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**IN BRIEF**

**Sponsors needed**

Wayne Memorial High School is hosting its second Holiday Night Friday, Dec. 3, but it needs help from the community.

Elementary-age children and their families living in the Wayne Memorial attendance area are being invited to the event, manned by the Wayne Memorial staff, students and parent volunteers. Families are treated to dinner while youngsters have an opportunity to visit Santa at the North Pole and have their picture taken with him. Activities also include making an old-fashioned ornament, decorating holiday cookies, writing a letter to Santa and spending some time in the big inflatable. There also will be raffle prizes.

Organizers are looking for groups or individuals interested in being sponsors for the evening. Sponsorships are \$200 for the cookie and letters to Santa rooms, \$100 for North Pole-Santa picture and ornament room, \$500 for the spaghetti dinner and \$25-\$50 to be a Friend of the Evening.

A sponsorship form is available on the Wayne Memorial High School page of the district's website - www.wmcsd.net. Complete it, then call (734) 419-2206 for pickup before Nov. 25.

Sponsors will receive a photograph of their room in action after the event.

**Holiday help**

The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit is currently accepting applications for Christmas assistance from residents of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Applications will be accepted now through Dec. 10.

"It is important to get your application in as early as possible," said Major John Turner, general secretary for The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit. "We want to be able to accommodate everyone. Michigan's poverty rate is at approximately 14 percent this year, and because of that, we expect the demand for our holiday services to be immense."

In 2009, The Salvation Army provided 84,447 Christmas gifts to children and seniors. Westland families in need of assistance should contact the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army Corps Community Center at (734) 722-3660.

The program is reserved for families with children, those with special needs and senior citizens. Applicants must bring a picture ID for each household adult, birth certificates for household children, a current utility bill, as well as proof of household income and expenses.

In 2009, The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit was involved in providing 3,181,865 million meals and 724,134 nights of shelter for the homeless. The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army serves the resident of Wayne, Westland, Inkster, Romulus and New Boston. Its community center is at 2300 S. Venoy, north of Palmer, Westland. Office hours are 8 a.m. to noon and 1-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Lawsuit claims woman beaten by police**

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Wayne woman has filed a lawsuit in federal court accusing Westland police officers of beating her while she was in a holding cell on a domestic violence charge.

Attorney Arnold Reed filed the lawsuit on behalf of Krystal Gardner, 25, who was arrested Aug. 18 on a domestic violence charge that was later dismissed. The complaint is seeking \$2 million in damages. Reed couldn't be reached for comment.

Westland police are conducting an internal investigation into the incident

which the officers reported began when Gardner spit in the face of one officer.

"She (Gardner) pled guilty to assaulting the officer — she was the instigator," said Westland police Chief Alan Ramsden, who had not yet received a copy of the complaint. "Our investigation is ongoing, and we want to get the results. She admitted in court that she spit in the face of the officer."

The lawsuit specifically names officers Norman Brooks, Chris Gazdecki and Stephen Bird and the Westland Police Department as defendants.

A home health care aide, Gardner said she was placed in a cell that had no blanket and was moved to a differ-

ent cell after complaining the following day. As she entered the cell, she said an officer called her a name and she called him a name in response.

Gardner's lawsuit charges the officer then reopened the cell door and began beating her, with a second officer assisting him.

The police report was that after spitting in the officer's face, Gardner began punching and kicking so he struck her three times describing the blows as "closed fist strikes" to her head and face. When the officer noticed her lip was bleeding, he had dispatchers call EMS, the report says.

A video shows officers involved in

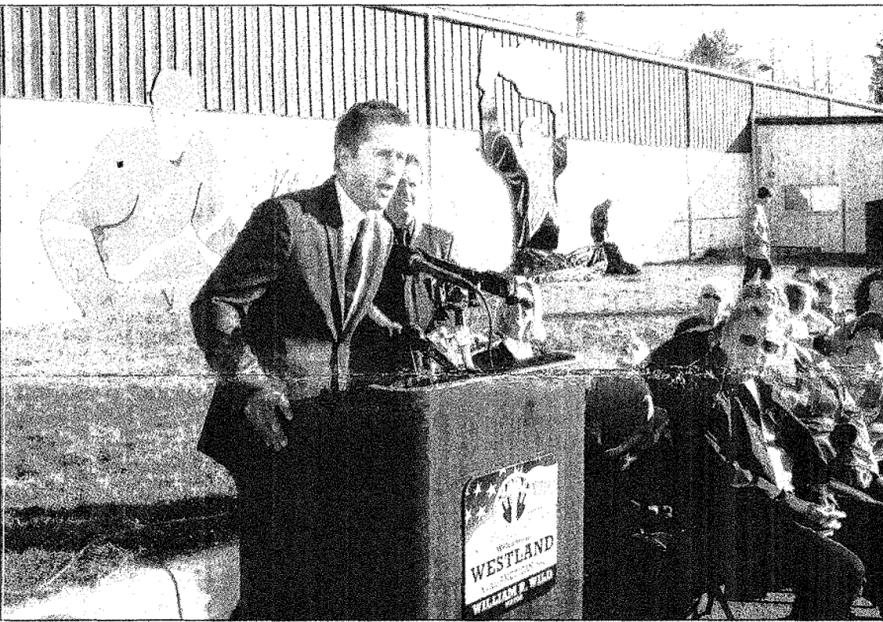
an altercation with Gardner in the cell but there is no sound and it was not immediately clear what triggered the incident.

At a press conference with her attorney Tuesday, Gardner denied spitting at the officer and indicated her guilty plea was made to get out of jail. She received probation on the charge of assaulting the officer.

"Her attorney says she was forced to plead guilty, but the court explains it like any court. Entering a plea is a big deal, it's not something that happens willy-nilly," Ramsden said.

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**Red Wing: It's an 'honor to be back'**



Guest of honor Mike Modano let the audience know that it was his childhood dream to play for the Wings. "To do it at the end of my career and in front of friends and family is great," he said.

**Fans welcome Mike Modano home**

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It was Mike Modano Day in Westland on Tuesday, and the NHL All-Star received the key to the city for a second time.

"We gave you the key to the city in 2003 but you were playing for the enemy — that key didn't fit anything," Westland Mayor William Wild said.

A Westland native, Modano spent his entire 20-year career with the Stars — originally with the Minnesota North Stars before the team relocated to Dallas

— until signing with the Detroit Red Wings for this season.

"It's a real privilege and honor to be back here. It was my childhood dream to play for the Wings," Modano said. "To do it at the end of my career and in front of friends and family is great. I've had a lot of support here in Westland."

Standing outside the ice arena named in his honor, Modano said, "I can't wait to bring the (Stanley) Cup back here and get some photos in June."

That comment was received with enthusiastic applause and

cheering from the crowd of fans who turned out for the ceremony.

Modano's sister, aunt and uncle, cousin and other family members attended the ceremony. His parents, Mike and Karen Modano, cut the ribbons to unveil new likenesses of Modano outside of the arena. The additions show Modano as a Red Wing and also as a three-time member of the U.S. Olympic team, joining the existing picture in a Dallas Stars uniform.

Before and after the ceremony,

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**Westland man charged with murder**

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Westland man has been arraigned on charges of murdering a Westland man at his home in what police are describing as a drug-related dispute.

Joie Rayshaan Bell, 23, was arraigned Wednesday in Westland 18th District Court on three felony counts — felony homicide which is treated as a first-degree murder and carries a mandatory sentence of life without parole, weapon possession by a felon and felony firearm. He is also facing second-degree habitual offender sentencing enhancements.



Joie Bell

Anthony Michael Esse, 25, died Oct. 6 after being shot once in the chest during a confrontation with two men at his home in the 2200 block of Stieber, south of Palmer and west of Wildwood, police said. Esse went outside and collapsed after being shot, police said. He was transported by Westland Fire Rescue to an area hospital, where he died of his injuries.

Bell had already been in custody on an unrelated warrant. Police continue to investigate a person of interest believed to be the second man involved in the attack.

"It was a drug-related dispute. It was basically over drug turf and someone encroaching on his turf," said Westland police Lt. Michael Matich.

Investigators appeared to have little to go on in the case initially and appealed to the public to come forward with information.

"This all came together in the matter of two days once a witness came forward. It happened quickly," Matich said. "It's hard to say why the witness came forward — maybe conscience."

Judge Mark McConnell ordered Bell remanded to custody without bond. A preliminary examination was scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 18.

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**Library website has new look**

BY JULIE BROWN  
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The website, www.westlandlibrary.org was always good to visit, with a lot of information on Westland's library. It's better than ever, with a new design that debuted last month. 3.

"It's kind of a matter of keeping things modernized," said Kristy Cooper, web/reference librarian for the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland on Central City Parkway. "Web technologies are evolving so fast."

She was the library's point person on the web redesign. Cooper used Gerbil, a content management system.

"It's basically something that allows more

people to add to the site," she said, taking a break from reference desk duties on a recent morning.

Librarians can add book reviews and other items. Cooper said they didn't really worry about patron comments, which aren't featured, being inappropriate. Other public libraries like Royal Oak's found they didn't generate much patron content.

"I did it all myself. So far, I think it's been pretty positive," she said of staff and patron reaction. The website is now more aligned with the city of Westland site.

She finds the events calendar easier to read

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**AROUND WESTLAND**

**Used book sale**

The Friends of the William P. Faust Library of Westland will hold a used book sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, and noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the library at 6123 Central City Parkway, north of Ford. Regular prices will be \$1 for hardcovers, 50 cents for paperback books, 25 cents for small paperbacks, videos, cassettes and records and 10 cents for magazines. A reusable Friends bag will be available for \$2. Saturday will be a \$6 per bag sale, while Sunday will be \$ per bag. Go green and

bring your own brown paper grocery bag or comparable-sized reusable bag. There will be a preview sale for Friends members 23-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18. People can become a Friend at the Preview Sale. Money raised helps fund programs at the library for all ages. For information, call (734) 326-6123.

**Lions Club**

The Westland Lions Club meets at 11:45 a.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at Logan's Roadhouse on Ford Road in Canton. For more information, call Debbie Dayton at (734) 721-4216.

**WEBSITE**

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and use. Cooper likes access to research databases with a library card from home, including Reference USA. "A lot of businesses use it to get addresses and make connections," she said. Live Homework Help is another popular one, with free tutoring, as is Chilton Library with auto information. The children's part of the

library website has a fish theme and is colorful. The library staff uses the website for internal communications as well.

The catalog part didn't and can't change, Cooper said. She took about a year to learn technology and finish the new site.

She solicited colleagues' ideas and did an internal survey. A patron survey had been done some time ago. "Most people wanted to talk about the catalog," she said, but checkout requirements limit changes there.



Westland City Clerk acknowledged the work of Mike and Karen Modano in carting their son Mike around in his success in the NHL.

**MODANO**

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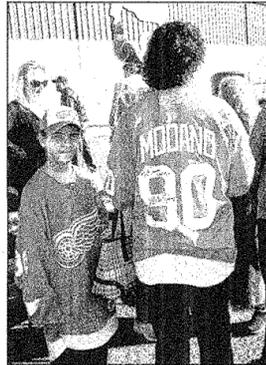
Modano autographed jerseys, photos, programs and pucks for fans, taking time to pose for photographs.

Serving as emcee, Westland Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski recounted highlights of Modano's career — including being the NHL's number one draft pick in 1988, winning the Stanley Cup in 1999 and becoming the highest scoring American-born NHLer ever with 559 goals and 1,363 points.

Kosowski likened the odds of making it to the NHL to the likelihood of winning \$1 million in the lottery.

As a mother of five with 16 grandchildren, Westland Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof said she was well aware Modano didn't achieve his success alone.

"They say that behind every great man there is a good woman. In this case, it's a good woman and man," said Schoof, recognizing Modano's parents. "He wouldn't be here today with-



Mike Modano's sister Sandra Withey and nephew Jesse Withey wore autographed jerseys to the ceremony.

out Mom and Dad carting him around."

Westland residents Kathy and Dennis Ronning turned out for the ceremony and waited for an autograph from Modano.

"Of course I'm a Red Wing fan. I came to see Mike Modano," Kathy Ronning said. "A couple of times a year we make it down there for a game."

The ceremony was also a chance to show off the arena's ice resurfacing machine which is tricked out like the



Westland Mayor William Wild poses with hockey great Mike Modano in front of an oversized likeness of Modano as a Detroit Red Wing. It was one of two likenesses unveiled during Mike Modano Day in the city.

new 2011 Ford Fiesta, courtesy of a North Brothers Ford sponsorship.

"Last year, we did the new Flex. It worked well to promote new products and give them exposure in the market," Doug North said. "Every-

once in awhile someone who has a son or nephew playing mentions having seen it. We have a very devoted and dedicated hockey population in Westland and Garden City."

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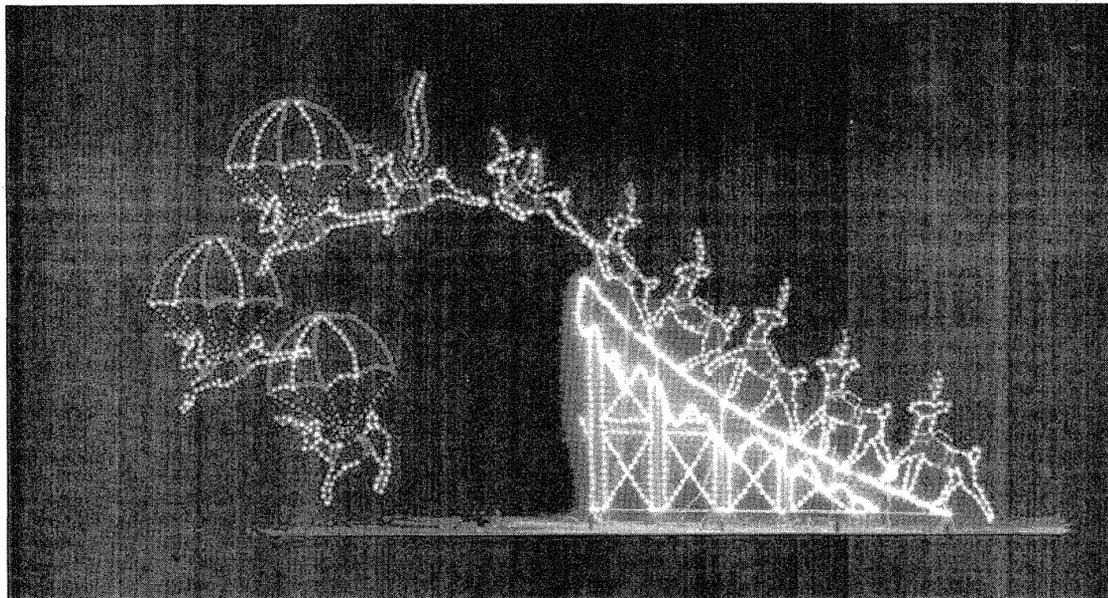
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This year's Lightfest, which opens at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, features 17 new displays.

# Wayne County Parks presents Lightfest 2010

The opening ceremony for Wayne County Parks Lightfest 2010 is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, at Merriman Hollow on Hines Drive in Westland. The ceremony will feature fireworks, music and light refreshments.

This year's show features 17 new displays, including a sports-themed area, dinosaur displays and much more! Lightfest features more than 35 giant animated displays and more than one million lights. It is the Midwest's largest and longest light show, according to county officials.

The Lightfest route, over four miles of Hines Drive, is open 7-10 p.m. Nov. 18 until Dec. 31 (closed Christmas Day). There is a \$5 donation per car.

Toy nights are planned for Tuesdays, Dec. 7, 14 and 21. The community is invited to bring a new, unwrapped toy in lieu of the suggested \$5 dona-

tion fee. Toys will be provided to disadvantaged children in Wayne County. On these three nights, visitors are also welcome to contribute the recommended donation.

Santa will be at his workshop at Warrendale Park (the end of Lightfest) from Thanksgiving until Dec. 23. Youngsters are encouraged to bring their letters to be mailed at the giant mailbox at the workshop. Santa's elves will pick up the letters each night.

Although Lightfest begins at 7 p.m., Hines Drive will be closed to traffic beginning at 5:45 p.m. nightly. Visitors enter Wayne County Lightfest at Hines Drive and Merriman, 2.5 miles south of I-96 in Westland.

Lightfest is sponsored in part-

nership with Friends of Wayne County Parks, DTE Energy, ITC Holdings, DBT Marketing and Promotional Group, McDonald Modular, Entertainment Express Luxury Limousine, Michigan Mountain Biking Association, Total Runner, Beatthetrain.com and Trails Edge store.

As a prelude to Lightfest, runners, walkers and bicyclists will have a chance to see the display as part of 14th annual Wayne County Lightfest 8K Fun Run/Walk on Tuesday, Nov. 16, and "Bike Through the Lights" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17.

The run/walk starts at 7 p.m. Check-in begins at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 6:45 p.m.

There will be post race food for both events, along with long sleeve T-shirts and glow necklaces. Registration is \$20 in advance for adults and \$25 on race day and \$12 for high

school students and younger. Both events will take place in the Merriman Hollow area. Registration forms can be downloaded from the county parks website at [www.waynecountyparks.org](http://www.waynecountyparks.org). Forms also can be picked up at the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center in Westland, Trails Edge Store in Plymouth and Total Runner store in Southgate.

For more information on these Wayne County Parks events, call (734) 261-1990.

This is a point-to-point event, so all bike riders must be able to bike to the Warrendale picnic area and back (16K). All bikes must have a light, due to the two-way traffic. All participants must wear a helmet.

There will be a prize for the most decorated bike.

For more information on Wayne County Lightfest, call (734) 261-1990.

## GARDEN CLIPPINGS

### Craft Show

The public is invited to attend a Vendor/Craft Show and Bake Sale 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at American Legion Post 396, located at 6860 Middlebelt, south of Warren Road, Garden City.

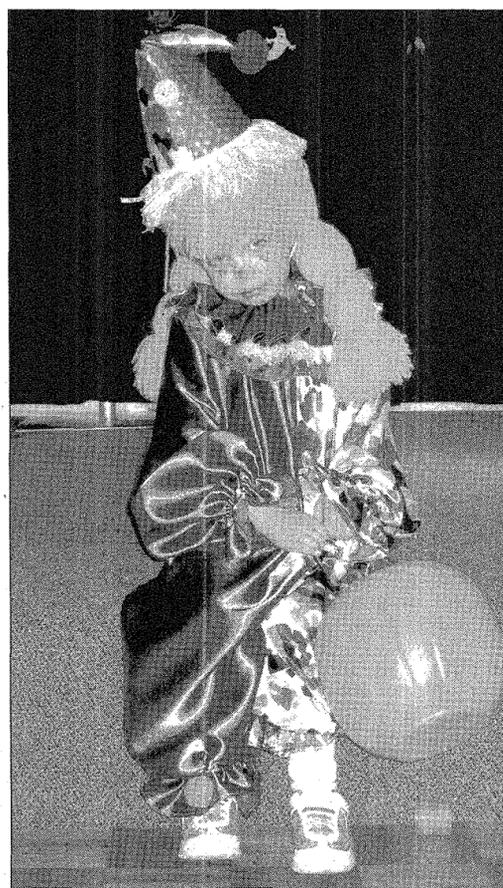
### Thanksgiving Concert

The Salvation Army's Dearborn Heights Citadel Band presents its 90th annual Thanksgiving Concert on

Sunday, Nov. 21. The concert will begin at 6 p.m. at the Dearborn Heights Corps Community Center at 26700 W. Warren Road in Dearborn Heights.

The concert will feature the Dearborn Heights Citadel Band and independent Christian rock band transMission. The event is free and open to the public, however, a love offering will be taken.

For more information, call (313) 563-4457.



### Winner

Westland resident Leslie Marusak was one of our third-place winners in the first Hometownlife.com Halloween photo contest with this shot of her daughter Greta, 3, wearing her "cutie clown" costume.

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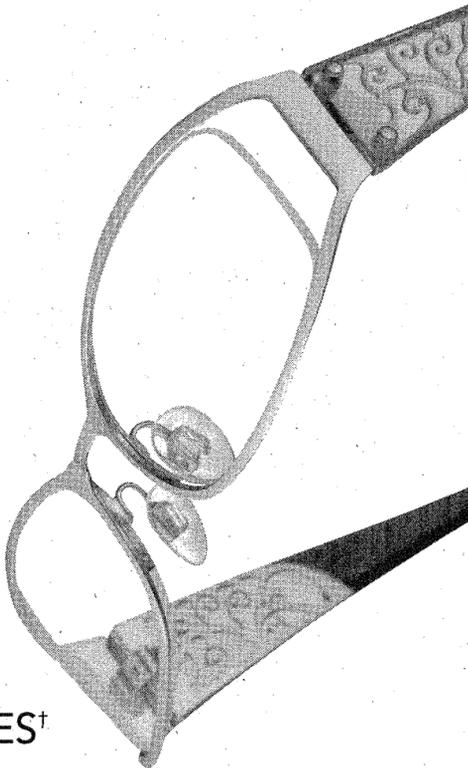
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at Schoolcraft

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- 18-23 **Pageturners Book Discussion: Enemies: A Love Story**  
Nov 18: 4 p.m. • Radcliff Center  
Nov 22: 6:30 p.m. • Bradner Library  
Nov 23: 1:30 p.m. • Bradner Library
- 19 **Conversation & Coffee: Volunteering During Retirement, It's Good for Your Soul**  
1 p.m. • VisTaTech • \$
- 19 **Friday Evening Concert Series: Antonio Pompa-Baldi, piano**  
8 p.m. • VisTaTech • \$
- 23-December 16 **Gingerbread Village Display**  
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## DECEMBER

- 1-16 **Gingerbread Village Display**  
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- 1 **Lunchtime Recital Series: Christopher Scholl, tenor, and Kevin Bylsma, piano**  
Noon • VisTaTech
- 1 **Spirit Night: Men's & Women's Basketball Teams**  
5:30 p.m. • Physical Education Building • \$
- 2 **International Film Festival: For My Father**  
9:30 a.m. • McDowell Center, Room 200
- 2 **Electronic Music Summit: Synthesizer Ensemble and other groups**  
7:30 p.m. • Schaver Music Recital Hall, Wayne State University
- 3 **Artists' Ensemble and SC Wind Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m. • VisTaTech
- 5 **Winter Concert: Choral Union and Wind Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m. • Radcliff Center
- 10 **Transition Center Luncheon Series: Reel Action FX**  
11:30 a.m. • VisTaTech • \$
- 10 **Music Performances: Bach Festival**  
7 p.m. • VisTaTech
- 13 **Winter Concert: Jazz Ensemble and Synthesizer Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m. • VisTaTech
- 18 **Breakfast with Santa Sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa**  
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## Doorwall, appliances stolen from rental unit

### Larceny

**1** A doorwall, refrigerator, stove and wash tub were reported stolen from a rental home in the 2600 block of Caledonia Court on Nov. 8. The owner, a Northville man, told police he leased the property to an elderly woman who allowed several people to live with her.

Until recently, he said there had been no major issues. About a month ago, the man said he served the woman with eviction papers and his office was notified by the woman that she was moving out over the past weekend.

One of his associates went by the home and found the items, valued at \$950, had been stolen, he told police. The garage door was reportedly pulled down and severely damaged along with several other areas of the home.

### Trailer stolen

**2** A resident in the 8300 block of Shari told police Nov. 7 an unmarked utility trailer valued at \$3,000 was stolen from the street. He said during the night someone had removed a tongue lock from the trailer.

The resident told police the tools inside the enclosed trailer were very specialized for his work as an engraver for monuments and headstones. The tools were valued at \$32,000.

### Stolen vehicle

**3** On Nov. 5, a Westland woman told police someone stole her 2004 Jeep

Liberty from the parking lot at Ruby Tuesday, 37300 Warren Road. She said she was current on her payments and that her purse was inside the vehicle, including a spare vehicle key.

### Pedestrian hit

**4** A Waterford man told police Nov. 5 he was walking through the parking lot at Applebee's, 36475 Warren Road, when a man driving a Chevrolet Impala backed out of a parking space and struck him. The man said he wasn't injured and the vehicle wasn't damaged.

After the driver checked to make sure there was no injury or damage, the men got into an argument over who was at fault. The Waterford man said the driver threatened to assault him. The driver was gone when police arrived.

### Attempted break-in

Police were called to a unit at Deerhurst Condominiums on Central City Parkway after an alarm was triggered. The owner's brother told police he received a call from the alarm company and went there but found no one was home.

The officer noted a screen had been removed from a window and the window was slightly ajar setting off the alarm. Smears on the window appeared to be from a hand trying to open the window, the officer noted.

By LeAnne Rogers

## Two men caught in theft from autos

### Stolen wallet

**5** An elderly couple who lives in the 32500 block of Bridge came to the Garden City police station Nov. 6 to report a theft.

The couple said on Nov. 2 an unknown elderly man approached them at the shopping center at Ford and Wildwood in Westland and asked if they could give him a ride to the Aldi's Supermarket in Garden City. Once in the car, he asked them a number of questions and also asked them for their address which they gave him.

On Nov. 6, he showed up unexpectedly at their home and asked to talk to the male homeowner. They chatted for a few minutes and then the visitor went to the bathroom. He then left the house on an unknown direction.

After he left, the couple reportedly learned he stole the female homeowner's wallet which contained \$50 and was in the bedroom.

### Larceny from autos

**6** The police responded to a call about 6:45 a.m. Nov. 7 that two men were trying car door handles to gain access to cars in the Rosslyn and Garden area.

When the police arrived, they reportedly found the men walking westbound on Rosslyn with bulging pockets.

The men, both Garden City residents in their early 20s, were arrested.

Once inside the police car, one of the men reportedly showed the officer which cars they had broken into. Police were able to return some of the items taken.

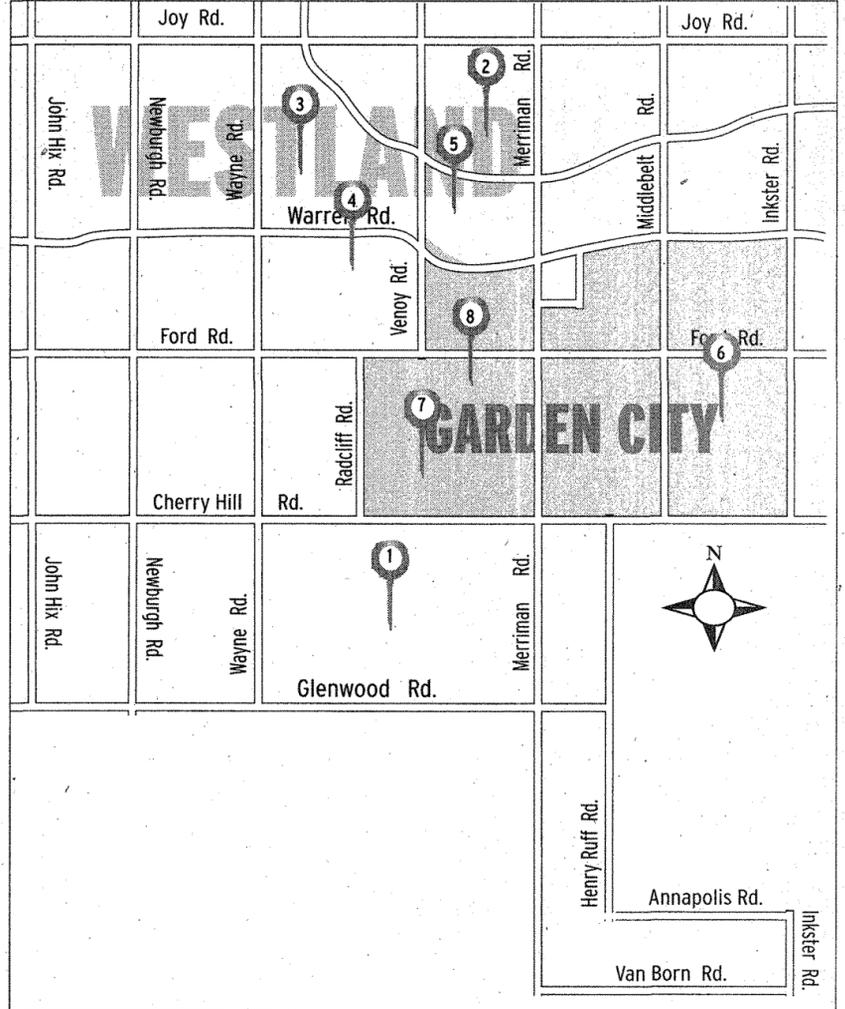
Items reportedly stolen included cash, coins, cell phones, perfume and cologne, two black bandanas, a Henry Ford Community College library card, electronic items and chargers.

### Home invasion

**7** A homeowner in the 33600 block of Marquette said he was away from his home for about an hour the afternoon of Nov. 3, running errands with his son. When he returned home, he found out someone entered his home and took some things.

He realized that the sliding door was closed but had not been locked. He believes that's how the thief gained entry. He found a garden rake which didn't belong to him propped up in the kitchen.

The unknown suspect reportedly stole several



bracelets, necklaces and a watch as well as a pin the homeowner earned for years of service at his supermarket job.

### Retail fraud

**8** The manager at Rock of Ages, 31015 Ford, together with an employee, tackled an alleged shoplifter at 3:45 p.m. Nov. 5.

Two men and a woman entered the store at the same time. While one man reportedly tried to distract the store personnel, one of the men concealed a \$50 Misfits sweatshirt under the sweatshirt he was wearing.

An alarm alerted the store manager. The man and a woman reportedly fled in an unknown direction.

When the thief was asked why he tried to steal the sweatshirt, he reportedly said it because he didn't have that type of sweatshirt.

### Fraud

A woman who lives in the 29028 block of Ekmwood reported Oct. 25 that someone used her debit card number to fraudulently make a \$54 purchase, driving down her account to almost nothing. She said that she still has possession of her card and didn't give anyone her number.

### Theft

Someone stole a Nextel phone from an unlocked 2008 Ford Fusion which was parked in the 31755 block of Elmwood Nov. 7-8.

A woman, who went for a half hour walk about 1:15 p.m. Nov. 4 at Garden City Park located at Cherry Hill and Merriman, said she returned to her locked 2011 Ford and discovered someone broke in by smashing a window.

This allowed the thief to reach in and take her purse which she left on the floor behind the passenger seat, she said.

A new homeowner, who recently closed on a home in the 34400 block of Chester, said he returned to the home Oct. 31 and found all the copper plumbing, valued at almost \$1,400, was removed from the basement.

A witness saw a black Dodge Nitro backed into the driveway Oct. 29 with a black female with long hair in the driver's seat, according to the report. Four black men were also observed, but the witness couldn't tell if they were carrying anything from the house to the car, according to the report.

They were all in the 25-30 age range, the witness told police.

Because police noted no

damage to the doors or windows to gain entry, the homeowner wondered if someone made an extra key during a time when the house had a lock box.

A resident in the 28800 block of Elmwood also reported the theft of copper plumbing. He said he found 10 copper pipes cut from other existing pipes Nov. 1. The pipes were valued at \$2,500.

The police found no signs of forced entry. The owner said the house was locked and the windows were intact.

### Stolen purse

An employee at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster, said someone stole her purse and its contents from her closed, but unlocked office about 12:30 p.m. Nov. 3.

A witness saw an unknown man exit her office. He had asked another employee for the director of housekeeping, which the purse owner wasn't.

The owner canceled her credit cards immediately, but was worried about her home and car because her purse also held those keys.

Her husband said the house was fine and the hospital put surveillance on her auto, which was parked in the lot.

By Sue Buck

### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On November 16, 2010, the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
2001	FORD	4 DR	SILVER	1FAFP56S11G259476
1995	CHEVY	SW	WHITE	3GNEX18K3SG103673
1996	MERC	4 DR	WHITE	3MESM10J0TR608891
1991	CHEVY	4 DR	RED	2G1WN54T7M9199937
2000	FORD	4 DR	GREEN	1FAFP33P2YW205317
1998	OLDS	4 DR	GREEN	1G3WH52K0WF343735
1985	CHEVY	2 DR	BLACK	1G1FP87F6FN166350
1990	HONDA	4 DR	GRAY	JHMCB765XLC007882
2000	HONDA	2 DR	SILVER	1HGEJ8140YL054655
1994	FORD	4 DR	RED	1FALP52U6RG226897

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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### CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 24 11/01/10

Presiding: President Godbout  
 Present: Bryant, Hammons, Johnson, Kadi, Kehrer, Reeves  
 204: Appr.: minutes of regular meeting held 10/18/10.  
 - Req. from Westland Fest. Cmte. to hold summer fest. 6/29 thru 7-4-11 w/ fireworks  
 7-4-11 on City Hall grounds & surrounding area.  
 -Req. from Texas Roadhouse to erect trailer in their parking lot from 11/24 thru 12/28/11.  
 -Appr. 60 mo. Lease Agrmnt w/Konica for 1 multi-functional device for DPS; amt. \$137 per month.  
 -Appr. Intergovernmental Agrmnt. btwn. Wayne County, Dearborn Hgts, Garden City and Westland for Inkster Rd. resurfacing; estimated cost of City's portion \$13,955; monies to come from Major Road Fund.  
 -Appr. Intergovernmental Agrmnt. btwn. Wayne County & City of Westland for Remediation & Redevelopment of Central City Pk.  
 -Appr. disbursement of 8th pmt. to Bidigare Contractors for SWQIF Footing Drain Disconnect Program; amt. \$160,913.98.  
 -Appr. disbursement of 6th pmt. to Bidigare Contractors for Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project; amt. \$60,901.90.  
 -Appr. Wayne County Maintenance Permit for Storm Water Mgt. for Central City Pk. Remediation.  
 -Place Board Up fees on 2010 Winter Tax Bills.  
 -Appr. Prep. Resolution to Deed 3 properties to Habitat for Humanity.  
 - Adopted Prepared Resolution for Jordan Foundation Non-Profit recognition.  
 - Adopted Prep. Proclamation declaring 11-9-10 Mike Modano Day.  
 205: Appr. checklist: \$437,595.26 & Prepaid: \$1,373,636.71.  
 Mtg. adj. at 7:45 p.m.  
 Minutes available in the Clerk's Office.

James Godbout  
 Council President

Eileen DeHart  
 City Clerk, CMC

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Hospital reunion**

**Time/Date:** 5-9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7  
**Location:** Café Marquette in the William D. Ford Technical Center, 36455 Marquette, Westland.  
**Details:** Retirees and former employees of the Wayne County General Hospital in Westland, which closed in 1984, are invited to the 26th Holiday Reunion at the Café Marquette in the William D. Ford Technical Center in Westland. Doors will open at 5 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. Guest can pay at the door. Space is limited to 62 people.  
**Contact:** Call Kay Shafi at (734) 427-3437 or by e-mail [chknlit@wideopenwest.com](mailto:chknlit@wideopenwest.com), Dennis Abraham at (734) 721-2917 or by e-mail [atfightingirish316@scbglobal.net](mailto:atfightingirish316@scbglobal.net), or Pat Ibbotson at (734) 331-9291 or e-mail [pibbotso@aol.com](mailto:pibbotso@aol.com) for further information or to make a reservation.

**PartyLite Sale**

**Time/Date:** 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20  
**Location:** Comfort Inn, 40455 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth  
**Details:** Find great deals on your favorite items and discontinued products. Cash and carry.  
**Contact:** [dianescandles@gmail.com](mailto:dianescandles@gmail.com)

**Metro Fibromyalgia and CFS**

**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11  
**Location:** Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City  
**Details:** Metro Fibromyalgia and CFS support Group will hear guest speakers Walter Garff with Genworth Financial and Esther McCormick discuss "12 Drug Free Pain Release Points." The group meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month.  
**Contact:** For more information, contact Ruthann at (734) 981-2519 or online [www.MetroFibroGroup.com](http://www.MetroFibroGroup.com)

**Railroadiana**

**Time/Date:** noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28  
**Location:** SS. Simon and Jude Church Hall, 32500 Palmer, west of Merriman, Westland  
**Details:** The SS. Simon and Jude Church's Ushers Club is sponsoring sponsor a Toys and Train Show. Admission to the show is \$2 per person, \$4 per family. Food and beverages are available. There will be approximately 130 dealer tables available at \$10. Dealer set-up is at 9 a.m. the day of the show.  
**Contact:** To reserve a dealer table, call Norm at (734) 595-8327.

**Fish Dial-A-Ride**

**Details:** Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive. Volunteer phone messengers arrange client rides with our volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is a not-for-profit community service that provides free door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia, and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation.  
**Contact:** For more information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

**Crafters Wanted**

**Time/Date:** Saturday, Nov. 20  
**Location:** Sts. Peter & Paul Church Hall, 750 N. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights  
**Details:** Crafters are wanted for the church's 22nd annual arts and crafts show.  
**Contact:** For more information, call Deb Moga at (248) 946-0173 or Virginia Moore at (734) 522-9653.

**Earth Angels**

**Details:** Earth Angels, a children's entertainment/performance non-profit group composed of kids ages 9 - 16 years old, is currently looking to fill spots. There's opening for girls ages 9 - 11, with at least two years of dance experience, and boys, ages 9 - 12 with no experience needed just an interest in performing. The group delivers a high energy show made up of choreographed dance routines spiced with theatrics and lip-synching to the great Oldies music of the

'50s and '60s as well as some current fare.

**Contact:** [www.earthangelsonline.org](http://www.earthangelsonline.org) or by e-mail to [angel1986@comcast.net](mailto:angel1986@comcast.net)

**Higher Rock Cafe**

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Fridays of the month.  
**Location:** Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland.  
**Details:** Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the bands.  
**Contact:** [www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com](http://www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com) or call (734) 722-3660

**EDUCATION**

**Willow Creek**

**Location:** 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland  
**Details:** Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool offers a Parent/Tot, Young 3's, 3-year and 4-year programs.  
**Contact:** (734) 326-0078

**St. Damian**

**Location:** 29891 Joy, Westland  
**Details:** St. Damian Catholic School offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8.  
**Contact:** (734) 427-1680, [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

**YWCA Preschool**

**Details:** The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs to children aged 2-5 years old at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Home-based programs are also available.  
**Contact:** (313) 561-4110, Ext. 10

**ORGANIZATIONS**

**Friends of Eloise**

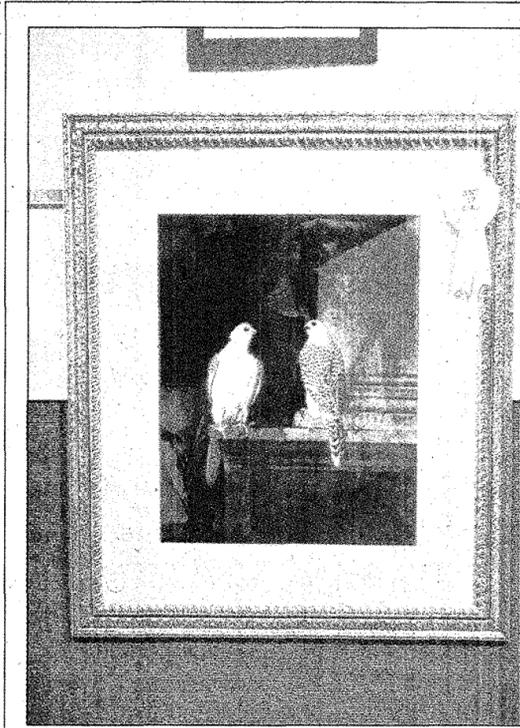
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. third Tuesday of the month (except July, August and December)  
**Location:** Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill, Westland.  
**Contact:** Jo Johnson (734) 522-3918

**Westland Rotary**

**Time/Date:** 12:15 p.m. Thursdays  
**Location:** Salvation Army, 2300 S. Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland  
**Details:** Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome.  
**Contact:** Mary at (734) 729-5401

**Writing Group**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month  
**Location:** Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne  
**Details:** The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through life-writing, writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs and autobiographies, in diaries, journals and personal essays. Participants should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are comfortable doing so, sharing their writing. Membership in Story



**Fine arts exhibit**

The Garden City Fine Arts Association Art Exhibit and Sale will be held Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 11-13, in the atrium behind Subway at 30100 Ford Road, Garden City. The hours will be 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. A reception and award ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday. Light refreshments will be served. Last year's "Best of Show" winner was a pastel drawing (above) titled, "Icelandic Falcons," by Marcia Clum.

Circle's National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free.  
**Contact:** [www.storycircle.org](http://www.storycircle.org) or send an e-mail to [shepry@yahoo.com](mailto:shepry@yahoo.com)

**Toastmasters**

**Location:** Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club meets every Thursday at 6:45 P.M. in the lower level of the Bailey Recreation Center, located behind the Westland City Hall on Ford between Wayne Road

and Newburgh.

**Details:** Toastmasters provides a supportive environment where members can overcome the fear of speaking in public. The membership is a diverse group from different walks of life.  
**Contact:** For information, call Bill at (734) 306-3980 or Curt at (734) 525-8445.

**TOPS 869**

**Time/Date:** Mondays, weigh-ins at

5:30 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

**Location:** Adams Senior Village, 2001 Kaley Ave., south of Palmer, Westland.

**Details:** The group is for people age 18 and older.  
**Contact:** The group which meets on Mondays is for people age 18 and older.

**Legion Post 251**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. first Tuesday of the month  
**Location:** 1217 Merriman Road, west of Avondale and Palmer, Westland.  
**Details:** All veterans, male and female with a honorable discharge are welcome to join.  
**Contact:** [www.post251.org](http://www.post251.org) or call (734) 326-2607

**TOPS M128**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Mondays  
**Location:** Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, at Hunter, Westland  
**Contact:** Pat Strong at (734) 326-3539 or Mary Lowe at (734) 729-6879

**Garden City Dems**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (September through June)  
**Location:** Room 5 of the Maplewood Center, Maplewood west of Merriman, Garden City  
**Contact:** Billy Pate at (734) 427-2344

**Citizens for Peace**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month  
**Location:** Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia  
**Details:** The group is dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome.  
**Contact:** Colleen Mills at (734) 425-0079

**In Harmony**

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays  
**Location:** Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road, Westland  
**Details:** For men interested in the chapter's Renaissance Chorus or who enjoy quartetting  
**Contact:** call membership chairman Bob Wolf at (734) 421-1652, or attend a rehearsal

**Veteran's Haven**

**Location:** Veteran Haven's Outreach Center 4924 S. Wayne Road two blocks south of Annapolis in Wayne.  
**Details:** Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate-donation program. Donations are tax-deductible. Food is distributed to veterans once a month throughout the month and there is a supplemental food program 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays.  
**Contact:** (734) 728-0527

**Silver Strings Dulcimer**

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month  
**Location:** Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City  
**Details:** Musicians and listeners are welcome to stop by and visit a traditional music jam. Acoustic instruments include hammered and mountain dulcimer, guitar, banjo, fiddle, harmonica, concertina, autoharp, recorder, pennywhistle, ukulele and upright bass.  
**Contact:** (734) 482-2902, <http://geocities.com/ssdsociety>

**Garden City Kiwanis**

**Time/Date:** 12:15 p.m. Thursdays  
**Location:** Amantea Restaurant, 32777 Warren Road, Garden City  
**Details:** Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to bettering the world one child and one community at a time. Guests and potential new members are always welcome.

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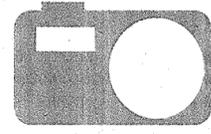
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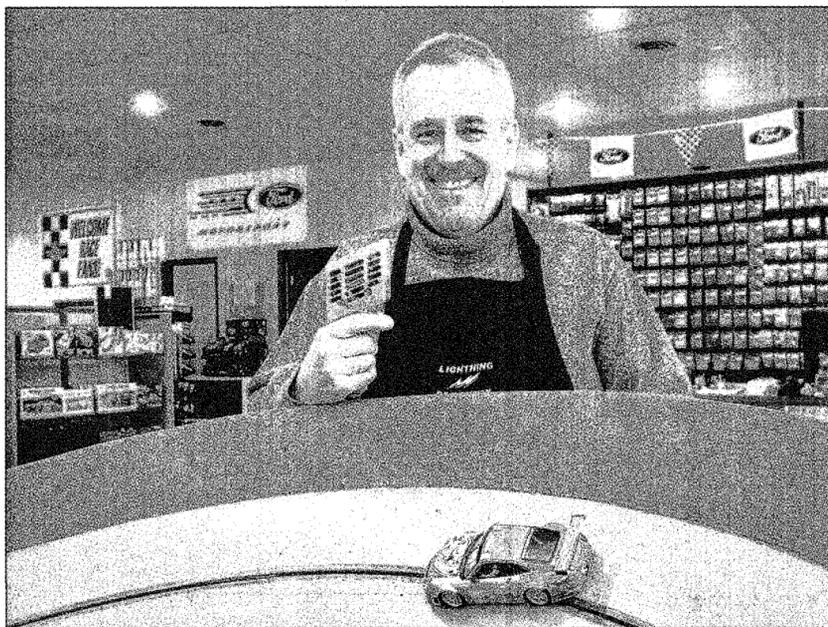
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## IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



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Andy Smith of Lightning Speedway has been playing with slot cars since 1962.

## Model car racing business has grown at lightning speed

**Observer:** Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.

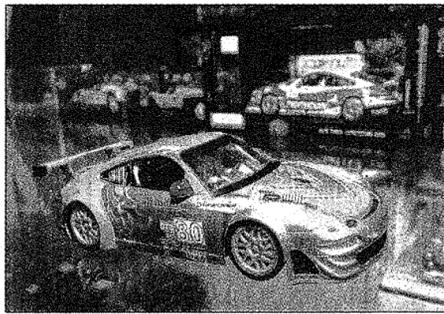
We feature a Pinewood Derby racing test track with electronic timing system, NASCAR Simulator (sit-down video game) and offer birthday party or corporate special events for groups of up to 40. We hold regular competitive racing events for slot-racing enthusiasts. We retail home racing sets for gift giving and sell general hobby merchandise such as paints, glue and tools. In addition, we offer on-site technical service and support.

Professor Motor is involved in a large volume retail internet-based business where we ship merchandise worldwide. We manufacture and/or distribute 33 brands of merchandise related to slot car racing with major customers. We provide engineering consulting services to many companies in the hobby industry.

**Observer:** What makes your business unique?

We offer health-conscious drinks and snacks with all of our parties. We have conducted fund-raisers for Habitat for Humanity, Daycroft Middle School, many churches and other nonprofit groups. We support Toys for Tots, Cub Scout Pinewood Derby racing and many other charitable/nonprofit activities. We manufacture a very large portion of the goods we sell. We are eco-conscious with all energy-star rated appliances, compact fluorescent and LED lighting fixtures and programmable thermostats.

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**Business Location:** 32104 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

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**Business Owner:** Andy Smith.

**Business Specialty:** Model car racing of all kinds.

**Business established:** February 1999 in CEO Andy Smith's home.

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**Contact:** For more information, visit [www.professormotor.com](http://www.professormotor.com) or [www.lightningspeedway.com](http://www.lightningspeedway.com).

tracks and a kids play area. We stock more than 5,000 items including motorsports-oriented "gear" and bulk materials that we supply to other businesses. We feature variable power systems on all our racing tracks so that we can tune down the car performance and accommodate any racers from 3 to 93 years old. We feature computer-based electronic control, lap counting systems and big wide screen displays for all of our race tracks run by computer electronic control systems that we designed.

**Observer:** How did you first decide to open your own business?

When I retired from Ford Motor Co. as an engineering supervisor at the Automatic Transmission Engineering in Livonia at the end of 2001, I decided to expand our small-scale home-based business to a larger commercial entity to supplement my retirement pension that I receive from Ford. **Observer:** Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

When we first started our home-based business, it grew very fast and if you opened up our kitchen cabinets there were hooks inside the doors with gears and other parts hung on the hooks and inside the door to our basement we had again hooks with model car chassis and other parts hanging there. We first started to build a hand-held electronic throttle control device for slot racing in our basement when the business was run in effect around our dining room table and we expected that we would build perhaps 200-400 of those a year. To date we have built more than 20,000 of those electronic controllers and we are the leader in the hobby industry with our products in those areas – just slightly exceeded our expectations! With our current building of 12,000 square feet, you can see we have grown just a bit!

employees have maintained an unshakable commitment to safety," said Dobronski. "This dedication to safety extends to all of our employees, our customers, and to the communities we serve. Safety is and will continue to be our top priority."

The Jake Award is named after Jake Jacobson, a long-time railroad executive from Arizona who has championed rail safety throughout his career. The honor has been awarded annually since 1999 by the ASLRA to railroads that have not had an injury, lost workday or fatality reported to the Federal Railroad Administration for an entire year. The number of regional and short line railroads receiving the award has increased

from 27 in 1999 to more than 200 in 2007, demonstrating the industry's increased focus on workplace safety.

The Adrian & Blissfield Railroad was founded in 1991 and operates freight and passenger services on 30 miles of track located throughout Michigan in Lenawee County (Blissfield, Adrian), Eaton County (Charlotte), Detroit, and Lapeer County.

The AB operates the Old Road Dinner Train in Blissfield, the longest continually operating scheduled dinner train in the North America, and the Old Road Dinner Train in Charlotte. For more information about the dinner train, visit [www.murdermysterytrain.com](http://www.murdermysterytrain.com).

## MILESTONES

### Holiday Special

**Time/Date:** Now through Christmas  
**Location:** Aqua-Chem Solutions, Garden City

**Details:** Aqua-Chem Solutions is running a carpet cleaning special for all Garden City residents. If you are a Garden City resident, you will receive 10 percent off all services. If you go to Aqua-Chem Solutions Facebook page and click on "Like" you'll receive another 10 percent off for a total of 20 percent off. The offer is good now until Christmas.

**Contact:** Call Mike at (734) 421-7110.

### Santa Fast Pass

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**Contact:** For more information, hop online to [www.westlandcenter.com](http://www.westlandcenter.com).

### Cask Ale Fest

**Time/Date:** noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13

**Location:** Ashley's Beer and Grill, 7525 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** Ashley's holds a semi-annual Cask Ale Fest (May and November) at the Beer and Grill to promote cask

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conditioned "Real Ale" in Michigan. Featured will be more than 20 casks of real ale from Michigan, the United States and England. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. Tickets include 12 tokens for samples from 20 or more casks of real ale (subject to availability). Extra tokens may be purchased at the event (three for \$5).

**Contact:** For more information, call (734) 525-1667 or go online to [www.ashleys.com](http://www.ashleys.com).

### Food Drive

**Time/Date:** Sunday, Nov. 14, through Sunday, Nov. 12

**Location:** Art Van Furniture, 8300 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** Join Art Van Furniture and WXYZ-TV/Channel 7 to help feed the hungry this holiday season by collecting food for Gleaners Community Food Bank. Drop off your non-perishable food donations at one of the 17 metro Detroit Art Van Furniture locations, including its Westland store. Last year, the drive collected 85,000

pounds of food, the equivalent of 69,000 meals – enough to feed a sell-out crowd at Ford Field.

**Contact:** Call (734) 425-9600 for more information.

### Dinner Theater

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Saturdays through Dec. 18

**Location:** Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 Merriman, north of Warren Road, Westland

**Details:** Cinema legend Doreen Lewis is about to make her Broadway debut opposite her ardent admirer Paul Burnside, when she intercepts a phone call for her dresser, confirming that "Mrs. Lewis" is pregnant. Shocked to learn of "her" condition and thinking Paul wants her ousted from the show via her contract's moral clause, she wears her mink on stage knowing Paul fur-allergy will reduce his dialogues to sneezes. The producer, a shrieking neurotic who fears his backer Nunzio will machine gun his knees if the show flops, is terrified, and the Bavarian playwright is reduced to sobbing uncontrollably as his beautiful play goes to the dogs." A loony resolution caps the evening of non-stop guffaws in "Star on the Door." Cocktails are at 6 p.m. (cash bar), dinner at 7 p.m. The show immediate follows dinner. Cost is \$31.95 and includes choice of entree, soup, salad and dessert with show, taxes and gratuity. Payment due at time of reservation.

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## BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

### Award winner

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# Federal Reserve action will impact every investor

The Federal Reserve will implement a policy known as quantitative easing (basically buying U.S. securities). Although it's not important to understand all the details, investors need to know the impact. Whatever the Federal Reserve plans to do over the next two years will have an impact on you and me. Over the next two years, the Federal Reserve will purchase \$600 billion of U.S. securities. The Federal Reserve is implementing this policy in order to stimulate the U.S. economy. It doesn't come as a surprise to anyone that the economy is struggling. The stimulus package that was passed nearly a year-



Money Matters  
Rick Bloom

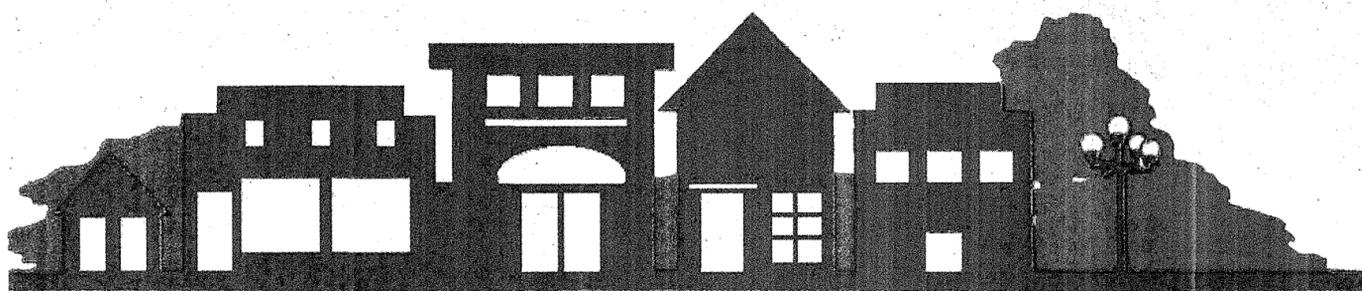
and-a-half ago has not accomplished its goals. Therefore, the Federal Reserve is taking its own actions to get the economy moving. There is no guarantee that the Federal Reserve plan will stimulate the economy. That being said, there are some predictable consequences of the Federal Reserve policy that investors should expect. The first is lower interest rates. Interest rates already are very

low, however, expect lower rates in the near future. This will directly impact senior citizens. Seniors traditionally invest a larger portion of their portfolio in income-producing investments such as CDs and U.S. treasuries. I have no doubt that interest rates on these investment vehicles will decline in the near future. This can cause severe problems for seniors because the income they receive from their investments will go down. Seniors must be particularly cautious in how they handle their portfolio in light of declining interest rates. Another consequence of the Federal Reserve policy is that

inflation will be a greater problem down the road. I suspect that the Federal Reserve recognizes that inflation will be a problem in the future, however, I believe the thought is it can be handled down the road when the economy regains its strength. However, inflation means that the value of the purchasing power of your money will decline. That is something that will affect everyone. Income investors will need to restructure their portfolios to potentially have more equities. The theory is that with low interest rates, an investor who needs income may have to dip into principal, consequently needing

a way to replace those monies. One way to accomplish this is to increase the amount of equities. I recognize that many seniors want to invest their money in a conservative manner, however, by being too conservative seniors may find they are running out of money. That is why I believe increasing the equity exposure in a portfolio will provide some protection. What concerns me is that seniors who are looking at increasing their income may invest in inappropriate investment vehicles. I am fearful that many seniors will rush out and buy lower quality investments to increase their cash flow.

Investors need to keep in mind that certain bonds paying 7 percent return or more are of low quality, which means that there is a much greater likelihood of a default on those bonds. In this difficult and weak economy, I generally don't recommend that most investors have any significant exposure in low-quality bonds. It's not that I don't like the yield, but rather, I don't like the risk to get those yields. Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at [money matters@hometownlife.com](mailto:money matters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com).



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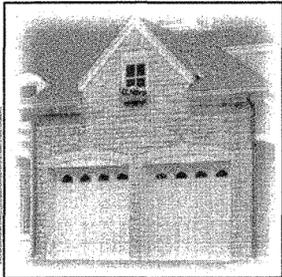
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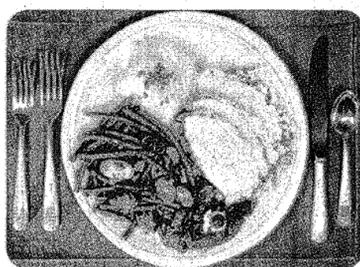
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## OUR VIEWS

# Veterans Day

## Our service members deserve our thanks and prayers

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, a temporary cessation of hostilities was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as "the Great War."

Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, Nov. 11 now has become the day that Americans pause to give thanks to the men and women who have answered the call to duty and served in the armed forces.

Today is Nov. 11, Veterans Day. At flag poles and veterans memorials, people will gather for ceremonies recalling the bravery of soldiers, seamen and Marines. Sadly, most of the people who will be at those ceremonies will be veterans. It's a federal holiday and, for many people, Veterans Day is a day off - no work, no banks, no mail delivery, no government offices open.

That should not be the case. Today we are a country at war, and the cost of our War on Terror since Sept. 11, 2001, is mind-boggling. In economic terms, our country has spent more than \$700 billion on the military operations. If you look at that amount as a stack of \$100 bills, the cost of those two wars, if those bills were laid out end-to-end, would circle the earth almost 34 times.

But the ultimate cost of war is something much more valuable - the lives of our service men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice. More than 1,200 Americans have died since Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan was launched in October 2001. In the war with Iraq, which was declared over on Aug. 31, took another 4,422 American lives. The wounded in both wars is well in excess of 34,000.

Although we may be weary of fight, it is important to honor the servicemen and women who risk their lives to defend our freedoms now and in wars past. Hundreds of thousands of young men and women have put themselves in harm's way. It's up to us to recognize their efforts.

If Veterans Day has a message, it's to remind us of the human costs. As Rod Powers on the military page of about.com wrote: "One thing is certain. The one thing we can never forget is the cost of war - any war - is high. The price tag is not measured only in dollars. It's measured in the loss of the most valuable asset of all - the price of war is measured in the loss of human lives."

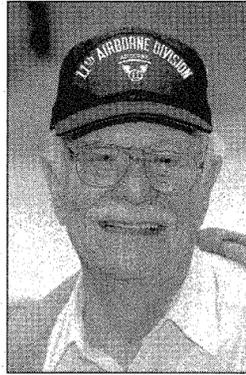
Our troops depend upon our unwavering support. We must give them nothing less. It is a lesson we learned in the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Our veterans deserve our thanks. Because of their sacrifices we remain the land of the free and the home of the brave.

So on this Veterans Day, pause for a moment and say a prayer. Pray for the those who have been wounded, and their families. Pray for those who have given their lives. Remember the dead and honor the living. Be forever grateful for their service.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### What does Veterans Day mean to you?

We asked this question at the Westland Shopping Center in Westland.



"Veterans Day is an important day for people to remember what the soldiers sacrificed for them."

Harry Torosian  
Canton  
World War II veteran



"It makes me proud of those who served. I never served but I'm proud of those who do and I'm proud of the veterans for what they've done for the country."

Doug Forrester  
Livonia



"Obviously, it's to honor the veterans. It's very important and I don't think we do enough to say thanks for what they do for us."

Karen Boles  
Hamburg



"Veterans Day means to pay tribute to the service people who fought and are still fighting. They don't get enough respect. They deserve to be recognized."

Debbie Nikka  
Westland

## LETTERS

### Thank you voters

The votes are in and the precincts have been tallied from last Tuesday's elections. Thank you to all those individuals who took the time to go to the polls or mail back their ballot and make their voices heard. Your involvement in the process is crucial to our country's and state's economic turnaround, and critical to our local government issues.

I am truly humbled by and appreciative of the vote of confidence from the citizens in the Wayne County Commission District 12. I will do my very best to represent you and your families and all the stakeholders in the district. I promise you that I will not break the trust that you have given me as your Wayne County commissioner in Westland, Inkster and Livonia. I worked hard to earn your trust and I will continue to do my best and vote with your best interests in mind.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers who worked on my campaign. It was your tireless dedication that put me over the top. I could not have done this without my family, friends, relatives and supporters. Thank you so very much!

Joan Gebhardt  
county commissioner, 12th District

### Election observation

With all due respect for both Senatorial candidates, John Pastor had the "push" during the campaign, but in the end it was Glenn Anderson who had the "pull!"

Joe Neussendorfer  
Livonia

### No public hearings

Following is an interaction I had with the EPA concerning the park reconstruction project in Westland: Thank you for your response, Mr. Cisneros. I am disappointed in the behavior of the city of Westland and Wayne County. I have heard from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and they stated that because of the manner in which this construction project was filed that the city of Westland nor Wayne County will need to have to hold public hearings.

If it had been a business attempting to build upon the land with permanent standing water on it (I understand there is a permanent pond located there) that they would not have been able to avoid public scrutiny of this damaging and wasteful activity.

I will review the process for filing an appeal

with the United States Environmental Protection Agency Appeals Board and approach them with my concerns.

I have also not seen any information regarding the materials that Wayne County disposed of there which were referred to but not named in the article.

I realize that you must be a very busy individual, however, this project directly impacts our drinking water in the Rouge River Basin and even though Wayne County and Westland have come up with a "plan," that plan clearly appears to be inadequate.

I am only one citizen, however, and so, you probably need not be concerned that any action being taken to ensure the danger to the drinking water in the Rouge River Basin is removed at the present time. I am really deeply curious as to why the city of Westland and Wayne County both seem so intent on literally "covering up" the problem rather than solving the problem. We need jobs here in Michigan as well as clean drinking water and this project appears to rob the citizens of Michigan of both.

I will make an attempt to attend the public meeting mentioned in the article, but you misidentified the people hosting the meeting as those in charge of the cleanup.

Alfred Brock  
Wayne

## ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS



The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues. In Your Voices. Find more comments or join the discussion on the Web at hometownlife.com.

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### The issue: Superintendent's pay raise

I am very happy about this raise for Mr. Liepa. Livonia schools are once again solvent and all is well in Livonia. Now the school teachers should be able to expect a large pay increase for their next contract. It just took a few days since the republicans were voted back into office and we are rolling in dough. Happy days are here again!

sturge

We are having so much taken away, elective choices, buses, teachers, additional pay to play fees, etc., etc., but you insult us by giving this man a raise like that? Where is the money going to come from and what can we expect to be taken away now to pay him?

Very sad and you can be sure we (and probably others) will be sure to vote all 5 of you out of there if we can. We need people who actually care about the kids, not an already wealthy man.

diane00

### The issue: McCotter's re-election

Anyone who thinks the Republicans have the answers, our concerns and will help jobs in this State better remember McCotter had to break away from his party and vote along with the Democrats to "bail-out" GM and assist with "Cash for clunkers." Both measures were a success and saved this area from a Catastrophe (car-astrophe?). It would be great if our new congress will listen to "the people," but early signs are they are going to continue the political theater, create grid lock, wasting time and effort in attempting to repeal health care (it won't happen with the Pres. having Veto power.) Thereby making their top priority limiting Obama to a one term Presidency instead of focusing on jobs, debt and the economy.

Got-it

## GUEST COLUMN

# Veterans Day: Do we listen to the blood of the fallen?

As of Feb. 2, 2010, according to Beth Henry of *The Journal*, Frank W. Buckles is "America's last surviving World War I veteran" who had just that Monday celebrated his 109th birthday by blowing out 109 candles on his birthday cake.

He makes his home on "Gap View Farm near Charles Town, was born Feb. 1, 1901, in Harrison County, Mo. He's often said that he knew he would have a long life, but he never expected to become the very last 'doughboy' - after all, there were 4,734,991 Americans who served from 1917-18 during the Great War. Now there's one left."

Frank W. Buckles was there 92 years ago to end the "War of Wars." For serving his country in the cruelest of times, we honor him while at the same time we realize the remains of World War I were violence and chaos that paved the road to World War II.

And the question we must ask ourselves today is: Do we listen to the blood of the fallen crying out to us not to repeat the same mistakes, to tread with care so as not to follow a treacherous road to a possible WWII, more than likely under a cloud of nuclear death?

In 1919, after the end of WWI, in the Hall of Mirrors in Versailles, France - and after six long months - President Woodrow Wilson of the United States of America; Prime Minister David Lloyd George of Britain; and Georges Clemenceau, prime minister of France, began negotiating a lasting peace after - as the saying went, "the war that was to end all wars," or so they thought.

Although after the signing of the Versailles Peace Treaty, many wars followed, beginning with WWII. But we must keep the faith and not allow another war of the magnitude of WWI and WWII to bathe the world in blood again and threaten to end life as we know it.



ERIKA MARTIN

### A relief from the Monroe Veterans Memorial.

Unquestionably, the world is currently wobbling nervously on an axis of economic and political uncertainty; nevertheless, we must have hope and work for lasting peace. It would be the greatest tribute to our beloved nation if Frank W. Buckles were indeed the last surviving veteran by finally laying down our swords into plow-shares and our spears into pruning hooks, realizing at last that the Kantian dream of perpetual peace may indeed be possible to be realized rather than reverting back to the Hobbesian world where laws are unreliable and the only way of peace is the reliance on military might.

Lest we forget, in honor of Veterans Day 2010, this poem is dedicated to all veterans who have fought for liberty's cause.

### The Field

after Lt. Col. John McCrae

A soldier in battle long ago fought to end "the war of wars." His tear-soaked eyes faced the wall Where he saw his comrade fall Down to the ground where brave blood flowed.

He felt the pain of loss and grief

in the bloody trench where life was brief He kept a picture of his girl at home in the breast pocket of his uniform when the gunner came like a stealthy thief.

He raised his rifle with head held high Saw mustard gas cloud the sky Heard furious thunder of enemy feet Smelled bloated corpses, and their rotten meat; Yet "Freedom" was his battle cry.

He glimpsed the world safe for democracy, for his sweetheart back home, for his family. For his country and for his fallen friend, he fired shot after shot to the silent end; then laid down his life in the blood-drenched field.

Beyond the sea where poppies grow, where no more winds of terror blow, where small white crosses in Flanders Field grace six precious acres of glory sealed, a soldier died ninety-two years ago.

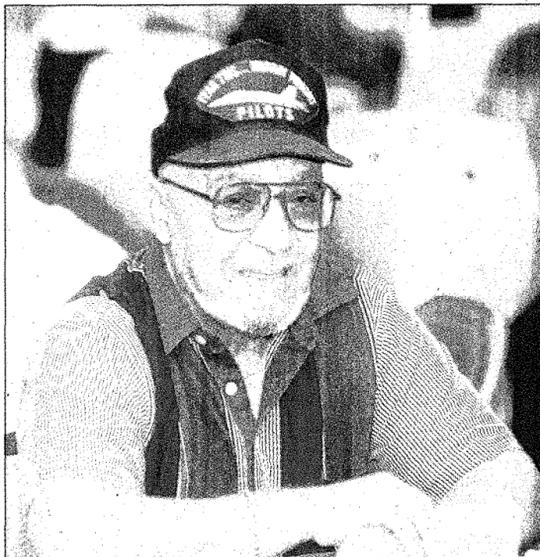
A lifetime of honor we give to all who answered our country's battle call to fight for freedom for our beloved land across the sea in fate's cruelest hand. Today our grateful tears still fall.

We remember the soldier of long ago who fought to end "the war of wars," who laid down his life next to his friend, trusting his girl and his country to the final end - the unnamed soldier only God may know.

Erika Martin, a graduate of University of Michigan-Dearborn, is a published poet and writer from Dearborn Heights. She received the Wayne State University Otto Feinstein Award for excellence in writing, won the Golden Poet Award and is a winner of numerous other poetry, essay and short story contests. She currently works on a historical novel and substitute teaches in the Garden City Public Schools.

# 'Incredible individuals'

## Members of 'Greatest Generation' treated to showing of Famie film



Korean War veteran Richard Jackson attended the special screening of "Detroit, Our Greatest Generation."



Fred Millard and his wife Shirley were among guests at the 'Detroit, Our Greatest Generation' showing. Millard said executive producer Keith Famie "told me I was the star of the movie."



Phil Lewis who attended the event because he likes to research military history, looks over a table filled with promotional items for Famie's films.

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

People carry the strangest things in their wallets. Take Rose Kaupp, for instance. Mixed in with the coins and currency is a rivet, one of the many used to build the B-24 bombers at the Willow Run Bomber Plant during World War II.

The war effort heralded the work with a "We Can Do It" poster featuring Rosie the Riveter, and while Kaupp wasn't that Rosie, she was a riveter. In fact, as an 18-year-old, the Manchester resident placed the first rivets in the first bomber to roll off the assembly line at Willow Run.

"It wasn't hard, but it was tedious," Kaupp said. "I'd put the rivets in and someone would set them."

While Kaupp was working in the heart of the Arsenal of Democracy, Fred Millard was storming Omaha Beach on D-Day. The Northville resident, who was born in Plymouth and grew up in Livonia, was in the first wave of American soldiers to jump off a landing craft into battle.

"We were the first ones in. They dropped us in nine feet of water," Millard said. "The first thing I did was throw my gun away. Who was I going to shoot underwater?"

Millard and Kaupp were among the special guests at a recent screening of Keith Famie's *Detroit, Our Greatest Generation* at the Westland Senior Friendship Center. Sponsored by American House, seniors were treated to lunch and the movie, documenting World War II as experienced by those who lived and worked through it.

### 'INCREDIBLE INDIVIDUALS'

"After working on this production, I can say that had it not been for these incredible individuals, the war may have had a very different result," said Famie, who spent more than a year creating the film. Some 300 seniors, many of them veterans, were praised for their efforts as members of the "Greatest Generation."

"Stand tall and hold your heads high," Westland Mayor William Wild said in a videotaped statement. "We recognize you, we value your bravery and strength. We recognize the burden you carried. Know how

proud we are of you."

"Your experience is unique in the history of mankind," Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said. "Sometimes we lose perspective and take our rights and freedoms for granted. We should thank you, veterans, for what you did."

The experience may have been more than unique for Millard, an 18-year-old private who joined his unit in Sicily, where "they told me don't unpack, we're leaving." They marched all night and early the next day, before he stepped on an anti-personnel mine. He was severely injured and spent more than five months in the hospital after his buddies were able to get him out.

"They couldn't get me out right away; they had to hide me and come back for me," he said. "They put me in a little ditch and gave me all of their water. It was getting dark and I heard soldiers marching by. I looked and it was the Germans."

Millard lost a lot of friends on the beach at Normandy. He used a trick that he learned swimming at his aunt's lake-front cottage to propel himself through the water to save his life that day. He made it to the beach, where he worked his way to safety, passing the bodies of soldiers, many of whom he knew.

"I lost a lot of good friends that day," Millard said.

He made that trip two more times, first to go back and retrieve a gun that he took apart and cleaned, then to find a bandolier filled with bullets.

A decorated veteran, Millard is still being recognized for his bravery 66 years later. On Sept. 10, he received a letter from Graham Paul, consul general of France in Chicago, informing him that he has been named a Knight of the Legion of Honor.

"My fellow countrymen will never forget your sacrifice," Paul wrote.

### HANDFUL OF RIVETS

Kaupp didn't get such tributes, just a handful of the plane rivets, one of which she carries with her. She took the job at Willow Run because it paid well. She had left home at age 16 because her father didn't want her to go to school anymore.

Kaupp lived in Detroit when she took the job at the bomber plant after it opened. She met her late husband, Gene, there



Rose Kaupp wasn't THE Rosie the Riveter, but she was a riveter who placed the first rivets in the first B-24 bomber to roll off the assembly line at Willow Run.



The death of his father, a bombardier on a B-17 during the war, led Keith Famie to produce "Detroit, Our Greatest Generation."

and when he asked her to move to Ypsilanti to be closer to him, she didn't think twice. He never served in the military because "he worked in a factory where he was needed," she said.

"We worked nine hours a day, it was mostly women," she said. Famie was inspired to do the film following the loss of his father, a bombardier on a B-17 during the war. He got help from Bob Gillette, founder of American House, in bringing it to fruition.

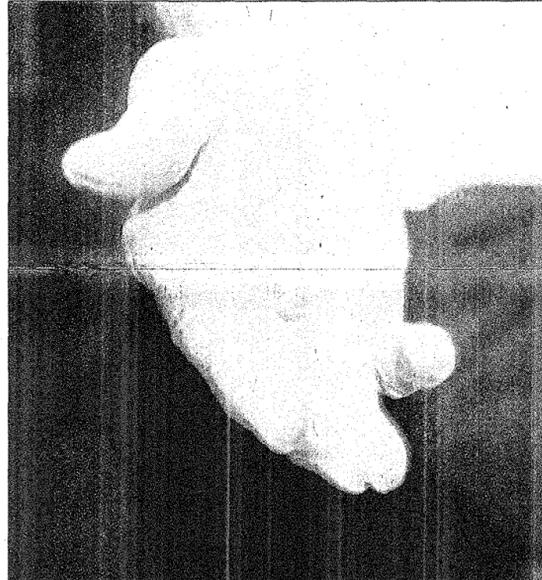
"Without the support of Bob

Gillette, the story never would have been told about what Detroit did for the Arsenal of Democracy," Famie said.

He added that the 80-something veterans like to talk, "but we don't listen."

"The sad thing about society is we see them walking in Kmart and all we see is an 89-year-old shopping, but you can bet that in some way they were involved in the war effort," he said.

Famie is working on another documentary about Vietnam veterans, which will premier



Kaupp shows off a rivet was used at the bomber plant that she carries in her wallet.



Doris Craig loved the movie the first time she saw it and decided she needed to see it again.



Agnes Wayne shares a laugh with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano who told the seniors their experiences during World War II "is unique to mankind."

Jan. 28 at the Fox Theatre. According to Famie, his latest film is "an opportunity to tell a story that's never been told."

"Our Vietnam vets are becoming the caretakers of our World War II veterans and the guardians of our current military," Famie said.

While *Detroit, Our Greatest*

*Generation* has turned Famie into a spokesman for veterans, it also has a message for young people.

"The significance of the film is to help young people understand what it means to get old," he said.

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# Regional ready

## Rockets orbit past Allen Park to reach finals

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Was it really supposed to be this easy? Westland John Glenn was in cruise control from start to finish Tuesday en route to a convincing 25-19, 25-10, 25-12 Class A regional volleyball victory over Allen Park in the semifinals at Wyandotte Roosevelt.

Glenn, now 23-16-5 overall, moves into the regional final to face perennial state power Temperance Bedford, 63-10-2 overall, in today's championship match. (Game time is 7 p.m. at Wyandotte.)

"I know that Bedford is a very strong team," Glenn coach Sharon Hubbard said. "I know that Bedford has a habit of making it to the playoffs. We've got our work cut out for us."

The Rockets made quick work of Allen Park (18-10), led by outside hitter Halie Baker's 17 kills and three solo blocks.

"She's a senior," Hubbard said. "She's just not ready to go home. She's not ready to be done. I'm counting on her Thursday."

Allen Park countered with 6-foot-2 middle hitter Ashley Parks, who finished with 10 kills, but wasn't much of a factor, particularly in the first and third sets.

"We didn't know anything about Allen Park," Hubbard said. "Yesterday we just prepared on

what we knew, which was that they had a big hitter on the team — number 17 (Parks). So that's what we prepared for and the girls did exactly what they were supposed to do. She didn't hit very high over the net, so it wasn't too much trouble for our block."

Junior Jordyn Coniam added four kills, while setters Claire Truskowski and Sarah Headrick combined for 27 assists with 15 and 12, respectively. Truskowski also had four ace serves.

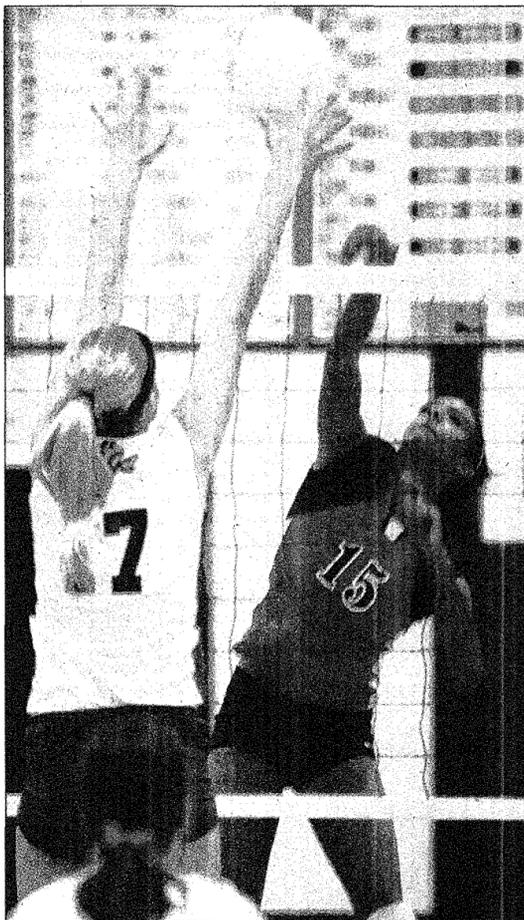
"I went and saw them Friday, they have some really good hitters," Allen Park coach Chris Bozman said of the Rockets. "We tried to make adjustments. They're quick. We haven't seen any of that fast-paced tempo all year. They're basically a solid team."

"The pace just threw us off. The girls were a half-step behind and it showed."

The Glenn defense was led by senior libero Brooke Zywick (26 digs), who also had a career-high passing average of 2.87 and was 14-of-14 on serve receive.

Junior Nicole Quaine added 12 digs. "Just amazing," Hubbard said. "We got 100-percent passing from Brooke and 88-percent passing from our senior defensive specialist Jen Drum. That sure made our setters' jobs easier and allowed Halie to shine."

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John Glenn's Halie Baker (15) hits through the block of Allen Park's Ashley Parks (17) during Tuesday's Class A regional semifinal at Wyandotte.

## SIDELINES

### Laker harrier first

Grand Valley State University captured six of the first seven places en route to the 2010 Great Lake Intercollegiate Athletic Conference women's cross country championship hosted Saturday by Hillsdale College.

Senior Megan Maceratini

(Livonia Churchill) captured her first individual GLIAC harrier title and also earned GLIAC Runner of the Year honors with a 6-kilometer time of 21:19.8.

Teammate Kyleen Cieslak (Churchill), a senior transfer from Northwood University, placed seventh for the Lakers in 21:47.9 to join Maceratini on the All-GLIAC first team.

Grand Valley, which outdistanced runner-up Ferris State for the team title, 18-65, now prepares for the NCAA Division II Midwest Regional Championships Saturday, Nov. 20, in Louisville, Ky.

### Sherwood qualifies

Madonna University senior Sarah Sherwood (Salem) made it three-for-three, placing third in Saturday's 2010 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference women's cross country championship held at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids.

Sherwood, the only MU runner to appear at the NIAA nationals, posted a clocking of 18 minutes, 27 seconds in the 5,000-meter race. It was just four seconds off of her school record time and 20 seconds behind eventual winner Rachel Steil of Aquinas College.

Sherwood will be making her third straight appearance in the NIAAs, Saturday, Nov. 20, in Vancouver, Wash.

Aquinas captured the team title with 25 points, followed by Indiana Tech (62), Siena Heights (81), Cornerstone (82), Madonna (136), Davenport (171) and Concordia (190).

Other MU finishers included Inta Grinvalds, 30th (20:40); Cassie Yarnell, 31st (20:43); Emily Bambach (Livonia Ladywood), 21:03; and Devan Walley (Livonia Franklin), 55th (26:41).

### Ocelots spiked

The Schoolcraft College women's volleyball team was eliminated in Saturday's semifinal round of the NJCAA Division II District E tourney by top seed Oakland Community College in four sets, 22-25, 25-21, 25-18, 25-15.

Owens (Ohio) CC, led by MVP Brittany Egbert, went on to win the title over OCC, 27-25, 23-25, 25-12, 25-22, in the finals held at Ford Fieldhouse at Grand Rapids CC.

In the consolation bracket, Schoolcraft defeated Macomb CC (25-22, 20-25, 25-18, 25-17) before losing to Columbus State of Ohio (15-25, 25-19, 20-25, 25-23, 15-12).

Canton's Lauren Macuga earned All-Tournament honors for the Lady Ocelots, who finished the season 22-15 overall.

### MU men seventh

Siena Heights University, scoring 35 points, captured Saturday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's cross country championship held at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids.

Rounding out the team standings were Aquinas (45), Cornerstone (65), Indiana Tech (85), Davenport (132), Concordia (189) and Madonna (191).

Cornerstone's Zach Ripley, averaging 4:57 per mile, was the men's 8-kilometer individual winner in 24:28.

Tim Boes (Westland John Glenn) was MU's top finisher in 25th (27:05) followed by Nick Brubaker, 44th (27:47); Dan Pratt, 46th (28:00); Jeff Grzywinski, 55th (28:47); and Luke Mion, 64th (32:36).

## Numerous records falls in Kensington swim meet

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The record board took a beating Saturday at South Lyon East in the KLAA Kensington Conference girls swimming and diving meet.

Nine conference records fell, along with six pool marks, in a meet won by host South Lyon United, which scored a team-high 795 points.

Rounding out the 11-school field was runner-up Northville (728.5), defending champion Novi (680.5), Livonia Stevenson (661), Canton (468), Salem (418), Plymouth (367), Livonia Franklin (247), Westland John Glenn (186), Livonia Churchill (170) and Wayne Memorial (96).

Minus the diving event, there

Please see **SWIM, B3**



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The Conference meet at South Lyon East. Kayla Douglas (Livonia Franklin) swimming and winning the 100 backstroke.

## Regional: Chargers rout Cass

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There were no upsets in Tuesday's Class A regional semifinals at Livonia Churchill — not even remotely close.

The host Chargers rolled to an easy 25-9, 25-11, 25-8 victory over Detroit Cass Tech, while Ferndale disposed of Detroit Denby, also in three straight, 25-6, 25-12, 25-10.

Ferndale and the Chargers, now 45-7-2 overall, will play for the regional title 7 p.m. today at Churchill.

"It was a nice match for us," Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "We had an opportunity to play a lot of kids. It's nice in a regional match to get as many kids in. Cass Tech was a good team. They really have some nice athletes. A couple of kids really swing well for them and they did a nice job."

Churchill's top hitters were sophomores Emily Norscia and Marissa Pomaville, with nine and eight kills, respectively. Sophomore Audrey Durocher chipped in with six.

Setters Cory Urbats and Julia Szuba combined for 24 assist-to-kills with 15 and nine, respectively.

Twins Kara and Nicole Kempinski paced the defense with 18 and nine digs, respectively. They also combined for six ace serves.

"Good defensive team," Cass Tech coach Edward Tomlin said of the Chargers. "Everybody is where they're supposed to be — passes to the target. They're ball control is outstanding. Couple big hitters, but really the defense and ball control is where I'm really impressed."

"Churchill is a great team. I don't think we had our best effort today. We just didn't pass the ball. Of course, when you don't pass the ball well, it's hard to play this game. We've got to work on

Please see **VOLLEYBALL, B3**

## Schoolcraft women return to NJCAAs

BY JIM TOTH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Anytime you're still playing soccer in November, it's a good thing.

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team chalked up one critical November win Saturday when the Lady Ocelots booted host Waubonsee (Ill.), 3-1, in an NJCAA Division I District D championship.

Coach Deepak Shivraman's squad now has the opportunity to add a few more victories to the total as it secured a berth in the NJCAA National Tournament, Nov. 18-21 in Topeka, Kan.

"This was a big game and we knew it wasn't going to be a walkover because Waubonsee was going to be ready for us and pumped up playing on their home field," Shivraman said. "To go in there and get the win says a lot about us. We needed a challenge like this because it only gets tougher from here on."

The Lady Ocelots (16-1) will enter the national tournament seeded fourth behind No. 1 Tyler (Texas) Junior College, 15-0, No. 2 Paradise Valley (Ariz.) Community College, 21-0, and No. 3 Georgia Perimeter College, 20-0-2.

Please see **SOCCER, B2**



Members of Schoolcraft's women's soccer team are all smiles after their 3-1 triumph Saturday over Waubonsee (Ill.). The victory puts the Lady Ocelots in the NJCAA National Championships Nov. 18-21 in Topeka, Kan.

# All-Observer golfers display skills on links



**Becca Bubenheimer Stevenson**  
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**Elena Vlachos Mercy**  
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**FIRST-TEAM**  
**Becca Bubenheimer, Jr., Liv. Stevenson:** The junior was runner-up at the Livonia Franklin Invitational, added a third at the Livonia Ladywood Invitational and finished 10th in the KLAAs Kensington Conference Tournament.

"Becca was our lowest scoring player in nearly every match she played and certainly will be one of the best players on our team next fall as she continues to improve in the off season," Stevenson coach Jason Delo said of the team MVP. "She worked diligently on her game throughout the season and helped our team improve our scoring average by nearly 20 strokes."

"Becca made great improvements in her game and was everything a coach could ask for in a player."  
**Maggie Lentz, Sr., Mercy:** A four-year varsity player, Lentz averaged 87.4 for 18-hole tournaments and 40.9 for nine-hole dual meets.

She shot 82 on the Spruce Run Course in the Traverse City Invite, 83 at the Holt tournament (sixth) and 81 in the Catholic League meet for a third-place finish.

Lentz shot 91-87 at the D-2 state meet and tied for ninth place. She is a four-time All-Catholic golfer and an all-state honorable mention the last two years. A repeat member of the all-area first team, Lentz scored 43 or lower in eight of nine duals with a pair of 38s.

"Maggie was a team leader (and two-year captain)," coach Vicky Kowalski said. "She hurt her back at mid season and had to stay out of competition for a week. She came back real strong and led the team down the stretch to a third-place finish at the state finals."

**Brenna Hammond, Soph., Mercy:** The sophomore, a second-team selection last year, averaged 45.5 for dual meets and 89.5 for tournaments.

Hammond shot an 80 on the second day of the Traverse City Invite and was the No. 1 Division 2 golfer that day on the Spruce Run Course at Grand Traverse Resort. She was the regional runner-up with an 87.

"She had a lot of scores in the 80s and low 90s," Kowalski said. "We hope to see all her scores below 90 and to see her get into the 70s next year."

"She played No. 2 most of the season. A couple times we put her at No. 1 when Maggie (Lentz) was injured, and I thought she handled that quite well. She just goes about her business on the golf course, and I think she's going to be a good team leader next year."

**Kelsey Murphy, Soph., Plymouth:** Murphy built upon her strong freshman season to really come into her own as a sophomore, averaging 39.5 per nine and 76 per 18 while being medalist at all eight dual matches.

She also was medalist at the KLAAs conference meet, with an 18-hole score of 74, and chalked up victories at the Fox Creek, Bedford, Birmingham Country Club and Knollwood invitationals. She finished second at the Forest Lake invite.

Murphy, a tireless worker who helped spark the Wildcats to the Division 1 state meet for the first time, was named to the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association Super Team which culls top golfers from all divisions, said Plymouth coach Chris Moore.

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## ALL-AREA GOLF

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Molly Laird, Fr., N. Farm.-Harrison  
Kelsey Shaw, Sr., F.H. Mercy  
Elena Vlachos, Sr., F.H. Mercy

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Chris Moore, Plymouth

### HONORABLE MENTION

Canton: Chloe Luyet, Kelsey McDougall, Paige Osler; Plymouth: Danielle Allen, Lindsay Dean, Christy Pattison, Mandy Kirsch; Franklin: Lexi Smith, Mariah Barcus; Stevenson: Sarah King, Madelyn Omietanski; Churchill: Nicole Kruse, Maggie McGowan; Ladywood: Sara Even, Christina Briden, Nicole Salter, Michelle Nelson; N. Farm.-Harrison: Kayley Frey; Mercy: Maggie McGee, Sarah Montone; John Glenn: Michelle Bishop; Farmington: Erin Moore; Salem: Gabby LeBlanc.

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Another tireless worker, Thompson geared up for her prep season by winning the Junior PGA summer tournament.

"She learned this year that, by keeping her emotions in check her scores went down tremendously," Moore said. "She just had to have that confidence in herself. I knew she had a great game, she just had to believe in herself."

## SECOND-TEAM

**Maddy Asta, Sr., Mercy:** Asta ended her prep career with a solid senior season in which she averaged 95.3 for 18-hole events and 47.3 in dual matches. Her best 18-hole score was an 89 at the Oakland County and Catholic League meets. She shot a low of 40 in duals.

"Maddy really came on strong this year," Kowalski said. "She was a varsity 'B' player last year. She just really worked hard on her game over the summer."

"She was a real joy to coach. She received the Coach's Award, because we all knew of the hard work she put in to be in the starting lineup this year."

"She was named a team captain by her peers. She was a real good team leader in her senior season."

**Jaclyn Burdette, Soph., Liv. Churchill:** The sophomore saved her best round of the year with an 88 at the regional to earn a qualifying spot in the Division 1 state finals at EMU's Eagle Crest Golf Club where she posted rounds of 95 and 102.

Burdette averaged 47.7 per nine and had an 18-hole average of 93.8 (second only to Shepler). She was medalist in three dual matches.

"Jackie has worked hard on her short game this season," Worley said. "And with that kind of dedication, she will see her scores drop even further next season."

**Sophie Kollin, Fr., N. Farmington-Harrison:** The freshman averaged 94.2 for tournaments and 45 for dual matches. She shot 82 at the Oakland County Division 2 meet, and she had a 91 at the Bedford Invite.

Coach Bruce Sutton recounted a story from the regional in which Kollin hit into the rough and played the wrong ball by mistake.

"A couple holes later she asked me what the penalty was for hitting the wrong ball," Sutton said. "None of the girls knew what had happened. She self-reported herself. No one else would have known."

"She's such an honest young lady, and she's always trying to better herself. She has a lot of integrity. Potentially, she and Molly (Laird) will own just about every record before they graduate."

**Molly Laird, Fr., N. Farmington-Harrison:** Laird is following in the footsteps of older sisters Emily, Veronica and Sarah — all of whom were good high school golfers. The freshman was a D-1 state qualifier, shooting 93 at the regional. She averaged 46.3 for nine holes and 100 for 18 following the state meet.

"She didn't play her best in the state final, but she made it," Sutton said. "There were hundreds of other girls who didn't make it. I'm very proud of her this year. She did come a long way."

"Molly built a putting green in her bedroom, because that's one part of her game she needed to work on. She continued to putt and putt as much as she could and did improve that."

"She's looking to uphold the Laird family name. The record book is just full of Laird names. Each one of those

(sisters) went to the state final to watch Molly."

**Kelsey Shaw, Sr., Mercy:** In her third varsity season, Shaw averaged 92.3 for 18 holes and 46.9 for nine. The senior golfer was Mercy's second-best player in the state meet, shooting 93-91. Shaw shot 88 in the Traverse City Invite, 90 at Holt and 91 in the Raisin River Invite in Monroe for a top-10 finish. Her best dual score was a 39.

"She had a real mature attitude this year," Kowalski said. "She was all business on the golf course. She came into her own this season. She's thinking about playing in college, maybe at a smaller school in Michigan like Albion or Alma."

**Elena Vlachos, Sr., Mercy:** Vlachos was the team's third-best golfer in the D-2 state meet with scores of 94 each day. A senior who made the second team last year, she averaged 93.4 for 18 holes and 47.5 in duals. Vlachos shot 87 on the Wolverine Course at the Grand Traverse Resort and 89 in the Oakland County meet. Her dual highlights were a 41 against Sacred Heart and 43 versus Divine Child. A three-year varsity golfer, Vlachos is an academic all-state player and a team captain with Lentz, Shaw and Asta.

"Elena has been a real solid player for us these last two seasons," Kowalski said. "She was an awesome competitor for the Mercy golf team. At the same time, she was always kind to opponents. Many coaches commented on her great sportsmanship."

## COACH OF THE YEAR

**Chris Moore, Plymouth:** For the first time in the nine-year history of Plymouth High School, the girls golf team reached the state finals. The Wildcats finished 11th there, but that didn't diminish what Moore and the team accomplished in 2010.

Plymouth also sailed through the KLAAs South Division, winning it with a record of 10-0.

According to Moore, having a roster of talented, enthusiastic and willing-to-learn golfers made it a season to remember on many levels.

"It's a great honor (Coach of the Year)," he said. "It just shows that the kids work hard. They make me look good."

Moore, who has coached the Wildcats since the program's inception in 2001, said making it to the state meet was "a great experience for such a young group of girls. It was unexpected, it was a great experience and now we're looking forward to next year and try to improve on where we finished this year."

Plymouth's young lineup, featuring co-MVPs Kelsey Murphy and Sarah Thompson, could do just that in 2011. A big reason for continuing success, next to talent itself, is how the girls buy into Moore's coaching philosophy.

"We talk about perseverance, never giving up, trying to keep your emotions in check," Moore noted. "Just going out there and having fun, giving your best and if your best isn't good enough that day then don't worry about it."

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL REGIONAL FINALS CLASS A**  
at LIVONIA CHURCHILL  
Thursday, Nov. 11: Livonia Churchill vs. Ferndale, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16 at Saine vs. Wyandotte regional champion.)

at WYANDOTTE ROOSEVELT  
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**CLASS B**  
at NEW BOSTON HURON  
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**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
Friday, Nov. 12  
(WHAC semifinals at Indiana Tech) Madonna vs. Aquinas College, 6 p.m. Indiana Tech vs. Northwestern Ohio, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**  
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## SOCCER

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Joining the top four teams will be fifth-seed Laramie County (Wyo.) Community College, 18-3-1, sixth-seed Iowa Western CC, 16-3-2, No. 7 Monroe (N.Y.) CC, 16-4-1, and No. 8 Anne Arundel (Md.) Community College, 13-5-2.

Shivraman's club will open tournament play Nov. 18 against Laramie County.

In the victory over Waubensee, the same team that Schoolcraft defeated 3-0 Oct. 2, the Lady Ocelots used a goal late in the first half from forward Brooke Ehman to grab the momentum in the

game. The goal was unassisted as Ehman lobbed a high ball from 25 yards out that eluded the Waubensee goalkeeper and found the back of the net for a 1-0 halftime lead.

"That was a big goal because that gave us a little cushion going into halftime," Shivraman said. "If we would have been tied, I think we may have come out a little tight in the second half. But it kind of loosened us up and we came out hard and created some scoring opportunities."

The Lady Ocelots made good on two of those, with Adrianna Guerrero converting the first at the 71st minute and Jenny Giegler the second just two minutes later.

Goalkeeper Sam Suter made the lead stand up, allowing only a single goal in the second half, as the Lady Ocelots have now qualified for the national finals in back-to-back seasons.

"We had contributions from a lot of players in the win and that has been how our entire

season has gone," Shivraman said. "I think that's what makes us a little different than other teams."

"I feel really proud of this group because I think we beat some credible teams."

"For us to beat Saginaw Valley (State) in the preseason and then go out and beat Albion and Adrian (colleges) says a lot about the quality of our kids. We play good smart soccer and that says a lot about our soccer community as well because many of these kids are from right around here."

Shivraman said the time off between games will be welcomed as several of the Lady Ocelots have been nursing injuries.

"We've been very fortunate all season because our only adversity has been injuries," he said. "The time off will give our players a chance to rest and then we will kind of ease them back into the fold."

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# Lady Ocelots ring up 147 points at Jackson

It was a record breaking afternoon for the Schoolcraft College women's basketball team in more ways than one Saturday at the Jackson Community College Tip Off Classic.

The Lady Ocelots defeated the host Jets, 147-78, to improve to 2-0 and give coach Karen Lafata here 300th career victory. Lafata, now in her 13th season, has a career record of 300-73 (.804 percentage).

Number two ranked Schoolcraft also set several other records including:

- School record most points in a game breaking the old mark of 119 set on Dec. 5, 2007

## COLLEGE HOOPS

vs. Henry Ford CC.

■ Set a new NJCAA Division II record for most points in a game set by Monroe CC (N.Y.) in 2002-03.

■ Team records for most field goals (58) in a game, most points in a half (76) and most points (225) scored by two teams in a game.

■ It's also the highest combined scoring game in NJCAA Division II history breaking the old mark of 223 set by Glendale (Ariz.) and Little Big Horn (Mont.) in 2008-09.

All 10 Schoolcraft players scored in the victory with

seven notching double figures led by Diamond Tolliver and Kimberly Bee with 26 points apiece.

Also in double figures was Shanequa Braggs (18), Amber Sammons (16), Charlise Slater (16), Livonia Ladywood's Sarah Jury (12) and Squaia Hood (10).

Bee, who notched her second double-double of the season, pulled down a game-high 14 rebounds, while Kelcie Jones and Shawnicka Thomas added 12 and 11, respectively.

Thomas also dished out a game-high 11 assists, while Slater added eight.

Jackson (1-1) got 15 points from Caitlyn and 12 from DaJanae Wilson.

# Moore's 46 wasted in S'craft loss

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team came away with a pair of losses during last weekend's Erie Community College (N.Y.) Tournament, but may have found a star player in the process.

In Sunday's consolation game, Schoolcraft's Karl Moore scored a game-high 46 points and yanked down 17 rebounds, but it wasn't enough in a 96-88 setback to Niagara (Ontario) College at the Flickinger Center in Buffalo, N.Y.

The 6-foot-8 center from Academy of Oak Park was 19-of-33 from the floor and 8-of-11 from the foul line in 35 minutes of action en route to All-Tournament honors.

First-year forward Daniel Hill (Wayne Memorial) added 19 points and 11 rebounds, while Andrew Topp chipped in with 14 points as Schoolcraft falls to 1-2 overall.

Elvis Mornat and All-Tournament pick C.J. Smith

tallied 22 and 19 points, respectively, for Niagara.

On Saturday, Moore came off the bench to score 22 points and grab 10 rebounds in a 99-70 loss to Lakeland (Ohio) Community College.

Schoolcraft, which couldn't overcome a 49-29 halftime deficit, got 11 points and nine rebounds from Hill.

Lydell Mason and DeMarco Walker chipped in with nine and eight points, respectively, as the Ocelots committed 26 turnovers.

Six players scored in double figures for Lakeland (1-1) paced by Alex Sullivan and Ray Chambers with 21 and 20, respectively.

William Powell chipped in with 15 points, while Darrell Lash added 13 points and 13 assists. Chambers also grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds.

**HUNTINGTON (IND.) 99, MADONNA 87:** Bryant Slaughter's 32 points were not enough Tuesday as Madonna University (1-3) fell to host Huntington University (3-0) in a

non-conference matchup.

Other players in double figures for the Crusaders included Kevin Henry (18), Bobby Naubert (11), Ryan Waidmann (11) and Geoff Gaylor (10).

Gaylor also pulled down a game-high 12 rebounds.

Kellen Zawadzki led the Foresters with 32 points, including 7-of-13 from three-point range. Caleb Kennedy and Tyler Shively each added 23 and 20 points, respectively.

**MADONNA 73, LOURDES (OHIO) 69:** Freshman guard Bobby Naubert (Livonia Stevenson) notched a career-high 27 points to Saturday lead Madonna University (1-1) to a consolation round victory over Lourdes College (2-2) in the Jamieson-Allen Insurance Agency Tip Off Tournament hosted by Spring Arbor University.

Senior forward Ryan Waidmann (Canton) chipped in with 12 points and 12 rebounds for the victorious Crusaders.

Kevin Henry added 13 points for MU, which led 33-24 at halftime and shot 48 percent for the game.

John Washington and John Willhite each tallied 14 points for the Gray Wolves.

# All-State harrier

## Patriots' McPherson places 13th in D-1 state meet

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Franklin girls cross country coach Dave Bjorklund knew duplicating his team's surprise regional showing was going to be a tough act to follow.

The Patriots, who qualified for Saturday's MHSAA Division 1 finals for the first time in school history, wound up 19th in the 27-team field with 474 points in the meet held at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Grand Haven captured the team title with 135 followed by Traverse City Central (154), Rockford (167), Northville (159) and Pinckney (174).

"We did not finish as had as we had hoped, but with that being said, they all did a pretty good job and they all ran close to their personal bests," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "I think they just put everything they had into the regional to try and qualify, and then winning it..."

"Running at the state meet is tough and nobody runs on that course, but overall I was proud of the girls. They did a great job."

Senior Megan McPherson, the regional champion, earned All-State honors for the first time in her career by finishing 13th overall in 18:03.0.

"She was happy, but she wanted to go under 18:00 and was pretty darn close," Bjorklund said. "Her goal was to make sure she made All-State (top 30). It was good she finally made All-State because she was 32nd as a sophomore and was hurt last year as a junior. When she was a freshman she had a back injury and we didn't know how good she was."

Exchange student Pia Klein, a senior, was next for the Patriots in 101st with a time of 19:30.3. The Neunkirchen, Germany native was one of the big reasons why Franklin enjoyed its finest season in school history.

"The day before practice started I got a call from my athletic director Ron Hammye that we had an exchange student," Bjorklund said. "At our first meet (South Lyon Invitational) she was eighth (22:08) and just got better every meet."

"Over there (Germany) she was on a track team

where she did high jump, hurdles and sprints. She had never run anything outside of the track. She is just a pure athlete.

"One of the parents said she was a 'Gift from God.' I have her in advanced placement calculus. She's just a great kid with good grades and sound character."

Franklin's other three point scorers were senior Leslie Gomez, 182nd (2:14.2); senior Megan Wickens, 183rd (2:15.9); and junior Tiffany Lambie, 194th (2:30.6).

The Patriots' non-scorers were senior Kelly Wallblay and junior Madeline Herman in 213th and 214th, respectively, in 20:52.6 and 20:52.8.

## Churchill's Riley 42nd

Livonia Churchill, which failed to earn its first state team qualifying berth in 10 years, had two individual qualifiers in Saturday's Division 1 state finals.

Sophomore Kerigan Riley led the way in 42nd with a clocking of 18:52.4. Teammate Bethany Pilat, a junior, finished 116th in 19:34.7.

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# Warrior girls get 8th in D-4 race

BY BRAD EMONS  
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Lutheran High Westland can take plenty of satisfaction from its 2010 girls cross country season.

The Warriors, led by junior All-Stater Erin Lyle, earned an eighth place team finish in Saturday's MHSAA Division 4 state finals held at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Hesperia edged Harbor Springs for the team title, 107-111, while Sagatuck finished third with 149.

Lutheran Westland's total was 267 as Lyle earned the top 30 All-State cut in 29th overall with time of 20 minutes, 0.2 seconds on the fast 5,000-meter MIS course.

"We were hoping for top ten and taking eighth I was pleasantly surprised," Lutheran Westland first-year coach Alli Unger said. "We may have been

as high as sixth had we run the way we had been running all year."

Other overall finishers for the Warriors included sophomore Erin Hardin, 44th (20:31.7); junior Jessica Rice, 87th (21:14.3); senior Sarah Maynard, 89th (21:16.7); and sophomore Angela Morrison, 165th (22:46.3).

Non-scorers for Lutheran Westland included sophomore Jessica Drife in 169th (22:57.9) and freshman Elizabeth Mathews in 180th (23:12.9). Six of Lutheran Westland's top seven runners return next season including Lyle, who was a regional champion and third-place finisher in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference meet.

"But it was a pretty good year and it will be hard to top," Unger said. "It all depends if we can fill Sarah's (Maynard) spot because she was our No. 2 runner most of the year."

## Warrior boys 24th

In the MHSAA Division 4 boys finals Saturday, Lutheran Westland wound up 24th in the 27-team field.

North Muskegon captured the team championship with 89 points followed by Bridgman and Harbor Springs with 121 and 138, respectively.

The top finisher for the Warriors was junior Jake Fairbairn, who placed 90th overall in 17:48.5.

Other point scorers for the Warriors included sophomore Eric Smith, 124th (18:16.1); junior Caleb Kempf, 194th (19:27.5); sophomore Daniel Bunge, 200th (19:41.3); junior Joshua Kirk, 216th (20:28.9).

Non-scorers included junior Philip Welte in 218th (20:41.9) and senior Matt Erickson in 220th (20:59.2).

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## PREP GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

### KLAAS KENSINGTON CONFERENCE GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING MEET RESULTS

**Nov. 5-6 at South Lyon East**  
**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. South Lyon United, 795 points; 2. Northville, 728.5; 3. Novi, 680.5; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 661.5; Canton, 468; 6. Salem, 418; 7. Plymouth, 367; 8. Livonia Franklin, 247; 9. Westland John Glenn, 186; 10. Livonia Churchill, 170; 11. Wayne Memorial, 96.

**FINAL A HEAT RESULTS**  
**200-yard medley relay:** 1. Northville (Maddy Kipke, Sarah Lohman, Shannon Lohman, Faith Miller), 1:50.77 (conference and pool record); 2. South Lyon, 1:51.03; 3. Novi, 1:52.29; 4. Salem, 1:53.81; 5. Canton, 1:54.37; 6. Plymouth, 1:54.64; 7. Stevenson, 1:54.65; 8. John Glenn, 1:02.43.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Rachel Green (SL), 1:53.66 (conference and pool record); 2. Kacie VanBuskirk (SL), 1:53.87; 3. Miller (Nville), 1:54.55; 4. Savannah Hatt (LS), 1:55.89; 5. Kaylee Dolinski (LS), 1:59.22; 6. Madeline Madison (Canton), 2:00.62; 6. Lia Nagata (Nville), 2:00.9; 8. Brenna Schoenek (Nville), 1:01.27.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Andrea VanderMey (Novi), 2:13.54; 2. Delaney Adams (Canton), 2:14.11; 3. Emily Toro (Ply), 2:15.19; 4. Catherine Cui (Nville), 2:16.17; 5. Linda

Erickson (Ply), 2:16.21; 6. Erin McCurry (SL), 2:18.69; 7. Catherine Irwin (Canton), 2:18.99; 8. Claire Amin (Salem), 2:24.19.

**50 freestyle:** 1. Destinee Barmore-Hicks (Canton), 24.29 (conference and pool record); 2. Paige Drazga (SL), 24.77; 3. Maranda Buha (Novi), 24.85; 4. Corinne Caldwell (SL), 24.85; 5. Kara Berg (Novi), 25.42; 6. Abby Hall (Novi), 25.44; 7. (tie) Madalyn Buha (Novi) and Rachel Huhta (Ply), 25.66 each.

**1-meter diving:** 1. Rachel Eckler (SL), 369.95 points (11 dives); 2. Kayla Nunez (SL), 347.95; 2. Andrea Meister (Nville), 331.00; 4. Rachel Aepelbacher (Novi), 325.00; 5. Desiree Clenney (WJG), 311.70; 6. Jillian Odum (Novi), 310.25; 7. Jennifer Jones (Nville), 302.25; 8. Kayla Marquardt (SL), 294.55.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Shannon Lohman (Nville), 58.82 (conference record); 2. Chanel Bonin (SL), 59.66; 3. Becca Berman (Novi), 1:00.42; 4. Adams (Canton), 1:00.49; 5. Naagata (Nville), 1:00.51; 6. Kayla Douglas (LF), 1:00.58; 7. Ashley Reed (LS), 1:00.66; 8. Madalyn Buha (Novi), 1:02.34.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Green (SL), 52.63 (conference record); 2. Miller (Nville), 53.96; 3. Maranda Buha (Novi), 54.34; 4. Caldwell (SL), 54.41; 5. Drazga (SL), 54.73; 6. Sarah Cauzillo (LS), 55.50; 7. Berg (Novi), 55.88; 8. Natalie Cote (LF), 55.97.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Hatt (LS), 5:04.73 (conference record); 2. VanBuskirk (SL), 5:10.29; 3. Berman (Novi), 5:13.25; 4. K. Dolinski (LS), 5:14.56; 5. Aidan O'Dowd (LS), 5:22.66; 6. Evelyn Stein (LS), 5:24.78; 7. Jacque Carless (Novi), 5:29.33; 8. Deirdre Gerke (SL), 5:32.53.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. South Lyon (Caldwell, Gerke, Green, Drazga), 1:39.56 (conference and pool record); 2. Novi, 1:40.64; 3. Canton, 1:43.05; 4. Plymouth, 1:43.22; 5. Northville, 1:43.33; 6. Stevenson, 1:43.63; 7. Franklin, 1:44.71; 8. Salem, 1:44.92.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Douglas (LF), 57.01 (conference and pool record); 2. VanderMey (Novi), 1:00.47; 3. Kipke (Nville), 1:00.85; 4. Bonin (SL), 1:01.89; 5. Shannon Lohman (Nville), 1:02.16; 6. Shaelyn Dolinski (LS), 1:02.17; 7. Erickson (Ply), 1:02.84; 8. Sarah Garrity (Nville), 1:04.76.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Cui (Nville), 1:08.12; 2. Sarah Lohman (Nville), 1:09.18; 3. Cauzillo (LS), 1:10.8; 4. Julia Hurley (LS), 1:11.0; 5. McCurry (SL), 1:11.56; 6. Toro (Ply), 1:11.98; 7. Sara Krebs (Canton), 1:12.1; 8. Lydia Matson (Ply), 1:13.24.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. South Lyon (Bonin, Caldwell, Green, VanBuskirk), 3:36.73 (conference and pool record); 2. Northville, 3:40.98; 4. Stevenson, 3:42.0; 4. Novi, 3:43.63; 5. Salem, 3:46.36; 6. Plymouth, 3:47.11; 7. Canton, 3:50.06; 8. Franklin, 3:51.84.

medley relay in 1:50.77.

South Lyon's 200 freestyle quartet of Corinne Caldwell, Deirdre Gerke, Green and Paige Drazga also took first in 1:39.56, while the Lions' Chanel Bonin, Caldwell, Green and Kacie VanBuskirk captured the 400 freestyle relay (3:36.73).

Conference records also went to Shannon Lohman (Northville), 100 butterfly (58.82); Green (South Lyon), 100 freestyle (52.63); and Savannah Hatt (Stevenson), 500 freestyle (5:04.73).

"I was very happy with the way we swam," said Stevenson coach Greg Phill, whose team placed fourth after finishing runner-up a year ago. "Ten individuals qualified for state. I thought Savannah did a fine job considering that all her focus is on the state championships."

Other individual titles went to Novi's VanderMey in the 200 individual medley (2:13.54); South Lyon's Rachel Eckler, 1-meter diving (369.95 points); and Northville's Catherine Cui, 100 breaststroke (1:08.12).

The teams now focus for the Division 1 state finals

beginning at noon Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, at Oakland University.

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## SWIM

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were also 100 different MHSAA Division 1 state finals individual or relay qualifying cuts earned.

Setting both individual conference and pool record records were Rachel Green (South Lyon), 200-yard freestyle (1:53.66); Destinee Barmore-Hicks (Canton), 50 freestyle (24.29); and Kayla Douglas (Livonia Franklin), 100 backstroke (57.01).

Douglas, who was runner-up in last year's Division 1 backstroke, swam 56.7 in the prelims and won by more than three seconds in the final over last year's state champion, Andrea VanderMey of Novi.

The Franklin senior now owns four individual event school records, including the backstroke, 100 butterfly and 50 and 100 freestyles.

Pool records also fell in all three relay races.

Northville's foursome of Maddy Kipke, Sarah Lohman, Shannon Lohman and Faith Miller won the 200

## VOLLEYBALL

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our ball control. We'll be back next year."

Cass Tech bows out with a 25-20-7 record.

"Our hitting was decent," Tomlin said. "I thought our outside hitters did a good job when they got a decent set. And when they got something they could hit, they put it away. If anything, we learned

today that we can compete at a higher level. We're just a few more reps away."

## Ladywood romps

Kiley Gorski had nine kills and Olivia Quinn added five as Livonia Ladywood rolled to a 25-7, 25-6, 25-7 Class B semifinal regional victory Tuesday over Detroit University Prep in a match played at New Boston Huron.

Maddi Quinn chipped in with five aces, while setter

Alex Hines finished with 33 assists.

The defense was led by Jenny Rhodes (13 digs).

"We have to keep our intensity up in practice," said Ladywood coach Erin Craggs, whose team faces Carleton Airport for the regional title 7 p.m. today at New Boston Huron. "Everybody played. It was a fun night, now we just have to turn this into a positive."

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# Second annual sacred music concert honors Felician Sisters

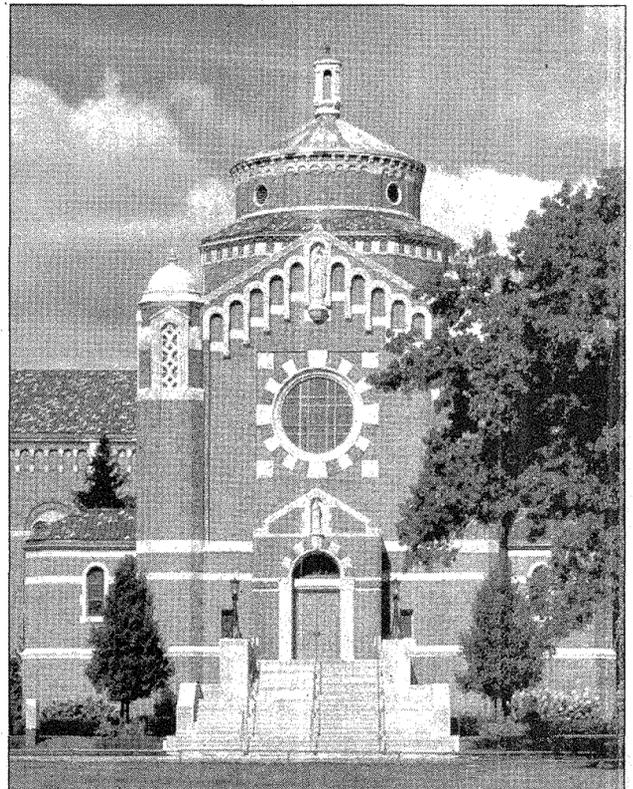


The Presentation Chapel at the Felician Sisters' Motherhouse in Livonia will be the setting for a "Concert of Sacred Music."

PHOTO BY KAREN VAMAS

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Barbara Glinski of Farmington Hills loves classical sacred music and beautiful spaces. Louis Canter, music director for the Archdiocese of Detroit, does, too. They'll bring both together Sunday, Nov. 21, at Presentation Chapel at the Motherhouse of the Felician Sisters of Livonia. The event, "Concert of Sacred Music," starts at 2 p.m. at the chapel, 36800 Schoolcraft. Patron tickets are \$100 and include reserved seating, and a cocktail and hors d'oeuvre reception after the concert, along with an opportunity to meet the performers. Supporter tickets are \$20. Tickets are available in advance by calling (313) 701-8683 or e-mailing to musicconcert@wowway.com. Tickets also will be available at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Felician Sisters, who are celebrating 135 years of ministry in education, health care and the Church. "It's love of sacred music that started this and a desire to give wonderful musicians a chance to sing in sacred spaces and honor the Sisters," Glinski said. Elizabeth Mihalo, soprano and Andy Langlands, baritone, will sing Handel's *And He Shall Feed His Flock*. Lisa Agazzi, mezzo soprano, will perform Schubert's *Ave Maria*. Hektor Qyteti will play *Meditation* on violin. And the Sisters and Ladywood's Angelic Chorale will sing Palestrina's *Jesu, Rex Admirabilis*. The program also includes Julie Holowell, Charles Walker and Canter. Canter also will perform, as he did during the first annual sacred music performance held last year at the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament in Farmington Hills in honor of Cloistered Dominican Nuns.



The exterior of the Presentation Chapel in Livonia

"I got to play the organ last year in a cloistered area," Canter said. "Each of the chapels has its own beauty." He said the monastery's chapel is a smaller space with more light from the outdoors. The Presentation Chapel is filled with mosaics, art work and stained glass. "This is a concert of the senses. There is an audio experience, but a visual experience as well," he said. Glinski fielded at least one telephone call from a ticket buyer who wondered about the chapel's interior. "He said 'I drive by there all the time and always wondered what it looks like inside.' He's bringing his girlfriend to the concert. We also have a couple celebrating their wedding anniversary." She said the chapel holds a maximum 500 individuals. Serving with her and Canter on the planning committee are Jan Krysz, Jo Obloy, Sue Sajdak, Sr. Mary Cynthia Ann Machlik, Sr. Mary Renetta Rumpz and Sr. Mary Francis Lewandowski.

# Worship and bagpipes come together at 19th annual service

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

The feast of St. Andrews is Nov. 30, but St. James Presbyterian Church in Redford will celebrate with bagpipes and dinner on Sunday, Nov. 14. "If the Presbyterian Church had a saint, that would be the saint," said

the Rev. Paul Bousquette, pastor at St. James, explaining the significance of the holiday. "After Christ died, the disciples all scattered. St. Andrews is the disciple thought to have made it to Scotland." St. Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland, where his feast day is a national holiday. The Presbyterian

church has its roots in Scotland. Bousquette said his church celebrates a few weeks before the actual feast day so that it doesn't coincide with Thanksgiving Day weekend. The church will mark the event with a 10 a.m. worship service, followed by dinner. The St. Andrews Society Pipe Band

will play bagpipe music during the worship service and at the dinner. "This is our 19th year. The St. Andrew's Society bagpipe band has been with us all 19 years," Bousquette said. "We have Amazing Grace played on the bagpipes and there isn't a dry eye in the place." Advance tickets for the dinner

are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, 4-11. Tickets at the door are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. Youngsters, 3 and under, are admitted for free. The dinner and fellowship will be held in Calvin Hall at the church, 25350 W. Six Mile. For reservations call the church at (313) 534-7730.

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**NOV. 11-17**

**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

**Anniversary dinner**

**Time/Date:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14

**Location:** 6800 Drake, between Maple and 14 Mile, in West Bloomfield

**Details:** Congregation B'nai Moshe continues its 100-year anniversary celebration with a Hungarian dinner commemorating their founding ethnicity. The synagogue will honor its roots with goulash and chicken paprikash, stuffed cabbage and more. Adult dinner, \$29; children 5-12 pay \$18.

**Contact:** (248) 788-0600

**Birmingham Temple**

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20

**Location:** 28611 West 12 Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Gabriel Bolkosky, first violinist of Phoenix String Quartet in Ann Arbor performs, accompanied by Michelle Cooker. "An Evening of Diverse Repertoire" is part of the Vivace Music Series. Tickets are \$23 for non-members, \$20 for temple members and senior citizens, 62 and over, and \$12 for students under 18

**Contact:** Joyce Cheresch at (248) 788-9338 or Ann Sipher at (248) 661-1348

**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

**Day of Reflection**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Nov. 13

**Location:** St. Columban Parish, 1775 Melton, Birmingham

**Details:** Widowed Friends presents a "Day of Reflection," with guest speaker Edward Gray, author of "Essence of Grieving." A box lunch and beverage will be provided. Registration is \$15. Deadline for payment is Nov. 9

**Contact:** Rose at (586) 726-0844 or Shirley (248) 333-3284

**Gift Bazaar**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14

**Location:** Congregation B'nai Moshe, 6800 Drake, south of Maple, West Bloomfield

**Details:** One-stop shopping for all of your gift needs for the holidays and other special occasions. Among the featured items are books, baby clothes, toys, doll clothes, arts and crafts, jewelry, women's wear, sweaters, hats and accessories, handbags, home decor, tea pots, and more

**Contact:** (248) 788-0600

**Grief during holidays**

**Time/Date:** 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14

**Location:** Faith Community Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** GriefShare presents a program designed to help those who have lost loved ones cope with the holidays. Topics include using the holidays to heal, handling parties and invitations, and dealing with traditions and other changes. A \$4 donation covers the cost of the workshop

**Contact:** (313) 682-7491

**Holiday Bazaar**

**Time/Date:** 4-8 p.m., Nov. 12 and 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Nov. 13

**Location:** Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road, Garden City

**Details:** Lots of booths, along with a cookie walk, Christmas boutique, and a silent auction. All-You-Can-Eat turkey dinner served from 5-7 p.m. on Friday. Cost of the dinner is \$7 for adults, \$4 for kids 4-12, under 3 eat free. Lunch and snacks will be available on Saturday

**Contact:** (734) 421-7620

**Movie series**

**Time/Date:** 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14

**Location:** The Corners: A Campus for Caring Communities, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield

**Details:** "The Commercialization of Childhood" looks at the effects of children's advertising on the health and well-being of kids. Susan Linn, director of the coalition Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood will lead a question and answer session after the film. Sponsored by Temple Shir Shalom's Preschool. Free admission; babysitting available by reservation for a fee

**Contact:** (248) 406-4255

**Pomegranate Guild**

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14

**Location:** The community room of the Prentiss Apartments, located on 10 Mile east of Greenfield in Oak Park

**Details:** The group studies and creates Judaic needlework. At this meeting it will sew and stuff teddy bears for charity and finish projects for Special Olympics and the children's Holocaust Memorial in Texas

**Contact:** (248) 661-5377

**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

**St. Andrew's Day**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. worship service followed by dinner and entertainment

**Location:** St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

**Details:** Dinner with bagpipe entertainment; pre-sale ticket prices for dinner are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, 4-11. Tickets at the door are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children.

**Contact:** (313) 534-7730

**Trivia fun**

**Time/Date:** 6:30 p.m. registration; 7:30 p.m. start, Nov. 12

**Location:** St. Damian Community Room, 30055 Joy, Westland

**Details:** A night of fun playing trivia. Minimum of two players on a team. Cost is \$15 per person, ages 18 years and up. Pizza and snacks included. Cash bar available

**Contact:** Dave Chiola at (248) 752-2340 or the parish office at (734) 421-6130

**NOV. 18-NOV. 24**

**Christmas Charity Fair**

**Time/Date:** 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Location:** Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth

**Details:** Nonprofit organizations will be on hand with information about their missions. Shoppers can donate to a cause rather than purchase gifts for those hard-to-buy folks on their Christmas lists. Charities include Appalachian Service Project, Baldwin Center, Music program and Academy of PFUMC, Cass Community Social Services, Crop Walk, First Step, Habitat for Humanity, Healing Hearts, Heifer International, Joy of Jesus, Kris and Sarah Kapler, missionaries, Methodist Children's Home Society, Michigan Council on Alcohol Programs, and Salvation Army

**Contact:** (734) 453-5280

**Ladies Night Out**

**Time/Date:** 6-9:30 p.m. Nov. 19

**Location:** St. Damian Gym/Community Room, 30055 Joy, Westland

**Details:** A night of pampering and shopping for the holidays, with manicures and massages available from many vendors. Admission is \$5 and includes finger foods, desserts, and refreshments. Cash bar available. Must be 13 years or older to attend with adult

**Contact:** (734) 427-1680

**NOV. 25-DEC. 15**

**Concert**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Dec. 11

**Location:** Ward Presbyterian Evangelical Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville

**Details:** The Detroit Handbell Ensemble, along with area handbell choirs, will perform music of the Christmas season in this free concert

**Contact:** (248) 374-5969

**Concert**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m., Dec. 11

**Location:** Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth Street, Wayne

**Details:** Sounds of Life Benefit Concert,



Gabriel Bolkosky, first violinist of Phoenix String Quartet plays Nov. 20 at the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills.

featuring Bishop RJ Shackleford; \$20 donation with proceeds benefitting Life Pointe Church

**Contact:** (734) 486-3210

**Concert**

**Time/Date:** 4 p.m. Dec. 12

**Location:** 17500 Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** The St. Aidan Adult Choir, along with the St. Aidan Children's Choir, and St. Aidan Contemporary Ensemble, directed by Mr. Ray Schmidt, will present their 29th Annual Christmas Concert. Admission is \$5 and two non-perishable food items.

**Contact:** (734) 425-5950

**Santa Lucia breakfast**

**Time/Date:** Saturday, Dec. 4

**Location:** Faith Covenant Church, 35415 West 14 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** The event includes a breakfast, procession, performances by the St. Lucia choir and children's groups at the church. Tickets are \$10 each for the 7:25 a.m. seating and \$15 for the 10:55 a.m. or 12:40 p.m. seatings

**Contact:** (248) 788-7094

**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 Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.

**Location:** 28660 Five Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - rid the body of toxic pathogens and painful emotions

**Contact:** (810) 813-4073 or gary@energeticarts.org

**Men's Bible study**

**Time/Date:** Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

**Location:** Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

**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

**Details:** KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer

**Contact:** (313) 531-234

**Our Lady of Loretto**

**Time/Date:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

**Location:** Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

**Details:** Scripture study

**Contact:** (313) 534-9000

**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**

**Canton Christian Fellowship**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday

**Location:** 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty

**Details:** Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need

**Contact:** (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org

**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 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

**Contact:** For details and to reserve a place, e-mail to Pat Breslin at fumcbazaar@gmail.com. Learn more about Village Banking at www.FINCA.org

**Riverside Park Church of God**

**Time/Date:** Oct. 22-23

**Location:** 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

**Details:** Applications are being accepted for the annual fall craft show. Rental spaces are 8- by 5-feet and can be reserved for one day at a cost of \$20 or two days for \$30. Tables an additional \$5

**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

**Details:** Looking for crafters, vendors for a fall craft sale

**Contact:** (734) 721-5023

**St. Thomas a'Becket**

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 4

**Location:** 555 S. Lilley, Canton

**Details:** Accepting applications for handmade crafts only for 20th annual Christmas Craft Show

**Contact:** craftshow@abecket.org or (734) 844-1232

**Fellowship dinner**

**St. James Presbyterian**

**Time/Date:** 6 p.m., the first Thursday of the month

**Location:** 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

**Details:** Cost is \$8 and includes dinner, beverage and dessert. The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, provides the meals

**Contact:** (313) 268-7780. The church phone number is (313) 534-7730

**Food Bank**

**New Hope Church**

**Time/Date:** 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only

**Location:** is 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

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

**Moms**

**Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church**

**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday, 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 "Momology - 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 MOPS

**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

**Pet-friendly service**

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

**Location:** Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

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

after the service. All Creatures ULC describes the gathering as non-denominational and Christian. Water is available for dogs

**Contact:** (313) 563-0162

**Prayer**

# ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday, November 11, 2010

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## Run, walk, bike or drive through holiday lights



A bicyclist decorated his head rather than his bike, during a previous Bike through the Lights.

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

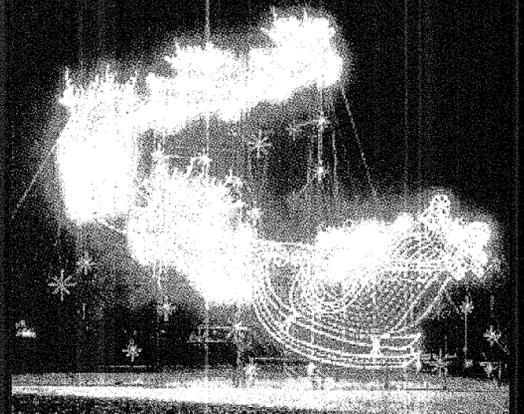
If you have a knack for holiday decorating, try heaping the ornaments, bows, lights and wreaths on two wheels and head for the fourth annual Bike through the Lights Wednesday Nov. 17 in Westland.

You might win a prize and chances are you'll turn heads even if you don't.

Beverly Watts, Wayne County's parks director, expects 500-600 bicyclists to pedal along Hines Drive past the 35 giant lighted displays that make up Lightfest.

"The word is getting out and momentum is building," she said, describing the bike event. "We have a contest for the best decorated bikes. One of our winners one year had dressed (his bike) like Santa Claus. I've seen a bike completely in lights and one like Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer. They are very creative."

Please see **LIGHTFEST, B7**



Reindeers take Santa's sleigh for a night flight in this exhibit at Lightfest.



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Bicyclists ride along Hines Drive during a previous Bike through the Lights.

## LIGHTFEST

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The top three winners will receive prizes. The first 300 individuals who register for Bike through the Lights will get long sleeve T-shirts. Everyone will be treated to food after the event.

The family-friendly bike ride will start with check-in from 5:30-6:45 p.m. at the Merriman Hollow Area, which is the entrance to Lightfest, at Merriman and Hines Drive. The event will start at 7 p.m.

Riders will follow the road to the Warrendale picnic area and then return to the starting point. All must be equipped with a light and helmet.

Fees are \$20 through Nov. 16 and \$25 on event day. High school students and children pay \$12. Proceeds will benefit the Friends of Wayne County Parks. Entry forms are available at [www.waynecountyparks.org](http://www.waynecountyparks.org) or call (734) 261-1990.

### RUN, DRIVE

The bike ride is one of three events that will help kick off Lightfest, which runs from Nov. 18-Dec. 31 on more than four miles of Hines Drive.

The Wayne County Lightfest 8K Fun Run/Walk starts at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, with check-in at 5:30 p.m., at Merriman Hollow Area, at Merriman and Hines Drive. It ends at the Warrendale Area, off Warren Avenue, east of Telegraph in Dearborn Heights. Participants can park at either end and ride a shuttle

to their cars. Registration fees and dates are the same as Bike through the Lights. The first 1,000 walkers and runners to register will receive long-sleeve T-shirts.

Watts said the event, which started in 1996, draws about 2,000 individuals, both serious racers and walkers intent on a leisurely stroll.

"The numbers for the run are growing. I don't think anyone else has a lightfest display run. It's a unique event, running through holiday lights," she said. "It makes it more fantastic and fun."

Strollers and dogs on leash are permitted. Hines Drive will be closed to motor vehicles during the run/walk and the bike event.

The free grand opening for Lightfest, featuring fireworks, refreshments and music, is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, in the Merriman-Hines Drive entrance. Lightfest opens at 7 p.m. to motorists.

Watts hopes to incorporate another pre-Lightfest event into the celebration next year.

"It will be exciting," she said, adding that Lightfest is the longest holiday lighting display in Southeastern Michigan. "We have new displays this year."

New displays with energy-efficient LED lights have replaced about half of the older displays with bulbs.

The Parks' maintenance staff began setting up the exhibit on Oct. 1.

"They are still doing a little tweaking the day of the grand opening," Watts said. "When you see a child look up and ooh and ah, we know all the hard work was worth it."

### MORE LIGHTS

- The Boulevard Tree Lighting and Red Kettle Campaign Kickoff, 6:15 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12 in Kellogg Park, in downtown Plymouth: Music performances by the Salvation Army Brass Band and the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Choir. The boulevard trees will be lit and refreshments will be provided. The first 100 guests will receive a free gift-filled stocking.
- Northville's Holiday Lighted Parade, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 19 in downtown Northville: Lighted floats and vehicles, marching units and bands. Look for 700 area Girl Scouts marching with collection boxes for mittens.
- Santa's arrival and tree lighting, 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 26 at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth: Santa, Mrs. Claus and Christmas Carol will arrive by fire truck and after a welcome ceremony will be escorted to his house in the park. Children may visit with him until 8 p.m.
- 32nd Annual Tree Lighting, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, at Summit on the Park in Canton: Seasonal entertainment and activities both indoors and outside, refreshments and visits with Santa.
- Novi's Light Up the Night, 6-9 p.m. Dec. 3 at the Novi Civic Center: Seasonal entertainment, children's activities, ice carving demonstrations, marshmallow roasting, light refreshments, craft show, holiday tree/wreath lot and a visit from Santa highlight the event. The holiday tree will be lit at 6:30 p.m. Kids can get a hands-on, close up look at vehicles such as a snow plow, fire truck and police car at the "Tons of Trucks" display.
- Annual Christmas tree lighting, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 7, on the south side of City Hall in Livonia: Sing holiday carols with the Livonia Civic Chorus, visit Santa, make holiday crafts, watch a magic show and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies. Refreshments will be served at Civic Center Library.

# Event brings 1960s, 70s musicians together

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Bob Harris says his show this weekend is like nothing ever seen in entertainment history.

The Redford resident and author of the book, *Motor City Rock and Roll: The 1960s and 1970s*, will bring dozens of performers together for live shows and a free autograph session from 5-10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13, at Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Racho, in Taylor.

Performers for "Motor City Music Legends" will include Mark and the Mysterians, The Shades of Blue, Benny and the Jets, The Contours, and Jose Rioshas.

Many other musicians and celebrities will be on hand to autograph items for

free. The group includes Jeff Lehman of Looking Glass, recording artist Kat Orlando, comedian George Young, and MC 5's Dan Murphy, among others.

"I started out with a few, but before knew it I had over 70 tables gone," said Harris, describing the autograph session. "Not all are artists. There are some stores, a poster guy is going to be there. They are all going to be there signing autographs on whatever you want to walk in there with — a book or a picture."

Doors will open at 5 p.m. and the show will start at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$8 in advance from Gibraltar Trade Center and \$10 at the door. Children under 12 pay \$3. Parking is \$2.

Harris staged a similar but smaller show in December 2009 that drew about 1,500 individuals. He decided to try it

again, but contacted more musicians for the upcoming show.

"I'll be there selling my book. But I don't care about me. These guys are still playing. Over 90 percent of them are still playing in a band. They are the ones who need the exposure. It's their livelihood."

Harris said he'll have photographs of rock stars, Motown legends and country singers, along with newspaper clippings that he has collected over the years on eight display tables at the show.

"We expect 3,000 people at this show. It's something totally different in the entertainment business. There have never been so many recording artists signing autographs for free under one roof."

For more information call Gibraltar Trade Center at (734) 287-2000 or Harris at (313) 399-8285.

### GET OUT



DAWN HEUMANN

Raga Bop Trio will perform at the Jazz Cafe Nov. 19-20 at Music Hall in downtown Detroit.

### 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 Moucoulis

**Contact:** (734) 420-0775

#### City Gallery

**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 Naem, an instructor at the Windsor, Ontario Printmaker's Forum, where she teaches drawing, painting, and printmaking, are on exhibit

**Contact:** (248) 473-1856

#### Detroit Artist Market

**Time/Date:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, Nov. 13-Dec. 23; preview party is 5-9 p.m., Nov. 12

**Location:** 4719 Woodward Ave., Detroit

**Details:** Annual Art for the Holiday Show includes jewelry, glass, metal, ceramic, photography, accessories, paintings, drawings, sculpture, books, cards, framed prints and more for sale. Admission to the preview party are \$10 for Detroit Artist Market members and \$20 for non-members

**Contact:** (313) 832-8540

#### Northville Art House

**Time/Date:** Through Dec. 3

**Location:** 215 W. Cady in downtown Northville

**Details:** 6th Annual Northville Holiday Art market with hand-crafted work in pottery, fiber, jewelry and painting for sale by local artists

**Contact:** (248) 344-0497

#### The Gallery@VT

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, through Nov. 29

**Location:** 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton

**Details:** Acrylic works by Brian Zupanick

**Contact:** (734) 394-5300

### COMEDY

#### Go Comedy!

**Time/Date:** Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays

**Location:** 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale

**Details:** Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays

**Contact:** (248) 327-0575; [www.gocomedy.net](http://www.gocomedy.net)

#### JD's House of Comedy

**Time/Date:** Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings

**Location:** 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield

**Details:** Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday

**Contact:** (248) 348-2420 or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Mondays, Open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays,

Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays

**Location:** 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** Phil Palisaul, through Nov. 13; Daniel Dugar, Nov. 17-20; Chrissy Burns, Nov. 24-27;

**Contact:** (734) 261-0555; [www.kickerscomplex.com](http://www.kickerscomplex.com)

#### Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

**Time/Date:** Mike Lukas, Nov. 11-13; Lisa Landry, Nov. 18-20; Dave Landau, Nov. 26-27; Paul Mecurio, Dec. 2-4; O'Brien & Valdez, Dec. 9-11; David Dyer, Dec. 16-18; Dan Grueter, Dec. 30-31

**Location:** 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak

**Contact:** (248) 542-9900; [www.comedycastle.com](http://www.comedycastle.com)

### CONCERTS

#### The Ark

**Time/Date:** Mindy Smith, Nov. 11; Enter the Haggis, Nov. 12; Frog Island Festival Revival - Ark 14th Annual Fall Fund-raiser, Nov. 13;

The Flatlanders, Nov. 14; Melissa Manchester, Nov. 16; Danielle Ate The Sandwich, Nov. 17; Graham Colton, Nov. 18; The RFD Boys, Nov. 19; Gandalf Murphy & The Slambovian Circus of Dreams, Nov. 20; Shawn Colvin, Nov. 21; To Katzman, Nov. 23; Matt Watroba,

Nov. 26; Mr. B presents Steve Nardella Band Reunion featuring George Bedard, Nov. 27; Gemini, Nov. 28; The Belleville Outfit, Nov. 28; Matt White, Nov. 30; JJ Grey & Mofro, Dec. 1; Lil' Ed & The Blues Imperials, Dec. 2; Orpheum Bell, Dec. 3; The Gibson Brothers, Dec. 4; Over the Rhine, Dec. 5; John Berry, Dec. 6; Lee Murdock; No. 7; Greensky Bluegrass, Dec. 8; 9th Annual Concert for Peace, Dec. 9; Lucy Kaplansky, Dec. 10; The Electric Guitar Summit, Dec. 11; Cairn to Cairn, Dec. 12; Decembersongs, Dec. 14; Delbert McClinton, Dec. 15; Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band, Dec. 16; Crossroads Ceili, Dec. 17-18; Riders in the Sky, Dec. 19; Fred Eaglesmith, Dec. 31

**Location:** 316 South Main, Ann Arbor

**Contact:** (734) 763-8587; [www.theark.org](http://www.theark.org)

#### 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

**Contact:** (248) 719-3464 or [mjm-mullen@yahoo.com](mailto:mjm-mullen@yahoo.com)

#### Jazz Cafe

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Nov. 19-20

**Location:** Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit

**Details:** Raga Bop Trio; tickets are \$30 in advance or \$40 the night of the concert

**Contact:** [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com); (313) 887-8500

#### Seligman Performing Arts Center

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13

**Location:** On the Detroit Country Day School campus, 22305 West 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills

**Details:** The Pacifica Quartet with John Bruce Yeh on clarinet; single tickets to all concerts are \$43-\$75; students \$25

**Contact:** (248) 855-6070

#### Trinity House Theatre

**Time/Date:** Jeff and Vida with Colin Gilmore, Nov. 12; Richard Gilewitz, Nov. 13; Empty Chair Night featuring Joel Palmer, Dave Boutette and Judy Insley, Nov. 14; Pineross, Nov. 19; The Red Sea Pedestrians, Nov. 20; The Milroys, Doug and Telisha Williams and the Ricketty Nelsons, Nov. 27; Empty Chair Night featuring Joel Palmer, Annie and Rodd Capps and Robin and Jenny Bienerman, Dec. 5

**Location:** 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

**Contact:** (734) 464-6302; [www.trinityhouse.org](http://www.trinityhouse.org)

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### Political funnies

The Capitol Steps will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, in Canton. The comedy troupe pokes fun at elected officials through sketches and song parodies and has recorded 30 CDs. Most cast members have worked on Capitol Hill. Although not all of the current members of The Capitol Steps are former Capitol Hill staffers, taken together the performers have worked in a total of 18 Congressional offices and represent 62 years of collective House and Senate staff experience. No subject is off limits for this bunch. Show may contain adult subject matter and language. Tickets are \$48 for all seats. Groups of 15 or more may purchase group rate tickets for \$36 each. Tickets are available online at CantonVillageTheater.org or by calling (734) 394-5460.

### Comedy brings back big hair, 1960s music

Canton-based D2 Productions will present the recent Broadway musical comedy hit, *Hairspray*, Nov. 18th-21 at the Riverside Arts Center in Ypsilanti.

The musical, set in 1962 and filled with laughter and romance, is based on the 1988 New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters. It tells the story of 16-year-old Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big hair, who dances her way onto televi-

sion's most popular program, "The Corny Collins Show."

The cast features Maggie Williams as Tracy, Nick Rapson as Link, Wendy J. Krekeler as Penny, Martin Hunter as Seaweed, Gabriella Granados as Amber, Linzi Joy Bokor as Velma, Jeff Faust as Edna, and Dave Cooper as Corny Collins.

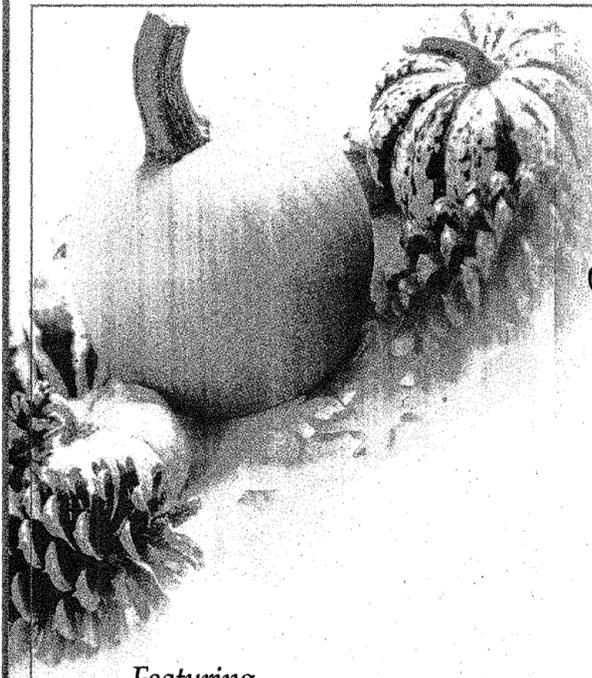
*Hairspray* is directed by Jake Zinke and produced and assistant directed by

Kyle M. Farr with music and vocal direction by Mike Williams and choreography by Amanda Bashista.

Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 18-20 and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 20-21.

Tickets are \$18 for reserved seats and \$15 general admission. They're available at www.d2productions.org or at the door.

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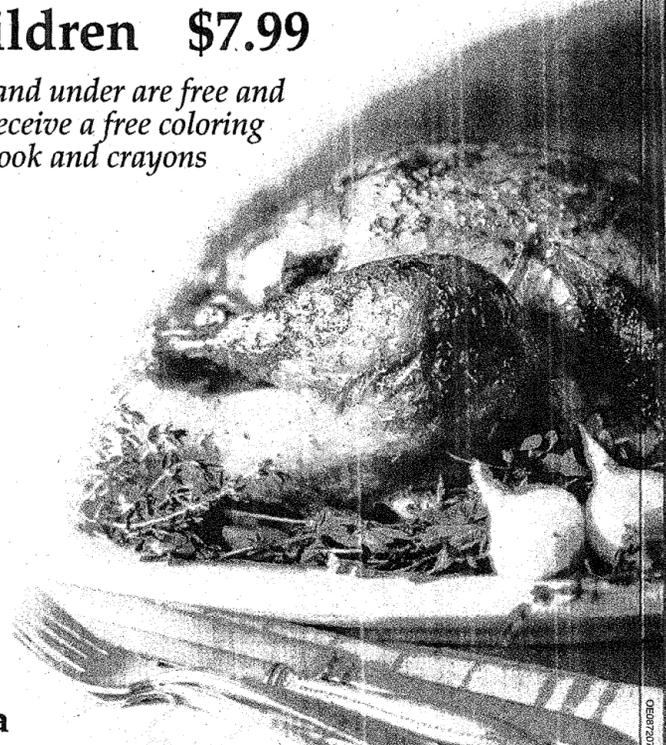
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# It's a HOLIDAY PARTY!

## Bring an appetizer to share

If finances are tight this year, celebrate the holidays by hosting a shared small plates party where everyone can get together to have fun without breaking the bank. Small plates continue to be hot in trendy restaurants because people love to sample little bites and taste a variety of dishes. Ask each guest to bring an appetizer and a bottle of wine or non-alcoholic drink. With a collection of nibbles and libations, you're ready to party.

### Decor

Set a festive mood. Pillar candles, strings of lights, evergreens and holiday music will create a merry atmosphere at a nominal cost.

For an elegant tone, use china plates and wine glasses if you have them. But don't use fragile or expensive ones that would leave you devastated if they break.

### Food

The buffet will grow as guests arrive, but to provide for the first guests, have a cheese board ready. It takes no time to prep and is always popular.

Consider an Irish cheese board to introduce guests to new tastes. Cheeses labeled "Kerrygold," imported from Ireland, come in a variety of types to please every taste, and are widely available in local supermarkets. These cheeses are made with milk from grass-fed cows raised on small family farms; no growth hormones are used.

For your cheese board, try Dubliner, a crowd-pleasing, full-flavored cheese with

a balanced sweetness and the bite of an aged Parmesan. Or consider Kerrygold Aged Cheddar, noted for its rich, round flavor and smooth body. It was a gold medal winner at the 2010 World Championship Cheese Contest. Blarney Castle, a creamy and mild, semi-soft, part-skim cheese, offers a pleasant contrast.

Other flavorful Irish cheeses include Duhallow, a farmhouse cheese from renowned Irish cheese maker Mary Burns; and Ivernina, a hard cheese aged for three years to bring out complex flavors. For a store locator for these Irish cheeses, go to [www.kerrygold.com/usa/locator.php](http://www.kerrygold.com/usa/locator.php).

### Logistics

Set up separate stations for food and wine to keep traffic moving. Clear off kitchen counters so guests can prep their dishes. Have extra platters and serving utensils available for people who forget to bring them.

Purchase a few extra bottles of wine and non-alcoholic drinks to start the party off and to ensure there is enough to drink if guests forget to bring their contribution. If you end up not needing the extras, repurpose for the next festive occasion.

Here are some delicious appetizer recipes to share. Some ingredients, such as smoked salmon, are pricey, but a little goes a long way. Each recipe makes 24 pieces. The recipes can easily be doubled or tripled, depending on the length of the party and the appetite of your guests.

made one day before serving. To serve, bring the dip to room temperature or warm in a double boiler or gently in the microwave, to soften. Scatter the remaining walnuts over the top. Perfect with celery hearts, sliced fennel, endive leaves, and thin wedges of crisp apples.

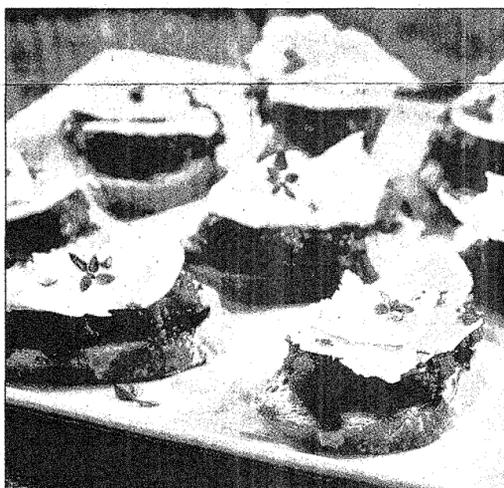
### SMOKED SALMON, LEMON BUTTER AND CHIVE TARTINE

#### Makes 24 pieces

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup (4 ounces) Kerrygold Salted Butter, at room temperature  
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel  
2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
4 to 6 slices firm white bread (country, potato, etc.)  
8 ounces smoked salmon, sliced thin  
2 tablespoons minced chives

Combine the butter with the lemon peel and lemon juice. Stir in the pepper. Best if made one or two days before using. Keep refrigerated. For serving, the butter should be very soft.

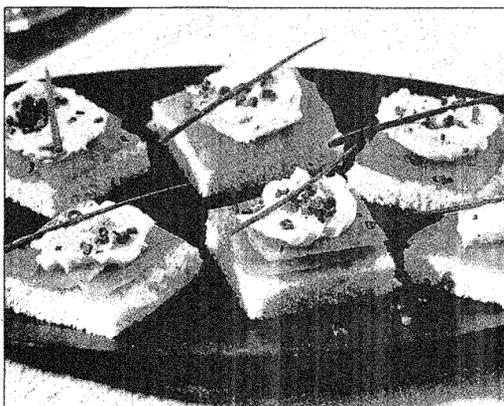
To make the tartine, cover the entire surface of each piece of bread with a single layer of smoked salmon. Trim the crusts from the bread and cut into  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch squares. Spread a small amount of butter in the middle of each piece. Sprinkle  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon chives over the butter.



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### CROSTINI WITH BLARNEY CASTLE CHEESE AND SUNDRIED TOMATO PESTO

#### Makes 24 pieces

1 cup (about 4 ounces) sundried tomato halves  
  
24 slices French bread (baguette) cut  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch thick  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup slivered almonds  
3 tablespoons olive oil  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon paprika or Spanish pimenton  
  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon minced fresh thyme  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon kosher salt  
1 package (7 ounces) Kerrygold Blarney Castle cheese

Heat oven to 350°F.

To reconstitute the tomatoes, put them in a shallow bowl and cover with  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups simmering water. When cool, drain the tomatoes and reserve the water. Meanwhile, arrange the bread in a single layer on a cookie sheet and toast in the oven until lightly browned, about 8 to 10 minutes, turning once. Place the almonds in a single layer on another cookie sheet and toast until lightly browned, about 5 to 8 minutes; watch carefully to prevent burning.

Roughly chop the tomatoes then pulse in a food processor with the almonds and oil. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of the reserved water, the paprika, thyme, and salt. Process until smooth but not pureed, using a rubber spatula to push down any of the pesto that accumulates on the side of the bowl. Best if made a day before serving.

Cut 24 slices of cheese  $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch thick. Spread about  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons of the pesto on each piece of toasted bread. Top with a piece of cheese. Serve at room temperature.

### AGED CHEDDAR AND BACON IN PUFF PASTRY

#### Makes 24 pieces

2 tablespoons flour  
1 piece (12 x 12 inches) frozen puff pastry, defrosted  
1 egg yolk  
6 ounces sliced bacon cut into  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch pieces

3 tablespoons Dijon mustard

1 package (7 ounces) Kerrygold Aged Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 375°F.

On a floured work surface cut the puff pastry into 24 scalloped or straight-edged 2-inch rounds. Or use a scalloped 2-inch tartlet pan as a cutter. Combine the egg yolk with 2 teaspoons water and brush a little of the mixture across the top of each piece. Bake according to package instructions. Meanwhile, in a frying pan large enough to hold the bacon in a single layer, cook bacon until lightly browned and not too crispy. Transfer to paper towels.

To assemble the appetizers, using a serrated knife, carefully cut the puff pastry in half like a hamburger bun. Spread  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon mustard on the bottom of each piece. Place a piece of bacon on the mustard. Cut 12 slices of cheese just less than  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thick and cut the cheese slices in half; place a piece on the bacon. Top with the other half of puff pastry. For serving, arrange the puff pastry on a cookie sheet and warm in a 275°F oven until the cheese just starts to wilt, 5 to 7 minutes. Variation: Instead of bacon and mustard, spread puff pastry with fruit chutney.

— Courtesy Family Features



Just Baked is creating cupcakes in Faygo flavors.

## Bakery adds Faygo to its cupcake line

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Pam Turkin says it's only fitting her new line of cupcakes include Faygo orange, red and grape pop flavors.

"I grew up in Detroit. Who doesn't like Faygo Red Pop?" said Turkin, owner of Just Baked, a gourmet cupcake business with stores in five locations including Livonia. "Faygo I've learned actually started as an icing flavor company. It seems natural to lend itself to baked goods."

The new fruity-flavored cupcakes, sold under a special licensing agreement with Faygo, debut today, Thursday, Nov. 11 at Hiller's and Busch's stores. Suggested retail price for a six-pack is \$6.99.

Turkin said she had considered selling the Just Baked cupcake brand to grocery stores and other

retail outlets, but didn't find the perfect fit until she met with Faygo representatives.

"When the Faygo idea came up we thought it would be the perfect way to go, without diluting our specialty cupcake business," Turkin said. "These are more fruity, colorful and smaller than what we carry in our stores. The are so kid-oriented and nostalgic."

Turkin, who opened Just Baked in 2009, said she "always" had a recipe that included Faygo in her arsenal of treats. She eventually put the recipe to the test after appearing on a local morning television program and submitting it to the station's Web site.

"It's funny because I actually did it because didn't want to put one of our recipes that we do in our store on their Web site. We do more gourmet, complicated cupcakes. This (Faygo cupcake) is fruity and

fun." Turkin said someone from Faygo saw the show and contacted her. The rest is cupcake history.

Just Baked stores are located in Ann Arbor, Royal Oak, Novi, Canton and Livonia.

Red Velvet Cheesecake is fast becoming the most popular cupcake sold in her five stores. Pat Elvis, a concoction of banana with peanut butter is another favorite.

Pumpkin pie, pumpkin cheesecake and sweet potato also fly off the shelves in the fall.

"Sweet potato has a graham cracker crust and mashed sweet potatoes in the batter. We actually double bake it with marshmallows and pecans."

Just Baked offers 50 different cupcake varieties in addition to special occasion cakes. For more information, visit [www.justbaked-shop.com](http://www.justbaked-shop.com) or call (248) 255-1441.

### CITY BITES

#### Wine tastings

**Livonia - Taste Pinot Noir** — the perfect choice for Thanksgiving dinner — 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 at d.vine fine wines, 17386 Haggerty. The session will include a variety of Pinot Noir wines, with the focus on American producers. The cost is \$20 per person; \$15 per d.vine club members. A \$5 rebate will apply to orders placed at the tasting. Call (734) 432-3800 for reservations. Membership in the wine club is \$34.99 and includes two bottles of wine, and 10 percent off all wine purchases, as well as 15 percent off all re-orders. Members also receive discounted tasting events, and invitations to special wine maker events.

#### Vegetarian Thanksgiving

**Livonia - VegMichigan**, the state's largest vegetarian organization will present its 11th Annual Thanksgiving Day Celebration and Potluck, 1-2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 25, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile. Doors open at noon. The group asks participants to bring a vegan dish (no animal products) that will serve eight people. Attendees also may bring a musical instrument to play or game to share. Turtle Island Foods will provide meatless Tofurky roasts. VegMichigan is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that promotes awareness of the health, environmental and ethical benefits of a plant-based diet. Supported by memberships, donations and volunteers, VegMichigan offers classes, lectures, dinner club outings, special events like the annual VegFest, and an e-newsletter with more than 6,000 subscribers. For more information call (877) 778-3464 or visit [www.vegmichigan.org](http://www.vegmichigan.org).

#### In time for Thanksgiving

**Canton - The Canton Farmers Market** returns for a special Harvest Market, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 21, at Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge. This special market will feature an assortment of fruits and vegetables in addition to specialty products made by local Michigan vendors, who will be onsite both indoors and outside. Find such items as turkeys, farm eggs, apples, spices, cider, natural meats, stuffing, artisan bread, pies, smoked fish, salad greens, squash, pie pumpkins, summer sausage, pasta, sauces, mustards, dried peppers, seeds, salsa, frozen blueberries, nut brittles, jams, jarred pickles, hand cut jerky, pierogi, and pasties for your Thanksgiving table. Vendors also will sell flower arrangements, homemade dog treats, natural soaps and gift bas-

kets. Pre-orders are also being accepted by most of the vendors. Visit [Cantonfarmersmarket.org](http://Cantonfarmersmarket.org) under the Farmers Market tab for contact information to place an order for pick up during the Harvest Market. Winter Markets at the Cady-Boyer Barn also have been scheduled on these dates: Feb 13, 2011; March 13, 2011 and April 10, 2011. For more information call the market manager at (734) 398-5570 ext. 5 or via e-mail at [cantonfarmersmarket@canton-mi.org](mailto:cantonfarmersmarket@canton-mi.org).

#### Coffee deal

**Southeast Michigan - Dunkin' Donuts** and the Detroit Auto Dealers Association (DADA) are working together to raise funds for the Oakwood Center for Exceptional Families and give customers a deal on freshly brewed coffee. Metro Detroit residents can visit any one of the more than 200 participating DADA member dealerships in southeast Michigan and pick up a free promotional travel coffee mug along with coupon books to Dunkin' Donuts restaurants. Customers can take the travel coffee mug to any participating Metro Detroit Dunkin' Donuts location for unlimited 99-cent refills until the end of the 2011 North American International Auto Show, Jan. 23, 2011. Mugs with the same unlimited 99 cent refill offer also are available for \$3.99 at participating Dunkin' Donuts locations this month, or while supplies last. For every mug purchased at a Dunkin' Donuts location, \$1 will be donated to the Oakwood Center for Exceptional Families, which serves families with special needs children throughout southeastern Michigan.

#### Apple contest

**Statewide - The Michigan Apple Committee** is searching for the best recipes featuring apple varieties grown in the Great Lakes State. Amateur cooks may visit [MichiganApples.com](http://MichiganApples.com)/contests for details on how to submit their favorite apple recipe in the 3rd Annual Michigan Apple Recipe Contest. Winners will be announced by the end of February 2011 and will receive a Kitchen Aid gourmet mixer. Entry deadline is Jan. 31, 2011. Recipes must include at least one Michigan apple variety. Past winners have included Cheesy Apple Quiche, Roasted Rome and Feta Salad and Apple and Sausage Frittata. The winning recipes may also be featured on recipe cards distributed by the Michigan Apple Committee at select retailers and farm markets in the Midwest. For more information call (800) 456-2753.

# Pre-Season Party

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>th</sup> thru  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>

**Pre-Season Party Hours:**  
Fri. 11am-midnight  
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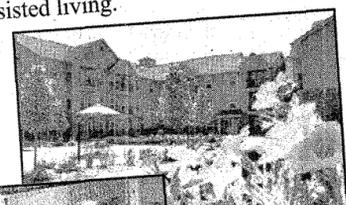
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