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Book sale

There are bargains to be had at the summer book sale in the Friends Shop at the William P. Faust Public Library.

Stock up on hardcover fiction books only with the shop's buy two get one free. Hardcover books are \$1 each, so get three hardcover fictions for just \$2. The sale doesn't include hardcover biographies, nonfiction and large-print books.

The Friends of the Library operate a Friends Shop which has more than 4,000 used books for sale. The shop is open when the library is open. The independent group of local residents and library users helps support and promote the library and its mission. It meets at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway, north of Ford Road.

Bike Blessing

Stop by Kirk of Our Savior Church in Westland on Sunday morning for the Motor City Bike Blessing.

The event starts at 10:30 a.m. and includes the presentation of a custom handmade trophy for the voter's choice for best bike. The blessing will be followed by a picnic lunch and an optional group ride. There also will be a special collection for the Dearborn Animal Shelter.

For more information, call (734) 728-1088. Kirk of Our Savior is at 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road.

Tremper returning

The Westland City Council has confirmed the reappointment of William Tremper to the Westland Planning Commission to fill a three-year term, which will expire May 6, 2015.



Tremper

A long-time Westland resident, Tremper has served on the Planning Commission since 2011 when he was appointed to fill an unexpired term.

"I thank Mr. Tremper for his commitment to our All American City, he is always well prepared and very professional," Mayor William Wild said.

The Planning Commission is a nine-member board that reviews and recommends to City Council all applications for amendments to the zoning ordinance or zoning map, applications for special land uses, site plan approvals and planned unit developments.

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W-W board OK's 6-year terms

By Sue Mason
Observer Staff Writer

The Wayne-Westland school board is joining a growing number of boards around the state and in Wayne County in voting to extend terms of office.

The board voted 4-2, with Vice-President John Goci and Trustee Andrea Clawson dissenting, to change the current four-year terms to six-year

terms. The change was prompted by state law that moved all school elections to November of even years which added from six to 18 months to the terms on trustees.

"In discussions with other school boards and legal counsels, the issue was carefully looked at," said board President Carol Middel. "And when they sat down and looked at a board with four-year terms and a cycle of 2-2-

2-1, when they plotted it all out, four seats would be available at one time. So what they recommended to school boards was to take a serious look see if having four up for election at one time would be an issue where you could have a majority of the board change in one election cycle."

"I recommend that if you wish to avoid that situation from occurring, you look at six-year

terms where we would end up with 3-2-2," she said.

The change takes effect with the November election when the terms held by Cindy Schofield and Frederick Weaver will be filled. Because of the new law, their terms have been extended six months to Dec. 31, 2012. The terms of Middel, Goci and Treasurer Shawna Walker have been extended to

Dec. 31, 2014, and Clawson and Trustee Tom Buckalew to Dec. 31, 2016.

Up until this year, Wayne-Westland has held spring school elections annually with board members serving four-year terms. Two trustees stood for election one year, three the next and two the next. Remaining on the four-year cycle,

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PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Tina DeWulf (left) and her dad Mike sell fresh produce at the Westland Farmers Market.

**Plants, produce, trikes:
Farmers market has it all**

By LeAnne Rogers
Observer Staff Writer

The high temperatures of Memorial Day had cooled somewhat just in time for the opening of the Westland Farmers Market on Tuesday.

As is usually the case, there was a smaller number of vendors since crops aren't ready this early in the season. Still, DeWulf Farms of Howell had a lot of nice produce including tomatoes, potatoes and celery which were trucked in from out of state.

"Our tomatoes won't be in until the end of June, so we have field-grown and vine-ripened tomatoes. We have a guy who gets them from California," said Tina DeWulf, who works with her father Mike. "We get the freshest we can. We get no complaints. People come back every week."

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Ellen Thomas of Grandma Ellen's hot dog stand serves a customer at the Westland Farmers Market.

**Video shows
gazebo fire
wasn't malicious**

By LeAnne Rogers
Observer Staff Writer

An improperly extinguished fire is being blamed for a May 14 that destroyed a gazebo at the Westland Historic Village Park.

Security video showed six young men in the gazebo about 9 p.m. May 13, Westland Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshal John Adams said.

"They started a warming fire inside the gazebo. I'm not sure if it was on a tray or something," Adams said. "They put it out (before they left). The fire was not out. About 11 p.m. it rekindled."

Westland firefighters responded to a fire at the Historic Village Park shortly after 1 a.m. May 14. The gazebo, which had been moved to the Historic Village Park from Central City Park, was destroyed.

"They (the five males) were doing something that wasn't correct but it didn't appear that it was malicious, especially after they put out the fire," said Adams, who described the fire as similar to a typical small

campfire. "You could visibly see them put out the fire. Obviously, they did something foolish."

The video has been reviewed by Westland police but it didn't help identify the suspects, said Sgt. Kevin Wojcik, who agreed the fire appears to have been accidental.

"They are the only people there prior to the gazebo burning down. There is no fire when they leave. You see some flickering before midnight and it is fully burning at 1 a.m.," said Wojcik, adding one of the suspects is wearing a varsity jacket, possibly from Westland John Glenn High School.

Surveillance cameras were installed at the Historic Village Park after recent problems with trespassers at the property on Wayne Road south of Marquette and vandalism to the gazebo.

Other historic buildings at the park, which will soon see the addition of the McKee barn from its current location on Cowan, weren't damaged by the fire.

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**Trio charged with
break-in, animal cruelty**

By LeAnne Rogers
Observer Staff Writer

Three people are facing charges including larceny and animal cruelty after a reported break-in at a Westland apartment.

The resident of Colonial Village Apartments, 8181 N. Wayne Road, told police May 27 she returned from work and found a key broken off in her apartment's main entrance door. She said she called management for assistance but no one arrived before she had to leave to work at her second job.

Accompanied by her boyfriend, the woman said she returned later to her apartment. The boyfriend climbed to the second story balcony and found the apartment door was ajar. The apartment door had been kicked open damaging the trim,



Poster



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door jamb, strike plate and lock.

The resident told police clothing was missing from her closet and later located in a nearby dumpster. Some other items missing from the apartment were found outside.

The woman began looking for her small dog which she hadn't located. Hearing whimpering from under her bed, the woman told police someone took a

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drawstring from a mesh storage bag, tied it tight around the dog's neck and then tied its legs together making it unable to walk. The dog appeared to be uninjured.

The woman told police she shared the apartment with another woman for several months until the roommate moved out in April. The roommate had not taken all of her belongings despite numerous attempts to reach her, the woman said. The roommate had also refused to return the apartment key or sign off on the lease, she said.

On May 18, the woman said she returned home to find a 32-inch flat screen television and an iPod docking station missing

from her bedroom. There was no forced entry, so the woman told police she didn't report theft because she suspected the former roommate but had no proof.

After finding the key broken in the door, the woman said she learned her former roommate, the roommate's mother and a man turned up looking for her at a restaurant where she works. Once she got inside her apartment, the woman told police she found the rest of the roommate's belongings were removed.

An officer talked to the former roommate by telephone and was told she removed her belongings but denied taking any items that didn't belong to her that day or May 18. She also denied tying up the dog.

The former roommate and her boyfriend, the

man who had been with her at the apartment, agreed to talk with police. Both denied taking anything. The man initially told police his girlfriend had kicked the door open but changed his story after the officer pointed out she was only 5 feet tall, 100 pounds and as a result, unlikely to have accomplished that, police said.

The couple identified a second man as having been with them at the apartment, police said.

Facing charges of vandalism, trespassing, larceny and animal cruelty are Emily Elizabeth Helegda, 17, of Inkster; Justin Christopher Rodriguez, 18, of Westland; and Lucas David-Lee Poster, 19, of Garden City.

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PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Vendors and shoppers turned out for the opening day 2012 for the Westland Farmers Market held Tuesdays in the City Hall parking lot.

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The DeWulfs' 20-acre farm produces watermelons, cantaloupe, potatoes, peppers, peaches, cabbage, onions and some heirloom tomatoes.

"I love spending time with my dad. The last 20 years he worked with my brother and I get the next 20 years farming," DeWulf said. "We've been here three years since the market opened. This is my favorite market. The customers are so friendly. I got to be part of it from the start and watch it grow."

Westland resident Linda Noble was shopping at the market opening day.

"I buy plants, bread, veggies and honey. I probably come almost every week," she said. "I try to buy local as much as I can. I'm bringing more money next week."

Along with fresh produce, plants, baked goods and other food products, the Farmers Market also has some jewelry and other products available.

Working on a new piece while displaying his wares was Doug White of Stoneworks by Linda — Linda is his wife and business partner. The Westland-based company sells sterling silver and copper jewelry with semi-precious stones but also inexpensive trinkets youngsters would like.

"The price range is \$3 to \$200 but \$25 is generally the price. We have some fun stuff for kids," said White, a retired Detroit police officer who had a second career as a truck driver. "We've



Westland resident Doug White works on some jewelry during the Westland Farmers Market. His company, Stoneworks by Linda, has been at the market for three years.

been doing jewelry for 28 years — a long time. We do arts and crafts shows — 49 last year. We go to Findlay, Ohio, and were in Tawas last week."

If shoppers get hungry, they can get a hot dog from Grandma Ellen — Ellen Thomas of Commerce Township. She's the one wearing a hot dog in a bun with mustard earrings.

"I worked for the federal government for 26 years, I flunked retirement. I was looking for something to do. I really enjoy it," said Thom-

as, who is returning to the Westland Farmers Market for a second year. "I like it here. It's been fun."

The number of vendors is expected to increase in coming weeks at the market which is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Tuesday through the end of October in the City Hall parking lot. Vendor applications are available at www.cityofwestland.com through the Department of Parks and Recreation tab.

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TERMS

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however, would have had four positions expiring at the end of 2016.

"I'm a little concerned that six years might be a long commitment, it may deter people from running," said Goci. "It's quite a commitment to make."

While agreeing that six years is a long time, Buckalew could not see "a viable alternative."

"There's no question six years is a long time, but the alternative is worse," said Buckalew.

"I have been on the board almost one year, and I am still in the learning process and not quite up to be where I want to be. If we remain at four years, we're going to get to point where a majority of board is brand new or wet behind the ears. They're not going know what is happening, and the number of people to guide them won't be there. I can see this becoming chaotic."

"I don't want to see four new people on this board at any one time,"

he said.

Clawson also voiced opposition to the six-year terms, but pointed out that if there was "an operating procedure in place" to prepare newly elected board members, it would be "doable."

"If we provide them with ample training and give them a great start and have that in place, that will be very effective," said Clawson who paid for and took the Michigan Association of School Boards' Introduction to School Board Service prior to joining the board.

"That was helpful for me," she said. "I think with proper training, they can do it, we're doing it. The worst case is that you're not committed to six, people can resign. If this does past and people hesitant, just know that do the best you can do and if you can't do it, you can't do it."

Goci countered that when he joined the school board, "no one took me under their wings."

"I was self-taught, I did it on my own," he said. "Many people may want to commit to serve and

could take the classes to bring themselves up to speed, but I think six years is quite a commitment to make."

Middel acknowledged that six years is a long time, especially for the people who will serve 5 1/2 years before standing for election.

"I get that, but I'm concerned about what we were all able to observe in an adjacent school district when four seats were up," she said Middel. "In the last issue of *American Schools*, there was an article about boards going to six-year terms to avoid any controversy like this or heated, hotly contested were words they used to avoid this. Everyone needs to vote their conscience and we'll abide by the decision."

Resident Nancy Froerich questioned the need for six-year terms, pointing out that the only six-year term she knows of is for U.S. senator.

"We don't elect the most powerful person on the planet to six years, it's only four years," she said.

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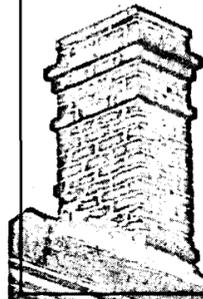
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Cardiologist offers expo to 'educate public'

By Sue Mason
Observer Staff Writer

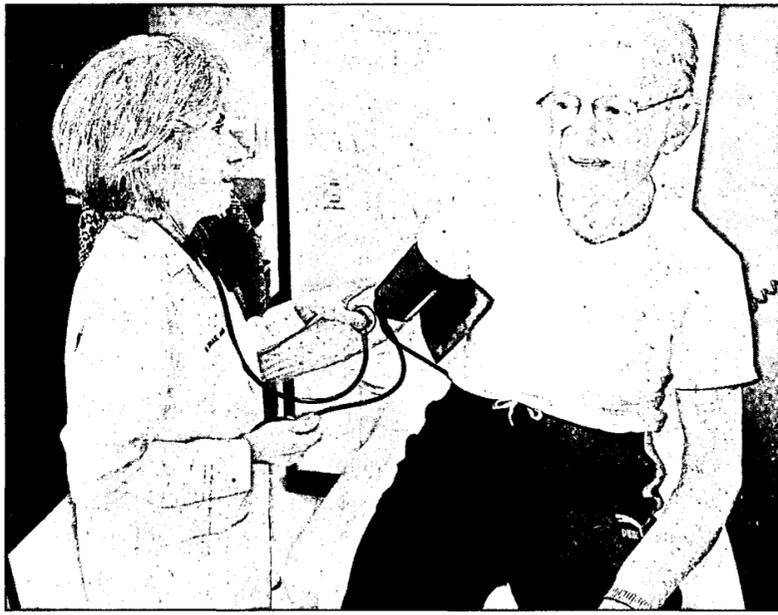
Dr. Vicky Savas remembers the first health expo she ever did. The year was 1989, and she offered free cholesterol checks, lunch and a lecture. Twenty-three people showed up.

The cardiologist is still holds the expos but now they're all-day affairs with a variety of low-cost tests, breakfast and lunch and complimentary gifts, door prizes and health lectures.

"It's turned out to be five hours long and last year more than 1,200 people attended," said Savas, who has offices in Novi and Southfield. "I've added demonstrations and lots and lots of free giveaways."

This year the Savas Health Expo will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, in Westland.

Savas is excited about this year's expo because she's never offered so much testing and an auction will help raise money for the Sts. Constantine



Novi Providence Park physician Dr. Vicky Savas checks the blood pressure of Alex Modreski. Savas will be hosting a health expo in Westland in June.

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and Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Westland.

Guests will enjoy free massages and receive gifts like pedometers, hand cream, toothbrushes, toothpaste and cookbooks. Free tests include hearing, BMI, blood pres-

sure and blood sugars. Low-cost testing — "lower than most co-pays — includes carotid ultrasound, bone density, abdominal ultrasound, cholesterol, prostate cancer, thyroid, ABI, and heart rhythm.

"They can do a total of 15 tests for \$129, that's cheap," she said.

The auction features autographed Detroit Tigers and Red Wings sports memorabilia, hockey and baseball tickets, a wine tasting tour in Tra-

verse City, golf lessons and local golf packages including rounds of golf at the Grand Hotel, watches by Maloof Jewelry, spa packages, salon certificates and product baskets and dinner certificates.

"I'm very excited about the auction," said the West Bloomfield resident. "After five months of pounding the pavement, it's coming together. It's truly exciting."

Savas's interest in providing the expo stems from her work with migrant workers while in training at the University of Michigan. She and six other students provided medical care to the workers near Grand Rapids. They rented a storage center, cleaned it, and when she opened the doors found a huge line of people waiting to see them.

"There would be 50, 75, 100 people waiting. A lot of times they had no medical insurance," she said. "We were used to working hard 14-hour days. When we finally closed it down, that's when I decided I wanted to do something for the community.

That's when I did my first lecture.

"I wanted to do what I did for the migrant workers and it evolved into breakfast, lunch and a full day of activities."

Savas spends thousands of dollars on the event and covers the cost of having her staff work on it. The only thing she asks of those who attend is pre-register. A "fun pack" costs \$25 and includes lectures, giveaways, breakfast, lunch and testing. The low-cost tests range from \$25 to \$30 and all six are available for \$125.

Registration for this year's expo is down. Savas hopes more people will respond by June 9. For registration forms and more information, contact Savas at (248) 356-5033 or vickysavasmd@hotmail.com.

"This is really for the community. You can see that when you look at what's available," she said. "I want to meet my goal of educating the public in a non-threatening, fun way."

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Work sites in Westland, Wayne part of Rouge Rescue

Friends of the Rouge, a non-profit dedicated to restoring the Rouge River in southeast Michigan, is looking for volunteers for their 26th annual Rouge Rescue event on Saturday, June 2, at 35 sites in 20 communities throughout Metro Detroit.

A major pollution source in the Rouge comes from rainwater running directly into the river or piped in by storm drains. This creates a heavy addition of water which blasts away stream banks and carries pollution or trash from roadways and buildings. Rouge Rescue activities help to decrease the impact of storm events and improve water quality by stabilizing stream banks and installing native plants to filter out pollutants.

Rouge Rescue began as a trash cleanup, and evolved to include more restoration activities as conditions improved.

"People don't realize the positive impact just one day of working along the river can have," said

Cyndi Ross, River Restoration Program Manager for Friends of the Rouge. "It's great to see residents take ownership of the river, it helps change the mindset that it's someone else's problem. It's also a great way to meet your neighbors and have fun."

Each site includes one or a combination of activities: trash removal, planting native plants, log-jam opening, removing invasive plants, educational workshops and nature walks.

Among the work sites this year are Holliday Nature Preserve in West-

land and at Goudy Park in Wayne.

Volunteers will meet at the Cowan entrance to Holliday Nature Preserve, west of Wayne Road at 9 a.m. The work will go on until 1 p.m. and include woody debris management, invasive plant removal, weeding, park maintenance and river cleanup. Forty volunteers are needed.

The cleanup is being sponsored by the City of Westland and the Holliday Nature Preserve Association. The coordinators are Kevin Buford, Westland's director of Public Service, and Bill

Craig of the Holliday Nature Preserve Association. For more information, call Buford at (734) 467-3241 or contact him by e-mail at kbuford@cityofwestland.com.

In Wayne, volunteers will meet at the at the City Hall parking lot on the east side of Wayne Road just north of Michigan Avenue at 9 a.m. Work will go on until 1 p.m. Projects include trash cleanup in river and park, trail maintenance,

native planting, woody debris management, nature walk and invasive species management.

Contact coordinator Kurt Kuban at 74 716-0783 or by e-mail at kkuuban@hometownlife.com.

Volunteers should wear long pants and long sleeves to protect themselves from poison ivy. Helpful items to bring include water, snacks, shoes or boots they don't mind getting dirty, hat, sunscreen, bug spray and

a change of clothes (just in case).

Gloves will be provided along with "Rouge Rescue '12" T-shirts as available.

Rouge Rescue work-sites are organized by Friends of the Rouge community partners including municipalities, community groups, concerned residents, and companies. The Friends have been working to clean and restore the Rouge River since 1986.



Volunteers will gather at work sites in Wayne and Oakland counties Saturday for the 26th annual Rouge Rescue.

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For complete information on the IBDP program and application process, contact Franklin High School @ 734-744-2655 or go to <http://www.livoniapublicschools.org/Franklin.cfm>

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SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
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Presiding: President Hammons
Present: Bryant, Johnson, Kadi, Kehrer, Reeves

112: Appr. req. from WPFU to hold MDA iFill-the-Booti fundraiser from 6/28-30.
- Bid for cement repairs to Bidigare Contractors & K & B Asphalt Co. for 2 yrs.
- Bid for asphalt repairs to Bidigare Contractors & K & B Asphalt Co. for 2 yrs.
- IGA w/Livonia for use of Livonia PD Reserves at Festival Fireworks.
- Amendment of 457 Deferred Comp Plan Document.

114: Appr.: minutes of regular meeting held 5/7/12.
115: Sets 7/2/12 @ 6:30 at a special meeting as Public Hearing date for 2012 TIFA Plan Amendment.

116: Appr. Settlement Agreement Re. Gardner vs. C.O.W.
117: Appr. app. from Domenico Policicchio to transfer ownership of 2011 Class C Licensed Business w/Dance Permit @ 35750 Warren Rd.
118: Spec. Land Use for prop. Group Child Day Care-34819 Stacy.
119: Spec. Land Use for prop. Tim Horton's Restaurant w/drive-thru-7126 N. Wayne Rd.
120: Rev. Site Plan for prop. Tim Horton's Restaurant w/drive-thru, 7126 N. Wayne Rd. w/contingencies.
121: Adopted Link Tool Tax Abatement Resolution.
122: Appr. checklist: \$1,309,536.18 & Prepaid: \$652,652.76.
Mtg. adj. at 7:55 p.m.
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Resident scares off would-be burglar

Attempted break-in

Just before 5:30 a.m. May 25, a resident in the 28000 block of Van Born told police that she was sleeping in her bedroom when she heard noises coming from the window. She said she thought she was dreaming but got up and opened the curtains.

The woman said she saw a male in a hoodie cutting her screen open with a knife. As soon as he saw her, the woman said the man ran east on Van Born. The officer found a small square cut in the screen that appeared to be fresh. The view of the window from Van Born was obscured by some shrubbery.

Retail fraud

On May 26 just after midnight, an employee at Meijer, 37201 Warren Road, told police that he had come out of the store and noticed a U-Haul truck parked along side of a storage cage that contained milk and bread racks.

A man was closing the rear door to the truck as he walked up and then got into the truck. The employee said he yelled at the man to stop but he drove off. Before the truck left, the employee said he saw two of the milk racks in the rear of the

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vehicle. The missing racks were valued at \$200.

A Westland woman was arrested May 26 for shoplifting three DVDs from Meijer, 37201 Warren Road. An employee told police the woman was pushing a baby in stroller when she selected the DVDs and then took them into the restroom.

The employee said the DVDs were removed from their packaging in the restroom and placed in the stroller. The woman left the store after paying from some groceries but not the DVDs. The woman told police that she had no electricity in her apartment and used a portable DVD player for a small light source. The DVDs were valued at \$45.

Larceny from a vehicle

Just after 6 a.m. on May 26, a resident in the 34000 block of Sansburn called police after finding a suspected thief passed out in the front seat of his son's car.

The homeowner told police that he looked out the window to see someone sitting in his son's 1993 Buick Century. When he and his son

went out to check, the homeowner said they discovered a man in the driver's seat passed out.

The man was still passed out when officers arrived but they eventually were able to awaken him and get him out of the car. The man, a Westland resident, told police he had stolen a detachable face plate from the stereo. It was found in his pocket.

Police arrested the man, who told them he was a pill addict. A Toro snowblower was found in the driveway. Since they were unable to determine whether the suspect had stolen it, police took custody of the machine.

Larceny from a vehicle

A resident of the Landings Apartments, 6527 Lakeview Blvd., told police May 25 that someone had broken into her 2005 Chevrolet Impala. Reported missing were the vehicle's stereo, the GPS and cell phone valued at \$550.

Larceny

A resident in the 3600 block of Newberry Estates Drive told police that someone had stolen a package left at her back door by UPS. She said the packaging was found torn open nearby but the \$95 sunglasses were missing.

By LeAnne Rogers

Woman says company never delivered her furniture

Fraud

A 40-year-old Redford Township woman is looking for the Garden City company which she said owes her a mattress and furniture.

The woman came to the Garden City police station May 22 to complain that she hasn't received the merchandise. She said that she visited Mattress and Furniture Distributors, 32645 Industrial, about three weeks ago after she found the company on Craig's List.

At the store, she found many mattresses to select from but furniture could only be ordered from a catalog. She placed a \$1,000 order with the required \$750 down payment for a mattress and furniture. She became suspicious when she heard nothing but was promised delivery in two to three weeks.

She told police that her phone messages go into voice mail, and when she returned to the store, the building was vacant.

Break-in

A Dearborn Heights real estate agent who was checking on a home for sale in the 28000 block of Donnelly about noon May 23 discovered all of the copper plumbing removed. The thieves apparently entered through a side door.

Retail fraud

Garden City police arrested a 32-year-old Garden City woman

GARDEN CITY COP CALLS

after she shoplifted at the Kmart store, 29600 Ford, about 1:30 p.m. May 27.

The woman and her male friend were viewed on videotape by store personnel. They told police that she put some cosmetics in a carrying basket and some lip gloss in her pocket. She also selected a bra and panties as the man she was with "monitored" her movements. After she picked up a prescription, she stuffed the clothing into the prescription bag. Passing all points where she could have paid for the merchandise, she left the store where she was met by loss prevention personnel.

Shoplifting

A Garden City police officer arrested a Dearborn Heights man about 1:30 a.m. May 27 shortly after he stole two electric shavers from the CVS store at 27435 Ford.

An officer spotted the man walking on Inkster Road holding the shavers which were still in their packaging.

A store employee called the police after she noticed the man walking around the store with the shavers. He eventually left the store without paying for the merchandise.

In another, separate incident at the same store, the store clerk

noticed that a woman entered the building holding a purse which looked basically empty. As the woman left without paying, the clerk noticed that the purse was full.

The clerk said that the woman got into a gold or beige Saturn. She described her as a white female in her early 20s, about five feet, three inches tall and weighing 120 pounds. She had long brown hair and glasses.

Fraud

A woman who lives in the 31000 block of Leona came to the police station May 24 to report fraud.

The woman who just turned 18 years old decided to check her credit report. She found that someone had fraudulently opened an account with DTE Energy using her personal information when she was 13 years old.

DTE Energy had advised her to file a police report.

Suspended license

Police arrested a 31-year-old Canton man after they stopped him at Cherry Hill and Middlebelt about 11 a.m. May 27. In addition to driving with a suspended license, the officer learned that the driver had outstanding warrants from Garden City 21st District Court and in other municipalities.

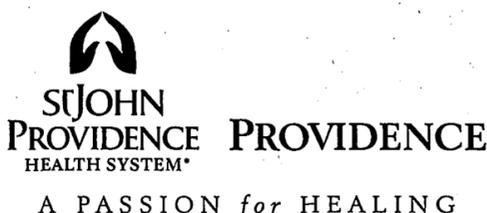
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Conrad Birdie, played by Evan Phillips, is surrounded by adoring fans in this weekend's Spotlight on Youth production of "Bye, Bye, Birdie."

Spotlight on Youth stages 'Bye, Bye, Birdie'

Spotlight on Youth will present *Bye, Bye, Birdie*, the light-hearted musical about a popular singer being drafted into the Army this weekend at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton.

The play, directed by Barbara Bloom, will be performed at 7 p.m. this evening (May 31) and Friday and Saturday, June 1-2. There also will be two matinee shows at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 2-3.

"What a treat to do this show with kids the actual age of the characters," said Bloom. "I have done the show several times and this is the first time that so many of the roles are being played by the very talented youth of Spotlight on Youth who are the actual ages of the characters. These are teen-agers playing teenagers."

The musical that tells the story of Conrad Birdie and his agent Albert and his secretary/sweetheart Rose who come up with a plan to have Conrad kiss a loyal fan and launch a hit record.

The play features takes play goes back to a time when life was much simpler and technology was yet to be developed and features such well-known songs, like *Put on a Happy Face* and *Kids*.

Long-time Garden City resident, Karen McDermott has been making costumes for the all-youth musical. After owning a wedding dress shop for many, many years, McDermott still wanted to use her gift of sewing and creating in a different way. For the last several years, she has worked on many productions creating beautiful costumes on an often tight-budget, Bloom said.

Tickets are \$15 each and are available by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460, online at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater or www.spotlightplayers-mi.org or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door. The box office opens one hour prior to showtime.

Spotlight on Youth Theater is a Spotlight Players initiative that exists to create a youth-centered theater experience and to advance theater as a means of educating, challenging and inspiring young people.

Spotlight Players is the resident adult theater group for the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Formerly the Plymouth Theater Guild, Spotlight Players is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and has been part of the community for 66 years.

GARDEN CLIPPINGS

Strawberry fest

Garden City Presbyterian Church's Women's Group will hold its annual Strawberry Festival 5-9 p.m. Friday, June 15, on the lawn of the church at 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road.

A combo of strawberries (sweetened or unsweetened), ice cream, choice of cake and a beverage will cost \$4. To purchase them a la carte will be \$1.50 per item. There will also be a booth to purchase home baked items, and a craft booth with hand-made craft items like antique glass, teapot decorations and sun catchers for the garden. There also will be specialty items in jewelry, summer wreaths and more.

There will be a variety of games and toys

for children to play with, as well as information about the church's upcoming vacation Bible school June 25-28. In case of inclement weather, the festival will be held indoors.

Computer classes

Garden City residents can get help with their eReaders through classes being offered at the Garden City Library.

The library is offering eReaders and Overdrive for Beginners 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 9. The class is geared for individuals with some Internet skills who are considering getting into electronic digital ebooks, purchasing an eReader or already own an eReader and would like to ask some questions regarding its use.

Each session is limited to 12 people and registration is required.

For more information, call the library at (734) 793-1830. The library is located in the Maplewood Center, on Maplewood, west of Merriam. Enter through the doors on the Balmoral side of the building.

Pet-a-Pet

Pet-A-Pet, Inc. is looking for enthusiastic, friendly pets and their owners to visit facilities one hour a month at the Garden City Hospital Rehab. Pets must be up to date with vaccinations, proof required. Visits are at 3:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

Call Mickie Hickey at (734) 522-0036 for more information or to sign up.

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NASCAR racing comes to Canton

By Darrell Clem
Observer Staff Writer

NASCAR racing is coming to Ford Road in Canton.

It's not as though race cars will be zipping along the already-accident-prone thoroughfare, however.

Rather, a replica of a NASCAR Ford Mustang and a race car simulator that offers the thrill of speeding around a track are coming to the Willow Creek Plaza, next to Buffalo Wild Wings on Ford Road between Haggerty and Lilley.

It happens 1-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, sponsored by NASCAR sponsor Nationwide Insurance and its Canton-based Heidi Kussurelis Agency. And

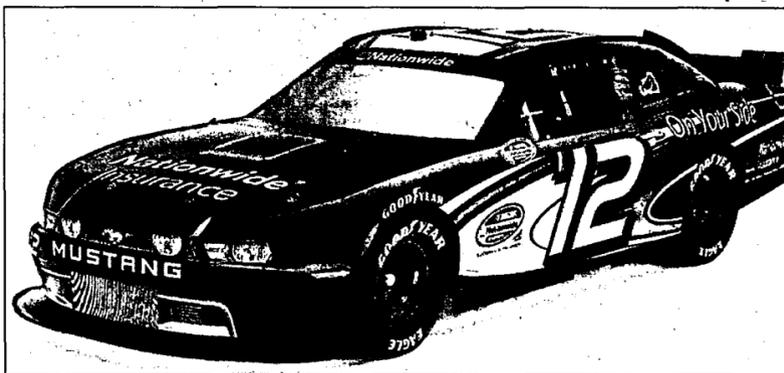
it's free.

"We just want people to come out and check it out," said Lori Ott, operations manager and associate agent for the Heidi Kussurelis Agency, 5918 N. Lilley, Suite 1.

Nationwide has had ties to NASCAR drivers such as Dale Earnhardt Jr., and Ott said the Ford Mustang show car that's coming to Canton is similar to one used in actual races.

"It's not the actual vehicle that goes around the track, but it will be a replica of it," she said. "People who come out also can take a spin around the track in a race car simulator."

It's a way for Nationwide to promote its insurance agencies and ties to



A replica of this NASCAR race car is coming to Canton along with a race car simulator.

NASCAR — the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing — while bringing a little NASCAR excitement to local communities, Ott said. Those attending can

spin a prize wheel for a chance to win NASCAR prizes such as key chains, pens, hats and T-shirts, she said.

Local officials see the event as a way to draw

potential new customers to the Ford Road shopping district along Canton's Downtown Development Authority strip.

"Oftentimes these events do bring people

here who may not have been in the community, or they may not have been to that shopping center," DDA Coordinator Kathleen Salla said.

Even those who shop along Ford Road might find businesses they didn't know existed along the busy shopping strip, which offers color-coded banners to help customers find their way. The NASCAR event occurs along a stretch Salla called "the blue color block."

The NASCAR event is among events along Ford Road that also include the summer jazz concert series, which Salla said returns in July.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Listings for the Community Calendar can be submitted by e-mail at smason@hometownlife.com. They also can be mailed to Sue Mason at 615 W. Lafayette - Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226, or faxed to her attention at fax at (313) 223-3318. For more information, call (313) 222-6751.

Upcoming Events

SINGLES GROUP

Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. Saturday, June 9

Location: US-12 Bar and Grill, 34824 W. Michigan Ave., Wayne

Details: Single men and women age 55 and over are invited to gather at US-12 for good conversation and good food. There also will be music and dancing with light refreshments. There's a \$5 cover charge to help pay for DJ. Dress is casual.

Contact: For more information, call (734) 560-6905.

SALE AND SWAP MEET

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 2

Location: AmVets Post 171, 1217 Merriman, south of Cherry Hill, Westland

Details: Sons of AmVets are looking for people with something to sell or to market their small business locally for their Vendor Sale and Swap Meet. Inside vendor tables are available for \$25 and outdoor parking spaces are \$20. The event is a fund-raiser for AmVets Post 171.

Contact: For more information, call Kelly Taylor at (734) 890-1055 or by e-mail at taylorskkt@gmail.com.

INDOOR MARKET

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, June 27-28

Location: Eton Senior Center, 4900 Pardee, Dearborn Heights

Details: Eton Senior Center is currently in search of people to take part in their indoor flea market.

The cost to rent is \$15 for an eight-foot table. Table position will be based on first come basis. Vendors are welcome. Deadline for table rentals is Thursday, June 7. Proceeds will go towards the Eton Senior Center Building Fund. **Contact:** Call (313) 277-7765 for more information.

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 13

Location: Corsi's Italian Restaurant, 27910 W. Seven Mile, three blocks west of Inkster Road in Livonia

Details: Widowed of all ages are welcome to attend a social hour at 5 p.m. and an Italian buffet dinner served promptly at 6 p.m. on Wednesday at Corsi's Italian Restaurant. Cost is \$14 and includes dinner, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay at the door (exact amount please). Cash bar available. Stay to enjoy cards, games and conversation until 9:30 p.m. No walk-ins.

Contact: Reserve a spot by June 6 by calling Carol at (248) 946-0300, Pat at (248) 545-8348 or Cookie at (248) 357-2183.

CRAFTERS WANTED

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29

Location: St. Mel's Church, 7506 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights

Details: St. Mel's Women's Club is looking for crafters for its craft fair. More than 50 eight-foot tables available. They cost \$25 each. A table with electricity is \$30. Helpers provided.

Contact: Call St. Mel's Church at (313) 274-0684 or send an e-mail to stmels-craftfair@yahoo.com for applications.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. third Thursday of the month

Location: American House III, 35700 Hunter, Westland

Details: A support & education group for family caregivers is available for residents of southern and western Wayne County. The group, for people who are caring for family members 60 and older, or who are 60 years and older themselves, is offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.

Contact: Call Helen Streett at (734) 629-5004 to confirm time and date, if attending for the first time.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7 p.m. second Wednesday of the month

Location: Lower level Classroom 2 of the Allan Breakie Medical Office Building at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City

Details: Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, family members, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders are invited to join the free monthly support group. The group will provide mutual aid, support and the opportunity to share problems and concerns.

Contact: Call (734) 58-4330 for more information.

Education

WILLOW CREEK

Location: 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland

Details: Willow Creek Co-operative 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.

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

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Location: St. Mary Catholic School, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne

Details: St. Mary School is currently is currently registering students for the 2012-2013 school year. Openings are available in pre-K 3 and 4 and kindergarten-eighth-grade. St. Mary has been recognized as a School of Distinction.

Contact: For more information, call the school office at (734) 721-1240.

Organizations

FRIENDS OF ELOISE

Time/date: 7 p.m. third Tuesday of the months of February, April, June, September and November

Location: Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill, Westland.

Contact: Pat Ibbotson at (734) 331-9291 or by e-mail at pibbotso@aol.com or Jo Johnson (734) 522-3918

WESTLAND ROTARY

Time/Date: 12:15 p.m. Thursdays

Location: Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland

Details: Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Check www.westlandrotary.com for more information about meetings, programs and events.

Contact: Jeff at (734) 261-5010

FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Time/Date: 7 p.m. first Monday of the month

Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and United Way.

Contact: Helen Streett at 74 629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

CAREGIVERS - SPOUSES

Time/Date: 1 p.m. second Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for a spouse age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and United Way.

Contact: Helen Streett at 74 629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

CAREGIVERS - WESTLAND

Time/Date: 7 p.m. the third

Thursday of the month

Location: American House III, 35700 Hunter, Westland

Details: For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance and United Way.

Contact: Helen Streett at (734) 629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

AMERICAN LEGION

Time/Date: 7 p.m. first Tuesday of the month

Location: Harris-Kehrer VFW Post, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland

Details: American Legion Westland Post 251 meets at the VFW hall the first Tuesday of each month. The post welcomes all veterans male and female who have been honorably discharged.

Contact: Bill Acton at (734) 326-2607, Ron Nickels at (734) 455-3415 or visit the website at www.post251.com or www.post251.org.

LIONS CLUB

Time/Date: 11:45 a.m. the second Monday of the month and at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month

Location: Big Boy Restaurant at Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland.

Details: The Westland Lions Club holds lunch and dinner meetings on Mondays.

Contact: For more information, call Debbie Dayton at (734) 721-4216.

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 Circle's National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free.

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Westland police nab alleged shoplifting teams

By LeAnne Rogers
Observer Staff Writer

Police were called to a Westland store May 26 about four people shoplifting as a team.

The manager of Dollar General, 8042 N. Middlebelt, told police two men and two women arrived in a black Mercedes Benz. Once inside the store, the manager said they began filling purses with merchandise, then fled.

He said it happened so quickly, he didn't realize what was happening until they were leaving. He was able to provide a license plate number from the vehicle, which the two men drove away. The women reportedly fled on foot.

An officer located a Mercedes parked and unoccupied nearby at Burger King at Ann Arbor Trail and Middlebelt. The officer noted a large purse on the rear seat along with a black plastic trash bag

which was open and filled with an assortment of new store merchandise, including toiletries, over-the-counter medications, candy and personal hygiene products, police said.

As officers walked toward the restaurant to look for the suspects, two men exited through a side door moving away from the main entrance. One man was described as repeatedly putting his hand into his pants pocket and acting nervous, police said. The officer patted him down and thought he had a folding knife but it turned out to be a folding style key for a Mercedes. The key belonged to the suspect vehicle, police said.

Store security video showed the four people, including the two men detained at Burger King, entering the store. The officer said the suspects were only in the store about two minutes and made no purchases but they were clearly

working together, filling three large purses with merchandise. The purse recovered in the car contained merchandise valued at \$83, police said.

Along with the bag of merchandise from the rear seat, police reportedly recovered three bags of new merchandise from the vehicle trunk.

Mario Maurice Gray, 20, of Detroit is charged with retail fraud, receiving stolen property and driving with a suspended license. Antonio Donz-Kenny Wynn, 19, of Detroit is charged with retail fraud and receiving stolen property.

Police were subsequently able to identify the two female suspects and mailed them citations for retail fraud and receiving stolen property. They were identified as Briana Minyan Dismuke, 23, of Grosse Pointe Woods and Sade Marie Campbell-Douglas, 22, Canton.

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Thieves become creative with auto theft-related crimes

Livonia-based H.E.A.T. (Help Eliminate Auto Thefts) is cautioning Michigan drivers to be aware of the continuing growing trends in unconventional auto theft-related crimes. Criminals continue to become more creative when it comes to stealing vehicles as vehicle security technology increases and as law enforcement and insurance investigators continue to successfully put thieves behind bars.

"Thieves are always coming up with new ways to steal vehicles and it's important for Michigan residents to be aware and educated to protect themselves and their vehicles," said Terri Miller, director of H.E.A.T. "Drivers need to know that preventing auto-theft related crimes goes beyond locking your car door, keeping personal items out of sight and parking

in well-lit areas. Thieves have moved into areas such as component theft and online fraud. Michigan citizens need to be mindful of these schemes."

Some of the unconventional auto theft-related crimes on the rise in Michigan include:

- **Component Theft:** Catalytic converter thefts are increasing once again; however, other vehicle parts, including tires, rims, airbags and navigation systems, are being stolen and sold to crooked dealers and repair shops.

- **Online Fraud:** Thieves are turning to online purchasing sites like Craigslist.com and local sites like cars4detroit.com as easy outlets for selling or trading stolen vehicles.

- **"Push" Steals:** Thieves push the vehicle away from forcing entry to release the gears.

- **Insurance Fraud:** Vehicles are reported "stolen" to obtain insurance compensation.

Customers are also providing false information to obtain insurance and using fake paperwork to title and register stolen cars.

- **Vehicle Re-Tagging/Cloning:** Though thieves may be turning to other creative ideas, they are still re-tagging/cloning vehicles. Thieves obtain legitimate VIN numbers from cars matching the year, make, model and color of a stolen vehicle and swap or duplicate the identifying digits.

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The Wayne Memorial High School JROTC Zebra Battalion salute as the memorial wreaths are placed at the Peace Memorial.

Communities pause to honor those who served, died

From parades to solemn ceremonies residents in Westland, Wayne and Garden City gathered this past weekend to honor veterans and remember the men and women who have given their lives in service to their country.

People lined Wayne Road and gathered at the Peace Memorial in Wayne on Sunday for the Wayne-Westland Veterans Parade Association's annual Veterans Parade lead by veterans groups from the two cities, JROTC units and high school bands.

The parade honored World War II veterans and had Nate Weiser as the grand marshal. The 95-year-old Wayne resident is a decorated war hero and survivor of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Weiser had graduate from Albion College in 1939 and enlisted in the newly formed U.S. Army Air Corps. A radio operator, he was sent to Hawaii as part of the 15th Fighter Group, 45th Fighter Squadron, stationed at Pearl Harbor when the attack happened.

In 1943, the former staff sergeant was sent to the mainland to attend special schooling. He was asked to serve as an Army officer and declined and requested that he be sent back to the Army Air Corps. He was assigned to the 365th Fighter Bomber Group, 386th Squadron and arrived in Normandy, France, on June 13, 1944, just seven days after D-Day. He also served in the 40-day Battle of the Bulge.

In Garden, Memorial Day was observed on Monday with veterans, city officials and residents gathering on the lawn of Garden City Hall for a solemn ceremony.

The Ritual Team from the VFW Post 7575 presented the colors, and Farmington Elementary sixth-grader Mariana Seal sang the national anthem.

Officiated by Mayor Randy Walker, the ceremony included the presentation of wreaths by the city's various veteran groups, the playing of Taps and a rifle salute by members of VFW Post 7575. The guest speaker was David Knezek, an Iraqi War veteran.



World War II veteran Nate Weiser of Wayne tells the crowd how it felt to be thanked by people for serving his country.



Mariana Seal's rendition of the National Anthem puts a smile on the face of Garden City Mayor Randy Walker.



U.S. Marine Corps Reserves Sgt. David Knezek presents the memorial tribute.



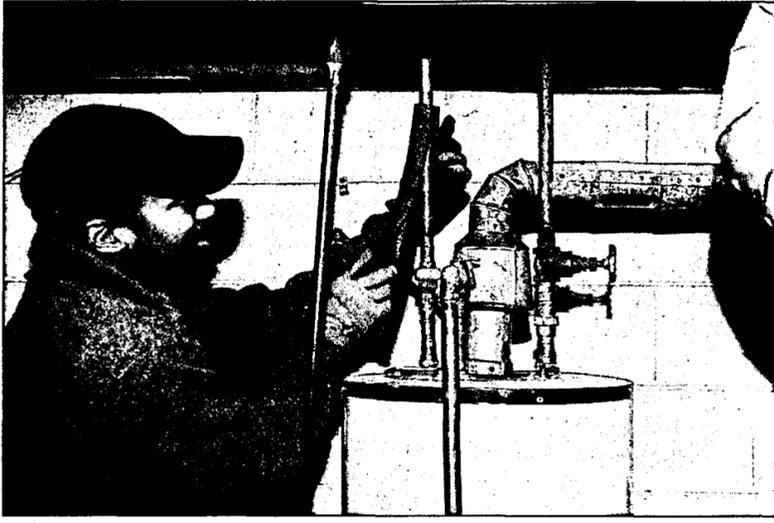
The Ritual Team from the VFW Post 7575 presents the colors during the ceremony.



James Townsend plays one of several patriotic medleys for the ceremony.



Members of American Legion Post 251 of Westland prepare to present a memorial wreath.



As part of DTE's home energy consultation program, energy consultants will install wrap on the water heater pipes — up to nine feet from the hot water tank — an energy-saving measure that can reduce heat loss and increase water temperature in the pipes.

DTE program provides big energy savings

As part of its service and commitment to the community, DTE Energy representatives are currently helping customers save energy and take control of their energy costs. Energy consultants are visiting homes throughout the DTE service area to provide personalized energy assessments and evaluate the energy efficiency of homeowners' gas and electric usage.

The program, called the DTE Home Energy Consultation program, was created to advise homeowners on ways to conserve energy with a goal toward helping residents to better manage their energy costs. Energy consultants assess the cus-

tomers' energy usage, make energy saving recommendations and discuss ways to reduce energy usage that will help lower energy costs.

During the assessment, energy consultants will install:

- Up to 40 compact fluorescent light bulbs which generally use 75 percent less energy than incandescent bulbs and can often last 10 times longer.
- Water-saving faucet aerators in the kitchen and bathroom that can reduce water usage without lowering the water pressure in the pipes.
- Water-saving shower heads that can save up to three gallons of hot water per minute which

can reduce water-heating costs by 30 percent.

- Wrap on the water heater pipes — up to nine feet from the hot water tank — an energy-saving measure that can reduce heat loss and increase water temperature in the pipes, which will save on water-heating costs.

In the first year of the program, DTE Energy visited more than 25,000 homes. This year, they plan to reach more than 30,000 households with energy-saving tips and products.

To learn more information about the DTE Home Energy Consultation program, or to schedule an appointment for DTE to visit your home, call (866) 796-0512.

Mobile payment systems are gaining traction

By Jon Gunnells
Guest Columnist

Digital shoppers have been using online payment systems such as PayPal and Google payments for years to pay retailers, or reimburse friends for small everyday transactions.



Tech Savvy
Jon Gunnells

Online payment systems have provided a convenient way of paying just about anyone in seconds. With online payment systems consumers no longer have to write checks or even find cash in their wallet to pay back the guy who spotted them \$10 for the office pool.

Now digital payments are about to get even easier for online shoppers and small business with the recent push by companies to offer mobile payment.

It started with PayPal Here®, a mobile device that small retailers such as taco trucks and street vendors can plug into their smartphone phone to accept credit cards, debit cards, checks and PayPal payments at any time. PayPal Here® charges retailers a small transaction fee similar to what's charged at brick and mortar retailers. Payments are tracked and managed using an accom-

panying Pay Pal Here® app.

Next, Square came along with an almost identical system. Retailers can plug the square reader into their smartphone and receive payments from card holders. A 2.75 percent fee applies, but it allows retailers to accept more types of payments which can increase business.

If two mobile payment systems weren't enough, it was recently reported daily deal site, Groupon is working on a mobile payment system of their own. Groupon's operation will focus on providing lower fees than the competition.

If you are a vendor without complicated registers and card readers, Square, PayPal Here® and the unnamed Groupon system could offer a cost-effective, space-efficient way to accept more payments.

Lastly, if you are consumer, mobile payment options will give you more ways to pay digitally — a preference of those who don't like to carry a lot of cash or hit the ATM every few days.

Consumers can also sign up to receive PayPal Here or Square as I did. I don't know if I will ever use the system, but it certainly would be convenient for group functions or work lunches where some people only have credit cards. A person with a reader could just swipe their friend's card eliminating the awkward-

ness of an I owe you.

For those who don't want to hassle with card readers and extra applications, they can still send payments to friends or pay people back for services using PayPal or Google Offers.

Many banks also offer online payment systems. Chase, for example, allows person-to-person quickpay where Chase users can send money to one another instantly using the Chase website or mobile app.

Comerica Bank and other financial institutions also let you add your friends as payees and pay them like you would pay a bill. For example, if I owed a friend \$50 for widgets, I could pay them through the online bill pay center. A check would be sent to their address. The service is free and it makes the process of cutting the check, finding an envelope, getting a stamp and remembering to mail.

Some of these processes may sound time consuming to set up, but in actuality they are easy. Each of these online and mobile payments can save consumers time and money — they also offer convenience and sometimes savings for retailers.

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BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Take a ride

Fans of the Grand Prix have another way to get to Belle Isle — a ferry service is available to transport passengers from Port Detroit to the Chevrolet Belle Isle Grand Prix event this weekend.

"This is an opportunity to show the world a different view of Detroit with not only the ferry rides but the improvements made on Belle Isle by race organizers," said John Jamian, executive director of the Detroit Wayne County Port Authority. "The ferry boats are a transportation alternative that cities across the country with a waterfront are able to offer."

The announcement was made at the Port Detroit Dock by Jamian, Bud Denker, chairman of the Chevrolet Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix, Wayne County Commissioner Alisha Bell and Tom Orzechowski, Jr., vice chairman of the Detroit Wayne County



Fans of the Detroit Grand Prix will be able to take a ferry to the island this weekend to watch the races.

Port Authority Board of Directors.

The ferry service will begin 7 a.m. Friday - Sunday, June 1-3, and will leave from the Port Authority dock every hour on the hour. The trip to Belle Isle is expected to take approximately 20 minutes and will allow ferry-goers the opportunity to enjoy the scenery of the Detroit and Windsor, Ontario, Canada, river-fronts along the way. The ferry runs to 9 p.m. The ferry holds 70 peo-

ple. People can park at the Miller garage. The price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. Tickets can be purchased at the Port Dock. It arrives the Belle Isle Harbor Master at the foot of McArthur Bridge.

The Port Dock is at 130 E. Atwater St. between the Renaissance Center and Hart Plaza. The Miller Parking Garage is located across Atwater. For more information, contact the Port Authority at (313) 259-5091 or visit www.portdetroit.com.

MIplace contest spotlights Michigan

Answering a simple question — Why do you choose to call Michigan home? — could earn state residents some fabulous prizes and put the Great Lakes state in the spotlight.

Pure Michigan, Art Van Furniture, the Michigan Association of Realtors (MAR) and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) have launched MIplace Sweepstakes, a promotion encouraging the citizens of Michigan to tell the world at facebook.com/MIplace2012 why they choose Michigan as their place to live, work, play and share the dream of homeownership.

"Building Pure Michigan places begins with celebrating great places," said Joe Borgstrom, director of MSHDA's

Michigan Main Street programs. "The goal of the MIplace Sweepstakes is to inspire individuals, communities and organizations to develop awareness of even more great Michigan places by sharing stories of why they are proud of where they live."

All MIplace Sweepstakes entrants will automatically receive a \$50 Art Van gift card (good with any purchase of at least \$499). The grand prize is a \$3,000 Art Van shopping spree. Michigan residents can enter the MIplace Sweepstakes by submitting written or video testimonials at facebook.com/MIplace2012 through Labor Day, Sept. 3, 2012. The winner will be announced after Sept. 4, 2012.

MSHDA, MAR, Art Van, the Michigan Eco-

economic Development Corporation (MEDC), Michigan Municipal League (MML) and the Small Business Association of Michigan (SBAM) are among the organizations helping neighborhoods, cities, regions and downtowns promote "place" as a way to spur economic development and restore Michigan to prosperity.

Placemaking is the phrase commonly used to describe the growing consensus that people, companies and talent do not move to specific communities — they move to regions. Michigan's placemaking education campaign includes efforts like the MIplace Sweepstakes and the debut last month of www.MIplace.org, Michigan's one-stop website for everything about placemaking.

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On June 5, 2012 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am 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.

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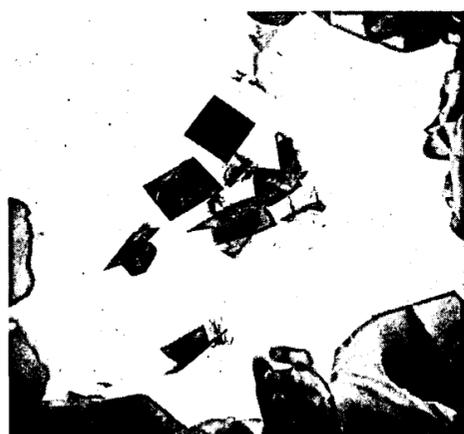
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OUR VIEWS



Be safe Leave alcohol out of graduation celebrations

For the parents of high school seniors, it's two down and one to go.

You've made it through spring break and prom season. All that's left is graduation and the partying that comes with it.

For the graduates, it's a time to celebrate, spend a few more minutes with classmates before heading off to college. For parents ... Let's face it, the biggest concern is the same ones that were around when your kids headed off on spring break and to the prom - the risky behavior associated with drinking and driving and distractions.

You know you'll worry until your teen arrives home safely. But what should be a joyful and exciting event can, sometimes, result in pain, suffering and even death. It is critical that you talk to your teens about the dangers. Let them know you want to keep them safe and to make these occasions something they will fondly remember.

Now through the end of summer are the "100 Most Deadliest Days of Driving." According to MAAD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving), more teenagers will die in car accidents in the next few months than any other time of the year. Why? They ask for and get expanded driving privileges.

For many teens, graduation is synonymous with adulthood and new freedom. School's out, and they plan to party.

But parents, must not abdicate their role in their teen's life. Now more than ever, they need to be involved.

If your grad is heading out to celebrate, sit down and talk to him or her. You made a list and checked it twice at Christmas when they were young, do the same now. Make sure you have answers to your questions before you let them leave.

And don't be offended if they call you a snoop. It comes with the job title.

As a parent, you need to ask the hard questions: Who's driving - your kids or a friend?

Don't be a Pollyanna about underage drinking. Your teen may not imbibe, but his or her friend may, so ask if there will be a designated driver. Remind them that they don't need alcohol to have a good time, to not drink and drive and not ride with someone who has been drinking.

Make sure your teen has a way of contacting you throughout the evening and make sure you can contact your teen. Let them know that if they need your help, you're there, no questions asked. Leave that discussion to a later time. Just bring them home.

Get the evening's itinerary as well as a list of names and phone numbers of each person with your teen. Insist that no changes be made to the evening itinerary unless you grant permission.

And most importantly, know who is supervising at all events in which your teen is participating.

Parents who are hosting parties have responsibilities, too. If there will be alcohol at your parties, let your underage guests know they can't drink - it's against the law. When you host a party, if someone gets impaired, leaves and gets hurt or hurts someone else, you could be held liable.

And don't hesitate to call police should things get out of hand.

Too often one bad decision can result in a tragedy for not only a young person, but their family, friends and an entire community. Our hope is that parents will take the initiative to encourage teens and their friends to make the responsible decision not to drink alcohol during this happy time of year.

To our graduates, we say congratulations. Enjoy a safe, alcohol-free graduation celebration.



FILE PHOTO

The graduation season is part of what is considered the "100 Most Deadliest Days of Driving" for young people.

LETTERS

Appreciate benefits

It appears to us that our city of Westland is a transitional historical time. Opportunities continue to abound in our growing city. Major decisions are facing our city in a very challenging financial period. Revenues continue to decline and yet our city is able to ride the waves of challenges and remarkably remain solvent.

This is no small feat. Under the leadership of Mayor Wild, his administration, city workers and city council, this is possible. However, with the reduction in the tax base for the city of Westland, the administration has had to make and continues to make major adjustments to maintain viable services. The process requires downsizing, merging and sometimes closing of departments, even requiring the directors to wear more than one hat.

Amidst hours of agonizing struggles, study sessions, research, etc., our city continues to move forward. A major current challenge is the building of a new city hall. The problems of the city hall grew over the years. Former mayors addressed them to a point. Now the city hall is in such a state of disrepair that it is posing a health hazard to the staff, *et al.* This administration is faced with finally solving this problem.

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As the conversations continue, as research progresses, we appreciate all the painstaking hours spent trying to reach the final step in this daunting task. It is too easy to criticize when all the facts are not known or not fully understood. There is always the danger of bits of information being construed and misunderstood. That is why we appreciate the depth of knowledge and work that is preceding this project.

Briefly looking back at some of the recent major achievements, the renovation of the contaminated Central City Park, the

great playscape, the water park, to name just a few, required acquisition of some grants that enabled our city to provide a variety of attractions to residents. A similar opportunity is available to the city by the use of TIFA funds for a new city hall. That is why, it is our understanding, that in order not to have to ask citizens for a millage increase, that the city hall be built on city property in the TIFA district.

Pressure is on all cities to merge and/or consolidate programs and services with other cities. That is the only way that some state revenue can be generated. We are living in a new world. This 21st century is requiring paths unknown to us and may sometimes be threatening. But with the right leadership in place that is fully cognizant of the new directives and is willing to go forth with mergers, consolidations, etc., we feel confident that they will continue to do what is right for the city of Westland.

We are deeply appreciative of all the upgrades, the city-provided services, the continued leadership and dedication of Mayor Wild, the administration, city workers, city council, the many unlisted achievements and for the input of many responsible citizens, all for the benefit of our great All American City.

James and Mary Murphy
Westland

STAFF COLUMN

Ceremonies spark range of emotion

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

It's impossible to get through Memorial Day in Plymouth and Canton without being touched.

Touched by dedication, moved by sacrifice, impressed by pride — all emotions that ran through Veterans Memorial Park in downtown Plymouth and again at the Veterans Memorial in Canton's Heritage Park.

Both communities paid homage to veterans Monday — Plymouth with its expansive parade and ceremony, Canton with its classy, understated ceremony.

Both ceremonies honored veterans who've given the ultimate sacrifice, who've died in the service of their country so we can revel in the freedoms we now enjoy.

I heard things you expect to hear at those ceremonies. I talked to Richard Kluk, swelling with pride after returning from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where he watched his granddaughter, Gina Rotondo, be commissioned a second lieutenant after her graduation from the nation's best-known military academy.

But Gina's graduation wasn't the only thing about which Kluk could be proud. A veteran of the Korean Conflict, Kluk is also the son of a World War I soldier, and his brothers also served in World War II.

Al Crowley is a twin, and he had another set of brothers, also twins. All four of them served in World War II, and one brother became one of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice when his plane was shot down over Germany. Crowley's voice quivered a little, understandably so, when he told the story as the keynote speaker at Plymouth's ceremony.

The Plymouth ceremony again featured Michael Gross' interpretation of the poem *In Flanders' Field*, and the melodious voices of the BeckRidge Chorale singing *God Bless America*. It featured the traditional firing of the salute by the Honor Guard of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528, who repeated the salute at Canton's ceremony.

In Plymouth, they gave surviving World War II veterans a place on the dais, and it seemed like there might have been fewer, though that could be my imagination. If there are, that's sad, and worth stopping to ponder, all by itself.

As I always do, I placed my hand over my heart during the pledge and the National Anthem, rather than render the salute I'm entitled (obligated?) to render as a 15-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force. People who know occasionally thank me for my service, though I'm often unsure what they're thanking me for. At any rate, this day is about them, not me, and I'm humbled and honored to stand among them.

I was honored to meet Al Kerbyson of Westland, who served in the U.S. Air Force during Vietnam. Kerbyson, a 1965 graduate of Thurston High School in Red-

ford. Kerbyson went into the Air Force as a security policeman and, after suffering a medical condition, was shifted to supply. He did three tours in Thailand, but never saw combat.

It was Kerbyson who delivered the most surprising, thought-provoking answer to any question I've asked in 12 years of covering these events. He said he often thinks of the group of veterans "who aren't here any more," including Thurston classmates whose names are now etched in the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

When I asked him what emotion ran through him when he thought of them, it was his one-word answer that threw me.

"Guilt."
Kerbyson, who never saw combat through no fault of his own, said he feels guilty, like he "never did enough." The emotion wrenched through him as he talked. It was as honest an answer to a question as you're likely to hear, and it made me a little sad, and a little proud.

Here's a veteran, sitting in a wheelchair now, with a guilt complex, largely because he didn't die, too. You run across characters in this job who sometimes affect your life, and Al Kerbyson will be one of them. My response to him — and to all veterans who survived and made it home — is this:

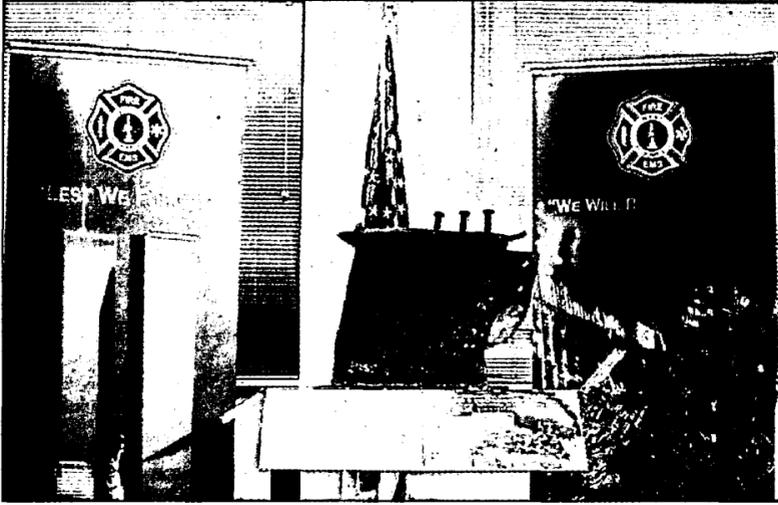
You did plenty.

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The 9/11 Memorial, an actual piece of structural steel from the doomed World Trade Center towers, also contains storyboards that tell the story of the terror attacks that felled the towers.

Festival features 9/11 memorial

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Josh Meier knows the number — 343 — of firefighters who died in the collapse of the World Trade Center during the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks that leveled the twin towers.

And Meier, Canton Township's deputy fire chief, doesn't think anyone should ever forget it. That's why he loves the idea of bringing a traveling 9/11 memorial exhibit to Canton's Liberty Fest June 14-16.

The exhibit, an actual piece of structural steel that was part of an I-beam holding up one of the floors of the World Trade Center, will be at Fire Station One during the final two days of the festival.

"I think any time we can pay respect to the victims of 9/11, we should do that," said Meier. "My belief is the country should never forget it ... 9/11 for all firefighters is something we'll never forget. For the firefighters in our department, that day is something special. Any time we can pay tribute, we should do that."

The memorial is the property of the West Bloomfield Township Fire Department. It's a twisted piece of metal that has clearly seen the stress and damage of

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What: 9/11 traveling memorial
Where: Canton Township Fire Station 1, 1100 Canton Center
When: Canton Liberty Festival, Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Why: To pay tribute to the victims who died in the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001
How: Stop by the fire station, or take available shuttles out of Heritage Park to Fire Station 1

the explosion.

In addition to the metal, the exhibit has four storyboards that help tell the story of 9/11, according to Jay Wiseman, West Bloomfield's fire chief. The boards depict the airplane strikes on the towers and all of the subsequent scenes of the aftermath.

The final panel, Wiseman said, contains photos of every firefighter killed in the collapse. It's an emotional experience for everyone who visits it, he said.

"People just kind of put their hands on it and sit and reflect on it," Wiseman said. "They get all goose-bumpy and very possibly cry."

es staffers heard about the memorial and suggested it to township fire officials, who contacted West Bloomfield firefighters about borrowing the memorial.

Canton fire officials will have the memorial on display at Fire Station 1 as part of open house activities. Visitors can not only visit the memorial, but they can meet their own firefighters, tour the station and get a birds-eye look at life as a Canton firefighter.

Shuttles will run people from Heritage Park to Fire Station No. 1, and Meier hopes as many people as possible will take advantage.

"People are more than welcome to stop by any time during (the festival)," Meier said. "They can meet the men and women who work for the Canton Fire Department, and pay tribute to the victims of 9/11."

That's the part that will get emotional, according to Wiseman, who notes while the memorial itself isn't large in stature, it's huge in impact.

"It's not large by any stretch of the imagination, but it has significant impact," Wiseman said. "It really makes you stop and think when you look at it."

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AROUND WESTLAND

Free Movie

Enjoy a free movie when the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army holds its monthly free movie night Sunday, June 3, with *The Adventures of Tin Tin*.

The movie starts at 4 p.m. at the corps activity center, the corps, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer. Popcorn and concessions will be sold.

Sale and swap meet

Sons of AmVets are looking for people with something to sell or to market their small business locally for their Vendor Sale and Swap Meet planned for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 2, at AmVets Post 171, 1217 Merriman, south of Cherry Hill, Westland.

Inside vendor tables are available for \$25 and outdoor parking spaces are \$20. For more information, call Kelly Taylor at (734) 890-1055 or by e-mail at taylorsskt@gmail.com. The event is a fundraiser for AmVets Post 171.

Bowlapalooza

The Westland Veterans Association is holding its first annual Bowlapalooza at 5 p.m. Friday, June 1, at Vision Lanes, 38250 Ford Road, west of Newburgh, Westland, to benefit the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland. The cost is \$15 per person, with four bowlers per team, and includes a T-shirt, prizes, bowling, pizza and a drink. For more information, call Normie Brazier at (734) 788-7753.

Book sale

There's bargains to be had at the summer book sale in the Friends Shop at the William P. Faust Public Library.

Stock up on hardcover fiction books only with the shop's buy two get one

free. Hardcover books are \$1 each, so get three hardcover fictions for just \$2. The sale doesn't include hardcover biographies, nonfiction and large-print books.

Dinner show

Tribute artist and impressionist Chris Aoytte will perform Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Tom Jones, Elvis Presley and more at a dinner show Friday, June 22, at Angelo Brothers Banquet Hall, 33550 Ford Road, Westland. Doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$27 per person. Dinner includes a tossed salad, rigatoni, roast beef with gravy, Italian sausage saute, green beans almondine, red skinned mashed potatoes, bread and butter, coffee, tea and pop. A cash bar will be available.

For tickets, contact Kathy at (734) 216-9451 or at www.angelos1958.com.

Teen volunteers

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland is looking for teen volunteers to help with the 2012 Summer Reading Program, "Dream Big, READ!"

Volunteers will help in the Children's Department and assist at many of our summer events. This is a great opportunity for teens to earn valuable experience and service hours for their school or community organization. Volunteers should currently be in the eighth-grade or above.

Applications are available now at the library and can also be downloaded from the library's website, www.westland-library.org. Applicants should choose and attend one of three training sessions and submit applications to the Children's

Desk beforehand.

Walk-in training sessions will be 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, June 4, in the Children's Activity Room of the Westland Library. Most applications are accepted as long as space allows, but earlier applications have priority in scheduling.

For more information, contact Claire.mueller@westlandlibrary.org or call (734) 326-6123.

Higher Rock Cafe

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army hosts Higher Rock Cafe, an evening of Christian music, fellowship, games and concessions at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Friday of the month at the corps, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer. There's no cover charge. For more information visit Higher Rock Cafe on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WayneWestlandHRC or call (734) 722-3660.

Free workshop

Westland residents at risk of losing their homes can attend a free Loan Modification and Short Sale Workshop held 6-7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey east of Venoy.

Annette Compo of WJR Real Estate 411 and Linda Miller, an MSHDA-certified foreclosure counselor with National Faith Homebuyers, will be on hand to meet with residents one-on-one to do an overview of the foreclosure process and present them with various options for their situation.

The city of Westland is working with developers to assist residents that lose their home to foreclosure to try to remain in the same neighborhood.

To register for the workshop, call (313) 378-5418 or send an e-mail to lindamiller@nationalfaith.org.

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CITY OF WESTLAND - ANNUAL ACTION PLAN July 1, 2012 NOTICE OF NO FINDING OF SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT and HOME PROGRAMS

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:
On or about May 31, 2012, the City of Westland will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release federal funds under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 for the following projects:

USE OF CDBG AND HOME FUNDS

CDBG (\$905,762 Estimated Grant + \$86,649 Reprogrammed Funds):	
• CDBG Administration	\$ 181,152
• Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 90,315
• Housing Acquisition/Demolition	\$ 124,833
• Senior Programs	\$ 155,000
• First Step	\$ 4,000
• CDBG Code Inspection	\$ 105,000
• N'hood Resource/Street Code Compliance	\$ 116,000
• City Projects	\$ 20,000
• Samuel B. Ware Community Center	\$ 19,000
• NSP3 Support Services	\$ 3,000
• Norwayne Infrastructure	\$ 98,000
• Fire Rescue Vehicle (1/2 expense)	\$ 76,111

HOME Program (\$179,678 + \$75,000 Program Income)

• HOME Administration	\$ 17,968
• Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 101,756
• Housing Acquisition-Rehabilitation	\$ 83,384
• Homebuyer Program	\$ 51,570

Environmental Review Records are available for review, Housing & Community Development Department, 32715 Dorsey Road, Westland, MI 48186, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. No further environmental review of said projects is proposed prior to Request for Release of Federal Funds. All parties disagreeing with the decision may submit written comments for consideration by the City of Westland by 5:00 p.m., June 7, 2012. The City will not request the release of federal funds or take administrative action on the above projects prior to June 7, 2012.

CERTIFICATION: The City of Westland will undertake the projects described above with CDBG and HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City of Westland certifies to HUD that the City of Westland and Mayor William R. Wild, in his capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews and administrative action, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Westland may use the CDBG and HOME funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is one of the following basis:

- a) That the certification was not in fact executed by the Chief Executive Officer of the applicant or other officer of the city; or,
- b) That the applicant's Environmental Review Record for the project indicates an omission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process.
- c) Other specific grounds cited in the HUD Regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.75

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to HUD, McNamara Federal Building, 17th Fl, 477 Michigan Ave., Detroit, MI 48226. No objection received after 5:00 p.m., June 26, 2012 will be considered by HUD.

William R. Wild, Mayor
City of Westland

Short of signatures, McCotter off ballot

By Ken Abramczyk
Staff Writer

A veteran U.S. congressman is planning to launch a write-in campaign after finding out Friday that he lacked enough signatures to qualify for the ballot.

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter Tuesday declared that he is running as a write-in candidate for the 11th District of the House of Representatives.

The Michigan Secretary of State's office is investigating irregularities in duplicate signatures and photocopies turned in by campaign volunteers for McCotter's re-election campaign. McCotter said there were duplications of signatures turned in by a campaign volunteer, and a document turned in without a date, a photocopy of a 2010 petition.

"That's why this is so mind-numbing," McCotter said. It was not a case where the signatures were disqualified because the signees lived outside the district, he added.

Duplicate signatures are disqualified by the Secretary of State, so McCotter lacked the minimum 1,000 signatures necessary to declare his candidacy.

Gisgine Gendreau, spokesperson for the Secretary of State's office, said 243 signatures out of 1,833 were valid.

"There appears to be some election law violations involved," Gendreau said.

Preliminary information has been submitted to the attorney general's office.

"We'll be working with them in the coming days," Gendreau said.

The Bureau of Elections conducted a "face review" of the signatures when it discovered the duplications of signatures.



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Thaddeus McCotter speaks earlier this year at an event in Livonia.

"There may have been a cutting and pasting of a petition and we received multiple copies of originals," Gendreau said. "Duplicate names do not count."

The Bureau of Elections will be finishing its review and making a recommendation to the State Board of Canvassers to certify the election; then the state board will vote to certify the election June 6.

But McCotter has acknowledged the duplicate signatures and is preparing for a write-in campaign. McCotter said he never saw the signatures that were turned in to the Secretary of State on May 15, the deadline for candidates to declare, nor has he seen the materials yet that were turned in, but learned later from state officials about the inconsistencies.

McCotter said he trusted the campaign volunteers, and that someone "lied" to him about the signatures. The procedure of volunteers collecting signatures for this campaign was no different than from any other campaign that McCotter has run in, he said. Prior to his five elected terms in Congress, McCotter won elections to the state Senate and Wayne County Commission.

"This isn't brain surgery," McCotter said. "You get the signatures

Dems focus on own primary

By Darrell Clem
Observer Staff Writer

Two Democrats hoping to claim U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's seat said Wednesday they are focused on their Aug. 7 primary battle rather than McCotter's failure to collect enough signatures to get his name on the Republican 11th District ballot.

Dr. Syed Taj, a Canton Township trustee, called Democrat opponent Bill Roberts of Redford a Democratic imposter who wants to impeach President Obama and steer the country to policies supported by political activist Lyndon LaRouche.

"I think he is a fake Democrat," Taj said. "It is time to elect a real Democrat from our district."

Roberts conceded he wants to oust Obama, usher in what he considers real economic reforms and begin to address the country's financial woes partly by restoring the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act, creating what he called a separation of commercial banking from "largely fictitious banking debts of private banking houses" in places such as Wall Street and London.

"I think there is an attitude sometimes coming from the top echelons of the Democratic Party

that they can decide who a Democrat is," Roberts said. "I think the people who vote can decide."

News of McCotter's dilemma and his decision to launch a write-in campaign didn't sway Taj and Roberts from what they have called a crucial Democratic vote in the Aug. 7 primary.

Democrats also didn't focus on Kerry Bentivolio, a retired teacher from Milford whose name will be on the Republican ballot.

"I'm really more focused on my primary," Taj said Wednesday.

Taj has cited protecting Social Security, Medicare and veterans benefits as among the top priorities of his campaign.

Taj called Roberts a "fake Democrat" supported by LaRouche activists. Taj is campaigning for the 11th District Congressional seat in the last year of his first four-year term as the only Democrat sitting on the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Taj's campaign manager, Natalie Mosher, said she and others are fighting hard to get the word out about Roberts, considered by his critics as radical and out of touch with mainstream Democrats.

Roberts said he is focused less on McCot-

ter's ordeal and more on issues such as pushing to reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act, which he said was repealed in 1999.

"I'm committed to the same things I was before this (McCotter snafu) happened," Roberts said.

He said the nation is facing a crisis, "and we all have to deal with it, no matter if you call yourself a Democrat or independent or Republican."

Roberts' website calls for impeaching Obama and criticizes the president's stances on numerous issues, such as his role in toppling the regime of the late Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

Roberts' website also notes that "dumping Obama is the key to avoiding war." His position is that policies of Obama and some other world leaders are increasing the likelihood Russia could launch a thermonuclear strike against the United States and its NATO allies, specifically "if regime change operations like the ones planned for Syria and Iran are carried out."

For more on Taj's campaign, go to www.tajforcongress.com. Roberts' website is www.billrobertsforcongress.com.

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and you sign off as a circulator." McCotter said the signatures were collected in February, and that he was told about a month before the May

deadline that he had enough signatures.

"We really don't know who did what," McCotter said about the signatures. McCotter has informed

the Secretary of State in a letter that he will "assist in any way they see fit" in their investigation, McCotter said.

"The buck stops with

me," McCotter said. "That's why I urge the continued investigation into the petitions. Everyone deserves to know what happened regarding this filing."

McCotter said he doesn't review the campaign materials and leaves it to the campaign volunteers.

"I said I was going to do my job," he said. "You have to rely on people to do tasks. For 10 years, I never had a problem. Do you want me worrying about the economy or going through a Bresser's (a cross-reference directory) or a phone book?"

McCotter has never run as a write-in candidate. He has declared his write-in candidacy as an opportunity to "clean up his mess" regarding the signatures and continue his efforts to restructure government.

"I'm not just running against opponents, you also run against the process," McCotter said of the write-in challenge.

Kerry Bentivolio, a retired teacher from Milford, is running as a Republican and will be on the ballot. Democrats William Roberts of Redford Township and Dr. Taj Syed of Canton will be running and are listed on the ballot.

Bentivolio said in a prepared statement that he was "blessed to have a great team of grass-roots volunteers."

"We are the only team on the ballot, and we are looking to our general election showdown in November," he said. "We have the strongest ground game in the district and we will win by taking our Reagan-conservative message directly to the people."

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Walkoff popup saves Spartans

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

There was only one word to describe the extra-inning finish to Tuesday's Division 1 pre-district baseball finish between Livonia Stevenson and host Livonia Franklin.

Bizarre. Stevenson pulled out a 5-4 victory in walkoff fashion when courtesy runner Mike Barill raced home from third with two outs in the bottom

of the eighth after what appeared to be a harmless infield pop fly off the bat of Jake Semak that fell safely to the ground near the pitcher's mound. The wind-blown popup seemed to freeze the entire Patriots infield. "The only thing I can say is we won, and 'whew,'" said Stevenson coach Rick Berryman, whose team improved to 22-13 overall. "I don't know how you spell that—but 'whew.' It was a fluke. That ball started on

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this side of the mound and blew over to first base. The wind won it for us. I've never seen a game like that end on an infield single."

Franklin (14-19) sent the game into extra innings with a run in the top of the seventh to make it 4-4 thanks to a walk to Kevin Nisun, a sacrifice bunt by Alex DeYonker and a single by Josh Gorman (scoring courtesy runner Mike Haist).

In the bottom of the seventh, Lagerstrom ripped a two-out shot to left field that appeared to be headed over the fence, only to have to settle for a double when the strong west wind blew it back. Franklin reliever Joe Barczuk then got Justin Smalls on a line out to third to end the inning. Franklin put two runners aboard in the top of the eighth, but Stevenson reliever Mike Kanitra, who earned the victory, got out of the jam when

Nisun's bid for a single was snared by Semak at short.

Kanitra, a right-hander, came in for Stevenson starter Chris McDonald, who was taken out after one batter in the seventh. McDonald was lifted after throwing 106 pitches.

Ironically, Kanitra figured prominently in the win as he collected two hits, including a leadoff single to right in the bot-

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Pelletier gets CoSIDA honor

Madonna University junior outfielder Steve Pelletier (Farmington Hills Harrison) was named Tuesday to the College Sports Information Director of America (CoSIDA) 2012 Capital One Academic All-America team.

The Business Administration major earned second-team CoSIDA honors in the Collegiate Division. To be eligible for the CoSIDA award, a student-athlete must be a sophomore starter or key reserve, while maintaining a 3.3 cumulative grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

Pelletier becomes the first MU baseball student-athlete to earn Academic All-America honors and the third Crusader this school year to be honored.

Pelletier earned honorable mention All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) honors for the second straight season in 2012 by posting a .359 batting average with 10 doubles, two triples a homer and 32 RBI.

Pelletier also led MU with four assists from the outfield to earn Rawlings Gold Glove honors in the WHAC.

He earned Academic All-WHAC honors and was selected as MU's representative on the Champions of Character team as the student-athlete who best displays the NAAIA's Five Core Values of respect, responsibility, servant leadership, respect and sportsmanship.

Late goal clips Stevenson, 2-1

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

Nothing is going to come easy in the highly competitive girls soccer Division 1 District 8 tournament, which features four of the six teams in the state rankings.

Tuesday's first-round match between host Livonia Stevenson and Canton was Exhibit A.

And it's Canton that survives to play another day thanks to sophomore Taylor Dalian's goal with only 2:07 remaining to beat the upset-minded Spartans, 2-1.

Canton, now 13-2-3 overall, gets a third crack at rival Plymouth (14-2-3), the KLAA South Division champ, in Thursday's semifinal at Northville. Game time is 5 p.m. Meanwhile, the other match of the semifinal doubleheader pits No. 1 Northville against No. 9 Novi beginning at 7 p.m. Plymouth won the two previous meetings against Canton, 2-0 and

2-1.

"It should be a good game," Canton coach Jeannine Reddy said. "I think it's their (Canton's) turn to win. I just hope they bring the intensity that they need to win the game. Plymouth's a great team."

Sophomore Gabriella Epelman's free kick, which landed on senior Robyn Mack's foot, initiated the game-winning goal. Mack calmly settled the ball and found Dalian wide open from less than a foot out.

"It was unfortunate that we gave up that free kick where we did, but we were organized defensively," Stevenson coach Chris Grodzicki said. "The girl, number 17 (Mack), she got it on the back post, outside of the goal frame and she knew exactly what to do with it. She knew it wasn't a goal-scoring opportunity, but her teammate knew where to be just in case it

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Stevenson's Emily Chrzasz (13) gets tangled up with Canton's Robyn Mack during Tuesday's Division 1 pre-district match.

JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Pats football

The Livonia Franklin Football Future Patriots Camp will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. for grades 1-6 (Session 1) and from 12:30-3 p.m. for grades 7-9 (Session 2) on Saturday, June 16 at the high school fieldhouse and stadium.

The cost is \$25 per session. You will be guaranteed a camp T-shirt if registered by June 8. Registrations will be accepted the day of the camp.

For more information, e-mail Franklin varsity football coach Chris Kelbert at ckelbert@livoniapublicschools.org.

Tennis draw out for finals

The 2012 MHSAA Lower Peninsula Division 1 Girls Tennis No. 1 singles draws were announced this week with three area players seeing action Friday in Midland.

Livonia Stevenson sophomore Aimee Moccia (24-6), the Kensington Conference and Novi regional runner-up, will face Woodhaven regional runner-up Nicole Kruse (10-10), a senior from Livonia Churchill, in the opening round with the winning facing Gabby Orbe of Kalamazoo Central.

Woodhaven regional champion Carolyn McCullen (23-3), a sophomore from Livonia Franklin, will face Erin Doud of Northville in her first-round match with the winner facing either Camella Goree of Grosse Pointe South or Sabrina Dass of Grand Blanc.

The top four seeds at No. 1 singles are Mary Hanna (Saline), Katie Brozovich (Clarkston), Hailey Barrett (Grand Ledge) and Abby Wang (Novi).

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When the dust clears

Westland John Glenn's Zach Quinn slide safely into second base before Redford Union's Jon Evans could apply the tag Tuesday afternoon. Glenn won the non-conference district tune-up, 5-4. For more baseball, see page B3.

Kensington title secured by Novi

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth finally has a blemish on its record thanks to the Garret Buckley-led Novi varsity boys golf team.

After winning the KLAA South Division with a 10-0 record along with three tournament victories, Plymouth's Wildcats were defeated by Novi's Wildcats, 295-299, at Tuesday's KLAA conference meet.

It was a very competitive tourney at par-72 Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton, with eight strokes the difference between third and eighth place.

South Lyon finished third with 305, followed by Northville (306), Livonia Stevenson (309), Livonia Churchill

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(311), Salem (312) and Canton (313).

Individually, Buckley was medalist with 2-under par 70.

"We have a few things to work on," said Plymouth coach Chris Moore, whose team now gears up for Thursday's Division 1 district tournament at Whispering Willows in Livonia. "I'm proud of the guys though, they all shot in the 70s. Every single one of them. Two ninety-nine is a great score. Novi did play really well today."

Buckley led Novi's balanced lineup, with five golfers breaking 80 for the day.

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Blazers roll in district test

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

A well-seasoned Livonia Ladywood team was up to the test in Tuesday's girls soccer Division 2 district opener.

The Blazers, who played a demanding regular season schedule against several state-ranked teams, scored an impressive 7-1 win over Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

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The Blazers, ranked No. 2 in Division 2, improved to 19-2-2 overall, while Crestwood, No. 10, ends its season at 14-4-1.

"Our attack was really on tonight," said Ladywood coach Ken Shingledacker, whose team outshot the Chargers, 17-4. "We were creative and did a nice job getting everyone involved."

Ladywood took a 4-0

halftime lead, started by Kelly Capoccia's 22nd goal of the season from Paige Brennan in the ninth minute.

Domenique Sarnecky, who made her return to the lineup after being injured, made it 2-0 two minutes later off an assist from Emily Huddleston.

Brennan then scored from Liz Danger in the 31st minute and Erin Cronyn notched her 12th of the year from Sarnecky

just a minute before the half.

University of Michigan signee Leah Haidar got the Chargers on the board in the 64th minute.

But Ladywood scored three times before the final horn as Sarnecky notched her 12th goal of the year (from Brennan), followed by DeYana Walker's 12th (from Brennan), her 26th assist overall) and Brenna Wright (from Kennedy

Bullard).

Ladywood goalkeeper Sara Even and Whitney Bauriedl combined to make one save, while Crestwood's Zahraa Koussan had four stops for Crestwood.

CABRINI 4, C'VILLE 1: In a Division 2 district match Tuesday, Allen Park Cabrini broke open a close match with a pair of goals in the final 10 minutes to subdue host Livonia Clarenceville (5-12-2).

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Stevenson's Abigail Urso (15) tries to keep the ball away from Canton's Taylor Dalion during Tuesday's Class A girls soccer match.

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comes back across. She knew to put it there and it's easy to score from two inches out, and she made no mistake." Canton took a 1-0 advantage with 7:32 left in the first half on a great individual effort by senior Ally Krause, who dribbled through three Stevenson defenders before slotting a shot past helplessness Spartans goalkeeper Rylee Jayson. But despite the 1-0 half-time lead, Reddy didn't feel quite comfortable with her team's play. "The whole first half we were just playing in the air," she said. "I felt we played nervous and scared, and wanted to get rid of it all the time. Our main focus was to get the ball down, find feet and connect, and move. And they did all those things. But there were breakdowns there, and I was scared." Stevenson then made things interesting when senior Dayna Stevens intercepted a Canton clear-out and drilled a shot from 20 yards out on the left side and into the upper right corner past Chiefs keeper Danielle Schendel to make it 1-1 with 28:30 remaining in regulation. "We needed to get back to our game and focus, and play it on the ground," Reddy said. "I think we just got a little disorganized start-

ing from forwards all the way back to the our goalie actually. It was a just bad kick-out, misread by some of our players, and she (Stevens) just took it wide. You can't help that shot. It was a great shot." The momentum seemed to swing in Stevenson's way during the second half. "I thought the first half we were flat," Grodzicki said. "I thought they (Canton) were flat, too. So to be down 1-0 was not terrible and I love the way we responded the second half. We got a hard-working, lucky goal. Not to take anything away from what Dayna (Stevens) did, but it was fortunate it went in and it inspired us. We were dangerous. We were just as dangerous as they were, but just some nights it's not your turn. If we had to do it all over again, we'd do a lot of the same things and expect a different result." Reddy was forced to make some second-half adjustments, but did not panic after the Spartans scored. "You just have to stay positive, keep them positive," she said. "Whether we had to play to the end of the game or play to overtime ... they work hard and they don't want to lose." "I put Ally (Krause) in the middle because Megan (Trapp), my other midfielder, got a yellow card. We just wanted some support in the middle because she (Krause) can play offensive and defensive. Other

than that, I really didn't change much. I put in Erica Lucas up top, who helped us a lot with the ball and created a lot of movement up top. And she played well with Ally in the middle. Other than that, everything else was the same. I just wanted them to play wide, use the width of the field because it's so narrow. We just play better when we connect passes." The Chiefs did connect and it came off a restart thanks to a free kick. The loss ends the Spartans' season at 9-9-1 overall. "It's kind of the way our season has gone all year," Grodzicki said. "We've been in a lot of these close games and, more times than not, come out on the short end. We've been more successful lately, so I thought we'd been playing well leading into this game." Stevenson, however, improved in 2012 after going 6-10-2 in 2011. "That's a hard pill to swallow for the seniors when the goal is to be better than they were last year," Grodzicki said. "Not that anybody cares about last year, but it's a step in the right direction. Next year we've got to figure out how to be a 10-, 12-win team and start winning some trophies. We're on the way back, but it's hard to swallow right now. A step in the right direction isn't good enough right now."

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No. 1 Mustangs oust Churchill

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

GIRLS SOCCER

Livonia Churchill started and ended its 2012 girls soccer season with a loss to the state's No. 1-ranked team in Division 1. The Chargers fell in Tuesday's district opener to host Northville, 4-0, after opening the season on March 26 with a 7-0 setback to the Mustangs.



Hebestreit

Penn State-bound Malory Weber scored in the 10th and 71st minutes for Northville, which improved to 17-0-4 overall. Megan Buckingham (51st minute) and Emily Bush (76th minute) tallied the other Mustang goals. Churchill goalkeeper Alexis Tzafaroglou made 12 saves against the Mustangs' high-powered attack. Left-side senior outside left back Lisa McMullen had the task of shadowing Weber. "She had her best game and Alexis made some stunning saves," said Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit, who is stepping down after 11 seasons. "We played organized and play resolutely. We actually broke them down at times. Everyone played and played well." Churchill ends 2012 at 4-10-5 overall. "It's been a rough season," Hebestreit said. "We've had our share of adversity, both injuries, both poor play and good play. It's been a roller coaster season. The team they were playing was ranked number one and our girls came to play. They showed up and did what the coaching staff ask of them to do tonight, and that was good to see." Churchill athletic director Marc Hage confirmed earlier Tuesday that Hebestreit has resigned.

"We appreciate everything Dave has done for Churchill in the last 11 years," Hage said. "He's got some other priorities in his life right now that are going to take a majority of his time. He won't be coming back next year and we respect that. We thank him for everything he's done." "The search for a new coach will begin immediately. I will look to involve a couple of other people in that search." Hebestreit, a member of the Churchill faculty, formerly coached the Franklin boys varsity soccer team. He served as the Churchill girls JV coach in 1998 and was an assistant and co-coach with Chad Campau during the 1999 and 2000 seasons. He also coached club soccer at the University of Michigan and Canton Celtic, an amateur team. "I am resigning from the varsity position because I want to donate more time to my MFA in creative writing degree, to my classroom, and to pursue some other opportunities that have surfaced, namely in the men's game and with my Canton Celtic squad," Hebestreit said. "After last year's U-20 national championship, and my appointment as State Adult Director of Coaching, there are several things that have proven possible for me." "Also, I plan to turn these after school coaching hours into writing work on a book in the next year. This will coincide as my creative thesis in my degree program at Pacific Lutheran University." At Churchill, Hebestreit finished 102-85-27 overall with one Western Lakes Activities Association title (2007) and a pair of WLAA Lakes Division crowns (2007 and 2008). His 2009 team finished 17-3-3 overall and captured the Division 1 district

title before losing to Ann Arbor Huron in a shootout in the regional final. In 2006, Hebestreit, at the age of 35, took a year off from coaching after undergoing a heart transplant at the Cleveland Clinic. He was replaced that season by former Churchill player Brian Zawislak, who guided the Chargers to a 11-4-4 record. "Obviously, I have enjoyed my 13 years as a coach at CHS and would like to thank, Rod Hosman (former principal), Marc Hage, and Joe Anderson (current principal) for their support during that stretch," Hebestreit said. **FRANKLIN 4, WAYNE 0:** In a Division 1 district opener Tuesday, Livonia Franklin (4-11-4) scored three times in the final three minutes to put away stubborn Wayne Memorial (1-17) in a match played at Brownstown Woodhaven. Natalie Desautel's unassisted goal from 20 yards out in the first half proved to be the game-winner. The Patriots kept up the pressure in the second half, but couldn't add to their lead as goalkeeper Alexis Smith came up with a big stop to prevent Wayne from scoring the tying goal. Freshman Sarah Cramton, with her back to the net, then chipped a shot in to make it 2-0. Raven Travis followed with an unassisted goal and Riquelle Wheeler capped the scoring after coming on during the final five minutes for defense. The Patriots play 5 p.m. Tuesday against host Woodhaven in the district semifinal. **JOHN GLENN 4, BELLEVILLE 0:** Marissa Edwards assisted on three goals Tuesday as Westland John Glenn (5-12-2) advanced in the Division 1 district at Woodhaven with a victory over the Tigers. First-half goals by Sydney Climie (from Lindsey Bessinger) and C.C. Said (from Edwards) gave the Rockets a 2-0 advantage. Lexi Gaglead and Olivia Cabildo then added second-half goals - each from Edwards - to close out the Glenn scoring. Jenna Redden posted the shutout in goal for the Rockets, who play 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the district semifinal at Woodhaven against Garden City. Glenn lost a previous meeting between the two teams, 3-1.

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SOCCER

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"We had a lot of shots, but just couldn't finish," Clarenceville coach Amanda Moody said. Maria Vassallo's first-half tally gave the Monarchs a 1-0 lead and Catherine Diross made it 2-0 in the second half. Clarenceville cut the deficit to 2-1 with only 10 minutes remaining on Ashley Murphy's goal from Sadie Zachos. But Cabrini put it away on late goals by Emily Sorristel and Darcy Vines. Clarenceville freshman goalkeeper Jillian Bunker made 13 saves, while sophomores Summer Reddick and Tristyn Bean stood out on defense. Cabrini goalkeeper Allison Surma made 14 saves.

SHRINE 6, LUTH. WESTLAND 0: Freshman Kyla Goolsby and junior Emma North each tallied a pair of first-half goals Tuesday to propel host Royal Oak Shrine to the Division 4 district win over Lutheran High Westland (9-5-3). After junior Angela Morrison made 14 first-half saves, Lutheran Westland coach Sara Schafer moved her to a field position to generate more offense. "The first half we found ourselves playing defense," Schafer said. "Shrine did a great job changing the field on crosses and having their forwards on the keeper to finish. We were able to stop that late in the first half." "Second half we had more scoring changes and just could not get the ball to go in the net."

Senior Maddie Traynor and junior Erin Kapala also added goals for the Knights. Freshman Sadie Schultz made six second-half saves for the Warriors, who also got solid play from senior Taylor Wiemer up top, freshman Allie Lang at midfield and junior Jessica Drife on the backline. It was the most successful season in school history for the Warriors, who captured the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Red Division title. "Everyone played well," Schafer said. "As a team we have improved and worked hard. I'm excited for next year. We are only losing one player (Wiemer). The team has something to be proud of, winning the first division championship and improving each game."



Jags triumph

The Michigan Jaguars '98 Green, coached by Mike Scobie, captured the 2012 Jaguars Invitational Tournament on Mother's Day with a 2-0-1 pool play record followed by a 2-0 victory in the finals over FC Nova. Members of the Jaguars include (front row, from left): Brayden Stephan, Highland; Nick Harder, Novi; Joey Carn, Novi; Sam Sheeran, Novi; David Schulte, Novi; Kiah Finley, Holly; Alan Xiao, Novi; (back row, from left) Ammar Chishti, Canton; Brandon Sebou, Bloomfield Hills; Mason Accetturo, White Lake; Roland Gibson, Milford; Nate Giese, Novi; Val Qejvani, Livonia; Garret Weaver, Northville; Takaki Okamoto, Novi; and Matt Netter, Novi. (Not pictured is Parker Neal.)

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS DIVISION 1 WAYNE MEMORIAL (Host) Friday, June 1: Inkster vs. Belleville, noon; Westland John Glenn vs. Wayne Memorial, 2 p.m.; Championship final: 4 p.m. LIVONIA FRANKLIN (Host) Saturday, June 2: Redford Thurston vs. Livonia Stevenson, 9:30 a.m.; Redford Union vs. Garden City, 11:30 a.m.; Championship final: 1:30 p.m. SALEM (Host) Friday, June 1: Salem vs. Northville, 10 a.m.; Livonia Churchill vs. Canton, 1 p.m.; Championship final: 4 p.m. DIVISION 2 MADONNA UNIVERSITY ILITCH BALLPARK (Host) Saturday, June 2: South Lyon East vs. Dearborn Heights Robichaud, 10 a.m.; Livonia Clarenceville vs. Dearborn Divine Child, noon; Championship final: 1:30 p.m. DIVISION 4 PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN (Host) Saturday, June 2: (A) Plymouth Christian vs. Lutheran High Westland, 10 a.m.; Championship final: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. A-B winner, noon. GIRLS SOFTBALL Thursday, May 31 DCD at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS DIVISION 1 WAYNE MEMORIAL (Host) Friday, June 1: Inkster vs. Belleville, noon; Westland John Glenn vs. Wayne Memorial, 2 p.m.; Championship final: 4 p.m. LIVONIA FRANKLIN (Host) Saturday, June 2: Redford Thurston vs. Livonia Stevenson, 9:30 a.m.; Redford Union vs. Garden City, 11:30 a.m.; Championship final: 1:30 p.m. SALEM (Host) Friday, June 1: Salem vs. Northville, 10 a.m.; Livonia Churchill vs. Canton, 1 p.m.;

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Upset City

Bucks upset MLS Fire in Pontiac, 3-2

The Major Soccer League Chicago Fire rallied from a goal deficit as Corben Bone and Federico Puppo tallied two unanswered goals, but the Fire's Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup run was cut short as the Michigan Bucks came back from down 2-1 and forward Nermin Crnkic tallied a 93rd minute goal in extra time to defeat the Fire 3-2 and eliminate the four-time champions from the 99-year old tournament at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas Tuesday night in Pontiac. Playing indoors for the first time in Open Cup history, the home side used a capacity crowd of 2,006 and the unique conditions to its advantage. The Premier Development League Bucks cap-

italized on the surroundings early, finding goal in the ninth minute when Hunter Jumper slipped on the field turf trying to corral Tommy Catalano. Unencumbered by the challenge, Catalano broke free on goal and fired a low, driven effort past Fire 'keeper Paolo Tornaghi to give the Bucks a 1-0 lead. The Fire would find the equalizer later in the half. On a throw-in, Puppo collected the ball before finding Bone open at the top of the 18. The Generation adidas product ripped his shot into the back of the net to even things up at 1-1 on 28 minutes. Knotted at the break, it would be the Bone - Puppo combo that would give the Men in Red a 2-1 lead

at the start of the second interval. Bone slyly picked up an errant pass and the midfielder and was quickly into the offensive third, feeding Puppo who hammered his shot inside the right post to put the Fire up in the 51st minute. The Fire lead would last until the 79th minute when the punchy Bucks team pulled level. Crnkic chased down a ball deep on the left flank before working his way toward the 18-yard box. The Bucks forward drifted a lofted cross to the back post where Nathaniel Boyden headed the ball home to tie the game with 11 minutes remaining in regulation. The 2-2 score line held and the Fire were left to

battle it out in extra time. Playing in their fourth match in 10 days, the Fire would be undone in the opening moments of the overtime as Crnkic's work rate paid dividends for the PDL side. Darting up the left flank, the Bucks striker created space before slotting a powerful shot towards the back post. Tornaghi got a hand to it, but it was not enough as the ball bounced over his gloves and in to goal sending elation throughout the Ultimate Soccer Arenas. With the win, the Bucks improved their Open Cup record at home to 8-4-1. Meanwhile, the Fire were one of seven MLS teams to lose to lower division sides on Tuesday night.

PREP TRACK RESULTS

MITCA TEAM TRACK & FIELD MEET DIVISION 4 May 26 at Gobles BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Evert, 910 points; 2. Petersburg-Summerfield, 879; 2. Sand Creek, 878; 4. Saugatuck, 780.5; 5. Coleman, 680.5; 6. Breckenridge, 672; 7. Lutheran High Westland, 647; 8. Centreville, 638; 9. White Cloud, 589.5; 10. Eau Claire, 533. FINAL EVENT RESULTS 3,200-meter relay: 1. Evert, 8:10.62; 9. Lutheran Westland, 9:52.88; 110 hurdles: 1. Zach Weber (Eau Claire), 15:38; 6. Jake Fairbairn (LW), 16.25; 100 dash: 1. Josh Golkiewicz (Summerfield), 11.48; 800 relay: 1. Coleman, 1:34.19; 6. Lutheran Westland (Caleb Kempf, Bobby Miller, Jacob Davenport, Dan Roberts), 1:38.78; 1,600 run: 1. Sean Kelly (Saugatuck), 4:29.62; 11. Seth Whitehouse (LW), 4:58.35; 400 relay: 1. Evert, 45.45; 9. Lutheran Westland, 48.92; 400: Zack McGowen (White Cloud), 51.59; 5. Kempf (LW), 53.02; 300 hurdles: 1. Fairbairn (LW), 39.78; 800: 1. David Zinger (Evert), 2:01.37; 7. Zach Foot (LW), 2:09.7; 200: 1. Deonta Wrathell (Centreville), 22.84; 9. Roberts (LW), 24.12; 3,200: 1. Zinger (Evert), 10:20.62; 10. Whitehouse (LW), 11:43.51; 1,600 relay: 1. Sand Creek, 3:32.62; 3. Lutheran Westland (Kempf, Miller, Fairbairn, Foot), 3:37.94; high jump: 1. Jacob Kipp (Coleman), 6 feet, 2 inches; 10. Fairbairn (LW), 5-4; pole vault: 1. Isaac Hawkins (Sand Creek), 13-4; long jump: 1. Kempf (LW), 20-2; discuss: 1. Nolin Livingston (Sand Creek), 154-10; 3. Dawson Davenport (LW), 134-3; shot put: 1. Matt Tanis (White Cloud), 47-2.5; 2. Davenport (LW), 45-2. OAKLAND COUNTY TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP MEET May 25 at Holly BOYS TEAM STANDINGS (35 schools): 1. Lake Orion, 102 points; 2. Southfield, 47; 3. Auburn Hills Avondale, 46; 4. Birmingham Groves, 42; 5. Waterford Mott and Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 32 each; 7. Walled Lake Western, 29; 8. West Bloomfield, 26; 9. Walled Lake Central, 25; 10. Milford, 22; 14. Livonia Clarenceville, 16.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS 3,200-meter relay: 1. Milford, 7:55.63; 110 hurdles: 1. Ross Williams (Groves), 14.47; 100 dash: 1. Kyle Redwin (Avondale), 10.69; 2. Kasey Kelly (Cville), 10.8; 800 relay: 1. Avondale, 1:28.03; 1,600: Garrett Zuk (Lakeland), 4:18.95; 400 relay: 1. Lake Orion, 42.62; 400: 1. Jibril Mims (Country Day), 48.94; 300 hurdles: 1. Alex Roberts (Lake Orion), 38.99; 800: 1. Nathan Chapman (Avondale), 1:54.64; 200: 1. Redwin (Avondale), 21.6; 3. Kelly (Cville), 21.99; 3,200: 1. T.J. Carey (Lake Orion), 9:23.96; 1,600 relay: 1. Lake Orion, 3:20.98; high jump: 1. Chris Phillips (Southfield), 6 feet, 2 inches; pole vault: 1. Jacob Janke (Walled Lake Western), 14-0; long jump: 1. Roberts (Lake Orion), 21-3; discuss: 1. Cullen Prena (Walled Lake Central), 185-6; 7. Shawn Cummings (Cville), 143-6; shot put: 1. Chris Saikalis (Mott), 56-5.5. GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS (36 schools): 1. Novi, 89 points; 2. Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day, 46; 3. Birmingham Seaholm, 44.5; 4. Southfield, 43; 5. Rochester Adams, 38; 6. Farmington, 29; 7. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 28; 8. Farmington Hills Harrison, 27; 9. Walled Lake Central, 22; 10. Oxford, 20; 33. Livonia Clarenceville, 3. FINAL EVENT RESULTS 3,200-meter relay: 1. Seaholm, 9:17.84; 100 hurdles: 1. Laticia Sims (Harrison), 14.44; 100 dash: 1. Tiffani Owens (Ortonville Brandon), 12.06; 800 relay: 1. Country Day, 1:41.97; 1,600: 1. Brooke Kovacic (Oxford), 4:57.67; 400 relay: 1. Novi, 49.15; 400: 1. LaTisha Cross (Southfield), 55.98; 300 hurdles: 1. Sims (Harrison), 44.59; 800: 1. Sara Barron (Notre Dame Prep), 2:09.58; 200: 1. Cross (Southfield), 25.56; 6. Ayanna Buckley (Cville), 26.68; 3,200 run: 1. Elena Miller (Lahser), 10:53.61; 1,600 relay: 1. Notre Dame Prep, 3:56.73; high jump: 1. Kelanna Ingram (Lathrup), 5 feet, 6 inches; pole vault: 1. Olivia Perry (Brandon), 10-0; long jump: 1. Aaron Howell (Farmington), 18-4.75; discuss: 1. Brittany Mann (Country Day), 157-8; shot put: 1. Mann (Country Day), 43-6.

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Tim Shaw camp Tennessee Titans linebacker and special teams standout Tim Shaw will stage his third annual "Dream It, Do It" youth football camp (grades 4-12) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at Livonia Clarenceville, his high school alma mater. To register, visit online at www.timshawfootball.com.

MU volleyball Madonna University has scheduled three sessions of summer volleyball camps including: Advanced (Elite) and General All-Skills - Monday through Thursday, June 25-28; Setters and Youth - Friday through Monday, June 29-July 2; and Hitters and Defensive - Monday through Thursday, July 9-12. The cost for the setters, hitters and defensive specialty camps are \$135 per player, while the youth camp (ages 5-10) is \$110. To obtain a camp brochure, visit www.madonnaacademics.com. For more information, call the MU Volleyball office at (734) 432-5612; or (734) 254-0698 (evenings).

SPORTS ROUNDUP

CYO volleyball Registrations are being accepted for the Livonia St. Edith fall volleyball program (grades 2-8). Members of St. Edith, St. Kenneth, St. Aidan and St. Colette are eligible to play in the Catholic Youth Organization. To register, e-mail Gary Smart at smart5959@sbcglobal.net; or call (734) 432-5959.

League will begin at 8 a.m. Thursdays starting June 21 at Whispering Willows Golf Course. Non-residents are encouraged to join. For more information, call Beth Nemes at (248) 473-9068; or e-mail tbw4boys@aol.com.

Churchill baseball The 2012 Livonia Churchill baseball camp for boys ages 7-14 (before Sept. 1) will be from 9 a.m.-noon, Monday through Wednesday, June 18-20, at the high school field. The cost is \$50 (if registered by June 1) or \$55 (after June 1). For more information, e-mail Churchill varsity baseball coach Ron Targosz at rtargosz@livoniapublicschools.org. You can also call (734) 542-6844 or (734) 502-4419.

Madonna soccer Madonna University will stage a boys and girls soccer camp from 9-11:30 a.m. (ages 6-12) and from 6-8:30 p.m. (ages 13-18), Monday through Friday, June 25-29, at the new field, located on Newburgh just south of Five Mile Road. The cost is \$100. For more information, visit www.MadonnaCrusaders.com.

WYAA football Registration for Westland Youth Athletic Association football will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays and 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays at the WYAA Lange Compound, 6050 Farmington (north of Ford). The WYAA offers two football units, the Comets and Meteors. Each unit has four squads divided by age and weight restrictions for Junior Freshman (7-8), Freshman (8-10), Junior Varsity (11-12) and Varsity (13-14). In addition, both units have four cheerleading squads (ages same as football). For more information, call the WYAA at (734) 421-0640.

Need cheer coach Livonia Franklin is seeking a freshman girls competitive and sideline cheer coach for the upcoming season. For more information, e-mail Franklin athletic director Ron Hammye at rhammye@livoniapublicschools.org; or call (734) 744-2655, Ext. 47117.

Franklin baseball The Franklin Future Stars baseball camp for boys or girls exiting grades 2-8 will be from 9 a.m.-noon, Monday through Thursday, June 25-28, at the varsity field. The cost is \$60 (includes T-shirt). You must be registered by Friday, June 22. For more information, e-mail Franklin coach Matt Fournier at mfournie2@livoniapublicschools.org; or call (734) 968-0499.

Franklin hoops Livonia Franklin will stage a pair of summer basketball camps including grades boys in grades 4-9 from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, June 25-28 (cost \$65); and boys and girls in grades 1-3 from 9-10:30 a.m., Monday through Wednesday, June 25-27 (cost \$50). For more information, visit franklinbasketball.googlepages.com; or e-mail franklinball@gmail.com.

CAP golf outing The Churchill Athletic Patrons golf outing will be Sunday, June 10 at Whispering Willows Golf Course, 20500 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Check-in begins at 1 p.m followed by a shotgun start at 2 p.m. Dinner will be served after golf at approximately 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$95 per person (tax deductible) or \$340 per foursome. Dinner only is \$35. Tee box sponsorships are available for \$150. For more information, call (734) 744-2650, Ext. 46117.

Coaches wanted Livonia Ladywood is seeking varsity golf and varsity pom pon coaches for the fall of 2012. An afternoon and weekend bus driver is also wanted to take teams to games. If interested, fax a resume to Ladywood athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2386.

Churchill hockey The Livonia Churchill summer hockey camp will be from 8-9:30 a.m. and 11-12:20 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 25-29 at Edgar Arena. The cost is \$175 and registration is limited. For more information, e-mail Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni at pmazzoni@livoniapublicschools.org.

Women's golf The 10-week, 18-hole Livonia Women's Golf

ben. Tied for 18th with a score of 77 was John Tatti, while Evan Chipman (78), Ryan Rieckhoff (79) and Craig Whatley (79) all eclipsed the 80-stroke mark. Stevenson coach Brian Gulick said the way the tourney meet played out was no surprise, given how strong the KLAA has been all season. He had five players finish in the 70s, with Dante Ciccholli and Austin Harris collecting all-conference medals for finishing tied for 15th and 18th, respectively, with scores of 76 and 77. Other Spartans with solid showings were Nick Marsh and Connor Humity (78 each) and Eric Attard (79).

Boys hoop coach Dearborn Heights Annapolis is seeking a varsity boys basketball coach. Those interested should send a letter of interest and resume by May 15 to: Scott Wiemer, Annapolis High School, 4650 Clipper, Dearborn Heights, MI 48125; or e-mail wiemersc@d7.k12.mi.us.



NIT champions

The Livonia Thunder defeated the West Oakland Wings, 5-4, to capture the Memorial Day NIT Tournament 12-and-under baseball tournament Monday at Canton Sports Center. Members of the Thunder include (back row, from left): coaches Dave Kubeshesky, Joe Jakacki, Joe Chops, Dennis Bushart; (players standing, from left) Craig Jakacki, Jack Bushart, Carl Clapp, Parker Graham, Connor Jakacki, Mike Harding, Spencer Weber; (players kneeling, from left) Cole Bushart, Zack Chops, Joe Kubeshesky and Connor Beck.

GOLF

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"They've been playing great the last three events," Novi coach Brad Huss said. "They won Oakland County, and finished off winning the (KLAA Central) division and this tournament." As for Buckley, Huss described him as "streaky hot, a very, very good player." Tying for second in the individual standings were Canton's Donnie Troser and Plymouth's Josh Heinze, each shooting 71 on an afternoon where a one-hour weather delay held up proceedings.

Troser, battling a cold, came oh-so-close to top spot with lip-outs in his final two holes. "Donnie was here and also qualified on this course for the Michigan Amateur a couple weeks back," Canton coach Tom Alles said. "I expected him to come in around even par today. But 1-under certainly was very good." Meanwhile, Moore praised Heinze's effort. "He knows this course like the back of his hand, so it was good for him to go out with a score under par," the Plymouth coach said. Also stellar for Plymouth with 73 was Kyle Rodes, who tied for sixth with Churchill's Ben Pro-

Gulick added that the tough field Tuesday will only help his squad at districts, where the top six teams advance to regionals. "I think it really helps," he said. "Kids know they have to work hard and make their putts, keep the ball in play." In addition to Ben Proben's 73, Churchill's card featured Andrew Ioanou (tied for 15th with 76) and Cory Dare (78). Winning conference medals for Northville were Matt Evasic (fourth, 72), Andrew Sarokin and Matt Trumbore (tied for 12th, 75 each).

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send items for the religion calendar to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com. Photos must be in jpg format, attached to the email.

June

BIKE DAY

Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m. registration, 1 p.m. Redford Township Unicycle Club performance, June 9

Location: First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 6443 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Safe cycling tips, repair/maintenance information and handouts, contests and hot dogs. No admission charge

Contact: Sue at sweber2@mrr.com or Lucia at (734) 425-5863

CLOTHING BANK

Time/Date: 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13 and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 23

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton

Details: Free clothing to anyone in need

Contact: (734) 927-6686 or (734) 404-2480

COURAGEOUS LIFE SERIES

Time/Date: June 3, 10, 17 and 24

Location: Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman, Livonia

Details: A screening of the movie, "Courageous" at 6 p.m. June 3 kicks off the series. It also will be shown at 6 p.m. on June 10 and 24. Series topics are "Courageous Versus Complacent," June 3; "Warriors Versus Wimps," June 10; "Fighters Versus Flyers," June 17 and "Team Players Versus Lone Rangers," June 24

Contact: (248) 476-8222

GARAGE SALE

Time/Date: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 9

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Church, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: "Great Expectations Church Wide Garage Sale," will include such items as clothing, furniture, electronics, and more. The sale will be held in the church parking lot

Contact: (734) 404-2480; www.cantioncf.org

GRIEF SUPPORT

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, June 5 and Thursday, June 7, 14, 21 and 28

Location: Our Lady of Victory Parish, 133 Orchard Dr., Northville

Details: The "Grieving with Great Hope" workshop offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for individuals who are mourning the loss of a loved one. Speakers will include the Rev. Denis B. Theroux, as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement organization. Registration forms are online at www.goodmourningministry.net or call the parish office.

Contact: The church at (248) 349-2621, www.olvnorthville.org

TRASH, TREASURES

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., June 1-2

Location: Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge Road, Canton

Details: Annual Trash and Treasure Sale will include toys, kitchen and holiday items, hobby-related goods and some furniture. No clothing. Bag sale is after noon Saturday

Contact: (734) 495-0035

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 5 p.m. social hour, 6 p.m. dinner, Wednesday, June 13

Location: Corsi's Italian Restaurant, 27910 W. Seven Mile, three blocks west of Inkster Road, in Livonia

Details: Cost is \$14 and includes dinner, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Pay exact amount at the door. Cash bar available. After dinner enjoy cards, games, and conversation until 9:30 p.m. No walk-ins. RSVP by June 6

Contact: Carol at (248) 946-0300 or Pat at (248) 545-8348 or Cookie at (248) 357-2183

ONGOING

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: Pastor Scott Sessler at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastorscott@emmanuel-livonia.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 Shulenberg 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

Nicole's Revival

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday

Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford Township

Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer

Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto

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

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Scripture study

Contact: (313) 534-9000

St. Michael the Archangel

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday.

Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Catholic author and bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of Letter to the Hebrews. The sessions are open to all, regardless of their faith or parish affiliation

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200 or www.livoniastrmichael.org

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

Couples renew vows

Several couples celebrated their anniversaries recently at a Jubilarian Mass at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia.

The Rev. Edward Mitchell, St. Aidan's senior priest, blessed the couples and led them in a renewal of their wedding vows.

Ederina and Al Utecht and Bernice and Frank Delewsky celebrated 55 years of marriage. Joanna and William Louiselle and Peter and Ilene Adzema marked 50th wedding anniversaries.

Other participants were Rudolph and Mary Frances Saenz, 45 years; Tony and Shirley Koritnik, 40 years; Art and Marilyn Naif, 40 years; Hank and Cindy Rosinski, 40



Ederina and Al Utecht (left), Bernice and Frank Delewsky and Joanna and William Louiselle were among the couples who recently celebrated their anniversaries at a Jubilarian Mass at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia.

years; Tom and Karen Waligora, 40 years; Kenneth and Sandra May, 35 years; Fred and Marilyn Wheeler, 35 years; Mark and Sue Kubert, 30 years; Ed and Jolie Snow,

30 years; William and Suzanne Tehovnik, 30 years; David and Karen George, 25 years; Jim and Laura Herrod, 25 years; and Ken and Maureen McAlinden, 20 years.

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BARBER, ALECIA MARIE

Highland, MI. Passed away Saturday, May 26, 2012 at Harper University Hospital in Detroit from complications of recent surgery. Alecia 48, was born October 12, 1963, and lived most of her life in Plymouth, MI. She was the daughter of the late Edward and Ruth (Ivey) Barber. Born the youngest of five children, she is survived by siblings: Dianne Barber, Richard (Virginia) Barber, Margaret Carter, Gayle Nelson, sixteen nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews. Alecia was special, being born with Downs Syndrome. She showed friendliness and love, making friends wherever she went and was a joy to be around. Friends may meet with her family on Friday from 10am until time of the funeral service at 1pm at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Burial will follow at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park in Livonia, MI. Share a memory or sign the guestbook at: www.schrader-howell-funeralhomes.com



COSTA-MULÈ, EMILY M.

May 27, 2012, age 94 of Canton. Dear Wife of the late Charles Mulè and the late Frank Costa. Loving Mother of the late Kenneth J. Costa. Dearest Grandmother of Lisa (John) Ninkovich, Carrie (Robert) Vacca, and Frank (Tamara) Vacca. Beloved Great-Grandmother of Alyssa, Michael, Joey, Cara, Juliana, Jack and Madeline. Dear Sister of the late Steve, Frank, John, Sam, and Tom Gallucci. She will be deeply missed by many nieces, relatives, and very close friends. Visitation Thurs 4-9 PM with 6:30 PM Rosary at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd. (Btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Friday 10 AM until the 11:00 AM Funeral Mass at St. Thomas a'Beckett, 555 S. Lilley Rd., Canton. Entombment Mt. Hope Memorial Park, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of MI, 1169 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

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Summer festivals offer unique shows, family fun

By Sharon Dargay
 O&E Staff Writer

They run. They race. They jump hurdle after hurdle.

And with 28 shows planned for the six-day Livonia Spree next month, David Feimster's racing stars are among the hardest-working entertainers you'll find at a local festival this summer. At less than 18 weeks old, they also are the youngest.

"At six weeks old I take them and train them," said Feimster, whose New Jersey-based Hot Dog Pig Racing show will return to Livonia Spree Tuesday-Sunday, June 19-24, at Ford Field, corner of Farmington Road and Lyndon in Livonia.

The pigs learn to race around a track and jump tiny hurdles while sporting a costume. Each show consists of five races, including one with a twist involving hot dog attire.

Feimster, who created a niche entertainment business racing skunks before he got into training swine 17 years ago, will send three troupes of performing pigs on the road this summer. Most of their gigs will take them to fairs and festivals on the East Coast, although Feimster said the show travels extensively throughout the country.

Fame is short-lived for the show-biz piglets.



Fifty Amp Fuse will rock the Canton Liberty Fest Thursday, June 14.

Feimster sends them back to the farm when they are between 12-18 weeks old, weighing less than 50-60 pounds. An older, full-sized hog can weigh hundreds of pounds.

"At full size they do what THEY want," he said.

The retired performers enter a breeding program at a farm and because they have been trained "they are very friendly pigs at that point," Feimster said.

"It makes the breeding program easier."

Catch the Hot Dog Pig Racing show at 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 19 and five times daily Wednesday-

Sunday at the festival. The annual Livonia Spree also offers a battle of the bands; live country, rock, and tribute music; clowns and magicians; dancers; martial arts demonstrations; races, contests and games, including a pie-eating contest; a charity casino tent; arts and crafts; carnival rides and more. Fireworks wrap up the fun Sunday, June 24. Visit www.livoniaspree.com for a complete schedule.

Here's a sampling of other summer community, art and specialty festivals:

• **Michigan Fun Fest**, formerly known as the Sahara Fest, runs May

31-June 1 at St. Mary's Orthodox Church, located on Merriman Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia. Taste Middle Eastern food, play a carnival game or dance the night away to live music. The event benefits the church's proposed Marian Center; www.michiganfunfest.com

• **Birmingham Village Fair**, May 31-June 3 in Shain Park, located in downtown Birmingham, includes carnival rides, games and food. Check the Birmingham Village Fair's Facebook page for more details.

• **Art on the Grand**, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday,

June 2 and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, June 3, on Grand River Ave., near Farmington Road in downtown Farmington, features more than 100 booths with paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, pottery, fiber, mixed media. Entertainment, food, kids area; www.ci.farmington-hills.mi.us

• **4th Annual Lyon Township Kite Festival**, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, June 2, at James F. Atchison Memorial Park, 58000 Grand River Ave. Professional kite demonstrations, live entertainment, a classic car display, and plenty of activities for the children including inflatables, face painting, radio

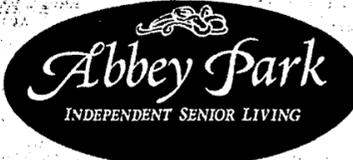
control boat races and kite decorating. Admission is free and includes free kite kits for children, while supplies last. Kites for adults will also be available for purchase; <http://www.lyontwp.org>

• **Redford Township Festival** runs Thursday-Sunday, June 7-10, with fireworks on Saturday, June 9, at Bell Creek Park, located at Five Mile and Inkster Road. Saturday also is "Kids Day" and will offer lots of children's activities. Live music and entertainment, carnival games and midway rides offered throughout the festival; www.redfordtwp.com

• **18th Annual Clay, Glass & Metal Show** runs 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday, June 9 and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, June 10, on Washington Ave. between Lincoln and Fourth, in downtown Royal Oak. 125 juried artists, food, music, artists' demos, hands-on projects. www.royaloakchamber.com. (248) 547-4000.

• **Seventh Annual Chaldean Festival**, June 8-10 on the Southfield Civic Center lawn, 26000 Evergreen, in Southfield. Live music, carnival rides, games, children's activities, food, merchant, booths, family fun entertainment for all. Proceeds benefit Chaldean Community Foundation. Call (248) 996-8340.

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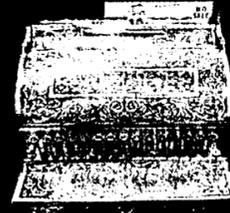
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• **Canton Liberty Fest**, Thursday-Saturday, June 14-16 in Heritage Park, located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, west of Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill Road and Summit Parkway in Canton offers carnival games, midway rides and a petting farm. Hear rock music, country tunes, children's songs, Beatles tribute and international performances on the entertainment stage throughout the festival. Catch *The Muppets* movie at dusk on June 15 and fireworks on June 16. Paddle around the pond in a rental from Heavner Canoe and Kayak Rental and check out cars on display at America's Most Wanted Car Club Show. www.cantonlibertyfest.com.

• **Novi Heritage Festival** runs 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, June 16 at MSU Tollgate Farm, 28115 Meadowbrook, Novi. See demonstrations of many heritage crafts including bee-keeping, maple syrup making, horseshoeing, basket making, and sheep herding. Event includes music, puppet shows, food, hay rides and fishing in the Tollgate pond. Call Roy Prentice at (248) 347-3860 ext 251 or prentic1@msu.edu for more information.

• **Summer Beer Fest**, 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, June 23, at Roy-



Hot Dog Pig Racing returns to Livonia Spree next month. They'll perform several shows every day during the six-day community festival.

al Oak Farmers Market, 316 East 11 Mile, in Royal Oak, will include samplings of more than 100 different brews, plus beer-inspired food, music and more. Proceeds benefit Camp Casey. Tickets are \$40 at www.camp-casey.org. Call (248) 705-2780.

• **Westland Summer Festival** runs Friday-Wednesday, June 29-July 4 at Westland City Hall grounds, 36601 Ford Road. Fireworks cap six days of carnival fun, food, nightly entertainment and more; www.cityofwestland.com

• **Arts and Acts**, June 22-24, offers art by more

than 85 artists, film, food, music, literature and theater in downtown Northville. Art in the Sun, the art component of the festival, includes a children's art area, musical entertainment and food. The Reel Michigan Film Festival, Short on Words Literature Contest and Sandbox Play Festival take place at the Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E. Cady; (248) 344-0497.

• **Art in the Park**, July 13-15, in downtown Plymouth, features works by more than 400 artists, entertainment, kids activities and food. Visit www.artinthepark.com.

• **Farmington Founder's Festival**, Friday-Saturday, July 20-21 includes a parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, along Grand River Ave., from Power Road to Liberty. The festival offers a crafter's marketplace and book sale, along Farmington Road in downtown Farmington; a tavern in Riley Park; a movie on Friday in Shiawassee Park and more; www.foundersfestival.com

• **4th Annual Redford Parks & Arts Conservancy IArt Festival**, runs noon-9 p.m. July 21 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. July 22 at the Redford Township



"Sunflowers" by Kathleen Spellman will be among the art works on exhibit at Art of the Grand, June 2-3 in downtown Farmington.

Marquee, located in the Town Hall complex at 15145 Beech Daly, one block south of the Five Mile. The Interactive Art festival is a chance to explore your creativity at free arts workshops and interactive art stations around the event site. Includes music, dance, drama, street performers, a kids' art zone, art demonstrations, food and arts and crafts for sale; www.rpaconservancy.org

• **South Lyon's inaugural Blues Brews and Brats** festival runs 4-11 p.m., July 28 in downtown South Lyon. Barbara Payton and the Instigators, Those Delta Rhythm Kings, and Billy Davis will perform. Admission to the beverage tent, which will feature suds from the local Witch's Hat Brewing Company, is \$3. For more information, visit http://www.southlyonchamber.com/1/123/blues_brews_and_brats.asp.

• **Concours D'Elegance**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at The Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth, features classic cars from 1900-1970; www.concoursusa.org.

• **Fourth Annual Buy Michigan Now Festival**, Aug. 3-5, celebrates the state's annual Buy Michigan Week with sidewalk sales, street vendors, live music, and children's activities, in downtown Northville; (248) 349-0345; <http://www.buymichigannow.com/>

• **Berkley CruiseFest**, kicks off the Woodward Dream Cruise with a Classic Car Parade, music and a street dance, Friday, Aug. 17, in downtown Berkley; www.berkleymich.org.

• **15th Annual Ford Arts, Beats & Eats**, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, in downtown Royal Oak, includes 200 performances on 10 stages, 135 artists, 65 food booths. www.artsbeatsandeats.com. Call (248) 334-4600.



Spotlight on Youth actors rehearse "Bye Bye Birdie." The musical runs for one weekend only, Thursday-Sunday, May 31-June 3 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Youth actors stage musical in Canton

Spotlight on Youth will stage the feel-good, light-hearted musical, *Bye Bye Birdie* this weekend at the Village Theater at Cherry Hills in Canton.

The show tells the story of Conrad Birdie, a singer similar to Elvis Presley, who is drafted into the army in the late 1950s. His agent, Albert and his secretary/sweetheart, Rose, come up with a plan to have Conrad kiss a loyal fan and launch a hit record. Full of well known songs, like *Put on a Happy Face* and *Kids, Bye Bye Birdie* takes the audience to a time when life was much simpler.

Novi resident and Director Barbara Bloom said the show was "a treat" to work on because the actors portrayed characters their same age.

"I have done the show several times

and this is the first time that so many of the roles are being played by the very talented youth of Spotlight on Youth who are the actual ages of the characters," she stated in a press release. "These are teen-agers playing teen-agers."

The show times are 7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, May 31-June 3, with 2 p.m. matinees Saturday-Sunday. The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

Get tickets by phone at the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or online at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater or www.spotlightplayersmi.org or in person at The Summit on the Park or at the door. Box office opens one hour prior to the show. Tickets are \$15 each.

Comedy night benefits charity

Helping Hands Charity is selling tickets to the opening night performance of *Sylvia* at the Two Muses Theater, located at Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, at Maple in West Bloomfield.

Forty percent of the proceeds from the show at 8 p.m., June 9 will go to the organization to buy shoes and mosquito nets and to build classrooms for the Venda Tribe in Mutele, South Africa. The group will get an additional 10 percent of proceeds for selling 50 tickets or more by June 6.

Sylvia is a comedy about a man who finds a dog in a park and takes it home. His wife isn't happy with his find and the dog, who has an attitude, can talk.

Buy opening night charity tickets for \$18 each from Sidney Bonvallet, Helping Hands founder. Send a check, made out to Helping Hands Charity, to Bonvallet at 27565 Spring Valley Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48336. Questions? Call Bonvallet at (248) 514-3022.

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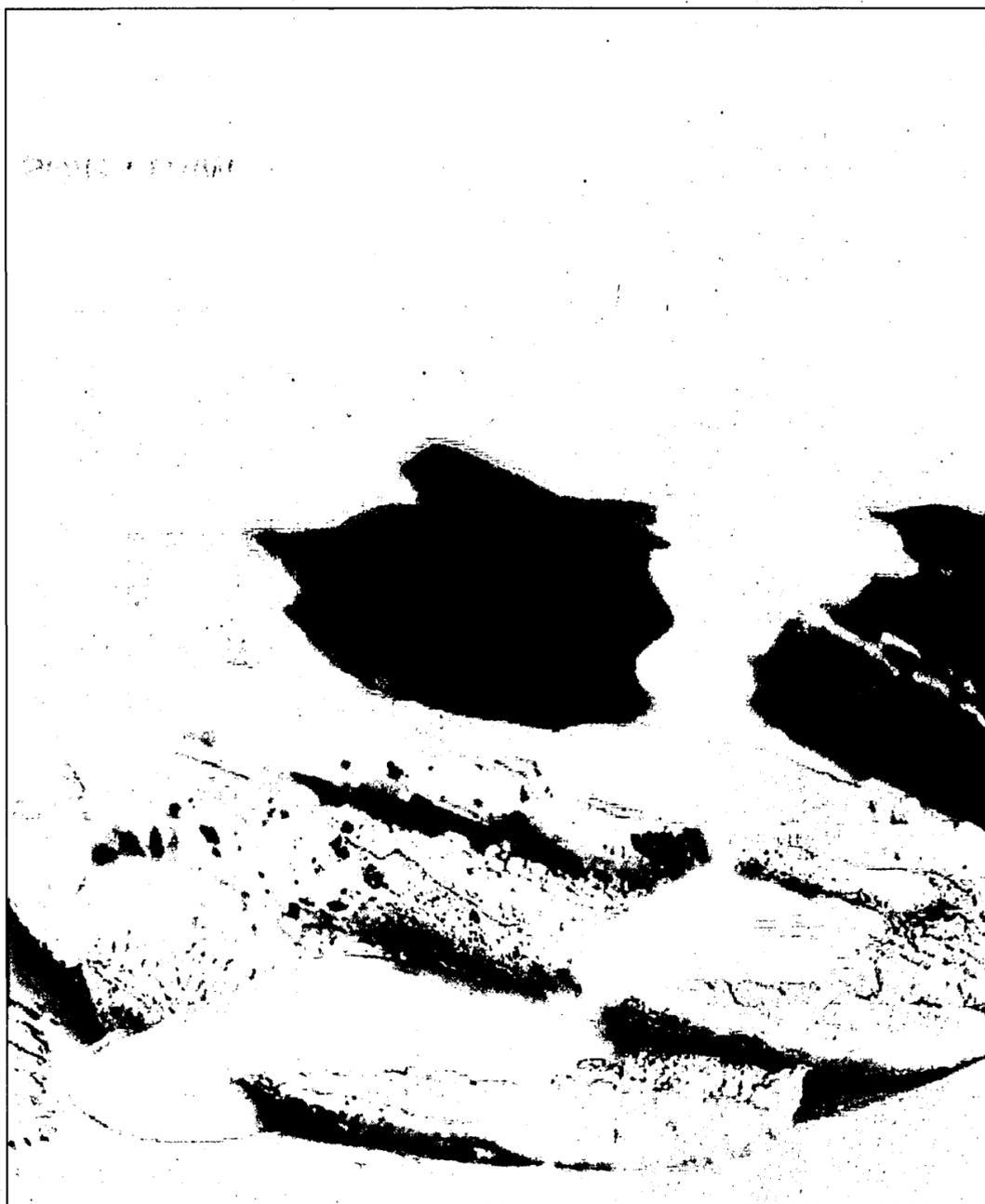
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Roasted Lemon-Garlic Chicken

Prep Time: 20 minutes
Cook Time: 1 hour 40 minutes
Yield: 4 servings

Chicken:

Olive oil no-stick cooking spray
1 tablespoon pure olive oil or light tasting olive oil
½ teaspoon oregano
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1 (4 to 5 pound) whole chicken, rinsed with neck and giblets removed
Salt and pepper

Gravy:

½ cup cold water
¼ cup milk
1 (0.87 to 1.2 ounces) package chicken gravy mix
½ teaspoon oregano
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1½ teaspoons fresh lemon juice

1. Heat oven to 400°F. Spray a shallow roasting pan with rack with no-stick cooking spray.
2. Mix oil, oregano and garlic. Brush mixture over entire chicken. Season chicken liberally with salt and pepper. Place in prepared pan, breast side down; let stand 30 minutes. Turn chicken breast side up.
3. Roast 65 to 70 minutes, basting occasionally. Chicken is done when meat thermometer registers 170°F or when juices run clear when thickest part of thigh is pricked. Transfer chicken to carving board; tent with aluminum foil. Allow to rest 10 minutes.
4. Skim grease from the pan drippings. Place ¼ cup skimmed pan drippings into small saucepan. Add water, milk, gravy mix, oregano, garlic and lemon juice to pan. Cook, stirring constantly until gravy thickens.
5. Carve chicken. Place on serving platter. Serve with warm lemon-garlic gravy.

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Lavender Olive Oil Cake with Honeyed Ricotta

Prep Time: 20 minutes
Cook Time: 55 minutes
Yield: 8 to 10 servings

Pillsbury Baking Spray with Flour
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½ teaspoon kosher salt
1 cup sugar
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1 tablespoon culinary lavender, crushed, plus additional 1 to 2 tablespoons for garnish
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
¾ cup plain yogurt
3 large eggs
¾ cup pure olive oil
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
¾ cup heavy cream
3 tablespoons honey
¾ cup ricotta cheese, at room temperature

1. Heat oven to 350°F. Spray a 9- by 5-inch loaf pan generously with baking spray; set aside.
2. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in a small bowl. Whisk together sugar, orange peel, lavender and pepper in a large mixing bowl until evenly distributed. Add yogurt, eggs and olive oil; continue whisking until smooth. Whisk in vanilla. Add flour mixture and gently whisk in until just combined. Scrape batter into prepared pan.
3. Bake 55 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 5 minutes; remove from pan and cool completely.
4. Whip cream with an electric mixer until soft peaks form. Add honey and continue to whip until stiff. Add ricotta cheese, a dollop at a time, and beat until fluffy. Slice cake. Top slices with honeyed ricotta and sprinkle with lavender.

Mediterranean Linguine with Basil and Tomatoes

Prep Time: 10 minutes
Cook Time: 15 minutes
Yield: 8 servings

1 1-pound box linguine pasta
1 tablespoon salt, or to taste
½ cup extra virgin olive oil
2 pints grape tomatoes (4 cups), cut in half
1 tablespoon minced garlic
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
Salt and pepper to taste
18 to 20 basil leaves, cut in thin strips
¾ cup grated Parmesan cheese, plus additional for garnish

1. Heat 6 quarts water to boiling. Add pasta and salt. Cook for the minimum recommended time on package directions. While pasta cooks, prepare sauce.
2. Heat olive oil in large skillet on medium heat. Add tomatoes and garlic. Cook and stir 2 minutes or until tomatoes are soft. Remove from heat. Stir in vinegar and pepper flakes.
3. Drain cooked pasta. Add to skillet. Cook and stir 1 minute or until pasta is coated and hot. Remove from heat. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in basil and cheese. Serve with additional cheese, if desired.

— Courtesy of Family Features



MEDITERRANEAN ESSENTIALS

Fresh and flavorful ingredients are the key to great Mediterranean cooking, so keep some of these essential ingredients on hand:

- Vegetables — tomatoes, onions, shallots, peppers, carrots, spinach, eggplant
- Grains — pasta, couscous, oats, barley, corn, rice
- Dairy — yogurt, unsalted butter
- Beans and legumes — chickpeas, cannellini beans, lentils
- Fresh herbs and spices — cumin, garlic, rosemary, fennel, oregano, basil
- Cheese — Parmigiano-Reggiano, pecorino, ricotta, Manchego, feta
- Condiments — olive oil, balsamic vinegar, olives, capers, honey



Parade of Homes provides look at range of lifestyles in region



The Silverleaf in Lyon Township is from Healy Homes.

Parade of Homes 2012, the 23rd annual exhibition of new model homes located across southeastern Michigan, will open on June 1 and run through June 30. Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA), Bank of America Home Loans, DTE Energy and WindowPRO are the sponsors of this public event.

"Homebuyers have an excellent opportunity right now to take advantage of still low interest rates and competitive home prices that will certainly increase in the coming years," said Rich Kligman of Superb Custom Homes and president of BIA. "Today's buyers are in a unique position to take advantage of the buyer's market as we begin the climb into a better economy."

The Parade of Homes offers potential homebuyers a unique opportunity to visit the area's finest model and inventory homes, including condominiums and single-family homes, affordable housing and estate-sized homes. Visitors to the homes will have an opportunity to see first-hand the latest trends in energy efficiency and green building, architecture, interior design, amenities and materials. The 34 model, under construction and pre-construction homes and condominiums range in base price from \$171,000 to \$1,600,000.

Architects and industry experts will judge the homes and award blue ribbons in several categories. The judges will make their decisions based on the innovative use of space and design, aesthetic appeal of the home and value for the price. Judges for this year's program will be Lonny S. Zimmerman, AIA, NCARB of Siegal/Tuomaa-



The Cambridge V is in Northville Township, from Tremont Construction LLC by Cohen Homes.



The Torino II in Commerce Township is from Pinnacle Homes.

la Associates; Benedetto Tiseo, FAIA, NCARB of Tiseo Architects, Inc.; Michael J. Gordon, RA of Moiseev/Gordon Associates and Paul Salloom, Regional Sales manager, Bank of America Home Loans.

A Parade of Homes magazine containing renderings, features and location maps for all homes will be distributed with in select home delivery of *The Detroit News* and *Detroit Free Press* on Sunday, June 3, available at Bank of America loca-

tions throughout southeastern Michigan, at select Kroger locations, at WindowPRO in Livonia and at all participating model homes beginning June 1.

For additional information on the Parade of Homes, visit www.BIAParadeofHomes.com beginning June 1. Also check this website for information on "Open House Parties" being held at some of the Parade models on June 9 and 10 featuring refreshments and special events. This is the only Parade



The Ellington (pre-construction) in Novi is from Superb Custom Homes/Evergreen Development LLC.

of Homes event BIA will sponsor this year.

Headquartered in West Bloomfield, Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and Apartment Association of Michigan are trade associations representing nearly 600 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. BIA is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 175,000 individuals and companies.

FHA nod big help with sales

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist



Robert Meisner

Q: I am a new real estate agent and I am wondering what you think are the major complaints by Realtors regarding the association's failings in helping to sell condominium units.

A: Some agents say that associations contribute to the dysfunction with the real estate industry by restricting signs, charging hefty disclosure fees, failing to respond and

keeping sloppy records. However, one of the newest and biggest complaints that agents lodge is that the association doesn't get important approval from the Federal Housing Administration since the aftermath of the mortgage meltdown has not made FHA-insured loans a much more important source for buyers. The condominium buyers who want the cheaper FHA-backed loans are not limited to purchasing in an association that has been approved by the administration. Some associations do not want to bother getting that certification which, frankly, undermines the ability of people to readily liquidate their units.

Q: I have heard that some cities have passed no smoking laws which may affect condominiums and other community association common areas. Do you have any information?

A: I believe that the cities of Santa Monica and Pasadena, Calif., have passed no smoking laws which appear to affect common areas adjacent to the condominiums and at least Santa Monica's allows owners to designate theirs as a non-smoking unit for the future. It is possible to work with a multiple building condominium to pass rules wherein each building elects to go nonsmoking on an individual basis and that is something about which you should confer with a progressive community association lawyer.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com.

This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 20-24, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
4278 Forest Bridge Dr	\$208,000
45929 Graystone Ln	\$139,000
45945 Graystone Ln	\$129,000
50117 Jackson Ln	\$227,000
1719 Orchard Dr	\$25,000
49732 Potomac Rd	\$192,000
3996 Sherwood Cir	\$187,000

39686 Wales St	\$125,000
41299 Westfield Cir	\$175,000
GARDEN CITY	
6845 Helen St	\$73,000
29911 Leona Ct	\$50,000
30834 Sheridan St	\$41,000
LIVONIA	
20121 Antago St	\$24,000
11409 Blackburn St	\$140,000
38063 Donald St	\$49,000
35219 Lancashire Rd	\$199,000
32970 Martin St	\$115,000
19520 Parker St	\$98,000
20114 Saint Francis St	\$25,000
10031 Seltzer St	\$43,000
NORTHVILLE	

46665 Seven Mile Rd	\$520,000
15762 Johnson Creek Dr	\$135,000
47801 Lake View Ct	\$223,000
17322 Stonebrook Dr	\$523,000
48856 Stoneridge Dr	\$793,000
PLYMOUTH	
356 Auburn St	\$267,000
1302 Maple St	\$475,000
498 N Evergreen St	\$175,000
45500 N Turtlehead Ct	\$237,000
40858 Newport Dr	\$59,000
10994 Pinehurst Rd	\$225,000
45227 Pinetree Dr	\$296,000
REDFORD	
14041 Breakfast Dr	\$143,000
14163 Breakfast Dr	\$110,000

17673 Centralia	\$36,000
25533 Elba	\$38,000
9335 Louis	\$30,000
12038 Marion	\$60,000
12208 Nathalie	\$58,000
9217 Sarasota	\$28,000
15424 Woodbine	\$20,000
WESTLAND	
8198 August Ave	\$55,000
33540 Birchlawn	\$140,000
32787 Chapman Cir	\$90,000
29810 Lacy Dr	\$78,000
814 S Wildwood St	\$62,000
7333 Sycamore Ln	\$60,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 6-10, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
30395 Leemoor St	\$143,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
23139 Old Orchard Trl	\$160,000
BIRMINGHAM	
852 Davis Ave	\$458,000
635 Lake Park Dr	\$1,900,000
1665 Mansfield Rd	\$164,000
593 N Old Woodward Ave	\$166,000

662 Purdy St	\$156,000
573 Smith Ave	\$518,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4427 Barchester Dr	\$295,000
1283 Greenglen Ct	\$197,000
2290 Hunt Club Dr	\$265,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
6700 Oakhills Dr	\$1,264,000
2168 Somerset Rd	\$82,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
1772 Applebrook Dr	\$50,000
1704 Lyka	\$110,000
9549 Volga Dr	\$210,000
FARMINGTON	
21384 Birchwood St	\$128,000
22724 Power Rd	\$162,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
21232 Gill Rd	\$186,000
35165 Glengary Cir	\$195,000

30115 Mayfair Dr	\$315,000
21930 Sheffield Dr	\$230,000
29726 White Hall Dr	\$185,000
35181 White Pine Trl	\$100,000
Lathrup Village	
27320 Goldengate Dr W	\$135,000
MILFORD	
1599 Hunters Lake Ct	\$406,000
NOVI	
29341 Douglas Dr	\$185,000
21149 Dundee Dr	\$375,000
44149 Durson St	\$120,000
45437 Irvine Dr	\$378,000
25790 Lochmoor Ln	\$325,000
27101 Maxwell Ct	\$45,000
27122 Maxwell Ct	\$45,000
22177 Pondview	\$119,000
24945 Sarah Flynn	\$210,000
21580 Trent Ct	\$425,000

24062 Willowbrook	\$94,000
SOUTH LYON	
815 Huntington Dr	\$234,000
425 Pettibone St # 427	\$200,000
52815 Willowbrook Dr	\$61,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27585 Arlington Ct	\$123,000
29721 Fall River Rd	\$59,000
23407 Grayson Dr	\$40,000
23407 Grayson Dr	\$18,000
18820 Jeanette St	\$117,000
30565 Nadora St	\$99,000
18164 Onyx St	\$96,000
20771 Southome St	\$10,000
WHITE LAKE	
585 Teggedine Rd	\$61,000
1311 Waverly Dr	\$160,000

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

New face

The multi-office Southeast Michigan real estate brokerage RE/MAX Classic welcomes aboard associate broker Betty Clark to the Novi location. The Certified Residential Specialist and Graduate Realtor Institute member specializes in residential and condominium sales,



Betty Clark

with her over 20 years of experience. Her extended education offers

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"Betty's experience in the real estate industry is legendary. Her education and experience have her poised for success in every endeavor of our real estate market," said Carol

Boji, broker/owner of RE/MAX Classic.

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Participants will discuss what they have learned. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update.

Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tues-

day of the month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate. Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. Any questions, call Wayne Koebler, (313) 277-4168.

Oakland Investors

Learn "Real Estate Basics for the Beginning

Investor." A three-hour class (9 a.m. to noon) in a series of 10 sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Saturday, June 1, at the Royal Oak Senior Center, 3500 Marias, Royal Oak (north off 13 Mile, between Crooks and Main). Cost \$49, plus materials. OREIAClass@AddedValueRealty.com; (248) 787-7325.

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ACROSS

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- 4 High in calories
- 7 Apiece
- 11 Move gingerly
- 13 Startled cries
- 14 Ms. Raines of old movies
- 15 Easier said — done
- 16 Creamy pastry
- 18 Dependable
- 20 Student's purchase
- 21 Business deg.
- 22 Polite word
- 23 Change colors
- 26 Holiday quaff
- 30 — Wan Kenobi
- 31 Motel offering
- 32 Heifer's hello
- 33 Cover up
- 36 Many-petaled blossom
- 38 Ms. Thurman
- 39 Tyrannosaurus

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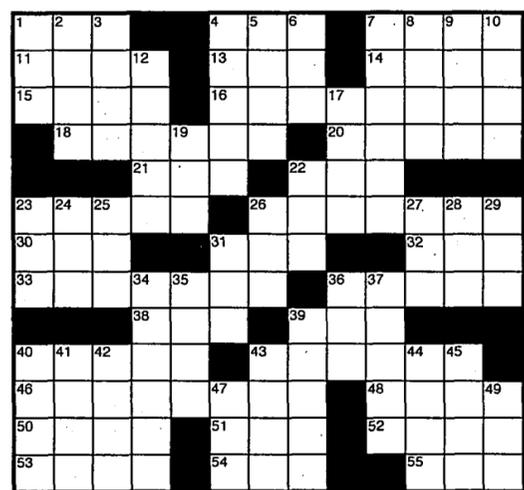
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- 2 Pleased sighs
- 3 Exam for HS juniors
- 4 Jane or Henry
- 5 At the opponents' field
- 6 Salt meas.
- 7 Conger catchers
- 8 Game-show name
- 9 Thicken, as cream

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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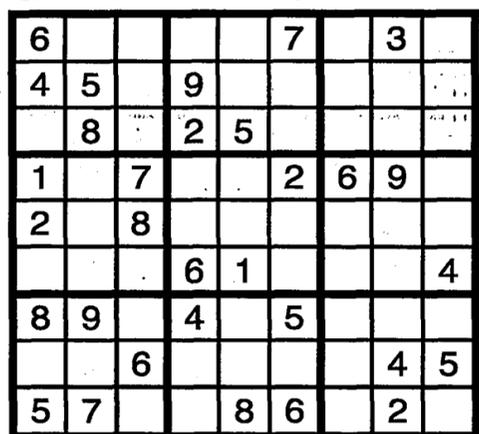
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- 12 Other side
- 17 Bluesman
- 19 Mr. Vigoda
- 22 Crestfallen
- 23 Outback jumper
- 24 Subside
- 25 Bad-mouth
- 26 Microscopic
- 27 Latin lover's word
- 28 Physics particle
- 29 Actress Myrna
- 31 Two-piece part
- 34 Preserving meat
- 35 Refs' cousins
- 36 Violin knob
- 37 Precise
- 39 Healthy-looking
- 40 Frisky
- 41 Georgetown athlete
- 42 Comedian
- 43 King
- 44 Withered
- 45 Prowl
- 46 A few
- 47 Elev.
- 49 Decade number



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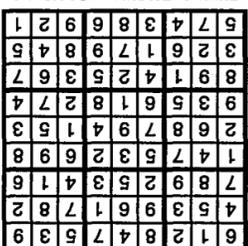
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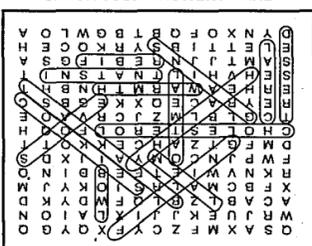
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Estate Sales
BEVERLY HILLS: Estate Sale. Furniture + more. Nice stuff. Great Prices. Sat. June 2, 10-4pm. 16972 Kirkshire. 14 Mile & Garden.

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569 Arcola, Inkster & Cherry Hill Rds 6/1 & 6/2, Fri & Sat 9-6pm, 6/3, Sun 10-5pm. Lots of vintage items, furniture, etc. No early birds, please.

FARMINGTON ESTATE SALE:
Fri, 6/1, 9-6pm, Sat, 6/2, 9-5pm and Sun, 6/3, 10-3pm. 34012 Glenview Dr. Furniture, china, clothing & housewares.

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Leather sectional sofa, patio set, tables, lamps, building supply, pavers, rec. lighting, iron board, ceiling fan, AC unit. Thurs-Sat. 3870 Topview Ct.

CANTON NOWLAND ESTATES
SUB-WIDE SALE May 31 - June 2, 9am-5pm. N. of Palmer, E. of Sheldon.

CANTON SUB-WIDE GARAGE SALE
Over a dozen homes! May 31-June 2nd, 9-3pm. Royal Pointe Sub, S. of Warren, W. of Beck.

CANTON - Bridgmont Park
Subdivision. Thurs-Sat, May 31-June 2, 9am-4pm. Canton Center Dr. & Warren, 6824 Bridgmont Dr. 734-453-1496

CANTON GLENGARY VILLAGE
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CANTON CENTURY FARMS
ANNUAL SUB SALE May 31-June 2, 9-5pm. N/Palmer, W/Haggerty. Household, tools, clothes, baby items, sailboat, BSA bicycle, wood working tools

CANTON COBBLESTONE
RIDGE SUB-WIDE SALE Thurs-Sat, May 31-June 2, 9am-5pm. S. of Ford Rd. btwn. Canton Center & Beck.

FARMINGTON HILLS
Old Farm Colony Sub Sale 5/31-6/2, 9-10 Mile E/Middlebelt, 9am-5pm. Many homes, collectibles, old toys, tools, furniture & much more! See ad on Craigslist 5/27.

LIVONIA OLD RODEDALE GARDENS
SUB SALE Huge sale with over 50 homes, tools, antiques, baby items, furniture, appliances! SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd, 9am-4pm. S. of Plymouth, btwn Farmington & Merriman.

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35160 Bennett, 48152. May 31, June 1 & 2, 9am-5pm. Jukebox, Bathroom cabinetry, Precious Moments, household items, furniture, toys, video games, sporting goods, tires.

PLYMOUTH Awesome Moving Sale!!!!
SATURDAY JUNE 2nd 10am-2pm 11676 Parkview Dr. Couch, entertainment centers, stereo, desk, 3 TVs, pictures and kitchen wares.

PLYMOUTH-Two Family!
5/31-6/2, 9-3pm. 48600 W. Normandy Ct. off Ann Arbor Rd. or Powell Rd. Kids & adult clothes, toys, household, Longaberger baskets, Little People, Thomas the Train.

PLYMOUTH - Estate Sale!
12951 Beck Rd., Thurs, May 31 & Fri, June 1st, 10-4pm. Household, garage & misc. Reasonable! Don't miss this one! No early birds!

PLYMOUTH-Multi-home sale!
Chairs, lamps, rugs & lots of misc household. 5/31-6/2; 9-5pm. 4105 Mario Ct, E of Curtis & Ann Arbor Rd

PLYMOUTH: Mayflower Sub Sale
S. of Ann Arbor Rd. Fri-Sat, June 1-2, 9am-4pm.

REDFORD - Riverside Yard Sale.
(5 Homes). June 1-2, 9am-5pm. E. of Telegraph, N. of Plymouth Rd.

SOUTH LYON Fri-Sun, 9am-7:30pm
25831 Unit 2 Lexington Dr. (48178), 11 Mile & Heritage Blvd. Furniture, washer/dryer, treadmill & household items.

SOUTH LYON - Bikes, drum set, toys, clothing, ski items, nursery.
Thurs-Sat 9:30-2:30pm. 57697 Hidden Timbers Dr., Milford Rd & 10 Mile.

SOUTH LYON-MOVING SALE
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LIVONIA: KIMBERLY OAKS
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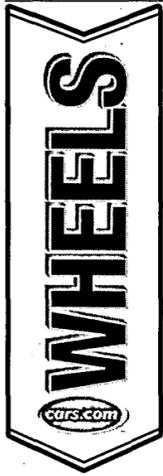
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