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# Heritage Park, site of Canton's Liberty Fest, is soaked by rains as event nears

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Heavy rains that soaked southeast Michigan in recent days have left Heritage Park site of Canton's Liberty Fest saturated and soggy as the summer-kickoff event arrives

Thursday through Saturday.
"It's as wet as I've ever seen the park prior to Liberty Fest,'

Abe Vinitski, Canton park and sports supervisor, said Tues-

Canton Leisure Services employees and Liberty Fest organizers said the park could partially dry out amid better weather as the area had a reprieve from rains Tuesday and into Wednesday.

"We'll be prepared for the crowds," Vinitski said. "We've

lived through worse things. We'll be fine. I've always said the park is resilient. It will bounce back.'

Jon LaFever, Canton recreation coordinator, said rainsoaked Heritage Park's worst damage came as heavy trucks hauled carnival rides and other festival amenities into the

park. "Most of the higher ground

areas aren't bad," he said. "We do have some trouble spots from damage caused by large semis getting the rides and tents onto the fields.

Liberty Fest runs 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday. Barring severe weather, as many as 50,000 people are expected to descend on the park to enjoy carnival rides,

entertainment, food and numerous other activities.

Vinitski said workers may have to put down straw and plywood to improve festival grounds in the aftermath of heavy rains. He said some turf restoration and alternate parking areas also may be needed.

Rain already canceled Can-

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# Music class strikes rigl chord for over-50 crowd

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Deana Salhaney is ready to play "Love Me Tender."

A Canton-based music class for students over age 50 may strike just the right note to help fight dementia, stress, depression, Parkinson's disease and loneliness

 all while boosting immune systems and nurturing new friendships.

Studies have documented the positive side effects of music, but students learning to play timeless songs on Lowrey keyboards at Evola Music say it's just

as important to find a cre-

ative outlet they enjoy. Deana Salhaney, who got a keyboard as a gift last Christmas, hadn't played music since she took piano lessons as a young child.

"I had forgotten most of what I had learned," she

said, before striking the keyboard notes to Elvis Presley's Love Me Tender during an over-50 class at Evola Music, on Haggerty north of Warren. "This is sort of a new experience -

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# Troy man charged in underage sex case set for trial

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Barring a plea deal, a 42year-old Troy man is now facing trial in August on charges he had sex with an underage Canton girl who police say he met through a social network-

ing site. Brett Christopher Lloyd's trial is scheduled to begin Aug. 12 in Wayne County Circuit Judge Richard Skutt's courtroom,



Lloyd

court records show. Lloyd could face up to 15 years in prison if he is convicted of five felony counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct and one count of fourth-degree

Police have declined to say where the sexual encounters allegedly occurred. Authorities also haven't disclosed the girl's specific age, saying only that

she is 13-15 years old. Detective Sgt. Dan Traylor said Tuesday that parents should do their best to try to monitor their children's social media and Internet activities. He also advised having "an open conversation about the

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# Foodie alert: Canton Grub Crawl roster includes 15 restaurants this time around

By Darrell Clem Staff Writer

Foodies making their restaurant rounds during this summer's Canton Grub Crawl will have an opportunity to sample hometown craft beer. Canton Brew Works, the

community's first and only microbrewery and tap room, is among 15 businesses, mostly restaurants, on this year's roster.

Barry Boggs, who started Canton Brew Works this year with wife Cara, was at Bailey's Sports Grill when last summer's Grub Crawl crowd ar-

rived. "It just seemed pretty in-teresting," he said. "This will be a great way to get people in

to try some beer.' Grub Crawl is set for 6-10

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Rudie Noble, his wife Diana (left) and their daughter Breana sample Tony Sacco's pizza during a previous Grub Crawl.



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and it keeps my brain working.

Christine Wofford, another Canton resident, is among the more than 100 students in over-50 classes learning to play songs such as I Walk The Line, Little Brown Jug, Beautiful Brown Eyes, Jingle Bells and When The Saints Go Marching In at Evola Music. Each class typically has seven to 12 students.

"I can't believe I did it with my own two hands,' Wofford said, finishing her rendition of Love Me Tender. "It's very rewarding and it's a lot of fun.'

Wofford also has a serious reason for learning to play music. She has watched her mother battle dementia

"I've read about how playing music stimulates

the brain," she said. Lowrey keyboards

own virtual orchestra to provide background music as students learn to play their notes. Patti specialist, points to stud-

used at Evola have their

Deana Salhaney reviews her music before playing.

Fry, virtual orchestra ies such as one led by a former Michigan State University music therapy educator, Frederick Tims, which showed music-making reduces

anxiety, depression and

loneliness.

Neurologists also have found that music evokes emotion and can bring with it some memory for Alzheimer's patients, lending further credence to programs such as Evola Music's over-50 keyboard class

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"It helps brain health," Fry said. Most over-50 classes

last 10 weeks, but some students return. They learn a new song each week

"It goes slow enough that the students aren't



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Christine Wofford plays the keyboard, watched by instructor Michelle Fabricatore.

overwhelmed," Fry said, "but it goes fast enough that they learn something new every week."

One couple who met in class even got married.

Michelle Fabricatore, class leader, said her

students share their life stories while learning their new skills.

"My favorite thing is when a light bulb goes on and they learn something they didn't know before, she said.

"It brings a smile to

Evola students also have participated in holiday parties, boating trips, ice cream socials and, in Canton's Heritage Park, a concert dubbed Friends Playing for Friends. Fabricatore said

their face," Fry added.

her students often develop ties to each other. "They learn from each

other," she said. Evola's over-50 class, also taught at Bloomfield Hills and Shelby Township locations, is among company programs that span all age groups and involve instruments as diverse as the piano, ukelele and saxophone.

Meanwhile, as Wof-ford played a song inside the Canton music room, Salhaney looked through a music book as if to find her next selection. She keeps herself busy painting, working crossword puzzles and, now, with music.

She and others have learned it's never too late

to play.
"It really is a lot of fun," she said.

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p.m. Tuesday, July 21, when food connoisseurs paying \$35 will have a chance to sample local cuisine and beer from 15 establishments. That averages about \$2.33 per place.

Wearing special Tshirts as admission, participants can board shuttles and vans to make their rounds or drive themselves. The event is hosted by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Downtown Development Authority

'It's our way of supporting our restaurants and showcasing their products," chamber president Thomas Paden said. "Grub Crawl is a



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They've been seen at a few Grub Crawls and they're hard to miss: Enjoying their previous outing were (clockwise, from left) Becky Blackburn, Jessica Roland, Holly Schmude, Aleasha Peck, Liz Gurgel, Wendi Southwick and Yvonne Lawson.

way to introduce new restaurants and also an opportunity to support restaurants that have been here. It's a good marketing opportunity.

"It's just a great com-munity event," he added. "It's fun and we're al-

ways excited to do it." Paden said Grub Crawl, now in its 14th year, typically draws a crowd of 500-600 people. It is geared toward people 21 and older and celebrates Canton's eclectic restaurants.

This year's lineup includes 4 Friends Bar & Grill, 502 Grill, Bagger Dave's, Bailey's Sports Grill, Basement Burger Bar, bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Canton Brew Works, Carvel Ice Cream, Chili's, Crow's Nest, TGI Fridays, Tilted Kilt, Tony Sacco's Coal Oven Pizza and Twisted

Rooster, which the chamber says is pairing on-site with Canton Brew Works.

Carrie Walker, the chamber's marketing and communications representative, said anyone wanting to reserve a T-shirt for Grub Crawl may go to www.canton chamber.com, call 734-453-4040 or stop by the chamber office, 45525 Hanford Road, west of Canton Center.

Walker said participants will be assigned a starting point when they pick up their T-shirt and get menu listings for the eateries.

She said some restaurants have repeatedly joined Grub Crawl "and it's nice to see some of the newer businesses participate as well."

Major sponsors for this year's event include Atchinson Ford Sales, Inc., Schoolcraft College, Twisted Rooster, Jack Demmer Ford, Inc., Man-nik & Smith Group, Inc., and Showroom of Elegance.

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Liberty Fest returns Thursday through Saturday to Canton's Heritage Park

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ton softball and baseball games for two weekends in June – a rarity, Vinitski said

"Liberty Fest will go on," he said.

LaFever said Tuesday the weather has disrupted the pre-festival rou-

'It has put us a little behind as far as the setup goes, but the public

won't really notice anything," he said. Depending on Heri-

tage Park conditions and the weather, Canton may consider using off-site shuttles to help festivalgoers reach their destination, though no decision had yet been made.

Vinitski said Liberty Fest in the past has had to shut down for a few hours amid severe weather conditions, but it has always resumed. Another Canton event, the Canton Cup soccer

tournament, had to shut down early in its last day four years ago amid a deluge of bad weather.

Officials say the show will go on, with residents and visitors anticipating the festival.

"They look forward to it. It kind of signifies summer," LaFever said. "It's almost like (Liberty) Fest) is permission to enjoy summer."

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(potential) dangers of social media."

"Our children are our most prized possession,' Traylor said, "and it's up to us to protect them and guide them in the right

direction.' Lloyd's defense attorney couldn't be

reached Tuesday for comment on the case.

Canton police Lt. Craig Wilsher has said Lloyd was accused of befriending the girl through an undisclosed social media site and arranging to meet her in Canton during the latter part of last year and

early this year. Wilsher said the alleged incidents occurred "over a period of time."

With the trial pending, Traylor said police haven't divulged information such as the social media site where Lloyd and the girl allegedly

Traylor said the case unfolded after the girl eventually came forward to her parents.

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### Gather at noon each Wednesday for PCAC concerts in Kellogg Park

The Plymouth Community Arts Council's Music in the Park is underway at noon each Wednesday in Kellogg Park

The musical series began this week with The Chautauqua Express. The following concerts are scheduled:

» June 24: The Kerfluffles

» July 1: Matt Watroba » July 8: The Music Lady

» July 15: Nessa

July 22: Mr. Seley & The Troublemakers

July 29: The Chautauqua Express

» Aug. 5: Joel Tacey's Tiptop Entertainment

» Aug. 12: Gemini

» Aug. 19: Barbara Bailey Hutchinson

» Aug. 26: Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic The 31st season of music is free. Head to The Gath-

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The Michigan Phil plays at 7:30 p.m. June 27, in downtown Plymouth at Kellogg Park. The orchestra travels to the great outdoors performing at 7:30 p.m. July 11 on Maple Beach at Kensington Metropark. Finally, the Phil pays homage to the home of Motown at 6:15 p.m. Aug. 29 in the great city of Detroit at Grand Circus Park as part of the Detroit Summerfest lineup.

The lineup for these free concerts will take you back to the days of bell bottoms as you tap your foot to favorites by the Temptations, the Supremes, Stevie Wonder and the Rolling Stones, just to name a few.

There will be music for the sophisticated Motown enthusiasts, the peace-loving, fringe wearing hippies and rock 'n' roll fans of all ages. Bring your disco dancing shoes and get ready to dance the night away.

Local vocal stars also join the Michigan Phil once again to lend their talents to the Mamma Mia medley. Kathryn Calzone graduated with her bachelor's from the New England Conservatory and studied voice at the famed Interlochen Arts Academy. Lauren Norris earned her master's in musical theater performance at the Royal Conservatorie of Scotland.

Taylor Walls, a senior at Madonna University, is majoring in music management and interns for the Michigan Philharmonic. Walls recently competed on season 14 of American Idol and sings locally with her band Athens Creek.

For more information, call 734 451-2112 or go to

www.michiganphil.org.



Justin Kangisser greets his wife Stephanie and, for the first time, daughter Kenle...



A photo of the reunited Kangisser family of Canton.

AMY GULLIKSON



AMY GULLIKSON

U.S. Navy Seaman Justin Kangisser can't get enough of his daughter, born while he was on duty in the Persian Gulf.

# WELCOME HOME

Plymouth-Canton photographer Amy Gullikson wanted to help her friend, Stephanie Kangisser, welcome her husband Justin home from an almost one-year military tour in the Persian Gulf area.

Gullikson, whose business name is Photography by Amy Elizabeth, flew out to the Coronado Naval Base in San Diego to document the June 4 event. She provided the Observer with photos of the naval rescue swimmer's longawaited homecoming.

June 4 was also the first time Justin saw his daughter Kenley, now almost a year old, who was born while he was at sea.

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# Emergency preparedness doesn't end when you go on vacation

With the weather warming and schools recessing for the summer, the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, is encouraging citizens to plan and prepare for emergencies that may happen while on vacation.

'Summer is typically the time of year when individuals and families take extended vacations and road trips," said Capt. Chris A. Kelenske, depu-ty state director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and commander of the MSP/EMHSD. "Whether traveling across the state or nation, you should prepare in advance for all types of emergencies or disasters that could affect your vacation. A little

planning could be a lifesaver if a disaster strikes while away from home.

Before you leave for your

» Know all weather-related emergencies and disasters that are common to your vacation destination. And learn how



Kelenske

weather warnings are communicated in that

» Know safe shelter locations and evacuation routes at campgrounds, hotels or re-

» Pack a travel-size emergency preparedness kit that

includes water, snacks, first aid kit and hand-crank flashlight and radio. Don't forget to include prescription medications and baby formula, if

» Develop an emergency communications plan for everyone traveling in your group. Make sure everyone knows what to do in the event of an emergency and designate an out-of-area emergency contact in case your group is separated

» Download American Red Cross mobile apps to your smart phone. For more information, go to http:// www.redcross.org/prepare/ mobile-apps.

During your trip: » Monitor the weather forecast along travel routes at all times. Delay the trip if severe weather is possible.

» Have someone check on or take care of your pets in case severe weather or a disaster strikes while away.

» Always keep your vehicle's fuel tank above half full. Power outages or severe weather may prevent you from refueling.

» Have a map and familiarize yourself with the area of your destination. Do not rely on cellphones or computers as your only navigation source.

» Keep a vehicle preparedness kit in your car at all times that includes a hand-crank radio, hand-crank flashlight, cellphone charger, blanket and extra clothes, tire repair kit

and pump, flares, jumper cables and a "call police" or

The MSP/EMHSD is a partner in the "Michigan Summer of Safety" initiative, which serves as a reminder to all of us to "take safety along for the ride." To support this initiative, join the conversation on social media by using the hashtag #MiSummerofSafety with any safety-related post from Memorial Day to Labor Day. For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/ohsp.

To learn more about being prepared before, during and after an emergency or disaster, follow the MSP/EMHSD on Twitter at @MichEMHS or go to www.michigan.gov/beprepared.

#### CANTON CRIME WATCH

#### Teen driver nearly hits man, later apologizes

A 48-year-old Canton man tossing a football with his son on a residential street notified police to report that a speeding, teenage driver nearly hit him - even putting her car in reverse at one point in a threatening manner, a police report

The incident unfolded about 7:30 p.m. Friday on Morgan Drive, southwest of Cherry Hill and Lilley. The man ended up getting an apology from the driver the next day.

The man told police the car was speeding toward him and didn't stop, nearly striking him as he jumped out of the way. He said he then threw a football and hit the back of the car.

He said the driver - who police learned was a 17-yearold female - put the vehicle in reverse and backed up toward him, flipping him off and causing him to warn her that she was going to kill someone by driving the way she did.

He said she then turned the steering wheel in his direction and drove at him, nearly running him over before he

jumped out of the way. He said he smacked the driver-side rear-view mirror.

The man got a license plate number of the vehicle, helping police track down the teen driver to a residence on Terrell Court. She conceded she put the car in reverse, but also said he punched her mirror. She told police she was having a bad day and has been having anxiety and other medical issues

The man had told police he didn't want to prosecute, but merely wanted an apology from the teenager. Police arranged it, bringing the girl to the man's street the next day so she could apologize.

#### Road rage

A Canton man accused of throwing a bottle at a Westland woman's car during a road rage incident has been ticketed, a police report said.

The incident unfolded Saturday after the woman said the man, driving a BMW, abruptly slammed his brakes while driving in front of her, partly to avoid hitting another car in front of him, the report said. The woman conceded to

police that after she stopped at a traffic light on southbound Sheldon at Sheldon Center, she began waving her arms at him out of frustration. She said he made obscene gestures to her and she told him to move his foreign car.

She said he then grabbed a bottle and threw it at her passenger door, causing a loud noise, before he drove off. She trailed him to the area of Warren and Poppleton as she phoned police, who advised her to back off from any further confrontation.

Using a license plate number, police tracked down the 58-year-old suspect at his residence in the 49100 block of Andover. His wife said he hit his brakes to avoid another car, but the man also conceded he threw a bottle at the other vehicle.

Police cited the man with a misdemeanor for throwing an object at another vehicle.

#### Fraudulent taxes

A Detroit couple had been expecting a \$6,460 refund at a Canton mailing address after filing their income taxes, but

they notified police after learning they had become victims of identity theft.

The couple, in their 40s, have a mailing address at a United Parcel Service store on Joy Road in Canton, where they had been expecting to receive their tax refund. But they notified police after learning from the Internal Revenue Service that someone else had used their names to file tax returns and that a tax refund already had been sent.

#### Ex-hubby harassment

A 32-year-old woman who lives at the Academy/West Point mobile home park on Canton's southeast side told police that her ex-husband, now living in Texas, has been

harassing her by text. A police report indicated the former husband, 26, sent the woman 13 texts within a short time Friday because he wanted to talk with their two children, ages 2 and 4. But the woman said he had phoned after their agreed-upon calling time, a police report said.

The woman told police she refused to let the ex-husband

speak to the children because they were going to bed. The police report indicated he repeatedly sent the same text message, "OK, God bless and may the Lord be with you on your journeys."

Police advised him to stop texting the woman.

#### Noisy neighbor

Police went to a home in the 43000 block of Arlington, off Morton Taylor between Joy and Warren, amid reports that a man was yelling, wearing his boxer shorts outside and playing his television so loudly that neighbors several doors down could hear it.

The incident unfolded June 10. Police arriving at the scene could hear the noise coming from the man's house. Police ended up confiscating some marijuana and other items from the residence. Authorities executed a search warrant after he had refused to cooper-

Police ticketed the man for breach of peace and possession of marijuana.

- By Darrell Clem



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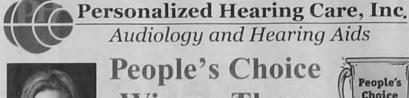
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#### PLYMOUTH CRIME WATCH

#### Senior citizen arrested on shoplifting charge

A 65-year-old man was arrested on a shoplifting charge June 12 after he was confronted while trying to leave a Plymouth Township supermarket with \$70 worth of groceries for which he hadn't paid.

Fish, a pork loin, cupcakes, a frozen dinner, cat litter, shrimp and sausage were among the items the man had put into Kroger bags and tried to carry from the store, employees at the Kroger at Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail told police. Two employees confronted the man as he tried to leave the store shortly before 7 p.m., a Plymouth Township Police

Department report said. The man admitted to the retail fraud attempt and told police "he did not know why he tried to steal the items, he just did," the report said. He denied his actions were caused by a lack of money to purchase the merchandise, police said.

Kroger staffers re-ported recognizing the man from a similar incident at a Kroger in Westland.

#### Arrests

A 20-year-old man was arrested on a charge of resisting police after an officer early June 12 confronted four young

people who were in Hines Park after closing

The patrolling officer spotted the four - two men and two women near a car in the area of Gunsolly and Hines Driver just after mid-night June 12, a police report said. When the officer approached to tell them the park was closed and ask for identification, one man ran, police said.

Officers later found a man hiding in bushes about 200 yards away, police said. He was arrested for resisting police and police found three outstanding warrants for him from Canton Township.

Of the other three, an 18-year-old woman was arrested on an outstanding misdemeanor warrant from Westland and turned over to police there. The other man and woman, both 18, were warned about being in the park after closing and released.

#### Larcenies

At least three vehicle burglaries, two in motel parking lots, took place in the township last week.

In one, an MP3 player and a wheel lock were taken from a Ford Flex parked outside a house on Ivywood Lane. The car had been left unlocked, the victim told

That theft occurred

late June 11 or June 12.

In another, an in-dash navigation system was stolen from a Buick Enclave that was parked outside the Hilton Garden Inn on Sheldon Road. The victim told police the Enclave had been locked, but police found no signs of forced entry, a report said.

That theft occurred between about 10:30 p.m. June 12 and 6:30 a.m. the next day.

In the third, a globalpositioning system was taken from a Chevrolet Traverse that was parked outside the Comfort Inn on Ann Arbor Road. A window on the Traverse had been broken, police said.

That theft occurred between 8 p.m. June 12 and just after 6 a.m. the

#### Mailbox vandalism

A township woman who reported hearing an explosion outside her home on Woodgrove Drive late June 11 found her mailbox in pieces outside the next morning, police report

The woman told police she had heard the explosion just before midnight and found the mailbox in pieces around 8 a.m. June 12.

Police checked the area, but found no damage to other residential mailboxes, a report said.

- By Matt Jachman

# Plymouth man arrested for fifth drunken-driving offense

By Aileen Wingblad Staff Writer

A Plymouth man, who reportedly lost control of his car in Farmington, faces a felony charge after being arrested May 29 — his fifth arrest for drunken driving since 2007

Christopher Andrew Kintz, 45, was arraigned by video later that day by 47th District Magistrate Matthew Friedrich, who set bond at \$100,000. Kintz is scheduled for a pre-exam conference June 22 before Judge

James Brady. According to Far-

mington Public Safety, it was shortly after 4 a.m. when Kintz was reportedly seen

Kintz speeding on Orchard Lake Road. He lost control and drove off the roadway, where he struck a street sign, and then re-entered the roadway, where he again lost control and drove off the left side of

the road.

Police conducted a traffic stop and suspected Kintz was intoxicated based on his appearance and slurred speech. A police report states Kintz's words were "al-most unintelligible."

He reportedly failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood-alcohol content of 0.12 per-

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# Annual Motor City Irish Festival is Father's Day weekend in Redford

The sixth annual Motor City Irish Festival takes place Father's Day weekend, June 19-21, in

Redford. This year, the festival adds new programming elements to its tradition, the opportunity to meet Red Wings alumni and Hockey Hall of Fame members Ted Lindsay and Alex Delvecchio. The two hockey stars will be a part of the festivities Saturday, June 20. Lindsay will sign autographs 1-3 p.m. and Delvecchio will do the

same 4-6 p.m. The festival also has an entertainment lineup that includes The Mahones, Seamus Kennedy, Nessa, American Rogues and Detroit-area bands including The Diggers, Blackthorn, Bill Grogan's Goat, The Jamrocks, Johnny Manning Band, The Codgers and Brother Crowe.

Another new attraction to the festival is the whiskey tasting tent. There will be five sessions throughout the weekend, led by a whiskey expert from Dublin. Times for the whiskey



FILE PHOTO

Blackthorn will be playing at the Motor City Irish Festival in

tastings are: » 8 p.m. Friday, June

» 4 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20 » 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, June 2

Space is limited for each session. There will be a \$25 fee in addition to admission to the festival.

The Motor City Irish festival takes place at the Western Graham Field, located on 14841 Beech

Daly Road, just south of Five Mile Road, next to St. Valentine's Church. The festival days and hours can be found at www.motorcityirish fest.com

Tickets are \$12. All fathers are free on Father's Day

For additional information, contact Aimee Spencer at 248-565-7575 or email at spencerinkco @gmail.com.

## Colbeck to meet with constituents in Livonia

State Sen. Patrick \*Colbeck will meet with constituents in Livonia this month.

Colbeck and district manager Penny Crider will hold an office hour from 11 a.m. to noon Friday, June 19, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road Colbeck will be on hand to

answer

Colbeck

questions and respond to

concerns any residents of his district may have. No appointment is neces-

For more information or to contact Colbeck, go to www.Senator PatrickColbeck.com or call 517-373-5713.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Survivor Jamie Eilola, with her children Ava Eilola and Adrienne Eilola and family friend Katelynn Masters, is ready to begin the Relay



Jenny Sherman, Jackie Norris and Denise Amici dance on a drizzly Saturday morning just before



Relay For Life begins.

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# Relay makes strides in cancer fight

By Matt Jachman Staff Writer

With a new location and good weather, Plymouth's Relay For Life attracted a supportive public Saturday and brought in nearly \$67,000 for the American Cancer

This year's walk, designed to both raise awareness of the fight against cancer and raise funds for ACS research and programs, took place in Kellogg Park; past Plymouth Relays had been behind Central Middle School.

"We had a lot of walkthrough traffic that day and it was just great being downtown," said Megan Schaper, the Plymouth Relay coordinator

for the ACS "I thought we had a great day. Great venue, great weather, great turnout," said Larry Johnson, who participated in his eighth Relay and was this year's events chairman. "It was great being in downtown Plymouth."

Relay participants there were 153 registered walkers and 61 cancer survivors, according to Schaper - got more public attention than at past Relays, Johnson noted, because the greater visibility of Kellogg Park for people who were visiting downtown or the nearby farmers market.

Schaper said walkers, as they did laps around



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Judy Zuercher, a survivor, wears a cap with the message "hope" and "believe." She's in front of the Kellogg Park fountain. The waters were dyed purple for the occasion.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Cancer survivors, their families, friends and supporters gathered in Kellogg Park for the event.

the park, drew the interest of diners on restaurant patios and sidewalk areas near the park.

"Everybody stood up" and people were taking pictures, she said. "It had a way bigger impact than we planned on."

'More contact'

"It was like a totally different atmosphere. There was a lot more



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The route for the Relay was around Kellogg Park.

contact with the folks," said Nancy Little, a cancer survivor and longtime Relay volunteer who also participated.

Walkers and passersby were treated to live music and dance shows and led in exercises by local fitness studios. There was a survivors luncheon and a remembrance walk, led by a bagpiper, to honor people lost to cancer.

There was something going on all day long," Little said.

Johnson, who runs a local Farm Bureau Insurance agency, brought his team of 35-40 walkers: friends, family members, colleagues and members of his church, First Baptist Church of Garden

Johnson said he's motivated to walk and volunteer because of the many relatives who are either battling cancer or have been lost to it.

"It's a disease that has really impacted my family a great deal," he said. "I can't even count how many friends and other people I've known who

have battled it."

The fundraising goal for the Plymouth Relay this year was \$80,000. The ACS is accepting donations for the event through August; donations can be made through www.relayforlife. org/PlymouthMI or mailed to American Cancer Society Inc., 20450 Civic Center Drive, Southfield MI 48076.

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# Author Hernandez to speak about Detroit

Lolita Hernandez, author of Making Callaloo in Detroit, will speak at the Plymouth District Library at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 25, as part

June 25, as part of the annual Michigan Notable Book Award Author Tour.

Hernandez
will speak about
her short stories
drawn from her
memories of
Hernandez

growing up in Detroit with Caribbean roots, among a hidden community that craves sun and salt water, dances to calypso and makes callaloo in their kitchens.

Hernandez is also the author of Autopsy of an Engine and Other Stories from the Cadillac Plant and several books of poetry. After more than 33 years as a UAW worker at General Motors, she now teaches in the creative writing department of the University of Michigan Residential College.

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Registration for the program is requested. Contact the library at 734-453-0750, ext. 4, or go to plymouthlibrary.org.

# Superintendent Liepa to take county school job, but says Livonia 'is still my home'

By Karen Smith

Livonia Public Schools Superintendent Randy Liepa said being offered Wayne County's top school job is an honor, but also bittersweet. "I love my job here, but

"I love my job here, but this is an opportunity to make a more significant difference as it relates to education policy and local district support both in Wayne County and in Michigan," he said. "Know that Livonia is still my home and I plan on helping here wherever I can. And with the strong leadership at central office and on the board here at home, I have the utmost confidence that LPS will continue to do great things for our students."

The Wayne RESA school board voted unanimously Wednesday night to offer Liepa the position of superintendent of the regional educational service agency that provides services and support to Wayne County's 33 school districts

Liepa was selected over three other candidates. He was the only one called back for a second interview, which took place Wednesday. The other candidates were Westwood Community School District Superintendent Sue Carnell, Riverview Community Schools Superintendent Russell Pickell and St. Johns Public Schools Superintendent Dedrick Martin.

"I think he's very qualified," Wayne RESA Interim Superintendent Steven Ezikian said of his new boss.

Ezikian said Liepa and the board are in the process of negotiating his pay, benefits and start date.

and start date.

Liepa has been with LPS, one of the 10 biggest districts in the state, since 1994. He has been superintendent

since 2003. The board in December extended his contract by another year to June 30, 2018.

Before coming to LPS, Liepa was Wayne-Westland Community Schools assistant superintendent for business and operations after joining that district as supervisor of accounting. From 1984-87, he was a public accountant for Plante Moran.

Former Wayne RESA Superintendent Christopher A. Wigent left in March to become executive director of the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Ezikian, who had been the deputy superintendent for Wayne RESA for 15 years, said he declined to apply for the position and will return to his former position.

Liepa was one of six semifinalists for the state superintendent's job in March. He lost to Dearborn Public Schools Superintendent Brian Whiston, who will succeed Mike Flanagan on July 1.

Livonia school board President Colleen Burton said at the time Liepa was identified as the Wayne RESA finalist that she is thrilled he has the opportunity to represent all Wayne County school districts, which will give him an even more influential voice in Lansing on the changes needed for the way schools are funded. That will be beneficial for all school children, she said

However, she said, he leaves "enormous shoes" to fill in Livonia. "It places a very large responsibility on the Board of Education; it will be a very significant piece of work (to find a replacement)," she said.

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# Canton soldier graduates U.S. Army basic training

Army Pvt. Keith Ameyaw has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

son, Columbia, S.C.
During the nine weeks of training, Ameyaw studied the

Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet

training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

Ameyaw is the son of Joe Ameyaw of Canton and a 2011 graduate of Canton High School.

### Compassionate Care Hospice celebrates its volunteers

Compassionate Care Hospice in Canton celebrated its volunteers in May.

Volunteers make visits to patients, assist with operations in the office, help with special events (such as icecream socials and St. Patrick's Day events), help with yard work, visit at care facilities, provide musical companionship and sit vigil with patients at the very end of

The hospice recognized Barbara Adkins, Steve Avery, Caitlin Berdijo, Al Biggs, Billy Brooks, Barb Burleson, Ruth Carp, Padmaja Chittela, Irene Covington, Su Mei Dixon, Ellen Doenitz, Linda Ford, Greg Green, Marie Guglielmotti, Bruce Hanks, Mike Klomparens, Hwa Kwon, Stella Marquez, Kim Messer, Charlene Moore, Scott Murray, Carol Parkinson, Simran Reddy, Mary Ann Schrock-Hoffman, Kira Schwartz, Pat Theisen and Dilara Turk.

The volunteers were formally recognized at Michaels in Canton for the annual Volunteer Recognition event "Painting with Assist." Volunteers took a class to help create a beautiful piece of art using a canvas and a brush. A



Compassionate Care Hospice volunteers put their talents to work at

perfect evening for a perfect team of volunteers, said Jeanne Edwards, volunteer coordinator. Anyone who would like to volunteer should call Edwards at 888-983-9050.



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# Medical, legal documents key for protecting assets

Q: Dear Rick: I am a divorced woman in my early 70s. After my divorce, a friend and I decided to live together to cut expenses. We ended up buying a condominium that's in both our names. We share expenses and we keep our finances totally separate. Recently, my friend was diagnosed with early stages of dementia. She has asked me (and I have agreed) to handle her affairs when she is unable to do so. She also wants me to inherit her assets upon her death. She receives a pension and Social Security, which covers her living expenses. The money is directly deposited into her checking account, which I have been add-



Rick Bloom MONEY MATTERS

ed onto. Her other major asset is her IRA, which she has named me as beneficiary. Is there anything else that I need to do? My friend is divorced and is estranged from her children.

A: My best to your friend as she enters this new and challenging phase of her life. She is lucky that she has a friend like you.

In reviewing the situation, there are some things you should do. The first is to obtain a General Durable Power of Attorney and a Medical

Durable Power of At-

The General Durable Power of Attorney will allow you to handle her legal and financial matters, while the Medical Durable Power of Attorney will allow you to handle her medical affairs. These two documents are essential to allowing you to easily handle her affairs without judges, courts and lawyers getting involved.

Also, even though she may be estranged from her children, it doesn't mean the children won't try to get involved. After all, you and I both know that when there's money on the table, even estranged relatives seem to come out of the wood-

By having the requi-

site powers of attorney, it gives you legal standing to handle your friend's affairs

With regard to the Medical Durable and the General Durable, I strongly recommend that you sit down with an attorney and have those documents drafted. Particularly in this situation, where someone down the road can question whether your friend was legally competent to execute these documents, having an attorney involved in the process will certainly

assist you. In addition, you may wish to put into the powers of attorney the fact that she is estranged from her children and she does not want them involved.

Because she wants

you to be the beneficiary of everything, I also recommend that the attorney redo your friend's will to state she specifically disinherits her children. Although it appears that the assets she has would avoid probate upon her death, I believe it is important to

have a will. By disinheriting the children, you reduce the chances of them trying to cause problems upon her death

As the population ages, more people are being diagnosed. with Alzheimer's and dementia. Although there's nothing that I can tell you that will prevent the disease, there are things that you can do to make life easier for you and your loved ones.

In addition to preparing powers of attorney and making sure that your will or trust is up to date, it is important to check all beneficiary designations. Also do a document locator - a list of all your assets and important documents and where they are kept.

The key is to be proactive and to make sure these documents are in place so that in cases of a family tragedy, you and your family are protect-

Good luck.

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

#### **DFCU** branch opens

DFCU Financial's new Plymouth branch opened June 15. For each new member who opens an account or closes a loan there through Aug. 31, DFCU will donate \$25 to the Plymouth Educational Excellence Foundation. The branch is at 855 Ann Arbor Road.

#### Chamber golf outing

There's still time to sign up for the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce annual golf outing and auction, Monday, July 20, at North-ville Hills Golf Club. So far, there are only 34 openings left to play.

The event is a scramble that will include lunch, dinner, plus open bar throughout the day and on the course. All company foursomes

receive a sign on the course. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., with tee-off at 11 a.m.. Box lunches will be available to eat in the club house or to take with you on your cart. The cost is \$205 per golfer or \$820 per foursome.

The outing's auctions are a great way to showcase businesses in front of the golfers and volunteers (more than 165). Donations from large items to small items to gift certificates are perfect and every donor gets individual recognition. Items for the auction need to be received by July 16.
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BUSINESS BRIEFS recognition at the event. If a business would prefer to have the chamber purchase balls, each sleeve is \$6, or \$24 for a

Sponsorships: Hole sponsorships are \$150 and all other remaining sponsorships are \$300. All sponsors will have signage, be listed in the program and on the chamber website. There are sponsorships available for on-course games and other high-profile parts of the outing to give sponsors maximum exposure.

To golf, sponsor or donate to the auction, contact Wes Graff at 734-453-1540 or wes@plymouthmich.org.

The major sponsor is Victory Honda.

#### Safety program

Huron Valley Ambulance will offer a free,

two-day interactive safety program for children ages 8-12. The program offers youngsters information on household safety, simple first aid as well as fun interactive programs. The professional paramedics from HVA work as part of our emergency response team in cooperation with Plymouth Fire Services, which also will participate in the program.

Camp 9-1-1® runs from 9 a.m to 4:30 p.m. for two days. During the camp, emergency medical technicians and paramedics serve as counselors to guide campers through a variety of interactive experi-

Camp 9-1-1® will take place Wednesday and Thursday, July 1-2, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street. Campers must be registered in advance.

Parents can register their children by going to www.hva.org. If they have questions they can email camp911@emergenthealth.org or call 734-477-6781. Registrations are limited for this free program and are taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **Hazardous waste**

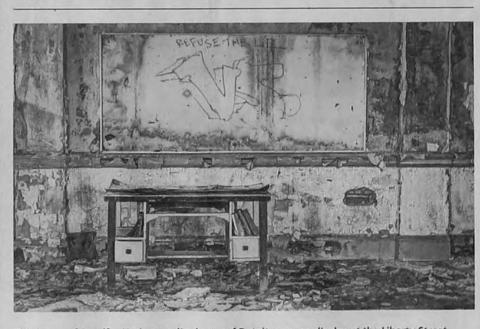
The Wavne County Department of Public Service will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. This free event is open to Wayne County residents only and is an excellent opportunity to make your home and environment safe by properly disposing of waste that is considered toxic, flammable or corrosive.

Examples of acceptable waste being collected include household paints, stains, dyes, floor wax, floor care products, carpet cleaner, furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, pharmaceutical waste (non-controlled sub-stances only), solvents, nail polish, glue, fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides,

antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, automotive batteries and dry cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs, fire extinguishers, mercury fever thermometers, smoke detectors, computer monitors, printers, scanners, mice, keyboards, cell phones, fax machines, copiers and televisions.

Only household generated products from Wayne County residents will be accepted. Items that will not be accepted include commercial waste, industrial waste, radioactive materials, explosives, ammunition, shock sensitive materials, household trash, 55-gallon drums, refrigerators, microwaves or other appliances, tires, yard waste and concrete. For information on how to dispose of these items, contact the Wayne County Resource Recovery Coordinator at 734/326-

For more information or to obtain a complete list of what will and will not be accepted, call 734-326-3936 or go to waynecounty.com.



This is one of Jennifer Underwood's photos of Detoit, now on display at the Liberty Street Brewing in old town Plymouth.

# Photo exhibit at Liberty Street Brewing

Jennifer Underwood is an urban photographer whose focus is on the city of Detroit and its issue with abandonment. Her work are now showing through July 31 at The Upper Hall Gallery at Liberty Street Brewing in old town Ply-

In her show, "Beauty in the D," Underwood conveys the beauty and rich history of the city of Detroit, while showing the decline that has occurred over many years.

Underwood said she realizes that people

wouldn't normally be able to see some of the environments of the city architecture she photographs, but in her pictures is an opportunity to go back in time to experience or re-experience what Detroit was once

# Adopt-a-Pothole program announced

Progress Michigan announced its new Adopt-a-Pothole program that will allow Michigan citizens to nominate the state's worst potholes by naming them after elected officials who have failed to fix Michigan's crumbling roads.

For a small donation, which Progress Michi-

gan - www.progressmichigan.org - will use to fight for a responsible solution to fix Michigan roads, residents will be able to email a picture of one of the state's numerous potholes along with the name of the lawmaker they are naming it after and have it posted on the Progress Michigan website. Each week, four nominees will compete for worst pothole, with the winner receiving a bumper sticker highlighting the poor condition of Michigan's roads and legislators' failure to fix them.

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# Dad is really just another name for ...

OPINION

ight off the bat, I'm going to start by stating the obvious: Father's Day is the proverbial stepchild of the springtime holiday sea-

C'mon. You know I'm right

Tell me that it doesn't take a backseat to the perennial favorite, Mother's Day, and the bevy of graduation parties that

follow in its wake? The truth is, Dad de-

serves a little more. More than the obligatory greeting card, a set of power tools or - if he's lucky - that stainless steel gas grill he's had an eye on at the local home improvement store.

Let's be honest. Dads are the bee's



Courtney Conover GUEST COLUMNIST

knees and we know that we - sons, daughters, wives - don't say thank you nearly as often as we should

But we know your worth is invaluable, Dad.

We know this because we watch you and we see every single thing you do

We see all the hats you We see the time you

put in

And we know that for a title that packs three tiny letters, the name dad signifies much, much

Dad is just another name for Steward of the Honey-Do List: You change light bulbs in the garage, get the dents out of Radio-Flyer wagons and make sure the family vehicle has windshield wiper fluid

Dad is just another name for the Disciplinarian: Because "Wait until your father gets home" isn't just a catch phrase and your expression of disapproval stings far more than your sons and daughters will ever let on. And, just so you know, this will probably ring true until your children turn 80.

Dad is just another name for Bedtime Monster Chaser: That tall,

purple monster with craters in his fur? The one that looks like he could be the cousin of Muno from Yo Gabba Gabba? You know, the one that rears his oneeyed head every night, just before your young daughter drifts off into sleep? Yeah, that one. You are the only one who can make him disappear.

Dad is just another name for the Backbone: Whether you spend your days in a corner office, a cubicle, a warehouse lifting heavy machinery or an 18-wheeler driving across the country, the bottom line is that you do what you do so that we can live how we live.

Dad is just another name for Mr. Mom: We are grateful for the time you take to get dinner on the table in a pinch and we are most appreciative of your tolerance of kiddie music during car-

Dad can also serve as another name for the Coach: You are not just the guy who shows up to the field every weekday at 3 p.m. on the dot - rain or shine - to supervise practice and then lead from the sidelines during games. You are also the guy who believes in the long shot; the guy who personifies perseverance in everything he does; the guy who once bought a bag of groceries for the family of one of his players during a rough patch and never told a soul

But, by far, the biggest gift given by any dad is

his presence. You are there for us, and you show up day

after day after day. And for that reason above all else - we thank

Wayne resident Courtney Conover is a mom of two, the wife of former Detroit Lions offensive lineman Scott Conover and a certified yoga instructor. When she's not on her yoga mat, she's blogging at www.thebrowngirl withlonghair.com and oversharing on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ thebrowngirlwithlonghair and on Instagram at instagram.com/ officialcourtneyconover.

**GUEST COLUMN** 

# Taxing without consent is both concerning, distasteful

s has been welldocumented by now, taxpayers in Wayne County will be levied a one-time tax, or a judgment levy, on their upcoming summer tax

Not only do I find it distasteful to tax constituents without their consent, but this precedent of taxing people to compensate for shortfalls is extremely concerning.

In December 2014, the Michigan Supreme Court ruled that Wayne County needed to reimburse its pension system \$32 million, plus lost earnings. A Wayne County Circuit Court judge ruled that the total would be \$49 million.

My colleagues and I on the Wayne County Commission voted 9-5, with one absent, to reject forwarding this payment on to taxpayers and instead move \$49 million



Marecki **GUEST** COLUMNIST

from a \$78 million fund that had not yet been allocated, though the expectation was that the \$78 million would be designated to reduce the county's accumulated

Shortly after this vote, Wayne County Executive Warren Evans exercised his right to a veto, believing instead that the \$78 million in the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund, which already had been released by the county treasurer's office, would be better utilized in reducing the county's def-

We, as a commission, have the right to override an executive's veto, as

long as a two-thirds majority votes in favor. Unfortunately, that number (10) was unattainable.

In Wayne County government, we are well aware of the terrible financial situation the county is in and I commend Mr. Evans for the work he has done this year on eliminating some of those woes. I might have been more sympathetic to the fact that a tax levy might have been necessary if the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund money wasn't avail-

I understand his position, but do not agree. One reason is this: Will a similar situation necessitate another tax levy on county residents?

When I ran for commission in 2014, I ran on the pretense that I would protect the people I represent (Northville, Northville Township and

most of Livonia) from the well-documented spending of past county administrations. With these proceedings, I find it totally unacceptable that taxpayers in my area, following adjustments in this levy, will contribute nearly \$6 million to a lawsuit based on poor

judgments of the past. I am disappointed we were unable to generate the necessary 10 votes to issue an override to Mr. Evans' veto. As one commissioner stated to me, "We are elected to be the skunk at the party.

I do, however, hold every intention of marching forward to conduct the business of the county the best I can. I will continue to watch for bumps in the road and inform constituents of the decisions being

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**OUR VIEW** 

# Happy Father's Day to the best dad there is — yours

There are more than 70 million fathers across the nation who boast a bevy of talents and impact their children in a va-

riety of ways. But each Father's Day, it becomes a competition, with people proudly posting on social media or in a card from their local Hallmark store that their dad is the best.

You know what? He should be held in such high regard. Mothers tend to get most of the recognition, and rightfully so, but the role of a father in today's world is of utmost impor-

More and more dads are expanding their roles, too, get-ting involved with parent teachers associations, helping with homework and cooking meals for the family. The U.S. Census Bureau also noted that in 2013 there were 214,000 stay-at-home dads with chil-



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dren younger than 15 who chose to stay home while their wife works.

According to the Father's

Day Index 2015 put together by Insure.com, dad's work around the house is valued at \$25,709 annually, compared to mom,

whose value is \$65,284. The figure is based on Bureau of Labor Statistics wages for household task fathers commonly perform and does not include salary from a career.

Dad has some work to do, but - compared to five years when his value was \$20,415 - he has made some strides.

But for everything dad doesn't do to keep up with mom in terms of monetary value for work around the house, he makes up for it with actions that often go unnoticed. He is the one who protects you when times are tough, but also lets you fail just enough so you learn how to overcome.

Dad is typically the guy holding the back of your seat when you ride your bike for the first time, as well as the one scooping you off the ground when you inevitably fall

He's the one standing at the door striking fear into every guy who takes you on a date, as well as holding you close when tears run down your face when your heart is broken. He's the guy who teaches his son about being a man, as well as that being a man isn't a sometimes thing, but an everyday thing. Dad may not always wear

his emotion on his sleeve, but dad always cares. You never want to disappoint him but, regardless, he is always proud of

Simply put, dad is the best. And not just Father's Day, when you take him to the golf course, give him a break from the grill or buy him that tie he never wants to wear but does it just for you. Dad should be recognized for exactly that - being better than 70 million others just like him.

LETTERS

#### Support appreciated

On the first day of summer, the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex — PARC — will open its doors in the first phase of a multi-year plan that will enable the community to join together to realize this once-in-

a-lifetime opportunity.

Theater, swimming, arts, music, baseball, football, dance, gym and community education are but a handful of the more than 30 communities of interest representing more than 5,700 Plymouth-area families who will benefit from PARC in the next 18 months alone.

 We are both amazed and humbled by your outpouring of support - your letters, your time, your talents and your money pale even our most optimistic dreams. People who give so much of themselves, in any way they can, and ask for nothing in return are what makes the Plymouths truly special.

We have watched in awe as countless township and city residents rally behind the vision; even those who doubt, are skeptical or who hold ideological differences overwhelmingly concede that the decision to proceed ought to belong to the voters and to the voters alone.

We thank you for your support and are red-faced if our volunteers have yet to contact been crazy busy getting the doors open. Still, our gratitude is undying.

We will be in touch; please be patient. In the meantime, again we thank you for your continued support. Please continue to monitor www.plymouthparc.com for announcements and join us on the Facebook group "The PARC — Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex.'

**Bob Doroshewitz** Plymouth Township on behalf of the PARC Board of Directors

#### Sorry for omission

Last week, the Educational Excellence Foundation serving Plymouth-Canton Community Schools placed a full-page ad in the Observer thanking our many sponsors and contributors to the recent Wine Tasting & Strolling Dinner Benefit, but unfortunately we omitted a few. We work very hard to ensure that each and every contributor is acknowledged and thanked. If you were left out of the ad, we apologize. Through classroom grants, this event will impact the education of more than 10,000 students in the coming school year. We are grateful for your support Jim Harb

> EEF trustee event chairperson Carole Kody executive director Educational Excellence Foundation serving

Plymouth-Canton Community

#### Drawbacks

A comment on the Plymouth Township Automated Trash and Recycling proposal. The bins and carts they refer to are one and the same. It is possible there would be two bins required for each household if it is decided to do both recycle and trash. Each requires its own container. The likelihood of two bins per household

seems strong Going through the city of Plymouth on trash day shows what the neighborhood looks

#### **Congratulations to Starkweather grads**



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Starkweather Academy graduates are on their way as they toss their caps during last week's graduation

Congratulations to the Starkweather Academy Class of 2015. Summer is here and grads are making plans for work and college.

like after being picked up with automated trash collection.

Recently, I went through a subdivision after garbage pickup and the bins were in the street, in the driveway or or the curbs.

These are the drawbacks I see with an automated trash and recycling program.

**Barbara McIlhargey** Plymouth Township

#### Offered to help

A peacock loose in Plymouth. OK, I just want to tell you, it's not that easy to catch a peacock. I started Great Dane Rescue 22 years ago in Plymouth and I think it's easier to tackle a loose great dane.

I was called by the people mentioned in the article. I gave them a really good option, I thought. I did tell them I would take the bird — as I have peacocks - if they would only put some food in the garage and then close the door once it was in there. I told them I would then come and catch him in the garage - also not an easy feat.

I caught a stray bird this way years ago in my own garage and it worked great. They were unwilling to do this. So yes, they did have an option and I was disappointed they failed to mention that someone took time out of their day to come over and agreed to come get the bird once it was in the garage. Sometimes it just takes a little assistance. I think I'll stick to Great Dane Rescue.

Sandra Suarez Plymouth

**GUEST COLUMN** 

# Plenty of ideas to re-purpose Starkweather

magine for a moment taking a walk on the beautiful central campus of the University of Michigan, across the Diag area or along State Street. You see Angell Hall or the old Law Quad being torn down or converted over to apartments and new streets going in. The regents feel that the buildings are "too old," or "no longer needed" by the university and sold the property to a devel-

Can you imagine a similar fate for a building like Old Main on Cass Avenue? That is, the old Central High School in Detroit, now being used by Wayne State University?

To me, it sounds like a sad idea. However, this is the kind of logic being used in the decision-making process in regard to the Starkweather School site in Old Village.

Granted, I am not suggest-



Dan Sabo GUEST COLUMNIST

ing that the grandeur of the old Starkweather building is on par with the Law Quad in Ann Arbor. However, it is Plymouth's little gem, the only one like it in town, one of the few examples of a ward school left in the state, of both historic and architectural significance. It was once beautiful and can

It has been suggested that the building is "no longer needed." Or the "district is financially struggling" and needs money from the sale. If this is the case, why are more expensive construction projects in the district the only solution, instead of upgrading a historic

school building already in the district, of which said property was long ago overwhelmingly secured? Why were not bonds advocated for needed upgrades and modernization, at much lower costs than buying property and building new?

These are the kinds of ques-tions folks in every school district in Michigan and across America should be more seriously considering in the coming decades, as aging, but sound, school buildings are facing similar fates. Regular maintenance of a historic building is far cheaper than buying new properties, and building new.

Assuming the district no longer desires to retain the building - and all indications thus far have proven such what now? A college dorm situation for the building on Holbrook? More traffic and parking, congestion in historic Old Village? Dozens of new homes on the playground? Elimination of green space in front of the school, which is noted as a "public square" in historic atlases? Less public green space for a congested small town? Something else?

I have some suggestions: One solution is multi-use, similar to what is going on with the PARC project, in a way that would not directly compete: A

community center/meeting house for the Old Village neighborhood. Mini police station for Old Village. A room as neighborhood museum for Old Village - open one or two days a week each weekend and/or for special events. An annex for the Plymouth Museum. Display for the history of education in Plymouth or the area going back 200 years. A history display about ward schools in Michigan.

Rented out office space for new small businesses, for folks that are starting out in business and need a helping hand. Small-scale community gym free for residents; charge nonresidents for use. A handball or racquetball court. First-aid station for events in Old Village. Schoolcraft or WCCC use of part of it as a satellite campus for a few classes there. Local railroad museum for

Michigan railroad history. Maintained P-CCS presence with some adult-ed classes. Maintained P-CCS presence could provide experiential learning to young students by attending school in a "restored to its original state" ward school classroom, with original desks and such. The classroom could be part of a museum display on ward schools in Michigan. List the building with the Michigan Film Office

as a potential movie set for an authentic ward school classroom for film crews. Montessori school.

Local chapters of community organizations could rent out space for their meetings. Rent part of the building and or park area for weddings or other private events. Amphitheater for summer events or concerts - there is already one there — it could be restored or rebuilt. The kitchen area could be rented out to local vendors to sell food during special events. A small area that is dedicated to all of the teachers who taught in the building, with photographs, a bit of history about the school,

Green space in the back re-purposed as a park. Flowers, walking paths, outdoor displays about life in Plymouth or local natural history. A pic-nic area. Baseball diamond or soccer field for residents. A draw of positive activity for Old Village and all of Plymouth. Just imagine the types of summer activities that could be a magnet for everyone to

So many possibilities, so many opportunities. Can you imagine other ideas?

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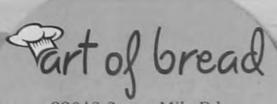
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SHE'S ON A MISSION

# WORLD VISION

Petersen in all-out quest to play in 2016 U20 Women's World Cup

By Tim Smith

When Courtney Petersen was a young girl first discovering she was pretty good at soccer, she thought the ultimate dream would be to play for a college someday.

Well, the 17-year-old Canton resident now is chasing a newer, bigger dream — Petersen is training to qualify for the 2016 FIFA Under-20 Women's World Cup with the United States U20 national team.

Knowing full well that her team would be embroiled in an international exhibition tournament in early June at the U.S. Soccer National Training Center in Carson, Calif., Petersen graduated in January from Dearborn Divine Child instead of with the rest of the Class of 2015.

"I sacrificed walking with my graduating class to be with the U20 team," Petersen said during an interview earlier this week, without a hint of regret in her voice.

The youngest of David and Lisa Petersen's three children did manage to squeeze in a graduation party Sunday, featuring her favorite foods (mostaccioli and broasted chicken) and a World Cup game on television.

Crazy grind

But now her World Cup preparation is back to full blast.

She doesn't mind a crazy grind that includes personal training sessions, chalk talks, weightlifting and sprinting, out-of-state tournaments with the Michigan Hawks Elite Clubs National League team or gearing up to play Division I women's soccer at the University of Virginia.

"I'm always constantly wanting to get better, whether it's my soccer or being fit or strong," Petersen said. "I've always wanted to, even if it's hard in the weight room, I'll

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MICHIGAN HAWKS

Aggressive, smart soccer is what Canton's Courtney Petersen brings to the pitch, whether playing for the Michigan Hawks or U.S. Under-20 Women's National Team.



U.S. SOCCER

Canton resident Courtney Petersen is making a bid to play in the 2016 FIFA U20 Women's World Cup for the United States.

#### THE PETERSEN FILE

Who: Courtney Petersen, 17, of Canton.
What: The 2015 Dearborn Divine Child graduate is training with United States Under-20 Women's National Team as a defender. She is looking to be on the team for the 2016 FIFA U20 Women's World Cup. She also is a midfielder for the Michigan Hawks of the Elite Clubs National League, based in Livonia.

Family ties: Her parents are David and Lisa Petersen. She has two older siblings: Jeffery, 28, and Stephanie, 18.

"They've always had my back with everything," Courtney said. "My mom always puts cards in my bag when I go to camp and says how proud of me she is. My dad is the one that would go out to the field with me and train, even if it's like standing in the goal so I can shoot.

... My mom will ride her bike when I run to push me."

College: She will go to the University of Virginia in the fall, where she will play Division I women's soccer.

SALEM ATHLETICS

# Award surprises Rocks' Willer

Two-sport standout named school's top male athlete

By Tim Smith Staff Writer

Ask coaches about Noah Willer, who just graduated from Salem High School, and superlatives would never stop about the hard-working, highscoring athlete. Willer also is humble, com-

Willer also is humble, completely floored when he found out he won the prestigious Salem Male Athlete of the Year award at a recent honors program.

"Absolutely," Willer said about whether the honor surprised him. "To be honest, I didn't even know the award existed until a week before the event. ... I didn't really expect to win. It was a nice surprise."

event. ... I didn't really expect to win. It was a nice surprise."
Willer, a lanky athlete with an easy-going personality when not in the middle of competition, was nominated by his two varsity coaches during 2014-15 — boys hockey coach Ryan Ossenmacher and boys lacrosse coach Corey Mattingly.

"His stellar performance on the ice pales in comparison to his leadership and character off the ice," Ossenmacher said. "Noah has developed into

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Coach Ryan Ossenmacher (left) has high praise for Noah Willer.

PREP BOYS LACROSSE

# Canton sextet leads impressive all-Park boys squad

It was solid season for three P-CEP teams

By Tim Smith

It wasn't a championshipfilled season for Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's varsity boys lacrosse programs.

But it still was a pretty good one, both from team and individual standpoints. And those strong performances and performers are duly noted in the 2015 All-Park Boys Lacrosse Team.

Leading the way with six players on the squad is Canton, which had an 11-7 record (2-4 in the KLAA Kensington Conference), but earned the Park championship (defeating Salem and Plymouth) while defeating the Wildcats again in a pre-regional contest. Unfortunately for the Chiefs, the postseason run ended in a

first-round regional defeat against Troy.

Plymouth also surpassed the .500 mark with a 9-8 record, going 3-3 in conference play. Salem finished 8-8 overall and 2-4 in the conference.

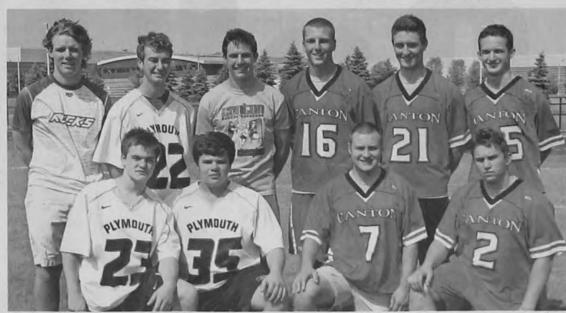
Both Canton and Salem showed promise in a season of transition; Fred Karam and Corey Mattingly took over as head coach for the Chiefs and Rocks, respectively.

All three coaches — Karam, Plymouth's Brian Walsh and Mattingly — selected the 2015 All-Park Boys Lacrosse Team. Following is the team-by-team breakdown (teams listed alphabetically):

#### Canton

» Brocton Baechler, sr. attacker: When the hard-nosed

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MICHAEL VASILNER

The 2015 All-Park Boys Lacrosse Team includes (back row, from left) Salem's Adam Cousineau, Plymouth's Kyle Robertson, Canton's Gerald Belanger, Nolan Gilo, Jay Krebs and Carson Pakula and (front row, from left) Plymouth's Nolan Ouellette, Trevor McManus, Canton's Brian Newton and Brocton Baechler. Also on the team are Salem's Noah Willer, Plymouth's Ben Stover and Andrew Withers.



PLYMOUTH-CANTON EDUCATIONAL PARK

# They're together for 'Unified' cause

Park's Unified Sports teams excel at bocce state finals

Unified Sports at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park continues to provide winning experiences for students with special needs.

On May 28 at Central Michigan University, Unified Sports — a club that pairs Park students with special needs together to compete in sports participated in the Bocce Ball State Finals.

Six of the P-CEP teams finished first, three placed second, two came in third and four finished fourth.

Amy Boyer, one of the Park club's

leaders, said Unified Sports is part of the Special Olympics.

Boyer and Cathy Kava launched Unified Sports a year ago, with 2014-15 being the first full year. It is open to anyone at the Park.

Students with special needs are paired up with general education students for athletic endeavors.

'In the fall we do bowling, in the winter it's basketball and in the spring it's bocce ball," Boyer said.



Members of Unified Sports at P-CEP took part May 28 at the bocce finals at Central Michigan University. Team members include (front row, from left) Brenda Silva, coach Merrill DeRose, Brandon Autisn, coach Amy Boyer and Kyle Baker; (middle row, from left) Matthew Slattery, Kira Wilson, Rachael Galeswicz, Kaitlyn Letherwood, Jessica Joppich, Oliva Hiltz, Elizabeth Elliot, Julianna Baker and Travis Beebe; and (back row, from left) Ally Schwinkey, Josie Bokie, Mitchelle Sexton, Andrew Micheals, Blake Bockmann, Calvin McCracken, Haley Ealem, Catia Neshov, Keith Grace, Gerard Hubble, Jake Stemmaszek, Alex Parent, Jon Lobb, coach Cathy Kava and Jason Ligouri.

#### WILLER

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one the best leaders and young men we have had during my time at Sa-

"Whether it's stepping up vocally in the dress-ing room or by his performance on the ice, his teammates knew that he would never ask them to do something he wasn't also willing to commit

Ossenmacher added that he thinks so highly of Willer that he'd be comfortable letting him

babysit his daughters. "Noah's character is also exactly what you want from a young man," Ossenmacher said. "The best compliment I can pay any of my players is that I would let them babysit my daugh-

"Noah Saad and Noah Willer, two of our captains this year, were also my oldest daughter's favorite players. She loved going out to break-fast with the team and being around the rink and on the ice with the

Willer, a forward, led

the Rocks with 25 goals and 18 assists, helping spark a run to the first regional championship in school history. Both Willer and Saad, a defense-man, made the all- Observer first team.

#### One of the best

That prolific nature carried over to the lacrosse field, where Willer registered 61 goals.

Mattingly said that output might have been the best in the history of the Rocks' boys lacrosse program.

"For his work as a dual-sport athlete and the success he has achieved in the classroom, Noah solidifies himself as one of the greatest athletes to ever go through P-CEP," Mattingly said.

According to Willer, winning the honor was like a bonus for going all-out for the two teams with little or no time for a break.

"I guess it would just be like hard work pays off," he said. "Not really having a day off, as summer hockey goes into fall hockey, which goes into the normal season.

"Then the season ends and lacrosse starts the



JOHN KEMSKI **EXPRESS PHOTO** During this 2014-15 varsity boys hockey game, Salem senior forward **Noah Willer** (right) battles a Trenton player for possession

of the puck.

next day, so I guess all the time in my sport paid off and I got rewarded for it."

#### **Bookends**

The award provided a much different ending to Willer's high school career than the way it

Ossenmacher said Willer did not even play hockey in eighth grade and had to be persuaded into resuming the sport when he began at Salem.

"One of our alumni talked with Noah about playing hockey on our prep/JV team his fresh-man year," Ossenmacher said. "And obviously, it turned out to be a good

Willer, whose parents are Christine and Steve Willer of Canton, will attend High Point University in North Caroli-

"I'm going to try and walk on to the lacrosse

team," Willer said. "And then I'm studying exercise science, to become a physical therapist.'

Club hockey looms as another athletic option, should his lacrosse bid fall short.

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Michigan Hawks midfielder Courtney Petersen (right) outruns

an opponent during a club soccer contest.

tal toughness would be a

I've had a bumpy road,"

Petersen said when asked

constantly being cut right

before U17 qualifying (in 2014) and then having to

bounce back from that. "Or just constantly

people saying things

not going to make it,

Making a name

nothing new with Pe-

tersen, who began play-

ing soccer in a rec league

before kindergarten and by third or fourth grade

thanks to effort and dedi-

cation, as much as talent.

And yes, scoring "all the goals" was fun,

whether on the play-

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That characteristic is

And then driving from

big part of it, because

about what gives her a

competitive edge. "Just

#### **PETERSEN**

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be like, 'Can I go up my last set?'

"Because I always want to next step, because I know other people are training just as hard as me. But if I (lift) that extra weight, that last set, I know I'm going to be that little bit stronger than them.'

This weekend, Petersen and the Hawks will travel to Wisconsin for regional games. Next week, the team will go to Seattle for ECNL nation-

"Two days after that, I leave for college," said Petersen, who is listed as a defender/midfielder on the Virginia Cavaliers' website (she is a defender with the national team and a midfielder with the

Virginia's preseason begins in August, following another U.S. Soccer training camp in mid-

Cavs head coach Steve Swanson apparently is OK with players such as Petersen having double and even triple duty to deal with.

"He's very supportive of letting players go in with the national team," Petersen said about Swanson, "because he knows how big of a deal it

Also fully behind her bid to play in the U20 Women's World Cup is Hawks coach Doug Lan-

"(Landefeld) is always very positive," Petersen said. "He sees me playing in this World Cup.



Intensity is never an issue for Canton's Courtney Petersen (right), shown during a Hawks game.

#### **Faster and better**

The training binge never stops, because Petersen already knows about the escalation of competition and challenges from one level to the next.

"Going from playing with my club team to the national level," Petersen said, "the speed of play is just a hundred times faster.

That incredible training cycle actually began late last year, when Petersen started cranking it up months ahead of the early June international tournament.

Petersen, nicknamed "Petey," is always pushing herself to be the best performer on the pitch, regardless of gender. She once played on a boys team at the Canton Cup and said she "wanted to be a part of it (the recent

tourney) because it's just a journey stone" to the CONCACAF qualifying tournament in December in San Pedro Sula, Hon-

"It was a great experience just playing against Japan, Mexico and Brazil," said Petersen, a fleet, savvy, aggressive-minded player who is moving from midfield (where she plays with the Michigan Hawks elite club team) to the back line with the national squad.

#### No control

She won't know until next spring whether she'll get the chance to play at the U20 Women's World Cup slated for October and November 2016 in Papua New Guin-

ea.
"We have to qualify first; we'll play three games in our group,"

Petersen said. "Then we have to get out of our group. If we win that, we're automatically in ... but the roster can always change for World Cup.

Whether her name is on that roster is out of her control.

It's always nervewracking, even just getting invited to the next camp is always very nerve-wracking," Pe-terson said. "You overthink everything you've done during that camp: 'Did I do this well, did I

"But just everything is so nerve-wracking with the national team.

She recalled last year, when she narrowly missed the cut for the U17 Women's World Cup. Dealing with that situation has her mental toughness stronger than

"I would say my men-

ground or on her early teams such as the Canton

PETERSEN FAMILY

In those years, she envisioned becoming another Mia Hamm (a longtime forward for the U.S. Women's National Team who also played professionally)

"Playing college soccer was my biggest dream at that point," Petersen said. "Mia Hamm was the person I just wanted to be. I just wanted to be her.'

With her college career and the 2016 U20 Women's World Cup on the horizon, Petersen is well on her way to doing that and more. She's making a name for herself.

Perhaps someday in the not-too-distant future, little soccer girls will want to be just like Courtney Petersen.

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PREP SOFTBALL

# Marlins end softball run with 5-2 defeat

Caledonia topples Mercy in Division 1 state semifinal at Michigan State

> By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

It's a rare occasion when Farmington Hills Mercy runs up against a better hitting team, but it did June 11 in a Division 1 state semifinal softball game.

Mercy's longest tournament run in a dozen years ended with a 5-2 loss to Caledonia at Michigan State Univer-

sity's Secchia Stadium. Both teams had nine hits; however, the Fighting Scots made better use of theirs. They got them early in the game, too, and had the Marlins playing catch-up the

entire way.

Caledonia jumped out to a 4-0 lead and held Mercy scoreless for five innings behind the pitching of freshman Saman-

tha Gehris. "That's a very good team; that's a very good thrower," Mercy coach Alec Lesko said, adding Gehris kept the Marlins off-balance for the most part. "That young kid

has a very bright future. "I thought she threw the best when we had people in scoring position. That's was how we got here. We were able to get the two-out hit, and today we just didn't

get it Caledonia scored in the second inning with back-to-back doubles by the Nos. 6 and 7 batters McKenzie Butgereit and Danielle Oracz.

Oracz started the fifth inning with a single; pinch-runner Lauren Kimes scored on Ashley Miller's triple to deep left field.

Miller made it 3-0 when she scored on an infield error - the only one of the game. Butgereit hit a solo homer her team's 49th of the season - over the leftfield fence in the sixth

"This is the best hitting team I've ever had,"



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Senior co-captain Molly Murphy makes a putout in center

Caledonia coach Tom Kaechele said. "Any one of them can hit the long ball. I just tell them the long ball is great, but we have to get people on base.

"And they were hit-ting gaps today; that was big for us. They hit the ball hard. They knew we had to play the best ball we could, and they stepped up and did that

#### Inside job

Mercy cut the Cale-donia lead in half in the bottom of the sixth with an inside-the-park home run by sophomore Nicole Belans

Cari Padula drew a two-out walk ahead of her and scored in front of Belans, who hit a line shot to right field that eluded the reach of Kimes and rolled to the

The Fighting Scots (34-4) added a fifth run with two outs in the seventh on three straight singles. Lexi Lieske had the last one to drive in the run.

Mercy threatened with one out in the seventh and had the tying run at the plate. Alex Sobczak and

Sophia VanAcker had back-to-back singles with the Nos. 3 and 4 hitters - Abby Krzywiecki and Jordan John-

son - coming to bat. Gehris pitched out of the jam, however, and

ended the game by getting Krzywiecki to pop out to the third baseman and Johnson to hit a soft liner to second base.

We were at a position in our lineup that those were the kids we'd want up (to bat)," Lesko said. "It was a good battle, and it just didn't happen for us today.'

The Marlins, who left eight runners on base, would have loaded the bases in the third inning with Molly Murphy's single. Krzywiecki, who started the rally with a two-out single, got a little too far down the third-base line and was

Sobczak, VanAcker and Belans had two hits apiece. Miller and Lieske were 2-for-4 for the Fighting Scots, Butgereit and Oracz 2-for-3.

"The middle of my lineup came through for me today," Kaechele said, citing the ability of Butgereit and Oracz to get on base. "Even with two outs, we were able to get those kids around.

Caledonia was scheduled to play Catholic League champion Warren Regina (26-16) in the state final Saturday afternoon at MSU.

Mercy ends the season 27-4. Its first three losses were to Regina, which defeated Mattawan in the other semifinal game last Thurs-

## Softball champs!



The Gerou Chiropractic softball club recently captured the men's Thursday night E League Championship (White Division) at Canton Softball Center. The squad finished with an 11-3 record, giving Gerou-and-predecessor teams league championships in five decades beginning in 1979. Team members include (front row, from left) Harry Stoddard, Mike Gerou, Chris Egged, Bill Otto and Brandon Giacchina and (back row, from left) John Barry, Dr. Tom Gerou, Steve Damron, Todd Bergman, Dale Giacchina, Shane Borton, Elaine Gerou, Ryan Fogoros and Nolan Gerou. Also on the team are Dean Allen and Jason Zemgulis.

WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK

# MHSAA accepting officials' registrations

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is accepting registrations by mail and online for game officials for the 2015-16 school year.

The MHSAA annually receives registration from more than 10,000 officials and had 10,305 during the 2014-15 school year. The highest number of officials (4,469) registered for basketball, with football, baseball and softball all having more than 2,000 registered officials during this school year.

For all new and returning officials, those who register online again will receive a \$5 discount off their processing fees. A \$12 fee is charged for each sport in which an official wishes to register and the online processing fee is \$30. Officials submitting registration forms by mail or on a

walk-up basis will incur a \$35 processing fee. Officials registered in 2014-15 will be assessed a late fee of \$30 for registration after Aug. 3. The processing fee includes liability insurance coverage up to \$1 million for officials while working contests involving MHSAA schools.

Online registration can be accessed by clicking "Officials" on the home page of the MHSAA website at www.mhsaa.com. Forms also are available online that can be printed and submitted by traditional mail or hand delivery to the MHSAA office. More information about officials' registration may be obtained by contacting the MHSAA at 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823, by phone at 517-332-5046 or by email at register@mhsaa.com.

There is an officials' registration test for firsttime officials and officials who were not registered during the past school year. The test consists of 45 questions derived from the MHSAA Officials Guidebook which also is available on the officials page of the MHSAA website. Additional 50-question exams must be taken by those registering for football or basketball for the first time or those who were not registered for those sports during the previous school year. Manuals for both sports also are available on the officials page

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by more than 1,400 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools.

## Here's chance to go to Lions youth camp

The Observer & Eccentric has partnered with Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp again for a chance to win a scholarship to an upcoming

football camp. The promotion is open to girls and boys ages 6-14. Youths can submit an essay, 50 words or less, telling why they want to

attend. Parents are asked to submit the letter, along with a photo of the youth, youth's name, age, community of residence and phone number, to cbjordan@michigan.com with the subject line "Football Camp Contest."

All letters must be received by June 22 to qualify. Winners will be announced in a future edition of Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights Winners will have the

chance to select from one of the following camp locations: Canton, 8:30 a.m. to noon, June 29 through July 2; Brighton: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 11-12; White Lake, 8:30 a.m. to noon, July 20-23.

TIM SHAW FOOTBALL CAMP

# LIFE LESSONS

Enhancing campers' football skills the least-important goal of event

> By Ed Wright Staff Writer

From Soldier Field to the Big House, Tim Shaw's swift feet have motored across the surfaces of some of the most iconic football stadiums in the country.

But the gridiron that is nearest and dearest to the former NFL special teams star's heart is the one that rests just a long post pattern away from the sign that reads "Welcome to Livonia Clarenceville.'

"This field, hands down, is the most special field I've ever played on," Shaw said Friday afternoon, motioning toward the longtime home of the Trojans' football team, for which he set seven state rushing records from 1998-2001. "It's where my love for the game blew up and where football became a huge

part of me. "My memories here are amazing: the full bleachers, the long touchdown runs, the great games, great teammates. When I look at this field, I think about hard work; the times I ran around that track so hard that I

threw up.
"It's therapeutic coming back here, because nostalgia is a good thing. It's those positive memories that create positive

vibes in my body."
As Shaw spoke, more than 200 youth football players lined up to register for his sixth annual free camp - the first one since he revealed last August that he had been diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis -ALS or "Lou Gehrig's Disease" - a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord and is ultimately fatal.

#### **Bottom line**

During the eloquent e-camp address that he delivered to the campers, Shaw talked briefly about the battle he is waging and how adversity can bring out the best in peo-

"Life is tough sometimes, but so what?" he said. "That's why we have family and friends.

'The most important thing is getting through life's struggles and doing whatever you can do to

help someone else whose troubles may be worse than your own.'

Shaw was originally diagnosed with ALS in spring 2014.

The decision to go public with his diagnosis last summer – just as the inaugural Ice Bucket Challenge was picking up a head of steam across the country - was difficult, he admitted.

The last thing I wanted was sympathy," he said. "I didn't want to be the person everybody was praying for, the person everybody is feeling sorry for, the person everybody knows is dying. I just want to be a normal person, just like everybody else.

"But happily, there is so much good that came out of my diagnosis, number one being that it could inspire people who were going through an adverse situation of their

"As much as ALS is a burden every single day and as tough as it is, it was important to share it and know I didn't have to go through it alone.'

#### 'Special thing'

Shaw said the feedback he received following his revelation was "overwhelming."

"To have people come up to you and tell you, 'If there is anything you need, let me know' and know that they meant it, well, what greater thing can someone give you? he said. "To feel that overwhelming love from people has been a special thing for me."

Shaw's father John marveled at how his mid-dle son has dealt with the daunting disease.

'Tim hasn't stopped doing one thing he'd normally be doing, other than the things he can't do because of his physical limitations now," he said as Tim high-fived a young fan a few feet

away.
"Tim's always been a person who says, 'Let's live life today, let's have fun today and let's serve

Shaw said his spirits are high, but the disease is taking a physical toll on his-once chiseled body.

"I have very little strength, but I have a lot of energy and I have a lot of heart, so I just keep pushing forward," he

While his camp is labeled as a football camp, enhancing the participants' gridiron skills is the least of his concerns.

Pakula, junior attacker.

senior attacker.

"To be perfectly hon-



Tim Shaw addressed the 200-plus participants prior to the sixth annual camp he hosted Friday night at Livonia Clarenceville High



ED WRIGHT

Tim Shaw demonstrates proper technique to one of the campers during a break in a drill.

est, the goal of this camp is not to make these kids become better football players," he said. "The most important thing is for them to see a positive mentor, hear a positive message and see people

are here for them who want to make them a better person," Shaw said

The statement that drew the loudest applause during Shaw's pre-camp pep talk came toward the end, just before the players took the field for four hours of life-building exercises.

"Just so everyone knows," Shaw said, pointing his finger in the air for emphasis, "this will

not be the last Tim Shaw football camp.'

And there wasn't a soul within range of Shaw's voice who doubted him.

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### LACROSSE

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southpaw was cycling low in the opponent's end, it usually spelled goals for the Chiefs.

Siena Heights-bound Baechler was an offensive force with 34 goals and 22 assists along with 49 ground balls, good enough to be named to the all-conference team. He also garnered honors as an all-state honorable mention pick.

"Brocton's a big, strong left-handed player who can dodge and finish around the cage," Karam said. "He has great rides and is a very good ground baller."

» Gerald Belanger, sr. midfielder: He proved to be a solid, versatile player for the Chiefs, collecting 28 goals and 45 ground

"Gerald's a very good midfielder who is a pure scorer and creates his own shot at any time of a dodge," Karam said. "He's also a great dodger and underrated as a defender.'

Next season, Belanger will play at University of Michigan-Dearborn. » Nolan Gilo, sr. mid-

fielder: The Chiefs'

MVP, he registered 11

goals, eight assists, 77 ground balls and an impressive 122 face-off

Those efforts landed him placement on the all-conference team and all-state honorable mention honors.

'Nolan does all the little things that wins games," Karam said. "He was our best face-off player and a machine on ground balls. ... He has the heart of a champion, never complains and is the one guy we want on the field at crunch time."

» Jay Krebs, sr. midfielder: Another big, physical presence for the Chiefs, he tallied 23 goals, 11 assists and 30 ground balls.

"Jay is a big athletic player who is a great dodger and can shoot with both hands," Karam said. "He has a knack for big shots. He had a huge goal in the first Ply mouth game to seal the

victory."

2015 ALL-PARK BOYS LACROSSE TEAM

senior midfielder; Nolan Gilo, senior midfielder; Jay Krebs,

senior midfielder; Brian Newton, senior defender; Carson

Plymouth: Trevor McManus, junior goaltender; Nolan

Ouellette, sophomore midfielder; Kyle Robertson, senior mid-

fielder; Ben Stover, senior defender; Andrew Withers, senior

Salem: Adam Cousineau, senior defender; Noah Willer,

Canton: Brocton Baechler, senior attacker; Gerald Belanger,

Krebs will attend Purdue University, where he plans to walk on to the men's lacrosse team.

» Brian Newton, sr. defender: He was Canton's best defender and provided essential leadership, not to mention 37 ground balls, two goals and two assists.

"Brian inspired his teammates to play bet-ter," Karam said. "He always has the task of playing the top attack on the other team. He is a warrior.'

Fast and physical, he looks to play men's lacrosse at Grand Valley State University.

» Carson Pakula, jr. attacker: The Chiefs will be glad to have his offensive production back for one more season, particularly after a junior season where he tallied 36 goals, 25 assists and 53 ground balls.

Pakula was named to the all-conference team and also was an all-state honorable mention pick.

"Carson is an allaround good offensive player," Karam said. "He can score with both hands and also is a great passer. He's very quick at 'X' and has a high lacrosse IQ.

#### Plymouth

» Trevor McManus, jr. goaltender: The third team all-state pick was Plymouth's defensive backbone, making 259 saves and tallying a .661 save percentage.

"Trevor is an outstanding goalie with tremendous clearing ability," Walsh said. "He will own all of the P-C-S goaltending records by the end of next year, along with being near the top of the state in career saves.

McManus, also a Salem hockey goaltender, is drawing interest from multiple college men's lacrosse programs to

secure his talents. » Nolan Ouellette, soph. midfielder: He was a standout with 43 goals, 14 assists and 52 ground balls. His big season was rewarded with selection as a third team all-state player.

'Nolan was an offensive leader and dynamo," Walsh said. "Always on the field and relentless in every aspect of the game, from offense, defense to being our best face-off guy.

» Kyle Robertson, sr. midfielder: He also put plenty of shots past opposing goalies, finishing a stellar prep career with a 30-goal season. He added 10 assists and 18 ground balls, all while playing with an injured hamstring virtually the entire season.

"Kyle's a fantastic dodger and shooter," Walsh said. "He expected the best from himself and teammates and finishes his career as Plymouth's highest scoring midfielder ever.

He was an all-state honorable mention choice.

» Ben Stover, sr. defender: A second team all-state selection, he had 44 ground balls and 52 takeaways while finishing as Plymouth's first All-America player.

"Ben was the best defenseman ever from P-C-S with a fantastic stick for takeaways, ground balls and clearing," Walsh said. "He was the heart and soul of the team and did an excellent job covering some of the best kids in the state.'

» Andrew Withers,

sr. long-stick midfielder: He closed out his prep career on a fine note, with 18 ground

balls and 24 takeaways. "Andrew was a team workhorse and grinder," Walsh said. "He covered the opponent's best midfielder and did all the little things that go unnoticed in the stat book."

» Adam Cousineau, sr. defender: The captain registered 46 ground balls while being a keen defender, chipping in two goals (one in a key game against Plymouth) and two assists on the attack.

"Adam was a large contributor defensively," Mattingly said. "He proved himself as one of the best defenders on the field with gifted stick skills and field awareness.'

Cousineau was named to the all-region team.

» Noah Willer, sr. attacker: After starring for Salem's varsity boys hockey team, he did the same for the lacrosse squad - scoring 61 goals (six in the three Park rivalry games) and 12 assists. He was named an all-state honorable mention pick.

As icing on the cake, he won Salem's Male Athlete of the Year

Award.

JULIE BROWN, EDITOR

# Trade group: Commercial space demand varies by market

A stronger labor market and increasing household formation should keep commercial real estate demand on a gradual incline, according to the National Association of Realtors quarterly commercial real estate forecast

National office vacancy rates are forecast to slightly decrease 0.1 percent over the coming year as the demand for office space slowly improves. The vacancy rate for industrial space is expected to decline 0.3 percent and retail space 0.4 percent as

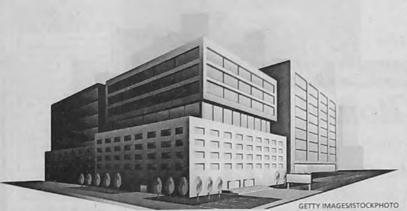
manufacturing output increases and low gas prices and slight income gains boost consumer spending. An influx in new apartment construction is forecast to cause an uptick (0.1 percent) in the multi-

family vacancy rate.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says commercial rents have risen at a moderate pace across the board for several quarters now and vacancy rates have been on a gradual decline. "The commercial real estate sector is on the path to recovery, but subpar economic growth, lack of financing available to small investors and the industry trend towards squeezing more employees into existing spaces will keep demand from meaning-ful acceleration," he said. "The exception is multifamily housing, which remains the best performer with vacancy rates under 4 percent in several markets in the Northeast and in California.'

According to Yun, job growth and increasing household formation among young adults is supporting continued, robust demand for apartments. However, vacancies are expected to slightly rise over the next year as a higher-than-anticipated climb in multifamily completions is coming onto the market to meet that de-

Looking ahead, Yun expects the economy to slowly pick up in upcoming quarters after severe winter weather, a widening trade gap and port disputes on the West Coast dragged on gross domestic product growth in the first quarter. "Similar to last year, economic growth will likely rebound as the year progresses, although perhaps not as robustly as what was seen in 2014. However, as long as jobs are being added at a respectable pace, gradual increases in demand for commercial spaces and leasing projects should continue."



NAR's latest Commercial Real Estate Outlook offers overall projections for four major commercial sectors and analyzes quarterly data in the office, industrial, retail and multifamily markets. Historic data for metro areas is provided by REIS Inc., a source of commercial real estate performance information.

According to NAR's recent 2015 Com-mercial Lending Trends Survey, Realtor commercial members in the past year managed transactions averaging \$1.6 million per deal - frequently located in secondary and tertiary markets — and focused on small businesses and entrepre-

Office vacancy rates are forecast to slightly decline from 15.6 percent in the second quarter to 15.5 percent in the second quarter of 2016.

The markets with the lowest office vacancy rates in the second quarter are New York City, at 8.9 percent; Washington, D.C., at 9.0 percent; San Francisco, at 10.6 percent; and Little Rock, Ark., and Portland, Ore. at 11.6 percent.

Office rents are projected to increase 3.4 percent this year and 3.7 percent in 2016. Net absorption of office space, which includes the leasing of new space coming on the market as well as space in existing properties, is likely to total 51.8 million square feet this year and 60.0 million in 2016.

Industrial vacancy rates are expected to fall from 8.4 percent in the second quarter to 8.1 percent in the second quarter of

The areas with the lowest industrial vacancy rates currently are Orange County, Calif., with a vacancy rate of 3.4 percent; Los Angeles, 3.6 percent; Miami, at 5.3 percent; Seattle, at 5.4 percent; and Palm Beach, Fla., at 5.5 percent.

Annual industrial rents should rise at a

clip of 3.1 percent both this year and in 2016. Net absorption of industrial space nationally is expected to total 108.8 million square feet in 2015 and 104.9 million square feet next year.

Vacancy rates in the retail market are expected to decline from 9.6 percent currently to 9.2 percent in the second quarter of 2016.

Currently, the markets with the lowest retail vacancy rates include San Francisco, at 3.0 percent;

Orange County, Calif., and San Jose, Calif., at 4.6 percent; Fairfield County. Conn., at 4.7 percent; and Long Island, N.Y., 4.9 percent.

Average retail rents are forecast to rise 2.6 percent this year and 3.1 percent in 2016. Net absorption of retail space is likely to total 15.8 million square feet this year and jump to 21.1 million in 2016.

The apartment rental market should see vacancy rates slightly increase from 4.3 percent currently to 4.4 percent in the second quarter of 2016. Vacancy rates below 5 percent are generally considered a landlord's market, with demand justifying higher rent.

Areas with the lowest multifamily vacancy rates currently are San Bernardino-Riverside, Calif., at 2.5 percent; Sacramento, Calif., 2.6 percent; New Haven, Conn., and Providence, R.I. at 2.7 percent; and Cleveland, Ohio, Oakland-East Bay, Calif., and San Diego at 2.8 percent.

With an influx of new supply coming onto the market, average apartment rents are projected to increase 3.6 percent this year and at a slower pace of 3.3 percent in 2016. Multifamily net absorption is expected to total 172,524 units in 2015 and 153,747 next year.

The NAR commercial community includes commercial members; commercial real estate boards; commercial committees, subcommittees and forums; and the NAR commercial affiliate organizations — CCIM Institute, Institute of Real Estate Management, Realtors® Land Institute, Society of Industrial and Office Realtors®, and Counselors of Real Estate.

Approximately 70,000 NAR and institute affiliate members specialize in commercial brokerage and related services, and an additional 283,000 members offer commercial real estate services as a secondary business.

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## Downtown Denver a hot location

Q: We are thinking about moving to Colorado and, in particular, Denver. Do you have any idea about the housing or rental market there?

A: Denver is experiencing a tremendous boon in housing, both apartments and condominiums, particularly in the Downtown area. They are expanding their rapid transit and the fact that they legalized marijuana has not hurt the market. The average cost of a

home in Denver is approximately \$335,000.00, and there are some neighborhoods where the homes average six million or more de-



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pending on where they are, particularly, in areas near the Cherry Creek Shopping Center, which has the most very high-end shops, and the joining neighborhoods are supplying high-end buyers. The rental market is also very strong with the average cost of a one bedroom apartment in excess of \$1,250.00. However, new construction permeates the Downtown area, but there is a rush for every new available home on the market.

Q: I am being sued by a condo association as their architect, and as far as I am concerned, I owe no duty to the association because I was hired by the developer and all we did was make recommendations to the developer who made the final decision on the elements of design and construction. Do you think I have any liability, because I haven't retained an attorney yet?

A: Based on a recent case out of the Supreme Court of California, you may have potential liability which is obviously dependent upon the facts of each case. The Supreme Court of California indicated that one has a common law duty, even though you were not in privity of contract with the Association. The Court noted that a declining significance of this privity requirement and indicated that third parties have recovered in contract and warranty claims against conactors and architects w their intended use was known and the injury or loss was foreseeable. In that particular case, the work was intended to benefit homeowners living in the units, a limited class of Plaintiffs, and because the principal architects were well compensated, there was a close connection between their conduct and the Plaintiffs' injuries, sufficient to attach moral blame. The Court also reasoned that because homeowners must rely on the architects' specialized services, a duty of care furthers the State's interests in preventing

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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 26-30, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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32849 Rob	inhood Dr	\$270,000
30330 Woo	odhaven Ln	\$280,000
BIRMING	MAH	
1509 Chap	in Ave	\$155,000
1231 E Line	coln St	\$440,000
1906 Graet	field Rd	\$132,000
767 Hanna	St	\$520,000
444 Pilgrim	n Ave	\$750,000
1207 Smith	n Ave	\$630,000
477 W Fran	nk St	\$1,450,000
628 Watkin	ns St	\$250,000
BLOOMFI	ELD HILLS	
1520 Lone	Pine Rd	\$400,000
1760 Welli	ngton Ave	\$117,000
2645 Ayers		\$223,000
1550 Brane	dywine Dr	\$270,000
110 E Lond	Lake Rd	\$315,000
1885 Hillw	ood Dr	\$650,000
3645 Midd	llebury Ln	\$304,000
1671 Squir	rel Rd	\$234,000
801 W Lon	g Lake Rd # B1	\$109,000
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2645 Ayershire Dr
1862 Chipping Way
301 Douglas Dr
880 E Long Lake Rd
1252 Indian Mound E
1190 Leinbach Ave
970 Lone Pine Rd
7236 Meadowlake Rd
3986 W Orchard Hill Dr
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
4957 Foothills Dr
2965 Ivy Hill Dr
5795 Strawberry Cir
5351 Weston Ct
FARMINGTON
23175 Farmington Rd
31912 Lamar Dr
34105 State St
FARMINGTON HILLS
31645 Belmont St
35260 Blue Spruce Dr
34745 Bunker Hill Dr
27215 Cambridge Ln
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29480 Cove Creek Ln
28511 Grayling Ave
25505 Hunt Club Blvd
31225 Leelane
21669 Middlebelt Rd
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field Rd	\$132,000	5351 Weston Ct	\$200,000	876 Panorama Ct	\$141,000	19148 Hilton Dr
a St	\$520,000	FARMINGTON		301 Riverbend St	\$363,000	28170 Inkster Rd
m Ave	\$750,000	23175 Farmington Rd	\$164,000	3270 S Milford Rd	\$480,000	24125 Martha
h Ave	\$630,000	31912 Lamar Dr	\$161,000	501 W Commerce St	\$120,000	Washington Dr
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rshire Dr	\$223,000	27215 Cambridge Ln	\$485,000	22529 Cranbrooke Dr	\$94,000	WHITE LAKE
dywine Dr	\$270,000	21876 Colgate St	\$127,000	27634 Cromwell Rd	\$308,000	1236 Clearwater St
g Lake Rd	\$315,000	31164 Country Blf	\$130,000	44602 Ford Way Dr	\$335,000	8475 Trenton Dr
vood Dr	\$650,000	29480 Cove Creek Ln	\$187,000	45555 Freemont	\$320,000	8350 Vanden Dr
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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 16-20, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
7765 Alton St	\$139,00
2581 Brookfield St	\$179,00
2647 Cleveland Way	\$235,00
50410 Coolidge St	\$345,00
4131 Cornerstone Dr	\$127,00
3540 Empire State Dr	\$282,00
41796 Glade Rd	\$198,00
49531 Great Falls Rd	\$75,00
50326 Hancock St	\$385,00
46473 Killarney Cir	\$230,00
46501 Killarney Cir	\$225,00
46502 Killarney Cir	\$235,00
48151 Nottinghill Ln	\$199,00
6566 Paul Revere Ln	\$164,00
41665 Pocatello Dr	\$190,00
4552 Pond Run	\$235,00
2058 Preserve Cir W	\$170,00
3874 Radcliff Dr	\$135,00
47633 Scenic Circle Dr S	\$236,00
1238 W Crystal Cir	\$235,0
GARDEN CITY	
2015 Cardwell St	\$72,0
29554 Dawson St	\$50,0
6647 Deering St	\$74,0
31004 Florence St	\$80,0
33551 Kathryn St	\$98,0

33710 Leona St

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	556 N Leona Ave
	LIVONIA
	34404 Ann Arbor Trl
	14560 Arden St
	15351 Auburndale St
	14882 Brookfield St
	11609 Cavell St
	8885 Crown St
)	14481 Ellen Dr
)	27811 Five Mile Rd
)	15120 Garden St
	18984 Gillman St
)	31331 Grandon St
)	15055 Hubbard St
)	37676 Mallory Dr
0	16505 Middlebelt Rd
0	30091 Munger Dr
0	29545 Nottingham Ct
0	20358 Oporto Ave
0	18324 Pershing St
0	18797 Purlingbrook St
0	15381 Richfield St
0.	38285 Roycroft Ct
0	31005 Roycroft St
0	14407 Sunbury St
0	32023 W Chicago St
0	19009 Wayne Rd
0	18280 Whitby St
	15444 Williams St
0	NORTHVILLE
0	15913 Morningside
0	49462 N Glacier
0	20636 Silver Spring Dr
0	45948 Tournament Dr

47035 W Main St

E TR	ANSACTIONS	-
\$52,000	42024 Waterfall Rd	
	17766 Wildflower Dr	
\$160,000	PLYMOUTH	
\$120,000	50439 Beechwood Ct	
\$155,000	50492 Beechwood Ct	
\$180,000	10110 Dorian Dr	
\$28,000	8860 Elmhurst Ave	
\$95,000	8880 Elmhurst Ave	
\$188,000	444 Irvin St	
\$275,000	49980 Joy Rd	
\$120,000	14919 Lakewood Dr	
\$29,000	1530 Nantucket Rd	
\$120,000	11580 Napier Rd	
\$21,000	49471 Pine Ridge Ct	
\$162,000	9028 Rocker Ave	
\$58,000	101 S Union St	
\$265,000	1396 Sheridan St	
\$106,000	14972 Thornridge Dr	
\$265,000	50255 Top Of Hill Dr	
\$152,000	REDFORD	
\$102,000	27207 5 Mile Rd	
\$155,000	16637 Beech Daly Rd	
\$203,000	9060 Columbia	
\$155,000	10007 Crosley	
\$138,000	8873 Dixie	
\$205,000	25396 Donald	
\$336,000	17422 Gaylord	
\$129,000	19601 Imperial Hwy	
\$185,000	26740 Joy Rd	
	9652 Lucerne	
\$166,000	11747 Nathaline	
\$375,000	27010 Plymouth Rd	
\$265,000	27010 Plymouth Rd	
\$675,000	27010 Plymouth Rd	
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WAY	NE COUNTY	
\$345,000	8818 Sarasota	\$48,000
\$536,000	19749 Sumner	\$68,000
	26419 W 6 Mile Rd	\$53,000
\$199,000	25701 W 7 Mile Rd	\$40,000
\$210,000	25701 W 7 Mile Rd	\$59,000
\$355,000	WAYNE	
\$56,000	4154 2nd St	\$60,000
\$125,000	4058 Carnegie St	\$91,000
\$504,000	35348 Chestnut St	\$105,000
\$440,000	36002 John R St	\$165,000
\$215,000	36002 John R St	\$90,000
\$185,000	4645 Moore St	\$64,000
\$80,000	WESTLAND	
\$670,000	718 Alvin St	\$38,000
\$199,000	37205 Booth Ave	\$160,000
\$300,000	35814 Canyon Dr	\$108,000
\$300,000	2009 Dryden St	\$32,000
\$192,000	33228 Hiveley St	\$103,000
\$561,000	39293 Huron Pkwy	\$185,000
	5740 N Globe St	\$32,000
\$90,000	867 N Karle St	\$138,000
\$63,000	35129 Nancy St	\$60,000
\$66,000	1517 Norris St	\$66,000
\$72,000	32188 Palmer Rd	\$56,000
\$55,000	405 Ravencrest Ln	\$115,000
\$78,000	120 S Marie St	\$109,000
\$62,000	807 5 Merriman Rd	\$95,000
\$80,000	549 S Wildwood St	\$41,000
\$20,000	178 Surrey Hts	\$138,000
\$59,000	1806 Treadwell 5t	\$150,000
\$66,000	27518 Warren Rd	\$35,000
\$95,000	32615 Winona St	\$129,000
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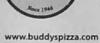
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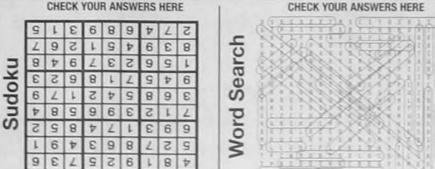
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#### JUNE **ARTS FESTIVAL**

Time/Date: 6:30-9 p.m. Friday,

June 26 Location: Crossroads Church, in the Sacred Heart Conference

Center, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia Details: Summer Christian sketches, lyrical dance, liturgical dance, musical acts, painted and hand-drawn art and photography. Fair entries are open to ages 5-18. All participants will receive a free gift. Registration accepted through Friday, June

Contact: pastor Steve at 248-890-5718; crossroadsnow.org CONCERT

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. June 26 Location: Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: David Roth, singer,

songwriter, guitar player, performs. Tickets are \$20 Contact: unityoflivonia.org;

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#### **DEMENTIA SERIES**

Time/Date: 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 24 Location: Our Lady of Victory Parish, 133 Orchard Street,

Details: "A Caregiver's Travel Guide: the Alzheimer's Journey" will take an in-depth look at the cognitive symptoms of Alzheimer's, its treatment, including tips and aids for caregivers. The session is part of a 10-session educational series on dementia, held monthly at different churches in the Northwest Wayne Vicariate of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Contact: Nancy at 248-349-2621, Ext. 258, or email olvchristiansvs@olvnorthville.net

#### SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Sunday,

June 21

Location: Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills

Details: The second annual service, celebrating the summer solstice, will be held outdoors weather permitting. Bernadette Kathryn, a local guitarist and vocalist, will provide music. The ritual also will include poetry, drumming and a nod to fathers

Contact: Rev. Leonetta at 248-202-1711; revleonetta1@gmail.com

#### **SUMMER WORSHIP** Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday and

9:30 a.m. Sunday Location: Lola Park Lutheran

Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford Contact: 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523

#### **ONGOING** CLASSES/STUDY

**Our Lady of Loretto** 

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Location: Six Mile and Beech

Daly, Redford Township **Details:** Scripture study

Contact: 313-534-9000 **Faith Community Wesleyan** Time/Date: 4-5 p.m. every

Saturday Location: 14560 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** This informal class includes fellowship, discussion and question and answers. All ages welcome. Bibles available if you don't have one

Contact: pastor Tom Hazelwood at 734-765-5476

#### **CLOTHING BANK**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. last Saturday of the month Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive,

**Details**: No documentation

Deadlines: Friday, 4:00 p.m. for Sunday papers . Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. for Thursday papers

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Contact: info@cantoncf.org **EXERCISE** 

Time/Date: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile,

**Details:** Instructor Wendy Motta, a seven-year Zumba practitioner, teaches Zumba through drop-in classes. Each costs \$3. Participants should bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. For more information, email Motta through

#### Contact: 313-408-3364 **FAMILY MEAL**

Time/Date: 5-6 p.m. every Thursday

Location: Salvation Army, 27500 Shiawassee, Farmington

Details: Free meal Contact: 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

#### HEALING SERVICE Time/Date: Arabic service, 3-4

p.m. first Tuesday of the month; English service, 3-4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month

Location: The Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of Saint Mary, 18100 Merriman, Livonia

Details: The service includes prayers of petition and intercession, hymns, Scripture readings and the anointing of the sick. Offertory candles are available for a free will offering in the vestibule of the church. Contact: Rev. George Shalhoub at 734-422-0010 or email Stacey

#### Badeen at sbadeen@tbosm.com

**Christ Our Savior Lutheran** 

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, September-May Location: 14175 Farmington

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WILLIAM ARTHUR

Age 83 of Howell, formerly of

June 15, 2015 at his home

following a two-year cancer battle. Bill was born January 11, 1932 in Detroit,

Michigan the youngest child of Grace (McCarthy) and William Moore. He graduated from Cass

Technical High School in 1950

where he played baseball. He

served as an airplane mechanic

in the United States Air Force

during the Korean War. After

meeting on a basketball court,

Bill married Barbara Ann Doran

on June 19, 1954 in Detroit. He

worked for General Motors for

30 years in the aircraft division

retiring as maintenance superin-

tendent of GM's corporate jets.

He coached all seven of his chil-dren and countless others at Our

Lady of Good Counsel Catholic

Church in Plymouth. He coached and applauded his 14 grandchil-

dren and their friends in their

many endeavors. He is survived

by his wife, Barbara, and their

seven children: Kevin (Betsy),

Colleen Paige (Randy), Daniel (Joanne), Peggy Gresko (John), Erin Wiley (Jeff), Patrick (Kara Cotton), and Eileen Wright (Patrick). Bill is also survived by

14 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, many nieces and

nephews, cousins, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, and friends. Mass of Christian Burial

will be held Thursday, June 18,

2015 at 11 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Ho-

well. Family will welcome visi-

tors in the church foyer begin-

ning at 10 a.m. Interment will

take place at a later date at Great

Lakes National Cemetery, Holly

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Plymouth,

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergart-

Contact: Ethanie Defoe at 248-227-6617 and Jody Fleszar at 734-658-2463

**Dunning Park Bible Chapel** Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m. first

and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support practical help and spiritual hope. Contact: Amy at 313-937-3084 or Kristen at 734-542-0767

#### PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.

Contact: 313-563-0162 PRAYER

#### St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

Location: Parish office, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Group meets for singing, praying and short teaching. Fellowship with snacks follows Contact: Parish office at 734-

Contact: 734-464-1223 St. Michael Lutheran Church

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

Location: 7000 N. Sheldon,

Details: Praying silently or aloud together; prayer requests

Contact: 734-459-3333 for additional information

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

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

Redford, Room 304 **Details:** Divorce Overcomers group is designed for individuals

going through divorce, those who are divorced or separated. Contact: The facilitator at

313-283-8200; lef@dwo.org First Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 7-7:15 p.m., social time; 7:30 p.m., announcements; 7:30-8:30 p.m., program; 8:30-9 p.m. ice cream social, Thursdays. Location: 200 E. Main St.,

Northville Details: Single Place Ministry;

cost is \$5 Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org

Steve's Family Restaurant

Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where

meet with others. Contact: 313-534-0399

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#### **SONG CIRCLE Congregation Beth Ahm**

Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m. every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: Sing zemirot (Shabbat songs) and celebrate Kiddush following morning services.

Lyrics are provided in transliteration as well as the original Contact: 248-737-1931 or email

nancyellen879@att.net. SUPPORT

#### **Apostolic Christian Church**

Time/Date: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily

Location: 29667 Wentworth,

Details: Adult day care program at the church's Woodhaven

Retirement Community. Funding available from TSA, AAA 1-C Older Americans Act. Contact: 734-261-9000;

#### www.woodhaven-retirement.com **Connection Church**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Friday Location: 3855 Sheldon, Canton Details: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery for all hurts, habits and hang-ups.

Child care is available for free Contact: Jonathan@Connectionchurch.info or 248-787-5009 **Detroit World Outreach** 

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday

Location: 23800 W. Chicago, Redford; Room 202

Details: Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems

#### Contact: 313-255-2222, Ext. 244 » Farmington Hills Baptist Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August Location: 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Farmington Hills

Details: Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group Contact: 248-433-1011

» Merriman Road Baptist Church

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. second and fourth Thursday

Location: 2055 Merriman, Garden City

Details: Metro Fibromyalgia support group meets; donations Contact: www.metrofibrogroup.com; or call Ruthann with questions at 734-981-2519

» Fireside Church of God Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday

Location: 11771 Newburgh,

**Details:** Fireside Adult Day Ministry activity-based program for dependent adults, specializing in dementia care. Not a drop-in center

Contact: 734-855-4056 or 734-464-0990; www.firesidechog.org; or email to adm@firesidechog.org

#### » St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday

Location: 16360 Hubbard, Details: A weekly drop-in Food

Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available Contact: 734-421-8451

» St. Thomas a' Becket

Time/Date: Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m.; support group 7 p.m. Thursday

Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton Details: Take Off Pounds Sen-Contact: Margaret at 734-838-

0322 » Unity of Livonia

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia

**Details**: Overeaters Anonymous Contact: 248-559-7722: www.oa.org for additional information

» Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 6 p.m. dinner (optional); 7 p.m. worship; 8 p.m. small group discussion; 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee/ desserts), Thursday

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township

**Details:** Celebrate Recovery helps men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hangups (addictive and compulsive behaviors); child care is

Contact: Child care, 248-374-7400; www.celebraterecovery-.com and www.wardchurch.org/ celebrate

### THRIFT STORE

St. James Presbyterian Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford

Contact: 313-534-7730 for additional information

Way of Life Christian Church Time/Date: 2-3:30 p.m. third Saturday from October through

Location: 9401 General Drive, Lilley Executive Plaza, Suite 100, Plymouth

Details: Women's fellowship is designed for women with a question to know God more in

their lives. Contact: 734-637-7618 TOUR

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. to noon first Sunday of the month

Location: The Solanus Casey Center, a Capuchin ministry, at 1780 Mount Elliott, Detroit Details: Led by Capuchin frian

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Contact: 313-579-2100, Ext. 149; www.solanuscenter.org

#### WORSHIP

» Adat Shalom Synagogue Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday; 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sunday; and 6 p.m. weekdays

Location: 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

Contact: 248-851-5100 » Bethlehem Lutheran

Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday service

Location: 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills

Contact: pastor Terry Miller at tshelton@mi.rr.com; 248-478-6520

» Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia Contact: 734-522-6830

» Congregation Bet Chave-Time/Date: Services are held 7 p.m. the third Friday of the

month Location: At the shared facilities of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge, Canton

**Details:** Reformed Jewish Congregation with Rabbi Peter Gluck and Cantorial soloist

Robin Liberatore Contact: www.Facebook.com/ betchaverim or email to betchaverim@yahoo.com

» Due Season Christian Church Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday,

with 7:15 p.m. Tuesday Bible study Location: Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia

Details: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church Contact: 248-960-8063 or visit

www.DueSeason.org » Faith Community Presby-

terian Church

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Sunday worship; 9 a.m. Bible study Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile,

Details: Women's group meets 12:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month. Vacation Bible School runs Aug. 10-14

Contact: 248-349-2345; faithcommunity-novi.org

» Faith Community Wesleyan Church Time/Date: Prayer service, 9

a.m., worship service, 11 a.m.,

Sunday school, 12:30 p.m., contemporary service, 1:30 p.m., Bible study, 6 p.m., Sundays Location: 14560 Merriman,

Livonia Contact: pastor Roger Wright at 313-682-7491

#### » Garden City Presbyterian

Church Time/Date: Adult Bible study at 8:15 a.m.; traditional worship service, youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Large print order of service is available Refreshments after service Elevator and handicap parking

Location: Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road Contact: 734-421-7620 » Good Hope Lutheran

Church Time/Date: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with Communion each Sunday; Bible study 10

a.m. Wednesday Location: 28680 Cherry Hill,

Garden City Contact: 734-427-3660

» Grace Lutheran Church Time/Date: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service and 10:30 a.m. contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m.

Location: 46001 Warren Road, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton Township Contact: 734-637-8160

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# Army rock band bridges gap between the public, soldiers

The Volunteers is arguably one of the hardest-working rock bands in the country

"We unload, set up and load back up 25,000 pounds of gear. We don't have roadies. We don't have a crew. We are the crew," said lead vocalist Sgt.
First Class April Boucher. "We
keep up with our physical fitness. We all take the army physical fitness test every six

"So, we have to learn to be a soldier, too. We're soldiers first. We like to say we are soldiers for life.'

Members of this elite military band, based at Fort Mead in Maryland, are enlisted in the U.S. Army. That means they've at least taken basic training and know a thing or two about soldiering, in addition to being top-notch musicians who have honed their skills for years, both in and outside of the mil-

The band travels 180 days a year and has performed na-tionwide, and in Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico, Kuwait and Iraq. Its mission is to represent the U.S. Army, "bridging the gap between soldier and the community," through rock, pop, country and patriotic

#### Families, high school

"We have two different missions. Our formal shows are for the American public, for festivals, and the high school shows are specifically designed for the younger generation," Boucher noted, in a phone interview with the Observer. "It's a pleasure to give back to veterans who have served before us and to thank the American people for con-

tinuing to support the military. "For the kids that are interested in music, it's reward-ing to give them a chance to come up on stage and strap on a guitar, or sit behind a drum set. I've gotten to work with choirs and different vocalists along the way. You pass on some of your experience and wisdom. That is a big part of our mission, too, educating kids who are interested in music and showing them this could be a career path for

The eight-member group, with six performers and two audio/lighting technicians, will bring its message to Canton Monday, June 22. The free concert, designed for all ages, is from 7-8:30 p.m. in the amphitheater at Heritage Park, located just west of Canton Center Road, between Summit Parkway and Cherry Hill Road. Audience members may bring lawn chairs and blankets.



Sgt. First Class April Boucher is the lead vocalist and the only woman in The Volunteers, the U.S. Army Field Band's

Boucher said the group is focusing on Americana music during its current Midwest tour. Although some band members write original songs, The Volunteers' mission is to play music most people recog-

"They can sing along and dance along with it and walk away feeling like they have

witnessed the excellence of the United States Army," Boucher

#### From baskets to bands

The Ohio native, who is married and has two daughters, began singing when she was 3 years old and took private lessons in middle school and high school. After high

school she worked in the Longaberger Baskets factory, but decided to "see the world, experience new things and new places and meet new people."

The military just came out of nowhere. And this is where I am now. I can't believe the path it led me down.

She joined the U.S. Navy in 1995 and worked as a network

administrator and technician for a year before joining through audition - the Navy Fleet Band in Hawaii and then the navy Band Southeast in Jacksonville, Fla.

"I did pretty much everything. I sang with the big band, the jazz combo, with the concert band," she said.
After 11 years in the Navy,

Boucher auditioned for The Volunteers. She sent a photo, resume and audition CD and then was invited by the band to audition in person. After landing the assignment, she left the Navy and was sworn into the Army, an unusual career twist. She has been with The Volun-teers for nine years.
"I actually auditioned with

the band. It was pretty much their decision. It's more than just a talent thing. There has to be a chemistry there too because we spend so much time together," she said, adding that the band faces the same obstacles and personal differences as does any civilian rock band.

"But we serve together and it's permanent duty, so we have to work a little harder to work out our differences and stick together.

In addition to Boucher, The Volunteers are:

» Glenn Robertson, drummer, who has shared the stage with such acts as George Clinton, John Mayer and Soulive before joining the group.

» Randy Wight, keyboardist and vocalist, who as a civilian, sang and played piano at resorts in New York and who recorded in Las Vegas, Nev. working with Temptations lead vocalist Barrington Hender-

» Thomas Lindsey, guitar, who has toured the country with such musicians as Charlie Daniels, Martina McBride and The Platters.

» Brandon Boron, guitar, who holds a bachelor of music degree from the University of Massachusetts. He was de-ployed to Iraq in 2010 with the 1st Armored Division Band.

» Peter Krasulski, bass, who holds an associate of arts degree in music and has performed with several Army bands and served in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

» James Little, lighting technician, studied theater arts at Miami-Dade Community College and directed the U.S. Army Soldier Show from 2007-

» John Lamirande, audio engineer, also has played electric bass, guitar, piano and sang vocals with several Army

For more on the group, visit armyrockband.com.

Location: USA Hockey Arena, 14900

screens. Visit summerdrivein.com week-

ly for updated film list. Admission is \$10

for adults, \$8 for children, 4-12 and free

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-

Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday,

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PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL

Location: 155 5. Main, Plymouth

for active duty military personnel,

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Fri-

Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2

for ages 6-17. Free museum admission

including National Guard and Reserve

and their families, from Memorial Day

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Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily Location: 1-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$10 for senior citizens 62 and older, and for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and

Photo exhibit: National Geographic's The Hidden Life of Wolves photo exhibit includes 21 images by Jim and Jamie Dutcher, who observed wolves for six years in Idaho. It's on display through Oct. 24 and is free with zoo admission. Contact: 248-541-5717

#### **ARTS AND CRAFTS** CITY GALLERY

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, through June 26 Location: Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Paintings by Krysti Spence depict subjects that can be held in the palm of the hand; some are viewed through 3D eyeglasses

#### Contact: 248-473-1859 JANICE CHARACH GALLERY

Time/Date: The exhibition runs 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, through July 16

Location: Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan Detroit, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: 68th annual Michigan Water Color Society Annual Exhibition Contact: 248-661-1000

#### NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: Runs through June 27 Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: West of Center, an all-media

Contact: 248-344-0497

#### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY **ARTS COUNCIL**

Time/Date: Runs through June Location: 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth Details: Denise Cassidy solo show of

Contact: 734-416-4278

#### VILLAGE THEATER

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday and during public performances, through July 30

Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Details: "Healing Art," includes works by photographers Michelle Malloch and

#### Amy Lockard and fiber work combined with painting by Kelly Darke Contact: 734-394-5300

VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION

**OF LIVONIA** Time/Date: Open during library hours and runs through June 30

Location: Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Spring Art Exhibit with fine art paintings in watercolor, acrylic, oil and

Contact: 734-838-1204; vaalart.org

#### AUDITIONS **BAREFOOT PRODUCTIONS**

Time/Date: 2-5 p.m. June 21, 7-9:30 p.m. June 22-23 Location: 240 N. Main, Plymouth

Details: Man of La Mancha, with roles for 14 males, ages 18-60, five to six females, ages 19-60. Group singing is required and eight principal actors sing solos. Prepare a Broadway-type song for the audition and be prepared for cold

### **GET OUT! CALENDAR**

readings from the script Contact: 734-560-1493; justgobarefoot-

#### COMEDY **EMERGENT ARTS**

Time/Date: 9 p.m. June 19 Location: The Mix Studio Theater, 8 N. Washington Street, Ypsilanti

Details: The Laugh Riot Dolls present a cabaret-style comedy show. Admission \$10. Buy tickets online at emergentarts.com or call to reserve and pay at the

Contact: 734-985-0875

#### **FESTIVAL ARTS AND ACTS**

Time/Date: 3-8 p.m. Friday, June 19; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 21 Location: Main and Center streets in

downtown Northville

Details: The Festival includes the 27th annual juried fine art show "Art in the Sun," featuring more than 70 artists; the "Reel Michigan Film Festival" at Northville's Marquis Theatre; the "Sandbox Play Festival," produced by Tipping Point Theatre; the "Short on Words" Literary Contest; musical entertainment; children's activities; the second annual Northville Art House Chalk Festival; and a variety of festival food and drink. Live entertainment is Toppermost Beatles tribute band, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, June 20; Ben Sharkey with jazz and R&B, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 20; Those Delta Rhythm Kinds, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 21 Contact: 248-344-0497;

#### northvillearthouse.org CANTON LIBERTY FEST

Time/Date: 1-11 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 18-19; 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 20

Location: Heritage Park, behind the

Canton Administration Building, 1150 S.

Canton Center Road, Canton Details: Carnival rides, midway games, Taste of Canton, fireworks, car show,

Saturday morning Liberty Run, and more. Live entertainment includes Midwest Dueling Pianos, 7:30 p.m. Thursday;

Sonic Freeway, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Friday; Laura Reaper Captured Detroit, a

Journey tribute band, 8-10 p.m. Friday; Scott Martin Band, rock/country band, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday; and The Hype Syndicate, performing top hits, 8-10 p.m. Saturday. Catch singers Madeline Harts, Dorian Dillard and Laura Reaper of the the Verdi Opera Theatre, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20.

Contact: cantonlibertyfest.com

#### FILM PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, June 21; 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25

Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth Details: Little Boy, admission \$3 Coming up: Avengers: Age of Ultron, 7 p.m. June 26 and July 2; 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. June 27-28 and July 5

Contact: 734-453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

#### REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. June 26 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. June 27

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit Details: The Goonies; \$5

Contact: 313-898-1481 SUMMER DRIVE-IN Time/Date: Films screen at dusk, nightYANKEE AIR MUSEUM Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday,

Contact 734-455-8940

through Labor Day

Location: Willow Run Airport, Ypsilanti Township. Hangar 1 Bay 8 at the end of Kirk Profit Drive

Details: Open house for the museum's World War II B-24 bomber plant. Visi-

tors will see some concepts of the stories planned for exhibits. Free Contact yankeemuseum.org

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Create this summer's tropical picnic to remember with these tips:

- » Transform your back yard into a beach-side cabana. From grass table skirts to brightly colored beach balls to flaming tiki torches, the options are nearly endless for establishing an island ambiance.
  - » Set the mood with music. Steel drums and lively rhythms are

the perfect backdrop to a festive beach-style party.

- » Greet guests with leis and umbrella-capped beverages. These simple touches go a long way to enhance the festive spirit.
- » Whether guests include kids, or simply the young at heart, add some interactive beach-inspired activities, such as a volleyball net or sandbox for building sand castles.
- » Serve up your own island-inspired recipes, such as a Pineapple Coconut Cake and Aloha Chicken Wings
  - For more recipes with a tropical twist, visit www.dole.com. Courtesy of Family Features



#### PINEAPPLE COCONUT CAKE

Prep time: 10 minutes Bake time: 35 minutes

aside.

- Servings: 12-16 1 can (20 ounces) Dole Crushed
- Pineapple, divided 1 box (2-layer) yellow cake mix
- 1 tablespoon coconut extract 1 package (4 serving size) instant
- vanilla pudding 1 cup cold low-fat milk
- 1 tub (8 ounces) frozen whipped
- topping, thawed 2 cups sweetened flake coconut

Heat oven to 350°F. Spray two 9-inch cake pans with cooking spray. Drain pineapple; reserve juice. Divide crushed pineapple in half; set

Prepare cake mix according to package directions, replacing water with reserved juice and adding coconut extract; beat two minutes. Fold half of crushed pineapple into cake batter.

Pour cake batter into prepared cake pans. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

Cool in pan 10 minutes. Transfer from pan to wire rack; cool completely

Stir together instant vanilla pudding and cold milk until smooth, about two minutes; fold in whipped topping. Combine remaining pineapple with mixture.

Place one cake layer on plate; spread pineapple frosting over top. Place second cake layer over top. Frost top and sides of cake with remaining pudding frosting. Garnish with coconut. Refrigerate for one hour before serving.



#### TROPICAL SPINACH TOSS

Servings: 6

evenly coat.

Total prep time: 15 minutes 1 bag (6 ounces) baby spinach

- 1 papaya, peeled and cut into
- 1 cup fresh Dole Tropical Gold
- Pineapple, cut into chunks 2 large bananas, sliced
- 1/4 cup red onion, chopped 2 teaspoons grated orange peel 1/2 cup light Italian salad dressing

Combine spinach, papaya, pineapple, banana and onion together in large bowl. Combine orange peel and dressing in small bowl. Pour dressing over salad and toss to

#### TROPICAL SMOOTHIE PUNCH

Servings: 25 Total prep time: 15 minutes

- 1 can (46 ounces) pineapple juice 1 package (12 ounces) frozen raspberries, partially thawed,
- 1 liter sugar-free lemon-lime soda 1/2 can (12 ounces) frozen limeade concentrate, thawed
- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen sliced peaches, partially thawed
- 2 bananas, peeled and sliced 2 oranges, peeled, sliced

Combine 1-1/1 cups pineapple Juice and 16 of the raspberries in blender. Cover, blend until smooth. Combine all remaining ingredients in punch bowl. Stir to combine.



#### **ALOHA CHICKEN** WINGS

Servings: 25 Total prep time: 1 hour

- 25 individual chicken wings
- vegetable cooking spray
- 3 tablespoons cider vinegar 2 tablespoons garlic salt
- 1 tablespoon onion powder 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon paprika 1 can (20 ounces) crushed
- pineapple, undrained
- 1 cup ketchup 1/4 cup packed brown sugar 1/4 cup soy sauce

Split chicken wings at joints; discard wing tip. Place chicken in single layer in two baking pans sprayed with vegetable cooking spray. Pierce skin with fork. Combine vinegar, garlic salt, onion powder, ginger and paprika; brush over chicken.

Bake at 400°F., 30 minutes, turning chicken over halfway through cooking.

Combine undrained crushed pineapple, ketchup, brown sugar and soy sauce in small bowl. Spoon half of sauce over wings Bake chicken 15 minutes more. Turn wings over; spoon remaining sauce over wings. Bake 15 minutes more or until chicken is no longer pink in center. Serve warm. Tip: Wings can be made ahead

and reheated in oven or over grill.



#### CARIBBEAN JERK SHRIMP AND BANANA KABOBS

Servings; 6-8 Total prep time: 80 minutes

- 2 pounds (13-15 count) large
- shrimp, peeled and deveined 2 cups Caribbean-style jerk
- marinade, divided 1/4 cup olive oil, divided
- 3 green tipped bananas, cut in
- 2-inch pieces
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded, chunked
- 1 green bell pepper, seeded, chunked
- 1 red onion, cut into chunks

Place shrimp in large bowl and add 1 cup marinade and 2 tablespoons olive oil. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour

Combine bananas, bell peppers and red onion in medium bowl; add remaining marinade and olive oil. Allow to marinade at least 20 min-

Skewer shrimp, bananas, bell peppers and onions alternately on metal skewers or pre-soaked wooden skewers; discard remaining

Grill kabobs 4 to 5 minutes on each side or until desired doneness.