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IN BRIEF

LWV's Voters Guide

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County has posted its Voter Guides for the Nov. 2 general election on its website at www.lwvnmw.org.

From judges to library boards to state senators and representatives, the League's website contains voter guides for all the state, federal, county and local candidates running in the election. Candidates were sent questionnaires in August and September, and guide allows voters to compare their responses.

Also included is the language for the two state ballot proposals and analysis of the pro and con positions.

Print copies of the Voter Guide are also available at all the area's public libraries, however, the print copies do not include all the races that are available online.

Because of the League's non-partisan mission, voters often turn to the League of Women Voters for unbiased candidate information. The League is a nonpartisan, public service organization that never supports or opposes any candidate, but works to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

Friendly Walk

Halloween isn't all about scarieness. Just ask the inhabitants of the Friendly Forest.

Westland Parks and Recreation, Shoe String Theatre Company, Westland Fire Department, Westland Civitan Club, Dads' Athletic Club of Westland, and the Westland Breakfast Lions Club have joined forces to present the annual Halloween Walk, a nonscary, guided tour through the Friendly Forest for younger children.

Kids are encouraged to wear their costumes as they meet the Friendly Troll, Little Bo Peep and many others. The walk will be Friday and Saturday, Oct. 22-23, at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford, behind Westland City Hall. Tours start every 10 minutes at the Bailey Center, 6:30 p.m. and run through 9 p.m. The program runs rain or shine. If there is inclement weather, the tours will be inside the Bailey Center.

Tickets cost \$3 per person, children under 18 months are free. Pre-registration is required. The tickets are available at the Bailey Center.

Science of Halloween

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See how science can be as creepy as well as cool. Watch as an eyeball floats above your head, see paper that bleeds and ghosts that disappear in a puff of fire. Find out how ghosts glow and how graveyards get that great spooky form. As a special treat, find out how spiders spin their webbing and taste some special "Spider Web Candy Floss."

It's all part of Science Spooktacular with Mad Science of Detroit 7-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the Bailey Center. The program is for children of all ages and costs \$5 per person. Pre-registration encouraged but not required. For more information, call Mad Science of Detroit at (734) 266-9444 or check out the website, www.madscience.org/detroit.com.

W-W board to decide on Patchin School sale

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland school board will meet at 6 p.m. to vote on the sale of the former Patchin Elementary School to a Westland church.

The school board Monday evening postponed a decision on the offer by the Harvest Baptist Chapel to purchase the vacant school for \$1 million after board Treasurer John Goci questioned whether the property had continued to be listed as available during

negotiations with the church.

Goci told the board that he had had his real estate agent call about the property to make sure it had not been taken off the market during negotiations with the church. He said that he received a text from his agent late Monday afternoon which indicated that it wasn't and that there were "six other properties available."

"I want to make sure we've turned no one away," said Goci. "I felt we took the offer too quick. I felt it should be on the market three months."

According to Superintendent Greg Baracy, the district received a firm offer from the church in early September and through negotiations settled on a price of \$1 million. The school and property has been listed for more than \$1.4 million.

"This shouldn't be controversial, I believe as we sit here, that it is on the market," Baracy said. "We have done what the finance committee asked of us, we have done what Mr. Goci asked of us. We're getting near the market price in this economy."

"The Realtors we're dealing with think this is a fair offer, and the buyer is very anxious to acquire the property," added Deputy Superintendent Gary Martin. "It's a very tough market. The fair market value is below that \$1 million figure."

The district has listed the six elementaries — Patchin, Madison, Kettering, Lincoln, Jefferson-Barns in Westland and Vandenburg in Wayne — it closed in June with Signature

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Rowe House gets exterior restoration

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Daniel Carey pries trim off the Rowe House which is getting some much needed exterior restoration.

One of the buildings at the Westland Historic Village Park is getting an upgrade.

The Westland City Council has awarded a nearly \$13,000 contract to sole bidder Jackson Sound Industries for a complete siding and restoration of the 1800s-era Rowe House. The bid specifications require that the natural configuration of the building be maintained, along with historic nostalgia.

Money for the project was raised by the Westland Historical Commission through numerous fund-raisers, donations and a community grant.

Resident Judy McKinney was unhappy that vinyl siding was being used on the house — she said it will take away from the historical value of the building.

"The vinyl siding is easier to maintain and the costs would be outrageous for wood siding," Westland Historical Commission member Jo Johnson said. "We'd love it, but our budget is small. The interior is the most important part."

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A new look: City gets ready for park remediation

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A closer look at remediation work that is getting under way at Central City Park will be presented at Westland City Council study session 6 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Bailey Recreation Center.

Color renderings of what the park will look like after restoration are expected to be available at the meeting along with a detailed update on the

project.

"The contractor should start the site preparation this week," said Alan Helmkamp, assistant Wayne County executive. "The official groundbreaking will be Monday but they should start with light stuff before then."

The Wayne County Commission recently awarded a \$1.757 million contract for the first-phase cleanup and restoration of the contaminated park, which is county-owned and had been operated by Westland, to ABC Paving

Co. of Trenton.

Work on the first phase, addressing nearly 12 acres on the east side of the nearly 33-acre park, will include removal of 12 inches of contaminated soil, installation of a geotextile membrane that will be covered with 12 inches of top soil. The park has been closed since 2007 due to lead contamination.

The preconstruction meeting has been held and the notice to proceed has been issued, clearing the way for the

contractor to start work.

Wayne resident Alfred Brock last week sent a letter to officials, including Gov. Jennifer Granholm, U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, U.S. Sens. Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, objecting to the project and calling for public hearings before work proceeds. He referred to the remediation plans as irresponsible and inadequate.

In his letter, Brock writes that

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Help wanted: W-W Salvation Army recruits bell ringers

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army has the "Help Wanted" sign out looking for people to help the charity raise money during the upcoming holiday season as bell ringers — no musical ability required.

Located at 2300 Venoy in Westland, the Salvation Army is hosting a bell ringer recruitment 1-3 p.m. Friday. The annual Red Kettle Collection is the primary fund-raising effort of the year for the Salvation Army. With \$50,000 less in grants and other contributions, the Salvation Army is depending more than ever on the kettle drive.

"We will have the application packets avail-

able — someone from human resources will be here. They will need to pass a background check," said Sandy Kollinger, corps administrative assistant and volunteer coordinator. "For some people, this is their only chance at employment. For some, they are looking to supplement their income."

The paid bell ringers can work a maximum of 40 hours per week and a few do work a full-time schedule, she said. Bell ringers work Monday through Saturday, from Nov. 12 until Dec. 24, except for Thanksgiving.

"We use paid individuals to fill in when volunteer bell ringers are not available. We have more than 20 sites to fill on a daily basis," said

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Youth Assistance gets grant

The Westland Youth Assistance Program is receiving a boost thanks to a \$29,000 Wayne County grant.

A large but non-negotiable check was presented to Youth Assistance Director Paul Motz and Mayor William Wild at recent council

meeting by Wayne County Commissioner Joan Gebhardt (D-Livonia).

"This is where my heart is. I hope we will have the money to you by Christmas," said Gebhardt, a retired educator. "Hopefully, that's just the beginning. I understand the money will be used for the

mentoring program."

Accepting the prop check, Motz said, "This is a great opportunity to thank you for all the support. It's an investment in our kids and our city."

The money came from a Prevention Action Services System (PASS) grant from Wayne County.

SCHOOL

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Associates in Southfield. According to Martin, other than Harvest Chapel, "there have been no calls with legitimate offers as far as we know." "We try to give the board an objective assessment for the property, right now the experts say it's a good deal," he added. "Buildings have sat on the market waiting for the best price and they longer they sit, the value generally goes down."

The church currently holds worship services at Johnson Upper Elementary School on Hix just south of Joy. On its website, it describes the purchase as "a wonderful opportunity" that would put it in the "prime position for outreach and discipleship in a diverse community ... The

Lord has opened the door for us to purchase the building and property for an incredible price of only \$1 million. The monthly payments would be nearly equivalent to what we are currently paying for rent."

While Goci initially wanted the decision postponed to the board's regular meeting in November, the final decision was to investigate to see if Signature has continued to market the 40,227-square-foot school and the 11 acres of land it sits on during negotiations with the church and take action at a special meeting before tomorrow.

"It's unrealistic to expect the purchaser to wait another month, they deserve an answer," said board Trustee Cindy Schofield. "As a person who works with property, I've been told that the commercial real estate market will not hit bottom until 2011

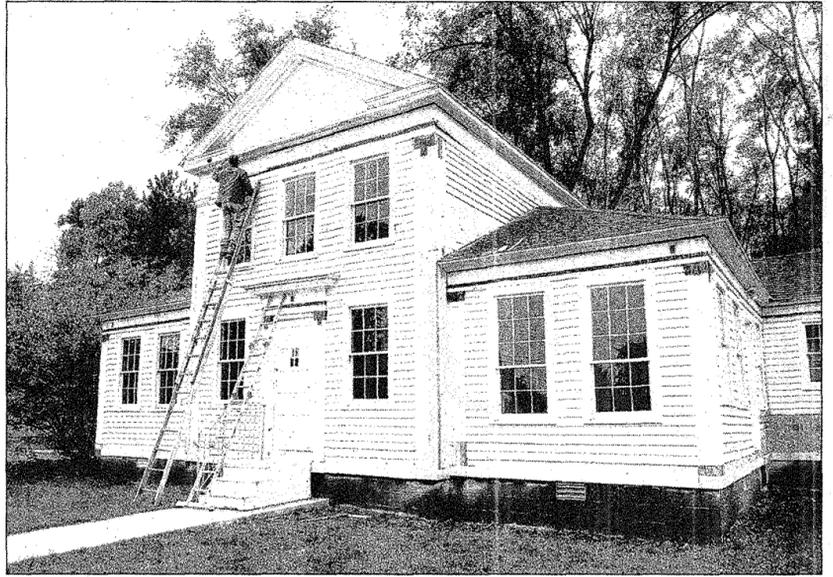
and that it will take 10 years to come back. This is a great offer, especially when you look around the central city area and see the empty big box stores. I don't want to continue to pay bills when we have an offer of \$1 million."

"We could gamble, we could hold out for more, but this is an offer we should take," said Trustee William Gabriel. "I don't think we should delay. We could wait, but I don't know why."

A vote to delay a decision until the November board meeting ended in a tie, leading to a recommendation by Gabriel to call a special meeting by week's end once the administration has investigated Goci's allegation. Gabriel cast the lone no vote on the second motion.

"I don't want to wait, we should vote tonight," he said.

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Phillip Jackson removes trim from the front of the Rowe House. Fund-raisers, donations and a community grant provided the money to make the repairs.

ROWE HOUSE

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The cost for wood siding was estimated at \$40,000, said Johnson, adding funds for work on the building are generated by fund-raisers and donations.

The Historical Commission also consulted with staff at Greenfield Village, Johnson said, who indicated they had used vinyl siding on some of their buildings.

"(Westland) Parks and Recreation does the maintenance. It's not fair to add that burden on them," Johnson said, referring to the extra upkeep required by wood siding.

In addition, Johnson said the Rowe House lost most of its historic value after being moved a couple of times, eventually coming to the historic park on Wayne Road at Marquette.

"The house was originally in Canton at Lotz and Ford roads.

It was moved by the Westland Arts Council to Marquette (next to the Economic Growth Center)," said Johnson.

The Rowe house was moved to Westland in the 1970s during the tenure of then-mayor Thomas Taylor. The arts council didn't have the funds to restore the home which was later moved west to Wayne Road.

The house interior is in good condition, Johnson said, except one room which had been damaged by a roof leak.

The period house, however, will serve as the Eloise Museum, said Johnson, who had recently talked with Wayne County officials.

"The house will also have two meeting rooms that can be rented out to provide some income," Johnson said.

The Westland Historic Village Park also includes the Octagon House, a restored 1840s home that can be used for small weddings, the 1850s Felton Farmhouse and the Collins House, which stores the Historical Commission

archives. The archives include information on local cemeteries, area schools past and present, censuses of the 1800s, limited death records from the County Poorhouse (Eloise), history of Nankin Township and the city of Westland.

The Westland Historic Village Park will benefit from an Appraisal Clinic beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford behind City Hall. DuMouchelle Galleries will do the verbal appraisals, which cost \$10 per item with a maximum of three items per person. All appraisal items must be able to be carried inside the Bailey Center. Proceeds will benefit the village.

Call (734) 522-3918 to sign up for an appraisal, indicating how many items will be brought for appraisal, and receive an estimated time slot. Walk-ins will be accepted at the end of the scheduled appraisals.

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BELL RINGERS

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Kollinger. "The paid ringer goes, if there is no volunteer. The site can't be unmanned."

All of the bell ringing is done outside stores. Last year, the local Salvation Army hired about 40 bell ringers to start the season but some always quit before the collection season ends, she said.

The number of unpaid volunteer bell ringers varies each year, but is usually 150-200 people, Kollinger said. Some volunteers come from service

organizations, others come in on their own or with family members.

"We have the Westland and Wayne Rotary clubs who have a friendly competition to raise the most money," said Kollinger. "The Westland Civilians also ring bells. A group of instructors from the William D. Ford Career Tech Center will do it for three hours on a given day."

Other volunteers from the Interact clubs at Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools, as well as the National Honor Society.

"We do get people who will call when they have time on

their hands or ask specifically to bell ring," Kollinger said. "We will put them at a location close to them at a convenient time."

More than 600 families received Christmas assistance last year, providing holiday help to 1,500 children, she said.

The Salvation Army is holding a Christmas Kick-Off to take applications for Christmas assistance 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1. The Salvation Army also is giving out winter coats for children and Dickies work pants for those who have recently obtained employment or are actively seeking employment. Both will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information about the bell ringing program or signing up for Christmas assistance, call (734) 722-3660.

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he doesn't recall any public notices regarding the park restorations plans — something both Westland Mayor William Wild and Helmkamp dispute.

"There has been a number of public hearing after notices in the newspaper,"

said Helmkamp. "There was a hearing for the \$1 million brownfield revolving loan and the MDNRE (Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment) required a public hearing for the IRP (Intermediate Remediation Plan). It's all been public."

The IRP was approved by the MDNRE at the beginning of the year.

"We've had public meetings and public hearings all along the way. We have followed it to the letter," said Wild. "We have all our T's crossed and our I's

dotted. I thought he (Brock) didn't renew his *Observer* subscription for a few years. It has been chronicled in the newspaper."

At the study session, Wild said a draft intergovernmental agreement between the city and county will be ready. The agreement would involve the city taking over ownership of the park.

The first phase restoration includes soccer fields, restrooms and the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden.

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Rally engages Tea Partiers as election nears

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Amanda Mog of Canton is little more than two weeks away from voting in a general election for the first time in her life and she was at Saturday's Tea Party event at Schoolcraft College in Livonia in an effort to further educate herself before casting her first ballot.

What she's learned so far, she said, is this: President Barack Obama and like-minded politicians should be tossed out of office as soon as possible.

"Obama has to get out of here," said Mog, 19. "He's ruining everything... his health care plan, we owe trillions of dollars."

She wasn't alone Saturday. Some 500 people who attended the rally, organized by several Tea Party groups, including Rattle With Us of Plymouth, agreed with her, and used a stream of conservative, smaller-government candidates to press the point that a more conservative agenda is needed, both in Washington and at

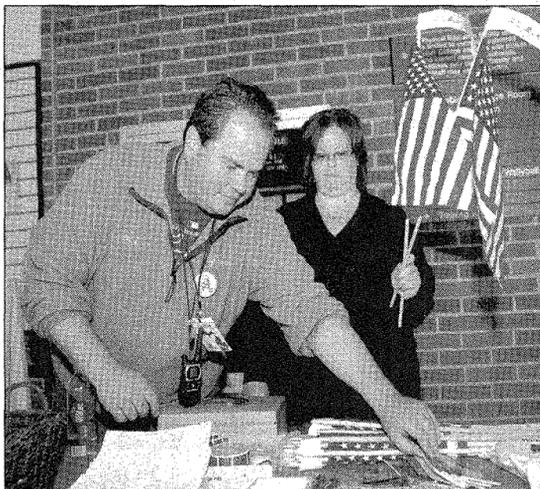
home.

"It's about limited government and reining in the out-of-control spending," said Larry Recca of Troy, a member of Plymouth-based Tea Party Patriots, who helped organize Saturday's rally. "It's about taking back our country. It's not about parties."

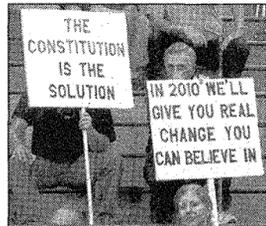
Organizers presented a string of Republican candidates for state and federal offices, all pushing the limited-agenda, cut-spending issues on which they're running. Among the speakers were Secretary of State candidate Ruth Johnson; attorney general candidate Bill Schuette, U.S. House candidates Rocky Raczkowski of Farmington Hills, running against Rep. Gary Peters, and Rob Steele, who is running against longtime Rep. John Dingell; and Michigan Supreme Court candidates Bob Young and Mary Beth Kelly.

Conservative talk-radio host Thayronne X served as the emcee, and set the tone for the rally early.

"I would argue this is the



Sara and Brian II, from Westland attended the Tea Party Rally held at Schoolcraft College over the weekend.



Signs were the order of the day for some 500 people who attended Saturday's Tea Party rally at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

resident who is a member of Rattle With Us, said he got involved in the Tea Party after the 2008 elections because "the Democrats were hopeless and the Republicans were nearly there."

"The country was headed in the wrong direction," Keena said. "I had never been active, and I decided I had to do something. I liked that (the Tea Party) was a grassroots movement, it wasn't directed by any party. We thought it was time for the people, who

are most affected by the U.S. Constitution, to take control. It's not about parties, it's about what's right."

Sharon Amburgey of Redford attended the Schoolcraft rally and liked what she heard. She's been a member of Plymouth-based The Patriots for two years.

"They're uplifting, they tell the truth, they get people to learn the truth," Amburgey said of Saturday's rally. "The movement is amazing."

For Sharon Lollo of Plymouth, a member of Rattle With Us who helped organize the rally, this election is about making sure voters know there's what Lollo calls "the back of the ballot," that include judicial races. Lollo wants to make sure voters are educated.

"I don't care if they agree with the Tea Party or not, I want people to be informed," Lollo said. "I want to see people get educated, and get engaged."

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most important election of my lifetime," he said. "Here's my philosophy for this election: If it has an 'R' next to it, vote for it. If it has a 'D' next to it, drive

a stake through it."

Tea Party favorite James Keena, author *We've Been Had*, served up the keynote address. Keena, a Walled Lake

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Inspire troupe finds laughter with its 'Serendipitous Cafe'

BY JANET MORRIS GRIMES
CORRESPONDENT



The latest installment from Inspire Theatre is "Uncle Fuzzy's Serendipitous Cafe," an original, all improv sketch comedy which opens on Friday, Oct. 22.

Inspire Theatre, a production company born in 2005 out of the mind of its artistic director, Len Fisher, exists for one purpose: Changing the planet, one artist at a time.

"We have been using the theatre to touch lives and change destinies, and what a great time we're having," said Fisher.

With a unique blend of comedy, music and unquestionable talent, past show titles include *The Gospel According to Scrooge*, *It's a Wonderful Life-A Live Radio Play*, *Godspell*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Kork-TV* and *Ten Little Indians*.

The latest endeavor of

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Inspire Theatre, *Uncle Fuzzy's Serendipitous Cafe*, opens on Friday, Oct. 22. This show is an original, all improv sketch comedy, created by the 10 members of the cast and crew of the show. Along the lines of such television series as *Saturday Night Live* and *The Carol Burnett Show*, the sketches bring great entertainment and laughter, wrapped in a clean, family-friendly environment.

The cast includes Fisher as the director and in some cameo appearances, Josh Belcher, John Donnelly, Kelsi Fay, Andy Fisher, Bobbi Gladden, Thomas Grimes, Toni Hammond, Mitchell Hardy and Gerry

Wiatr. Ian Smith, Jim Gladden, Wendy Hardy and Bev Green are handling the behind-the-scenes duties.

The show opens at 7:30 p.m. at the Inspire Theatre, located inside the Light and Life Church at 33445 Warren Road, Westland. Additional show dates are at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 23, 28, 29 and 30, as well as a matinee performance at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24. Tickets are \$12 each, and can be purchased in advance through Paypal via the theatre's website at www.inspiretheatre.com. Group rates are available. For additional information, call (734) 751-7057.

According to Fisher, theatergoers can "get a free ticket by

sharing a great one-liner or punchline joke with us."

"If we use it during the show, your ticket is free," he said.

Jokes can be submitted in advance to the theatre's Facebook event page at www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=143551292355947.

As an additional treat, special musical guests include Kylee Phillips and Brion Reborn. Concessions will be available, and plans are in the works to feature the show on the local cable community access channel in Westland.

"I like to create WOW moments, moments when a truth takes root because it was presented in a creative way," said Fisher.

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

If you're into Halloween, here's a list of events taking place in Westland and Garden City in advance of the spookiest day of the year.

Halloween concert

On Sunday, Oct. 24, Schoolcraft College's Wind Ensemble and Synthesizer Ensemble will present their annual Halloween Concert and Children's Costume parade.

The concert will be held at 7 p.m. at the Radcliff Center at 1751 Radcliff, south of Ford, in Garden City. Everyone who attends is encouraged to dress in costume and join the fun. Refreshments will follow the performances and parade.

The concert is free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted and used to provide future free concerts for the community and support the various music programs of the college. For more information, visit the Schoolcraft College website at www.schoolcraft.edu/music.

Haunted Party

The Garden City Library will hold a free children's Halloween Party at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, in the gymnasium of the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, west of Merriman, in Garden City.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, the party will feature a night of squeals, squiggles and ghostly giggles for children in kindergarten through sixth-grade. There also will be magic, treats and prizes.

Call (734) 793-1830 to reserve a seat.

Haunted House

The Westland Jaycees are holding a haunted house located behind the Wayne Ford Civic Leagues, 1645 Wayne Road, south of Ford, Westland.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 years and under. Get \$5 off coupon good through Oct. 30 at the website, www.westland-

hauntedhouse.com. Group rates available for parties of six or more.

Hours are 7-10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday. It's open daily Friday, Oct. 22, through Saturday Oct. 30. For more information, call (734) 226-0400.

Trunk or Treat

Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church will hold a Trunk or Treat and Other Halloween Fun - a haunted house, cupcake walk, face painting and prizes- 4-6

p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the church at 36660 Cherry Hill Road between Newburgh and Wayne Road.

All are welcome rain or shine. Animal treats will be collected for the Great Dane Rescue Inc., and the Great Lakes Mini Schnauzer Rescue. Treats needed include Milk Bones large and extra large, Cloud Nine Buddy Biscuits, Natural Balance potato and duck biscuits, and Zukes beef training treats.

For more information, call the church office at (734) 728-1088.

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Pursuant to state law a sale will be held at: Secured Self Storage, 2460 Gully Rd., Dearborn Hts., MI, October 30, 2010 @ 1:05 p.m.

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Inkster man to be charged in cash advance, CVS holdups

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Warrants have been issued charging an Inkster man with the recent armed robberies of a Westland CVS Pharmacy and a Check 'n Go store. The man, 23, was arrested

Monday for robbing a Dearborn Heights bank. "He confessed to the cash advance and CVS robberies in Westland," said Westland police Lt. Michael Matich. "We have warrants from the Wayne County Prosecutor but he hasn't been arraigned yet."

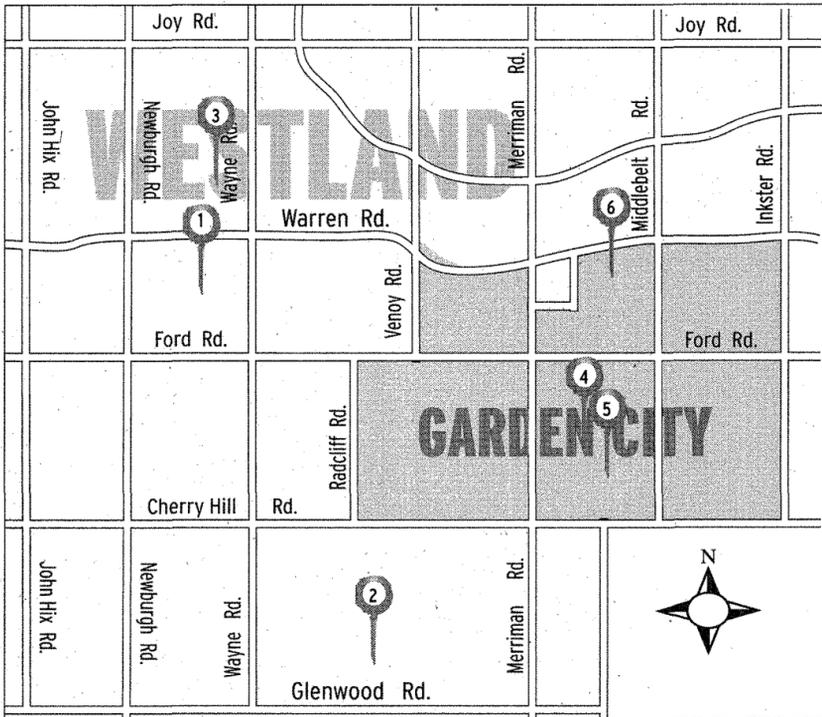
The man had been wanted in a string of robberies or attempted robberies in recent weeks at Cash 'n Go stores in Westland, Garden City, Inkster and Dearborn. In each of the robberies, the suspect was reported to have presented a note announcing

the robbery. The suspect indicated he had a gun but didn't actually show a weapon to the victims. Police had released surveillance photos of the suspect, mostly recently the robbery at the CVS Pharmacy on Merriman at Cherry Hill

Sunday evening. In that incident, the suspect handed the clerk a note and told her he had a gun. The suspect had been described as a white male in his late teens or early 20s, 5 foot 5, 140 pounds with acne scars or pock marks on his

face. He was described as wearing jeans, white tennis shoes, a white collar shirt, a gray hooded sweat shirt with a black or gray leather coat. The suspect told police he is a heroin addict, Matich said.

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Police catch 3 juveniles in school break-in

Break-in

4 Garden City police arrested three juveniles in connection with a break-in at Memorial Elementary School about 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16. The police said that one boy climbed through a window and then opened a door for the others to enter the building. Nothing was taken from the school. The idea was for the boys to toss items out of the window, according to the report.

The boys also reportedly climbed onto the roof. Two 12-year-old males and a 14-year-old male were turned over to their parents after the investigation.

An alert resident called police about the break-in.

Home invasion

5 A female resident who lives in the 460 block of Rose reported that when she returned to her home at 6 p.m. Oct. 15, she found a bedroom screen pryed off and the window open.

She found the pry bar on her jewelry box on the bed. The contents which included necklaces, bracelets and a ring were stolen along with cash.

Stolen motorcycle

6 A Garden City man had his motorcycle stolen from the garage of a home in the 30500 block of Rush Oct. 2. The man said the motorcycle had been at home for three years for repairs and he had paid the resident to store.

However, when he went by on Oct. 2, he found the garage door missing and the motorcycle gone. The homeowner told police that he had been in the hospital at the time the motorcycle disappeared. He also said he had moved his motorcycles out of the garage when he sold the garage door and some fencing three weeks earlier because he was losing the home to foreclosure. He had left the man's bike in the garage unsecured.

Break-ins

The owner of a home in the 33200 block of Barton found pry marks on his back door at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 14 when he returned home. He discovered that one TV that was seldom used was taken from the basement.

A witness reported seeing a van backed into the driveway

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for about 15 minutes.

Reportedly, the owner's black Labrador retriever didn't bark at the thief.

- A woman reported that someone stole a bag of prescription pills from her purse which she left in a 2007 Ford Edge parked at 120 Log Cabin in Garden City Park about 5:30 p.m. Oct. 13. No damage was reported to the vehicle.
- The owner of a Jeep parked in the 29100 block of Marquette said that someone stole his license plate sometime before 5 p.m. Oct. 14.

Larceny

- A laptop computer and iPod Touch were reported in separate incidents at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Oct. 6.

In the first incident, a hospital employee who works at the Harrison building had left his hospital-issued laptop computer and carrying case in an unoccupied administrative office in the basement while he attended a meeting. When he returned a few hours later, he found it missing.

In the second incident, an employee left his iPod Touch on the desk in his department while he attended a meeting. When he returned, he found it missing.

The thefts happened between 10 a.m. and 2:10 p.m. The computer was valued at \$1,600, the iPod at \$200.

Shoplifting

Police were called to the CVS store at 27435 Ford Oct. 5 where a man took a \$48 bottle of Paris Hilton perfume and second item and left without paying. The night manager told police the man entered the store and walked to the cosmetics counter where he removed the security tag from the perfume, put it in his rear pocket and put a second item in his front pocket before leaving. He was last seen walking south through the parking lot.

Traffic violation

Garden City police officer mailed citations for a Westland woman, housed at the Isabella County Jail, after it was determined she had given the name of another woman when she was stopped

July 22 for disregarding the red light at Middlebelt and Marquette.

The woman had identified herself as the vehicle's owner and was ticketed for not having a driver's license in her possession, disregarding the red signal and had no proof of insurance. However, the mistake was discovered when the car's owner contested the tickets. Those tickets were dismissed and new ones for driving without a license, obstructing a police officer and disregarding the red signal were sent to the Westland woman.

Drug possession

A 22-year-old Detroit man was ticketed for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and for possession of marijuana after he was stopped by police in the 20300 block of Warren Road Oct. 6.

Police pulled the man over after he almost hit the curb three times. An initial test showed he had .14 blood alcohol, almost double the legal limit of .08. A baggie containing marijuana was also found underneath the driver's seat.

Drunken driver

A 28-year-old Detroit woman was cited for driving while under the influence of alcohol and driving with a suspended license after police stopped her on Warren Road near Merriman Oct. 7.

Police had received a call that a vehicle had struck several construction barrels on Warren near Merriman. When they found the vehicle, it had a flat right front tire and damage to the front end.

The driver told police she had had three beers and two shots of tequila before driving. However, she was unaware of the flat tire and damage to the car. She also told police she thought she was in Redford.

Vandalism

Tires were slashed on several cars parked in the 28000 block of Balmoral Avenue on Oct. 7.

The cars were both parked on the street next to the same residence. One car had its rear driver's side tire slashed, while the other car had both tires slashed on the driver's side. The residents reported seeing several teens "hanging out" on Garden south of Maplewood around 10 p.m.

Detroit man arrested in apartment complex break-in

Home invasion

1 A Detroit man was arrested Oct. 18 after police responded to a call about a break-in at an apartment at the Landings, 36188 Hunter.

The apartments manager called police just after 10 p.m. after he noticed two men carrying a large unknown item. When he tried to talk with the men, he said they fled and he called police.

One suspect, wearing a University of Michigan hooded sweat shirt, fled on a mountain bike and was arrested a short time later after he was spotted exiting a building of the Westland Estates Apartments. The officer said he was no longer wearing the sweatshirt and was breathing heavily and sweating. The sweat shirt was located shoved into the mailbox area of the apartment building. Officers were able to retrieve

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a laptop computer and a high definition television which had been hidden under the stairwells of two different buildings. The items were valued at \$1,000. Checking the buildings, an officer found the door to one apartment had been forced open.

Break-in

2 Police were called to a 2600 block of Cascade Court Oct. 18 after a resident said she found items strewn around her living room. She said that she is in the process of moving and had most of her belongings packed in bags.

After finding the items moved, she said she noticed a bedroom window screen was torn and bent. The glass door was slightly ajar, the officer noted, indicating the suspect may have left that

way.

Reported missing from the home were a checkbook and a pair of kids size 12 Air Jordan athletic shoes valued at \$50. Missing from the backyard shed were two boys bicycles — a gray Mongoose with front foot pegs and a red and white smaller one — which were valued at \$100.

Money missing

3 On Oct. 17, a resident of the Colonial Village Apartments, 8181 N. Wayne Road, told police that he returned home after spending the night with a friend to find someone had kicked open the front door of his unit. He said \$800 in cash and a digital camera, valued at \$190, were missing.

The man told police he just received his income tax refund check, which was known to his friend. The resident told police he suspected a man he knows through the friend, also a resident at the apartment complex, was responsible for the theft.

—By LeAnne Rogers

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION

Please take Notice that the General Election in the City of Westland will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

The last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote at the City of Westland General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2009, is Monday, October 4, 2010. Persons registering after 4:00 in the evening on Monday, October 4, 2010 are not eligible to vote at the General Election.

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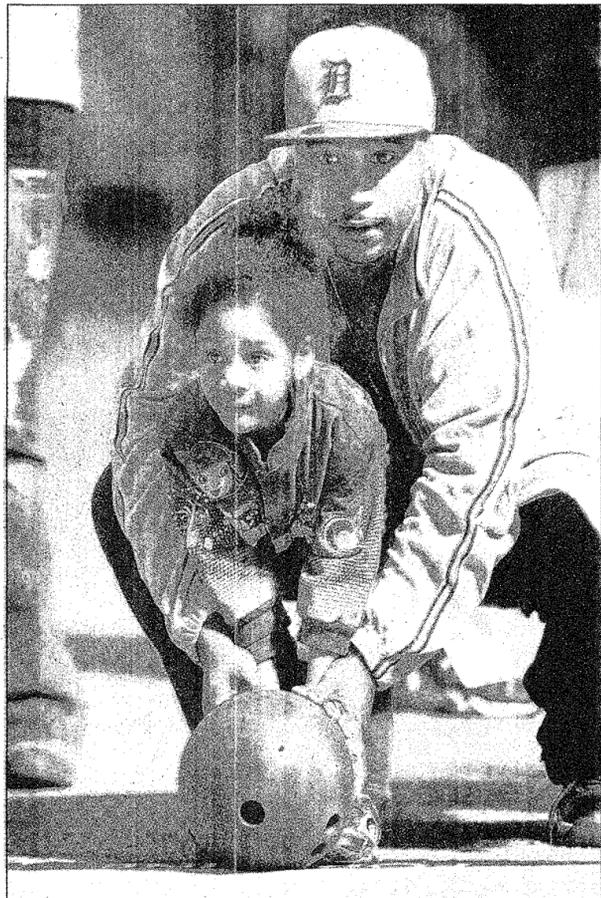
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Six-year-old Alexis Frederick enjoys some cotton candy at the free event.



Brenna Kenny, 7, decorates an outline of her hand at the First Step craft table at Turn Off the Violence. The theme of the project is "Hands are not for hitting, hands are for helping."

Turning off and turning out

Three-year-old Anya Jackson and her dad Gregory Jackson try their hand at bowling during Westland's annual Turn Off The Violence event. Held in and around the Bailey Recreation Center, the event lets families come together to enjoy a night of games, fun, special events and performances, free of charge.

Buying a foreclosed property calls for expert legal help

I've been reading articles to try to get to the bottom of this foreclosure mess. What is currently happening is something that could affect more and more people.

Foreclosure rates have been on the rise and have accelerated even more over the last year. Foreclosure is a legal process that has a variety of rules and regulations that must be complied with. Foreclosures basically take place when a homeowner who borrowed money to purchase a home can no longer afford to make the payments. In those situations, after certain conditions have been met, the lender institutes foreclosure proceedings.

In order to complete the process, certain paperwork and forms need to be completed and that is part of the problem. Large lenders throughout the country have admitted that many of the documents filed with courts have been incorrectly completed. It is because of this problem that many lenders throughout the country have a moratorium on foreclosures. It is also why many attorneys general throughout the country are investigating the whole foreclosure mess.

Hopefully, most of the errors in completing the paperwork were unintentional, however, some of the articles that I've read suggest that mistakes were intentional. Some law firms which wanted to process as many foreclosures as possible supposedly took shortcuts on purpose. Obviously, many of these lawyers will be the subject of litigation and it would not surprise me if many are disbarred.

That being said, if your home has been foreclosed and you suspect the paperwork was not completed correctly, you may have a cause of action. However, before you get too excited, it may not make sense to pursue action, particularly if you don't want your home back. In addition, before you hire an attorney make sure you understand all

the costs involved.

In this situation if you were to hire an attorney, I recommend one who will take your case on a contingency fee basis. There are many attorneys that specialize in consumer law and many of will take cases on a contingency fee basis.

Another consequence of the number of foreclosures throughout the country is that many people are rushing out and buying foreclosed properties at a variety of different venues, including auctions. Although there are some deals and ways to make money, whenever you buy a foreclosed property you must understand the process. There have been all sorts of reports where people have purchased foreclosed properties only to find out the property they purchased did not come free and clear. People have discovered there are liens on some of these properties that resulted in paying substantially more for the property than it is worth.

In addition, people who buy foreclosed properties and don't do proper due diligence can find that the original homeowner still has rights resulting in a nightmare of legal issues.

It is extremely important that before you commit yourself to buying a foreclosed property, you know exactly what you are purchasing. I recommend hiring legal representation if you're buying a foreclosed property.

No doubt there deals out there on foreclosed properties. However, keep in mind that there are just as many bad deals out there. The adage of let the buyer beware certainly applies in the case of foreclosed property.

Therefore, before purchasing a home make sure you do a proper inspection to know the condition of the property and use an experienced attorney who will inform you of what you're buying and what obligations you may be assuming.

Good luck!

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Democratic Club

The Westland Democratic Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the Dorsey Center, 32715 Dorsey, east of Venoy. There will be a board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

This is the club's last meeting before the Nov. 2 election and is open to the public. Come and find out how you can help with local campaigns and show your support for the party dedicated to the citizens of Westland and the future of the State of Michigan.

Refreshments will be provided. For more information, call Nan Melke, president, at (734) 674-7327.

Spaghetti dinner

The monthly spaghetti dinner at the Dyer Senior Center in Westland will be 4-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29. Enjoy spaghetti, salad and desert, as well as entertainment, for just \$6.

The center also has pinochle and bingo at 1 p.m. Wednesdays and pinochle is played at 1 p.m. Fridays.

The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in

Westland. For more information, call (734) 419-2020.

Pumpkin sale

A Pumpkin Sale is being held at the Westland Historic Village Park through Halloween. Purchase a pumpkin and visit the park's five historic buildings, 857 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The sale is open 5-7 p.m. Thursdays; 1-4 p.m. Saturdays; and 10 a.m. to noon Mondays. All proceeds benefit the Historic Village Park. Call (734)-326-1110 for information.

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Employees of Molly Maid in Plymouth/Farmington are wearing special pink shirts this month and then every Friday during the rest of the year as part of fund-raising for First Step: Western and Downriver Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Molly Maid raises funds for First Step

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and once again Molly Maid of Plymouth/Farmington will donate a portion of service fees from each home that it cleans to the Ms. Molly Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides assistance to local domestic violence shelters and organizations. At the end of October, the money collected nationally will be totalled and disbursed to participating Molly Maid locations in the form of a grant.

Molly Maid of Plymouth/Farmington will use its grant money from the Making a Difference Drive to benefit First Step: Western and Downriver Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence, whose mission is to reduce the incidence of domestic and sexual violence and to provide services to individuals affected by these crimes. Typically, money raised from the national level is added to the locally raised amount,

which further helps the shelters.

Grant money goes towards many things, including personal care items, kids' items, special request items like refrigerators, baby items, new emergency clothing, paper products and more.

Monetary donations and donations of gift cards from CVS, Rite-Aid, Meijer, Target, Wal-Mart, Payless Shoes, SMART Bus, McDonald's, Burger King, and Wendy's are also welcome and can be dropped off at First Step of Wayne County, 4400 S. Venoy, Wayne. First Step is a registered 501 (c) (3) organization.

"Our employees are behind this annual fund-raising drive 100 percent and look forward to it each year," said John Cohen, owner of Molly Maid in Plymouth/Farmington. "They almost make a competition of it. We give them special pink shirts that they wear throughout October, then every Friday during the rest of the year. They

also collect individual donations to give to the shelter."

"Not all Molly Maid locations are required to participate," said Cohen. "We choose to because it's good to give back to the community and the employees really enjoy it. Being part of the community is important."

Molly Maid's parent company, SBI, will host a one-day silent and live auction, beginning at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 27, at 3948 Rancho Dr., Ann Arbor.

Tax deductible monetary contributions can be made by check, payable to the Ms. Molly Foundation and sent to Molly Maid at 36977 Amrhein, Livonia, MI 48150. The 2009 Making a Difference Drive raised almost \$147 million, which was distributed to more than 100 shelters across the United States.

For more information about the Ms. Molly Making a Difference Drive, visit the website at www.mollymaid.com/foundation.

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Back on board

Orin Mazzoni Jr. was re-elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Michigan Retailers Association at its August meeting. Mazzoni is president of Orin Jewelers Inc., a family-owned business with stores in Garden City and Northville.

Open for business

There's some new gas pumps in town with the opening last week of Kroger's Westland Fuel Center at 200 S. Merriman, and drivers can save up to \$1 per gallon on a single fill up at the pump.

"Adding value and savings is an important part of Kroger's commitment to providing our customers the best possible shopping experience," said Rick Going, president of Kroger's Michigan Division. With the new Westland Fuel Center, Kroger Plus Card holders not only save money on their grocery bill, but at the pump in one convenient location."

The fuel center is open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Sunday. In addition to fuel, the location offers convenience items such as snacks, candy and auto supplies.

Customers earn one Fuel Point for every dollar spent at participating Kroger stores when they use their Kroger Plus Card. Kroger customers have the opportunity to redeem up to 1,000 Fuel Points per visit to save up to \$1 per gallon. In addition, Kroger Plus Card holders can redeem 100 points per visit to save 10 cents per gallon instantly at participating Michigan Shell locations (valid up to 35 gallons per fuel purchase).

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To help shoppers build up their savings quickly, Fuel Points can also be earned by purchasing prescriptions or participating gift cards at Kroger. Customers earn 50 Fuel Points for each filled eligible prescription and two Fuel Points for every dollar spent on gift cards from Kroger's in-store Gift Card Malls.

Fuel Points will be automatically added to Kroger Plus Card accounts and will be reflected on the customers' grocery receipt after every purchase. Customers also have the option of looking online on their "My Kroger" page at www.kroger.com to check how many Fuel Points they have earned.

Customers may redeem their Fuel Points at Kroger Fuel Centers or participating Shell stations by using their Kroger Plus Card at the pump, manually entering their card number or by entering their alternate ID, which will initiate the fuel savings.

Opportunity doesn't always equal success

Today's topic is a simply but powerful equation: Success = Preparation + Opportunity.

I don't know who said it first, but it's powerful and true. In my own life I've been often lucky - in the right place at the right time.

But encountering opportunity doesn't equal success unless we're prepared to act. Perhaps it's as simple as having an elevator pitch ready in case we encounter a potential investor, or keeping a passport current in case the opportunity



Clarity Patton Newhouse

arises to travel.

I was recently reminded of Arnold Palmer, after an amazing golf shot, being congratulated by a fan about how lucky the shot was, to which Palmer responded, "It's a funny thing, the more I practice the luckier I get."

I love that quote because it underscores the importance of preparation and good old-fashioned hard work in achieving success, or being "lucky."

So this morning I'm reflecting on this question, if success occurs when preparation meets opportunity, what is one thing we can do TODAY to help prepare for the opportunities we

desire to meet?

Clarity Patton Newhouse

P.S. "Now" is often the hardest and usually best time to act, because you never know what tomorrow will bring or when opportunity will knock ...

"Sometimes you just have to take the leap, and build your wings on the way down."

Kobi Yamada

Clarity Patton Newhouse is Quality and Business Development manager for Metropolitan Lincoln Mercury in Garden City. She writes "A Sunny Note" to brighten the day with encouraging insights for business and life. "A Sunny Note" also is published online at ASunnyNote.com for readers across America and beyond.

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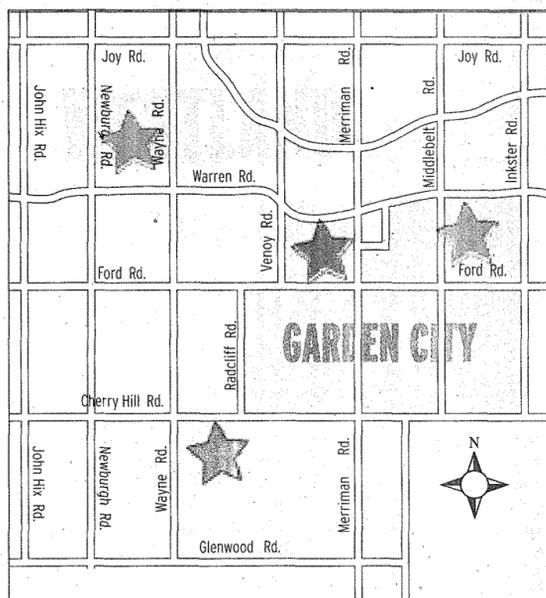
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Time/Date: noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23
Location: Metropolitan Lincoln Mercury, 32000 Ford, between Merriman and Venoy, Garden City
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The dealership is holding its third annual Halloween Trick-Or-Treat for children. The community event that will feature trick-or-treating, raffle prizes, activities and a free pumpkin for each of the first 200 children. The purpose of the event is to thank the community for their support of Metropolitan by providing a family-friendly venue for children to enjoy Halloween festivities. Guests will be entered in drawings to win prizes such as giant inflatable Halloween lawn decorations or festive piñatas being giving away by the dealership.

Contact: For more information, call Janai McMichael at (800) 916-8828.

Open House
Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23
Location: Anytime Fitness, 761 S. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: Anytime Fitness will be having an Open House/Membership Appreciation Day on Saturday, Oct. 23. There will be prizes, food, special membership rates, and personal training. Specials also will be available. A membership with Anytime Fitness allows you to use any Anytime Fitness in the world. If you're traveling, Anytime Fitness can tell you where the gyms are and how to get there.

Halloween Concert
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24
Location: Schoolcraft College's Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff, south of Ford, in Garden City
Details: The college's Wind Ensemble and Synthesizer Ensemble will present their annual Halloween Concert and Children's Costume parade. Everyone who attends is encouraged to dress in costume and join the fun. Refreshments will follow the performances and parade. The concert is free and open to the public. Donations are accepted and are used to provide future free concerts for the community and support the various music programs of the college.



Stop in check them out. Why not get a head start on that New Year's resolution on getting in shape.

Contact: (734) 326-1550

Contact: For more information on these or any other music programs at Schoolcraft College, visit www.schoolcraft.edu/music.

Farmers Markets
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 in Westland, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in Garden City
Details: The Farmers Market season officially comes to an end next week. In Westland, you'll find vendors sell their own products in parking lot south of Ashley's Bar and Grill at Westland Shopping Center, Warren at Wayne roads. The Garden City Farmers Market is at the northeast corner of Ford and Middlebelt in the Garden City Town Center Plaza. It's closing out the season with a presentation by Garden City Hospital on Healthy Warm Harvest Soups.

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OUR VIEWS

Election 2010 Re-elect Gebhardt in county's 12th District

Like every governmental agency in this state, Wayne County is facing fiscal challenges that have no end in sight. The massive loss of jobs, record number of home foreclosures and the shuttering of businesses big and small have had an impact from Lansing to Wayne County to the local communities.

Dealing with those problems at the county level is no easy task. The county executive sets the budget, the county commission approves it. But it takes a lot of give and take to come up with a document that appeases everyone from the retirees to the CEO, the courts, the prosecutor and the sheriff.

Michael Case says he's the person who can do that job. He wants "right the ship as much as possible." He says he's willing "to dig into the budget and find out what can be cut" and that he will cut to help the county eliminate its more than \$200 accumulated deficit. He admits that his value system isn't in line with other commission members and that he faces an uphill battle.

An uphill battle isn't what county government needs right now. It needs someone who's got the skills and the know-how to help the county turn the corner. We believe incumbent County Commissioner **Joan Gebhardt** is better suited to help the county in these troubling economic times.

She hits the nail squarely on the head when she says communications not finger pointing is needed to make positive changes. By sitting down and talking and coming up with compromises, the county commission and the county executive can help the county deliver services while slowly eating away at its deficit.

Gebhardt represents the county's 12th District which includes southern Livonia, Westland and Inkster. It is a diverse district and Gebhardt has done well in working for and with her constituents as well as with her commission colleagues. She has a clear understanding of the problems facing the county and is willing to do what it takes to solve them. She doesn't pay lip service to catchy phrases, she calls things as she sees them.

She also gets involved in her district. She has committed a portion of the Parks Millage money she has for the district to help in the remediation of Central City Park in Westland and likewise has used that money for improvements at Wheatley Park in Inkster. She also added her voice to that of local and county officials in seeking federal money for the Westland park as well.

By her own admission, Gebhardt likes challenges and believes she can make a difference. The issues facing Wayne County are serious at best, and we do believe she can help move the county forward. That's why we encourage residents to re-elect **Joan Gebhardt** in the Wayne County Commission's 12th District. She is the right person for this time.



Gebhardt

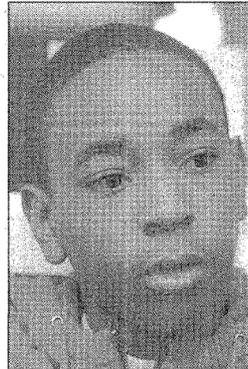
COMMUNITY VOICE

What was your favorite Halloween costume?



"I was a princess every year."

Destiny O'Hara
John Glenn High School



"It was a Power Ranger."

Tyler Fisher
John Glenn High School



"I was always a baseball player because I played baseball."

Jeremiah Vera-Burgas
Garden City High School



"Woody (from 'Toy Story') was my favorite."

Robert Zembo
Garden City High School

LETTERS

Raise would be insensitive

Read an article in the Observer that the school board wants to raise Superintendent Randy Liepa's pay.

I believe Mr. Randy Liepa is worth what the board wants to pay him and I would approve a raise any other time. I'm sure he deserves one. But I have to agree with Patrice Mang that "we are not in the position to raise the salary of any employee now."

It would be insensitive of the board to be raising a salary of any employee when most parents of the students they represent would be happy to just have a job or even be willing to take a pay cut to keep their job. During these tough economic times, our community needs our local officials to be fiscally responsible with our tax dollars.

Carlos Manzo
Westland

Anderson fights for workers

Glenn Anderson has been a great friend to local workers and area businesses. He has fought for worker retraining to help displaced auto and manufacturing workers gain new skills to get new jobs. He has gone so far as to help local residents find work, and local businesses expand and create more jobs (i.e. Alpha Stamping Company and Ram Construction).

We need a leader like Glenn Anderson who understands what workers and businesses need and is willing to roll up his sleeves and work hard to support them. As a Wayne County resident and a direct recipient of his assistance, I am proud to support Glenn Anderson, and urge you to vote for him on Nov. 2.

Martin Nash
Garden City

Pastor needs to pay up

As a homeowner and taxpayer here in Westland, I take pride in the fact that I play by the rules. We pay our taxes so that government can provide us with the basic services necessary to keep our community safe and improve

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country. We've lost a million jobs, our roads are crumbling and schools across the state are bankrupt.

With one family waving goodbye every 12 minutes in hopes of a brighter future elsewhere, it's clear the status quo isn't working. That's why I will be voting yes on Proposal 1, a state constitutional convention.

It's time for everyday Michiganders to come together and take back the reins of their government.

Yes on Proposal 1 is the only way to right the ship of state and reinvent Michigan for the 21st century.

Dennis Lennox
co-chairman,
Yes on Proposal 1

Business for a change

Michigan's governor debates were informative.

Democrat Virg Bernero is like a "community organizer" - a consummate politician. He charged Rick Snyder with sending jobs overseas. Bernero recalled the era of "Arsenal of Democracy." This was a poor comparison. There was an all out war, and one customer - the United States military. Cost plus 10 percent was the price - more profit could be achieved by higher costs. Future generations would pay. We had no overseas competition, we were bombing them.

Neither candidate mentioned WHY jobs left Michigan. Union rules expand the workforce by categorizing tasks and slowing production. Requiring management to hire more workers than needed does not "create jobs," it diverts them to lower cost regions!

Rick Snyder is not a high pressure salesman, just a businessman. Virg Bernero represents labor. Our president promised prosperity, but favored labor. We should try business. It would be a real change.

Hank Borgman
Farmington

our quality of life. I am happy to pitch in so that can happen.

That's why I was appalled to hear that Livonia City Council member John Pastor has neglected to pay \$43,000 in taxes. How can we trust someone to manage our government and the services we pay for if John Pastor doesn't think he should be pitching in? If elected officials are the ones making the rules, they should be the first ones playing by them.

But now John Pastor is looking to take the next step in his long political career - he's running for state Senator. Give me a break. Lansing is already broken, and we don't need to be sending another corrupt politician like Pastor to Lansing on the taxpayer's dime to make laws when he clearly can't follow the ones we have.

It's time John Pastor stops getting distracted by his political career and starts playing by the rules. He can start by paying his taxes like the rest of us.

Nancy Melke
Westland

Yes on Proposal 1

Lansing's failures have crippled the state that built America. Michigan has the worst economy in the

OUR VIEWS

U.S. House: 11th District: McCotter is best choice

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter is a politician of principle and integrity who harbors a keen intellect focused on the interests of his constituency. We don't always agree with McCotter, but anyone who has observed him at a congressional hearing (we have, thanks to C-Span) knows that he seeks answers to legitimate and necessary questions. He avoids using the platform to lecture the participants. He states his case and moves forward.

We believe these characteristics sets him apart from many others who at present serve in Congress and we endorse **Thaddeus McCotter's** re-election on Nov. 2.

He has served in Congress since 2002. A Republican, he represents the 11th District which includes the western Wayne and western Oakland communities of Canton, Garden city, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Milford, Redford, South Lyon and Westland as well as others.

Before being elected to Congress, McCotter served in the state Senate, the Wayne County Commission and Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees.

He brings an intelligent, studied and principled approach

to issues. He has a broad range of government experience. Except for a short tenure in the private sector, he has been a career politician but we don't regard that as negative. He's smart, principled and knows how Washington runs.

McCotter's opponents in the race are Democrat Natalie Mosher of Canton Township and Libertarian John Tatar of Livonia. Mosher is a former school teacher who served on the Erie, Ohio, County Commission. Locally, she is the former chief development officer for the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.

Tatar, is a former teacher in Livonia Public Schools. He has served in the U.S. Army Reserves and ran two years ago for this same seat as a Libertarian.

Mosher is mounting a strategic campaign. She is a credible alternative to the conservative McCotter.

Tatar is relying on the Libertarian platform to attract voters in November.

November 2010 should be good year for the GOP and McCotter will have no trouble winning his fifth term.

McCotter supported the bailout of GM and Chrysler because he understands how important manufacturing is to this region and to the country. Unlike others in Congress, he is keenly aware of what happens to economies that don't

manufacture a product that can be sold in the global marketplace.

His opposition to the bank bailout two years ago may have left some constituents scratching their heads. He opposed the bailout of Wall Street banks he says because it didn't go far enough to clean up the toxic assets of the big banks and it didn't do enough for small banks.

A staunch conservative, McCotter seeks to make the Bush-era tax cuts permanent. He makes no distinction between upper income and middle-income tax relief. He believes a tax on any segment of the taxpaying public would be harmful to the U.S. economy.

He opposes the health care bill enacted by Congress, but his solution (opening up markets and allowing more health care competition across state lines will increase supply) appears too simple and doesn't address what is a complex economic and social issue. However, his position is consistent with this free-market philosophy. And he knows that overreaching either way - left or right - is not what the American public wants.

Voters in the 11th District know that by re-electing **Thaddeus McCotter** on Nov. 2, they have a congressman who will work hard to balance the budget, represent the



McCotter

Gala raises funds, friends for senior services at St. Mary Mercy

The Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center was transformed into a Midwest version of New York's Central Park Oct. 8 for the St. Mary Mercy Hospital annual Gala.

Autumn leaves, colorful fall mums, park benches and the aura of Central Park and the New York skyline greeted guests at the 18th annual celebration.

The black-tie affair raised \$200,000 for the hospital's Senior Emergency Department

David Spivey, president and CEO of St. Mary Mercy, welcomed the nearly 500 guests reminding them that proceeds will help to provide specialized emergency services "to our most vulnerable seniors — those who have complex health and quality of life limitations that can be addressed with our new approach to senior emergency care."

Special recognition went to Northville Township residents William and Bridget Phillips, their family and the Phillips Service Industries Inc. — the gala's presenting sponsors for the second consecutive year.

"We are so grateful to the Phillips family," said Sara Stauffer, development/special events director at St. Mary Mercy. "We are truly blessed to have their support."

Other major sponsors of the event were Guardian Plumbing & Heating and Temperature Services Inc. (platinum) and Huron Valley Radiology, P.C. (gold).

Serving as chair and vice chair of this year's event were Sandy Bojrab and Lucia Romano, both of Northville.

In her program message to guests, Bojrab likened the progress that exemplifies the city of New York to St. Mary's Mercy progress throughout the years and "the hospital's commitment to continually provide patients and families with innovative services that meet their health care needs."

Guests enjoyed an opening reception amid a Central Park decor, followed by a sit-down dinner highlighted by fall fruit and vegetables. The afterglow included a fall-themed dessert station and "New York" style pizza station.

Music was provided by the Mark Randisi trio and The Royce and Jenn Band.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is part of the Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, a member of Trinity Health.



Orin Mazzoni (left) of Orin Jewelers in Northville and Garden City and daughter, Gina, (right) award the Hearts and Fire Diamond earrings to Lucia Romano, gala vice chair and lucky winner of the auction item.



Checking out the bling are Pete Seilo of Canton and Kevin Moore of Canton. Seilo is vice president/market development of Michigan Orthopedic Services and was a member of the gala planning committee. Moore is the director of Rehabilitation and Wound Care at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.



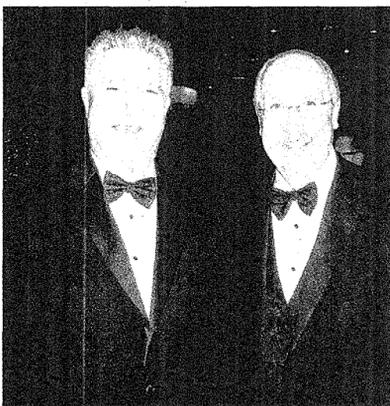
Volunteers at the gala included Lauren and Jason May of Garden City. Lauren works in the special events department at St. Mary Mercy.



Planning this year's gala were Lucia Romano (left), vice chairwoman, and chairwoman Sandy Bojrab both of Northville.



Presenting sponsor of the 18th annual St. Mary Mercy Gala Bill (standing) and Bridget Phillips of Northville Township along with son-in-law Steve Cauzillo and daughter Terry Cauzillo of Novi.



David Spivey, president and CEO of St. Mary Mercy Hospital (left), welcomes Garry Faja, president and CEO, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System and regional market executive, Trinity Health to Friday's event.

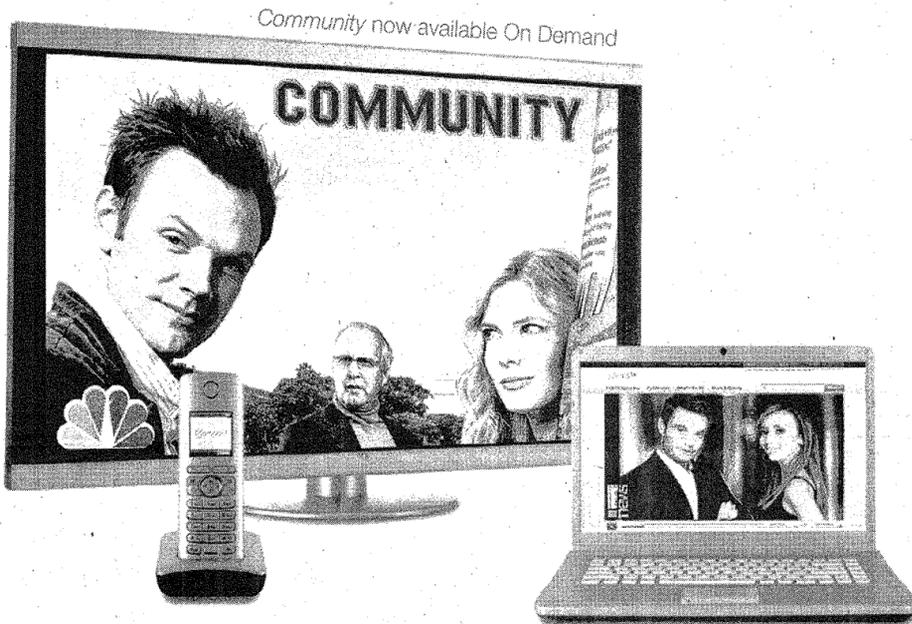


Guests were treated to a fall-themed dessert station at the gala.



The gala brought family and friends together. Enjoying the night were Antoinette Lombardo of Canton (left), her daughter, Rose Anne Russo of Northville (right) and family friend Josie Norcia of Northville (middle).

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Dig it: Churchill spikers nail down division title

Kempinski twins, Urbats spark Chargers

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill continues to prove its back row play is just as important as its front row attack.

That was no more evident than in Tuesday's 26-24, 25-22, 25-22 KLA South Division clinching match victory over visiting Canton.

The Chargers, who improved to 35-6-2 overall and 9-0 in the division, were led by senior setter Cory Urbats, who had 26 assist-to-kills and 18 digs, along with senior twins Kara and Nicole Kempinski, who combined for 42 more digs.

"These kids are just relentless and they play very good defense," Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "We give ourselves a chance with great ball control and setting. And in transition, we can score from there. But it's all about the defense."

The opportunity was there for Canton (24-8-3, 7-2) to claim a share of the South Division title. But the Chiefs squandered sizable leads in all three sets including 7-0 and 18-10 advantages in Game One; 17-12 in Game Two; and 16-11 in Game Three.

"We just did not play aggressively last five points," Canton coach Mary Kryska said. "We got scared when it got close and they (Churchill) played strong and hard at the end. We also struggled in a few rotations. But overall I thought we played well up to 20 points."

Kristen Muir, a 5-8 junior outside hitter, proved to be Canton's biggest offensive threat. She finished with a team-high 13 kills and added 28 digs.



Churchill's Krystyn Niescier (10) makes the pass during Tuesday's KLA South Division showdown with Canton.

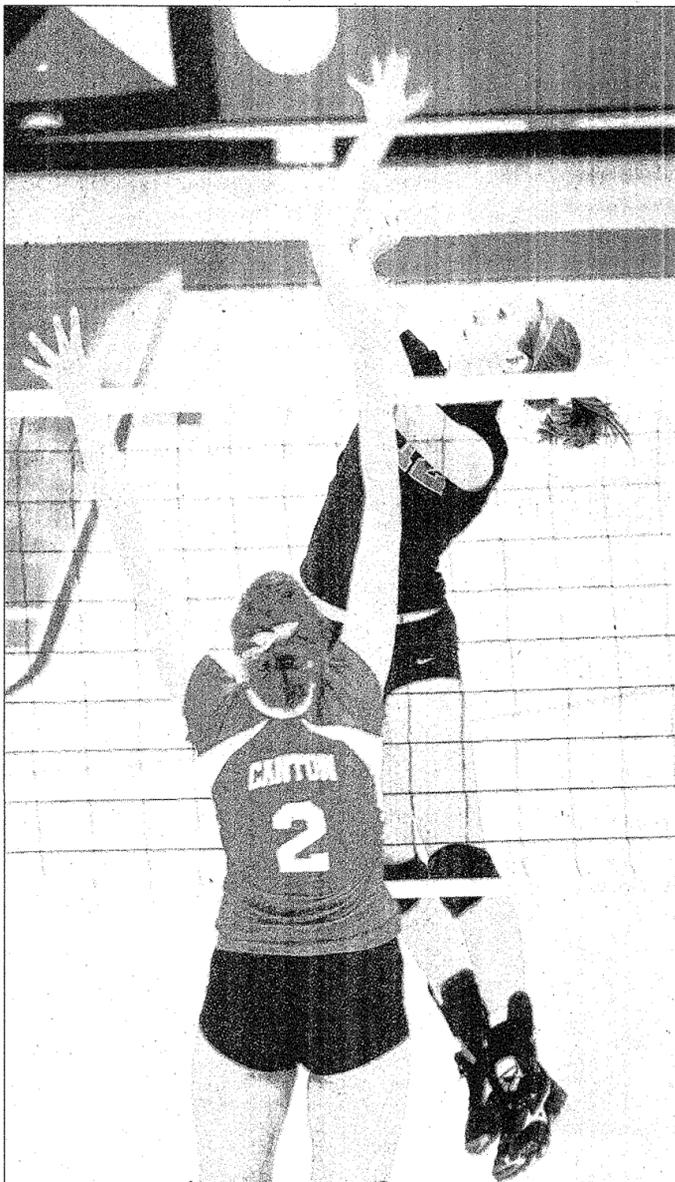
Another junior, 5-11 Alaina Turner, collected eight kills and five blocks. "Kristen Muir is an outstanding athlete as well as Alaina Turner," Grenier said. "They both swing very well. Canton is a good team. It's a team you don't want to see any time soon because they're so well coached."

When it came down to crunch time, however, it seemed as if the Chargers would dig everything up.

"We knew they liked to go to their big girl number 12 (Emily Norscia) and we stacked our base blockers against her," Kryska said. "We could not let anything touch the ground like they do, and we had to do the same at not allowing anything to touch the ground against us either."

Kara Kempinski, Churchill's senior libero, injured her arm and needed attention from the trainer after diving on the floor for a ball during the middle

Please see **VOLLEYBALL, B2**



Churchill sophomore Emily Norscia (12) goes up for one of her 13 kills against Canton blocker Tori denBoer in Tuesday's KLA South Division clash for first place.

PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

SIDELINES

TV grid pairings

The Selection Sunday Show, announcing the first-round pairings for the 2010 MHSAA Football Playoffs, plays to cable television and Internet audiences on FOX Sports Detroit and FoxSportsDetroit.com beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24.

Qualifiers and pairings will be posted to the MHSAA's Football home page following the one-hour show, which will be expanded this year from 30 minutes to 60 minutes.

Providing analysis for the 256-team team field will be the FOX Sports Detroit studio crew of Mickey York, Ryan Field and Rob Rubick.

Prieditis honored

Madonna University redshirt freshman setter Evia Prieditis (Milford) was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Volleyball Player of the Week (ending Oct. 17) after leading the Crusaders to a 5-0 record.

Prieditis helped MU to a 3-1 upset Thursday of No. 12-ranked Indiana Tech and was named MVP of the University of St. Francis (Ind.) Asics Munciana Invitational.

For the week, Prieditis posted 214 assists, 31 digs, eight kills and eight aces as MU improved to 21-6 overall.

Burdette cards 197

Livonia Churchill sophomore Jackie Burdette shot 102 in Saturday's final round of the MHSAA Lower Peninsula Division 1 girls golf finals held at Eastern Michigan University's Eagle Crest Golf Club.

Burdette, who carded a 95 on Friday, had a two-day total of 197. Devon Compton of Rochester Hills Stoney Creek shot 77-73-150 and took individual medalist honors by defeating Mariah Massa of Holt in a one-hole playoff hole.

Saline captured the team title with a 330-327-657 followed by Stoney Creek (335-325-660) and Holt (340-335-675).

Dudek honored

Former Livonia Churchill High girls soccer coach Ed Dudek, who guided the Chargers to the 1986 Class A girls state championship, was honored with the Meritorious Service Award Saturday night by the Michigan Soccer Association in a banquet held at the San Marino Club in Troy.

Dudek also coached at Schoolcraft College and continues to coach in the Great Lakes Women's Soccer League.

Dube nets title

Livonia's Michael Dube won the No. 2 singles flight as Novi-Detroit Catholic Central captured the MHSAA Lower Peninsula Division 1 boys tennis championship Saturday at the Midland Tennis Center edging Ann Arbor Pioneer for the team title, 32-30.

Dube, the top seed, defeated Matt Keane of Grosse Pointe South for the title, 6-0, 6-1. His toughest match was an opening round three-set win over Livonia Franklin senior Walter Woods, 3-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-0.

Dube's brother Joe, a senior and No. 2 seed, was runner-up to Troy's top-seeded Brett Forman, who won the No. 1 flight with a 3-6, 6-2, 6-1 triumph.

MU golfers 12th

The Madonna University men's golf team finished 12th in last week's 18-team NIAA Preview Invitational held, Oct. 14-15, at TPC at Deere Run in Silvis, Ill.

The Crusaders posted a two-day total of 320-306-626 as Nick Sears was MU's top individual finisher tied for 24th with a 75-77-152. Other Madonna scorers included Vince Carango, tied for 34th (77-77-154); Brett Quitiquit, tied for 62nd (87-74-161); Jimmy Ulemen, tied for 64th (83-79-162); and Livonia Franklin's Austin Stillman, tied for 66th (85-78-163).

Grand View (Iowa) won the title with a 295-291-586.

Every marathoner has a story

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Sunday's Detroit Free Press Marathon attracted a record 19,749 runners, walkers and wheelers.

What makes them do it? There are various reasons, but some of the stories are unique.

Here is a small sampling. Let's call this a marathon trilogy.

Edward Morgan

The 70-year-old from Livonia has been an avid runner for over 30 years, but his last marathon was Detroit in 1983, when at age 43, he ran a respectable three hours and 44 minutes.

Morgan did it again on Sunday, this time in 5:36:41. He was hoping for five hours, but still placed fourth in his division and 3,018th overall.

His daughter (Karen) met him at mile 24 and ran him in. His son, Stephen, was also at the finish along with three of his eight grandchildren.

"Yesterday (Monday) I noticed two new black toe nails, a slightly swollen right foot, very slow movements of all kinds, soreness in all muscles from toes to gluts," Morgan said. "The good news — I walked down to the basement and back. Life is good."

Morgan, who has three (married) children, worked 38 years in the Ford Rouge Plant in quality control steel manufac-



Edward Morgan, 70, of Livonia, is all smiles as he completes the Detroit Free Press Marathon on Sunday.

turing-technical services before retiring at age 62.

He began running at age 40 and averages up to 40 miles during the warmer months and 20-to-25 miles during the

winter. He also uses a treadmill in his basement.

"It's a good way to relax," Morgan said.

Please see **MARATHON, B2**

Pats stall Tractors in district

Livonia Franklin lives to play another day in the MHSAA Division 1 state boys soccer tournament.

The Patriots opened district action Monday night with a 2-1 triumph over visiting Dearborn Fordson as Jake Talarek popped home the game-winning goal in the second half.

DISTRICT SOCCER

District host Franklin, which improved to 10-9 overall, faced Westland John Glenn (9-9-1) on Wednesday in the semifinals. The two teams split during the regular season.

Franklin took a 1-0 lead against the Tractors with 18:40 left in the first half on Andrew Crechiolo's unassisted goal, but Motassem Mansoub then answered for Fordson (10-5-4) with 34:22 remaining.

Please see **SOCCER, B2**

Lady Ocelots beat Cincy State to earn Region 12 title

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team has 14 victories to its credit so far this season and none greater than the two chalked up last weekend.

The Lady Ocelots needed overtime Friday night to slip past host Cincinnati State, 3-2, and lay claim to the NJCAA Region 12 crown.

And on Sunday, they used a first-half goal from freshman Molly Bellairs to earn a hard-earned victory over Monroe Community College (N.Y.).

"I'm really pleased with the way we played both games," said Schoolcraft coach Deepak Shivraman, whose team is ranked No. 10 in the latest NJCAA Division I poll. "We were facing some adversity in both games because of injuries and illness, so to go out and get

both of these wins was huge for us."

In the victory over Cincinnati State, Adrianna Guerrero's penalty kick in overtime made the difference, giving the Lady Ocelots their 13th win in 14 starts this season.

Renee Boudreau (Livonia Stevenson) tallied each of the first two goals for the Lady Ocelots, only to see Cincinnati respond each time with a goal of its own to draw even.

There were some tense moments for the Lady Ocelots near the end of regulation when Cincinnati State was awarded a penalty kick.

But SC goalkeeper Sam Suter stood her ground and came up big to send the game into the extra session.

"Cincinnati State is a very good team and I have felt an under-rated one all

season," Shivraman said. "It was a very aggressive game and players were heated up on both sides. Sam made a great save on that PK in overtime and gave us a chance."

Shivraman also praised the play of Lindsay McMullen (Livonia Churchill), who stepped in and did a superb job patrolling the midfield.

"The Cincinnati State victory was significant because if we had lost, we probably would have had to play them again to decide the regional winner," Shivraman said. "And Monroe has a lot of credibility in the NJCAA, so for us to go there and dominate against them despite having key players out was a really good win for our program."

Bellairs and Suter were the keys to the victory over Monroe CC as it was

the Schoolcraft midfielder's goal in the first half that Suter made stand up.

"It was, clinically, a beautiful goal," Shivraman said of Bellairs' tally.

CORNERSTONE 2, MADONNA 1: Rachel Wood's early second-half goal proved to be the difference Saturday as host Cornerstone University (9-5, 3-0) downed Madonna University (2-6-4, 2-1-1) in a battle for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Malie Caigon's goal in the first minute gave the Golden Eagles a 1-0 lead.

The Crusaders took advantage of a Golden Eagle miscue and were awarded an own goal to square the match at 1-1 just as the half ended.

MU junior goalkeeper Brittany Warner (Plymouth) made five saves in the loss, Nicole Rodriguez led MU with a pair of shots on goal.

The Crusaders return to action 12:30 p.m. Saturday in Grand Rapids against Aquinas College.

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of the final set.

That seemed to be a typical play from the two gritty sisters.

"The Kempinski sisters are just tough, hard-nosed kids who have bought into play-

ing great defense," Grenier said. "They're only 5-5 at best, but they play like they're 6-5. They've been a big part of what we've been able to do the last two years.

"Kara knocked her elbow pretty good, but in true Kempinski fashion, she was able to shrug it off and grind it out."

Meanwhile, Churchill's

front row attack was paced by Norscia, a 6-1 sophomore, who finished with 13 kills.

Erin Menard, a 6-foot junior, added 10 kills and one solo block, while 6-1 sophomore Marissa Pomaville contributed five kills and the match-clinching block.

Canton's Maggie Deloy added six kills and 20 digs, while Erica denBoer finished

with 24 digs. Jett Jackie Waite had 20 assists and 13 digs, while Lauren Martin contributed 10 assists.

"We had to make sure she (Muir) did not get frustrated," Kryska said. "We had to rely on others to get points. I thought we did a good job until the last five or seven points."

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Krzsyste's hat trick keys Warriors' win

Senior Kent Krzsyste pumped in three goals and added one assist Tuesday as Lutheran High Westland romped to an 8-0 Division 4 district boys soccer victory over next-door neighbor Westland Huron Valley Lutheran in a match at Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

The Warriors, who improved to 8-9-2 overall, will vie for the district championship beginning at 1 p.m. at Inter-City. They will face Wednesday's semifinal winner between the host Chargers and Newport Lutheran South.

Mitchell Boehm added two goals and one assist in the rout, while Nick Natsik contributed a goal and two assists for the victorious Warriors. A.J. Seltz also had a goal, while Troy Gotschev's goal at the 65:39 mark ended the match because of the eight-goal mercy rule. Nick Andrzejewski contributed a pair of assists for the Warriors, who led 4-0 at halftime.

Goalkeepers Marc Rosin and Daniel Roberts combined on the shutout.

DISTRICT SOCCER

Huron Valley ends its season at 2-18 overall, including a 2-12 mark in the MIAC's Red Division.

GROSSE ILE 3, CLARENCEVILLE 0: In a Division 3 first-round district matchup Monday, the No. 2-ranked Red Devils (15-2-2) broke away from a scoreless halftime deadlock to oust host Livonia Clarenceville (8-10-1).

Zach Johnson scored in the 45th minute to give Grosse Ile the victory. Andrew Smith and Petar Roskovich also tallied goal for the Red Devils.

"We played really well," Clarenceville coach Trevor Johnson said. "They (Grosse Ile) are probably the best team we've seen. They are a very disciplined team with a good sweeper."

"I think we shocked them the first half. And I thought if we could hold them the first 10 minutes of the second half we'd be O.K. But once they got that goal, it gave them confidence and I think we got a little tired."

Clarenceville's Ardit Dushkaj, who came into the game with 33 goals, was kept off the board.

"We had a scored called back on an offside," Johnson said. "He (Dushkaj) played well. They were physical with him."

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Talarek's game-winner came with 26:41 to play in regulation when he scored on a rebound shot inside the Fordson box.

"We definitely came to play and the same mishaps we've had of late were eliminated," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "Our guys were ready and we had some great one-two passing. Our defense also caught them off-sides 11 teams. We used our midfielders to set the tempo."

Franklin goalkeeper Ryan Tikey made 10 saves, while the return of Fred Shataro from injury also bolstered the Patriots' fortunes.

"I thought he (Shataro)

came back great tonight and he gave us a good target up front," Rodopoulos said. "I also thought Crechiolo and Gabe Edwards also played well for us."

STEVENSON 2, BERKLEY 1 (OT): Scott Brewer knocked home a one-timer to the far post early in the first overtime Tuesday to give host Livonia Stevenson (12-4-3) a Division 1 district victory over the stubborn Bears.

Zack Atwood set up the game-winning score when he fouged off a Berkley defender and passed off to Brewer.

Berkley led 1-0 at intermission, but Stevenson fought back on Zach Cooney's goal off an indirect free kick from Camden Iwasko.

Goalkeeper John Boudreau made five saves to earn the shutout.

"Berkley was a very dangerous team to play against and it took a full team effort to beat them," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "We hope this win brings us closer

together."

CHURCHILL 1, GARDEN CITY 0 (OT): On Monday, Austin Henson's goal from Mike Murphy during the opening minute of overtime gave host Livonia Churchill (11-8-2) a Division 1 district triumph over the stubborn Cougars (6-14-3).

"We did not play well," Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said. "We hit the crossbar two times and the post twice. But give them (Garden City) credit."

Freshman Colton Robison got the start in goal for the Chargers and made a pair of saves, including one in OT, to preserve the shutout.

Churchill faced Canton (16-3-2) in the district semifinal Wednesday at Franklin.

JOHN GLENN 5, CRESTWOOD 1: Kyle Beguhn tallied a pair of goals Monday as Westland John Glenn (9-9-1) rolled to a Division 1 district win over Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

Steve Thompson, Troy McGuigan and R.J. Hurst also tallied goals for

the victorious Rockets.

Andrew Merritt scored for the Chargers.

Austin Valentine and Alex Isaevski split the goalkeeping chores for Glenn.

"It was important to our guys that we finished strong at home," Glenn interim coach Brian Tomlinson said. "It was important to me that we looked sharp on defense. We were able to take away what they wanted to do. We had some guys who didn't show up in the stat sheet, but played an unselfish role that made the game go the way it did."

Glenn traveled Wednesday to play host Franklin in the district semifinal.

A.A. HURON 9, WAYNE 1: Lucas Moore scored the lone goal Tuesday as Wayne Memorial (0-19) fell to host Ann Arbor Huron (15-2-1) in a Division 1 district encounter.

Jesse Buschbaum led the River Rats with a hat trick, while Matt Ybarra added two goals and two assists.

MARATHON

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"It burns other issues."

Morgan, a regular on Hines Park and around his neighborhood, wanted to try the marathon again in 2003, but a nagging hamstring injury prevented him from signing up.

"I was waiting for a year with no injuries and this year it cleared up. I gave it as much (time) as I could and decided to make the decision in September," he said.

Morgan put in a few 20-mile training runs, including a 24-miler where he walked and ran the last six.

"I wanted to make sure I was comfortable," he said.

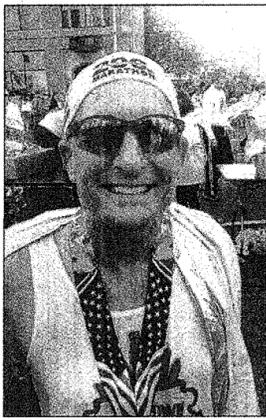
Although his posture got low and his back tightened up, Morgan was able to get across the finish line on Fort Street in front of the Free Press-Detroit News Building.

Morgan then came back to life following the race with a shower, some stretching and a trip to the Lifetime Fitness heated pool.

"I came home and ate some ice cream," he said. "That's my second favorite thing to do."

Morgan said it's his last marathon, but he's not going to quit pounding the pavement.

"I'm not giving up running. I'm not retiring from the run-



Kurtis

Kurtis, who has an American record 76 sub-2:20 marathons and 40 marathon wins. "There were friends, fans and family cheering me everywhere on the course. It seemed easier than many of my workouts."

"The weather was absolutely perfect and I found some guys to run with. Actually had a number of conversations along the way, which I rarely do because I'm so focused."

It was third marathon in 2010 for the Ford Motor retiree, who now plans to focus all his efforts and attention as race director and organizer of the ever popular Turkey Trot to benefit the Detroit Parade Co.

"I ran 3 marathons this year — Boston, Grandma's (Duluth, Minn.) and Detroit — all in 2:54," he said. "Guess you could say I'm consistent."

Bob and Matt Lepper

The half-marathon was a new experience for this father-son duo from Livonia, who crossed the line together in identical times of 2:21:37.

"It was my son's idea," said the 43-year-old Bob Lepper. "He ran track at St. Valentine's (in Redford) and took a shine to running."

"I really didn't want to do it, but it was a good experience for both of us. It's good bonding time as far as father-son and it's good exercise."

Matt, 11, is a sixth-grader at

Cooper Upper Elementary in Westland. "He's run a mile in 6:30, I run casually and I had to step it up, we've run some 5Ks as a family," Bob said.

The 5-foot-2, 90-pound Matt wanted to run a race longer than a 5K and he got one with a 13.1-miler.

"I felt pretty good, but it was hard the end," Matt said. "I was getting pretty tired. We talked at the end."

"The (Ambassador) Bridge was pretty cool and it was pretty cool (in the Windsor-Detroit) Tunnel. It was warm in there."

In preparation for the half, Bob Lepper said he trained a couple of times a week and did longer runs on the weekend, getting up to nine miles.

"I thought it went well," Bob said. "I had some knee problems that hampered me, but I'm happy with what I did."

"He (Matt) felt pretty good. He looked pretty fresh and I was limping around. The last three quarters of a mile for me was tough. I was hurting a bit and Matt had more in the tank when he was at the finish."

Bob Lepper said he plans to do the Detroit Free Press Half-Marathon again next year.

"I'd like to do another and break two hours," he said. "But it was good to be a part of such a big event and it will keep me motivated."

Meanwhile, after a good night's sleep, Matt said he's ready for more races.

And he said don't be surprised — when he's old enough — that he runs the full 26.2 miles some day.

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S'craft keeps pace with 2 Region wins

Chalk up two more wins for the Schoolcraft College men's soccer team.

The No. 7 nationally-ranked Ocelots improved to 14-3-1 overall and 12-1-1 in the NJCAA Region XII standings with a 1-0 victory Sunday at Lakeland Community College (Ohio).

Joe Carver's free kick goal just two minutes before halftime was mishandled by the Lakeland goalkeeper and proved to be the game-winner as second-place Schoolcraft secured a first-round bye in the upcoming Region XII tournament (Oct. 30-31 at Delta College).

Goalkeepers Ian McDonald-Wilkins and Adrian Motta (Livonia Churchill) split halves and combined for the shutout with two saves apiece.

The loss dropped Lakeland to 9-6-1 overall and 8-6-1 in Region XII.

On Saturday, Livonia Stevenson's Nate Sergison and Marco Lobo each scored a pair of goals in Schoolcraft's 5-1 triumph at Cuyahoga CC (Ohio).

Jordan Ford also scored for the Ocelots, who led 4-1 at

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halftime. McDonald-Wilkins had two saves and allowed one goal during the first 45 minutes of action before being relieved by Motta, who made two saves in the second half.

The loss drops Cuyahoga to 5-13 overall and 5-9 in Region XII.

CORNERSTONE 3, MADONNA 1: A trio of second half goals proved to be too much for Madonna University (7-4, 2-2) to overcome on Saturday in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference setback at Cornerstone University (5-6-2, 1-1-1).

The Crusaders scored first in the match when freshman Mustapha Olorunnimbe took a pass from Andrew Kidder in the 29th minute.

It remained 1-0 through half-time, but the Golden Eagles tied the match in the 55th minute when Matt Osorio scored on a free kick.

Nic Tolsman added a pair of goals for Cornerstone in the 74th and 79th minutes to provide the two-goal cushion.

MU goalkeeper Parker Laabs (Canton) had one save, while Cornerstone's Matt Roberts finished with three.

The Crusaders sit idle until 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Grand Rapids against Aquinas College.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL Friday, Oct. 22 Stevenson at Churchill, 7 p.m. Carleton Airport at Franklin, 7 p.m. W.L. Central at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Wayne at Thurston, 7 p.m. Annapolis at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 Det. Urban at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Thursday, Oct. 21 Clarenceville Tri-Match, 5 p.m. John Glenn at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 6:30 p.m. S.L. East at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m. Liggett at Luth. Westland, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 23 Kensington Tourney at Novi, 7:45 a.m. BOYS SOCCER DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS DIVISION 1 LIVONIA FRANKLIN (Host) Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final, 10 a.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Dearborn Edsel Ford vs. Ann Arbor Pioneer district champion.) FARMINGTON (Host) Thursday, Oct. 21: Farmington vs. Livonia Stevenson, 5 p.m.; Birmingham Brother Rice vs. Farmington Hills Harrison, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final,

3 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Troy Athens vs. Fair Haven-Anchor Bay district champion.) DIVISION 3 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (Host) Thursday, Oct. 21: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep vs. Pigeon-Laker district champion.) DIVISION 4 AT ALLEN PARK INTER-CITY BAPTIST Saturday, Oct. 23: Lutheran Westland vs. Inter-City Baptist, 1 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27 at Ann Arbor Greenhills vs. Jackson Christian district champion.) BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY Thursday, Oct. 21 Kensington Conference Meet at Huron Meadows Metropark, 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 Catholic League Championship at Stoney Creek Metropark, 9 a.m. GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING Thursday, Oct. 21 Pinckney at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. W.L. Central at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Hartland at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m. W.L. Western at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m. Wat. Kettering at Wayne, 6:30 p.m. Ladywood vs. Warren Regina at Eastpointe East Detroit, 6:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL Thursday, Oct. 21 Madonna at N'western Ohio, 7 p.m. Schoolcraft at OCC-Highland Lakes, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22 (Madonna University Classic) Madonna vs. Ashford (Ia.), 3 p.m. Madonna vs. Columbia (Mo.), 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 (Madonna University Classic) Madonna vs. Rochester College, 9:30 a.m. Madonna vs. Bellevue (Neb.), 1:30 p.m. MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Saturday, Oct. 23 Madonna at Aquinas College, 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24 Cuyahoga (Ohio) at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Saturday, Oct. 23 Madonna at Aquinas College, 12:30 p.m. Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio), 1 p.m.

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All Saints students are on the march in an event from a previous year. The school will hold its annual Bids for Our Kids auction Nov. 12 at Laurel Manor.

School in Canton raises funds through its annual auction

Love Zambonis?

Kim Schulz wants to give you a chance to ride one at a Detroit Red Wings game.

Schulz, president of the Parents Club at All Saints Catholic School in Canton, says the group's 11th annual Bids for our Kids auction will fulfill one lucky bidder's dreams of riding atop the ice resurfer at Joe Louis Arena.

"I think it's fun. They get Red Wings tickets and a Zamboni ride. They do that before the game," Schulz said.

Other auction items include a Boyne Mountain vacation, a MacBook, iPad, "lots of techy stuff," use of a suite at the Palace of Auburn Hills and a

condo in Orlando, Fla.

Auction and dinner tickets cost \$65 and include a plated dinner, open bar, and late-night pizza service. Check-in will begin at 6 p.m., Nov. 12 at Laurel Manor. Tickets are available online at www.allsaints.com. Click on the ACSC auction icon.

"This is a real great event for us," Schulz said. "We get a lot of support from local businesses and the community. This is a big fund-raiser for us."

All Saints Catholic School isn't associated with any one parish, although three Canton churches, St. John Neumann, St. Thomas a Becket and Resurrection, and St. Kenneth,

in Plymouth, founded it. The Archdiocese of Detroit designated it a regional school.

"We're pretty new. We've been around since 1997," Schulz said. "We draw from the entire area. The tuition and fees students pay is our primary source of revenue and this (Bids for our Kids) is primary fund-raiser."

The school offers classes for preschool through eighth grade students. Money raised through Bids for our Kids will benefit the school's operating fund and will help to implement a technology plan over the next several years.

-By Sharon Dargay

RELIGION CALENDAR

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OCT. 21-27

Barbecue fund-raiser

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 23

Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile one block west of Inkster, in Livonia

Details: All proceeds will support the church's "Feed the Hungry" Ministries. Food will include: North Carolina Pulled Pork Shoulder, Southern Bar-B-Q Chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, red-skinned potatoes and beverages. Advance tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children. At the door, tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children while supplies last. Contact: (734) 513-8457

Coats donation

Time/Date: Deadline to drop off coats is Oct. 22

Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills

Details: The Corps needs coats in adult sizes medium to extra large to fit middle and high school students. Individuals and businesses can drop off new coats at the Farmington Hills location.

Contact: (248) 477-1153

Concert

Time/Date: 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24

Location: Redford Lutheran Church, 22159 Grand River Avenue in Detroit

Details: Detroit Lutheran Singers perform works by old masters and modern composers in this first concert of the new season. The audience will have an opportunity to join in singing a hymn. Tickets at the door are \$10 general, \$7 for seniors and students 12 and over; children under 12 are free

Contact: www.detroitlutheransingers.com

Games night

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 23

Location: Drakeshire Lanes, 35000 Grand River Ave., Farmington

Details: Bring favorite card or board games to this event, sponsored by Widowed Friends, a support group for women and men age 55 and under

Contact: Sue at (586) 939-0349 or e-mail ywfriends@gmail.com

Mass for widowed

Time/Date: Check in at 2 p.m., Mass at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 24

Location: St. Columban Church, 1775 Melton, north of 14 Mile between Woodward and Coolidge, in Birmingham

Details: Widowed Friends, a peer group in the Archdiocese of Detroit, meets for Mass, support and refreshments

Contact: Gerry at (566) 795-0477 or visit www.widowed-friends.org

Pumpkin patch

Time/Date: Noon to 6 p.m., Oct. 24 and 31; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 21-23; and 10 a.m. to dark, Oct. 25-30

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Pumpkin Patch sales will benefit Forgotten Harvest, a non-profit that rescues surplus, prepared and perishable food for emergency food providers

Contact: (734) 464-0211

Saints celebrated

Time/Date: 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24

Location: St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Evening prayer, three short presentations, and a candlelight procession to the weekday chapel to venerate the relics of the saints. A potluck dinner will be held afterward. Participants with last names U-Z should bring an appetizer or fruit; N-T should bring a salad; G-M should bring vegetables and side dishes; A-F should bring desserts

Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950

Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24

Location: Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Details: Dress in costume for this event that will include games, prizes, treats and lots of fun

Contact: (734) 427-8743

Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 6 p.m., Oct. 24

Location: Memorial Church of Christ, located on Five Mile, just east of Levan, Livonia

Details: The free family event gives youngsters a chance to trick or treat in a safe environment in the church parking lot. Church members open their car trunks, which are decorated in the theme of a different Bible story, and hand out candy

Contact: Angie Schultz at (734) 464-6722

OCT. 28-NOV. 3

Bazaar

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30

Location: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington

Details: Baked goods, Nisu, white elephant treasures, Christmas items and a jewelry table. Refreshments will be served by the choir for a nominal fee. There will be a raffle at 1 p.m. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Contact: (248) 478-6520

Book sale

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30 and 9 a.m.-noon, Sunday, Oct. 31

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Annual used book sale, bake sale and boutique

Contact: Peg Besecker at perkyypegb@aol.com or (734)522-2826

Hallelujah Festival

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Oct. 30

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton

Details: Ninth annual festival will include food, games, candy. Participants may wear costumes, but ghost and witch costumes are discouraged

Contact: (734) 404-2480

Halloween party

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Aimed at children from Westland and neighboring communities

Contact: Call (734) 721-5023 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Friday

Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29

Location: Faith Community Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

Details: Children dress in costume and trick or treat in the parking lot. Car trunks will be decorated in fall themes and treats will be handed out. Cider and doughnuts will be served

Contact: (248) 471-1322

Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Members and friends of the church will pop their trunks and tailgates to reveal candy, stickers and other goodies. Children in the community may attend and bring their Trick or Treat bags with them. The church requests that children wear family-friendly costumes and be accompanied by an adult. Activities will take place both inside and outside. There will be games, prizes and candy

Contact: (248) 474-3444

Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m., Oct. 30

Location: McKinley Elementary School, 9101 Hillcrest Street, Livonia

Details: Bring your kids in their costumes for treats, a hay ride, a gourmet chili cook-off, and lots of other fun; free and sponsored by Bell Creek Community Church

Contact: www.bellcreek.org

NOV. 4-10

Christmas bazaar

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6

Location: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy, Dearborn Heights

Details: Handmade items for Christmas giving; cookie walk and bake sale; Attic Treasures, Jewelry and other items

Contact: (313) 274-3820

End of life planning

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4

Location: St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Monsignor John Kasza is the guest presenter

Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950

Ladies' Inspiration Day

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Nov. 6

Location: Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman,

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Livonia church collects winter gear for needy in metro area

The Rev. Todd Lackie, pastor of Kenwood Church of Christ in Livonia, hopes to give away at least 500 warm garments and blankets on Saturday, Nov. 20.

His church, which offered 10,000 free, gently-used items to the public last summer, is collecting blankets, coats, boots, scarves, sweaters, hoodies, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, snowsuits, and snow pants through Nov. 14. New or used adult and children's items will be accepted.

It's the second year for the warm clothing collection.

"Last year, we gave away 140 garbage bags full of coats, hats, gloves, and snowsuits," he

said. "This year we wanted to expand to blankets."

"During these difficult times, we should not take for granted that people have even the basic necessities. Many people in our area will be cold this winter. Hopefully through this appeal to the community, we can care for more people than ever."

Kenwood Church of Christ is located at 20200 Merriman, in Livonia. A drop box is stationed under the church's front canopy and can receive donations 24 hours a day. Matching gloves or sets should be packaged in bags that are tied shut.

Families and individuals

who need blankets or clothing may call the church at (248) 476-8222 to set up an appointment for Nov. 20. Or e-mail to kenwood@kenoodchurch.org.

"Our big concern is to make sure we service the people who come," said Lackie, explaining why the church uses an invitation process. "We want to make sure we take care of the people there. It helps us understand how many people will show up."

"If you get a family of five come in and they need blankets, coats and gloves, if we're only able to take care of half their needs, we haven't taken care of their needs at all."

- Sharon Dargay

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JOHN GELDER

former partner of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone. Long time resident of the Birmingham/Bloomfield Area. Beloved husband of Martha "Skip" for 57 years. Father of William (Josephine), Mark (Carol Ann), Cathryn Brooks, and Carolyn Bird (Kevin). Dear grandfather of Adam, Jake, Jessica, Amanda, James and John. Great grandfather of Mia and Addison. Funeral Service Saturday 11 a.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple & Big Beaver). Visitation begins Saturday 9:30 a.m. Family will receive friends Friday 3-8 p.m. Memorial tributes to Hospice of MI or Alzheimer's Association. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



IRVING M. SARIN

Formerly 1st Trumpet with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra 1943 - 1960. Conductor, Teacher & Private Music Instructor. Born Sept 23, 1921 and died Oct 10, 2010. He leaves behind his beloved wife of 52 years Anne E. Sarin, daughters Elizabeth A. Sarin, Jennifer G. Loewenstein, sons, Charles H. Sarin, Edward P. Sarin and four granddaughters Caitlynn, Stella and sisters Becca and Jessa. He touched the lives of many and will be dearly missed. To share in his life please visit:

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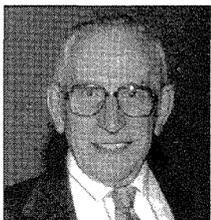
HERMAN "SKIP" WITT

Age 67 of Canton, suddenly October 16, 2010. Loving husband of Sandra. Dearest Dad of Kristin (Carl) Johnson and Jeffrey (Beth) Witt. Dear brother of Terrence (Suzanne), Joy (Terry) McCombs and Gregory (Susan); and brother in law of Leonard Pulinski. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Mr. Witt retired as a US Postal Inspector after 30 years of service. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 PM and Thursday 1-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. In state Friday 10 AM until the 10:30 AM funeral mass at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road (west of Sheldon) Canton. Interment St. Hedwig Cemetery. To share memories please visit www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com.



HOWARD R. MINKE

Age 81, of Grand Rapids (formerly of Rochester Hills, MI) passed away to a place of peace Wednesday, October 13, 2010 after a long illness. Howard is survived by his wife and best friend of 59 years, Hazel; his daughters, Marcia Minke and husband Charlie Bachman, Sharon Minke and husband John McMain, Linda Minke, Barbara Bloemsma; his grandchildren, Katrina Bloemsma, Will Bloemsma, Victor Huls, Sam McMain, Emma McMain; and many other family members including his sister, Margaret Simonson. Howard was a mathematics teacher who taught for 31 years at Rochester High School. He was a man of integrity and was always admired for his service to others. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather; his family will miss him deeply. In a tribute from a former student, "Mr. Minke's legacy is not only his family but all of the students who he educated in math as well as life." Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will take place at a later date. If one would like to make a donation, please make them in Howard's memory to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Grand Rapids (805 Leonard NE, GR, MI 49503) or to Holland Home - Resident Assistance Fund (2100 Raybrook SE, GR, MI 49546). Arrangements by Zaagman Memorial Chapel, Grand Rapids, MI.



LAMOTT A. WHITEBREAD

Age 90, of Plymouth, passed away October 19, 2010. Loving husband of 69 years to Betty. Beloved father of Jeanne (Donald) Clemens, Richard Whitebread and Ronald (Deb) Whitebread. Proud grandfather of seven, great-grandfather of eight and great-great-grandfather of two. Mr. Whitebread served in the United States Navy during WWII. He served on the USS Franlin D. Roosevelt (CV-42) Aircraft Carrier when it was commissioned on October 27, 1945. He was a longtime instructor for the Plymouth Junior Police. It was with the junior police he would travel and compete in high powered rifle events. A proud life member of the National Rifle Association. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 12:00pm from the Schrader-Howell Funeral, 280 South Main, Plymouth. Visitation Friday 3-8pm. Memorials may be made to Michigan Parkinson's Foundation, 30400 Telegraph Rd, Suite 150, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-9976. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery.

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Warriors still searching for elusive 1st triumph

Lutheran High Westland's football ledger dropped to 0-8 Saturday with its 38-22 defeat suffered at the hands of visiting Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

The Cranes (2-6) took advantage of a blocked punt, a kick-off return for a touchdown and some hard running from their backfield to earn only their second win in eight starts this season.

"It was kind of the same old story - good teams find ways to win and we keep finding ways to lose," Warriors coach Paul Guse' said. "It was a com-

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petitive game and I was proud of our effort and the way we played hard, but fundamentally we just have to get better."

The Warriors fell behind 21-7 at the half before closing the gap with a touchdown run by quarterback Taurrek Fikes in the third quarter.

Unfortunately, another long TD run by the Cranes built the margin back up to double digits and the Warriors never could recover.

PREP GRID PICKS

Week 9

Friday, Oct. 22

Adrian (8-0, 5-0) at Plymouth (6-2, 4-1), 6:30 p.m.
Wayne (0-8, 0-5) at Redford Thurston (6-2, 5-0), 7 p.m.
U-D Jesuit (3-5, 0-4) at Redford Union (1-7, 1-4), 7 p.m.
Plymouth Salem (1-7, 0-5) at Canton (8-0, 5-0), 7 p.m.
Livonia Stevenson (3-5, 2-3) at Livonia Churchill (3-5, 1-4), 7 p.m.
Garden City (2-6, 2-3) at Dearborn Edsel Ford (3-5, 1-3), 7 p.m.
Farmington Harrison (8-0, 6-0) at Farmington (7-1, 6-0), 7 p.m.
Dearborn Heights Annapolis (3-5, 1-3) at Livonia Clarenceville (4-4), 7 p.m.
Walled Lake Central (7-1, 5-0) at Westland John Glenn (4-4, 2-3), 7 p.m.
North Farmington (2-6, 2-6) at Waterford Kettering (1-7, 1-4), 7 p.m.
Carleton Airport (5-3, 5-2) at Livonia Franklin (6-2, 3-2), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 23

Detroit Urban Lutheran (2-6, 1-2) at Lutheran Westland (0-8, 0-5), 1 p.m.

Last week

Overall

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Adrian
Thurston
Jesuit
Canton
Churchill
Edsel Ford
Farmington
Annapolis
Central
North
Airport

Dan O'Meara

Adrian
Thurston
Jesuit
Canton
Churchill
Edsel Ford
Harrison
Clarenceville
Central
North
Franklin

Tim Smith

Plymouth
Thurston
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Canton
Stevenson
Edsel Ford
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Clarenceville
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Franklin

Jim Toth

Adrian
Thurston
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Churchill
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North
Franklin

Westland
10-4 (.714)
90-21 (.811)

Urban
11-3 (.786)
92-19 (.829)

Urban
9-5 (.643)
74-37 (.667)

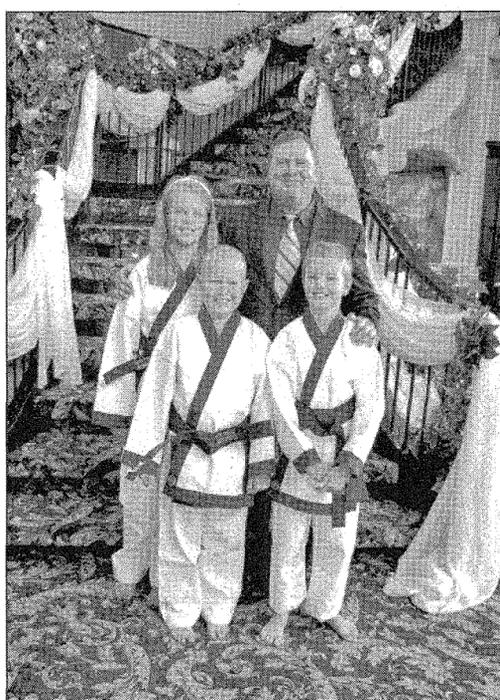
Urban
9-5 (.643)
82-29 (.739)

"Every time we felt like we had momentum on our side we missed a tackle and they got it right back," Guse' said. "We ran 65 plays and had 15 first

downs and they ran only 23 plays. That tells you something right there that we didn't finish drives and we didn't tackle." Fikes finished with 132 yards

rushing on 35 carries and two touchdowns. He also connected with senior Justin Reis on an 8-yard scoring toss in the second half.

Lutheran Westland closes out the regular season 1 p.m. Saturday at home against Detroit Urban Lutheran.



New Black Belts

Sarah Iler, 10, Trevor Riker, 9, and Jonathan Rickard, 9, all of Livonia, were among several individuals on Oct. 3 who received their black belt from P.K.S.A. Karate Schools. The three started together four years ago at the Livonia school under the direction of Kyo Sa Nim David Areeada. Their hard work and devotion led them on a journey of self-confidence, respect, responsibility and self-defense. Their belts are midnight blue vs. black because black is final where as midnight blue represents infinity. Training has not ended but will continue, for there is always room to improve and grow.

No. 22 Crusaders rip Davenport

Returning to the NAIA National rankings in the No. 22 spot, the Madonna University women's volleyball team earned its 15th straight victory Tuesday at home with a 25-21, 25-21, 25-18 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference win over Davenport University.

Senior Liz Dempsey (Livonia Franklin) led all players with 13 kills to go along with 13 digs as MU improved to 22-6 overall and 10-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Juniors Karie Altman and Megan Fricke contributed nine kills each, while Frick added 15 digs.

Amanda Koszela finished with a match-high 20 digs and setter Evia Prieditis contributed 35 assist-to-kills as MU

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has now won 19 of its last 20 matches.

The Panthers (17-12, 7-6) got 10 kills and 17 digs from Kassie Graves.

MU rules tournament

The Crusaders wrapped up their five-match in three-day stretch on Saturday with a pair of wins at the University of St. Francis Asics/Munciana Invitational held inside the Munciana Sportplex in Yorktown, Ind.

MU opened the morning with a 19-25, 25-21, 25-17, 25-22 victory over Indiana University-East before closing the event with a 25-11, 25-7, 25-2 sweep of Calumet College

of St. Joseph (Ind.).

The Crusaders (21-6) got 23 kills from Altman and 20 from Dempsey in the win over 26-1 IU-East.

Fricke also chipped in with 15 kills, while setter Evia Prieditis had 56 assist-to-kills.

Four players reached double figures in digs led by Dempsey (14), Koszela (13), Livonia Churchill's Anna Gatt (12) and Fricke (10).

Courtney Flory and Paige Lay had 14 and 11 kills, respectively, for IU-East.

Against Calumet St. Joseph (0-22), Altman had 18 kills and Fricke added 16. Dempsey contributed 17 digs, while Prieditis had 36 assists and six ace serves.

MU has won 14 in a row and 18 of its last 19 matches.

Lady Ocelots sweep

Schoolcraft College improved to 19-11 overall and 9-3 in the MCCA's Eastern Conference Tuesday by defeating visiting Henry Ford Community College, 19-25, 25-15, 25-16, 25-19. The loss drops the Hawks to 4-18 overall and 3-9 in the conference.

On Saturday, Schoolcraft swept a pair of matches at last-place Alpena CC.

The Lady Ocelots captured the first match of the twinbill, 25-17, 25-9, 25-7, and also took the nightcap, 25-12, 25-6, 25-15.

Alpena falls to 1-20 overall and 0-10 in the conference. In a non-conference match Friday at Alpena, Schoolcraft defeated Sault College (Ontario) in three straight sets, 25-7, 25-11, 25-5.

Lutheran Westland clips Eagles in MIAC Blue encounter

Amanda Terranella's 10 kills and four blocks catapulted Lutheran High Westland to a 25-18, 25-19, 25-18 girls volleyball win Tuesday at Southfield Christian.

Taylor Wiemer and Marisa Hahn paced the Warriors' defense with 25 and 22 kills, respectively.

Erica Killian added 14 assists, three ace serves and 10 digs, while Leah Refenes finished with eight assists and 10 digs. Alyssa Shirkey also contributed three aces.

"I thought we played well tonight," said Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade, whose team is 13-16-4 overall and 3-4 in the MIAC Blue Division. "We did a lot of good things, but we still have some things to fix as we get ready for the conference tournament and ultimately the state tournament. Once we solidify a few things, we'll be alright."

On Saturday, the Warriors enjoyed a highly productive run Saturday in Romulus girls volleyball tournament going 3-0-2 en route to the Silver

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Division title.

In pool play, Lutheran Westland finished tied for first, but due to a point differential, wound up third and in the Silver bracket as the top seed. They split with the host Eagles (25-19, 16-25) and Brownstown Woodhaven (25-22, 21-25), while defeating Redford Union (25-16, 25-16).

Lutheran Westland then captured the Silver with victories over Grosse Ile (28-26, 25-20) and RU (26-24, 25-17).

"We had a very good day," Wade said. "We played as a team and we battled back from some deficits to win sets and ultimately matches."

Terranella led the way with a total of 21 total, 11 blocks (four solo) and nine ace serves (24 points) on the day.

Wiemer added 54 total digs and was 28-of-29 serving (18 points, two aces); Hahn (12 kills, 45 digs, four aces); Refenes (10 kills, four blocks, 23 assist-to-kills); Killian (41

assists, 28 service points, five aces); Hannah Conley (seven kills, 10 digs); Jacqui Schwartz (seven kills; Shirkey (14 digs); Jamilyn Preece (six blocks, one solo).

Hawks flying high

Senior Leah Miller finished with 10 kills, nine aces and five digs to lead a balanced attack as Westland Huron Valley Lutheran to a 25-17, 28-26, 25-8 triumph Tuesday at Novi Franklin Road Christian.

Senior Paige Sharrow and junior Meghan Kubinski each added nine kills as the Hawks improved to 12-13-2 overall and 7-1 in the MIAC's Red Division.

Junior setter Paige Schmidt added 31 assist and freshman Lexus Medina gave the Hawks a lift on the front row with five kills and a block.

"Hopefully we can build on our efforts tonight as we prepare for the end of the season," HVL co-coach Kris Ruth said. "Our serving in the second game was poor, which we need to focus on for the entire

match. On Monday, host Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day beat the Warriors, 25-18, 25-11, 25-13, in a non-conference match as Sharrow and Miller each recorded six kills.

"Our serve receive passing was not good, we gave them too many easy balls," Ruth said.

Last week, Huron Valley captured a pair of Red Division matches at home. On Friday, senior Leah Miller had 11 kills and four aces in the Hawks' 25-7, 25-23, 25-17 win over Warren Macomb Christian.

Schmidt added 23 assists, five aces and four kills, while Kubinski contributed six aces and four kills.

On Thursday, Sharrow led the way with nine kills, three aces and six digs in a 25-16, 25-17, 25-17 triumph over Newport Lutheran South.

Other contributions came from Miller (five kills, six digs), Kubinski (six kills), junior Allie Dest (eight digs) and Schmidt (16 assists).

BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

MHSA DIVISION 1 BOYS TENNIS FINALS

Oct. 15-16 at Midland Tennis Center

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 32 points; 2. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 30; 3. Birmingham Brother Rice, 22; 4. Ann Arbor Huron, 19; 5. (tie) Novi and Troy, 17 each; 7. Grosse Pointe South, 13; 8. Port Huron Northern, 10; 9. (tie) Grand Blanc and Grand Haven, 10; 10. West Bloomfield, 8; 12. Holland West Ottawa, 5; 13. (tie) Livonia Franklin and Grand Ledge, 3 each; 15. (tie) Livonia Churchill, Fraser, Grandville, Holt, Plymouth and Warren Cousins, 2 each; 21. (tie) Milford and Romeo, 1 each; 22. Livonia Stevenson, 0.

AREA TEAM RESULTS

NO. 1 SINGLES

Stephen Payne (Franklin): def. Mark Chasney (Cousins), 6-1, 6-1; lost to Joe Dube (Novi CC), 6-2, 6-4.

Akshay Moorthy (Churchill): defeated Zach Smith (Holt), 6-4, 6-1; lost to John Willard (G.P. South), 6-2, 6-1.

Kevin Franco (Stevenson): lost to Alex Kim (Milford), 6-0, 6-0.

NO. 2 SINGLES

Walter Woods (Franklin): def. Ben Lamers (Fraser), 6-2, 6-1; lost to Michael Dube (Novi CC), 6-3, 6-7 (6-8), 6-0.

Matt Cozart (Churchill): lost to Jim Schutt (West Ottawa), 6-2, 6-3.

Josh Rochette (Stevenson): lost to Gunnar Perry (Brother Rice), 6-1, 6-2.

NO. 3 SINGLES

Brandon Kozyn (Franklin): lost to Tim Gaul (P.H. Northern), 6-1, 6-0.

Jalen Woods (Churchill): lost to Bradley Brown (Cousins), 6-3, 1-6, 7-5.

Vince Sabatini (Stevenson): lost to Charlie Miller (G.P. South), 6-3, 6-0.

NO. 4 SINGLES

Tim Crouson (Franklin): lost to Matt Clune (G.P. South), 6-3, 6-0.

Rishabh Arvkar (Churchill): lost to Zachary

McKenzie (Grand Blanc), 6-0, 6-1.

Marcus McCathney (Stevenson): lost to Michael Chang (Novi), 6-4, 6-0.

NO. 1 DOUBLES

Chase Semonick-Jacob Liberati (Franklin): lost to Matt Kuntzman-Kento Mizusaki (Troy), 6-0, 6-0.

Michael Hough-Joseph Mulka (Churchill): def. David Shankin-Jacob Rumschlag (Romeo), 2-6, 6-1, 6-3; lost to Hunter St. Pierre-Jaylor Zdanowski (Pioneer), 6-0, 6-1.

Josh York-Paul Franchina (Stevenson): lost to Jake Singer-Stephan Hutekevitz (W. Bloomfield), 6-1, 6-0.

NO. 2 DOUBLES

Joe Bastas-Chris Siltarski (Franklin): lost to Joe Neamonitis-Evan Winowiecki (Fraser), 6-4, 6-2.

Abraham Alhabeil-Alex Zuccarini (Churchill): lost to Greg Pilchak-Tim Hoffman (Novi CC), 6-1, 6-0.

Kaeman Holman-Rayos-Chad Northey (Stevenson): lost to Zach Lederman-Adrian Villa (W. Bloomfield), 6-2, 7-6, 7-5.

NO. 3 DOUBLES

John Vetula-Tyler Kaldobsky (Franklin): lost to Michael Suigussaar-Lucas Driesenga (West Ottawa), 6-0, 6-2.

Ryan McPherson-Brian Baumgartner (Churchill): lost to Alex Padilla-Colden Gosselin (G.P. South), 6-3, 6-1.

Simjae Holman-Rayos-Jacob Ratliff (Stevenson): lost to Adam Novajovsky-Tyler Elias (Grand Blanc), 6-3, 6-3.

NO. 4 DOUBLES

Adam Michael-Quentin Palais (Franklin): lost to Dan Dykens-Blake Denboer (West Ottawa), 6-2, 7-5.

Kyle Appel-Michael Inglis (Churchill): lost to Daniel Garberding-Alex Gosselin (G.P. South), 6-1, 6-0.

Sam Tabor-Kenny Nikkila (Stevenson): lost to Cam Rickard-Korey Searle (Grand Haven), 6-0, 6-2.

GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

DUAL MEET RESULTS

LIVONIA LADYWOOD 97 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 88

Oct. 19 at John Glenn

200-yard medley relay: 1. John Glenn (Kali Aloisi, Khiry Sparks, Rachael Alholinna, Jennie Humbach), 2:06.39; 2. Ladywood (Jessica Arabi, Caleigh Griffin, Maddy Pelon, Alaina Stevenson), 2:08.07; 3. Ladywood, 2:18.41.

200 freestyle: 1. Heather Pijor (LL), 2:12.51; 2. Nicole Munson (LL), 2:14.86; 3. Lindsey Bessinger (WJG), 2:15.62.

200 individual medley: 1. Aloisi (WJG), 2:31.26; 2. Griffin (LL), 2:35.04; 3. Arabi (LL), 2:36.61.

50 freestyle: 1. Hannah Weaver (LL), 28.01; 2. Sparks (WJG), 28.05; 3. M. Pelon (LL), 28.15.

1-meter diving: 1. Desiree Clenney (WJG), 200.20 points; 2. Humbach (WJG), 151.90; 3. Brooke C. Graham (WJG), 131.95.

100 butterfly: 1. Alholinna (WJG), 1:06.96; 2. Abby Pelon (LL), 1:08.37; 3. Lia Andreassi

(LL), 1:16.14.

100 freestyle: 1. Aloisi (WJG), 59.96; 2. Weaver (LL), 1:00.16; 3. Stevenson (LL), 1:03.86.

500 freestyle: 1. Pijor (LL), 5:55.11; 2. Munson (LL), 5:59.47; 3. Bessinger (WJG), 6:17.41.

200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Aloisi, Kim Nolasco, Humbach, Sparks), 1:51.37; 2. Ladywood (M. Pelon, Weaver, Stevenson, Pijor), 1:51.7; 3. Ladywood, 2:01.56.

100 backstroke: 1. Alholinna (WJG), 1:11.73; 2. Arabi (LL), 1:13.7; 3. Allana Tarnacki (LL), 1:18.41.

100 breaststroke: 1. Griffin (LL), 1:15.74; 2. Sparks (WJG), 1:16.01; 3. Humbach (WJG), 1:20.77.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Ladywood (Weaver, Arabi, Munson, Pijor), 4:15.22; 2. John Glenn (Alholinna, Bessinger, Graham, Kate Moran), 4:26.27; 3. Ladywood, 4:45.26.

Dual meet records: Ladywood, 3-4-1 overall; John Glenn, 2-4 overall.

Wayne Memorial spikers stun Glenn in five sets

Wayne Memorial's Katie and Keri Horton proved to be double trouble Tuesday as the host Zebras earned their first KLAA South Division girls volleyball win, 3-2, at the expense of rival Westland John Glenn.

Katie Horton finished the night with 15 kills and eight blocks, while Keri contributed 12 kills, seven blocks and 11 digs in a 26-24, 18-25, 25-20, 18-25, 17-15 victory over the Rockets.

The Horton sisters also combined to serve 18 points. Other heroes for the Zebras, now 20-25-4 overall and 1-8 in the KLAA South, included Amanda Chalmers, who served 25 points (including three aces) to go along with six

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digs; Joanna Witte, 15 points and nine digs; Alyssa Florn, 10 points and six digs; Shelby Hooper, 10 points and three kills.

"We haven't beaten John Glenn in the last six years, maybe even longer," Wayne coach Deb Mills said. "This is a huge win for us. The team has really worked hard and the win shows that."

Glenn, meanwhile, falls to 13-13-5 overall and 3-6 in the KLAA South.

Plymouth dumps Pats

In a KLAA South Division

match Tuesday, visiting Plymouth earned a 25-21, 25-16, 25-16 victory over host Livonia Franklin.

Chelsea Williams had 12 kills, while libero Nicole Williamson collected 25 digs in a losing cause for the Patriots (8-24-3, 1-8).

The Wildcats are 17-7-3 overall and 6-3 in the division.

Rocks stop Stevenson

In a KLAA Central match Tuesday, host Salem rolled to a 25-18, 25-14, 25-18 win over Livonia Stevenson.

Reina Tyl had 11 kills, four aces and two blocks as the Spartans fall to 13-15-4 overall and 3-6 in the division. Sammy

Caves and Allie Koestering each had eight assists, while Jordan York and Katie Tomasic had 18 and 11 digs, respectively.

In Saturday's Michigan Elite Beast of the East Tournament held in Warren, the Spartans went 1-1-2.

They defeated Troy (25-16, 25-19), split with Flushing (22-25, 25-16) and Fraser (16-25, 25-23), while falling to state ranked Temperance Bedford (16-25, 15-25).

Tyl and Tomasic recorded 30 and 21 kills, respectively on the day. Monika Rudis added 19.

Caves and Koestering combined for 47 assists, while Tomasic and York finished with 28 and 20 digs, respectively.

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CALENDAR

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Livonia
Details: Dr. Brenda Snow is the guest speaker. Child care is available for children under 8. RSVP for child care and bring a sack lunch to the event for each child registered
Contact: (734) 427-8743

Quilt show
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 6
Location: Westland Christian Union Church, located at Marquette and Wayne Road, Westland
Details: Ladies United Voice of the church sponsors the show that will include door prizes, vendors, and a bake sale in addition to quilts. Lunch will be available. The group requests a \$3 donation for admission
Contact: Mary Surbrook at (734) 721-6871

School open house
Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7
Location: 10450 Joy, in Plymouth and 4101 E. Joy, in Ann Arbor
Details: Both Spiritus Sanctus Academy campuses are hosting open houses. The Academies are independent K-8 Catholic Schools, administered by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. The Academies place a priority on faith development along with a challenging and integrated curriculum. All of the Academy students are accepted into the Catholic high school of their choice. Tour the campuses, talk with teachers and students, and meet the principals.
Contact: For Plymouth, (734) 414-8430; for Ann Arbor, (734) 996-3855

Tea, fashion show
Time/Date: Doors open at noon, Sunday, Nov. 7
Location: Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Six Mile, Livonia
Details: Ladies of Sacred Heart 2nd Annual Tea, Luncheon and Fashion Show. Luncheon provided by Thomas's Catering of Livonia. Fashion show provided by Clothing Cove of Milford. Tickets are \$30 each; tables of 8 may be reserved
Contact: (734) 482-3170 or (734) 261-8560

Widowed Friends
Time/Date: 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5
Location: Antonio's Cucina Italiana, 2220 N. Canton Center Road in Canton
Details: Widowed men and women gather for dinner and conversation. If more than 18 people respond, a special menu that includes family-

style servings of salad, bread and mostaccioli, along with one choice from five different entrees, coffee, tea and ice cream would cost approximately \$17. If fewer than 18 respond, participants will order from the regular menu, with separate checks
Contact: RSVP no later than Oct. 29 to Patty at (734) 699-5148

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Alternative Christmas
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13
Location: St. Fabian Parish, 32200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Charities will sell items that can be used as gifts. All of the money goes to the charity itself. Hope Lutheran Church collaborates with the parish on the annual event
Contact: (248) 553-4610

Composer festival
Time/Date: 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13
Location: Birmingham First United Methodist Church, 1589 Maple, between Southfield Road and Cranbrook, Birmingham
Details: Gilbert Martin will lead the festival choir of more than 100 voices performing his own works. Tickets are \$5 at the door
Contact: (248) 646-1200

Share the Bounty
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Nov. 12
Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: The annual fund-raiser includes decadent sweets and chances to win handmade items and gift baskets for the benefit of needy families at Christmas. The church is partnering with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and has committed up to \$1,000 for the fund-raiser to benefit the needy in our area. Tickets are \$15 and all proceeds will help approximately 15 families through the Salvation Army
Contact: (734) 464-0211

ONGOING

AWANA
Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays
Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade
Contact: (248) 426-0096

Classes/study
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia
Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.
Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to jcook59@att.net.

Livonia Unity
Time/Date: Monday movement Oigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Oigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Oigong, 7-8:30 p.m.
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Men's Bible study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
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Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church
Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: (734) 846-4615 for information

Nicole's Revival
Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday
Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford
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Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Scripture study
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Ward Presbyterian
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays
Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville
Details: Learner's Bible study is held
Contact: (248) 374-5920

Clothing bank
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Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday
Location: 4171 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty
Details: Canton Christian Fellowship

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Crafters wanted
First United Methodist Church
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 23
Location: Eight Mile and Taft in Northville
Details: 3rd Annual Community Bazaar to benefit Village Banking at the church. A great opportunity for local entrepreneurs and artists to showcase their talents and products to hundreds of local customers. Booking now
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Time/Date: Oct. 22-23
Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia
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Contact: (734) 464-0990; download an application at www.riversideparkchurch.org

St. John's Episcopal Church
Time/Date: Oct. 9
Location: 555 South Wayne Road, Westland
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St. Thomas a'Becket
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 4
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Fellowship dinner
St. James Presbyterian
Time/Date: 6 p.m., the first Thursday of the month
Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford
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Contact: (313) 268-7780. The church phone number is (313) 534-7730

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New Hope Church
Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only
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Moms
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m., first and third Thursday, MOPNext. Both programs run through May
Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPNext supports mothers of school-aged children. The theme will be "Mology - The Art & Science of Mothering" for MOPS and "Boundaries" for MOPNext
Contact: Rebekah Creeden at (734) 524-0283 for MOPS and Susan Magner at (248) 478-3643 for MOPNext

Dunning Park Bible Chapel
Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., first and third Tuesdays
Location: 24800 West Chicago Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope
Contact: Amy at (313) 937-3084 or Kristen at (734) 542-0767

Prayer
Nardin Park United Methodist Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday
Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests
Contact: (248) 476-8860

St. Edith Church
Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday
Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through the back of the church
Details: Music, singing, prayer
Contact: Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906

St. Michael's Church of Livonia
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. third Wednesday
Location: Corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads, Livonia
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Senior citizens
Riverside Park Church of God
Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., third Thursdays
Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia
Details: Senior adults, age 50 and

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Singles
First Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program
Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville
Details: Single Place Ministry meets; cost is \$5
Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant
Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday
Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others who are ready to help cope or become involved in the other social activities offered by Widowed Friends.
Contact: (313) 534-0399

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., Sunday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville
Details: Single Point Ministries, for 30 and up, offers fellowship. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation
Contact: (248) 374-5920

Song Circle
Congregation Beth Ahm
Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m., every Shabbat
Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield
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Support
Detroit World Outreach
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday
Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; room 202
Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling
Contact: (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244

Farmington Hills Baptist Church
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Improv-inspired show promises family-friendly humor

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Len Fisher describes Inspire Theatre's new show as a bit of *Carol Burnett Show*, *Laugh-In* and *Saturday Night Live* all rolled into one fast-paced, 90-minute production.

And it's family-friendly to boot.

"What I wanted to see was kind of old school and currently popular. It's a sketch comedy show, so I wanted to do something similar to the *Saturday Night Live* format, but also the format of *Carol Burnett* and *Laugh-In*," said Fisher, director of the Westland theater.

He borrowed elements from all three to create *Uncle Fuzzy's Serendipitous Cafe*.

Singer/songwriters Kyle Phillips and Brion Reborn will perform but won't appear in sketches as the musical guests did on the *Carol Burnett Show*. The audience may recognize the "Weekend Update" style in the show's news segment. And the cast will twist the *Laugh-In* "joke wall" into a bit about Facebook.

"It's not quite as fast-paced as *Laugh-In*. People my age will remember the joke wall but young people will identify with Facebook," Fisher said.

The show runs Friday-Sunday, Oct. 22-24 and Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 28-30, at 33445 Warren Road in Westland. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and available by calling (734) 751-7057.

SCRIPT DEVELOPMENT

The show is based on improvisation in rehearsals and group writing sessions, the same way the group developed its popular comedy show, *KORK-TV*.

"After *KORK* we did our annual musical variety revue. It was music and sketches, borrowed sketches from the

stage and television. It went well. I thought, why not take the idea of writing things and the variety style we've done well over the years?"

"I gave the company a premise and then I'd divide it into groups. I'd send them away to different rooms and let them work on ideas and come back and present it," Fisher described the writing process.

He and the troupe recently finished tweaking the script, which has been a work in progress since rehearsals began. Fisher said the actors strive to "keep it clean," focusing on "reality-based humor" in lieu of expletives, sex jokes or drug-related skits.

INVOLVING GUESTS

Although the improvisational work is complete, the show will include audience participation. Two ticket-holders will become silent actors in a soap opera sketch called "Disturbia Lane." They'll get some off-stage coaching and costuming before the sketch begins and will be placed in a scene about a cocktail party.

"These two people have to die on stage. They just have to die. The woman will just sit there. She has no lines. The script is written to say that Blanch is quiet all evening. And the other person in the scene is poisoned. He as to cough and die.

"Their friends will be in the audience cheering them on."

Fisher doesn't want to give away the scene, but everyone in the audience will be fair game for laughs during a multi-media presentation during the show.

In addition to eight sketches and two musical numbers, the show also includes video shorts. The Inspire Theatre cast includes actors from Westland, Canton, Plymouth, Redford, Garden City and Belleville.



"Uncle Fuzzy's Serendipitous Cafe" cast includes Len Fisher (back left), Gerry Wiatr, Thomas Grimes, Bobbi Gladden, John Donnelly, Toni Hammond (front left), Kelsi Fey and Mitch Hardy.



Thomas Grimes and Bobbi Gladden portray Thurston and Lovey Howell in Inspire Theatre's "Uncle Fuzzy's Serendipitous Cafe."



Thomas Grimes, Bobbi Gladden and John Donnelly rehearse a scene for Inspire Theatre's new show.

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The coffee house is free and is part of the Farmington/Farmington Hills Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council's Heritage Week celebration. Coffee and refreshments will be offered for a modest price. Other entertainment will include dance and vocal performances by local students. Jones has opened for well-known musicians, including B.B. King,

Bonnie Raitt, Taj Mahal, Robert Lockwood, and more. Known for his personal storytelling style, Jones also is an actor and radio producer and personality. He hosts a show on WDET-FM and has won many awards, including the "2007 Educator of the Year" from the Blues Foundation, and the "Outstanding Blues Writer" and "Outstanding Blues Album" at the Detroit Music Awards.

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Livonia woman wins fashion design, sewing challenge

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Raminta Vilkiene of Livonia has never driven a 1969 Pontiac GTO, but let it inspire her winning garment at a fashion design challenge last month during the American Sewing Expo in Novi.

Vilkiene won first place in the two-day Passion for Fashion Sewing Challenge. During the competition, contestants must draw inspiration from the Challenge theme, shop for fabric and supplies at the Expo, design and construct a garment while on public view. A fashion show caps the event.

"The challenge was we had to pick an old car and be inspired by the car," Vilkiene said. We had 12 contestants and 14 cars. Mine was a 1969 Pontiac GTO. It was a nice orange color, a nice car. I was born in 1972. I told the judges that for me, it's a little difficult because in the Soviet Union, you don't have a fancy car."

Vilkiene grew up in Lithuania and has lived in the United States since 1998. She's married, has two children and began designing and sewing clothing as a child.

"I tried to imagine my mom because that year she was college student who'd probably like to drive that kind of car," she said. "We had to shop inside the Expo. Haberman Fabrics (of Royal Oak) had some interesting upholstery fabric, a graffiti fabric. It was a 1960s-70s fabric that I chose for my skirt."

She selected a double-sided wool jersey in black and orange for a tank top and jacket from Fabrications, a Grand Rapids store. The two pieces are reversible.

"It was a little easier from



Steve Jeffery, president of Baby Lock, presents Raminta Vilkiene of Livonia with a new Baby Lock Symphony Sewing Machine, after she won first prize in the Passion for Fashion Challenge. The model (right) wears Vilkiene's winning garment.

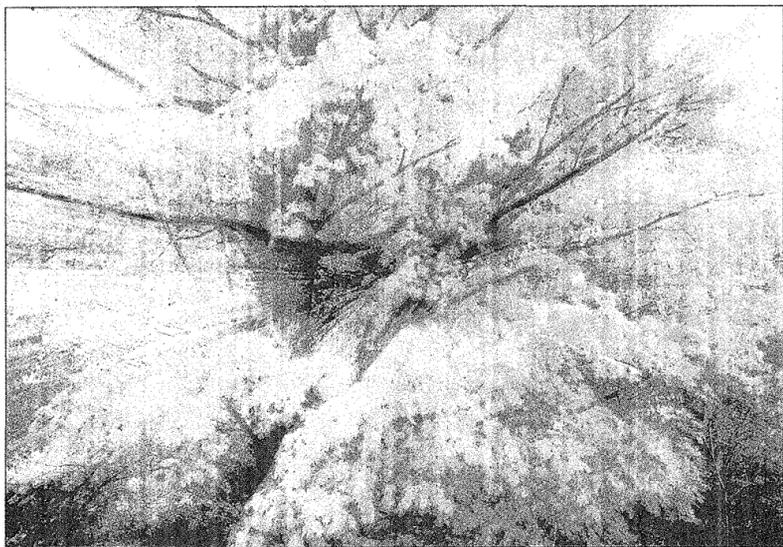
when I participated two years ago. It was a different challenge but I wasn't worried. There was less pressure and I thought I managed my time better," Vilkiene said. "Honestly, until Saturday morning I was not even knowing what I would do for the top. It was a last-minute idea. I liked some of the other pieces I saw and I wasn't sure that I would be chosen the winner."

Judges quizzed finalists about inspiration, technique and the fabrics they used. They considered construction, fit, composition and creativity when selecting the top three garments. Judges

included fashion designer Kenneth King; Annie Diaz of Haberman Fabrics; Joi Mahon, winner of the 2009 Challenge; and Becky Fulgoni, sewing mentor for the contest and a finalist in the 2007 Challenge.

Vilkiene won a sewing machine from Baby Lock and a trip to New York City, N.Y. "It is a quilting machine, but sewers can use it too, of course. It has a lot of decorative stitching and you can connect it to your computer."

The New York trip will include a tour of Simplicity Patterns, visits to designer studios, and stops at fabric stores.



Beautiful images

Learn to capture the beauty of fall through a "walking photography" class at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 27, in Woodland Hills Park located on the west side of Farmington Road, just south of I-696. Jacob Nothstine will share professional techniques to improve photography skills and lead the one-mile walk on primitive trails. Participants should bring their camera, questions and walking shoes. Classes are open to students ages 7 through adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. The fee is \$10 per class for residents, \$15 per class for nonresidents. On-line registration is available at www.recreg.fhgov.com. For more information, call the Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1859.

GET OUT

ART

Art & Ideas

Time/Date: Through Nov. 14

Location: 15095 Northville Road, south of Five Mile, Plymouth

Details: "Diverse Forms, Diverse Meanings," with works by Schoolcraft College Art Faculty, Robert Bielat, Sarah Olson and Ellen Mouchoulis

Contact: (734) 420-0775

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Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, through Nov. 16

Location: Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Paintings and prints by Munazza Naeem, an instructor at the Windsor, Ontario Printmaker's Forum, where she teaches drawing, painting, and printmaking, are on exhibit

Contact: (248) 473-1856

Northville Art House

Time/Date: Through Oct. 23

Location: 215 W. Cady Street, Northville

Details: Figurative juried exhibit with works by more than 60 artists

Contact: (248) 344-0497

Plymouth Community Arts Council

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday, through October

Location: Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Works by Ann Arbor artist Miriam Brysk, "Children of the Holocaust." A reception for the artist runs 1-2:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 31

Contact: (734) 416-4278

Schoolcraft College

Time/Date: 2 p.m., Oct. 23

Location: VistaTech Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

Details: Fiber artist, Madelyn van der Hoogt will speak at a program in honor of Margaret Windekecht and Jean Brudzinski. Refreshments will be served; free

Contact: www.michiganweaversguild.org

COMEDY

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Details: Shang, through Oct. 23; Angel Salazar, Oct. 27-30

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Time/Date: The Alternate Routes, Barefoot Truth and The Kin, Oct. 21; The RFD Boys, Oct. 22; The Max Weinberg Big Band, Oct. 23; John Jorgenson Quintet, Oct. 24; Take a Chance Tuesday with LeRoy Bell, Oct. 26; Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Oct. 27; Chris Buhalis and Jo Serrapere, Oct. 28; Los Straightjackets and Big Sandy and His Fly-Rite Boys, Oct. 29; The Verve Pipe Kids' Show and The Verve Pipe - Alternative Takes, an Evening with The Verve Pipe, Oct. 30; The Subdudes: Halloween Spectacular, Oct. 31

Location: 316 South Main, Ann Arbor

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Baseline Folk Society

Time/Date: Third Saturday of the month

Location: The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Eight "Open-Mic" performances plus a featured group perform. Individual membership is \$25 and includes monthly concerts from September through May. Otherwise, admission to each concert is \$5 at the door. Family memberships are \$50 and include monthly concerts

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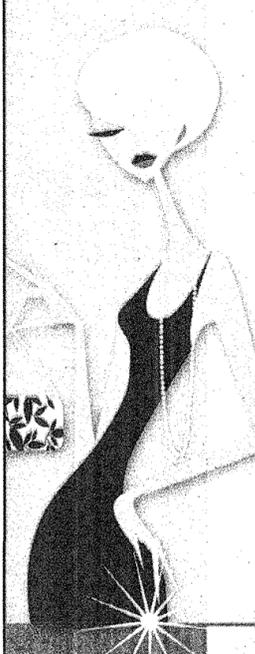
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- "Ask the Experts" - panel of physician experts on women's health
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- Information on breast self-exams
- Health screenings
- Massages and mini manicures (free!), *limited space available*
- Mammograms (must be scheduled in advance)*
- Skin care
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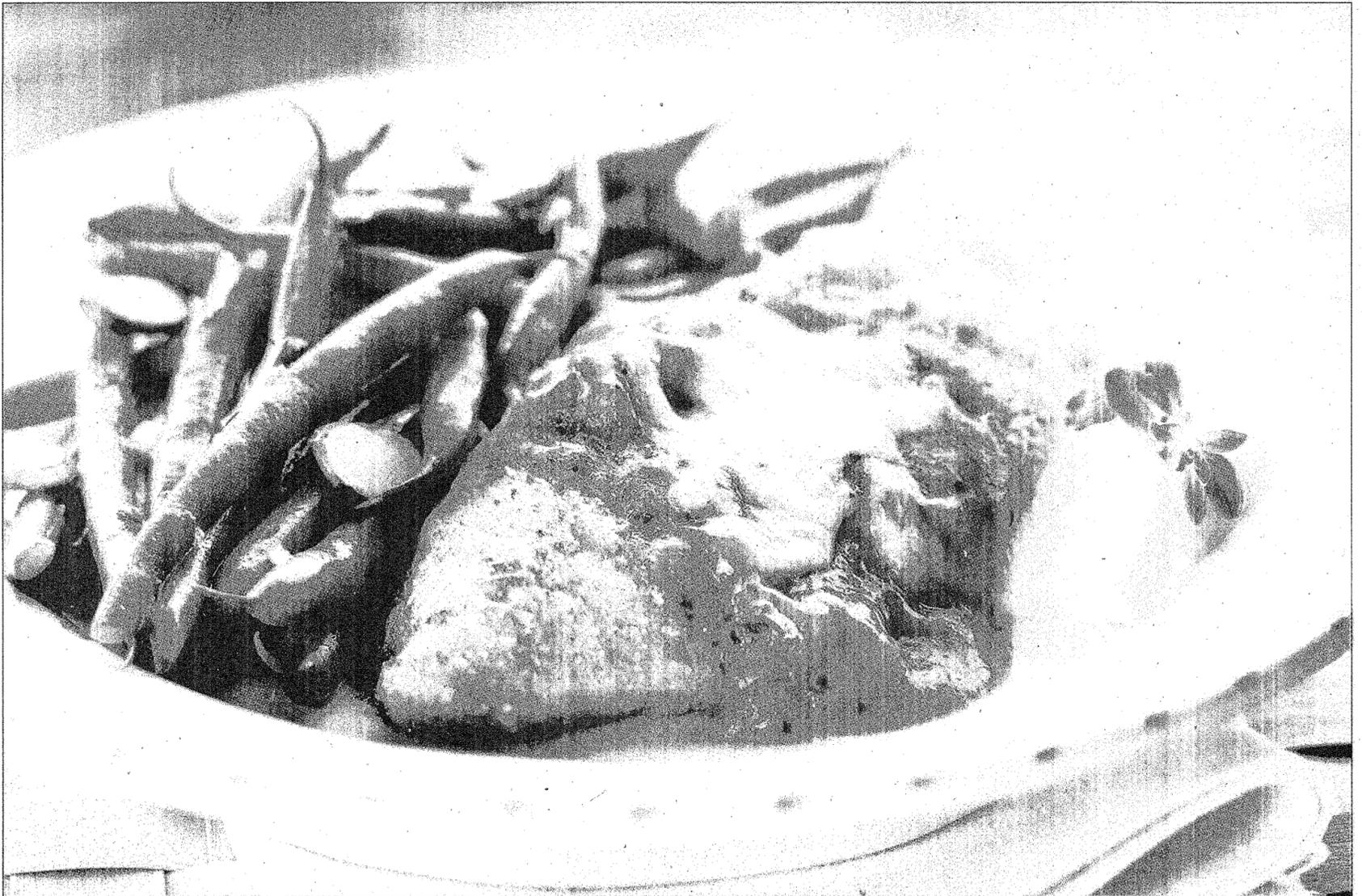
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No Frying Chicken Parmesan

Wholesome and delicious

Meals in a snap

NO FRYING CHICKEN PARMESAN

A great recipe for a classic dish with a twist that will help you save time. What could be better?

6 servings

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 30 minutes

¾ cup plain dry bread crumbs

½ teaspoons Italian seasoning

¼ teaspoon garlic powder

6 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (about 2 pounds)

1 egg, beaten

1 jar (1 pound 10 ounce) Ragú Old World Style Pasta Sauce

1 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese (about 4 ounces)

12 ounces pasta, cooked and drained

Preheat oven to 400°. Combine bread crumbs, Italian seasoning and garlic powder in shallow dish. Dip chicken in egg, then crumb mixture; turn to coat.

Arrange chicken in 13- by 9-inch baking dish. Bake 20 minutes.

Pour pasta sauce over chicken; top with cheese. Bake an additional 10 minutes or until chicken is thoroughly cooked. Serve with hot pasta.

TIP: Most dishes that call for frying can be baked to cut down on the fat. Try substituting eggplant for chicken for a vegetarian version.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 570, Calories From Fat 90, Saturated Fat 3.5g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 10g, Cholesterol 135mg, Sodium 810mg, Total Carbohydrate 64g, Sugars 9g, Dietary Fiber 5g, Protein 52g, Vitamin A 4 percent, Vitamin C 8 percent, Calcium 25 percent, Iron 25 percent.

SKILLET PASTA & BEEF DINNER

Save any leftovers, then send to school heated and stored in a thermos for a warm lunchtime treat. 6 servings

Prep Time: 5 minutes

Cook Time: 25 minutes

Stand Time: 5 minutes

1½ pounds lean ground beef

1 jar (1 pound 10 ounces) Ragú Old World Style Traditional Pasta Sauce

3 cups water

12 ounces uncooked rotini pasta

1 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese (about 4 ounces)

Brown ground beef in 12-inch skillet; drain.

Stir in pasta sauce and water. Bring to a boil over high heat. Stir in uncooked rotini and return to a boil. Reduce heat to medium and cook covered, stirring occasionally, 14 minutes or until rotini is tender. Remove from heat, then sprinkle with cheese. Cover and let stand 5 minutes or until cheese is melted.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 490, Calories From Fat 110, Saturated Fat 5g, Trans Fat 0g, Total Fat 12g, Cholesterol 85mg, Sodium 670mg, Total Carbohydrate 54g, Sugars 8g, Dietary Fiber 5g, Protein 38g, Vitamin A 2 percent, Vitamin C 4 percent, Calcium 20 percent, Iron 30 percent

Putting wholesome food on the table that your family will enjoy doesn't have to take hours to prepare. Registered dietitian and author, Felicia Stoler, offers some simple recipes and tips on how to add more flavor and nutrition into your meals, making meal prep stress-free and fun for the family.

— Keep your pantry stocked and plan ahead. A pasta meal typically takes less than 30 minutes to make. Ragú Old World Style Traditional pasta sauce now has a new, thicker recipe with two servings of vegetables in every half cup. Add some pre-cut fresh, frozen or canned greens as a side dish, and you have a veggie-packed meal.

— Include your kids in the cooking process. This is a great way to spend quality time with your children and teach them the skill of cooking. They love to feel like they can contribute to their family, plus — many kids will eat what they make.

— Use leftovers for lunch. The Ragú No Frying Chicken Parmesan is a classic dish that will help save time. After dinnertime, pack it in a small container or prepare in a hero sandwich for lunch the next day to make less work (and stress) in the morning.

For more tips and recipes, visit www.ragu.com or www.facebook.com/ragusauce.



Mama's Best Ever Spaghetti and Meatballs.



Skillet Pasta & Beef Dinner

MAMA'S BEST EVER SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALLS

A classic Italian-American dish that can be as simple or fancy as you want it to be.

6 servings

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 20 minutes

1½ pounds lean ground beef

4 slices whole grain bread, torn into small pieces

2 eggs

1 jar (1 pound 10 ounces) Ragú Old World Style Pasta Sauce, divided

¼ teaspoons Italian seasoning

¼ teaspoons garlic powder

12 ounces spaghetti, cooked and drained

Combine ground beef, bread, eggs, ¼ cup pasta sauce, Italian seasoning and garlic powder in medium bowl; shape into 18 meatballs.

Bring remaining pasta sauce to a boil over medium-high heat in 12-inch skillet. Gently stir in uncooked meatballs. Reduce heat to low and simmer covered, stirring occasionally, 20 minutes or until meatballs are done. Serve over hot spaghetti.

TIP: Try adding a cube of mozzarella cheese to the center of each meatball for an easy but fun recipe twist.

Nutrition Information per serving: Calories 480, Calories From Fat 90, Saturated Fat 3g, Trans Fat 0.5g, Total Fat 10g, Cholesterol 130mg, Sodium 630mg, Total Carbohydrate 61g, Sugars 10g, Dietary Fiber 6g, Protein 36g, Vitamin A 2 percent, Vitamin C 4 percent, Calcium 6 percent, Iron 30 percent.

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Sweet & spicy ribs warm up fall feasts

Just because the weather is getting cooler doesn't mean you have to pack the grill away for the season. Fall is a perfect time to prepare a mouth-watering spread on the deck or in the backyard. And whether you're tailgating, having weekend guests or just craving the tastes and smells of the grill, Chili-Glazed Beef Ribs are a great dish for everyone. Sweet with brown sugar and molasses and spicy, with a little help from Tabasco sauce, these ribs will disappear lickity split!

CHILI-GLAZED BEEF RIBS

Serves 6
 4 pounds beef back ribs
 4 teaspoons original Tabasco brand pepper sauce, divided
 ½ cup ketchup
 ¼ cup molasses
 ¼ cup white balsamic vinegar
 1 tablespoon brown sugar
 ½ teaspoon salt
 Preheat oven to 325° F.
 Brush ribs with 2 teaspoons Tabasco sauce. Place in large roasting pan. Cover tightly with foil; bake 1½ hours.
 Meanwhile, in small saucepan, combine ketchup, molasses, vinegar, brown sugar, remaining 2 teaspoons Tabasco sauce

and salt. Heat to a boil over high heat; reduce heat to low; simmer, uncovered about 5 minutes to blend flavors.
 Preheat grill to medium-low over indirect heat. Brush ribs on both sides with sauce. Place ribs on grill; meat-side down. Cover and continue cooking 15 minutes. Turn ribs over; brush with more sauce. Cook 15 minutes longer, or until ribs are tender. Serve ribs with grilled bell peppers, if desired.
 Note: If you prefer, substitute one 4-pound slab pork spare ribs in place of beef ribs. Prepare as above.

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Thick fall sweaters and cozy pants are no excuse to let your craving for comfort food expand your waistline. To keep your appetite at bay during the cool months of autumn, swap traditional baking ingredients with versions that can help you enjoy favorite baked goods without interfering with your weight goals. Read on for a few quick tips and new products that can help you stay on track.

To make over some of those high-fat fall baking favorites, try these quick substitutions:

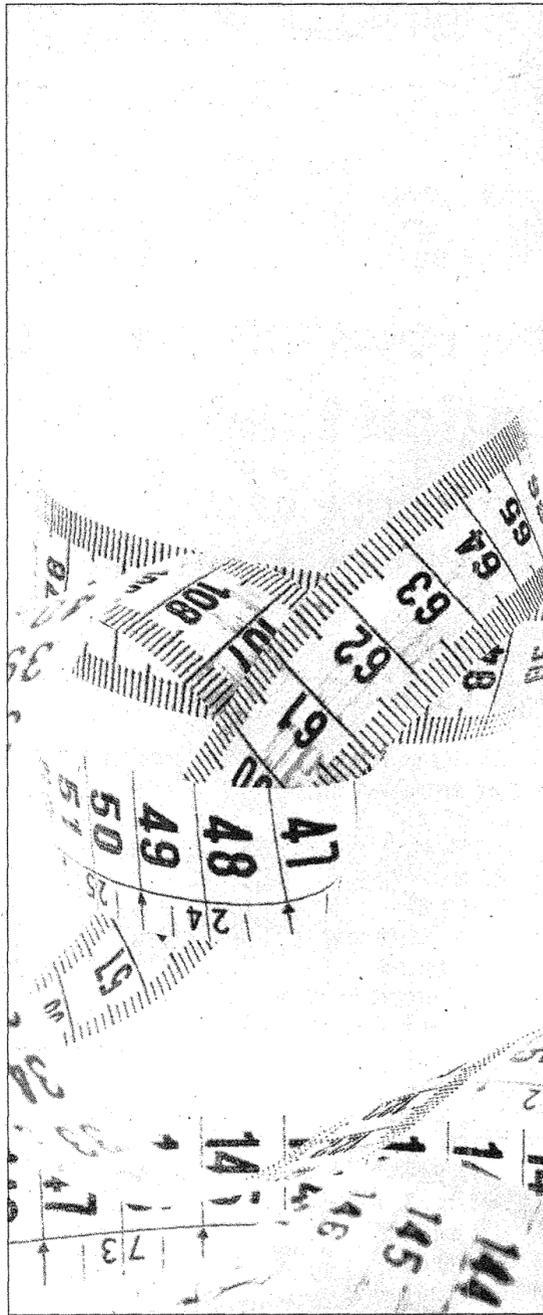
- 1 cup whole milk: 1 cup skim milk
- 1 cup butter or oil: ⅔ cup applesauce
- 1 egg: 2 egg whites
- 1 cup cream cheese: 1 cup lower-calorie cream spread for cooking, such as Weight Watchers Reduced Fat Cream Cheese Spread
- 1 cup heavy cream: 1 cup evaporated skim milk

Smart substitutions can help you cut calories by more than half. The basic banana bread slice, for example, contains an average of 325 calories and 12 grams of fat, and fruity bread or carrot cake might sound healthy but can be surprisingly high in fat and cholesterol. Fortunately, a few tweaks on these American favorites can help you cut calories by half.

Simply replace eggs with low-calorie egg beaters, butter with no-sugar-added applesauce, and add whole-wheat flour to your regular banana bread all-purpose flour (mix 1¼ cups whole-wheat and ¼ cup all-purpose flour for a large-loaf pan). And if you are a carrot cake fan, you don't have to skimp on the frosting if you use a rich low-calorie reduced-fat cream cheese. For example, Weight Watchers' new 8-ounce cream cheese spread contains 40 percent less fat than regular cream cheese and is perfect for cooking.

To enjoy warm baked goods and keep everyone in good shape also try serving a veggie quiche instead of a pie. When making a quiche, use fat-free milk, olive oil and low-fat cheese to keep it on the healthier side. Try this recipe for a delicious warm treat that the whole family will love.

Fall Baking



THREE ONION AND SWISS QUICHE

- Makes 8 servings**
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - ¼ cup diced leek, white part only
 - ½ cup sliced shallots
 - 1 cup sliced sweet onions
 - 1 10-inch unbaked pie crust
 - 4 slices Weight Watchers Swiss Cheese slices, cut into thin strips
 - 6 ounces Weight Watchers Reduced Fat Cream Cheese Spread
 - ¼ cup fat-free milk
 - 4 eggs
 - ½ teaspoon Tabasco sauce
 - Kosher salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 350°F. Heat olive oil over medium heat in large skillet; cook leek, shallots and onion until softened or about five minutes. Set aside. Line pie crust with foil and pastry beads or rice; bake 8 minutes. Carefully remove foil. Place crust on rimmed baking pan. Place onion mixture and Swiss cheese in baked crust. Beat cream cheese and egg in mixing bowl until smooth. Gradually beat in milk, Tabasco, and salt and pepper to taste, beating until smooth; pour into pie crust. Bake 45 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Let stand 15 minutes before serving.

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