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TV debut

Shelley Enright, an administrative assistant for Plymouth-Canton schools, got more than she bargained for on a visit to her son in New York last week. Enright, who lives in Canton with her husband, Ted, was in the Big Apple to visit her son and daughter-in-law, B.J. and Andrea Enright. Andrea is a big fan of Kathie Lee Gifford and Hoda Kotb, who host the last hour of *The Today Show* on NBC. While visiting the show, Enright was invited onto the set to take part in a game hosted by Gifford and Kotb. "We looked and could see they were taping. Their outside person said they needed two audience members to play a game," Enright said. "I did the 'psycho mom' thing. Hoda picked a guy from Alaska, and Kathie Lee said 'the lady in the pink scarf.'" Enright ended up winning the game.

Music honor

Students from the Discovery Middle School Band participated in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's District Solo and Ensemble Festival over the weekend. The festival was composed of nearly 80 middle schools from the area with more than 2,000 students participating. Sixty-two Discovery students earned top honors, with each student earning medals of distinction in either the superior or excellent categories. That's up from five years ago, when nine students were honored, a growth of nearly 689 percent. The Discovery Band has two more home concerts, March 7 and May 22, both start at 7 p.m.

Distinguished woman

Anna Dai of Canton was named the Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan and awarded \$3,550 in cash scholarships during a statewide scholarship program for high school girls held at Saline High School. Dai is the daughter of Zao Chen and Yang Dai and is a senior at Plymouth High School.

Detroit hits Canton with 9-percent water rate hike

By Darrell Clem
 Staff Writer

Detroit has slapped Canton with a proposed 9 percent spike in the wholesale price of water — more than double the 3.9 percent average for suburban communities. "It's very disappointing," township Trustee John Anthony said. "I thought it would be more in the 4-percent range. I'm taking this hard. I don't like it." Though far less than Northville's startling 22.7 percent

increase or Plymouth Township's 16.2 percent, Canton's proposed increase still stings after local officials and some consumers have made strides to control water usage during peak hours. "I was surprised that it was as high as it was," Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said.

Broader calculation
 The latest rate hikes require approval by the Board of Water Commissioners. Faas said any increase passed to Canton by

Detroit reflects only one portion of a broader calculation that township officials will use before setting rates that take effect May 1.

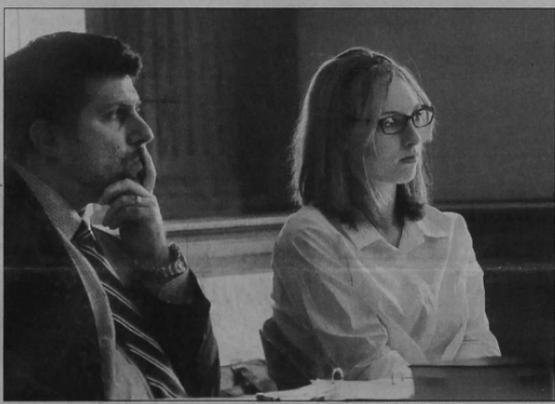
Last year, Canton officials bucked a trend in regional rate hikes with a 2.3 percent decrease — a rollback they conceded was a rarity.

Canton residents will have their say before new rates are approved. Faas said a public forum has been set for 7 p.m. Monday, March 4, at township hall to explain how local rates

are calculated and to answer questions. Then, the Canton Township Board of Trustees is expected to discuss rates during a study session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, prior to a formal vote in April.

Canton has initiated measures to ease local water usage during morning and evening hours when demand typically increases. Its educational efforts have convinced some consumers to water lawns midnight to 6 a.m.

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Attorney Daniel T. Geherin and client Emily Dunklee listen as the case is dismissed.

Charges dismissed in baby's death

By Darrell Clem
 Staff Writer

Criminal charges were dismissed Friday against a 20-year-old Canton woman accused of wrapping her still-born baby in towels and a garbage bag before placing it on a deck outside the home where she lived with her parents. Emily Dunklee, who authorities say managed to hide her pregnancy from family and friends, showed no emotion in court as 35th District Judge James Plakas ruled she shouldn't face trial for dis-

interment or mutilation of a dead body.

Plakas described himself as "shaken, disturbed and saddened" after hearing testimony from witnesses including Dunklee's father, who discovered the body when he dumped what he believed was a bag of laundry into a washing machine.

But, Plakas said the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office didn't produce enough evidence to support a charge of disinterment or mutilation of a dead body, punishable by 10 years in prison.

"The statute does not prohibit what she did," Plakas said.

Question of appeal
 Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Lora Weingar-den said her office will review the judge's ruling and decide whether to appeal it in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Outside the courtroom, defense attorney Daniel Geherin lauded Plakas' decision. Geherin called the case "morally troublesome and difficult to wrap our minds

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Board to decide course management

By Darrell Clem
 Staff Writer

Culminating what has proved an emotional issue, Canton's elected officials are expected to decide Tuesday whether to hire a Virginia-based firm to replace a local family-owned company that has operated the Fellows Creek golf course for 34 years.

Fellows Creek Golf Club manager Dan Ross seemed resigned Thursday when asked if he believes the Canton Township Board of Trustees can be convinced not to switch to Billy Casper Golf.

"I think it's past that point," Ross said. A decision is expected during a board session at 7 p.m. at township hall. Canton Leisure Services Director Debbie Billrey-Honsowetz con-

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Golfers playing Fellows Creek when it opens could find the course under new management after a Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting Tuesday.

Open house kick-starts marketing plan

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

Facing increasing competition from charter schools and a declining enrollment based on Wayne County's slowing birth rate, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools administrators are rolling out a marketing plan designed to bring a larger share of school-eligible children into the district.

The plan rolls out next week, when the district — for the first time — holds the first of three open houses. This one is for ele-

mentary school-age children and their parents, hosted at Hoben Elementary School in Canton. The district will also host open houses for middle school and high school kids in March.

"The open houses are a way to give families a chance to see all the good things we have to offer," said Frank Ruggirello, the district's former director of community relations (he left the district this week for a similar job at Schoolcraft College). "Parents start shopping for schools for the next year after the holidays, so

this is a good time for us to do it."

As part of a study last year to help decide whether to close an elementary school, administrators were provided information that the district was losing enrollment in part because of a drop in the live-birth rate in Wayne County.

Rate drop
 While the districts' "market share" of those births remains steady between 8-9 percent, the rate itself has dropped some

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IT'S ELEMENTARY

What: Elementary Open House
When: Monday, Feb. 11, 6:30-8 p.m.

Where: Hoben Elementary School, 44680 Saltz in Canton
Why: Showcase Plymouth-Canton Community Schools elementary education programs. Representatives from all 15 elementary schools will be on hand.
Contact: For more information, call (734) 416-2757.

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Trustees interview board candidates

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education begins tackling the daunting task of choosing between some 26 candidates who expressed an interest in the open board seat left vacant by the departure of Barry Simescu.

Remaining board members will interview all 26 candidates Monday, beginning at 5 p.m., at the E.J. McClendon Education-

Center. The plan is to give each candidate a brief interview, then have the six remaining trustees narrow the field to three finalists.

Those three finalists will be invited back for a second interview, after which the new trustee will be chosen.

Many of the applicants for the seat will be familiar to residents:

- George Belvitch of Plymouth, the district's former director of elementary education.

- Mike Andro, a Canton resident who ran for the school board in 2011.
- Matt Dame of Canton, who also ran for the school board in 2011. Dame is also known for his part in the controversy over the books Waterland and Beloved.
- Greg Demopoulos, a former Canton Township trustee.
- Kate Borninski of Canton, a member of Supporters of Academic Integrity for Plymouth-Canton, who was among those

who argued in favor of Waterland and Beloved.

- Stephanie Goecke and John Nichols, both Plymouth residents who ran for election in 2011.
- Deb Madonna of Plymouth, who now runs the Plymouth Miracle League, a baseball league for special-needs players.
- Rita White, who ran for Plymouth Township treasurer last fall.
- Other candidates include Mark Alsager of Canton, a veteran and the owner of Alsag-

er Animal Care Center. Rene Chen, Amy (McCusker) Conway, Kim Crouch of Canton, Jeff Ames of Canton, Donald David of Plymouth, Benjamin Edmondson, Michael Fishere of Plymouth, Brian Janssen, Ed Kroll, Patt McCoin of Plymouth, Julie Rowe of Canton, Dean Rugh, Kevin Shankie of Canton, Don Turner of Canton, Jeff Ames of Canton and Shari-ka Robinson of Canton.

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firmed Billy Casper Golf will be recommended for a five-year contract, though the issue fueled a backlash among Ross family supporters when it arose publicly in November.

"I believe it's in the best interest for the community," she said.

Net benefit

Township officials have projected Canton will receive a net benefit of \$760,295 over five years by switching to Billy Casper Golf, compared to just \$170,478 by staying with the Ross family's

Fellows Creek Golf Club.

Ross and some of his supporters who packed a township board meeting last November have raised questions about the comparison, but local officials say they have completed as thorough an analysis as possible with the financial data they have.

"I think we've got a contract (with Billy Casper Golf)." Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said Wednesday afternoon, with local officials addressing issues such as customer service and performance criteria.

"We think we've hit all those areas."

Still, not all trustees appear to have decided

which way they will vote.

"I won't make a final decision probably until Monday," Trustee Pat Williams said Thursday, saying he was planning to study the financial data over the weekend.

Casper support

Trustee Tom Yack indicated he is likely to support the new company.

"Personally I've been disappointed with Dan Ross' performance over a number of years," Yack said. "I've been disappointed with the general operations, and the banquet facility hasn't been marketed as much as it could be."

Bilbrey-Honsowetz and other local officials have

conceded there are risks by hiring a new company. However, she said she has polled several municipalities that hired Billy Casper Golf, and she said she received an overwhelmingly positive response.

In November, an estimated 75 people packed a township board meeting to learn of a potential change in management for Fellows Creek and Pheasant Run golf courses.

For now, township officials have backed away from a management change at Pheasant Run, choosing to work internally with employees to try to increase revenues. Ross family supporters

have said Canton should adopt a similar stance at Fellows Creek.

Selling out

"I think they're selling out the local businessman who has been here for 30 years," Jim Kelly, a local resident and former Redford Township supervisor, said Thursday. "I don't think they're taking everything into consideration. I'm very disappointed in how they're handling this whole thing."

Kelly said he doubts Billy Casper Golf can generate the revenues it claims without substantially raising rates and reducing the number of employees at the 27-hole

golf course on Lotz north of Michigan Avenue.

Billy Casper Golf manages 125 golf courses in the Midwest, including 70 municipal sites such as Plymouth Township's Hilltop Golf Course. Township officials view the company's record as an advantage.

Local officials have said they understand the loyalty of Ross family supporters, but Trustee John Anthony has said the decision has to focus on what's the best financial option for more than 90,000 residents in Canton.

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WATER

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Moreover, Canton has locked in with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department a five-year plan, starting in July, in which Canton is expected to buy 395,000 cubic feet of water each year — less than the 431,500 cubic feet of the last few years.

"They're charging us more for less water," Paas said. "That's part of the reality of how the rate

calculation works."

Efforts made

Canton officials have long criticized DWSD for essentially penalizing communities with higher rates even though efforts have been made to shift water usage to non-peak hours. Other measures have included convincing residents and businesses to water their lawns every day, alternating based on even- and odd-numbered addresses and calendar dates.

"I think we've tried to do everything physically possible to keep those rates in check," Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said, adding he was "hoping and praying" for a lower rate this year from DWSD.

"We're at the mercy of DWSD in what they charge," LaJoy said.

Trustee Pat Williams summed up his feelings about the latest rate increase in a word — "frustrated." He said rates go regardless of whether Canton decreases

or increases its water usage.

Despite the latest Detroit-proposed rate hike, local officials have indicated they have potential hope for long-range hope. They believe DWSD Director Sue McCormick and the Board of Water Commissioners, chaired by Canton resident James Pausone, have initiated far-reaching measures to restructure what critics view as a bloated department.

Canton officials also are weighing the possibility

of building a water-storage tower or ground-level facility on the township's north side — though it would take three years to build and would likely cost at least \$8.3 million, based on projections by an outside consultant, OHM Advisors.

A move toward water storage could further ease peak-hour demand and shave nearly \$3 million off the \$10 million Canton pays each year to Detroit, however. Paas has said the \$10 million

figure is only part of Canton's overall water-related costs of \$33 million a year.

Local officials have said changes at DWSD and water-storage efforts shouldn't be viewed as a panacea for actually reducing water rates. They are hopeful, however, such moves could at least slow the rate of increase.

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Prosecutor Lora Weingarden presents evidence in the case. Defense attorneys Daniel T. Geherin, Philip M. Jacques and defendant Emily Dunklee listen.

DEATH

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around," but he had argued in court that Dunklee didn't dig up a body or mutilate it as the charge against her would suggest.

The events unfolded inside the family home on Lancelot Drive, near Palmer and Lilley.

Geherin and another defense attorney, Philip Jacques, said outside the courtroom that Dunklee hid her pregnancy because she came from a strict Catholic family and didn't want to reveal she was carrying a child after having sex with a co-worker.

"She was frightened, scared and unfamiliar with what to do," Jacques said. "It was a difficult thing to disclose to her parents."

Weingarden said Assistant Wayne County Medical Examiner Lokman Sung believed Dunklee's baby was stillborn at 38-40 weeks and had an infection before birth,

though Weingarden said it couldn't be ruled out that the baby was alive at birth. Regardless, she said, Dunklee "didn't know for certain it wasn't born alive."

'Totally shocked'

Now-retired Canton Detective Tim Wright said Dunklee admitted she had the baby in an upstairs bathtub about 3 a.m. Oct. 14 and waited for her father to leave for work. Wright said Dunklee then wrapped it in towels, got two garbage bags out of the kitchen, concealed the baby and placed it on the deck.

"She felt that the baby was not alive at birth — that the child made no movement, no sounds," Wright said, based on an interview with Dunklee.

A week passed before Dunklee's father, Philip Arthur Dunklee, found what he believed was a bag of dirty laundry he dumped into a washing machine.

"I saw a fetus and an umbilical cord going to

the placenta," he testified Friday. "I only saw the top of the head. It totally shocked me beyond belief."

He alerted his wife, Anna, and they notified Canton police. Geherin argued that, under state law, the stillborn baby wasn't considered a person.

"Michigan law says this is not a person," he said. "Michigan law says a person must be born alive."

Geherin said the charge against Dunklee was from a 1931 statute and applied to circumstances such as grave-robbing or mutilating a body. He said allegations Dunklee hid a stillborn fetus didn't rise to the level of criminal behavior.

Weingarden disagreed, saying Dunklee made a conscious decision to move the baby from an upstairs bathtub to an outside deck. Ad, Weingarden said, "she kept it a secret."

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20 percent in the last decade.

Couple that with losing hundreds of students to the variety of charter schools opened in the area the last few years, and the district leadership decided a plan was necessary.

"Our share has been the same, but with the rate down that much, plus increased competition, we need to do something to make sure we're getting our share of the student population," Ruggirello said.

The open houses, along with a new logo and a marketing piece still in development, are designed to meet a Board of Education mandate to recapture the district's market share.

The district has added an international program,

along with STEM and arts academies, as well as a Young 5s program and a half-day kindergarten option.

While representatives of all 15 elementary schools will be on hand, the open house is being held at Hoben, where the Young 5s and half-day kindergarten are housed. Those who attend will be able to attend a variety of break-out sessions, led by teachers, that will discuss everything from all-day kindergarten, the Young 5s and technology integration to math, science and social studies in the classroom and the registration process.

Support material

All told, there are some 18 break-out sessions, making it unlikely parents will be able to catch them all in the 90-minute open house. Parents who attend the open house will be given a DVD with all

of the supporting material for every break-out session.

"It's important we share with the Plymouth-Canton community what we have to offer, and to explain we have a comprehensive curriculum that will meet the needs of all learners," said Liz Vartanian-Gibbs, Hoben's principal and the organizer of the open house. "Visitors will get the whole elementary experience."

Similar open houses are scheduled for middle schoolers at Pioneer Middle School March 13 and at Salem High School March 14. While the elementary open house will be focused on providing information, the others will focus more on the kind of work students do. It will feature student singers, artists, athletes and others.

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Expo helps foster passion for science

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

When organizers of the annual Farrand Science Expo wanted a little more money to expand, the Farrand PTO didn't blink, expanding the budget to allow for additional demonstrations.

If the idea was to get even more people involved, it apparently worked. Some 40 students took part in the annual expo, while another 75 visited the expo for the hands-on activities, many of which were added with the additional funding.

"Since being granted permission to run this event, it has always been about sharing a passion for science with the young people in our community," said Julie James Tafelski, who has chaired the event since 2006. "It really is a community based event with a great outcome, a love for all things science."

The 40 students from Farrand, from grades K-5, completed science projects for the expo, designed to engage young people in the scientific process. The vision, according to Tafelski, is to "increase opportunities for science-related activities."

The young people who completed projects followed the scientific method as a process



Lucas Tafelski with his science project featuring snake eating habits.



Aidan Tafelski and Blake Donohoe meet with a representative from Mad Science during the Farrand Science Expo.

and were fully immersed in the benefits of inquiry and discovery. Others were able to try their hands at owl pellet dissections and viewing of



Livonia science teacher David Fuller was the guest evaluator for the Farrand Science Expo.

a myriad of microscope slides.

The youngsters also visited a variety of critters — from an owl to an Australian cockroach — from the visiting Leslie Science and Nature Center. Students were invited to attend the Mad Science Show, Fire and Ice, as well.

While Tafelski applauded

the efforts of the PTO and the P-CEP Key Club members who donate their time, she pointed out all the effort is, ultimately, for the kids.

"The young people who take part in the expo are ... awarded a certificate of scientific achievement," she said. "Above all, they develop a passion for science."

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ON CAMPUS

Alma College

Chelsie Myers and LeeAnne Carr, juniors at Alma College, are members of the Alma College Choir, which will perform at DeVos Hall in Grand Rapids March 3.

Myers, a Canton resident and a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy, is majoring in integrative physiology and health science with a minor in gerontology and public health. She sings with the student vocal group Pretty in Plaid and is a member of the Integrated Physiology and Health Science Honorary and the Chapel worship team. She is the daughter of Roger and Tamala Myers of Canton.

Carr, a Plymouth resident and a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy, is majoring in English and mathematics and is involved in competitive cheerleading, the Gamma Phi Beta sorority, Sigma Alpha Iota music sorority, Math Club, Order of Omega and Student Congress. She is the daughter of Edward and Debra Carr of Plymouth.

The Alma College Choir, Percussion Ensemble, Pipe Band, Dance Company and Highland Dancers will present "Resonance: A Celebration of the Performing Arts" at 3 p.m. Tickets are available on the Web at www.alma.edu/resonance.

Albion College

The following local students were named to Albion College's Dean's list for the fall 2012 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

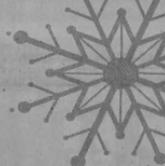
• **Cara Delaney** is majoring in mathematics education and minoring in physics education and art, with a concentration in the Fritz Shurmur Center for Teacher Development secondary certification program. She is the daughter of Stuart and Beth Delaney of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

• **Grace Dougherty** is majoring in biochemistry and minoring in cell and molecular biology and anthropology and is a member of the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program. She is the daughter of David and Lucy Dougherty of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

• **Eric Guindl** is a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of Robert Guindl of Northville and Sandra Wilkinson of Plymouth and a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School.

• **Jennifer Polinski** is majoring in biology and mathematics and is a member of the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program. She is the daughter of Craig J. Polinski and Peggy A. Cummins of Plymouth and a graduate of Ladywood High School.

• **Joseph Thomas** is majoring in chemistry and philosophy and is a member of the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program. He is the son of Patrick Thomas of Plymouth and Nina Thomas of Belleville and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.



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Schools' PR chief heads to Schoolcraft

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

The last time Frank Ruggirello was looking for a job, it was Jim Ryan, then the superintendent, who hired him as director of community relations for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

A dozen years later, Ruggirello has a new job, but a familiar boss. Ruggirello has left Plymouth-Canton schools to take a similar job at Schoolcraft College, where Ryan now serves as executive director of development.

Ruggirello starts his new job Monday. "It's just time for the next chapter," Ruggirello said of his departure. "I've worked for three good men in this job, (but) of my years in this business, the happiest and most productive years of my career were when I was working with Jim Ryan. Jim and I seem to have a connection, so when I got the opportunity to work with Jim, I jumped at it."



BILL BRESLER
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth-Canton's director of community relations, Frank Ruggirello, is leaving the district to become the director of community and media relations at Schoolcraft College.

Ruggirello started in Plymouth-Canton in September 2002, just after Ryan had become the interim superintendent following the departure of former superintendent Kathleen Booher. It was a hectic point for the district and, ironically, he's leaving at a pretty hectic time, with the board deciding whether to seek a \$114.4 million bond and having to

find a new superintendent. "We're heading into a time period where we're developing a new marketing plan and we're talking about the bond," said Dr. Jeremy Hughes, the current superintendent. "His skills will be missed."

A Warren native who now lives in Clarkston with his wife, Linda, and daughters Meagan and Julia, Ruggirello worked for the Cranbrook Education Community and had a couple of stints at Macomb Community College. He also worked for former Warren Mayor Ron Bonkowski.

All of that after getting his degree in communications from Michigan State University in 1986, a career path that wouldn't have been his father's preference back in the day. His father wanted him to be a lawyer, like his brothers. A talk with Dr. David Ralph, then the dean of MSU's communications school, convinced Ruggirello to follow that path.

"I deal with people, I enjoy people and I think

I'm a decent writer," Ruggirello said. "That was the track that seemed best for me. Then I had to go home and tell my father. He's 86 now, and he knows this is the work I'm supposed to be doing."

Now he'll be doing it at Schoolcraft, where he'll help Ryan reshape the college's communications and marketing plan.

"Frank is an enormous talent," said Ryan, the popular former superintendent who served Plymouth-Canton for seven years. "He did a great job at Plymouth-Canton, and I'm excited to have him joining the team here."

Ruggirello said he knows he's leaving a successful district, which is part of what he says made the job a great one.

"You have to believe in your product, and I believe in what Plymouth-Canton is selling," he said. "It's just time for the next chapter."

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Memorial honors Wayne County first responders

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano will announce plans for a First Responders Memorial to be built in Hines Park.

The memorial will honor fallen First Responders of Fire/EMS and Police Departments within Wayne County. It is slated to be completed in September.

The memorial will be located at the corner of Hines Drive and Haggerty Road in

Plymouth Township.

The unveilings will be drawn as part of a Feb. 5 breakfast announcement at the Warren Valley Banquet Center in Dearborn Heights. Attendees will include Wayne County commissioners, mayors, fire/EMS, police chiefs and their union representatives.

The program starts at 9 a.m. Warren Valley Banquet Center is located at 26116 W. Warren in Dearborn Heights.

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A doctor can distinguish bleeding into the knee from an attack of trauma induced gout. Both bleeding into the knee and gout crystals precipitating in the joint can cause acute swelling and marked pain. However, in a bleed, the person will note relief by lying down or sitting with the swollen leg up. In gout, no position of the leg or body relieves the pain.

The only way to stop the pain when bleeding is the cause is to remove the blood from the knee, that is, aspirate the joint. Similar treatment will work in cases of gout, but other approaches such as steroid or non-steroidal medication are applicable.

Doctors are careful before ascribing a fall to imbalance or worn stairs. X-rays intended to evaluate a leg for fracture will often reveal a knee with advanced osteoarthritis. While many patients may be able to ignore the pain of arthritis, few can overcome the instability and sudden give-away weakness that accompanies knee osteoarthritis and can cause an unexpected fall.

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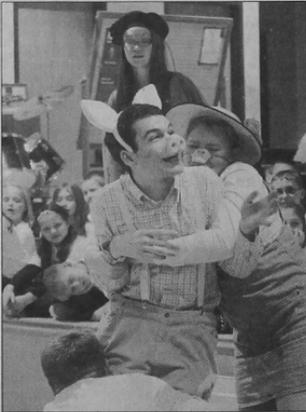
Good Counsel students mark Catholic Schools Week

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

With a sense of reverence mixed with a sense of fun, students, staff and parents celebrated Catholic Schools Week at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth last week.

Catholic Schools Week is a nationwide event designed to draw attention to the mission of Catholic schools. At Good Counsel, a kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school with an enrollment of about 580, students brought in food donations for a Catholic parish in Detroit, personalized T-shirts proclaiming their faith, got to wear wacky clothing on Wednesday instead of uniforms, and attended an all-school Mass on Thursday. On Friday, younger students attended a production of *Charlotte's Web*, a play based on the story by E.B. White.

"It's an opportunity for us to celebrate the talents and gifts our students have," said principal John Czaplinski. Teachers often plan fun events for their classes during Catholic Schools Week, Czaplinski said.



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Wilbur the pig (Brandon Waldenmayer), the barnyard geese (Esthet Kaufmann and Connor Rhoads), and Charlotte the spider (Kaylynn Schreiber), performing in 'Charlotte's Web.'

"The students got to be very decorative and creative in their outfits" on Wednesday, which was "wacky wear" day, he said. Good Counsel also hosted an open house on Jan. 27 to kick off the week,



Charlotte the spider (Kaylynn Schreiber) spins words for her web.

and actually began Catholic Schools Week a few days early, on Jan. 24, when the student choired the singing during a special Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Detroit.

Brian and Donna Broderick of Plymouth Township have a son, Jim, in seventh grade and a daughter, Katherine, in fifth grade at Good Counsel. A Catholic education is important for his family because it allows his children's faith to touch

all aspects of their education and not be "compartmentalized," Brian Broderick said.

"You can learn math, science and history at a public school or a charter school, but you don't have the ability to have faith integrated into those classes," said Broderick, himself a graduate of St. Michael Elementary School and Catholic Central High School.

"It's part of your whole person, so we don't want to put our faith or our



OLGC students wear T-shirts with their handprint on the back.

beliefs in a side pocket," he added.

Broderick is the executive director of the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools, a lobbying and advocacy organization nearly 500 Catholic, Lutheran and other Christian schools in the state.

The group also offers professional development and has an accreditation service for other kinds of private schools.

Broderick said he hoped his children were able to take time to reflect on why their Catholic education is different and how they are fortunate to be able to have it.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USES OF 2013-2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Plymouth is announcing its objectives and possible uses for developing projects using Year 2013-2014 Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide benefits to senior citizens.
- To provide benefits directly to persons of low/moderate income and/or areas in which at least 51% of the residents are of low/moderate income.
- To maintain a high level of performance in the management of all CDBG funded programs.

PROPOSED YEAR 2013-2014 PROJECTS:

The City anticipates receiving approximately \$56,000 in CDBG funds for the contract year 2013-14, and has identified the following potential projects and corresponding estimated allocations for use of these funds:

1. ADA and/or Public Facility Improvements	\$39,760
2. Public Services-Senior Transportation	\$10,640
3. Administration/Planning	\$5,600
TOTAL	\$56,000

PUBLIC HEARING:

Citizens are invited to comment on the proposed projects listed above, and to suggest other projects. All projects must meet one of the Federal CDBG objectives. A public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed uses of 2013-2014 CDBG funds, and additional suggestions for use of said funds, will be held at the Plymouth City Commission Meeting on Monday, February 18, 2013 at 7:00 pm in the Commission Chambers at Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main St.

Linda J. Langmesser, CMC
City Clerk

Published: February 3, 2013

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USE OF THE 2013 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

FEBRUARY 12, 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MEETING ROOM OF THE TOWNSHIP HALL WHICH IS LOCATED AT 9955 N. HAGGERTY ROAD ON FEBRUARY 12, 2013.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to afford the public the opportunity to place before the Board any proposed use of the 2013 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Preliminary indications from the Wayne County Community Development Block Grant Program are that the estimated 2013 funding allocation for the township will be approximately \$88,000. Wayne county requires for 2013 that our request for public service projects not exceed 15% of the total allocation. Based on that special requirement the projects are proposed as follows:

ESTIMATED 2013 ALLOCATION BASED ON 15% PUBLIC SERVICE CAP			
		Allocation	
PUBLIC SERVICES		\$13,358	
Senior Services		\$4,558	\$2,334
	Council on Aging Senior Alliance		\$2,224
Senior Transportation		\$8,800	\$8,800
ADMINISTRATION	Senior Transportation	\$8,800	\$8,800
BRICK & MORTAR	Administration	\$65,842	\$65,842
	ADA Township Park Improvements		\$65,842
	TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$88,000	

If Wayne county determines after all applications are received that additional funds shall be available for public service projects the proposed allocations shall be as follows:

ESTIMATED 2013 ALLOCATION BASED ON TOWNSHIP PREFERENCE			
		Allocation	
PUBLIC SERVICES		\$43,120	
Senior Services		\$11,440	\$9,216
	Council on Aging Senior Alliance		\$2,224
Senior Transportation		\$30,800	\$30,800
ADMINISTRATION	Senior Transportation	\$8,800	\$8,800
BRICK & MORTAR	Administration	\$36,080	\$36,080
	ADA Township Park Improvements		\$36,080
	TOTAL ALLOCATION	\$88,000	

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth, upon completion of the public hearing, will determine the use of the 2013 funds.

Any written comments regarding the proposed use of the 2013 funds should be directed to Susan Vignone, Community Development Block Grant Coordinator, Charter Township of Plymouth 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI, 48170 and must be received by Friday, February 8, 2013.

NANCY CONZELMAN
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Published: January 31 and Feb. 2, 2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP
REZONE FROM: R-2-A, Multiple Family Residential District
REZONE TO: OS, Office Service District
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, February 18, 2013
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 PM
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a proposed petition to rezone parcel R-78-061-99-0009-000 from R-2-A, Multiple Family Residential District to OS, Office Service District.

Application: 20881013 Location: West of Lilley on the north side of Postiff

PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE FROM: R-2-A to OS
AMEND ZONING MAP NO. 014
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R-78-061-99-0009-000.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3270, ext. 5. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170.

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KENDRA BARBERENA, SECRETARY
PLANNING COMMISSION

Published: February 3, 2013

Newcomers hope to draw new members

The Canton Newcomers and Neighbors would like to see their membership grow, and they're turning to one of their favorite guests to help make it happen.

Canton Township Treasurer Melissa McLaughlin will be the guest speaker when the club meets for its monthly meeting 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6. The meeting takes place at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford (west of Canton Center) in Canton.

In celebration of Women's Heart Health Month, the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors club will be hosting a themed "Things We Love" adult general meeting. The award winning social and charitable group is well positioned to help new neighbors to become friends, along with all other residents, no matter how long they have lived in Canton.

Attendees are asked to wear red and the night's agenda includes learning Canton happenings from McLaughlin, enjoying a tasty treat from bd Mongolian Grill, receive crit-



The Canton Newcomers and Neighbors went to a luau for their general meeting last week. The group meets once a month.

ical information on the skills the children in their lives will need for learning in the 21st Century by Elaine Kennedy of New Morning School, host a raffle to benefit Angela Hospice, and much more.

To RSVP or learn more about the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors club, including requesting a complimentary February newsletter, call Noreen at (734) 981-0486, email nrybar@yahoo.com, or visit www.cantonnewcomersandneighbors.org.

By all means, help family move with cash gift

By Rick Bloom
Guest Columnist

Q: Dear Rick: We are retired and almost 70 years old. Our son and daughter-in-law have two children. In addition to their home being upside down, they live in a declining subdivision full of rented homes, many of them filled with drug dealers and pit bulls running wild. Their children spend all their time indoors, even though they do have fenced yard. The house is one of the few on the block that is well-maintained. They are ready to make the decision to be foreclosed upon, but they cannot get another mortgage. I want to take \$75,000 from our investments to help them buy a house. I would either give them the money outright or rent the house to them. If it was just our son and daughter-in-law, we would let them figure it out, but we have fear and sadness for our grandchildren and helping them would be worth that



Rick Bloom

money. Any advice?

A: I think you said it all. The money is not as important to you as your grandchildren. I think some people unfortunately believe that accumulating money is what it's all about; it is not. I believe anyone who measures wealth in dollars and cents is a loser. The true measure of wealth is family and friends. You understand that concept because for you the money isn't nearly as important as the safety and health of your grandchildren.

The first thing that you need to consider is: If you make a gift of \$75,000, would it impact your lifestyle and cause you

financial issues in the future? From the numbers you provided, it should not be a problem.

Based upon that, I do like the idea of renting the house to your son and daughter-in-law. My reason is that you could then take the monthly rent and — assuming that you do not need the money — set aside the money for your grandchildren. Consider opening a college savings plan like the Michigan Education Savings Plan for them. Also consider investing it in your name, but for your grandchildren's future.

In addition, whether it's a year or longer, you then can gift the house to your son and daughter-in-law. If you choose.

One of the reasons why I would not put the home in your son and daughter-in-law's name at this point in time is if they do go for a foreclosure, you don't want the bank going after them.

People forget when they have a home foreclosed, they technically still owe money to the bank and banks can decide to pursue it. It's unusual at this point, but it does happen. Treating the home as a rental will avoid this problem.

One last item is the overall financial condition of your son and daughter-in-law. If, in addition to their housing issues, they have other financial problems, bankruptcy may be an option. If that was the case, then you would not want to gift the home until they're through with bankruptcy. This would prevent creditors from potentially going after that property. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like Bloom to respond to your questions, please email him at rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

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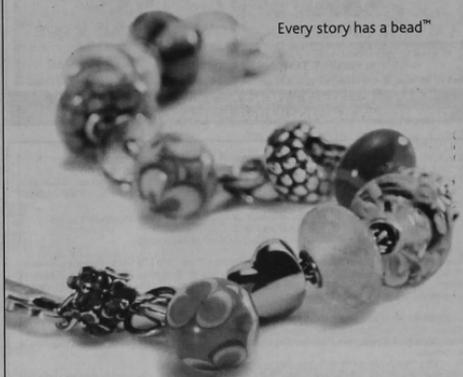
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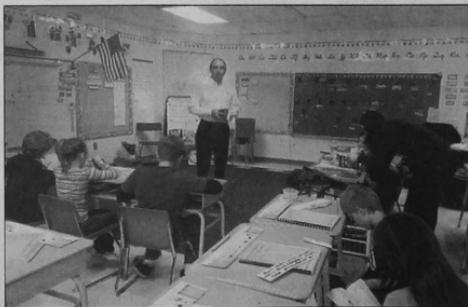
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Kiwanis puts dictionaries in students' hands

Literacy is important to all of us, and it is said that the sooner children begin to read the better the odds for future success. Where do you begin? How do you know what works?

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The books are purchased through The Dictionary Project which is a national organization supporting literacy by providing access to affordable books for students.



The Kiwanis Club has given dictionaries to more than 15,000 third-graders in the Canton and Plymouth area.

Nothing can match the commitment of dedicated and motivated educational professionals," said

Mark Ott. "From the classroom teachers and administrators to the scores of volunteers—all are part of the success of our students. But what a tool the dictionary has turned into for the students. This is more than a simple dictionary as there are also biographies of the Presidents, information on continents, the states, the U.S. Constitution, sign language and solar systems."

Kiwanis is a service club that works through the community on numerous projects with their primary focus on children. The club's activities are very much "hands on." In addition to personally delivering all 1,400 dictionaries to each of the schools, the Club's

service projects include ringing bells for Salvation Army, participating in Rake N Go and Christmas in Action, youth mentoring and reading projects.

"There are community needs that go unmet on a daily basis, and volunteer organizations such as Kiwanis attempt to deal with them," Ott said. "We are looking for those interested in giving back to the community, enjoying fellowship and wanting to make a difference."

For information on The Dictionary Project or other Kiwanis service projects in the Canton community, contact Mark Ott at (734) 981-0460. The club meets the first and third Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the Summit.

Village Theater hosts Detroit artist's exhibit

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill hosts an exhibition of works by Detroit artist Sabrina Nelson through Feb. 24 in its Gallery@VT. The exhibit will feature Nelson's dramatic works, recognized for their complex form, use of mixed media, and intricate layering.

Nelson's work is a collection of visual interpretations of the spirits that guide her to create. Nelson, a native Detroit, was born in the late '60s during the riots and currently serves as the

Associate Director of Admission at the College for Creative Studies, her alma mater. In addition, Nelson has taught at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and African American Art History at Oakland University. Nelson's works are influenced by various forms of spirituality, including the Yoruba religion, Eastern philosophy and African religious philosophies.

"I create by any means necessary," said Nelson. "I am a Detroit Artist and we hustle the

harder. I can't imagine being any place else to do my work. Here I have creative freedom and a supportive community that inspires me to keep going. I work in mixed media and enjoy working with fabrics on wallpaper, canvas and recently on wood."

Nelson has also been inspired and influenced by the art of such passionate artists as: Frida Kahlo, Louis M. Jones, Jacob Lawrence, Lucian Freud, Kurt Schwitters, Kerry James Marshall, Katha Kollwitz, and the words of Arundhati Roy, the sounds of DJ Spooky and the ramblings from Professor Griff, Gil Scott Heron and many others.

This art exhibit at the Gallery@VT is free and open to the public Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; during public performances at the theater; and by appointment by calling (734) 394-5300. The Gallery@VT is closed on holidays.

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Career Tech students help paint museum's B-17

Auto Body students at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center have been given the chance to be part of history. The Yankee Air Museum in Belleville asked the students to paint the wing tips from the Yankee Lady, its World War II B-17 bomber. The museum provided all the painting supplies for the project. According to Automotive Collision Repair Technology instructor,

Scott Heim, the Career Tech students receive a lot of hands-on projects like this in their class. "A lot of it is word-of-mouth," Heim said. "They do a lot of stuff that comes in from the outside." Some of the projects that the Career Tech students have worked on in the past are a SWAT truck for Westland Police, a three-quarter-ton army truck for Purple Heart, and painting the Salva-

tion Army kettles. The students also get to work on other items that customers bring in, such as gas pumps, cabinets and motorcycles. "It's the schools intention that with this hands-on learning, students will be prepared for work outside of the classroom." "They learn about surface prep," Heim said. "Sanding, cleaning, and painting. We use fleet paint which is the same paint you'd put on any

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Local credit union sponsors essay contest

Which U.S. President would you like to have lunch with? That's the question Community Financial Credit Union is asking local elementary and middle school students to answer in an essay contest in honor of Presidents Day.

Between now and Presidents' Day (Feb. 18), essays will be accepted from students explaining which U.S. President — from George Washington to Barack Obama — they would like to sit and have lunch with and why. Essay forms are available online at www.cfcu.org/contest.

"With Inauguration Day having just passed, we wanted to once again provide the opportunity to provide their thoughts on our nation and the presidency as well as students can," said Natalie McLaughlin, Community Financial education partnership coordinator. "There is no doubt that our

students can provide some unique and fresh ideas."

Essays will be judged by a group of Community Financial team members in two separate categories — 4th and 5th graders and 6th through 8th graders. The top essay author in each category will earn \$100 as well as lunch for their classroom with Community Financial President and CEO Bill Lawton.

Each category will also have five finalists who will each receive a \$10 Subway gift card. The winners' teachers will also receive a \$100 gift certificate to be used for supplies for their classroom. To stay connected with Community Financial and keep up-to-date on the latest financial news and information as well as community involvement, "like" the credit union on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/CommunityFinancial or follow it on Twitter at www.twitter.com/CFCreditUnion.

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Technology lets W-W students travel the world

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Students in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools are taking field trips to the other side of world without a passport or plane ticket, thanks to technology.

Using education funds provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, the district made huge purchases in technology that allow teachers to do such things as provide students with virtual field trips that have taken them to Australia to talk to a children's author and explore sea life in Alaska.

"We realized when the ARRA money was gone that it was important to reap the benefits for years and years to come," said Paul Salah, deputy superintendent for instruction. "Every single core classroom has the technology. The opportunities are unlimited and



Through the wonders of technology, a representative of the Alaska SeaLife Center talks about the distant learning programs available to Wayne-Westland students.

phenomenal."

In a demonstration of what distance learning can do for students, the Wayne-Westland school board "traveled" to the Alaska SeaLife Center, which uses live interactive video conferencing equipment to present learning programs to students.

A representative of the center, Alaska's only public aquarium and ocean wildlife rescue cen-

ter located in Seward, introduced board members to Woody, the stellar sea lion, and Lulu, the octopus who was tending eggs she had laid last April and that were expected to hatch this April.

Hands-on learning

He also talked about the different class, ranging from "Who Lives Where," a lesson on animal habitats for

pre-kindergartners, to the interesting things that can be found in stellar sea lion scat with high school level "Scoop on Poop."

The programs include hands-on activities. An elementary program on tidal pool inhabitants includes diagrams and stickers, which allow students to place the animals where they belong in the pool. There's also scat for students to look through and find things like the bones of salmon and stones from the inner ears of fish that the sea lions eat.

And for the program on marine mammals, the students are given pieces of clay and make them into a seal "for a little memento of the program." Other programs include "Living in the Ring of Fire," a look at plate tectonics and squid dissection.

"For the squid dissection program, we'll FedEx a squid to you, if

you can't find one locally, and dissect one with the students," he said. "Technology allows us to reach out to schools anywhere around the world. In 2005, 2,000-3,000 students came here. We've been able to deliver those programs to almost 10,000 students a year through video conferencing."

Low-cost programs

"The cost of the program is the same as having a presenter come from across town," he added. "We use very sophisticated cameras, we have a lot of options. The technology is seamless, and it's a wonderful way to connect with students."

According to Salah, the technology has allowed Wayne-Westland students to be present during surgery with a physician, have lessons taught by scientists from Michigan State University and NASA and talk to the

survivors of historical events.

Last year, students talked with a survivor from Kenya from when that country was taken over by the British. She was in Kenya and had actually been in the fight. The kids were able to speak with her and hear her "articulate what it felt like to be in that resistance," he said.

"We recognize that not all of our children will have the opportunity to travel the world. We are bringing that world to them," he said.

"I'm very impressed," school board President Carol Middle said. "We've gotten to the point in technology where we can communicate half way around the world. We're pleased to have you as a part of our team and we're pleased to be part of yours."

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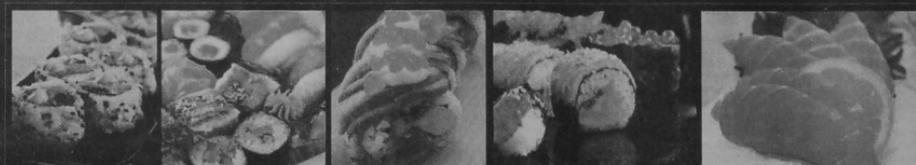
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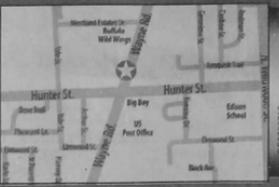
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Winning catch

Trade for Trocheck strengthens Whalers' title chances

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

At Saginaw, Vince Trocheck was team captain and dubbed "Face of the Franchise."

With his new team, the Plymouth Whalers, he probably wouldn't mind being lost in the crowd—in one of those typical championship photos you see where players huddle on the ice in a happy mass with index fingers pointing to the rafters signifying they're "number one."

"Absolutely, I know we're going for it and that's what I wanted to do," said Trocheck, during a recent interview before practice at Compuware Arena. "This is possibly my last year in the OHL, and I wanted to go for it and make a run. It would definitely be a lot of fun."

The Jan. 10 trade to Plymouth for forward Zach Bratina and draft picks didn't surprise the 19-year-old Trocheck who is among scoring leaders in the OHL with 29 goals and 66 points entering a pair of weekend games at Compuware.

"I talked to the GM and coaching staff there for a bit," Trocheck said. "They knew that there was a possibility they weren't going to be going for it and so they wanted to go for the future. So I gave them a list of teams and Plymouth was (included)."

Since Plymouth coach and general manager Mike Vellucci acquired Trocheck,



RENA LAVERTY

Plymouth Whalers forward Vince Trocheck (No. 25) is making quite a splash with his new team. Trocheck was traded to Plymouth by Saginaw last month.

the Florida Panthers prospect has shown that he is ready to do the heavy lifting during a potential championship push.

Trocheck tallied 16 points in his first eight games with the Whalers, a stretch where the team won six times. Moreover, he sparks the action with every shift.

That's especially the case when he's teamed up with forward Ryan Hartman, who recently were teammates at the World

Juniors with the gold-winning US team.

"Ryan's a great hockey player," Trocheck said. "I kind of got close to him over there at World Juniors, and since I've been here playing on the same line there's definitely some chemistry."

Already being a teammate with Hartman enabled Trocheck to make a smooth transition to Plymouth.

"Knowing guys whenever you come over definitely helps you ease into it," he emphasized.

Worth the wait

Vellucci knew the price tag for Trocheck was expensive. But he wanted to bring a complete player with a zest for intense competition into the fold.

"He's one of the best forwards in the league," Vellucci said. "We've been trying to get him all this year and I feel very fortunate that we were able to make a trade for him."

"His talent is great, but it's

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Salem icers still red hot

By Dan O'Meara
Observer Staff Writer

Salem seemed to get better as the hockey game progressed Thursday night, and that lessened the chance of a North Farmington-Harrison comeback as the minutes passed.

The Rocks got the early lead and never let up on the gas pedal as they continued to attack, skating to an eventual, 5-2 victory at Farmington Hills Ice Arena.

Salem remained one of the hottest teams in high school hockey in 2013 with a five-game winning streak. The Rocks are 5-1-1 since the start of the new year and 11-6-1 overall.

"We've really turned it on," Salem coach Ryan Ossensmacher said. "I

Please see SALEM, B4



BRIAN QUINTOS

Salem's Jake Sealy, shown from a recent game, helped the power play click against North Farmington-Harrison.

Chiefs take it to Wildcats

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

With Canton 6-8 center Jordan Nobles rising above the crowd and teammate Josh Mayberry thrilling it with one-handed dunks, the Chiefs almost toyed Friday night with host Plymouth.

Canton's varsity boys basketball team jumped out to a 14-2 lead and completely dominated from the opening tip en route to a 69-43 KLAA South Division victory.

The only buzz for the home team was from the pregame Senior Night festivities.

"We certainly didn't show up tonight," Plymouth head coach Mike Soukup said. "That's the story of the game. One team did and the other one didn't and the score reflected that."

When the game started, the Chiefs were off and running. In the first minute, senior point guard Mayberry (21 points, eight steals, five assists) picked off a Plymouth pass near mid-court and dashed in for a layup.

Soon thereafter, another steal led to a bucket by senior forward Scott Gring.

Then came a rainbow trey by sophomore guard Greg Williams (16 points, six rebounds, five assists) for a 7-0 edge.



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Canton senior point guard Josh Mayberry (No. 2) dribbles past Plymouth senior Ryan Karr (No. 23) during Friday night's game. At left for the Chiefs is junior forward Josh Nobles (No. 15).

No urgency

For the most part, it was game over right then and there.

"We came out with some energy and urgency," said Canton head coach Jimmy Reddy, whose team improved to 9-5 overall, 7-1 in the

division. "Offensively we shot it well, moved it well and shared it, most importantly."

"But our poise and our purpose of what we wanted to do tonight

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Canton defense stymies Wildcats

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Canton's varsity girls basketball team smothered Plymouth's offense Friday night with relentless defense, earning a convincing 39-24 KLAA South Division win.

A key to the win was shadowing Plymouth's 6-5 junior center Shelby Cheston and holding her to a measly four points and two rebounds—far from the double-double territory she's often been in this season.

"We really wanted to guard the post well. We really did a nice job of that, didn't let those guys get going," Chiefs head coach Brian Samulski said. "From there, our perimeter 'D' was pretty solid."

According to Wildcats head coach Bob de Bear, "They took her (Cheston) out. They were real physical with her; they had help guarding her. ... We were just not very patient in our offense and we were disorganized."

That led to too many "one-and-done" situations, exacerbated by the Wildcats managing just four offensive rebounds for the game. Plymouth made just 6-of-32 field-goal tries for 19 percent.

Canton broke out to a 9-4 lead after one quarter and padded that to 20-11 at halftime.

Shutting it down

But in the second half, the Chiefs really frustrated the Wildcats—who managed only two field goals (by Jada Woody and Kylie Robb) for the entire second half.

Robb led Plymouth (6-8, 5-3) with nine points, while Woody and Dionne Johnson each registered five.

Taking care of matters on offense for Canton (10-4, 6-2) was junior forward Paige Aresco, who led all players with 21 points.

"Our defense wasn't very good, either," de

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Salem's Jerry Bai, shown from earlier this season, was part of Thursday's winning 400 free relay team with fellow seniors Danny Lynch, Turner Solterman and Jason Zhang.



Salem's Jason Zhang powers through the water during a recent meet. He and five teammates were honored Thursday on 'Senior Night'.

Salem seniors make a splash

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Salem's Jason Zhang was on a mission Thursday, to ultimately make "Senior Night" one to remember.

Zhang did that and more, scoring two event victories and sharing in two relay wins as the Rocks got past KLAAC North Division leaders Walled Lake Central, 101-84. He placed first in the 50-yard freestyle (22.59 seconds) and also was victorious in the 100 free, posting a time of 49.31.

Five other Salem seniors also scored points, including Turner Solterman, Jerry Bai, Kenny McManimon, Smaran Bhaktawara and Danny Lynch.

In the meet's final event, the 400-freestyle relay, a quartet of seniors came away with a first-place time of 3:27.84 — Lynch, Bai, Solterman and Zhang.

Salem's 200-free relay team of Jason Basanese, Zhang, McManimon and Matt Pairitz finished first with a time of 1:34.70. Other Salem wins were

posted by Zach Bartolec (1-meter diving, 141 points) and Patrick Casey (100 backstroke, 100.26). Helping the Rocks' cause were 2-3 finishes in the 200 free (Brian Kuang, Solterman), 200 IM (Charles Liu, Pairitz), 100 butterfly (Bai, Lynch) and 100 breaststroke (Solterman, Liu).

Wildcats romp
Connor McManis broke Plymouth's school record for 6 dives Thursday with a total of 203 points to spark a 133-40 victory over host Livonia Frank-

lin. Wildcats coach Kenn Forbes said McManis no holds records for 6 and 11 dives and is closer to his first MISCA cut. McManis can make it with a 197 score Saturday in Woodhaven. The MISCA meet for diving is Friday at Eastern Michigan University, with other events to follow on Saturday.

Plymouth, now sporting a 5-2 record, finished 1-2-3 in most events to key the win.

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PREP WRESTLING RESULTS

KLAAC QUAD MEET WRESTLING RESULTS
CANTON 5, STEVENSON 2
Jan. 30 at Livonia Stevenson
103 pounds: Harrison Samoy (C) pinned Kyle Schema, 2:27; 112: Marco Iytwyn (LS) p. Ryan Apley, 3:33; 119: Richard DeMarois (C) p. Emmanuel Austin, 1:21; 125: Ben Griffin (C) p. Charlie Wellman, 0:51; 130: Kyle Polaski (C) major decision over Trevor Demers, 11-1; 135: Jacob Thornton (C) decisioned Sandro Iytwyn, 11-1; 140: Marc Pryzybilski (C) p. Jacob Tennis, 2:15; 145: Paul Tacy (C) tech. fall over Majid Hatem, 16-1; 152: Kody Roy (LS) dec. Ty Jastran, 3-1; 160: Connor Vaughan (LS) p. Nicholas Durocher, 3:00; 171: Kyle Kelley (LS) p. Kyle Schwiebert, 3:30; 189: Jevon Hill (C) p. Matt Spohn, 1:54; 215: Allan Beckman (C) p. Tyler Dencki, 0:18; 285: Ken Wooley (C) p. Zack Saleh, 1:56.

HOWELL 20, CANTON 25
Jan. 30 at Livonia Stevenson
112 pounds: Nick Trackwell (H) pinned Ryan Apley, 0:29; 119: Richard DeMarois (C) tech. fall over Mike Strayer, 15-2; 125: Ben Calandrimo (H) p. Danny Currie, 0:58; 130: Ben Griffin (C) p. Nick Iytwyn, 0:51; 135: Jacob Thornton (C) decisioned Dylan Lester, 6-3; 140: Marc Pryzybilski (C) tech. fall over Cole Gilmer, 16-0; 145: Hayden Hughes (H) dec. Paul Tacy, 4-1; 152: Dean Honkala (H) dec. Ty Jastran, 6-2; 160: Nicholas Durocher (C) p. Luke Koronich, 1:49; 171: Austin Hanson (H) p. Dylan DeClue, 1:10; 189: Chad Czennick (H) won second tie breaker over Jevon Hill, 5-2; 215: Dalton Smallwood (H) maj. dec. Allan Beckman, 14-2; 285: Tanner Damask (H) p. Ken Wooley, 0:52; 103: Sawyer Hughes (H)

dec. Harrison Samoy, 7-4; Canton's dual match record: 17-1 over Stevenson
PLYMOUTH 36, MILFORD 36
Jan. 30 at Salem
119 pounds: Tim Nelson (M) pinned Jacob Griffith, 3:29; 125: Trey Berry (P) pinned Trevor Bageris, 2:46; 130: David Joyner (M) p. Spencer Schiffer, 3:32; 135: Charles Kallil (P) tech. fall over Brenden Milbrath, 16-1; 140: Jon Connor Krause, 3:58; 152: Hussein Ales Breckenridge (P) p. Anton Kruse, 3:58; 155: Hussein Ales Breckenridge (P) p. Nick Hutton, 3:39; 160: Joseph Shaver (P) tech. fall over Billy Paul, 16-0; 171: Luke Res (M) p. Jeffery Motes, 0:34; 189: Gary Wreggelsworth (M) p. Michael Jordan, 0:27; 215: Noah Hosking (M) p. Ronnie Dancer, 2:28; 285: Tyler Lovelace (M) p. Adam DuLong, 5:25; 103: Mohamed Yousef (P) won by forfeit; 112: Dylan Dwyer (P) won by forfeit.

PLYMOUTH 49, SALEM 24
Jan. 30 at Salem
112 pounds: Alex Arble (S) decisioned Dylan Dwyer, 6-2; 119: Jacob Griffith (P) pinned Kent Moody, 4:46; 125: Trey Berry (P) p. Greg Shaver, 1:34; 130: Charles Kallil (P) won in overtime over Caleb McCabe, 10-8; 135: Jon Conn (P) p. Danny Currie, 1:40; 140: Sterling Schmitz (P) won by forfeit; 145: Hussein Yousef (P) p. Jake Judge, 1:31; 152: Alec Breckenridge (P) won by forfeit; 160: Joseph Shaver (P) major decisioned James Uphaw, 9-0; 171: Roy Foster (S) p. Jeffery Motes, 5:38; 189: Mitchell Gross (S) p. Michael Jordan, 4:51; 215: John Agostini (S) p. Ronnie Dancer, 1:27; 285: Tyler Moore (S) dec. Adam DuLong, 10-103; Mohamed Yousef (P) p. Andrew Lindsay, 1:23; Plymouth's dual match record: 19-11 overall; Salem's record: 5-12 overall.

BOYS SWIM RESULTS

DUAL MEET RESULTS SALEM 101 W. L. CENTRAL 84

Jan. 31 at Salem
200-yard medley relay: 1. Walled Lake Central (Chase Weber, Stephen Lee, Jason Shaffer, Davis Rosser), 2. Salem (Matt Pairitz, Turner Solterman, Jerry Bai, Kenny McManimon), 1:43.95; 3. Salem (Smaran Bhaktawara, Charles Liu, Danny Lynch, Brendan Wellman), 1:51.81.
200 freestyle: 1. Alex Dvornom (WLC), 1:51.65; 2. Brian Kuang (S), 1:52.27; 3. Solterman (S), 1:53.05; 4. Brandon Dembs (WLC), 1:59.32; 5. Lynch (S), 2:01.32.
200 individual medley: 1. Lee (WLC), 2:05.68; 2. Liu (S), 2:09.34; 3. Pairitz (S), 2:13.41; 4. Jordan Ng (WLC), 2:14.42; 5. Patrick Casey (S), 2:15.

50 freestyle: 1. Jason Zhang (S), 22.59; 2. Rosser (WLC), 23.74; 3. Jack Kennedy (WLC), 23.77; 4. Jason Basanese (S), 24.16; 5. McManimon (S), 24.22.
100 freestyle: 1. Zach Bartolec (S), 141 points; 2. Jacob Chinarin (WLC), 132.15; 3. Michael Falzon (S), 124.65.
100 butterfly: 1. Shaffer (WLC), 57.36; 2. Bai (S), 57.62; 3. Lynch (S), 1:00.97; 4. Bhaktawara (S), 1:01.44; 5. Kevin Riley (WLC), 1:05.83.
100 freestyle: 1. Zhang (S), 49.31; 2. Kennedy (WLC), 50.79; 3. Basanese (S), 52.68; 4. Rosser (WLC), 53.49; 5. McManimon (S), 55.06.
500 freestyle: 1. Alex Dvornom (WLC), 5:04.79; 2. Ng (WLC), 5:12.94; 3. Kuang (S), 5:18.70; 4. Pairitz (S), 5:19.81; 5. Dembs (WLC), 5:23.13.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Basanese, Zhang, McManimon, Pairitz), 1:34.14; 2. Walled Lake Central, 1:35.72; 3. Salem (Casey, Colin Urbaszewski), Kuang, Gregory Payne), 1:43.98.
100 backstroke: 1. Casey (S), 1:00.26; 2. Weber (WLC), 1:01.08; 3. Shaffer (WLC), 1:01.19; 4. Bhaktawara (S), 1:01.98; 5. Wellman (S), 1:03.52.
100 breaststroke: 1. Lee (WLC), 1:01.70; 2. Solterman (S), 1:02.96; 3. Liu (S), 1:08.81; 4. Doug Moore (WLC), 1:13.52; 5. Brandin Yee (S), 1:14.91.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Lynch, Solterman, Zhang), 3:27.84; 2. Walled Lake Central, 3:29.31; 3. Salem (Basanese, Bhaktawara, Wellman, Liu), 3:42.28.

Chiefs keep winning

Canton's varsity girls gymnastics team tuned up for Saturday's Canton Invitational — and a highly anticipated matchup against top-ranked Grand Ledger — with another impressive win.
The chiefs increased their winning streak to

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26 with Wednesday's 146.725-to-127.85 victory over Northville. Canton swept the top three places in each event. Jocelyn Moraw took. Please see CHIEFS, B4

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CHIEFS

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was awesome." Also in double figures for the Chiefs was Nobles (12 points, seven rebounds, three blocks), who parlayed his considerable size and skill into yet another stellar performance.

"He's been huge for us," Reddy said. "We're talking three weeks now where he's been a big-time player for us. He'll have to be that if we're going to be any good and compete for championships. He's turned the corner, and he's affecting our team on both ends, offensively and defensively."

Canton built a 30-12 halftime lead, with Mayberry's 11 points sparking the attack. It was 49-23 entering the fourth.

After that, the biggest charge in the gymnasium was generated when Mayberry streaked down the left side of the floor and went up for a thunderous slam.

"They turned us over for buckets and they got 'O' rebounds for buckets. That was the story of the first half," Soukup said. "When you dig yourself a hole that large, it's very hard to come back, especially with a team that has trouble scoring like we do."



Canton's Matt McKay (No. 12) pressures Plymouth's Randall Aikins (foreground), who is looking for a teammate to pass the ball to during Friday's game.

Only in the final eight minutes did Plymouth (6-8, 4-4) come to life.

Hot streak

Both teams scored 20 points in that quarter, with Plymouth senior Ryan Karr draining three triples. He finished the night making 5-of-8 from beyond the arc for 15 points.

"Good for him, he's been playing well in

practice," Soukup said about Karr. "It's nice to see those things carry over into the game for him. I was very proud of him."

Over the first three quarters, however, it was tough sledging for the Wildcats, who were outrebounded 26-12 and managed to connect on just 36 percent of their field-goal attempts (14-of-38).

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DEFENSE

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STEVENSON 60, SALEM 59 (OT): Livonia Stevenson (7-6, 3-5) would have made Jerry West proud Friday night. Senior guard Josh Campbell and sophomore guard JaIen Webber proved to be co-Mr. Clutches as they helped pull out a boys basketball victory over visiting Salem (10-4, 6-2), the co-leader of the K.I.A.A.'s Central Division.

With the Spartans down a point after Salem's Chris Dierker made it 59-58, Webber got fouled by the 6-foot-6 Salem senior driving to the basket and two seconds left in OT and made two free throws to pull out the victory.

Campbell, who finished with a game-high 23 points, sent the game into OT with a 3-pointer with only 17 seconds remaining in regulation.

Stevenson's defense then limited Salem to one missed attempt on the final possession.

Salem got 16 points apiece from Kevin Mack and Ahmad Khalid, 21-21. Despite being short-handed due to injury and illness Friday night, host Salem (8-8 overall, 5-3 in the K.I.A.A. Central) led wire-to-wire against Livonia Stevenson (6-8, 2-6) in a divisional match-up.

The Rocks got out to a 10-4 lead after one quarter and made it 24-12 at halftime. In the third, Salem really took control by outscoring the Spartans 14-3 to go up 38-15. Jamyra Wilson led Salem with 15 points, while Hayley Rogers and Shara Long each tallied six. Wilson and Long shared top rebounding honors with seven boards each.

Scoring seven points apiece for Stevenson were Katelyn Foster and Maria Murray. Salem played without guard Kayla Kavulich (ankle sprain) and Bre Weaver (bronchitis), but Rocks head coach Fred Thomas praised his squad for "playing very well against Stevenson even though we were short-handed."

SPORTS ROUNDUP

CHS Hall of Fame

The 11th annual Livonia Churchill Athletic Patron Hall of Fame induction will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 21 at the Italian-American Hall, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Among the inductees are the 2007 CAA state champion girls volleyball team, former Churchill baseball player Rod Hawraney and parent volunteers Don and Jane DeRoo.

Tickets are \$35 per person (if purchased by March 1) or \$40 (after March 1). The evening includes hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, dinner and program (from 7:30-9 p.m.). For more information, call

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Salem bowlers sweep 'Stangs

Fueled by 200 games from three bowlers, Salem's boys varsity squad defeated Northville 18-12 Wednesday at Super Bowl in Canton.

Nolan Rudis rolled a 222 game while Steven Cadwell and Tyler Snyder contributed 214 and 201 games, respectively.

Cadwell (182-214-396) and Snyder (201-195-396) tied for the lead among Salem bowlers, with Kevin Williams not far behind with a 193-198-391 scoreline.

Chipping in with a 175 game was Jimmy Bowling.

For the Mustangs, Justin Morgan rolled a 357 series.

The Rocks roared from

behind after dropping all 10 Baker points to score 875-727 and 986-844 victories in the regular matches.

Salem girls prevail Also victorious Wednesday was Salem's varsity girls team, with a 28-2 round over Northville.

Spineheading the Rocks were Rachel Boucha (146-207-353), Kristen Larkins (182-159-341) and Bridget Maul (187-148-335) while Rachel Lopez tallied a 163-126-289 scoreline.

Katherine Kehoe helped the cause with a 192 score in her only game of the day.

For Northville, Sami Sugiyama and Rachel Kemp had totals of 275 and 270, respectively.

Baseball at the movies

The Plymouth District Library has scheduled an evening of baseball, entertainment and plenty of motion picture history. At 7 p.m.

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New Plymouth Whaler Vince Trocheck (No. 25) chases Erie's Stephen Harper (No. 10) during a recent game at Compuware Arena.

TROCHECK

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the work ethic, the win-at-all-costs mentality, the desire to play the whole game. That includes skating into the corners and digging out pucks, or dropping down during a penalty kick to get in the way of a screaming slapper. He's a great face-off guy, he's a good penalty killer, he blocks shots, Vellucci continued. The scoring is great, but it's all the other little things that make teams win. The 6-0, 190-pounder from Pittsburgh is definitely playing much bigger than his size, too. What I like is, if it's a physical game he gets involved also, he's not shy of that either. Vellucci added, "Whatever kind of game the other team wants to throw at us he can respond." Trocheck also excels confidence on the ice and quiet leadership off it. I try to just go out on

the ice and play as hard as I can," Trocheck noted. "Hopefully that transfers to the other guys, (helps) make other guys on the team better." "Off the ice, I talk in the locker room to pick guys up and keep a positive attitude at all times." Team comes first Where leadership qualities really emerge are during games such as Plymouth's 6-2 win over Sarnia on Jan. 26. That night, Trocheck had two goals by the middle of the second period, but he repeatedly bypassed chances for a hat trick. Instead, he put the puck on a tee for linemates. "I don't know if he views himself as a player-maker or goal scorer," Vellucci said. "But so far, from what we've seen he's a very unselfish player." "He just wants to fit in, he doesn't have to be the guy." According to Trocheck, that's just in his hockey DNA.

"If the opportunity's better for the other guy than I'm going to make the pass," he said. "If not, then I'll take the shot." Although Trocheck is barely 10 games into his Whalers career, the only apparent downside for the team is the likelihood he will move on to the Panthers' AHL affiliate in 2013-14. That's down the road, Trocheck is locked in to helping Plymouth win the OHL West Division — hopefully followed by postseason success. "I think we got a real good game," Trocheck stressed. "When we play hard and our game, Plymouth hockey, then we're a team to be reckoned with." "We can beat just about any team in the league." If that happens and Plymouth captures some serious playoff hardware, the ex-Spirit standout might find himself being called "face of the Whalers," too. thm@hometownlife.com (734) 469-1128

Chiefs back on track

A strong performance by Canton junior goalie Justin Kolbicz and a two-goal showing by senior captain Matt Cox lifted the visiting Chiefs to a 4-1 victory Wednesday over Birmingham Unified. The win enabled Canton (4-15) to snap a five-game losing streak, Birmingham Unified dropped to 9-8. Kolbicz made 33 stops as he kept his team close until the third, when forwards Tommy Kiddle and

BOYS HOCKEY Cox (empty netter) padded what was a 2-1 lead after two periods. Canton got out to a 1-0 lead at 4:11 of the opening frame. Cox buried one, on a play set up by Cooper Rice (three assists). Christian Fackh then scored a goal with 7:49 left in the first to put Canton up 2-0, which turned out to be the eventual game-winning marker. Drawing assists were

Rice and Cox, who turned in a three-point night. Birmingham cut the deficit to 2-1 later in the first when Kevin Kriss took management to finally get a puck past Kolbicz. That's how the game remained until the third period when Kiddle took a feed from Rice and scored with 5:47 remaining. Cox ended the scoring at 16:44 with his empty-netter, set up by Dillon Schlapp.

Wildcats stop skid

Zach Tavierne's first high school hat trick led Plymouth to a 5-2 win Wednesday over Livonia Franklin at Arctic Edge Arena. The junior winger's second goal of the game late in the second period turned out to be the decisive score. During a scramble in front of the Franklin net, Tavierne chipped the puck in with 10 seconds remaining in the period to give the Wildcats the lead, 3-2. Plymouth took control of the game in the third period with insurance goals by senior forward Nick Schultz (25th of the season), and Tavierne (15th). The team locked down their opponent in the final period, limiting the Patriots to only one shot on goal. Overall, the Wildcats outshot Franklin 36-14. "I was very happy with the way we

shot them down in the third, which made it an easy period for us," Plymouth head coach Gerry Vento said. The Wildcats were shorthanded with three forwards unable to play with injuries. Vento said the situation provided a good challenge for his team. "It was a nice win with a few key guys out of the lineup," Vento said. "It gave a lot of guys a chance to step up and contribute." Senior forward Mitch Claggett added a goal and two assists, and sophomore defenseman Jake Zaborowski contributed three assists. Sophomore goalie Erik VandenBosch made 12 of 14 saves to earn his seventh win of the season. The win snapped a two-game losing streak for the Wildcats, which improved their overall record to 10-3-1.

SALEM

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think we realized the first part of the year we weren't where we needed to be, so we committed to skating a little more and it's paid off. "If you're going to get hot, this is definitely the time of year you want to do that." Salem outshot North-Harrison in the first period, 15-9, but had just one goal to show for it. That was by Jack Driscoll, who went top-to-bottom, over goalie Hunter Myers' glove at 10:15. The Rocks got another when Colin Pietron fired a shot that hit Myers but rolled past him and trickled into the net with 10:51 to play in the second period. "As the game went on, we definitely picked up the aggressiveness," Ossenmacher said. "We're a transition team that is going to be successful when we skate hard. "We're not going to go out there and outskill teams. We're going to outtake and outwork them, and we did that for the second half of the game. I think the score is indicative of that." Ossenmacher added the Rocks play well with a lead. It frees them up offensively and they don't play as tight defensively. "We're a transition team and we need to get up and down the ice," he said. "When we play with a lead, we can be a little bit looser." The Flyers (11-7) capitalized on the first Salem penalty at 8:23 of the second with a power-play goal at 7:29. Eric Stanis knocked the puck into the net. He placed second on the open left side of the net for a 2-1 score.

Quick response But the Rocks got the next three goals — the first two coming on power plays — to take command of the scoreboard and remove any suspense as to the eventual outcome. Positioned at the left corner of the goal, Jason Newel received a pass from Jake Sealy and one-timed the puck into the net at 3:35. On another power play early in the third period (15:48), Sealy beat North-Harrison behind the Flyers net and fed Adam Marthaler in front for a fourth goal. Noah Willer also assisted on the Newel and Marthaler scores. "Our power play is working at about a 30-percent clip right now, which is pretty good," Ossenmacher said. "We beat Brighton (Jan. 26) and two of our three goals came on power plays, so they're doing their job." "That top line of Sealy, Newel and Alek Zlotowski is also the line for our power play. They've probably been the best line in the last four or five games." When they do play, the Rocks have a tendency to carry us offensively, and it worked out well for us tonight." The Rocks looked as strong as ever in the third period as they continued to skate well and dominate the play. The result was a fifth goal at 11:19. Willer picked up a third assist, winning the puck in a scrum near the left circle and sending it to Kyle Downey, who was unopposed in front and made the tally 5-1. "I think this team we have is probably in better shape than any team we've had in the last few years," Ossenmacher said. "We know their strengths. We ask them before each game: 'How do we win games? We win by skating.' When we do that, we're

tough to beat, because we keep teams from their heels. (The Flyers are) a good team; they obviously had their chances. But our power play did a good job again tonight and gave us a couple goals, and our goalie (Anthony Veresan) played well. He made some big saves when he needed to." North-Harrison didn't get a shot on goal in the third period until 8:07 remained in the game. The Flyers failed to score on a power play at 5:41, but they did get a second goal soon after it ended with the teams at even strength again. Frank Zak put the puck on net, and Adam Fine skated up to chip the rebound into the net with 3:03 to play. Can't capitalize "Overall, I wasn't disappointed with our efforts," North-Harrison coach Ken Anderson said. "We had our chances; we didn't put pucks in." "We had a couple good chances in the second period, especially, and we didn't capitalize." Anderson said. "The Rocks had been playing very well, and he thought the Flyers had to play a perfect game to beat them." "They're one of the best teams in the state, I think," he said. "They've beaten some real good teams. We didn't match their intensity at times, and they were a good skating team."

SALEM'S BRIGHTON 2: Parker play goals by Jason Newel and Noah Willer paved the visiting Rocks to a 5-1 win Jan. 26 over the No. 3-ranked Bulldogs. Also scoring was Stephen Ossenmacher. "The power play did a very nice job capitalizing on their opportunities."

Whalers fall to Greyhounds

Plymouth could not hold off Sault Ste. Marie's offense Friday night at Compuware Arena, as the Greyhounds sloughed the Whalers with a 6-5 win. The Whalers retained the OHL West Division lead despite the loss, with 59 points (25-15-54). On their heels are Sault Ste. Marie (58 points) and Sarnia (57 points). All three teams were scheduled to play Saturday night. Ryan Hartman and Gianluca Curcurato got

Plymouth off to a good start, scoring in the first eight minutes to stake the Whalers to a 2-0 lead. But before the period ended, Ryan Spraul and Michael Schumacher scored against Plymouth starting netminder Matt Mahalak to cut the Whalers lead to 3-2. Plymouth's third goal of the first was scored by Vince Trocheck, his 30th of the season. The Greyhounds then

scored two unanswered markers in the second against Alex Nedeljkovic, who started the frame for the Whalers. That made it a 4-3 So lead going into the third. Trocheck's second goal knotted the game at 4-4 at the third. But Brandon Alderson and Andrew Fritsch put the Greyhounds ahead to stay. Scoring on a power play at 19:48 was Plymouth's Mitchell Heard.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL Tuesday, Feb. 5 Luth. Wild at Cavalry, 6:30 p.m. Canton at Franklin Road, 7 p.m. Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m. Wayne at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Salem at Salem, 7 p.m. University-Liggett at PCA, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 Luth. Westland at HVL, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8 Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Glene, 7 p.m. Salem at South Lyon, 7 p.m. PCA at Parkway Christian, 7 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Tuesday, Feb. 5 Churchill at Canton, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Wayne, 7 p.m. Salem at Novi, 7 p.m. PCA at University-Liggett, 7 p.m. Liv. Wild at L. N'west, 7 p.m. Franklin Road at HWL, 7 p.m. Riv. Richard at Lady, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 Everett-Snyder at PCA, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8 Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m. Glene at Plymouth, 7 p.m. South Lyon at Salem, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at HVL, 7 p.m. PREP HOCKEY Tuesday, Feb. 5 PCS Penguins vs. Country Day at Southfield, 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 Canton, Salem at MHS/SH, TBA. Ladywood vs. G.P. South at Det. City Sports Ctr., 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 (MHS Showcase at Trenton) Plymouth vs. Country Day, 5:20 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8 (MHS Showcase at Trenton) Churchill vs. DC, 12:20 p.m. Ladywood vs. L.D., 8:20 p.m. Plymouth vs. Macomb Dakota, 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 Ladywood vs. Lahser at Arctic Pond, 5:30 p.m. PCS Penguins vs. Granbrook, TBA.

PREP WRESTLING MHSAA TOWN DISTRICTS DIVISION 1 Wednesday, Feb. 6 Plymouth vs. Canton, 5 p.m.; Salem vs. Plymouth, 5 p.m.; championship final: 6:30 p.m. at WAYNE MEMORIAL Wednesday, Feb. 6 Wayne vs. Belleville, 5:30 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. Brownstown-Woodhaven, 5:30 p.m.; championship final: 7 p.m. at DEARBORN Wednesday, Feb. 6 Livonia Franklin vs. Dearborn, 5:30 p.m.; Dearborn Heights Crestwood vs. Garden City, 5:30 p.m.; championship final: 7 p.m. at NOVI Wednesday, Feb. 6 Livonia Strickson vs. Novi, 5:30 p.m.; Northville vs. Novi-Detroit Catholic Center, 5:30 p.m.; championship final: 7 p.m. DIVISION 3 at CLAWSON Wednesday, Feb. 6 Livonia Clarenceville vs. (B) Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 6 p.m.; championship final: Clawson vs. Ardwiner, 7 p.m. DIVISION 4 at LUTHERAN WESTLAND Thursday, Feb. 7 Lutheran Westland vs. Newport Lutheran Southfield, Feb. 9 Division 1 1st Southgate, 10 a.m. Division 1 at Saline, 10 a.m. Division 1 at Richmond, 10 a.m. Division 4 at Blissfield, 10 a.m. BOYS SWIMMING Tuesday, Feb. 5 Trenton at Wayne, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 Wayne at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. Franklin at Canton, 6:30 p.m. Plymouth at Glene, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 MSCA Meet at EMU, TBA. PREP BOWLING Tuesday, Feb. 5 Lady, vs. Divine Child, 3:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 5 John Glenn vs. Salem Wayne vs. Canton Livonia vs. Plymouth at Vision Lakes, 3:30 p.m. Lady, vs. Marian, 3:45 p.m. WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6 Canton vs. Novi Wayne vs. Salem at Super Bowl, 3:30 p.m. GIRLS GYMNASTICS Monday, Feb. 4 Canton at Walked Lake, 6:30 p.m. Livonia Blue vs. Huron Valley at Churchill H.S., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 Farmington vs. Canton at Plymouth H.S., 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 Northville vs. Salem at Plymouth H.S., 6:30 p.m. THURSDAY, FEB. 7 Division Championships at Alpine Valley, TBA. GIRLS COMPETITIVE CHEER Saturday, Feb. 9 Fenton Invitational, 10 p.m. Woodhaven Inv., TBA. MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS Saturday, Feb. 9 S'craft at OCC, 7:30 p.m. MI at Lawrence Tech, 8 p.m. MI at Lawrence Tech, 6 p.m. S'craft at Henry Ford, 3 p.m. MI at Siena Hts., 7:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS Wednesday, Feb. 6 S'craft at OCC, 5:30 p.m. MI at Lawrence Tech, 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 S'craft at Henry Ford, 1 p.m. MI at Lawrence Tech, 6 p.m. ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Friday, Feb. 8 Barrie vs. Ply. Whalers at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 Owen Sound vs. Ply. Whalers at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10 Ply. Whalers at Stratford, 2 p.m. TBA - time to be announced.

CHIEFS

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first in three events (even parallel bars, 9.475; balance beam, 9.20; all-around, 37.675) to lead the team. She placed second on the floor exercise (9.6) and vault (9.0). Other event wins were scored by Nicole

Lasecki on floor (9.7) and Melissa Lucas on vault (9.6). Erica Green chipped in by finishing second on vault (9.45) and bars (9.45) and third on bars (9.4) and all-around (9.6). Lasecki, meanwhile, also contributed second place finishes on bars (8.95) and beam (8.55). The depth that has

contributed to Canton's success came through yet another team. Maddie Toal helped the cause by finishing third on beam (8.95) and third on floor (9.2). Hailey Hodgson scored 9.1 on floor and 8.65 on vault, finishing fifth and fourth, respectively. Meanwhile, Ellie Bachman's 8.65 on beam was good for sixth place.

Wonderful Wheatens

Livonia dog will compete in Westminster Kennel Club show

By Sharon Dargay
 Staff Writer

Fiddler has all it takes to turn heads—a long neck, short back, and nice rear—and Carol Shaltz of Livonia hopes the soft-coated Wheaten terrier does just that on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at the prestigious Westminster Kennel Club 137 Annual All Breed Dog Show in New York.

“What Fiddler does, what really shows him off, is that he loves to show,” said Shaltz, who bred the dog and co-owns him with Joe and Laura Guibord of Livonia. “His tail is always up. It’s like you (the handler) don’t even have to be there. It’s ‘Hey, look at me.’ That catches a judge’s eye.”

Shaltz was invited to Westminster in 2004 with Fiddler’s grandmother, Niamh, who was the number four Wheaten in all breed that year. Niamh, 11, is retired from dog shows and lives with Shaltz and her husband, Frank. Fiddler lives with the Guibords, but Shaltz grooms him every 10 days. Both she and handler Alison Sunderman of Jackson have shown him in conformation—a competition that judges each dog against a breed standard—at numerous dog shows, where he collected points



Carol Shaltz handles Fiddler as he shows off a conformation stance.

for his wins. He needed to collect 15 points to achieve his Champion status, which he attained less than a year after he was born in April 2011. He became a Grand Champion, after having collected even more points, in June last year.

“Carol shows dogs and wins with her dogs. Even when she goes up against (professional) handlers, it’s kind of hard, but she still does it. She has won a lot,” Frank Shaltz said, pointing out that his wife guided seven dogs to their Champion titles last year. “That’s a big time record for a breeder,” she said.

But is it enough to land a win in confor-

mation at Westminster? Although 45 terriers have won Best in Show since the Westminster Kennel Club began keeping records in 1907, none have been Wheatens. Only one Wheaten has won the terrier group judging since 1924.

Judges, handlers
 “A typical terrier is a terrier that goes to ground,” said Shaltz, referring to the breed’s ability to track and find its prey underground. “That is what the judges consider a true terrier. The Wheatens don’t go to ground. They are the sweetest of the terriers and they don’t have that terrier temperament.”

“It all depends on what kind of judge you get,” Frank added, explaining that some judges may lean toward a particular breed or handler. Although each dog is judged against a breed standard, there’s room for subjectivity. He recalled that Niamh won Best in Show at the Detroit Kennel Club Dog Show in competition on Saturday, one year. The following day, a different judge pronounced her “too fat” to win the Sunday competition.

He said professional handlers, who often live with the dogs they



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Carol Shaltz of Livonia and Fiddler give each other a hug.



Carol Shaltz grooms Fiddler, who wears a “show cut” complete with fur that covers his eyes.

show, tend to have an advantage over breeders or owners who show dogs, especially at big events, like Westminster.

Sunderman, the handler who sometimes shows Fiddler, will enter the Westminster judging ring with other

terriers this year. Handlers often prioritize their breeds and Shaltz said Wheatens are fourth on her handler’s priority list. Sunderman plans to show higher priority dogs.

Shaltz found a substitute handler from Battle Creek.

“I really wanted Carol to show the dog instead of a handler,” Frank said. “But handlers get the advantage. It’s politics.”

There’s a chance Shaltz, who plans to attend the Westminster show with the Guibords, could end up in the ring with Fiddler, especially if the substitute handler is busy with her other priority dogs.

Shaltz and Fiddler are ready for that scenario. “He doesn’t need any more instruction,” Shaltz said.

While on his show lead, Fiddler behaves perfectly, striking the correct stance and walking obediently with his Shaltz.

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Students dazzle seniors with balloon-twisting skills

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Youth group members from Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington recently worked a little magic for senior citizens at Grand Court, an independent living center in Farmington.

They twisted the balloons, played the spoons, constructed towers from marshmallows—and elicited lots of smiles in the process.

"It was great," said Char Mazeppa, lifestyle director for the facility. "All of the residents that attended this event thoroughly enjoyed the evening ... Marilyn Trumper-Samra, the coordinator of Youth Ministry from Our Lady of Sorrows is energetic and is a natural with this group of young adults. They were polite, kind and respectful and a whole lot of fun. One of my residents, Don McGregor, said 'I didn't know there were this many young people in the world. This is great.'"

The junior high school students, members of



Jack Michaels (left), Alex Zarouk and Matthew Perl, of Our Lady of Sorrows church in Farmington, bend balloons into shapes at Grand Court, a senior living residence in Farmington Hills.

Faithful Friends youth group, took a class in making balloon animals a few weeks before heading out to Grand Court. John Vincent II of Miraculous Entertainment in Clawson showed teens how to twist and bend balloons into swords, giraffes and dogs. "He was phenomenal," said Trumper-Samra. He comes from a long line

of circus performers. He does fire blowing, juggling and balloons. He was a great teacher, good at keeping them focused.

"We had 30 kids that night and 30 parents doing nothing but blowing up balloons. It went well. He told them to rub their hands up and down the balloons to get acclimated to human touch. You give 30 junior high school students balloons and you want to poke your ears out," she said with a laugh.

Trumper-Samra combined a discussion on faith with the balloon-twisting session. Youth group members discussed what it takes to keep their faith moving forward and in tune with God during a gathering held just before the



PHOTOS BY MARILYN TRUMPER-SAMRA

Anna Abarius (center) helps youth group members from Our Lady of Sorrows, Edie Lerner (left) and Ryan Kotlinski, construct a marshmallow and toothpick tower.

hands-on workshop. Before the group performed table magic at Grand Court, two years ago, they talked about the difference between magic and miracles.

Mazeppa said seniors

enjoyed the table magic, too.

"We don't get many groups here. It would be nice if we did," she added.

Faithful Friends meets from 7-9 p.m. every other

Friday at the church. For more information about Our Lady of Sorrows visit olssorrows.com. For more about Grand Court, visit brookdale-living.com and click on "find a community."



Seventh- and eighth-graders from the Faithful Friends youth group at Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington recently entertained residents of Grand Court, an independent living center in Farmington Hills, with balloon animals, toothpick-and-marshmallow towers and a spoons concert.



Jacob Merica twists a balloon into an animal for Peg Prentice, a resident at Grand Court in Farmington Hills.

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Milestones

60th wedding anniversary

Earl and Dee Sussex of Fraser, formerly of Livonia, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary June 21, 2012. They were married in 1952 at First United Methodist Church, in Ann Arbor. The couple has three children and seven grandchildren.



Hornyak-Edinger

Carly Kristen Hornyak and Ryan Michael Edinger were married Aug. 4, 2012, at First Congregational Church in St. Joseph. Dr. Robert Brantman officiated.

Parents of the bride are Ronald Hornyak and Cheryl Hornyak of Redford. The groom is the son of Greg and Marian Edinger of St. Joseph.

The maid of honor was Lindsey Hornyak, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Lindsay Valentine, Laura Cwalina, Megan Sherman, Ellen Adair, Virginia Seely, Devon Kurkowski, Michelle Duffner and Corielle Edinger.

The best man was Robbie Powell, friend of the groom. Groomsman were Derek Smith, Louise Bitove, Tim LaFramboise, Josh Schmidke, Renny Ramirez, Rob Grashorn and Josh Mandarino.

A reception was held at Shadowland Ballroom,



in St. Joseph. The couple also took a honeymoon trip to Hawaii. The bride graduated from Redford Union High School and received a bachelor of science degree with a major in psychology, as well as a master's social work degree from Western Michigan University. She is employed as a school social worker with the Van Buren Intermedi-

ate School District. The groom graduated from St. Joseph High School and received a bachelor of business degree in integrated supply management from Western Michigan University. He is in sales and operations management with Anderson Building Materials Co. in St. Joseph. The couple lives in St. Joseph.

Maxwell-Richards

Mark and Julie Maxwell of Port Huron announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Jeff Richards, son of Bill and Carol Richards of Northville.

Jennifer is a graduate of Michigan State University, with a degree in political science. She attends University of Detroit Mercy Law School.

Jeff is a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in history. He is a social studies



teacher at Canton High School. The couple will be married in summer 2014 at

St. John's Chapel at the Inn at St. Johns in Plymouth Township.

KENDALL ELIZABETH JOHNS

Kendall Elizabeth Johns was born Jan. 18, 2013, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Kendall joins her parents, Nate and Shelley Johns, and sister, Natalie, 2, at home in Plymouth.

Grandparents are Tom and Randa Williams of Plymouth and Carl and Elaine Johns of Ann Arbor.



Psychiatrist speaks at club meeting Feb. 12

Livonia Neighbors and Friends will hold its general meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia. The gathering also will include a discussion on emotional wellness in later life, with Laurie Boore, M.D., a geriatric psychiatrist. Livonia Neighbors and Friends, a

women's club, is open to women who live or work in Livonia and its surrounding communities. General meetings are held at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month, September through May. Special activity groups continue to meet year round. For more information visit livonia-neighborsandfriends.tripod.com.

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BOOTH, HALDEN (HAL), JR.

Born in Warren, Ohio, in 1934 passed away on Sat. Dec. 22, 2012, in Florida where he has lived for several years. He lived in Birmingham for over 30 years where he raised his family along with his ex-wife Beverly. He was a graduate of Kent State U. in Kent, Ohio where he met his wife. He worked for Youngstown Sheet and Tube in Youngstown, Ohio, St. Louis, Mo. and Detroit. Then worked at Rockwell International before moving to Florida. He is survived by his daughter Brenda, her husband Paul, and their children Max, Molly and Maggie, and of Auburn Hills, Mi. His son Brian of Los Angeles, Calif., and his children Morgan, Kaitlyn and Holly of Birmingham. Hal served in the USAF as Captain, was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Kent, Birmingham Country Club and The United Methodist Church of Birmingham. A memorial service will be held in Florida in February.

DAVIS, HAROLD

88. Went to be with the Lord on Saturday, January 26, 2013, at his home in Sebring, Fla. He was the beloved husband of 67 years of Eunice Lucille Davis, devoted father of Pam Bailey, and Hal Davis and his wife Connie, cherished grandfather of Shelby Gibson and her husband Mike, and U.S. Army Specialist Isaiah Davis, beloved brother of Irene Meyers, and friend to many. He was preceded in death by his older sister Rita Haney, a brother, George Davis, and two grandchildren, Scotty Armbruster and Caleb Davis. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on November 3, 1924 and he and his two sisters were raised during the Great Depression. At age 18 he joined the U.S. Navy and served in the Pacific Ocean during World War II. In 1949, he opened Harold's Frame Shop in Redford, MI. In mid-fifties he expanded and in 1962 added another building. The business grew so that in 1970, he opened the Novi location. In 1973 expanded the building for heavy trucks. In 1976 started semi-retirement in Florida then in 1993, retired full time. Throughout the years he has helped many customers and employees. His generous spirit and kindness will forever serve as a role model for all who knew him and loved him. God blessed a man that blessed others; that was his legacy. A funeral ceremony is planned for Monday, February 4th, 4:00 pm, at First Baptist Church of Oak Park, 24201 Coolidge Hwy., Oak Park Visitation Saturday, February 2nd, from 2:00 until 8:00 pm. (No visitation on Sunday) at the Heeneys-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd. (beh. 910 Mile Rd., N. of Grand River), downtown Farmington. Memorial gifts to the American Heart Assn. (248-474-5200). www.heeneys-sundquist.com

HEARD, CHARLES J.

Age 81, January 31, 2013 of Caro. Formerly of Garden City, Beloved husband of Kathryn "Kay". Loving father of James Heard, Bob (Lisa) Heard, Shelley (Larry) Mast, and Kerly (Tim) Rath. And special dog, Katie. Proud grandfather of 8 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Visitation Monday 9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road & Cherry Hill), Westland. Funeral Service Tuesday 11 AM at the Funeral Home, Inlet Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriner's Hospital for Children or Alzheimer's Association. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com

MERRILL, PETER D.

78, peacefully passed away on Saturday morning January 26, 2013 at his home in Bozeman, MT. He graduated from Shaker Heights High School in 1952 and attended Cornell University. Pete is survived by his loving wife, Caryle, his son, Charles (Lisa) Boughton II, and daughter, Martha. Services were held at 2pm Saturday, Feb. 2nd at St. James' Episcopal Church in Bozeman. Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service. www.dokken-nelson.com

PIERCE, M.F.M.

Age 82, Jan. 2013 Mac's celebration of life will be held on Sat. Feb. 16th, 2013, 10am visitation with 11am service at the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth. Luncheon to follow.

DUGGAN, BEVERLY J.

Age 79, January 31, 2013. Beloved wife of 57 years, of George. Loving mother of Patricia, Timothy (Cateste) Duggan and Abigail (Daren) Edwards. Dear Grown of Joshua, Jesse, Jacob, Jasmine and Dale. Beverly was a retired Realtor with B.F. Chamberlain. She was generous and loving and will be missed by all who knew her. Visitation at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Sunday 2-8 p.m. Instate at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 7 Mile Rd., Livonia, Monday from 10:30 until Funeral Service at 11 a.m. A luncheon will follow immediately at the church. Please share a memory at www.rgharris.com

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GARDEN & NATURE

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Native tree seminar

Home gardeners with an interest in native trees and Rouge River ecology may attend a public seminar 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 11, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. The seminar title is "Go Native...with Trees and Shrubs!" Featured speakers will include Bill Schneider, owner of WildType Nursery, and Kim Thompson Everett, a landscape specializing in tree and shrub maintenance. Program topics will include benefits of native trees and shrubs; species recommendations and availability; planting and maintenance tips, and more. The seminar is sponsored by the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA) in cooperation with the City of Southfield and Rouge River municipalities. The seminar is free, but advance registration is required at (248) 288-5150 weekdays, or e-mail to LFDear@aol.com.

runs 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, with a free re-planting session following at 2:30 p.m. that same day.

- Find out the basics of landscape design, 1-p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16 at a free presentation.
- Learn about fresh flower arranging at a free presentation, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23.
- Make a spring flower arrangement, 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15. Register at www.englishgardens.com.
- Get an introduction to fairy and miniature gardens, 1 p.m. Saturday, March 2. Cost is \$34.59. Sign up online at www.englishgardens.com.
- Kids can make a fairy garden at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2.
- Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, (248) 280-9506; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506.

60-minute classes

Master Gardeners Western Wayne County (MGWCC) will offer a series of hour-long seminars in February at the Wayne County Extension Office, 5454 Venoy, a quarter mile north of Van Born, in Wayne. Classes start at 7 p.m. and cost \$10 each or \$30 for all four classes if registered in advance. All proceeds fund gardening grants and scholarships. To register, e-mail to mgwccorg@gmail.com.

Butterflies

The Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association meets 7 p.m. Feb. 20 at Nankin Mills, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Chuck Pearson presents "Butterflies of Ives Road Fe." He'll talk about the 800-acre preserve and its butterflies. For more information visit www.sembutterfly.com

English Gardens

• "More About Orchids"

field Village Herb Associates will talk about fairy gardens, including history and popularity, Tuesday, Feb. 5. Learn how to create your own fairy garden. • Heirloom Tomatoes - From Seed to Sauce, will include tips on seed selection, growing techniques, use in the kitchen and recipes. Paul Rodman, community garden expert and an Advanced Master Gardener, will lead the class, Tuesday, Feb. 12. • Roy Prentice farm manager of the MSU Tollgate Education Center in Novi, will teach the basics of pruning trees and shrubs, including pruning for health, form and improved vigor on Tuesday, Feb. 19. Participants will gain knowledge of common pruning tools and obtain helpful references. • Bob Bransky, photographer and Master Gardener-Dexter Composter, will teach outdoor and garden photography, Tuesday, Feb. 26. Learn how to take outstanding pictures, including camera basics, composition of a great picture, close-up photos of plants.

Violets The Dearborn Heights Garden Club will present "Violets and Streptocarpus," 11:30 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 7, at Canfield Center, 1801 N. Beech-Daly, Dearborn. Learn about these beautiful houseplants and how they can brighten your home. New members welcome. Bring a lunch. Admission is free; (313) 563-5753.

REUNIONS

Send information to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com. Got a class photo or yearbook picture to go with the information? Send it along as a jpg attachment. **DETROIT GESU CATHOLIC SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966** A 45-year class reunion is planned for Saturday, Sept. 7. For information contact Susan Keith Johnson at sjohnson48@comcast.net. **SOUTH LYON CLASS OF 1963** A 50th class reunion is planned for July 20. For more information contact Barbara Cook at (248) 349-5982. **PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1956** A reunion is planned for Aug. 17. Call Jack Sayed at (810) 231-9230.

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St. Mary Mercy offers heart screenings, seminars

American Heart Month and the Go Red for Women campaign — which aims to raise awareness about women's heart health — got under way Friday, Feb. 1 with the 10th Annual National Wear Red Day.

Supporters were red to promote the cause and women who have experienced cardiovascular problems were invited to tell their personal stories on camera for a chance to become a national spokeswoman for the campaign. The casting call was held at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Upcoming Campaign events include "Go Red Night" Sunday, Feb. 10 at the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth. For more information visit michiganphl.org.

The annual Go Red For Women Luncheon will feature Star Jones,

author, attorney and television personality, on Friday, Feb. 15 at the MGM Grand in Detroit. Registration will begin at 9 a.m., followed by a health expo and the luncheon at noon. The event will include health screenings, a silent auction, health seminars and vendor displays. Tickets are \$175. For more information visit www.detroitgo4redforwomen.org or call (248) 936-5831.

According to the American Heart Association, heart disease kills more women each year than any other disease and is more deadly than all forms of cancer combined. One in three women die from heart disease annually and an estimated 43 million American women are affected by heart disease.

Women who become involved in the Go Red campaign are more like-

ly to make healthy choices. More than half increase their exercise, approximately one-third lose weight and 40 percent have their cholesterol levels checked.

Cholesterol screening is among the cardiovascular health wellness tests offered by St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Heart & Vascular Center in Livonia in support of American Heart Month.

It's part of the "Heart-Fit" screening that also includes blood pressure, peripheral vascular screening, electrocardiogram and cardiovascular risk assessment. Cost is \$79.

The VascularFit screening costs \$49 and includes an assessment for stroke, abdominal aortic aneurysm and peripheral vascular disease.

Patients are given the results to share with their physician. For more information or to make an

appointment for a wellness screening, call (734) 655-2961.

Other heart-related activities presented this month by St. Mary Mercy are:

- "Living Better with Life's Simple Seven" 1 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 13 at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Theresa Ehrenbrecher, RN, and Michelle Moccia, MSN, ANP-BC, CCRN, will offer ways to improve cardiovascular health through everyday health habits. Blood pressure checks will be available from 12:30-1 p.m. Registration is required; call (734) 655-8950.

- Ladies' Night Out, "Women and Heart Disease," starts at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21 in the south auditorium at the hospital, located at Five Mile and Levan. Delair Gardi, MD, will give facts on heart disease risk fac-



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tors, information on how to prevent heart disease, and will talk about available treatment options. "Know Your Numbers" health screenings will include blood pressure, cholesterol and Body Mass Index. Massages will be available. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-1182 or visit

stmarymercy.org and click on Classes & Events.

- Aron Henderson, an exercise physiologist, will talk about safe exercise at 9 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 23 at the Westland Friendship Center. Henderson also will demonstrate safe exercises that can strengthen the cardiovascular system. Registration is required; call (734) 655-8950.

- James Wilks, MD, a cardiologist at St. Mary Mercy, will talk about "Living with Cardiovascular Disease," 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at William P Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. Participants can learn about the risks for heart disease, signs and symptoms of a heart attack, the latest in treatment options and heart healthy lifestyle strategies in this free program. Registration is required; call (734) 655-8950.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

February

CELIAC

The next Tri County Celiac Support Group (TCCSG) meeting is 7 p.m., Feb. 4, at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Thomas Alexander will talk about "Celiac Disease, Fatigue, and HypoAdrenalism." For more information about the group contact Marge Orlando, president, at maorlando39@gmail.com or (586) 751-8592. The group's new website is www.tccsg.net.

JOINT REPLACEMENT

The Center for Joint Replacement at St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers free monthly educational seminars with orthopedic surgeons and expert

staff who will answer your questions, discuss joint pain, joint replacement procedures, and available implant options. Upcoming sessions are 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 29 with David Mendelson, MD, and Wednesday, March 27 with Jeffrey Mendelson, MD. All meetings are held in Classroom 10 at the hospital, located on Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Register by calling (734) 655-2345.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT

The event, hosted by St. Mary Mercy Hospital, will feature a presentation focusing on women's cardiovascular health, Thursday, Feb. 21, in the hospital's South Auditorium. "Know Your Numbers" screenings — blood pressure, cholesterol and body mass index — as well as massages

will be offered from 4-6:45 p.m., and Dr. Delair Gardi, M.D., a St. Mary Mercy cardiologist, will speak from 7-8:30 p.m. Participants will learn about reducing their risk for heart disease, as well as heart conditions, including coronary artery disease, abnormal heart rhythm (arrhythmia), aortic valve disease, cardiomyopathy, aortic aneurysm, stroke and heart attack. Light refreshments, prizes and community vendors will be provided. Registration for this event is required. There is no charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1182 to register. Or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."

DIABETES CLASS, LECTURE PLANNED

Both Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills and St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer educational sessions about diabetes this month.

Botsford is accepting enrollment for a five-week class for individuals who have prediabetes. It will run 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21-March 21 at the hospital, 26050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills.

A person with prediabetes has blood glucose levels that are higher than normal but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes.

The class will show participants how to take better care of themselves and make lifestyle changes for diabetes prevention. The fee is \$25. Register at (248) 477-6100.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital presents a free educational seminar, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13 in the hospital's south auditorium, 36475 Five Mile,

Livonia.

"Taking Control of Diabetes," features Leola Collins, who will talk about diabetes self-management and lifestyle strategies based on training and personal experience. Collins is a member of the A1C Champions® Program, supported by Sanofi Diabetes, which is a patient-led approach to diabetes education.

She'll cover topics such as:

- Achieving good glucose control
- Learning about effective self-management
- Developing a balanced, healthy lifestyle

- Planning and prioritizing diabetes management
- Overcoming fears surrounding diabetes
- Finding resources for diabetes support.

For more information about the event, call (734) 655-2868.

Exercises for Life

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Ask A Garden City Hospital Health Expert



Lorie Liegghio
Cardiopulmonary Services

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, with one in every three deaths attributed to heart disease and stroke. February is National Heart Month and kicking off a month long series devoted to better heart health is Lorie Liegghio, Director of Cardiopulmonary Services at Garden City Hospital.

Q: My husband and I are recent empty nesters, and have decided we need to get in better shape. Why is cardio such an important part of what we need to do?

A: First, congratulations on taking steps towards improving your heart health and longevity! Exercise not only helps keep your heart healthy, it can even reverse some heart disease risk factors. The American Heart Association recommends individuals perform moderately-intense exercise for at least 30 minutes every day.

Aerobic or cardiovascular exercise is any form of activity that challenges your heart to work harder and become stronger. Cardiovascular fitness also improves the way your body uses oxygen, allowing you to perform physical activity longer without losing your breath. All aerobic exercises are great for your heart, but with these five physical activities, you're well on your way to great heart health:

1. **Brisk Walking**, whether on a treadmill or outdoors, is a natural way to improve your fitness. Your goal should be to push yourself to walk at a fast pace to achieve a moderate intensity level.
2. **Running** is one of the best ways to burn calories, lose weight and reduce your risk of heart disease. If you are new to running, start out with a brisk walk and add 1-2 minutes of running to every five minutes of walking.
3. **Swimming** is a great, full body workout. It is also a safe alternative if you have joint problems aggravated by activities such as running or walking.
4. **Circuit Training** involves short bursts of resistance exercise using moderate weights and frequent repetitions, followed quickly by another burst of exercise targeting a different muscle group.
5. **Group Aerobic Classes** improve health, offer motivation and support, and keep boredom at bay. From hula to Zumba, GCH offers a variety of classes to meet all fitness levels.

Before starting any new exercise plan, talk with your doctor to make sure the physical activities you want to begin are safe for your age, health and fitness level.

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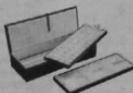
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Career resolutions the good and the bad

Debra Auerbach
CareerBuilder Writer

At the start of each year, New Year's resolutions are made. Some are kept, while many more are forgotten. Yet making resolutions can be beneficial if they are realistic, they allow for some flexibility and a plan is put in place to achieve them.

The same thinking applies to making career resolutions. While it's good to set goals, not all career resolutions are created equal. Some will help you get what you want, while others will leave you frustrated, discontent or not where you thought you'd be in your career.

"My personal view of that resolutions, particularly those dealing with your career, must have a good balance between flexibility and specificity," says Lauren Still, founder of strategic career-management company CareerEvolution Group. "A good resolution will allow someone to measure whether they're making progress on it... A bad resolution is entirely dependent on actions of others, is too broad to be actionable or is unclear as to whether the individual achieved it."

Here are some good career resolutions to make this year, and some bad ones to avoid:

Good: Get feedback on an ongoing basis

Patrick Sweeney, president of human capital management firm Caliper, says that a smart career resolution is to continuously work with your manager on development goals. He suggests doing periodic check-ins throughout the year to get constructive feedback and ensure that you're on the same page

with how you're performing. "By taking the reins and showing this initiative with your manager, it shows that you care about your position, your company and helping your manager achieve her goals too," Sweeney says. "Companies look for and want to keep people who are committed to long-term growth, and this helps to cement your place."

Bad: Get feedback during performance reviews

Most people don't enjoy getting feedback on their weaknesses, even if it's constructive. So you may tell yourself it's better to wait to get feedback from your manager until performance-review time. That way, you can hear it all at once, and you don't have to worry about it any other time of the year. But doing so may set you back in your career. Without knowing what's working and what's not on an ongoing basis, you'll essentially be running in place. Also, if you're not asking for feedback regularly, your manager might believe you're not that invested in advancing your career.

Good: Maintain a better work/life balance

Did 2012 leave you feeling burned out and stressed? Try doing some things to better your personal life, and a better work life will follow. If your long hours at work have made going to the gym tough, try waking up an hour early to go to a fitness class or taking a power walk during your lunch break. While you don't need to push yourself to set specific fitness goals, just getting your

heart rate up or some fresh air will help clear your head and make you feel better all around. Haven't seen your friends in a while because you've been chained to your desk? While it may take a lot of energy to meet up with friends after a long day, it's a good way to get your mind off of work, and it can help put things into perspective.

Bad: Get more recognition, no matter what it takes

You may vow in the new year to show your boss that you're committed and that you have what it takes to get to the next level. While that's a positive goal, be careful about how you achieve it. If you work late nights and weekends without having a real reason to do so, or you take on more work than you can manage and don't ask for help, you may set yourself back instead of moving forward. There's a difference between working hard and overworking — the work you're doing should be meaningful if you really want to impress your boss.

Good: Repair damaged relationships

"If you left a job on bad terms or you have been out of touch with key people from your old company, you need to catch up with them," says Roy Cohen, career coach and author of *The Wall Street Professionals' Survival Guide*. Cohen advises, "At the very least, you want to determine what they will say if called for a reference. That should never be a surprise or a last-minute activity. Time is a great neutralizer of frayed edges and unresolved issues. They may also



have interesting ideas regarding opportunities and volunteer to serve as references."

Bad: Be ruthless

No one is denying that it's a competitive world out there, but working your way up the ladder by pushing others down isn't the way to win. Taking credit for others' ideas, ridding out a co-worker without talking to him first, holding important client meetings without inviting others who may benefit — you may think these actions will lead to success. But chances are you'll get caught, or you'll lose credibility in the eyes of your boss. Honesty, integrity and teamwork are what will make you stand out for the right reasons.

Good: Take on more responsibility

Cheryl Palmer, owner of career-coaching firm Call to Career, says that if you want to position yourself for a promotion, you should resolve to take on more responsibility. "You might ask your boss to be cross-trained so that you are

more valuable to the organization, or you might state your availability to act in your boss' stead when the boss is absent," Palmer says. By challenging yourself, and handling tasks above and beyond your duties, you're showing your boss that you're ready for the next step.

Bad: Get a promotion

While striving to get promoted is a positive thing, making it your career resolution won't necessarily get you anywhere. And if you don't get one, you might demotivate yourself. Try instead to set attainable goals that will help you advance your career, such as take on more responsibility, attend industry conferences or have a new certification. By building up your arsenal of skills and experience, you'll be a ready for that promotion — whenever it happens to come along.

Debra Auerbach is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder.com and its Job Buzz, The Work Buzz. She researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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