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# Township to follow DOJ recommendations

Requested audit of drug forfeiture funds shows accounting issues

Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

Little more than a year after Plymouth Township requested an audit of what was once a more than \$1 million drug forfeiture fund, the completed reports shows some issues with reporting procedures, which township officials say

they will fix.

"The big concerns weren't there," Treasurer Ron Edwards said. "There was no money lost or missing. We have not been hiding anything.

The report, which was issued this week, offers 12 recommendations, the majority of which are accounting and reporting procedures. The recommendations also note resolutions underway by Plymouth Township for each recommended action offered by the U.S. Department of Justice.

"We will move in due haste," Supervisor Shannon Price said. "We will remedy the issues pointed out for us.'

At issue with some critics is about \$25,000 in costs that were paid for with drug forfeiture money that the DOJ main-





tains is not allowed. These costs will be reimbursed through the township's general fund, Edwards said.

"The net effect to the township is zero," Edwards said.

Another issue is approximately \$21,591 "in questioned costs for incurring expenditures to be paid with equitable sharing funds in advance of receiving equitable sharing receipts," according to the

But Edwards said township officials disagree with that

**Optimists** 

merge

Plymouth,

Canton

clubs

**Darrell Clem** Staff Writer

Merging to become a bigger force in the Plymouth and Canton communities, two separate Optimist Club chapters have united and chosen Bentley Elementary School for an

With a football punt, pass and kick contest, the new Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club literally kicked off its new club by rounding up Bentley students in grades 3-5 and promoting healthy living among

The football contest in late September rewarded students

"Everyone is worried about childhood obesity and sedentary lifestyles," saod Joyce

Bentley's football event was

one of three projects arising

from a school-Optimist Club

partnership. Silagy cited an

academic spelling bee in No-

vember and an oratorical con-

test in March as other ways the

club plans to reinforce positive

behavior among youngsters.

Optimist Club officials

ling Canton chapter and the

combine their resources.

chose Bentley after the fledg-

older Plymouth group chose to

Silagy, club secretary.

with 60-minute passes to the Canton-based SkyZone, an indoor trampoline park where Optimist Club officials say children can get even more

inaugural project.

children.

exercise.

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Legos are a way to introduce kids to robotics.

# Robots fill Kellogg Park

Lightning Robotics team members strut their stuff

Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

While Canton 11th-grader Alex Graham taught youngsters hydrodynamics in Kellogg Park, another group of P-CEP Lightning Robotics team members were at the Gathering letting other kids drive a Frisbee-throwing robot.

"They are testing how much weight before it sinks," Graham said of the kids gathered around a wading pool Sept. 27 at the at

the annual Robots in the Park in Kellogg Park.

The kids Graham worked with made boats of aluminum foil to learn how many pennies would sink them. "It teaches them to count," Graham said.

At the Gathering, parent Patrick Hurley, associated with the Pioneer robotics team, as well as programming mentor for the high school team, and Amanda Flechtner, who works with

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Alex Graham, a Canton junior, helps youngsters learn about hydrodynamics.

(Bentley's principal, Jerry See OPTIMISTS, Page A9

## Our Lady of Good Counsel to host relics of church's youngest saint

**Matt Jachman** Staff Writer

Thousands of visitors are expected at Our Lady of Good Counsel next week when the Plymouth Township church hosts the relics of Catholi-

cism's youngest saint. The mostly intact skeletal remains of St. Maria Goretti, encased in a wax statue, will be at Good Counsel on Thursday, Oct. 8, for veneration, a special Mass and the chanting of vespers, or evening prayers.

The tour is being called a "pilgrimage of mercy," as St. Maria Goretti is sometimes called the patroness of mercy. It comes as Catholics around the world await the beginning, in December, of a Holy Year of Mercy, as declared by Pope Francis.

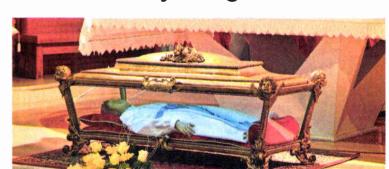
Maria Goretti was just 11 when she died in July 1902 after being stabbed 14 times while fighting off a rape attempt in her small town south of Rome.

She forgave her 20-year-old

attacker, Alessandro Serenelli, on her deathbed and, prompted by a vision of his victim that appeared to him while in prison six years later, Serenelli repented and lived a life as a lay Capuchin brother after his release, according to a website published by Treasures of the Church, a Catholic ministry that is sponsoring the tour of the relics.

Maria Goretti was canonized in 1950 and her mother,

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A glass case holds a wax statue that contains the nearly complete skeletal remains of St. Maria Goretti. The current "pilgrimage of mercy" is the first time the remains have been in the U.S.



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Assunta, attended the ceremony

### **Unique tour**

A tour of a saint's major relics is more common in Europe, but relatively rare in the U.S. This will be only the second time St. Maria Goretti's relics have been outside of Italy and the first time they've been in the U.S.

"To have this size of a relic traveling ... is very, very unusual," said Mary DelPup, director of evangelization and catechism at Good Counsel. "This is very unique."

The tour is making stops at in 25 Catholic dioceses in 16 U.S. states and, based on reports from earlier stops, Del-Pup said, between 7,000 and 8,000 people are expected at the Good Counsel stop. Host organizations include churches, prisons and a school.

In Michigan, the remains are also scheduled



Giuseppe Brovelli-Soffredini painted this portrait of Maria Goretti based on a description of the girl by her mother.

to make stops at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church in Sterling Heights, St. Scholastica Church in Detroit and an unnamed prison

DelPup said Maria Goretti's story makes her a unique saint, one that DelPup, as a mother, held

up to her daughters.

"She would forgive him even before she drew her last breath. That's remarkable," Del-Pup said.

The relics are due to arrive around noon Oct. 8 and the Rev. Carlos Martins, a curate of relics

and director of Treasures of the Church, will be speaking to students from Good Counsel's parish school and other Catholic schools in the area. That event is closed to the public.

Public veneration begins at 3 p.m. and Mass, celebrated by Bishop Michael Byrnes, is scheduled for 7 p.m. At 9:30 p.m., nuns from the Sisters of Mercy will lead visitors in chanting ves-

Visitors to Good Counsel, on North Territorial west of Beck, can expect the area to be busy; overflow parking is at the USA Hockey Arena (formerly Compuware Arena) on Beck, north of M-14; shuttle service will be available.

For more information about the event, see the Good Counsel website, www.olgcparish.net, and for more information about St. Maria Goretti, see mariagoretti.com.

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### **AUDIT**

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particular DOJ recommendation and likely will not pay back that amount. "It is still in question," he said. The township police

department receives drug forfeiture revenue through participation in a statewide Drug Enforcement Administration task force that has led to the seizure of millions of dollars in assets, including cash, from suspected drug dealers in recent years. The DEA is an agency of the Justice Department.

The more than \$1 million in forfeiture money received by the township has been spent as of September, Edwards said

When the DOJ audit was requested by Clerk Nancy Conzelman with support of then-Supervisor Richard Reaume last year, Police Chief Tom Tiderington told the Plymouth Observer that his department loaned an officer to the DEA task force beginning in 2010 and that the dramatic growth of the fund after that brought with it the increased federal over-

Tiderington this week was on bereavement leave and unavailable for comment.

Some of the DOJ recommendations for the township include:

» That the township police department with coordination of other departments, such as the treasurer's office, establish written procedures for the administration of equitable sharing funds. Township officials agreed and are developing procedures.

» Plymouth Township establishes procedures to ensure that it accounts for DOJ equitable sharing activities separately in its accounting system and that it routinely reexamines the equitable sharing ledger to ensure that all non-equitable sharing federal program expenditures and reimbursements have been identified and any posting errors are corrected. Township officials have agreed.

» The Plymouth Township Police Department, in conjunction with the Plymouth Township treasurer's office, establishes procedures for timely submitting accurate and complete Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Reports, as well as procedures for ensuring that the equitable sharing ledger only reflects those expenditures paid for

with equitable sharing funds. The township agreed.

» Plymouth Township Police Department, in conjunction with the Plymouth Township treasurer's office, determines what expenditures reflected in the ledgers were paid for with DOJ equitable sharing funds and make any necessary adjustments to the ledgers so that the ledgers only reflect expenditures paid for with DOJ equitable sharing funds. They should also reconcile the bank account activity and properly allocate interest to the different

» Require personnel at Plymouth Township and the Plymouth Township PD to receive, at a minimum, training on administering equitable sharing funds. The town-

sources of funds. The

township agreed.

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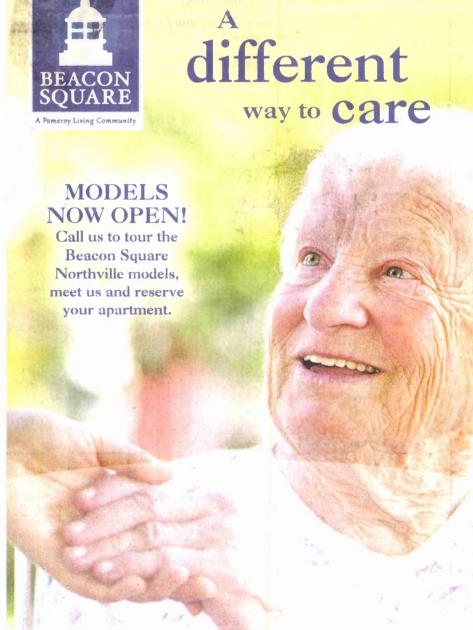
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# Canton teams win in national robotics contest

Canton and Northville were represented in three of eight winning teams in the national championships of the World Robot Olympiad in September at Lawrence Technological University.

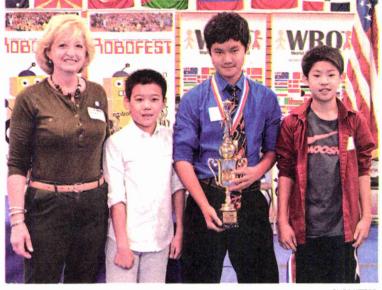
Earning the right to compete Nov. 6-8 in the WRO international championships in Doha. Oatar. were:

» Jason Brown and Kevin Tracz (Pi-Rho-Technics) of Northville, who took first place in the Regular Junior category.

» Brian Ding and Justin Chang of Northville and Eric Liu of Canton (RoboExplorers), who took first place in the Open category

» Charles Liu of Canton and Christopher Geng and James Kevin Xue of Northville (Robofest team), who took first place in the Regular University category, even though they are still high school stu-

WRO started in Singapore in 2004, although the United States only began participating in 2014. Some 20,000 elementary, middle school, high school and university teams from more than 50 countries began competing last spring



LTU Provost Maria Vaz (from left) congratulates Brian Ding, Eric Liu and Justin Chang of the RoboExplorers team for finishing first in the Open category at the national finals of the World Robot Olympiad.

by building and programming autonomous robots to perform specific tasks.

Eighty-eight teams from nine states competed in the state qualifiers in the United States and 43 teams advanced to the national finals. Eight teams - from California, Illinois, Michigan, New Jersey and New York - have now qualified to compete in the WRO international finals.

For the second year in a row, the WRO-USA national organizer has been Professor C.J. Chung of Lawrence Technological University. Chung,

LTU Provost Maria Vaz congratulates (from left), Christopher Geng, James Kevin Xue and Charles Liu of the Robofest team for winning the Regular University category at the national finals of the World Robot Olympiad.

who teaches computer science, was selected to lead WRO-USA last year because of his leadership role in LTU's Robofest competition, which also makes it fun for students to learn important principles of the STEM subjects: science, technology, engineering and math.

**WRO** General Secretary Claus Ditlev Christensen of Denmark attended the event and spoke at the opening ceremony of the WRO-USA finals.

More results and information about the WRO-USA national championships can be found at www.wroboto.us.

### Canton artist shows oil painting in ArtPrize 2015

Canton artist and Plymouth Christian Academy alumni Liz Aitken has joined thousands of artists with works displayed in one of the largest international art exhibits in the United States - ArtPrize 2015 in Grand Rapids.

Aitken has entered an oil painting titled "Opening & Closing Doors," which is currently displayed at Boardwalk Condominiums on Monroe Avenue until Oct. 11

'Connections, relationships, unspoken languages. ... These bind us to the world around us. It's in the small things: the

little gestures, the details that combine to create the larger picture. I view artists as adventurers, investigators," Aitken said.

Aitken's works range from oil paintings with intense colors to design art both quirky and beautiful. She hopes that through participating in Art-Prize, her work will get public notice that it wouldn't otherwise receive. Her painting

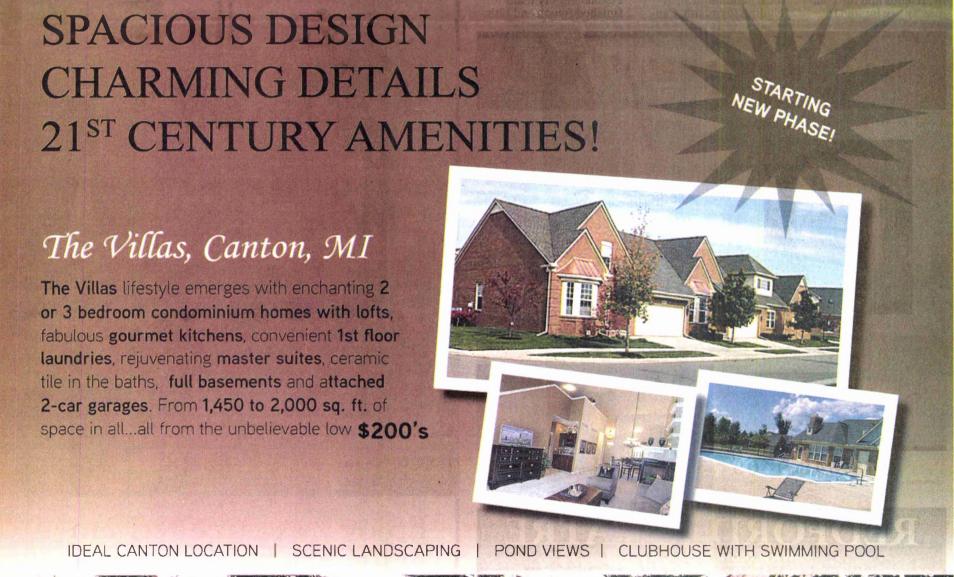
"Opening & Closing Doors" is voting No. 61553. More of Aitken's artwork can be found on her website at Lizaitkenart-

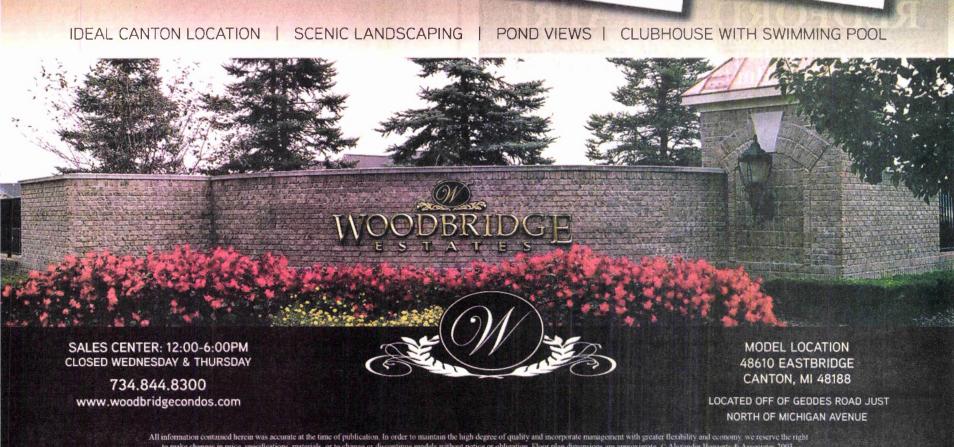


Liz Aitken's "Opening & Closing Doors."



Canton artist Liz Aitken is a graduate of Plymouth Christian





### **ROBOTS**

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the Discovery and Liberty teams, were on hand with displays of small robots, many Lego-based or those built with Erec-

"We are right now designing and building a robot," Flechtner said.

The youngest kids are also involved with robotics — in a sort of start-ing-out way. "They start so young because they already have preliminary programming with

iPhones and video games," Hurley said. 'We try to give them age-appropriate tasks."

Robots in the Park

drew a good-sized crowd to downtown Plymouth to learn what Lightning Robotics is all about. "The kids and parents are excited. We even have people that don't have kids stopping by our P-CEP robotics team, Lightning Robotics," said Charlie Fugate, student event lead.

The students and mentors of Lightning Robotics hosted 10 free, hands-on activities at

Robots in the Park, as well as a 3D printer station and information booths. The team's booster club provided refreshments.

The event got plenty of adults thinking and asking how they could start a FIRST robotics team at their schools. Based on a review of the event, "the team received rave reviews," lead marketing mentor Ashley Saunders said.

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JOANNE MALISZEWSKI Kids had a chance to drive a robot; this one threw Frisbees.



Alcides Postma, a freshman at Plymouth Christian Academy, plays for the Rollin' Pistons.

# PCA to host wheelchair basketball tournament

Plymouth Christian Academy will be the site of a youth wheelchair basketball tournament Saturday, Oct. 10 at the school, 43065 Joy Road, Canton.

The Michigan Rollin' Pistons of Novi will host the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Michigan Jr. Challengers (Southfield/ Sterling Heights).

Varsity game times are 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., with a prep game at 12:30 p.m. Family, friends and the community are invited to

attend and support the athletes.

Plymouth Christian's own Alcides Postma, a high school freshman, is playing his sixth season for the Michigan Rollin' **Pistons** 

The Michigan Rollin' Pistons are a competitive wheelchair basketball team composed of players from ages 7-18 playing in two age divisions: varsity (13 and over) and prep (under 13).

Players come from local communities, including Plymouth, Canton, Ann Arbor and Howell and also as far away as Flint and Lansing. Because of the limited number of athletes with disabilities locally, the team travels within the Midwest to compete at

John McSweeney gets ready for a pass.

tournaments. The team is part of the National Wheelchair Basketball Association, which hosts a national tournament in April every year that includes some 50-plus youth and adult teams from all over the U.S. that compete for national honors.

The Michigan Rollin' Pistons varsity team finished fourth and 13th in the nation in the 2009-10 and 2010-11 seasons, respectively. In 2013-14, the prep team finished sixth in the U.S. Last year, the varsity team finished 14th in the NIT division of the national tournament.

Athletes who play for the Michigan Rollin' Pistons are unable to participate in most local programs or any of their school sports teams. Adaptive sports programs allow these athletes to experience the

same benefits as their able-bodied peers and they get to meet and learn from others with the same abilities.

Wheelchair basketball players have the opportunity to play beyond high school, as there are nine colleges in the United States that have wheelchair basketball teams and several offer athletic scholarships.

Former Michigan Rollin' Pistons player and Canton native Correy Rossi went on scholarship to the University of Illinois. One of their coaches, Tom Colwell, was an assistant coach for the 2012 U.S. Men's Paralympics Team that won a bronze medal participating in London, England.

For more information about the Michigan Rollin' Pistons, go to their Facebook page, website www.michiganrollinpistons.webs.com or contact team manager Mark Postma at markpostma@yahoo.com.



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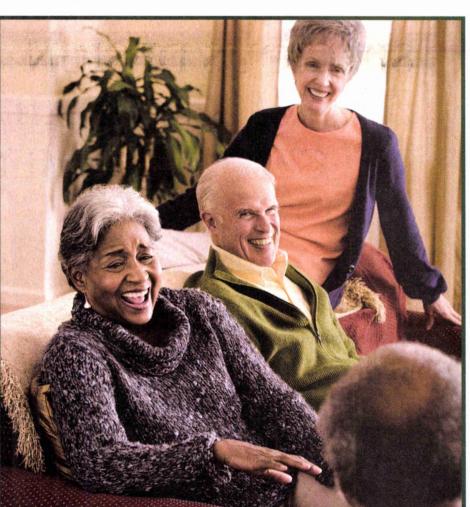
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# Check out 2015 Altima at Nissan of Canton

The Nissan Altima midsize sedan comes with a choice of fourcylinder or V-6 power and is available at Nissan of Canton, 42175 Michigan Ave. Competitors to the five-seat, front-drive Altima include the Toyota Camry, Honda Accord and Ford Fusion.

The 2015 Altima has had success as the thirdbest-selling midsize sedan in the U.S., in one of the most competitive classes in the car market.

Our Altima test car was a 2.5 SV with the standard 2.5-liter fourcylinder engine. Trim levels include base, S, SV and SL, the higher three of which are offered with an optional 3.5-liter V-6 that changes the trim name to 3.5. All Altimas have front-wheel drive.

### Interior

Nissan has added a tilt adjustment on the SV and higher trim level, which is an improvement. The Altima's comfort was rated pretty well thanks to good headroom and a

reasonable split between front and backseat legroom. The interior volume is about average for the group, but it feels nice and airy, aided in part by our car's light color scheme.

Our SV's leather steering wheel is a quality touch worth having. The car's bright, rich-looking gauges are a high point.

### **Ergonomics and** electronics

The Altima proved blissfully simple to operate. The 5.0-inch color display is a decent size for general purposes, though a bit small and low in the dashboard for displaying the backup camera's image. The feature becomes optional on the Altima 2.5 S and is standard on higher trims.

The same is true of a USB port, though Bluetooth streaming audio and hands-free telephone support are standard on all trim levels.

Cargo and storage

trunk volume, the Altima is in the middle of a group that ranges from 14.8 (Mazda6) to 16.3 cubic feet (Chevrolet Malibu and Hyundai Sonata). The trunk lid's hinges drop into the storage space, but the aperture between the trunk and cabin when the 60/40split rear seats are folded is nice and tall.

Cabin storage is good, with highlights including larger door pockets than many competitors, a very deep glove compartment and a generous storage console underneath the center armrest. In addition to the front seat's two cupholders and a bottleholder in each door, backseat passengers get door bottleholders and a flip-down center armrest that looks like it could take either a large or a small drink, but not both at the same time.

### Safety

In Insurance Institute for Highway Safety crash tests, the 2015 Alti-

ma earned the top score of good in all but the small-overlap frontal test, where it earned a rating of acceptable. This result matches six competitors in the institute's classification of moderately priced midsize cars. Seven other models scored good in the small overlap.

### New for 2015

The available 3.5-liter V-6 engine is more efficient thanks to less internal friction and new technology like variable timing for the exhaust valves. Beige interior color schemes now have black carpeting.

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- backseat with armrest » Customizable 4-inch color screen in gauge
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- » Available poweradjustable driver's seat » Available naviga-
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## Catch Detroit Lions chef from Canton on Food Network

Susan Selasky Michigan.com

Look for Scott Breazeale, 45, of Canton on Monday's premiere episode of Food Network's Halloween Baking Championship airing at 9 p.m.

Breazeale is an executive sous chef with Levy Restaurants, the food and beverage partner of the Detroit Lions, and one of seven bakers

vying for the show's \$25,000 grand prize. Filmed in May, each episode of Halloween Baking Championship challenges contestants to create creepy confections for judges.

In the first episode, the contestants had to create a cupcake incorporating classic Halloween candy (think candy corn, peanut butter cups) that they picked from a cauldron.

"I lucked out and got Reese's Peanut Butter Cups," said Breazeale, whose cupcake was featured with the six others in the October issue of Food Network Magazine. It was a gummy worm cupcake with a peanut butter cup butter cream, cookie dirt and candied bones. The hour-long show airs each Monday in October, with the final show Oct. 26.



Scott Breazale of Canton is a contestant on Food Network's "Halloween Baking Championship."

# Tri-Cities club hosts felt art presentation

Artist Jan Waller will be the guest speaker when the Tri-Cities Art Club meets 7-9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, in the lower level of Canton Township Hall, located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill.

Waller studied fine art and sculpture at Loughborough College of Art and Design, then taught art for 10 years in Essex, United Kingdom. In 2003, she learned felt and never looked back. She has been felting around the world from the UK to Australia to Michigan. Her striking art include images of women and girls, adding images of nature.

For more information, contact Marilyn Meredith at 313-231-3939. To learn more about the art club, go to www.threecities artclub.org.



TRI-CITIES ART CLUB
Jan Waller creates pieces of
art through felting.

# Michigan Phil tapped for state grant

The Michigan Philharmonic is one of 462 recipients of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs grants for 2015-16.

This year's total of \$9.65 million in grants to 462 recipients will cover costs for arts education programs, capital improvements, operational expenses, regional regranting minigrants and services to the field.

The Michigan Phil's grant is for \$18,000.

Nearly 600 applications were reviewed through a rigorous peerreview process conducted by 133 reviewers held in open meetings over a

month.

"Collectively, this year's impressive list of recipients represents a strong affirmation that the filed is growing and the value of our programs is appreciated,"

MCACA Chair Drew
Buchholz said. "We tip our hat to Gov. Snyder and the Legislature for showing confidence in MCACA by supporting

our appropriation."
Overall, grant applications increased by 20
percent over last year,
with approximately 80
percent of submissions

approved.

"This has been the most difficult season of grant reviews since the days of the Great Recession when there was so little money, now the issue is how to reach as many eligible organizations as possible around the entire state with our increased, albeit still limited, funding," MCA-CA Executive Director John Bracey said.



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# Plymouth District Library hosts 'Star Wars' events

The Friends of the Plymouth District Library will make sure the community is thinking Star Wars this month as several special events are planned. The Mythology of Star Wars will be presented by EMU professor Dr. Harry Eiss in a two-part program at 6:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday, Oct. 5 and 8.

Eiss will bring his classroom presentation to the library — part lecture, but mostly audience discussion intertwined with a running commentary on scenes from the movies. Registration is requested for this program at 734-453-0750, ext. 4, or online at plymouthlibrary.org

The Friends will also sponsor Star Wars Reads Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10. The library will join other libraries, schools and bookstores around

the world in this global event.

The Plymouth District Library will be filled with Star Wars collectibles, posters, decorations and more. Attendees are encouraged to dress as a favorite character and enjoy the following activities:

» Face painting – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located on the library's lower level.

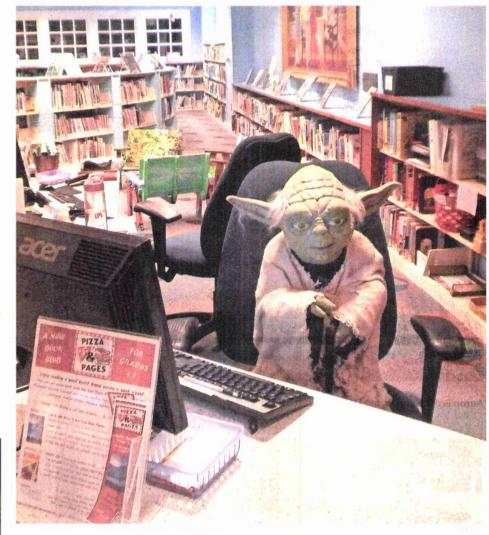
» Star Wars crafts – Library staffers have created some super Star Wars crafts for children of all ages and abilities. Choose one of the craft sessions: 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sign up at plymouthlibrary.org or call 734-453-0750, ext. 5.

» Star Wars Game Show – 1 p.m. Teams will be welcomed to test their Star Wars knowledge in this Jeopardy-style game. Prizes will be awarded. Drop in; no signup required. » Star Wars Snacks – 1-2 p.m. (or while supplies last). No one will be hungry or thirsty on Star Wars Reads Day in the main level meeting rooms.

» Photo Contest – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Right inside the front door, folks will find the *Star Wars* photo booth. All are encouraged to snap a photo and post it to Instagram. Library staff will determine the best photo of the day; prizes will be awarded.

» Star Wars Reads Give-aways – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or while supplies last). The Friends of the Library have been saving Star Wars books from the used book sale all year in preparation for Star Wars Reads Day 2015.

For more information, contact the library at 734-453-0750, ext 4, or go to plymouthlibrary.org.



Yes, Yoda will be at the Plymouth District Library.

### Ask Dr. Stewart

Dr. James Stewart offers treatment for sleep apnea and snoring at his dental sleep medicine practice in Livonia, MI. Today he looks at the possible dangers of snoring.

### POSSIBLE DANGERS OF SNORING

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But you'll feel it the next day, along with daytime exhaustion, fatigue and a host of other symptoms. Eventually, you may increase your risk of high blood pressure and stroke. I would talk to a physician near you who diagnoses and treats sleep disorders. Often, the issue can be treated with something as simple as an oral appliance or possibly losing weight.

If you have a question about your oral health and what you can do to enjoy a healthier smile and higher quality of life, contact Dr. James Stewart.

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### Visit Plymouth fire station Oct. 5-10

The Northville City Fire Department will host open houses at its Northville and Plymouth stations Oct. 5-10 during Fire Prevention Week. Each station will be open to receive guests from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day.

Visitors are invited to stop by and tour the facilities, get a close-up view of equipment, meet with the firefighters and EMS personnel serving the two cities. Visitors may also pick up fire safety information to help make your home or work environment safe from the risks of a fire. Games for younger folks

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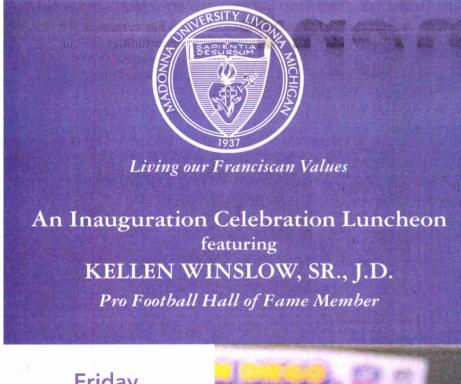
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Station 1 (Northville) is at 215 W. Main Street, while Station 2 (Plymouth) is at 201 S. Main Street. Both stations are located adjacent to the city hall in each community.

If you would like to schedule a group tour during the open houses, call 248-449-9920 for Northville and 734-453-1234, ext. 280, for Plymouth.

The NCFD is operated in partnership between the cities of Northville and Plymouth. The department covers an area of 4.5 square miles with a residential population of 15,000. We are staffed with 55 firefighters and EMS personnel and respond to approximately 1,600 calls each year. The NCFD provides fire suppression, fire prevention, fire safety education and EMS services and works in partnership with private Advanced Life Support ambulance providers. The department also sponsors an Explorer Post for youth ages 14-20, who are interested in learning more about a career in the fire and EMS services.

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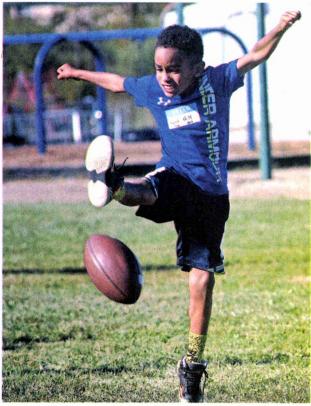
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Aaron Proske and Bruno Delgado watch Brodi English punt the football during the Optimist Club-sponsored event.



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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Kent Hill kicks the football at Bentley Elementary School.

### **OPTIMISTS**

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Meier, is a new club

member.) "We thought this would be a good place to

start," Silagy said. Bentley, the Optimist Club and Canton Leisure Services joined efforts for the football contest, while N Zone Sports provided the necessary equipment.

"It is the first official event in Canton for the combined club," Silagy

Cherryl Thames, governor for Michigan District Optimists, has said she has high hopes that the Plymouth-Canton club can make a tangible difference by raising money and using it to meet needs in the community, partly by sponsoring projects to reward children, boost their self-confidence and reinforce positive behavior.

The new club is being

led by its president, Charles Roebuck. Another member, Nicholas Clements, served as chair of the Bentley event.

Canton had started a new Optimist Club at a time when Plymouth's membership was declining, prompting a decision to merge the two and mirror the school district's inclusion of students from both communities.

"It has proven to be a wise decision," Silagy said.

The club supports efforts such as childhood cancer research through fundraising and activities to get youngsters to embrace healthier living. For more information about the club, send an email to Roebuck at charlesroebuck@hotmail.com.

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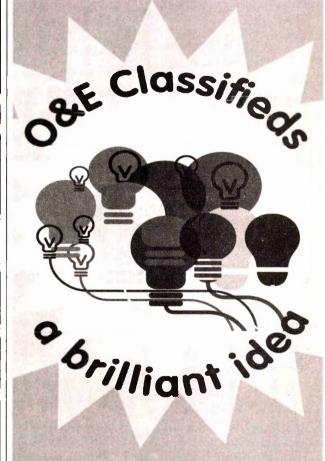
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Flanked by members of Boys and Brews, Jill Engel, executive director of the Partnership for the Arts & Humanities, accepts a \$1,000 check for the Village Arts Factory project.

### Boys and Brews donates to Village Arts Factory effort

Boys and Brews, a Canton-based charity group, has donated \$1,000 toward the Partnership for the Arts & Humanities effort to create an arts complex on Canton's west side.

Jim Malinowski, one of the founding members of Boys and Brews, said the donation was made to help the partnership's Village Arts Factory effort, on the site of the old Henry Ford factory where veterans once worked in Cherry Hill

Village.

The partnership is trying to create an arts and entertainment complex, in part to provide arts programs for veterans.

Boys and Brews presented the \$1,000 check on Sept. 23 during one of its meetings informal gatherings where friends share a beer and discuss charity projects. Jill Engel, the partnership's executive director, accepted the check.



# Two-day Stand Down event will aid homeless veterans

Norm Wilcox, a re-tired U.S. Marine Reserve gunnery sergeant, has put out the call for a few good men and women to volunteer at this month's Veterans Stand Down in Detroit.

Wilcox, president of Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down, is seeking volunteers to help with this year's twoday event for homeless veterans. It will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 7-8, at the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries.

Sponsored by the Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down and with the support of the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center, the event is a one-stop program that brings in homeless veterans and provides them with a variety of services and rest and relaxation.

"Instead of going all over, we bring them to one place and help them," Wilcox said. "The motto of Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down is 'Giving a hand up, not a handout.

The organization has been holding stand downs since 1997. It requires almost 200 volunteers. Last year, the event helped 692 veterans who were homeless or at risk of being homeless.



SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN VETERANS STAND DOWN

More than 600 homeless veterans take advantage of the annual two-day Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down in Detroit.

According to Wilcox, the stand down provides a secure place where homeless veterans can be with other homeless veterans to rest from the stresses of life on the streets. Like a soldier in combat, the homeless veteran must continue to "do battle." It is an opportunity to step away from the struggles, fears and anxieties of living on the streets long enough to reconnect with other people and with themselves.

At each Stand Down event, veterans are provided with a hot lunch, a bag lunch to go, haircuts, health care, dental and eye care, VA benefits counseling, information on general benefits like

Social Security, Secretary of State, substance abuse and mental health counseling, picture ID services and housing assistance.

Also, the 36th District Court holds court Wednesday, handling minor infractions in Wayne County.

Volunteers come from throughout southeast Michigan, especially western Wayne County. They're asked to choose from a number of different volunteer opportunities and shifts. The stand down is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and volunteers are asked to be at the mission at 7 a.m. each day.

Volunteer are needed for setup 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1-6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6; 7 a.m. to noon and noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 7-8; and 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8. Volunteer positions include clothing, escorts, kitchen, security and

barbers People can sign up to volunteer at the Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down Inc. website at

www.4vets.org. "There are plenty of people who never served who feel it's a way to serve their country by serving those who served," Wilcox said.

The Detroit Rescue Mission is at 3606 E. Forest Ave. in Detroit. For more information, call Wilcox at 248-808-0929 or go to www.4vets.org.



MANDI WRIGHT | MICHIGAN.COM Judge Patrick J. Duggan (left) with his wife Joan Duggan (right) and their son, Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan.

### Federal Judge Patrick Duggan retires from bench

Among his last acts as a federal judge, U.S. District Judge Patrick J. Duggan administered the lawyer's oath of commitment Tuesday at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law's 103rd annual Red Mass, one day before retiring from a job he's held for nearly four decades.

The judge's family, including son Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, attended the event at Ss. Peter and Paul Jesuit Church. Renewal of the oath is a voluntary means of reaffirming the nledge made at the onset of a lawyer's career. Duggan earned his law degree from UDM in 1958.



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### How to speak up if you suspect elder abuse

Q: Dear Rick: I am a widower and I have a friend who I socialize with who is a widow. We go out together, but we each pay our own way. Recently, I've noticed that she has become very frugal with her money. When I tried to discuss it with her, she immediately changed the subject. When I was at her house recently, I noticed a number of bills of hers that were overdue. When I asked her about that, she became very defensive. Other friends of ours have noticed the same thing. She has three daughters; two live out of town and one lives in the area. The one who lives locally helps in handling my friend's financial affairs. I believe there's some hanky-panky going on, but I'm not sure. Should I



tion? I don't want to get anyone in trouble but, at the same time, I want to help my friend.

A: What you have described is potentially a case of elder abuse. This is a rapidly growing problem affeting hundreds of thousands of seniors every year. Unfortunately, two of the main perpetrators of senior abuse are caregivers and adult children. Obviously, when a family member is involved, solving the problem is more complex. However, I do believe that it is appropriate for you to take some action.

In this case, the first thing is contact one of the other adult children and express your concern.

Hopefully, one of them will want to get to the bottom of the problem.

However, in many situations, as unfortunate as it is, many adult children don't want to get involved. If that is the case, contact the Michigan Department of Health. The toll-free number to report elder abuse is 855-444-3911.

Elder abuse is a growing problem in America. Unfortunately, because of all sorts of factors, including embarrassment and denial, it is a crime that goes unreported. That's why when you see something that you think is elder abuse, whether it is physical or financial, you can't just turn a blind eye.

Remember, when you report something to the state, that doesn't mean that you can prove elder abuse. It means that you have a reasonable suspicion that there is a prob-

Seniors are more susceptible to abuse, whether financial or physical. In many situations, the senior may not be forthcoming about the abuse or he/she is in denial. In those situations you can, depending upon your relationship, talk to other family and friends to advise them of what you perceive to be happen-

As friends, we have responsibilities for each other. Sometimes, in order to protect a friend, we are put in uncomfortable situations. Remember, it is always better to be safe than sorry.

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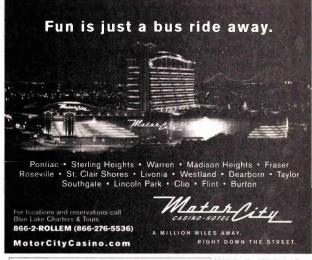
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# **SPORTS**

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PREP FOOTBALL WEEK 6

# Rocks manage to win mistake-filled game



Salem running back Deston Langford (left) avoids a tackle attempt by South Lyon East's Anthony Salter. At right for the Rocks is Owen

Salem gridders sends homecoming night crowd home happy with 14-0 victory over South Lyon East

> **Tim Smith** Staff Writer

Yes, it was Salem's homecoming night and lowly South Lyon East was the opponent.

On paper, it looked like a beautiful scenario for the Rocks. But it turned out to be a pretty ugly affair on a cold, windy night at Plymouth-Car ton Educational Park's varsity turf

Yes, the Rocks did leave the scene owning a 14-0 victory over the Cougars, to improve to 3-3 overall and 2-2 in the KLAA Central Division. South Lyon East remains winless, 0-6 overall and 0-4 in the division.

Salem head coach Kurt Britnell was glad to get the victory, but not too thrilled with the numerous miscues and missteps — capped off by fourth-quarter fisticuffs that led to an ejection on each side.

"It was awful," Britnell said about his team's overall performance. "The week was a pretty good we but maybe mentally we weren't ready. Or we were expecting them to just lay down and not play and they came to play and we didn't."

The fight in the fourth quarter occurred with 4:33 to go and the Rocks up 14-0 and trying to secure a

first down near the South Lyon East 40. Junior running back Jason Arnold was tackled on a second down play and his helmet was ripped off in

Also losing headgear was a Cougars player. There were punches thrown and players congregated on the field. After a lengthy delay, one player from each team was tossed out of the game.

### **Composure lacking**

"Their kid ripped our helmet off d we retaliated." Britnell said. "We know we can't do that; we didn't show enough composure to walk away from it. They got us both. Now we're out a player next week, in a

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**PREP FOOTBALL** 



Hauling in a pass Friday night for Canton is receiver

# Churchill stonewalls **Canton**

Chargers contain Sanders, upend Chiefs, 33-14

> **Ed Wright** Staff Writer

The secret recipe to containing Canton junior running back Markus Sanders has been about as mysterious as the ingredients in Colonel Sanders' Kentucky Fried Chicken

Thanks to some extra-crunching interior defense and a large side order of discipline, Livonia Churchill's football team not only stymied Sanders – at least for one night – but also the Chiefs' normally steamroller wing-T offense in an eye-opening 33-14 homecoming victory played on a night - windy and cold that should have aided the run-oriented Chiefs more than the air-it-out Chargers.

In terms of qualifying for the post-season, the triumph was pivotal for the Chargers, who improved to 4-2 overall and 3-1 in the KLAA South Division standings – with challenging games remaining at Livonia Franklin next week and Week 9 against Livonia Stevenson, which will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the school's opening.

Canton slipped to 5-1 and 3-1, respectively, heading into Friday's game against Plymouth, which is 4-0 in the South.

Once the ball was kicked off at 7:01 Friday night, Churchill linebacker DeMarco McKin-

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**GIRLS GOLF** 

# Plymouth tops KLAA field, Salem finishes fourth

Wildcats beat runner-up South Lyon by six; Chipman earns medalist honors with 71

> **Tim Smith** Staff Writer

The Plymouth girls golf machine keeps rolling along.

On Wednesday at Pontiac Country Club, the Wildcats already owners of the KLAA South Division title — added Kensington Conference and association championships by topping the 24-team field.

"Great win for our program," noted Plymouth head coach Dan Young, in an email to the Observer. "We pride ourselves on staying in the moment and doing what we are capable of and not anything

"We were fortunate to have the lowest score today, but we

Going into the tournament, Plymouth and Novi were tied in points amassed via the preseason tourney at Northville Hills and regular dual match-

Earlier in the week, Young said his team would have to outplay Novi to have a crack at the conference and overall titles and that's exactly what happened as Plymouth finished with a team score of 338.

The Wildcats enjoyed a six-stroke cushion over South Lyon (344). Brighton finished third with 345 while Salem had a solid fourth-place showing of 348. Novi finished seventh with a 357 tally. In 19th with a 431 total was Canton.

Leading the charge with a

Chipman, who was tournament medalist. Other Plymouth finishers including Ariana Strzalka (83), Erin Johnson (90) and Alaina Strzalka (94). Those four earned all-conference medals, which were presented to the top 18 golfers based on

season-long performances. Also earning medals were Salem junior Darby Scott, senior Kiley Flynn and senior Hope Warkoczeski. Scott had a splendid round, finishing in third overall with a 78. Flynn and Warkoczeski placed 11th and 23rd, respectively, with scores of 85 and 90. In 47th with a 95 was Grace Grelak.

"It's a real good golf league," said Salem head coach Rvan Nimmerguth about the KLAA. "Some real good schools, some of the tops schools in the state. That's our highest finish in the KLAA



Plymouth celebrates Wednesday's KLAA championship: (back, from left) Erin Johnson, Heather Muir, Rachel Kristian and head coach Dan Young and



**WOMEN'S SOCCER** 

# QUIET FORCE

### Schoolcraft's van Gassen racking up goals and national honors

Staff Writer

Whether beating a defender on a rush into the box, elevating for the perfect header or being on the right end of a perfect through ball, Shae van Gassen always finds a way

Since childhood, the Netherlands native has always loved scoring goals and nothing has changed in her two seasons with Schoolcraft College's women's soccer

In fact, the 19-year-old van Gassen — yes, with a lower-case "v" — is scoring at such a prolific pace (16 goals and 41 points) for the Lady Ocelots that she won National Junior College Athletic Association Division I Player of the Week honors twice this season.

On Sept. 20 against Jackson she had three goals and five helpers to propel her to honors for the week of Sept 14-20. She also won the honor in late August.

"I was told after the (Sept. 23) Delta game, that was the second time I won it," said van Gassen, following a recent practice. "I think it was just the stats, I had six goals and six assists that week.

When van Gassen talked about her soccer success, she smiled almost sheepishly. She's not in it for the attention. She just wants to put the ball into the goal and help her team win.

"I just like winning the ball wherever I can get it, setting my team up for good opportunities,' van Gassen explained. "I don't always need to be



TIM SMITH **Schoolcraft standout Shae** van Gassen has won NJCAA

the goal scorer, I love setting my team up, running down the line, just

sending it up to the top of

honors twice this season.

the box. 'Just the easy goals make the game so sim-

### She's got it all

The all-for-one mindset is one reason why she is such a favorite of Schoolcraft teammates and first-year head coach Dave Carver.

'Fantastic girl, great personality, great playing personality, always willing to do extra in training, just a great attitude toward coaching as well," Carver said. "She never puts herself in a spot where she gets comfortable, she's always challenging herself and asking for more information, which is great.

'She's just super coachable, takes the information we give her and tries to apply it to her game.'

Carver noted van Gassen's leadership skills, too, even though



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Schoolcraft's Shae van Gassen (left) maneuvers around a Delta College player during a recent

she is soft-spoken by

During the Sept. 27 game against Muskegon Community College, he talked to his team after a scoreless first half about coming out stronger and getting on the board first.

"Within five minutes Shae had scored two goals and she actually got taken out on her second goal, so bad that we had to bring her out for the remainder of the game," Carver recalled.
"Just the effort she was willing to put in to score our second goal, and get hurt in the process... kind of summed up what she's given to the team so

"For me, that's leadership, just from your performance."

Tough to stop Schoolcraft is looking strong in its quest to not only capture the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, but go for a national title.

As of Wednesday, the Lady Ocelots were 8-0-0 overall and 6-0-0 in the MCCAA and moved up to No. 15 in the NJCAA DI

women's soccer poll. The team is one of the very best in the country and there's no denying

who the best player is. "She's got excellent goal-scoring ability, she's just got a natural talent to find the right spots inside the attacking third, and score and create goals," Carver said. 'She's got a lot of pace. She's got a lot of ideas how to undo defenses, and I just think because she's got a lot of variety to her game and she can score multiple ways. It just makes her a very

hard player to defend." That is particularly true when a ball floats into the 18-yard box.

When that occurs, van Gassen often is the first one there to do the rest of the job.
"Headers is one of the

things I love to do," van Gassen said, smiling again. "We did the vertical jump at our training and I think I jumped 11 1/2 inches. I'm always the one running in the box trying to get there. Finding a small school

with an exemplary soccer program was another feather in her cap. Since age 6, van Gassen has lived in Sarnia, Ontario, growing as a player to the point where she led her high school team (Northern Collegiate) in scoring all four seasons.

"Every team I've been on, except for one year when I played on a guys team, I've always been the top goal scorer," she noted. "I started kicking the ball around when I was 2 at my brother's practices

### **Perfect choice**

After graduating in 2014, she opted to come to Schoolcraft instead of

"I didn't want to go to a big school with big classes, because I didn't know how the academics were going to be here, compared to Canada, van Gassen emphasized. "So class size, I really liked it, and how well they did in previous years attracted me.

going for a bigger col-

"I used a recruiting website at first, and from there I just found a bunch of schools and contacted them. And then got in contact with the coach (Deepak Shivraman) and came out to a practice and really liked ît. Then he offered me a spot on the team.

Last season, van Gassen scored 14 goals and she has brought her game up a notch or two as a sophomore, despite a coaching change from Shivraman to Carver.

"I think just through the whole process of being on my own, I've matured a lot," she said. "That's helped me out on the field. I really worked on my fitness over the summer, I just have more endurance, strength and that helps me during the game.

"And I just understand the game a lot better now. It's a big difference going from club to college, so just getting that freshman season under my belt and seeing what it's like really helps coming into my next

Regardless of whether the Lady Ocelots can finish off 2015 with a championship, van Gassen is looking forward to perhaps moving up to a four-year college in 2016.

"Grand Valley has always been an interest of mine," van Gassen said. "Been talking with Dave about schools, he mentioned Saginaw Valley too. My options are just open right now.'

They might soon be off the charts, matching her fantastic all-around

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PREP ROUNDUP

## Canton spikers punish Patriots

Salem girls tankers win; Plymouth netters fall against Novi

**Tim Smith** 

Canton faced little challenge Thursday night in dispatching KLAA South Division volleyball rival Livonia Franklin.

The Chiefs pummeled the Patriots 25-8, 25-6 and 25-18 to improve to 20-10 overall and 7-0 in the division.

Leading the offense with seven kills was Gabrielle den Boer, with Emily Meredith and Sabrina Giacomini sharing setting responsibilities (combined 20 assists).

On the defensive side, Canton was sparked by the play of Alyssa Burke and Lexi Granowicz, who registered 12 and 10 digs, respectively.

"We played well to-night," Canton head coach Irick Gardner noted. "We have a few players out, so some others had an opportunity to get some experience which they took advantage of.

**» Salem** lost 19-25, 20-25, 25-22, 22-25 to Northville in a KLAA Central Division matchup Thursday night.

Tess Ganich had 16 kills and 16 digs for the Rocks, with other top Salem performers including Kendall Gillen (seven kills, 23 digs),

Lauren Wylie (four kills, 13 assists). Emma Merlington (four kills), Drew Smiley (21 digs) and Sara Soltis (eight digs, 19 as-

» Plymouth defeated Westland John Glenn in three sets, 25-23, 25-15, 25-13. No details were available as of press

### **Girls swimming**

On Thursday against KLAA Central Division rival Livonia Stevenson, the Salem varsity girls swimming and diving team earned a 117-69 win.

Individual races were won by Salem's Lisa Zhang (200 free, 2:01.03; 100 free, 55.81), Katie Xu (200 IM, 2:15.65; 100 butterfly, 1:01.15), Camille Burt (diving, 231.45) points), Linda Zhang (500 free, 5:16.77; 100 breast, 1:07.78) and Patricia Freitag (100 back, 1:03.11).

The visiting Rocks also swept the relays. In the 200 medley relay, Molly Rowe, Linda Zhang, Freitag and Jenna Chen prevailed in 1:57.57.

Capturing the 200 free relay were Lisa Zhang, Xu, Chen and Meghan Maikowski (1:46.47) while the 400 free relay tandem of Lisa Zhang, Xu, Freitag and Linda Zhang won in 3:48.21.

### **Boys tennis**

In a battle for the KLAA Kensington Conference title Thursday, Plymouth fell to No. 1ranked Novi.

The lone Plymouth victory was scored at 4 singles. Deven Patel won in straight sets over Tim Tanaka, 6-4, 6-3.

'Jordan Lu took the number 1 singles match into a tie-breaker before falling to Novi's Koushik Kondapi," Plymouth coach Tom Kimball said.

Plymouth was slated to compete in the KLAA tournament Saturday at Novi and will host the Division 1 regional tournament on Oct. 8.

### **DUAL MATCH RESULTS NOVI 8, PLYMOUTH 1** Oct. 1 at Novi

No. 1 singles: Koushik Kondapi (Novi) defeated Jordan Lu, 6-4, 7-6; No. 2: Alex Wen (Novi) def. Matt Decker, 6-2, 6-1; No. 3: Sid Amarnath (Novi) def. Kevin Hou, 6-0, 6-1; No. 4: Deven Patel (P) def. Tim Tanaka, 6-4, 6-3. No. 1 doubles: Maxx

Anderson-Daniel Yu (Novi) def. Justin Kapke-Yogesh Mohanraj, 6-0, 6-1; No. 2: Aditya Chitta-Robert Chen (Novi) def. Ramana Ramanathan-Nathan Tseng, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Sai Gotur-Ahbishek Subash (Novi) def. Evan Kopp-David Grant, 6-1, 6-1; **No. 4:** Aakash Ray-Nayan Makim (Novi) def. Annop Kotha-Sam Tufts, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 5**: Chris Kwederis-Ryan Krawec (Novi) def. Haroon Zahoor-Parth Patel. 6-0, 6-1.

**Dual match records:** Plymouth, 7-3 overall; Novi, 17-1 overall.



### SALEM

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The Salem player, a junior lineman, will not be available for Saturday's senior night game against division foe Livonia Stevenson.

"We've talked about it all season, about composure and discipline." Britnell said. "That wins and we haven't done

It also was an injuryfilled game for the Rocks, who lost two running backs along the

In the first half, senior running back Deston Langford was a workhorse — unofficially gaining 104 yards on 20 carries and scoring a 10-yard touchdown with 1:14 to go in the first quarter to put Salem up

But Langford limped off before halftime and was on the sidelines when the third quarter began. Taking over most of the snaps in the second half was senior Jacob Miller, but then he left due to an injury, with Arnold becoming the primary ball carrier.

Miller and Arnold each gained approximately 70 yards on the ground to augment whatever senior quarterback Alex Nicholson could cobble together via the throwing game.

CANTON

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ney couldn't have cared

less about the weeks to

zeroed in on each snap.

discipline and staying

focused on each play,

and that's what we did

tonight," said McKin-

a 17-yard touchdown

pass from Evan Cum-

ney, who even hauled in

mins during a rare stint

on offense. "Canton is a

good team, but we were

100 percent confident we could win tonight, as

long as we stayed discipline."

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vards on 19 carries

ing running backs -

carries.

Reid McDonnell and

Julian Thorton - com-

bined for 84 yards on 19

"They schemed us very well and they were

more physical up front

said Canton head coach

Tim Baechler. "We're not used to having that

happen to us. They just

kicked our butts defensively tonight. Some-

times getting punched

Senior defensive

tackle Austin Simpson

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The Chiefs, who are

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Sanders, who had

been on the fast track to

Canton's other two start-

"All week at practice

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO Salem's Jason Arnold (right) tackles South Lyon East's Anthony Salter during Friday night's game.

Nicholson did come up with a crucial 38yard TD pass to senior Shaw Lyall with 11:21 to go in the fourth quarter.

### Clutch catch

On a second-and-long, Nicholson stepped back and fired the football over the middle toward the goal line. Waiting almost in front of the goal posts was Lyall, who snagged the pass despite being pestered by several defenders.

"It was just a great route by Shaw and I just threw it up to let my teammate make a play," Nicholson said. "And he made a great play. The line did a great job, Shaw ran a great route and I just threw it up to him.

The Cougars tried to respond with a scoring drive of their own and advanced the ball to Salem's 23. On fourth down, however, senior quarterback Josh Smith was picked off by Lyall.

"He's a good ballplay-

mid-range gains fol-

two plays of 20-plus

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the third quarter.

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DeFillippo said the

"We ran two different

coach Bill DeFillippo.

"If even one kid runs down the field when he

trapped and they break

er," Britnell said about Lyall. "He made some good plays for us and that was enough to seal

Salem sputtered on offense, in part due to big games by South Lyon East juniors Anthony Salter (nine unassisted tackles, three assisted, one interception) and Shane Patterson (eight solo tackles, three assists)

The Rocks also got it done on defense, however, keeping the Cougars from even sniffing the goal line. South Lyon East made some big plays, but could not gain

much momentum. "Our kids came out and played pretty well," Cougars head coach Joe Pesci said. "We did a great job defensively shutting down their run and actually being the right spots and making plays this game.

"Offensively we did some good things, then occasionally have a breakdown in execution. But overall we played a lot better than the previous weeks.

Pesci said the team is striving to improve on a weekly basis "and going into the game we wanted to look a little different than last week, which we did.'

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Baechler opted not to

comment on whether

performance-related.

14-0 lead into the half

thanks to a 1-yard TD

run by Sean Stenzel (18

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PREP FOOTBALL

# Plymouth on cusp of playoffs following offensive surge

Big second half helps 'Cats down Rockets

**Tim Smith** 

A second-half explosion lifted Plymouth to a 41-7 victory over Westland John Glenn in a Friday night match-up of KLAA South Division football teams.

The victory improves the Wildcats' record to 5-1 overall and 4-0 in the division and sets up the possibility of clinching a playoff berth next Friday (Oct. 9) against campus rival Canton — also one win away from a playoff spot.

Scoring four rushing touchdowns for Plymouth was Darius Timmons, who gained 120 yards.

Plymouth and Canton will square off at 7 p.m. on the varsity turf field at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Statistically speaking, the outcome never was in doubt as Plymouth outgained still winless John Glenn by a 532-114 margin.

Accounting for about half of the output was senior running back Cameron Stella, who carried the ball 26 times for 270 yards.

Yet the teams were deadlocked 7-7 after the first quarter and Plymouth only led 14-7 at halftime.

Timmons ran it in from the 6-yard line to open up the scoring for Plymouth. John Glenn made it

7-7 when quarterback Nathan Szymanski completed a 23-yard scoring strike. Plymouth regained

the advantage on a 12yard scoring dash by Timmons, with kicker Van Nguyen converting his second of five extra

Doing the damage for the Wildcats in the third was Timmons, who found the John Glenn end zone two more times on runs of 32 and 11 yards to put Plymouth in front 27-7.

Keeping the Plymouth party rolling with 4:22 to go in the fourth was quarterback Jonah Peterson, who completed a 7-yard TD toss to Matthew Barno.

Capping off the scoring with just 14 seconds to play was Peterson, who tallied a 25-yard touchdown run.

Timmons and Stella

were augmented in the Plymouth running attack by Dorian Johnson (11 carries, 72 yards). Meanwhile, several Wildcats were strong

on defense. Chase Timko had another big game, with four solo tackles and two assists.

Timmons registered two solos and five assists, while Elie Atallah chipped in three solos and three assists.

**BOYS SOCCER** 

### Canton, Salem both post big victories

Chiefs blank Glenn; Rocks shut out East

> Tim Smith Staff Writer

Two Park rivals are riding hot streaks into Saturday afternoon's collision course.

On Thursday, both Canton and Salem routed their respective opponents in varsity boys soccer matchups.

Canton blasted Westland John Glenn by a 6-0 score while Salem earned a 7-0 victory over South Lyon East.

Propelled by those lopsided wins, the Chiefs and Rocks were slated to square off 2 p.m. Saturday at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park in a division crossover tilt.

Canton's record improved to 11-3-3 overall nd 7-0-1 in the KLAA South Division with the victory over the Rockets.

Josh Posuniak led the attack with two goals and two assists. Contributing two tallies was Hunter Olson while Sam DeLoy chipped in with two assists.

Luke Kurili (goal), Ryen O'Meara (two assists), defenders Matt Rockafellow, Matt Tenglin, Beau Hoffman,

Caleb Moraw and goalkeepers David McGraph Blanking the Lions and Pat Ruhala helped

» The host Rocks (12-4-1 overall, 7-1 in the KLAA Central Division) blanked South Lyon East Thursday with Karson Gregory and Andrew Kozan sharing the shut-

the Canton cause.

Scoring a big goal for Salem was Ani Varanasi. **SALEM 5, SOUTH** 

LYON 0: Meanwhile, Salem also was victorious Tuesday, earning a 5-0 triumph over South

was goalie Andrew Kozan, who had defensive help in the back line from Hunter Gibbons and strong midfield play from Adam Hall and Jordan Salhani. Scoring twice for the

Rocks was Nick Massey, with Jay Lee, Max Kummer and Luke Nolta each registering one goal.

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since it started. The girls were really happy.' He said Scott was "rock steady, she's been

that way all year. She shot a 78, which is not her best score, but was a great score for that day. There (were) some tough conditions.

Canton freshman Nicole Dawson placed 23rd with a 90 and was just four strokes shy of earning a medal. Rounding out the Canton scorecard were Manasa Potluri (75th, 103), Molly Mundorf (98th, 113) and Avery Ralston (117th,

125). Next up for all three Plymouth-Canton Educational Park teams is Thursday's Division 1 regional, at Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center of Plymouth.

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A Special Meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following:

605 Kellogg Non-Use Variance Requested Front and Side Yard Setbacks Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential

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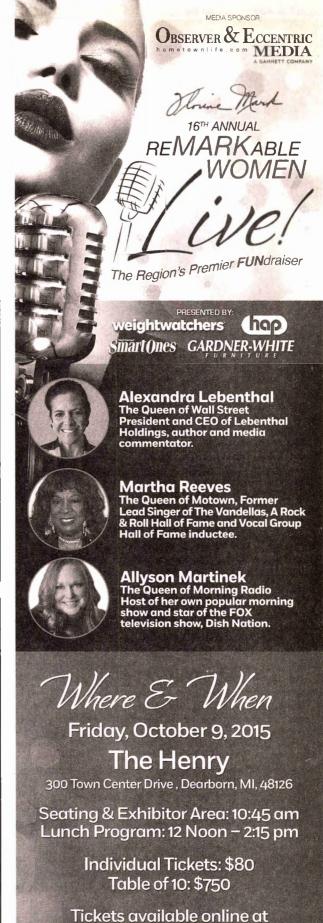
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YOUTH FOOTBALL

# Week 4 recap: Canton Lions battle Comets on gridiron

On Sept. 27, the Canton Lions traveled to John Glenn High School with hopes of putting a damper on the Westland Comets homecoming festiv-

The Lions varsity squad suffered their first loss of the season, 34-6. Lions highlights on offense included a 60-yard touchdown run by Cameron Wilborn and Jeremy Fuchs' 20-yard pass completion to Wilborn.

Ivan Davis and Jon Hanton led the defense. Fuchs, Wilborn, Nick Azzouz, Daylin Banks, Josh Bergevin, Sean Britt, Lucas Holden,



Canton JV player Ethan Bennett gains yardage.

Spenser Korroch, Shamar Odom, Ezell Snipes and Cameron Wallace all contributed with multiple tackles. Snipes also had an interception.

The Lions will host the

Redford Eagles for homecoming, Sunday, Oct. 4, at the P-CEP varsity field.

### Shutout win for JV

A pass from Preston Long to Carson Sampson started the scoring for the JV Lions. Marco Johnson would score the extra point before putting an additional six points on the board in the first half.

In the second half, George Faris ran for a touchdown, and Aidan Thompson carried in the extra point.

The Lions defense dominated, with sack by Long and a pick-six by Faris. Julian Bodiu also

was a key contributor on defense.

The Lions (3-1) won,

### Freshmen win

The Comets struck with an early-first-quarter touchdown, but the Lions would soon answer with a touchdown and extra point by Aaron Alexander.

Two more Lions touchdowns were carried in by Alexander in the second half, including a 50-yard breakaway. One extra point was scored by Caleb Williams. Alexander ended with more than 120 yards rushing. Other

standouts on offense were Kris Easley and Williams, with a 15-yard reception from Oronde Patterson.

Defensive playmakers included Alexander with a sack for a 15-yard loss, Luke Rayborn with a fumble recovery and Easley, Williams, Antonio Correa, Ryan Goodson, Dominic Johnson, Devin Kaigler, Luke Matusik, Avery Satterlee and Bralen Willis with tackles.

The Lions (4-0) prevailed, 20-6

### **Defense rules**

The junior freshmen Lions defense came

ready to play. An early fumble recovery by Cole Balog started the defensive onslaught. Strong tackling by Evan Borsvold, Jimmy Cleveland and Julian Nichols, as well as a second-half interception by Nichols, held the Comets to one touchdown.

The Lions offense contributed with carries by Jacob Modelski, Brendan Seed, Evan Williams, Micah Williams and Carson Wyrybkowski. Nichols also chimed in with a 40-yard touchdown run. In the end, both teams made one trip to the end

**PREP CROSS COUNTRY** 

### Canton takes top seven spots in win

**Tim Smith** Staff Writer

Canton's varsity boys cross country team defeated Westland John Glenn 15-50 on Tuesday as the Chiefs showed a true pack mentality, claiming the top seven

Leading the Canton charge was medalist Shane Andrews, who finished in 17 minutes, seven seconds.

The next six runners to cross the finish line were all Chiefs - Nick Socha, 17:28; David Kight, 17:35; Zach Cannon, 17:42; Javier Diaz, 17:48; Zach Carey, 17:49 and Braden Heimbaugh, 17:56.

The Chiefs improved to 3-0 in the KLAA South Division with the triumph.

### Salem boys roll

Also victorious Tuesday was Salem's varsity boys cross country team, prevailing 25-33 over South Lyon East to improve to 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the KLAA Central Division.

Senior Chaz Jeffress set the pace with a firstplace time of 17:05.

Other Salem finishers were senior Jacob Kubinski (fourth, 17:48), junior Alex Kroll (fifth, 17:56) and the pack of sophomore Ryan Exell, senior Griffin Skaff, sophomore Andrew Beyer and freshman Luke Haran — finishing in places 7-10 to close out the scoring.

### Plymouth boys win

Sophomore Ethan Byrnes was medalist with a time of 17:44.2 on Tuesday to spark Plymouth's 18-45 win over Wayne Memorial.

The Wildcats took all but one place in the top 10, with the Zebras' Jamie Carranza third

Finishing in second for Plymouth was freshman Brandon Boyd, who clocked in at 18:51.3.

Other Wildcats in the top 10 included senior Lucas Kapala (fourth, 19:35.2), sophomore Nick Schweikhart (fifth. 19:40.1), junior Nolan Ouellette (sixth, 19:51),

freshman Jarrett Walker (seventh. 20:03.3), junior Gary Jones (eighth, 20:12.2), senior Andrew Shattuck (ninth, 20:23.6) and freshman Bassil Syed (10th, 20:42.2).

### Plymouth girls recap

Despite several absences, strong efforts throughout the lineup Tuesday lifted Plymouth's varsity girls cross country team to a 20-71 victory over Wayne Memorial.

The Wildcats took places 2-8, led by senior Charlotte Clark (22:57), senior Gwen Carey (23:13), freshman Olivia Schafer (23:15), and freshman Amelia Carey (23:18)

They were trailed by sophomore Angela Wang (23:33), senior Marianne DeBrito (23:33) and senior Allison Beshears

"These girls have really worked hard at closing the gaps and should be very proud of their performance," Plymouth coach Alice Ahearn said.

**USA HOCKEY** 

### NAME THE EAGLE!

As USA Hockey's National Team Development Program prepares to host its first two home games on Oct. 9 against Chicago and Sunday, Oct. 11, against the Notre Dame Fighting Irish at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth Township, fans can assist with one important detail.

The NTDP mascot an eagle - needs a name.

Fans can submit suggestions via usahockeyntdp.com/ntdpeagle. Submissions using #NTDPEagle will also be accepted through the team's social media channels.

'With this year's move to the USA Hockey Arena, our team is in a new era," said Scott Monaghan, senior director of operations at the NTDP. "Our primary focus will always be developing our athletes. Now we want to expose them to a larger fan base and create an engaging game-day environment that keeps



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Fans can help name the eagle in the week leading up to the Oct. 9 opener.

them coming back. Part of that is having a mascot for fans to enjoy.'

The #NTDPEagle made his first public appearance last season during the 2014 Under-17 Four Nations Tournament hosted by the NTDP at its original home, the Ann Arbor Ice Cube. Since then, the mascot has made limited public appearances.

However, to celebrate the start of the 2015-16 season and the NTDP's new home, #NTDPEagle will be visiting select businesses in the Plymouth community.

Beginning Oct. 1 the mascot was set to visit Penn Station (44431 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth), Great Clips (44523 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth) and bd's Mongolian Grill (42089 Ford Road, Canton).

Fans are encouraged to follow @usahockeyntdp on Twitter and Instagram to find out when the eagle will be at each location. Fans also have a chance to win game tickets for opening weekend at USA Hockey Arena (Oct. 9, 11) and other prizes.

Individual home game tickets for the 2015-16 NTDP season are on sale now. Tickets are \$12 for center ice and \$10 for executive reserved seats and can be purchased online through usahockeyarena.com or via phone by calling 734-453-8400.

For more information about tickets, visit usantdp.com, usahockeyarena.com or call the USA Hockey Arena Box Office at 734-453-8400.







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10:00 Am - Noon Livonia Civic Senior Center 15218 Farmington Rd.

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10:00 AM - Noon Fire Station #1 42975 Grand River Ave.

PLYMOUTH

9:00 AM - Noon Farmers Market (in front of PennTheatre) 760 Penniman Ave. REDFORD

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Redford Marquee 25833 Elsinore (Next to the Redford Police Station)

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10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Empty lot at former Franks Furniture Wayne Rd. between Chestnut and Glenwood

**WESTLAND** 

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Westland Bowl (parking lot) 5940 N. Wayne Rd. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Lobby

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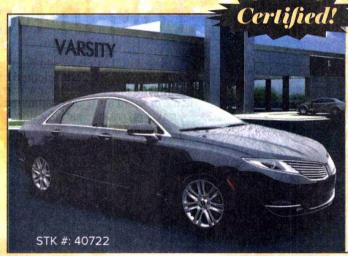
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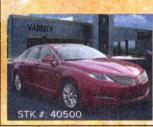
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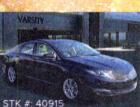
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# COMMUNITY LIFE

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# Synchronized swimmers show off their dance, gymnastics moves

**Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

Robin Wagner dances without touching toes to the floor.

She gracefully extends her legs, turns, bends, and flips, sometimes floating through choreographed moves.

"It's like being in ballet, but some of it is under water," said Wagner, 50, of Novi, a synchronized swimmer. "My background is in art. I'm a printmaker. So to me, it's not just that it's a sport and there are some mechanics. There is a lot of beauty to our sport. It's a performance."

Wagner and other members of the Michigan Synchro Masters, a women's synchronized swim team, have been practicing three times a week since May preparing for their show on Sunday, Oct. 18, at Schoolcraft College and the U.S. Masters Synchronized Swimming Championship Oct. 22-25 in Grand Rapids.

The team is based at the college, where synchronized swimming is offered as a noninstructional club through Continuing Education and

Professional Development. It's for adults with synchronized swimming experience who want to practice their skills and learn new moves. Members also can perform and compete, although that's not a requirement. Fifteen members will participate in the upcoming show and competition. Another approximately 10 swimmers drop in occasionally to practice and support the

### Water dancing

"If you compete, you have to be at practice. We train yeararound. It's pretty intense and the people are dedicated," said Fran Saenz of Livonia. At 71, Saenz is the oldest active member of the team. She plans to swim a "combo" routine with nine other swimmers and a

duet at both upcoming events. 'It's like dancing in water. We keep our heads above water and try to present to the audience. You scull and extend your leg in a 90-degree angle. I enjoy doing that. We do front and back somersaults," Saenz said. "You have to have stami-



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The float pattern mimics the opening of a fan.

Saenz learned synchronized swimming moves while in junior high during the late 1950s in Dearborn. She taught swimming and worked as a lifeguard during her college years and after raising a family, decided to get back into the pool. Saenz, who teaches water exercise at the Livonia YMCA, heard about the club in 2007 and decided to brush up on her synchronized swimming skills.

"I hadn't done it in so long. The sport had changed a lot. I'm still learning," she said. "It's a wonderful group of women and our coach is amaz-

### Difficult sport

Joyce Lindeman of Ypsilanti is a retired University of Michigan coach and former Redford high school teacher who was recruited by the team to keep them on track. Members also informally coach each other, sometimes using iPads to record routines, and create their own choreography.

"Because it's a difficult sport and the very degree of



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Coach Joyce Lindeman talks with swimmers before practice.

difficulty is high in comparison to other sports, you need breath control," said Linde-man, explaining what it takes to swim on a synchronized team. "You need to know who to be vertical in the water and how to swim.

"The sport as a whole has not grown a lot. Most of the

growth has been in the master's area. Of course every time there is the Olympics, the year following you get another surge of people who are interested in the sport.'

Lindeman said she loves synchronized swimming and

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The team watches a lift performed by Robin Wagner and Bridget Deska.

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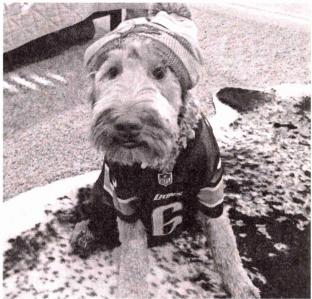
**Sharon Dargay** Staff Writer

**Detroit Lions punter** Sam Martin wants to see your dog in Halloween costume. He's asking dog owners to post pictures of their costumed pooches on social media in an effort to benefit the Michigan Humane Soci-

Martin plans to donate \$6 to MHS for every photo of a dog in costume uploaded to social media outlets - such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram with the hashtag #KickOrTreatfor6. At the same time, Premier Pet Supplies in Beverly Hills will donate six pounds of food to MHS for each

Martin will announce winners of the online dog costume contest on Oct. 26. The first-place winner will get four tickets to a Lions game and free dog food for a year. Second place will win two tickets to a Lions game and a Premier Pet Supply gift card. Third place also will receive a Premier Pet Supply gift

"We're very excited," said Ryan McTigue, MHS public relations coor-



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Leo, a labradoodle, is owned by Detroit Lions punter Sam Martin.

dinator. "This contest is cool. It's an easy way to help out animals while showing off love for your

McTigue said Martin frequently helps MHS with awareness and fundraising campaigns. Last year, he appeared in a MHŚ public service announcement about microchipping pets and has visited the organization's biannual adoption event

at the Detroit Zoo. 'He's very social

media conscious. He gets the word out about events," McTigue said, adding "Premier Pet Supplies is fantastic. They've worked with us on a number of things.'

The food will be donated to MHS' pet food bank, which helps lowincome individuals feed their pets.

Mike Palmer, owner of

Premier Pet Supplies, said the campaign is great for the pet population" in Michigan because so many animals are in need.

Martin, who owns Leo, a labradoodle, said he's always been interested in helping animals. He's eager to see how fans dress their dogs.

The MHS Mega March for Animals, Sunday, Oct. 4, may offer some inspiration for creative costuming.

"We see dogs in costume in the Mega March," McTigue said. "The only suggestion we have is to make sure it's something the pet enjoys or ease them into it.'

McTigue has seen dogs dressed as fairies and butterflies, lions and more at the Mega March. One returning favorite is a dog with a saddle, topped by a tiny jockey.

"It's great. People get into it and the dogs seem not to mind."

The Mega March runs 9 a.m. to noon Sunday at Kensington Metropark, in Milford and at Stony Creek Metropark in Shelby Township. Registration fee is \$20. Visit michiganhumane.org for more information.

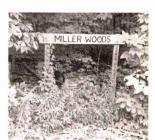
### **GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR**

### Annuals, perennials

Farmington Garden Club will feature George Papadelis, owner of Telly's Greenhouse, 1-2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, at the Vagnozzi Visitor's Center, Spicer House, in Heritage Park, located on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile, in Farmington Hills. Papadelis, who travels the world looking for new plants and hybrids, will talk about the the newest plants available for next year's garden. Email fgc1932@gmail.com or call 248-477-3854 for more information. Guests are welcome.

### Bees

Chris Lapinski, Master Gardener and an environmental consultant, will talk about raising Mason bees for pollination and which na-



Take a nature walk 2-4 p.m. Oct. 18 and 25 at Miller Woods in Plymouth Twp.

tive plants to use to attract them, 7 p.m. Oct. 6 at Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, Farmington Road at Five Mile, Livonia. Three Livonia Garden Club members also will demonstrate what to do and what to avoid when designing a creative or traditional entry into a flower show. livoniagardenclub.org or email lgcpresident@yahoo.com.

### **Arthritis Today**

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### **OSTEOARTHRITIS-WHERE WE STAND TODAY**

I don't mean the title of this article as a pun. People with Osteoarthritis of the hip or knee can vouch that standing is difficult, painful and dangerous-a precipitous fall is possible

With the advances in medication for rheumatoid arthritis, gout, psoriatic and lupus arthritis, one would think that the momentum of change would encompass Osteoarthritis. Such is not the case. To date no research has brought a medication that can retard or repair the wear and tear damage on a joint that Osteoarthritis imposes.

There are few preventive measures one can bring to bear on Osteoarthritis. One is to avoid overweight, a second is to lead a charmed life and never experience an injury to your shoulders, wrists, hands, hips knees or ankles. The third measure is to remain sufficiently active so your muscles can bear strain and keep nimble in the face of the slips and near falls that is common

No medicine to date retards the march of Osteoarthritis. Worse, the medications commonly used, on close inspection, may cause more harm than help. The ibuprofens, naproxens, diclofenacs and celecoxibs given the elderly, turn out to create risk for stroke, heart attack, bleeding ulcers and kidney failure. What physicians are left with are physical therapy, joint injection with steroids, acetaminophen and aspirin..

New concepts as to the cause of osteoarthritis such as the role of crystals and of inflammation will likely lead to therapies that can stop progression of Osteoarthritis or repair of joint damage that has already occurred. For now the public needs to

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also enjoys being with its athletes.

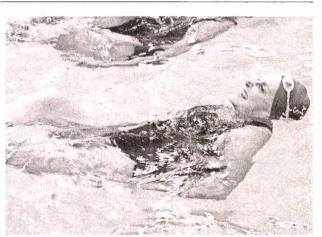
"It's kind of like a family. They've been to each other's weddings and showers. They're all helpful to each other. It's a wonderful support group besides the swimming. Last Sunday after practice, two girls turned 60, so 20 went out to brunch," Lindeman said.

Doreen Durandetto of

Commerce Township swam as a Weeki Wachee Mermaid in a water show in Florida after college. She decided to "get back into shape" when she turned 60.

"I'm back here to freshen my skills," Durandetto said. "I like camaraderie, the exercise and being able to try new things.

See the Michigan Synchro Masters at 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 in the pool at Schoolcraft, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Ad-



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# Curtain goes up on new Emagine Palladium

hen the Emagine Palladium in Birmingham opened to the general public on Friday, Oct. 2, nearly 1,000 well-wishers and children supporters had already gone through the new glistening glass doors and shiny stainless steel elevator to the fourth floor.

Emagine owners and ultra-philanthropic couple, Mary and Paul Glantz, threw three charity celebrations on Sunday, Sept. 27, Tuesday, Sept. 29, and the final strolling gala on Thursday, Oct. 1. Dinner was served at the new Ironwood Grill followed by a movie of choice in one of the new five theaters. And, of course, unlimited popcorn and pour-yourown Coke. Money raised during those three evenings are being divided among four special charities: Beaumont Chil-



dren's Hospital, The Community House, Kids Kicking Cancer and Variety the Children's Charity. Glantz projected \$100,000 would be raised.

### Lights, Camera, Auction

Next up is Variety's annual Lights, Camera, Auction event, beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, at Emagine Theatre No-

Guests will have the opportunity to sample cuisine from more than 30 of metro Detroit's most popular restaurants, bid on fabulous auction items and have chance to view a "sneak preview" of a major motion picture or may select



Variety the Children's Charity Board members Jon Goldstein, left, and Nathan Mersereau of Livonia and his wife, Michele

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Ron and Linda Hatfield are one of the first patrons to enjoy the new Emagine Palladium and Ironwood Grill in Birmingham.

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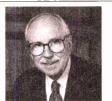
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### JOSEPH ADDISON

1922-2014 J. Addison Bartush. 92, a philanthropist, decorated aviator, businessman, husband loving father grandfather, passed away peace-fully at his Grosse Pointe home on November 7 after a series of illnesses. A native Detroiter, he was the son of the late Stephen J. and Mary A. Bartush. He attended Gesu Catholic School, Bartush. He University of Detroit (Jesuit) High School and University of Detroit College. He entered military service. serving with distinction and piloting 31 bombing missions over Germany and Eastern Europe during the darkest days of the Second World War. 1st Lt. Bartush was awarded the United States Army Air Forces Air Medal with 6 oak leaf clusters for his wartime service. His military service was the subject of a recently published book. He was close to his flight crew through out his life. Following his discharge, he Shedd-Bartush Foods alongside company founder and his beloved father, Stephen J. Bartush. After a distinguished 30 year career, Mr. Bartush retired to pursue other interests including world travel alongside his late wife, Marion, and his three children. For many Mr. Bartush served as Board Member and Trustee of the Michigan Opera Theater, one of his passions. He was a supporter of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Institute of Arts, St Beaumont John's Hospital, Hospital, Angel's Place, The Jesuits, the Society of Jesus, the Capuchin's and St. on the Lake Catholic Church. He was also a major supporter of the National Museum of the Mighty 8th Air Force, the Yankee Air Museum in Great Britain and the Michigan Aerospace Foundation. At his death, Mr. Bartush was the oldest active member of the Detroit Athletic Club, as well as a member of the Country Club of Detroit and Bayview Yacht Club. A longtime Florida resident, Mr. Bartush generously supported the Vero Beach Art Museum, Vero Beach Opera Guild, Indian River Medical Center, and Holy Cross Catholic Church. He was a member of the Moorings Yacht and Country Club, Vero Beach FL and the exclusive P & Q Auxiliary, a consider organization. Mr. organization. Bartush is survived by his son, Joseph "Jay" Bartush of Studio City and Rancho Mirage, California and daughter Susan Bartush Cugliari and grandson, Čugliari both Southport, Connecticut. His loving sister, Mary Catherine Bartush Jones (Harbor Springs, Beverly Hills, MI and Vero Beach, FL) survive him. He was predeceased by his wife, Marion (Maxwell) Bartush and daughter, Margaret "Pegi" Bartush. Funeral arrangements are being handled by A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack Ave. Grosse Pointe Woods. (ahpeters.com). A Memorial visitation will be held Thursday, October 8, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Funeral Home. A Memorial Mass will be held Friday, October 9, 11:00 a.m. at

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lake Shore Drive,

Grosse Pointe Farms. In lieu of

flowers, donations may be made

to the U of D Jesuit High High

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### DAVENPORT, WILLIAM KIRK

("BILL") Died peacefully at his home in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan on September 29, 2015. He was 86. The cause was lung cancer. Bill was born in Jackson, Michigan on December 22, 1928. He graduated from Cranbrook School in 1946, Harvard College in 1950 and the University of Michigan Law School in 1953. After law school, he worked as an associate lawyer at Cravath, Swaine & Moore, a law firm in New York City, until 1962. His time at Cravath was interrupted for three and a half years when he served at the Pentagon in the Army Judge Advocate General's Corps as a 1st Lieutenant. In 1962, he moved from New York back to Michigan to work as a lawyer for Ford Motor Company. He retired from Ford as Assistant General Counsel in 1990. Bill was have married fortunate Baldwin Perkins ("Kitty"), one of the fabulous identical Perkins Twins of Wilkes-Barre, PA. He married to Kitty for 47 He was years until her death in 2006. He also outlived his younger sister, Jean Davenport Crawford, who died in 2002. Bill had a wonderful life. Those who knew him will remember his intelligence, charm, sense of humor and strong moral character, all of are captured daughter Nina Davenport's HBO documentary "First Comes Love" (premiering on Netflix in November). Bill loved his time at Cranbrook, Harvard, and Michigan Law School. He spent his summers at his cottage in the Chicago Club of Charlevoix, Michigan where he had a close community of friends. After retirement, he and Kitty also rented a house every spring in Provence. Bill's favorite sports were cooking, 19th century English literature, vegetable gardening and the New York Times. After his wife Kitty died, he became an avid bridge player He will be missed by his many bridge partners. Above all, he loving and devoted husband and father. Bill is survived by his three children, Kirk, Tim and Nina Davenport, and seven grandchildren: Lydia, Alexander, Addison, Lucas and Jasper. memorial service in Bloomfield Hills is being planned for the weekend of November 14, 2015. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a gift to Davenport Family Scholarship Fund at the University of Michigan Law University of Michigan Law School, 701 S. State St., Ann Arbor, MI, 48109-3091. View



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### GEORGE, RAYMOND E.

Age 86, of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Died September 24, 2015. Beloved husband for 58 years September of Carol Jean, nee Boatright. Loving father of Mindy (Robert D.D.S.) Stewart D.D.S., Jill (James) McNichols and Christian (Kathryn Paige) George M.D. Dearest grandfather of Ellen, Anna and Robert Stewart Jr. "RJ", Sally, Austin and Lillian McNichols, William and Kathryn George. Preceded in death by two brothers, Donald George MD and Nevin George. President and owner of Crestlake Energy. Former Vice-President of National Bank of Detroit, Trust Department. Began his career with Phillips Petroleum. Esteemed professional in the oil and gas industry for over 60 years. A graduate of Johnstown H.S., Johnstown PA. Earned a Petroleum Engineering degree from Penn State University. Served in the US Army during the Korean War. Loved bridge scuba diving, fishing, golf and any and all Penn State sports. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, October 10, 2015 at 11:00 am at the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, 1589 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. A private family visitation was held with entombment at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Memorials to the Henry Ford Health System Nephrology Education and Research Fund, Attn: Office of Philanthropy, 1 Ford Place, Suite 5A, Detroit, MI 48202-3450; the Walloon Lake Trust & Conservancy, P.O. Box 621, Petoskey MI 49770, or the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham would be appreciated. Share memories through the funeral home at: www.temrowski.com



### JARZYNA-BRAMMER, **TAMARA**

Born April 12, 1947 to the late Brammer and (Turner), died October 1, 2015 after a long illness. She, her and many relatives worked for the Free Press. She also was a beautician. Her passion was for miniatures. She grew up downriver and graduated from Lincoln Park High School. She then resided in Livonia and currently Oakland Township. Tami leaves behind husband Pete: ex Tod Gonzales: sons, Dan (Sarah), Jay (Jamie), and Jeff (Joanne); and grandkids, Mannie, Cruz, Jonathan, and Jayda; as well as many relatives, dear and close friends. No service or wake, tami.brammer.j arzyna@gmail.com

May you find comfort in family and friends



### McBEE, WAYNE ROY

Age 97, passed away peacefully September 28, 2015, surrounded by his loved ones. The youngest of Homer and Mary McBee's 13 children, Wayne was born July 29, 1918, in Elberta, Michigan. He served in the Pacific during World War II and was awarded a Purple Heart. Wayne was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby (nee Wells), great-grandson Ediberto, and daughter-in-law Susan. He is survived by his son his daughter Bruce, (Jose) Orozco, six grandchildren. Consuelo, Samantha, Dolores, Rebecca, Melissa, and Juan, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. A Funeral Service was held on Friday. October 2, 2015 at Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia. Visit www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

### ROUNISTO, DIANE G.

Age 67, September 30, 2015. Loving mother of Tracey (Jay) Levino and Adam (Amanda) Rounisto. Dear grandmother of Andrew Levino. She was preceded in death by her parents; Paul Dorothy Kulow. owned and operated "The Buzz", a Bingo and gift store located in Redford. She also enjoyed crafting. Her family requests donations to Angela Hospice. Please share a memory of Diane at www.rggrharris.com

### WILSON, JoANN W.

Of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan passed away on September 24, 2015, at age 72 after a valiant long-term struggle with Multiple Sclerosis. JoAnn, who claimed the "W" stood for "Wonderful," was born JoAnn Keough in Jacksonville, FL. She grew up in Grosse Pointe and was a 1961 graduate of Grosse Pointe High. JoAnn attended the University of Michigan and the Kendall school of design in Grand Rapids. She was a member of the Rotary and Republican Women's Preservation Bloomfield, and enjoyed dining with friends at the Heathers. JoAnn was preceded in death by her husband, Donald E. Borden, and her brother Jeff, and is survived by brothers, John (Potomac, MD) and Steve (Palm Desert, CA), a sister, Sue Jansen (Roscommon, MI), nine nieces and nephews, and numerous grand-nieces and Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit. Those who JoAnn admired her knew determination to lead a normal and independent life despite her illness. She had a sense of style and enjoyed greeting acquaintances at Breugger's, Little Daddy's, Bill's, and the Deli at the Kingsley Inn. JoAnn's family thanks the Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham communities for their many kindnesses to her over the years. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Multiple

### IN LOVING MEMORY OF ROBERT "BOB" VORASE

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and his Friends.

### 'Celebrity Wait' dinner Oct. 16 helps Rotary's Ghana school

The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. invites the community to "A Halloween Celebrity Wait" 6-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at the VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Proceeds will benefit the Rotary Clubs of Plymouth, Michigan Elementary School in Guo,

The evening will feature: a "Not So Scary"

Dinner by Jeff Zak Catering, an auction and raffles, a costume contest, music, and fun for a good cause. Costumes are encouraged but not required. Price is \$40 per person, \$300 for a table of eight. To reserve your seat, visit www.plymoutham rotaryfoundation.org or

call Jeanne at 734-455-

### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

### **OCTOBER ANIMAL BLESSING**

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Sunday,

**Location**: The Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills Details: Dogs, cats, hamsters, goldfish, ferrets, snakes, spiders, rats and other pets may attend this outdoor blessing, on leash or carried in appropriate containers for their species.

### Contact: 248-478-7272 **FAMILY DINNER DANCE**

Time/Date: 5:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 Location: Ss. Simon and Jude

Parish, 32500 Palmer, Westland Details: Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children, 4-12, and free for ages 3 and under and include dinner, live entertainment, a raffle of cash prizes from \$100-\$3,000, a gift basket raffle and 50/50 raffle

Contact: www.stssimonandjude.com; stssimonandjude@gmail.com

### **FILM**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22

Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: The documentary, A Chorus in Miracles by James Twyman, was created as a homage to the book A Course in Miracles. Admission is \$10 Contact: 734-421-1760; office@unityoflivonia.org

### **FOSTER CARE**

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Oct. 5 Location: Faith Community Presbyterian, 44400 10 Mile,

Details: Kwanzell Howerton, founder of Chosen Kingdom Builder, is guest speaker at the next meeting of the Western Wayne-Oakland Counties Faith Communities Coalition on Foster

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

### **RUMMAGE SALE** Time/Date: Grand opening with

20% mark-up on items, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9; and bag sale, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 10

Location: The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Includes specialty boutique, housewares, electronics, toys, books, home décor, linens, shoes, clothing for baby, kids, teens, adults. Cash only

### Contact: 248-477-1410 **RUMMAGE SALE**

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16

Location: First Farmington United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River Ave., at Warner Street Farmington

Details: Bag sale, \$4, will be

Contact: 248-474-6573

### REUNIONS

### **CANTON AND SALEM CLASS OF 2005**

Classes from the two high

schools combine for a 10-year reunion Nov. 6 at the Detroit Beer Company, Get tickets at pcep2005reunion@gmail.com.

### **DETROIT COOLEY CLASS OF 1966**

50-year reunion is scheduled for Sept. 10, 2016, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For more information, visit codyclass1966@groups.facebook.com or call Joe Evans at 313-421-5448

or Barbara (Doherty) Kalinski at 734-320-6545.

### **GARDEN CITY EAST AND WEST CLASS OF 1966**

The reunion is set for Sept. 10, 2016. RSVP to 1966reunioncommittee@gmail.com or call Dennis Russell at 734-658-2288

### 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.

### NORTH

### **FARMINGTON CLASS OF 1970** Registration is 6 p.m.; food and

beverages served 6-9 p.m.; cake and raffle at 9:30 p.m., Oct. 24, at Embassy Suites Detroit -Livonia/Novi Hotel, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia. Other classes may attend. Tickets are \$40. Send a check payable to NFHS '70 Reunion to Eliza Callow at 2778 Page Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104. For more information, visit the North Farmington High School. Class of '70 reunion on Facebook.

### **PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1967**

50-year reunion planned. Visit Class Creator - Plymouth-

mi67.com for information, or call Lynette Thayer at 419-726-

### **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@tripointis.com, or Steven Johnson at 734-635-0369.

# HEALTH

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# Step by step: Bariatric patients walk to raise awareness of obesity



SUBMITTE

Teri Aldini, right, of Plymouth, 2009 Michigan Bariatric Institute patient, and Paul Steinmayer of Ypsilanti, 2014 bariatric patient, participate in Michigan Bariatric Institute's Walk from Obesity event in celebration of its 10th anniversary.

The Michigan Bariatric Institute, a surgical weightloss services offered through Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, celebrated its 10th anniversary recently with a Walk from Obesity event.

Past and current bariatric patients gathered at St. Mary Mercy Livonia and walked to raise awareness of obesity. Most participants walked the mile loop around the hospital twice.

"Missing this event was not an option," said Lori Ward of Westland, a 2008 bariatric patient. "I am proud of the 140 pounds I lost and that I've kept it off for seven years. This event is a celebration of that success, the success of every bariatric patient and an opportunity to honor the MBI team who helped us with our weight loss goals"

"I walked in this event for anyone who has considered bariatric surgery and hasn't made the decision to do it yet," added Teri Aldini of Plymouth, a 2009 bariatric patient who lost 130 pounds. "For most of my life I was defined by my weight. Bariatric surgery isn't a destination, it's a journey and one I am grateful to be on."

Since its first surgery at St. Mary Mercy on Sept. 26, 2005, MBI has helped more than 2,800 individuals throughout Michigan, neighboring states, Canada and even China lose weight. Combined, these individuals have lost more than 200,000 pounds and are living healthier lifestyles.

"Over and over again, our patients amaze us with their dedication to a healthier lifestyle and the results they achieve," said Tallal Zeni, M.D., MBI medical director. "At the same time, we look forward to helping thousands more meet their personal health goals."

One MBI patient, Tohnya McCall of Ypsilanti, is taking what she learned to a new level. McCall is attending Mercy College of Ohio and plans to become a bariatric nurse practitioner.

"My husband and I had bariatric surgery weeks apart," McCall said. "We have each lost more than 150 pounds and lead healthier, happier lives. We have a renewed sense of self-confidence because of the support we received from MBI. I've learned so much about myself and how to lead a healthy lifestyle. I want to pay it forward by helping others who struggle with their weight."

MBI offers a multi-disciplinary team approach to weight loss surgery, that includes surgeons, registered dietitians, registered nurses, psychologists, exercise physiologists and client service representatives.

MBI has surgery centers and clinics at St. Mary Mercy Livonia, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland and St. Joseph Mercy Brighton. For more information, visit stjoeshealth.org or call 877-949-9344.

### MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### Back pain 101

A panel of orthopedic spine specialists will explain the causes of back pain and the treatments available, from medical treatment and physical therapy to surgery, 6-8 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Oakwood Wellness Center, 17101 Rotunda Drive in Dearborn. Register by calling 800-543-9355.

### **Candle lighting**

"Wave of Light," a ceremony to honor and remember babies that have died, is set for 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, in the main lobby at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. Pastor Bob McDonald will offer a short mes-

sage and the Fairhaven Baptist Church Choir of Westland will sing. For more information, call 734-458-3300.

### Celiac support

Tri County Celiac Support Group presents Nanci Nanney from the National Foundation for Celiac Awareness, 7 p.m. Oct. 12, at the First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. Her presentation will be "Is your favorite restaurant certified gluten free?" tccsg.net

### Flu shot clinic

Canton Leisure Services offers this clinic for adults, 18 and older, 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the Chestnut Room at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Most forms of insurance will be accepted. Participants should bring their insurance cards to the clinic. Patients without insurance can buy a pneumonia shot for \$95, a flu shot for \$33 or flu mist for \$35. Appointments are required. Call 734-394-5485. or visit cantonfun.org.

### **Food cravings**

The Livonia YMCA offers a class in taming food cravings with the author of Control Food Cravings, 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, at Stevenson High School in Livonia. The class will teach lifestyle strategies that help break cravings for

foods that cause weight gain. To register call 734-261-2161 before Oct. 12. YMCA membership is not required.

### **Guest speaker**

The University of Michigan's Ford School of Public Policy presents James House, author of Beyond Obamacare: Life, Death, and Social Policy at 4 p.m. Oct. 7, in Weill Hall, 735 S. State St., Ann Arbor. This event is free and open to the public with a reception to follow. For more information, visit fordschool.umich.edu/ events/2015/beyond-obamacare-life-death-and-social-policy.



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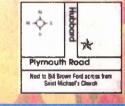


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s much as people look forward to kicking back and enjoying some well-earned relaxation in their retirement, for many retirees, this isn't always as easy as it sounds. After a lifetime in the rat race, many people find that it's just not in their nature to stop working completely.

In fact, many workers are looking at retirement as a career transition rather than a conclusion. Here are some great second careers worth considering as a way to stay active and productive during your retirement.

### **Short-term positions**

Seasonal jobs aren't necessarily just the lower-level positions often filled by students. Employers frequently take on short-term or contract workers to boost productivity before officially expanding their headcount. Taking on this type of work provides a great way to put your skills and experience to use without the stress or risk of burnout that may come with more permanent positions.

Retail is a bastion of short-term, part-time employment, but there are always less traditional positions out there, such as tour guides or school bus drivers. If you have the right skills, there are also opportunities in bookkeeping and tax preparation.

### **Teaching**

Many workers choose to spend their retirement passing on what they've learned in their careers to future gen-

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erations. Depending on your education level, officially becoming a teacher or professor may first require going back to school, but you can get started through mentorship programs or as a guest speaker or teaching assistant.

"If the retiree has a degree or many years of experience in a certain space, this is a good opportunity for them to stay in the field while lending their obtained experience to students and even younger teachers who don't have that industry experience," says Tom Gimbel, founder and CEO of recruiting and staffing firm LaSalle Network. "Employers are looking for someone who can bring a great attitude to the role and will have patience."

### Freelancing

One of the most challenging options for retirees looking to continue working can also be the most rewarding. Launching your own consulting or freelance business can mean more freedom in terms of workload and clientele.

"You'll be your own boss, and you presumably have a great deal of professional know-how to sell to others," says Mary M. Westropp, vice president for communications at career consultancy New Directions, "You can make this one fly if you're good at presenting yourself to others, are willing [and] able to create your own website, and you're willing to seek trustworthy

advice from other consultants as to how to price yourself and otherwise manage this new endeavor."

### Volunteering

In many cases, money isn't the primary motivation for retirees re-entering the workforce. Nonprofits and other charitable organizations frequently look to retirees for the valuable skills and experience that can be difficult to lure away from the private sector.

"Nonprofit organizations always need people, which allows retirees to choose an organization based on what they are interested in," Gimbel says. "Nonprofits also typically have a variety of roles and positions they need help with, so [retirees] can find a role that matches their skill set and experiences." Offering up your skills to a cause that is important to you is a great way to put your experience to good use, connect with passionate and like-minded people, and inspire

Planning for retirement is about more than just financial well-being. Take the time to consider how you want to spend this stage of your life. For some people, retirement is the conclusion of their time in the workforce. For others, it's an opportunity to transition into an exciting new career.

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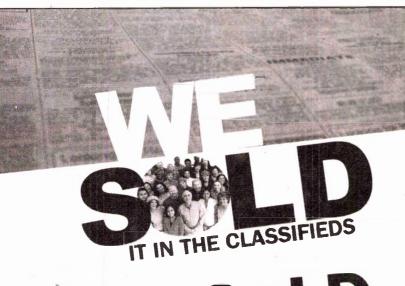
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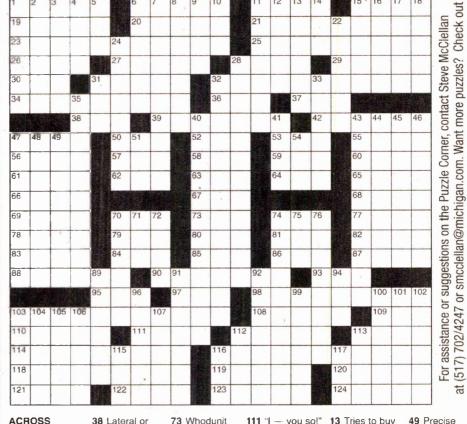
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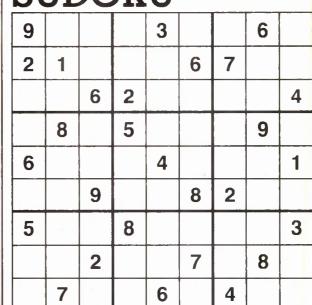
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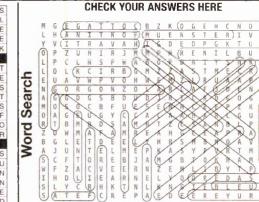
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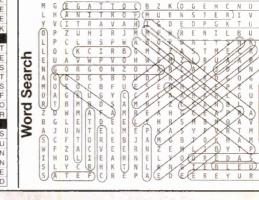
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## **Toyota's Film Series Shows Off Production System that Makes Its Cars So Good**



Time was when the Toyota Production System was its own cottage industry A decade ago, there were books. seminars and entire consultancies built on understanding the principles and subtleties of the automaker's vaunted manufacturing philosophy

and helping business people apply TPS to their own operations.

After all, TPS was what had made Toyota . Toyota. Its principles and the company's

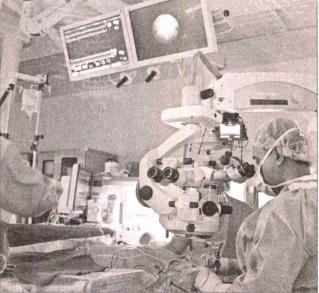
But now, TPS is back, in a way, in the "Toyota Effect," a series of three, five-minute, documentary-style films, by creators with sterling credentials. that explain how the philosophy remains so broad and effective that it can help everyone from small manufacturers to hospitals do better jobs for their constituencies.

"It goes back to Toyota's roots of building cars for society,' Mariorie Schussel, director of integrated brand communications for Toyota, told me. "It sounds righteous, but there is so much truth and authenticity to that as part of our brand.'



Despite the fact that one auto brand after another has fielded its own video content lately that doesn't end up in TV commercials, Schussel insisted that the Toyota Effect is "differentiating for us because it addresses the true essence of the company beyond cars and trucks. These are authentic and incredible stories about partnering with organizations and businesses to help them find better ways of doing things and help more people in need — and in the case of ACE, keep jobs in the US.

"We've been telling the company's story for many, many years. But when it's in the form of a traditional commercial, it doesn't come across the same way. Short films allow us to tell the sharing story in a completely fresh way and use contextual targeting and the power of influencers to drive engagement with the brand and the brand story.'



Toyota uses its Toyota Production System to help a UCLA eye clinic.

TPS has "a strong impact on the manufacturing floor," she said. "But it also can take organizations to a place they never imagined."

In fact, she said, Toyota has a "support center" for TPS where engineers "help us partner with organizations that are open to finding problems and admitting to them and making changes to help improve their processes. The Toyota philosophy is that when you do something well, share it; when good ideas are shared, great things can happen. These films provide really powerful example of how TPS can help improve processes in all different kinds of settings."

How does this help Toyota sell cars and trucks and SUVs? "It helps people understand

our company beyond our cars and trucks and connect to us with shared values, which is really important right now."

Schussel said that the ads at this point are "totally digital and cinema, showing before feature films. Also there is paid social." But no TV for now, because its short formats would limit the films' storytelling impact.

Neither did Schussel apologize for the fact that Toyota hired Academy Award-associated filmmakers to put together the creative for the Toyota Effect.

"We enlisted them to tell our stories through our own lens—and they do it beautifully. It's much easier to produce a standard company ad, but these are really powerful."

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execution of them, such as allowing nearly any factory line worker to halt the entire assembly line if he or she noticed something amiss, not only were revolutionary but gained Toyota the vaunted reputation for quality and detail that propelled it to the front of the pack of the U.S. and worldwide auto market.

Then Toyota fell on hard times like the 2010 safety recall and the 2011 tsunami and earthquake, and the efficacy of TPS while unabated for Toyota — took a back seat to pressing concerns.

In the films, which Toyota debuted recently at the New York Film Festival Convergence, Toyota shares TPS with different partners to help them find better ways of doing things. By making small changes to their day-to-day operations, the partners are able to have a greater impact - and in many cases, help more people in need.

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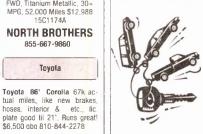
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