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### LIONS TREAT CROWD TO FUN-FILLED NIGHT

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## Canton's social media policy lauded

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

A decision by Canton Township to crack down on bullying and harassment through social media has drawn support from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, which also is striking back against the problem. "Plymouth-Canton Community Schools stands firmly

behind the actions that the Canton Township government is taking on these issues," said Nick Brandon, the district's director of communications. "We admire the fact that they're trying to get ahead on



Brandon

an important issue." Brandon, when asked Thursday about the township policy, said the school district applauds Canton for adopting an ordinance to prohibit bullying and harassment via social media and the Internet. His remarks came as the township board is expected to give final approval Tuesday to the new rules.

Kristin Kolb, Canton's corporation counsel, said the amended local ordinance applies to offenders regardless of where they live, as long as the harassment or bullying was received in Canton. The crime, she said, occurs "where the communication was received." Canton already had rules to prohibit harassment by tele-

phone or in writing - misdemeanor crimes punishable by 93 days in jail and a \$500 fine. The township board's decision simply broadens the scope of the ordinance to include social media and the Internet. Offenders can be prosecuted regardless of age. Brandon said school offi-

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## CHILDREN LINE UP FOR TOUCH A TRUCK PROGRAM

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Ericka Thornton, a Canton mother of three, doesn't want her daughters to grow up fearing police officers and fire-fighters.

So she brought 5-year-old twins Brianna and Vivianna and youngest daughter Gabrielle, 4, to a place where they could get close to a police car and fire engine and see the first responders who drive them.

"I want my daughters not to be afraid of the people who are here in our community to help us," Thornton said.

She got her chance Wednesday as a fire engine, police car, backhoe, dump truck and sewer-cleaning Vactor rig were parked outside the Canton Public Library for a program called Touch a Truck.

"I like fire trucks," Vivianna said, smiling.

Not far away, children huddled around David Arnold, a Canton public works equipment operator, as he explained in simple terms how the Vactor truck, weighing 50,000 pounds when filled with water, can be used to unclog a sewer line.

"This is like a giant vacuum cleaner," he said.

Another equipment operator, Curt Foster, told how a huge Caterpillar backhoe is used to dig up dirt to repair water main breaks or unearth soil so new homes can be connected to the municipal water system.

Across the parking lot, a long line formed as Canton Police Officer Patty Esselink



Jackson Ryan finds a comfortable seat on a backhoe wheel.

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## Canton Lions corn roast expected to draw hundreds

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Canton, once dubbed the Sweet Corn Capital of Michigan during its more rural past, still enjoys a good corn roast.

Just ask Bill Van Winkle. He said 700-800 corn lovers are expected when the Canton Lions Club hosts its annual corn roast to raise money to buy eyeglasses, hearing aids and other devices for hearing- and vision-impaired people who can't afford the price tag.

The corn roast happens 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, near the Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park, off Ridge Road north of Cherry Hill on Canton's west side.

"It's a real community favorite," said Van Winkle, a longtime Lions Club volunteer. "It's quite an event."

For some, the corn roast stirs memories of a time when Canton had many more cornfields, before large subdivisions and shopping centers changed the landscape.

Local historians say Canton was once touted as the Sweet Corn Capital of Michigan. Dave Curtis, one of those historians, said the title was earned for the amount of corn grown and sold from about 1950-70.

"The soil was good for the sweet corn," Curtis said.

Moreover, he said, Canton was close to warehouses owned by the big grocery store chains - places where Canton's corn could be easily delivered and sold.

Van Winkle said Canton still has a hearty appetite for corn.

That said, the Canton Lions Club is charging no admission for its all-you-can-eat roasted corn, served along with hot dogs, baked beans, watermelon, ice cream, cotton candy, snow cones and beverages during the annual event.

The club does, however, ask for donations so it can support its charitable efforts. Gift baskets and a 50/50 raffle also are slated that day.

Among the highlights:

» The Canton Concert Band, the resident ensemble of the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, will perform.

» The Canton Historical Society will show what life was like in Canton's past.

» Canton-based Ear Center Audiology will offer hearing tests for those attending.

» Eversight, formerly the Michigan Eye Bank, is expect-

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## Young people get creative at PCAC camps

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Young people are exploring their creative sides during the Plymouth Community Arts Council's summer arts camps.

The nonprofit at Sheldon and Junction in Plymouth is offering workshops in traditional forms such as drawing, painting and ceramics, as well as applying artistic concepts to the wider world, with classes in advertising art, construction and the use of everyday items and recycled products in artistic work. There are also theater classes, music lessons and fun workshops with Dr. Seuss- and Harry Potter-themed projects.

Arts campers, said Lisa Howard, the PCAC's executive director, have proven adept at opening their imaginations and taking their art beyond what they learn in school, which usually emphasizes technique over creativity.

"They always take it and they do things we don't even think of," Howard said. "They need to keep thinking outside the box."

Instructor Madhurima Ganguly agreed. She was teaching a class Thursday afternoon called Flower Power, which explores different ways of depicting flowers in different media. It's for 6- to



Sofia Michalak paints the middle of a flower.

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## Barone holds office hours Thursday

Wayne County Commissioner Joe Barone will meet with constituents as he hosts office hours from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, at Barone Law Offices, 607 S. Main Street, downtown Plymouth.

Constituents will have the opportunity to meet with Barone to discuss matters of concern within the community.

"We have been facing many very significant issues in Wayne County and I'm looking forward to getting feedback from residents of my district about those and other issues," Barone said. "This is a very important time in Wayne County's history."

Barone, R-Plymouth



Wayne County Commissioner Joe Barone will hold office hours Thursday.

Twp., represents District 10, which covers Canton Township, Plymouth Township and the city of Plymouth.

For more information, call 313-224-0882.

# Cheers! Brewery, restaurant sought for Canton arts complex

By Darrell Clem  
Staff Writer

Efforts to create a new arts and entertainment complex in Cherry Hill Village have ramped up as project leaders begin actively seeking a brewery or pub for the site.

Tapping into Michigan's burgeoning craft beer industry, the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities has advertised in the latest edition of *Michigan Beer Guide* for a brewery or pub.

"It could be either, whatever works out," Jill Engel, the partnership's executive director, said Friday.

The latest move comes as a team led by Engel works to create the Village Arts Factory on property, near Cherry Hill and Ridge roads, once owned by auto magnate Henry Ford. World War II disabled veterans once worked and lived there.

A former warehouse — one of three buildings on the 14-acre site — offers 32,000 square feet of space that is intended to house a brewery or pub and a restaurant on one side and art studios, a gallery and a boutique on the other.



Jill Engel continues to roll out a vision for the former Henry Ford factory site in Canton.

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Canton historian Dave Curtis has lauded the idea of an arts complex that also would offer arts, education and healing programs for war veterans. Curtis has called it "a good vision" that preserves "some of Canton's important history."

Over the last two years, Engel said Village Arts Factory leaders

have consistently heard that the community wants the project to include an entertainment sector such as a brewery and a restaurant, whether they are together or separate. It would include outdoor seating.

Those businesses, potentially through lease agreements, could generate revenue that the Part-

nership for the Arts and Humanities could use to offset expenses for artist studios and keep at a minimum the cost of veterans classes and programs.

Engel said she already has received two inquiries after the ad was placed in the July-August edition of *Michigan Beer Guide*.

Meanwhile, she said the project is moving ahead. She hopes the former Henry Ford dormitory could open as early as spring to house programs for veterans. It's likely the warehouse could open within three years with amenities such as the studio, brewery and restaurant, if all goes as planned.

The project could complement the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, a longtime gem of Canton's arts community.

Engel envisions a place where residents and visitors can bike, walk, or drive to enjoy the arts complex.

"We want it to be a gathering place," she said.

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cialists want students to embrace technology, but not abuse it. He said the district has a policy that includes a wide range of penalties — from warning to expulsion — depending on the severity of threats made against others through social media. He said police also could be contacted.

"We are working all the time to improve our

social media policies," Brandon said, adding later, "It really is such a prevalent issue for the entire age group of our student population."

Brandon urged parents to become involved in monitoring the social media and Internet usage of their children, saying there are programs and privacy settings that can be used.

Canton and the school district have moved to adopt new policies amid social media's increased usage.

"The school district takes this very seriously," Brandon said, but he added the school district isn't trying to stifle any student's passion for technology. "It's not an anti-technology thing."

The township board in July adopted a first reading of the new ordinance making it a misdemeanor for anyone to harass or bully another through social media or the Internet. It goes into effect Aug. 20 after a required second vote of approval, expected Tuesday.

The township board's decision shows how local municipalities have had to sharpen their ordinances as the legal landscape has changed with social media.

Public Safety Director Todd Mutchler has said prosecutors, lacking the legal tools they need, have on occasion had difficulty tackling such cases in court. He called the latest ordinance "a remedy for people who are being harassed through social media and use of the Internet."



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# Christmas in July contest winners announced

Congratulations to 22 winners of the *Observer & Eccentric* 2015 Christmas in July contest. The following contestants were selected in a random drawing of all correct entries. More than 450 entries were received by deadline and 169 entrants found all of the hidden icons. The winners and their prizes are:

Holly Scott of Highland, lifetime membership to Witch's Hat Brewing; Loretta Wallace of Redford Township, \$50 gift certificate to Tenpenny Furniture; Jane Bryan of Novi,



\$50 gift certificate for consultation at Nina McClemore; Judy Skolarus of South Lyon, \$50 gift certificate to Scrooge and Barley; Linda Wagner of Northville, Auto Day at the Spa from Bill Brown Ford; A.R. Wilson of Garden City, \$50 gift certificate to Polish Pottery; Norman Williamson of South Lyon, massage and facial

at Massage LuXe; Patricia March of Livonia, massage and facial at Massage LuXe. Other winners included Pat Shelton of Farmington Hills, gift of jewelry from Larson's Jewelry; Sheryl Hoover of Westland, salad mates from Cutco; Annette Grzyb of Westland, Belle Etoile Galaxy pendant from Motif Jewelers; and

Karla Walkley of Canton, gift certificate for hair styling services at Mod-ello 227. Ten others won two tickets to Riviera Cinema in Farmington Hills and a free four-square Buddy's pizza. They are Sandra Davis of Livonia, Pat Greenless of Milford, David Kaczor of Redford Township, Mary Galasso of Livonia, Fran Niemiec

of Westland, Pat Christiansen of Livonia, Randy Brown of Plymouth, Lynn Bricker of Canton, Susan Randall of Birmingham and Maria Wardell of Southfield. Icons appeared on the following pages: 1 (cover), 4, 8, 14, 16, 17, 18, 24, 30, 32, 35, 38. The icons most often missed were on pages 1, 4, 16 and 38.

## Local supermarkets aid Forgotten Harvest program

Two Plymouth Township supermarkets are teaming up this month with Forgotten Harvest to help bring food to needy people throughout the Detroit area. The Busch's on Sheldon Road at Five Mile, along with Prairie Farms and the United Dairy Industry of Michigan, are sponsoring a milk drive beginning Monday to collect up to 5,000 gallons of milk for Forgotten Harvest. The drive will run through Sunday, Aug. 16, with an all-day event at the store planned for Saturday, Aug. 15.



The Busch's on Sheldon Road at Five Mile, along with Prairie Farms and the United Dairy Industry of Michigan, are sponsoring a milk drive beginning Monday to collect up to 5,000 gallons of milk for Forgotten Harvest.

In addition, the gas station at the Kroger Super Center at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon is donating \$3 to Forgotten Harvest for every platinum car wash purchased there this month. With the Real Estate One Charitable Foundation making a \$1.50 match per platinum wash, that means every platinum wash at the Super Center in August will translate into \$4.50 for Forgotten Harvest, while each \$4.50 donation can provide 22 meals through the Forgotten Harvest program. Forgotten Harvest is a 25-year-old nonprofit that collects surplus prepared and perishable foods that would otherwise go to

waste and distributes them in a timely way to 280 emergency food sources in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. The milk drive at Busch's asks customers to buy gallons of milk for the effort; each gallon donated will be matched by the store and the United Dairy Industry of Michigan, a producers organization, up to the goal of 5,000 gallons. "Milk is one of the most-requested items at food banks, but is rarely donated," John Hunter, the director of marketing at Busch's Inc., said in a press release. "We at Busch's are ecstatic and grateful for every chance to support fam-

ilies and children in our own communities with the gift of milk." The milk drive will wrap up Aug. 15 with an event at the store. Trucks from the Prairie Farms dairy and Forgotten Harvest will be outside to collect donations between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. and Busch's will be selling hot dogs and refreshments, with proceeds going toward milk donations. Busch's will also be serving ice cream samples. More information about the milk drive is available on its Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/events/1469790856668951/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1469790856668951/).

- By Matt Jachman



More than \$12,000 raised during last month's Camaro Superfest was donated Monday to Livonia's Angela Hospice at Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth Township.

## Angela Hospice gets \$12K at local car dealer

The Eastern Michigan Camaro Club donated Monday more than \$12,000 to Angela Hospice, a Livonia-based not-for-profit that cares for terminally ill people in their last days and provides support for their families. The check presentation took place at Plymouth Township's Lou LaRiche Chevrolet. Vice

president and executive manager Scott LaRiche is an EMCC sponsor and chose Angela as the charity. The money was raised during last month's EMCC-sponsored 24th annual Camaro Superfest, the largest and longest-running all-Camaro event in the country. There were 50/50 draw-

ings, live and silent auctions and donations made at the gate. The Camaro Superfest was July 4-5 at Riverside Park in Ypsilanti. It included swap, sell and vendor areas and displays for visitors. Last year's Superfest raised about \$10,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

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12-year-olds.

### Abstract flowers

"They took the shape of the flower and they expanded their imaginations," Ganguly said as she explained a mixed-media assignment that resulted in a lot of flowers – painted cutouts of paper plates – with abstract designs.

The creator of one of those pieces called it a "disco flower," Ganguly said, and that flower's center did resemble a mirrored disco ball.

Ganguly said she began that project by talking about shapes found in the everyday world and that campers quickly took to the topic. "They put themselves much more into the conversation," she said.

Thursday afternoon, campers were working on turning egg-carton dimples – the little insets where eggs are kept snug in the carton – into bouquets of flowers to be mounted on construction paper. Each student started with three dimples, roughly cut, trimmed them to their liking, then painted them and attached green pipe cleaners for stems and colored ribbons to complete the bouquets.

Camper Mary Koss said it was her favorite project so far. "You get to cut out the egg carton and you get to make it how you want," she said.

Mary Michalak's favorite was an earlier project: Cutting the sides of paper cups into petals and putting the resulting cup flowers onto wire stems. "We put ours in a vase," she said.

"Every day they are so excited to come back here," Ganguly said.

In the pottery studio nearby, Michaela Jajko was teaching an advanced pottery class of four girls. They had been sharing time on the pottery wheel all week.

"I'm really excited to, like, further my career in being a potter," Bella Breazeale, who is entering Salem High School in the fall, said after "throwing" a bowl on the wheel.



Teacher Michaela Jajko (right) talks with student Claire Bensen about her project.

Teacher Madhurima Ganguly talks about student work.



Ashley Parker works on her Slime Monster.



Bella Breazeale throws a bowl on a potter's wheel.



Claire Bensen used her fingernails to add texture to her ceramic piece. She feels that it's like using a physical part of her that becomes part of her art.

### 'Expand your mind'

Jajko, who is working toward a bachelor of fine arts in ceramics at Western Michigan University, said she likes to give campers a sense of independence with their art.

"She wants you to expand

your mind," said camper Clair Bensen, who will be a ninth-grader at Canton High School.

Claire showed off a piece she called "Wild Mountain," which has a practical use as a piggy bank with two openings for coins. "I feel like that'd be a unique use," Claire said.

She had stomped on the clay, she said, rolled it, make it hollow and gave it an irregular shape, then repeatedly poked at it with her fingernails.

"It makes kind of a rugged, old look," Claire said. Glazes of brown, blue and bluish-green will finish that look, she said.

"Wild Mountain" was one of several ceramic pieces Clair had made last week.

"I'm excited because I've got presents figured out for Christmas already," she said.

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CANTON LIONS CLUB

Canton taps into its sweet corn history with the Lions Club corn roast.

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ed to attend. It assists donors who want to provide the gift of sight.

» Face-painting and balloon-twisting for children, along with a bounce house, will be available.

» Leader dog school representatives will be hand to explain the services they provide.

» A petting farm has been organized.

» Project Kids Sight will be there to help identify potential vision problems in children.

» Seedling Braille Books, which provides books for the blind, is expected to join the corn roast.

» A group called Sisters of the Union are set to wear Victorian-era attire while they cook.

» Village Wellness Center is set to provide massages for those with tired backs.

» Wood carvers are



CANTON LIONS CLUB

Corn lovers will be returning to Canton's Preservation Park for the annual Lions Club corn roast.

expected to create sculptures from wood.

The 45-member Canton Lions Club serves Canton and Belleville. It meets once a month at Rose's Restaurant in Canton. For more information on becoming

involved, call Van Winkle at 734-254-9404, send an email to govbill1@wow-way.com or go to www.cantonlions.org.

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## Gazelle Sports celebrating grand opening of Northville location

Gazelle Sports is celebrating the grand opening of its store in the Northville Park Place shopping center at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads. The new store will welcome the community Aug. 12-16 with various free events, giveaways and more.

Gazelle Sports Northville – the fourth location and first on the east side of the state for the running, soccer and active lifestyle specialty retailer – will have an official ribbon-cutting as a part of the grand opening celebration, as well as a pub run featuring food and beer from new neighbor Granite City Brewery, an evening of yoga and giveaways and prizes throughout the weekend from vendors like adi-

das, Nike and New Balance.

"We hope the community will embrace the entire culture that is Gazelle Sports," store manager Christine Pedder said. "We're excited to meet community members and build relationships that will help further our mission of promoting healthy, active lifestyles across Michigan."

Gazelle Sports specializes in footwear and apparel and is committed to providing its customers with the best product and the "world's best customer care," as the retailer's mission statement promises. "Our new sales associates experience 50 to 60 hours of training before working independently on our sales floor, while con-

tinuing education averages two hours a week," Gazelle Sports co-owner Chris Lampen-Crowell said.

Gazelle Sports is already well known to many in greater Northville via its local soccer club involvement through Gazelle Sports' Team Division. Gazelle Sports will offer a unique soccer experience within the store along with its industry-leading running expertise. Gazelle Sports was named one of the Top Four Running Stores in the nation in 2012 by *Competitor* magazine and has made its Top 50 list every year for nearly a decade.

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# Wildcats boosters, The VET collaborate on 'Warrior Obstacle Challenge'

By Joanne Maliszewski  
Staff Writer

Organizers of the Wildcat Warrior Obstacle Challenge — a fundraiser for the Plymouth High School football team and military veterans — have rescheduled the event for Saturday, Sept. 12, at the high school.

That gives plenty of time to practice ready to test your mettle — and your muscles.

"I'm looking for a good turnout. It's helping both good causes," said Todd McCall, president of the Plymouth Wildcats Football Booster Club.

The challenge involves fun stuff: mud — lots of mud, obstacle courses, climbing hills, bales of hay and some sand. Expect to get a bit dirty, but it will be fun, McCall said.

A fundraising event, the obstacle challenge is also a collaboration with The VET — Veteran Education and Transitional — Program. "The football



You can bet making your way through an obstacle course in the mud will be good fun.

program is always fundraising," McCall said. "We try to tie the community back into these fundraisers."

Coach Mike Sawchuck suggested teaming with The VET Program for the challenge. "As of recently, we've had a lot of groups fundraising with us," said Sara Fader, whose husband Scott began the nonprofit

while he served in Afghanistan in 2012.

When Scott Fader returned home, the nonprofit took off in 2013 first as Suits for Soldiers. The Faders decided the organization needed a broader scope, now known as Rochester-based The VET Program, which includes education, providing business attire, help with resume, for example.

"We help veterans and their spouses and older veterans," Sara Fader said.

The boosters and The VET Program will split proceeds from the obstacle fundraiser. Booster parents plan to reach out to military recruitment offices for participants, as well.

"It is open to everybody," McCall said. "There is no age limit. We're letting anyone come through the obstacle course."

Veterans will be hand, some volunteering to organize the waves of participants who take turns on the course, as well as veterans giving the obstacles a try. "Everyone who participates will get a medal," McCall said.

Two or three days

before the event, volunteers will be out with hoses and sand preparing the obstacle course at Plymouth High School.

The Sept. 12 event starts with check-in at 8 a.m., followed by the first wave of participants starting at 9:15 a.m. at the high school, 8400 Beck Road, Canton.

Meanwhile, the booster club is seeking sponsors for the event. Businesses or organizations that are interested may call McCall at 734-748-9649.

Participation costs include: \$30 for adults; \$20 for ages 13-19, \$10 for ages 10-12 and kids 9 and younger are admitted free. Admission includes the course, a drawstring backpack, buff and finishers medal. Kids nine and younger will not receive a bag or medals. Registration is ongoing and may be completed online at [www.TheVETProgram.org](http://www.TheVETProgram.org) (under events). Participants may also register and pick up information packets from noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 5, at Plymouth High School.

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# Super Center, Real Estate One team for Forgotten Harvest fundraiser

The Plymouth Super Center and the Plymouth Real Estate One Office will join together in a fundraiser for Forgotten Harvest throughout August.

Drew Wolford, owner of the Plymouth Super Center, 400 W. Ann Arbor Road, will donate \$3 for every car wash during the month to the Real Estate One Charitable Foundation and Real Estate One will match each wash with \$1.50. The Plymouth Super Center has a long history of support for

charitable community endeavors.

Forgotten Harvest collects more than 48 million pounds of food a year for food banks, soup kitchens and other nonprofits to feed thousands of clients each year in the tri-county area.

You may also mail a donation (check payable to Forgotten Harvest or the Real Estate One Charitable Foundation) to: REOCF, Attn: Duke Hynek, 217 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Suite 102, Plymouth, MI 48170.

# Plymouth Rotary accepting Outbound applications

The Rotary Club of Plymouth is accepting applications for the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. It is open to current high school students and students graduating in 2016. The Youth Exchange Program is for the 2016-17 school year, with students leaving in August 2016.

"The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is one of the premier programs of Rotary International and it is supported by Rotary Clubs all around the world," Rotary Club President Russ Jones said.

Students who participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program will spend one year living abroad. Students will be sponsored by a local Rotary Club in the United States/Canada and in their new country, where they will attend high school.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program provides students ages 16-18 the opportunity to

live 11 months in another country learning the language and culture.

Outbound students and their parents are guided through months of orientation and information about the country of their exchange year. Outbound students typically stay with two or three Rotary-approved families and receive a monthly stipend for incidental expenses.

Rotary Youth Exchange outbound participants must have above average grades. Students will learn about other cultures, about other people and about themselves. Students and families who may be interested in the Rotary Youth Exchange experience should watch the following YouTube link at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pGdwpF2BBp8>.

Rotary Youth Exchange Applications are now available online at [www.plymouthrotary.org](http://www.plymouthrotary.org).

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# India Day expected to draw thousands

More than 25,000 visitors will gather at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi to experience the tastes, sights, sounds and culture of India for the 13th annual India Day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15. With a record number of attendees expected, this year's celebration will be the largest in the event's history.

"We want to meet our neighbors. We want to remember our culture and customs. And we want to have a fun time," said Ramesh Gudapuri, event chairman. "India Day offers a chance for all of that to happen, during one day and under one roof. Indian-American people live, work and play where you do and we want you to experience the Indian culture. There is something for everyone."

Come hungry and ready to soak in the dazzling culture – enjoy more than 100 vendors, classical dance and Bollywood performances from more than 300 children and adult performers, clothing vendors and more. Attendees also will



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Many exhibitors will be on-site to display and sell authentic Indian apparel, costumes, arts and crafts, home furnishings and jewelry Aug. 15 during India Day.

have the opportunity to enjoy a selection of authentic Indian food provided by a number of local restaurants. In addition to the food and entertainment performances, many exhibitors will be on-site to display and sell authentic Indian apparel, costumes, arts and crafts, home furnishings and jewelry.

"India Day attracts people from all over Michigan, neighboring states and Canada ... the

India League of America-Michigan is pleased to provide a free, family-friendly event to celebrate Indian culture," Gudapuri said.

The festival is held each year to celebrate Indian Independence Day. Twenty-eight states in India will be represented, offering different cultures, food, dialects and more. The day will kick off with a parade, followed by the opening lamp lighting ceremony,

singing of the U.S. and Indian national anthems and welcoming of this year's chief guest, Milkha Singh.

Singh, better known as Flying Sikh, is a former Indian track and field sprinter, famed for being the first Indian male athlete to win gold at the Commonwealth Games. He recently regained notoriety for being the man behind 2013's highest grossing Bollywood sports film, *Bhaag Milkha Bhaag*, which told the story of his life.

Invited dignitaries include Dr. Partha Nandi M.D., F.A.C.P, who is known locally as the chief health editor at WXYZ-TV (Channel 7).

India Day is sponsored by title sponsor Automotive Quality Logistics, as well as Chrysler Group LLC, Consumers Energy, DTE Energy, DTW desi, Ford Motor Co., General Motors, Global Marble and Gran-

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The India League of America (ILA) is a non-profit, secular organization formed in 1978. ILA was formed with a mission to champion the interests of Indian American community in Michigan and to celebrate and expose the Indian traditions and culture to foster a better understanding of US and India, and to integrate Asian Indian American community with the general community. India is a very diverse country with many languages and cultures. ILA has been instrumental in bringing the Michigan Asian Indian American community organizations together by organizing various cultural and social events. ILA is thankful and appreciates the support of the people and Government of the State of Michigan and United States. For more information, go to [www.ILAMichigan.org/IndiaDay](http://www.ILAMichigan.org/IndiaDay)

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# Plymouth Elks Lodge gears up for blues and jazz during August

The Broken Arrow Blues Band and the Ramona Collins Quartet will highlight entertainment this month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325.

Blues @ The Elks is 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month. There is a \$5 donation at the door and bring your dancing shoes. Blues @ The Elks is a partnership with the Detroit Blues Society ([www.detroit-bluessociety.org](http://www.detroit-bluessociety.org)).

Shadowhawk Ellis, son of the late Midge Ellis, was trained by

some of the great drummers around. He brings his unique blend of blues and boogie to the stage Aug. 11. Shadowhawk on drums and vocals, Gary Rasmussen on bass and vocals, Rich Hwang on guitar and vocals and Phil Hale on Keyboard. The Broken Arrow Blues Band will serve up plenty of dancing music.

Jazz @ The Elks is 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres. Enjoy jazz in a listening

room setting close to the entertainers.

The Ramona Collins Quartet will play Aug. 25. Collins hails from Toledo and does swinging vocals and scatting. With her will be Glenn Tucker on keyboard, Kurt Krahnke on bass and Sean Dobbins on drums.

For more information, call 734-453-1780, go to [www.plymouthannarbor-elks325.com](http://www.plymouthannarbor-elks325.com) or email [jazzattheelks@gmail.com](mailto:jazzattheelks@gmail.com). The Lodge is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.



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Two-year-old twins Leah and Molly Matthews look at one of the public works rigs.

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Eighteen-month-old Braxton Hailes, held by dad Loren Hailes, already has an eye for heavy equipment like a backhoe.

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## TRUCK

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greeted children who got to peek into and sit inside a patrol car.

Farmington mother Carol Norris brought daughters Gabriella, 3½, Jessica, 2½, and son Joshua, 1.

"I like the police cars," Gabriella said. "They light up when someone has an accident."

Esselink handed out plastic police badges, crime-prevention coloring books and police department pencils.

Nearby, Canton Firefighter Ryan Molina drew a big crowd as he told how the fire engine he was driving holds 500 gallons of water and has 200-foot-long hoses to fight fires.

Children watched in awe as Molina stood in front of the big red rig and explained the job of a firefighter.

Touch a Truck had the benefit of a picture-perfect August day. Amelia Yunker, information services librarian, said the program was organized to give children "a hands-on opportunity to get up close to the trucks they admire."

And they did. Megan Hakala of Garden City - a library cir-



Hudson Bogart, 3, and Ella Garavaglia, 2, pose for pictures next to a backhoe.

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ulation assistant - brought a 2-year-old Canton boy, Jake O'Neal, she was babysitting. They came to visit the library, but then saw the flashy trucks and cars.

"This was a big bonus," Hakala said.

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Two-year-old James Thompson, held by mom Lindsay Thompson, gets a close-up look at a Vactor truck.

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Vic McGuire gives 18-month-old grandson Hayden Thomas Drotar a good look at the trucks and cars.

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# Events celebrate 70th anniversary of end of WWII

The Yankee Air Museum is hosting a celebration in honor of the 70th anniversary of the victory in World War II. The celebration includes historical displays, Big Band music and swing dancing as well as a classic car show.

One important piece is missing: the generation of Americans who achieved that victory.

YAM is looking for all those who participated in the war effort — as a soldier or as someone who worked in

a factory that supported the war — to come and be celebrated as guests of honor. Guests will get to swap stories with fellow veterans and pinpoint on a map where they served to show the far reaches of Michigan's service men and women.

This celebration is one of many events taking place during the Home Front Victory Celebration.

The celebration also includes:

» Rosie the Riveter: Revisited at the Michi-

gan Theater in Ann Arbor on Thursday, Aug. 13. The lecture will explore the real-life travails and triumphs of the women working for victory on the home front. Strong ties to Ypsilanti. Free small popcorn and soda is included.

» Ypsilanti Street Festival at Library Plaza in downtown Ypsilanti on Friday, Aug. 14. There will be live music, great food, giveaways and free vintage car parking.

» Ypsilanti Town-

ship Community Parade beginning at Holmes Elementary School on Saturday, Aug. 15. The also will be art, food, a raffle and vintage baseball

» Home Front Victory Celebration at the Yankee Air Museum on Sunday, Aug. 16, will be the grand finale of the weekend.

This weekend will be more successful if those who lived and served during WWII can attend and share experiences not found in a textbook.

The Home Front Victory Celebration is a partnership of the Norwayne Community Citizens Council, Ann Arbor/ Ypsilanti Regional Chamber, Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Belleville Area Museum, City of Ypsilanti, Cruisin' on the Bayou, Growing Hope, Keep the Spirit of '45 Alive, Michigan Aerospace Foundation, Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Ypsilanti Township and Yankee Air Museum.

Yankee Air Museum is a nonprofit organization dedicated to "honoring aviation history and its participants through a living, flying museum."

Visitors can experience historical exhibits, participate in educational programs, and even take a ride in one of their restored "warbirds."

The museum is located at Willow Run Airport, 47884 D St., Belleville. For more information, call 734-483-4030.

## Canton Charter Academy has new principal

Kelie Fuller will serve as the new principal of Canton Charter Academy for the 2015-16 school year. Fuller replaces Janelle Magyar, who accepted a position at a National Heritage Academies sister school.

Fuller brings 15 years of educational experience to the role, having served in the classroom and in leadership positions.

She has served as a dean at both Achieve Academy in Canton and Fortis Academy in Ypsilanti.

Prior to joining NHA, she served as literacy coordinator at the Detroit Service Learning Academy.

"I am very excited to partner with the Canton Charter Academy staff and parents to continue to provide an outstanding education to our students," Fuller said. "I know these children will be the next generation of leaders and productive citizens."

Fuller holds a bachelor's degree in education from Western Michigan University and a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from University of Phoenix. She also received her administrator certification from Grand Valley State University.

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## Livonia resident named Salvation Army commander

The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan Division has appointed Maj. Russ Sjogren of Livonia as general secretary and metro Detroit commander.

The faith-based nonprofit also announced officer assignments for the Detroit area.

Sjogren previously served as the division's secretary for business administration. His wife, Maj. Jan Sjogren, will continue to serve as divisional secretary for vision and strategic

planning and will assist in conceiving and implementing strategic fundraising and long-term plans for the Eastern Michigan Division.

Prior to working in the Eastern Michigan Division, Russ Sjogren was commander for the Lake County Indiana Metropolitan Division



Sjogren

and Jan Sjogren was corps officer in the Hammond-Munster, Ind., area. They have served as Salvation Army officers for 40 and 38 years, respectively, and reside in Livonia.

Majs. Jim and Pat Irvine of Livonia were appointed to The Salvation Army Dearborn Heights Citadel. In their new role, they will serve as pastors and oversee business operations of the corps. Previously, the majors were officers of The Salvation La-

fayette Corps in Indiana. They both have been officers with The Salvation Army for 23 years. They have been married for 38 years and have three adult sons.

Maj. Jim McDowell of Southfield was named divisional secretary for business administration and will oversee such departments at The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan Division Headquarters as accounting, finance, audits, property management, IT and legal. Maj. Valerie Mc-

Dowell has been named women's ministries secretary. Previously, the majors served as officers at the Fulton Heights Corps in Grand Rapids. They have served as Salvation Army officers for 34 years.

Lts. John and Judith Fetzter of Waterford were appointed officers of The Salvation Army Pontiac Corps. In their new role, they will serve as pastors and oversee business operations of the corps.

## National Heritage schools nab annual awards

All three National Heritage Academies schools in the Plymouth-Canton area won several Eagle Awards during the 15th annual ceremony.

Canton Charter Academy won four awards, South Canton Scholars Charter Academy won three awards and Achieve Academy won two awards.

South Canton Scholars Charter Academy and Achieve Academy earned an Eagle Award for Schools of Excel-

lence, which means the schools had superior performance in academic achievement and full enrollment for the 2013-14 school year.

Along with Schools of Excellence, NHA rewards schools in other areas: academic growth, first-year teacher effectiveness, employee engagement, parent satisfaction and student attendance.

Canton Charter Academy won Eagle Awards for student attendance,

parent satisfaction, employee engagement and student growth.

South Canton Scholars brought home awards for student academic growth and student attendance, along with the schools of excellence.

Achieve also earned an Eagle Award for student academic growth.

NHA's system of schools is designed to eliminate achievement gaps and provide school choice to families, with

the clear objective of preparing children for success in high school, college and beyond.

National Heritage Academies is a charter school management

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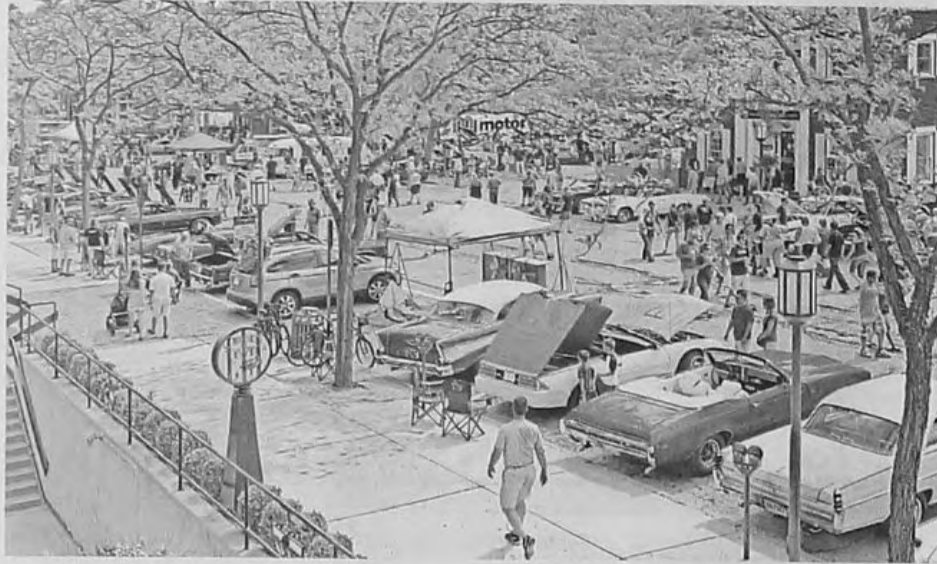
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# Birmingham to welcome thousands of visitors during Woodward Dream Cruise

Birmingham is getting ready for the world's largest one-day automotive event, the Woodward Dream Cruise. It's the time of year when 40,000-plus classic cars and more than one million people line Woodward Avenue to celebrate the automobile. The Birmingham Cruise Event, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, is located on South Old Woodward from Merrill Street to Lincoln. It features 300 classic cars of all makes and models, sponsor exhibits, live entertainment and more.

The Chevrolet exhibit will be located in the "triangle" south of the 555 Building, where Old Woodward meets Woodward Avenue. It will host a variety of displays and activities starting at 9 a.m. Saturday and running through the conclusion of the Cruise at 9 p.m. It's a great location to check out the displays while viewing the classic



Cars parked in Birmingham during last year's Dream Cruise.

cars on Woodward. Both WXYZ-TV (Channel 7) and WOMC-FM (104.3) will broadcast live throughout the day.

New this year, the University of Michigan's School of Engineering will have a display on Brown Street near Old

Woodward. Attendees will enjoy seeing student-designed and manufactured automobiles.

Event-day registration is open to individual cars, model year 1978 and older. Individual cars may check in after 9:30 a.m. at the registration

tent (enter westbound on Brown off of South Old Woodward). Day-of parking is \$25, based upon availability and on a first-come, first-served basis.

Birmingham's walkable downtown is the ideal place for cruise lovers to



Drivers head south along Woodward past the 555 Building in Birmingham during last year's Dream Cruise.

spend the day. The historic downtown area features a variety of restaurants, including sandwich shops, casual dining, upscale eateries and a variety of ethnic cuisine. The shopping has a variety of eclectic shops and name-brand national retailers. All Cruise events and venues are within walking distance of Birmingham's five parking decks, where the first two hours of park-

ing are free. All Birmingham parking meters are Parkmobile-enabled.

Organizers offer a special thank you to Birmingham Cruise Event sponsors: Chevrolet, WXYZ-TV (Channel 7), WOMC-FM (104.3), Lincoln of Troy and KIND Snacks.

For more information about Cruise Event parking in Birmingham, go to [www.birminghamcruiseevent.com](http://www.birminghamcruiseevent.com).

## Bloomfield Township offers lots of activities during Dream Cruise

By Greg Kowalski  
Correspondent

With less than a week to go, plans are in place for the Bloomfield Township Dream Cruise events.

Each year, the township sponsors its Classic Car Show and the Bills Well Car Club Classic at the Mercedes-Benz of Bloomfield Hills dealership on Woodward and neighboring Comerica Bank on Woodward, just south of Quarton Road.

The events feature

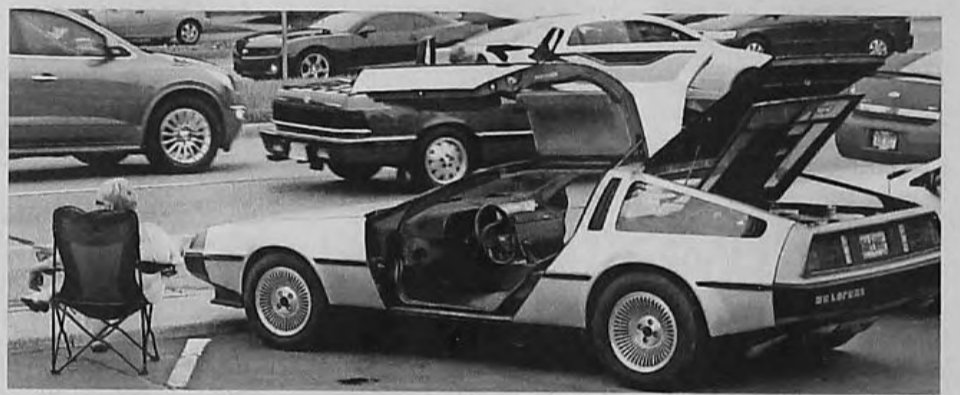
dozens of classic cars on display right along the route of the official Woodward Dream Cruise. Included this year will be a collection of DeLoreans, including a replica of the fanciful DeLorean that took Marty McFly into the past in the movie *Back to the Future*.

The township events, which run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, will include food, music, plenty of Dream Cruise memorabilia on sale and, of course, plenty of great

cars to view. And the site is a great location to view the classic cars that will be passing along Woodward all day long.

Proceeds from the events go to the Bloomfield Hills Optimist Club, the Bloomfield Township Fire Department Charities and the Bloomfield Township Police Department Benevolent Fund.

"It's a spectacular event," said Anne Alden, of the Bloomfield Hills Optimist Club. "It's lots of fun and a great opportunity to raise money for



Among the cars featured at the Bloomfield Township Classic Car show will be a fleet of DeLoreans.

kids."

Another advantage, said Capt. Scott McCannham of the Police Benevolent Fund, "is that it's family-oriented. It's at a great location to watch

cars without the hassle."

If you have a classic car you'd like to display, there are still some spots available. For registration information and forms, go to the Bloom-

field Township website, [www.bloomfieldtp.org](http://www.bloomfieldtp.org) and click on the link under "Township News" on the home page or call 248-433-7791.

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## Runestad adoption bill signed into law

State Rep. Jim Runestad's first bill has been signed into law.

House Bill 4457, now Public Act 106 of 2015, eliminates a fee for parents to be listed on a registry of potential adoptive homes.

This was the first bill introduced by Runestad, R-White Lake.

Under the new law, two specific adoption fees are eliminated, a \$100 initial fee and a \$50



Runestad

is a database of approved adoptive families in the state.

Runestad, a foster parent himself, said in a press release that he is

annual fee, for parents beginning the adoption process. The Michigan Adoptive Resource Exchange

ecstatic to see these bills signed into law.

"The fee to register with MARE places an unnecessary burden on potential adoptive parents and the children who wish to find loving homes," Runestad said. "There are so many children in need of families. By eradicating barriers like the MARE fee, these children will be one step closer to a brighter future."

### PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Plymouth Canton Community Schools' Construction Bid Package 5D, consisting of:

East Middle School Power Upgrades

will be received at the office of Mr. Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, Plymouth Canton Community Schools, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 until 10:00 A.M., local time on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at which time they will be opened, read publicly and tabulated.

Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened.

Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.

This Project will consist of separate sealed bids for the following Bid Divisions of work:

143: Electrical

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Architecture, Inc. will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335; the Dodge Plan Room, Construction Association of Michigan (CAM), Reed Construction Data, and Builders Exchange, Lansing.

Bid Documents will be available beginning at 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 6, 2015 via the following:

- Bidders may obtain one (1) set of 1/2 size bidding documents beginning at 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 6, 2015, by contacting the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., at (248) 427-8400.
- Bidders may download bid documents from [Gradebeam.com](http://Gradebeam.com) by contacting the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., at (248) 427-8400 to obtain log in information for access to the project documents.

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope. The bid division(s) being bid is/are to be identified on the outside of the envelope.

There will be a pre-bid meeting held on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. at the East Middle School Cafeteria, located at 1042 S. Mill Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the project, schedule and to answer any questions that bidders may have. All Bidders are encouraged to attend.

All bids should include 2 copies (1 original, 1 copy) of the Proposal Pricing Form (Section 00 41 26), Proposal Execution Form (Section 00 42 00), and the Iran Economics Sanctions Act Affidavit. The Proposal Execution Form provides a space for the bidder to disclose any familial relationship as required by Section 1267 of the Revised School Code, as amended, MCL 380.1267, and this form must be signed and notarized in order for the bid to be accepted. The Iran Economic Sanctions Act Affidavit form may be found in section 00 42 10 of the Bidding Requirements & General Conditions Manual.

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security, in either the form of a bid bond or certified bank check, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Plymouth Canton Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the school district is secured from loss or damage by reason of the withdrawal of the bid or failure of the bidder to enter a contract for performance. Further, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder may be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond. Plymouth Canton Community Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding.

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# Target manufacturer using right moves

By Mike Lamini  
Michigan.com

Wayne McGregor believes his products are right on the mark when it comes to firearms training and saving lives.

The Livingston resident is CEO of Target Tracker, a company that is changing the way police, military, hunters and others hone their shooting skills.

Target Trackers are moving targets, allowing for more realism when shooters are training. The remote-controlled, four-wheel targets are made at Target Tracker's factory in Garden City and shipped to buyers across the country.

McGregor, 44, is an avid hunter and certified shooting instructor with a background in robotics. After being introduced to Target Tracker and seeing its potential several years ago, he assumed a leadership role in the company.

"The original Target Tracker just had a deer on it, no steering, no distance controls. You would set the wheels and it would go in circles by itself while people would shoot a bow and arrow at it," McGregor said. "I started with that, then basically reinvented the product. With my manufacturing and robotics



Wayne McGregor, owner of Target Tracker, demonstrates a video training application using a projected video that responds to a target being "hit" by a laser light from the training gun. The system helps develop instinctive tracking of a moving target, as does the company's motorized targets maneuvered by remote control.

## LEARN MORE

For more information about Target Tracker or training courses offered by Wayne McGregor, go to [targettracker.net](http://targettracker.net), call 248-770-9678 or email [waynem@targettracker.net](mailto:waynem@targettracker.net).

background, I re-designed the whole thing."

At first, McGregor said, he was making the targets out of a garage.

"I'd build 25 of them,

then I'd go to shows or do demos and sell them all. Then I'd come back and make more of them," he said.

Now Target Trackers are made in a 120,000-square-foot facility in Garden City. The basic units sell for about \$3,000 apiece. Some years have seen 300-plus orders, McGregor said.

Michigan hasn't been a major market, McGregor said, but the state police and Kalamazoo

Police Department have trained with them. Business has been good in Texas, he said, and Target Trackers have been shipped to military bases and police departments all over the country.

One of the major distributors of Target Trackers is Law Enforcement Targets Inc.

"There are competitor products out there," McGregor said. "Some out there are \$2,000, some are \$10,000, but

none of them have the versatility that ours does."

The units can be remotely controlled from as far away as 500 meters and can traverse sandy and bumpy terrain. They travel up to 9 mph on their 24-volt rechargeable batteries.

"If you put a 120-pound target on it, you can run it for three or four hours non-stop," McGregor said.

While Target Trackers

were designed to hone shooting skills, they also can be outfitted with bins and used to carry cargo around the home.

McGregor puts the Target Trackers to use when training police agencies and others at his private tactical training range in the northern Lower Peninsula, on 64 acres near Hubbard Lake between Alpena and Oscoda. A training session could consist of as many as 20 moving targets representing numerous threats.

Target Trackers also are used in a video application in which trainees shoot guns that fire lasers at moving targets projected on the screen.

"One of the ways that we separate ourselves from 99.9 percent of every other firearms instructor in the world is that everyone else is using stationary targets," McGregor said.

To add realism to the training on the range, firecrackers may be tossed around and trainees may come under paintball fire.

"It's about bullet accountability under stress," McGregor said. "It's all about saving lives."

Mike Lamini writes for the Livingston Daily.

# Antlerless deer license applications on sale through Aug. 15

The Department of Natural Resources is accepting applications for antlerless deer licenses through Aug. 15.

Hunters may apply for one license in any open Deer Management Unit statewide; a non-refundable \$5 fee is charged at the time of application. Hunters may choose to apply for either one private-land or one public-

land license online or where licenses are sold

Young hunters, ages 9-16, can purchase one junior antlerless deer license over the counter until Aug. 15. No application is required. A 9-year-old must be 10 by Sept. 26 to purchase this license.

Any leftover antlerless deer licenses not issued in the drawing will be sold on a first-come,

first-served basis beginning 10 a.m. Sept. 9, until license quotas are met. Antlerless deer license quotas for each DMU can be found at [www.michigan.gov/deer](http://www.michigan.gov/deer). Drawing results and leftover license availability may be viewed at [www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings](http://www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings) beginning Sept. 2.


Hunters also are reminded that chronic

wasting disease has been confirmed in a free-ranging deer in Michigan. CWD is a fatal neurological disease that affects white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk and moose.

A CWD Management Zone has been created for Clinton, Ingham and Shiawassee counties. DMU 333 was created for the Core CWD area and encompasses those town-

ships (Lansing, Meridian, Williamstown, Delhi, Alaiedon and Wheatfield in Ingham County; DeWitt and Bath in Clinton County; and Woodhull in Shiawassee County) closest to where the CWD-positive deer was located. In DMU 333, there is an unlimited antlerless deer license quota and the deer license or deer combo licenses may be used

to harvest antlerless or antlered deer within DMU 333 during firearm and muzzleloading seasons. Additional deer-check stations, to be announced at a later date, will be available to hunters in the Core CWD Area and CWD Management Zone. To learn more about chronic wasting disease, go to [www.michigan.gov/cwd](http://www.michigan.gov/cwd).



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FALL TASTE FEST

**Date/Time:** 6-8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 11  
**Location:** Station 885, 885 Starkweather, in Plymouth's Old Village  
**Details:** The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club and Station 885 are sponsoring the Plymouth Fall Festival Taste Fest. Great food will be offered by a host of Plymouth-Canton eateries. There is a live band and cash bar.  
**Cost:** \$15 for adults; \$5 for children 10 and under and free for kids under 5. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, Station 885 and at U.P. Pasties on Main Street.  
**Contact:** 734-459-1896 for more information.



The cast of "The Producers" rehearses. Members include (from left) Madison Merlanti, Aleksander Papanastopoulos, Chad Childers, John Szczotka, Emma Doyle, Dalle Allen, Amber Bryant, Maura Doyle, Morgan Gagnon, Jordan McAllister, Brian Playter, Renée Pawolski, Josh Getto, Amanda Buchalter and Stephanie Miller-Allen.

BACK TO SCHOOL

**Time/Date:** 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 15  
**Location:** Canton Walmart store, 45555 Michigan Avenue  
**Details:** Plymouth Community United Way and Walmart are trying to make sure less fortunate children are ready to learn by holding Back-to-School Supply Drive. New school supplies may also be dropped off at the PCUW office at 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, in Plymouth.  
**Contact:** For more information on how you can help, go to [www.plymouthunitedway.org](http://www.plymouthunitedway.org), call 734-453-6879, ext. 7, or email [randi.williams@pcuw.org](mailto:randi.williams@pcuw.org).

WORSHIP IN PARK

**Time/Date:** 11 a.m. every Sunday through Aug. 23  
**Location:** Cherry Hill Village School at the corner of Ridge

and Cherry Hill in Canton  
**Details:** Hosted by St. Michael Lutheran Church, a Sunday service will be offered outdoors.

CANTON AND SHAKESPEARE

**Time/Date:** Through Aug. 16  
**Location:** Village Theater at Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill, Canton  
**Details:** In its 21st season, the Shakespeare Festival features productions of William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Henry IV*, as well as Richard Brinsley Sheridan's *The Rivals* at the Canton performing arts theater.  
**Contact, tickets:** Ticket prices range from \$16 to \$40, depending on a patron's age. For more information, go to [\[villageheater.org\]\(http://villageheater.org\) or call 734-394-5300.](http://www.canton-</a></p>
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HELP OLAF

**Time/Date:** Beginning at 1 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 9; last hunt begins at 3:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Plymouth Historical Museum, downtown Plymouth  
**Details:** Help Olaf find the Frozen princesses during a scavenger hunt; followed by a make-and-take craft and a snack.  
**Cost:** Tickets are \$8 per child and can be purchased at the museum during open hours or using Paypal on the museum's website [plymouthhistory.org](http://plymouthhistory.org).

VISIT THE FAIR

**Time/Date:** 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Nov. 1  
**Location:** Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth  
**Details:** The Fair That Changed America — also known as the Chicago World's Fair — the 1893

Exposition and all the history it made comes back to life at the Plymouth Historical Museum with the newest exhibit, "The Fair That Changed America."  
**Admission:** \$5 for adults; \$2 for children ages 6-17. Through Labor Day, active duty service men and women are admitted free to the museum, designated as a Blue Star Museum.  
**Contact:** [www.plymouth-history.org](http://www.plymouth-history.org) or 734-455-8940

SALINE ANTIQUES

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 9, Sept. 12 and 13, Nov. 22 and Dec. 6.  
**Location:** Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor/Saline Road, in Ann Arbor  
**Details:** The Saline Antiques & Vintage Market is open. The event is pet-friendly, but pets must be leashed. The event continues rain or shine. Everything is under cover with food and refreshments.

**Cost:** Admission is \$6. Parking is free

**Contact:** [www.salineantiques-market.com](http://www.salineantiques-market.com). To become an exhibitor, contact Doug Supinger, manager, at 937-875-0808 or email [salinemarket@gmail.com](mailto:salinemarket@gmail.com)

NEW FOOD PANTRY

**Time/Date:** 2-4 p.m. each Thursday  
**Location:** Abundant Life Church of God, 21000 Hannan, Canton  
**Details:** The church has opened a food pantry for individuals and families in need.  
**Contact:** Church office, 734722-7688

'RED VELVET'

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 2-6  
**Location:** Village Theater at Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill  
**Details:** The Spotlight Still Got It Players presents the comedy, *The Red Velvet Cake Wars*.  
**Contact:** Visit [www.cantonvillageheater.org](http://www.cantonvillageheater.org) or call 734-394-5300.

**Cost:** Tickets range \$16 to \$18 per person and may be purchased online at [www.spotlight-playersmi.org](http://www.spotlight-playersmi.org) or by calling The Village Theater box office at 734-394-5300. Tickets are also available for purchase at the box office one hour prior to show time.  
**MEETINGS CHANGED**  
**Time/Date:** 3-5 p.m. second Sunday of each month  
**Location:** St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth  
**Details:** PFLAG P-C is committed to advancing equality and societal acceptance of LGBT

people through its threefold mission of support, education and advocacy.

CARS & CAFFEINE

**Time/Date:** 8-10 a.m. each Sunday  
**Location:** Parking lot of Biggy Coffee, 44601 Five Mile, Plymouth  
**Details:** Car buffs and enthusiasts are invited to bring themselves, their families and their classic or hot-rod vehicles for a weekly gathering for talk and coffee.  
**Cost:** Free

CANTON MARKET

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Sunday  
**Location:** Preservation Park on Ridge Road, Canton  
**Details:** Canton Farmers Market now open

PLYMOUTH MARKET

**Time/Date:** 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday through Oct. 30 (except Sept. 6)  
**Location:** In and around The Gathering, downtown Plymouth  
**Details:** Plymouth Farmers Market open

SPOTLIGHT ON PRODUCERS

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. for Saturday performances; 2 p.m. for Sunday performances, Sept. 18-20 and 25-27  
**Location:** Village Theater is at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton  
**Details:** The Spotlight Players stage *The Producers*  
**Cost:** Tickets are \$16 to \$18 each. They can be purchased by calling the box office at 734-394-5300 or at <http://www.spotlightplayersmi.org>. Tickets are also available for purchase at the box office one hour prior to show time.

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The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

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PORT HURON-TO-MACKINAC RACE

## Sailboat skipper wins trophy again



On a picture-perfect afternoon, the sailboat Shape and its crew get underway in the annual Port Huron-to-Mackinac race.

Plymouth's Chris Benedict and crew capture third straight victory in annual race on Lake Huron

**Dan O'Meara**  
 Staff Writer

For a time early in the Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race, it appeared Chris Benedict's incredible record of success was in jeopardy.

But the captain, a Plymouth resident, and veteran crew of the sailboat Shape managed to overcome a sizable deficit last month and win their class for the third consecutive year.

Benedict and boat co-owner Win Cooper III have led their team to victory in four of the last five Port Huron-to-Mackinac races on Lake Huron. They were runners-up in 2012.

"In the end, we did have a pretty good margin of victory, but it was not always that way," Benedict said. "We had a slow start and some poor wind, and it seemed to be getting the better of us than it did the rest of the fleet."

The Shape found itself six miles behind the leaders in the Shore Course Class N - Racing Class several hours into the annual event Saturday, July 18.

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Winning the Blue Water Trophy has become an annual event for Plymouth's Chris Benedict.

### Women post pair of aces

» After 30 years of playing golf, Dori Godin of Farmington Hills achieved her first hole-in-one in late May.

The 73-year-old Dorin used a hybrid 5-iron to ace the 97-yard 13th hole at Farmington Hills Golf Club.

» Sara Rudy of Ann Arbor used a sand wedge to ace the No. 5 hole July 29 at Farmington Hills GC.

It was the first hole-in-one for the 55-year-old Rudy, who has been a golfer for 35 years and shot 38 for the nine-hole round. Rudy hit the ball 81 yards from the women's tee.

### Old-style game

The 13th annual World Tournament of Historic Base Ball continues Sunday, Aug. 9, at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

The Lah-De-Dahs and the Nationals of Greenfield Village will take on vintage clubs from Michigan, Indiana, New York and Ohio.

Games are played according to 1867 rules. Gloves are optional, no overhand pitching is allowed, gentlemanly play is always expected and spitting is highly discouraged.

The event is free with membership or admission to Greenfield Village. Ticket prices range from \$18.75 to \$25 depending on age. Children 4 and under are admitted free. Call 313-982-6001 or go to thehenryford.org.

### Preps to start

The first practices of the 2015-16 school year provide an opportunity for reminders on the importance of athletes remaining refreshed during the hottest days of training.

Practices begin for approximately 110,000 student-athletes taking part in eight sports in which the MHSAA sponsors postseason tournaments this week.

Football practice can begin Monday, followed by all other fall sports Wednesday.

The MHSAA helps member schools prepare for hot weather practice and game conditions.

Those resources are available on the MHSAA.com Health & Safety web page at www.mhsaa.com.

This will be the second season for football practice changes to promote heat acclimatization and limit helmet-to-helmet contact.

"There's been a lot of attention focused on football regarding head safety, but the fact is all school sports need attention to the safety of student-athletes," MHSAA Executive Director Jack Roberts said. "We're addressing all sports at all levels. We're trying to communicate to the public that school sports really are safer than ever."

### NFL FOOTBALL

## Lions treat area crowd to fun-filled night



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
 Southfield native and Lions running back George Winn stretches prior to the Wednesday evening practice at Novi High School.

Team's practice draws huge turnout at Novi High; crowd estimated at 7,500

**By Brad Emons**  
 Staff Writer

For many, it was the closest glimpse they'll ever get watching their beloved Detroit Lions.

Novi Wildcat Stadium was the happening place Wednesday night as more than 7,500 fans screamed for their favorite Lions players as they went

through their normal training camp practice paces, which included one-on-one drills, individual drills, seven-on-seven, 11-on-11 and special teams work.

Lions head coach Jim Caldwell addressed the crowd prior to the start of the 7:30 p.m. practice, which was open to the public, by saying, "Thanks for allowing the Lions to invade Wildcat Country."

Caldwell then cut practice short just after 9 p.m. on a

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 Detroit Lions head coach Jim Caldwell welcomes the crowd.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Harrison hoops star chooses SIU Salukis

By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

From the time Kristen Nelson entered Harrison High School as a heralded freshman basketball player, everyone knew she would eventually play at the next level.



FILE PHOTO

Harrison senior Kristen Nelson will play college basketball at Southern Illinois.

Nelson made it known Wednesday exactly where that will be, announcing her decision to accept a scholarship offer from Southern Illinois University.

The 5-foot-9 point guard has been one of the top players in Oakland County for three seasons and a perennial selection to the all-Observer girls team.

Nelson chose Southern Illinois, an NCAA Division I institution in Carbondale, Ill., over Eastern Michigan, Detroit Mercy and Illinois-Chicago.

"I got to spend time with the team and hang out with them on my official visit," Nelson said. "That sealed the deal for me, because I got to know the players I'll be playing with and got to talk with some seniors from this year."

"They gave me a lot of comments about SIU and the coaching staff and how much of a family-oriented university Southern Illinois is."

Coaching staff

One of the coaches who recruited Nelson is associate head coach Andrea Gorski, the former coach at Livonia Ladywood High School and Concordia University in Ann Arbor.

SIU head coach Cindy Stein's personality played a major role in winning Nelson over to the Salukis, too.

"She's a very fiery coach, but she also allows the team to joke around and be themselves," Nelson said. "She got on the players when she needed to and also found time to have fun with them, too."

Nelson has pondered the question of which school to choose for quite

some time. She described the recruiting and decision-making process as grueling.

"I had a good relationship with all the schools and coaching staffs," she said. "Just choosing one school and losing out on aspects of other schools made it a bit tougher."

"I had a lot of fun during the process and built a lot of relationships, but I can say I'm happy it's over."

"It's a big relief. Now, I can focus on my senior year and finishing out my education at Harrison."

Unanimous choice

Nelson has enjoyed strong support from her parents, Shaun and Kimberly Nelson, throughout her basketball career and the task of choosing a college. All agreed SIU was a good place for her.

"They've been recruiting me for a while," Nelson said of the Salukis. "My parents and I decided SIU would be OK for them, because it's such a great program. They trust the coaching staff and it's a safe environment."

"My dad has had conversations with the coaches. 'Would they be willing to play some games closer?' They said it's definitely a possibility, and they're looking into scheduling games with teams in the (Mid-American Conference)."

The Salukis are members of the Missouri Valley Conference, which has an outstanding reputation for the quality of basketball it plays.

"They're a run-and-gun type team," Nelson said. "They like to get up and down the court as quickly as possible. I think I'll do really well in that system, and that's a system I enjoy, too."

A talented player

Though she's a point guard, Nelson does much more than just distribute the ball. Because of her height and all-round ability, she can do it all on the court.

She averaged 14.4 points, five assists, four rebounds, three steals and two blocks per game as a junior last season.

Nelson led the Hawks in total points, free throws made, free-throw percentage, assists, steals and blocks. She was second in rebounds.

She also has the school record for career assists and is second in career steals. She ranks seventh in career points and fourth in career blocks.

"Coach Stein told me they definitely want me to be a point guard, but they also want me to play some two guard and play off the ball sometimes," Nelson said. "She told me they like my ability to shoot and get to the rim and also my court vision."

SIU's current point guard, Rishonda Napier, has two seasons of eligibility remaining. The Salukis list no other point guards on their 2015-16 roster.

"Coach Stein told me I'm a program changer, the type of player she's looking to build the program around," Nelson said.

"She said she has no problem with playing freshmen. Basically, I should be looking to play a lot if I work hard and be aggressive."

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TRAVEL BASEBALL



Members of the 13-and-under South Farmington Blues baseball team are (front row, from left) Cal Fournier, Jake Kelbert, Tommy Walsh, Eric Johnson, C.J. Banks and Nick Pearen and (back row, from left) Ben Ward, Parker Kent, Nolan Mohr, Greg Wiacek, Gunnar Lombard and Kyle Goodling. Also on the team are manager Chris Kelbert and coaches Jim Pearen and Eric Johnson.

Blues end successful season on high note

The South Farmington Blues enjoyed another successful season on the travel baseball circuit, winning a pair of Kensington Valley Baseball & Softball Association championships and numerous tournaments.

In their inaugural season, the 9U Blues won the KVBSA Community Division with a 19-1 record and finished 31-4-1 overall.

They won the FAAST Early Bird Tournament at Eastern Michigan University in April and the New Lothrop Diamond Days Tournament in July.

Another champion

The 13U Blues won their fourth consecutive championship in the KVBSA Advanced West Division with an 18-2 record. Overall, they were 29-9.

Their season featured a first-place finish

in the Blues USSSA Invitational in June and a runner-up finish in the USSSA Spring Warm-Up in April.

The 13U Blues also were semifinalists in the USSSA Global Sports Baseball World Series in Rockford.

Near-miss for 11U

The 11U Blues missed winning their third straight title in the KVBSA Open Division by a half-game, finishing with a 12-6 record.

The Blues did win championships in June at the Hoosier Baseball Classic in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the Blues USSA Invitational at Founders Sports Park.

Despite a rocky 6-10 start, the 12U Blues turned their season around and finished with a 24-15 record.

Along the way, the 12U Blues won three

tournaments - Slug It Out of the Yard in Waterford, Southfield May Showdown and Wolves Summer Blast in Farmington Hills.

The 12U Blues also competed last week in the nationally recognized Cooperstown Dreamspark Tournament in New York.

Other highlights

The 10U Blues won their age group in the Slug It Out of the Yard tourney in March and were runners-up in the mid-May Rebels Spring Warm-Up in Rockford.

In June tournament play, the 15U Blues finished second in the Ta-was Sunrise Summer Slam and won the Cavalier Diamond Classic.

More information about the Blues teams, managers and tryouts can be found at www.sfbasesball.com.

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# Expert on walking brings health message to Plymouth

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

Robert Sweetgall has walked across the United States seven times.

The former chemical engineer hiked all 50 states in less than a year during the mid-1980s, ran marathons and logged thousands of miles on foot following the country's perimeter.

"Back in the day, running marathons was punishment and I needed days of rest. When I did the walks across America I was in my 30s. I'm older

and wiser," said Sweetgall, 67, who leads wellness programs through his company, Creative Walking, Inc. "I do some type of physical activity every day. I don't take days off. I don't do things that punish the body.

"You don't have to get extreme with this stuff. Just moving adds lots of benefit."

The Idaho-based walking guru will bring his prescription for better health to Plymouth on Wednesday, Aug. 19.

Sweetgall, author of 19 books on walking and wellness, will present Motivation to Move, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Metropolitan Adventist Jr. Academy, 15585 N. Haggerty, Plymouth. Admission is a suggested \$10 donation, with proceeds benefiting the Academy's community health and wellness events. Pre-register by calling 248-446-9176 or email holidaytasting@gmail.com.

## Disease prevention

A walk around the block may not seem as exciting as a hike from coast to coast, but Sweetgall says it's exactly what most Americans need to stay healthy.

"We need to get people moving and that includes children, teachers, adults, senior citizens, the whole country," he said. "We have a big problem in this country with health. We think we can solve it with health care reform. You have health insurance so you don't go medically bankrupt. But you'll die from cancer treatment. In every other country, they put the emphasis on preven-



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Robert Sweetgall will talk about walking Aug. 19 in Plymouth.



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tion, not on managing disease. America is best on managing disease.

"What we really need is health style reform. The single most important intervention would be for every American to start the day with a simple 10-minute walk."

Sweetgall said that habit should start in classrooms, with teachers modeling the behavior. At home, walking can become a family activity.

"A lot of parents complain about not getting quality communication time with kids. You're not going to get that in the pool or on a bicycle. Doing Zumba isn't exactly oral communication time," he said. "But with walking, you can walk side by side."

## Use a pedometer

Sweetgall said Americans simply need a little motivation to make walking a daily habit. He'll offer tips during the workshop that are easy to incorporate into even the busiest schedule. Keeping track of steps starts with a good pedometer.

"You don't have to buy one of those \$200 sophisticated Fitbit things. But you shouldn't use a \$1 hand-out from a health fair, either." He said research shows pedometers encourage most individuals to take an additional 2,000 steps per day.

"It's about adding a little activity day by day to keep yourself energized and healthy. We tend to spout these unrealistic expectations, like 10,000 steps a day and we turn off the people who need this the most."

Another simple technique is to write down the steps or minutes involved in a daily walk. Sweetgall suggests using a log book rather than a computer, which can be more time-consuming.

"If you write in a log book, it takes a whole five seconds."

He recommends buying supportive — not necessarily the most expensive — shoes and says Nordic walking poles are important for anyone interested in taking a more intensive walk, similar to cross country skiing. Nordic walking poles also are useful for individuals with walking challenges because they offer four points of support.

For more information about Creative Walking, Inc., visit [creativewalking.com](http://creativewalking.com).

Sweetgall will present information on work site wellness programs from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Aug. 19 at Walsh College in Troy. Call or email Sweetgall for more information at 888-421-9255, [robert@creativewalking.com](mailto:robert@creativewalking.com).

# On air with know-how to spare: Radio show a lesson in life

Most of you know about my involvement in radio but you probably haven't heard my ant farm guy story. Or about the woman with her hand in the garbage disposal.

Some 20 years ago when I ventured onto the airwaves of WJR, I was doing my regular Saturday morning show with a longtime engineer at the controls. He is the guy who pushes all the buttons and makes sure that everything is done on a sched-



Joe Gagnon  
APPLIANCE  
DOCTOR

ule. I had a caller who informed me that he had purchased an ant farm and he kept it in the refrigerator. His problem was that the ants had all frozen because the refrigerator had malfunctioned. I didn't have a clue what an ant farm was but I thought I might be able to help him fix the re-

frigerator.

Before I could go any further, the caller made some very rude remark about African Americans and hung up. I sat behind the microphone with a blank look and asked the engineer if that conversation had gone over the air and he replied that it had. He said that he had not pushed the time-delay button and was amazed that someone could be so rude and say such a thing. It was just before the noon broadcast of news so I had a six-minute break during which time the program director called me and told me not to respond to this caller when I came back on the air. Six minutes later, I came back on the air and invited the caller to meet in the lobby of the Fisher Building at 1 p.m. I wanted to discuss his problem in person but he never did show up.

The lady doing the news broadcast that day came rushing into the studio during break and

was worried that he might be carrying a weapon and was concerned for me. Needless to say, I'm still here and I never did get a chance to fill in the caller. The result of all this was that the engineer was let go and I have felt guilt all these years. It is the rule in radio that the delay button should always be on as it provides a way out for the engineer to react when something is said that is unforgiving. The very reason that callers are always told to shut off their radios while they are on hold.

## Disposal danger

Then there was the lady who called to tell me her garbage disposer wasn't operating. She was sitting on the kitchen counter and had her hand inside trying to get it to turn but all it did was make a humming sound. I screamed

at her to get her hand out of the disposer as it could start running at any moment and would surely take off a few fingers. That is the reason why most disposers come with an Allen wrench that fits into a slot on the very bottom of the disposer. Should it jam up, that's where a homeowner can start with repairs.

Back to the subject of the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, which is going a little too far with energy guidelines. This time, it's the dishwasher's water consumption. They want to reduce the typical six gallons per load to 3.1 gallons per load and the manufacturers are objecting quite vehemently. General Electric and Whirlpool are stating that consumers will have to put the dishwasher through two or three cycles to get the same

results as today and that is not going to reduce water consumption and costs. The energy department is allowing more time to pass so further discussion can occur. As far as I am concerned you can talk until you are blue in the face, but it does no good.

The department has made many decisions on appliances that are not enhancing to energy savings. Some women, for example, have told me that they have to fill their new washers with a hose hooked up to a faucet at the laundry room sink. It's all to get hot water, hot enough to kill bacteria into the washing machine.

It won't be long before we revert to an aluminum tub and a scrub board.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. Saturdays on WAAM 1600. You can email your questions to [appldr@twmi.rr.com](mailto:appldr@twmi.rr.com).

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## LYME DISEASE

Summer. Now is the time for walking in the woods and overnight camping; people bring themselves and their children close to nature. A physician might suggest get near to nature but not too close. Remember that summer in the woods brings the risk of Lyme Disease.

Lyme Disease is an infection carried by a tick. The tick has an intricate life cycle in wooded areas that depends on the tick feeding off the blood of a deer. Dropping on and feeding off of a human is a chance event but happens often enough to cause 35,000 cases a year in the U.S., with 170 cases reported in Michigan.

The infection starts with a rash at the site of the tick bite and progresses into a fever of 101 degrees or more for 2-3 days. Then the person feels achy and ill like the flu, but that clears. However, headache and neck ache appear and loss of facial symmetry as happens in a stroke may occur. These changes are the result of the Lyme infection.

Six or seven weeks after the tick bite, the person may find themselves tiring easily and short of breath. A heart examination at that time will show the heart is beating too slowly and irregularly. The Lyme infection is the cause of this change in the heart's conduction system. Still later the person will feel aching in the muscles accompanied by knee pain and swelling because of fluid in the knee.

This combination of nerve involvement, heart disturbance and arthritis defines Lyme Disease and leads the doctor to order tests that confirm the diagnosis and to antibiotic treatment that resolves the disease.

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## Butterflies

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## Master Gardener

Michigan State University Extension is accepting regis-

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tration for the fall session of the Master Gardener program. Classes will meet 6-10 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31 through Dec. 7, in Room 201 at Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty, Belleville. Cost is \$300, which includes a training manual. Registration deadline is Aug. 14 for credit card payment. Visit [msue.anr.msu.edu/events/master\\_gardener\\_program](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/master_gardener_program) or call Shawn Turner at 734-729-3632.

## English Gardens

Learn about plants you can use for screening at a free presentation, 10 a.m. Saturday,

Aug. 15.

» Kids can make a flower pot bird bath, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18. The fee is \$15.

» Get basic information on planning, planting and maintaining flowers and plants in the shade, 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 22.

Nearby stores are located at 155 N. Maple at Jackson in the Maple Village Shopping Center, Ann Arbor, 734-332-7900; 22650 Ford Road at Outer Drive, Dearborn Heights, 313-278-4433; 4901 Coolidge, Royal Oak, 248-280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 248-851-7506.



# Start planning now for a secure retirement

It was the end of the day when I pulled in the local pharmacy to pick up a prescription. Eager to get home after a long tiring day, I hurried into the store and headed straight for the pick-up counter. When I turned the corner of the aisle, I stopped short. The line was five-deep ... and growing. What was the hold up? I took my place in line as fidgeting customers ahead of me grumbled impatiently. What was taking so long? As I stood there, my eyes focused on the small figure at the counter, an elderly woman stooped over the counter speaking quietly with the clerk. Although low, her unsteady voice could be heard



**Paula Swain**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

faintly over the growing crowd as she looked up with imploring eyes. "What am I going to do?" she asked. "I need to have those ... is there any way I could just buy enough to get me through until I see my doctor again?" The clerk picked up a calculator and began working some figures. The line grew quiet as it became clear that this woman did not have enough money to pay for her prescription. Even worse, it appeared

it was medication that she desperately needed. I stood staring as the reality of the situation overcame me. The realization hit me that this woman was not alone. I was certain that there were many like her, unable to pay for the basics to survive. The pharmacy scene stayed with me throughout the evening, replaying endlessly in my head. And over the years it has played again and again — a solid reminder of the reason that I changed the course of my life and began a career as a financial consultant. **Retirement planning now** As owner and president of Swain Financial LLC, my goal

is to provide solutions to individuals, professionals and business owners to help maximize their wealth. My focus is set on helping clients preserve their capital and increase their income, while maintaining their independence in retirement. After 15 years of helping clients throughout the metro Detroit area, it is clear to me that most people are adept at managing their careers and families and much more, but many are not prepared to manage their own financial future. Focusing on the here and now; putting out the daily fires in our professional and personal lives leaves little extra time to plan for the future. But, lack of time does

not diminish the importance of learning how to manage your money so that you can potentially retire in comfort. The key is to start planning now. Learn how to set solid goals and understand how you can improve your financial habits. Good financial planning, decisions and habits build to work towards financial success over time. My message in life and through this column is aimed directly at you. I am dedicated to walking you through the steps that you need to take control of your financial future and prepare you for retirement. **Paula Swain is a financial consultant at Swain Financial LLC in Plymouth.**

## REUNIONS

### BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM HIGH SCHOOL

**CLASS OF 1965**  
50-year class reunion is set for 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, at Auburn Hills Marriott at Centerpoint, Auburn Hills. The main event will include a roving dinner, music and dancing, and fun. The Friday mixer starts at 5 p.m. and some of the junior high and elementary alumni will meet for lunch on Saturday. Check the [www.seaholm-classof65.com](http://www.seaholm-classof65.com) website for more information.

### DETROIT CODY CLASS OF 1965

50-year reunion is scheduled for Sept. 19. January and June 1965 classmates can email [codyclassof1965@yahoo.com](mailto:codyclassof1965@yahoo.com) or call Christine Snopkoski Nashlen at 734-561-3501 for more information.

### NOVI HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1995

Seeking classmates for a 20-year reunion Saturday, Aug. 22, at the Embassy Sites in Livonia. For more information, email [melissacohn8@gmail.com](mailto:melissacohn8@gmail.com) or visit [facebook.com/groups/Noviclassof95/](http://facebook.com/groups/Noviclassof95/).

## Farmington Hills hair salon beauty day supports ChildSafe

The Studio for Hair in Farmington Hills recently raised \$6,300 for ChildSafe Michigan. That brings the Studio's total to over \$70,000 in the seven years that they have been holding the day-long Beauty for a Benefit where all of the hair stylists, manicurists and massage therapists donate their time and talents to raising money for ChildSafe. ChildSafe Michigan, located in Royal Oak, provides adoption and foster care services in southeastern Michigan. It is dedicated primarily to youth in foster care ages 7-23. "We feel it is so important to help the kids in our community," said Studio co-owner Tasha Schurgin, a Huntington Woods resident. "We are so blessed to wake up each morning without fear," added Jacki Viro, a stylist for over 35 years and a Southfield resident. "With our annual



Beauty for a Benefit event, we want to help end the terror these innocents live with every day."



Farmington Hills-based Studio for Hair team members Emily Michalik, left, Paige Ecklund, Isabelle Michalik; Studio co-owner Tasha Schurgin; and Chelsea Brissette.

Contact Julie Yolles at [socialscenejulie@gmail.com](mailto:socialscenejulie@gmail.com) or leave a message at 248-642-9465.

Livonia resident Lindsay Brown, who is the Studio for Hair receptionist, is with her daughter, Madison, at the ChildSafe Beauty for a Benefit fundraiser.

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## Play it smart: Manage your AFib risk for better health

Approximately 1.5 million American women live with atrial fibrillation, a heart disorder commonly known as "AFib" that can lead to deadly or life-impairing stroke. For an undiagnosed woman living with AFib, knowing symptoms and risk factors can help mitigate this serious health threat. Women living with AFib can also take steps to manage this condition and their risk for stroke.

AFib is a heart rhythm disorder in which the atria — the two upper chambers of the heart — beat rapidly and irregularly. Women with AFib are more likely than men with AFib to have a stroke. And, after the age of 75, an overwhelming majority of people with AFib — 60 percent — are women.

### Diagnosing the condition

Up to a third of women with AFib don't feel symptoms. Others feel tired and experience heart palpitations, which may feel like a fluttering or flopping sensation in the chest or the feeling that the heart is beating too quickly. A woman experiencing AFib may also feel dizzy or short of breath. Some feel chest pain or feel faint.

Certain health and lifestyle risk factors make women more susceptible to AFib. Along with age and an existing heart condition, high blood pressure and obesity are major risk factors. Women who drink more than 10 ounces of alcohol a day are also at risk. Other risk factors include diabetes, overactive thyroid, high blood pressure, sleep apnea, lung disease, smoking, caffeine and stress.

With or without elevated



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Women who have AFib can improve their lives by adopting healthy lifestyle behaviors.

risk factors, a woman experiencing symptoms should schedule a consultation with a doctor to determine if these symptoms are caused by AFib.

### Living with AFib

Women living with AFib can manage their condition and associated risk for stroke by adopting healthy lifestyle behaviors. Increasing physical

activity, adopting a diet that is low in fat, sodium and cholesterol, avoiding alcohol, and moderating stress and blood pressure levels are all necessary to manage AFib and avoid more serious health problems. AFib patients should choose caffeine-free coffee and herbal tea over caffeinated drinks. Moderate exercise, such as walking, biking, swimming,

yoga and strength training, combined with good hydration, can significantly improve AFib symptoms and reduce stroke risk.

Isolation is a common feeling for women living with AFib. Resources such as WomenHeart's new Virtual Support Network can help address the need for education and emotional and psychosocial sup-

port for women living with AFib. The Network is free and open to all women living with AFib and their caregivers.

Learn more about WomenHeart's free patient support services for women living with heart disease, including AFib, and register to receive free online heart health information at [www.womenheart.org](http://www.womenheart.org).  
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### AFib 101

The free class will teach the causes and symptoms of atrial fibrillation, as well as the leading surgical and nonsurgical treatment options available. It runs 6-8:30 a.m. Aug. 20 in the Kalman Auditorium of Beaumont Hospital - Dearborn, 18101 Oakwood Boulevard. Register at [oakwood.org](http://oakwood.org) or call 800-543-9355.

### Aging parents

St. Mary Mercy Hospital-Livonia will partner with local organizations to offer advice on caring for aging parents, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22-Oct. 13, at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. The program will include information on dementia, keeping parents at home until you can't, handling emotions and finances, and getting the estate in order. To register, call 734-738-6300 or visit <http://bit.ly/1LjrF6Y>.

### Back to school

Salah Alenzi, M.D., will talk about good hygiene, head lice, strep throat, flu and other topics during a free program sponsored by Garden City Hospital, 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 28, at Westland Shopping Center, East Court, 35000 Warren Road, Westland. Includes lunch for parent and kids. Register at 734-458-4259.

### Bereavement Camp

Henry Ford SandCastles is accepting registration for its annual Camp Erin - Detroit grief support weekend for children and teens who have experienced the death of someone close to them. The free camp for youth in grades one-12 will be held Aug. 14-16 at Camp Tamarack in Ortonville. The camp will include fun activities combined with grief education and emotional support. A weekend highlight is an evening memorial service on the beach. Grief professionals and trained volunteers from the SandCastles Grief Support Program, part of Hospices of Henry Ford, lead the program. To register for camp or get information on volunteering, call 313-874-6881.

### Blood drive

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at the Westland Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway,



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Westland. Register at [red-crossblood.org](http://red-crossblood.org), and enter sponsor code: wplccp or call 800-RED-CROSS. Or call the library at 734-326-6123 and ask for Susan.

### Celiac support

Tri-County Celiac Support Group will hold a gluten-free picnic, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at Heritage Park, 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Participants will meet at the pavilion. Gluten-free hot dogs, buns and condiments will be provided. Bring your own paper products, drinks, eating utensils and any side dishes you want. \$5 fee per family at the door. RSVP to Ellen Hechler at [ellenhec@hotmail.com](mailto:ellenhec@hotmail.com).

### Diabetes prevention

Learn about healthy eating, overcoming stress, physical activity and more through the National Diabetes Prevention Program, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, beginning Sept. 14 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital-Livonia, located at Five Mile and Levan. The 16-week class is for persons who are overweight and at high risk for developing diabetes or overweight and diagnosed with pre-diabetes. A lifestyle coach will facilitate the sessions. Register at 734-655-8947 or [stmarymercy.org](http://stmarymercy.org).

### Pink Out tickets

Tickets are available for the fourth annual Pink Out at the Park, the Detroit Tigers vs. Kansas City Royals game, 7:08 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, at Comerica Park in Detroit. The event raises awareness of breast health and helps raise funds for breast cancer research at the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Ticket packages range from \$28-\$51 and include a free Pink Out at the Park T-shirt. Buy tickets at [tigers.com/pinkout](http://tigers.com/pinkout). The event will include a pre-game ceremony honoring breast cancer survivors. Survivors who plan to attend the game can visit [karmanos.org/pinkoutsurvivors](http://karmanos.org/pinkoutsurvivors) to find out more about being included in the ceremony.

### Ongoing

#### Ab-Anon

Twelve-step program and weekly group to help those suffering with eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia, and exercise compulsion is held 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, at the Friendship Circle, 6892 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. An Ab-Anon meeting group is available for families and loved ones, 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, also at the Friendship Circle. For more information, contact Mindy at 248-672-9776.

### Aquatic classes

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease arthritis. Classes are held 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch and 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch. Visit [www.ymcadetroit.org](http://www.ymcadetroit.org).

### Bipolar support

Depression Bipolar Support Alliance meets 6-7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday at Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon, Suite 160B, Plymouth. It is accessed through the Plymouth Executive Park driveway north of M-14. Meetings open to families. Call Nancy at 734-536-3457 for directions.

### Blood pressure

Garden City Hospital offers free blood pressure testing, lipid panel (\$15) testing, 10 a.m. to noon Sept. 2 and Dec. 2, in the main lobby of the hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, Garden City. No registration is required. For more information, call 734-458-4330.

### Breast cancer support

Meets from 6:30-8 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in the Atrium of Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile (use south entrance off Levan), Livonia. Call 734-655-1100 or visit [www.stmarymercy.org](http://www.stmarymercy.org).

### Choir therapy

The Therapy Choirs of Michigan extend an invitation to individuals with any kind of special needs or disabilities and their able-bodied family and friends, to participate in singing. Call Len McCulloch at 248-474-2763, Ext. 22, or visit [www.therapychoirs.org](http://www.therapychoirs.org) for additional information.

### CPAP/BIPAP

The Sleep Disorders Center of Michigan offers a free CPAP/BIPAP mask fitting clinic, 5-6 p.m. each Wednesday at 35600 Central City Parkway, Suite 103, Westland. Most insurances cover new supplies. No appointment needed. For more information, call 734-458-7251.

### Health programs, support

The Garden City Hospital Health Enhancement Center offers classes designed to strengthen your heart after a cardiac event. It also offers an array of fitness classes, such as yoga, tai chi, Zumba, hula and Polynesian aerobics to keep you moving or to help you relax. For more information, call 734-458-3242.

GCH Community Education offers classes in CPR (adult and infant), first aid, and diabetes self-management education. The hospital hosts various support groups including Nar-Anon, Alzheimer's, Alcoholics Anonymous, Focus on Living and Diabetes, which are held monthly. For more information, call 734-458-4330.

### Low vision support

Meets 1-3 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main. For more information, call Ellen Stross at 734-453-0750, Ext. 232.

### Lyme support

Meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month, except January, July and September, at Northwest Unitarian-Universalist Church, 23925 Northwestern Highway, Southfield; 248-354-4488. For more, visit [www.mlda.org](http://www.mlda.org), or call 888-784-LYME.

### Metro Fibromyalgia & CFS support

Meets 1-3 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. Ruthann at 734-981-2519 or [www.MetroFibroGroup.com](http://www.MetroFibroGroup.com).

### Scleroderma Foundation

The Scleroderma Foundation Michigan Chapter offers support for scleroderma and overlapping autoimmune patients. The Livonia group meets 7-8 p.m. the first Thursday of the month, February-June and September-November, at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. A virtual support group meets 1-3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month, February-November. Judy Nichols at [kenjudynichols@gmail.com](mailto:kenjudynichols@gmail.com); 231-775-8446.

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What to know about video conference calls

BY SUSAN RICKER CAREERBUILDER

Today's technological advances have given us the ability to talk to and see anybody around the world. It has drastically changed how we do business. But with the capabilities of video conference calls come the common questions about how to best host a video meeting.

Roy Cohen, career coach and author of "The Wall Street Professional's Survival Guide," says, "Remember that the purpose of a video meeting is to achieve efficiencies in productivity, to minimize logistical challenges and to bring together a group of people who may not, under any other circumstances, have the opportunity to assemble. It is an amazing resource. That is why everyone should remove any potential for distraction."

Here's what you should know about video conference calls — including proper etiquette and how to determine whether it's the right meeting format.

Don't multitask during meetings

When your schedule starts filling up with meetings, it can be tempting to bring your laptop or phone to check work or finish a small task while you're sitting on the conference call. This is especially true when everybody else seems to be on their devices.

"With a video conference call, it is easier to multitask and to not devote your full attention to the meeting's



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agenda," Cohen says. "With access to (phones and mobile devices), the potential exists to 'sneak' other work. Not good or fair to your employer and colleagues who get your partial attention."

Remember, too, that since you're on video, those on the other end of the line can potentially see that you're doing other work. Beyond making you look unprofessional, it can appear as though you're not interested in what they have to say.

Be considerate about scheduling

If you're the one responsible for scheduling the video conference call, keep the participants' schedules in

mind when choosing start and end times. The common reason why you would choose a video conference call is because you're meeting with people who live in different geographical areas, so you have to be cognizant of how the timing of your meeting may impact their day.

Cohen says, "Video conference calls are amazing in that they offer the opportunity to bring together people globally. The challenge is to accommodate time differences so that participation is not a burden. Typically, calls should be scheduled for end of day or at the very beginning."

Hosting in person vs. on video

How should you choose whether to

host a video conference call versus an in-person interaction? Look to what you're trying to achieve. A video conference call might be a better option than a regular meeting or conference call because, as Cohen says, "There is a sense of urgency and a need to take action immediately. Video allows you to assemble resources and people fast. They also allow for more junior people to participate — those folks who for budgetary reasons are not necessarily included in in-person meetings."

However, sometimes in-person interactions are necessary to get a business objective accomplished. In these cases, video conference calls may not be the best choice. Cohen says such instances might include "when the meeting is scheduled to address a problem and/or accountability; video never allows for a more forceful message to be delivered. Also, when the purpose of assembly is to facilitate team and organizational bonding, that can rarely happen virtually."

A video conference call is an efficient way to gather people together from different locations, saving time and money. Just make sure to cover all of your bases when organizing and conducting the meeting and you'll ensure your next video conference call is a success.

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**ACROSS**  
1 Bullfight  
16 Artistic work  
20 Natural balm  
21 Pundit  
22 One of four on a diamond  
23 Lightning rod inventor  
25 Partly open  
26 Yoko who married John  
27 Chant syllables  
28 One paying dues: Abbr.  
29 Photo, e.g.  
30 Pop or jazz in Germany  
33 Throw with force  
35 Biblical "verbally"  
37 Like much deep-dish pizza  
40 Arctic slab  
41 Pretty  
42 Roadwork marker  
43 Morale of "Rapa Nui"  
44 Name a price of  
46 Shaming cluck  
48 Glee! laugh

**DOWN**  
2 Cry at 1-Across  
3 Actor Paltrow  
4 Onus crying  
5 Daughter of Donald Trump  
6 Test version  
7 Onassis' nickname  
8 See 96-Across  
9 In a kind way  
10 Investments for later yrs.  
11 Hoopster  
12 Leo Delibes opera  
13 Covered with soilage  
14 Creature  
15 Dude  
16 First lady  
17 Michelle Williams (sleepover)  
18 Applications  
19 Tennis great  
20 Beel up  
29 That is, to  
30 Lily's 1,300  
31 This looks very bad  
32 Relating to China: Prefix  
33 Wash (down)

**50 Remotely female**  
57 Old TV's  
58 Zee precursor

**59 City just west of Sparks**  
60 Former coin of Italy

**61 The norm**  
64 Orem's place

**65 - Marcus (high-end retailer)**  
69 Male and female

**70 Orp. for caviar fixers**  
71 Korea, e.g. (or any of eight lands split literally in this puzzle)

**74 Horace work**  
75 Numbers on clothing tags

**77 Apprehend**  
78 Sub in a deli

**79 Motion "yes"**  
80 First-time driver, often

**81 SI mass unit**  
82 Apt., e.g.

**84 Marnet works**  
85 Old Brooke Shields sitcom

**90 "Good gain," kid**  
94 Egg opener?  
95 R-V link

**96 With 8-Down and 113-Across, big Baja resort**  
98 City east of Wichita

**99 Peculiar**  
102 AFB inuant

**105 Earthworm**  
108 Verdant spot in an urban area

**111 Hits hard**  
112 An inert gas

**113 See 96-Across**  
114 Archaic verb suffix

**115 Stifle legally**  
116 Back-to-sch. day

**117 Kuwaiti VIP**  
118 Social networks or video games

**125 Uncolorous**  
126 Virgin Mary's mother: Abbr.

**127 Groups of spreadsheet figures**  
128 Went hastily

**129 Kitchen scourers**  
130 Kind of

**DOWN**  
1 Jitney cousin

**34 Uncle Sam's land**  
35 Rural ascent to a lady

**36 "That's a lie!"**  
38 Italian ice creams

**39 China's -tzu**  
45 Merited fate

**47 Frilly veggie**  
49 Sounds upon impact

**51 Zellweger of the screen**  
52 Video game

**53 Naval variety**  
54 Watergate president

**55 Belief**  
56 Simplified

**58 Having rapid rotation**  
61 Histories

**62 "Goodbye"**  
63 Tore down ring

**65 Be of help to**  
67 Pub.

**68 IV part**  
69 Sty noise

**72 Smeltery residue**  
73 One elocuting

**76 Within: Prefix**  
81 Is sure about

**83 Spellbind**  
85 Like Keeling residents

**87 Dale riding**  
89 Buttermilk

**88 - Reader (quarterly digest)**  
89 Arra of fashion

**90 Basics**  
91 Audacious

**92 Roll looping**  
93 Knitler's ball

**97 It spits out moola**  
99 Learning sorts

**100 Solicit, as business**  
104 Cafe drinks

**105 Adorns**  
107 Cafe lures

**109 Dog, -**  
110 Cut-rate

**115 Wedding**  
116 Prefix with capital

**118 Map, as edition**  
119 Unsaid material

**120 Cruel Amin**  
121 Atlas vehicle

**122 Wilco's lair**  
123 "FWIW" part ending

**SUDOKU**

	7							3						
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N C B E R K H A L L S A S U P M A C S R  
O X L A B A X F G W N H O M E W O R K N  
I C E A S V C T D S G M T H O N O R S B  
T O G U S S O T P I U N I V E R S I T Y  
A L Z S S S I O R K A S K O O B T X E T  
C L Y I H C R G H O B L S L E C T U R E  
U E T N U T H O N S P A A E E X V S G V  
D E G D C A Q D O M B E C I D Q A A R Z L  
E E W T I K W D O M E U R K C A A A Z U  
Z Y I W P O T P A L Y N L S P N R H I H  
S O E L T A V E R A G E T C T A A G S Z  
N K D M S Q F R A T E R N I T Y C N I R  
C N E M S S A L C R E P P U Y M H K I U  
A W N O I T I U T O R O S S E F O R P F  
Y H P O S O L I H P M U I R O T I D U A  
D A I R E T E F A C G R R E T U P M O C  
S E T A M S S A L C R E P A P M R E T Q  
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

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9	7	1	5	6	8	4	3	2										
6	2	4	3	1	7	9	8	5										
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5	4	9	8	3	6	2	7	1										
8	1	2	7	4	9	5	6	3										
4	6	7	9	5	3	1	2	8										
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