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For more information on the study, call MDOT at (313) 375-2400.

#### 'WaterWalk' screening

A special Father's Day screening of the madein-Michigan feature WaterWalk has been scheduled at Canton Cinema in Canton 7

p.m. Sunday, June 17 WaterWalk is based on the true story of Steve and Justin Faulkner's attempt to become the first single canoe team to retrace the dangerous 1,000-mile discovery route of the Mississippi from St. Ignace, Mich., to St. Louis.

For more information and to view the trailer, go to www.waterwalkthemovie.com.

#### Trail cleaning

Join the Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail for a trail work day 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, June 21 The group points out vegetation has grown rapidly along the trail this spring, and therefore they'll be "beating back the brush" on the section just north of Eight Mile.

Volunteers should meet on the trail or in the Meijer parking lot on the southwest corner of Eight Mile and Haggerty. Bring clippers, pruners, loppers, scythes/sickles, rakes and brooms. Volunteers should wear protective eye wear, work gloves, long pants and a longsleeved shirt; poison ivy is always a concern. Water and light snacks will be provided.

For more information, call Dave Duffield at (248) 994-3074.

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# Canton adopts ban on synthetic drugs

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Amid a growing backlash against synthetic drugs such as Spice and K2, Canton's elected leaders have made it a local crime to sell, buy or possess the substances that officials have blamed on horrific crimes.

"I'm very pleased we're taking action," Supervisor Phil LaJoy said Tuesday evening as the Canton Township Board of Trustees enacted a ban, effective June 21,

on synthetic drugs.

The sweeping decision by the seven-member board came as county, state and federal officials ratchet up their efforts to tackle the burgeoning problem by adopting their own measures.

One trustee, Dr. Syed Taj, a physician, said moves to criminalize synthetic drugs should be accompanied by greater efforts to educate young people about the dan-gers of using substances known as Spice, K2 and Bath Salts.

"I think we should have some

way to educate our youth, especially in the schools," Taj said.

#### Step ahead

Trustee Greg Demopoulos, a Canton resident and Northville Township prosecuting attorney, said he has pushed for a local ban on synthetic drugs that have been sold in gas stations and other stores. He said those making the substances have reformulated the ingredients to try to stay one step ahead of laws.

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Director Patrick Nemecek said the township-enacted ordinance gives local police a tool to cite buyers and sellers with a misdemeanor offense punishable by 90 days in jail or \$500 in fines. He said the measure gives law enforcement a tool to confiscate any synthetic drugs they find.

Moreover, Nemecek said the penalties could become tougher depending on the wording of state legislation.

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#### The next step



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Plymouth graduates Navaira Anjum and Jessica Linderman found friends and family in the crowd at Plymouth High School's commencement ceremony Sunday at Eastern Michigan University. For the list of graduates and more photos from the PHS ceremony, please turn to page A11. The page for Canton High School is page A9. Salem High School's page will run Sunday, June 17. You can also find galleries for all three graduations at www.hometownlife.com.

# Canton ushers in Liberty Fest

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Canton employees and residents are expecting a rousing community celebration as Liberty Fest ushers in carnival rides and games, entertainment, a classic car show, an international stage celebrating Canton's diversity, palatepleasing food and numerous other activities.

Jon LaFever, Canton Leisure Services recreation coordinator, said crowds could swell to 50,000 visitors over three days. "The weather is supposed to

be great," he said. Liberty Fest happens 5-10 p.m. today (Thursday), 1-11 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 11

p.m. Saturday. Connie Xenakis, past president of America's Most Wanted Car Club, said scores of

#### FLOW OF TRAFFIC

Driving near Heritage Park becomes more difficult as Canton's 21st Liberty Fest happens today (Thursday) through Saturday, drawing as many as 50,000 people and ending with a crowd-wowing

fireworks display. To ease traffic congestion, Public Safety Director Patrick Nemecek has issued the following temporary traffic orders:

 Starting 11 a.m. Friday, parking is prohibited along Canton Center between Cherry Hill and Palmer.

 On Saturday, Canton Center between Cherry Hill and Palmer closes 10:30-11:30 p.m. for the fireworks show, and Summit Parkway closes 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. from Canton Center to Glengarry

The traffic orders will be lifted after fireworks traffic has cleared.

classic cars from the 1920s to modern head-turners are expected 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday on festival grounds.

"I'd like to see 200 cars," Xenakis said. "Good weather doesn't hurt, either."

The car club is raising money from entry fees, 50/50

drawings and blind auctions for Camp A.B.L.E., a specialneeds children's camp, and the VFW Stand Down Project for disadvantaged war veterans. Jeanie Deraniygala, a Can-

ton resident and businesswom-

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# Custodians march to save jobs

By Brad Kadrich Observer Staff Writer

Christine Siepierski wanted to be at Tuesday's Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meeting, where many of her custodial brothers and sisters were demonstrating in effort to convince board members not to privatize their jobs.

Ironically, Siepierski had to work. So there was her daughter, Melissa, carrying a sign at the corner of Canton Center and Hanford, along with dozens of other union members, staffers and supporters.

"I'm here for my mom," Melissa said. "She couldn't be here, so I'm here for her."

Tuesday's demonstration came amid the board's deliberations on the 2012-13 budget. Part of that consideration is the idea of privatizing custodial jobs. District officials have already received RFPs from private vendors for that service, a move they say - if they make it - could save some \$1 million, mostly in pension and health care costs.

#### Not on us

But a number of supporters spoke up Tuesday, urging the board not to balance its budget on the backs of its

employees. Every single person goes above and beyond the expectations of what they're paid for," said Kathy Ladenberger, who has been at Salem High

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Custodial union members and supporters demonstrated outside Discovery Middle School Tuesday in an effort to convince Board of Education members not to privatize their jobs.

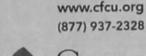


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# Canton forced to cover golf course deficit

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

A deficit in Canton's golf course fund has prompted elected officials to cover the loss by siphoning \$570,362 from the township's general fund.

It's not the first time the golf fund has fallen short, specifically for the Pheasant Run Golf Club, and needed help from a

separate account.

'This is not a surprise," Canton's finance director, Wendy Trumbull, said as the board approved the money transfer Tuesday evening.

However, past transfers had typically been made from the township's public improvement fund, which Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin said draws its source of money from

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the local landfill and the sale of property.

Within the last year, the public improvement took a hit due to an expected property sale that didn't happen. Moreover, the golf course's revenues declined during what proved a rainy 2011 season.

Local officials also have said golf course revenues had fallen flat in recent years as economic troubles prompted more people to trim their golfing expenses.

The end result is the township board has chosen to transfer \$570,362 from the general fund to cover the golf course's debt.

The general fund had a \$5.5 million balance at the end of 2011, though it, too, has been hurt by declining property values and taxes.

Township officials are hopeful the public improvement fund will recover and minimize the risk of further depleting the general fund in coming years.

Moreover, Canton Leisure Services Director Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz said

Tuesday evening that golf course revenues already are 40 percent higher for 2012 than they were this time last year - due to better golfing weather.

Pheasant Run's revenues have typically paid for its operational costs, though the township has had to use other funds to help cover the debt.

Trumbull said the golf course has a two-pronged debt that is set to end in 2016 and 2020. Officials are eagerly awaiting the debt payoff.

"We'll be thrilled," McLaughlin said.

Trumbull said she plans to notify the state of Michigan of the township's method for covering the golf fund shortfall. The state requires such a deficit-elimination plan.

The public improvement fund has been used not only to aid the golf course, but also for projects such as improving Canton roads and building the Summit on the Park recreational facility.



Laurie Conlen (from left) and Linda Hampton of the Canton Public Library with Sandy Jacobs, volunteer specialist at Veteran's Hospital of Ann Arbor with more than 20 boxes and \$330 in gift cards and donations for veterans.

#### Collection drive nets supplies for vets

Boxes of granola bars, bags of Lifesavers, cans of tuna and plastic utensils were piled high at the Canton Public Library as the community responded generously to a Memorial Day supply drive for veterans.

When it was all packaged up, more than 20 boxes and \$330 in gift cards and donations were headed to the Veteran's Hospital of Ann Arbor to be distributed to homeless and needy veterans.

drive was the brainchild of library pages Linda Hampton and Laurie Conlen. In addition to organizing the drive, the duo also constructed displays at the library honoring veterans and featuring memorabilia collected from family and friends.

The Memorial Day

"People really enjoyed the displays and spent a lot of time looking at the items," Hampton said. "We couldn't believe the response to the drive."

Conlen said the community "really came through" for the drive. "We had to find extra

space to store it until the VA Hospital could come," she said.

That extra space was the office of library director Eva Davis, who was happy - though not surprised - by the volume of items collected.

"We know from our Memorial Day drive last year and our annual drive for the Detroit Area Diaper Bank that our community is very generous and the library is happy to help make that connection," Davis said.



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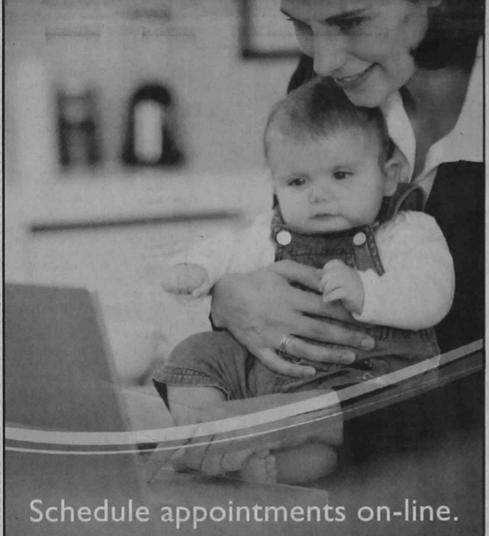




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# Canton could be part of bogus check scam

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Canton hasn't lost any money, but the township administration building's address has been used on fraudulent checks mailed to people in several states, officials said.

"We haven't had any incidents that we know of the actual crime being perpetrated in Canton," Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner said Monday, "but people are alerting us that our address is showing up on bogus checks.'

Township Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin said one recipient contacted Canton after receiving a letter indicating the check was sent as a property

tax refund. 'They don't even own property here," she said.

Officials say it isn't even clear how the perpetrators are potentially benefiting from the scam, unless they are somehow convincing people to send cash for a portion of the amount mailed to them.

"Somebody somewhere is stealing money," McLaugh-lin said. "They didn't do all this work for nothing.'

Local officials warned residents to be on the lookout for any such suspicious mail or checks.

Even though the checks use Canton Township's address, they are drawn on the Massachusetts-based Bank of Canton. An employee there said Monday afternoon she couldn't discuss the incidents.

Local officials have been notified of checks written out for small amounts, though McLaughlin said one was made out for \$3,800. She said the scam should serve as a warning to residents to beware of any suspicious attempts to get money from them.

"It's the old adage, if it seems too good to be true, it probably is," McLaughlin said, advising residents to "be on your guard. Everybody works too hard for their money to have it taken from them.

Local officials have been contacted by check recipients on the East Coast and in the South, though some incidents also could be happening closer to home.

Canton Finance Director Wendy Trumbull said numerous inquiries have been made with the township, with as many as 20 calls coming last

"We had a rush come through last Thursday," Trumbull said. Schreiner said the incidents remain a mystery.

'We don't know exactly who's behind it or what all the facts are behind this," he said.

Local officials could only speculate on ways the perpetrators may be trying to capitalize on the scam.

But, Schreiner said, "It is disturbing to know that our good name and address are being used to perpetrate crime and fraud.'

Such fraud cases are becoming increasingly common as criminals become more sophisticated, he said.

"We are all potential victims if we're not careful," Schreiner said.

Canton Township hasn't lost any money, though Schreiner called it "unnerving" that someone or a group would use the local address in an attempt

to commit their crimes. Some recipients have emailed copies or sent checks here. Others have simply called. McLaughlin said one envelope was received from an Albany,

N.Y., post office. She lauded those who have notified local officials of the

"They're good, honest people who are trying to put two and two together," she said.

Anyone local resident who may receive a bogus check is urged to call Canton Police at (734) 394-5400.

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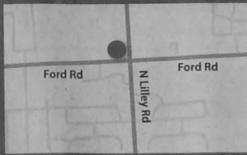
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# PUBLIC SAFETY

#### Pranks abound

1 It's the end of the school year. That means pranks.

Canton police went to Plymouth High School shortly before 1:30 p.m. Monday after receiving reports of a trash can fire in a first-floor boys bathroom of the "C" pod. School security advised the fire was out and there was no need for firefighters

Police arrived and found the damaged plastic trash can had been taken outside. The only thing found inside the can was a container for a hair product.

In another incident, a police report said a water bottle exploded in a cafeteria garbage can prior to school starting June 5 at Canton High School.

The report noted a strong odor of chemicals coming from the can. The report indicated a student admitted responsibility for putting something into the water bottle and causing it to explode.

No injuries were reported in either incident.

#### Sex offender registry

2A 45-year-old man listed on the sex offender registry was taken into custody following a routine traffic stop that occurred shortly before 11:30 p.m. Friday near Haggerty and Van Born roads, a police report said.

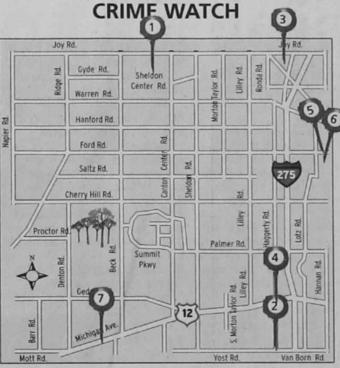
Police learned the man hadn't changed his address as required by law.

The incident started when a police officer who was stopped at a flashing red light on southbound Haggerty noticed that a green Ford Taurus on westbound Van Born slowed, then turned onto Haggerty in front of another vehicle that already was waiting at the intersection, a police report said.

Police stopped the car, ran a background check and learned the driver had misdemeanor warrants out of Inkster for failing to appear in court on allegations he drove with a suspended license, had defective equipment and committed another minor traffic offense.

A police report also said the man had license suspensions.

The suspect was considered a sex offender registry absconder because he had failed to change his address since 2006. A warrant was being sought from



the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

#### **Indecent exposure**

Police investigated reports of an indecent exposure following allegations a man may have exposed himself to a woman after she drove to her residence in Stoneybrooke Apartments, southwest of I-275 and Joy Road, shortly before 7 p.m. June 6.

The woman said she had left a nearby liquor store and noticed a blue Monte Carlo following her. She said the male driver honked his horn, tailgated her and followed her to Stoneybrooke, according to a police report.

The woman got out of her car along with a friend and a dog, and she said the man who had trailed her parked nearby and appeared to be stroking himself. She described him as a white male in his late 40s with dark blond hair and either scars or acne on his face.

A police report indicated the suspect may have been visiting a friend at the apartment complex, though he left the scene.

#### **Warrant arrest**

Police arrested a man wanted on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance after making a traffic stop shortly before 9 p.m. Sunday on east-bound Michigan Avenue near Haggerty.

A police officer ran the license plate of a Ford Windstar and learned that the man was wanted on the warrant. The suspect told police he didn't know about the warrant, but he conceded he had missed a probation appointment.

Canton police took the man into custody and made arrangements to turn him over to Wayne County authorities.

#### **Bike stolen**

5A man contacted Canton police after a bike being ridden by his 15-year-old daughter was stolen when she left it outside while going into Guitar Center, a business on Ford Road east of Lotz, a police report said.

The incident happened shortly before 6:30 p.m. Friday.

The father said his daughter had been riding his 26-inch, 20-speed Schwinn. He said she had gone inside the business for about 15 minutes and learned

the bike had been stolen while she was inside. She didn't have the \$300 bike locked up.

#### **Walmart walkoff**

6 Police investigated a woman accused of selecting merchandise in the Walmart store on Ford Road east of Lotz, putting it in her purse and leaving the store without paying.

The incident happened shortly after 11 p.m. June 6, a police report said.

An employee who was doing store surveillance saw what was happening, approached the suspect as she left the store and took her into custody until police arrived.

Police intended to take the woman into custody, but it was learned she was diabetic and used a catheter. She was taken to a friend's house in Inkster as local authorities requested a warrant from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

#### **Retail fraud**

7A shopper at the Walmart store on Michigan Avenue west of Belleville Road was arrested shortly before 5 p.m. Sunday after an employed reported seeing her select a box of earphones from a shelf and conceal them in her purse.

The woman was stopped after she walked from the store without paying.

Compiled by Staff Writer Darrell Clem from Canton Police Department reports.

# Police arrest area woman for driving on drugs

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Canton police arrested a Westland woman suspected of driving while using drugs and plowing into numerous orange construction barrels along southbound I-275 early Monday morn-

"Thank God she didn't hurt anybody," Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner said

Police stopped the 54-year-old woman and arrested her after she exited the I-275 construction zone onto Ford Road around 8:30 a.m. Monday.

Schreiner said the incident serves as a reminder that motorists should be on guard at all hours because it's not uncommon for drivers who may be abusing prescription drugs to get behind the wheel "at any time during the day."

Police arrested the woman, who was alone, after another motorist contacted authorities after noticing the woman driving erratically along southbound I-275 near Joy Road.

"We got a report from a motorist that she was driving recklessly," Schreiner said. "She had struck several construction barrels on I-275 near Koppernick while she was on the freeway, and thankfully the other motorist called it in, reported it and led us to the (suspect's) car, where officers were able to stop her and take her into custody."

Police arrested the woman on suspi-

cion of operating under the influence of drugs, a misdemeanor charge. Schreiner said alcohol didn't appear to be a factor.

Police said the suspect's car was significantly damaged on the passenger side.

Schreiner said the motorist who reported the incident could have prevented a much more serious incident.

"It's not uncommon for people who are using medications, whether legally or abusing them, to be driving at any time during the day," Schreiner said. "We give a lot of credit to the person who called it in."

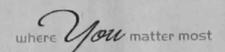
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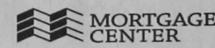






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# W-W to maintain programs in 2012-13

By Sue Mason Observer Staff Writer

Barring a sudden windfall of revenue, the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will use up a substantial portion of its fund equity to maintain programs for the 2012-13 school year.

Jim Larson-Shidler, the deputy superintendent of administrative and business services, told the school board Monday evening that the district will pare down the district's fund equity, its savings account, by \$8.4 million to balance the 2012-13 budget, leaving \$1.8 million in the bank.

"We will maintain the full program of choices available to students in 2011-12," said Larson-Shidler. "We are projecting \$99.8 million in revenue and \$108.2 million expenditures, leaving us with a fund balance of about \$2 million. On the expenditure side, we are looking at ways to be more effi-

cient."

According to Larson-Shidler, the district will start the new budget year on July 1 with \$10.2 million in fund equity, but a cut in per pupil state school aid due to the loss of \$3 million the district received to replace some of the millage disallowed with the start of Proposal A and a \$1.4 million loss due to a 203-student drop in enrollment, the \$8.4 million will be needed to balance the budget.

That puts the fund balance bellow the minimum of 5 percent fund balance established by school board policy. Larson-Shidler expects a review of the current budget could increase it to \$4 million and pending retirement legislation could add another \$2 million, putting the balance within the 5-10 percent requirement.

"Wayne-Westland was one of a few districts in the State of Michigan whose funding was reduced," he said. "Final legislative action reducing our funding by \$3 million was decided within the past week, leaving no time to plan for 2012-13."

Larson-Shidler added that the revenue and expenditures are "dependent on many variables" like the student count and the pending retirement legislation and are "subject to change as more information becomes available." The federal and state budgets have had to deal with extraordinary economic challenges in recent years and that volatility is expected to continue through fiscal 2012-13, he said.

In response to a question from Trustee Frederick Weaver if there are districts with a similar number of students and buildings that receive the \$7,012 per pupil payment, Larson-Shidler said he knew of "some at that base that are our size."

"There's 448 districts at the base and all got an equity increase of \$128 per student," he said

Going forward, the district will incur the cost of step increases, about \$1.1 million, at midyear and is planning on a 27.37 percent retirement contribution although that figure is expected to be reduced with the proposed legislation.

With the new budget, the district will establish a fund for the at-risk money it receives, transferring \$4 million in revenue and a related \$4 million in expenditures out of the general fund.

Wayne-Westland will continue to levy 18 mills on non-homestead property — basically businesses and residential rental units — .9922 mill for its sinking fund and between 4.28 and 4.86 mills in debt millage, generating an estimated \$19.3 million in revenue locally.

School Superintendent Greg Baracy stressed that the administration is doing a number of things to help the district's bottom line, including expanding its shared time services, bring in more students into the William D. Ford Career Technical Center and "aggressively" seeking schools of choice students.

"It's been extremely difficult to generate revenue," he said. "The state has been cutting from us for eight years and with unfunded mandates like the retirement costs, we have paid a dear price."

Trustee Andrea Clawson told the administration she doesn't agree with the ending balance, but voted for it because there is the ability to change the budget and improve the bottom line.

"I see some line items in the budget that could be looked at," she said.

"If there are areas we haven't thought of, please give us that information to us so we can squeeze some more out," said Baracy. "We're working hard to do that."

#### **CUSTODIANS**

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School for 16 of the 21 years she's worked in the district. "It's not a business. It's not designed for private companies to come in and make money off taxpayer dollars. It's designed for public education."

Brodie Killian, the district's executive director for finance, said the move would help patch a budget deficit originally projected to be nearly \$6 million which still stands, as of Tuesday, at \$3.1 million.

District officials said the move, which they stressed is only being considered as negotiations with the custodians continue, could bring as much as a \$2 million swing in the budget.

It could help the district earn another \$52 per pupil in state aid money (nearly \$1 million) if they meet seven-of-eight "best practices" criteria set by Gov. Rick Snyder. The district could also save some \$1 million, mostly in pension and health care

benefit costs.

"We realize it's a painful decision," Killian said.
"But realizing our financial situation, we aren't

left with many options."
Not all of the demonstrators were custodial workers or members of their union. There were plenty of secretaries, some teachers and other staffers on hand to lend support.

We are family

Jolie Valentine, a librarian for seven years at Hoben Elementary School, said she walked the line because custodians are "part of our family, part of our community ... we have to stick together."

"They go above and beyond (what's expected of) their jobs all the time," Valentine said. "I don't want to be in a building where I don't know the custodians, where I don't know the secretary. We're family."



Melissa Siepierski was on hand to support her mother, Christine, a Plymouth-Canton custodian.

Ladenberger said this year's privatization discussion comes a year after the custodians' union gave up \$1 million in concessions preparing for the 2011-12 budget. She pointed out her union has lost some 40 jobs in the last five years.

A request for another \$1 million befuddles Ladenberger.

"We're one of the groups that's always worked well with (the board)," she said. "We've given up \$2 million; last year, we gave up 21 custodians for \$1 million in savings. This year, they're saying if you don't give us \$1 million, we'll privatize. I consider this bullying."

Board members will meet in a budget session Monday. They're expected to pass the 2012-13 budget at their June 26 meeting.



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#### Risko@redcross.org SLAVENS COFFEE

**Date/Time:** Monday, June 18, 5-6 p.m. **Location:** Daydream Cafe, 47192 Michigan Ave., in Canton

**Details:** State Rep. Dian Slavens (D-Canton) invites residents to join her for a cup of coffee and conversation at one of her upcoming coffee hours. Slavens hosts regular coffee hours and town hall meetings throughout Canton Township,

Belleville and Van Buren Township. Residents can sign up for Slavens' e-newsletter and take her brief community survey by visiting her website at www.slavens. housedems.com.

Contact: Call Slavens toll free at (888) 347-8021 or send an email to DianSlavens@ house.mi.gov.

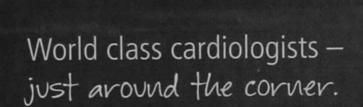
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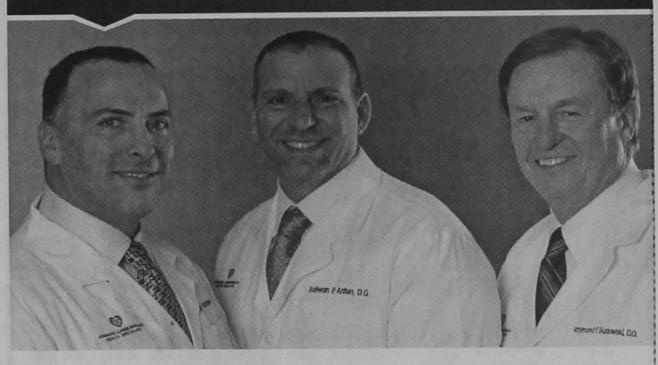
**Location:** Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 Lilley, Canton

Details: Compassionate Care Hospice announces a new grief support group, "Compassionate Words," providing emotional support to any adult grieving the loss of a loved one. The group will focus on the various stages of grief, and incorporate basic journal writing as a way to express feelings. The program is free of charge.

Contact: To register, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice Bereavement Coordinator at (888) 983-9050, or e-mail achristensen@cchnet.net.



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# Cassis hopes voters write her onto ballot, into Congress

By Ken Abramczyk Observer Staff Writer

Nancy Cassis laughs when she is reminded of what she told the Novi News in December 2010 after she had reached the end of her term limits in Lansing as a state lawmaker.

At that time, she said she would never rule out a future in politics, though it appeared she reached the end of her eligibility as a state representative and senator. Now, in an improbable turn of circumstances, she's running for U.S. Congress on a write-in campaign, seeking the Republican nomination in the primary election on Aug. 7

"I could not have dreamed what would have happened," said Cassis, 68.

Cassis' decision to run follows U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's inexplicable signature duplication in nominating petitions, which were turned in on May 15. Only 243 signatures out of 1,833 that were obtained were found to be valid, far short of the 1,000 signatures required.

The Secretary of State's office notified McCotter of the duplications and informed State Attorney General Bill Schuette in a pre-investigation report. McCotter said he requested that Schuette investigate the signature duplication and inconsistencies, an investigation that is continuing.

On May 29, McCotter announced he was going to run as a write-in, but on June 2, McCotter decided to end his writein candidacy and his five terms in Congress, which left Kerry Bentivolio of



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the only Republican candidate on the ballot.

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ty Executive L. Brooks Patterson, one of those Republicans involved in the interviews with Cassis, said he never met Bentivolio, but added that he did not agree with Bentivolio's views outlined on his campaign website.

GOP leaders interviewed Cassis last Thursday, along with four other prominent Republicans. Cassis emerged as the unanimous choice of the group that day to be supported as a write-in candidate.

#### **Back into politics**

For Cassis, the campaign represents a move back into politics, which ended in December 2010, after eight years in the state Senate, six years in the state House of Representatives and nine years on the Novi City Council. She also worked as a school psychologist for the Novi Community Schools district until she was elected to the state House in 1996.

Cassis didn't consider a congressional run until she was approached by leaders within the last several days

"The 11th District was thrown into disarray at a very crucial time," Cassis said. "It became apparent that people started to come forward and the party sought me out at that time.

As a fiscal conservative, Cassis accepted the write-in candidacy to continue to serve the Republican Party. She called

Milford as the unanimous support of GOP leaders "very, very gratifying" for her.

> She knows she has a challenge ahead of her. Not only do voters need to support her, they need to check a box, and write her name in on the ballot. "It's a two-step process, and we'll be educating people to do that," Cassis said. Cassis said she and her campaign will be checking with the Secretary of State's office whether voters can use stickers on the ballot.

Cassis believes her 14 years as a state lawmaker gives her strong name recognition in one-third of the district. The 11th District covers her hometown of Novi, and communities of her former district of Highland, Milford, White Lake, South Lyon and others, extending eastward to Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Troy, and south into the city of Farmington and the western Wayne County communities of Canton Township, Livonia, Northville and Northville Township, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Cassis and her husband have decided to spend up to \$200,000 of their own money on the campaign. "I believe that if you put your own money in it, that you've made that investment, similar to a student going to college," Cassis said. "If that student pays for that tuition, they are more likely to be determined and committed to their goals.

#### 'A whirlwind'

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When asked about money from the Michigan Republican Party or the Republican National Committee, Cassis said the campaign will be looking at fundraising "at all levels." On Monday, she had not yet set up a campaign website.

'The last 72 hours have really been a whirlwind," Cassis said. "The good part of all this is I've been a seasoned campaigner at a grassroots level.'

Cassis said she is up to the challenge of a writein campaign.

'Over the years I've been known as a fiscal hawk, tax cutter and principled conservative,' Cassis said. That experience gives her a platform and a record to send her to Washington.

The election isn't about her, but families, children and grandchildren, and "restoring economic prosperity, ensuring a strong military defense, reducing government intervention in our lives, supporting private enterprise and small business," Cassis said.

Cassis said her experience in education and in Lansing qualifies her to serve. She points to her lead in opposing the Michigan film credits and supporting more transparency in government.

"I've taken a strong stance against these giveaways," Cassis said of the film credits. "I respect our governor (Rick Snyder) for taking a strong stance and limiting these giveaways and funds for Hollywood."

Cassis said she does not know Bentivolio very well. She expects she will run her campaign on her legislative record. "He doesn't have the experience that I do as an elected official," Cassis said. "You have to have the respect and trust from constituents.

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#### SYNTHETIC

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Canton police performed spots checks on nine stores last weekend.

'The good news is, all nine places did not have the product available," he

Nemecek, Plymouth Township Police Chief Thomas Tiderington and Northville Township Public Safety Director John Werth this month issued a joint statement announcing they had notified nearly 100 businesses in their communities that they could face criminal or civil penalties if they sell synthetic drugs.

#### Frontal assault

LaJoy has called the combined efforts "a frontal assault on K2, Bath Salts and those kinds of drugs.'

Canton's new ordinance becomes effective after it is published June 21 in a local newspaper.

LaJoy said he has been impressed with how swiftly local officials, state lawmakers and law enforcement agencies have pulled together to act against the growing menace of synthetic drugs.

"It is amazing how everyone has come together on this issue," he said.

Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin agreed, saying it's imperative to strike back against synthetic drugs because too many young people are treating the problem casually.

Kristin Kolb, the township's attorney, said it appears federal officials are moving to make synthetic drugs a so-called Schedule 1 substance that can bring tougher penalties than misdemeanors. She said many of the manufacturers are in faraway places such as Chi-

Canton's emergency

ordinance states, in part, that it is intended "to prohibit the possession, use and trafficking in synthetic marijuana, synthetic hallucinogens and other products or materials that are in a form that allows for human consumption by inhalation of smoke or vapors, ingestion, injection or application, and that contain chemical substances, compounds or agents that cause or may cause an intoxicant, narcotic, stimulant, depressant and/ or hallucinogenic effect and an imminent threat to the safety of persons that consume such products or materials and/or persons they come in contact with.'

Authorities have said synthetic marijuana allegedly has been used by defendants in cases such as the recent beating death of Farmington Hills resident Bob Cipriano. That incident led to first-degree murder and other charges against Cipriano's son, Tucker Cipriano, and co-defendant Mitchell Young. Two other family members were severely beaten.

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In addition to being able to get chicken dinners at the Kiwanis tent in Heritage Park during Liberty Fest, diners can, for the first time, take advantage of a drive up service at the Canton Public Library.

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an, plans to represent Sri Lanka as the mission for Culture, Arts and Heritage revives its International Festival 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

"I will be having a tent for Sri Lanka to depict history, culture and heritage," she said. "There are tents for India and China (and other coun-

Kava Dobson, Canton Leisure Services event coordinator, said details of a dancing flash mob remain top secret amid plans to surprise festival goers at an undisclosed time and location.

"I would say we have about 150 to 200 (dancers)." Dobson said. "We're excited that there's so much of a turnout.

Janet Ott, Canton Kiwanis Club secretary, said Chicken and the (Fire) Works food sales happen 11 a.m. Saturday until dinners are sold out. Hungry patrons can fill

up on items such as roasted chicken, baked beans and Awrey's double-chocolate frosted brownies by paying \$8 in advance or

"Our main fundraising project is buying dictionaries," Ott said.

The club last bought dictionaries for thirdgraders in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, three charter schools and Canton-based Walker-Winter Elementary of the Wayne-Westland district. Kiwanians, who meet 6 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at Summit on the Park, plan to sell their dinners in Heritage Park and for curbside pickup outside the Canton Public Library.

For more, go to www. libertyfestbbq.com.

For much more on the entire festival, revisit the Liberty Fest guide in last Sunday's edition of the Canton Observer or go online to www.cantonlibertyfest.com.

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#### IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



Great Lakes Trivia engages customers at local bars, restaurants and fundraisers.

# Company makes trivia pay off

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

you feature? Great Lakes: Live trivia shows, private parties, fundraisers, team build-ing events. We give away \$25,000 annually through our trivia league tourna-

Observer: How did you come to open your business? Great Lakes: A bunch of us played trivia at some local bars and felt we

could do better.. Observer: Why did you choose Plymouth?

Great Lakes: Most of the management and the owners live locally in or near Plymouth.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Great Lakes: The promotions and advertising we do for our partner venues is unrivaled.

#### **GREAT LAKES TRIVIA**

Business name and address: Great Lakes Trivia, 139

W. Liberty, Plymouth

Your name: Keith Swayze, sales/marketing manager Your hometown: Commerce Township

Business opened: March 2009

Number of employees: 50-plus

Your business specialty: We provide fun, engaging, live trivia shows for bars/restaurants in metro Detroit area, Toledo and Cleveland.

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Amount of cash we give away through our league tournaments is some \$25,000 annually.

Observer: How has it changed since you opened?

Great Lakes: We have expanded from the Detroit metro area to include Toledo and Cleve-

Observer: How has the recent economy affected your

Great Lakes: We started

in 2009 and have seen our business nearly triple in size. Everyone seems to have some extra spending money for drinks and food at their local watering hole. Plus, our game is free to play.

Observer: What's in store for the future of your business?

Great Lakes: We are planning to open a Chicago market later this sum-

### Galaxy tablet performs well for price ri on your

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By Jon Gunnells **Guest Columnist** 

he Samsung Galaxy 7.7 tablet is an impressive piece of machinery that is an Apple logo away from being the next big product. But because it is a Samsung product, it's likely a product you haven't heard of.

The Galaxy tab is a slim, seven-inch touchscreen tablet that operates on the Android Ice Cream Sandwich platform and retails for \$249. And at that price point, it's the best performing tablet this tech guy has

With solid navigation and built-in app features, executing simple tasks like performing a Google search or surfing You-Tube is easy for either

MAC or PC users. It also has a screen that rivals that of the iPad. With this tablet, Samsung utilizes what they call, Super Amoled (activematrix organic lightemitting diode) technology on a screen with a 1200 x 800 resolution that has 197 pixels per inch. All of that technology speak may sound confusing, but I can summarize for you: the screen is awesome and will be great for watching movies or viewing pictures.

While the screen is similar to the iPad, the navigation is not. Unlike the iPad, the Galaxy tab offers a default search bar on the home screen so there's no need to download or keep a useless web browser like Safa-



Tech Savvy

the bot-Jon Gunnells

tom right hand corner of the device much like a PC

One of the best features is the camera. It has both rear and front facing lenses so you can take pictures, use your tablet for Skyping or just hold it up and pretend it's the most expensive seveninch mirror ever.

In terms of apps, the tablet comes pre-loaded with the stuff you will use the most like social networking tools, weather and more. One downside to the weather app though, is like Apple products, it does not offer hour-by-hour forecasts. The app offers a link to a site where users can get more information but the site is not optimized for tablet usage. The end result is a clunky page that will turn you off in seconds.

But unless you are buying a tablet for weather information, don't let my assessment of the device deter you. The other important features functioned appropriately as pages loaded fast. I used the device courtesy of Verizon and it had a 4G connection as well as my wifi connection. Depending on your wireless connection or wifi, page load speeds may vary.

The Galaxy tab has 8GB of storage, HD video capabilities, photo and video editing softboards and more. It supports a multitude of video and audio formats and has a 1.4GHZ dual-core processor which is better than my last laptop. Samsung estimates the builtin battery offers up to 50 hours of music play or 10 hours of video play. For more information visit Samsung.com or check out your nearest Verizon Wireless.

#### **Tech notebook**

· This column often discusses a way to save on your cell phone bill but none of them involve buying an unlimited iPhone plan until now. Cricket Communications recently announced an all inclusive data, text and voice plan for the iPhone for \$55 per month. There is a catch: the phone will cost \$499 for a 16GB 4S and more for models with more storage. But if you keep phones for a long time, the \$50 plus per month you could save will outweigh the up front cost.

· You can avoid murky water this summer just by downloading a new guide called the Swim App. The app allows users to browse a directory of the cleanest and dirtiest beaches. Check it out in your appstore.

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#### CANTON CHAMBER CHAT

#### **Grub Crawl**

The Canton Chamber of Commerce, Charter Township of Canton and the Downtown Development Authority will be co-hosting Canton's 11th Annual Grub Crawl Tuesday, July 17, from 6-10 p.m. This event is open to the public and participants must be 21 years of age

The Grub Crawl is an opportunity for area restaurants to showcase their cuisine as well as promote Canton's diversity while having fun. In past years sponsors have had participation from about 14 restaurants in the community.

"The Grub Crawl is an exciting and fun event for the Canton community and businesses", said Thomas Paden, President of the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

According to Paden, last year almost 500 people attended this event. Tickets (T-shirt) are \$35 each and include transportation to and from participating restaurants. T-shirts are on sale now and can be purchased at the Chamber office. T-shirt sizes are on a first come first serve basis so reserve yours early.

Sponsorships are also available and going fast! If you are interested in participating in the Grub Crawl, go to our website at www.cantonchamber.com click on forms/flyers to print a ticket order form and drop it by the Chamber office at 45525 Hanford Road. You can also call the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

Major sponsors for this event are Atchinson Ford Sales, Inc., Central City Dance, Conrad Insurance Agency, Jack Demmer Ford, Inc., Jade Child Development Center, Sunrise Family Dental Care, Republic Services, Schoolcraft College and TDS Metrocom.



#### Home, new home

A ribbon-cutting was held Tuesday, June 5, by China Garden to celebrate their grand opening. China Garden is located at 1663 Canton Center Road in Canton. Canton Chamber of Commerce members, Canton Township employees, Canton residents and China Garden staff were all among the attendees.

#### **Business workshop**

The Canton Chamber of Commerce hosts its business education workshop, "Effective Websites (Mobile Sites)," presented by Advantage Marketing Solutions, 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 19, at the chamber office, 45525 Hanford in

There is no charge for members and first-time guests. Call the chamber office at (734) 453-4040 or email admin@ cantonchamber.com to reserve a spot.

#### Ribbon cuttings

· Re/Max Classic-Bart Patterson, 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, at 42078 Ford Road in Canton.

• Let's Party Supplies, LLC, 4 p.m. Thursday, June 21, 6529 N. Canton Center in Canton.

Let's Party Supplies' will continue its grand opening celebration through Sun-

### Clearly You marks 10th with open house

Clearly You Professional Skin Care Center celebrates its 10-year anniversary June 27, and has declared the month "Customer Appreciation Month."

During June, any customer who stops in and purchases any in-stock product will receive 10percent off and their name will be entered into a weekly prize drawing. In addition, as part of the weekly drawing, the client who has been coming to Clearly You the longest will receive a special valuable product package especially for them.

Then, on June 27, from 6-9 p.m., there will be a special open house open to everybody complete with refreshments, deep discounts popular products and a trade fair with special retail business guests offering some of Summer 2012's hottest

The Clearly You Professional Skin Care Center (www.clearlyyouonline.com) provides noninvasive skin care treatments for patients who want to look their best and portray a positive selfimage. Regardless of clients' age or skin condition, their focus is to take a medical approach to correcting common skin care ailments such as acne and rosacea symptoms, brown spots and wrinkles.



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#### **OUR VIEWS**



# **Old Glory**

# This Flag Day, show you're proud to be an American

At the end of the Vietnam War, the United States was in a funk. Our psyche was bruised and battered by the politics of war and the antiwar protests. Waving a flag was the last thing on our minds. But in the 1980s, a miracle happened at Lake Placid, N.Y. The U.S. Olympic hockey team beat the Soviets. We had something to be proud of and we waved the American flag with gusto.

It was the turning point we needed to reinvigorate our patriotism. We rallied around the flag as we sent our troops off to fight in the Persian Gulf War in the 1990s. And in the aftermath of 9/11, we couldn't get enough of the red, white and blue. Everywhere you looked there were flags, flown to show that even in the face of a great tragedy, we stood united.

of a great tragedy, we stood united.
On June 14, 1777, the Continental
Congress decided our flag would have 13
red and white stripes and 13 stars on a
field of blue. Two hundred and thirty-five
years later, that flag represents 50 states
joined together in the belief that we are
"one nation, under God, indivisible, with
liberty and justice for all."

Today is Flag Day, a day to fly the flag and reaffirm our belief in liberty and justice and to observe our nation's unity. Today is the day to look at our flag and see what it embodies - truth, freedom, honor and justice.

It represents the United States of America, it represents us.

Today is Flag Day, but let everyday be such. Display the flag proudly and show your dedication and commitment to our country. Stand up and be proud to say, "I am an American."

# Celebrating dear old dad and all he does

On Sunday, we will be celebrating Father's Day and all that fathers do — both for individual families and society as a whole. And dads sure do a lot. When many of us think of dear old dad, we associate him with teaching us how to throw a ball, catch a fish, drive a car, write our first check, and a thousand other little (and big) things that have stuck with us for a lifetime. Fathers are one-half of an important foundation from which most people learn how to become productive members of society.

If you want to realize how truly important dads are, simply take a look at the households where there is no father, which is not hard to do, because in today's America there are way too many families where the father is missing.

In fact, the number of children growing up in this country with no father present is roughly 19 million. And the statistics associated with such a scenario are alarming. For example, some studies indicate nearly 40 percent of those children are living in poverty. They are also at a dramatically greater risk of drug and alcohol abuse. Sexual activity and teen pregnancy are also more likely among children with no father around. And fatherless children are twice as likely to drop out of school, and have a far higher probability of getting in trouble with the law.

Men who abandon their families have become a serious problem for our nation. At the same time, we also realize there are many families out there missing a father and it isn't by choice. Perhaps an accident or illness took the father from them. In some cases, another strong male figure has stepped in to provide a good example and love like a father can. Those men should also be celebrated Sunday.

We know Father's Day is perceived by many as one of those greeting card holidays. Whether or not you buy a card or the proverbial tie for your dad isn't really important. Celebrating him and all the fathers out there for everything they do is — not only on Father's Day, but every day of the year.

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#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

# Do you plan to attend Liberty Fest? What is your favorite part of the festival?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"Yes, I'd say I like the music best." Janelle Franckowiak

Canton



"It's been years since I've been, but I like the fireworks."

Brian Kutnick Canton



"Yes, it's going to be the first time. I think it's a nice summer attraction."

Sachi Nakatsui
Canton



"Yes. Probably enjoy walking around looking at all the activities they have for kids, but we really like putting the blanket down and watching the fireworks."

Tammie Diton

#### LETTERS

#### **Being inspired**

... The New 88.1, the student radio station at PCEP, hosts a show called Community. Plymouth resident Debra Madonna is the host of the show. Debra brings in very interesting people as guests but this recent guest was one of the best.

She introduced us to Kyle Slavin. Kyle is graduating from Starkweather Alternative High School and he won the Damaris Starkweather Scholarship for his art. His enthusiasm and passion for his artwork was contagious. I was especially impressed because he took time to praise the many teachers he had.

There are many misperceptions of the students at Starkweather. I have to say that every student I've ever met at Starkweather has been inspiring.

I'm also inspired by the excellent teachers I work with at PCEP. So many people want to peddle in misrepresentations of the teaching profession. But the teachers I work with every day are committed to their students, passionate about teaching and worth every penny they make. As are the secretaries, custodians and other support staff members that make education possible.

Thanks to the Schulte family for starting the Damaris Scholarship and to the Plymouth Community Arts Council for supporting it. Thanks to all of the great teachers at Starkweather for inspiring students like Kyle. And thanks to Kyle Slavin for making my day a little bit better.

#### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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I want to wish the staff, administration and students of Starkweather the best as they move to their new

building

Safety first

Bill Keith

#### WSDP station manager

I have two children who attend the Sunday morning swim lessons. On May 13, there was an adult in his swimming gear that got into the pool where the children were practicing. I observed this man sitting on the side of the pool, then got in the water on the side opposite of where the lanes were. He was dearly in the water where the children were practicing going back and forth.

I went over and asked who the supervisor was on duty. A young man stated he was and I asked why this older gentleman was in the pool with the kids. The supervisor stated to me that it was "open swim" and "What do you want me to do?" and "He's here all the time."

These answers are all alarms. There should be no other adults in the

pool area with children that are not parents of the children. In this day and age I cannot believe open swim is allowed with small children in the pool. I was quite offended that this went unnoticed by the staff and that nothing was done. More importantly is that it was noticed and nothing was done about it.

Maybe the supervisor does not think the way a parent thinks, because they have no children. I think that this may be an opportunity to coach and counsel as a learning lesson. After my talk with the supervisor, I came back to my seat in the pool area and three other parents asked if I went to say something about the "man" that was in the pool. I stated yes, so I was not the only person who observed this strange/odd behavior.

Can someone please let me know that this is not a continued practice that strangers are allowed to be in the same pool with minor children? My first reaction is that this person is someone that should not be around kids. If I were at a park in Canton and saw an older person like this watching children, I would call the authorities to have them investigate.

I would say the same for a situation like this in a swim lesson that should be closed to the public.

> Michael Henry Canton

(Editor's Note: Leisure Services Director Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz said the township is aware of Henry's concern and stressed that safety of patrons is of paramount importance, and that all measures to protect patrons, particularly children, are taken.)

#### STAFF COLUMN

# Looks are deceiving for Plymouth Relay

any things weighed heavily on my mind as I left Plymouth's Relay for Life event Saturday at West Middle School, but one thing was foremost:

Next year, we've got to make this



Brad Kadrich

better.
For four years, the Littles have labored over the Plymouth Relay, working hard to build an event to rival the larger, more populous event held a few weeks earlier south of here,

in Canton. And there they were again Saturday, in 90-degree weather, with committee member Cindy Ash and American Cancer Society liaison Rachel Leas and others, fighting to raise as much money as possible for cancer research.

They did pretty well, too, for what is — compared to other relays — a fledgling event. The first couple of years it was at Central Middle School, the last two years at West Middle School, hoping to take advantage of a site closer to popular roads.

Leas said the event, which drew 10 teams, is likely to raise some \$36,000, though final figures aren't yet available. That's certainly laudable, though it's far short of the \$79,000 goal they'd established for the event. And that's after the

Plymouth committee lost several people to out-of-state jobs and had a harder-than-usual time finding sponsors, though the tried-and-true supporters like Johnson Controls were surely there.

Nobody connected with the Plymouth event cares to be compared to the Canton event, a huge undertaking where booths and tents line the picturesque shores of the man-made ponds in Heritage Park. That event has hundreds of walkers and dozens of teams and raises a quarter-million dollars every year. And the Plymouth folks couldn't be happier for that success.

It's just that they want to be thought of on their own merits, on their own successes and their own efforts. And they deserve to be. The differences are stark, but most of that is the fault of no one. After all, Plymouth doesn't have a picturesque park to have its walk.

picturesque park to have its walk. Township noise ordinances prohibit noise at Plymouth Township Park after 10 p.m., and the Relay for Life is a 24-hour event that features music and activities throughout the night. Kellogg Park would be a cool place to have it, but the presence of that kind of event right in the middle of downtown likely wouldn't work all that well.

Though some of the differences are obvious, they pale in comparison to the key similarity: The pas-

Talk to Colleen Markey of Canton — whose mother died of lung cancer and whose dad had non-Hodgkin's lymphoma when he was killed in a car accident, and whose sister is a breast cancer survivor — and you know the dedication is

Talk to 14-year-old Ashlee
Mahoney of Livonia, who lost a
great-grandmother and two grandmothers to cancer, and you know
the passion is the same.

And if you talk to Leas and the Littles, you know this: The determination to succeed remains undaunted. Leas, despite the lowered numbers and the unreached expectations, yows to build an event that rivals the bigger Canton Relay.

If you talk to the Littles, they've already shrugged off the low turnout and started focusing on next year's event. It may move back to Central Middle School, or they may find another venue, but that's the point: It will happen.

When I got there Saturday and saw maybe 10 people walking the track I had the same reaction someone sitting at one of the tables had: This is sad.

Then it really hit me: The perseverance to continue in the face of that kind of adversity isn't sad at all.

It's the best reason of all to help make it work.

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# School's out for Canton High School grads

The Class of 2012 at Canton High School may have been channeling Alice Cooper during commencement exercises Sunday at Eastern Michi-

gan University. Class members surely singing "School's out!" included: Summar S. Abdelnour Hayley Elizabeth Ackerman Kyle T. Adams Robert L. Alaniva Carissa Ann Alcala DeQuan Ramon Alexander-Douglas Kaitlyn Paige Allard Alexandria Marie Alonzo Noor K. Ameiche Mutahir Siddiqui Anas Eli E. Ansara Maaz Mateen Ansari **Nour Arafat** Kimberlin LeAnn Ash Claire Elisabeth Babala Melanie Ann Baker Taylor Thomas Baker Julia Bao Alexandra N. Barman Mitchell Evan Barman Nicholas James Barton Ryan A. Baugh Paul J. Baumgart Ryan Joseph Bazner Julia Maria Beard Austin Robert Beaudoin Samuel Michael Bednarz Justin Edward Bekker Marina Alexa Belfiore Caitlin Noelle Bellamy Michele Jean Bellovary Katherine Anne Benner Cheyenne Chase Bennett Kayla Dee Berendt Nathan Mark Bergeson Bryan M. Berinti Kalyn Marie Berinti Gihan Y. Beydoun Maanas P. Bhatt Krunal K. Bhavsar Vaughn W. Birchler Jennifer Lynn Bird **Daniel Bruce Bis** Erind Bisha Daniel Mayer Blanchard Sarah D. Blue David Lewis Blythe Michael Connor Boes

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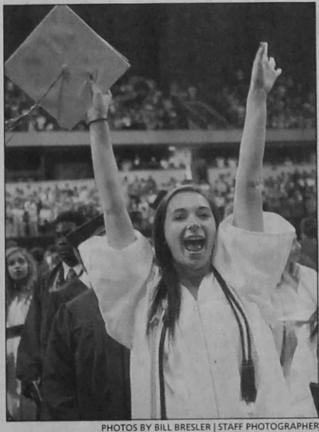
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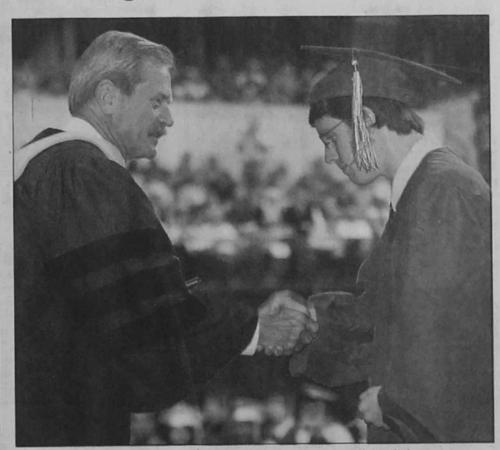
Connor William Furgason

Amanda Admoon Galyana

Michael D. Fini



Lindsay Conrad is a happy Canton graduate.



School board President Dr. John Barrett presents Alan League with his diploma.



Mitchell Pepper makes sure he won't lose his name card.

**Emily Katherine Gibson** 

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Harman Singh Gill Jordan M. Gilliam

Angela Gjolaj

Jacob M. Glover

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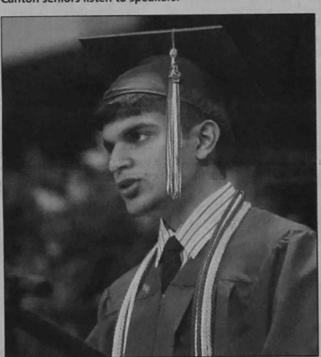
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Graduated seniors find their friends and families as they begin the recessional, their final steps of high school life.

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By Karen Smith Observer Staff Writer

Mark Garofoli of Livonia thinks a proposed new law that would let families file a court petition to force their loved one into substance abuse treatment is way over-

Had it been on the books in Michigan a year ago, it may have saved his son's life.

"I think it's something every state should have," he said, adding House Bill 5689 mirrors a law in Florida.

Garofoli's son, Mark, committed suicide at age 22, slashing his wrists in the family garage. Addicted to heroin, he could no longer think rationally and had walked out of a rehab facility in Memphis, Mich., just two weeks prior.

Because he was over age 18, there was nothing his parents could do to force him to stay.

"For us as a family it was unacceptable that we couldn't get our son the help he needed," Garofoli said. "Under the current law, our hands were tied because he was an adult."

Garofoli told his story last summer to state Rep. John Walsh, speaker pro tem of the Michigan House, over coffee at Panera Bread.

#### A moving meeting

"It was one of the most moving meetings I've had since I've been in office." Walsh said in an interview last week.

On May 24, one year to the day Mark died, Walsh introduced House



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Mark and Carol Garofoli hold a portrait of their son Mark. They said their son's story could be any child's story.

Bill 5689, legislation he authored allowing families and others to file a petition for involuntary substance abuse treatment for individuals regardless of age.

The longest a person could be held for is 72 hours, long enough to break the cycle, get the drugs out of the person's system and initiate treatment, said Brett A. Visner, Walsh's legislative director.

Under the proposed law, a petition for involuntary drug treatment may be filed by a spouse or guardian, any relative, a private practitioner, the director of a licensed service provider or the director's designee, or any three adults who have personal knowledge of the individual's substance

The bill is currently in the House Judiciary Committee, which Walsh chairs, and he expects to begin holding hearings on

#### INVOLUNTARY DRUG TREATMENT BILL

A petition for involuntary drug treatment may be filed by a spouse or guardian, any relative, a private practitioner, the director of a licensed service provider or the director's designee, or any three adults who have personal knowledge of the individual's substance abuse. The longest one can be held is 72 hours.

Criteria for involuntary admission:

The individual has lost the power of self-control with

respect to substance use · and either of the following:

A. The individual has inflicted, or threatened or attempted to inflict, or unless admitted is likely to inflict, physical harm on himself or herself or another

B. The individual is in need of substance abuse services and, by reason of substance abuse impairment, his or her judgment has been so impaired that the person is incapable of appreciating his or her need for such services and of making a rational decision in regard thereto; however, mere refusal to receive such services does not constitute evidence of lack of judgment with respect to his or her need for such services.

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Walsh said he thinks the bill has a high chance of becoming law, but it will take time to educate other lawmakers about it.

#### Online petition

"We're depriving somebody of their liberty," Walsh said. "We have our job cut out for us; we have to make sure people are comfortable with it."

Walsh said he worked for nearly a year on the legislation, consulting with probate court judges, family attorneys, the Michigan Department of Community Health and others. He said 38 states have some form of involuntary treatment law. Walsh patterned his bill after the Marchman Act in Florida.

Walsh called the proposed law "very thoughtful and necessary.

"It's remarkable how many people have a brother, a sister, a niece, a father, a friend that they know about that they wish they could just help."

Garofoli is trying to get the word out about the proposed law and drum up support for it. He has an online petition he is trying to get signed by as many Michigan residents as possible saying they support the measure (www.change.org/petitions/in-memory-ofmark-garofoli). His initial goal is 3,000 signatures. During the first week, he received 300. He's hoping people help out by mentioning it on their Facebook pages.

'Everyone knows someone that this affects," he said. "We've got to do something.'

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# Northville ponders Scott purchase

By Lonnie Huhman

Northville Township could purchase the former Scott Correctional Facility from the state of Michigan for \$1 - but there are pros and cons to own-

The township would obviously have a say in how the location at Five Mile and Beck roads could be developed. However, it would also have another demolition project, which would involve the expense of tearing down a sizable barbedwire enclosed prison.

Like the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital Seven Mile property, it will be costly. But the benefits could be big if the area is converted into a gateway into the community.

After a closed session meeting on June 5, Trustee Mindy Herrmann made a motion to move forward, which the board unanimously approved. It authorizes the township attorney and Supervisor Mark Abbo to enter into negotiations for a purchase agreement, to be approved by the Board of Trustees, for the purchase of the former Scott prison property in the amount of \$1.

Abbo said the motion was passed in order to give the board time to perform some due diligence and better research the property's value and potential.

According to Abbo, the state passed legislation pertaining to the property that states the local government (Northville Township or Wayne County) has 60 days to enter into a purchase agreement and 120 days to close it. This countdown started on May 23 when the state officially presented the offer to the township.

"Many, many uncertainties associated," said Abbo. "Whether this would be a good transaction for the township or not, we don't have the answer for that yet."

Demolition costs and cleanup are the major concerns.

The board believes the location is a prime spot and cited the proximity it has to the freeway and neighboring cities as reasons of its attractiveness to businesses and companies. It could also add to the push along that corridor for technology firms.

Abbo said the evaluation process will also include thinking about what the township wants to do with the remainder of its properties west of Beck Road, which includes the former Detroit House of Corrections property of 150 acres and 30 acres at the corner of Ridge and Five Mile roads.

The township has maintained that the 35acre property should be used in a way that would benefit the surrounding community with commercial, retail or residential development and no longer be used as a prison.



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# Plymouth High Class of '12 flips its tassels

CLASS OF 2012

The Plymouth High School Class of 2012 bade

farewell to high school in a commencement ceremony Sunday at Eastern Michigan University. Members of the class are: Hassan Houssam Abdallah Roy Davonn Abernathy, Jr. Faris Deniro Abraham Anuraag Sai Aekka Stacey Jenae Agar Rizwan Ahmed Ahmed Abdul-ezaz Allie Michael Vincent Ambrose Brandon Anthony Ammons Eleanor Marie Anderson Kelsey Grace Anderson Navaira Anjum Gina Maria Annarino Lianna Danielle Arbitter Samantha Marie Arsenault Mariam Fatima Asadullah Alicia A. Ashton William Andrew Askew II Philip Frazier Atkins Shaun Ryan Austin Mohamed Hussein Ayache Nicholas Edward Ayoub Naureen Roshan Ayub Ni'Chelle Brianna Baker Porsha Jeanette Banks Jessie Bernard Barnes III Melanie Kate Barno Katherine Evelyn Bartek Kendra Caitlyn Bartkowiak Dalyla Camille Bates Nicholas Raymond Batt Amber Joanne Beattie Lauren Olivia Beauregard Raleigh Edward Belanger Baru Kenyatta Belin II Michael John Bell **Everett Lee Benedict** Madison Lynn Bennett Caitlin Roc Berdijo Clarissa Marie Berg Jessie Nicole Bergquist Victoria Marjorie Berlanga Andrew Ronald Berner Burhan Magsood Bhatti Hufsah Shamila Bhatti Chirag M. Bhushan Jacob James Billings Erica Corin Bingham Kenzo Stephen Bird Rachel Rose Bissonnette Jonathan Paul Blomberg Valerie Elizabeth Bolterman Edward Miles Borninski Malcolm X Le'Roi Bostic Adam Tarek Boudjemai Kathryn Nicole Bowen Matthew Theodore Bracey Emilie Anne Bracken Tajé Larenz Brannon Megan Elizabeth Brewer Evan Robert Brezovsky Robert John Brigham III Ryan Patrick Bristle Nathan Frederick Brocci Nicole Lynn Brodzik Aaron Matthew Brown ljeé Ikia Brown Christopher W. Bryden Emma Catherine Buchele Matthew James Bugajski **Emily Joy Bullock** Amelia Anne Burdette Jordyn Julia Burdick Rachel Nicole Burnard Alyssa Danielle Burris Mishaal Abjd Butt Evan Michael Caccavelli Nicholas Michael Cadeau Nicholas Ramon Calderon-Werntz Caitlin M. Caragay Bridget Anne Carroll Hayley Morgan Cason W. Maxwell Cassity-Guilliom Stewart Edmund Caswell Sarah Rose Chapman Steven W. Cheung Priyadharshini Chidambaram Lauren E. Chipman Jeremy Robert Cigile Brandon Joseph Congdon Kellie Noel Connelly Alyssa Rochelle Conrad Kendall Elizabeth Cook Aaron Michael Cunningham Owen Ross Cunningham Carly Christine Curvin Zachary Amadeo D'Agostino Lawren Kathryn Dame Daniel Joseph Danes Jorrie Ann Davis John Domenick Deal Lindsay Victoria Dean Matthew Stephen DeClaire Evan Connor DeFoe Tia Renee DeNoyer Craig James DeWachter Avalon Alexis Dewaele Alexander William deWeever Sarah Elizabeth Dillon Ryan Austin DiRezze Mary Elizabeth Dombkowski Chawna Sharise Dorsey Christina Renee Dreyer Nicholas Joseph Durak Avinash H. Dutt Jalen Aaron Eason Austin Robert Ebeling Daniel Steven Edgerton Brian Duncan Eggenberger Nicholas Michael Eiben Christopher James Elliott Atalaya Dione Ellison Emily Kathryn Engle Caitrin Hope Engstrom Reagan Faith Engstrom Sara Marie Enna Susannah Jean Estoker Alexandra Nicole Ethier John Russell Etienne Aaron Donald Evans Hayley Elise Ewing Thomas Michael Fafalios Kenneth Nicholas Fanelli Alanna Katherine Farrugia Alexandria Marie Felts Megan Blake Fenner Jeremy Dylan Fisher Justin Hale Fitchett Phillip Michael Flesch Eshon S. Flowers Jacob Bradley Fountain Jake Robert Fowler **Donte Marcus Fox** 

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Caitrin Engstrom and Brittany Guajardo had a big hug for each other at Sunday's graduation ceremony.



Robert Lowe accepts his diploma from board Treasurer Barry Simescu.



Caleb Kellark and Roy Abernathy Jr., before the processional.



Senior class president Rachael Hille speaks to her classmates.

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Elyse Gryniewicz flips her tassel to signify that she is now a graduate of Plymouth High School.

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Ashley Nicole Melnick

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The tradition of tossing caps at the end of the ceremony.

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and varsity players."

# Upbeat coach connects with kids

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

As a pastor and counselor at Berean Baptist Church in Livonia, Jerry Dorman basks in the spirit and spreads the good word to others.

"I've learned a lot of lessons over the years about how to talk to people, especially with the counseling profession, dealing with people that way," Dorman said. "Ministry is all about knowing how to talk to people.'

To anybody watching him coach the 12-Under Mets Little League team of the Greater Canton Youth Baseball Softball Association, it's evident he doesn't need pews and stained glass to do that.

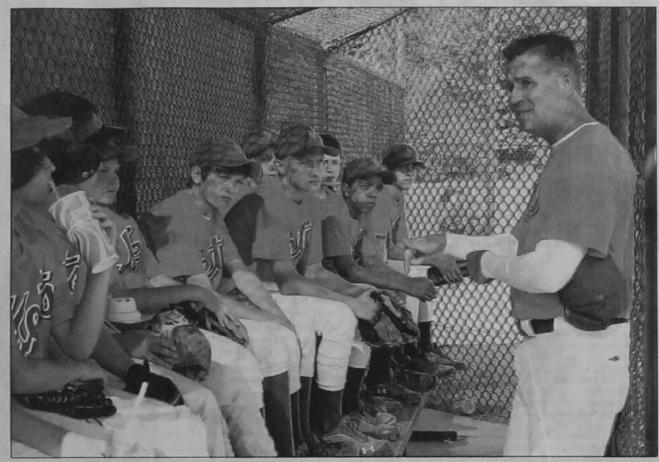
From the minutes leading up to the first pitch all the way to handshakes with opposing players, the Canton resident is dialed in and doling out instruction in such a way that even parents can't help but smile.

· "Remember that," Dorman said, helping one of the players work on his swing. Then with a pat on top of the helmet, he added "you're awesome.'

 Another Met fouls off a pitch, but the coach responds with a friendly, "C'mon buddy!" The boy smiles and immediately has the look of confidence.

· "Angry eyes, angry eyes," said the coach to another batter, reminding him of the need to maintain sharp focus at the

· Even when something goes awry, Dorman keeps



PHOTOS BY JOHN KEMSKI I EXPRESS PHOTO

Coach Jerry Dorman (right) talks to his Mets U12 Little League baseball team prior to a recent contest at Plymouth Township Park. Dorman is an expert communicator and motivator who also keeps things fun for the boys.

the mood on the upswing with "No problem."

His way with words and people are undeniable.

"If they don't do something exactly the way he wanted, he finds something positive to tell them," said Holly Byars, one of the parents enthralled with Dorman's positive impact. "It's just the confidence level. It's amazing what he's done for these kids as a team."

According to another Mets parent, Krisan Arbanas, the coach clicks with the kids because there are "no negative comments. Even if there's something they did wrong, he finds something on the bright side for them to focus on, to improve."

Doesn't want credit Of course, Dorman

wants none of the praise coming his way from Mets parents - who credit him for how their

kids have learned to win under his wing since taking the team over in 2011.

Following the Mets' 15-2 win over the Indians last week at Plymouth Township Park Field No. 3, their record improved to 10-0. But one gets the feeling the atmosphere around Dorman and his squad wouldn't be much different if it had a losing

"I can't separate who I am from what I do, no matter what it is, no matter what I'm doing," Dorman said. "I have to think of it in terms of what does it mean to live in light of what Christ has done for me.

"What does the gos-

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Teammates welcome Nicholas Arbanas (center) after he hit a three-run homer over the fence in left during the first inning.

es that believed in me

#### Irish's Yanik makes NCAAs

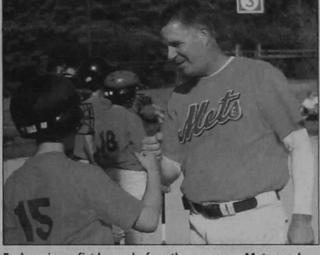
Notre Dame University sophomore Megan Yanik (Livonia Ladywood) competed in two events during last week's 2012 NCAA Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships hosted by Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

Yanik, a native of Plymouth, was 20th overall in the 400-meter hurdles (June 6) with a time of 59.75.

She was also a member of the Fighting Irish's 4 x 400 relay team which finished 19th (June 8) with a clocking of 3:37.97.

For former MHSAA Division 2 state champion in both the 100 and 300 hurdles (2010), Yanik took 11th in the NCAA East Prelims after placing fourth Big East Championships in the 400 hurdles

She also helped the Irish to a third in the Big East Championships in the 4 x 400 relay.



Exchanging a fist bump before the game are Mets coach Jerry Dorman and player Jacob Kalinowski (No. 15). In the background is Kevin Swope (No. 18).

# Work pays off for Houston, Troher

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

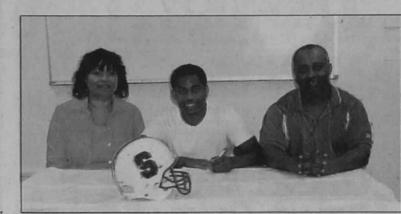
Wearing the blue and white for the Salem Rocks, the backfield of Marcus Houston and Nick Troher wreaked havoc on many KLAA defenses last fall.

That tandem is having another kind of success, as Houston and Troher recently signed national letters of intent to play college football. Houston will play at William Penn University in Iowa while Troher is set to compete at Albion College.

Being able to sign to play college football is a great accomplishment,' Houston added. "I credit the Salem coaching staff for training me for the next level.

"My success at William Penn will encourage football players to join the Salem Rocks football

With an almost identical reaction to signing at Albion, Troher emphasized that he is 'very excited to play college football. It's been a dream of mine since I started playing in sixth grade.



Houston (center) is flanked by proud parents Irene and Anthony Houston following the 2012 graduate's recent signing to play football at William Penn University.

Recently

with Albion

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College to

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(right), shown with

**Nick Troher** 

(from left)

Troher and

Rocks varsity football

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Britnell.

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and set high expecta-Troher also gave a big assist to Salem's coachtions that motivated me every day," Troher noted. es for his college oppor-"My running back coach "I had a lot of coachjunior year, Mike Kerul,

helped me a ton.

"He worked with me over the offseason and taught me a lot of useful things as a running

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in Michigan. Lewis scores Gatorade prize

2012 Gatorade Player of the Year honors for girls soccer

Plymouth's Madi Lewis (No. 14), shown squaring off

with Kylie Knight of Salem earlier this season, won

By Tim Smith Observer Staff Writer

Madi Lewis would like nothing better than to drink in a championship for the Plymouth Wildcats' varsity girls soccer team sometime over the next two years

But for now, she'll make do with recently winning the prestigious Gatorade Player of the

Year Award for prep girls soccer in Michi-

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Lewis just concluded an outstanding sophomore season for the Wildcats with 24 goals and 25 assists to spark Plymouth to the KLAA South Division championship.

"I think the person-

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MARTY SCHENDEL

#### Stalwart seniors

Eight seniors on Canton's regional champions girls soccer team are key reasons for the squad's ongoing success. Those players and their coach are shown celebrating following Friday night's 2-0 win over Saline in the Division 1 regional final. From left are Gabby Malec, Robyn Mack, Kalyn Barinti, Megan Trapp, Ally Krause (with trophy), head coach Jeannine Reddy, Kerstyn Hall, Alex Bryden and goalkeeper Danielle Schendel.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

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back."

The 5-9, 185-pound Troher, described by Salem head coach Kurt Britnell as a quiet leader, said he had seven colleges interested in bringing him on board.

"Of those seven, Albion was the only one that interested me." Troher explained. "I did debate for a good four months whether to take the spot at Albion or to walk-on at Grand Valley State.

'My decision was based on how the Albion coaching staff made me feel a part of a family."

**Temporary setback** 

Although Houston said he is thrilled about the chance to play D-II football, a broken leg suffered toward the end of the 2011 season probably cost him a chance to play at a D-I school.

Houston had interest from Wayne State University and Ferris State University before the injury prematurely ended his prep career.

"Perhaps it may have cost me a shot at a Division I school (but) I think everything balances out in the end," Houston said. "I see the injury as a temporary setback, just a part of what athletes go through in the course of a career.'

Now about 90-percent recovered, the 5-8, 170pound Houston can't wait to put his smooth and elusive moves to the test against college defenders.

As far as Britnell is concerned, Houston has

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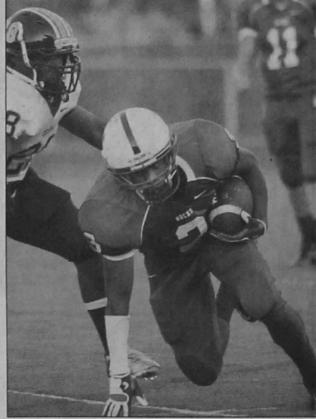
**About Houston: Marcus** Houston recently signed to play football at William Penn University. The 2012 Salem High School graduate was a three-year starter for the Rocks at running back and cornerback. He amassed over 2,200 yards of offense along with 17 touchdowns. On defense, he collected four intercep-

His parents are Anthony

and Irene Houston. About Troher: Nick Troher recently signed to play football at Albion College. Also a 2012 Salem grad, Troher started two seasons for the Rocks at fullback. He tallied 600 yards of total offense and five touchdowns. Troher, holder of a 3.2 grade point average, will

continue playing running back at Albion.

His mom is Athena Troher.



BILL BRESLER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Staying low to the ground and keeping his balance during a 2011 game is Salem running back Marcus Houston (No. 3).

the ability to do just that. "I've never seen a back with the vision, quickness and burst as Marcus displays," Britnell said.

"Wish we could have him another year."

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# Quarter blues

#### Saline halts Stevenson baseball run

By Brad Emons Observer Staff Writer

The good karma Livonia Stevenson had accumulated throughout the state baseball tournament disappeared in Tuesday's Division 1 quarterfinal held at the University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium.

The Spartans, coming off a thrilling regional conquest just two days earlier at Grosse Pointe North, couldn't solve Saline starter Brent Vaccaro, who pitched the Hornets to a 5-

1 victory. Vaccaro, a senior right-hander, went seven all innings allowing just five hits while striking out seven and not issuing a walk as the 30-10 Hornets earned their fourth Final Four trip in five years this Friday in Battle

Creek. Stevenson bows out at 28-12 overall.

'He's been consistent like that all year," said Saline coach Scott Theisen of Vaccaro. "He's able to hit his spots. Sometimes he gets in trouble when he's up, but he did have good velocity and good command of two, sometimes three pitches, and that really helped."

Saline took a 1-0 advantage in the top of the first inning off Stevenson starter Jake Semak thanks to a double by Gage Hammond followed by an RBI single from Andrew White.

The Spartans evened the count at 1-1 in the bottom of the

Chris McDonald led off with a single, took second on a tag after Saline catcher Patrick Price made a diving grab of a pop foul at home plate, and later scored on an throwing error by the Saline second baseman (off



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Stevenson's Nick Lagerstrom corrals this pop fly during the second inning in Tuesday's Division 1 baseball quarterfinal against Saline at the University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium.

the bat of Mike Kanitra).

In the bottom half of the inning, Stevenson right fielder Brandon Jurczyszyn made key defensive play when he rifled pinpoint, one-hop throw to catcher Mike Vomastek at home plate to nail Saline runner Stefan Hastings, who was trying to score from second on a single by Trent Theisen.

The Spartans then made their most serious offensive threat of the game in the fifth when they loaded the bases with one out after Semak was hit by a pitch, Vomastek reached base on a throwing error and Travis Harvey singled.

But the threat stalled when Vaccaro got Chris McDonald on a strikeout and Nick Lagerstrom on an infield popout.

"We made a few mistakes behind him, and really, he didn't get himself into that jam," Scott Theisen said. "They (Stevenson) hit a few balls and got some base hits out of it. We felt comfortable that he was going, and going well. We didn't want to have to go to Justin (Goike) and the two runs we got in the sixth really helped."

Saline took the lead for keeps with a pair of runs in both the fifth and sixth innings.

Courtesy runner Brandon

Gordon scored what proved to be the game-winning run when he eluded a rundown at third following an errant throw by the Stevenson catcher after Andrew White had singled.

Mike Hendrickson then doubled home White to make it 3-1 after five innings.

The Hornets then added two more in the sixth on three hits against Stevenson reliever Mike Kanitra, including a sacrifice fly off the bat of Trent Theisen followed by an RBI triple by Hauck. The Saline rally was aided when the Spartans failed to cover a bunt by Hammond with no outs in the sixth.

'We had them in a rundown - it was just a miscommunication," Stevenson coach Rick Berryman said of the fifth-inning error. "You either go after them and shorten the distance, so you stay on the bag and the catcher runs them back. One was thrown to the bag and one was running at them to shorten the distance ... and is was just a miscommunication

"But regardless, that cost us a run and not covering first cost us a run, but we still lose 3-1."

Stevenson, meanwhile, was out-hit 10-5, as Vaccaro retired the final eight batters he faced to close out the victory.

"The pivotal part and the big changing part of the game was when we had the bases loaded," Berryman said. "It's obvious, we put them away if we get a hit with the bases loaded. With our fifth and sixth hitter we don't get the big hit and they (Saline) just knit-picked away with runs. We hit the ball well. We didn't hit pop-ups. I think we had six line drive outs to outfielders."

But it was the key base knock which eluded the Spartans all afternoon.

"We still need to get what I call 'the hit' that scores the runs," Berryman said. "But I'm proud of them. We hit with them, but they're a good team. But when you get a day like today the momentum swings - we get that hit with the bases loaded, it's a whole different momentum switch.'

It was Stevenson first quarterfinal appearance since 2002 and the Spartans could be poised for another run next season as only McDonald, Lagerstrom, Justin Small and Peter Michalak grad-

"We had a school record for wins (28) and that's nothing to be ashamed of and were among the final eight teams in the state - that's pretty good," Berryman said. "And we only have four seniors.'

Meanwhile, Saline is knocking on the door once again after being state tournament bridesmaids four times (2010, 2009, 2008 and 1998). They will face Hudsonville beginning at 1 p.m. Friday at Nichols Field in Battle Creek in one semifinal. The other matchup pits Warren DeLaSalle and Howell.

"Throughout the season we've played a formidable schedule and I think we've been battle tested," said Theisen, whose team has outscored five state tournament opponents by a combined 51-4. "That's part of the scheduling that we've built."

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# Blazers cruise in regional

Piece of cake.

That was the story Saturday as Livonia Ladywood garnered its third Division 2 regional

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Melvindale.

girls softball title in four years with a 13-0 mercy rule triumph over

day at Dearborn Edsel Ford. Ladywood earned a bye into the Edsel Ford regional final after semifinal foe Detroit Crockett pulled out of the

Center Line in the final Satur-

tourney on Wednesday. The Blazers, who improved to 35-3, had little trouble with Center Line, which reached the final with a 4-2 win over

Senior pitcher Briana Combs did not allowing a hit in tossing her ninth no-hitter of the year. She struck out 13 and walked only one as the Panthers were only able to get two balls in play during the five

innings. Offensively, Ladywood mounted a 15-hit attack with Celeste Fidge leading the way with two hits and four RBI.

Carli SanMillan and Michelle Nelson also added two hits

SHRINE 6, HVL 1: Royal Oak Shrine (20-8) took advantage of five Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (20-6) third-inning errors to score five runs en route to a Division 4 regional semifinal victory Saturday at Grosse Pointe Woods University-

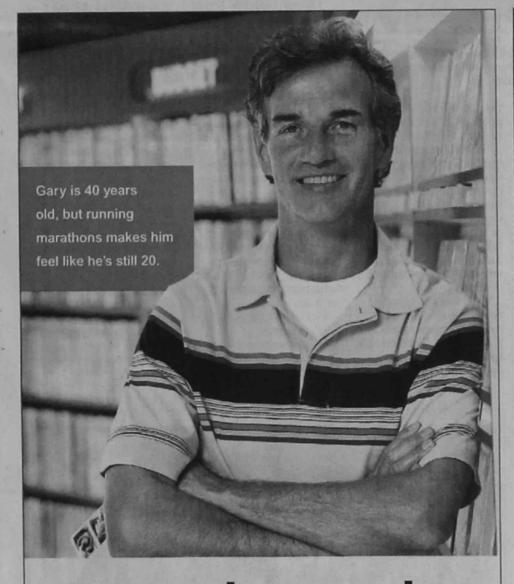
Liggett. Winning pitcher Brittney Stuart held the Hawks to one run on four hits and two walks. She struck out

Losing pitcher Julie St. John allowed just two hits and all six runs were unearned. She struck out five and walked only two. Freshman Ann St. John was the Hawks' top hitter going 2-for-2

with one run scored. "We had a horrible third inning,"

said HVL coach Eric Ruth, whose team committed a total of seven errors. "We couldn't string a bunch of hits together. Most of our hits came with two outs. In the regional final, Allen Park

Inter-City Baptist improved to 27-7 overall with an 8-0 win over Shrine.



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pel look like in everyday life, even on the baseball field. And that's why I don't even want to take credit for the positive approach, or the upbeat spirit, or the way I love coaching these boys.'

One of the boys on the team is his 12-year-old son, Jared - the reason Jerry is coaching the Mets in the first place.

And first place is exactly where the Mets have been ever since the Dormans joined the fold, drafted to helm a team of East Middle School boys hailing from the same neighborhood near Cherry Hill and Lotz roads in Canton.

In 2011, the team went undefeated before losing in disappointing fashion in the playoffs.

#### Sweet sequel

Virtually all of those players returned in 2012, requesting Dorman to be their coach. And the wins have continued.

"Last year was just by accident," Dorman said. "I said my son was playing ball again and I wanted to coach him and I put my name out there in the league. I begged them to let me coach.

"And then I said just give me a team. They gave me guys I'd never met before. And we put 12 guys together that we're just outstanding. Just guys that really wanted to learn the game. They were eager."

Among those players were Brad Byars and Nicholas Arbanas.

Last year was so much fun, they couldn't wait to get back out on the field this spring.

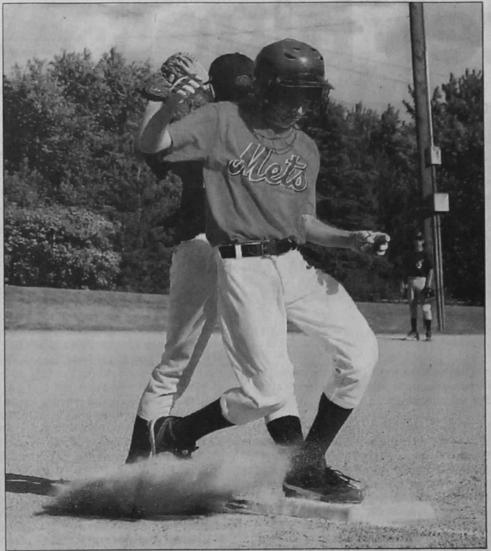
"This year we did all request him again. Last year we just sort of happened upon him," Holly Byars said. "We were undefeated, and a couple of the kids had never played ball before. By the end of the season, my son was considering trying to move up to a travel team this year, but he just loved the coach so much he wanted to stay with this team.'

#### **Bringing it**

Just a couple of weeks ago, Brad - the smallest kid on the team, weighing in at 90 pounds enjoyed a big moment to win a game.

"We were losing 10-2," Dorman said. "We picked up five runs in the next to the last inning, we did it right within the time limit (1:45) so we could play one more inning and then the dramatics in the last inning were incredible.

"And Brad polished it off with a two-run homer



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Jared Dorman, the head coach's son, steams into third base during the Mets-Indians game.



Coach Jerry Dorman has his usual positive message for Gage Bitzer (No. 21) before the Mets took on the Indians on June 7. After the game, Mets players mobbed Gage and showered him with Silly String — to celebrate his 13th birthday.

to win the game."

Nicholas Arbanas also is swinging a hot bat. Against the Indians, he drove a three-run homer over the left-field fence to set the tone. He also blanked the Indians until the fourth and collected three other hits along the way.

"Nick loves baseball, absolutely adores baseball," Krisan Arbanas said. "His skills have improved dramatically the last couple years. His goal is to be a profession-

al baseball player.' If he does, he might someday point back to the years spent playing for Dorman as a turning point in his development.

Dorman wouldn't accept credit for that. But he (and Mets assistant coaches Kevin Swope and Josh Utley) would love to see any of his players keep climbing the baseball ladder.

And continue growing

as young men, too. It's all good

"I really believe in a positive approach," Dor-man said. "I love coach-ing kids this age because they just soak it up like sponges, it's really kind of encouraging to see.

"I don't believe in yelling and screaming, I don't believe in calling out mistakes. I believe in improving and encouraging the positive aspects of what's going on, and telling them where they can make differences and where they can make changes.'

Many coaches do the fist bump and helmet thump to encourage their players. But Dorman also spreads good will with opponents such as Paul

my older sons years ago in the Livonia league, at the same age, for two or Fphister of the Indians.

After Paul singled, Dorman congratulated nim.

"That was a really good hit Paul, with authority," Dorman said to the youngster, perched at first base.

A few moments later, with a chuckle, he added to nobody in particular, "I want to pick Paul off."

Following the game, he talked about kibitzing with players on the other team.

Well, don't forget it's Little League.

"I feel we're out here to encourage baseball," he said. "I'm not out here



Rounding third base and headed for home during the first inning is Brad Byars of the Mets U12 Little League team. At right is an unidentified player for the Indians.

#### JERRY & THE METS

Who: Jerry Dorman of Canton is head coach of the GCYBSA 12-Under Mets Little League baseball team, now off to a 10-0 start. He is in his second year coaching the team and had similar success with the same group in 2011.

Why success: Parents say the positive approach to coaching by Dorman, along with assistant coaches Kevin Swope (a Westland police officer) and Josh Utley, has a lot to do with the way the Mets have been a juggernaut the past two seasons. "Kevin and Josh are the finest assistant coaches with which I've coached,"

Jerry said. "Honestly, I am already trying to secure them for next year." Service time: Dorman is a pastor and counselor at Berean Baptist Church in Livonia. He has 29 years of service in ministry, with

the past 16 at Berean. Family: He and his wife Colette (also a counselor at Berean) have three children - Eric (age 24), Brendan, age 22 and Jared, age 12.

Coach Dad: Dorman has coached all three of his teams in various baseball leagues over the years.

"I love it. I coached one of three years and I loved it.

> saying my team's great and your team isn't. I applaud good over the field. I like that.

Jerry and Colette Dorman

of Canton both are coun-

selors at Berean Baptist

I couldn't get back into

coaching any sooner than

last year, being able to do

that with Jared is just out-

standing. I love it," Jerry

Opposing view: On the

other side of Field No. 3 at

Plymouth Township Park,

Scott Wright talked about

coaching young baseball

players in good times and

watch their development

over the course of a sea-

son, from the beginning

when they can't seem to

do anything right do the

end of the season when

they're making the plays

they should be making,"

Wright said. "To see them

make a good play and see

the look on their face, it's

worth a million dollars."

"I enjoy watching the

boys learn the game,

bad.

Indians 12U head coach

Church in Livonia.

"And it's rubbed off on my parents, because I hear them doing the same thing. Congratulating other team's players."

Looks as though the Golden Rule is part of Jerry Dorman's teaching vernacular, whether it's Sunday or not.

At least in the GCYB-SA, maybe it's helping to launch a new kind of golden age.

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### **Flying Cards**

The Canton-based Great Lakes Cardinals 12U travel team won a recent tournament in Flat Rock. The Cardinals (18-6-2 for the season) won all four games in the tourney, defeating teams from Dearborn Heights, the downriver area, Niagara Falls, Ont. and Ohio. Pictured after the tourney victory are (front row, from left) Sean McCormack, Turner Donlin, Ryan Young, Lou Baechler, Joe Supernois, Danny Lanava, Ben Kandah, Sam Brusca; (middle row, from left) Parker Selby, Connor Ziparo, Billy Flohr, Dominic Dimaya; and (back row, from left) coaches Bill Flohr, Mike Brusca, Angelo Lanava, Jeff Dimaya and Sam Kandah.



#### Shark attack!

The Motor City Riversharks 11-and-under travel baseball team — which consists of residents of Canton, Plymouth and Wayne — won the Total Baseball Invitational June 9-10 by going 4-0. The Riversharks upended the Waterford Angels, 17-3, in the title game. The team has also registered a pair of runner-up finishes in tournaments this season and leads its division in the Kensington Valley Baseball & Softball Association. Pictured are (front row from left) Ben Wright, Chris Savage, Jack Savage, Cal O'Donnell, Martino Zaia, Harrison Jarvis, (back row from left) assistant coach Mike Zaia, Dylan Savage, Liam Radomski, Ben Albin, Brandon Boyd, head coach Bill Boyd, Joe Watson, Ryan Berger, Jeremy Armstead and assistant coach Jim O'Donnell.

#### SPORTS BRIEF

#### Moldovan 1st in SEMTA 16s

Livonian Bianca Moldovan, a ninthgrader at Livonia Stevenson High, captured the Girls 16 singles title Monday in the finals of the Southeastern Michigan Tennis Association Muthig District Oualifier with a victory over Mollie Fox of Bloomfield Hills in the championship match held at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

**B5** 

# **Blazers survive** Elite 8 test

By Dan O'Meara Observer Staff Writer

After a bad start, there was a good ending for Livonia Ladywood in the Division 2 quarterfinal softball game Tuesday evening at Novi.

The Blazers overcame a 2-0 deficit in the first-half inning to defeat St. Clair, 4-2, and advance to the Final Four for the third

time in four years. Ladywood (36-3), a state semifinalist last year and finalist in 2009, will play Wayland Union beginning 1:30 p.m. Friday at Bailey Park in Battle Creek.

"We've been shooting for it since last year when we lost in extra innings," Blazers coach Scott Combs said, adding he was raised in the Cereal City and his parents still live there. "Battle Creek is a special place for us, and we're looking forward to it.'

St. Clair started the game with four straight hits - the last one being a two-run single by opposing pitcher Brittany Schweiger.

Ladywood senior pitcher Briana Combs retired the next three batters and settled down after that. The Saints had only two more hits in the game.

Combs, who walked two and hit one batter, had just three strikeouts and relied on her defense, which had just one error, in the seventh inning.

"Some days when your pitcher is not as sharp as she should be - she was a little under the weather - you have to stay tough," Scott Combs said. "She limited them to two that first inning, and she shut them out the rest of the way

"You're not going to have your best stuff 35 times a year. You have to get people out without striking them out, and that's what I was proud of her for doing

"You couldn't throw anything up and outside in this wind, or somebody was going to pop it over that right-field fence. So we had to throw a lot more inside and work that way."

Winning rally

The Blazers broke a 2-2 tie and won the game with two runs in the sixth

Celeste Fidge, who was outstanding on defense at third base, started the rally with a hard shot off the foot of Schweiger for a hit.

Carli SanMillan followed with a bouncer through the middle for another safety. When the catcher threw wild to first base on Andria Gietl's bunt, Fidge came around to score.

Following a sacrifice bunt by Allyssa Kashat to advance the runners, Michelle Nelson put down another bunt for a hit that scored SanMillan.

"We bunted the ball and put pressure on them, and we're a tough lineup to get out for six or seven innings," Combs said.
"We've been practicing

small ball a lot, and you need it because the pitching is just going to get better. You have to scrap for runs; you're not going to get 10.

After the fast start by St. Clair (28-9), the Blazers got a run back in the bottom of the first. Lauren Hayes hit a leadoff double and, following a passed ball that put her on third, scored on a groundout by Fidge.

Ladywood tied the score in the fourth after Fidge reached on a fielder's choice. Pinch runner Christina Meyer advanced two bases on a SanMillan single and scored on Gietl's hard grounder through the left

"It was a rough first inning, but we're a seven-inning team," Briana Combs said of the Ladywood comeback. "I was struggling a lot. My knee has been pretty sore, but I just battled through it. My team was behind me

and picked me up. "I've been there before (first inning). Obviously, it shakes you up, but I just had to keep battling to get three outs and get us up to bat. I knew we'd be fine."

St. Clair threatened in the seventh with runners at first and second with two outs. Fidge, who made a difficult catch on a foul ball near the fence earlier, speared a line shot by Bailey Dembinski to end the game.

"I was standing on third base and thinking, 'Here we go again," St. Clair coach Kevin Mahn said. "Then we hit a bullet down to third. That third baseman is a heckuva player.

"They've been highly ranked all year; (Combs is) the Gatorade Player of the Year. We put the ball in play and hit the ball against her. We have nothing to be ashamed of.

"Nothing surprises me with this group of girls. They've been doing this all year. I expected us to battle and play tough, and I fully expected us to win. It just didn't work out."

The Blazers had eight hits off Schweiger, who struck out seven and didn't walk anybody. The first seven batters in the Ladywood lineup had a hit with SanMillan being the only one with two.

The season continues for the Blazers, and Briana Combs will make her third start in a semifinal game Friday.

"I'm really excited," she said. "We've been looking forward to this all year. We just have unfinished business; so we'll see."

#### PREP SNAPSHOTS



Salem sophomore Kayla Kavulich (second from left) proudly accepts her medal for finishing seventh in the 1,600-meter run at the recent Division 1 girls track and field state meet at East Kentwood High School. Kavulich set a new Plymouth-Canton



Salem's 1,600-meter relay team qualified for the recent Division 1 girls track and field state meet. From left are Elizabeth Tripp, Kayla Kavulich, Kati Binsfeld and Nancy Krutty.



Members of Salem's state-qualifying 3,200-meter relay team include (from left) Elizabeth Tripp, Kayla Kavulich, Adrianna Beltran and Rebecca Lopez.

## Michigan Bucks continue winning ways, 4-0

The first-place Michigan Bucks chalked up another three points Tuesday night with a 4-0 Premier Development League victory over the host Chicago Inferno at Wheaton (Ill.)

College. The Bucks, now 5-0-1 (16 points) in the Great Lakes Division of the PDL's Central Conference, jumped out to a 2-0 first-half lead on goals by Stefan St. Louis and Tommy Catalano

before putting it away in the second half on goals by Zack Steinberger and Sebbie Harris.

Goalkeeper Sean Teepen notched his third shutout of the season in four

The loss drops the Inferno to 3-5-1 (10 points).

The Bucks return to PDL action 7:30 p.m. Friday to face Forest City London (Ontario) in a key Great Lakes clash. For

ticket information, visit www.buckssoccer.com.

BUCKS 1, FIRE 0: In front of nearly 800 fans Saturday night at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High School, Nate Boyden headed home the game's only goal off a Stew Givens throw-in at the 24 minute mark to give the first-place Michigan Bucks (4-0-1) a victory over the Chicago Fire (3-2-1) in a PDL Great Lakes Division match.

Goalkeeper Adam Grinwas earned the shutout for the Bucks, who were coming off a 0-0 deadlock Thursday night in Toronto against the host

Lynx.
"We played some very nice soccer in the first half and probably should have had more that just a one goal lead," Bucks coach Gary Parad," Bucks coach Gary Parad, "Bucks coach Gary Parad," "Bucks sons said. "But our second half

was sluggish, to say the least.
"We allowed them to start
playing and to get into a
rhythm and it could have cost us. These guys are too good once they get into the flow, so we had to try and get back to our game plan to close this thing out."



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#### **LEWIS**

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al awards are great," said Plymouth head coach Jeff Neschich about Lewis' honor. "But she's shooting for the state championship, and she wants to be on the national team. (But) I think she's honored by it."

Lewis, a 5-5 forward who did not play high school soccer her freshman year due to being on the Michigan Hawks club team, topped a field of outstanding Gatorade candidates such as Canton's Ally Krause and Northville's Mallory Weber.

Recipients are chosen based on "athletic production and impact," "high academic achievement and exemplary personal character.'

Lewis, who has verbally committed to play soccer at the University of Michigan, carries a 3.83 grade point average and has volunteered with the Michigan Humane Society along with being a member of the Washtenaw County 4-H Club. "She's got a great work

ethic, she's committed to improving her game and she's one of the most dynamic players I've ever seen," Neschich said. "She wants to win championships, Madi's a team player."

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

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

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#### **COURAGEOUS LIFE** SERIES

Time/Date: June 17 and 24

Location: Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman, Livonia

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

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#### **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Thursday, June 14, 21 and 28 Location: Our Lady of Victory Parish, 133 Orchard Dr., Northville

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

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Location: In the thrift store at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

Details: All items, except those marked firm, priced over \$1 are 50 percent off the price marked; bake sale Contact: (313) 534-7730

#### WIDOWED FRIENDS

Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 24

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

Details: The peer group celebrates its 10th anniversary. Includes Mass, refreshments and fellowship. Enter from the rear of the building before 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Gerry at (586) 795-0477

#### July

#### **MOVIE NIGHT**

Time/Date:7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 18

Location: Bixman Hall at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: "The Way" will be screen. A brief discussion will follow the film. Admission is free and refreshments will be served

Coming up: See "Monsignor Quixote"at Summer Movie Night, 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 25 at the church

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#### ONGOING

#### CLASSES/STUDY **Emmanuel Lutheran**

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads,

**Details:** Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks

Contact: Pastor Scott Sessler at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastorscott@emmanuellivonia.org

#### Men's Bible study Time/Date: Breakfast at 7

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

Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

#### **New Life Community**

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. Sundays

Location: 42200 Tyler, Bel-

#### Contact: (734) 846-4615 Nicole's Revival

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

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

Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer Contact: (313) 531-1234

**Our Lady of Loretto** Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

**Details:** Scripture study

Contact: (313) 534-9000 St. Michael the Archangel

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

Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia **Details:** Catholic author and bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of Letter to the Hebrews. The

parish affiliation Contact: (734) 261-1455. Ext. 200, or www.livoniast-

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regardless of their faith or

**Ward Presbyterian** 

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Details: Learner's Bible study is held

#### Contact: (248) 374-5920 **CLOTHING BANK Canton Christian**

Fellowship Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. fourth Saturday and

5-6:30 p.m. second Wednesday

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty **Details:** Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need

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#### FOOD BANK **New Hope Church**

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

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

#### MOMS

#### Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Thursday, MOPSnext. Both programs run September-

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnext supports mothers of schoolaged children. Contact: Rebekah Creeden at (734) 522-6830 for MOPS and Susan Magner at (248) 478-3643 for MOPSnext details.

#### **Dunning Park Bible**

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 West Chi-

cago Road, Redford Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.

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

#### PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday

Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia **Details:** All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service. All Creatures ULC describes the gathering as non-denominational and Christian. Water is available for dogs Contact: (313) 563-0162

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Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednes-

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

#### Contact: (248) 476-8860 St. Edith Church

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

Details: Music, singing,

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

#### St. Michael Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 6-7 a.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 7000 Sheldon,

**Details:** Praying silently

or aloud together; prayer requests welcomed. Contact: (734) 459-3333

St. Michael the Archangel Time/Date: 10-11 a.m.

Saturdays Location: In the church

rectory conference room, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia Details: St. Monica's Prayer Group is open to all women

who want to support one another in praying for their children, regardless of age. Other prayer sessions: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. third Wednesday, includes parish prayer and Eucharistic adoration,

with Benediction service following. Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200

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Time/Date: 2011-12 school year

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville

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#### SINGLES **Detroit World Outreach**

Time/Date: 4-6 p.m. Sunday Location: 23800 W. Chi-

cago, Redford; room 304 Details: Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals going through divorce; those who are divorced or separated. Occasionally includes guest speakers; open to the public and visitors are welcome.

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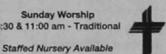
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# ENTERTAINMENT

# Livonia native makes professional opera debut



By Sharon Dargay **O&E Staff Writer** 

Jesus Vincente Murillo was at the right place at the right time.

Arbor Opera Theater needed a bass singer to play Colline in Puccini's La Bohème. Murillo, a junior at the University of Michigan, was ready to make his professional debut.

"How I heard about the heard about the part was I went to a showing of opera in a small black box theater. It was horrible weather that day. No one showed up," said Murillo, a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and its Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) program. "I was sitting in the audience, maybe there were 12 of us and who is sitting behind me but the director of La Bohème.'

Murillo overheard the director say he was in desperate need of a bass singer to play Colline after the actor originally hired for the part had dropped out.

"It was serendipity. I was right there. I turned around and said may I audition for you?"

Murillo will make his professional opera debut in the role Thursday, June 4 in the Lydia Mendelssohn Theater in the Michigan League Building, 911 N. University, on U of M's central campus in Ann Arbor. Performances continue at 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 15-16 and at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 17.



Jesus Murillo (center) portrays Sir Marmaduke in "The Sorcerer" at the University of Michigan.

Tickets range from \$22-\$55. Students and senior citizens pay \$15. Call the Michigan Union ticket office at (734) 763-8587.

#### His role

La Bohème looks at young Bohemians living on the edge in the 1840s in Paris, France and focuses on Mimi and Rodolfo. Colline, a philosopher, sells books to pay his living expenses. In a last ditch effort to save his friend, Mimi, who needs medicine, he sells

"He sings the coat aria. It's a very famous aria from the opera," Murillo noted. "He sings goodbye to the coat and talks about having the coat all his life. It has so many memories.

"It's a fabulous role. I love it. Its breathtakingly beautiful moments still get me. It's such an honor to do it. I'm the youngest person in the cast by far and the rest are wellestablished profession-

The fast-paced rehearsal process was unlike

anything Murillo had experienced in the theater. "The first day of rehearsal everyone had to come memorized. Everyone was completely off book. The first day of rehearsal we staged the first act."

The show is a major step forward in his career.

"What's different about this one is it's grand opera. In the past I've done mostly Gilbert and Sullivan light opera and musical theater," he said. "This is a full Pucci-

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ni score. It's much more challenging and expressive, the pinnacle of operatic theater.'

#### Young singer

Murillo, who hopes to pursue a doctorate degree in vocal performance and teach on the college level, began singing at age 8 while at Adams Elementary School in Livonia. Through his school years at Riley Middle School and Churchill High School, he landed more than 12 lead roles

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in musicals. He also sang classical music in the Ann Arbor Boy's Choir.

Although he performed in musicals while in CAPA, opera was a perfect fit for his rich, bass vocal tones.

"My voice is too heavy for musical theater," he said. "I have an operatic voice. It was natural to go the operatic route."

Two years ago Murillo placed first in the Classical Singer Regional Competition at U of M and made his operatic debut at the Detroit Opera House as the lead in The Very Last Green Thing. He studied Italian opera and diction on a scholarship in Piobbico, Italy last year and has performed in The Mikado, The Elixir of Love, The Sorcerer, Carmina Burana and The Marriage of Figaro while at U of M.

Murillo also served on the executive board of the Gilbert and Sullivan Society at U of M.

"I'm still taking a lot of classes, but trying to get more stage performance."

With four resident opera companies in Ann Arbor and many performance opportunities at the University of Michigan, Murillo isn't worried about getting stage time.

"I really want to thank all the teachers that helped me in my life. I wouldn't have gotten anywhere without my teachers. I want to dedicate this performance for

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The Farmington Players will hold auditions for The Dixie Swim Club, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 17, at its Barn theater, 32332 W. 12 Mile, located just west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

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Audition registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. Call backs, if necessary, are set for 7 p.m. Monday, June 18. Rehearsals will begin the second

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# Fireworks light up the night

Get ready to "ooh" and "aah" your way through spectacular pyrotechnic displays this weekend.

Pick from two dazzling shows Saturday, June 16. Catch the Salute to America Fireworks at 10 p.m. Saturday, June 16 at Kensington Metropark near Milford or watch the annual Liberty Fest Fireworks at dusk in Canton.

Arrive before 5 p.m. and pay \$5 for entry at Kensington Metropark, located north of I-96 at the Milford Road exit. Vehicle entry after 5 p.m. is \$10. Admission is free with an annual permit. For more information call (810) 227-8910.

See Liberty Fest Fireworks at Heritage Park, located west of Canton Center and south of Cherry Hill. Or pick an alternate — and possibly less crowded — viewing site, such as Freedom Park, located at the southwest corner of Sheldon and Palmer Roads, and Griffin Park, located on Sheldon between Cherry Hill and Saltz.

Livonia Spree's annual fireworks caps the sixday event at 10:20 p.m. Sunday, June 24 at Ford Field, located at Farmington Road and Lyndon. Steve King & the Dittilies will perform from 7-11:15 p.m. on ball diamond #1 on the Spree grounds. Some nearby roads, including Farmington Road between Schoolcraft and Five Mile, will close beginning at 7 p.m.

Head to downtown Detroit Monday, June 25 for the annual Target Fireworks over the Detroit River. The show is scheduled to start at 10:06 p.m.

Fireworks cap Sparks in the Park, Saturday, June 30, at Milford High School, 2380 S. Milford Road, Highland. Vendors with handmade products and locally grown produce will be on hand beginning at 4 p.m. Live entertainment and children's activities will start at 5 p.m. The Novi Concert Band will play patriotic music during the fireworks, which will begin at 10 p.m.

Plymouth Township Fireworks start at dusk, Tuesday, July 3 at Hilltop Golf Course, located on Ann Arbor Trail between Sheldon and Beck roads.

Westland Summer Festival's fireworks show starts at dusk, Wednesday, July 4, at the City Hall grounds, located at Ford Road and Carlson.

# Film festival focuses on Michigan theme

See comedies, dramas, documentaries and animation, all with a Michigan twist, at the second annual Reel Michigan Festival, Saturday, June 23 at Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady, Northville.

Tickets are \$5 for movies only, \$10 for movies and an after party at the Northville Art House and \$20 for an all day movie/party pass. They're available 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday at Northville

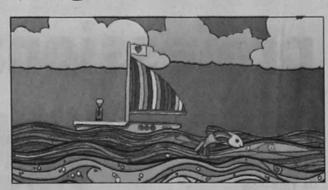
Art House or at the door. Michigan-native actor/ writer Ian Minicuci will be the guest host. He is best known for his work with Ed Helms and John C. Reilly in the hit comedy Cedar Rapids. A veteran of 48 Hour Film Challenges, Minicuci has won awards for his work on both sides of the camera, including on-camera work in the Best Genre award-winning California Dreamin' and as cowriter for his work in the 2011 short Apples and Acid.

The after party will give guests a chance to mingle with filmmakers. Food and wine will be served and prizes will be awarded to filmmakers in several categories.

Here's the film line-up:

Noon-2 p.m: Me and My Bees, by

Charlotte Atkinson, 2:25, student/documentary Tollgate Children's Garden, by Lauren



A frame from the animated film, "Heart shaped man" by Kristen Miller and Roland Orzabal

Atkinson, 2:52, student/documentary

Holy Car, by Mike N. Kelly Tonino Zaccagnini (producer), 13:07, comedy (language)

Corvettes on Woodward, by Roy Oberg, 14:18, documentary

The Date, by Chris Raby (director) and Phillip Swanson (producer), 16:00, drama

Autorama, by Roy Oberg, 10:55, documen-

Eddie's Casket Shop, by Mike N. Kelly and co-producer Rich Jackson, 7:15, comedy (adult content)

2-4 p.m.:

Heart shaped man, by Kristen Miller and Roland Orzabal ,4:11, animation

Forgotten Fur, by Susan Green, 21:11, documentary

Joey Harlow, 15:15, drama

Sherome, by Michael G. Peterson, experimental Amendment, by Tom Nahas, 40:00, drama

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ence Cover, 4:23, comedy The Tank 2, by Scott Galeski, 25:00, drama (language)

(language)
Pgad Felcher, by
Michael G.Peterson,
22:17, student/drama (language)

The First Time I Committed Suicide, by Malcom X Johnson, 11:20,

drama
One Door Closes, by
Michael Sneed, 18:17,

comedy
Disorder, by Jared Carlson 7:47 student/action

son, 7:47, student/action Stuntman, Aaron Greer, 17:15, student/comedy The Last Broadcast

Chapter One, by Michael G. Peterson, 16:00, student/horror (language) The Eve of Zurock, Michael G. Peterson, hor-

ror 10:03, by Michael Sneed, drama

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### Paddle a canoe, pet a camel, hear live music at Liberty Fest

Canoeing on the big pond isn't a new feature at Canton's annual Liberty Fest, but it may be one of the least known attractions.

"The people who know about it flock to it," said Jason Lombardo, recreation specialist for Canton Leisure Services. "It is isolated from the carnival activity. It's a nice time. It can get you away from the hustle and bustle.'

Heavner Canoe Rental in Milford will rent canoes and kayaks during the three-day festival, Thursday-Saturday, June 14-16 at Heritage Park, located west of Canton Center and south of Cherry Hill. Paddling on the pond will be available all day Friday and Saturday. Festival hours are 5-10 p.m. Thursday, 1-11 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday.

Cost for canoe and kayak rides is \$7 per person. All riders must wear life jackets. Lombardo said the pond, at its deepest, is about 10 feet.

"They will have staff there who can get in the water and help out. Some people get out there for

the first time and end up doing circles," Lombardo said. "It's (canoeing) something that you don't get to do every day. Why not take advantage of it at the festival?

The west end of the pond will be home to birds, camels and other animals that visitors can meet close-up during the festival. Catch Disney's The Muppets movie under the stars Friday in the nearby amphitheater.

Other Liberty Fest high-

· Fifty Amp Fuse rocks the Canton LIVE! Stage 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, while the Amphitheater Stage features a Zumba party. Annabelle Road, Deep Fried Pickle Project - with music for kids - and Dymond Harding take the Canton LIVE! Stage on Friday. Earth Angels, Olympian Chung Do Kwan and Silver Sounds will perform on the Amphitheater Stage on Friday. International music and dance runs from 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Saturday on the Canton Live! Stage, followed by Big Will and the 360 Degrees Band. On Saturday, the Amphitheater stage will offer a dance and vocal showcase at noon, Canton Chiefettes at 1:30 p.m., Central City Dance at 2 p.m., singer-songwriter Pat Predd at 3:30 p.m. and the group SHOUT! with a Beatles tribute at 8 p.m.

· America's Most Wanted Car Club displays cars and trucks 5-8 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday.

• The Liberty Run on Sat-

urday will attempt to set a Guinness World Record for the number of runners and walkers dressed in Statue of Liberty costumes. The 5K will start at 8 a.m.

· A traveling 911 memorial will be on display 2-8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday at Canton Fire Station #1.

 The Marketplace will feature artisans, crafters, community groups and local businesses.

•The carnival will be open 5-10 p.m. Thursday, 1-10 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday.

· Fireworks wrap up the festival on Saturday.

- Sharon Dargay

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Time/Date: 3-9 p.m. Friday, June 22, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday, June 23; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 24

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Contact: www.northvillearts.org or (248) 344-0497

#### CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: Through June 29; gallery hours are 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

Location: At the Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills **Details:** The Colored Pencil Society of America presents works by members of its Detroit chapter Contact: (248) 473-1856

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Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through June 24

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Contact: (248) 344-0497 or e-mail to arthouseoffice@northvillearts.org

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Time/Date: Exhibit runs through July Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth Details: "Behind the Lens 6" includes more than 100 photos taken by Pioneer Middle School 8th graders during a trip to New York City

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LIVONIA

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Time/Date: Through June 28 Location: Livonia Civic Center Library, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road, Livonia

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# Plymouth eatery will crown Shepherd's Pie champ

By Sharon Dargay **O&E Staff Writer** 

Peas, carrots, onions, ground beef and mashed potatoes - how fast and how much can you eat?

If you can put away a couple pounds worth in less than eight minutes, you might have a shot at this year's championship title in Shepherd's Pie eating at Sean O'Callaghan's in downtown Plymouth.

The third annual contest runs 7-9 p.m. Thursday, June 14, at the restaurant, 821 Penniman.

Co-owner Sam Khashan hopes to line up about 20 pie-lovers to down the hearty, stick-to-your ribs comfort food.

"We see a lot of contests on TV and the Food Channel. We had never seen anything with regard to an Irish theme," Khashan said, explaining why he and his brother, Kevin, created the annual event. "It took off the first year. A lot of people signed up and came in to watch it.

"Last year's champion will be in it again this year. Last year's champ ate 6 pounds 6 ounces. That's almost like competitive eating."

Contestants will compete in two groups. The winner of each group will go fork-to-fork for the championship title, which comes with a trophy, \$100 cash, T-shirt, and bragging rights. All contestants will walk away with

Walk-in registration will be accepted if any spots in the line-up are available at event time. Spectators are welcome to watch the action. Happy hour will run all night.

"We'll play some fun music leading up to it, like a boxing event," Khashan said. A Michael Buffer-style announcer will make sure the competitors' stomachs get ready to rumble.

"It's a heavy dish — mixed vegetables and ground beef." The gastronomic athletes will eat the same kind of Shepherds

Pie served in the restaurant. Mashed potatoes top the mixture of beef - which is simmered in a Guinness demi-glace and braised vegetables.

Khashan will watch the competition but won't participate in the fast eating event.

"I'm not that crazy," he said. "One (pie) is max for me."

# Bake your own Shepherd's Pie

You can enjoy Shepherds Pie at home with this easyto-make version courtesy of Kraft Foods:

#### Easy Shepherd's Pie

- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 cups hot mashed potatoes
- 4 ounces. (1/2 of 8-ounce package) Philadelphia Cream Cheese, cubed
- 1 cup Kraft Shredded Cheddar Cheese,
- 2 cloves garlic, minced 4 cups frozen mixed vegetables,

1 cup beef gravy

Heat oven to 375°F. Brown meat in large skillet; drain. Mix potatoes, cream cheese, 1/2 cup Cheddar and garlic until well blended. Combine meat, vegetables and gravy; spoon into 9inch square baking dish. Cover with potato mixture and remaining Cheddar. Bake 20 minutes or until heated through.



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Easy Shepherd's Pie

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Barbecue Shepherd's Pie:

Prepare omitting the garlic and substituting 3/4 cup Kraft Original Barbecue Sauce mixed with 1/2 teaspoons onion powder for the gravy.

Note: If using instant mashed potatoes, omit the milk when preparing the pota-

#### CITY BITES

#### **Festival food**

CANTON - Liberty Fest, Thursday-Saturday, June 14-16 in Heritage Park, will offer several ways to dine and donate to a worthy cause at the same time this

· Proceeds from the Canton Firefighter's annual spaghetti dinner will help victims of house fires. Rose's Restaurant will cater the dinner, which will be served 5-9 p.m. Friday. Cost is \$7 for teens and adults; \$5 for children, 5-12; and free for children under 4.

• The Canton Lions Club's annual pancake breakfast benefits local Lions Club charities. Breakfast will be served 7-11 a.m. Saturday, in the north pavilion at the park. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for chil-

• The Canton Kiwanis Club's "Chicken and the Works" barbecue benefits several community projects including the Club's efforts to give dictionaries to every third grader in Plymouth and Canton; baby showers for Mott Children's Hospital; and its "adopted" schools, Walker Winter Elementary and Farrand Elementary. The chicken hits the grill 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat-urday. Dinner consists of a half roasted chicken, chips, baked beans, roll and butter, brownie, pop or bottled water and costs \$8 before the barbecue and \$10 at the dinner. "To go" dinners with curbside service also will be available. For more information call (734) 710-1224.

All proceeds from the Canton Rotary Club Fundraiser will benefit the Rotary Foundation, which supports many local charities. The group will sell a rice bowl with chicken or vegetables and a choice of four sauces, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday. Cost is \$8.

#### Wine tasting

LIVONIA - Sample the wines of the Merryvale Estate, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, at d.vine fine wines, 17386 Haggerty. Merryvale is a family-owned winery that has turned Napa Valley grapes into world flights for the past 25 years. Cost is \$20 for Wine Club members and \$25 for non-members. For reservations call (734) 432-3800. No reservations are required for Ladies Night, 5-9 p.m. Tuesdays; Wild Wednesdays, 5-9 p.m. Wednesdays; and Swinging Saturdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturdays. Flights are \$10 on Tuesday and Saturday. The next Wild Wednesday, June 27, will feature Ben Eberlein, sommelier from Fox Distributing with wine trivia.

#### Ice cream and cake

PLYMOUTH - Stop by Three Dog Bakery through Sunday, June 17 to help celebrate the store's one-year anniversary under Gary Atkinson's ownership. He'll have doggy ice cream - Lickety Split for canine patrons and cake for their twolegged pals. The bakery is located at 550 Forest; (734) 453-9663.

#### Thai cuisine

FARMINGTON HILLS - This month's "Porch Party" at the Longacre House will feature traditional Thai dishes, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, June 15. Discover dances and music of Thailand, along with rice whiskey. The event is designed for ages 21 and over. Pre-registration is recommended, but not required. Pre-register at \$15 or by tickets at the door for \$20. (248) 477-8404 or visit www.longacrehouse.org.

# Decorate a cookie family for Dad

What better way to spoil dad on Father's Day than with a dessert made just for him? A sweet treat is a great way to say "thank you" to the most important man in your life. And, since it's his day, choose one that reflects what he loves most of all - his family.

The celebration experts at Wilton have created a fun and memorable recipe just for the occasion -Dad's Perfect Family Cookies. They're sure to put a smile on Dad's face.

Start with a basic buttery sugar cookie dough; roll and cut with boy, girl, dog and cat cutters. When the cookies are baked and cooled, it's time to paint the

Kids will love decorating cutouts in each family member's likeness - remember to decorate Dad using his favorite colors. Use Color Flow Icing special icing that makes it easy to outline and color almost any design - to "dress" the cookies. Or for a convenient, ready-to-use option, try Cookie Icing simply heat in the microwave and squeeze onto cookies. Add personal touches with sparkling sugars, sprinkles, and other candies for outfits, buttons

Use these amazing cookies as fun place cards, or serve as dessert after Dad's celebratory meal. Pour him a cold glass of milk and let him relax and enjoy

For more fun baking and decorating ideas, visit www.wilton.com.

#### **Dad's Perfect Family Cookies**

- 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract Large and small boy and girl cookie cutters
- Dog and cat cookie cutters
- Color Flow Icing Mix
- 4 cups (about 1 pound) sifted confectioners' sugar Assorted Icing Colors
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**Dad's Perfect Family Cookies** 

Preheat oven to 350°F.

In medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. In large bowl, beat butter and sugar with electric mixer until light and fluffy. Add egg and extracts; mix well. Do not chill dough; divide into 2 balls. On floured surface, roll each ball into a circle approximately 12 inches diameter by 1/8 inch thick. Dip cookie cutter in flour before each use. Bake samesized cookies together on ungreased cookie sheets 8 to 11 minutes or until cookies are lightly browned. Cool completely.

Prepare Color Flow Icing with confectioners' sugar, following package instructions. You can substitute Cookie Icing if you prefer. Tint portions of icing a variety of colors with icing color. Outline cookies and "clothing" with full-strength icing; fill in with thinned icing. Immediately position sprinkles and sugars. Let set. Add hair, facial features, shoes, clothing and other details using full-strength icing. Let dry overnight.

Makes about 2-1/2 dozen cookies. Variation: Substitute Cookie Icing for tinted Color Flow Icing. Decorate as directed above.

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# Satisfy your inner turophile

Is cheese a big part of your life? Do you enjoy it as a snack, an appetizer, a tasty, gooey ingredient in cooking? Do you know your Gouda from your Gruyere? You just might be a turophile a true lover of cheese.

The taste gurus at The Laughing Cow offer this easy-to-make recipe for White Cheddar and Orange-Fig Filo Triangles to help satisfy your inner turophile. For more recipes and snack ideas, visit www.TheLaughingCow.com.

#### White Cheddar and Orange-Fig Filo Triangles

- 1 package frozen filo dough (found in the grocery
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 1 jar orange-fig spread (such as Dalmatia)
- 6 rounds of Mini Babybel White Cheddar cheeses,



White Cheddar and Orange-Fig Filo Tri-

Preheat oven to 350°F. Open filo dough and unroll it carefully (it's very fragile). Keep the sheets covered with a piece of plastic wrap until ready for use.

Place one sheet down on your work area and paint with melted butter using a pastry brush, taking care not to tear it too much. Place another sheet of filo right on top of the first. Using a pizza cutter or a large knife, cut the dough crosswise (the short way) in to 6 strips. At the base of each strip, place a ½ teaspoon dollop of fig spread and a pinch of shredded cheese. Then, fold the bottom corner of each edge up to meet the opposite side of the edge and continue, American flag style, until the strip is folded into a triangle.

Place the six triangles on a cookie sheet. Continue until all filo dough has been used. Then, paint all the triangles with the remaining melted butter and bake until golden, about 10 minutes. Don't worry if some of the filling leaks out, that's fig cara-

# Red Cross offers tips for water, grilling safety

In summer, there are many things to remember - packing, grilling, and heading to the pool. But, it is also important to remember to be safe. At the Red Cross, officials are always looking out for your safety.

Learning to swim is one of the best steps someone can take to be comfortable and safe around water. People can contact their local aquatic facilities to get information about Red Cross swimming classes. Home Pool Essentials <a href="http://www.">http://www.</a> homepoolessentials.org> (homepoolessentials.org <a href="http://www.homepoolessentials.org>) is an online safety course for pool and hot tub owners.

Other safety tips include:

· Swim only in designated areas supervised by lifeguards. Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone.

· Prevent unsupervised access to the water. Install and use barriers around your home pool or

· Maintain constant supervision. Always stay within arm's reach of young children even when lifeguards are pres-

. Know what to do in an emergency. If a child is missing, check the water first. Know how and when to call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number.

· Have appropriate rescue equipment, a phone, life jackets and a first aid kit near the pool.

The onset of grilling season often results in injuries and fires due to careless cooking practices. The Red Cross offers steps people can follow to help stay safe while enjoying those tasty cookout treats:

· Never grill indoors. Always supervise a grill when in use, and make sure everyone, including pets, stays away from the grill.



· Keep the grill out in the open, away from the house, the deck, tree branches, or anything that could catch fire.

· Use the long-handled tools especially made for cooking on the grill.

· Never add charcoal starter fluid when coals have already been ignit-

· Always follow the manufacturer's instructions when using grills.

· Be ready to close the lid and turn off the grill to cut off the fuel if nec-

· Keep a fireproof pan under the grill to catch any falling ash or grease.

For full information on how to be prepared and to help stay safe this summer, visit redcross.org <a href="http://www.redcross.">http://www.redcross.</a>

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#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 9-13, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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41507 Haggerty Woods Ct \$112,000 \$62,000 \$68,000 4348 Hunters Cir E 2449 Knollwood Dr 44656 Meadowcreek Ln 1591 Mulberry Ln

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\$40,000 \$40,000 \$80,000 \$105,000 \$115,000 \$40,000 18549 Gillman St 36557 Kingsbury St \$131,000 \$102,000 10219 Laurel St 15537 Loveland St \$136,000

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#### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

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

**BEVERLY HILLS** 20605 Smallwood Ct

\$380,000 BIRMINGHAM

1127 Derby Rd 753 N Eton St 1544 Ruffner Ave **BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 4361 Pine Tree Trl 790 W Long Lake Rd 515 Fox Hills Dr N 1046 Stratford Pl **BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP** 

1795 Cedar Hill Dr

1415 Echo Ln

4014 Nearbrook Rd 4520 Walnut Lake Rd \$57,000 \$59,000 \$425,000 \$116,000 **FARMINGTON HILLS** 22278 Arbor Ln 29972 Richmond HI 21944 Tredwell Ave \$370,000 \$140,000 \$52,000 \$110,000 30056 W 12 Mile Rd \$39,000 \$179,000 MILFORD 900 Deep Valley Dr \$350,000 \$290,000 3060 Stone Meadow Dr \$1,210,000 \$379,000

51159 Brompton 24545 Cavendish Ave E 31110 Centennial Dr \$118,000 24736 Highlands Dr \$150,000 40607 Lenox Park Dr \$285,000 51122 Mayfair Ter \$250,000 41931 Ridge Rd E SOUTH LYON \$185,000 \$315,000 60475 Nine Mile Rd \$166,000 113 Eagle Crest Dr 23812 Lyon Ridge Dr

23456 Prescott Ln E 26393 Shumans Way SOUTHFIELD \$60,000 19965 Butternut Ln 25070 Champlaign Dr \$98,000 \$33,000 18662 Greenwald Dr \$40,000 \$60,000 WHITE LAKE \$65,000 888 Suchava Dr

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- "I - Rock" (Paul Simon)
- Gulf rig (2 wds.)
- Heavy hydrogen
- discoverer
- 9 Pothole filler

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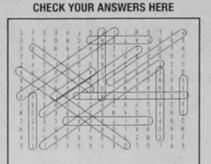
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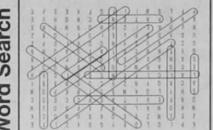
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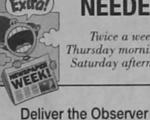
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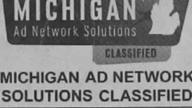
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