall Fest, Liz Kelly Kerstens worked on a kumihimo braid in her Jewels Victoriana booth. If you want to participate as a crafter, now is the time to apply.

**Location:** Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 N. Lilley Road, Suite A, Canton

**Details:** Compassionate Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to help with patient care and companionship, office support, group activities and more. Volunteer training sessions will cover mission and values, confidentially, communication and listening skills, grief, loss, the dying process and information pertinent to serving the needs of the patients. Interested volunteers may also choose to receive additional training and serve as specialized spiritual or bereavement volunteer.

**Contact:** Volunteer coordinator with questions or to apply for a brief interview 888-983-9050.

**CRAFTERS WANTED**

**Time/Date:** Sept. 11-13  
**Location:** Plymouth Fall Festival, downtown Plymouth  
**Details:** Plymouth Fall Festival. Craft marketplace is expanding this year, requiring more crafters.

**Contact:** The application is available at <http://plymouth-fallfestival.com/craft-show/>. Contact Colleen at [crafsow@plymouthfallfestival.com](mailto:crafsow@plymouthfallfestival.com)

**WILDCATS OBSTACLE CHALLENGE**

**Time/Date:** Beginning with check-in at 8 a.m., followed by first wave of participants at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12  
**Location:** Plymouth High School, 8400 Beck Road, Canton  
**Details:** A fundraiser for the Wildcats, the Plymouth High School football team in conjunction with the VET — Veteran Education and Transitional — Program. The event offers mud, an obstacle course, climbing hills and bales of hay and sand

**Cost:** \$30 for adults; \$20 for ages 13-19, \$10 for ages 10-12 and kids 9 and younger are admitted free. Admission includes the course, a drawstring backpack, buff and finishers medal. Kids nine and younger will not receive a bag or medals.

**Registration:** Ongoing and may be completed online at [www.TheVETProgram.org](http://www.TheVETProgram.org) (under events). Participants may also register and pick up information packets from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5, at Plymouth High School

**Contact:** Booster club member Todd McCall at 734-748-9649; sponsorships requested

**BIKES & CARS**

**Time/Date:** 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30  
**Location:** Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

**Details:** Charity car and bike show to benefit the Plymouth Canton Stars Special Olympics.  
**Cost:** To show off your car or bike, registration is \$15 in advance, mailed to 33575 Clinton, Wayne, MI 48184, or \$20 the day of the show. The show is free to all spectators.

**Contact:** Chairperson Debbie Cross at 734-732-9325 or email [Bikesandcars4PCStars@yahoo.com](mailto:Bikesandcars4PCStars@yahoo.com)

**RAKU WORKSHOP**

**Time/Date:** 5:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, and noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19  
**Location:** Village Potters Guild, 326 N. Main, Plymouth  
**Details:** Guild hosts its third Raku Workshop in which participants choose pottery and glaze them; experience is not necessary; demonstrations and sales also offered.  
**Cost:** \$10 registration fee; pottery ranges \$10-30  
**Contact and register:** The

Dave's, Vintners Canton Winery, Zoup Soup, Salad & Sandwiches.  
**Cost:** \$15 for adults; \$5 for children 10 and under and free for kids under 5. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, Station 885 and at U.P. Pasties on Main Street.  
**Contact:** 734-459-1896 for more information.

**VISIT THE FAIR**

**Time/Date:** 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Nov. 1

**Location:** Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth  
**Details:** The Fair That Changed America — also known as the Chicago World's Fair — the 1893 Exposition and all the history it made comes back to life at the Plymouth Historical Museum with the newest exhibit, "The Fair That Changed America."

**Admission:** \$5 for adults; \$2 for children ages 6-17. Through Labor Day, active duty service men and women are admitted free to the museum, designated as a Blue Star Museum.

**Contact:** [www.plymouth-history.org](http://www.plymouth-history.org) or 734-455-8940

**SALINE ANTIQUES**

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 12-13, Nov. 22 and Dec. 6

**Location:** Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor/Saline Road, Ann Arbor  
**Details:** The Saline Antiques & Vintage Market is open. The event is pet-friendly, but pets must be leashed. The event continues rain or shine. Everything is under cover with food and refreshments.

**Cost:** Admission is \$6. Parking is free

**Contact:** [www.salineantiques-market.com](http://www.salineantiques-market.com). To become an exhibitor, contact Doug Supinger, manager, at 937-875-0808 or email [salinemarket@gmail.com](mailto:salinemarket@gmail.com)

**NEW FOOD PANTRY**

**Time/Date:** 2-4 p.m. each Thursday

**Location:** Abundant Life Church of God, 21000 Hannan, Canton  
**Details:** The church has opened a food pantry for individuals and families in need.

**Contact:** Church office, 734722-7688

**'RED VELVET'**

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2-6

**Location:** Village Theater at Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill

**Details:** The Spotlight Still Got It

**PLAYERS PRESENTS THE COMEDY, 'THE RED VELVET CAKE WARS'**

**Contact:** Visit [www.cantonvillage-theater.org](http://www.cantonvillage-theater.org) or call 734-394-5300.

**Cost:** Tickets range \$16 to \$18 per person and may be purchased online at [www.spotlight-playersmi.org](http://www.spotlight-playersmi.org) or by calling The Village Theater box office at 734-394-5300. Tickets are also available for purchase at the box office one hour prior to show time.

**MEETINGS CHANGED**

**Time/Date:** 3-5 p.m. second Sunday of each month

**Location:** St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

**Details:** PFLAG P-C is committed to advancing equality and societal acceptance of LGBT people through its threefold mission of support, education and advocacy.

**CARS & CAFFEINE**

**Time/Date:** 8-10 a.m. each Sunday

**Location:** Parking lot of Biggy Coffee, 44601 Five Mile, Plymouth

**Details:** Car buffs and enthusiasts are invited to bring themselves, their families and their classic or hot-rod vehicles for a weekly gathering for talk and coffee.

**CANTON MARKET**

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Sunday

**Location:** Preservation Park on Ridge Road, Canton

**Details:** Canton Farmers Market now open

**PLYMOUTH MARKET**

**Time/Date:** 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 30 (except Sept. 6)

**Location:** In and around The Gathering, downtown Plymouth

**Details:** Plymouth Farmers Market open

**SPOTLIGHT ON 'PRODUCERS'**

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. for Saturday performances; 2 p.m. for Sunday performances, Sept. 18-20 and 25-27

**Location:** Village Theater at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton

**Details:** The Spotlight Players stage *The Producers*

**Cost:** Tickets are \$16 to \$18 each. They can be purchased by calling the box office at 734-394-5300 or at <http://www.spotlight-playersmi.org/>. Tickets are also available for purchase at the box office one hour prior to show time.

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# Advances in technology improve ability to police

Either you will be amazed by what I am going to tell you or you will be concerned — a little. Did you know that more than 1 billion people use video upload websites? More than 300 hours of video is uploaded every minute and 323 days' worth of video is viewed every minute online, worldwide. There are more than 6 billion videos viewed every month. Wow! You would probably never guess that so much material gets uploaded, downloaded and viewed.

Would you have thought 20 years ago, or even 15, that so much video and information would be out there? Technology seems to continually move faster and faster. That's it — that's all I got. I just thought that was pretty amazing.



Sgt. Michael Sura  
ASK A TROOPER

No, of course, I jest. I have more for you. You see, 15 years ago, when I first started with the Michigan State Police, some of the cruisers were equipped with video cameras. The vehicles had built-in video-cassette recorders installed in them. Not every vehicle had one and we had 60 cassette tapes stored on the garage wall. Each tape used for that day of the month. Also, every activity was handwritten on paper with the time of the event, action taken, names of parties involved and any other pertinent information.



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Each Michigan State Police vehicle is equipped with a video camera, a navigation system, laptop computer and printer. It is literally a mobile office.

In addition, one citation had five copies. A trooper would write on the top copy of the citation, leaving a carbon imprint on the four below. A senior trooper would often tell his cub to press harder on the top

copy because the last copy was not getting the information "inked on it." Troopers, when being dispatched to a call, would pull over, write notes on a notebook and then proceed to the incident.

Now fast forward to the present day. Each Michigan State Police vehicle is equipped with a video camera, a navigation system, laptop computer and printer. It is literally a mobile office. The video system is set up to record through a computer disc about an inch in size. The video from the disc is then stored at the post for a determined amount of time, depending on the incident recorded.

Dispatch calls are immediately sent from our dispatch center to the computer and confirmed via radio. The call is reviewed by the trooper, who receives all the notes on the computer about the incident. The trooper, upon taking the report, can type the incident on his computer and submit the informa-

tion for review, all from the vehicle. The trooper can also, via the computer, notify dispatch that a traffic stop is being made. The computer automatically relays the position of the trooper. Citations are electronically printed from the printer in the vehicle and you can print as many copies as you need. No more having to "press harder." All this is done to increase the speed in response and efficiency of the trooper.

It makes me wonder what the next 15 years will bring or, better yet, just the next five.

If you have questions or comments, email them to askatrooper12@gmail.com, or mail them to Ask A Trooper, Michigan State Police Brighton post, 4337 Buono Road, Brighton, MI 48116.

## Police: Woman swindles Livonia man out of thousands of dollars

By David Veselenak  
Staff Writer

A Dearborn Heights woman has been arrested and charged after police say she swindled a Livonia man out of tens of thousands of dollars over a three-year span.

Charlene Miller, 60, was charged this past week in Livonia's 16th District Court with attempted false pretenses over \$20,000 but less than \$50,000 and habitual fourth offender. If convicted, she faces a maximum of up to life in prison.

Police believe Miller befriended a 74-year-old Livonia man in 2010, convincing him to give her money in several forms for various items, including a computer, furniture and electronics, as well as utilities, a car and car insurance. Credit cards were also used by her after she opened them in the victim's name, police said.

Miller told the man she needed to collect some money to pay various individuals, as well as give some to "orphans" and to return some money to Oakwood Hospital, a place she claimed to work at as a nurse, according to police. Police confirmed she was not nor had ever been a nurse at the hospital.

This continued for about three years, until the victim's sister received a call from him, indicating he may have some financial troubles, they said.

Diane Hardy, his sister, said in an interview with the *Observer* she received a phone call



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Defendant Charlene Miller and defense attorney Bill Colovos waive her exam.

from his bank in 2013, indicating he was out of money in his account. She then went over his finances with him, then came up from her North Carolina home and determined he was nearly \$60,000 in debt and appeared to give out about \$140,000 during that time.

"He withdrew large sums of money, which should be a telltale evidence that's something wrong," she said. "The cash alone was \$75,000."

### 'Call a relative'

Police began investigating shortly after being contacted by the resident and found the suspect

had been charged with similar crimes targeting senior citizens in various other communities over a span of 15 years, including another incident in Livonia about 13 years ago.

A preliminary examination for Miller was scheduled for Aug. 21, but it was waived. She is expected to be arraigned on the charges Sept. 10 in circuit court in downtown Detroit. Miller is currently out on a \$100,000/10-percent bond, is on a tether and has been ordered to have no contact with the victim, said Lt. Tom Goralski of the Livonia Police Department.

Hardy said while her brother is embarrassed at the actions, he wants others to keep a close eye out and be alert of people attempting to swindle money out of senior citizens who may be vulnerable.

She said it's important to speak to trusted family members if something doesn't seem right with a situation involving someone asking for money and sometimes have family members review financial statements to check for problems.

"He wants to tell everyone that if you're suspicious about any person, call a relative," Hardy said. "I got online with his bank account. Had I been able to do that before, I would have asked him, 'Hey, did you take out \$5,000?'"

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## Don't make a mistake and overreact to recent downturn

Much, it hurts. That's the only way to describe what happened in the market over the last two weeks. Across the board, all the major stock indexes, both domestic and international, have been in retreat. As a result, those of us who invest in equities have seen our accounts fall.

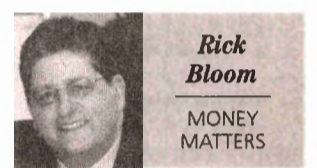
Whenever we have a retreat in the market, the doom and gloomers come out in force with the same old rhetoric that the world is falling apart and we're heading into a market free-fall like we saw a few years ago.

Before you, as an investor, act irrationally and let fear dictate your investment decisions, it is important to put things in perspective and understand what has happened.

This downturn is a direct result of a few different factors. The first is the slowdown in the Chinese economy. China is no longer a stepchild in the world economy; it is a major player.

China's economy, which has been growing at a substantial pace, has significantly slowed down. As a result, China reduced the value of its currency. The fear is that China's economy will continue to slide and that it will have a domino effect for other economies around the world.

Another reason for the downturn is energy prices. A barrel of gas is selling for substantially



Rick Bloom  
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less than it did just six months ago. As consumers, we are generally happy when gas prices fall because of the savings we feel at the pump. However, over the last number of years, because of fracking and other techniques, the U.S. is a major player in the energy arena. As a result of lower energy prices, our economy and employment situation are adversely affected.

The last issue weighing on investors is what the Federal Reserve will do with interest rates. The general thought had been that September would be the time where interest will begin to rise, but the recent release of the Federal Reserve minutes seem to suggest that interest rates may not be going up as fast as people anticipate. It is this uncertainty that causes volatility.

Taking everything into consideration, how should investors react?

My philosophy has always been to focus on individual goals and objectives and not let fear and greed dictate investment decisions. Don't overreact to market corrections, because market corrections are the norm. Just because we're having the correction doesn't mean an investor should change his or her overall strategy.

Portfolios should be built to survive market adjustments and corrections. Having a well-balanced and diversified portfolio may not always shine when the markets are doing well, but they protect you during these times. Because market corrections and adjustments can't be anticipated, the best strategy is to maintain a diversified and balanced portfolio so that market adjustments, although painful, will not be catastrophic.

I don't know how long this downturn will last — no one does. Despite what some people say, it is impossible to time the market. No one has been able to do it consistently and you shouldn't try.

My advice is, don't overreact. To those who have been sitting on cash, this may be a great opportunity to jump back in the market.

Good luck.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT 012

**PROPOSED ACTION:** AMEND THE TEXT OF THE PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 99 BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION: **Section 19.2 Special Land Uses Paragraph 14**

**DATE OF HEARING:** Wednesday, September 16, 2015  
**TIME OF HEARING:** 7:00 P.M.  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road

**APPLICANT:** Charter Township of Plymouth Planning Commission

**NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to amend Zoning Ordinance, No. 99 as follows:

**A. Add the following new section: SEC 19.2 Special Land Uses, paragraph 14**

14. Physical, occupational, speech, or similar outpatient therapy services where such services operate based upon appointments and not on a walk-in basis, provided that the Planning Commission finds that nature, function, and proposed location of the use ensures it will not conflict with permitted industrial uses.

**B. Renumber existing SEC 19.2 Special Land Uses, paragraph 14 to be SEC 19.2 Special Land Uses, paragraph 15.**

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that persons interested are requested to be present. Pertinent information relative to the proposed amendments may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Persons interested may visit the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, contact the Department by telephone at (734) 414-1453, or attend the Public Hearing at the date specified. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth Township, MI 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend approval of text changes as proposed, or as amended.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE:** The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd. Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone 734-354-3201. TDD users: 800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

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# Canton teen center rolls out B.L.O.C.K. party

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth & Teen Center is celebrating the start of its new fall semester with a block party 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, weather permitting.

Family-friendly activities are scheduled to take place in The B.L.O.C.K. parking lot, located behind the Canton Administration Building, off Canton Center south of Cherry Hill.

Activities include refreshments, prizes, basketball and dodge ball games and a bonfire with s'mores. A disc jockey will be on-site providing karaoke opportunities. Party-goers are encouraged to tour The B.L.O.C.K. (Building Leaders Out of Canton's Kids) center and check out its amenities, including Foosball, video games, computer lab with Internet, a café, lounge, quiet study room, pool table and more.

For more information, go to [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org)

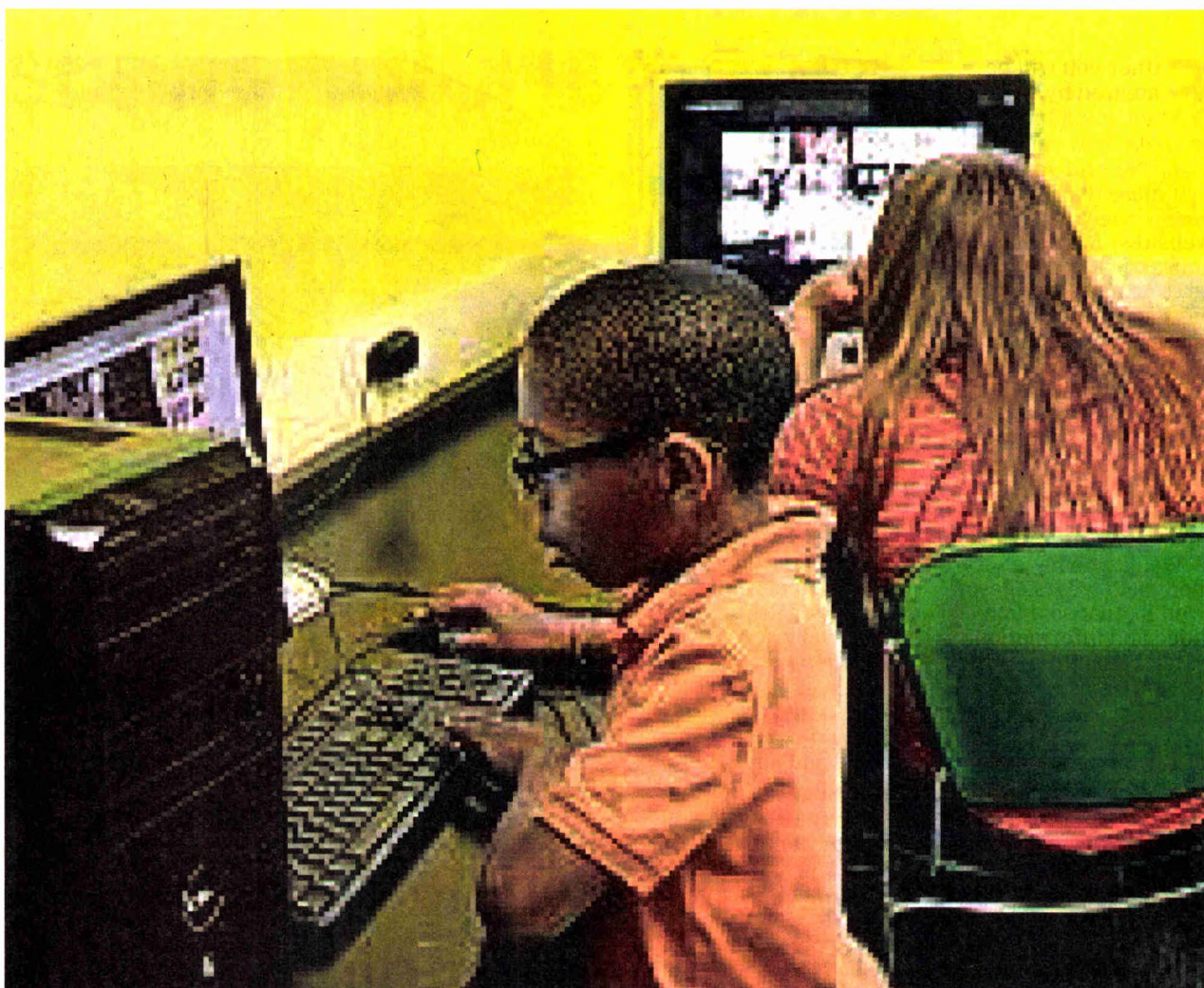
"We're excited to host another outdoor B.L.O.C.K. party, which

will feature an evening of fun activities for the entire family," recreation specialist Laura Mortier said. "Plus, we'll be opening up our teen center for tours, where we will have activities inside, as well."

Light refreshments will also be served, including pizza, pop, chips and veggies. The event is free and open to the public. Teens, their families and anyone interested in learning more is encouraged to attend. Overflow parking will be at the Canton Public Library.

If inclement weather is possible, participants are asked to call 734-398-5570 to confirm the event will be held.

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth & Teen Center, located on the third floor of the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, provides a fun, teen-friendly environment where students ages 11-17 can participate in supervised after-school programs, social events and activities.



A computer lab is one of the amenities at The B.L.O.C.K.

THE B.L.O.C.K.

## RUNNING

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ing in our own back yard," said Veronica Coker, a Belleville resident leading the Love Runs effort with Bryan Amann of Canton.

The team has compiled some startling statistics:

» Every 30 seconds, human trafficking claims another victim.

» The average age of a child becoming a first-time victim is 12.

» National studies often rank Michigan among the top five states – as high as second place – for human trafficking.

» The problem has gained ground on organized crime involving drugs and gambling, with traffickers making up to \$500,000 from a single child.

» Even when law enforcement rescues children, the number of safe rooms and beds available for them is less than 200.

"We're still shocked at what we're learning about human trafficking in our area," Amann said.

Each Ridge Runners team member has been asked to raise \$1,440 – an amount representing the 1,440 minutes in every day that victims are sold for sex or forced labor. Luke said she has set a personal goal of \$2,407,

reflecting the 24/7 problem.

Luke said she and daughter Stacy Luke plan to run the half-marathon, 13.1 miles, while son Brian Luke is going for the entire 26.2-mile marathon. Luke's husband Don is participating one day earlier in the 5K run, despite having double-knee surgery a year ago.

Luke said she is encouraged by new laws Michigan lawmakers have passed to try to curb human trafficking. But she said it's important for everyday people to join the fight.

Amann agreed, saying human trafficking occurs in area motels and during conventions – not just in

Detroit, but in some of the wealthiest suburbs.

"Human trafficking is a global problem, but it has a huge local connection," he said, whether it involves a young child sold for sex or a migrant worker forced to perform labor.

Amann said the NorthRidge team's research has shown the most common trafficker is a family member or someone close to the family, though many children also are abducted or find the wrong guardian when they run away from home. He said social media and the Internet also are used as tools by predators.

"It's not just an urban

problem or a Detroit problem," Amann said. "It's a Michigan problem."

NorthRidge's team plans to donate its money to area organizations that, in various ways, help human trafficking victims. They include Vista Maria, the Detroit Rescue Mission, All Worthy of Love (or AWOL) and The Salvation Army.

"We're using our proceeds to help organizations that are in the trenches," Amann said.

He also said cited one, S.O.A.P. (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution), which, working with some hotels, places bars of soap with wrappers that display a nation-

al human trafficking hotline, 888-373-7888.

Amann said 75 percent of the Love Runs proceeds will be used locally, with 25 percent donated globally in places such as southeast Asia, where human trafficking is a big problem. The team is using social media to draw awareness to the issue, using hashtags such as #loveruns and #stophetraffic.

The team encourages those who believe they may have witnessed human trafficking to call any law enforcement agency.

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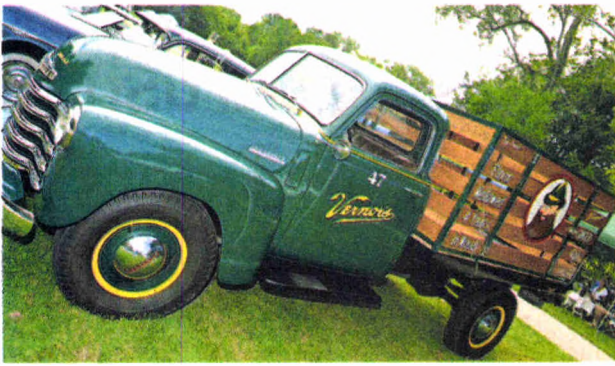
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# Bumper-to-bumper: Classic autos flock to Hines Park for annual car cruise



A classic 1947 Chevrolet Vernor's delivery truck was on display at the Cruisin' Hines event.



Canton residents Ken Rawski and Tracei Stober cruise Hines Drive in their 1968 Mustang.

**By Sue Mason**  
Staff Writer

It was 7½ miles of pure cruiser heaven Aug. 23 as thousands of cars and people packed in Hines Park for the annual Cruisin' Hines car cruise.

A purist's car cruise with only classics and hot rods allowed on the roadway, people packed the park for the event that has continued to grow in popularity since its inception five years ago.

"We easily had people three-four deep along the road from Nankin Mills to Inkster Road," organizer Don Nicholson said. "The number of spectators doubled from last year. They were almost shoulder to shoulder. If I had to guess, and it would truly be a guess, we had 750,000 to 1 million people there."

Cruisers came from Canada and 18 states, including one California resident who came early and did cruise nights and visited the Piquette Factory as a prelude to the cruise. A pre-cruise car show at CrossPointe Church in Wayne was "just packed" and ended with 30-40 cars doing a cruise down Newburgh

Road to Nankin Mills, Nicholson said.

"Everyone that was there (at CrossPointe) was at the cruise the next day," he said. "The place was just packed."

Henry's Field was set up by Nankin Mills and attracted 35 Model A's and Model T's, a "phenomenal number for a car cruise." And cars from popular TV shows like *The Monkees*, *The Munsters* and *Batman* were also on display.

"Henry's Field was good for the first time, but it needs to be tweaked a little," Nicholson said.

For a second year, cruisers entered Hines Park off Ford Road in Dearborn, with the actual cruise stretching from Outer Drive to Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. The entrance gave a longer approach to the cruise and, while volunteers were able to keep cars moving in the morning, backups developed later in the day.

One cruiser, in an email to Nicholson, wrote that with cars bumper-to-bumper and cars 18 feet long, there were 3,533 cars going each way on Hines Drive. Another cruiser counted 148 cars



How does your car rate? This group of Cruisin' Hines spectators let drivers know what they thought of their car.

on Ford Road waiting to get in.

"We keep the cars moving all morning, but once everyone gets out of church and people wake up, we end up get-

ting hammered about 1 p.m.," Nicholson said. "Our biggest problem is our success. Every time we make a change, it's successful, but it throws up another road."

Cruisin' Hines comes a week after the granddaddy of all cruises, the Woodward Dream Cruise. "It's what people want and it's what other cruises live up to," Nich-

olson said. "It's what got cruises started and everything else is a copy," he said. "Cruisin' Hines is different because we can control who comes in. People can see a walking and driving car show."

He added Cruisin' Hines is comparable in size to the Woodward Dream Cruise and that Michigan is lucky to have these two great events happen here.

"Look at what's happening in Michigan with (Detroit) coming back," Nicholson said. "If you're going to continue to do an event and draw the local community, that's fine, but we have to bring in more from the outside. We want to be the Disney World of car cruises."

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PREP FOOTBALL OPENERS



Plymouth senior running back Cameron Stella (right) blows past a Utica Eisenhower defender during the first quarter Thursday. His long run set up the Wildcats' second TD of the game. MICHAEL VASILNEK

PREP FOOTBALL

## Rocks crush Tigers in opener

Big games by Langford, defense key 22-12 win

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Opening night for the Salem Rocks featured some hard-hitting, aggressive running by senior running back Deston Langford and senior quarterback Alex Nicholson.

Langford ran here, there and everywhere Friday against the host Belleville Tigers in Salem's 22-12 victory, taking the ball 36 times and recording 233 yards.

Yet head coach Kurt Britnell pointed to the play of his defense, especially senior lineman Christian Pearson, whose tenacity near his own goal line forced two Belleville turnovers and resulted in nine Salem points — on a safety and defensive TD.

"The defense stepped up," Britnell said. "We were offensively sloppy. The defense, that's how it was for our scrimmages. I expected that out of our defense."

"We were excited about that and they did some great things. Obviously, a couple nice stands on fourth down, flying around to the ball. A lot of hats on the ball. It was fast defense."

**Clutch defense**

Pearson sealed the victory with a defensive touchdown with 2:19 to go in the third.

Belleville had a first down at its 6-yard line, but the snap from center flew over the head of Tigers quarterback Connor Sampson. It was Pearson who jumped

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# SLIPPING AWAY

Beset by turnovers, Plymouth falls, 38-24, to Utica Eisenhower

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

The first quarter was all peaches and cream for the Plymouth Wildcats.

But the rest of Thursday's season-opening varsity football game against Utica Eisenhower was pretty much the pits as Plymouth dropped a 38-24 decision.

"I just think we got up 14 and we thought we won," said Plymouth head coach Mike Sawchuk, whose team scored two quick touchdowns. "We kind of shut it down. Basically, what happened is you can't be selfish. Once you're selfish on the football field, you're going to implode. That's what happened."

Asked what he meant about selfishness, Sawchuk listed a number of things.

"Trying to do too much, turnovers, bad decisions, personal fouls," Sawchuk said. "Not doing what you're coached to do. That's being selfish in football."

**Bottom line**

Concurring with Sawchuk was one of the top performers for the Wildcats, senior defensive back Chris Walls.

"It's heartbreaking; we just got to stay physically and mentally focused," Walls said. "No mental lapses. We just got to get on our stuff and be disciplined, don't deviate from the game plan. We got big-headed and lost it for a minute."

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Plymouth senior Victor Abraham runs for a big gain after picking off a Utica Eisenhower pass during the opener at Swinehart Field. MICHAEL VASILNEK



Powering his way toward a 233-yard night Friday for Salem was senior Deston Langford (right). JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

PREP KICKOFF CLASSIC

## Chiefs run wild over Tractors

Trio of backs totals 300 yards as Canton rolls to 42-25 victory over Fordson at Wayne State

By Evan Paputa  
Correspondent

When Canton took the field Friday night, they did so without two three-year starters that were lost to graduation in 2015. Naturally there were questions as to who would fill the roles of quarterback Greg Williams and running back Chuck Turfe.

From the get-go, the Chiefs pounded Dearborn Fordson, 42-25, in the annual Detroit Sports Commission Prep Kickoff Classic held at Wayne State's Adams Field. The big stage didn't spook the Chiefs, who proved they were as well-prepared as possible.

"We were able to put the plow down on offense and we were ready," veteran Canton head coach Tim Baechler said.

"We had an opportunity to practice on our turf field, but we practiced in our shoots and our sleds. This was absolutely perfect how they had it set up. I loved it."

After a grueling competi-

tion between Jared Stephens and Joel Foster at quarterback, Baechler chose Foster to keep Stephens at safety on defense and give him the opportunity to play running back on offense.


That decision proved to be right on the money as Stephens scored three touchdowns — two on the ground and one receiving, thrown by Foster.

"(Foster) made a lot of improvement from last week; we turned the ball over a lot in the scrimmage," Stephens said. "But we practiced it a lot and made sure it didn't happen again. We all, the players, the

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Canton's Markus Sanders (top) fights for extra yards during the Prep Kickoff Classic at Wayne State University. MICHAEL VASILNEK



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BOYS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW

# Salem deep, talented — and still has Chaz

Rocks could be contenders with strong pack led by Jeffress

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Last season, Salem's varsity boys cross country team enjoyed a stellar campaign.

The best part is, this year's squad — featuring senior stalwart Chaz Jeffress — might be even better than the team that won the Wayne County championship and landed among the top five in the KLAA and Division I regional meets.

Sixth-year head coach Steve Aspinall must be licking his chops knowing he has Jeffress back for one final season.

Jeffress racked up the most-successful individual season in the program's history in 2014, winning the Wayne County, KLAA and regional titles.

And at the D1 state meet, he finished ninth for all-state honors with a Salem team record of 15:30 at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

"Chaz should be a top finisher in every meet we run this season," Aspinall said. "It has been a joy to watch Chaz continue to develop since his freshman year and I expect this season to be no different."

But by no means are the Rocks a one-runner squad, not with senior Jacob Kubinski, senior Griffin Skaff, sophomore Ryan Exell and junior Alex Kroll on board.

"All five of those guys broke 18 minutes last year and will look to improve on those times," Aspinall said, listing other athletes in the mix as sophomore Andrew Beyer, senior Gino Persicone, senior Jared Zella and junior Alex Lindsay.

"All of those guys put in some serious work since last fall and will look to solidify spots in our top seven," Aspinall said. "The biggest key to our success this season will be how close our pack can finish to Chaz in major invitationals."

"We know that Chaz will score a low number for us in each meet, but right now we have no idea who will finish next or in what order. The closer that pack runs together will determine how well our season goes."



LISA BUSHAW

Salem senior all-state cross country runner Chaz Jeffress will look to improve upon his record junior season.

The Rocks, who open KLAA action Tuesday with a dual meet against Hartland, followed Sept. 12 by the Salem-hosted Ramblin' Rock Invitational at Willow Metropark, have the chance to do damage for another reason.

With 17 sophomores and 15 freshmen, the team has 52 athletes, the largest since Aspinall joined the coaching staff in 2006 as an assistant (he became head coach in 2010).

Aspinall expects the KLAA Central Division, with "loaded" teams including Novi and Northville, to once again test the Rocks throughout the regular season and prepare the squad for state tournaments.

### Plymouth

Unlike Salem, this will be a rebuilding season for Plymouth, following the graduation of six varsity runners — led by all-stater Matt Pahl.

"We only have three returning runners that have any cross country experience," Wildcats head coach Jon Mikosz said.

Those are Ethan Byrnes, Nick Schweikhart and Nolan Ouellette.

"Losing a lot of seniors that had a lot of varsity experience is going to be tough," Mikosz said. "We have some good young talent, but it's going to take them some time to get there feet wet."

"Ethan had a great cross country and track season last year and got in a lot of miles over the off-season."

Plymouth's hopes could hinge on how quickly guys move up the depth chart and leader board.

Mikosz said Andrew Shattuck, Lucas Kapala and Nate Schmidt are returnees who could help the cause and listed Brandon Boyd, Bassil Syed, Jarrett Weaver and Gary Jones as promising newcomers.

### Plymouth Christian

Head coach Jennifer Lemieux is optimistic about the season for Plymouth Christian Academy, with senior co-captains Paul Chamberlain and Gareth Matson strong runners and team leaders.

Junior Ben Fuller, sophomore Seth Windle and freshmen Aaron Vicars, Aaron Giesler and Kyle Sedgewick round out the PCA boys lineup.

"God has blessed these athletes with running speed and endurance and a love of running and team," Lemieux said. "We hope to do well again this year, since we lost only one senior last year."

PCA also will have two freshmen girls competing, Lemieux added.

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW — PART 2

# Young Wildcats boast strength in numbers

Coach Ahearn welcomes 46 runners as Plymouth looks to kick it up a notch

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

With big numbers come big hopes as Plymouth's varsity girls cross country team gears up for a new season.

First-year head coach Alice Ahearn said she has a roster of 46 runners with strong numbers in each grade as the program's growth is only eclipsed by its promise.

"I am very encouraged about the strength and depth of this team," Ahearn said. "I am expecting big things this season, even if we are a predominantly young team."

Ahearn, who was an assistant at Plymouth in 2013-14, is "excited" about taking the reins of such a dynamic group and seeing what can happen in the KLAA South Division.

"The girls like to work hard and give their best to their team," Ahearn said.

"This year's camp theme of 'We Can, We Will' has spilled over into the start of the season as a team motto and will hopefully carry us through a successful season."

Returning seniors are captains Marianne DeBrito and Charlotte Clark, along with Alison Morren and Emma Radke.

Other seniors include newcomers Allison Beshears, Erin Heitzman, Gwen Carey, Sabrina Schiftar and Vatsala Singh.

"I expect Emma, Marianne and Charlotte all to be competing for a spot on the varsity squad," Ahearn said, "as their experience, work ethic and talent add a lot to our team."

A key component for the Wildcats is a junior class featuring returnees Abby Rhoades, Annie Bonds and Brenda Silva.

"They add experience to our large team, along with talent," Ahearn said. "Annie returns with the most mileage run in the summer months, as well as the lead for speed on the team."

Junior Kelly Gryniewicz would have added to the mix,

but she will be lost for the year due to knee surgery. Rhoades could help fill that void, as could juniors Allison Humbles, Gabby Uluhogian and Kayla Dudek (all newbies).

### Young influx

Fifteen sophomores will look to make their mark, sparked by Arwa Harawala, described by the coach as "an early front-runner to contribute steadily to our team's success."

Asha Shah, Camryn Clark, Claire Curvin, Madelyn Rush, Marina Malone, Marisa Berganga, Noelle Rogalski and Savannah Grieve are 10th-graders who were part of the 2014 program.

"Many of these girls put in some decent mileage and conditioning work over the summer and I expect to see it pay off for them," Ahearn said. "Claire, Madelyn and Marina competed on the varsity squad at some point last year."

"I expect that with their determination, despite the competitive level of this team, they will be competing on varsity again this year."

New to the team are sophomores Harawala, Angela Wang, Drew Reynolds, Kelly Heitzman, McKenzie Coffey and Sumer Pakray.

On the freshman front are Alexandra and Sarah Baker, Amelia Carey, Ana White, Clare Barrett, Cora Wallen, Elizabeth Knuth, Emily Britton, Isabel Sanabria, Jaya Dhande, Jasmine Arunachalam, Maddie Sternberg, Morgan Kraly, Olivia McLaughlin, Olivia Schafer and Rachel Glovatsky.

"They are the biggest and most talented freshman class we've ever had and I'm excited to watch them develop," Ahearn said. "A few that I expect to shine early in this season are Cora Wallen, Olivia Schafer and Ana White, with the rest of the class right on their heels to push this team to success this season."

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Bonds



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With blocking help from Jesse Warner (No. 80), Canton's Jared Stephens (No. 6) takes it in for one of his three TDs Friday. Stephens was named the game's MVP.

## CHIEFS

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coaches, trust him. Joel is a good kid and I like him."

### In the trenches

Canton jumped out to an early 14-0 lead on touchdowns by Reid McDonnell and Stephens. Baechler, Stephens and McDonnell credited their early momentum and late-game ground attack to the offensive line. Josh Dunn, Ben Phillips and Devin Obrec paved the way to more than 300 rushing yards in the game.

"I had a great offensive line blocking for me and that helps out a lot," said McDonnell, who had 61 yards on 13 carries.

The story of the night was Canton maintaining a two-to-three-possession lead, but never being able to break

away. After Fordson cut the Canton lead to 35-25 with 12 seconds left in the third quarter, the Chiefs methodically went on a 70-yard drive, capped by a 15-yard Jakob Wickens touchdown with 6:42 left to play.

Behind the play of Fordson quarterback Hamze Elzayat, the Tractors marched inside the Canton 5-yard line with 5½ minutes remaining. The Chiefs' defense stood their ground on a fourth-and-goal from the goal line when Kassem Beydoun fumbled and McDonnell pounced on it at the 5.

"We just couldn't put them away," Baechler said. "Credit to their coaches and their kids, they never quit. They scored quickly several times, too, and we had that touch (which set up a Fordson touchdown), so that gave them life. That's something we've got to get



MICHAEL VASILNEK

Taking a handoff from Canton quarterback Joel Foster (right) is running back Jakob Wickens.

better at; when we have a chance to put someone away, we've got to do it."

### Key first down

Markus Sanders led the Chiefs' rushing attack with 201 yards. He ground out a 25-yard first down on third-and-22 from Canton's own 31 while leading 35-25 early in the fourth. Without that first down, the game could have gone in a different direction, according to Baechler.

"That was critical. We said we are not throwing the ball

there. He made some big plays tonight," Baechler said.

"Big-time players make big-time plays in big-time games, that's all there is to it," Sanders said. "My line worked harder than anybody in the state. That's why I had the success that I had."

Sanders' 201-yard performance was surprise to Stephens, who is tasked with defending him in practice.

"It's his height," Stephens said. "You can't see him, he's so small, his pad level is so low — it's hard to find him — and then

when you do find him it's hard to tackle him."

Stephens was named MVP by the Detroit Sports Commission for his three-touchdown performance. Also scoring for the Chiefs was Wickens on Foster's second touchdown pass of the night in the third quarter.

"My offensive line has been working hard. They came out and proved a lot of people wrong," Stephens said.

Canton will travel Thursday to Hartland in a KLAA cross-over to battle the Eagles (1-0).



## BOYS TENNIS PREVIEW

## Stacked 'Cats could make noise

Talent, chemistry could lift Plymouth to new heights; Chiefs feature new look, lineup

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Both Plymouth's and Canton's varsity boys tennis teams were the cream of the crop in the KLAA South Division last fall, finishing one and two, respectively.

Although the Wildcats are pretty much a certainty to again be among the best in the division and conference, the 2015 season could be more of a challenge for the Chiefs — who unexpectedly lost the services of No. 1 singles player Rohan Vaishnav.

Following is a look at the division and cross-campus rivals:

## Plymouth

There's no denying the 2014 season was a special one for Plymouth.

The Wildcats went 9-2 overall, including 5-0 in division matchups, to capture the KLAA South for a fourth consecutive season.

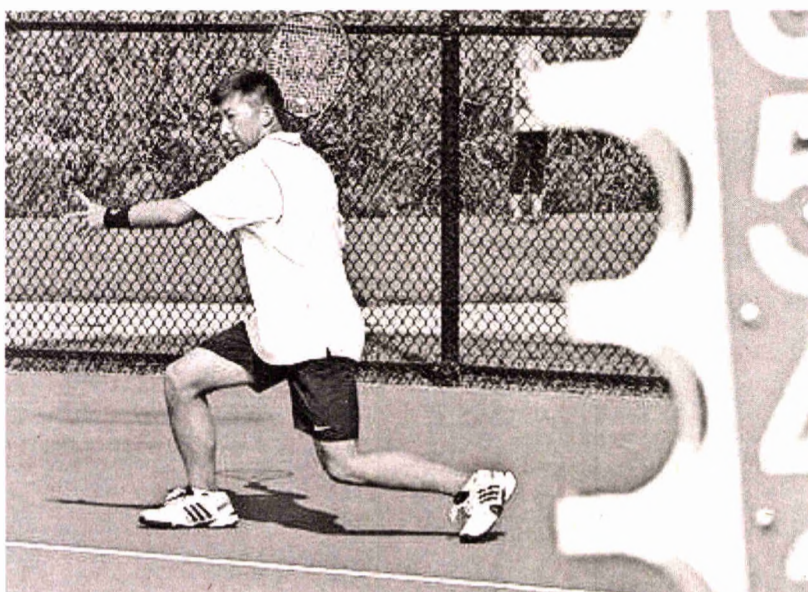
"I'm confident that this team has the skill and desire to capture another division title and to move up again in our 24-team (KLAA)," veteran head coach Tom Kimball said. "This could easily be the best tennis team that Plymouth has ever had."

"There is a camaraderie, a chemistry, a work ethic that, combined with their skill and experience, should definitely take them far."

Plymouth already has competed in a pair of non-league tilts, losing a tough 6-3 result to Ann Arbor Skyline but routing Dexter, 9-0.

"We lost a close contest with Skyline," Kimball said. "Unfortunately, the two three-set doubles matches did not go our way or else we could have won."

"We have since made a couple slight adjustments to our doubles lineup and strategy and I feel we are now an altogether stronger team."



Plymouth No. 1 singles standout Jordan Lu takes a healthy swing during a 2014 contest.

"In fact, in our recent Dexter match we won decisively, dropping only three games in the singles matches and four games in doubles play."

Leading the squad at No. 1 singles is all-Observer senior standout Jordan Lu, rounded out by tourney-level players Matt Decker, Kevin Hou and Deven Patel. Hou is a senior, and Deven Patel are juniors.

Starting the year in doubles pairings are the following: No. 1, juniors Justin Kapke and Yogesh Mohanraj; No. 2, junior Ramana Ramanathan and sophomore Nathan Tseng; No. 3, Tseng and junior David Grant; No. 4, sophomore Anoop Kotha and senior Sam Tufts; and No. 5, junior Haron Zahoor and senior Parth Patel.

"We've been stressing smart play to our doubles teams and we have been working hard to incorporate some new aggressive formations and strategies," Kimball said. "These guys have skill, confidence and experience and I'm certain that if we can push them to play smarter and up to their potential, that the close matches against our toughest opponents will go our way."

## Canton

Despite the loss of 10 players

from the 2014 team (6-2 overall, 4-1 in the KLAA South), longtime Chiefs head coach Barb Lehmann isn't about to coach it in.

It helps to have dedicated co-captains in Joey Masca and Howard Zhang "working the boys during the summer and taking every advantage to get the team on the courts. Their dedication and determination is outstanding."

Filling the singles lineup will be returnees Jacob Paton at the No. 1 spot, taking over from Vaishnav. He will be supported by Matthew Mukhtar, Sri Narayanan and Zhang.

Mosca spearheads the doubles lineup, which will also include Geet Antani, Vishal Nayak and Kurt Seifert.

Canton opens KLAA play Tuesday against Livonia Franklin at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"The 2015 team is off to a great start, with a number of new players filling the positions and a even more improvements from the returning varsity squad," Lehmann said. "We have new freshmen and sophomores adding to the roster, who are strong additions to our team."

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## SPORTS ROUNDUP

## Plymouth bests Pats

State power Plymouth recorded a decisive 173-215 girls golf victory Thursday over Livonia Franklin in a KLAA South Division match-up hosted by Idyl Wyld Golf Course in Livonia.

Kendall Payne played well for the Patriots, carding 45 — seven shots better than Franklin's No. 2 player, Sofia Cueva. Oliver Napier (58) and Brenna Campau (60) also scored for Franklin.

The Patriots' non-scorers were Jaime Whitney (62) and Angelina DiPonio (71).

## Schoolcraft soccer

For those wanting to check out Schoolcraft's soccer teams, the women's team hosts Cincinnati at 1 p.m. Sunday, followed by the Schoolcraft-Cincinnati men's match-up at 3 p.m.

Meanwhile the Lady Ocelots kicked off the season Wednesday with a 15-0 romp over host Jackson College.

Emily Mulcahy scored four goals to key Schoolcraft's attack. Chipping in two goals each were Katie Vitella, Shae Van Gassen and Cienna Rael-Whittitt.

Sharing the shutout in goal were Katie Dangelmaier (73 minutes) and Rebekah Mathers (17 minutes).

## Schoolcraft spikers

The Lady Ocelots pounded Lawrence Technological University, 75-58, Tuesday in a MCCA women's volleyball match-up.

Amanda Rybak had 23 assists and six kills for Schoolcraft. Other contributors included Nicole Sprinkles (10 kills), Alyssa Saenz (six kills) and Gabrielle Maciag (five kills).

## USA Hockey practices

The new teams in town that make up USA Hockey's National Team Development Program hit the ice at USA Hockey Arena for the first time next week in practices during the NTDP's annual Orientation Week.

The practices are open to the public and media at USA Hockey Arena (formerly Compuware Arena). USA Hockey Arena is located at 14900 N. Beck Road in Plymouth Township. Call 734-453-8400.

Here are the practice times next week for the two teams, U-17 and U-18:

## Tuesday, Sept. 1:

- » 1-1:45 p.m. — U-17 practice — in the NHL Rink.
- » 3-4 p.m. — U-18 practice — in the NHL Rink.

## Wednesday, Sept. 2:

- » 2:30-4 p.m. — U-18 practice — in the NHL Rink.
- » 3:30-5 p.m. — U-17 practice — in the Olympic/Farmers Rink.

## Thursday, Sept. 3:

- » 9:30-11 a.m. — U-18 practice — in the NHL Rink.

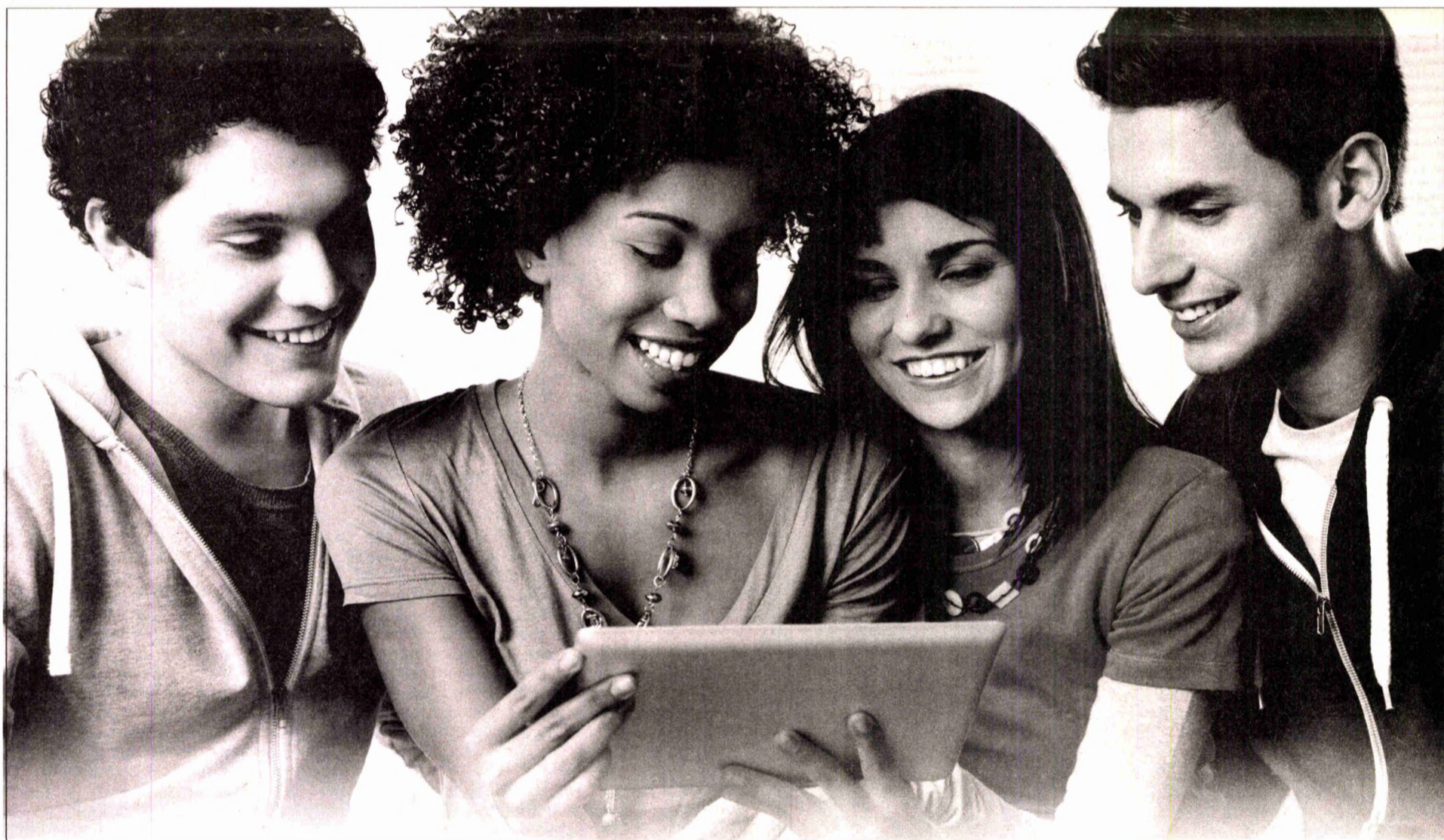
- » 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. — U-17 practice — in the Olympic/Farmers Rink.

- » 1:30-3 p.m. — U-18 practice — in the NHL Rink.
- » 3-4:30 p.m. — U-17 practice — in the NHL Rink.

## Friday, Sept. 4:

- » 12:30-2 p.m. — U-18 practice — in the NHL Rink.

- » 2-3:20 p.m. — U-17 practice — in the NHL Rink.

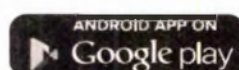


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The 2015 Lincoln MKZ is on sale at Jack Demmer Lincoln, where customers benefit from the Demmer Difference.

## 2015 Lincoln MKZ is 'attracting next generation of luxury car buyers'

The 2015 Lincoln MKZ continues to represent the road ahead for the Lincoln Motor Co., said Steve Hunsinger, sales manager at Jack Demmer Lincoln in Dearborn.

"With its design, performance and technology, the MKZ is attracting the next generation of luxury car buyers," he said.

Those customers enjoy a wide range of standard features, plus three power train options:

- » The standard 2.0L EcoBoost I-4.
- » The available 3.7L Ti-VCT V6 engine.

» The Lincoln MKZ Hybrid, which offers the third-generation 2.0L Atkinson-cycle I-4 gas engine.

The 2015 Lincoln MKZ competes head-to-head in the luxury mid-size sedan market with brands like the Acura TL, Cadillac CTS, Infiniti Q50 and Lexus ES 350, while the Lincoln MKZ Hybrid contends with vehicles like the Infiniti Q50 Hybrid and Lexus ES 300h.

"There are many standard features on the MKZ that aren't offered on many of the competitive models," Hunsinger



The interior features a 10.1-inch LCD instrument cluster.

said. "One of the most intriguing features of the MKZ is the push-button transmission, which is on the dashboard, alleviating the center console shift and offering a more open feel to the cabin of the vehicle," Hunsinger said.

The 2015 MKZ incorporates the new Lincoln design language of "elegant simplicity."

**Exterior design features include:**

- » Adaptive LED auto headlamps.

- » Auto high beams.
  - » Body-color exterior door handles with chrome insert.
  - » Configurable daytime running lamps (available with select and reserve equipment groups).
  - » LED tail lamps and light-pipe driving lamps.
  - » Split-wing grille with chrome surround.
  - » Pedestal-mounted heated side-view mirrors with integrated turn signals, blind spot mirrors and security approach lamps.
  - » Power up/down deck lid (available).
  - » Rectangular dual exhaust with bright tips.
  - » Retractable panoramic roof.
- Interior design features include:**
- » 10.1-inch LCD instrument cluster.
  - » Ambient lighting — customers can choose from seven different colors (select equipment group).
  - » Flow-through front console with storage bin, trinket tray and two cup holders.
  - » Genuine wood appliques.

» Illuminated scuff plates.

» Premium leather seating surfaces (select and reserve equipment groups).

"The luxury and elegant attributes of the MKZ have not gone unnoticed by today's luxury car buyers," Hunsinger said. "The MKZ has done very well with current Lincoln owners, but Lincoln is looking at the big picture of attracting the competitive buyers and converting them to Lincoln owners."

In fact, Lincoln predicts that 45 percent of sales will be to past or current Lincoln owners, while 55 percent of sales will come from "conquest" customers, Hunsinger said.

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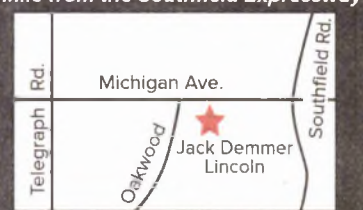
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The Michigan Humane Society's "Cat Tank" video parodies the television show "Shark Tank." MHS hopes the video will get more cats adopted.

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## Cat-loving Livonia family in 'Shark Tank' parody video

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

Move over, Roomba Cat, Grumpy Cat and all other felines of the Internet.

Kevin O'Meowy, Robert Purrjavec, Mark Kittan, Barbara Catcaran, Kitti Greiner and the Supnick family of Livonia star in a new Michigan Humane Society video that uses humor and parody to promote cat adoption.

The video, "Cat Tank," spoofs *Shark Tank*, an ABC reality show that gives entrepreneurs a chance to pitch their business ideas to multimillionaire tycoons, such as Mark Cuban, owner of the NBA's Dallas Mavericks, in hopes of securing an investment deal. In the MHS video, felines — with help from voice-over actors — portray the deal-makers considering an adoption offer from the Burns family of Livonia, played by Tony and Kari Supnick and their children, Michael, 11 and Olivia, 13.

"We're looking to add another furry friend to our family. We're offering 100 percent access to our loving home in exchange for a lifetime of purrs," Kari Supnick tells the feline panelists.

"When you say 100 percent, does that include window sills and counter space?" asks Mark Kittan, a black cat wearing a collar and tie.

"Window sills, yes. Counter tops, hmm, as long as I don't see it," Supnick replies, following her script.

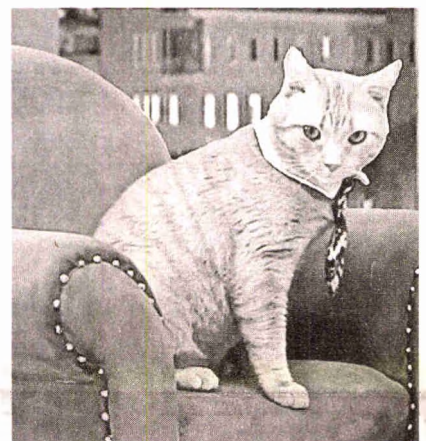
In the end, two cats agree to join the Supnick family.

"Our family is very excited about this deal," Kari Supnick tells viewers. "Twice the cats is twice the fun."



The Supnick family of Livonia, Michael, 11, Tony, Kari, and Olivia, 13, co-star with cats in a new Michigan Humane Society video.

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Kevin O'Meowy is looking to invest in a new home in the Michigan Humane Society video, Cat Tank.

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### Cat lovers

In reality, the Supnicks have six times the fun. The family adopted six male cats and a mixed breed, three-legged dog over the past few years from MHS.

"My husband grew up with a lot of cats and I grew up with dogs and we totally love animals," Supnick said. When a friend who works for MHS mentioned to Supnick that she needed a family to appear in a video, Supnick volunteered. "I've always wanted to be able to help."

Recording the Supnicks, along with the employee's dog, took a few hours last month. The cat scenes were recorded separately.

"It took her quite a long time to work with the cats. We came on and did our part with the dog," Supnick said. "It was really fun. We've never done anything like that, especially for such a good cause."

### Talented cats

The family likes to watch cat videos, especially Max, a Roomba vacuum-riding cat on YouTube. Supnick said they've never had much luck recording their own cats doing something humorous, but they enjoy trying.

"Cats are so awesome and I know a lot of people think they get everywhere and walk over counter tops. They are probably one of the cleaner animals. They get a bad rap, but we love them."

Ryan McTigue, MHS public relations coordinator, said the video shows the value of adopting a cat or kitten and may correct a few misconceptions about felines as pets.

"People may have heard that cats are independent and not social. I have a cat at home that's pretty much just like a dog," McTigue said, stressing that cats express their own unique personalities.

He said potential adopters generally seek out dogs at the shelter without much prompting. Cats have a tougher time marketing themselves.

"This time of year we have so many cats. We want people to start thinking, that maybe they should consider a cat," he said.

McTigue said most if not all of the cats in the MHS video have been adopted, but many other cats at the organization's three shelters await permanent homes.

Supnick hopes viewers enjoy the video and then "think about adopting animals."

Adopt a cat for \$75, or two for \$111, from MHS, 7401 Chrysler, Detroit; 900 N. Newburgh, Westland; and 3600 W. Auburn Road, Rochester Hills. MHS also shows cats at Petco in Sterling Heights and PetSmart in Dearborn and Roseville.

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### SCLERODERMA

Scleroderma is as much a rheumatic condition as Rheumatoid Arthritis or its Lupus, but Scleroderma is not as prevalent and therefore not as well known as its other autoimmune cousins.

Its name gives away its cardinal feature. Sclero means hard, and derma means skin, hard skin or rather bound down skin is the striking change in a person's countenance that reveals the diagnosis. For the patient the worse effect of the condition is in the hands and face. The thick, hard, bound down skin makes finger movement difficult to impossible. The effect on the face is to make the cheeks taut as if the patient is undernourished. The lips become set so that smiling is difficult, to an onlooker the person with Scleroderma looks stern, solemn or depressed.

Scleroderma is a serious disorder not only because of what it does to the skin. A person with the condition needs evaluation of their lungs, heart, esophagus and kidneys. Scleroderma may damage the lungs by its effect of thickening the cells that line the pulmonary tree. That change interferes with normal exchange of oxygen between the breath and the body. Scleroderma can affect the heart by decreasing the diameter of the pulmonary arteries and thus force the right side of the heart to greater exertion in the effort to push blood into the lung tissue.

Scleroderma may cause the esophagus to lose its ability to close off the stomach hydrochloric acid from regurgitating into the throat with the result that stomach acid erodes the lining of the throat and esophagus.

Finally, Scleroderma may cause kidney disease that can bring on the sudden onset of high blood pressure.

## Women to Work offers help with job search, computer skills

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Women — and men — who've been out of the paid workforce tending to family responsibilities

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often need to return to paid work.

If you're in this situation, you're not alone. Southfield-based JVS has for a number of years offered free of charge the Women to Work program to help such people. Displaced homemakers or those who've been caring for elderly loved ones often need to enter or re-enter the paid workforce.

"It's been well over 20 years," Women to Work coordinator Judy Richmond said of the program, which she's administered about seven years. "It's to provide job search assistance to women who find they need to return to the workforce or sometimes

enter the workforce."

The program is intended for women who have not worked recently, or only sporadically, and are highly motivated to return to the workforce as soon as possible. It consists of computer training in Microsoft Office Suite 2010 and includes sessions on resume writing, interviewing, networking, stress management, job search skills and more.

Richmond noted women often need employment following divorce, separation, a spouse becoming disabled or the need for a second family income.

An information meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept. 10, at JVS in

Southfield at 29699 Southfield Road, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile on the west side of Southfield Road, from 9-11 a.m. The program begins the following Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the Hermelin ORT Resource Center in West Bloomfield.

Computer skills are needed for nearly all jobs now, Richmond said. "That's precisely why we include computer training in this program." Those who finish Women to Work training get a Microsoft Office Suite 2010 certificate.

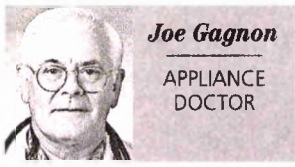
"Sometimes people don't have very much self-confidence because they haven't worked in

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# Costly ice maker repair may signal need for new fridge

**W**ith today's life expectancy for refrigerators pegged at 12-14 years, was it wise to spend \$325 of my money to get one repaired? Keep in mind that I have written many times about how an ice maker can be so costly in repair bills during that 12- to 14-year life span.

Recently I attended a board meeting at the offices of Oakland Mediation Center of which I stand proud to be on the board of directors. OMC mediates many court cases and is a leader in the fight against bullying. During the meeting, one of the staff members asked me to look at the ice maker in the kitchen refrigerator. It was making ice but not dispensing it through the chute in



the door. I checked it out and came to the conclusion that the auger motor was not moving a little arm which knocked the ice into a bucket on the door. Looking it over, I needed a special tool to get to this auger motor, but I don't carry it in my little tool pouch. I took the model number and when I arrived home I looked up this product on a website to discover some \$200 worth of parts make up this auger motor assembly. Worse than that, these parts are not returnable and should I make the wrong diagno-

sis, I would be out a lot of money.

The staff at OMC needs a lot of ice cubes as they mediate a lot of cases at their office meeting rooms and they think I know everything there is to know about ice makers. Not wanting to destroy that image, I called an old friend and asked him to send a service technician to fix this bear of a problem, which they did. I told this company to send me the bill and I would take care of it, which I did. They sent me an invoice and it totaled \$329, which was a very honest billing. You have to stop and think, was the refrigerator worth this kind of repair? Should I have told OMC to just simply purchase a new refrigerator? What

would you do if this all happened to you? In this case I believe I made the correct decision. I could afford to pay the bill and I wrote it off as a donation to OMC, a nonprofit group that helps thousands of children. Most importantly, the staff has all the ice it needs.

**Slimy water**

Staying on the subject of ice makers, let's include the water dispenser that so many homeowners enjoy so much. I am not a big fan of water dispensers and this viewpoint has some history to it.

Years ago when the water dispenser was created, I used to service refrigerators. Water connections and leaks were common, and so one

day I replaced the reservoir tank located behind the crisper drawers. I noticed something dark inside this tank so I cut the tank open and it scared the heck out of me. The water itself was slimy and the dark stuff was mold. From that day years ago, I have never had a glass of cold water from a water dispenser. At the time we had a refrigerator in our kitchen with a dispenser and it wasn't long before it hit the road. Today we have an ice maker minus the dispenser, with a clear jug and filter that sits on the refrigerator door shelf; it sure serves the purpose when we need a glass of cold water.

Along the way to the development of a built-in filter I believe something

very serious happened to a homeowner that caused a filter to be added to help purify the water. It was strange to me that all refrigerator manufacturers installed this filter at the same time.

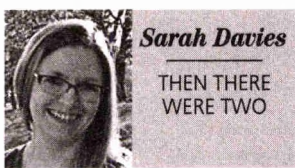
One other factor you should be aware of when shopping for a new refrigerator. The filter should be changed every six months and they cost \$40-\$50 each time. If you spend \$1,000 for the refrigerator itself, you will spend that much again on maintenance. Shop wisely and do what is right. Stay tuned.

*Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. Saturdays on WAAM 1600. You can email your problems and questions on appliances to [appldr@twmi.rr.com](mailto:appldr@twmi.rr.com).*

# My empowering 'mom cape' comes with fuzzy pink slippers

**I**t's early. The sun isn't up yet. No way can it be time to wake up. The baby is already starting to fuss. I look at the clock. 4:15. We have 15 minutes until I actually have to start getting ready for work. There is no sense in closing my eyes for a few minutes more, the baby is awake now and wants to be held. I pick her up, and have to decide whether it's her or me that will get dressed first today. There is no time to waste, to contemplate. I must make a quick decision, put on my cape, and begin the day.

Of course I am wearing a cape. Every mother wears one, whether she knows it or not. This motherhood world is no



piece of cake. It's tough, hard work. But it is also very rewarding, and somebody has to do it. So we wear invisible capes some days. They make us feel empowered, strong, full of energy. They make us forget that we got no sleep last night, that work is hard some days, and that there was someone we were supposed to call or send a letter to that we didn't. The capes just make you feel good, even if they are imaginary.

**Nonstop motherhood**

I love being a mother. I feel like this was what I was meant to do. But some days, at 4:15 in the morning, when I am just falling asleep for the night, and just waking up for the day, and trying to get ready for work while feeding my baby in one arm, I feel overwhelmed.

Why are you climbing over there? Watch out for that cord! No please! Let go of that. No, baby, don't crawl over there! Mama just needs to brush her teeth. Why do you want everything you shouldn't have? No, you cannot play in the dirty diaper. Just lay still and let Mama get you cleaned up.

Are you really going to take every folded item out of that laundry basket?! Baby has a cough now? Mama will pat you on the back. I'm sorry honey! SPLAT. Yup. All over my shirt. I have one minute until the sitter arrives and I have to leave for work. Time to change. The baby-sitter arrives, I kiss my sweet pea and I rush out the door.

**Shoe snafu**

Partially into the 40-minute drive to work, I look down at my feet. I am wearing my slippers. Two pink, fuzzy slippers. One shiny MOM cape, and one small mocha latte. This is the life of a single mom. It is crazy,

and hectic, and sometimes full of pink fuzzy slippers. There are moments when you just break down and cry, but it is still the best gift in the world. Sometimes, I feel sorry that I am a single mom and doing this on my own. Other times, I feel like I have been given a huge blessing. I am able to raise my daughter and enjoy twice as many moments as the average parent. To me, those extra moments together are totally worth it.

I get out of work, drive my pink fuzzy slippers to the baby's sitter, and pick her up. We get home and play with all the toys that fill every room of my little condo.

We laugh, we talk baby-talk and we read great books that my baby never actually lets me read. So we turn pages. And eat puzzle pieces. And dance, and clap, and laugh again. The sun goes down, and so do we. We curl up together and snuggle close. We say our prayers, count our blessings, and close our eyes. And before I know it, the alarm goes off. It is 4:15 a.m. and I am still wearing my cape.

*Sarah Davies of Livonia is a supermom who writes about the ups and downs of single motherhood. Contact her at [sarahmari Davies@gmail.com](mailto:sarahmari Davies@gmail.com).*

## HELP

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awhile," she said. The program includes reminders that family life

and volunteer work often develop skills useful in the paid labor force.

"Anything in health care is growing," Richmond said. "Anything in computer skills as well." Women to Work doesn't

provide specific job skills such as those required to become a registered nurse.

The focus is on jobs in growth areas. "The more training people have, the better," Richmond said.

"The point is to be qualified for the jobs they're applying for."

All sessions take place on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon for 12 weeks, ending on Dec. 16. Please

call Judy Richmond at 248-233-4232 for more information and to register for the program, including advance registration for the Sept. 10 information meeting.

The Women to Work

group averages 12-14, she said. "We don't turn anybody away, of course." It draws from the entire metro Detroit region, Richmond said.

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Marissa, left, and Alyssa Robinson

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Twin sisters Alyssa Janet Robinson and Marissa Patricia Robinson were born Feb. 3, 2015, at Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield.

Alyssa and Marissa

join their parents, Eric and Bonni (Johnson) Robinson and siblings Sean and Emma, at home in Westland.

The twins' grandparents are Janet and William Robinson Jr., William Johnson and the late Patricia Johnson.

The girls will be baptized in September at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland. Kristen Robinson and her husband, Christopher Paine of St. Joseph, will serve as godparents.

**ANNIVERSARY**



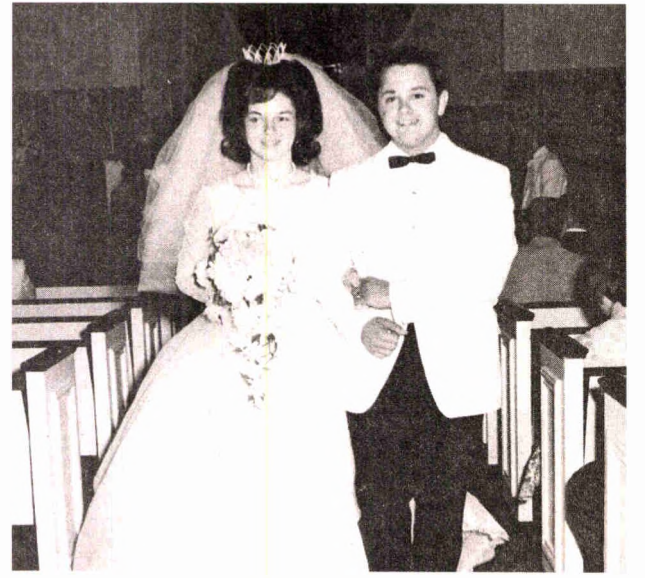
J.R. and Glenda Thompson of Garden City.

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**CELEBRATING 50 YEARS**

J.R. and Glenda (Waynick) Thompson of Garden City marked their 50th anniversary Aug. 26. The couple married in 1965 in Taylor.

Their children, Jay (Sara), Amy (Jim) Boyk and two grandchildren, Jack and Avery Boyk, all of Livonia, joined them on an Alaskan adventure in celebration of their anniversary.



J.R. and Glenda Thompson on their wedding day in 1965.

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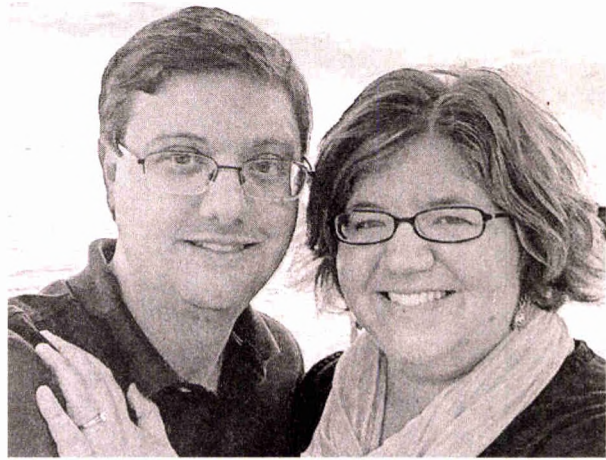
**ENGAGEMENT**

**LIST-SHANK**

Ashley Jane Shank and Brian Joseph List announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Douglas and Marjorie Shank of Lancaster, Pa., earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting in 2013 from Elizabethtown College. She is a staff accountant at Acuity Advisors and CPAs LLP in Lancaster, Pa.

Her fiancé, son of Bradley and Diane List of Farmington Hills, is a 2003 graduate of North Farmington High School. He earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering in 2007 from the University of



Brian Joseph List and Ashley Jane Shank

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Michigan and a master of business administration in 2015 from Loyola University Maryland. He is an engineer at

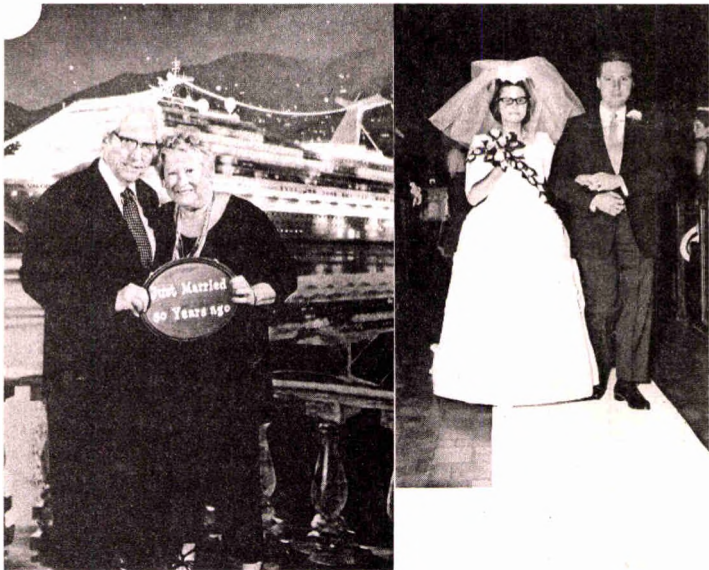
Apex Tool Group, LLC in Sparks, Md.

A May 2016 wedding is set in Lancaster, Pa.

**ANNIVERSARY**

Elmer and Gail Teed of Farmington marked their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 28. They were married in 1965.

The couple celebrated by taking a cruise with family and friends. They'll also mark the occasion on Sept. 1 with a Mass at Holy Family and dinner for 50 friends and family members at John Cowley & Sons in Farmington.



Elmer and Gail Teed of Farmington celebrate their anniversary with a cruise. They're also shown on their wedding day in 1965.

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**REUNIONS**

**Birmingham Seaholm High School**

**Class of 1965**  
50-year class reunion is set for 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, at Auburn Hills Marriott at Centerpoint, Auburn Hills. The main event will include a roving dinner, music and dancing, and fun. The Friday mixer starts at 5 p.m. and some of the junior high and elementary alumni will meet for lunch on Saturday. Check the [www.seaholmclassof65.com](http://www.seaholmclassof65.com) website for more information.

**Dearborn Lowrey Class of 1965**  
50th class reunion is set for Sept. 26. For more information, email [kmharleyriders@wow-way.com](mailto:kmharleyriders@wow-way.com) or call 313-414-8980.

**Detroit Cody Class of 1965**  
50-year reunion is scheduled for Sept. 19. January and June 1965 classmates can email [codyclassof1965@yahoo.com](mailto:codyclassof1965@yahoo.com) or call Christine Snopkoski Nashlen at 734-561-3501 for more information.

**Detroit Cooley Class of 1965**  
Looking for classmates from January and June for 50th reunion on Oct. 3 at Livonia Marriott Hotel. For information, email [reunioncooley65@aol.com](mailto:reunioncooley65@aol.com) or call 734-397-3308.

**Fordson High School Class of 1954**  
61st reunion lunch, noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at the Stitt Amer-



Time to reminisce with classmates at a high school reunion.

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ican Legion Post Hall in Dearborn Heights. For information, call Nancy Barlow Gaspar at 313-581-6623 or 318-399-7718 or email Pat Gaston Chieusa at [patc629@aol.com](mailto:patc629@aol.com).

**Garden City West Class of 1975**  
40th reunion Saturday, Oct. 3. Event includes tour of the high school, 5-7 p.m., and gathering, 7 p.m. to midnight, at Albert's on the Alley, 5651 Middlebelt. The cost is \$10 per person, \$15 per couple in advance; \$15 per person, \$20 per couple at the door. Visit the Garden City West Class of 1975 40th Reunion on Facebook or email [cynthiahinckley@att.net](mailto:cynthiahinckley@att.net).

**Livonia Franklin**

**Class of 1965**  
50th class reunion is Oct. 10 at Embassy Suites in Livonia. Members of the first graduating class in 1964 also may attend the event. Interested alumni and teachers from 1964-65 may write to Pat Yankovich Wagner, 2616 Courgette Way, Henderson, NV 89044 or email [patwhitman@aol.com](mailto:patwhitman@aol.com).

**South Lyon High School Class of 1985**  
30th reunion set for 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Links of Novi, 50395 W. 10 Mile, Novi. Cost is \$50 per person and includes barbecue dinner, non-alcoholic beverages, dessert, DJ, dancing, photo booth. Cash bar available. Send checks made payable to "SL Class of 85 Reunion" c/o HACC, P.O. Box 427, Hartland, MI 48353 or via paypal to [slhclassof85@gmail.com](mailto:slhclassof85@gmail.com) by Sept. 26. Visit the reunion page on Facebook.

**St. Thomas the Apostle All Classes**  
6-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at The American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple, Troy; \$45 per person. For more information, call Rose Ann Filar at 248-770-1271.

**Wayne Memorial Class of 1985**  
30-year reunion set for Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Livonia Marriott. Tickets in advance are \$45. Call Tanya (Ibrahim) Williams at 734-223-5558, [tanyadolour@tripoint-tis.com](mailto:tanyadolour@tripoint-tis.com), or Steven Johnson 734-635-0369.

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**CASKEY-CLARK, PAMELA**

Northville Mi. Pamela was born Dec 8 1954 in Detroit Mi. she left this world Aug 23 2015. She leaves behind her beloved husband Sherman and son Robert Norton. She is also survived by her loving parents Philip and Patricia Caskey, as well as grand children and lights of her life Emma And Maddie Norton, sisters Cindy Young, Louann Nagy and extended family and dear friends. A memorial service will be held at Oakpoint Church, 1250 South Hill RD. Milford Mi



**JOAN NIEMER**  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF April 11, 1953-August 26, 2004 Joanie, God saw you getting tired, A cure was not to be. So he put his arms around you, And whispered, "Come with Me." With tearful eyes we watched you, And saw you fade away. Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Your tender hands at rest. God took you home to prove to us, He only takes the best.

**KAVA, JOSEPHINE C.**  
August 27, 2015. Age 89 of Dearborn Heights. Passed away quietly in her daughter's home on Thursday, August 27, 2015. Josephine was the devoted wife of the late Stanley. She is survived by 11 children, 33 grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Also survived by her sister Helen and brother Walter. Josephine will be deeply missed by family and friends. Visitation Monday, August 31, 2015 from 2-9 p.m. at the Dearborn Chapel of Voran Funeral Home, 23701 Ford Road. (313) 278-5100. Funeral service Tuesday 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Josephine will be laid to rest in Forest Hill Cemetery in Stanton, MI her home of 26 years. Donations may be made to Grace Hospice. Visit our online guestbook and share memories at [www.voranfuneralhome.com](http://www.voranfuneralhome.com)

**NOSEL, CAROLINE D.**  
Age 91, born May 13, 1924, passed away August 25, 2015. Wife of the late Joseph for 54 years. Mother of Josette, Carlotta, Jonathan (dec.), Joseph, Jolene, Craig, Jowella, Jeryl, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Services were held August 27, 2015. Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for Caroline Sunday, August 30th at 11 a.m. St. Priscilla Church, Livonia.



**HARRIS, JOYCE**  
August 28, 2015, age 87 of Westland. Loving mother of Brenda Harris, Ron Harris, Danny (Lorraine) Harris and David Harris. Proud grandmother of nine and great-grandmother of eighteen. Dear sister of Helen Gardner. Visitation Monday 2-8 p.m. at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Funeral Service Tuesday 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland. To share a memory, please visit [vermeulenfh.com](http://vermeulenfh.com)



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## Students go back to school with wide range of feelings

The old school bell with be clanging for many students very soon. But it would not surprise me if some schools send out Facebook announcements or text alerts to iPhones announcing that summer vacation is over.

For high schoolers, the new school year often is a major social event. You have to know what clothes are in style and will friends they knew from last year be back in their class this year? Might there be a new dress code?

First-year college students may be excited, but nervous. Whether they are going out of state or commuting from home there will be a lot of anxiety. Will they figure out their class schedules quickly enough? Have they bought the correct



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textbooks? Are they really ready to embark on a new journey?

When my nephew Christopher entered Harvard's as a freshman, he struggled with worry about whether his classes and teachers would meet his expectations. His brother Alex, on the other hand, wrestled with concerns about whether or not he would live up to Cleveland Clinic's Medical School as he began his freshman year a couple of weeks ago.

For some, there will be

homesickness, while others will be relieved to be out of their parents' homes and thrilled about meeting new people, learning new things, and competing for grades of achievement.

Often, the first day back for a new semester by a college student is a day of wondering how in the world they are going to fit in a balance of time spent for studying, recreational time, playing sports, and doing their own laundry and grocery shopping.

### What parents can do

It is important for parents to be empathetically anticipating these and many more varieties of questions. It can help to draw upon their own memories of things on their mind

when it was their first day at school, whether it be kindergarten, grammar school, high school, or college, or professional/graduate schools. This may help them to prepare their children for the major changes they are facing in their lives aside from the seasonal change of seeing summer and its vacation attitude change into autumn, with its back to business attitude.

### A personal vignette

I recall that on my first day of school after summer's end in 1955, I shared some concerns with my older brother about what I might expect. Jokingly, they had me believing that the good part of going to school was the chance to make friends and even get a

girlfriend. I don't remember much of the content of that first day at school, but clearly recall leaving the classroom at the end of the day and asking the girl I'd been sitting next to if I could carry her books and walk her home. She asked if that would mean she was my girlfriend. I replied, "My brothers probably think it will." I remember her name was Paula. I think we held hands walking home.

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## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### Aging parents

St. Mary Mercy Hospital-Livonia will partner with local organizations to offer advice on caring for aging parents, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22-Oct. 13, at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. The program will include information on dementia, keeping parents at home until you can't, handling emotions and finances, and getting the estate in order. To register, call 734-738-6300 or visit <http://bit.ly/1LjrF6Y>.

### ALS Walk 'N Roll

ALS of Michigan sponsors this 15th annual fundraiser Sept. 12 at Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown, and Sept. 27 at Kensington Metropark in Milford and Sony Creek Metropark in Shelby Township. Registration begins at 10 a.m., followed by the Walk at 11 a.m. Participants walk individually or in teams and collect donations. To register visit [alsomichigan.org](http://alsomichigan.org) or call 800-882-5764.

### Blood drive

6:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, in Fisher Center Auditorium, at Providence

Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile, Southfield. Sign up at [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org) and enter the code, PROVSFLD or call Abigail at 248-849-3067.

### Breather's Club

Oakwood health professionals will discuss breathing control techniques, relaxation methods, treatment alternatives and exercise programs, 6-7:30 p.m. Sept. 1 in the Oakwood Cardiac Rehab Center - Dearborn, 22060 Beech, Dearborn. Darlene Lingenfelter, 313-562-4132.

### Diabetes PATH

St. Mary Mercy Livonia will present a free six-week workshop for adults with diabetes called Diabetes PATH (Personal Approach Toward Health), sponsored by the Redford Township District Library, 1-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23-Oct. 28, at Livonia Family YMCA, 14255 Stark, Livonia. The workshop will teach participants to handle with the challenges of diabetes, manage symptoms and communicate more effectively with physicians and family members. Register at 734-655-8955.

### Diabetes prevention

Learn about healthy eating, overcoming stress, physical activity and more through the National Diabetes Prevention Program, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, beginning Sept. 14 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital-Livonia, located at Five Mile and Levan. The 16-week class is for persons who are overweight and at high risk for developing diabetes or overweight and diagnosed with pre-diabetes. Register at 734-655-8947 or [stmarymercy.org](http://stmarymercy.org).

### Hearing loss

The Hearing Loss Association of America will look at hearing via bone conduction, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 9, at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. For more information, contact Tony at 734-664-3297, [afcrack@comcast.net](mailto:afcrack@comcast.net)

### PAD

In recognition of Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) Awareness Month, St. Mary Mercy Livonia will present a free cardiovascular presentation with a heart healthy dinner, 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 21, in

the hospital's South Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. PAD is one of the least recognized artery problems, but there are ways to identify, treat and prevent it. Delair Gardi, M.D., Interventional Cardiology and Endovascular Cardiology, St. Mary Mercy Livonia will talk about its symptoms, effects and the latest treatment options. Register by calling Laura Smith at 734-655-2987

### Prostate symposium

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute and Wayne State University School of Medicine, will present the fifth annual Prostate Cancer Symposium, Latest Treatment Advancements: What you learn here could save your life, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit. The symposium will focus on the latest research and treatment advancements for surviving prostate cancer, Gleason scores and what they mean, active surveillance vs. treatment, and additional health awareness information. The symposium is free but

registration is required before Sept. 19. Call 800-KARMANOSor visit [karmanos.org](http://karmanos.org).

### Women's health

Paul Makela, M.D., director of gynecological robotic surgery at St. Mary Mercy Hospital Livonia will talk about pelvic health, including bladder dysfunction and pelvic prolapse, 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16 at Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 Eight Mile, Northville. Register by calling 734-655-1980.

### Ongoing

#### Ab-Anon

Twelve-step program and weekly group to help those suffering with eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia, and exercise compulsion is held 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, at the Friendship Circle, 6892 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. An Ab-Anon meeting group is available for families and loved ones, 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, also at the Friendship Circle. For more information, contact Mindy at 248-672-9776.



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### Upcoming Presentations:

**Sept. 16:** Meadowbrook Country Club  
40941 Eight Mile Road, Northville

**Oct. 14:** Cantoro Italian Market II  
15550 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth

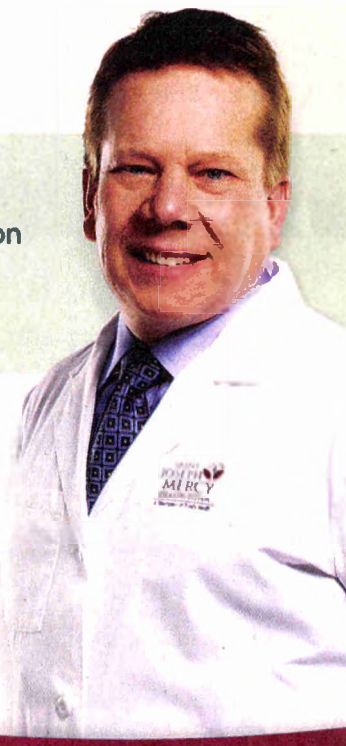
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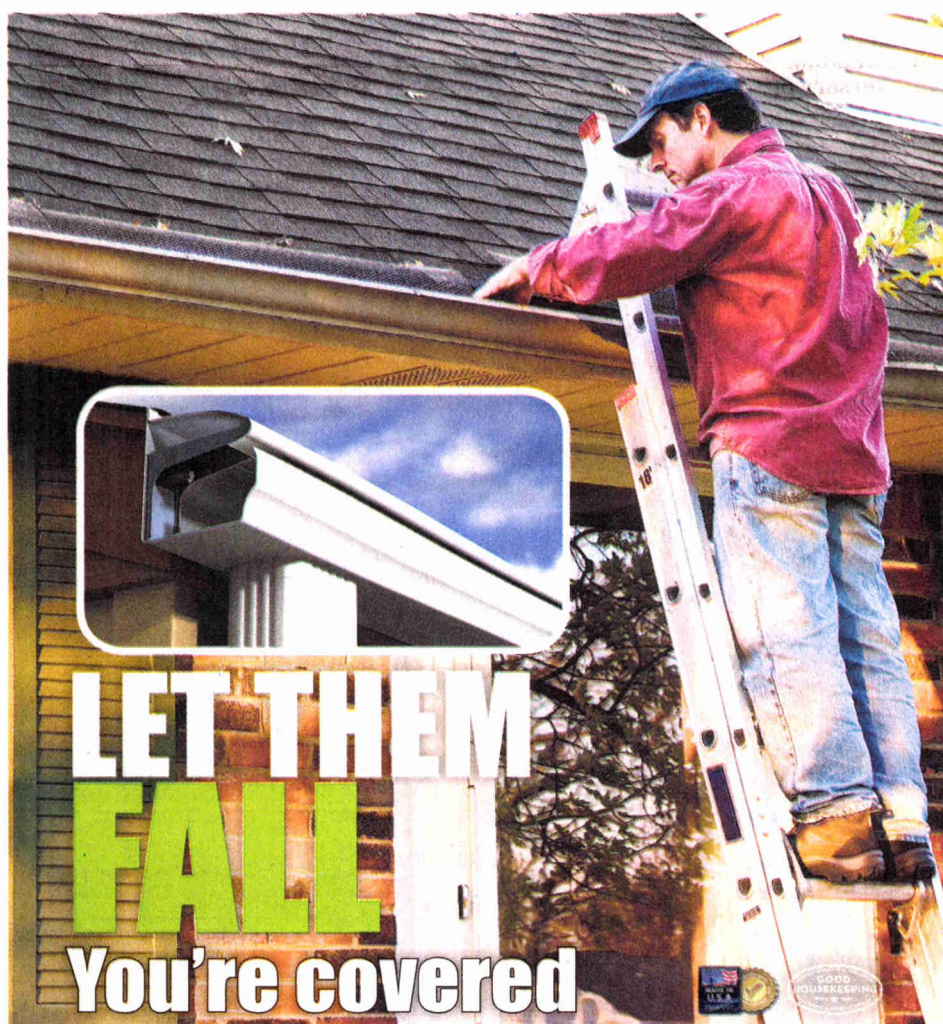
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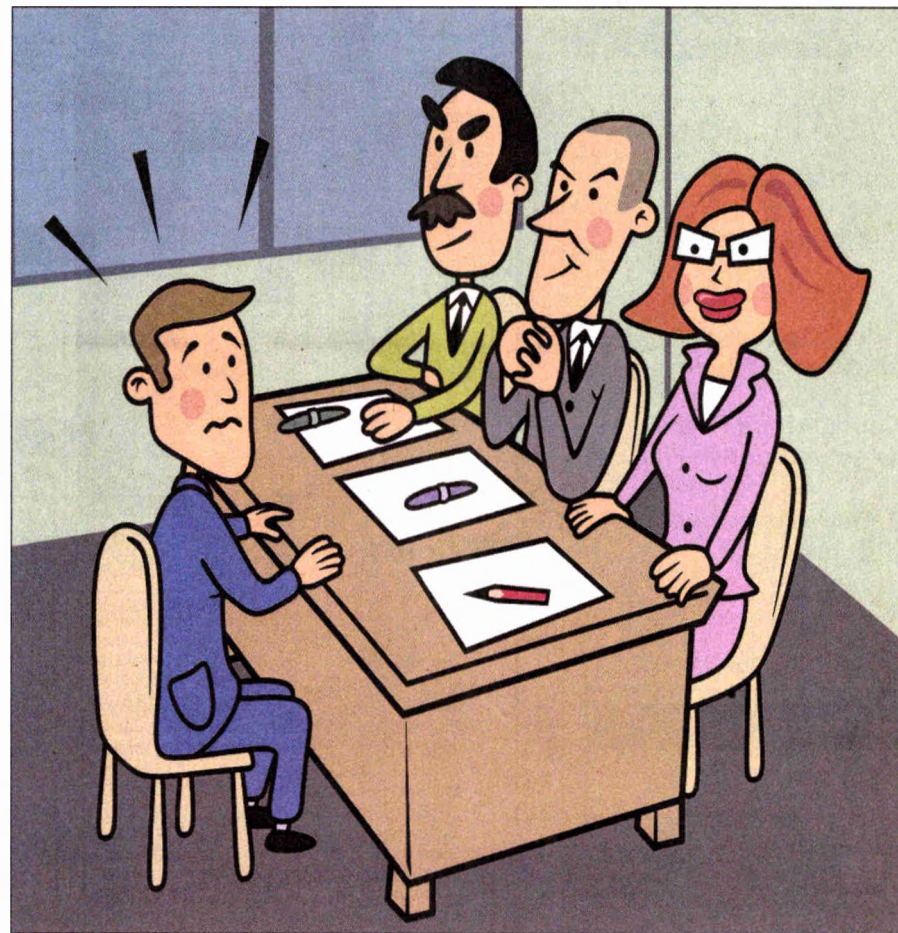
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It's no surprise that a job interview can be a nerve-racking experience. After all, your life could change based on how you interact with somebody in 30 or 60 minutes' time. No pressure, right? If you prepare well and have confidence in your abilities, though, you'll increase your chances of success. And when your interviewer asks the following three tough questions, you'll have a strategy ready and be able to sing your career's praises.

### 1. Why are you leaving your current job, or why are you currently unemployed?

This can feel like a loaded question. There may be a complicated reason that led to your decision to leave your job and it's hard not to blame your employer in the explanation. However, framing it as though your last job was the end of one chapter and you're ready to begin a new one will signal to your interviewer that you're future-focused and ambitious, not a risky hire with baggage.

For instance, if your current or recent place of employment didn't offer opportunities for advancement, a competitive salary or a schedule that plays to your strengths, bring up your career goals and explain that you're excited to find those opportunities at the interviewer's organization. Or, if you took time off for family or personal reasons, discuss how you're now ready to put the focus back on your



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career. Either way, end your response with why this is a better fitting role for you and where you are in your career now.

### 2. What is your greatest weakness?

The most notorious of all tough interview questions, this head-scratcher seems impossible to answer correctly. That's because the interviewer is most likely interested in *how* you answer the question. Job candidates who take the approach of turning a weakness into a strength — like

caring "too much" about their work or being a perfectionist — aren't really giving the interviewer any information about themselves. After all, no one is perfect or can perform their job well 100 percent of the time.

The interviewer is much more interested in a candidate who is self-aware and understands how they work. Do you have a tough time with deadlines? Are you a perpetual procrastinator? Is public speaking your greatest fear? These are challenges you might have to overcome to do the job well, and explaining how you're working on

those shortcomings is what the employer is hoping to hear.

### 3. Where do you see yourself in five years?

The first person to respond to this question with, "In your job" was clever. Now that it's been used in numerous books and movies, it's a little cliché. Instead, answer honestly and with originality about your next career steps and what you're going to do to get there. For example, do you want to create the next big cellphone app? What technology development classes are you taking to help with that process? And how do these plans tie into the job you're interviewing for?

However you answer, just be sure to keep your response career-focused. Steer clear of talking about time for your family or hobbies, or what you plan to do with the salary that comes with the job. Your interviewer isn't interested in hearing about your plans to finally buy your dream home. Remember that you're primarily having a business conversation.

The job interview is a time to get to know the organization you want to work for, and for them to learn more about you as a potential employee. Answering the tough questions honestly and with creativity is what will allow you to stand out from the competition and really shine.

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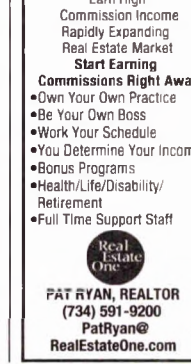
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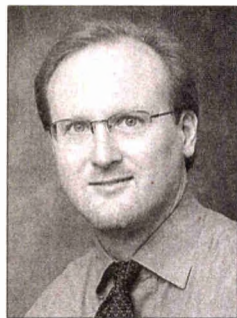
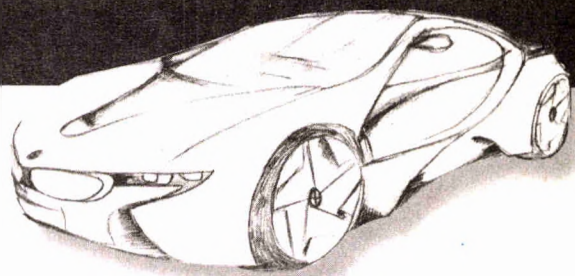
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# Car Report

## Cadillac Burnishes Brand While Dealers, Consumers Wait for CT6, XT5



By Dale Buss

It's been a while since Cadillac unveiled its iconoclastic new "Dare Greatly" brand positioning on Oscars night earlier this year. And it'll be a while yet before Cadillac officially launches

de Nysschen.

So trying to fill the immediate space as well as possible is Uwe Ellinghaus, Cadillac's chief marketing officer, who arrived at Cadillac a couple of years ago and began the transformational work that de Nysschen now is heading up overall. And Ellinghaus told me that the brand plans to "write the next chapter of 'Dare Greatly' with two launch campaigns, one for the CT6, which is due out later this year," and the other for the new crossover, in spring 2016.

the new CT6 sedan as well as an anticipated successor to its SRX crossover model which outsiders are saying will be called XT5.

At the same time, Cadillac continues to stretch other muscles in its fledgling and somewhat controversial, fledgling autonomy from General Motors and Detroit, building out its new brand headquarters and marketing staff in the SoHo section of Manhattan, and even planning to report its own financial results within a few years, according to CEO Johan

Cadillac is sketching an outline of its plan, at least. The brand will continue its emphasis on a luxury lifestyle, as well as on the attributes of its vehicles, by once again sponsoring a fashion show in New York by menswear designers Public School.

Next month, Cadillac will host a "Dare Greatly" media event and fashion show in New York focused around Public School's designs. It will also sponsor a



The new Cadillac CT6 in brand advertising.

VIP shopping event in New York featuring a "capsule collection" of menswear from various designers curated by Nick Wooster—an array that later will be available on Gilt.com.

"Millennials are much more interested in fashion and design than in the technical aspects of cars," Ellinghaus said. And so Cadillac is trying to build appeal as a broader lifestyle brand for the next generation as well as transfer some of that persona to its vehicles.

Cadillac also continues to unveil other Dare Greatly-themed events, such as the "interactive experience" it is sponsoring next month in Miami with DJ Vanessa James.

It wouldn't be surprising if Cadillac also provided some glimpses of XT5 at the Public School event. Already, for example, a photographer caught some full-on undisguised views of the new XT5 when Cadillac was filming

commercials in SoHo.

The new vehicle is supposed to provide significantly more interior room than the old nameplate it replaces but with essentially the same exterior dimensions—although in a sleeker and more sophisticated new style.

Influencer marketing with fashionistas and jet setters aside, Cadillac faces an uphill battle to reverse its recent sales slide, which threatens this year to drop it behind Infiniti in U.S. sales just as Cadillac fell behind Audi last year.

De Nysschen was greatly responsible for turning around each of those rival brands before he joined GM to helm Cadillac last year, so he has no illusions about the obstacles. One of them is to get the Cadillac product pipeline restocked after CT6 and XT5 are launched within the next six months or so—following what he described will be a "pause" in significant new models.

In the meantime, he's trying to overhaul a traditional system in which Cadillac dealers are incentivized to "move the metal" with price discounts rather than protect the brand. He's looking for GM to allow Cadillac to reward dealers more handsomely for investments such as dealership overhauls.

Of course, de Nysschen will be swimming upstream just as Cadillac lately has been doing in so many areas. Cadillac's dealer-incentive programs today are designed to move units out of the showroom. That's why they include cash payouts for growing sales and up to \$700 in dealer bonus money for every vehicle they order from the factory.

He and Ellinghaus have been preaching from the same hymnal on this sort of thing: Dealers will have to pay some sort of price and show a willingness to adopt the mindset of a true luxury brand, based on the persona of the brand and on an unparalleled customer experience, rather than notching marginal sales.

De Nysschen also sees the importance of redefining and buttressing the Cadillac brand during this phase and has handed off that job mainly to Ellinghaus. So far, de Nysschen told Automotive News, so good: Dare Greatly has been "resonating really strong" with millennials.

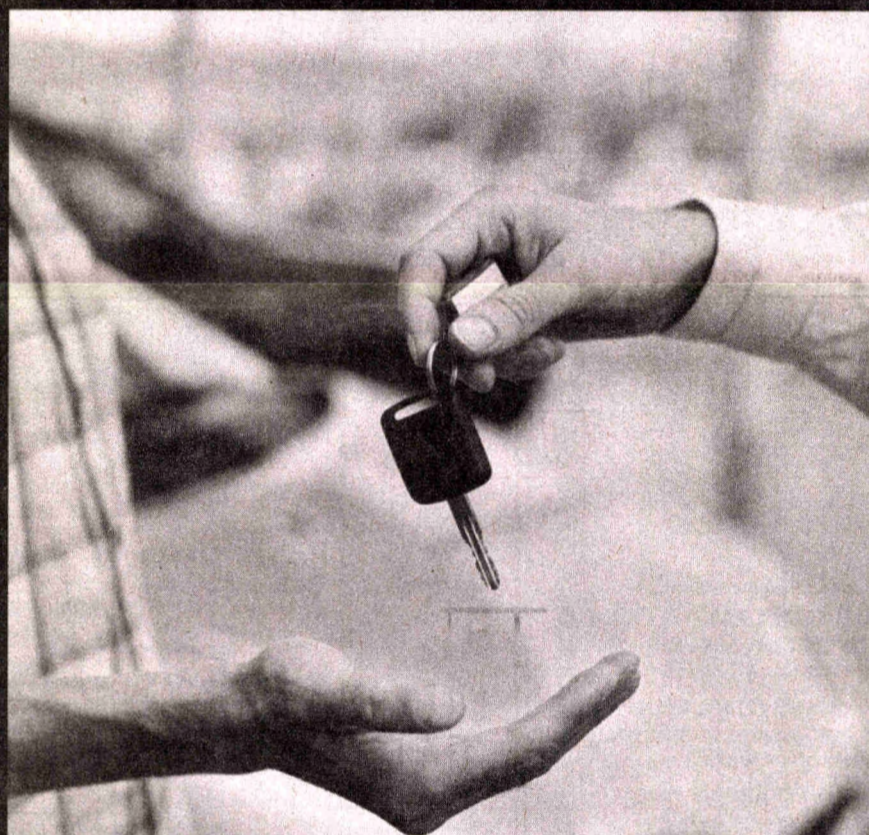


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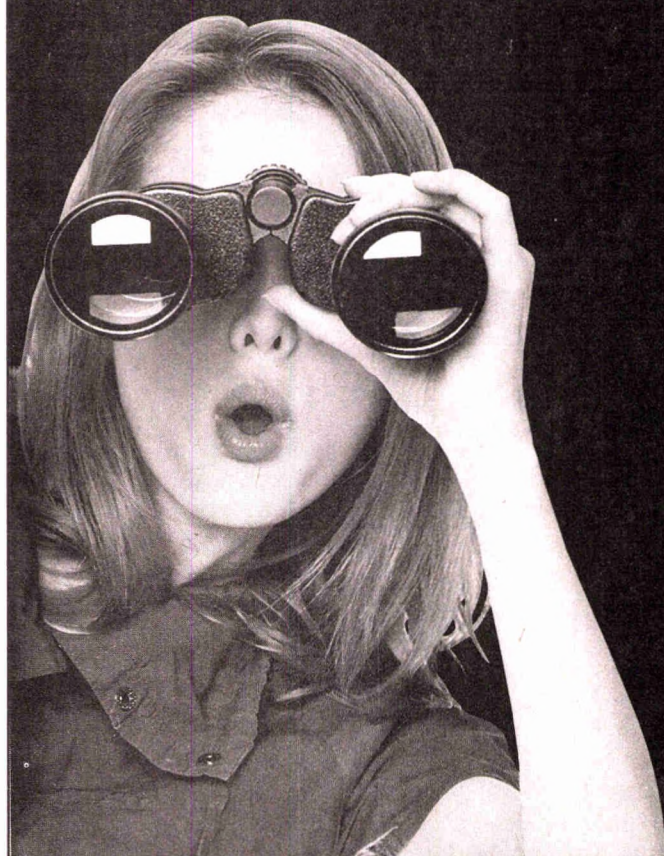
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