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Canton housing market heats up

Several developers seeking township approval for new housing subdivisions following years of low demand

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

paces the local housing inventory.

"The market is improving," Community Planner Jeff Goulet said, "and the developers need more (housing) lots."

Real estate officials have said homes are selling faster

and prices are increasing amid the most robust housing resurgence Canton has witnessed in years.

Consider the latest: In a move to build 70 homes northwest of Ford and Lilley roads, Pulte Homes received approvals it needed Tuesday from the Canton Township Board of Trustees for the new Willow Brook sub-

division, on land where nearby residents can now hear farm animals.

Construction on the 23.2-acre site is expected next spring. Residents will enter Willow Brook from Lilley Road, with a connector to Fernwood in the Willow Creek subdivision to the west.

"It looks like a go for the community," said Trustee John

Anthony, who lives in the area.

Lavinia Builders won first-round approval Tuesday for ordinance amendments paving the way for 67 new homes in TDM East, on 29.4 acres northwest of Proctor and Denton in what marks a southward expansion of Cherry Hill Village. The township board is

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With new pockets of construction already dotting Canton's landscape, developers are gearing up for hundreds more homes as strong demand out-



Felicia Haggerty of Showroom of Elegance shows watches to Pat and Lou Martiniano. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Consumer Expo links customers, businesses

Chamber-sponsored event draws many people to Summit on the Park for networking opportunities

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

60 companies and agencies made a pitch for future patrons and supporters during the event sponsored by the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

Jewelers, insurance companies, fitness centers, non-profit groups, travel agencies, banks, restaurants and other businesses filled the Summit's grand ballroom to court potential customers during the four-hour event.

"We're hoping there are connections made between

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Within moments after arriving at Consumer Expo, Canton resident Genevieve Winkel had collected a tote bag, a white rose, candy and cookies as she nibbled on a mini-sandwich from Bailey's Pub & Grill.

"It's almost like trick-or-treating for adults," she said, smiling.

Winkel was among hundreds of consumers expected Thursday afternoon at Summit on the Park, where nearly



Who can resist chocolate candy from Beth Meade, marketing and events manager at the Canton Community Foundation?

Police make arrest in Comerica Bank robbery

Canton Police have arrested a 28-year-old Westland man in connection with Thursday's robbery at a Comerica Bank branch.

Canton Police Detective Sgt. Chad Baugh said Friday information had been turned over to the Wayne County Prosecutor's office. The man was expected to be arraigned over the weekend.

Witnesses told police the white male entered the bank,

located in the Kroger store at Ford and Canton Center, around 4 p.m. Thursday. They said he passed a note requesting money and implied he had a gun.

Witnesses told police the male left the store with an undisclosed amount of money.

The suspect's picture was captured in surveillance camera photos and police had distributed the photo in the hopes of getting help identifying the man.



Canton Police distributed this photo in an attempt to identify the suspect.

Canton keeps seniors rolling

HVA rides thousands of providers to thousands

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Hundreds of Canton senior citizens and disabled residents will continue to receive rides to medical appointments, grocery stores and other places after local officials renewed a transportation contract.

What's more, Canton saves \$1.6 million a year by hiring Huron Valley Ambulance to provide the service, rather than relying on the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation.

"It's a huge savings," Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett said.

Canton has opted out of the SMART program for about 20 years, local officials said.

Last year alone, more than 1,900 residents of Canton received 22,300 rides by HVA in what is known as the Canton Mobility Transportation program. Medical trips are given a higher priority.

"The seniors love it," Canton Township Trustee John Anthony said.

HVA uses four wheelchair-accessible buses and vans to provide curb-to-curb transportation for seniors and the disabled for a nominal fee.

Over the years, local officials say Canton has saved millions and millions of dollars by opting out of SMART.

Township Trustee Tom Yack said HVA gives rides to seniors to medical facilities not just in Wayne County, but also in Washtenaw County due to Canton's proximity to health care offices there.

"SMART would never do that," Yack said, "so that is a benefit for sure."

Canton secured a three-year contract in 2008 with HVA to manage the Canton Mobility Transportation program and local officials can renew it each year simply by approving a letter of acceptance.

A \$430,762 contract for 2014 was approved Tuesday evening by the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

The program is monitored by the Canton Mobility Transportation Advisory Committee, represented by the township board, Canton Leisure Services, HVA, the Canton Place senior housing complex and residents who use the service.

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The Pumpkin Tower of Death, a pumpkin-stacking contest, is perhaps the Old Village Halloween Block Party's signature event. This year's block party is from noon to 4 p.m. today.

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expected to give the project a second required note of approval in November.

» Livonia Builders received similar support Tuesday for 107 new homes for TDM West, on 40.1 acres northeast of Proctor and Ridge roads. A second reading of ordinance amendments is expected in November.

Livonia Builders representatives have indicated homes in their new developments could range in price from the \$200,000s to \$350,000 or

more.

» Pulte Homes is working on plans, not yet submitted to the Canton Planning Commission, for an estimated 100 homes northwest of Ford and Ridge roads, next to the Patriot Park site in what used to be Lucas Nursery, Goulet said.

» Soon, the Planning Commission is expected to review a proposal for 42 new housing lots south of Ford, about midway between Beck and Ridge, Goulet said.

» In November, the Planning Commission is expected to consider a site plan for a 94-apartment complex, Enclave at Brownstone, south of

Haggerty and west of Palmer, Goulet said.

Those six developments alone are expected to usher in nearly 500 homes and apartments – an indicator the Canton market has indeed begun a rebound from the housing market crash that plagued not just the local market, but the entire nation.

Jason Borregard, sales manager for Clients First, Realtors, which has offices in Canton, Westland and Shelby Township, told the Observer in August that only 220 homes and condominiums were on the Canton market. In many cases, he said, potential buyers

were competing to buy homes.

Local officials, however, said the low housing inventory didn't reflect one key factor – that banks still hadn't put up for sale some of the homes they now own due to foreclosures.

Regardless, officials are encouraged by the latest uptick in new housing plans. Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy has said repeatedly, he believes home buyers seek out Canton because of its reputation for providing top-tier amenities and services.

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Old Village again hosts 'haunted' block party

Plymouth's Old Village neighborhood will get a jump on Halloween with its annual Haunted Halloween Block Party.

The event, featuring games for children and adults, train rides and plenty of treats, is from noon to 4 p.m. today, on Liberty Street between Starkweather and Mill. The block will be closed to traffic.

Haunted Halloween started several years ago as a neighborhood block party and has become more family friendly and is open to the public.

Games planned include Pumpkin Bowling, Doughnut Gallows (a takeoff on bobbing for apples) and the

Pumpkin Tower of Death, a pumpkin-stacking contest.

There will also be an inflatable bounce house, a costume contest and pumpkin-decorating, plus a graveyard scene with scary props.

Most games will cost \$1 each; train rides, for children and adults, are \$3 each. The train ride is being sponsored by Community Financial Credit Union.

Any profits from the event will go toward the Old Village Association's beautification programs, such as planting trees and installing banners and welcome signs in the neighborhood.

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businesses and consumers," chamber President Thomas Paden said. "This gives our businesses a good platform to market themselves to the Canton community."

Sandy Kollinger, volunteer and special events coordinator for The Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, which serves Canton, Plymouth, Northville and Belleville, brought a Christmas season angel tree decorated with gift-request tags for local children needing help. She was pleased to see Consumer Expo patrons taking the tags to buy holiday gifts.

"It's not every day you can meet with this many residents in one place in such a short amount of time," Kollinger said.

Deborah Zevalkin, a retired Canton Township employee, had a table of jewelry on display to promote her in-home business, Stella and Dot Jewelry and Accessories. "I love fashion. This love jewelry, so this business is a good fit for me," she said, hoping to draw patrons.

Linda Chomin, community relations and campaign associate for the Plymouth Community United Way, said she hoped to educate Consumer Expo patrons on



Deborah Siegal passes out samples from Bob Evans, which is located on Ford Road near I-275. BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

how the organization raises money to support agencies such as First Step, which helps victims of domestic violence, and Angela Hospice, among many others.

Chomin said the local United Way also supports efforts in local schools to help at-risk students.

Across the room, bd's Mongolian Grill employees Ron Lesko and Danny Zuzag served up kung pao steak and sweet and sour chicken. Within a short time after Consumer Expo opened, they already had spoken with six people who had never tried the restaurant – people they hoped would become customers.

Canton resident John

Muscat visited the event with wife Joy and two other couples.

He walked around the room looking at vendors while sampling the chicken chili he had gotten from the local Bob Evans restaurant.

"I enjoy the products they here here for us consumers," he said. "I do patronize some of these places."

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Past, future prominent for marchers

By Peggy Fenwick
Correspondent

It was an afternoon filled with the tradition of the past and the promise of the future for the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band program Oct. 19.

The boosters hosted the annual Great Lakes Invitational, a band competition for area high school marchers. Eight local bands participated in the late afternoon chill. Southgate Anderson took the top prize for Flight II competition, while Novi won Flight I. Novi also earned the overall high score, receiving the Lundy Trophy, which was named in honor of the late John B. Lundy, a big supporter of the Plymouth-Canton marchers.

Future band members were invited from the local middle schools to participate in the annual PercEPtion weekend. More than 80 seventh- and eighth-graders participated in Friday's football game, showing their support for the Canton Chiefs. The students played the Canton High School fight song and performed Journey's *Don't Stop Believing* during the halftime show.

Saturday, the middle schoolers received a special presentation from current band students on what it's like to play in the award-winning Plymouth-Canton Marching Band. The middle schoolers, together with the P-CEP marchers and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps, opened the competition with the *Star-Spangled Banner*. Percussionists from seventh and eighth grade were treated to a special drumming workshop with the high school drum line.

When asked how the two days went, eighth-grader Lauren Hull from West Middle School, a flute player responded, "It was more fun this year because it didn't rain. Also, this year we were able to go on the field at halftime during the football game."
Rain splattered the start of



Percussionist Jack Hanley at the Great Lakes Invitational. PHOTOS BY HELEN REBANDT

the competition, but as more bands competed, the skies cleared and the sun came out. Chairman Helen Rebandt was pleased.

"The blue sky has appeared, which we didn't have last year," she said. "Everything went smoothly thanks to our awesome volunteers."

Head uniform magician Shirley Potter was happy for the donation of rain jackets back in 2011. With some rain and significantly colder temps, the boosters were grateful for the rain jackets for band members and middle schoolers to wear.

"I'm thankful for those rain coats. They have used them all day long through rehearsals and the kids really appreciate them," Potter said.

The entire competition and awards ceremony went off without a hitch. The annual



Seventh- and eighth-graders worked with the marching band's percussion section.

releasing of the black and yellow balloons by the senior band parents is always a treat at the start of the Plymouth-Canton performance, titled "Inferno." Handing out awards to the

eight participating bands and their drum major representatives were former Plymouth-Canton band director Glen Adsit and P-CCS superintendent Michael Meissen.

Adsit was band director at Salem and Canton high schools from 1989-94. Plymouth-Canton Marching Band won two national titles during Adsit's tenure, in 1990 and 1991.

When asked about coming back to Plymouth High School after 20 years, Adsit responded, "I'm thrilled about what I'm seeing and hearing. And I'm so happy to see the direction the two directors are taking the program in."

One big change Adsit sees is the addition of Plymouth High School, which wasn't here when he was teaching music. "There was nothing off of Beck Road when I was teaching," Adsit said.

"I had to climb to the top of the stands to see the entire property and to get my bearings. Once I located Salem and phase III of Canton High, I knew where I was."

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New principal comes home

School board hires Canton High grad

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Hal Heard came home Tuesday night. Heard, a 1992 graduate of Canton High School, returned to those halls officially when the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education approved his hiring as that school's new principal.

Heard emerged from a field of 10 candidates and was chosen as the replacement for Carrie Lawler, who resigned earlier this month to take an administrative position with Rochester Schools.

"Words can't express my level of excitement at joining a great team," Heard said. "I'm excited to roll up my sleeves and get to the day-to-day job of working with students."

Heard comes to Canton High School after three years at Romulus High School, where he led the school to making adequate yearly progress three straight years, implemented professional learning teams and created a core-class honors pro-



New Canton High School Principal Hal Heard accepts the traditional candy bar the district gives to all new employees after his hiring was approved by the Board of Education.

gram. He began a new email communication system for parents and the community to improve communications and fostered partnerships between the school and local businesses.

He also pushed for a college readiness culture in the school, which saw Romulus students earn more than \$13 million in scholarships and be accepted into more than 235 universities in the last three years.

Before that, Heard spent five years working in Birmingham schools. He's also worked in districts in Monroe and Battle Creek.

Heard has a bachelor's degree from Mississippi Valley State University, a master's degree from Western Michigan and is working on his Ph.D. from the University of Toledo.

His was one of 43 applications for the job that was whittled to 10 qualified candidates. Heard was one of four chosen to appear before a "community forum" interview and one of two chosen to sit down for a final interview.

Monica Merritt, Plymouth-Canton's assistant superintendent for human resources, said the committee worried about being able to find

a qualified candidate in the middle of a school year.

Apparently, Heard assuaged those fears.

"We were worried about finding the best and brightest candidate once the year had started," Merritt said. "When checking his references, I asked someone what we would get if we hired Hal Heard. I was told, 'If you met a dynamic educator who was 100-percent student-centered and dedicated to providing a high-quality education for all students, you have met the real Mr. Hal Heard.'"

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Tonda resource room teacher Sue Naudi accepts congratulations from Board of Education Trustee Mark Horvath, who honored her with the Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award.

Naudi earns Extra Miler from board

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Sue Naudi's colleagues know her to be an inclusive educator dedicated to the needs and equity of all students, with a collaborative approach to teaching.

And now the whole district knows about her, after Naudi was honored Tuesday with the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education's Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miler Award.

But Naudi, a resource room teacher working with special-needs students at Tonda Elementary School, deflected the praise during a brief speech at Tuesday's board meeting.

"I've had the opportunity to work with many great administrators over the years and with amazing teachers," Naudi said, choking back tears as her husband and daughter looked on. "My

life wouldn't be the same without them. This award is as much for them as it is for me."

Among the things she was honored for was volunteering at school functions, serving on a new school committee and leading student programs.

Trustee Mark Horvath pointed out it was teachers like Naudi who helped his kids — and really all students — be successful in school.

"My children had a lot of opportunity to see the great things in this school district," Horvath said. "The kids might not have been successful had it not been for the resource room teacher. From a parent's perspective, the kinds of things you do, and your ability to touch kids... Words can't describe it."

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District auditors highlight W-W's challenges

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

Wayne-Westland Community Schools continues to see a decline in its fund equity as it struggles to remain in the black financially.

According to the district auditor Plante Moran, it finished the 2012-2013 budget year with a modest amount of money — \$5.1 million — in fund equity. The figure pales in comparison to the \$21 million the

district had saved for a rainy day in 2004.

"The issues facing the district are its dependency on the state economy, retirement and health care costs, elongated state aid payments and student enrollment," auditor Jeffrey Higgins said.

"Eighty-six percent of your revenue is from foundation allowances. That funding is controlled by the whims of the Lansing. In the last two years, we've been

cut 12 percent."

Wayne-Westland received an unqualified, or clean, audit, the highest level of assurance from the auditors.

Based on the audit report, the district used \$6.6 million of its fund balance to cover expenditures of \$105.3 million after receiving \$98.4 million in revenue. It received \$85.4 million from the state, just \$92,900 from the federal government, and took in another \$12.9 million in

other state and local revenue.

The largest portion of its expenditures was for salaries and fringe benefits which accounted for 89 percent of its spending.

Like most district, Wayne-Westland has faced the challenge of declining enrollment and has worked to attract students through programs like school levels of choice at all grade levels and a talented and gifted program.

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Junior Girls pack Christmas boxes up for troops overseas

Group collects items to send holiday packages filled with treats and goodies for soldiers

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

The holidays will look a little bit brighter for U.S. troops, thanks to care packages from the Junior Girls of the Bova VFW Post 9885 in Westland.

The girls, ages 6-13, spent several hours last week packing 17 boxes that will be shipped to soldiers whose names and addresses were provided by friends and family members. The girls do a shipment each year as part of the support of the military requirement of the Junior Girls program.

"They send boxes to anyone who has an APO or FPO address, anyone who can't be home for Christmas," said Jill Mikolajczyk, the unit leader and a treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary which sponsors Junior Girls. "They mail them now so they get them in time for Christmas."

The girls made up fliers that were put up at posts in the district and on the District 4 website, as well as soliciting items through their schools. The girls were "highly motivated" to collect the items and to get cards and letters to put in the boxes, especially the latter. If they didn't get the cards and letters, they had to do 100 push-ups, Mikolajczyk said.

Filled with goodies

The boxes were filled with toiletries like toothpaste, toothbrushes, tissues, sunscreen and hand

"They send boxes to anyone who has an APO or FPO address, anyone who can't be home for Christmas."

JILL MIKOLAJCZYK
Junior Girls unit leader

sanitizer. There also were snacks and books filled with word searches and crossword puzzles.

Junior Girls member Ariel Fretter of Livonia asked her sensei at Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness to donate something and took it to her art teacher at Farmington 56 Campus, both in Garden City, and got "tons of letters."

"The art teacher was wonderful," Mikolajczyk said.

Likewise, Mackenzie Compton, also of Livonia, brought letters from her class. The teacher went so far as to have a group photo taken in front of the school to include with the notes.

"We've gotten cards and letters back from the soldiers," Mikolajczyk said.

The girls also raised money to cover the \$206 cost to ship the packages through the U.S. Postal Service. They received donations from VFW Post 2233 in Detroit, which not only brought in items for the packages, but also \$20 to help with postage. Financial support also came from the Leathernecks, Beverly Scott and



Junior Girls Leera Garrett, Marissa Smith, Rachel Napier, Isabella Schrock, Monica Rokita, Mackenzie Compton and Ariel Fretter get ready to pack up Christmas boxes for troops overseas. Boxes are sent early to assure they will arrive in time for Christmas. TOM BEAUDOIN

Beverly Burton.

There was a lot of preparation for the packing. Planning started at a barbecue held in July and continued at the monthly meetings at 6 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month.

In addition to the boxes, the Junior Girls do a variety of activities under the watchful eye of the Ladies Auxiliary. They've done flag burning ceremonies at the Bova Post, participated in Westland's annual POW/MIA ceremony, taken cards and visited

the Detroit and Ann Arbor VA hospitals and dressed up as Rosie the Riveter for the annual World War II veteran's luncheon held at the post.

"They also work with other community groups," Mikolajczyk said. "They've worked with hockey groups and the Boy Scouts."

Juniors Girls

The Junior Girls is open to the girls ages 5-16 and the daughter, foster daughter, step-daughter, granddaughter, sister, foster sister, step-sister

or half-sister of someone eligible for the VFW.

The Bova Junior Girls unit is the only one in the VFW District 4 and draws members from throughout the area. The members come from Westland, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth and even Commerce.

As part of the program, they send care packages to soldiers overseas, volunteer in hospitals and nursing homes, raise funds to fight cancer, march in parades, learn about patriotism and U.S. histo-

ry and help the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary support military service members and their families.

The girls also have an opportunity to have fun with pool parties, sleepovers and barbecues.

"They bond as a family and learn about their country," Mikolajczyk said. "At the end of the year they have an extravaganza or state convention at Camp Trotter which is funded by the Ladies Auxiliary."

"They learn about God, family and love of country," she added.



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Scouts help clean up cemetery where Civil War soldier is buried

Robert Vance of Plymouth, a Boy Scout with Troop 743, led a cleanup project Oct. 19 at Livonia's Union Cemetery, where a Civil War veteran and a War of 1812 soldier are buried.

The cemetery on Six Mile east of Haggerty, with 167 known gravesites, had become badly overgrown with weeds and brush and access to many of the tombstones was blocked. Many of the stones had been broken and damaged, while the original tombstone for Union soldier Orlando Eckles was missing.

Vance and 33 other volunteers cut down dead trees at the front and created a new entrance, cleared away brush and debris and uncovered many tombstones that had been hidden for years.

Vance is using the project for his Eagle Scout award, but that's not what motivated him. Vance had heard about Vietnam veteran Gary Pritchard's efforts to remember the soldiers buried there. Pritchard, author of a book documenting all the known



Thirty-four volunteers helped with the Union Cemetery cleanup on a very cold and wet Saturday.

Civil War veterans buried in Livonia, is a member of the Livonia Historical Commission and Michigan 17th Company E, a Civil War re-enactors organization, which paid for a new tombstone for Eckles along with several other Civil War soldiers.

The mess in Union Cemetery, also called Briggs Cemetery, greatly disturbed Pritchard and Vance wanted to honor

him and all those who served. "The Eagle Scout is just the cherry on top," Vance said.

Kathy Bilger, a volunteer with the Livonia Cemetery Committee, said Vance didn't even know Pritchard and still has not met him. He had heard about Pritchard from her, who is friends with Vance's mom.

"During a cemetery meeting, Gary brought

up the mess at Briggs and how much it upset him," Bilger said. "When I was telling Rob and his mom about all the work to be done at the cemeteries and how we hoped to get Eagle Scouts involved, Rob jumped on the Briggs one even though I warned him that it was probably one of the hardest.

"Rob just really felt a strong need to do this



Joshua Porter (from left), David Saval, Joseph Saval and Rob Vance prepare to remove a dead tree.

project because it meant a lot to a veteran. Rob's goal was to do a project that had real meaning for someone."

Beginning in August, Vance, a sophomore at Detroit Catholic Central High School, met with the Livonia Historic Preservation Commission to outline his plan and get permission to work on the cemetery, located behind Trinity House Theatre. He went to local businesses for donations to feed all his volunteers and for supplies to work on the cemetery. He recruited his fellow Troop members,

neighbors, classmates and people from church.

"Not one troop member complained during the day about being wet or cold or sore," Bilger said.

"They asked instead if they could come back again. Another Scout is eager to continue the work next year."

Bilger said the Livonia Historic Preservation Commission is contemplating a cemetery walk there next year and Vance plans to go with Pritchard to the cemetery very soon to look for that missing tombstone for Eckles.

Non-local bankers think Lee's Chicken and his brother's a coward.

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Armed robbery suspect due in court

Canton man is accused of robbing two gas stations in one night during June spree

By David Veselenak
Staff Writer

One of the men accused in the armed robbery of a gas station earlier this summer in Livonia is scheduled to go before a judge this week in circuit court.

Tyler Robinson, 20, of

Canton is set for a calendar conference and pre-trial hearing before Circuit Judge Craig Strong at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

He is accused of committing armed robbery back in June at a gas station at Schoolcraft and

Merriman in Livonia. He was charged alongside Taylor resident Matthew Ross, who is scheduled to be sentenced Friday in Detroit.

District Judge Sean Kavanaugh ordered Robinson to undergo a competency exam back in July and set a fall court date. Robinson was bound over to circuit court from Livonia's 16th District Court in Septem-

ber. He was arraigned Oct. 18 on the charges and a not-guilty plea was entered.

If convicted, Robinson faces up to life in prison.

Robinson is also suspected of a similar crime that took place the same night at a Shell station at Five Mile and Beck in Plymouth. Police say Robinson walked into both establishments, picked up a bag of beef

jerky and took it to the checkout. He then demanded cash from the clerks, brandishing a silver handgun in the process, police said. Robinson did not receive any cash from the clerk in Plymouth as a delivery man appeared, thwarting the robbery, police said.

During a preliminary exam for Ross in July, testimony indicated Ross drove Robinson away

from both crime scenes after he went into the gas stations.

Ross was bound over in July and agreed to a plea deal earlier this month. He pleaded guilty to unarmed robbery and had the armed robbery charge dropped. He now faces up to 15 years in prison.

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Schauer stumps in Northville to get his message out

Dem candidate for governor looks toward 2014 race

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The election for Michigan governor is still a year away, but Democratic Party candidate Mark Schauer wants to get his name and message out to voters around the state, including a stop in Northville.

Looking ahead to 2014, Schauer made a visit to a meet and greet held Oct. 20 at the home of Northville Democratic Club President Scott Craig. He's been making stops like this around the state since May, when he decided to enter the race to take on Gov. Rick Snyder — if he chooses to seek re-election.

"I want to represent Michigan values," he told the gathered crowd of local Democrats. "I believe in fighting for a strong middle class, for our kids, our retirees and an economy that



Mark Schauer, a Democratic candidate for Michigan governor in 2014, visited the Northville Democratic Club on Oct. 20 to get his message out. To his left is Northville Democratic Club President Scott Craig.

works for everyone."

And he doesn't think Snyder is doing that. Schauer cited the right-to-work legislation, a pension tax and major cuts in education spending as three moves by Snyder that have negatively impacted the state.

Schauer said he will work to build an economy that works for everyone, not just the wealthy and the special interests.

Additionally, he cited education as the single most important investment the state should make. It was the future

of education that he emphasized to Northville residents.

"Governor Snyder is taking Michigan in the wrong direction," he said.

For him, Michigan needs "to keep our constitutional promise of a quality public education for every child."

Those in attendance felt energized after his talk and are looking ahead to getting the word out. The Northville Democratic Club pledged \$1,000 to Schauer's campaign.

"This is a powerful message that should

bring all Democrats together," club member and Northville resident George Fomin said of Schauer's visit. "We need to work together and fight for what's right for our state."

Schauer has previously served on the Battle Creek City Commission from 1994-96.

He won his first race for the Michigan House of Representatives by defeating an incumbent in 1996 and was re-elected in 1998 and 2000. In 2002, Schauer won a competitive open race for state Senate and was re-elected in 2006.

He was elected to represent Michigan's 7th District in the U.S. House of Representatives in 2008, defeating incumbent Tim Walberg.

However, in 2010 he was defeated by Walberg. To learn more about Schauer, go to his website at <http://markschauer.com> or the Northville Democrat Club, visit northvilledeems.com.

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Canton man announces Congress run

Bobby McKenzie, a Dearborn Heights native and former senior adviser at the State Department, launched his campaign for Congress this week after having filed papers with the Federal Elections Commission and will challenge Republican Kerry Benivolio in the 11th District.

With support from family, friends and former colleagues, McKenzie, a 39-year-old Canton resident, made his candidacy official after a year of consideration and months of planning.

"I'm honored to run for Congress in Michigan's 11th," McKenzie said. "Too often, it has been represented by politicians who put their own interests, ideologies and agendas before the needs of the people. When in Congress, I will work day in and day out to ensure that every community in our district has the opportunity to grow, that our busi-

nesses are empowered to thrive and that the American dream remains in reach for middle-class families."

McKenzie was born in Dearborn and raised in Dearborn Heights, where he attended Crestwood High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Michigan State University and later earned an M.A. in security studies from Georgetown University.

McKenzie's father has run a vacuum sales and repair shop in Westland for more than 30 years — and more than 50 years in Wayne County — where McKenzie worked part time in high school and college.

For the last 15 years, McKenzie has worked for the U.S. Intelligence Community and then for the U.S. Department of State. He also worked on African refugee issues and taught courses at Wayne State University as an adjunct lecturer.

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Gala raises \$200,000 for St. Mary Mercy renovation project

Almost 600 guests gather at Laurel Manor to support hospital's campaign for north campus

St. Mary Mercy Hospital's 21st annual Gala "La Dolce Vita" Oct. 5 raised more than \$200,000 to benefit the "Generations Together Campaign" to fund renovation of the Livonia hospital's north campus. Nearly 600 guests supported the black-tie event held at the Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia. The Gala celebrated the "sweet life" and enchanted guests with Italy's best, traditions and passions. The evening also featured a gourmet Italian dinner, dancing and musical entertain-

ment by Intrigue. "This gala truly was a celebration of La Dolce Vita — the sweet life," said Northville resident Josie Norcia, 2013 La Dolce Vita chair. "I'm so grateful for the hard work of our committee leading to the success of the event year after year." "It was an enjoyable evening that supported a worthy cause," said Dave Spivey, president and CEO, St. Mary Mercy Hospital. "The growth and continual progress of St. Mary Mercy Hospital comes from the support of our community."



Dance Dynamics dancers performed the opening number at the Gala.



Pictured from left are Dave Spivey, president and CEO, St. Mary Mercy Hospital; Josie Norcia, Gala chair; and Sara Stauffer, director of development, St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

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Location: Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic, 6231 N. Canton Center, Canton

Details: Certified hypnotherapist Marjorie Farnsworth will be on hand to answer questions about hypnotherapy. Benefits of hypnotherapy include weight loss, quitting smoking, stress management and self-esteem, performance enhancement and pain management. No appointment necessary.

Contact: 734-455-6767

Jazz @ the Elks

Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 29, 7-10 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth

Details: Johnny Trudell and his Quartet - with Tommie Long and Fred Flugelhorn, Ray Tini on bass, Billy Cairo on drums and Chuck Smeretaro on keyboard - will be featured. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres.

Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or email plynmouth-elks1780@yahoo.com.

Beer for the Rouge

Date/Time: Sunday, Nov. 3, 4 p.m.

Location: Liberty Street Brewing Co., 149 W. Liberty in Plymouth

Details: Get a taste of beer brewed within the Rouge River Watershed at Friends of the Rouge's fourth annual Rouge Brew. The event will include the release of a special Rouge beer brewed with locally grown hops. Rex Halfpenny of the Michigan Beer Guide will lead the tasting. Tickets for the event are \$35 in advance at thefriendsoftherouge.org/index.php?id=69137. Proceeds from the event go to support Friends of the Rouge.

Contact: For more information or to sign up,



Canton Newcomers and Neighbors Club are hosting an Oscar party at their next general meeting Nov. 6. Newcomers officials are encouraging attendees to dress up as their favorite movie star or as a guest of the Oscars to walk a red carpet, challenge themselves with movie trivia, support the Friends Michigan Animal Rescue and welcome their meeting sponsor Jennifer Williams of PAWSitive Pet Massage and Concierge. The meeting takes place at the Sunflower Clubhouse at 45800 Hanford at 7 p.m. For more information visit cantonnewcomersandneighbors.org, email nrybar@yahoo.com or call 734-981-0486.

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Lions Club euchre

Date/Time: Saturday, Nov. 9, 6 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth

Details: The Canton Lions Club hosts a euchre tournament featuring cash prizes and a \$50 raffle. A \$20 registration is payable at the door. New this year is quarter cups, get euchred, pay quarter. Bring your quarters for the Got Euchred, cups-quarters will be available for purchase. Also, pizza, snacks and a cash bar. Money raised from the tournament will allow Lions to meet pressing needs in the community, including those who need assistance during the slow economy. The Canton Lions Club has 42 members and meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month.

Contact: Preregister your first and last name by calling 734-358-4280 or emailing CantonLionsEuchre@yahoo.com by Oct. 30.

Medicare/Medicaid counseling

Date/Time: Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1-3 p.m.

Location: United Home Health Services, 2200 N. Canton Center Road, Ste 250, Canton

Details: United Home Health Services offers free individual counseling with a certified Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program counselor. The counselor can help understand Medicare/Medicaid eligibility and the various plans, apply for Medicaid, research and enroll in Medicare Part D Drug Insurance, understand Medicare supplemental plans, find pharmaceutical assistance programs, identify and report Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse. No appointment necessary.

Contact: United Home Health Services at 734-981-8820 or visit the MMAP website at www.mmapinc.org/pages/about.html

Puzzle class

Date/Time: Tuesday, Nov. 5 and 12, 10 a.m. to noon

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

Methodist Church of Northville

Details: Organizers of the sixth annual Bizarre Bazaar are looking for crafters, vendors and entrepreneurs. Indoor spaces available. It's an opportunity to showcase their talents and products to hundreds of local customers.

Contact: For details and to reserve your space, go to <http://furncnorthville.org/missions-bazaar@gmail.com> or find it on Facebook.

Hearing loss seminar

Date/Time: Wednesday, Oct. 30, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, 14600 N. Sheldon in Plymouth

Details: Learn how to identify if you have a hearing problem, how to enhance communication and listening skills, understand common hearing issues and see the latest advancements in hearing technology. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

Contact: To register for the event or to find out more information, call at 734-451-0800. Registration for the event closes Oct. 25.

Support group

Date/Time: Second Monday of each month, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland

Details: Do you have a loved one in jail or prison? Is your heart broken because of it? Then contact Bonnie at Hope 4 Healing Hearts, who will provide a safe place to talk and share with others, a place where you can learn how to cope with all of the new and frightening experiences.

Contact: For questions or more information, contact Bonnie at 734-646-2237 or by email at prtymonar@chccast.net.

Hospice support

Date/Time: Third Saturday of each month, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Location: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 Lilley, Canton

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

Contact: To register, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice bereavement coordinator, at 989-983-9050 or email annchristensen@cchnet.net

Vendors wanted

Date/Time: Saturday, Nov. 9

Location: First United

Seeking crafters

Date/Time: Saturday, Dec. 7

Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main in Plymouth

Details: The Plymouth Historical Museum is accepting applications for its annual Juried Craft Bazaar. Applicants are required to submit three to four photos of craft items for judges to determine participants as there is a limit of crafters to five per category. Table rentals are \$30 each and most are eight feet wide, although there are some space variations available. Space is tight, so vendors will need to limit their display area to the size of the table or an equivalent space. The museum is offering free admission that day for both museum patron and bazaar shopper. Crafters are requested to donate an item for the museum's raffle.

Contact: The application is available at www.plymouthhistory.org/cm/dpl/downloads/events/17/craft_show.pdf. Crafters not accepted for the bazaar will receive a full refund.

Bipolar support

Date/Time: Second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon, Suite 1608, Plymouth

Details: The Depression Bipolar Support Alliance is a self-help group for people suffering from depression and bipolar disorders. Meetings are open also to family members. All DBSA leaders are professionally trained and attend two trainings for every year to update their skills in leading the group.

Contact: Call Nancy at 734-536-3457 for directions.

Montessori bash



The Plymouth-Canton Montessori held a celebration Thursday for the school's 40th anniversary, with families and friends gathered at its Joy Road location to enjoy cider and doughnuts with the giant scissors (which the children loved). Cutting the ribbon is Kay Neff, founder and head of school.

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A: One of the problems many college graduates face is a substantial debt when they graduate. It's not unusual for people to spend 10 or 20 years repaying student loans. The fact that your grandchild will not have debt is a great thing for him. The being said, I do have some bad news for you regarding the tax breaks.

Unfortunately, as grandparents paying for your grandchild's college education you are not entitled to any tax breaks. There are a variety of tax breaks within the law, however, the person either has to be your spouse or a dependent. Since your grandchild is not your dependent, you're not entitled to any tax breaks.

You may wish to consider gifting money to your daughter and have her pay for her child's college cost and then she would be entitled to the tax breaks. Currently, you can gift \$14,000 a year to anyone that you choose without tax consequences.

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filed.

Another strategy to consider is the Michigan Education Savings Plan, a college savings plan that allows you to contribute money that grows tax free when it is used for a qualified education expense. Although, you do not get any federal tax breaks, you can write off your contribution on your Michigan Income Tax Return. Currently, you can deduct up to \$10,000 off your Michigan Income Tax Return. The MESP (www.mives.com) is a great tax sufficient way to save for college.

In addition, if you're thinking about doing something for your other grandchild, a contribution to the MESP makes sense. After all, that money can continue to grow tax free until it's needed for college.

Whether grandparents receive a tax break or not, helping grandchildren with a college education is a gift that will help after grandparents are no longer around.

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

Sign up for Lightfest run/walk, bike events

Runners and bicyclists looking for something different can sign up now for the annual Wayne County Lightfest 8K Run/Walk and Bike through the Lights events.

Held Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 12-13, the two events serve as a prelude to the Thursday, Nov. 14, grand opening of Lightfest.

The Lightfest 8K Fun Run/Walk starts at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at Merriman Hollow Park. Since the start and finish of the event is in two different locations, participants should plan to arrive early and follow one of two alternatives:

» Park at the start area at Merriman Hollow and take the shuttle bus back to their car after the event. Park staff will direct participants where to park their vehicles.

» Get dropped off at the start area then park at the finish. From Merriman Hollow area, drivers can turn right on Merriman Road, then left on Warren Road to Warendale Park located on Warren Road, east of Telegraph, in Dearborn Heights.

Due to limited parking, there will not be shuttle buses at Warendale to take runners to the start area before the event.

Check-in will be at the entrance to the



Participants in the Wayne County Lightfest's annual 8K Fun Run/Walk get to see the light show before it opens. FILE PHOTO

Lightfest - Merriman and Hines Drive between Ann Arbor Trail and Warren Road in Westland - beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending at 6:45 p.m.

Registration is \$18 for those who sign up through Sunday, Oct. 27, \$20 for those who sign up from Monday, Oct. 28, through noon Monday, Nov. 11. The event day fee will be \$25. High school age and younger is \$12.

The registration fee includes a long-sleeved T-shirt for the first 1,000 to sign up and post race food. T-shirt pickup will be Monday, Nov. 11, and on event day at Merriman Hollow starting at 5:30 p.m.

Runners can sign up online at runningfitsevents.webconnex.com/ if/anding or print out an application and mail it in or come into the Wayne County Parks offices, located at 33175 Ann Arbor Trail in Westland at the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center. Only cash or checks will be accepted at the parks offices.

Bike through the Lights starts at 7 p.m. Nov. 13 at Merriman Hollow Park in Westland. The event is an out and back event, so all bike riders must be able to pedal to the Warendale picnic area in Dearborn Heights and back (16K).

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Canton festival honors diversity

Village Theater will host annual gathering that spotlights cultures from around the world

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This cultural and educational festival, which runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., offers participants entertainment and experiences celebrating diverse customs and traditions on the main stage of The Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton.

Celebrate the diversity of the Canton community through song and dance from various cultural groups. Featured dance performances will represent various cultures and countries, including: India, Polynesia, Tahiti, New Zealand, Ireland, China, the Middle East and the United States.

Attendees can enjoy

choral performances by the New Century Chinese School and the Plymouth Canton Chinese Learning Center, and smaller group/solo performances by the Yangtze Melody Group, Spanish songs by Julzje Gravel, and Chinese Songs by Canton Chinese Choir.

Youth from New Hope Church will once again delight audiences with a performance by their Praise Dancers, Mimes of Ministry and Steppers of Soul. Anuj Patel, student of Manjula Lail, will also perform on the sitar.

Also included in the lineup are performances by The Tim O'Hare School of Traditional Irish Dance and the Hoaloha Hula Dance Company with the Motor City Ukies.

In addition, Indian classical and folk dances will be performed by students of Sailaja Pallela, Parul Shah and Chin-

mayee Kulkarni. New to the festival this year are Chinese dance groups Bin Wu, Cajun Du Nord and Little Chinese Angels.

Numerous cultural exhibits will be featured in the lobby and cultural items from around the world will be available for purchase during the event.

The event will also feature an International Sweets Table, where favorite International desserts from metro area bakeries will be available.

Tickets are \$2 at the door. This event is presented by the all-volunteer Multicultural Committee of the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage and sponsored in part by a grant from Community Financial "Summer of Sharing" program.

For more information about the Canton International Festival, call 734-394-5308 or visit www.cantontowntheater.org.



A variety of cultures are represented at Canton's International Festival, held annually at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

OLV food drive teaches students to help those in need

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Every little bit counts as Our Lady of Victory School recognizes World Food Day through a school-wide service project to collect non-perishable food items and toiletries to donate to Northville Civic Concern.

"We want the students to know their actions do count and they can make a difference," OLV Principal Karen Gessler said. "A big part of what we teach here is about service and what we want to do with this project was given them a real connection to a need that is right here in their own community."

Each student was asked to bring in a non-perishable food item, baby product or paper product to give to Civic Concern, which is a local organization that provides food to Northville residents in need.

Gessler said the students really responded to the drive.

"It's important to do this," OLV fifth-grader Billy Shields said. "It's even more important when we have a lot ourselves and others don't, so we need to do this to help make sure they do have enough."

Community service is built into OLV's curriculum, Gessler said. The seed for this is in the

school's devotion to its faith, which is the model for such service.

"This is what we are called to do," Gessler said. "It goes back to our faith in Jesus. Service to others is a big part of our beliefs."

World Food Day is a large international project, but OLV thought it was important to not forget the local needs.

"By focusing in on our own community the students can see the impact their donations can have," Gessler said. "Northville Civic Concern reaches a lot of people, so the need to help end hunger and provide for the needy is not just in some faraway

place, it's right here and the students want to help."

According to World Food USA, this larger project offers individuals and groups the opportunity to strengthen national and international solidarity in the struggle against hunger, malnutrition and poverty and draw attention to achievements in food security and agricultural development.

"It's sad to see so many that are poor and in need," OLV fifth-grader Maria Fiebig said. "It feels good to donate food to them and help in any way we can."

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Our Lady of Victory School Principal Karen Gessler tallies up some food donations for the Northville school's World Hunger Day drive Oct. 16 with students (from left) Katie Howard, Aubrey Kalmbach and Michael Barron. The food gathered by staff and students will go to Northville Civic Concern. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Women's movement a lifelong passion

Novi resident was at the forefront of feminist issues since graduating from college in 1964

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

prosecutor of that era only said, "Mea culpa, mea culpa, mea culpa" while striking his chest, when asked to speak on the issue at a forum.

Civil rights law

Ravitz points with pride to involvement in the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1976, state legislation that covers employment discrimination including religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, marital status and others. She won the first jury trial under that against Ford Motor Co., for almost \$190,000, a good deal of money at that time.

She also was involved in Fair Housing Act work, banning discrimination based on sex, age, marital status or handicap. There was no protection, however, for lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender people.

A woman legislator objected to the LGBT provision, which was deleted. "Even now," there's no such protection in housing, she said.

Ravitz, 71, was a founding member and board member of The Feminist Federal Credit Union. She helped draft the Women and Credit Act of Michigan (1973-74) and pushed for its 1974 passage.

The credit union got licensing help from feminist leader Bella Abzug and helped women to get credit in their own names. "To me, that taught me about the need for transparency in voting," she said, noting it passed unanimously on a roll call vote after failing on a voice vote.

"I was just so blessed," she said of her career. "My timing was so perfect. We had the



Allyn Ravitz talks about her history as a feminist lawyer and advocate throughout her life Oct. 14 at Novi's Fox Run. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

governor (William Milliken) and his wife (Helen) on our side."

Her honors include the 1978 Detroit City Council's Spirit of Detroit Award.

She's looking forward to screening of the film *Passing the Torch*, made by feminist filmmaker Carol King with PBS, to be shown May 4 at Fox Run in Novi. That's timed for Mother's Day so families can learn of the second wave women's movement. "I'm hoping we can pass the torch by people watching the film at Fox Run," she said.

It's also been made available to colleges and high schools. She and Chuck Schmitter have six kids between them, including a lesbian daughter who won't live in Michigan because it's anti-gay. "People don't know

where we were and how far we came, to say nothing of abortion rights," Ravitz said.

She fights defunding of Planned Parenthood. "Chuck is a Republican and I'm a Democrat, but he votes for the person."

'Empowered us'

She's glad she attended all-women's Smith College, part of the Seven Sisters and also alma mater of Betty Friedan and Gloria Steinem, feminist leaders.

"It just empowered us," she said. She wrote a position paper at West Point for President John Kennedy. "Mine was on Pakistan and India," she recalled of Kennedy's seeking knowledge from bright college students. "That was a wonderful thing of him to do and it was typical of him."

In college, she and a friend who worked on the Smith newspaper heard Malcolm X speak in Springfield, Mass. "We really blended," she joked, noting their collegiate attire.

Men who were likely Malcolm X bodyguards escorted the pair to their car for safety at the program's end.

Ravitz, who once ran for 36th District Court judge and lost in the general election, is concerned about feminism today.

"I'm very discouraged," she said. She worries about abortion rights and women's health care, as well as young people who don't know history. "They don't know what feminism is. The whole feminist movement is about choice. It wasn't about disparaging one choice over another."

Feminism is about not having your choices limited because you're a woman. Feminism became a dirty word."

She recalls some boredom when her first child was born in 1966 and guilt over that. "I realized it wasn't me, it was a societal thing." She became active at that point, including opening an art gallery collection with a friend.

She was discouraged by GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney's views on women's rights. "I don't understand the thinking," she said. She's concerned about North Carolina legislation requiring a waiting time for access to abortions, as well as the number of women legislators being at a 20-year low. Women candidates have trouble raising money to run for office, she said.

"I just think women take for granted all these rights," even coverage of birth control. She agreed mistreatment by female superiors is an issue in the workplace.

"That's a problem and that wasn't true in the second wave of feminism. Women gave women a helping hand." Not all women involved were white and middle class, she added.

Both Ravitz and her husband are active at Fox Run, ranging from Jazzercise, Italian Club and his service on the Resident Advisory Council.

"We both jumped in with both feet," he said. "It's a busy place to be," she added.

The couple has nine grandchildren between them.

"They're all scattered all over," she noted, adding a daughter is a CNN journalist who's broken major stories.

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PREP FOOTBALL - WEEK 9

Flurry sparks Salem to win in finale

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

In a wild-and-wooly regular season finale at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, Salem capitalized on a couple Royal Oak miscues in the fourth quarter to turn a deficit into a 40-30 victory.

A 21-point fourth quarter meant the career of numerous Salem seniors would end on a positive note as the Rocks finished 3-6 but out of the playoffs. "It means everything to me," said Salem senior placekicker Alex Kenrick about closing it out with the win. "I love these guys more than anything in the world."

Fifth-year head coach Kurt

Britnell, however, pointed to sophomore Calin Crawford as the catalyst behind Salem's fourth quarter rally that snuffed out a 24-19 deficit.

"They came out and played hard in the second half, a couple turnovers and Calin Crawford making a couple big plays," Britnell said. "Big plays from a sophomore and we kind of just built on that momentum, got some things clicking offensively and got a couple key stops defensively, obviously."

First, Crawford recovered a fumble near midfield, stopping the Ravens in what could have been a game-clinching drive. Running back Noah Kochanski



Salem running back Drake Jordan (No. 6) tries to turn the corner Friday against Royal Oak defender Dequan Givens (No. 2). JOHN KENSKI/EXPRESS PHOTO

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Schuba's 35 not enough

Madonna University senior guard Travis Schuba scored a game-high 35 points, but the Crusaders fell Thursday to host Ferris State in a men's basketball exhibition game, 97-92.

Schuba, a senior from Rapid City, nailed 10-of-16 three-point field goal attempts and 5-of-6 free throws.

Senior forward Fred Williams added 27 points on 12-of-16 shooting, while point-guard Bobby Naubert (Livonia Stevenson) finished with a game-high 16 assists to go along with 12 points.

James Chappell scored 21 points off the bench. Drew Lehman also had 21 for the Bulldogs.

MU trailed 59-34 at the half. C.J. Ezeani's tip-in pulled within 9-16 but the Crusaders returned to within one, 73-72.

Point-guard Dietrich Lever (Canton), who had 15 points and 10 assists, connected on a pair of free throws with eight seconds left to seal the victory.

MU women golfers 6th

The Madonna University women's golf team wrapped up its 2013 fall season with a sixth place finish out of 10 schools in the Savannah College of Art & Design Fall Invitational at Wilmington Island Country Club (Ga.).

Host SCAD captured the title with rounds of 296 and 304 for an even 600 total.

MU freshman Natalie Blazo placed sixth with 74-79-153 two-day total. Other MU scorers included junior Chelsea Collier, tied for 13th (80-76-156); Ayla Bogie, tied for 26th (81-83-164); Holly Laginess, 39th (87-83-170); and Jordyn Shepler (Livonia Churchill), tied for 41st (87-87-174).

Parker earns WHAC honor

Madonna University senior Joe Parker (Walled Lake Northern), who averaged 76.6 strokes per round in five tournaments, was the lone Crusader to earn a spot on the honorable mention team for the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's golf team.

Senior Billy Tear (Grand Blanc) was MU's selection to the WHAC's Champion of Character team as the student-athlete from each school that best represents the NIAA's Five Core Values: respect, responsibility, servant leadership, integrity and sportsmanship.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE



A large contingent of Plymouth Whalers attend Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. In the back row (from left) are Spencer Lee, Bryce Yetman, Cullen Mercer, Alex Nedeljkovic, Francesco Vilardi, Zack Bowman and academic liaison John Seidelman. In the front row (from left) are Vincent Scognamiglio, Liam Dunda, Connor Chatham, Alex Peters and Josh Wesley. JOHN KENSKI/EXPRESS PHOTO

EXTRA CREDIT

Young Whalers take care of business at P-CEP first, Compuware second

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

A peek into Alex Nedeljkovic's equipment bag might find books and yellow highlighters mixed in with skates, gloves and other tools of his trade.

That is as it should be for any high school-age player on the Plymouth Whalers.

Goaltender Nedeljkovic is

one of a dozen Whalers who attend classes at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park — finding a way to get academic tasks done amid a relentless schedule of games, practices and road trips to places such as North Bay, Ont. and Erie, Pa.

"Everybody has a maximum of five classes," said Nedeljkovic.

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WHALERS AT THE PARK

What: There are 12 members of the Plymouth Whalers who attend high school classes at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. They attend class-work (maximum of five classes) with homework sessions on road trips and at Compuware Arena following practices in order to keep up with class requirements.

Who: Whalers who are students at the Park include: seniors Connor Chatham, Spencer Lee, Alex Nedeljkovic, Alex Peters, Frank Vilardi, Josh Wesley, juniors Zack Bowman, Liam Dunda, Alex King, Cullen Mercer, Vince Scognamiglio and Bryce Yetman.

Why: The Plymouth Whalers organization, and the entire Ontario Hockey League, places a premium on youngsters earning their high school education. Players who do not take care of academic duties can see ice time reduced, according to the team's academic liaison, former P-CEP teacher and counselor John Seidelman.

DIVISION 1 BOYS SOCCER REGIONALS

Salem stings Hornets 1-0, advances to regional final

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Spectacular goalkeeping by Collin Hewett, along with some help from his friends, helped Salem withstand a furious flurry by Saline early in the second half of Wednesday night's Division 1 regional semifinal.

Not too long after that, the Rocks got the one and only goal they would need as they earned a 1-0 victory and a ticket to Saturday's regional final against

Novi-Detroit Catholic Central.

Scoring with 27:44 remaining was senior forward Andriy Pelekh, one-timing a perfect feed from the left flank by sophomore forward Jay Lee inside the right post behind Saline goalkeeper Noah Tartitas.

"Jay Lee had a nice run down the sideline, had a nice cross, wide open in front of the goal all I could do is finish," Pelekh said. "A little bit surprised (to be that wide-open), just got to be at the right place at the right time I

guess.

"Me and him got that chemistry, we're really good friends. He hooks me up a lot."

What a feeling

After finding the open goal with his boot, Pelekh let the splendor of the moment wash over him as he unleashed a perfect somersault in front of the filled bleachers at Saline High School.

"It felt good, I feel like I could do three of those I got so

much adrenaline right now," said Pelekh, with a laugh. "I've been practicing that."

That joyous moment was made possible by the fact Salem (15-2-6) kept Saline (17-2-2) off the board in the opening minutes of the second half.

A redirect in front by Artur Engler was turned aside by Jay Lee, acrobatic Hewett.

Then with 37:30 to go in regulation, Hewett punched away a

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Central's 'Pink Out' game a winner for all

By Evan Paputa
Correspondent

Central Middle School's recent "Pink Out" Breast Cancer Awareness girls basketball game brought several positive things to the table.

The Oct. 15 game gave head coach Ryan Ballard and his Lady Chargers an opportunity to show gratitude to Central teacher Susan Kraft who has battled breast cancer for about a year.

In between the "B" and "A" games, Ballard spoke to the hundreds of students and parents in attendance about what Kraft means to the school. He presented her with the first annual "Toughness Award" for "showing perseverance and courage."

All admission collected and concession stand profits were donated



The coaching staff of the Central Middle School Lady Chargers presents Susan Kraft with the "Toughness Award." From left are Evan Paputa, Erica Smith, Kraft, Ryan Ballard and Jada Woody. MICHAEL VASILNEK

ed to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Central students came in droves wearing pink. "It felt good to be a part of something like that," Central eighth-grade Filip Filkoski said.

The Lady Chargers

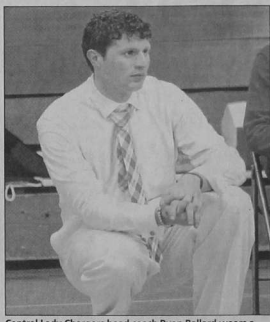
wore pink socks, headbands and wristbands donated by coaches Ballard and Erica Smith. Students got into the swing by selling pink ribbons, key chains and even food items.

"This game wasn't just a pink out it was recog-

nizing a teacher of their own," Michael Vasilnek said.

The award was named in honor of Kraft. In future years, it will be presented as the Susan Kraft Toughness Award.

Tim Smith contributed.



Central Lady Chargers head coach Ryan Ballard wears a snazzy pink tie and slacks to help honor teacher Susan Kraft during the recent "Pink Out" game for breast cancer awareness. MICHAEL VASILNEK

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Seniors spark PCA

Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity girls volleyball team made Senior Night a special one, defeating Detroit Country Day in 25-22, 25-19, 25-19.

"It was the seniors' last home game and both Jen Malcolm and Rachael Fuller had a great night," PCA head coach Katie Decker said.

Malcolm tallied 25 assists and seven kills. Fuller added 21 defensive digs and 13 kills. Junior Callie Morby contributed 22 digs.

Middle school mat coaches sought

East and Pioneer middle schools are seeking wrestling coaches for the 2013-14 season.

Candidates should be high school graduates who have experience coaching at the middle school or high school



PCA senior Jen Malcolm, shown from earlier this season. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

and children. Write a letter of intent to: Pioneer Middle School Principal Kevin Rhein, 46081 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, 48170; East Middle School Principal Scott Burek, 1042 S. Mill Street, Plymouth, 48170.

Learn To Skate

Canton Arctic Edge's next "Learn To Skate" program runs Nov. 9 through Jan. 19. Sessions are at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. Saturdays, 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Arctic Edge is at 46615 Michigan Ave. in Canton. Call 734-487-7777 for more information.

MU picked

Madonna University men's basketball team was picked to finish second in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's preseason poll of head coaches. Madonna senior Bobby Naubert was named the preseason Player of the Year.

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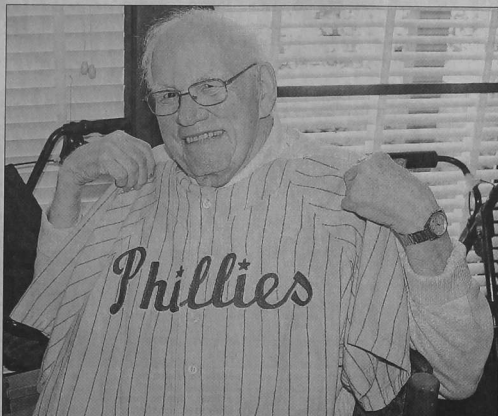
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BASEBALL

Miller recalls his golden era

'Whiz Kid's' opinions as impressive as his memory

By Ed Wright
Staff Writer



Longtime Redford resident Bob Miller is pictured with the uniform he wore during the 1950 World Series for the Philadelphia Phillies. Ed Wright

He may be 87 years old, but Bob Miller's recollection of the Philadelphia Phillies' 1950 run to the World Series is as sharp as an Al Albuquerque slider. Miller, a longtime resident of Redford and former ball of fame coach for the University of Detroit's now-shuttered baseball program, was a 24-year-old rookie right-handed pitcher for the Phillies, who held off a late charge by the Jackie Robinson-led Brooklyn Dodgers to win the National League pennant.

"It was the bottom of the ninth of a 14 game against Brooklyn with the pennant riding on the game," Miller said recently during lunch at a Novi restaurant. "Robin Roberts was pitching with runners on second and third and two outs. Our manager, Eddie Sawyer, goes out to the mound and asks Robin, 'Would you rather pitch to Gil Hodges or Jackie Robinson?'"

Miller, who was among the major leagues' most accomplished rookie pitchers in 1950, said times have definitely changed since he and his teammates wore their wool uniforms on the diamonds — but not always for the better.

"One modern-day occurrence that he said wouldn't cut back in the days is the emphasis on

pitcher's pitch counts. The only numbers he cared about, Miller said, were the number of runs each team had put up on the scoreboard.

And when Miller pitched in 1950, there weren't many. "One time I pitched a 12-inning game in Milwaukee and it was nothing — nothing before it got rained out," Miller said, smiling.

"I had no idea how many pitches I had thrown; I didn't care.

"And when I went to the locker room after the game to take a shower, I ran hot water on my arm, which is against all principles today. Today, they use a lot of ice. Like they said back then, the only ice I used in my cocktails."

Miller said current-day fans would marvel at the workhorse efforts of most of the elite pitchers he played with.

"One year, Robin Roberts threw 28 consecutive complete games," Miller said. "And he

never had a sore arm, never had Tommy John surgery.

"I think the big contracts they're giving out today is one reason the pitchers aren't allowed to throw many pitches. I don't like the pitch-count thing at all."

Miller said he relied heavily on two pitches: a sinker and a curve.

"One thing I wish we'd had back then was somebody who could teach us how to throw a changeup," Miller said. "I think that's the best pitch going today. My changeup back when I pitched was an off-speed curve."

Miller said he enjoyed reasonable success against some of the game's most-heralded hitters: Hank Aaron and Eddie Mathews, to name two.

"But Duke Snider wore me out," he said, chucking. "He was really rough on me."

Miller said he can relate to the pressure today's players face in must-win games.

"It was a pretty intense atmosphere for us when we played in the World Series against the Yankees," he said. "We had eight toilets in the locker room and before the game they were all being used."

Miller estimates he threw around 90 mph, but with no radar guns around in the 1950s, he can't be positive.

"What they did with Bob Feller was have a guy ride a motorcycle alongside of him when he delivered the pitch," Miller said.

"If the motorcycle was going 100 miles an hour and the ball beat the motorcycle to the catcher, that's how we knew Bob Feller was throwing over 100."

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PREP FOOTBALL - WEEK 9

Playoff-bound Chiefs romp past Pioneers

The Canton Chiefs visited Ann Arbor Pioneer with a collective chip on their shoulder pads Friday night. Canton, having lost 42-30 to Northville the previous week in the KLA/Kensington Conference championship game, led from wire-to-wire against Pioneer and won 35-7.

With the win, the Chiefs finished the regular season 8-1 and now will gear up for the first week of playoffs.

Canton started the scoring just 4:30 into the non-league contest when Jacob Wickens ran in from the 1-yard line.

Before the end of the frame, a 21-yard run by junior Charles Turf opened up a 14-0 edge for the visitors.

Early in the second, Chiefs' junior quarterback Greg Williams then connected with senior Jake Boucher on an 18-yard TD pass.

The combo of Williams-to-Boucher worked again with about four minutes to play in the second quarter.

This time, it was good for 25 yards and a score. The fourth extra point of the half by Andrew Loehnis made it 28-0.

Canton's final score of the game made it 35-0 with 9:58 left in the contest.

Senior running back Westen Price (12-88) scored a 2-yard touchdown.

The Pioneers (3-6) spoiled Canton's shutout, scoring on a fumble recovery in the final three minutes.



Trying to grab the ball during a recent contest is Plymouth's Doug Lyons (No. 11). Bill Bresler | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

the Wildcats lost 27-14 to host Grand Blanc.

Plymouth finished the regular season with a 5-4 record, short of the six wins needed for an automatic berth.

The Wildcats do have a slim chance to get in due to strength of schedule; but they'll have to wait until Sunday to find out if they eked out a spot.

It was 6-6 entering the fourth quarter (with Plymouth scoring on field goals by seniors Trevor Skopczynski and Viet Nguyen).

But Grand Blanc (7-2) scored 21 unanswered points to take a commanding 27-6 lead.

Making the final score closer was a last-minute touchdown pass of 11 yards from 'Cats quarterback AJ Convertino to senior wideout Matt Busch (with Busch adding a 2-point conversion run).

Costly loss for 'Cats
Plymouth's playoff hopes took a serious hit Friday as

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(18-14) lost the handle on the football after a 30-yard gain.

That defensive play set up Salem's subsequent 25-yard touchdown pass from sophomore quarterback Alex Nicholson (9-16, 197 yards, 4 TDs) to senior wide-out Brendan Sherrod with 8:38 left to make it 25-24 Rocks.

Salem scored again two minutes later, as Crawford came up with a fumble in the Royal Oak end zone to make it 34-24.

The Ravens had poor field position following a deep kickoff by Kenrick, exacerbated by a pair of illegal procedure penalties.

Quarterback Jacob Gostiaux, who had an outstanding game running the ball through the Salem line (25-152, 2 TDs), miscued on his pitch to a running back and the ball bounced into the end zone.

That's where Crawford came up with it for the defensive score. Kenrick's extra point opened up the 10-point spread.

Breathing room

Salem kept up the two-way pressure, not wanting to relinquish the upper hand back to the Oakland Activities Association team (4-5).

Kicker Thomas Dokho's 38-yard field goal attempt was blocked by Salem junior Everett Cizmota with about 4:30 to play in the fourth.

The Rocks, taking over on Royal Oak's 32-yard line, cashed in on Nicholson's 21-yard scoring strike to junior Joe Miazek and that provided enough breathing room to withstand the Ravens' last-minute TD run by Elio Kollcinaku.

"The big play at the end obviously helped because Royal Oak's pretty scrappy and we needed that score," Britnell said. "Just a good team win. The season didn't go how we wanted it, but these guys hung in there and fought."

The practices have been great and the young guys are getting better and learning. Plus it's always good when you send the seniors out with a victory."

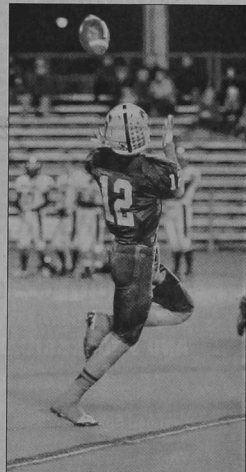
Salem started the contest with a bang, needing just three plays to move the ball 92 yards for a touchdown.

Nicholson connected on a 23-yard pass to senior wide receiver Michael Hoover (5-131, 2 TDs) to move the ball to the Salem 33.

Then came a riveting, 67-yard halfback option pass by Sherrod to sophomore Shaw Lyall to put Salem in front 6-0.

Sherrod's spiral was grabbed by Lyall near the Royal Oak 35 and he raced down the middle of the field into the end zone.

The Rocks got to within 14-12 just before halftime on a 40-yard TD pass from Nicholson



Salem's Shaw Lyall (No. 12) catches Brendan Sherrod's halfback option pass in the first quarter. Lyall scored a 67-yard TD on the play. | JOHN KERMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

to Hoover, who reeled the ball in near the front left corner of the end zone.

That kind of poise by the sophomore quarterback did not surprise Britnell. "He makes plays with his feet, arm, he's smart. Nobody works harder than he does."

Britnell also likes the progress his younger players made during the final weeks of the year.

"As disappointing as the season is, we got seven sophomores out here playing and have been playing seven games," he said. "Hopefully that means something for the future."

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point-blank opportunity by Ty Gresser for the rebound to carom right to Matthew Geneareux — who drilled a 15-yarder that the Salem goal-keeper sprawled to get in front of.

Moments later, another Saline try slipped past Hewett only to hit the right post and slither away.

"They came out fired up, they came out hot," Hewett said. "They got a great crowd

here, they were cheering them on. So they came out fired up.

"We were a little lackadaisical you could say, so they got in behind a few times, they kind of broke us down. But with our push and our drive we fought through. We played as a team."

Salem took care of business the rest of the way, not giving the Hornets too much space to get in on Hewett and doing a good job clearing the ball.

The little things
"You know what, going in we knew we were up against a very, very good team," Salem head coach Scott Duhl said.

"They get numbers forward, and they get numbers forward all the time."

"Their wide backs get up. They get 15 or 16 really good players. They're front line was good, they do a good job of holding it and flicking it and getting runners off the ball. They're dangerous, they serve balls in danger."

"I don't know if there was one key in particular, we knew we had to cover for each other. From teammate to teammate, I think we were just willing to do whatever it took, to try to do all the little things."

A perfect example of that

was a sequence in the closing minutes of the first half, with good scoring chances few and far between.

Saline's Jake Cohen was rushing down the pitch looking to turn the corner and break in on Hewett.

Cohen, however, ran out of room thanks to the effort turned in by Salem senior defender Josh Dillon, who hurried to close the lane in time.

It will take those kinds of plays for the Rocks to get past the Shamrocks for the honor to move on to the D1 semifinal Oct. 30 at Holt.

"I think it's going to be a good matchup," Duhl said. "No. 11 (Andrew Trombley) has tremendous pace. They have good, clean technical players in the midfield and they always defend real well."

But Saturday would have to wait.

First, Duhl wanted his team to soak in what it was able to accomplish Wednesday against Saline.

"We're just pumped about this one because we knew this was going to be one of the top teams we've seen."

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WHALERS

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kovic, a 17-year-old senior in his third year at the Park. "We get that last hour off to go to the rink and practice."

"They also go to the rink and hit the books, during something called a study table."

"Every week, we get all the high school guys together for about an hour we go upstairs to the back of CJs (a restaurant inside Computare Arena), "Nedeljkovic noted. "We take all our homework and we'll spend an hour working on our homework, just to make sure all the guys get some time specifically for school work."

Priorities

"They'd better put the extra time in on homework, because taking care of academic business is at the top of the priority list for the Whalers organization and Ontario Hockey League, said academy liaison John Seidelman.

"From the team standpoint, one of the things I've been impressed with the Plymouth Whalers ... is their emphasis on doing a good job with their education," said Seidelman, a former teacher and counselor at the Park who joined the Whalers in a part-time capacity a decade ago. "Education really comes first. If these kids are not getting the job done in the classroom, their playing time is limited and it becomes a big factor."

"So the Whaler organization puts education as a real primary goal, and that makes it easier and the kids know they've got to step up and get the job done academically."

From the moment extraordinary athletes come to Plymouth from all over the globe, they understand being ordinary high school students is part of the package.

"I believe the OHL really puts an emphasis on education," Seidelman said. "And because kids come to the OHL so young, sometimes 16 years old, and they're living with billet families and away from home, I know their fam-



Plymouth Whalers netminder Alex Nedeljkovic makes a save earlier this season. 'Ned' is one of 12 members of the OHL team who attend classes at the Park. RENA LAVERY / PLYMOUTH WHALERS

ilies want them to complete their high school education.

"All these kids obviously have the aspiration of making it to the National Hockey League and a very small percentage really will."

"And so we try to say 'Hey, education is important,' and the Whaler organization from the bottom up really stresses that. It's great to be a part of that."

Up to speed

Every season, an influx of newbies join the Whalers and step into P-CEP, primarily Plymouth Hockey School.

It doesn't hurt to have experienced tour guides to get them up to speed on life at the Park.

For example, defenceman Josh Wesley (son of former NHL player Glen Wesley) is a Park rookie leaning on "veterans" such as Nedeljkovic and blueliner Alex Peters.

"Alex Peters and Alex Nedeljkovic were here last year, and they have been a (big) support for all the new guys coming in," Wesley said. "They would just help you out with classes, where to get our books, and what the shortcuts are around the school."

That sounds like what any student would do. Nedeljkovic emphasized he was just helping guys out the same way he was helped when he joined the Whalers.

"The guys who were seniors last year, they gave me a couple pointers of what to do during class and stuff," Nedeljkovic said. "To make sure you get to class, to tell your teachers when you're going to be gone, just give them a heads-

up, so that way you're not getting on their bad side."

Wesley said he grew up in North Carolina, attending a high school with about 1,000 students. Now he's a senior at a campus with between 6,000-7,000, depending on who you talk to.

"It's definitely a huge change for me," Wesley said.

But he's getting the hang of things, noting that "the school is great and all we love it."

There's an adjustment period for every player who joins the Whalers. Consider 17-year-old Peters, also a senior this year.

"I'm from Blyth, Ontario, about three hours northeast of here, out by Lake Huron," Peters said. "Crazy difference coming from my old school to here."

"Just the size, my old school we had roughly 500 kids and compared to here, there's like 6,500 or something. He added with a chuckle. "It's a lot different, but it was easy to adjust. With all our older guys on the team they really helped us out."

Blending in

According to Peters, players do their best to blend in with the general student population.

"We just come to school and sit in class. If they find out, they find out," Peters said. "But we're not trying to go around bragging that we're on the Whalers."

"I'm pretty sure our school's had a bunch of Whalers in the past (including current NHLers such as Tyler Seguin, Tom Wilson). So, they are accustomed to us

and they know the Whalers come here."

Of course, the Whalers do try to eat lunch as a group before making the short trip down Beck Road over to Computare.

Cafeteria topics probably range from not slacking off on chemistry or algebra studies to the power play.

Peters said players try to be professional about their academic duties.

"The biggest thing we have to do is talk to our teachers, get a relationship with our teachers, showing them we actually are trying to do the best job we can," Peters said. "But when we miss more school it's harder. If you talk to your teacher and tell them 'Hey, I'm going to be gone' and you get the work (in advance) so you can do it when you're at home, it really makes a lot less easier."

"If you didn't do that, you'd be behind in everything."

For clarity's sake

And if that ever happens, PT might be curtailed.

"Your ice time could be affected if you're slacking in school," Peters said. "But the better you do in school, the more clear your head is, you're not worrying about product or about how your test went."

"And it can keep your mind more clear for the game and help you focus on hockey."

For Wesley, hitting the books is as important as hitting an opponent into the boards. And many times, that means seeing in homework wherever and whenever he can.

"You have to put in a lot of hard work, a lot in trips," Wesley said. "And a lot of opportunity to get some school work done there, and just put all the effort you can in to school and hockey."

That's all good, as far as Nedeljkovic is concerned.

"It's a great experience, everybody treats you well," Nedeljkovic said. "Most people know who you are, so they understand where you're coming from and it's good to meet different people and get to know their backgrounds."

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COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Madonna's Freeman becomes terminator

By Brad Emmons Staff Writer

Emilie Freeman would be the first to admit that as a young volleyball player she had trouble walking and chewing gum at the same time.

But the long-legged 6-foot-3 middle hitter for the unbeaten Madonna University women's volleyball team has slowly transformed into one of the most feared front row attackers in the NA-IA ranks.

The Livonia native and 2009 Lutheran High Westland grad currently leads the 32-0 Crusaders, ranked No. 4 nationally, with 407 total kills (3.84 per set) with an impressive .388 hitting percentage.

"That's a far cry from the mere 13 total kills she recorded as a freshman when she was obviously still learning the ropes."

"I've definitely come a long way," said Freeman, who also has a team-best 15 solo and 107 block assists. "I just know -- and you can ask a lot of people that knew me as an earlier volleyball player -- I had a lot of improvement to do."

As a sophomore, Freeman became a contributor with 235 total kills and a .304 hitting percentage.

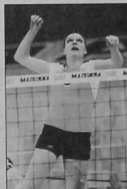
Junior success

Her breakout season, however, came last year as she finished with 385 total kills, while bumping up her hitting percentage to .339 en route to all-conference honors.

"It's the transition, no doubt," MU coach Jerry Abraham said. "When she came up she was very raw, but I saw a lot of talent in her, of course."

Freeman lives just five minutes away from the MU campus. She was exposed to Madonna's volleyball program by her parents, Kemper and Barbara, having attended summer camps since age 11.

It was a perfect fit



Madonna University's 6-foot-3 middle hitter Emilie Freeman leads the Crusaders in kills with 407. She is a Lutheran High Westland grad. THE SPORTSMAN

even for a Lutheran at a Catholic university.

"I'm not Catholic, but I still carry some of the same morals, but I obviously came here for volleyball, which is cool because I'm so close," Freeman said. "I never saw myself ending up here, but I'm so happy with how everything worked out."

At Lutheran Westland, Freeman earned seven letters while also participating in track and basketball.

As a junior, she helped the Warriors to a runner-up finish in the state Class D volleyball finals.

Patience pays off

Abraham showed patience as Freeman slowly matured into a force at the net.

"When she graduates from MU, Freeman would like to teach at the elementary school level. She is currently majoring in language arts with minors in elementary education and math."

Away from volleyball, Freeman enjoys photography and spending time with her girls volleyball group at Life Church in Canton.

"She's just a wonderful person to be around," Abraham said.

PREP SPORTS

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Nick Brandon's plate got a bit too full, so he took something off of it.

Not too long ago, Brandon was named head coach of the Plymouth Wildcats varsity girls basketball team -- but he expected to finish out duties next spring as the high school's varsity boys

golf coach.

That changed last week, as he decided to step down from the golf gig. Brandon cited family and time commitment reasons for the resignation.

"I absolutely love the game golf, and I will always respect the character it teaches and develops," noted Brandon, in an email to the Observer.

"But I'm a basketball coach first, that's my passion, and the Plymouth girls program needs and deserves my full attention year-round."

"I'll miss working with the guys, especially this special group of seniors that have the potential to achieve amazing things this season. I'll be rooting for them as they play."

Brandon guided the 2013 Wildcats to some pretty amazing things on the links.

After steamrolling through the KLAAs playoff season and regional, Brandon coached the Division I finals before finishing second. The Wildcats lost the fifth-place tiebreaker to Battle Creek Lakesview and sent Kyle Rodas finished as the overall

medalist for DI, also winning the coveted Mr. Golf award from the high school golf coaches association.

"The year I spent leading the Plymouth Boys Golf program was an incredible experience," Brandon said. "And that made this decision an extremely difficult one to make."

"But I know it's a decision that is best for myself and my family, but most importantly best for the student-athletes in both the Plymouth boys and girls varsity girls basketball programs."

Brandon added that "trying to do both (coaching jobs) would be more than I can take on at this point in my life."

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Plymouth coach Brandon takes boys golf off his plate

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY Young Rocks shine at Nankin Mills Invitational

Salem's varsity girls cross-country team will have the chance to grab the spotlight at Saturday's Division I regional at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

On Monday, it was the junior varsity's time to shine, at the Franklin Junior Varsity Invitational at Nankin Mills Park in Westland.

The Rocks JV finished first in the freshman-sophomore race with 31 points while the junior-senior contingent

came in second overall with 62 points. Only trailing victors Walled Lake Northern (40 points).

Canton (102) and Plymouth (104) were fourth and fifth, respectively in the junior-senior race.

"It is the time of year when athletes need to step up," Salem head coach Dave Gerlach said. "This was a great competition for these athletes to run fast and showcase their talents."

The girls took full advantage of the opportunity and left Nankin Mills with a ton of hard work. I was very proud of the way our kids competed today. Our future looks bright."

A number of Salem runners earned medals for their performances.

Medalists in the freshman-sophomore race included: Erin McCann, second, 20:36.3; Sierra Boudon, sixth, 21:11.4; Karissa McCartney, seventh, 21:33.9; Leah Stevens, eighth,

21:38.3; Brianna Essien, ninth, 21:41.9; Kelly McEvilly, 10th, 21:44.3; Marissa Rowland, 20th, 22:18.7.

Medalists in the junior-senior race were as follows: Katy Robson, third, 21:24.8; Kati Binsfeld, seventh, 21:45.3; Emily Morningstar, 11th, 21:58.8; Emilia Hillard, 20th, 22:28.9; and Mario Sharpe, 21st, 22:29.8.

Rounding out the race were Halemah Shajira (33rd, 23:59.7) and Bridget Kerwin (36th, 24:22.9).

GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

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Oct. 23 at Salem
200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Julia Suriano, Lindsa Zhang, Claire Amin, Vincenza Zia), 1:59.70; 2. Central, 2:06.26
500-yard relay: 1. Salem (Maya Choukari, Quintanya Johnson, Jessica Zhang, Maddie Boudon), 2:25.44
200 freestyle: 1. Annie Patterson (S), 2:06.35; 2. Cassidy Sargent (S), 2:15.41; 3. McKenzie Maikowski (S), 2:15.84; 4. Hannah Tufford (S), 2:12.10
200 individual medley: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 2:15.52; 2. Patricia Freitag (S), 2:21.45; 3. Amin (S), 2:28.43
50 freestyle: 1. Katie Xu (S), 1:56.75; 2. Daye Gerlach (S), 2:01.33; 3. Ziaia (S), 2:07.65

500-yard relay: 1. Amanda Ling (WV), 2:20.20 points; 2. Alysa Buccarelli (S), 2:27.50; 3. Haley Allinger (S), 2:31.70
100 butterfly: 1. Patterson (S), 1:05.88; 2. Meghan Maikowski (S), 1:09.49; 3. Hannah Tufford (S), 1:12.10
100 freestyle: 1. Suriano (S), 57.46; 2. Stephanie Soltner (S), 59.75; 3. Sarah (S), 1:00.79
500-yard relay: 1. Salem (Lisa Zhang, Amin, Makowam, Zia), 5:35.82; 2. Xu (S), 5:47.47; 3. Maurice (S), 6:06.57
200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Lisa Zhang, Amin, Makowam, Zia), 1:49.06; 2. Salem (Makowam, Sargent, Freitag, Patterson), 1:49.87; 3. W.L. Central, 2:00.93
100 backstroke: 1. Lindsa Zhang (S), 1:01.31; 2. Freitag (S), 1:03.83; 4. Claire Gooden (S), 1:13.72
100 breaststroke: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 1:10.19; 2. Jessica Zhang (S), 1:16.23; 3. Sarah Budnick (S), 1:26.47
400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Xu, Patterson, Patterson, Patterson), 3:52.32; 2. Salem (Zia, Amin, Maurice, Soltner), 4:08.40; 3. W.L. Central, 4:19.75

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Livonia resident loves to fool the eye with illusion

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

If you're dressing up for Halloween, don't forget the makeup.
"Sometimes your costume might be so-so, but if your makeup is great people will just flip out," said Jeff Ferreri, full-time art teacher and professional part-time makeup artist and magician. "To me, it's about illusion and getting that surprise reaction."

"My favorite moment in a makeup job is when they look in the mirror their eyes widen and they become a different person, I get the biggest kick out of that. If it's an actor and they look the part, their performance is much better. If they are in a haunted house, that person can suddenly jump and yell even if they were too shy before."

Ferreri likely will turn heads in his Livonia neighborhood when he takes his son, Max, 4 1/2, trick or treating Thursday. He may pull out the wizard robes he designed a few years ago while performing magic at MaxWorld in Detroit and do a "wild makeup job." Or he might transform into a zombie with tattered clothing and scary makeup.

"This year, Captain America will protect everyone else from whatever daddy is — an evil wizard or monster," Ferreri said. "If there was a real zombie apocalypse, my neighborhood would be completely unprepared, they'd all be saying 'What's Jeff up to now?'"

Art of illusion

Ferreri showed up in zombie makeup for a recent costume sale at Motor City Youth Theatre, promoting the make-up workshop he had planned in conjunction with the group. He has taught classes in art, make-up effects and magic for years, working in after-school, youth and parks and recreation programs throughout metro Detroit. At the same time, he



supported himself by performing in magic shows, clowning, handling makeup effects for film, theater and haunted houses, and creating fine art.

"A lot of people said, you've been teaching, why don't you go to be a certified teacher? So I went to Eastern," he said. He had taken art classes at Macomb County Community College and built on that foundation with an arts education degree from Eastern. He currently teaches art at Sampson Academy, a public school in Detroit, where he includes makeup effects in the curriculum and sometimes uses magic as a classroom management technique.

"Everything that I love has to do with illusion. The kids love it when I do makeup effects because I show them the effect, and then I show how it works. I'm pulling back the curtain," he said. "It's all about perception. What is it that I

need to do to get you to experience whatever I want you do experience?"

Sharing his secrets

Ferreri began learning about illusion as a child, first "reading every magic book in the library," and later, discovering books by makeup effects expert Richard Smith. In high school, he put his knowledge to work by making short films with friends.

"One reason I idolize him (Smith) is because he is an educator. His whole life he has shared and given away information. I model myself after that."

Ferreri's makeup advice for Halloween:

- » Don't wait until last minute. "Treat the makeup like it's worthy of your time and energy. Try it out a few times before the big day."
- » Be prepared to spend a little on makeup without over-



Jeff Ferreri works his makeup magic to the hand of an actor during filming of "Exposure," a Plan Ten Pictures film.



Jeff Ferreri transforms into a zombie with the help of pretend blood, fake skin and other tricks of professional makeup artist.

spending. "If you go for the absolute most inexpensive, the material is not going to work as well as you'd like. Jump on the Internet and see what they are saying in makeup forums about different brands."
» Don't be afraid to ask for advice. Check out a book or search the Internet if needed.
» Don't use black and white

on your face unless you're a clown or a mime. Use brown for wrinkle lines. "You put on your foundation, paint in your darkest wrinkles, put in your highlights and blend them toward each other."
To learn more about his magic and makeup work, "You Won't Believe Your Eyes," email to jr_ferreri@yahoo.com.

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Get ready: Preparing for winter around my house

Please understand that I am not a home improvement expert of any sort. My expertise is in major home appliances.

Some of you will ask, why were you doing a show on home improvement for four years on as sports station? It's a long story as to why an individual would pretend to be an expert in one field in which he didn't know how to build a square shed. Suffice it to simply say, "Follow the money." While doing this show, I did learn a lot from the experts who were on the air with me. I thought you might like to know some of the preparations I take with the upcoming cold weather.

Watering trees

The other day, I put out the garden hose and placed it under the tree near the street curb and turned on the water. Water was pouring out of the hose for several minutes when a neighbor came over and asked what I was doing. He reminded me that it had rained the day before and that water is becoming very expensive. So I pulled up a chair in the garage and explained why I do this every year for that huge tree.

Years ago a plumber had to snake out my drain line to the

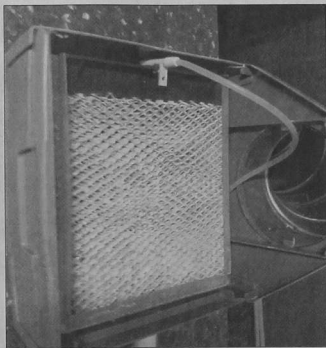


Joe Gagnon
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street and he put a camera in the line to show me a bunch of tree roots and cracks in the line. This plumber gave me the best advice, which has kept him from coming back to my house. That fact alone has kept a lot of money in my pocket, because plumbers are not inexpensive these days. He told me that in the dead of winter when the tree is screaming for water, it will stretch its roots directly to the drain line in search of moisture. The roots will look for cracks and get in the line and can cause more damage than just a plugged line. Giving the tree a big dose of water just before the ground freezes can prevent such a happening. I also give a few of my favorite trees this same treatment even though they are not located near a drain line. A tree expert says that it is good to do so for a healthy tree in the spring.

Nice fragrance

Another quirky thing I do is jam a bar of hand soap under a window, one upstairs and one downstairs. I believe strongly



Check your furnace humidifier and replace the pad.

that indoor air is worse than outside air. That statement comes from the American Lung Association. For energy savings, we are taught by everyone to lock up the house as tight as can be and that this

fact saves a great deal on energy consumption. No doubt that is true, but I am a senior citizen, retired on a fixed income and my health is more important to me.
The house is a vacuum and

the fresh cool air comes across the bar of soap and provides a nice fragrance into my bedroom. I like the smell of soap when I take a shower and I like it when I'm sleeping. Speaking of air reminds me of years ago, when I told homeowners with a gas range to open a window in the kitchen when cooking. A gas range can produce carbon monoxide and even the people who produce a carbon monoxide detector will give you written instructions on the box, do not install in a kitchen.

Some other things common to do before winter are checking the humidifier for the furnace and replacing the pad. I do this every spring and fall and haven't had a cold in more than 40 years. I shut off all the inside valves leading to the garden hose valve on the outside of the house. Most plumbers will tell you that they are very busy repairing inside leaks after a severe cold spell. As I said earlier, I may not be able to nail two pieces of wood together, but I can always give some common sense with a little bit of logic.
Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m., Saturdays on WJAM-AM (1600). You can email your problems and questions on appliances to appld@tvmi.com.

Three-day fundraiser benefits Michigan AIDS Coalition

Kelly Deines of Livonia and Ann Duke of Royal Oak co-chaired the fourth annual DIFFA, a three-day fundraiser to benefit the Michigan AIDS Coalition.

Two of the evenings involved 30 magnificent tablescapes that were created by the area's top designers. On the final evening, patrons had an elegant dinner served to them in the actual tablescapes. DIFFA (Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS) also partnered with ArtWorks Detroit to hold the 18th annual Gala Auction, which spotlighted 150 pieces of art up for live and silent auction.



Julie Yolles
SOCIAL SCENE

Just a few weeks ago, Deines moved his Rosetti architecture and design offices from Southfield to the former Federal Reserve Building, where the DIFFA event was held, in downtown Detroit.

Duke is marketing director of DIFFA event sponsor Tappet's Diamonds & Fine Jewelry, in West Bloomfield.



Kelly Deines of Livonia and Ann Duke of Royal Oak, co-chairs of the fourth annual DIFFA.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Send material for the Garden & Nature Calendar to Sharon Dargay, Observer & Eccentric, sdargay@hometownlife.com

Arachnids

Cara Shillington, professor of biology at Eastern Michigan University, will give a PowerPoint presentation about spiders, mites, ticks and other arachnids at the next meeting of the Livonia Garden Club, 7 p.m. Nov. 5, at the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. She plans to bring some of

her "pets" to the meeting. For more information, call 734-513-8635 or visit livoniagardenclub.org.

Bonsai

Members of the Ann Arbor Bonsai Society will present "The Art of Bonsai" at the next meeting of the Farmington Garden Club, 1 p.m. Nov. 4, at the Spicer House in Heritage Park, located on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, in Farmington Hills. Call Pat at 248-943-6024 for more information.

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Schoolcraft offers synthesizer, piano concerts

In what has become an annual tradition, the members of the Schoolcraft College Synthesizer Ensemble and Wind Ensemble will perform a free concert, The Sounds of Autumn, at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff, in Garden City.

Guests will get a chance to interact with the musicians as the concert and refreshments will be available. Although the concert is free, donations will be accepted at the door and used to fund scholarships for students in the college's various music programs.

Schoolcraft Music Department will present "Season of Sixty Fingers" Final Performance, noon, Wednesday, Oct. 30, in the Vis Ia Tech Center on the college's main campus, located on Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, in Livonia.

This is the third and final special piano duos performance in October. Claire Aebersold and Ralph Neiwem will perform a free concert. Described as "consummate practitioners of pianism," Aebersold and Neiwem enjoy an international career as experts of music for two keyboards. Their programming includes four-hand works of Mozart, Schubert, and Brahms, as well as favorite lighter masterpieces by Poulenc and Milhaud, and contemporary works championed or commissioned by Aebersold and Neiwem.

For more information about Schoolcraft College's music programs call 734-462-4403 or visit the music website of the college's website, www.schoolcraft.edu.

Learn about coyotes, bow for animals

Bowling for animals

The 24th annual Tail Waggers' Bowl gets underway at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at Woodland Lanes in Livonia. It's the signature fundraiser for Tail Waggers' 1990, the nonprofit animal welfare group that helps individuals help animals, by offering low-cost vaccination clinics, wellness checks, a pet food pantry, spay and neuter assistance and funding for emergencies.

Squads times are 1 p.m., \$30 m. and \$9 m. and costs \$25 per adult and \$15 per youth. The entry fee includes three games of bowling, lunch or dinner provided by Krass Kitchen, a commemorative gift, and prizes. Grand prizes will be awarded to bowlers who raised the most money in each squad. The event also will include a "strolling" raffle and \$0/50 drawings and vis-

its from four-legged friends.

Mystery Game drawings are new this year. They give participants an opportunity to get into drawings for prizes from local businesses, without bringing in a minimum donation amount.

For more information on Tail Waggers' 1990 or to register for the event, visit the website at www.tailwaggers.1990.org. Questions? Call Laura Zain at 734-855-4077 or email her at tailwaggers.1990@yahoo.com.

Into the wild

So, you think you've seen a coyote, but you're not quite sure? That's time to sign up for "Understanding Coyotes" at the nature center in Heritage Park in Farmington Hills.

The program will run from 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at the center, 24915 Farmington Road,

located between 10 Mile and 11 Mile. It will include a story time and coyote craft for children and take-home resources for adults.

The program will include information about coyote behavior, myths, habitat, and diet. Participants will learn how to live in harmony with these sometimes misunderstood animals.

"Understanding Coyotes" is designed for all ages. The program fee is \$3 per person, all materials included. Register in advance at the Costick Center, 24600 11 Mile or at https://freecreg.fhogv.com.

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Happy Birthday

Join Lisa Hill of Royal Oak and Jennifer Fritz of Garden City, founders of New Beginnings Animal Rescue, as they celebrate the organization's third anniversary



The cats at New Beginnings Animal Rescue are getting ready for Halloween and will celebrate the shelter's third birthday on Nov. 10

at Birthday Bash, 6-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at Farina's Banquet Center, 2485 Coolidge, Berkeley.

The nonprofit runs an all-cat free-way shelter in Royal Oak, along with a pet food pantry for dogs and cats. (For the sake of full disclosure, I have scooped my share of litter boxes there as a volunteer.) Tickets for the Birthday Bash are \$15 and will include free hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, photo booth, a gift for attending, silver auction of some 30 baskets, along with a raffle of prizes from local businesses.

Get tickets at the door, at the shelter, 2502 Rochester Road, or at www.nbharmichigan.org. —By Sharon Dargatzis

Society's exhibit shows vintage American-made glass

The Michigan Depression Glass Society will exhibit and sell colorful vintage glassware Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 2-3, at the Ford Community and Performing Art Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., at Greenfield, in Dearborn.

What's old is new again when it comes to vintage glassware—from the kitchen to the table and from bar ware to decorative arts—at the group's 41st annual show.

Two dozen dealers of Great Depression-era and elegant glassware will be on hand. The show is ranked as one

of the top collectible glass shows in the nation. Attendees will find glassware from the early 1940s, into the 1970s, from makers such as Fostoria, Cambridge, Imperial, Heisey, Paden City, Westmoreland, Fenton, Jeannette, Anchor Hocking, Hazel Atlas, MacBeth-Evans and more.

The show also will feature a display of items belonging to Michigan Depression Glass Society members, depicting a typical kitchen vignette from the 1920s and another from the 1950s. Each will be packed with glassware



A variety of glassware will be available for purchase at the upcoming Michigan Depression Glass Society show.

items such as mixing bowls, cookware, serving pieces, dinnerware and shakers sets, as well as juice reamers, butter churns, mixers, rolling pins and other hard-working glass kitchen

tools. With aisles and aisles of glassware for sale in a rainbow of colors, the show offers a look back at the glass making industry. Examples will show how automation allowed manufacturers to quickly produce mass volumes of pressed glassware, much of which was given away free as incentives during the lean Great Depression years.

The show runs 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is a \$5 donation good for both days. Parking is free. Glass repair also will be avail-

able. To learn more, visit www.michigan-depressionglass.com.

The Michigan Depression Glass Society is a not-for-profit group of more than 150 collectors of glassware that was made in America from the 1920s to 1960s. The group meets at 7 p.m., the first Monday of the month, at the Civic Park Senior Center, located on Farmington Road at Five Mile in Livonia. Meetings include a table setting presentation and a themed program. Visit its website at www.michigan-depressionglass.com

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RELIGION CALENDAR

OCTOBER
PUMPKINS
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-dusk, through Oct. 31
Location: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: The church is selling pumpkins from Blake Farms in Armada. Half of all proceeds benefit the Livonia Cares Assistance Program, which offers help to the poor and vulnerable in Livonia
Contact: 734-464-0211
TRUNK OR TREAT
Time/Date: 5-6:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 27
Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia
Details: Children wear costumes and trick or treat in the parking lot; also include a trunk or treat, arts and crafts activities
Contact: (734) 422-6038
NOVEMBER

CONCERT
Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 10
Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia
Details: "Praisefest," will include performances by five praise bands, with free will donations to help three local charities
Contact: 734-422-6038
CONCERT
Time/Date: 11 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 17
Location: Congregation Shaarey Zedek, 23735 Bell, Southfield
Details: Laurie Berkner will bring her "The You & Me Tour," a film about Palestinian Christians. Tickets range from \$18-\$118 per person.
Contact: 248-537-5544; shaareyzedek.org/education/laurie_berkner_CRAFT_SHOW
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 26

Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Flea market and arts and crafts items; vendor table proceeds help Knights of Columbus fill Christmas baskets for the needy
Contact: Denise Book at 248-474-4162
FILM PREMIERE
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 1
Location: In the activity center in the Basilica of St. Mary, 18200 Merriman, Livonia
Details: Italian director Yasmine Perri will talk about her experience creating the film, "The Stones Cry Out," a film about Palestinian Christians. Admission is free
Contact: George Khoury at 248-214-7588
MARRIAGE CONFERENCE
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 2
Location: St. Michael the Archangel Church,

11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia
Details: "Beyond the Honeycomb," a marriage conference focused on the practical and spiritual aspects of Christian marriage and family life. Speakers include Bishop Michael Byrnes of the Archdiocese of Detroit and the Rev. William H. Tindall, pastor at St. Michael's. Cost is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Reservations are required
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200 or 207; www.livoniastmichael.org
SQUARE DANCE
Time/Date: 6:30-10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 2
Location: Livonia YMCA, 14255 Stark, Livonia
Details: St. Michael the Archangel and Christian Singles Community co-sponsor an adult singles square dance. Cost is \$12. No dance experience required. RSVP to catholicingles@livoniastmichael.org
Contact: 734-261-1455, ext. 200
ONGOING

CLASSES/STUDY
Men's Bible study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Hagerway, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberg at 734-464-9491
New Life Community Church
Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8:30 a.m., Friday
Location: Reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: 734-846-4615
Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m., Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Scripture study
Time/Date: 313-534-9000
St. Michael the Archangel
Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m., the second and fourth Thursdays
Location: School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth

Road, Livonia
Details: Catholic author and Bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of Peter.
Contact: 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniastmichael.org
Ward Presbyterian
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays
Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville
Details: Learner's Bible study is held
Contact: 248-374-5920
FAMILY COMMUNITY MEAL
Time/Date: 5-6 p.m., every Thursday
Location: The Salvation Army, 27500 Shawwassee, Farmington Hills
Details: Free meal
Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12
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Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only
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BAHLER, JANET
 Formerly of Farmington Hills, Michigan, passed away on October 18, 2013, at George Ade Memorial Healthcare Center in Brookline, Indiana. She worked at Schreter's Flowers & Gifts in Farmington Hills for many years, prior to returning home to Reensler, Indiana where her husband retired. During their years in Michigan, Janet was an active parishioner and volunteer at St. Fabian's (Farmington Hills) and Our Lady of Sorrows (Farmington). Most importantly, she cherished her many long friendships which of which spanned over 70 years. She is survived by her devoted husband Chuck, her son Chip and his fiancée Kimberlee. Aligned, her daughter Maggie and new son-in-law, Chuck Rizzio, her dog Will and granddog Griffin, as well as many cherished nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Paul and Cecil, and her son Christian.
 www.janetbahlert.com
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HAYNES, JAMES
 Of Glen Lake, formerly from Livonia, MI, passed away Monday, October 21, 2013, at home surrounded by family and friends. He was born on September 25, 1947 to Ernie and Rose Haynes of Southfield, MI. James was predeceased by his wife, Helen. He was a Vietnam veteran and successfully owned and operated Haynes Engineering and Manufacturing, Inc. from 1975 until his retirement in 2010. He is survived by his sister Carol. A private burial will be held, as requested. Kindly share your memories with the family on their on line guestbook at:
 reynolds-jankhoff.com
 Arrangements were made with the Reynolds-Jankhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 315 Sixth Street, Traverse City, MI 49664.

MATHIAS, JAMES WILLIAM
 Age 58. Passed away October 8, 2013. Preceded in death by his mother Joann Mathias and his father Ferris Mathias. Survived by his brother, Jack (Hannah). James was a beloved uncle to his daughter Laura (Kevin), and adoring great uncle to Madeline and Stella. Thirty year employee of the City of Plymouth, MI. In lieu of a donation to the American Cancer Society, Graystone service November 8, 2013 at IAM at Riverside Cemetery, 660 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth, MI. Luncheon to follow at Plymouth Cultural Center, 225 Farmer St., Plymouth, MI.

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The Farmington Hills/Farmington Emergency Preparedness Commission will present a free seminar on Preparing Your Pets for Emergencies at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 28, at the Farmington Public Schools Ten Mile Building, 32789 10 Mile.
 Local veterinarian

Christian Ast will discuss how pets have been affected in recent disasters and will provide preparedness tips.
 If you are like millions of pet owners nationwide, you consider your pet an important member of your household. The likelihood that you and your animals will survive

an emergency such as a fire, flood or tornado depends largely on preparedness and emergency planning.
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POULOS, KARL E.
 October 22, 2013, Age 84 of Plymouth (Salem Township). Beloved husband of Sophia for 44 years. Loving father of Peter and Louis K. (Jeanette). Proud grandfather of Chance, Sofia & Eliana. Dear brother of John (Panagiotis) Eliopoulos. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Owner of Karls Cabin for 32 years. Visitation Sunday 2-9 PM with a Prayer Service at 6 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd. (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Monday 10:00 AM until the 10:30 AM Funeral Service at SS Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 3675 Joy Road (E of Wayne Rd.) Westland. Memorial contributions may be made to SS Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church or Nativity of the Virgin Mary.
 To share a memory, please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com



SCHUBERING, MARGARET L. (nee Netzorg)
 October 23, 2013 Age 89, peacefully at home. Beloved wife of the late George E. for 60 years. Dear mother of Susan Flynn (Thomas) and Rebecca McNaughton (Jack). Loving grandmother "Nonnie" of Madeline, Sarah and Grant. Sister of the late Leslie Netzorg. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. The family is grateful to all her caregivers, especially Anne Heidi, Ann, Lynda, Dar, Paula and Lisa. Family will receive friends Tuesday 3-8 p.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile), 248-549-0500. Funeral Service Wednesday 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham Visitation at church begins at 10:30 a.m. Memorial tributes to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation of Art & Soul, Detroit. View obituary and share memories at: Desmondfuneralhome.com

SUTTON, JEANETTE
 Age 83, long time resident of Livonia. Preceded in death by her beloved husband John. Loving mother of Michael Sutton, Barb Sutton, William (L.) Sutton, Anne (Bruce) White, and the late Jeanne Sutton. Dear grandmother of Andrea, Rachel, Nichole, Emma, and Shelby. Cherished sister of Florence Crismon and Mary Whannam. Also leaves behind many other loving family and friends. Private services were held by the family Memorial. Contributions may be made to the ALS Association, 675 Big Beaver Rd., Suite 207, Troy, MI 48063. Arranged by:
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ANNIVERSARY



Carol and Joe Knapp of Livonia

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS
 Joseph V. Knapp and Carol J. (Grenawalt) Knapp of Livonia marked their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, Oct. 24. The couple met on a blind date in 1950, and married in 1953 at East Huron Valley Church, on a beautiful day in Wisconsin.

Joe was transferred to Michigan in 1950 to the Corvair plant at Willow Run, where he retired in 1987, after 43 years with General Motors. Carol retired from the educational field in 1995 after 25 years.
 Carol now spends her time writing, and serving as "Queen Mum" for her Red Hat Society chapter, "Ladies of the Red Hat Brigade" which she started in 2002. Joe loves woodworking, and walking their dog, Jenkins.
 Their children are: Kevin (Melissa) of Clarkston; Ken (Lisa) of Belmont; Kelly (Guy) of Derry, N.H.; and Joseph S. (Rachel) of Alexandria, Va.



Carol and Joe Knapp on their wedding day
 Carol and Joe have five grandchildren: Kaylee, Craig, Dylan, Corbin, and Skyler.

To your health: Mark Stroke Day, learn warning signs

One in six people worldwide will have a stroke in their lifetime. In the United States, stroke is the No. 4 killer and the leading cause of preventable disability.

"The patient doesn't always recognize their own stroke and when they do, sometimes their symptoms make calling for help difficult, if not impossible," stated Sunitha Santhakumar, M.D., director, Stroke Services, Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. "Just like we need to learn CPR to save someone else's life, we need to learn how to spot a stroke and act fast for the best chance of a positive outcome."

In recognition of World Stroke Day on Tuesday, Oct. 29, the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association encourages those who care for others that are at risk, to learn the warning signs of a stroke, since bystanders often need to act fast in an emergency.

A new survey commissioned by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association found that many people who care for family or friends at high risk for stroke don't know the potentially life-saving warning signs.

"Those with loved ones who have stroke risk factors should make it a priority to learn F.A.S.T. signs and teach others," Santhakumar said. "Recognizing a stroke and calling 9-1-1 gives the patient a greater chance of getting to an appropriate hospital quickly and being assessed for life-saving treatment like a clot-busting medication or interventional procedure."

The American Stroke Association's Together To End Stroke initiative, nationally sponsored by Covidien, a global health care product company, teaches the acronym F.A.S.T. to remember stroke warning signs:

F - Face drooping: Does one

side of the face droop or is it numb? Ask the person to smile.

A - Arm weakness: Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms.

S - Speech difficulty: Is speech slurred, are they unable to speak, or are they hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence like, "The sky is blue." Is the sentence repeated correctly?

T - Time to call 9-1-1: If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 9-1-1 and get them to the hospital immediately.

The association offers a free mobile app to help people spot a stroke and identify hospitals nearby.

This year, 795,000 people in the United States will have a first or recurrent stroke. Other than a prior stroke, major stroke risk factors include:

» High blood pressure — It's the most important controllable risk factor for stroke. About 77 percent of people who have a first stroke have blood pressure higher than 140/90 mm Hg. An estimated 78 million Americans have hypertension.

» Transient ischemic attack — About 15 percent of strokes are preceded by a TIA or "mini stroke".

» Atrial fibrillation (Afib) — It increases stroke risk up to five times and affects more than 2.7 million Americans.

» Smoking — Current smokers have two to four times the stroke risk of non-smokers or those who quit more than 10 years ago.

For more information about the stroke warning signs and mobile app, risk factors or Together To End Stroke, visit www.StrokeAssociation.org. Or call 888-4STROKE.



MEDICAL DATEBOOK

NOVEMBER

ADDITION & RECOVERY

» Jeff and Debra Jay, intervention specialists, chemical dependency therapists and trainers, and authors of "Love First: A New Approach to Intervention for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction" and other books, will present "Intervention," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19. This program will describe how the "Love First" process of Intervention can help chemically dependent people find recovery. Admission is free.

» Herbert Malinoff, M.D., president and founder of Pain Recovery Solutions, will present "The Doctor's Opinion on Alcoholism" 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26. This free program will describe a physician's view of alcoholism, as presented in the literature of Alcoholics Anonymous and updated with the modern neurobiology of addictive illness.

Both programs are free, sponsored by Dawn Farm, and will be held at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Auditorium, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. For more information, call Dawn Farm at 734-485-8725 or visit dawnfarm.org. CELIAC SUPPORT

Dr. Brandon Dorsey Ross, M.D., will present "What's the Problem? Celiac Disease, Food Allergies, Food Intolerance," at the next meeting of the Tri County Celiac Support Group, Nov. 11, at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.; tcsg.net. DIABETES SUPPORT

The St. Mary Mercy Livonia Diabetes Support Group will offer a free educational seminar about physical activity that is easy on the joints, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, in the North Auditorium of St. Mary Mercy

Livonia, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia, Marsha Heads, exercise program facilitator at the Civic Park Senior Center in Livonia, will lead the session. She is certified by Arthritis Foundation of Michigan and has developed a safe and effective exercise program for people with joint pain. For more information call 734-655-8950. HEARING LOSS SUPPORT

Attorney Sid Kraizman will present "Your Civil Rights and the ADA," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, in classroom 1 at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. For more information on this program, call Tony at 734-664-3297 or email to afcrack@comcast.net. LUNG CANCER SUPPORT

David Sternberg, M.D., a minimally invasive thoracic surgeon and the newest member of Botsford Cancer Center's lung cancer team, leads a new informal support group for lung cancer patients, 7:30 p.m. the third Monday of the month in the Botsford Cancer Center's Suite 230, 27900 Grand River Ave. Farmington Hills. Open to anyone living with lung cancer. For more information call 248-871-8120. NUTRITION WORKSHOP

Learn how to make healthier food choices at the "Healthy Eating with Diabetes" workshop led by Gina DeAngelis, Botsford Hospital registered dietitian, 6-7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 6, at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington. Cost: \$5. Includes handouts, recipes, activities, and a \$5 Busch's coupon. Tickets are available from Busch's Guest Services Counter or by phoning 734-779-6100. Limited seating will be available for the workshop. Tickets sell out fast. Registration required for this program on "Healthy Eating with Diabetes."

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This FREE event includes breakfast, lunch and prize drawings. To register, call 800.887.8100 or visit shedsolutionspatientprograms.com. Seating is limited.

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Spanish has become the country's unofficial second language, and corporate America has responded with diversity initiatives that seek to recruit, understand and attract a Hispanic/Latino workforce, writes Graciela Kenig in her book *Best Careers for Bilingual Latinos*.

With more than 40 million Hispanics in the US today and an estimated annual growth rate of 4.65, the Latino community will add 1.7 million people to its population every year. This trend is creating a tremendous demand for bilingual job seekers fluent in Spanish and English.

According to Kenig and other experts, the top industries for bilingual candidates include healthcare, financial services, sales and marketing, social services and public service. The Bureau of Labor Statistics, reports that there are a number of emerging occupations in social services such as cross-cultural counselors, bilingual teachers and consumer credit counselors.

"Being fluent in Spanish is a big plus in social services," says Evie Engler, vice president for Metropolitan Family Services in Chicago, Ill. "In many of the communities we serve, our licensed clinical social workers, case workers and counselors must be bilingual to serve families in need of our counseling, mental health and financial management services."

Banks and mortgage companies seek tellers and loan officers who can converse with their Latino clients. Insurance companies need claims adjusters and administrative staff to assist in processing claims for their diverse client base. One major insurance company

that pays referral fees to employees for candidates who are hired offered an additional \$500 incentive if the new hire was bilingual.

Hospitals and pharmaceutical companies are experiencing some of the greatest demand for bilingual employees to better serve patients. "Being able to speak and understand our patients? native language ensures proper treatment. Patients must be able to understand medical instructions and prescription dosages and physicians need to understand symptoms and circumstances related to a patient's condition," noted Kathy, a nurse at a suburban hospital in Chicago.

To sell goods and services to a multi-cultural market, corporations must hire people who understand the language and culture of their clients and their vendors. Karen, an inside sales manager in Columbia, Md., needed call center associates to process orders for paint testing equipment from business clients in Latin America. "Finding candidates who were fluent in Spanish and also had strong sales ability were two key criteria in reviewing resumes and deciding who I would interview."

In nearly every field and profession, from financial services to sales, there is a growing need to multi-lingual candidates. In addition to Spanish, companies that have offices and clients throughout the world seek employees who can speak languages from Russian to German, French and Mandarin. "Job seekers who speak Japanese, Chinese and Mandarin are becoming a hot commodity among employers, particularly on the West Coast," says one recruiter from California.



Not only are bilingual skills helpful for seasoned professionals in the job market, graduates who are fluent in a second language are finding that they have an extra edge during job interviews. While bilingual skills aren't always required to land good jobs, many companies prefer to hire candidates with this added dimension.

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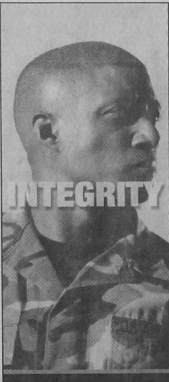
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FORD F-150 LARIAT 2003
F14 pickup, 65,254 miles,
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FORD F-150 SCREW 2004
XL, full power, cab, fully
loaded & inspected!
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4x4, XL pkg, 6.3L, fully
loaded & inspected!
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Mid-Vans

CHEVY UPLANDER 2005
F14 pickup, handicap
equipped. 73K, 308.
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HANDICAPPED VANS, USED
BOUNTY & 508L, Van & Full
508L, 3 comes by Pkg. Call daily,
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Ford
FORD 2300 VAN 2002
Extended cargo, 34 in,
153,000 miles, body in like
new, new tires, new brakes,
mirrors, new upper & lower ball
joints, new motor & switch, 58K
mile. 313-376-5283.
Main-9pm, 313-376-5283.

Sports Utility
CHEVY EQUINOX LTZ 2012
Extended cargo, 34 in,
153,000 miles, body in like
new, new tires, new brakes,
mirrors, new upper & lower ball
joints, new motor & switch, 58K
mile. 313-376-5283.
Main-9pm, 313-376-5283.

FORD ESCAPE 2004
V6, Full power, fully
loaded. 55,489
DEALER
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FORD ESCAPE 2013
4 cyl, FWD, SE Pkg, alloy,
80,000 miles, fully loaded
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FORD EXPLORER XL 2008
4 V6, moon roof, 4x4,
Clean Car Fax, \$12,828
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HONDA 2005 PILOT, 4
cylinder, 108K, clean
title, maintained.
\$12,995, 985-200-9627

Sports & Import
LEXUS RX 330 2005
Moon, leather, full power, one
owner, extra clean. \$14,256
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BUCK CENTURY 2003
Audi, a/c, full power, 80K one
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Cadillac
NOVILE 1997 - Ec. cost
Beautiful. 84,000 miles,
11,000 miles, \$2000
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300 Limited 2005
Original owner. 8900, 3.5L,
traction control. Loaded with
optional equipment and luxury
goods. 103,000 mi.
86,700 248-539-9154 or
248-890-6130 x 206

Ford
FOCUS 2009 SE
Standard 24K, 81,000 miles,
Clean Carfax, CD, Player
Great MPG's. One owner. Cost
\$5,850. 2748-7500

FORD EDGE 2012
Limited Pkg., moon roof, Nav,
chrome wheels, 24K miles.
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FORD EDGE SEL 2010
Leather, chrome, 18,
Ford Certified. \$22,988
NORTH BROS.
855-667-9880

FORD FLEX 2009
SEL, full power, leather, rear
entertainment. Prated to sell
\$14,900
NORTH BROS.
855-667-9880

FORD FOCUS SE 2009
Only 51K miles, auto, a/c,
4 door Clean Car Fax. \$13,729
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Auto, full power, 13K. Ford
Certified \$15,488
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FORD FISSION 2013
SE, leather, alloy, 8000 miles,
Ford Certified
NORTH BROS.
855-667-9880

FORD FUSION SEL 2009
V-6, leather, moon roof,
\$20,900
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FORD MUSTANG GT 2009
Premium Pkg., leather, Bullet
wheels, Ford Certified 1.9%
\$17,995
NORTH BROS.
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FORD TAURUS SE 2011
Full power, alloy, 17K,
Ford Certified \$20,988
NORTH BROS.
855-667-9880

Ford Transit Connect 2012
Auto, a/c, full power, 85K
Ford Certified. \$19,988
NORTH BROS.
855-667-9880

TAURUS SE 2003
Loaded, \$3000
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Honda
HONDA CR-V SE 2008
Moon, leather, alloy, \$8,995.
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Hyundai
HYUNDAI ENTIREDAOR 2007
GLS, 7 passenger, only 68K
miles, Clean Car Fax. \$8,975
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NORWEG SANTA FE 2007
V-6, auto, moon roof, Clean
Car Fax, low miles, \$11,800
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JEEP
JEEP PATRIOT 2008
Black, 47,000 miles
\$10,995, 985-200-9627
734-624-7480

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Brakes, Passenger Airbag,
Cassette, Player, 4 wheel
Drive, CD, Player, 46,000
Miles, Cruise Control, low mi.
\$20,500. For more questions
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WRANGLER SUV 2005
Gauge Kraft Gyrotron, with
98,000 miles, Silver and black
98,700, Automatic, 600, &
Cyclone, Gas engine, UNLIMITED
DRIVEZON, 24K miles.
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Lincoln
LINCOLN LS 2002
LSK Pkg., V6, moon, Show-
room floor, full leather.
DEALER
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LINCOLN MKC 2013
Lthr, full power, alloy, 5,200
mi, Showroom floor
NORTH BROS.
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MINI 2010
Excelsior, Condition 7,000
miles, Lots of extras included
in the price and ultimate pack-
age. Keyless entry with key-
pad, panoramic view roof,
leather and cooled leather
seats, voice activated nav,
speech activated lighting and
many more extras, original
owner. \$27,000
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Mazda
MAZDA 2011 SPEED 3
5 Speed manual, 20.1K, 4 cyl
hatch, heated seats, Certified
Base System, WOTW 11,799
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MAZDA 2 SPORT 2012
Auto, a/c, Clean Car Fax,
Certified Warranty \$12,999,
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MAZDA 3 2009
2.3 4 cylinder, 5 speed man-
ual, a/c, 4 door Clean Car Fax,
\$7,800
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MAZDA 2003
7 passenger, moon roof, auto,
a/c, four windows, Clean Car
Fax. 69K miles, \$5,971
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MAZDA 6 2005
V6, 4 cylinder, moon roof,
leather, low miles, \$8,619
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MAZDA 6 2006
4 cyl, auto, sunroof, 4 door
leather, 58,000
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MAZDA CX-7 Touring 2007
Auto, A/C, 86K, total trade
\$8,999
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MAZDA MIUVILLE LT 2003
SUV - 814, moon roof, one
owner, 98K miles, auto clean
\$6,987
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Mercury
MERCURY Grand Marquis
2005 - Leather, LS Trim,
Clean Car Fax. \$5,994
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Saturn
AURA XR 2009
Very good condition, 63,000
miles, timely highway, 3.0, V6
engine. Black exterior, air black
leather interior. Original owner,
non-smoker. Front everything,
heated seats. July 2013, 527K
mile. Thumper (734)552-2668

Toyota
CAMRY LE 2005
With 43,000 mi., had a clean
title. \$6,800. Call or Text at:
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VW JETTA GLX 2003
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low miles, Clean Car Fax.
\$8,320
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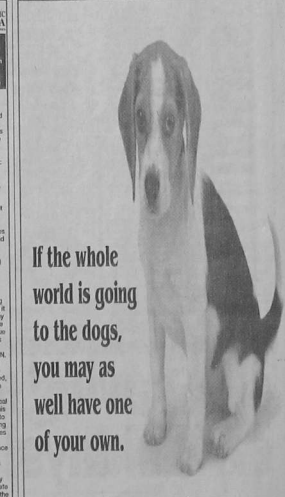
VW JETTA TDI 2006
Auto, leather, new brakes, new
tires, low miles. \$12,470
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Car Report

Advertising Feature

Dodge Scores Big with New Durango and 'Ron Burgundy'



By Dale Buss

Olivier Francois is a Frenchman working for an Italian company, but he understands American popular culture better than most U.S.-born marketers. Thus the Fiat Chrysler CMO -- the man behind the iconic "Imported from Detroit" campaign for the Chrysler brand -- now has scored what looks like another major marketing coup by creating another cultural touchstone with Will Ferrell's Anchorman 2-based ad campaign for the new Dodge Durango.



The new 2014 Dodge Durango has undergone a stylish redesign

highlighting of features of the Durango through his summoning of Ron Burgundy promises to give Dodge a significant fourth-quarter boost.

The Burgundy campaign clearly is a big swing for a brand that still has a long way to go, but it already looks like a home run. And it comprises the sort of major risk that Francois believes Chrysler must continue to take in its marketing.

"There are the Big Two [GM and Ford] and us, so we have to be more nimble -- we have to be more unpredictable and creative and different and out-of-the-box and unexpected," Francois said. "We need to create bigger bang for our bucks."

Smartly, Olivier turned over a lot of creative control to Ferrell and his associates, who essentially set the camera on him, a Durango, and a bunch of props such as a horse -- and just let Ferrell riff in character for hours. The hilariously unctuous actor ended up putting seventy video spots in the can for Dodge.

So in terms of viewership, no one has

seen anything yet: Francois and company are planning on stringing these out in TV ads and online over the next several weeks as the theatrical debut of Anchorman 2 nears in December.

Expect Ferrell's takes on Durango to become

the stuff of legend for the legions of Anchorman fans who've been waiting for the sequel for nine years. They'll treat each Durango ad lovingly, lending the entire campaign an outsized impact. Maybe it'll even help the overhauled Durango finally come out of the shadows of Chrysler's better-known and higher-volume SUVs such as the Jeep Grand Cherokee.

How did Francois know that Anchorman 2 would be a perfect vehicle for Durango -- that the original 2004 movie defined viral sharing before there was social media, that Burgundian catch phrases such as "I'm in a glass case of emotion" are still reverberating, and that masses of Anchorman aficionados could be counted on to embrace the Durango campaign?

Well, he didn't. Tim

Kunikis did. Francois is quick to credit Kunikis, who was head of the Fiat brand in the United States, with making his boss familiar with Ron Burgundy.

Kunikis is Anchorman "fan-club member No. 0001, and he shared his passion for this movie," Francois recalled. "And I said from day one, 'There's got to be some tie-in with Durango. The irony was that by the time we started shooting this campaign, [Kunikis] had become CEO of the Dodge brand.'"

Francois ended up structuring the deal with Ferrell and Anchorman 2 in a way similar to his brilliant association with Eminem for the original "Born of Fire" TV ad for Chrysler during the 2011 Super Bowl.

"It's a one-of-a-kind deal" with Ferrell, Francois explained. "Is it an endorsement deal? Not really. Is it a placement? I wish it were, but the movie takes place in the Seventies, so we couldn't do that. So it's a co-marketing deal in which we endorse the movie and the character as much as the character endorses the car. It's a cross-endorsement that's never been done before."



Will Ferrell as Ron Burgundy is dancing Durango to the top of the viral charts.

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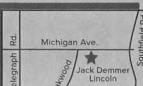
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Donna Bousson 248-515-1843



OPEN 2-4 | 37372 Stonegate Circle, Clinton Twp. - Great location, close to everything. Townhouse style condo, private entry. \$99,900
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Joe Rich 313-550-6800



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Pat Barnes 313-622-4077



OPEN 2-4 | 2002 Roslyn Rd., Grosse Pte. Woods - Magnificent Quad-level. 5BR possible 6th BR/BA. Newer kitchen w/Corian. Very clean. \$189,000
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OPEN 1-4 | 2150 Fleetwood, Grosse Pte. Woods - 3BR Colonial in prime location. Large living room with fire place. Newer kitchen. \$159,000
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OPEN 1-4 | 20927 Hunter Ridge, Northville - Timeless and classic. This private colonial is tucked away on almost 3 acres of land! \$785,000
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Lee Jaffke 248-568-6532



OPEN 1-4 | 3835 Sunset Blvd., Orchard Lake - Fabulous 4 Bedroom Colonial in desirable Shady Beach Heights Sub. \$219,900
Christine Martin 248-709-1151



OPEN 12-3 | 2551 Bull Run Rd., Oxford - Beautiful country living w city benefits. Plenty of space 2400 sq ft on over 1 acre! \$250,000
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OPEN 1-4 | 820 Golf Villa Dr., Oxford - Desirable 1st floor master w/great view overlooks fairway of 9th hole at Boulder Pte Golf Course. \$239,900
Alice Rolfe 248-656-6677



OPEN 1-4 | 3713 Winding Brook Cir., Rochester Hills - Luxury condo living! Desirable Sanctuary in the hills. End unit nestled in the woods. \$408,888
Margie Kelly 248-622-1037



OPEN 2-5 | 2603 Stonebury Dr., Rochester Hills - Wonderful, spacious 4 bedroom Colonial on large corner lot. Winding paver walkway. \$259,000
Marinell Rose 248-709-0838



OPEN 1-4 | 201 Stonebrook Ct., Royal Oak - This one has it all! Large rooms distance to downtown Royal Oak. 2 bedroom 2 and 1/2 baths. \$325,000
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OPEN 12-4 | 2027 Clavson Ave., Royal Oak - Charming 1924 bungalow in highly sought after Northwood Sub. Inviting front porch. \$299,000
Kim Elliott 586-246-5007



OPEN 1-4 | 420 Helena Ave., Royal Oak - Great location! 3 bedroom bungalow w/2-car garage, close to freeway & downtown. \$129,900
Donna Ross 248-701-5383



OPEN 1-4 | 1762 Wickham St., Royal Oak - Outstanding condo in popular Country Park in turn key condition. Larger 2 BR floor plan. \$119,000
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