## CONNECTION

#### Tricks and treats

Kids should be getting their costumes ready as Canton Leisure Services prepares for its annual Trick or Treat Parade, set for the Summit on the Park 4-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29. Parade participants will see the Summit all decked out for the event, as well as over a dozen themed stations which will be set up for ages 11 and under. Two "path" options will be available this year to offer trick-or-treaters even more age-appropriate



Canton's annual Trick or Treat parade is Friday at the Summit on the Park.

themed stations to choose from. Younger trick-or-treat ers will be able to visit with characters such as Handy Manny and the Disney

characters such as Handy
Manny and the Disney
Princesses, while more seasoned guests might spot a
few more spooky witches or a
character from iCarly!
Canton residents who don't
wish to Stand in line any longer than necessary can get
"Fast Passes," stamped with
times to let participants know
what time slot they should
arrive in order to minimize
their wait. There are a limited
number of Fast Passes and
are available on a first-come,
first-served basis.
There is a suggested
resident donation of \$5 per
family (please provide proof
of residency). The nonresident fee is \$10 per family, For
more information, call (734)
394-5460 or visit Cantonfun.
org. The Summit is located
at 46000 Summit Parkway in
Canton.

#### Army marchers

Plymouth-Canton high school students Sarah Galea, Scott Hawkins and Tyler Lacy have been chosen to be part of the 2011 U.S. Army All-American Marching Band. U.S. Army representatives will be at Plymouth High School Monday to officially welcome the frio to the band, scheduled to participate in the 2011 Mal-American Bowl Jan. 8 in San Antonio, Texas.

The three are part of only 125 high school musicians chosen for the band, which will perform at halftime of the game.

"The U.S. Army has a long musical history and being an Army musician is one option the All-American Bowl Showcases to young Americans," said Col Derik Crotts, director of Strategic Communications, Marketing and Outreach, U.S. Army Acessions Command.

"The mental, emotional and physical qualities more of the same gualities mirrored in Army Strong soldiers. We are proud to honor all of our U.S. Army All-American Band members and connects.



## Birthday bash

The Octoberbest Pub Crawl through some of downtown Plymouth's eateries served a dual purpose Thursday for several folks from Canton. At E.G. Nicks, the pub crawl also served as a birthday celebration for Amanda Yaris, Orkie Stanceva, Birthday Girl Natasha Fowler, Heather Males, Catarina Yandooren, Kim Breckenridge and Heather Kearney. They are all Canton residents, except for Yari Northville. For more photos from the popular event, please see the photo gallery at www.hometownlife.com.

# Thousands moved to new polling places

BY DARRELL CLEM

OBSERVER SIAF WRITER

Thousands of Canton voters have been assigned to new polling places for the Nov. 2 general election due to population growth that prompted local officials to create three new precincts on the township's southwest side.

In a separate move, two other voter precincts — No. 6 at the Holiday Park mobile home community and No. 32 at Charisma Life Church — have been moved to Life Church on the northwest corner of Haggerty and Warren roads because the former polling places didn't comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Though voters have been notified by mail of any changes affecting them, township Clerk Terry Bennett issued a reminder in hopes of avoiding potential confusion as Canton residents prepare to cast their ballots in an emotionally charged election year.

Map of township's new voting precincts, A3.

Map of township's new voting precincts, A3

Canton has three new voting precincts, Nos. 40, 41 and 42, due to population growth on the southwest side that pushed the number of voters close to the 2,999 threshold that forces a change.

"We have stalled off splitting the precincts as long as we could," Bennett said.

In all, 4,849 voters have been affected by the changes. Here's a snapshot:

• Voters who live in an area east of Ridge, south of Saltz, west of Canton Center and north of Cherry Hill have been assigned to new Precinct 42 at Workman Elementary School, on Denton north of Cherry Hill. Those voters formerly cast their ballots in Precincts 25 and 35, which have been split off.

• Voters who used to cast their ballots in the portion of Precinct 38 south of Proctor have been

relocated to new Precinct 41, which also is located at Workman Elementary School.

• Voters who formerly cast their ballots in the portion of Precinct 20 north of Geddes and west of Denton have been moved to new Precinct, 40, located at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway.

Voters who have been moved to the three new precincts had been notified by mail early this year, but Bennett issued a reminder amid concerns residents may have forgotten where they are supposed to cast their ballots.

Anyone who has questions about where to vote, what's on their ballot or who wants to track the status of an absentee ballot may log on to www.canton-mi.org, where they will find a voter information link near the top of the page that will easily guide them through the process.

# Feds nix grant for **Canton plan**

BY DARRELL CLEM

Federal officials have dealt a second blow to a plan to secure \$20.3 million in stimulus funds for a project to reshape the traffic-clogged I-275/Ford Road interchange and boost safety at accident-prone intersections such as Ford and Haggerty. Though disappointed, Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said the fight to improve the area's traffic conditions will continue, possibly by trying to get the project placed on a regional priority list through the Michigan Department of Transportation.

will continue, possibly by trying to get the project placed on a regional priority list through the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Wayne County Commissioner Kevin McNamara, D-Canton, and Canton Township Trustee Pat Williams publicly called for similar efforts Thursday as the commission brought its meeting to Canton. Canton's second-round effort to secure federal TIGER dollars — or Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery money — failed to win favor as federal officials approved projects for two other metro Detroit projects. Those included \$13.9 million for two bridge-reconstruction projects in Ann Arbor and a \$300,000 planning grant for Pontiac for bike trails and multimodal transportation projects, Faas said.

Township officials have long said the I-275/Ford Road project could ease traffic bottlenecks along bustling Ford Road, especially during rush-hour traffic when accidents are more likely to occur. Local officials have described Ford and Haggerty as Michigan's most accident-prone intersection.

The latest blow to the local project came after Canton lost out in February when federal officials awarded first-round TIGER projects — a crushing decision township Supervisor Phil LaJoy called "extremely disappointing."

Details of the TIGER proposal include:

Allowing motorists exiting southbound 1-275 to use a new access ramp, or slip, to get onto northbound Haggerty without ever having to get onto Ford Road. It would be built north of Ford Road.

Allowing drivers exiting southbound Haggerty south of Ford — again, without traveling along Ford.

Enabling drivers from the area of Cherry Hill Road to access north 1-275 by using a northbound service drive along the interstate, bypassing Ford Road and then merging onto the interstate.

Wayne County Commissioner Kevin McNamara of Canton listens to a presentation during Thursday's meeting in Canton.

# Commission pushes new jail plan

Inching closer to building a new county jail and consolidating prisoners from three aging facilities, the Wayne County Commission has approved a measure that could lead to officials issuing \$300 million in bonds to pay for the project.

In a separate vote during a meeting in Canton, the commission agreed to issue a notice that it may float an additional \$400 million in bonds for a new court facility, or justice center, in Detroit — though officials said the jail plan appears more likely at the moment.

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The decisions came as 11th
District Commissioner Kevin

McNamara, D-Canton, welcomed his colleagues to Canton amid an ongoing effort to rotate meetings among the communities the 15-member commission serves.

Wayne County Sheriff Benny Napoleon said he envisions a new jail facility at an undisclosed location in Detroit that could accommodate at least 2,000 prisoners, streamline the workforce, save energy costs, eliminate duplication of services and provide a safer environment for inmates and employees.

Twill not support a jail that's less than 2,000 beds for Wayne County." Napoleon said, adding that three existing facilities already house as many as 1,700 immates a day.

"I envision everyone under one

roof," he said.

Though the commission's vote marked one step in a continuing process, officials said a new jail could potentially save \$20-\$30 million a year. The county would issue \$300 million in bonds — much of it potentially through a federal government program — and pay off the tab over a 30-year period.

Talks with jail officials have proceeded much further than the separate proposal to issue \$400 million in bonds to consolidate county courf facilities, though that idea also has emerged as a possibility.

Commissioner Laura Cox, R-Livonia, cast the lone dissenting yote against the jail bond proposal,





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# Church bookkeeper faces embezzling charge

Beth in Church Choi

good lady." Peters waived her prelimi

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nary hearing Friday in 35th District Court, sending the case to Wayne County Circuit Court. Peters, released on a personal bond during her Oct. 12 arraignment, has main-tained her innocence, but she could face penalties ranging up to 15 years in prison if she is convicted. Canton Police Detective Jeremy Quinn said Peters vol-untarily turned herself in to face one count of embezzling

\$20,000 to \$50,000 as an agent or trustee of the church and one count of embezzling \$1,000 to \$20,000 from a nonprofit or charitable organization.

Quinn said the charges arose from allegations Quinn gave herself unauthorized hourly wage increases betwee

Perfetto before he retired last summer.

"I believe this is simply a payroll mistake," Cassar said. "It's not like she took money out of the church collection or the pastor's pants pockets. It was literally a payroll mistake, and she acknowledged it. I'm very surprised that the Archdiocese (of Detroit) has decided to still go ahead with prosecution.
"The money has been

decided to still go ahead with prosecution.

"The money has been repaid," Cassar said, "and I am going to do anything in my power to help her."

The Rev. Kenneth Chase confronted the issue last weekend during an address to the parish, which has grown to 650 families on Warren between Beck and Ridge since its inception in 1990.

Chase told parishioners he needed to share "sad and seri-

ous news with them.
"Early in 2010, we discovered what appeared to be som financial discrepancies in the processing of the parish payroll by our then-bookkeeper," he said.

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Chase said the Archdiocese of Detroit was asked to perform a "limited scope audit" that revealed what he called "questionable transactions and unauthorized activity."

He said those findings were turned over to authorities who conducted their own investigation.

"It is a serious matter when parish funds are unaccounted for, regardless of whether the amount involved is small or significant," Chase told parishioners. "Until this matter is resolved in the courts, the parish staff and I are not able to discuss it or provide you with any additional details beyond what I'm telling you now."

He concluded by asking parishioners to "keep everyone involved in your prayers."

# Foundation cancels philanthropy summit

The Canton Community Foundation's philanthropy summit, which had been scheduled for Wednesday at the Summit on the Park, has been canceled. The foundation is expected to reschedule the gathering for November, though an announce







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Cox in opposing the bond pro
posal for a new court facility,
which officials say hasn't yet
been shown as viable for trim
ming costs.
Commissioner Joan

Commissioner Joan Gebhardt, D-Livonia, voiced support for the jail bond pro

posal, saying Thursday's vote only indicated an intent to proceed and that other steps would be necessary before it's a done deal.

"This to me is the answer to our prayers," Gebhardt said, referring to the potential to reduce jail-related costs.

# **POLLING**

Everyone who has been moved to a new voting precinct has been sent new voter registration cards by mail, Bennett said.

She offered several other tips to help voters through the Nov. 2 election:

• Any voter who was newly registered in Canton after Oct. 4 will have to cast ballots in their old jurisdiction, whether it be elsewhere in Michigan or out of state.

• Voters casting absentee ballots are urged to complete them and return them as quickly as possible, Bennett said. As of Tuesday, the clerk's office had sent out 7,507 absentee ballots — representing more than 10

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representing more than 10
percent of Canton's 60,100
registered voters. Bennett's
office had received only
2,900 ballots back.

Lately, Bennett said her
office has been receiving as
many as 150 applications
each day for absentee ballots.

Anyone in contact with military or overseas civil-

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ian voters who are eligible to vote in Michigan may want to remind them that new state and federal laws have made it easier for them to register and participate in elections. They can now receive ballots by e-mail or fax to speed the voting process, though ballots must be returned by mail for security

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nmissioner Laura Cox explains why she's not willing to vote for a bond to finance a new county jail. At her right is Commissioner Jewel Ware

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# U-M's Brandon to students: 'no substitute for hard work'

BY BRAD KADRICH

Students at Discovery
Middle School got a lesson in
that old adage, "It's who you
know," during their careers
class Monday.
University of Michigan
Athletic Director David
Brandon brought a lot of
Michigan swag — and a
good bit of Wolverine swagger — when he came to Amy
Trombley's class to talk to
middle school students about
his career and the Wolverines.
The draw of Discovery for
Brandon? His son, Nick, is a
teacher there.
"(Trombley) tries to get a
variety of people from a broad
cross-section of careers for her
class," said Roche LaVictor,
principal at Discovery. "She's
had pilots and engineers ... it
just so happens we have this
new contact," he added with a
smile.
Brandon, the former
Domino's CEO hired earlier
this year to be Michigan's athletic director, brought a variety
of gifts, including posters, hats,
"silly bands" and pins from the
opening of the newly remodeled Big House in Ann Arbor.
He spent an hour answering questions and advising the
students how important an
education is.

students how imported education is.

A former athlete, Brandon's career was turned toward business when Procter & Gamble offered him a position before he'd even graduated college.

"One of the lessons of my career is that you think your



career is going to go one way, but then ... I call it 'doors opening' ... and it goes a totally different direction. When doors open, you have to look." His biggest advice to the students was to watch how they conduct themselves and be willing to put in the work it takes to succeed. "The way you conduct yourself, the impression you make on people, is very important to where your life is going to go," he told students. "There's no substitute for hard work. People are always rewarded for working hard, and those who don't are often left behind."

He spent a great deal of time answering questions prepared in advance, and when those ran out he kibitzed with the students, particularly a couple who were fans of the dreaded Buckeyes of Ohio State.

"How do you think Michigan will do against Ohio State?" one student asked Brandon.

To which the AD replied, of course: "We're going to beat them. Of course you have to go into any game believing you're going to win."

Lauren Senkbeil, a 13-year-old from Canton, said she was excited to learn a little more about Brandon.

"It was really fun," Senkbeil said. "It's a lot different job than most people have. He convinced us we really have to get a good education if you want the really good jobs."
For Brandon, who thought he'd go into teaching when he was younger, getting back into the classroom was "fun." So was sitting in on his son's class for a few minutes before talking to Trombley's students.

"It was a great source of pride to sit in Nick's classroom," Brandon said. "My career took another path, but I think teaching is the absolutely best thing (Nick) could be doing."

# W-W board OKs sale of Patchin School

A Wayne-Westland schoo board voted Thursday eve-ning to sell the shuttered Patchin Elementary School to a Westland church for \$1

to a Westland church for \$1 million.

The board voted 4-2 vote, with Board Treasure John Goci and Trustee Carol Middel dissenting and Trustee Martha Pitsenbarger absent, to accept an offer from the Harvest Bible Chapel to buy the school on Newburgh just south of Warren Road.

'It's the only offer we've had on six buildings," said Trustee William Gabriel. "We could leave it on the market when every indication is that the commercial market is continuing to go downhill. We could sit on it because it's a great building and a great piece of property and have the roof blow up.

"To me it's a no-brainer."

and a great piece of property and have the roof blow up.

"To me, it's a no-brainer, it's a solid offer."

The board had delayed a decision on the sale after Goci questioned whether the real estate company handling the sale of the district's six vacant schools had kept Patchin on the market while the sale was being negotiated. Goci maintained that his agent had been told the school wasn't available although the other five — Madison, Kettering, Lincoln, Jefferson-Barns and Vandenburg — were. However, in a voicemail message Goci played during Thursday's board meet-

ing, an agent for Signature Associates in Southfield requested an e-mail address to send information on the six schools.
"My concern is if someone had called with a legitimate offer and got the same message my broker did," said Goci. This doesn't feel right, the process doesn't seem right to me. I feel waiting another 30 days would be the sensible thing to do and to take the cloud off this purchase."
Goci's request for a delay wasn't possible, according to Deputy Superintendent Gary Martin, who said that the original purchase offer had an expiration date of Wednesday, Oct. 20.
"They were willing to extend it to Oct. 22, if that goes by, the offer will be withdrawn," he said.
Goci also questioned a clause in the agreement that he perceived would allow the transfer of the property to another buyer.
"This is a red flag for me," he said. "If the purchaser can't meet his obligations, the purchaser could pass it off to another buyer and it could be used as a charter school."
However, Realtor Terry Bixler, who represents the church, said the section in question is not assignment language but a statutory requirement in case the purchaser is using proceeds from the sale of another property.

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film are also in for a real treat
as the fright festival continues
with a special showing of the
original "Night of the Living
Dead," a 1965 black-andwhite zombie film directed by
George A. Romero. All children must be accompanied by
an adult. Parental Guidance is
suggested as the film contains
violence, adult content and
theater lights will go off completely at some points during
the stage performance.
Ticket prices are \$15 for
adults/senior/students.
Groups of 15 or more can
purchase tickets for \$12 each.
Tickets are available online at
www.cantonvillagetheater.org
or by calling (734) 394-5460.

One-act auditions

#### One-act auditions

TLC Productions has organized Canton's first One Acts Festival and will host auditions Oct. 25-26.

The One Acts Festival takes place Jan. 21-23 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. Six original plays will be cast and there are 19 roles available.

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TLC Productions is made up of Canton's Tim Chanko, Linda Pohl and Christopher Tremblay.

"This festival is being offered to bring new plays to the Canton community and The Village Theater at Cherry Hill stage," they said about the festival. "As playwrights, we looked for other venues to submit our one act musicals, but there were not any groups organizing any competitions or festivals. Since we have been afforded the opportunity to present our new works at The Village Theater, we wanted to provide a process, venue and event to showcase other emerging playwrights as well as aspiring directors. We look forward to this festival becoming a new annual theatrical tradition in Canton."

To review the show synopses, go to www.tleprod.wordpress.com. Each play is 15 to 30 minutes.

For more information or to download an audition form, go to www.tleprod.wordpress.com or e-mail tleproductions@woway.com.

Candidate coffees

#### Candidate coffees

with the Candidate" event in Plymouth 8-9:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Panera Bread located at 400 S. Main in Plymouth.
"In order to effectively represent the citizens of Western Wayne County, it is important that I hear where they stand on the important issues that are facing our district and state. I invite area residents to come out for a cup of coffee and discussion on how we can work together for Michigan's future," said Heise.

The 20th district covers the portions of Northville and Plymouth south of 8 Mile road, Canton Township east of 1-275, and the entire City of Wayne.

• Current 20th District Rep. Marc Corriveau will also host a community coffee 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at the Coffee Bean, 844 Penniman Ave., in Plymouth.

#### Holiday extravaganza

With a promise to be greeted by Canton 's "friendliest neighbors," the public is encouraged to treat themselves to a Ladies Night Out featuring gift bags, pampering, door prizes, a silent auction, refreshments by the topranked caterer in the metro Detroit area, Fat Chef in a Little White Coat, socializing and of course shopping. A unique blend of local businesses with gift ideas and products/services for all budgets will help you kick off your holiday shopping. The Extravaganza is hosted by the Canton Newcomers, with proceeds benefiting the club's social and charitable efforts (Canton Goodfellows "No Canton Child without a Christmas" and the Autism Collaborative Center to name a few.) Bring a friend and be entered into a special "neighbors becoming friends" club themed raffle.

The event takes place Wednesday, Nov. 3, from 7–9 p.m., at the Sunflower Clubhouse at 45800 Hanford in Canton. For more information, contact Jessica at (734) 446-4019 or email themirolands@yahoo.com. To order a complimentary Canton Newcomers November newsletter, visit www.cantonnewcomers orgers.

#### Concert band

Concert band

The Canton Concert Band
presents "Haunted Horns 6,"
their sixth annual Halloween
benefit concert for First Step,
3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. The
entire Village Theatre will be
transformed and festively dec
orated to set the stage as the
Canton Concert Band plays a
few spooky tunes.

The concert will feature as ong list that includes a
masquerade ball, marching
trolls, dancing Corybantes,



## Wish you were here!

The Canton Observer showed up at an annual event of three former Navy shipmates and spouses enjoying the shows in Branson, Mo. The three, will served during the Korean era are (from left) Darrell Carruth of Brooklyn Park, Minn.; Charles Sherer of Mansfield, Ohio; Bob Bulmer of Canton. Spouses in front row are Jan Carruth, Nancy Bulmer (with last Sunday's Observer) and Beth Sherer.

onsters under the bed, our monsters under the bed, our favorite characters from the Wizard of Oz and many other surprises. Come dressed in your favorite costume and take part in a costume parade. The whole band will be dressed up as well, and if the past tells us anything, they'll go all out

with their costumes.
Each audience will receive
a ticket entered into a random
drawing for a chance to win gift
certificates, prizes and surprises
donated by local merchants.
All proceeds from this concert go to First Step, a safe,
secure haven for victims of

family violence. Admission is based on donations at the door with a suggested minimum of \$5 for adults and \$3 for chil-

\$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. The Cherry Hill Village Theater is a 400-seat performing and visual arts theater offering experiences of the arts and culture to all ages. It is located at 50-400 Cherry Hill Rd, Canton. For more information on the Village Theater and its upcoming events, visit CantonVillage Theater.com.

#### **BPW** meets

Canton Business &
Professional Women meet 68:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at
Palermo's Restaurant, 44938
Ford Road in Canton.
Author Theresa Rich, who
wrote Staying Sane in Crazy
Times," will be the guest speaker.
RSVPs are requested by Nov. 4.
For more information, call
June Nicholas, (313) 610-2561,
or e-mail junenicholas.net

#### Nuns in charge

"Put the Nuns in Charge," a long-running comedy from the author of "Late Night Catechism." is coming to St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church in Canton 7 p.m. Friday. Jan 28

for non-reserved seating and go up to \$75 for front row seats. All tickets include a dessert afterglow. All proceeds will go to two great causes – St. Pat's Food Pantry in Detroit and World Youth Day.
Child care will be provided for a small donation. Tickets must be purchased in person with cash or check at St. Thomas a Becket, located at 555 S. Lilley Road in Canton, south of Cherry Hill Road. Contact the church at (734) 981-1333 for further information.

#### Wrestling boosters

Wrestling boosters
The Salem Wrestling
Boosters are sponsoring a
Euchre Tournament Saturday,
Nov. 6, 2010 at The Elks Club
in Plymouth, located at 41700
Ann Arbor Road.
Players must be 21 years of age
to participate. The player/registration fee is \$25 and includes
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# Potters Guild helps shape Plymouth arts scene

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The Village Potters Guild is celebrating 15 years of sharing work space, creative ideas and inspiration in Plymouth.
Founded by local potters in 1995 after a retired art teacher suggested it in a newspaper ad, the Guild has become a vital part of the Plymouth arts scene, participating in fund-raisers, selling members' works at Plymouth events and offering pottery classes and studio time to beginning and experienced potters.
Members say they're drawn to the Guild's communal—and cost-sharing—benefits.
"You can get inspired by working with other people, instead of just by yourself," said member Jackie Fegan of Ann Arbor.
"We're all down-to-earth people, you know?" said Ruth Price of Canton Township, a



Rachel Laine, of Ann Arbor, throws a pol

ter."
Guild members have long had a booth to display their creations during Plymouth's annual Art in the Park, and

in January participated in the Plymouth Ice Festival for the first time, selling hot drinks in handmade mugs. Sales have also benefited First Step, the organization for women seeking shelter and recovery from spousal abuse, the English department at Plymouth Canton High School and other organizations.

Most members have taken their work to art shows outside

# Guild sale is chance to buy local artisans' works

The Village Potters Guild's 2010 holiday sale opens with a free reception at its studio from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19. Refreshments will be served. The sale, an annual event for most of the Guild's 15-year history, offers a chance to buy a variety of pottery — bowls, cups, plates, platters, decorative pieces and more — from local artists.

The Guild's studio is at

has been to shows in Lansing, Saugatuck and Holland, Mich. One of the group's biggest projects, an illustrated mosaic map of the Plymouth area, is on display at the Plymouth Township Hall. The Guild, in conjunction with the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Detroit's Pewabic Pottery, enlisted about 400 members of the community to design, build and glaze the more than 500 tiles that make up the mural 7- by 11-foot mural.

Guild members are cur

rently getting ready for next month's holiday sale, an annual event for most of its history. The sale, which opens with a reception from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 18, is at the studio; storage shelves will be draped with white paper and display tables will be set up.

The three-day sale is a fundraiser for the Guild; 20 percent of the proceeds from each piece sold are earmarked for the group's building fund.



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# His videos helps students be on their best behavior

Jacob Toarmina isn't quite ready for a star on the Walk of Fame, but the John Glenn High School student is catching the attention of classmate and school officials with his indie productions.

The themes may not be Hollywood chic, but the technique and the presentation have caught the eye of Film Club sponsor Kathleen Butler "He's unbelievable, so young and to have the initiative to learn," said Butler, a former assistant director and pro-

and to have the initiative to learn," said Butler, a former assistant director and producer for TV and films in Los Angeles. Ti brought in the project and did it last year. He's taken control."

The 17-year-old Westland resident has created videos on proper behavior in the hall-ways, bathrooms, classrooms, on busses and at activities. He enlisted the help of fellow Film Club members and students in the drama class to be his stars. He uses Final Cut Pro to edit his work and basically has been teaching himself how to do it as he goes along. "So the more I do, the better I get," said Toarmina. "We never have a written script, we sit and talk about it. I have fun doing it. Everybody who watches them think they're pretty cool."

"He's a very creative editor," said Butler. "He already knows what he wants to do with it. He's used a lot of his personal time to do it, a lot of his vacation."

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And teachers are finding that students want to see them.

'I didn't think it would be of such professional quality, said Butler. 'I knew he was taleented and it grew when I saw the first video. It really helped promote PBS."

PBS is short for Positive Behavior Support, a schoolwide program implemented at Wayne-Westland's two high schools as a proactive approach to create safe and effective schools. Emphasis is placed on teaching and reinforcing important social skills and data-based problem-solving to address existing behavior concerns.

PBS promotes better social behavior and students who follow it can earn Rocket bucks to spend at the PBS store. It also was the school's PBS Committee that suggested doing the videos, according to Spanish teacher Leslie Rosaen. "Tve seen a lot of positives from this," said Rosaen.



John Glenn High School Film Club sponsor, and American history teacher Kathleen Butler is impressed with the directing and editing work student Jacob Toarmina.

"I think the kids like it. It's changed the nature of the hallways. Last year, they were pretty bad, not a good atmo-

The hallways are where armina is discovering his fans. People ask me in the halls if other day."
Toarmina was introduced to video production when he was 8 years old. That's when his 12-year-old brother used him in his videos. After he stopped, Toarmina started making his own. "For a long

I'm doing more videos," he said. "I signed an autograph the other day."

sor, and did a song and did a video for the Ping-Pong (Qub. Any project, anything into a video, it's fun."

Toarmina's creativity doesn't start and end with videos. He's a member of the school newspaper. He also plays the guitar, piano, ukulele and violin. He said he took a lot of guitar lessons and began playing the

piano when he was 8 years old.

"I like anything that makes noise," he said. "A banjo would be fun. I like the drums, but I don't have drums."

Toarmina also did a video for his father's and mother's business, Toarmina's Pizza, to show to pre-investors. He speculates he may get some gas money for that effort.

"I have to fine tune it, it's about four minutes long," he said.

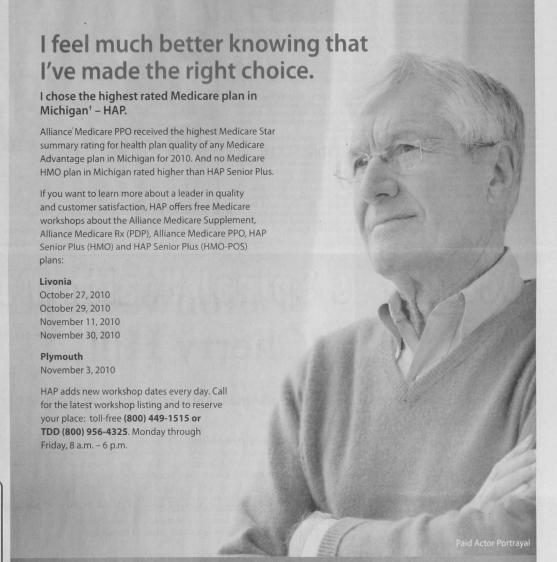
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Toarmina said the last good one he saw was Inception, and admits that after watching 3½ hours of The Godfather, he decided "I could do that." "It motivated me to do this," he said. "Now I hope the market place comes to me." And it just might. According to Butler and Rosaen, his work has caught the attention of Wayne RESA, the intermediate school district. "Tm very impressed with him," said Butler. "I sought him out to start this because of his work. All the teachers love him."



John Glenn High School student Jacob Toarmina has used his interest in video production to turn the school's produce videos for the Westland school's Positive Behavior System program.

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# Open house puts cultural learning on display

diverse all the time, officials at Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton are looking for ways to teach their students about the various cultures.

Last week, students did exactly that, and then put what they've learned on display as the school held an open house.

"Our school is becoming more diverse with students and families from all over the world," said the PCA's Bonnie Varney. "As a school, it is our desire to have the students learn about and understand a world of cultures, not just our own little corner of the world. We want the students to celebrate their God-given heritage and use what they learn as they develop relationships with others."

Some 289 students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade participated in the event, with families, friends and neighbors coming to the open house. According to Varney, many parents worked together with teachers and students to teach about the cultures and prepare the classrooms.

The students in each classroom chose a country to explore. Most chose to learn about the country and heritage of a fellow classmate. Students learned about the location, geography, weather, people, government, and culture (including dress and foods). They prepared their classroom to teach other students and families about their chosen country. Students worked in conjunction with the art department to prepare crafts and artwork depicting aspects of the country.

For example, Varney said, one Kindergarten class was transformed into Ethiopia, complete with a life-size stuffed giraffe. The children painted Ethiopian flags and made Ethiopian drums to display. They also made animals out of clay that are important as resources for the country.

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of clay that are important as resources for the country.

They made cattle, sheep, goats, donkeys, camels, horses, and beehives (Ethiopia is rich in honey). They displayed Ethiopian cultural dress and artifacts and had a DVD showing the geography and culture of the land. They had food for everyone to taste including homemade Ethiopian bread, sweet potatoes, papaya, bananas, barley, avocados and chick peas. Students also made a kind of cheese for everyone to taste. One of the classroom families dressed in traditional Ethiopian clothing and shared an Ethiopian coffee ceremony by roasting, grinding, and brewing coffee. (See picture attached)

One classroom of third-graders learned to

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One classroom of third-graders learned to
write their names in Chinese characters and
wrote and displayed essays about what their life

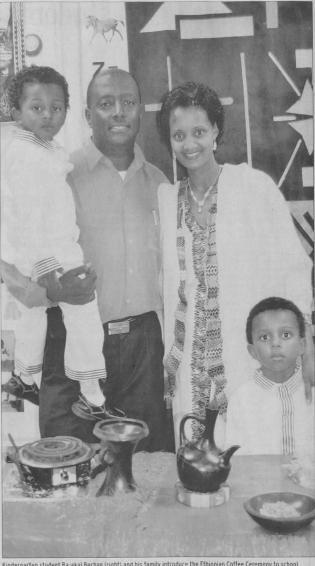


the artifacts and traditional Chinese foods and dress.

Other highlights included the country of Malta, which featured a live webcam, and the country of Poland, which featured a PCA student playing traditional folk music and polkas on his accordion.

All students and families attending were issued a passport. They used these passports to travel from country to country (classroom to classroom). Each country had a passport checkpoint and passports were punched to indicate which countries they visited.

Countries represented included China, Poland, Nepal, Australia, Malta, Greece, Mexico, Columbia, Ethiopia, Ireland, England, Jordan, Philippines, Hawaii (not a country, but the culture was represented as a part of the USA), France, India, Poland.



. Kindergarten student Ba-akal Berhan (right) and his family introduce the Ethiopian Coffee Ceremony to school families. Pictured (left to right) are Anteneh Berhan, Berhan Berhanu, Wubit Seyoum and Ba-akal Berhan.

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# Art exhibit explores religious themes

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The exhibit includes work from 14 local artists who use painting, tapestry, sculpture

music, poetry and guest author Robert Weir.
Madonna University is at 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Go to entrance D, sec ond floor, to get to the gallery. For more information, call (734) 432-5795.

# Women's rights advocate inducted into Hall of Fame

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK DBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As a child, Laura Carter Callow loved to work with her hands.

She loved to draw, but she was intrigued by projects completed by boys in a woodworking class at her school.

"I was drawn to what the boys were making and I wanted to make those things, too," Callow said.

In those days, girls were not permitted to take classes like woodworking or shop. But that denial ignited in Callow an interest in women's equality. That interest heightened in the 1970s, when she worried about women's economic equality, eventually leading her to work for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment on the state and national levels for more than 30 years.

The retired art teacher, who was once called "the Susan B. Anthony of Michigan" by former Michigan First Lady Helen Milliken, was honored Tuesday for her work with her induction into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference



#### FEMINISTS 'MADE, NOT BORN'

Callow, who celebrated her 83rd birthday Wednesday, enjoyed the Hall of Fame induction with her husband James and daughter Rebecca, who lives in Austin, Texas; son Jim and his wife Mary, from Virginia; and son Bruce, who lives in Livonia. Four grand-children were also in attendance.

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Callow said she believes feminists are made and not born. "Events shape our lives,"
Callow said of the denial of her right to take the woodworking class in the seventh grade.

Eventually she would study art history before she became a teacher, but she resented that boys got to take the shop class "as a birthright."

"It seemed natural and normal to me, but greater society said, 'You don't do that," Callow said.

Bowman has known Callow for 15 years. After she first met Callow, Bowman soon realized that the women like Callow who were involved with the League of Women Voters and involved in the Equal Rights Amendment movement were dedicated and devoted to women's rights. "I realized very quickly that they were passionate and persistent in fighting the battles," Bowman said. "She was no exception. She used that passion to fight for equal rights, not just in her life, but also for her daughter and all the other young women."

Callow remembers that her mother wanted to obtain her own credit card from J.L. Hudson. She needed her husband to sign for it, which he would not do. "It required a male co-signer," Callow said. She remembers horror stories

#### MAKING STRIDES

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Callow has spent her life furthering the civil rights of women through letter writing, activism, advocacy, community organizing and speeches. Callow was elected president of Livomia's League of Women Voters in 1968 and served on the Women's Advisory Committee of Schoolcraft College from 1970 to 2009. Callow's activism in the women's rights movement began in 1972 as a founding member of the Northwest Wayne Chapter of the National Organization for Women. In 1976, Callow helped form the Michigan ERAmerica coalition, which maintained support for Michigan's ratification of the ERA and raised money to support ratification efforts in other states. From 1977-86 she recorded a monthly commentary of various aspects of the ERA on the Point of View radio program for WJR-AM (760).

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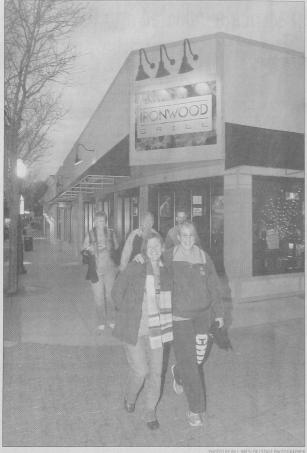
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# Pleasant night at the pubs









Jeff Locklear and Bob Bennett of Livonia, and Chris Hafner of Stuttgart, Germany, step outside of Fiamma for a little fresh a



Let's hope they have dental coverage. Bill Samczyk, Corin McGraw and Brett Sabourin have a little fun at 1991 Tavern. They are Westland residents.



Valerie McKinley, Marlene Butzow, Lynn Huls, Tim Huls, John McKin for Red Wing goalie sightings. They are all Plymouth residents.



E.G. Nicks had a pretty good sized pub crawl crowd. Shirley Smith of Plymouth and Diane Finch of Ypsilanti enjoy the Octoberfest-ivities.

# Angela Hospice to celebrate 25 years

It was in 1985 that Angela Hospice first began serving patients facing a terminal diagnosis. Working out of a small office at Livonia's Madonna University, Sister Mary Giovanni and a small handful of volunteers began providing home hospice care. The journey to that important first day for Angela Hospice and its foundress started years before.

In the 1970s, trained and practicing as a registered nurse with degrees from Madonna University, Sister Giovanni began looking into a new type of medical care appearing in the United States. Going by the name of "hospice," this care blended age-old principles with modern medical advancements to enhance the lives of terminally ill patients. Years of research and dedication brought her dreams to fruition when Angela Hospice was founded under the direction of the Felician Sisters.

Now this fall, Angela
Hospice is celebrating 25 years
of caring for the community
of Southeast Michigan with a
gala event to be held Saturday,
Nov. 13. Angela Hospice's
Light Up a Life Benefit 25th
Anniversary Gala will take
place 6-11 p.m. at Laurel
Manor in Livonia. Fine dining,
an open bar, auctions, raffles,
dancing and the 16-piece
Monroe Big Band will be featured. Reservations are \$100
per person and are due by Oct.
29.

"There are so many sto-ries I could tell," said Sister Giovanni, president and CEO of Angela Hospice, "of the many amazing people we've

met these past 25 years, and the wonderful families that have welcomed us into their lives to help care for their loved one at such a sacred time."

Angela Hospice has made a name for itself in the community, having cared for tens of thousands of patients over the past 25 years – from patients who have celebrated their 100th birthdays to those just minutes old. With specialized programs for pediatric and even prenatal hospice patients, Angela Hospice serves patients at all stages of life.

"It has been such a blessing to be able to serve so many people," said Sister Giovanni. "It has always been with the support of our donors and community friends who have helped us to carry out our work as a non-profit, and who have most recently partnered with us to create this beautiful building we now occupy."

The Angela Hospice Care Center, which originally opened in 1994 as the first freestanding hospice facility in Michigan, opened a new state-of-the-art patient wing in April of this year, expanding the hospice's inpatient capacity from 16 to 32 private patient rooms. While most hospice patients choose to receive care in their homes, the Angela Hospice Care Center provides an alternative for patients without a caregiver at home or whose illness demands around-the-clock medical or whose illness demands around-the-clock medical

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Sister Giovanni, president/CEO of Angela Hospice, stands in front of the cornerstone of Angela Hospice's new Care Center wing.

## Arts council schedules Penn performances

The Plymouth
Community Arts Council
and the Plymouth Canton
Symphony Society will
again present a series of
family variety shows in
downtown Plymouth.
These shows are offered
starting at 11:30 a.m. on
selected Saturdays at the
Penn Theater. Cost is \$5
per person. Doors open at
11:05. Tickets are available
at the door, or in advance
by calling the PCAC at (734)
416-4278. Groups, birthday
parties and scout groups are
encouraged to attend.
Seeing the need to contime its' successful outdoor
"Music in the Park" summer
programs during the winter
months, PCAC President Deb
Madonna has put together
programs she said "will
delight children of all ages."
Madonna called these shows,
"Not ordinary Saturdays, but
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This year's lineup includes some old favorites, as well as some popular acts from Music in the Park:

Nov. 6 — Host Guy
Louis, along with special guest performers Harpbeat ('strings with a zing!').

Dec. 4 — Host Guy Louis along with new Plymouth favorite act Mr. Seley and the Troublemakers who will invite you to sing along with the ever popular "Eat your Books (and Read your

Vegetables)" as well as
"Cupcakeasaurus."
• Feb. 5 — Host Guy Louis,
along with funny guy and
juggler Joel Tacey Also
included as a special bonus
is a presentation of 'Peter
and the Wolf' with Nan
Washburn, members of the
Celebration Youth Orchestra,
and members of the
Plymouth Uptown Players.
• March 5 — Guy Louis as
host, with featured performers
Cats and the Fiddler.
Although they are only teenagers, Cats and the Fiddler
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Programs and activities focus on ensuring accessibility to all the arts by all ages. The PCAC mission is to develop and to promote the appreciation and accessibility of the Arts for everyone in the greater community and in doing so, encourage and foster artistic excellence. Those interested in learning more can visit the website at www.plymoutharts.com.





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# Three candidates vie for congressional seat

## McCotter: Reduce debt through balanced budget troops, cut entitlements

Thaddeus McCotter believes the national debt can be addressed by a constitutional balanced budget, which he supports.

"I think the public would support it now," McCotter said. "One of the arguments in the past has always been that the public doesn't want it. That was the excuse that was used, but I think the public sentiment is to do it." McCotter believes that in Michigan, a mandated balanced budget works.

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"You may not like the decisions that are made as a result of the balanced budget, and you may not like it if one party will raise taxes and one party will raise taxes and one party will cut too much, but at least you will be happy that the decisions will have to be made and that you can't continue on the path that you are on," McCotter said.

Republicans would be "very smart to say that they aren't raising the debt ceiling," McCotter said. "That would be a de facto recognition that we can't go back and continue to pile up the debt. "It would be almost a de facto balanced budget. It wouldn't be a balanced budget amendment, but it certainly would force decision making within the budgetary process." McCotter would like to see spending back to 2008 levels to what he calls a "normal sense of budgeting." McCotter has tried to get across to his colleagues what



tion, the changes that have had to happen," McCotter said. "We've seen them in our family budgets, in the auto industry, in everything in Michigan, except government. "You can go one of two ways, you can start from a premise that restructuring is going to occur. Now you can try to do it properly with gradual change that's necessary to the governing entity, or it will just happen."

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McCotter compares the government's recent stimulus money and money used to bail out states to the operations of the car companies in the 1970s, through the cyclical downturns.

"We've seen that that didn't work and we've seen how painful it is," McCotter said.

"When you start from that premise, you will start to get towards no raising of the debt ceiling to forced decisions. You will get to the constitutional balanced budget because government as it stands since the start of the Great Society, that model of large government doing things it wants to do, is no longer operative with the tax base and the international competition any more than the

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# Tatar says bring home

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

stimulus plan isn't working, and to address the \$13 trillion national debt, U.S. troops should be returned home.

"The stimulus plan is certainly not helping the American people who are in trouble," Tatar said. "We know that there are 62 million foreclosures going on right now. Some of them, of course, are being stalled by the banking system. "If the stimulus plan was working, we would see signs of things going on. I don't believe the government, and that is Congress, is in the neighborhood to solve problems. I believe Congress is the problem and they're the ones that are creating the problems. If we were all about solutions, we would have seen solutions, we would have seen solutions 30, 40 or 50 years ago. We don't see those solutions happening." The economy is getting worse, he said. "We've lost 95 percent of our spending power since 1933," Tatar said. "That's pretty depressing. To jump start the economy, he suggests to "let the people keep their hard-earned money" and hor yay 40 or 50 percent to the government in taxes. "They would stabilize their own families and they would be spending the money," Tatar said. "They're not going to sit on the money. When they spend the money, they will spend it on goods and services."

Spending it on goods and services will increase the gross national product, Tatar



said. "John F. Kennedy had it right when he decided to do the same thing and it worked. I guess people don't learn from history. "Government has a role to protect our life, our liberty and our property. That's their entire role. All the things that they've stuck their fingers in is just screwing it up. Tatar points to President Carter's appointment of an energy czar. Despite the use of the czar and the Department of Energy's attempts, Americans increased their dependence on foreign oil from 30 to 70 percent. "What good did that energy czar do? He employed a lot of people, but they have not fulfilled their obligation," Tatar said. "That department (of energy) should be trashed."

To address the national debt, Tatar would like to see all the deployed troops from around the world brought back to the United States. "We can't be the policeman of the world, which we are presently. We can't be the poinceman of the world, which we are practicing to be at this time, and we need to end the war."

President Eisenhower talked about the Congressional industrial war complex and by the spending of money we'd be making gobs of money. Tatar said the United States has been at war (deploying troops) since at least the Great Depression. "We've been at

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## Mosher says use war money to help economy

Natalie Mosher opposes the military expenditures in the Middle East and believes that money would be better spent in the United States.

That's how she would address the rising national debt, now over \$13 trillion.

Mosher wants to address the nation's and Michigan's economic troubles.

"We spent \$1.14 trillion in the Middle East, which I am totally against," Mosher said. "I support our men and women in uniform. They have made the ultimate sacrifice and so have their families, but the real issue is the economy and jobs.

"If we were to take that \$1.1 trillion and invest it here in our people and get our people back to work, we're going to see that shift immediately."

Using the money for job training would be one way the money might be better spent, Mosher said. "We've got some really good programming going on at the community college level," Mosher said. "It's not only at the four-year universities, but the community colleges are filling some incredible gap in this whole issue of job creation." Mosher cited the nursing program and called the culinary arts program "one of the finest in the country, bar none."

Promoting vocational education and technical training also will help the economy.

"We need to fund Michigan's community colleges so we will

be able to provide Michigan graduates to our new Michigan graduates to our new Michigan energy plants," Mosher added that Michigan didn't get into this mess overnight, and that resolving the jobs and economic issues will take time. It will take leadership," Mosher said. "It will take working with people at the federal level, at the state level and at the local level. "We must work together, but we have to have a vision. We have to really say, OK, this is the plan and how can we implement it and make it happen. We have to be proactive." Health care costs are "choking us," but the health care legislation will lay a foundation. Mosher admits that plan is not perfect.

"It's a beginning, and I'm pleased that 32 million people will have coverage," Mosher said. "Kids that are up to age 26 will still be able remain on parents' health care."

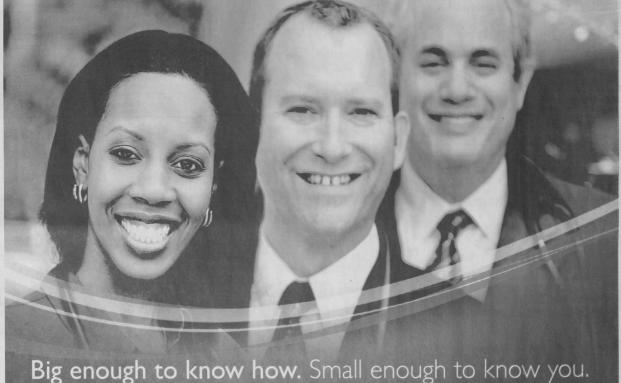
The legislation also takes care of the doughnut hole for seniors who have to pay hundreds of dollars monthly for medications.

"These are the kinds of things Americans are really stressing over so this legislation will help that," Mosher said.

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In the meantime, Mosher said Congress needs to work

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# Roth IRA conversion often makes much common sense

Q: Dear Rick: I will retire at the beginning of next year. I will have money from my 401(k) plan which I plan to roll over into an IRA. I was at your recent Farmington Hills Library talk and you gave me some good ideas about how to invest the money. However, my issue now is whether I should convert the money into a Roth IRA. I figure I won't need the money from my IRA for at least 10-15 years. Should I do a conversion next year and if I do, should I do it all at once or would it make sense to spread it out?

A: As you know from the library talk and from this column, I encourage people to take advantage of Roth IRAs when they can. After all, it's much better to have money grow tax free than tax-deferred. In addition, Roth IRAs give greater flexibility than traditional IRAs, par-

deferred. In addition, Roth IRAs give greater flexibility than traditional IRAs, par-ticularly for retirees. With a

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your best interest.

The following are the three rules.

1. You must have the funds to pay your tax liability without touching the money that you are converting. For example, if you were converting \$25,000 and your tax liability was \$6,000, you must have \$6,000 available to pay the tax without using the \$25,000.

2. The conversion will not place you into a higher tax bracket. In many situations, this is where partial conversions make sense.

3. You will not need the money for at least five to seven years. IRS rules require money to be in there for at least five years, but generally I recommend seven.

In your situation, since you won't be working in 2011 you

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pendulum back as far or as fast as you can:
"You have to understand that one of the things Democrats did is that a lot of their policies, health care in particular, were not accepted by the American people, and radical change in a radically changing time does not need to have government exacerbated."
McCotter believes government's role should be limited to "what it absolutely needs to do. "You have to have a gradual reduction so that people won't have their entire lives turned upside down."

you can make the proper cal-culation. Remember, your cal-culations don't have to be exact and you may have to guess cer-tain things, but that's OK.

In addition, some people

culations don't have to be exact and you may have to guess certain things, but that's OK.

In addition, some people are under the mistaken belief that 2010 is the only year to do Roth conversions. That is not the case. This year the law changed and allows anyone to do a Roth conversion. Additionally, for this year only you're allowed to spread the tax consequences out over a couple of years which you will not be able to do next year. However, that doesn't mean that you can't do a partial Roth IRA conversion this year and next year.

Ilove the fact that you are considering a Roth IRA conversion. I think this is a strategy that more people ought to use. A Roth IRA allows you to have tax-free growth wis. tax-deferred and to be in total control as to when the money is withdrawn. Tax-free growth and control of your money are a definite winwin for investors.

# MOSHER

with physicians and hospi-tals and look at measures to cut costs. By addressing the health care issues, Mosher believes that will help the

Mosher thinks that federal funding can also assist to keep public sector employees on the job, along with funding for alternative energy research.

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# H.E.A.T. celebrates 25 years of auto theft prevention TARTAR

Livonia-based H.E.A.T.
(Help Eliminate Auto Thefts)
marked its 25th anniversary
Thursday with a breakfast celebration and awards ceremony. Michigan Supreme Court
Justice Robert P. Young Jr.
delivered the event's keynote
address before an audience of
roughly 250 government officials, law enforcement personnel and representatives from
the insurance industry.
H.E.A.T. coordinates citizen action with law
enforcement agencies through
a confidential 24/7 toll-free tip
line (1-800-242-HEAT) and
website (www.1800242HEAT.
com) for reporting information
on auto theft-related crimes.
To date, H.E.A.T. has received
more than 8,500 tip calls,
which have led to the recovery
of more \$52 million in stolen
property. As a result, nearly
3,500 suspects have been

arrested and more than 2,000 tipsters have been awarded approximately \$3.5 million.

Justice Young spoke to the crowd about H.E.A.T.'s accomplishments over the past 25 years and how, through H.E.A.T., the partnership between law enforcement agencies, insurance companies and Michigan residents has made a measurable impact on communities statewide.

"The H.E.A.T. program is an excellent example of how public agencies and private companies can work together to produce positive results in our state," said Young. "This partnership has become essential in the fight against the socioeconomic costs associated with auto thefrelated crime, making our neighborhoods, communities and our state a better place to live.

Terri Miller, director of

economic stability for Michigan residents through lower insurance rates and tip-line payouts. "Today is a celebration of all of our partners who, by working together, are making our communities stronger."

H.E.A.T. presented several awards at the event, including the William V. Liddane Award, the Director's Award and the H.E.A.T. Investigator of the Year Awards. The Liddane Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the fight against auto theft in Michigan. The H.E.A.T. Investigator of the Year and Director's Awards honor law enforcement and others for their tenacity and hard work in auto theft investigation, arrest, recovery and prevention. This year's award recipients are:

\* Lt. Bill Darnell - Western Wayne Auto Theft

Officer Michael Davis
Detroit Police Department
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Department — Investigators
Greg Collins, Glenn Kay
Genesee Auto Investigative
Network — Lt. Kevin
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leads to the arrest and prosecution of a suspected car thief or a
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plan.
"The health care program
by Obama is one of the worst
socialistic programs in the

world. That program ... how are you going to pay for it? We're talking about the deficit already being outrageous, and we're going to add to it with the new health care program, which is going to be worse than any health care program that we have on the market?"

Tatar believes Congress needs to reassess its role and believes members aren't serving the American public. "Congress was supposed to be our servant, Tatar said. "We've turned out to be their servants. That's why I go back to the fact that Congress's only job is to protect life, liberty and property. They have no other responsibilities."

American ingenuity, knowhow and desire are still strong, Tatar said. "Give them an opportunity to use this American ingenuity without the encumbrance of government, and we would be miles ahead of where we are today." Tatar said.

## Your Halloween photographs can snag concert tix, prizes

Share a photo of your favorite Halloween decoration (your home, your pumpkin, your costume, other) with readers at hometownlife. com (see the Reader Submitted Photo Gallery on the homepage) and you could win a prize!

Post your photo, then we will ask hometown-life.com visitors to vote. The top three vote-geters will win a prize. First prize is two tickets (in a suite) to the Nov. 29 Carrie Underwood "Play On Tour" concert at the Palace with special guests Sons of Sylvia and Billy Currington. Second prize is two tickets to Rock of Ages, Nov. 9, at the Fisher Theatre featuring Constantine Maroulis - the American Idol finalist who was nominated for a Tony Award for his starring role in the Broadway production.

Third prize is four movie passes to

Third prize is four movie passes to Emagine Theaters in Canton or Novi or the Palladium/Birmingham Theater in downto

Palladium/Birmingham Theater in downtown Birmingham.

More than 70 photos are posted online for readers to vote on. There's still time to add you photos and win the tickets to the Carrie Underwood Concert in November at the Palacor to other prizes included in the contest.

Be sure to include a first and last name and the town where you live (only contestants from Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties are eligible to win prizes but anyone can recom-



mend a photo).

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# Salem girls 2nd at KLAA meet

Canton's Kubicki nips Salem's Kavulich for individual honors

There were a couple of sub-plots to Thursday's KLAA Kensington Conference girls cross country meet. Northville and Salem were expected to battle for the team title — and they did. The individual race honors also turned out to be a duel between an up-and-coming freshman and two seasoned seniors.

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Northville, placing five in the top 14, scored an impressive team victory with 49 points, avenging a razon-thin KLAA Central dual meet loss last month to the Rocks, who finished with 66. Rounding out the top five teams were Novi (87), Livonia Churchill (104) and Livonia Franklin (116).

Canton senior Bianca Kubicki also surprised when she nipped Salem freshman Kayla Kavulich in the final five meters for the individual title. Kubicki clocked a blistering 18:25.8 on the 5,000-meter Huron Meadows Metropark course in Brighton. Kavulich as runner-up in 18:26.0, while Livonia Franklin senior Megan McPherson, the pre-race favorite, took third in 18:29.4.

Northville also had a freshman, sixth-place finisher Rachel Coleman, lead the way in 18:56.3.

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Rounding out the Mustangs contingent were two other freshmen, Nicole Mosteller (eighth, 19:05.5) and Erin Zimmer (10th, 19:09.1), along with two sophomores, Alex Rodriguez (1th, 19:09.6) and Gina McNamara (14th, 19:24.6). It was the first conference crown for Northville under 10th-year coach Nancy Smith. "It pretty much went according to plan," Smith said. "Our ideal thing was to 'pack' just



Salem's Kayla Kavulich (right) leads until Canton runner Bianca Kubicki sprints the last few feet to take first place overall at Thursday's KLAA conference girls cross country meet.

# Canton stays hot

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The oldest football rivals at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park got together for Friday's regular season finale at the varsity turf field. But there was nothing new at the Park, as No. 1-ranked Canton rushed for about 400 yards and handed a 45-0 pounding to Salem. The victory upped the Chiefs' record to 9-0 entering Friday's playoff opener while the Rocks ended another disappointing season at 1-8.

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"It's always nice to win when you're playing someone else from the Park," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said. "It's just good to get that win."

Baechler said the Chiefs came out flat, perhaps looking forward to the beginning of the postseason.

The team won't know who it will play until matchups are announced Sunday night. But he knows where the game will be played — PCEP. "We'll definitely be hosting on Friday night," Baechler noted. "The question is who." Salem's second-year head coach Kurt Brittell praised the Chiefs, but also said there are better days coming for his football program.

"I knew it was going to take time," Brittell said.
"But I don't think the record reflects how much we improved this year."

EARLY AND OFTEN

#### EARLY AND OFTEN

The Chiefs were quick-strike artists against Salem, with touchdown runs of 59 and 56 yards by senior Davion Stackhouse (4 rushes 94 yards) and junior Kevin Buford (7-100) resulting in first-quarter touchdowns.

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ADAM PAYNE

# Mustangs gallop past Wildcats

The last time Northville brought home a conference boy cross country title the Mustangs were part of the old Western Lakes Activities Association.

On Thursday, the Mustangs earned their first-ever KLAA Kensington Conference crown by deging Plymouth for first place, 63-70, at chilly, windy and overcast Huron Meadows Metropark in Beditter.

in Brignton.

Canton placed third with 87 points, while
defending champion Novi settled for fifth with
96. The Wildcats were followed by host Livonia
Stevenson with 118 and Salem with 119. See com

whether results.

We figured we had a good chance, but you're ways supprised when you run against the kind of competition that's in this conference, Northville coach Chris Cronin said. "We knew who the players were going to be. Plymouth was good, Canton was good. Novi's good. They're good teams, so you have to bring your 'A' game. I was close, a lot closer maybe what people expected, but we expected it to be that close."

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(No. 1044) round a tree on the course as they head toward finishes of fifth and sixth place, respectively

Captain's CORNER

**Who:** Adam Payne, 17, seni co-captain of Canton boys

are David and Nancy Payne. He carries a 3.9 grade-point average, is in National Honor Society and is a Link Crew

Captain's job: "I help pick out the uniforms, I ran con-ditioning in the summer, I helped all the new players know what kind of equipment nelp encourage the other

Leadership style: "I like to



want to step up and try their hardest as well as be a good student off the court." Why him? "I think my team-

hard-working, friendly and would be a good captain to lead the team to having a successful and fun season."

## **SIDELINES**

TV grid pairings

TV grid pairings
The Selection Sunday Show, announcing the first-round pairings for the 2010 MHSAA Football Playoffs, plays to cable television and Internet audiences on Fox Sports
Detroit and FoxSportsDetroit. com beginning at 7 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 24.
Qualifiers and pairings will be posted to the MHSAA's football home page following the one-hour show, which will be expand this year from 30 minutes to 60 minutes.
Providing analysis for the 256-team team field will be the Fox Sports Detroit studio crew of Mickey York, Ryan Field and Rob Rubick.

Baseball nlaver

## Baseball player sought

Sought

The 13-Under Great Lakes
Cardinals (formerly the Canton
Cardinals) are looking for an
experienced travel baseball
player for the 2011 season.
The team competes in seven
tournaments as well as league
play, totaling more than 50
games for the season.
Those interested in playing
'should contact head coach
Dan Hejika Sr. via e-mail at
cardscoach13@ymail.com.

#### Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run

Late registration is ongoing for Girls on the Run of Greater Detroit, an affiliate program of the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit. Girls on the Run is a life-changing, experiential learning program that uses running to educate and prepare girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living.

During the 10-week season, girls in grades three-eight meet twice a week with trained coaches who lead them through fun games, uplifting workouts, and themed discussions on topics like dealing with body image and the media, resisting peer pressure, making healthy decisions, and contributing to their community.

The season concludes with

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The season concludes with all girls completing a service project in their communities and running or walking in a special, noncompetitive 5k event for Girls on the Run participants; and their families. The 20-lesson program costs \$105 and is open to all girls in eligible grades at participating schools.

Up to 15 girls will be accepted per team on a first-come, first-serve basis. Parents or guardians must be present inperson, may only register their own daughter(s), and should bring a form of payment.

Registration and health history forms are available at the Plymouth YMCA with additional signups now being accepted in pareson by fix and health and pareson by fix and health and pareson by fix and p

Plymouth YMCA with additional signups now being accepted in person, by fax or by mail at the Plymouth YMCA. Registrations will not be accepted at schools or by coaches. For more information, contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

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# Chiefs survive district nailbiter

The smallest of margins at both ends of the field decided whether Canton or Livonia Churchill would win Wednesday's Division 1 boys soccer district semifinal matchup at Livonia Franklin. It came down to mere inches, with the Chiefs earning a 1-0 victory and advancing to Saturday's district final against Westland John Glenn. Canton scored with 4:59 to play in the second half. Junior Connor Furgason's header in the goal box off a corner kick by junior Tyler Winningham finally broke the scoreless tie. But Churchill did not give up. Sophomore Mike Murphy's header saidel barely over the crossbar with less than 30 seconds remaining. "It was just a throw-in because Churchill's known for their long throw-ins," recalled Canton senior goalkeeper Brandon Laabs. "And they just got a head on it and luckily it went right through the (football) field goal post and the crossbar."

Laabs also had to come up huge for the Chiefs at the end of the first half. He had to jump to get a hand on a rising, 15-yard scoring bid by junior Chad Evans as time expired.

#### SAME OLD STORY

According to Churchill head coach Reid Friedrichs, the close-but-no-cigar syndrome has plagued the Chargers' offense all

plagued the Chargers' offense all season.

"It's kind of been our story this whole year," Friedrichs said. "We played as well as we can play, we just couldn't finish today,
"Mike (Murphy) and Austin Henson had a couple headers that were close and they blocked a lot of shots, too. We had a chance right there, it was wide open with 20 seconds left. We juste bar."



Racing for the ball during Wednesday's Division 1 boys soccer district semifinal at Livonia Franklin are Canton's Sean Balnaves (No. 8) and Livonia Churchill's Ryan Kobylarz.



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Churchill's Allen
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2). The Chiefs
escaped with a
1-0 victory,
scoring on a late
goal.

ers from both But it was r But it was Furgason who was able to reach the ball first and bump it inside the left post.

"Pretty much the whole team was trying to get in there, plus their team, there was a lot of players in there, a

But I just happened to get there on the end of it.

"It's a great win for us, keeps the seniors so they can play another game, that's what it's all about right now."

Canton head coach George Tomasso, whose team improved to 17-3-1, said the goal came down to perfect timing, with Furgason "rising to the occasion" to get on the end of the corner kick and finish.

"We got a full, solid head on the ball, and we got it past Churchill's keeper," Tomasso said. "He (Robison) is an incredible keeper as a freshman and we were fortunate to get one by him today."

STELLAR FEFORT

#### STELLAR EFFORT

Tomasso also praised the job turned in by Laabs and his defense, which included Furgason, Winningham, junior Neil Zech and sophomore Connor Shennan amor others.

others.
"Brandon Laabs had one of his better games today, we're real proud of him in between the pipes," Tomasso said. "Shutting out a team like Churchill is a hard thing to do and he came through for us today.

and he came through for us today.

"Our back line, our team showed the true meaning of what teamwork's all about, because everybody was fighting for each other to stay aliw Churchill did have opportunities that were very dangerous Friedrichs said the 11-9-2 Chargers "played as hard as we could, we played as well as we could, we generated as many chances (as Canton) if not more."

He added that the loss wa

He added that the loss was a bitter one for seniors Stephen Foster, Nathan Motta, Brian Lewandowski, Joel Mancewicz and Christian VanDam. "They took it pretty tough, there's only five of them," Friedrichs said. "They really wanted to win the district. I was proud of all of them."

## **SIDELINES**

#### Blazers clinch title

Diazers Cinch Little

Livonia Ladywood will take some momentum into next week's state playoffs after cinching the Michigan High School Field Hockey Division II crown
Wednesday with a 1-0 victory over visiting Saline.

The Blazers, who improved to 10-13 overall, wind up 8-0-2 in the division and
will be the No. 3 seed among in a 23-team state playoff field.

Ladywood will have a first-round bye in the playoffs and will face the winner
of No. 19 Grosse Pointe North or No. 14 Ann Arbor Skyline beginning at 4:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 25, at Ladywood.

Junior Erin Cronyn's first-half goal off an assist from junior Kylie Birney
proved to be the game-winner in the win over Saline.

Ladywood goalie Mackenzie Holme, also a junior, made three saves to
record the shutout.

Jessie Opaleski had 10 stops for the Hornets (5-8-1, 4-6-1).

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

Burdette, who carded 95 Friday, had a two-day total of 197.

Devon Compton of Rochester Hills Stoney Creek shot 77-73-150 and took individual medalist honors by defeating Mariah Massa of Holt in a one-hole placeff hole.

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

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# GIRLS CC

like we needed to do. We went out a lot harder than we thought we'd do, and we had five PRs.

"Our target was to win the conference all season long and get Salem in the end. We lost to them by one point in the dual meet and we knew what we had to do. If we stayed together and 'pack' like we've done all season long, we'd knew we could get them. It was our goal."

Familiarity with the flat and fast Huron Meadows course also helped.

"It's our regional course,"
Smith said. "We raced here last year at the regionals and we raced here at Ypsilanti Invite and won three weeks ago."

Meanwhile, the race to the wire for first between Kubicki and Kavulich was decided by only two-10ths of a second.

"I just really wanted to win," Kubicki said. "I knew I could do it. I just sprinted my all. I

was just trying to keep up with them and not fall behind so at the end I could try and push it because I know I can sprint. "It means like a lot because it's my last year and it's the first time I've ever won a big race."

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There will be many more big races for Kavulich, who is just starting to blossom as one of the state's elite ninth-grade runners.

"I thought she ran almost 5,000 meters well, just got beat right at the end there."
Salem coach Dave Gerlach said. "She learned a valuable lesson. You've got to run 5,000-and-one meters to get through there. Beyond that, what a tremendous race. She was right where we wanted her to be at the mile mark — seventh place — and just continued to move running a great pace race, then it becomes very competitive from there. For her setting a school record doday, very proud of her, running relaxed, running aggressive. And that's what we asked today."

Gerlach also congratulated the Mustangs for their effort. "It takes a team to win a team event," he said. "Today four of our seven had really good races, the other three being just OK races — nothing real special. We had two of our athletes go down in the first 150 meters of the race and there's no recall. They bounced back up and fought, but that took us out of it real early.

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"Beyond that, my hat's off to Northville. They ran incredible. As I told my team, we didn't lose this meet, we got beat by a great, great team in Northville. And I'm happy for them."

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Rounding out the top 10 individually were Churchill's Kerigan Riley and Bethany Pilat, who placed fourth and ninth, respectively, in 18:41.9 and 19:06.6; and Novi's Kerri McMahan and Jackie Mullins, who finished fifth and seventh, respectively, in 18:42.4 and 19:01.3.



Varsity runners get the jump Thursday as the KLAA cross country girls race gets underway at Huron Meadows Metropark.

#### GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

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# **BOYS CC**

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Senior Chad Cini led the victorious Mustangs with a fourthplace finish in 16:17.6.

He was followed by senior
Christian Guenther, ninth (16:43.3); senior Neson Nesmith, 13th (16:50.9); junior Ed Clifton, 18th (16:55.9); and senior Robert
Singletary, 19th (16:57.0).

"Chad Cini, our number one, has been running great for us all year," Croin said. "He's really kind of led us from a running standpoint, but we had a make a change with a guy from our JV squad today - Neson Nesmith. He was awesome. He finished third for us, ran a 16:50. You can't ask for more than that I'm depand that's the luxury I have. His finish was fantastic.
"And the guy who finished ninth for us, Christian Guenther, he's a captain. He's had a little bit of an up-and-down year, but he was outstanding today."

Plymouth was led by senior Joe Porcari, who was edged out at the finish line for first place by Novi senior Joe Schubring.

Schubring ran the 5,000-meter course in 15:59.3, while Porcari's



And they're off, as the KLAA conference boys cross country meet kicks off Thursday at Huron Meadows Metropark in Brighton.

runner-up time was 16:00.6.

"It's a personal best by 22 seconds," Schubring said. The run this (course) twice before. I love it, it's just so flat compared to our home course at Cass Benton (Park). The ground is so firm. Every time we come here we post fast times and it's great.

"I really wanted to get out front early and lead that pack and set the pace. I wanted to run my own race. Last year I think I was fifth. I couldn't have raced a better race.

race."
Plymouth's other four finishers included junior Derek Gielarowski, sixth (16:21.5); junior James Maciag, 12th (16:48.3); freshman Liam

Cardenas, 24th (17:05.6); and sophomore Brandon Dalton, 26th (17:09.7).
Others in the top 10 individually included Blake Yard (South Lyon East), third, 16:06.6; Miles Felton (Canton), fifth, 16:20.4; Steve McEvilly (Salem), seventh, 16:34.0; and Brett Giampo (Novi), eighth, 16:34.7; and Mitch Clinton (Canton), 16:20.4. But the day belonged to Northville, which garnered its first conference crown since 2007.
"This is the first KLAA banner in the gym, and obviously we're excited about that," Cronin said.

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BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
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The Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association 12U Red Sox rallied in the sixth inning recently to defeat the Rockies and capture the GCYBSA 12U Fall Championship with an 11-2 record. Pictured are (front row, from left) Luke Krupski, Sam Brusca, Evan Good, Alex Kauffman, Ryan McAuliffe and Mitch Clark; (back row, from left) Coach Jim Good, Josh Sulak, Gavin McAuliffe, Coach Pat McAuliffe, Aaron Kosmyna, Patrick Downing, Austin Scheffer, Josh Gendron and coach Mike Brusca.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

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# Canton spikers spoil 'Senior Night' for Wildcats

Whenever two "Park" rivals get together — in any sport, any season — the action is bound to be ramped up a bit. That certainly was the case Thursday night, as Canton needed five tough games to defeat host Plymouth in a KLAA South volleyball tilt. Both teams took turns winning a game, with the match tied 2-2 entering the fifth and deciding set. Canton won the first and third games (25-8, 25-20), but lost Game 2 and Game 4, 25-20, 25-14, respectively.

first and third games (25-8, 25-20), but lost Game 2 and Game 4, 25-20, 25-14, respectively. Then in Game 5, the Chiefs finished it out with a 15-12 victory, sparked by an all around superb game from senior Kristen Muir (21 kills, three aces, 34 digs), aggressive serving and hard-nosed defense from players such as Maggie Deloy (five kills, 19 digs). "Starting off slow is an understatement for tonight's match," said Canton head coach Mary Kryska. "We could only make errors in the first game. Playing a cross campus rival is always a mind game for the girls. "Plymouth had the confidence going into the match because they beat us last in a tournament a few weeks ago. The game could have went either way and I have to give it to Plymouth for how good of a team they are."

CANTON

For the Wildcats, the defeat spoiled their Senior Night, said head coach Kelly McCausland. "Last night was a huge emo-

Buford (155 all-purpose) yards opened the scoring on a 10-yard run and made it 32-0 with a 55-yard TD eatch-and-run with 3:32 left in the first half.

On the TD reception, he hauled in a short pass by senior quarterback Ben Merbler in the left flat and went the distance.

The longest score of the night came when junior Ryan Jones broke a tackle at the line of scrimmage and raced 98 yards for the TD, opening up a 25-0 lead early in the second. Jones finished with 111 yards rushing.

That score was the latest example of how Salem couldn't bask in the spotlight long after something positive happened. It followed a 60-yard punt by Salem senior Ethan Walsh, which momentarily pushed the Chiefs back.

Canton needed just one play and seven seconds to score just two minutes into the third quarter, making it 38-0 and launching the running clock for the rest of the night.

Senior Nick Alaniva (4-78) scored on a

night.
Senior Nick Alaniva (4-78) scored on a
34-yard run, his first of two six-pointers;
he added a 35-yard TD carry in the final
stanza to cap the scoring.

Meanwhile, Britnell already is looking forward to 2011. "There were some lapses at times, but I think at times we showed some grit,"

STARTING FRESH



Plymouth senior Laura Schmid, shown from a 2009 game, collected 11 digs Thursday night against Canton. But the Wildcats fell short in the KLAA South volleyball matchup.

Britnell said. "And it was just tough for these guys, since Canton is just so big and they have a lot of speed.

"We showed some flashes, and hopefully we can build on that."

Although younger varsity returnees and newcomers from a solid JV team could make next year the beginning of a program renaissance, the loss to the Chiefs marked the end of Salem senior quarterback Drew Thompson's grid career.

He completed just four of 12 passes for 83 yards (with junior Ryan Jankowski catching three for 47 yards), but still saw the positives that came from varsity competition. "I just learned to never give up, always have determination to battle through everything and always look out for my boys out there," Thompson said. "That's who I play for in the games, them, my parents and my grandpa in heaven."

Plymouth wins handily

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A 53-yard field goal by senior Kyle
Brindza just 3:03 into Friday night's regular season finale set the tone and the host
Plymouth Wildcats kept the points coming
in a 48-7 rout over Adrian. The game was
played at Plymouth-Canton Educational
Park's junior varsity field.
Both teams moved the ball through the
air, each tallying about 200 yards in the
passing department. But the Wildcats were
far superior in the running game, with
262 yards compared to minus-20 for the
Maples.

Plymouth wins handily

tional loss for our seniors," McCausland said. "They left their hearts on the floor tonight." Kryska said that after her team put the opening game

the same that the the team put the opening game in the rear-view mirror, "it seemed like after the first game when someone struggled, someone else was there to pick up the slack."

In addition to Muir and

Deloy, the Chiefs were lifted by Alaina Turner (11 kills, nine blocks), Erica denBoer (four kills, nine digs), Jackie Waite (23 assists, nine digs) and Lauren Martin (16 assists,

Meanwhile Alex Bryden contributed 10 digs and "very aggressive, consistent serves" to the Canton mix, Kryska

(17-8-2, 6-4) did perform well at times, but could not remain consistent throughout the

consistent throughout the match.

"It seemed as though we had all of the elements together in games 1, 3 and 5 but we came up short in the end," she emphasized. "(other games) were not as focused, nor was the energy where we wanted it to be. But I am still proud of the fight our girls put up."
Mariah Tesarz tallied 34 digs, followed by Kayla Bridge and Laura Schmid with 21 and II, respectively. Bridge also chipped in with 12 kills.
Dani Risi (66 kills, and Alex Roberts (6 kills, 6 blocks) also had solid matches.

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#### Eagles fall short

Eagles fall short
Plymouth Christian
Academy enjoyed some individual high-water marks
Thursday night against Ann
Arbor Skyline. But the Eagles
came up on the short end, losing 3-2 (26-28, 25-20, 19-25,
25-18, 9-15).
Jessica Rich tallied 27 service points, her most of the
season. Sophomore Mary
Anleitner's six kills also was
her best this year, but to no
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Other PCA performances included Kristen Malcolm (23 kills, 17 service points, three blocks), Amy Zinn (15 kills, 10 digs), Folake Olojo (15 kills), Brianna Harris (39 assists) and Jennifer Malcolm (five blocks). Plymouth Christian's record dipped to 18-7-2 with the loss.

Playoff-bound Plymouth (7-2) went up 17-0 after one frame, following a pair of TD runs by Jerel Jenkins (4, 8 yds) and Donte Fox (1-yard run) and wide-out Adedamola Adebiyi (3-yard pass from quarterback Shaun Austin) opened up a comfortable 31-0 lead at the half.

In the second half, Plymouth added touchdowns by Jake Morris (11-yard pass from Austin) and Fox (25-yard run) and a 50-yard field goal by Brindza (who also kicked 5 PATs, kicking the sixth was John Gregory).

The lone blemish on the Wildcats' defensive ledger came with 5:25 left in the third, when Sebastian Johnson connected on a 47-yard TD pass to Ryan Dempsey, which at that time made it 38-7.

Austin connected on 19 of 26 pass.

38-7.
Austin connected on 19 of 26 passing attempts for 167 yards. Sparking
Plymouth's ground game was Jenkins
(24-142 yards), while Fox gained 97 yards
in just 10 carries.

In the final game of the year for Plymouth Christian Academy, the winless Eagles lost 49-8 to Parkway

winless Eagres 103. Christian.
PCA scored on a six-yard run by quarterback Daniel Jipping with the two-point conversion run by running back Eric Jipping (14-103 yards).

PCA falls



# **PCA** tennis program starting to take flight

coed tennis team at the top or, any leader boards, at least not yet.

But a program that's on the rise could soon begin making waves in the Michigan Independent Athletics Association, led by head coach Mike Kwang and a group of enthusiastic, talented players. Highlights for the 2010 season include posting the first varsity-level victory in the program's three years, a 5-3 win over Allen Park Cabrini. Kwang also was named the PCA region's coach of the year. According to PCA assistant coach Jim Zandee, the Eagles have "typically played a lot of scrimmages versus JV teams to get the kids experience. The kids have really enjoyed the sport and are excited to be playing."

Now that the program is starting to gain traction, next season could see even more progress.

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season could see even more progress.

"We're holding free clinics all summer for the kids, and also for the younger kids, to build excitement," Zandee continued. "And, to build a program for the future."

This year, the PCA team included 10 boys and seven girls and used the courts at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park for matches with practices at Central Middle School.

Even though there are no facilities at Plymouth Christian, that isn't taking away from the enthusiasm the players have toward what Kwang and Zandee tout as a "great lifelong sport."

#### WINNING FEELING

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In the win over Cabrini, all four singles flights were victorious — sophomore co-captain Matt Summer at No. 1, junior co-captain Rachel Zandee at No. 2, senior co-captain Matt Hagelin at No. 3 and sophomore Alex Huber at No. 4.

The deciding point came at No. 3 doubles, with the duo of senior Blake Ringger and sophomore Jonathan Manni victorious.

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sophomore Jonathan Manni
victorious.

Other than the win over
Cabrini, the Eagles had two 4-4 deadlocks against Dearborn
Heights Crestwood with all
singles flights winning (and
the doubles tandems taking
their opponents to three sets).

The Eagles also finished
fifth, but one point from third,
at an eight-team tournament
that Dearborn Edsel Ford won.

Other doubles tandems for
the Eagles this season included: seniors AJ Smith-Bethany
Hale (No. 1); junior Ross
Vought and sophomore Mick





Matt Hagelin, the No. 3 singles player for PCA gets into the swing. He helped the Eagles to their first-ever varsity-level victory, against Allen Park Cabrini.



PCA No. 1 doubles player Bethany

Noel (No. 2); seniors Hannah Williams-Sara Slaughter (No. 4); and the duo of senior Max Wilkinson and freshman Josh Fitzpatrick at No. 5. Other team members include sophomores Leah Wilkinson, Rachel Smith and senior Erica Smith.

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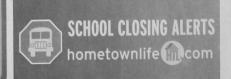
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# Annual alternative gift fair supports charitable causes

Shoppers will find new vendors and more elbow room at the 10th Annual Alternative Christmas Fair next month in Farmington Hills.

Hope Lutheran Church's one-day sale of unique merchandise, food products and handcrafted items, will move to a new location, too. The event, which will benefit more than 50 charities, will run 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Nov. 13, at St. Fabian Parish, 32200 W. 12 Mile in Farmington Hills. Admission is \$1.

"We have 700-800 people throughout the day. We're busiest in the morning and there is a line of shoppers waiting first thing at 10 a.m., as soon as doors open," said Joy DeFranco, chair of the event and a member of Hope Lutheran in Farmington Hills. "We've turned down countless charities in the past because of (limited) floor space. That's when we started looking to other churches to help with hosting duties and to help accommodate growth.

"We invited St. Fabian to join us about four years ago. They have much wider hall-ways and a bigger gym area. So, there will be opportunities to hold more. Products can be spread out."

#### GLOBAL, LOCAL



Angelica Monroe shows off a cuddly animal to customers at the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan table last year during the annual Alternativ Christmas Fair in Farmington Hills.

Detroit Rescue Mission, for example, will be on hand with its "Motown Soups." Ten Thousand Villages, a fair trade organization with a chapter in Ann Arbor, will sell gifts and home decor accessories. Gilda's Club Metro Detroit, a cancer support center, will offer T-shirts and other promotional items, as well as ornaments. Gilda's Club is based in Royal Oak, but runs yoga and wellness programs at Botsford Hospital's Cancer Center.

at Botsford Hospital's Cancer Center.
Laura Ortiz, communications director, said public exposure is just as important as fund-raising.
"I love the idea of all the nonprofits getting together. It not only is a great way to make a little extra money, it helps raise awareness for wonderful organizations," Ortiz said. "It helps the community as a whole know what else is out there."



Lots of toys and baby items await buyers at last year's Alternative Christmas Fair in Farmington Hills

#### SKI WEEKEND

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Kenneth Risdale of Livonia, president of Michigan Ski for Light will participate in the fair for the first time.
The organization makes out-



A customer checks out the ornaments that Jan Ricco (right) of Gilda's Club Metro Detroit sold last year at the Alternative Christmas Fair in Farmington Hills.

door experiences available to the visually impaired and physically challenged. Their signature activity brings cross-country skiers and their guides together for a weekend of fun in the snow every January at Higgens Lake.

"This is a fund-raiser for us. Our donations are down, like everyone else's and we're looking at whatever we can do to keep costs down," Risdale said. "We're 100 percent nonprofit. No one in the organization gets a penny from the dollars we raise."

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at recreational events which draw both individuals and group home residents.

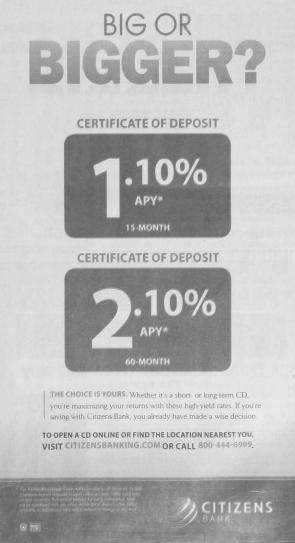
"We've seen demand grow. We have all ages. It's a broad spectrum from 14 to early 30s," Risdale said. "For the event at Higgens Lake we rent vans. The cost of a van for the weekend is \$500. It's that type of cost that affects everyone."

The organization will sell cross-country ski and outdoor products at the fair.

Other new charities this year include Lupus Alliance of America, Hope Endeavors, Lifespan, Servant Ministries, American House Foundation,

American Diabetes
Association, Covenant House
Michigan and Global Orphan
Assistance Foundation.
Volunteers will bake 178
dozen cookies for a bake sale
and approximately 150 church
members will help out at the
event.







### Adoptable beauty

Hi, my name is Gidget. I'm a lovely little red Greyhound. I love everyone and I'm looking for my very own home. I'm 4 years young and I would love very much to meet you. If you are interested, please cal Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption of Michigan at (866) 438-4739 and be sure to check out our website at www.greyheart.org.

# Keep pets safe at Halloween

With Halloween just a week away, it's time to keep animals indoors — and make sure they're outside — to avoid any vicious pranks.

The Michigan Humane Society offers these other tips for minimizing Halloween stress and risk for four-legged family members. Pet owners should:

• Keep cats indoors, espectively.



• Keep Halloween candy out of your pet's reach. Chocolate is toxic to dogs, cats and ferrets. Candy wrappers can be hazardous if swallowed.
• If you dress your pet for Halloween festivities, introduce the costume a few days in advance and make sure he is not uncomfortable or stressed by it. The costume should not restrict his movement, vision, hearing or the ability to breathe or bark. Costumes

well.
For more pet health and safety information, call (866) MHUMANE or visit www. michiganhumane.org.

ON A ROLL

Tail Wagger's 1990 is still accepting registration for its annual bowling fund-raiser on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Adults pay \$25 and youth pay \$10 for three games of bowling, shoe rental, lunch or dinner and a commemorative gift.

For more information or to register, e-mail to tailwaggers.1999@yahoo.com, visit www.tailwaggers1990.org or call Laura Zain at (734) 560-4660.

# Is your range ready for Thanksgiving? It's best to be prepared

Reader writes: I spilled a glass of milk on top of our stove ... somehow the milk found its way between the two pieces of glass that

some screws that appear to be for keeping

this mess? I have not used the stove since the incident, so it should be easy to wipe off the milk. I don't want to use the stove and then get the brown spots that sometimes you see on the front of stoves. Thanks for your help.

Reply: The last time I took a stove door apart was in the year 1979 and what a disaster that was. I did a beautiful job and the customer was so happy until a few months later when the glass just suddenly exploded and the kitchen range wasn't even being used at the time. I found out why, from an engineer at the factory who told me that the screws holding the glass and the door together

were installed with a torque wrench. Unless you set the proper torque on these screws you are asking for trouble. In my case, I could no longer obtain the glass for the door from anyone in the appliance industry as the part was discontinued. I had to purchase a piece of tempered glass from a glass company and fortunately I fixed it right on the second try. I have read a lot of complaints from consumers who have had their oven door glass shatter or show stains in the glass. Today I suggest that you live with it and blame it on the Halloween spirits. This particular reader wrote a cute reply. I appreciate your quick response.

I will leave it be and no crying over spilled milk. Next month is Thanksgiving and that day is when families get together and many good times are to be had by all.

cleaning feature on your range.
Keep in mind that if something
is going to go wrong with your
stove, it most likely will occur
during the self cleaning cycle
or shortly after. The weather
is cool enough now to put your
range through a self clean
cycle. I know you don't want to
open that oven door and show a
messy oven when all the family
is running through the kitchen
but please don't wait to put it
through the cycle. If you take
out the racks and put them in
a plastic garbage bag and soak
them overnight in a mixture
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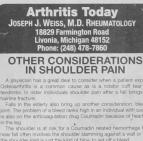
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# Hills lawyer lauded for work with MSU Jewish students

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Steve Bernstein is a true
Spartan.
Bernstein has served as an adjunct professor of law at
Michigan State University, and is on the board of directors for the Hillel Jewish Student Center at MSU in East Lansing. Bernstein, who practices law in Farmington Hills, was honored Oct. 15 with the MSU Hillel Hero Award.
"It was a real nice event and Steve was really proud," said Cindy Hughey, executive director of MSU Hillel, part of Hille which promotes Jewish life among university students.
Bernstein, ward is for a person who had gone to extraordinary lengths to help Jewish students have a vibrant, strong, dynamic Hillel experience, Hughey said.
"This was the inaugural award of this kind," she said.
"We were proud to make Steve our first honoree.
Bernstein, 63, said, "I was very surprised and honored and flattered. There are any number of people I can think of who are equally deserving or more deserving."

The honoree, who graduated from Detroit College of

aw school and numberd High School, praised the Hillel Center.

"Our main focus is on undergraduates but we do have some graduate programs as well," Hughey said. Bernstein's also active in the Jewish fraternity Alpha Epsilon Pi, having served as a past national president in 1995-96.

"It's been very important," she said of Bernstein's work on the MSU Hillel board, noting he was on board when she came to the job in 2000 and has served all that time. "Steve's been with me on our board from the beginning."

Hughey finds students of varied ethnic and cultural backgrounds can benefit from coming together to share their culture and religion.

This is a place where they can congregate and study together." she said of the Lester

This is a place where they can congregate and study together, 'she said of the Lester & Jewell Morris Hillel Jewish Student Center at MSU.

Bernstein, a Keego Harbor resident, also serves on the board of Hillel of Metro Detroit, serving Oakland University, the University of Michigan-Dearborn, Lawrence Technological University, the University of Michigan-Dearborn, Lawrence Technological University, the University of Detroit Mercy and Oakland Community College.



Steve Bernstein, a lawyer practicing in Farmington Hills, was honored with the Michigan State University Hillel Hero Award Oct. 15.

The MSU Hillel Hero
Award was presented by MSU
Trustee Faylene Owen. Words
of congratulation at the dinner
attended by over 250 were given
by Phil Cohen, representing the
Hillel international board.
"He had to give a few words,
absolutely," Hughey said of
Bernstein's comments at the
awards dinner.
"I talk in front of people for
a living," said Bernstein, who
appreciated the presence of
many MSU students at the dinner. It was homecoming, the
football team was undefeated
and it was a beautiful fall weekend on campus.
"You couldn't have drawn it
up any more nicely," he said. "It
really was a big honor."

He appreciated those who
attended, congratulations and
donations made, including by
a high school friend he hadn't
seen in years.
"That was a nice thing," he
said. "It was very gratifying to
hear from all these different
people."

Bernstein, a retired high
school and college basketball
official, has had a private law
practice since 1975. He serves as
a mediator and case evaluator
in local courts, and has been a
hearing panelist for the State of
Michigan-Attorney Discipline
Board for over 20 years.
Bernstein is listed among
the Top Lawyers 2010 by
DBusiness, a Detroit business
journal. At MSU, he has taught
courses on attornex-client

privilege, conflicts of inter-est, professional responsibility and legal ethics. He has been a guest lecturer in classes, and a speaker at universities around the U.S., on subjects including legal responsibilities of student organizations, risk manage-ment, and educators' rights and liabilities.

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Bernstein established The Ben Bernstein Fund in memory of his father's cousin, a founding member of Chi Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Pi at MSU in the late 1920s. Through the Alpha Epsilon Foundation, the fund annually provides a Friday night Shabbat dinner for Jewish students and faculty at MSU. Ben Bernstein was a music professor and concert violinist.

In October 2005, the dinner was dedicated in memory of Michael Henry Schwerner, a hero of the civil rights movement who was killed with two other young men doing work in Mississippi in 1964. Schwerner had joined the fratternity at MSU in 1958.

"The university had no idea he went there, this hero." said

MSU in 1958.

"The university had no idea he went there, this hero, said Steve Bernstein, who credits a friend as the impetus to get recognition, including a plaque, for Schwerner on campus. MSU and especially its Jewish Studies department have embraced that.

"Let's be-

"Let it be a reminder to have a social conscience," Berns said of the plaque MSU students see remembering

#### REUNION CALENDAR

## Belleville High School Class of 1971

## Farmington High School Class of 1970

## Garden City High School Class of 1960

#### Ladywood High School

30-year reunion, Nov. 27 at One Under Banquet Hall at Idyl Wyld Golf Course in Livonia. Seeking class-mates and contact information. Join the group on Facebook by searching Livonia Churchill or e-mail Mary Furlong Tabone and Kathy Hesch Zelin at churchillclas-

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Seeking classmates and contact

# Organization advocates for a cure, gives cancer fight a boost

Kathleen Livingston was

Kathleen Livingston was on her way to yet another surgery. Diagnosed with breast cancer at age 44, she has gone through years of treatment with no end in sight. It was time to talk about the need to support the Michigan Breast Cancer Coalition.

Founded in 2007, MIBCC advocates for breast cancer research to find a cure. Women from Northville to Birmingham have already become members. There is much work to be done. As MIBCC president, Livingston recently attended a board meeting of the National Breast Cancer Coalition in Washington, D.C., where the organization vowed to end the disease by Jan. 1, 2020.

"We've been working on breast cancer over a 100 years," said Livingston.

"My mother was diagnosed



#### Livingston

in 1969, passed away in 1973. I was a teenager and thought they would find a cure. I've been a breast cancer patient 12

Breast Cancer (A) Program. "Our goal is to advocate for breast cancer issues, funding for research, to support the initiative 'Health Care for All,"

said Livingston.

The NBCC announcement
Sept. 21, to find a cure for
breast cancer by 2020 has
given her hope.

"This is something new in
breast cancer," said Livingston,
MIBCC president. "We've been
working with the scientific and
medical community for a long
time and think we can bring
together the right stakeholders. Over the years the same
old thing is happening. They're
taking little steps. We're trying
to make groups come together
to make a big impact. If we
can get a man on the moon in
seven years we should be able
to make a meaningful impact
on breast cancer in 10."

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all to decador with congcutar that completed by the first gives me relief to know she has medical care and is not just languishing. In nice weather we go out and sit on the patio," said Carol Henry who works in a lab hospital near her home in Howell. "They've been very accommodating. Mom likes it that they all say 'Hi Genevieve' when they see her." "They all know me," added Genevieve Nehring.

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Dr. Tobin is certified in family medicine and geriatrics, practices at Livonia Family Medical, and on staff at Botsford, Garden City, St. Mary Mercy and Oakwood hospitals.

center which encourages and facilitates resident-to-resident and resident-to-staff interaction. Rooms with two, three, or four residents are favored to foster a sense of community within each resident and minimize social isolation.

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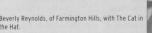


# Locals tune in to support **Detroit Public Television**

Plenty of Farmington Hills supporters of Detroit Public Television were on hand at a recent fundraiser event to premiere the fall season and honor individuals in the community for their support of the community and the station.

Detroit Public Television's Premiere Night, the station's signature fundraising event, which unveils the fully-loaded PBS fall season and a variety of new local DPTV productions, was held at the historic home of Stephen and Bobbi Polk in Bloomfield Hills on Sept. 22.

Proceeds from Premiere Night support Detroit Public Television, which provides programs and online content that educate and entertain and are in partnership with the community.





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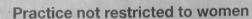
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## OCT. 24-27

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

Location: Redford Lutheran

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

Contact: www.detroitlutheransing

## Mass for widowed

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Time/Date: Check in at 2 p.m., Mass
at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 24
Location: St. Columban Church,
1775 Melton, north of 14 Mile
between Woodward and Coolidge, in

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

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

## Pumpkin patch

Time/Date: Noon to 6 p.m., Oct. 24 and 31 and 10 a.m. to dark, Oct

Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Pumpkin Patch sales

will benefit Forgotten Harvest, a non-profit that rescues surplus, prepared and perishable food for emergency food providers Contact: (734) 464-0211

#### Saints celebrated

Saints celebrated
Time/Date: 5 p.m., Sunday, 0ct. 24
Location: St. Aldan Parish, 17500
Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Evening prayer, three short
presentations, and a candlelight
procession to the weekday chapel
to venerate the relics of the saints.
A potluck dinner will be held afterward. Participants with last names
U-2 should bring an appetizer or
fruit; N-T should bring a salad; G-M
should bring vegetables and side
dishes; A-F should bring desserts
Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950
Trunk or treat

Trunk or treat Time/Date: 6-8 p.m., Sunday, Oct

24
Location: Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia
Details: Dress in costume for this event that will include games, prizes, treats and lots of fun
Contact: (734) 427-8743

#### Trunk or treat

Time/Date: 6 p.m., Oct. 24 Location: Memorial Church of Christ, located on Five Mile, just

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

Contact: Angie Schultz at (734)

## OCT. 28-NOV. 3

#### Bazaar

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 Location: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 W. Eight Mile, Details: Baked goods, Nisu, white Jetails: Baked goods, Nisu, white elephant treasures, Christmas items and a jewelry table. Refreshments will be served by the choir for a nominal fee. There will be a raffle at J nm. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Contact: (248) 478-6520

Book sale Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday Saturday, Oct. 29-30 and 9 a.m.-noon, Sunday, Oct. 31 **Location**: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile

Details: Annual used book sale bake sale and boutique

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

#### Hallelujah Festival

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Oct. 30 Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive between Lilley and Haggerty.

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

discouraged Contact: (734) 404-2480

### Halloween party

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

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

**Details**: Aimed at children from Westland and neighboring com-

Contact: Call (734) 721-5023 from 11

#### Trunk or treat

ITUNK OF TEAT
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29
Location: Faith Community Church,
14560 Merriman, Livonia
Details: Children dress in costume
and trick or treat in the parking lot.
Car trunks will be decorated in fall
themes and treats will be handed out. Cider and doughnuts will be

Contact: (248) 471-1322

#### Trunk or treat

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

Location: Clarenceville United

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia Details: Members and friends of the church will pop their trunks and atligates to reveal candy, stickers and other goodies. Children in the community may attend and bring their Trick or Treat bags with them. The church requests that children wear family-friendly costumes and be accompanied by an adult. Activities will take place both inside and outside. There will be games, prizes and candy. Contact: (248) 474-3444. Trunk or treat

### Trunk or treat

Irunk of treat
Time/Date: 4-6 p.m., Oct. 30
Location: McKinley Elementary
School, 910 Hillcrest Street, Livonia
Details: Bring your kids in their
costumes for treats, a hay ride, a
gournet chili cook-off, and lots of other fun; free and sponsored by Bell Creek Community Church Contact: www.bellcreek.org

## NOV. 4-10

## Christmas bazaar

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6 Location: St. Andrew's Presbyterian

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

and other items Contact: (313) 274-3820

#### End of life planning Time/Date: 7-9 p.m

Location: St. Aidan Parish, 17500

Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Monsignor John Kasza is
the guest presenter

Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950

Ladies' Inspiration Day

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

Location: Livonia Church of Christ,

15431 Merriman, Livonia Details: Dr. Brenda Snow is the Details: Dr. Brenda Show is the guest speaker. Child care is available for children under 8. RSVP for child care and bring a sack lunch to the event for each child registered Contact: (734) 427-8743

#### Quilt show

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 6
Location: Westland Christian Union
Church, located at Marquette and
Wayne Road, Westland
Details: Ladies United Voice of the

church sponsors the show that will include door prizes, vendors, and a bake sale in addition to quilts. Lunch will be available. The group requests a \$3 donation for admis-

Contact: Mary Surbrook at (734)

721-687 School open house Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 Location: 10450 Joy, in Plymouth and 4101 E. Joy, in Ann Arbor Details: Both Spiritus Sanctus Academy campuses are hosting open houses. The Academies are independent K-8 Catholic Schools. Administerate by the Dominican administered by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. The Academies place a priority on faith development along with a challenging and integrated curriculum. All of the Academy students are accepted into the Catholic high school of their choice Tour the campuses, talk with teach ers and students, and meet the

principals. **Contact**: For Plymouth, (734) 414-8430; for Ann Arbor, (734) 996-3855

#### Tea, fashion show Time/Date: Doors open at noon

Sunday, Nov. 7 Location: Sacred Heart Banquet and Conference Center, 29125 W. Details: Ladies of Sacred Heart

Fashion Show. Luncheon provided by Thomas's Catering of Livonia. Fashion show provided by Clothing Cove of Milford. Tickets are \$30 each; tables of 8 may be reserved Contact: (734) 482-3170 or (734)

Widowed Friends
Time/Date: 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5
Location: Antonio's Cucina Italiana
2220 N. Canton Center Road in

Details: Widowed men and women gather for dinner and conversation If more than 18 people respond, a special menu that includes familyspecial menu that includes family-style servings of salad, bread and mostaccioli, along with one choice from five different entrees, cof-fee, tea and ice cream would cost approximately \$17. If fewer than 18 respond, participants will order from the regular menu, with sepa

contact; RSVP no later than Oct. 29 to Patty at (734) 699-5148

## NOV. 11-17

Alternative Christmas Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13 Location: St. Fabian Parish, 32200

Location: St. Fabian Parish, 32200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Charities will sell items that can be used as gifts. All of the money goes to the charity itself. Hope Lutheran Church collaborates with the parish on the annual event Contact: (248) 553-4610

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## RELIGION

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

## **ONGOING**

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

Wednesdays Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington

Details: AWANA program for chil-dren from kindergarten-fifth grade Contact: (248) 426-0096

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

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh

roads, Livonia Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental dis-abilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.

Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel
(248) 442-8822 or e-mail to
jcook59@att.net.

Time/Date: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30

Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Learn Digong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicin – a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and Contact: (810) 813-4073 or gary@

energeticarts.org. Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and

study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville

Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m.,

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: (734) 846-4615 for infor

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

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

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,

Details: Scripture study Contact: (313) 534-9000 Ward Presbyterian

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville

**Details**: Learner's Bible study is Contact: (248) 374-5920

Clothing bank

Canton Christian Fellowship Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourt 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)

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

First United Methodist Church Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 23 Location: Eight Mile and Taft in

Details: 3rd Annual Community

Bizarre Bazaar to benefit Village Banking at the church. A great opportunity for local entrepreneurs and artists to showcase their tal-ents and products to hundreds of Church

omers. Booking now local customers. Booking now

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

Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: Oct. 22-23 Location: 1771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Applications are being accepted for the annual fall craft - The Art & Science of Motherin for MOPS and "Boundaries" for Contact: Rebekah Creeden at 734)

accepted for the annual fall craft show. Rental spaces are 8- by 5-feet and can be reserved for one day at a cost of \$20 or two days for \$30. Tables an additional \$5 Contact: (734) 464-0990; download n application at www.riverside

parkchurch.org St. John's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: Oct. 9 Location: 555 South Wayne Road,

Details: Looking for crafters, ven-dors for a fall craft sale Contact: (734) 721-5023

St. Thomas a'Becket

St. Thomas a Becket
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
Saturday, Dec. 4
Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton
Details: Accepting applications
for handmade crafts only for 20th
annual Christmas Craft Show
Contact: craftshow@abecket.org or
(734) 844-1232

Fellowship dinner

St. James Presbyterian Time/Date: 6 p.m., the first Thursday of the month Location: 25350 W. Six Mile,

**Details**: Cost is \$8 and includes dinner, beverage and dessert. The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, pro-vides the meals Contact: (313) 268-7780. The church

phone number is (313) 534-7730

## Food Bank

New Hope Church Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill,

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

# Moms Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m., first and third Thursday, MOPSnext. Both programs run through May Location: 14175 Farmington Road,

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnext supports mothers of school-aged children. The theme will be "Momology

524-0283 for MOPS and Susar Magner at (248) 478-3643 for MOPSnext

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., first and

third juesdays
Location: 24800 West Chicago
Road, Redford
Details: MOPS is a place where
moms can build friendships, receive
mothering support, practical help

and spiritual hope

Contact: Amy at (313) 937-3084 or
Kristen at (734) 542-0767

#### Prayer Nardin Park United Methodist Church

Church Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Participate in an open

time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests Contact: (248) 476-8860

St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia Enter through the back of the

Details: Music, singing, prayer Contact: Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906

St. Michael's Church of Livonia Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. third

Wednesday Location: Corner of Plymouth and ibbard roads, Livonia

**Details:** Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. Benediction service follows. (734) 261-1455

## Senior citizens Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., third

Thursdays Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Senior adults, age 50 and over, enjoy social interaction and

Contact: (734) 464-0990 Singles

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

www.singleplace.org Steve's Family Restaurant

Steve's Family Restaurant
Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and
fourth Thursday
Location. 15800 Middlebelt; 1/4 mile
north of Five Mile, Livonia
Details: Widowed men of all ages
may attend the Widowed Friends
Men's breakfast. This is an informal
"peer" group where men have
an opportunity to meet with others who are ready to help cone

ers who are ready to help cope or become involved in the other social activities offered by Widowed

Contact: (313) 534-0399

## Ward Evangelical Presbyterian

Ward Evaluation in Sunday
Church
Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., Sunday
Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville
Details: Single Point Ministries, for
30 and up, offers fellowship, Coffee,
doughnuts, conversation

Song Circle Congregation Beth Ahm
Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m.,

every Shabbat Location: 5075 W. Maple, West

Details: Sing zemirot (traditional Details, Sing Zenino (traditional Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services. Lyrics are provided in translitera-tion as well as the original Hebrew. Contact: (248) 737-1931 or e-mail ancvellen879@att.net

Support Detroit World Outreach Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday Location: 23800 W. Chicago,

Redford; room 202

Details: Addiction No More offers **Details**: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeat-ing, gambling **Contact**: (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244

Farmington Hills Baptist Church Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt, Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group Contact: (248) 433-1011 Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m., second and fourth Thursday
Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden

Details: Metro Fibro-Myalgia sup

port group meets; no dues, but donations are accepted Contact: www.metrofibrogroup. com; or call Lucy with questions at (734) 462-1768 Riverside Park Church of God

Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Riverside Park Adult Day Ministry offers an adult daytime care program with a specialty in demontia

Contact: (734) 367-4220; www.rive

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday morning Location: 16360 Hubbard, Livonia Details: A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available. There are no requirements, this a service the church wants the community to be aware of and use if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted

for the cupboard.

Contact: (734) 421-8451.

St. John's Episcopal Church Time/Date: 10 a.m., the first and

Time/Date 10 a.m., the first and third Friday Location: 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth Details: St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meets. Respite care is provided. The group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association Contact: Connie McNutt at (734) 885-3426.

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#### **WESTLAND RESIDENT MARKS 90TH BIRTHDAY**

Joan Rita Ott celebrated her 90th birthday just the way she likes it - surrounded by her family and friends.

The Westland resident enjoyed being "in" on the planning for the party that was held on Sept. 25 at the Rhapsody Restaurant in Southgate, according to her daughter, Karen Jamieson of Las Vegas, Nev.

Ott was born on Oct. 3, 1920, in Ford City to Silver Patrick Hebert and Mamie Hebert. Living through the Roaring Twenties, followed by the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl, contributed to her lifelong "make do" philosophy. She raised five children through the post-war 1940s through the turbulent 1960s and 1970s, all with great faith, common sense, and a positive attitude.

She lived in Ecorse, River Rouge, Wyandotte, Southgate and Allen Park. She enjoyed visiting with fam-

ily and friends and reliving memories with many long ago colleagues at Wyandotte Savings Bank, where she was head teller.

Ott keeps active at the Presbyterian Village in Westland, often entertaining other residents with her rendition of Patsy Cline's Cruzzy on Karaoke Nights. She was married twice, first to the late John Shevnock and then to the late Cletus Ott.

In addition to Jamieson, Shevnock family members attending the celebration were Kathleen Yager of Sterling Heights, and Jacqueline Betke of Livonia as well as the children of her late son Michael Shevnock of Surfside Beach, S.C., and Patricia Boulogne of Boston, Mass. From her extended family were Errol and Norma Ott, Gary Ott, Keith and Pauline Ott, and Jeff and Pam Ott.



Friends and family gathered recently to help Joan Ott of Westland celebrate her 90th birthday

#### **MILESTONES**



Davison-Boring

#### February 2011 wedding

February 2011 wedding

Erin Elizabeth Davison and Robert Keith Boring announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Lori and Tim Davison of Canton, is a 2006 graduate of Canton High School and a 2010 graduate in liberal studies from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She is employed as a sales consultant in Novi.

Robert Keith Boring, son of Pamela and Keith Boring of Harrisburg, Pa., is a 2005 graduate of Plainfield High School, Plainfield, Ill., and a 2009 graduate of Plainfield High School, Plainfield, Ill., and a 2009 graduate of Bowling Green State University in Ohio. He holds a bachelor's degree in aviation studies with a specialization in flight technology and operations. He is also a second lieutenant with the Ohio Army National Guard.

The couple plans a February 2011 wedding in Plymouth.



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#### JOHN I. HALLER



was stationed, and then Salina, Kansas until Captain Harling took his company overleas. Their first daughter, Barbara, was born while he was in Europe. Major Harling sal was 14 months old. Then, after five years of service, he was on his way to Janue when the war ended. They were living in Detroit when their second daughter and the particular was born. They then built a home in Birmingham, where the girst per up and graduated high school. During this time, Jean was a Girl Scout troup leader for Barth, and also worked at the Birmingham South of the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. After both girls had left home for college, Jean and Jack moved to Bloomfield Hills in 1967. Then Mr. Harling was transferred to Saginaw in 1972 as Vice President of Morley Brothers. Mr. Harling died of a heart attack while the couple were vacationing in Hawaii in 1973. Jean then moved to Ann Arbor for three vacationing transdualing, she traveled the country and then settled in Sun City West, Arizona, where she lived for 22 years. She had been a work of the states. The work of the work of

EDWARD L. KALEC

Age 85, died peacefully
October 19, 2010. Beloved the Automatics as well as a superior of the Arizona Marcerolor Association and the Costamunol Society, the Arizona Marcerolor Association and the Costamunol Society, the Arizona Christop Artists Guild, the West Valley Art Marcerolor Association and their Costamunol Society, the Arizona Christop Christop. Devoted grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (Kimberly), Emma, Terneer, Tyler, Tanner, and great-grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (Kimberly), Emma, Terneer, Tyler, Tanner, and great-grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (Kimberly), Emma, Terneer, Tyler, Tanner, and great-grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (Kimberly), Emma, Terneer, Tyler, Tanner, and great-grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (Kimberly), Emma, Terneer, Tyler, Tanner, and great-grandfather to William, Michael, Stephen (William), William, Willi



HOWARD R. MINKE

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Age 81, of Grand Rapids (formerly of Rochester Hills, MI) passed away to a place of peace Wednesday, October 13, 2010 after a long illness. Howard is survived by his wife and best friend of 59 years, Hazel; his daughters, Marcia Minke and husband Charlie Bachman, Sharon Minke and husband John McMain , Linda Minke, Barbara Bloemsma, will Bloemsma, Wittor Hulls, Sam McMain, Emma McMain; and many other family members including his sister, Margaret Simonson-Howard was a mathematics teacher who taught for 31 years at Rochester High School. He was a man of integrity and was always admired for his service to others. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, his family will miss him deeply. In a tribute from a former student, "Mr. Minke's legacy is not only his family but all of the students who he educated in math as well as life." Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will take place at a later date. If one would like to make a donation, please make them in Howard's memory to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Grand Rapids (805 Leonard NE, GR, MI 49503) or to Holland Home—fresident Assistance Fund (2100 Raybrook SE, GR, MI 49540). Arrangements by Zaagman Memorial Chapel, Grand Rapids, MI.



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GORDON ROGERS

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Born on February 17, 1925, in Cincinnati, Ohio and passed this life on October 21, 2010. Gordon was an active member of the Prince Hall Free and Accepted Mason, Inc. and the Marracci Temple of Detroit. Gordon enjoyed computers, photography, crossword puzzles and cooking. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 35 years of service. Gordon is survived by his loving wife, Junaita, his children and grandchildren. Services will be held at Pye Funeral Home in Detroit, on Tuesday from 5.30pm (Family hour), 6pm (Service). Viewing is on Monday from 3-8pm.





LAMOTT A. WHITEBREAD

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



HERMAN "SKIP" WITT

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alge 67 of Canton, suddenly October
16, 2010. Loving husband of Sandra.
Dearest Dad of Kristin (Carl) Johney
and Jeffrey (Beth) Witt. Dear brother
of Terrence (Suzanne), Joy (Terry)
McCombs and Gregory (Susan); and
brother in law of Leonard Pulinski.
Also survived by many nieces and
nephews. Mr. Witt retired as a US
Postal Inspector after 30 years of service. Arrangements by Vermeulen
Funeral Home, Plymouth. To share
memories please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com.



#### September birth

Norah Aoife O'Donnell was born Sept. 17, 2010, at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. Parents are Erin and Kevin O'Donnell of East Lansing. Grandparents are Dean Henry and Nancy Robertson of Livonia and Bob and Terry O'Donnell of Indianapolis, Ind.



## September birth

Aiden Connor Morris was born Sept. 29, 2010, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia. Proud parents are Tim Morris and Laura Rescoe-Morris of Livonia. Grandparents are Elinor and Harold Rescoe of Flushing and Dianne and Wilton Morris and Lake Orion. Great-grandpar-ents are Beatrice Harshbarger of Auburn Hills and Leola Morris and Lake Orion.



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new Ernst Cardiovascular Center at Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak

# New Beaumont Hospital center offers treatment, screening for heart conditions

Beaumont Hospital last week opened new cardiovascular center that will offer breakthrough surgeries and treat-ments for people with high-risk heart and vascular conditions. The new Ernst Cardiovascular Center also is the new home for Beaumont's "7 tests for \$70" heart and vascular screening and the "Healthy Heart Check" student heart screening program.

"Healthy Heart Check" student heart screening program.

The center, located at Beaumont's Royal Oak campus, offers multidisciplinary clinics for heart valve disease, atrial fibrilation, congestive heart failure, and adult and student cardiovascular screening. An aortic clinic is scheduled to open in 2011.

Thanks to the generosity of Max and Debra Ernst and their family, we have been able to create a beautiful center that brings together all the heart and vascular experts from Beaumont with the latest technology and research to deliver the

best possible patient care and outcomes," stated Dr. Marc Sakwa, chief of cardiovascular surgery at Beaumont, Royal Oak. "This is a dream come true." Max and Debra Ernst of Orchard Lake and their family donated \$3 million to establish the center in memory of Ellen Ernst, Max Ernst's late first wife. The center, located on the first floor of the hospital, includes six examination rooms, three consultation rooms with videoconferencing capabilities for long-distance consultations, and two ultrasound rooms. It features the latest in cardiovascular maging options, including 3-D cardiovascular ultrasound equipment. "We specialize in high-risk, complex

including 3-D carnovascular ultrasound equipment.

"We specialize in high-risk, complex cases and will serve as a referral center for physicians seeking advanced or minimally invasive treatment options for their patients," Sakwa said.

The center's "7 tests for \$70" screening program offers blood pressure, body mass index, blood cholesterol and diabetes evaluation; 12-lead electrocardiogram; stroke screening/carotid artery ultrasound; and peripheral artery disease screening for \$70.

Beaumont's "Healthy Heart Check" student heart screening will be available at the center by appointment. This in-depth heart screening for high school students, especially athletes, includes a medical history, blood pressure check and an electrocardiogram, plus an echocardiogram, if needed. The screening looks for evidence of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, a serious condition that can cause sudden cardiac death in young athletes.

Appointments at the center can be

Appointments at the center can be scheduled by calling (888) 683-7678.

#### MEDICAL DATEROOK

## **OCTOBER**

#### Blood drive

#### Sibling tour

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Scrutinize the job ad for tips on what might be most important to the employer. Ditch the generic résumé in favor of a document tailored to the position at hand, and consider cutting out details that don't contribute to your suitability.

#### 2. Keep Your References Up To Speed

e. Newp Tour References Up To Speed Send a quick e-mail alerting references to the position for which you are applying. "Let then know the specific skills sought after for this job and the strengths you are stressing in your own positioning for this opening so they can support you," says Harvey Mackay, author of "Use Your Head to Get Your Foot in the Door: Job Search Secrets No One Else Will Tell You."

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Julie Rulis, a senior recruiter for Western
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## 4. Be Consistent In Multiple Interviews

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"A foremost reason why companies conduct
multiple interviews is to make sure that
candidates present a credible and consistent
picture of themselves to various members of
the team," Mackay says. While the
interviewers' questions may or may not differ
greatly, be sure that you are accurate in
presenting your history (which should match
your résumé) and that you continue to play or your résumé) and that you continue to play up your relevant strengths throughout the whole

## hiring process. 5. Ask Positive, Intelligent Questions In The

Interview
"Candidates appropriately spend the bulk of
their time preparing to answer questions they
anticipate being asked,"
Mackay says. "Always
be ready to ask two or
three questions yourself
that show you have
studied the company and
that you are thinking
about the top-of-mind
issues that the company is
considering."

#### Translate Your Past Into **Future Success**

Show your capabilities. Weave real examples production whenever possible ("Sales went up

successfully secure employment fully understand the value of their previous contributions and can communicate this from the employer's perspective. They are also able to anticipate and communicate how their proven history of achievement can positively impact a prospective employer." as a lengther

7. Be Specific About The Contribution You Can

You may be dying to know the salary scale or how fast new hires move up. Remember, though, that you need to prove your worth before worrying about these issues. Focus on the position at hand and why you are the candidate best-suited to fill it.

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"Companies want a short-term boost from
almost everyone they hire. Research and probe
in your interview conversations for things the
company needs now to ratchet up its
performance. Show how you are part of the
solution," Mackay says.

#### 8. Be Likable

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Get the interview off to a good start by being on time. Smile at people you pass. "When it's all said and done, people hire people they like," Jewell says. "Try to relax in the interview and show that you are a likable, fun person. Don't be afraid to laugh."

Leave no doubt in the interviewer's mind about your enthusiasm. Jewell recommends ending the meeting by saying, "I would really like to contribute to this company. I am hoping

#### 10. Follow Up

Finally, don't sit around thinking an employer will call if interested. Keep your name in the forefront by taking a few minutes to convey gratitude for the copyen opportunity and excitement for the copyen.

gratitude for the opportunity for the company, "Don't underestimate the power of a thank-you note," Rulis says. "It can really set you note," Rulis says.

# **Patient Accounts Receivable Representative**

The Billing Department for the Wayne State University Physician Group is currently seeking 11 qualified candidates for the Patient Account Receivable Representative position, to join our team in our Detroit Location.

Our ideal candidate will be responsible for: Contacting physicians, patients, or their representative to obtain relevant personal, demographic financial or billing information.

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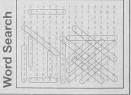
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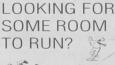
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