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Snyder trip lands jobs for Canton

This time, Canton Township officials knew it was coming.

Unlike last month, when President Barack Obama's announcement that Canton had been chosen for a manufacturing hub caught the township by surprise, Supervisor Phil LaJoy had prior information about a new business coming to town.

Gov. Rick Snyder announced this week voxeljet, a leading provider of high-speed, large-format 3-D printers, will locate its first U.S. facility in Canton, as he and his delegation completed the third day of his 2014 Europe mission.

"It's a very, very good thing," LaJoy said Friday. "Canton is very business friendly and people recognize that. We're proud of the help we're getting, we're extremely happy of the help

we get from the state. The fact (voxeljet) chose Canton is a very good thing."

Snyder called the voxeljet decision "good news" that underscores "our state's attractiveness to leading-edge, global companies."

"As the global center of automotive technology, research and development with a greatly improved business climate, Michigan is the smart business location to grow a technology business and create high-tech manufacturing jobs," Snyder said.

The company's first U.S. service center is expected to come online in the third quarter of this year and will create 15-20 direct high-tech local manufacturing jobs during the first three years of the project. The service center will allow voxeljet to print on-demand parts, molds, cores



Gov. Rick Snyder, here chatting with Plymouth-Canton's FIRST Robotics team during a recent visit to Bosch in Plymouth Township, announced Wednesday that voxeljet will locate its first U.S. facility in Canton. BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

and models for automotive and other industrial customers based on designs produced using 3-D computer-aided design, or CAD, software.

"The decision to place voxeljet's first U.S. service center in Michigan is based on the proximity of the site to potential customers in the Midwest

region that forms a significant part of the U.S. automotive industry and its supply chain," said Dr. Ingo Ederer, voxeljet's chief executive officer.

"While voxeljet's customers span a range of industries, the auto industry is currently the heaviest user of our 3-D printing technology. We have extensive experience serving the 3-D printing needs of European automakers and we look forward to serving manufacturers in the U.S."

Snyder and the Michigan delegation also met in Friedrichshafen with senior executives of ZF, a global leader of drive and chassis technology. The company employs more than 1,350 employees in Michigan at its North American headquarters in Northville and production facilities

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CANTON HONORS TOP FIREFIGHTER

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

Canton fire Capt. Jamie Strassner remembers a family's gratitude when he helped rescue their dogs from a burning home. He hasn't forgotten the look of relief on their faces.

"That was a really good moment," he said. Strassner also has used his paramedic skills to save countless people facing potentially fatal medical scares, but it's hard to forget the victims he can't rescue, like those involved in deadly car crashes.

He confronts those losses by talking with other firefighters and his wife Kristin, an emergency medical technician specialist for a private company.

"She gets it," Strassner said. "She understands."

The year's best

Strassner, 41, reached the pinnacle of his 16-year career as he was named Canton Firefighter of the Year during the Canton Fire Department's 15th annual awards ceremony Wednesday evening at Summit on the Park.

"It's a great honor," he said. "I appreciate the recognition."

Strassner has finished his 13th year as a Canton firefighter after working three years in Ecorse. He was chosen for the department's top award partly for his efforts to coordinate the education and training needed to keep his peers licensed as paramedics.

Fire Chief Joshua Meier lauded Strassner for teaching 9-1-1 dispatchers how to start life-saving measures by phone until paramedics arrive on the scene.

"Capt. Strassner continually works to strengthen and advance the education and skills of the Canton Fire Department and is a valuable resource to his colleagues," Meier said.

Strassner said it's sometimes the small gestures that make his job rewarding. He recalled an elderly woman who called and asked fire-



Capt. Jamie Strassner is Canton Firefighter of the Year. CHRISTOPHER GUIDOCK

fighters to change a smoke detector located in an atrium of her home, far beyond her reach.

"We brought in a 16-foot ladder and changed it for her," he said.

Standing ovation

Strassner received a standing ovation Wednesday evening as he received his award while some of his family members watched. He was accompanied by sons John, 11, and Joey, 13, stepdaughter

Nicole, 26, and mother Kathleen. His other stepdaughter Heather, 24, left early with his wife, who was suffering flu-like symptoms and was heartbroken she had to leave early.

His mother said she was proud to watch Strassner receive an award from his peers.

"I think it's wonderful that they appreciate what he does," she said.

His award was among numerous given out during the ceremony. Recipients included

the University of Michigan Hospital survival flight crew, who arrived outside the Summit by helicopter as a crowd snapped pictures.

Firefighters also took time to honor fallen firefighters and to remember the late Ryan Swick, a former Canton Firefighter of the Year who lost his battle with cancer in 2012.

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Canton boy donates allowance to firefighters foundation

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

James Paulsen, an 8-year-old Canton boy, isn't the kind of child who spends all his weekly allowance on himself.

His parents, Mike and Shannon Paulsen, taught him better.

"Since he was only 1, James has donated 10 percent of his allowance to the Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation. Every so often, he goes to the main fire station and turns in his money.

"They do a good job," he said, "and they live."

He has donated \$156.40 and counting to the nonprofit foundation, which helps local families who have lost their homes to fire, who face medical expenses they can't afford or who have fallen on desperate times.

James, a Dodson Elementary School second grader, got his own reward Wednesday evening. Wearing a fiery red tie, he earned a standing ovation as he received a Civilian Commendation during the Canton Fire Department's 15th annual awards ceremony.

Not surprised

His mother fought back tears as his father snapped pictures. His grandmother, Joan Barnett of Canton, smiled and said she wasn't surprised James chose to help a charity that assists others.

"He really thinks things through," Barnett said.

James gets \$1 a week in allowance for every birthday he marks. Now that he's 8, he gets \$8 a week, so his 10-percent donation means he sets aside 80 cents a week for firefighters.

Every so often, he goes to the fire station, presses the door buzzer, announces himself and drops off his donation.

"He has always chosen the fire department," his mother

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Deadline to submit photos is

6 p.m. Monday, April 14. All photos and information must be submitted online.

Look for a photo album salute to women in the May edition of HometownLife Woman.



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Child porn case lands county man in prison

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer



Dummann

A 44-year-old Wayne man has been sentenced to prison for two to four years for sending texts of child pornographic images to a Canton man by mistake.

Joel Donald Dummann, who has described himself as remorseful, was sentenced Wednesday in Wayne County

Circuit Court after he pleaded guilty to one count each of using a computer to commit a crime and possession of child sexually abusive material. Judge Michael Callahan gave Dummann credit for 108 days he already served in jail.

Canton Detective Sgt. Chad Baugh said anyone dabbling in child pornography should beware. "It's real important for the police department to take quick action to ensure our children's safety is not in jeopardy," he said, adding police worked with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to pursue charges against Dummann. "We will ensure you're going to

be held accountable for your actions if you're passing child pornography or sending it around town." Dummann was arrested in December after a Canton man went to police to report he had mistakenly received texts of nude children in sexual positions while he was outside shoveling snow. Canton Detective Sgt. Chad Baugh described the recipient

as "disgusted" by the texts. Police searched Dummann's home in Wayne and seized evidence. During his arraignment in December by 35th District Judge Michael Gerouti, Dummann said he was "remorseful" and ready to face the charges against him. Dummann had remained jailed as he awaited his sentencing.

Canton woman cheated out of \$4,900 in IRS scam

By Darrell Clem
Staff Writer

A 66-year-old Canton woman has lost \$4,900 after becoming the latest victim of a caller posing as an Internal Revenue Service employee, police said. A female caller told the victim she had been audited, owed \$4,900 and could be arrested if she didn't pay it. The victim went to a store, bought pre-paid PayPal MoneyPak cards and gave the caller the

codes on the back. "At this time of year, people are so focused on getting their taxes done and I think that causes a little bit of stress," Canton Police Special Services Lt. Craig Wilsher said. "These callers play on people's fears." The caller told the latest victim the amount couldn't be paid by credit card, check or money order. The caller told the woman she could be arrested at her home unless she paid the money using a pre-paid

card. The caller remained on the line while the victim traveled to the store and back. After complying with the first request, the victim became suspicious and ended the call after the caller tried to swindle her out of an additional \$5,000, Wilsher said. Canton police officials have issued repeated warnings for residents to beware of such scams and to call the police department at 734-394-5400 or

the IRS at 800-829-1040. Police warned potential victims that the caller ID on their phone may even indicate the caller is from the IRS in Washington, D.C., or from the Canton Police Department. "Criminals are altering caller ID displays to read out as IRS or Canton Police Department, bringing a believability factor to what citizens might otherwise recognize immediately as a scam phone call," Wilsher said. "The most

important thing to remember if you receive a phone call from someone representing themselves as IRS or local law enforcement is that neither would ask for your personal information over the phone. Nor would they request a tax payment — or any payment — in the form of a wire transfer or pre-paid debit card."

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Canton hosts culture week

Canton will once again focus a week-long spotlight on the arts and culture during the fourth annual Canton Acts of Culture Week. This special week, presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage, begins Saturday, April 26, and runs through Saturday, May 3, at various community locations. Organizers say some of the many goals of Canton's Acts of Culture Week, which is sponsored by Meijer of Canton and Atchinson Ford, include showcasing community cultural resources and

partnerships and celebrating diverse culture offerings. In celebration of the arts, a variety of events has been planned by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage. Community members are also encouraged to support the events and activities throughout the week. A complete calendar of the fourth annual Canton Acts of Culture Week events is available at www.cantonfun.org. For more information on this seven-day celebration, call 734-394-5460.

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His parents taught him the importance of giving back early in life. "We took him around to different places and he chose to give to the fire department," his father said.

Generous boy
Fire Chief Joshua Meier commended James. "His generosity and commitment to the community are overwhelming. His support over the years has contributed to the success of the charity foundation," Meier said. The money he has given has all been put to good use. It's a very respectable thing for an 8-year-old boy to do.

James has participated in the fire department's Junior Firefighters program, which allows youngsters to visit a fire station, don firefighter gear and get a first-hand look at how things work. Perhaps surprisingly, James doesn't foresee a career in firefighting. He has his sights set on becoming a professional football player, which could bring a hefty salary. Canton firefighters might want to stay in touch with this kid.

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James Paulsen, 8, with his grandmother, Joan Barnett, and his parents, Shannon and Mike Paulsen. CHRISTOPHER GUIDICE

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"There are 40 Italian companies. Total Michigan-Italy foreign trade for 2013 was \$1.65 billion. "72,000 Michiganders are employed by German- and Italian-owned companies operating in the state. These companies represent a wide range of industries, but are heavily concentrated in advanced automotive manufacturing and research and development.

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Farrand Elementary School students got a sweet ride to lunch Friday as a reward for taking part in a book report challenge as part of the school's celebration of National Reading Month.

Limousine ride caps reading month fun

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Everyone knows reading is fundamental. And everyone knows how important lunch is. On Friday, some 18 students at Farrand Elementary School combined the two, earning a limousine ride for lunch at McDonald's for their participation in a National Reading Month project to do book reports.

More than 50 students signed up for the project as part of the school's reading month celebration. They had to submit a book report, done totally on their own time, and then one student from each classroom was chosen for the limo ride to lunch.

"The book report was done at home, so it wasn't a mandatory

thing," first-grade teacher Susan Porter said. "I think they were excited to take part in it."

Kindergartener Nicole Stephenson said she's ridden in a limo before, but she was excited to do it again Friday.

"I'm so excited because it's so cool to be in a limo," 5-year-old Nicole said.

The book report — and its ultimate prize — were only part of the attraction as Farrand celebrated National Reading Month in March. Students did an activity calendar for each week, with things like reading to a senior or to someone younger or reading a magazine among the tasks.

Each week featured a character riddle, read during the day's an-

nouncements, and the students wrote down what they thought the answer was.

"I think it gets kids excited about reading," Porter said. "Reading is so important and it's important to encourage them to read a variety of materials. You can read books, you can read magazines, you can read things on the Internet. You can expand kids' horizons."

Farrand Principal Kay Elaster knows the value of reading is not just in the knowledge you gain, but the horizons it can open.

"Reading takes you places," Elaster said. "You can explore your interests. You can go anywhere when you read."

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Northwest University will honor **Scott LaRiche** of Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth with its annual Dealer Education Award.

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LaRiche serves as vice chairman and executive committee member of the 2014 North American International Auto Show.

In addition to his service to the NAIAS, he has served on the board of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association for six years, holding positions as treasurer, secretary and vice president before being name president in 2013.

In addition to his work through the DADA, LaRiche is involved with the Plymouth-Canton Literacy Council, whose mission is to finance tutoring for adult proficiency in reading, writing and speaking the English language. An active member of the Plymouth-Canton and Northville communities, he is a

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member of the Plymouth Rotary Club and, together with his father Lou, helped develop the Plymouth community's Miracle League Baseball Diamond.

» Four local students have been named to the president's list for fall semester.

Canton residents honored include senior **Stacey Klonowski** and sophomore **Jacobs Leib**.

Plymouth students honored include sophomores **Emily Bagwell** and **Jeffrey Conflitti**.

To achieve president's list recognition, students must earn a 3.85 grade-point on a 4.0 scale.

» Several students were named to the dean's list for fall semester.

Five students from Canton, including seniors **Joseph Bellino** and **Lindsay Lipa**, juniors **Garrett Bryden** and **Joshua Purnhill** and sophomore **Faris Abraham**, made the list.

Also making the dean's list was freshman **Andria Gietl** of Plymouth.

To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.25 grade-point on a 4.0 scale.

U-D Mercy Students from the College of Business Administration at University of Detroit Mercy were recently recognized at the University's Honors Convocation. The Honors Program strives to integrate the intellectual, spiritual, ethical and social development of its members by fostering a community of scholarly excellence, encouraging exploration of the world beyond the classroom and promoting compassionate service to those in need.

Plymouth students recognized include **Kylie Birney**, **Michael Birney** and **Annelise Niernmann**. Canton resident **Rossanna Reynolds** was

awarded the Dean's Honor Certificate at the University's Honors Convocation. Rooted in Jesuit and Mercy traditions, the College of Business Administration prepares diverse students to serve business organizations and society with competence, compassion and conscience.

» **Margaret Gardiner**, a freshman from Plymouth, was recently recognized at the University's Honors Convocation for academic excellence in the College of Engineering and Science. The college's mission is to serve the Detroit area and the national and the world communities through education of professional engineers, scientists and mathematicians and through the discovery, application and dissemination of knowledge.

» Several students from Canton were among students from the College of Engineering & Science at University of Detroit Mercy recently recognized for their academic excellence at the University's Honors Convocation.

Canton students recognized include **Monica Garay**, **Hafsah Bhatti**, **Nasir Khan Munday** and **Caleb Fuller**.

The University of Detroit Mercy is Michigan's largest, private Catholic University with more than 100 academic majors and programs.

Phi Kappa Phi The following local residents recently were initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

Initiated at Eastern Michigan University were **Lauren Jones**, **Ajali Martin**, **Jessica Grassmyer** and **Olga Iriarte Hurtado**, all of Canton.

Help Determine the Future of Patriot Park and Preservation Park

Canton residents are encouraged to attend the following Focus Groups to provide feedback.

Preservation Park, formerly known as the Bartlett Travis property, is located at 500 North Ridge Road and is currently home to several historic buildings, Community Gardens, the Farmers Market, and Dog Park. Patriot Park, located on the northwest corner of Ford and Ridge Roads, is currently undeveloped.

Join us and give us your input:

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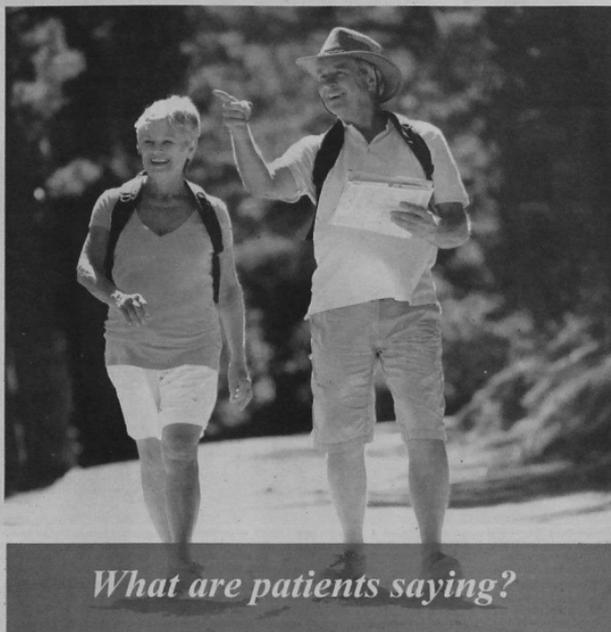
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Dinner, auction to benefit veterans and their families

The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, a Livonia-headquartered nonprofit, all-volunteer organization dedicated to assisting U.S. soldiers and their families, in coordination with Families United and Operation Care Package Michigan, will host its ninth annual Dinner and Auction on Saturday, April 12. This year's keynote speaker is Robert O'Neill, a former member of Navy SEAL Team 6.

The event will begin at 5

p.m. at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, in Novi. Meteorologist Chuck Gaidica will serve as the evening's master of ceremonies for the eighth consecutive year. During the event, he will introduce honored veterans from all branches of service, as well as state government officials. Several metro Detroit companies are committed to supporting the troops, such as Phillips Service Industries of Livonia.

In addition to the entertainment, silent auction and inspirational stories that will be shared by wounded Michigan soldiers and their families, guests will be presented with detailed information on how donations to FWSF have made a positive impact on Michigan's military families. Since its inception in 2006, the FWSF has raised more than \$1 million to help wounded or fallen soldiers and their families. Returning troops often face

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Tickets for the event, which includes a silent auction, dinner and open bar, are \$110 per

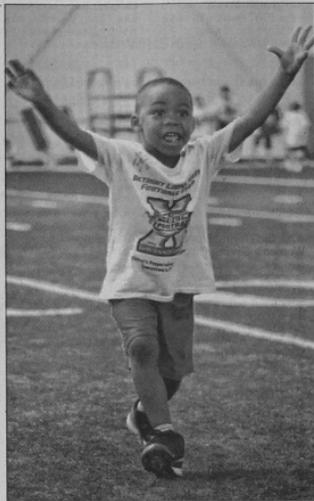
person. Table sponsorships are also available for \$1,100. Organizers of the event are still accepting sponsorships and auction items. Tickets and auction items are tax-deductible.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Antonella Grimaldi at 248-747-8888 or fwsfdinner@gmail.com and for corporate sponsorships contact Chris Cornelius at 734-718-5217 or fwsf1@aol.com.

Enter to for a chance win Detroit Lions football summer camp



Running back Joique Bell was a special guest at a youth camp in 2013. More than 30 camps are scheduled from June through August. For a complete list of summer camps and academies, visit DetroitLions.com/youthfootball.



The camps offer age-appropriate football instruction, technique training and skill competitions.

Nine boys and girls ages 4-14 will win a scholarship to the 2014 Detroit Lions Summer Youth Camps.

The Detroit Lions, in cooperation with *Observer & Eccentric Media*, will award two scholarships to the following camps:

June 7-8, Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day, 9 a.m. to noon (QB-WR Academy for youth ages 8-14).

June 12-13, Brighton Scranton Middle School, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Fundamentals Camp for youth ages 6-14).

July 19, 26, Aug. 2, Southfield Ingleook Park, 10-11 a.m. (Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4-8).

July 21-23, South Lyon Volunteer Park, 6:15-7:15 p.m. (Lil' Lions Academy for youth ages 4-8).

One scholarship will be offered for the **June 30 through July 3 Plymouth Central Middle School Camp** from 8:30 a.m. to noon (Fundamentals Camp for youth ages 6-14).

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More than 30 camps are scheduled from June through August. For a complete list of summer camps and academies, visit DetroitLions.com/youthfootball.

To enter the O&E Media's Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights Football Camp Contest, tell us in 50 words or less why you want to attend the camp.

Have your parents email a photo of you (jpeg format only and as large as possible), along with your name, age, phone number and community where

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Downtown Plymouth sandwich shop closes

Simple Sandwich, an eatery located on Forest Avenue, in downtown Plymouth, has closed its doors, according to information released Friday by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority.

According to the DDA, Simple Sandwich owner Doug Nork said he's "enjoyed his time in Plymouth, but it was time to move on."

In its place, look for Extreme Pizza to open after remodeling.

In other news: » PNC Bank will have a "Meet the Manager" day from noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Plymouth branch on Main Street. The bank will offer coffee, tea and cookies.

» Tony Sacco's Coal Oven Pizza recently opened its newest location in Canton, in the Center Village shopping center. The unique family restaurant prepares menu items in a coal-fired oven that generates an internal temperature of more than 1,000°F, allowing food to cook quickly and create a perfect crust while leaving toppings al dente.

"We are in the perfect location to embrace neighboring businesses, theater goers and tourists," Tony Sacco's owner Bobby Kramer said. "We hope to become an active member of the neighborhood community and believe with our unique menu, comfortable environment and local staff,

we are well on our way."

For more information and to follow their progress, visit tonysaccos.com or Tony Sacco's Canton on Facebook.

» Michigan Mutual, the mortgage company on Ann Arbor Trail next to Edible Arrangements, has closed its office. Company officials say there have been changes in personnel and they hope to reopen in the Plymouth area.

» Look for LaStrovia (Polish for "for your health") market/restaurant to open this summer on Forest Avenue, next to Simply the Best. Bill Frye and his son Steven will open a restaurant and coffee shop that will feature organic foods to make healthy menu



A sausage and basil pizza fresh from the oven at Tony Sacco's Coal Oven Pizza. JOHN HEIDER / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

items, many of which will be vegetarian and vegan. Look for coffee, smoothies and a juice bar.

» The Sweet Afion Tea Room has been featured in the national magazine *Tea Time* as a candidate for Michigan's best tea shops, using the Bella Mia staff as models for the photo shoot. *Tea Time* also made a point to take

a professional photo shoot of TranquillTea. Look for both to be featured in the September/October edition.

» The Candy Trail in downtown Plymouth has M&M's in 21 colors. Every year, as graduation time draws near, it's the best place to get candy in school colors. Also, for June weddings, the

M&M's are very popular for candy buffets.

» The Plymouth Yoga Room on Forest Avenue is expanding, creating a second yoga room, which is bigger than the original space.

» Stella's Black Dog Tavern (formerly Doyle's) on Fralick has a new sign. The new owner is Bob Ostendorf.

Giving Circle hosts 'Give Kids a Boost'

When women gather for a good cause, great things happen.

Such was the case with the Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle first ever signature event last April, "Give the Girls a Boost," which set out to raise a little money and awareness for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Clothing Bank. The event raised nearly \$8,000.

Organizers know that success set the bar high for the second annual signature event. Giving Hope Giving Circle hosts "Give the Kids a

Boost" again 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 9. Proceeds from the event will be used for scholarships for the 3-year-old preschool program.

The event will be held at Plymouth Manor, 345 N. Main, in Plymouth.

The event features an evening of food, raffle and silent auction items, shopping opportunities and a mini-fashion show showcasing items from businesses in and around the Plymouth-Canton community.

The cost is \$30 (with

a cash bar) and registration is required. To register, go to www.cantontfoundation.org or call Beth Meade at 734-495-1200.

Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle was born out of the belief that there are women in the Canton and Plymouth communities who, together, can make a meaningful impact on the lives of women and families in need. Giving Hope is a fund of the Canton Community Foundation.

Forum will help seniors to avoid fraud

Wayne County Commissioner Shannon Price has teamed with Attorney General Bill Schutte and the Plymouth Community Council on Aging to host an educational forum for seniors on how to proactively protect themselves. The presentation takes place from 11 a.m. to noon Friday, April 11, at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

"Every day, criminals prey on the most vulnerable in our community and many times their targets are seniors," Price said. "It is the goal

of this forum to help seniors identify and avoid these tricks before they happen."

Schutte's Senior Bridgeline program does presentations on topics such as home repair and equity scams; identity theft; investment fraud; online safety; phone and mail scams; and residential care choices.

"Lately, these criminals have been posing as utility companies threatening to turn off a homeowner's heat and electricity if they do not provide credit card information

or run to a local drug store and purchase gift cards to use as payments," Price said. "It is imperative we get the word out about these scams and help protect those who are the most vulnerable from these heinous crimes."

The Plymouth Cultural Center is located at 525 Farmer. Complimentary refreshments will be provided.

Anyone interested in attending can contact the Plymouth Community Council on Aging at 734-453-1234, ext. 236.

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Mingle with Marilyn
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Moon walker to address annual prayer breakfast

By Karen Smith
Staff Writer

The Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast will mark its 40th anniversary May 1 with Gen. Charles Moss Duke Jr., the 10th man to walk on the moon, speaking on the theme "One Nation Under God," and Sister Mary Danatha, chair of the first prayer breakfast, offering a prayer of blessing.

Duke, in an email to the *Observer*, said his talk will "look at the godly history of the founding of our country using quotes from our founding fathers, then look at how subsequent generations continued our godly heritage."

"I hope to encourage the audience to walk in

and so continue the godly heritage of our country," he added.

A believer since April 1978, Duke said his three-day stay on the moon with fellow Apollo 16 astronaut John Young in 1972 was a "great adventure." The pair spent more than 20 hours exploring the rough surface of the moon, including time riding around in a lunar car.

During Apollo's return from the moon, Duke experienced a space walk with the third crew member, Ken Mattingly. The view over one shoulder was filled with a brilliant full moon and over the other hung a crescent Earth — a thin sliver of blue and white. "Fantastic!" Duke exclaimed again and again.



As extraordinary as that view was at that mission did not lead me to a deep faith," he wrote.

He became a believer six years later, in April 1978. His personal faith will also be a subject of his talk.

Ken McMullen, chair of the Livonia prayer breakfast for the past seven years, said a patriotic theme of "One Nation Under God" seemed like a natural choice for the 40th anniversary breakfast, which is a version of the National Prayer Breakfast held annually in Washington, D.C.

Duke was selected as

a speaker because "the moon landings always brought about national pride in our country."

McMullen said that while the committee looks for quality speakers and music and works to ensure an enjoyable breakfast is served, the event's attendance by 500-600 people annually shows a community statement of unity and purpose. "For 40 years, Livonia has supported an event that reflects who they are and the values they share; for that they should be proud," he said.

Danatha, 92, former president of Madonna University, said she isn't

surprised the event she helped found in 1974 is still going strong today. "The people of Livonia love God," she said, adding they want His continued presence in their lives.

Danatha said she and the late Sister Mary Lauriana, academic dean of Madonna at the time, used to get invited to the national and Michigan prayer breakfasts and wanted to bring the event to Livonia. "That's how it all got started," she said. The early prayer breakfasts were held at Madonna, but they quickly outgrew that site.

Danatha said she will ask for God's blessings on those who have been involved in putting on and attending the prayer breakfast in the past,

those who currently are and those who will be in the future. "I'm going to try to make the prayers beautiful and pleasing to God," she said.

The breakfast, at 7 a.m. Thursday, May 1, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia, will also feature singer Debbie Hart, music by Sharon Smith and scripture readings by past prayer breakfast chairs Jerry Smith, former Bentley High School music instructor, and Maureen Brosnan, president of Livonia City Council.

For more information, visit <http://livoniaprayerbreakfast.wordpress.com/>

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Winery celebrates Michigan Wine Month

Vintner's Canton Winery's "Fabulously Fruity," celebrating Michigan Wine Month, is set for 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 19.

Award-winning wines will be available for complimentary tasting along with complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

During April, customers can enter a drawing (to be held April 30) for a batch (25 bottles) of premium wine to be selected and created by the winner (a \$225 value). Children will be able to register to win a custom kite.

Vintner's values include:
 • April 8-12 — \$1 off all fruit wines (new Cherry Moscato, Cranberry Shiraz, Black Currant Merlot-Limited Supply), along with other Fabulously Fruity favorites.

• April 8 and April 15 — Painter's Palat-Art Uncorked allows participants to unleash their inner artist. Instructor is artist Sharon Dillenbeck, owner of D&M Art Studio in Canton.

• April 8 — Cezanne, The Blue Vase.
 • April 15 — Cezanne TBD, \$35 includes supplies, instruction and award-winning wines. Call 734-354-9463 or 734-329-5415 to reserve.

• April 15-19 — \$1 off all wine, just in time for Easter Dinner.

• April 19 — 5-pack samplers are back, while supply lasts, for \$36.95.

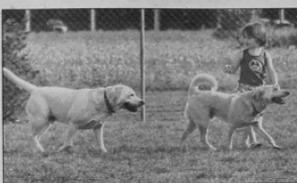
• April 22-30 — \$1 off traditional reds/whites (excludes Ice Wine). Call for information or check Vintner's website at www.vintners-canton.com or Facebook at Vintner's Canton Winery.

Canton seeks help with park development

Canton Leisure Services invites residents to provide input in determining the possible future development of two parks located in northwest Canton — Preservation Park and Patriot Park.

Canton residents are encouraged to submit feedback on existing Master Plans for both parks, which are currently being updated to include amenities that will increase residents' access to natural spaces, trails, gardens, athletic opportunities, art and other desired amenities. Development of the two sites will include both passive and active recreation.

Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road and home to several historic buildings, Community Gardens, the Canton Farmers Market and dog park, will be the subject of a community forum 7-8 p.m. Monday, April 14, at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. This site was formerly known as the Bartlett-Travis House Property.



Canton Leisure Services is looking for public input on Patriot Park and Preservation Park, which includes the Canton dog park. BILL BRESELER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Patriot Park, located on the northwest corner of Ford and Ridge roads, is currently undeveloped natural space and will be the subject of a Focus Group Open House 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 14, at the Cherry Hill School, 5040 Cherry Hill.

Participants are asked to RSVP for these focus groups by calling 734-394-5360 or by emailing leisure@canton-mi.org. Anyone who can't attend the focus groups, but still wants to provide comment, can contact the Leisure Services Office or submit comments via email to leisure@canton-mi.org. Current Master Plans for both of these sites are available online at www.cantontun.org.

United Way needs volunteers for Rake 'N' Go

Anyone wanting to make a difference by helping a senior citizen or person with a disability gets their chance later this month.

Plymouth Community United Way is still in need of volunteers to clean yards and do light chores Saturday, April 26, in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton during its Rake 'N' Go.

Volunteers can come alone, with family or with a team of co-workers or friends. They'll enjoy a complimentary breakfast beforehand. Volunteers are asked to bring rakes, garden tools, hedge trimmers and gloves. PCUW will supply the yard waste bags.

To volunteer, call 734-453-6879, ext. 7, or email randi.williams@pcuw.org before April 11.

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Reverse mortgages, used properly, can be good tool

Q: Dear Rick: I was at one of your library talks a few months ago and, after explaining my situation to you, you recommended a reverse mortgage. I'm in my early 80s with no debt and I have no plans to move. My pension and Social Security barely cover my living expenses. I am running a little short every month and that's why you recommended the reverse mortgage. My friend said that reverse mortgages are gimmicky and too expensive and recommended that I get a home equity loan to cover my additional living expenses. What do you think?



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

In your case, a reverse mortgage can be an effective financial tool that provides cash flow needed to maintain your lifestyle throughout retirement.

There are costs to obtain a reverse mortgage, however, there are costs to obtain a traditional 30-year fixed-rate mortgage. Cost is important and a good reverse mortgage company will always inform you up front what the costs are.

The typical cost of a reverse mortgage is a little more than obtaining a traditional mortgage, but it is not exorbitant. The key in obtaining a reverse mortgage is to use a quality company. Just because a company uses a celebrity endorser doesn't mean it's a good one.

As to using a home equity loan, if you need money on a rare, irregular basis, that may be one thing. However, you need money on a regular month-to-

month basis and I'm not sure that a home equity loan makes sense.

The major difference between a home equity loan vs. a reverse mortgage is you do not have to make any principal and interest payments with a reverse mortgage. With a home equity loan, if you borrow money, you must start making payments immediately.

In addition, with most home equity loans, the interest is adjustable. What that means is that as interest rates rise, so will the interest charged on your home equity loan. Therefore, if you access a home equity loan, as interest rises, your monthly payment will also increase.

Are reverse mortgages good for everyone? Absolutely not. There are, however, many situations where a senior citizen can increase the quality of their life by using a reverse mortgage.

Good luck.
Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. If you would like him to respond to your questions, email rick@boomassetmanagement.com.

Senior program seeks volunteers

Canton will take part later this month in Christmas in Action to assist needy seniors in the Canton community as part of National Volunteer Month.

On Saturday, April 26, volunteers can help make a difference in their community by giving their time, talents and energy on this special day of service. Both skilled and unskilled volunteers are still needed to help provide repairs to needy seniors' homes in the Canton community from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers who are skilled in the building trades are especially

needed, including electricians, carpenters, plumbers, roofers and others. Unskilled volunteers are also wanted for cleaning, yard work and painting.

House captains will coordinate the work being done at each site on the event day. Knowledgeable volunteer experts will perform electrical, plumbing, drywalling, wood-working, heating and roofing repairs, while teams of other volunteers will paint walls, wash windows and do general interior and exterior spring cleaning.

The day will start with registration 7:30-

8:30 a.m. and a continental breakfast at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Volunteers will then be shuttled to assigned homes. Participants are encouraged to bring their own work gloves.

Christmas in Action, a nonprofit agency, works to preserve and revitalize homes in an effort to assure that low-income elderly and disabled homeowners live in warmth, safety and independence.

To volunteer for Christmas in Action's event, call 734-394-5191 or visit CantonFun.org.

Healthy Summer kicks off with free event

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, Canton Leisure Services, IHA, 88.1 The Park and the Canton Observer partner to sponsor a free, fun-filled day packed with healthy activities, screenings and demonstrations.

The Healthy Summer Kickoff takes place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the St. Joseph facility located at 1600 S. Canton Center in Canton.

The event features free bike helmets and fittings to the first 200

children; health screenings; skin cancer; blood pressure and BMI checks; and 30-minute yoga sessions with Whitney O'Keefe of Canton's Summit on the Park.

Participants can meet St. Joe's health reporter Lila Lazarus, discover the Health Exploration Station, bring their favor-

ite stuffed animal to the "Teddy Bear Clinic" and take advantage of kids mini-fitness checks.

There will be chances to win an iPad mini, Detroit Tigers tickets and three-month passes to the Summit on the Park.

For more information, call 734-712-7207 or visit stjoeshealth.org.

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Nancy Conzelman
Township Clerk

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Wayne High stages 'Shrek the Musical'

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

For director Katie Sullivan, the word that describes this year's spring musical at Wayne Memorial High School is "more."

"This is an incredibly ambitious production," Sullivan said of her choice of *Shrek the Musical*. "There are more costumes in the show than ever, we have numerous set pieces that move more often and it's more vocal. It has a ton of musical numbers." Sullivan, her cast and crew will have 10 weeks of preparation under their theatrical belts when the curtains go up Thursday evening. The musical will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 10-11, and at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12, in the high school's Stockmeyer Auditorium.

The musical features a return to the Stockmeyer stage by 2013 Wayne High graduate Josiah Ault in the title role of Shrek, with Maggie Abicht playing the part of Princess Fiona and Jordan Khalaf as Lord Farquaad, who has his short-comes.

"He's a little tiny guy who wants to be big, so everything I want to do with the character can be over the top," said Khalaf, who does the entire show on his knees to mimic Farquaad's short stature. "I've created this giant ego that envelops the room. I'm able to go more in depth with his character than you see on the outside."

The production includes prosthetics - Pinocchio's nose really grows and Gingy, the gingerbread man, is a puppet operated by Kaitlyn Frawley who also plays the Sugar Plum Fairy. The dragon has large wings and a head piece and is fueled by LaShara Montgomery's



The really short, bad guy, Lord Farquaad, is played by Jordan Khalaf. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

'SHREK THE MUSICAL'

When: 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 10-11, and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12.

Location: Stockmeyer Auditorium on the campus of Wayne Memorial High School, on Glenwood east of Fourth Street.

Details: *Shrek the Musical* is a stage adaptation of the popular Dreamworks movie *Shrek*, the story of an ogre who agrees to the rescue so he'll be left alone in his swamp. Instead he gets a new best friend, Donkey, and falls in love with Princess Fiona.

Tickets: \$10 each, available at the door

"powerful voice." And to create a short Lord Farquaad, Khalaf's costume includes a pair of stubby legs that fit on his thighs.

The challenges

One of the challenges the cast has faced is rehearsing with the music of the Broadway musical. "Our version has

slightly different music, the songs can be shorter," Sullivan said. "They learn with the CD to give them structure, but when they move into the vocal lessons, they get into their character and learn the songs. When we start with the orchestra on Monday, they'll learn another version. They're



Pinocchio (Tirzah Ault) is flanked by the Big Bad Wolf (Orlando Simpson) and one of the Three Little Pigs (Danielle Glass-Wester). BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Peter Pan is played by Alicia Highland. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

learning with a piano, which is different than with different musical instruments."

Costuming for the show has been a combination of "acquired, designed and re-purposed." Some costumes are rented, like those for the Duloc dancers and Lord Farquaad, some are being made and others are pieces from the drama department's collection. Another challenge is makeup. A lot is specific to the characters. Sullivan will take on the job of doing makeup for

Shrek, who also has a lot of prosthetics. She has a team of 10 makeup students and alumni who will each be responsible for groups of students in the production.

Working with Sullivan are four assistant directors - Khalaf handles publicity, Abicht coordinates preparations for rehearsals, Nathan Barker manages progress reports (students must have at least a C average to be in the show) and conflicts and Megan Keiper is in charge of attendance and contact-

ing cast members. "It's my second time as an assistant director," said Keiper, a junior who also plays the White Rabbit and a Duloc dancer in the show. "I did it last fall. I like having a leadership role and having people come to me if they need help."

'Biggest show'

To help boost attendance, costumed characters will be circulating among the families that will attend the high school's Spring Fling Friday, giving out coupons and inviting them to come to the performance. Spring Fling is for parents and students and includes a Bunny pancake dinner, cookie decorating, obstacle course, music, crafts, games, an Easter egg hunt and an opportunity for youngsters to have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Spring Fling is 5-6:30 p.m. at the high school.

Sullivan would like nothing better than to see their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Spring Fling is 5-6:30 p.m. at the high school.

"This is the biggest show we've put on this stage and I think the audience will be pleased," she said.

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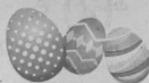
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Media school brings back awards

Spees Howard School of Media Arts is making \$125,000 in scholarships available to individuals seeking training in technology-driven courses, including broadcast media arts, graphic design and digital media arts.

Spees Howard officials said the "overwhelming success of last year's scholarship program" has convinced school officials to make its scholarship program a permanent part of the school.

Most metro Detroit businesses looking to enhance and develop the technical skill set of their current employees, Spees Howard School of Media Arts wants to assist these Michigan-owned and -operated businesses by offering scholarships in the form of \$5,000 per award toward tuition for any Spees Howard program.

The program was created to assist individual employers and their employees and at the same time continue to develop the strength of the Michigan work force. "Educating our students is of paramount importance and Spees Howard is thrilled to help our students transition into the ever-changing digital world," Spees Howard President Lisa Zahodne said. "Training will be in all areas, including web creation and design, digital cinematography and post-production."

Employees must complete and submit an application as well as a letter of request stating why they feel they are qualified for the scholarship and how it will impact their future. They must also submit a letter of recommendation from their employer stating how the training will benefit the organization. Applications are available online at www.speeshoward.edu/business. Candidates will be selected based on the letters of recommendation and all candidates will need to meet the standard entrance requirements. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and the opportunity will end when all are awarded.

"Spees Howard interacts with Michigan employers everyday," Zahodne said. "We see many companies struggling with budget reductions, and unfortunately employee training is one of the first cuts. We wanted to find a way to help the community we have been part of for over 44 years. Technology is changing at such a rapid pace, employees need training to stay relevant and employers need trained employees to stay competitive."

Blood drives

Dates/Times/Locations:
 ■ Wednesday, April 9, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Hines Park Lincoln, 46501 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
 ■ Thursday, April 10, 11 a.m. to 7:45 p.m., Gardner White, 39453 Ford Road, Canton
 ■ Friday, April 11, 4:45-7:45 p.m., Pioneer Middle School, 46081 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
 ■ Saturday, April 12, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., Living Word Church, 46500 N. Territorial, Plymouth
 ■ Monday, April 14, 1:45-4:45 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth
 ■ Friday, April 18, 8 a.m. to 6:15 p.m., St. Thomas a Becket Church 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Organizers are hoping to collect 400 pints, which would be the largest one-day drive in Michigan.

Details: The American Red Cross sponsors a variety of blood drives in the month of April. Donors will be entered into a raffle for a \$150 Kroger gift card.

Contact: To make an appointment call Diane Risko at 313-549-7052 or email Diane.Risko@redcross.org

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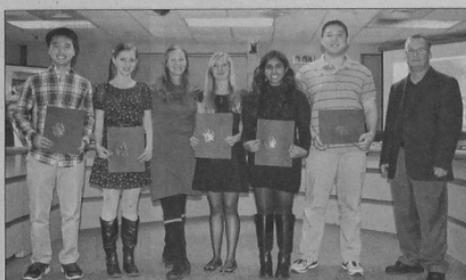
Date: Friday, April 25
Location: Plymouth Friendship School, 42375 Schoolcraft
Details: The Plymouth Friendship School is looking for new members. In addition to the complimentary pot-luck dinner, participants can play pinocle, euchre or mah jong.
Contact: Call Martha Shipman for more information at 734-420-2026.

Wildflower walks

Dates/Times: Sundays, April 27 and May 4
Location: Miller Woods (entrance is on Powell, just east of Ridge) in Plymouth Township
Details: Join the Friends of Miller Woods for their annual wildflower walk through Miller Woods. Tours start on the half hour and are led by members of the Friends. The walks will

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Student honored



Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Treasurer Mark Horvath (right) honored members of the National Honor Society for their efforts in packing more than 100,000 meals for the Feed My Starving Children program to feed hungry children around the world. Honored at a recent board meeting were (from left) Kevin Ni, Madison Johnson, Jennifer Bird, Alexa Chicon, Neha Hafeez and Brandon Cheung.

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Contact: For last-minute weather changes that may affect the bloom times of the flowers, visit our website at millerwoods.com.

SCORE workshop

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 8, 7 p.m.
Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth
Details: The Plymouth District Library welcomes local entrepreneurs and retired business professionals by hosting a free SCORE workshop. Steve Feinman, district director of Michigan's 10 SCORE chapters, will conduct the workshop. SCORE "Counselors to America's Small Business" is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping

entrepreneurs succeed as small business owners. More than 11,000 volunteer business counselors in 320 chapters nationwide are available to provide you with advice, mentoring and small business planning assistance at no cost.
Contact: For more information, contact Library Director Carol Souch at 734-453-0750, ext. 218, or csouch@plymouthlibrary.org.

Confederate flags

Date/Time: Thursday, April 10, 7:30 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth
Details: Learn all about the formation of the different Confederate flags during the Civil War with speaker John Keller when he presents "Flags of the Confederacy," at the Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum's monthly meeting. Keller grew up in southeast Michigan and graduated from high school in 1950. One year

later he joined the Marine Corps, where he witnessed eight of the first hydrogen explosions on Bikini Atoll in the Marshall Islands in 1954. After leaving the Marines, he worked at Detroit Edison for 42 years and earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering while attending night school at Lawrence Technical Institution. He is a member of the Sons of the Confederacy and has been a docent at the Verdier Museum for 10 years. The talk is free and open to the public.
Contact: Call the museum, 734-455-8940.

Blues @ the Elks

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 8, 7-10 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: Blues @ the Elks happens on the second Tuesday of each month. This month features George Bedard & the Kingspin, with Bedard on guitar

and vocals, Pat Prouty on bass and Rich Ishman on drums.
Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com.

Jazz @ the Elks

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 29, 7-10 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: Jazz @ the Elks happens on the last Tuesday of each month; there is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hot drinks. This month features Johnny Tuddell Quartet playing jazz favorites with Tuddell on trumpet and flugelhorn, Ray Tri on bass, Chuck Shermatano on piano and Bill Cairo on drums.
Contact: For more information, call 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com.

Price sweeps

Date/Time: Friday, April 11, 11 a.m. to noon
Location: Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth
Details: The Plymouth Community Council on Aging hosts a guest speaker, Wayne County Commissioner Shannon Price, talking about "Scams and Frauds." The presentation overview will include subjects such as home repairs, equity scams, identity theft, investment fraud, phone and mail scams and residential care choices.
Contact: RSVP to 734-453-1234, ext. 236.

Surgeon's seminar

Date/Time: Friday, April 25, 10:30 a.m.
Location: Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth
Details: Dr. Ryan Moll, orthopedic surgeon and hip and knee replacement specialist, will offer a free educational seminar. Moll is an international proctor/teacher of this technique. This event is hosted by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging.
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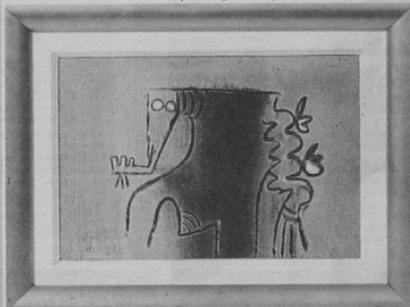
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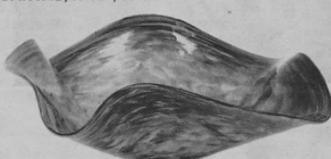
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PREP BASEBALL

Wildcats open with sweep

By Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Thanks to blue skies and the sound of bat against ball, the only thing mattered Wednesday to Plymouth's varsity baseball team was that they could "play two."

It certainly wasn't the federally mandated removal of box seats near the Wildcats' dugout

—although that seating was gone and replaced by aluminum bleachers in time for Plymouth's season-opening doubleheader against Holt.

Those bleachers actually were temporarily moved over from the softball field for the twinbill, because the scheduled softball game between Plymouth and Salem was postponed due to unplayable field

conditions. It is expected that both sides of the complex soon will have the same seating arrangement.

Plymouth took care of both ends of the nonconference doubleheader, winning 5-2 and 7-4 to open the season with a 2-0 record.

"It was exciting to get out



Beating this throw to second base during Wednesday's first game is Plymouth's Cameron Stella (No. 2). JOHN KEMSKI/EXPRESS PHOTO

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PREP TRACK & FIELD PREVIEWS



Plymouth's Ashley McBrien (left) takes a handoff from Bailey Brown last season during the 800-meter relay. Both are back to reprise those roles this season. BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Rocks feature depth, versatility

Despite turnover, Plymouth looks solid

By Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Crazy weather forced area boys track and field teams indoors for too long in their preparations for the 2014 season.

But with one dual meet in the books, both Salem and Plymouth are looking no worse for wear: Salem defeated Northville 71.5-64.5 on Tuesday while Plymouth started the KLAAs schedule the same day with a 83-54 triumph over Westland John Glenn.

"This year, we are going to have a very balanced team amongst all 17 events and by a lot of different guys," Salem head coach Steve Aspinall said. "We'll need to depend on our depth to score well in many different events this year."

Leading the Rocks in the sprint group will be returning all-stars Steven Homrich and Drake Jordan, both seniors.

Homrich ran the 100 dash in 10.7 seconds Tuesday, breaking the school record of 10.8 set in 1985.

"Providing depth for the sprints and most likely to comprise the sprint relays are senior Gu-won Ingram, sophomores Freddie McFee, Jacob Miller, Christian Pearson and Dominic Hodge," Aspinall noted. "There are also a number of newcomers who have shown potential and may find themselves fighting for varsity spots."

In the mid-distance group are senior Colin Mc-

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A LOT TO LIKE

Plymouth boasts across-the-board talent, strength in numbers

By Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

There are a plethora of options and avenues for the Plymouth varsity girls track and field team to score points this season.

That spells trouble for the Wildcats' rivals in the KLAAs South Division.

Plymouth already served up proof with Tuesday's season-opening 130-7 rout of Westland John Glenn.

"Balance and depth are the strengths of our team this year," Plymouth head coach Ricky Styes said. "With the new additions to the team and the returning runners, we have the potential to be a team that can score in nearly any event."

"This is exciting from my perspective because we will have the ability to lean on different athletes and events when needed and know that we can be successful throughout our entire lineup."

Strong nucleus

While Styes is confident in any number of his athletes, he knows he has four returning state qualifiers from the 2013 team that went 3-2 in the KLAAs South and finished third at the Park-hosted Division I regional (behind Livonia Churchill and Salem).

Those include Holy Stark (100 hur-

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Shown from last season, Salem's Kayla Kavulich remains one of the area's premier mid-distance runners. BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Nothing to worry about

Tough opening loss belies Salem's deep, talented squad

By Tim Smith
 Staff Writer

Salem's varsity girls track and field team lost 80-48 to Northville Tuesday in the Rocks opening dual meet of the 2014 season.

But that's not how Salem head coach Dave Gerlach envisions things going the rest of the way.

"Northville is a tremendous team with some outstanding indi-

vidual athletes," emphasized Gerlach following the opener. "Their depth is amazing. ... They have been training all winter long, especially the distance girls coming off a state championship."

"This was an uphill battle from the get go, with the weather the way it has been and only three weeks into the season. Our athletes had not even had the opportunity to practice any of the field events because of our facilities and weather. We were very raw today, but

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Salem's Steven Homrich ran the 100 dash Tuesday in 10.7 seconds to set a school record. BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Rocks primed for breakout year

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

On paper, Salem's varsity girls softball team looks ready to contend in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association, according to veteran head coach Bonnie Southerland.

Of course, who knows when the Rocks might actually see the field. Wednesday's scheduled opener against Plymouth was postponed and the next game (Monday at Livonia Churchill) is iffy at best due to the forecast of rain.

"We do have an enormous amount of talent this season," noted Southerland, starting her 30th season with the Rocks. "Once we can get outside and settle on our field I'm sure everything will fall in place."

"That's what we are hoping for. It's a great knowing I have a lot of options and combinations to work with. I don't see any weak link in this team."

The 2013 Rocks finished 0-5 over a 9-7 in the tough KLAAC Central Division, but showed promise with a group of younger players making some noise.

Bumper crop

Southerland now is looking forward to having the same influx of talent for the second consecutive year. She cited freshmen Melanie Anderson, Katie Hiltz, Emily Stewart and Kristin Mihalic.

"This makes two years in a row we've got quite a great group of four incoming freshmen we know can take this team to the top," she emphasized.



Salem's Kara Hutchison is one of the solid returning hitters for the Rocks. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

sized. "We couldn't be happier. As always, we expect them to make a huge impact on the team's success this year."

Anderson will start at third base, taking over from 2013 graduate Elliott Mitchell. "Melanie also has the ability to fill in behind the plate if we need her, she has a rock-er for an arm."

Hiltz will play outfield, bringing excellent range and speed. Stewart and Mihalic give the Rocks a new pitcher/catcher combo, respectively.

"Both can also play other positions and play them well," Southerland said. "I expect to see Stewart at first on occasion, and as for Mihalic, she has great hands and quickness."

Leading the way

The team has plenty of talented "veterans," with nine returnees led by senior tri-captains Kristi Zink (pitcher/outfield), Emily Marcero (second base) and Gabbi Zott

(first base/outfield). "She (Zink) is an outstanding athlete," Southerland said. "She could be either in centerfield or on the mound on any given day. Kristi is truly a fierce competitor as is Emily Marcero who has second base locked up."

"Emily is quick and very smart. She knows where to go, makes great decisions, is vocal and to mention she has an amazing attitude."

Zott is another strong leader and hard worker who "takes great pride in her work ethic, not to mention she has an amazing attitude."

Also back are senior outfielder Sam Weiser (who played a lot down the stretch in 2013), junior shortstop Miranda Armstead, junior pitcher Marissa Hulth, sophomore catcher Kara Hutchison, sophomore outfielder Jamie Squires and sophomore utility player Abbie Riedel.

The slick-fielding Armstead will team up with Marcero to give the Rocks a strong double-

play tandem. Hunley might have the inside track on being Salem's No. 1 pitcher this season, although Stewart will certainly be counted on for key innings.

"Marissa continues to improve on her pitching and we all know how important that position is to a team," Southerland said. "Marissa is certainly up for the task."

Second-year catcher Hutchison is "vocal, fearless and she does not hesitate to throw the ball on any steal."

The Rocks will bank on Squires providing strong, speedy fielding in the outfield as well as a base-stealing threat.

Also new to the squad is sophomore Katlyn Stevenson, who the coach said "is swinging the bat very well and will be a difference maker."

Stevenson, like Squires, gives Salem speed in the base paths.

"With the talent and attitude of her team year after year, Southerland said it doesn't seem as though she's been coaching for three decades.

"It's the kids that keep us young and enthusiastic about doing our job," she notes. "And it's not really a job. It's just so rewarding to see the dedication (and) the passion in the players and how extremely talented and better they get each and every year."

After Monday's scheduled game at Churchill, Salem is scheduled to play a Wednesday doubleheader at Northville 4 p.m. starts on both days, weather permitting.

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PLYMOUTH

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dles), Tionne Johnson (shot put, discus), Katherine Harris (high jump) and Jada Woody (800 run, 3200-meter relay).

"Holy is one of the hardest-working kids that I have been able to work with," Styes said. "She is one of our captains this year. She is a girl that loves track and running the hurdles. ... We hope that she is able to establish herself as one of the best hurdlers in the area."

About co-captain Johnson, the coach noted that her work ethic started to pay off last season. She is motivated to build on the momentum gained in 2013 "and be a force in the throws again this year."

That Harris qualified for the state meet as a freshman was exciting for the athlete and program. Styes noted that Harris is a great athlete that has a lot of potential in the high jump. "He went on. 'She has been working hard this year to improve upon her accomplishments of last year.'"

Woody "is a girl that just loves to run. As though she has earned a full ride to play (Division I) basketball at Toledo, she is just as talented a runner. She has opened this season in the best shape of her career and has her sights set on breaking our school record in the 800 and qualifying for the state meet again," Styes said.

Also back and ready to have big seasons are sprinter Abby MacBrien and junior sprinter Anna Lukens. The former is a senior co-captain with an impeccable work ethic, the coach said.

"She has entered this season running times as fast as any point during her career," said Styes, about MacBrien. "She is a versatile runner who gives us a lot of options when making the meet lineup. Lukens is looking to use a great winter of training as a springboard to impressive results."

"She has gotten much stronger over the winter and this is allowing her to run in other events that she has not run before," Styes said. "I think that she has the capability to run nearly any sprint event and do

well."

Fresh faces

Styes is enthusiastic about many of the athletes, but he really is looking forward to how junior hurdler/jumper Kirsty McInnes and freshmen Ryan Draper (sprints) and Natalie Janke (pole vault) perform in their first seasons on the squad.

"Kirsty has been a soccer player these past two years, but has come into this season hurdling like an experienced veteran," Styes said. "She has brought depth to our hurdling crew and has the coaches excited about her prospects these next two years."

Plymouth has several all-arounders back this season, but Styes said Janke has garnered a bit of extra attention from the coaching staff. "Melanie still has the ability to excite our coaches early this season," Styes said. "She is a great athlete that may not have the top hurdlers bright for the next few years."

Meanwhile, he described Draper as a "fast, the only no other way to explain it. She is a very natural runner that has barely scratched the surface of her talent. She offers a depth to our team in the sprints that we have not had in quite a while."

Against John Glenn, Plymouth firsts were turned in by Kayla Janevski (pole vault, 9-6), Johnson (shot put, 35-0; discus, 103-8), Harris (high jump, 5-0), McInnes (100 hurdles, 17:57; 300 hurdles, 54:53), Draper (100 dash, 13:03; 200 dash, 27:49), Woody (mile run, 5:58) and Marina DeBissis (two-mile run, 13:11.4).

Plymouth also swept the relays: "The tandem of Sophia Stipan, Annie Bonds, Abby Rhoades and Woody captured the 3,200-meter relay in 11:22.36.

"In the 800-meter relay, Jewel Davis, Katie Salanga, Lukens and Draper took first with a mark of 1:52.14. "a Gabby Alera, Lukens, MacBrien and Davis won the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 4:37.72."

Also victorious for the Wildcats was the 400-meter relay team of Lukens, Cassidy Kivlak, Salanga and Draper (54.20).

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Chiefs blank Novi in season opener

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Last Monday, all signs pointed to postponement of Wednesday's season-opening varsity girls softball game between host Canton and Novi.

But new Chiefs coach Al White said his team's parents and others got to work in time to clear snow off the field and the weatherman cooperated enough for the game to be played. Canton prevailed 4-0 with senior pitcher Hanna Warren giving up just two hits and striking out 16.

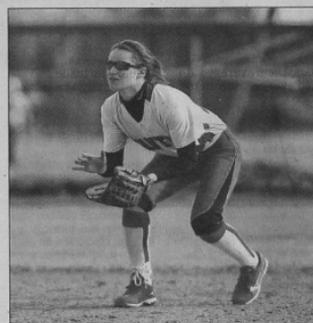
"Here it is April 2, we had three feet of snow on the field, right over there, on Monday," said White, pointing across the field toward first base. "We just busted it

up and it was all gone Tuesday. And the wind yesterday was God-sent."

"The A's had already canceled the game Tuesday morning, and I called Tom (Willette) at 4:30 Tuesday evening. I said my field will be ready to go... parents came out and worked on it."

Sparking the Canton offense were Bryn Birchler (2-for-2, two doubles, two runs, one RBI), Kaitlyn Kays (2-for-3), Nicole Clark (2-for-3, one run) and Elizabeth Yager (2-for-3, one run).

"Touch-and-go weather might keep Canton from playing the next game on the schedule, however. Monday's weather forecast called for rain, the Chiefs are slated to host Livonia Stevenson at 4 p.m.



Canton senior shortstop Paige Aresco is ready for the next play during Wednesday's season opener against Novi. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Ladywood blanks Mercy; Chiefs, Rocks roll

Junior Sam Riga and senior Jenna Urso figured prominently in Livonia Ladywood's 2-0 Catholic League Central Division girls soccer victory Thursday over visiting Farmington Hills Mercy.

Riga scored in the 19th minute on a header from Urso, who in turn scored on a one-time finish in the 76th minute off a pass from Riga.

Goalkeeper Whitney Bauredi made three saves to notch her first

shoutout of the year as the Blazers improved to a 5-1 overall and 1-1 in the Central.

"It was a typical Ladywood-Mercy matchup," said Ladywood coach Ken Shinglecker, whose team outshot the Marlins,

7-6. "Solid defending from both teams and timely finishing when we get the chance. I thought our back line and goalie did a great job tonight."

Goalkeeper Maria Guljaraj also made three saves as the Marlins fell to 4-2 overall and 1-1 in the Division.

CANTON & JOHN GLENN: Hannah Lapski notched a hat trick Thursday in the host Chiefs' 2-1, 2-0 scored in the first half and two more in the second in friendly Westland Girls (2-1, 0-2).

Chiefs' Aeschbach added two goals, while Rachel Vitvits, Natalie Vitvits and Mary Cain each contributed one for Canton.

Courtney Schuber was in goal for the Rocks.

PLYMOUTH & WAYNE: Olivia Stynes and Kaitlyn Johnson scored in the first half and two more in the second in friendly Westland Girls (2-1, 0-2).

Michigan commit Kelly Swenney scored on a header in game goals in the first, 20th and 75th minutes.

Continued goal at the 25-minute mark tied the game 1-1 for Ladywood. Megan Brody and Kaitlin Patahosh scored for three saves for Mustangs, while Ladywood goalie Whitney Bauredi made Ladywood goalie Whitney Bauredi

LUTHERAN WEST & LUTY: WESTLAND's Amanda Kieda and Jenna Wilczak each scored twice Thursday in the host Mustangs' 4-1 win over the Crusaders. While sophomore Samantha Bernier tallied two Westland goals in the second half from junior Michelle Greening. Goalkeeper Kaitlyn Woodard made 12 saves for Luthy Woodard.

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also get beat by a great team."

Call it a mulligan or a false start, if you want.

Same expectations

Gerlach expects his team to fast track it to the top of the KLAAC Central Division standings yet again, led by a strong nucleus of athletes who were part of the 2013 KLAAC Central Division champions (5-0 record).

"Our goals are to battle for a division, conference and regional championship while sending as many athletes to the Division I state finals," he said.

Last year was pretty successful — the Rocks not only won the division yet again, led by a strong nucleus of athletes who were part of the 2013 KLAAC Central Division champions (5-0 record).

Many from that team are back, including co-captains Kayla Kavulich (mid-distance) and Rachel Falzon (hurdles).

Other stellar returnees are Shara Long and Rebecca Falzon on throws, Anya Cho and Natasha Stevenson in distance events and Shekinah Johnson on sprints.

There are 86 girls on the roster, the most for the program in 10 years.

The trick for Gerlach is to determine where to slot them in the lineup, especially with the recent changing weather cutting into opportunities to observe and make such decisions.

"It is going to take some time to figure out the best places for athletes to maximize their scoring potential," he said. "The weather and injuries led to practice skill events the first two weeks of practice could hinder performances in the early season."

Looking to make more of a splash will be returnees Bryanna Smales (sprints), Brianna Essien (hurdles) and Kelly Whalen (high jump). Promising newcomers include Isabel Rodriguez and Lauren Ogarek (sprints), Lauren Aquette (steeplechase), Kayla Hughes (mid-distance), Kayla DeCruz and Gabby DeLacruz (hurdles, sprints).

Against Northville, Salem firsts were tallied by Whalen (high jump, 4-10), Kavulich (400 run, 6:49) and Long (shot put, 31-9.5; discus, 105-9).

Seconds were recorded by Rachel Falzon (100 hurdles, 18:26; 300 hurdles, 52.6), Kavulich (mile run, 5:22), Johnson (100 dash, 12:93), Rodriguez (200 dash, 30.84), Rebecca Falzon (shot put, 31.6; discus, 105-2) and Aaron Kirk in the long jump (14.9).

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ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS BOULES STATE MEET ITCH



FIRST TEAM
Julia Huren, Soph,
John Glenn: The 10th grader, who was the MHSAA Division 1 individual singles runner-up, bumped up her average by 14 pins this year, going to a 208 from a 194 en route to first-team all-state and all-Kensington Lakes Activities Association honors.

She also placed fifth at the regional and averaged 223 during the state individual singles qualifying high year (second overall). Huren's high year of the year was a 288 with a 520 two-game series.

"She's very determined, is probably the best thing about her," Glenn coach Ralph Cabildo said. "She's very determined to be the best."

Olivia Cabildo, Jr., John Glenn: The junior, coming off knee surgery, upped her season average by 13 pins to 193 after finishing with a 181 last year. She posted a high game of 256 with a best two-game set of 482.

During the state team tournament, Cabildo averaged 218 and averaged 215 during the individual singles qualifying block quarterfinal en route to a top eight finish.

Cabildo added a third at the regional and was an all-OAA and second-team Division 1 all-state selection.

"One of Olivia's strengths is her mental game," Ralph Cabildo said.

Jessica Pate, Jr., John Glenn: The first-team Division 1 all-star was an individual singles state quarterfinalist who finished ninth in the qualifying block.

The all-KLAA selection led the conference with a high two-game set of 505.

"She is a very experienced bowler who has already shot a 300," Cabildo said. "And when you do that it makes everything easier."

Meghan Maconovich, Fr., Canton: It didn't take long for Maconovich to make a big impact for the Chiefs, with the freshman winning the Division 1 regional at Super Bowl in Canton with a game tally of 1,282 pins (including a 255 game).

Maconovich averaged 204 for the season, earning all-conference honors. During KLAAC awards, her best was 256 for a game and 483 for a series.

Another highlight for the Canton captain was winning the Clarenceville Doubles tournament with Brianna Bailey.

"She led a team full of quality bowlers with a league-leading average of 200 and was the No. 1 qualifier at the individual state meet, averaging 226 in the six games."

Bradley bowled 190 or higher in 45 of her 65 games and had seven games of 250 or better. Her best game and series scores were 274 and 454.

Bradley, who was voted the team's MVP, placed fourth in the regional, third at the Cougar Classic, first at the Ladywood Invite and fifth in Oakland County.

"Candye is a tremendous competitor," coach Dennis Herman said. "Her greatest strength is her mental game as she shows no emotion during the competition. She just maintains a laser-point focus on the game at hand. The sky is the limit for Candye."

Emily Dietz, Soph., John Glenn: The 10th grader came on strong at the end of the season becoming the first girl in school history to win the coveted Division 1 individual singles title after qualifying with an eight-place finish at the regional.

In the state team regional, Dietz averaged 201 and averaged 209 in the individual singles qualifying block (12th). The all-KLAA selection recorded a high game of 277 this season.

"She is a girl that totally peaked at the right time," Cabildo said. "You get hot for a tournament and that's what happens."

SECOND TEAM
Sabine Hutter, Sr., Liv, Ladywood: The Division 2 regional champion and Catholic League tournament champ averaged 192 during the season.

Her high game for the season was a 278 to go along with a high two-game series of 469. She also placed runner-up average in the Catholic League East Division.

Hutter was also named third-team Division 2 all-state.

Sabine constantly works to improve her game. "Ladywood coach Judy Jaeger said, 'She was varsity all four years and plays multiple sports including volleyball and right now is a goalie for lacrosse.'"

"I fell behind in the count at a little bit and just wanted to put a good swing on the ball with two strikes," Hejka said. "I wanted to make contact and just sent it right back up the middle."

Rae'ven Turner, Sr., N. Farmington: The four-year standout for the Raiders had a 182 league average and was named to the all-OAA first team for the third year in a row.

Turner is a three-time state qualifier who finished third in this year's regional at 300 Bowl in Waterloo.

Her high game and series were 256 and 459. An academic, all-state bowler, she has bowled five of North's 10 all-time top games and seven of the top series.

"Rae'ven has been our anchor bowler and leader for four years," coach Mike Horner said. "During her time at North, the girls have won a regional championship and a league title, and they have finished second in their division three times."

"Her respect for the game and her incredible work ethic were a daily example for the rest of us. Besides being a great bowler, a fine leader and a terrific student, she is also an outstanding individual who made her team, family and school proud every time she competed."

"It is going to be extremely difficult to fill her bowling shoes next season. We will miss her drive, competitiveness, heart and caring spirit."

Hayley Cadwell, Sr., F.H. Macy: The only senior on her team, Cadwell carried a 186 average to lead the Marlins to a Catholic League co-championship with Warren Regina.

Cadwell, who completed her third year on varsity and served as team captain, had a high game of 243, which she scored twice.

She was named to the All-Catholic team and has been offered a scholarship to bowl at Rochester College.

"We (co-coaches Vicky and Mike Kowalski) appreciate Hayley's dedication to the team and her efforts to improve every year," Vicky said.

"Hayley was definitely the leader of the team this season. She pulled the team together for pep talks and performed

well as the anchor bowler."

Ella Kearney, Sr., Farmington-Harrison: Kearney was a three-year letter winner and a key member of the OAA championship and state-ranked undefeated team.

She averaged 180 per game, reflecting an 11-pin improvement over the previous season.

Kearney, who finished third in the Oakland County tournament, posted scores of 180 or higher in 31 games. Her best game was 244 and high series was 449.

"Ella has been our emotional sparkplug for the past few seasons," Hermani said. "Her passion and enthusiasm rub off on her teammates, which is why she has been our leadoff bowler since she has been on varsity."

"She really challenged her teammates to achieve all the team goals they set this year. Her only goal as a member Ella worrying about her individual game. It was all about the team and making the state tournament together."

Dana Iles, Jr., Farmington-Harrison: Iles carried a 180 average throughout the past season, hitting a high game of 258 and a series of 414.

She was another key member of one of the best teams in Oakland County and was named to the all-OAA second team with teammates Jenai Teamer and Ella Kearney.

Iles finished 11th in the regional and barely missed qualifying for the individual state meet. She had 27 games

of 180 or better and was second at the Macomb Dakota Cougar Classic.

"Dana was an honorable mention selection to last year's all-area team, and her improvement this year led her to many medalist placings at tournaments," Hermani said. "Dana is another outstanding worker who raised her average 50 pins since her freshman campaign."

"I believe Dana's best bowling is ahead for her. We are going to count on her to be a leader next season, and I know she is up to the challenge."

Jenai Teamer, Jr., Farmington-Harrison: Teamer made a huge improvement the past season and was a major contributor to her team's success. Her average was 36 pins higher than the previous year.

Teamer, who was named her team's most improved bowler, averaging 191 for the six games, to qualify for the individual state final.

She bowled 26 games of 180 or better. Her high game was 232 and best series was 403 on the middle-of-the-road pattern.

"Jenai was easily the most improved bowler this season," Hermani said. "Her hard work has raised Jenai's average an astonishing 60 pins since her freshman season."

She completed our starting lineup this year and made our girls team the powerhouse of the OAA.

"Jenai went from a JV bowler to qualifying for the state singles tournament by placing third at our regional, which is no easy feat. I can't wait to see what the future holds for Jenai."

COACH OF THE YEAR
Ralph Cabildo, John Glenn: The second-year coach guided the Rockets to a runner-up finish in the MHSAA Division 1 finals and has an overall dual match record of 36-11 during the past two seasons.

Glenn also captured the Farmington Early Blvd, Ladywood, Plymouth, Canton, Seneca, Kirtland Central, Division 1 regional and regional tournaments as well. The Rockets also placed second at the Wayne County Tournament and the member state Baker game record (298) this season.

Cabildo also had the state champion (Emily Dietz) and state runner-up (Julia Huren) and two state quarterfinalists (Olivia Cabildo and Jessica Pate) in the individual singles finals. Ironically, all four return next season.

"I mentioned at the beginning of the year that this would be a really exciting year and it was," said Cabildo, who also serves as Glenn's varsity girls soccer coach.

"The goal was to keep these girls focused throughout the year. The results were better than I could of imagined."

WILDCATS

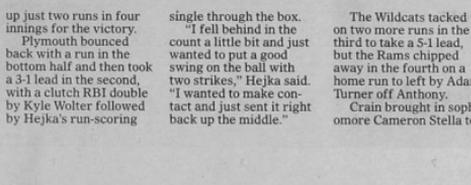
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here and play, everyone was," said Wildcats' first-year head coach Jason Crain. "You could see the energy early, a little bit of nervousness came out.

"Some great pitching, some clutch hitting early, we had some big clutch hits early in those first couple innings to get us some runs, get us ahead and ease the nerves a little bit."

Quick response
 Holt broke out to a 1-0 lead in the Rams played a run in the bottom half of the first inning. The starting pitcher Kevin Anthony, who settled down after that (thanks to a double play by infielders Dakota Lynn and Andrew Hejka) and gave

Firing the ball toward home plate Wednesday is Plymouth pitcher Kevin Anthony, who was the starting and winning pitcher in the opener against Holt. (JOHN KEMICKI/EXPRESS PHOTO)



pitch the fifth and he mowed the Rams down the rest of the way, although he did have some defensive help.

Jesse Heikinen walked, but was gunned down by Plymouth senior catcher AJ Convertino's perfect throw to second base.

"That changed the momentum," said Crain about Convertino's throw. "Chipping in with two hits for the Wildcats was Jared Merandi."

Nice nitchap
 Plymouth touched off the doubleheader sweep behind the pitching of starter (and winner) Josh Sulak and Derek Ebeling, who each hurled three innings giving up just three hits (combined) and two earned runs.

Taking care of the offense were Patrick Downing (1-3, 3 RBIs)

and Anthony (1-2 RBIs).

"It was exciting to get two wins on our first day out," Crain said. "We finally got to focus on baseball and the boys responded with a great effort."

Meanwhile, Hejka smiled about how much fun baseball can be when it can be played outdoors instead of inside a gymnasium (which had been the case for weeks due to the long winter).

"We have a lot of energy around this program," Hejka said. "We got a lot of seniors this year and we're just all trying to support and make it a good year."

"We're tired of practicing inside. There's only so much you can do. So, it's good to get out here and get a win."

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BOYS TRACK & FIELD PREVIEW

Chiefs finally get season started

By Tim Smith
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Jess Shough is a veteran of 28 years as a prep track and field coach, mostly at Westland John Glenn.

But Shough wondered when he'd ever be able to kick off his first season at the helm of Canton's varsity boys squad, largely due to the uncooperative weather during March.

"The start of the season has been a challenge due to the weather," Shough noted last week. "So it has been difficult to evaluate where we are so far."

The Chiefs finally did get out on the track Tuesday, dropping an 82-55 decision to KLAAs South Division rival Livonia Franklin.

That followed up a recent middle-of-the-pack finish at the Eastern Michigan University Huron Relays (18th out of 31 teams), but Shough still sees plenty of promise in the Chiefs.

"We have a lot of good, experienced athletes returning this season and a good undeclassment turnout," Shough continued.

Shough isn't a newcomer to the Chiefs, however. He was an assistant coach last spring under veteran head coach Bob Richardson, who later retired. Canton compiled a 2-3 record in the KLAAs South in 2013.

"For me personally, it has been an exciting adjustment as head coach taking over from the legendary Bob Richardson," Shough stressed. "But the team has responded very well with some excellent leadership shown from our captains."

Impressive list

He listed seniors Jamal Dixon, Anthony Tillman, Tom Walkinshaw, Damon Wilson, Kyle Zander and Evan Dunklee as part of that group of leaders.

"And I am blessed with a great coaching staff in Matt Kilpelainen (pole vault, hurdles, jumps), Paul Rakovitski (distance, mid-distance), Xavier Clais (jumps, hurdles) and James Hildreth (hurdles)," Shough said.

The new Canton girls head coach, Alan Jones, Sr., is helping the boys with sprints.

A nucleus of all-Observer athletes is back to spearhead the Chiefs, including Dixon (a state qualifier in the high jump and long jump), Tillman (sprints), Zander (pole vault), juniors Jacob Malad (sprints) and Alan Jones Jr. (sprints).

Senior Davon Taylor and junior Brett Lee augment Dixon in the high jump, with Lee, junior Alec MacDonald and senior Alex Erickson also slated for the long jump. Senior Grant Mast is another veteran who will compete in the pole vault.

Junior Bryan Eastman and sophomore Darren Davis provide additional depth in the hurdles and sprints.

Senior Davon Taylor will be very solid, led by Walkinshaw, juniors Billy Toth, Ammar Chishti, Mike Roberts and sophomores Peter Bruchnak, Jordan Joy, Xavier Reinders and Alec Yokley.

In the shot put and discus seniors Shawn Deese, Colin Caffish and junior Adam Armstrong are promising newcomers.

Schroeder thrilled with chance to play college volleyball

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Plymouth resident Dayna Schroeder's hard work, determination and desire to make a difference with her high school volleyball team is paying off with a ticket to play the sport at Concordia University.

Huron Valley Lutheran's senior middle hitter and all-state honorable mention selection recently signed her national letter of intent to play for the Cardinals of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

"I am very excited to play at Concordia," said the 17-year-old Schroeder, who carries a 3.5 grade-point average. "I love the whole program and I can't wait to see what is in store next."

"HVL has prepared me for the next level with the help of (volleyball) coach Mike Dest. He has been my coach for four years now and has pushed me through a lot and without him I wouldn't be the volleyball player I am today."

Dest was on hand for

DAYNA'S BIG DAY



Huron Valley Lutheran senior Dayna Schroeder (center) is all smiles after signing to play college volleyball at Concordia University. Flanking her are Cards coach Karen Graves and HVL coach Mike Dest.

the signing ceremony along with Concordia head coach Karen Graves.

Others at the ceremony were her mom, Ellen Schroeder (her dad, Gary Schroeder, was unable to attend), Huron Valley athletic director Jim Ott, HVL girls basketball coach Jennifer Kirtz and strength trainer Rick Thom.

A big senior season with the Hawks certainly helped her prospects of being signed. Schroeder, who has played on the TVO and Crush club volleyball teams, sparked the Hawks to a Class D district championship at Southfield Christian.

"She also was captain of the HVL girls varsity basketball team (coached by Ruth) and helped that team to the conference title."

"It will be fun to see where I fit into the Concordia program," Schroeder said. "My coaches have trained me to play all positions, so I hope I can be helpful to my new team."

"I already get the feeling that the volleyball team at Concordia is a family and it will be awesome to be a part of that. Coach Graves has made me feel welcome and valued."

At Concordia, Dayna Schroeder is planning on pursuing a degree in physical therapy (specifically to help the elderly) and has a scholarship to join the college choir.

Other colleges were interested in signing Schroeder, either for volleyball or soccer.

"I also play Premier soccer for coach Sam Makki (as a goalkeeper), so picking between colleges and two sports was really a challenge," she said. "I always thought I'd be playing soccer in college until I fell in love with the Concordia volleyball program."

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Cortmack (looking to break the 50-second mark in the 400 run after running it in 50.7 last season), junior Spencer Torok and sophomores Dominic Hodge and Chaz Jeffress.

"Chaz will run everything from the 400 to the 3,200, providing a lot of flexibility," Aspinall said. "Jeffress ran 4:30 and 9:40 last year as a freshman (in those events) and was first-team all-area."

Jeffress has plenty of

company as far as Salem distance runners who could score points.

Senior Brendan McCann is looking to follow up after having a strong cross country season. He is joined by juniors Patrick Casey, Doug Haslitt and Jason Rogers, who all broke the 5-minute mile last season.

Aspinall said 18 guys broke the 5:10 mark in the mile run last season (when Salem finished 3-2) and are back with an additional year of growth and training.

Salem's hurdlers will be spearheaded by top returning juniors Miles Mason, Ty Traylor and Dhruv Patel. But Aspinall sees plenty of promise in the team's younger hurdlers (a group of 14) "who have been working hard to develop their technique over the hurdles and will continue to improve as the year progresses."

A combination of veterans and newcomers will comprise Salem's lineup in the long jump and high jump.

Leading the way in the long jump will be senior Drake Jordan, who scaled 20-feet, 8-inches last season.

Seniors Brandon Sherrod and Harsha Sajja will complement Jordan.

In the high jump, newcomers will lead the way, including junior Allante Wheeler, Patel and freshman Cameron Grace.

"All three of these

guys have serious jumping ability and are eager to get outside to jump on a real pit," said Aspinall, just prior to the spring weather finally breaking early last week.

In the pole vault, junior returns Hunter Burin and Allen Martin are ready to see how much their hard work during the off-season is going to pay off during competition.

"Our throwers will be a major strength for the team," said Aspinall, naming seniors Michael Hoover, Tony Avant, junior Tony Przytulski, sophomore Christian Pearson and newcomer Jannick Schmitt.

Hoover threw the shot put 46 feet last year and registered a 122-foot throw in the discus while Avant tallied a 120-foot discus toss.

"Schmitt moved from Germany where he was a decathlete with his best events coming in the throws," Aspinall said. "He has shown great potential and will be a tremendous asset to add to the mix."

Another plus for the program, Aspinall added, will be hosting the Oberseverland Relays, on Saturday, May 3, at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Plymouth outlook
Despite the graduation of a number of top performers from the 2013 KLAAs South Division and regional cham-

pion Plymouth Wildcats (5-0 record) veteran head coach Jon Mikosz is confident there still is enough returning talent and promising newcomers to again be very competitive in the KLAAs.

"We lost a lot of guys to graduation last year," Mikosz said. "Most of our top sprinters and hurdlers graduated. But we have a strong distance team coming back this year and they are coming off a great cross country season."

"We are looking to be competing at a high level again this season and competing for a division title and being in the top few teams in the conference and regional."

A quartet of all-state qualifiers is back to lead the Wildcats.

Three of the four qualified in distance events, including Johnny Dalton, Max Rogowski and Blerim Mema. All were part of the all-state 3,000- and 1,600-meter relay teams.

Other distance runners slated to excel are Matt Paul, all-state cross country runner Zane Berlanga, Liam Cardenas and Mayur Patil.

In sprinting features, Plymouth's lineup features Brandon Harris, Brandon Garrison, Mamum Abbas, Patrick Lane and Chris Corcoran.

Field events will be filled by Nathan Harris, Zach Paliszewski, John Kody, Dan Goertz, Sharielf Lately, Anthony Pearson and Mark Lowy.

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Collectors view buttons as art, historical artifacts

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Regina Iwata loved to play with her mom's button box as a kid.

Buttons of all sizes, shapes, colors and materials were stored in a tin and beckoned young hands to sort, touch and mix them.

"I was always in that box. As a kid, you just put your hand in there and swish swish swish, pretty pretty pretty, play play play. And that's all you care about."

Iwata still loves buttons — and has the Bakelite Scottie dog button from her mother's box — but the Livonia woman has learned a thing or two about them since she began collecting several years ago.

"You never keep your buttons that way because they can scratch. You don't use a jar, either," she said. Instead, Iwata wires buttons to matte board, frames each collection and hangs them on the wall.

"They are like little pieces of artwork. They don't add up (in cost) as quickly as other things do. You can have boxes full."

She and fellow button collectors, including Marjorie Fraser of Canton, buy from dealers, auctions, button club shows, antique shops, estate sales and thrift stores that sell vintage clothing. Prices can range from 25 cents to thousands of dollars.

"You can collect for a very low price," said Fraser, who has won ribbons for the button displays she enters into club competitions. One of her award-winning collections includes a button that depicts Balmoral Castle. Fraser said she paid approximately \$500 for the piece, but stressed that beginning collectors can find less expensive items.

"You don't have to have a thousand dollar button. It can be very inexpensive," Fraser said. "It grows on you."

Both she and Iwata are members of the Mayflower Button Club, which meets

monthly at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 33777 Five Mile, Livonia. Its next meeting runs 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 26. Members bring buttons for "show and tell" and sometimes for sale. A business meeting begins at 11 a.m. and a program — this month it's about "Victorian Jewels" — starts at 1 p.m.

The club also will present the Michigan Button Society's spring show, "May Flowers Welcome Button Showers" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Double Tree Hotel Dearborn, 5801 Southfield Road, Dearborn. Admission is \$5 and will include vendors and displays.

Iwata and Fraser, who is club treasurer, started collecting buttons in earnest after attending a meeting.

Fraser, who had inherited some of the buttons from her grandmother, initially hoped to sell the items.

"I didn't know what to do with them," she said. "I went to the meeting and had such a good time. I thought, 'I'm coming back.'"

Although Fraser has collected a variety of buttons, her favorites are glass, particularly ones that look like tiny paperweights.

"You rarely meet someone who is not friendly in the button world," Fraser said.

Iwata also loves glass. One of her favorite displays consists of an assortment of ruby- and cranberry-colored buttons. Another collection brings together buttons handmade by Michigan artists. It includes a Michigan-shaped button from Petoskey stone.

"Those people are special to me because they made the button," Iwata said. "For me, collecting is also about the stories I hear. I like variety and I like the (factory) tours and to see if I can get in and see how it's made. I like talking to people about the hobby. Every time I see people and I'm blabbing about buttons they laugh. And then I show them the buttons and they don't think it's so



Marjorie Fraser's prize-winning collections. PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER (STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)



Regina Iwata holds a collection board of buttons for the 50 states. They are made of brass and are gold-plated.

funny after that."

For more about the spring show, visit www.michiganbutton.com. For the Mayflower Button Club, call Iwata at 313-701-9841.



Regina Iwata of Livonia shows how buttons are fixed to cards for display. At left, Marjorie Fraser of Canton, is treasurer of the Mayflower Button Club.

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Professor pens new book of revised Shakespeare

By Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

James Hartman staged easier-to-understand versions of *King Lear*, *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet* over the past few years at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Now he's made them more readable, too.

His second book of revised Shakespeare plays, *Shakespearean Tragedies Revisited: An Actor's Edition*, has been published and is available from Schoolcraft's bookstore, Hartman, who has a Ph.D., and is a professor of theater and drama for the college, will sign copies from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, at Henry's in the Vis Ta Tech Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

Copies of his first book, *An Actor's Edition of Shakespeare Revisited*, which includes *Othello*, *Macbeth*, *Merchant of Venice*, *Measure for Measure* and *Titus Andronicus* also will be on hand. "I have the work revisited in the titles. I like that because I feel like that's what I'm doing. I revisit the great masterworks and make them more accessible to the modern audience," Hartman said. "When Shakespeare was writing plays, he was writing for the 'groundlings,' the uneducated people. Today,

because the language has changed so much it's the educated who understand them. "I love the research and trying to make (Shakespeare) accessible to audiences and actors... getting everyone, educated or non-educated to thoroughly enjoy the works of Shakespeare. The plot and characters he developed are remarkable. The language is beautiful. I don't know of any playwright since Shakespeare who handles language as beautifully as he did."

Long process

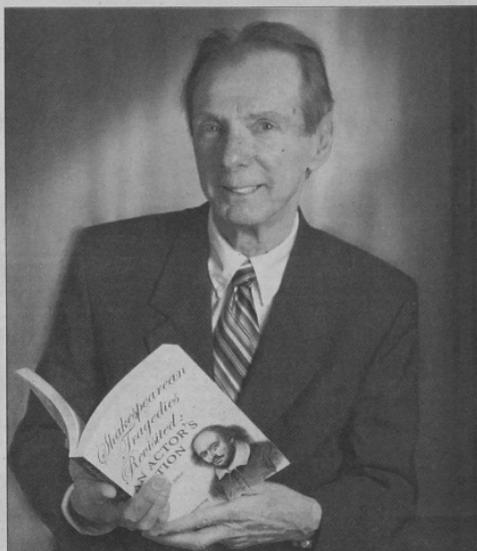
He started editing Shakespeare's works in 1992, beginning with *Macbeth*. After each revision, which took two-three years to complete, he staged the play at Schoolcraft to test the changes he'd made.

"I decided if I wanted to stage Shakespeare and keep Shakespeare alive commercially on stage, the issue of language had to be addressed. I edited word by word. It's not modern English. It's still Shakespearean," he said. "I was surprised and excited to find that it worked so well on stage. The actors had no difficulty working with the language and the response was unbelievable. Some people thought it was the first Shakespeare play they saw

they could follow." Hartman finished editing and staging the first five plays in 12 years. He said Conway Jeffress, Ph.D., Schoolcraft president, encouraged him to compile the revised scripts into a book. Jeffress even found a publisher. *An Actor's Edition of Shakespeare Revisited* was published in 2007. Hartman revised and staged three more plays over the next six years and compiled them into his second book. He has begun work on two more plays, but isn't sure which will be staged first nor when the scripts will be complete.

When working at home, he is surrounded by books on Shakespeare, play anthologies, and several busts of the bard. His two cats, as well as Hartman's two cats, Hamlet and Horatio, keep him company. "It's a long process. I can sit eight to 10 hours a day and edit word by word and sometimes after a 10-hour day I might have just one paragraph finished."

Hartman preserved the iambic pentameter, the meter that Shakespeare used in his plays. He made the language more understandable by substituting nouns for pronouns and eliminating nouns. He also added verbs and subjects where needed.



James Hartman, professor of theater and drama at Schoolcraft College, will sign copies of his new book on April 9 at the college.

"If I had to substitute a word, I had to find a word with the same number of syllables."

His new book also includes a section on acting Shakespeare's works. It explains iambic

pentameter and offers clues to interpreting the dialogue.

GARDEN & NATURE CALENDAR

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

Butterflies
Carolyn Sohoza, president of Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA), will talk about ways to attract wildlife and butterflies to the garden, 7

p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for SEMBA nonmembers. 734-223-5510; www.semabutterfly.com

Farmingington Garden Club
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They leave every 30 minutes from the entrance on Powell Road, just east of Ridge Road, between Ann Arbor Road and North Territorial, Plymouth Township. Dogs are not permitted and strollers are not recommended because of the terrain. Website for updates is: millerwoods.com.

Maple sugar
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Explore Nature Day, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, is for all ages and will include a guided hike, art projects and nature games. Cost is \$5 per child or \$10 per family.

Register for the programs at <http://www.releafthgvo.com>. Heritage Park is located on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Call 248-477-1135 or email info@releafthgvo.com for more information.

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BECKER, RUTH LOUISE (FALLOWFIELD)

Age 80 of Zionville, Indiana, passed away March 27, 2014. She was born July 15, 1933 in Detroit, Michigan to the late William Henry Fallowfield and Lillian Ester Fallowfield. She is survived by son Ron (Jane) Becker; granddaughters, Hannah and Erica Becker of Zionville, IN; and sister Mavis Sewell of Trenton, MI. She was preceded in death by her brother Wallace. Ruth danced ballet professionally in New York City and Detroit and taught ballet for thirty years afterward while living in Birmingham, MI. A lover of animals, music, nature and people, Ruth found beauty in everyday items and moments. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society or the Alzheimer's Association. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

HARPER, ANNE M.

Age 80 of Birmingham, MI, passed away on Tuesday, March 11, 2014. She died in North Birmingham, AL. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Farvel, MI. She was born the daughter of Creswell and Virginia Harper. She was married April 20, 1933 in New York. She was a graduate of Smith College and taught piano for many years. She was active at Christ Church Cranbrook and Kiwanis. Anne loved entertaining, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Anne is survived by her four sons, Clark, Mark (Debra), James and Scott (Lisa). Also surviving are six grandchildren, Mark Gabriel, Melissa, Jonathan, Jonathan, Victoria and Jasmine; and one great-grandchild, James Creswell James and her sister, Kaysha Winsor. Anne also leaves behind her nephew, Benjamin Winsor and niece, Alma Winsor. Memorial Service 1 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2014 at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Arrangements for cremation were handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. Online condolences may be left at www.stephenson-wyman.com.

HAYES, LINDA KATHRYN

Was born on May 30, 1942, to Anna Barbara and Rollie Wallace Murray, and was later adopted by her aunt and uncle, Minnie M. and James B. Jones. She died on March 31, 2014. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, adoptive parents, and one daughter, Kathryn Hayes. She is survived by her brothers, James W. Jones and Douglas Murray, and her nieces, Phyllis Lovett, and Robert E. Hayes on September 16, 2014. The wedding was performed by her brother, Rev. James W. Jones. After marriage, Linda and Bob lived in Wayne, then Plymouth, Michigan until they were transferred to Japan in 1986. After returning in 1990, Linda and Bob settled in South Lyon, Michigan, where they resided for nearly twenty-four years. Linda and Bob have two daughters, Rebecca Ufford (Donald) of Plymouth, Michigan, and Donna Henry (Keith) of Waukesha, North Carolina; four grandchildren, Katy Ufford, Taylor Ufford, Joshua Henry, and Joseph Henry; and one grandnephew, Andrew and Jasper. During her married life, Linda took a round-trip journey to California, as well as two complete trips around the world. She lived in Tokyo, Japan for three years, and visited numerous cities in Japan as well as Seoul, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok, Sydney, London, Paris, Amsterdam and Geneva. Linda was deeply involved in the lives of her children and grandchildren. She provided tax service for children, and made hundreds of pills, which were enjoyed by everyone fortunate enough to taste them. There will be no funeral service, but there will be a memorial service for Linda's life on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., in the First Baptist Church of South Lyon, 60020 Mariette Ann Street, South Lyon, Michigan, with a gathering time starting at 10:30 a.m. Interment of her ashes will be a private service. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial donation to the University of Michigan Hospital, Heart Transplant Unit and/or Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU).

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LOZANO, FRANK "PANCHITO"

July 6, 1924 - February 18, 2014 passed away on February 18, 2014 in Walnut Creek CA. Mr. Lozano was born in Joliet, IL on July 6, 1924 to Joe and Antonia Lozano, the third of eight brothers and sisters. Shortly after his birth the family settled in SW Detroit. Mr. Lozano started playing the trumpet as a young boy, involving with his brothers formed a family band. When WWII began, he joined the army and was assigned to the "great battle of Reno" playing in the military band. Once the war was over, Mr. Lozano joined his brothers and formed Pancho & Orchestra. Pancho & Orchestra became one of the premier dance bands in the city, riding the crest of popularity of Swing and Latin dance music they appeared in venues across the city as well as into Windsor and Ohio. In the golden age of television, Pancho & Orchestra was the "house band" for the "Arthur Murray Dance Show". Mr. Lozano was involved in community activities, frequently volunteering for Father Kern in whatever capacity needed. He and his brothers were the clovers for the annual Christmas Day Show for the children of SW Detroit. He never missed a Veterans Day Parade, and played the Shrine Circus every year. He was a founding member of the City of Lansing of Livonia, and served with numerous community organizations throughout his life. As his music scene changed in the 60's and rock and roll and then disco became the new sound, Mr. Lozano decided the time was right to resume his education. He enrolled at Eastern Michigan University majoring in Music. He received his BA and started his career with the Detroit Board of Education. That position lasted in 1975. He became Asst. Principal at Maybury Elementary School and then Principal of Webster Elementary School, the position he held when he retired. That position was particularly gratifying as he and his siblings had attended Webster as children themselves. When he was appointed principal of Webster Mr. Lozano was the first Mexican American principal in the Detroit School System. There was no greater advocate for education than Mr. Lozano. Education was essential to success and never failed to advise people to either start or continue their education. Mr. Lozano finally finished his education in 1990 when he earned his PhD in Education from the University of Michigan. Mr. Lozano retired from the school system in 1989, however, he continued to play with his band until his was in his late 70's when health concerns sidelined him. Mr. Lozano is preceded in death by his wife Barbara (1986) and his companion Marie Lukes (2013). His brothers Joseph (Joan) and Martin (Loe) and sister Mary Moomaw (Lucy) Mr. Lozano is survived by his daughters Stephanie (Henri) and Antonia, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, sister Natalie Armerizador (Jesse), brothers Albert (Linda), Leon (Lorraine) and Philip (Joy) and numerous nieces and nephews. A Memorial is scheduled for April 11, 2014 at the Laurel Manor at 39000 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia MI from 1-4 p.m. in lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Detroit Musicians Fund C/O Detroit Federation of Musicians, 20833 Southfield Rd, Suite 103, Southfield, MI 48075.

MCATEER, PATRICIA "PAT"

Age 80 of Beaverton, Michigan, passed away at her home, March 24, 2014. She was born on 1-24-34 to the late Oscar & Theodora (Wilbur) Pat was the beloved wife of the late James (Benmy) McAteer for 57 years. She was devoted and loving, mother of Jim McAteer, Trish (Duke) McAteer Wilson, Tim (Melissa) McAteer, Don McAteer Villaire, Kathy (Scott) McAteer Taff, and the late Jean McAteer-Falvy. Grandmother of 23 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren: Sister of Wilbur Pat, Alfred (Barbara) Paul, the late Alice Delman, Sister in-law of Thomas "Taso" McAteer, many nieces & nephews Pat had a special love for family, music, singing and dancing. One of her biggest joys was to sit with her husband as he played the piano having her loved ones around her singing. She also enjoyed cooking. It was said that she was "too clever for an army", as she never knew how many of her ex-extended family members she was when she always made sure everyone was welcome and well taken care of. Pat was a special person and will be greatly missed by all. A Celebration of Life will be conducted on April 12, 2014, at 11:00am. Friends will be received at 10:30am at Our Lady of Grace Church (St. Anne Catholic Church), Edenville, Michigan with a luncheon immediately following the service at the Abrecht Shore Eagles. Arrangements are in the care of Hall-Kokotovich Funeral Home, Gladwin, Michigan, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Make a Wish Foundation, Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 101 www.hall-kokotovichfuneralhome.com

MCRAW, MARY LOUISE KIMBALL

Age 80 of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, passed away on March 28, 1923 in St. Paul, MN to the late Alice Marie Cooke and Clarence M. Kimball. She graduated from Royal Oak High School in 1941 and subsequently from the University of Michigan, earning a degree in education. Mary was a war bride. She and Dick celebrated their nuptials at the Long Beach Naval Base in California during WWII. Their first home was in Royal Oak, where they started a family but eventually moved to Bloomfield Hills in 1957. Mary was a substitute teacher, volunteered with Head Start, a Girl Scout leader, a Cub Scout den mother, and was very active with Bloomfield Hills school activities and their PTO. She acquired her real estate license and worked in the greater Birmingham/Bloomfield area. Mary and Dick built Pudding Stone Farm in 1976, where they enjoyed their horses, dogs and cats and were heavily involved with animal rescue. She joined the Detroit Historical Society to help fund for local historic preservation projects. They moved back to West Bloomfield to be nearer to their children and eventually moved to Fox Run in Novi. Survived by her children, David (Leann) and the late Sa (Henry), Doreen (Ray) Steve, Stephen (Mary) and Brian Sullivan & grandchildren, Meg McGraw Scherer, Kristina McGraw Lyons, Liane Sevo, Erik Sevo, Sean, Whitney, Sloan, Mackenzie, Erin, Alex and Julia McGraw, and great-grandchildren, Evelyn and Quinn Lyons, Miles and Sadie Scherer. Visitation Monday, April 7, 2014 from 10 a.m. at Royal Oak Memorial Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E of Woodward) from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Burial and interment Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9 a.m. at Christ Church of the Ascension, 470 Chard Rd. (off Lone Pine), Bloomfield Hills. Memorials to the Michigan Humane Society or Great Lakes Charity are appreciated. Share your memories at: www.sullivanfuneralsdirect.com

NEVILLE, ARTHUR

Age 82 of Saginaw, formerly of Detroit, passed away at her home, March 27, 2014. Dear father of Marc (Anne) Neville and Barbara Neville Loving grandfather of Zach Neville. Preceded in death by first wife, Mary Catherine (Nevr) Neville, and by second wife Shirley (Blodes) Neville. Survived by dear friend Joan Comstock. Actively involved in his church, the American Legion, VFW, and Korean War Veterans. Memorial service at 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 11, 2014 at Countryside Trinity Church, 4690 Wasco St. Saginaw. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Legion Association or to Countryside Trinity Church.

PINAZZA, FRANK

Age 81, April 3, 2014 Beloved husband of Rosalie for 56 years. Loving father of Lisa (Dave) Poma, Cherish (Linda) Pace at Fred Wood Funeral Home Rice Chapel, 36100 Five Rivers Blvd. Livonia, MI. Wednesday 4:49 p.m. and Thursday 12:49 p.m. The funeral Mass will be held Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 17600 Newburg Rd., Livonia, MI 48152 12:00 p.m. at 11:30 a.m. Please share memories at: Fredwoodfuneralhome.com

WILLOX, ALEXANDER

Age 76, April 3, 2014 of Westland. Beloved husband of Elizabeth "Betty". Loving father of David (April), Matthew and Jan (Jennifer). Proud grandfather of three grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. Dear brother of David, John (Ellen) and Margaret (Francis) Young. Friends and family will gather Sunday 4:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. Memorial Service at St. Elizabeth Saviour Presbyterian Church, 36666 Cherry Hill Rd., Westland. Arrangements carefully made with Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Rd., Westland. In lieu of flowers, please visit vermeulen.com

WURMLINGER MARK JOSEPH

Age 62, of Ogden, died at Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan, Kansas on March 31. Born on March 30, 1952 in Redford, Michigan, he attended Redford Union High School, graduating in 1970. Shortly thereafter he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving in Vietnam in the military police. After an Honorable Discharge he remained as a Civil Service employee with Fidelity Army Base in Kansas for 33 years. During his lifetime he was member of both the VFW and the American Legion, where he served as commander, vice commander and finance officer. Preceding him in death are his father Joseph and grandsons, Casper and Barbara Wurmlinger and Nicholas and Mary Dulvick. He is survived by his mother, Helene Wurmlinger (Dabow), sisters Donna (Eric) Swift and Patricia Nothaf (Michigan), and brother, Eric (Rosalynd) Wurmlinger (Idaho). He was also survived by his wife, Mary-Kathryn Nothaf and Dane and Jillian Wurmlinger. Mark was blessed with two sons, Eric and Stephen, who were respected, loved and cared for him. He will be remembered for his excellent work ethic, integrity, and unpretentious lifestyle.

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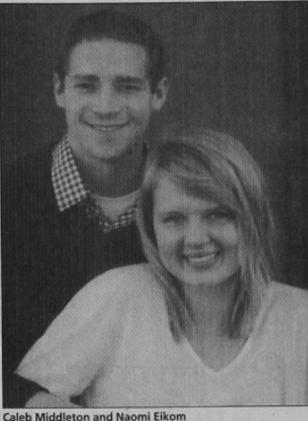
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Naomi Eikom and Caleb Middleton announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of Don and Inez Eikom of Egan, Minn., will graduate from Moody Bible Institute, where she met her fiancé, Caleb Middleton, son of Matt and Jenny Middleton of Livonia. He will graduate from the Institute in May 2014. The couple plans a July 2014 wedding in Egan, Minn.



Jacqueline Diana Lane and Justin Andrew Dean

LANE-DEAN

Jacqueline Diana Lane and Justin Andrew Dean were married in August 2013 in Dearborn. The bride, daughter of Dan and Debbie Lane of Westland, is a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The groom, son of Darrel and Mary Shep-

MYSZKOWSKI-MASON

Betsy and Jerry Myszkowski of Farmington Hills are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kaitlin Mary, to Kevin Michael Mason, son of Darlene and Tim Mason of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 2008 graduate of Mercy High School. She earned a bachelor of business administration in finance and marketing with an emphasis in

disturbance and logistics at Grand Valley State University in 2012. She is employed by Title Source Inc. in Detroit.

The future groom is a 2003 graduate of Catholic Central High School. In 2007, he earned a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering at the University of Notre Dame. He is employed at Altair Engineering Inc. in Troy. A summer 2015 wedding is planned.



Kaitlin Mary Myszkowski and Kevin Michael Mason



Study cautions against transfusion overuse

A new study by the University of Michigan Health System and VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System found that the more red blood cell transfusions a patient receives, the greater their risk of infection.

The study appears in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. The study's authors evaluated all health care-associated infections — including such serious infections as pneumonia — that were reported after receiving donor blood in randomized trials. Transfusions often are used for anemia or during surgery to make up for blood loss.

Elderly patients undergoing hip or knee surgeries were most susceptible. They had a 30 percent lower risk of infection when fewer transfusions were used.

"The fewer the red blood cell transfusions, the less likely hospitalized patients were to develop infections," said lead author Dr. Jeffrey M. Rohde,

M.D., assistant professor of internal medicine in the division of general medicine at the U-M Medical School.

"This is most likely due to the patient's immune system reacting to donor blood. Transfusions may benefit patients with severe anemia or blood loss; however, for patients with higher red blood cell levels, the risks may outweigh the benefits."

Worse with sepsis

Risks of additional hospital infections were particularly high for patients who already had sepsis, a condition in which the body's immune system overreacts to an infection and may lead to organ failure. Patients with sepsis were twice as likely to develop additional infections when they received more transfusions.

A nationwide effort called the "Choosing Wisely" campaign recommends that patients planning for surgery or a hospital admission discuss

transfusions and other common medical procedures with their physician ahead of time.

Senior author Mary A. M. Rogers, Ph.D., research associate professor in internal medicine and member of U-M's Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation, says patients should ask these questions: "As a patient, what can I do before hospitalization to prevent or decrease my likelihood of developing anemia?"

"What are ways that blood loss can be minimized when I am hospitalized? Would any of these options be available for me?"

"What are the criteria that the hospital uses to decide whether or not I would need a blood transfusion?"

"Would you keep me and my family informed during the hospitalization regarding these options, the number and types of transfusions that I was given, and let me know whether there is anything I can do to help?"

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UPCOMING

Affordable Care Act

Learn about the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), the health insurance exchange or marketplace, and how Botsford Hospital assists patients with its financial resource programs, 6-8 p.m. Monday, April 14, in the hospital's community room, located in the Ziegler Center, 28500 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, 248-442-7986.

Blood drive

Monaghan Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive April 21 at Monaghan Hall, 19801 Farmington Road in Livonia. All blood donors will receive a free gift certificate, for a dinner at the K of C Hall, compliments of Rose Catering. Call 734-591-3237 for an appointment.

Cancer screenings

Henry Ford Health System will offer free head and neck cancer screenings Wednesday, April 23, and Botsford Hospital will offer the screenings Saturday, April 26.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Henry Ford Hospital, 2799 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit
1-4 p.m., Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane, 19401 Hubbard, Dearborn

9 a.m. to noon, Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, 6777 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Botsford Cancer Center, 27900 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Exams performed by ear, nose and throat surgeon Dr. Warren Brandes, D.O., and his team of residents.

Head and neck cancer symptoms can be vague, but warning signs include hoarseness, persistent throat and ear pain for more than four weeks, mouth sores that won't heal and a lump in the neck. Make a screening appointment by calling 313-916-3275 or visit www.headandneck.org.

Caregiving

Wayne State University Shiffman Medical Library Outreach Services will present "Conversations for Caregivers," an all day conference featuring a panel discussion, forum and breakout sessions that will connect caregivers to legal, financial, health care, long-term care and research experts, 9:30-3 p.m. April 16, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit. The event is free but registration is required. Call LaVetra Ellis-Danquah at 313-977-9083.

Celiac support

Pam King from The Center for Celiac Research is the speaker at the Tri County Celiac Support Group, 7 p.m. April 7, at The First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. tcccj.net

Childbirth education

Learn about the stages of labor, managing methods, the partner's role in labor and delivery, medications and anesthesia, C-section and more in classes that meet 7-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, April 10, 17 and 24 at Botsford Hospital, 28500 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Register at 248-888-2500 or visit www.botsford.org

Diabetes support

The St. Mary Mercy Livonia Diabetes Support Group will present a free educational seminar about the complications that can happen with diabetes, 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, in the North Auditorium at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Guest speaker is Praveen Modi, M.D., 734-655-8950.

Healthy aging

Aaron Ellenbogen, Garden City Hospital health expert and neurologist, will talk about what's normal and what's not in brain function as individuals age, at a lunch and lecture event, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, in the Westland Mall Community Room, lower level, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. He'll also explain how to take better care of the brain. The free event will include a Q&A lecture, lunch, health screening and prize drawings. Register by calling 734-458-4259.

Project Healthy Living

United Health Organization, a non-profit organization, will offer health screenings, including tests for fitness, obesity, hypertension, vision, hearing, glucose, food and seasonal allergies at locations throughout southeastern Michigan when it kicks off its "Project Healthy Living" program this month. Most basic screenings are free. Local sites are:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 26, Lahser Ambulatory Surgery Center, 27207 Lahser, Southfield

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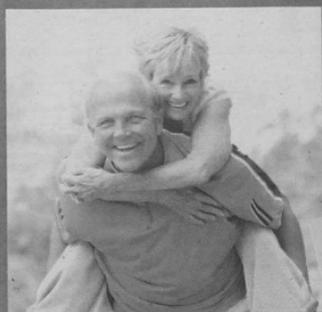


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Job-search mistakes to avoid when finding your first job

By: Robert Half International

Launching your first job search is both exciting and bewildering. You're eager to impress potential employers with your newly gotten experience and degree, but you're afraid that you might botch it. Here are some common job-search mistakes that trip up many new grads -- and tips for avoiding them.

Mistake No. 1: Neglecting your network

Although online searches and career fairs all have their place, harness the power of professional networking when searching for your first job. Consider joining your school's alumni network or a relevant professional association in your industry. Talk to as many people as you can including neighbors, parents' friends, members of your house of worship, about your career goals, especially if they're in the same or similar industries.

Mistake No. 2: Being sloppy or too clever

If you're serious about the job search, you will not only carefully edit your resume and cover letter, but you'll ask someone else to take a look, too. Read your documents out loud to make sure they sound professional; this is also an excellent way to catch mistakes. Often, one type can get your application tossed off the short list.

It also doesn't pay to be cute or clever. Yes, your application materials might stand out that way, but not always in a good way. See Robert Half's "Resumania" column for our most advice and best practices.



Mistake No. 3: Sending out generic documents

When you come across that cool job post, don't make the rookie mistake of sending out one-size-fits-all application. If you want to land your first job, you have to do your homework.

Start by clicking through the company's website. Search for recent news articles. You may also want to like their Facebook page and follow their Twitter feed. Then, tailor your resume and cover letter to show how your skills and experience mesh with the job description, as well as the firm's corporate goals and culture.

Mistake No. 4: Being careless about your online person

Just as you conduct a Web search on the people that you're interested in dating, potential employers will do a search on you. If you haven't already, sign up with LinkedIn, upload a professional-looking profile photo and write a polished summary.

You also need to comb through all your other online profiles and social media posts, and scrub what you don't want hiring managers to see. Even though you may have set all the right privacy settings in the beginning, we all know how frequently they can change. It wouldn't hurt to give everything a thorough once-over as you start searching for your first job.



Mistake No. 5: Showing immaturity

After sending out personalized application materials, you'll start hearing back from a few companies. Don't give them reasons to doubt their judgment with unprofessional phone or email manners. That could cost you your first job opportunity.

Start by getting rid of the quirky or brusque voicemail message. Instead, record a pleasant and neutral one that's appropriate for a job search. Don't forget to give your email the same treatment by having an address that is a variation of your full name -- not a nickname, your hobby, an alternate persona or something worse. And if you have a quote or cliche graphic automatically appended to the end of each email

you send, you'll just want to delete that or change it to your contact information.

Mistake No. 6: Being unprepared for interviews

You got a call for an interview, but you can't just show up and expect to ace it. Now is the time to study. Anticipate the possible questions and rehearse the answers. Practice with someone to make sure your delivery is smooth, confident and on point. Realize that the interviewer may throw you oddball questions like, "If you could be any animal, which one would you be?"

Also keep in mind that many preliminary interviews are now done by phone -- and that not all hiring managers

will set up appointments before calling. Be prepared for job-related calls out of the blue. And when they do call, try to find a quiet location where you won't be interrupted.

You may wonder how to get a first job when there's so much competition for so few openings. By avoiding these common job-search mistakes, you'll greatly increase your chances of success and a long, fulfilling career.

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Glenda Gerbstadt (734) 389-7759



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Diane Shires (248) 817-4569



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OPEN 1-4 1303 Cole Street, Birmingham - Location! Walk to Downtown and the Rail District from this charming bungalow. \$192,000
Joanna Drukker (248) 639-4903



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Wendi Miller (248) 639-4907



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OPEN 10-30-130pm 586 Sheffield, Canton - Three bedroom condo with first floor master. Updated kitchen and finished basement. \$234,900
Jessica Tremont (313) 484-5246



OPEN 1-4 37253 Glenbrook, Clinton Township - Mint condition, many updates. Newer kitchen, refinished cabinets, freshly painted. \$99,800
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OPEN 2-4 188 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms - Charming four bedroom updated Tudor with original detail. Never roof. \$439,000
Dori Daskas (313) 208-7922



OPEN 2-4 44 Regal, Grosse Pointe Shores - Great curb appeal in this spacious Colonial with three-car garage. Large foyer. \$525,000
Lalla Abud (313) 214-2320



OPEN 2-4 2002 Roslyn, Grosse Pointe Woods - Magnificent Quad-level home. Five bedrooms, possible 6th bedroom. Three baths. \$159,900
James Addison (313) 214-2305



OPEN 2-4 19115 Woodland, Harper Woods - So many updates, every detail has been attended to. Spacious open updated kitchen \$48,000
Marsha King (313) 214-2295



OPEN 2-4 18980 Roscomont, Harper Woods - Beautiful clean two bedroom gem. Everything has been pretty much done. \$27,900
Deborah Kelly (313) 214-2247



OPEN 1-4 38563 Lakeshore, Harrison Township - Magnificent home on Metro Beach's protected back bay, minutes from Lake St. Clair. \$925,000
Carol Paton (586) 554-2385



OPEN 2-4 37958 Seaway, Harrison Township - Meticulously kept Tri-level featuring 120' canal space with a covered boat dock. \$429,900
Matt Mannino (313) 252-2288



OPEN 1-4 39439 E. Archer, Harrison Township - The waterfront home you've waited for! This great home is totally renovated! \$299,000
Mark Dziedzic (248) 554-2307



OPEN 1-4 39363 Canterbury Dr., Harrison Township - Great room ranch, model-like new. Wildlife area in back of home. \$258,000
Hosted by Misty Weisenberger (586) 762-7945



OPEN 1-4 28768 Ashland, Harrison Township - Open floor plan makes entertaining easy. Relax in your master bedroom with fireplace. \$244,900
Christine Obarto (586) 522-4450



OPEN 1-4 1167 Mark Dr., Harrison Township - Beautiful three bedroom completely updated condominium with full basement. \$74,900
Don Glomb (586) 554-2388



OPEN 1-4 3851 Red Root Road, Lake Orion - A beautiful home, very clean with neutral decor throughout. Recent updates. \$378,000
Nancy Ritter (248) 365-7114



OPEN 1-3 19 Lana Court, Mt. Clemens - Detached site cordo with three bedrooms & two baths provides freedom plus privacy. \$114,000
Rhonda Glefke (248) 817-4588



OPEN 1-4 59203 N. Bradford, New Haven - Move in ready! Newer construction three bedrooms, 2.5 bath Colonial on corner lot. \$135,000
Bridget Robioux (586) 690-4696



OPEN 1-4 40655 Paisley Circle, Novi Move-in ready four bedroom, three and a half bath gracious brick Colonial with finished basement. \$379,900
Kendra McConnell Hurd (248) 639-4924



OPEN 1-4 21353 Equestrian Trail, Novi - Timeless and classic. This private Colonial is tucked away on almost 5 acres of land! \$1,047,500
Tracy Wick (248) 513-8538



OPEN 1-4 22463 Norfolk Court, Novi - Home was custom built for a closed head injury patient the house is wheelchair accessible. \$499,900
Holly Hurd (734) 666-3968



OPEN 12-3 41832 Canterbury Drive, Unit 48, Novi - Great condos living! Spacious with partially finished living area in lower level. \$171,000
Kent Tyrrell (734) 403-4881



OPEN 1-4 1456 Oakmont Court, Lake Orion - Most popular layout in Marina Pointe. Newly refinished hardwood floors thru-out \$350,000
Hosted by Nan Denis 248-639-7954



OPEN 12-2 2551 Bull Run, Oxford Township - Beautiful country living with city benefits. Lots of space 3400 sq. ft. plus finished basement. \$250,000
Michelle Schinke (248) 365-7146



OPEN 1-4 13508 Westbrook, Plymouth - Stunning! Entertain on your own resort. Two-story great room has full length gas fireplace. \$575,000
Chris Patrick (734) 389-7698



OPEN 2-5 962 Harbough, Plymouth Very close to downtown Plymouth. 3 bedroom potential for 4th. Open plan. Gorgeous updated kitchen. \$524,900
Jessica Tremont (313) 486-5246



OPEN 1-4 4806 Goodson Place Drive, Rochester - Prestigious Address of Oakland Township and beautiful 5 bedroom home! \$624,990
Leslie Doran (248) 365-7135



OPEN 1-4 2192 Rochelle Park Dr., Rochester Hills - Beautiful, immaculate condo! Open kitchen, all appliances, updated half bath. \$193,000
Nancy Ritter (248) 365-7114



OPEN 1-3 3118 N. Connecticut Ave., Royal Oak - Very clean and updated three bedroom bungalow in highly desirable Red Run area. \$184,000
Justyna Slabosz (248) 365-7107



OPEN 1-4 4354 Arden Place, Royal Oak - Great location, close to Beaumont Hospital, restaurants, shops and events on Woodward. \$239,000
Marianne Prokop (248) 365-7132



OPEN 1-4 46759 Vineyard, Shelby Township - Look No Further! This gorgeous home is loaded with updates. Refinished hardwoods. \$149,900
Beky Livorno (248) 817-4554



OPEN 1-3 13680 Windwood, South Lyon - Charmer! Welcome to this beautiful, updated home with an inviting open floor plan. \$249,900
Jan Carey (734) 389-7737



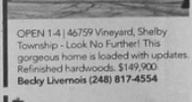
OPEN 2-4 1011 Tron, St. Clair - Love the charm of a Victorian but hate the maintenance? Try this newer, lovely Colonial! \$399,900
Lalla Abud (313) 214-2320



OPEN 2-4 20900 Bayside, St. Clair Shores - Kitchen updated 8 yrs. ago. Backyard is perfect for summer entertaining with large deck. \$160,000
Nick Howard (248) 918-0547



OPEN 2-4 30113 Taylor, St. Clair Shores - Four bedrooms, 2 on first floor, 2 on second floor. Some hardwood floors, updated kitchen. \$179,000
Dori Daskas (313) 208-7922



OPEN 1-4 19113 Edminton, St. Clair Shores - Beautiful home. Hardwood floors, glass block windows. Lay in the partially finished basement. \$149,900
Jim Hedrick (866) 229-1248



OPEN 1-3 1491 Glenwood Drive, Sylvan Lake - Lovely Contemporary with easy flowing floor plan. Beautiful entrance deck. \$294,900
Wendi Miller (248) 639-4907



OPEN 1-4 2358 Pontiac Drive, Sylvan Lake - Completely remodeled Contemporary Shaker. Steps away from the beaches and parks. \$225,000
Cindy Hannah (248) 230-4764



OPEN 1-4 1842 Delta Drive, Troy Outstanding Colonial has \$70,000 in recent updates. Lives beautifully. Troy schools. Finished basement. \$339,000
Patrick Carolan (248) 365-7129



OPEN 2-4 31317 Hayes, Warren Beautiful Ranch with updated kitchen and bath. New stainless steel appliances. Hardwood floors. \$111,000
Kay Rinke (313) 486-9143



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