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Approval sought for medical marijuana operation on Joy Road

Matt Jachman Staff Writer

An Ann Arbor woman's bid to open a medical marijuana dispensary and growth operation is forcing Plymouth Township officials to address how the township should regulate such a business.

Michigan voters opened the door to medical marijuana for specific conditions, including cancer, AIDS, glaucoma, chronic pain and severe nausea, with the passage of the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act in 2008. But township officials say the law has many gray areas and is open to abus-

"We need the Legislature to step up and give us some clear direction," Supervisor Shan-non Price said.

Stephanie Fischer of Ann Arbor, who provides medical marijuana to three patients out of her home, applied in July for an occupancy permit for a

site on Joy Road. Fischer wants to expand her business there and offer space for other caregivers to grow pot, plus provide a resource for education about medical marijuana.

'I've seen the variety of people that it helps, the variety of people in different walks of life who medicate for various reasons," said Fischer, who once worked in a medical marijuana dispensary in California and is herself a medical marijuana patient.

Fischer said her plans are being stalled by the township.

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Students look for worthy cause



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Sanjana Sathrasala (from left), Neha Ray and Harshita Jallun are members of the P-CEP STEM Academy Council.

Community can make suggestions to STEM Academy STEM CAREER FAIR

Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

A good idea is what the students in the P-CEP STEM Academy are seeking as they prepare for their annual fundraising effort for the community.

"We are already passionate about helping the community," said Sanjana Sathrasala, a junior who serves on the STEM Academy Council. "It is good because you see people who are just as excited about a cause as you are.'

Sathrasala with her classmates Neha Ray and Harshita Jallun are among about 20 STEM students who as members of the council are planning to repeat the success the group has had in drawing attention to a particular cause or effort and the ensuing

We rely on the community. I wanted to teach the kids that we need to give back," said Danielle Ramos, STEM Academy coordinator.

To that end, the STEM students, led by the council, kicked off their community efforts in 2012-13 with a bottle return campaign. Students raised \$1,500 to provide GoldieBlox - engi-

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The STEM Academy will host a career fair 2:30-5:15 p.m. March 9 at P-CEP to showcase the various careers available to students in technical and STEM

While it is mandatory for STEM students, others are welcome. Approximately 50 guests - professionals in various fields - will speak to provide students an idea of what these particular professionals do for a living.

Some of the career areas that will be explored include engineering, biomedial, technology graphics, business, automotive and robotics. Some 800 students are expected to attend, said Danielle Ramos,

STEM Academy coordinator. 'This is about exposing students to careers in these fields," Ramos said. "We tell the speakers to be ready to answer questions about what these careers will be like when our students are ready for them."

Goodfellows gear up for holiday food, gifts

Joanne Maliszewski Staff Writer

Despite a money crunch this year, the Canton Goodfellows are moving forward and planning to provide gifts and food to 125 families – including 321 children - to continue to fulfill their motto of No Child Without a Christ-

Every year, the group collects gifts and donations to help struggling families at Christmastime — an effort that brings together a small core of volunteers each year.

"Adoptions and sponsorships have been going well," Goodfellows president John Spencer said. "Last year, we spent a lot with gift cards for families, so this year we

didn't have enough (money)." But the Goodfellows kicked off a summer campaign with a mass mailing requesting donations and money. Other fundraisers have also helped. And this Saturday, Goodfellows and other volunteers will be out near stores in the community selling the Goodfellows newspaper - the first in a number of years.

"We are bringing it back this year," said paper drive co-chair Pat Williams, a Can-ton Township trustee. "At one time, the Goodfellows had \$100,000 in the bank. But it's

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Canton police urge vigilance after home invasions

Staff Writer

Canton police are urging residents to remain vigilant after a rash of area home in-

Detective Sgt. Dan Traylor said it's unknown whether a couple of Canton home invasions in recent weeks are related to three break-ins Saturday in Plymouth Township and an earlier burglary in Northville Township.

Traylor said the two home invasions in Canton occurred in the northwest corner of the township, while the residents were away. He said the intruders took items such as

Canton police Tuesday is-sued an alert for residents to remain vigilant amid the rash of home burglaries.

"We just want people to be in the know," Traylor said. "This time of year, those things tend to increase."

With the holiday season in full swing, he said, intruders may prey on homes to take jewelry, electronics and other items they can quickly seize and flee.

During the home invasions in Plymouth Township, intruders took cash, jewelry and electronic devices like laptops and iPads in the Rolling Oaks subdivision, near North Territorial and Beck, police Lt. Robert Antal said.

No one was at home in any of the houses at the time they were broken into, he said. The front door had been forced open at each house, Antal said.

Traylor urged residents to make sure their doors and windows are locked and to keep valuables locked away.

Canton's alert said residents should remain aware of their surroundings and report anything that appears suspicious. Police also encourage communication among neighbors.

Canton police recommend-

ed the following: » Prune shrubs so they don't provide a place to conceal potential intruders.

» Don't advertise new purchases; be wary of displaying

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Hearing delayed in Wayne ax killing

LeAnne Rogers Staff Writer

A competency hearing for a man charged with killing a Wayne man with an ax has been delayed until Dec. 8

Jesse Wayne Gunderson, 26, is charged with first-degree murder in the death of Danny Dart, 58. The compe-



Gunderson

29th District Court Judge Laura Mack. Gunderson is charged

with using an ax to kill Dart, his step-grandfather, Sept. 28 at Dart's home in Wayne.

Arrested shortly after Dart was killed, Gunderson was remanded to iail following his arraignment. A not guilty plea was entered for Gunderson.

A retired Ford Motor Co. employee, Dart was

killed by a blow to the head with an ax while in the backyard of his home in the 4500 block of Chamberlain.

Gunderson was reported to have been staying at Dart's home for several weeks before Dart was killed. Dart and his wife, Gunderson's grandmother, had taken in Gunderson when he

showed up unannounced at their home.

Prior to turning up at the Wayne home, Gunderson was reported to have been living in Fresno, Calif., and working at a medical facility. Dart, a retired Ford employee, had taken Gunderson along on outings and to a Tigers game before Saturday's incident.

Gunderson later reported being unable to recall the attack on Dart. If found competent to stand trial, Gunderson would next be scheduled for a preliminary examination.

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them on social media. » Install motion

sensors for lights.

» Set timers for indoor lights.

» Ensure that "strike plates" on doors are reinforced with at least three-inch screws.

» Shield windows

near doors.

before

» Install deadbolts. » Lock all doors and

» Install and always

set an audible home alarm.

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Canton Goodfellows president John Spencer says volunteers will soon distribute food and gifts to families in need.

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been nibbled at and we decided to bring this

(paper sales) back." Goodfellows are seeking additional volunteers to sell the more than 2,000 newspapers that contain information about the organization, as well as local advertising. "We are looking for warm bodies," Williams

The paper sales will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. Because the Goodfellows are not allowed to stand in the streets to sell the papers, shoppers this

weekend will find them near stores, such as Richardson's and Holiday Market.

To accommodate potential volunteers, two shifts have been created: 9-11:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. "If people just want to come at those times, we will find them

a spot," Spencer said. The Goodfellows will operate Saturday from township hall, which is where volunteers may gather.

Because the Goodfellows have far less money to work with than last year, they were forced to reduce the number of families and kids they can help this holiday. Last year, the

organization served 174 families with 447 children. It had to turn away about 15 families, Spencer said.

We had to budget the money we had," Spencer said.

In addition to the group's fundraisers, the Goodfellows received donations from families and individuals, as well as grants, including \$1,000 from Eagles for Children and \$1,000 from American Yazaki in Can-

Meanwhile, the Goodfellows are still accepting cash or check donations, which may be mailed to the Canton Goodfellows, P.O. Box 87532, Canton, MI 481870532. Food and donations - only new toys and clothing - may be dropped off at Canton Township Hall, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

Next week, sponsors are expected to deliver bags of donations to the Goodfellows. Organizing and packing boxes of food and toys will follow. The designated families may pick up their gifts and food from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 12 at township hall

"They should have all gotten postcards by now," Spencer said, referring to the families.

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Generosity, hard work from local clubs yield Rotary school in Ghana village

Julie Brown

Children ages 4-6 in Guo, a village in Ghana, are going to school now indoors, thanks to the generosity and hard work of local Rotarians and their supporters.

The Rotary Clubs of Plymouth, Michigan, U.S.A., Guo Kindergarten School Block recently opened. It was in the works about three years, said organizer Jeanne Knopf DeRoche, a Plymouth Township resident and treasurer of the Rotary Club of Plymouth

"They were going to school under a tree be-fore that," Knopf De-Roche said of the Guo children. "They had a school, but no building."

She and 10 Windsor, Ontario, area Rotarians traveled to the Guo region Nov. 12-24 to see the school and work on other nearby projects. The Guo school idea started with the A.M. club in Plymouth, which sought help from the Rotary Club of Plymouth and its founda-

"So the Noon Club paid for half the building," Knopf DeRoche said. Her club had three Celebrity Wait Night fundraisers and contributed \$12,500 for the school, with the Rotary Club of Plymouth supplying an additional \$12,500.

Ghana, in west Africa, also is benefiting from a Rotary District 6400 grant, which includes this area. The district grant of \$4,000, matched by the A.M. club, paid for desks, uniforms and supplies.

Knopf DeRoche also left money for paint at the Guo school "so it's not going to fall apart on us." The lead teacher request-ed playground equipment, including a merrygo-round and swing set.

"There's a guy in their little village that makes them," she said of the playground items, which were purchased there with district funds. Money is kept in a Ghanian bank in a neighboring town monitored by a trusted Catholic priest.

Canadian assistance

The Rotary Club of Windsor 1918, one of several in that city, mentored the Plymouth A.M. Rotarians on their African project. The Canadians had international connections that made banking aspects easier, Knopf DeRoche explained.

The district grant also provided a computer, textbooks and supple-mental Montessori textbooks "as requested by the lead teacher. It was fun going shopping in the capital," she said of Accra, Ghana's capital city.

Accra was hot, humid and subject to rolling electricity blackouts. Guo is northwest of Accra. "It took us three days to get home," Knopf DeRoche said of travel logistics.

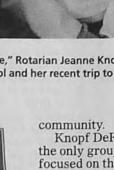
The team of Rotarians and volunteers included spouses, with two from the 1918 Club, one from the Windsor Roseland Club, Knopf DeRoche and 11 people total. They stayed in a guest house in the next village, Jirapa.

"We didn't all do everything together," she said.

The school in Guo is built and a source of great pride to locals and



"It was a great experience," Rotarian Jeanne Knopf DeRoche said of building the school and her recent trip to Ghana to see it. The school is built.



This marker is at the school in Ghana.

the Rotarians. Knopf DeRoche noted she saw another group of children in school under a tree on this trip.

"They have no junior highs," she said of a great need in Ghana, with the government under pressure to build junior highs, the highest level of free education in that country. High school

requires payment. "Now all these kids are headed to junior high. There's just not enough room," said Knopf De-Roche, who's concerned about ongoing need for preschool and early ele-

mentary education.
The Guo school took about a year and a half to build. "The villagers did as much work as they could before we brought in contractors," she said. The locals made mud bricks of good quality, as well as a thatched roof well-suited to local weather.

'Centuries of local knowledge'

"They're building on centuries of local knowledge," she said of that African knowledge and

Dr. Godfrey Bacheyie, a Windsor pediatrician who's originally from Ghana, is a Rotarian from the 1918 Club. "We come in with his family's trust behind us," Knopf

DeRoche said. Bacheyie told the Rotarians to emphasize their hard work to raise the money; Westerners have a higher living standard and Bacheyie wanted the Africans to understand the work the

project entailed. "The people are so generous and grateful," he said. "The older people in particular understand how far you've

come to be with them." The Guo school will serve about 70 children, in three classrooms. The day Knopf DeRoche visited, some 30 extra children showed up who aren't enrolled. Dresses and shorts were provided for all children there that

day, "Guo has some other schools, but not for that age," she said. There's an elementary and even a junior high, which is unusual for that size

Knopf DeRoche was the only group member focused on the Guo school, with members working on five or six villages in the region.

She agreed it's difficult to see overwhelming need and, with others, asked, "What can I do that's going to stay?" Their focus was on local and not Western ideas.

At the orphanage, for example, feeding babies nutritious meals means more than diapering. "It's not part of their culture to wear diapers," she said.

She saw AIDS prevention and awareness signs, her favorite, "A friend with AIDS is still a friend." She wondered about passing of babies at the orphanage and of their parents, but saw less HIV evidence than in South Africa, "where I saw whole villages where

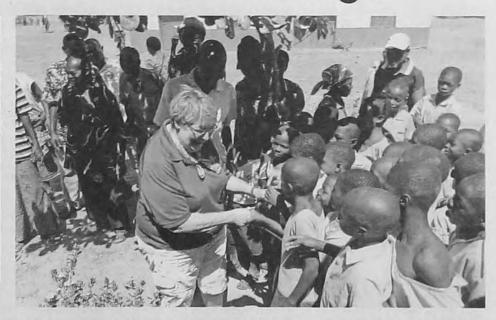
there are no parents." The Guo lead teacher is also an administrator and was teaching for a colleague on maternity leave recently. "Nice young man. I don't think I've ever been hugged so tight when I told him I could get him a comput-er," Knopf DeRoche said.

For the future, "I'm ready to keep going.' Rotarians will enjoy family time over the holidays and Knopf De-Roche will meet with Traci Sincock of the Northville Rotary to discuss future efforts internationally. Sincock is an assistant district governor for District

Knopf DeRoche is also talking to Canton Rotary about international work and noted the great benefits of working together. She visited A.M. Rotarian Tim Higgins at his local print shop on her return and said, "We just do good work. They're thanking me, but they're thanking all of us.

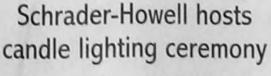
The group will return to Ghana in 2018 and Knopf DeRoche hopes more Americans can join in then. "It was a great experience," she said.

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Rotarian Jeanne Knopf DeRoche (center) of Plymouth Township is happy to meet local Ghanian





Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, located in downtown Plymouth, will host its 25th annual Holiday Candle Lighting Ceremony ay 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the funeral home, 280 S. Main.

The program will include a holiday reflection given by the Rev. Thomas Belczak and a message of encouragement by the funeral home's grief counselor, Brigid G. Lynch. Each family will have the opportunity to light a candle in honor of their loved one. Refreshments and fellowship to follow. The public is invited.



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AAA offers tips on winter driving safety

As Michiganders face winter and have already handled their first heavy snowfall, AAA is sending out a statewide alert reminding motorists that when it comes to driving in winter conditions, the most important is safety.

A forecast for snow, sleet and ice can produce conditions that will likely challenge even the most seasoned driver. AAA recommends:

» Restrict driving privileges for teen or new drivers who have never driven in snowy conditions.

» Provide new drivers with an adult-supervised opportunity to test their driving skills in an empty, snow packed/icy parking lot or low-traffic volume road.

» Help new drivers understand how vehicles operate differently in snowy conditions along with building their driving confidence and

» Take extra care with seniors who may face other driving challenges.

» Access AAA roadside assistance with the free AAA app for iPhone, iPad and Android at AAA.com/mobile. » Submit road service requests at www.aaa.com.

AAA's top 10 tips

1. Before starting out, remove snow from the entire car so it doesn't blow onto your windshield or the windshields of other drivers. Make sure your mirrors and lights are clean as well.

2. Don't use cruise control in precipitation and freezing temperatures.

3. Remember that fourwheel drive helps you to get going quicker, but it won't help you stop any faster.

4. Familiarize yourself with your vehicle's braking system. Drivers with anti-lock brakes should apply firm, constant pressure while those without may need to pump the pedal in order to avoid loss of traction while stopping.

5. Always drive at a speed that matches the prevailing visibility, traffic and road conditions - even if that means driving below the posted speed limit.

6. Compensate for reduced traction by increasing your

following distances (normally three to four seconds) to eight to 10 seconds.

7. Allow sufficient room for maintenance vehicles and plows, stay at least 15 car lengths (200 feet) back and, if you need to pass, go to the other vehicle's left.

8. Watch for icy surfaces on bridges and intersections, even if the rest of the road seems to be in good condition.

9. If you get stuck in snow, straighten the wheel and accelerate slowly. Add sand or cat litter under the drive wheels to help avoid spinning

10. If your tires lose traction, continue to look and steer in the direction you want to go. If the drive wheels start to spin or slide while going up a hill, ease off the accelerator slightly and then gently resume speed.

Additional winter weather driving tips are available in AAA's How To Go on Ice and Snow booklet, which can be downloaded at: http:// exchange.aaa.com/wp-content /uploads/2012/09/How-To-Go-On-Ice-and-Snow.pdf.

Farmington cops have first OD save with Narcan

Aileen Wingblad Staff Writer

Farmington Public Safety officers saved the life of a 57-year-old woman early Sunday morning with the use of Narcan after she overdosed on morphine and was barely breathing when they arrived.

This was the first time Farmington officers utilized Narcan - which can rapidly reverse the effects of opioid overdose - since being required to carry it about a month ago, said Ted Wartham, deputy director of the Farmington Public Safety

Department.
"The officers on the scene did an excellent job, both in their investigation to detect a possible opioid overdose and their success in administering not one, but two doses, of Naloxone, also known as Narcan," he said.

Wartham said the woman was unresponsive and her pupils were fixed and dilated when officers arrived shortly before 1:30 a.m. Family members had called police after finding her unconscious in a back bedroom. Police learned that someone else in the household had prescription morphine and that it was suspected the woman had overdosed on it, either intentionally or acci-

After Narcan was sprayed into her nostrils, she regained consciousness right away and was alert by the time Community EMS ar-

rived, Wartham said. "The results once it's given are incredible," he said. "It's very helpful and fastacting.'

The woman was trans-ported by Community EMS to Beaumont Hospital-Farmington Hills and was expected to survive, Warthman

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'Just delaying'

In response to her application for an occupancy permit, she said, she received a questionnaire from the building department, to which she responded in August. She's had a couple of meetings with Police Chief Tom Tiderington, she said, but no official word on the status of her permit re-

"I can understand their hesitancy," said Fischer, who has hired a lawyer, James Fiselski. "If they were going to tell me no, they should've told me four months ago. Now they are just delaying it."

Fischer has appeared at the last two Board of Trustees

meetings to ask, during public comment, about the status of her request.

Price admits the issue is one he's reluctant to tackle.

"I'm not jumping for joy about this," Price said Tues-

day.

Price said he is organizing a "task force" to discuss how the township should approach medical marijuana businesses. The committee, he said, will include trustees, a building department representative and the police chief. "This isn't about bringing in

a new restaurant or a hightech company, this is about bringing in somebody who wants to grow and sell mari-juana," Price said. "We're got to make sure whatever we're doing, we're doing right."

Price said there are gray areas in the law that concern him and that officials need to decide if they should restrict medical marijuana businesses to specific zoning classifica-

Plus, Price said, Fischer's plan is different from the typical dispensary in that she intends to rent growing space to other caregivers, thus expanding the number of patients the business could service. Michigan's medical marijuana law allows each regis-tered caregiver to provide marijuana for to up to five patients and to grow up to 12 marijuana plants for each of those patients. Medical mari-juana patients must have a doctor's certification and also be registered with the state.

"This task force is going to look at every option and try to come up with what we're go-ing to do," Price said. Township attorney Kevin Bennett has already been consulted, as

has an attorney with the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, an insurance provider, who has experience in medical marijuana issues, Price said.

Seeking clarity

Tiderington said the type of business Fischer wants to open would be illegal. "I don't think that the medical marijuana act provides for that type of facil-ity," he said.

Tiderington said a marijuana dispensary in the township was raided about two years ago and charges filed against the operators.

At the same time, Tiderington said, the vagueness of the law is unfair to law enforcement and to people like Fischer who want to operate within

"Law enforcement agencies statewide are looking for clar-

ification in terms of what is legal and what is not legal," he

Meanwhile, Fischer is stuck paying rent on her site, about 1,400 square feet, while she waits for an occupancy permit.

"I haven't even been able to put carpet on the floor, paint the walls, do anything, because I don't have that occupancy permit," she said.

Fischer added: "I want to be part of the community. I look forward to being able to help and educate those in the area."

The Michigan House of Representatives earlier this year approved legislation intended to clarify the medical marijuana law, but the proposal has yet to be voted on by the state Senate.

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P-C schools named to AP District Honor Roll

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district is one of 425 school districts in the U.S. and Canada honored by the College Board with placement on the sixth annual AP District Honor Roll.

The recognition is for increasing access to Advanced Placement course work, while simultaneously maintaining or increasing the percentage of students earning scores of 3 or higher on AP exams. Reaching these goals indicates that a district is successfully identify-ing motivated, academically prepared students

who are ready for the opportunity of AP.

To be included on the honor roll, P-CCS had to, since 2013, increase the number of students participating in AP while also increasing or maintaining the number of

students earning AP exam scores of 3 or higher "Recog-

nition by the College Board

validates the efforts of our educational team to increase academic rigor, access and opportunities for all of our students," district Superintendent Michael Meissen said. "We are proud of the accomplishments of our students, the faculty and staff, administration and fam-

Meissen

National data from 2015 show that among black/African-American, Hispanic and Native American students with a high degree of readiness for AP, only about half of students are participating.

The first step to deli-

"Recognition by the College Board validates the efforts of our educational team to increase academic rigor, access and opportunities for all of our students."

MICHAEL MEISSEN, P-CCS superintendent

vering the opportunity of AP to students is providing access by ensuring courses are available, that gate-keeping stops and that the doors are equitably opened so these students can par-

"The Board (of Education) is focused upon high academic results for all students and eliminating achievement gaps. This recognition is an indicator the strate-gies and best practices taken by our exceptional faculty is producing strong educational outcomes for our kids," Meissen said.

P-CCS remains committed to expanding the availability of AP courses among prepared and motivated students of all backgrounds, Meissen added.

"That the committed teachers and administrators in this district have both expanded AP access and also helped their students achieve high levels of performance on AP exams shows they're delivering opportunity in their schools and classrooms and it is a real testament to their belief that a more diverse population of young people is ready

for the challenge of college," said Trevor Packer, the College Board's senior vice president of AP and instruction.

In 2015, more than 3,800 colleges and universities around the world received AP scores for college credit, advanced placement and/or consideration in the admission process, with many colleges and universities in the United States offering credit in one or more subjects for qualifying AP scores.

Inclusion on the honor roll is based on the examination of three

years of AP data, from 2013-15, looking across 34 AP exams, including world language and

culture. Districts must: » Increase participation/access to AP by at least 4 percent in large districts, at least 6 percent in medium districts and at least 11 percent in small districts.

» Increase or maintain the percentage of exams taken by black/ African-American, Hispanic/Latino and American Indian/Alaska Native students.

» Improve or maintain performance levels when comparing the 2015 percentage of students scoring a 3 or higher to the 2013 percentage, unless the district has already attained a performance level at which more than 70 percent of its AP students are scoring a 3 or higher.



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neering toys - for kindergarten classes in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

In 2013-14, STEM students raised money for childhood cancer research. A mom and a her daughter took the time to speak to the students about their experience with cancer. In the end, the STEM Academy students donated \$4,500 to Mott Children's Hospital.

Last year, when the STEM students needed an idea, they opened it up to the public. "I started getting floods of emails," Ramos said.

Finally, the STEM council decided on the Gift of Life. A former STEM English teacher who became ill and required and received a lung transplant was the root of the idea for Gift of Life. "I had students who said, 'We are the last group who had him (as a teacher at P-CEP)," Ramos said.

So as the STEM council begins its planning for this year's effort, it is opening it up again to the public. "We want some-thing that will directly help the community, Jallun said.

Anyone who may have an idea for the STEM students is asked to email Ramos at danielle.ramos@pccsk12.com or call her at 734-416-7922. Community members are asked to get their ideas in no later than Jan. 4.

Ray and Sathrasala have two caveats - they want to raise funds and they want to be passionate about the cause. But the students want a fundraiser in which they can be active. At last year's fundraiser and auction for the Gift of Life, students sold paper body organs as a means of drawing attention to organ donation. And, of course, if the students have to shop for anything for the effort, well, they are more than happy to do that.

"It really brings us together," Ray said.

And being together is important for the 700some students in the STEM Academy, which offers classes in all three of the high schools at the Park. Students in the STEM program choose either a biomedical pathway or an engineering

pathway, Ramos said. Through the academy, students not only complete their required courses, but have a chance to take classes that introduce them to potential careers in, for

Ramos is the Academy coordinator.

example, biomedical. "We can explore careers, which gives us a heads up," Jallun said.

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Children greet Santa in downtown Plymouth

With a choir from Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and magician/ comedian Joel Tacey as the warmup acts, Santa Claus arrived Friday in downtown Plymouth.

Driven up to Kellogg Park in a fire truck, as is customary, Santa was greeted by enthusiastic children who had gathered in the park.

Santa's arrival was the culmination of the city's annual Christmas treelighting ceremony, which typically occurs the day after Thanksgiving.

The Plymouth Corps of the Salvation Army provided hot chocolate, free of charge, for the event.

Santa will be making return appearances at the Santa House in Kellogg Park to hear the Christmas wish lists of young visitors. For a schedule of Santa House hours, go to the Plymouth Community Chamber of commerce website.

The Santa House is sponsored by Hines Park Lincoln and the chamber.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jake Schultz pushes the lever, with help from Santa Claus, Caroline Holmes and Will Holmes, to light the Kellogg Park holiday lights and tree.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
e manger scene and a menorah face Main Street



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Jarrett New and 9-year-old-daughter Georgia New watch the evening's entertainment.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Sure enough, Santa comes to Plymouth once again.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER It's worth the wait in the rain and wind.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
At the other corner of the park, three guys on camels follow a



Santa and Mrs. Claus left the sled at the North Pole and arrived in a fire engine, with bright lights and siren blaring.



Praveena

Praveena Vellanki sensed something was wrong but she didn't say anything - it was too difficult to open up about such a private matter. She held in her fears and silently worried. In time, she was diagnosed with breast cancer and quickly began treatment at St. Mary Mercy Livonia. Four years later, after eight cycles of chemotherapy, surgery and radiation - a treatment plan spanning 16 months - Praveena is cancer-free. She is once again volunteering at her Temple and cooking for family and friends. She credits the care team who stood by her during her toughest days.

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Dan Carney, president and CEO of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, and his wife Linda enjoy the last year's Kidney Ball with Ed Peper, 2015 Kidney Ball honorary co-chair, and

Northville residents lead fight on kidney disease

Jill Halpin Correspondent

It was more than 20 years ago that Duane McLean received a call that his father needed a kidney.

He didn't hesitate with an answer.

"It was an easy deci-sion. My father was my hero," McLean said.

McLean's father Ger-ald had tried dialysis and was in the final stages of kidney disease. Aware of the looming possibilities, McLean, who has lived in Northville with his wife and three children for 12 years, had been tested earlier and was found to be a suitable donor candidate. When the opportunity arose for organ donation, he was prepared to

It was this experience and others - that led McLean to join fellow Northville resident Ed Peper as honorary cochairs of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's Kidney Ball, set for 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at Motor City Casino.

"Once you are touched by something, it tends to matter more and you begin to realize how important the issue is," said McLean, executive vice president of business fairs for the Detroit

'Raising awareness of kidney disease and its prevention is very impor-tant to me," he added. Peper — the U.S. vice

president for General Motors Fleet and Commercial and resident of the Northville community since 2005 with his wife and two children -

Many people are not aware of the leading causes of kidney disease, such as obesity, hypertension and diabetes, Peper said. More importantly,



Duane McLean, 2015 Kidney Ball honorary co-chair (right), gathers with his daughter Kayla and wife Sue at the 2014

More than 26 million people over the age of 20 — including 900,000 people in Michigan — suffer from chronic kidney disease, according to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan. Chronic kidney disease is permanent kidney damage or decreased level of kidney function that continues for three months or more. When left untreated, CKD can lead to complete kidney failure, with the only options for survival dialysis or a kidney transplant.

"The good news is that, 70 percent of the time, we can prevent kidney disease ending in kidney failure by managing our risk factors Dan Carney, president and CEO of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

The foundation was ranked the No. 1 charity in the category of diseases, disorders and disciplines in 2014 by Charity Navigator, the nation's leading charity evaluator. It is committed not only to raising awareness of the disease, but to helping people learn to manage the disease in the early stages, before it becomes life-threatening, are able," Carney said. "It is really important that people talk to their doc-tors and ask about kidney function during their regular checkups with their physicians.'

He said that orga-nizers of the Kidney Ball hope to raise \$550,000 from the event to support the foundation.

Not only does the Kidney Ball raise valuable funds, it also promises to be a fun-filled evening, Carney said.

The event includes a live auction featuring everything from an Italian Villa vacation to a "Detroit Tigers Experience," as well a silent auction with jewelry, even a toy-filled "Kid's Room" for those hoping to get in some holiday

shopping. Fifty Amp Fuse, a local band recognized for its energetic live music performances, will be on hand to add even more excitement to the event, Carney said.

McLean said he is hopeful that people recognize the importance of the issue and get behind

"It really is a great opportunity to support an important cause," he



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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Longtime Super Bowl has history of community support

Q: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.

A: Super Bowl Lanes is much more than a fun place for youth and adults to bowl. We offer fundraisers, corporate outings, family reunions, adult and youth birthday parties, field trips, teambuilding events, retirement parties, graduation parties, in-house and outside catering and so much more. The perfect place to have a fun-filled time with family, friends and co-workers at affordable prices.

Q: How did you first decide to open your business?

A: The owners, Mark and Diane Voight, as bowlers themselves, saw a great opportunity to bring a cost-effective form of family fun entertainment to the commu-

Q: Why did you choose Canton?

A: Canton at the time was a growing, familyoriented community and still is today.

Q: What makes your business unique?

A: Bowling remains one of the only sporting activities that allows everyone, no matter their health, gender or skill level, to participate together. Bowling creates camaraderie!

Q: How has it changed since you opened?

A: Bowling has changed dramatically over the years; lane conditions and bowling balls have become more advanced with today's technology. Scoring is now automatic and bowling has become the fastest growing high school sport, with hundreds of high schools throughout the country now offering bowling as a letter sport.

Q: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

A: The most rewarding projects we have done at Super Bowl are those that involve the kids. They include:

» Turnaround Program in the Plymouth-Canton schools. We created and completely sponsor this program, which recognizes two or three children in every middle and high school in the school system for making a turnaround in their lives outside of academic or athletic

DETAILS

Name: Super Bowl Lanes Address: 45100 Ford Road, Canton MI 48187 Interviewee: Susan Robertson, event planner

Opened: Super Bowl was built as a 40-lane center in 1978 and an additional 20 lanes were added on in 1981. Community Bowling Centers acquired the center in 1992 Employees: 35-45, depending on the time of year Hours: 9 a.m. to 1 a.m., seven days a week (times may vary) Specialty: Adult and youth bowling, banquets, family fun entertainment, top-notch

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accomplishments. We have truly made a difference in many of these children's lives in giving them their first public recognition ever. Some of their experiences were truly heartbreaking. We were awarded business owner of the year in Canton several years ago for this program.

» Creating high school bowling in the Plymouth-Canton high schools. We worked with and financially supported the parents of several



Super Bowl Lanes is at 45100 Ford Road, Canton.

high school students to institute high school bowling in our three high schools.

» Providing in-school bowling instruction to all elementary students in local elementary schools. We have provided inschool bowling equipment and instruction to approximately 100,000 students in the last 20 years

On the business side, we have been very successful in bringing many tournaments to Canton, which have benefited us as well as many of our nearby businesses. We would estimate that we have brought more than

\$50 million of business to the Canton area since we acquired Super Bowl in 1992.

Q: How has the recent economy affected your business?

A: Like several other businesses, we saw a slight decline as many families would cut entertainment out of their budgets first. For example, our league bowlers who may have bowled in two or three leagues weekly went to bowling in one or two leagues. The good news, however is we are starting to see an increase in both our open play and league play.

Q: Any advice for

other business owners? A: Have a well-prepared marketing plan and stay the course, continue to let the community know you're still in business and things will work out for the best.

Q: What's in store for the future of your business?

A: Super Bowl Lanes' future continues to look brighter and brighter. We have once again secured several youth and adult tournaments for the upcoming years, as well as many family fun events planned, which will continue to benefit the surrounding communities.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Promoted

Comcast has promoted Craig D'Agostini to vice president of government affairs for the company's Heartland region, which includes Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky. He is based in Plymouth.

In this role, D'Agostini oversees all government and community affairs across the three-state region, which serves more than 1.5 million

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customers and has more than 4,000 employees. His responsibilities include overseeing franchise and regulatory compliance and managing community investment initiatives, including the company's Internet Essentials program that provides lowcost, highspeed

Internet service to eligible lowincome families.

D'Agostini

D'Agostini has 16 years of experience in the telecommunications and cable industries. Most recently, he served as senior director of government affairs for Comcast in Houston. Prior to joining Comcast in 2008, he worked as a manager of franchising and regulatory affairs for Time Warner Cable's Houston division.

"As we continue to hire more people, advance technology and implement other initiatives that make it easier for our customers to do business with us, it's also vitally important that we ernment and community Heartland region. "Craig brings the right skill set

collaborating on economic and community development priorities across the region.'

D'Agostini earned a bachelor of arts degree in telecommunications from Indiana University and a law degree from

New York Law School.

Named

2015.

Julie Martin, HELLA's vice president of global sales, has been named by Automotive News as one of the 100 Leading Women in the North American Auto Industry for

Martin was honored Nov. 9 at a gala celebration at the Max Martin M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Music Center in Detroit at which Mary Barra, CEO of General Motors, was the featured speaker. The publication has compiled the list of

five years. Based in Plymouth, Martin is responsible for further strengthening

customer relationships in

top female executives at

automakers, suppliers

and dealerships every

HELLA's automotive electronics and lighting businesses. She also focuses on helping to posi-tion the company for additional growth in strategic product areas, including energy management, driver assistance and lighting.

Martin previously had served as HELLA's purchasing director for electronics commodities in the Americas and also had managed North American production purchasing and supplier quality for the company's electronics plants in the U.S. and Mexico.

Prior to joining HEL-LA, she held a series of management positions in purchasing at Visteon after progressing through a series of purchasing positions at Ford Motor Co.

"Julie has shown exceptional leadership skills." said Steve Lietaert, president, HELLA Corporate Center USA, Inc. "It comes as no surprise to her colleagues and the management team that she was selected to be on the Automotive News' 100 Leading Women in the North American Auto Indus-

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2015 also Thursday, December 31, 2015 and Friday, January 1, 2016.

During this holiday season, the Treasurer's office will be **OPEN** on Monday, December 21, 2015, Tuesday, December 22, 2015, Wednesday, December 23, 2015 also Monday, December 28, 2015, Tuesday, December 29, 2015 and Wednesday, December 30, 2015 for our taxpayers' convenience.

> Teresa Cischke, MiCPT CPFA City Treasurer

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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 5F, consisting of:

P-CEP Varsity Field Grandstand Replacement Project

will be received at the office of Ms. Pamela Anstey, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, Plymouth Canton Community Schools, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 until 1:30 P.M., local time on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at which time they will be opened,

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:

- 102: Earthwork/Site Utilities/Asphalt/Site Concrete
- 149: Fencing
- 156: Exterior Grandstands

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 Tuesday, December 1, 2015 via

Bidders may obtain one (1) set of ½ size bidding documents beginning at 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, by contacting the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, Inc., at (248) 427-8400.

Bidders may download bid documents from <u>Gradebeam.com</u> 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 Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. at the office of the Construction Manager, McCarthy & Smith, located at 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. 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

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work closely with govleaders," said Tim Collins, senior vice president for Comcast's and leadership to this position to ensure we're

Kroger Co. of Michigan honored for philanthropic efforts

The Kroger Co. of Michigan's efforts to give back to local communities earned the company the Outstanding Corporation Award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals. The award was presented during a recent honors ceremony held in Detroit in recognition of National Philanthropy Day.

"Kroger has established a culture of giving and focuses on core areas that are important to our customers and associates, including hunger relief, better health, education, good neighbor activities and diversity," said Ken Mc-Clure, consumer communications manager for

During 2014, Kroger donated \$670,071 to fund breast cancer research and education, Last month, the grocer wrapped up its annual Pink Ribbon Campaign to benefit the American Cancer Society. Shoppers also contributed to coin boxes, with funds collected for ACS and the

Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Novi-based Kroger supports education, the arts and Michigan's young people each year with its "I Can Make History" contest held during Black History Month. The contest awarded \$71,000 in scholarships and other prizes to students in the fourth through 12th grades last year. Students submitted their original work in four categories: art, essay, music and poetry.

According to McClure, many of Kroger's philanthropic efforts are ongoing, including its hunger relief program. During 2014, Kroger contributed 4.6 million pounds of food as part of its Perishable Donations partnership with Feeding America food banks in Michigan. Kroger also donated more than \$1.5 million to assist the Salvation Army in feeding hungry families via its annual Red Kettle Collections cam-

"We were especially pleased with the results of our Pour It Forward campaign, which, in its second year, raised enough money to provide 51,468 gallons of Kroger brand milk to needy families." McClure said. "The Kroger Co. of Michigan introduced Pour It Forward in 2013 and, based on its success, The Kroger Co. adopted the

campaign nationwide." The Kroger Community Rewards program celebrates its seventh year in Michigan and contributes \$2 million to local nonprofits every year, including service clubs, Scout programs, school groups, religious organizations and animal welfare groups. A \$719,048 contribution of cash, gift cards and merchandise supported FAR Therapeutic Arts & Recreation, Saginaw Arts & and Sciences Academy, the Detroit Zoo and Children's Miracle Network.

Kroger fundraising also resulted in a \$127,750 donation to benefit U.S. troops and their families through the

GUEST COLUMN

A cloud of suspicion over Plymouth politics

wo important pur-poses of having Open Meeting Act laws in states is to prevent local elected officials from becoming engaged in the unsavory practices of accepting envelopes stuffed with cash in exchange for favors or in behind-thescenes city council meetings to appoint committee members, who have agreed in advance to vote a certain way on city projects. The public has the right to share their views on appointments of city officials, prior to decisions being made by an elected body

When elected or appointed city officials hold secret off-the-books



Daniel Sabo **GUEST**

meetings, or meetings in which minutes are expunged, folks have no way of knowing if elected officials are behaving honestly.

Even worse is a mayor doing an "end run" around a secret meeting by calling individual members on the phone, meeting individually and defending the practice. Such behavior suggests a cover-up. Conducting public meetings by electronic communication is also wrong, as a recent St Clair County court decision suggests.

When politicians disrespect the Michigan OMA, they are also disrespecting their constituents and the office which they serve. It places each and every vote cast by Plymouth City Commission members under suspicion. When officials lash out against the press for printing what they say, it affects the entire community in a negative way. Unfortunately, this is the cloud of suspicion under which Plymouth City Hall will now operate, while the current commission members remain in office.

When any elected leader promotes a public body as "a team," where lopsided votes regularly occur and very little meaningful dissension among members at public meetings occurs, every member of that body then becomes suspect.

City commissions or councils or school boards and their members should not be acting as "a team" or acting as "buddies" or acting as "coworkers" in an efficient manner when it comes to

The Plymouth City Commission is not some exclusive private country club. Officials are there for one reason, to represent all of their constituents and to argue on just about every issue

that comes up.

The more inefficient a city council is, the more honest it is. A highly efficient city commission is a red flag for public corruption. An honest city commission is a highly contentious one.

In my opinion, secret meetings of governmental bodies is equivalent to vote-rigging of that same body; there is no difference. Given the recent revelations in the Nov. 19 Plymouth Observer, no one will know for sure which if any city commission decisions were rigged and which were legitimate.

In my opinion, the only way to restore the public trust is for the

current commission to spare the city of Plymouth further embarrassment; all members of the Plymouth City Commission should tender their resignations, a special election to fill all seats should occur and an investigation should

Until that happens, the city of Plymouth will be one gray area of politics in western Wayne Coun-

Taylor resident Daniel Sabo grew up in Old Village in the home his great-grandfather G.A. Starkweather built, attended Starkweather School and graduated from Plymouth-Canton Educational

GUEST COLUMN

Refugees represent choice between fear and freedom

n the wake of the recent attacks in France, Lebanon and other places around the world, our nation has become more fearful of accepting refugees from wartorn countries like Syria.

Candidates for higher office have used this fear to try to convince Americans that only one option lies before us: We cannot offer aid to the refugees attempting to escape the murderous regime of Bashar al-Assad and the terrorist organization known as ISIS lest we put ourselves in grave and imminent danger.

The facts tell a different story.

The United States relies on the most stringent refugee acceptance processes in the world procedures more than 250,000 refugees have



David Knezek GUEST COLUMNIST

gone through since 9/11. This 18- to 24-month process is complete with health screenings, background checks and faceto-face interviews conducted by the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI. Without question, we must continue to provide law enforcement with the tools they need to ensure they can fulfill our foremost responsibility: keeping Americans safe.

This vetting process for all its rigor — is often times even longer for Syrian applications. Since civil war broke out in Syria in 2011, the Unit-

ed States has admitted about 2,200 Syrian refugees. According to senior officials, only around 2 percent are "military-aged males" traveling with no companions. The vast majority of refugees are women, children and the elderly. But what about the screening process itself? Does it work?

Roughly 50 percent of those who have applied for refugee status in the United States have been rejected due to concerns flagged throughout the screening process or because screeners were not able to properly vet them with the information they had available. These law enforcement officials have and must be allowed to continue to do their jobs while keeping Americans safe.

These are the num-

bers and the factual reasons why we should not let fear motivate our decision making when it comes to accepting Syrian refugees. But there's far more to it than that. Inscribed on the Statue of Liberty are the words: "Give me your tired your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

These refugees are attempting to escape a hell that few of us, thank God, will ever know. Their homes have been destroyed, their loved ones murdered, maimed and raped at the hands of either a brutal dictatorial regime desperately trying to hold onto power or

a medieval religious cult spreading its hateful doctrine through the countryside by the sword. We have a responsibility to care for and provide refuge to those searching for the shores of a free land.

President Ronald Reagan often referred to this nation as a "shining city upon a hill," a beacon of light and hope for a weary world. In his farewell speech in the Oval Office, he said, "And if there had to be city walls, the walls had doors and the doors were open to anyone with the will and the heart to get here. That's how I saw it and see it still." Reagan was borrowing from John Winthrop, an early settler who came to the New World seeking refuge and a place where he and

his companions could live and worship free from oppression.

These refugees are seeking the very thing that Winthrop and our ancestors have sought from the earliest days of our great country. To turn our backs now would be decidedly un-American.

While some politicians want to boil this down to a wedge issue that can advance their own political agenda, there is so much more at stake. This is a test of our courage and our desire to keep the American spirit alive and to keep inclusiveness at the heart of all that we do. Have we lost that spirit? I hope not.

State Sen. David Knezek's district includes Redford and Garden City.

LETTERS

Right-wing theme

A recent letter by one Bernie Mastey attempts to debunk another writer's theory that Patrick Colbeck is pro-birth, not pro-life. When I read the original letter in this paper by Mitch Dubanik, it appeared to me that the point was that the ultraright has consistently cut a family's benefits and livelihood while attacking a woman's right to control her own body.

Mastey, with his gobbledy-gook writing in this letter and the past, has shown his Tea Party fondness. Colbeck and his brethren remind me of an episode of Family Guy. In that show, Peter, the father, falls in with a right-to-life group and brow-beats a destitute young woman into not

having an abortion. After the birth, Peter and Brian, the talking dog, are shown leaving the hospital. Brian asks Peter what they can do to help the baby. Peter looks at Brian with astonishment and says, "Help him? We got him born.

Screw him. And there, in a nutshell, you have the entire right-wing theme: we got him born, screw him.

James Huddleston

Religious liberty

attacked State Sen. Patrick Colbeck's op-ed that appeared in the Northville Record edition of Nov. 26 nails the current state of attack on religious liberty that is taking place in our country today.

If a sitting U.S. president were to issue a Thanksgiving Proclamation today and invite fellow citizens "to set apart, and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens" and also " fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation ..., I dare say the liberals and secularists of today would come down on Abraham Lincoln with much vitriol and disdain for violating church and

Sadly, this movement on religious freedom is getting away with painting the historical fact that our country was founded on Judeo-Christian principles and seeks to ban any reference to God in public. We also would not have Thanksgiving today except for the fact that Lincoln made this proclamation Oct. 3, 1863, a time when invoking religion in public was acceptable and, dare I say it, tolerated.

Ray Ferrer Northville

No place in government

Religious freedom has another side from Sen.

Patrick Colbeck's op-ed piece in the Nov. 26 edition of the Northville Record.

Most of us believe in religious freedom. But then, we were blasted Nov. 27 with the news of an abortion-crazed man attacking a planned parenthood clinic in Colorado, killing three people.

The majority of Americans have made abortion legal in this country. But abortion doctors continue to be stalked and murdered by religious fanatics. The Catholic Church and Right to Life organizations do not condone such illegal activation. However, they continually push anti-abortion bills in the Legislature.

Fanatics grab onto these religious crusades and use it as an excuse for killing. ISIS is also a religion. It has killed thousands in it's wars against Christians and other religions in the middle east.

Religions can be destructive and have been throughout history. Read about the Spanish Inquisition and the Cru-

sades We must have freedom from religion when it begins to trample on the rights and lives of law-abiding citizens and disrupts our government's equal representa-

tion of all citizens. There is plenty of room for practicing religion in our private lives and homes and churches.

Organized religion has no place in our government, which has to equally serve citizens of many different religions.

Bob Moreillon Northville

Arrogance amazes

The sheer audacity, arrogance and incompetence of our GOP-controlled state Legislature just never ceases to amaze. After avoiding, evading and hiding and using one excuse after one for over a year, road repair has now died over, of all idiotic things, an argument over a tax cut.

The state House in particular has time to kick out the bums Todd Courser and Cindy Gamrat, but not time to pass a long overdue infrastructure permanent repair bill.

The Senate has long since approved a highway repair bill and Gov. Snyder agreed. The crazies in the House balked at any tax increase for anything ever.

People and business are leaving Michigan because of or crumbling roads. These are facts. So quit your pre-adolescent squabbles, man up and pass a permanent road repair bill now.

Those few of us who must stay here do not want to face another winter with roads further deteriorating to just dirt roads everywhere. You cowardly dumped this decision making on to us.

If you are going to refuse to take any action, why are you in the Legislature? More specifically, why are we paying you?

You should really be ashamed and embarrassed into action now. Tax cut. Absurd, ridiculous and grossly untimely, out of the question. Fix our roads now or just get out of the way and let others for you

Gerald Maxey Farmington Hills

Early present

Christmas has come early for Wayne County CEO Warren Evans and the commissioners who govern us taxpayers.

In addition, there are, I'm sure, some "elite" past employees and present who are also receiving their "forever free health care plan." Last week, WJBK-TV

(Channel 2) reported that the Wayne County commissioners and the CEO gave themselves a "forever free health care plan." They were given this opportunity because of the consent agreement.

This allowed them to govern Wayne County out of the present financial mess (threat of bankruptcy). We, the taxpayers, are paying for that "free" benefit that they are now receiving.

This occurred because of past egregious county policies, and it is still continuing. Meanwhile, over 5,000 Wayne County

retirees are struggling to purchase their own health care plan. Mr. Evans and our county commissioners voted to eliminate health care benefits to retired Wayne County employees, many who are in their 70s and

Most of our Wayne County employees had to work 25, 30 or more years to achieve their right to a pension and health care benefit. Our Wayne County "elite" have achieved that goal in only a few years by being elected to a Wayne County commissioner position, or elected to become CEO of Wayne

I remind our current public county officials that they should be serving the public and not servicing themselves. I hope the voters will remember those commissioners and this CEO when the next election comes up because what happened to us could happen to you when they seek your vote again in the next election cycle.

One last comment: Those of you who are looking for a career working in Wayne County should also look for other opportunities elsewhere, because you may lose your future as I did on Dec. 1, 2015.

Richard Gora

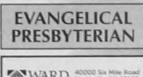
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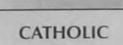
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Tech talk: Digital age calls for savvy parenting

As parents head to stores with children's gift wishes, it's worth pausing for a minute to consider electronic gifts and their impact. Technology has changed our world and certainly brings many pluses. It remains key to think through use of technology, especially for children and teens.

In a world where children are "growing up digital," it's important to help them learn healthy concepts of digital use and citizenship. Parents play an important role in teaching these skills. Here are tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics to help parents manage the digital landscape they're exploring with their children.

» Treat media as you would any other environ-ment in your child's life. The same parenting guidelines apply in both real and virtual environments. Set limits; kids need and expect them. Know your children's friends, both online and off. Know what platforms, software and apps your children are using, where they are going on the web and what they are

» Set limits and encourage playtime. Tech use, like all other activities, should have reasonable lim-its. Unstructured and offline play stimulates creativity. Make unplugged playtime a daily priority, especially for very young children. And don't forget to join your children in unplugged play whenever

you're able.

» Families who play together, learn together. Family participation is also great for media activities — it encourages social interactions, bonding and learning. Play a video game with your kids. It's a good way to demonstrate good sportsmanship and gaming etiquette. And you can introduce and share your own life experiences and perspectives - and guidance as you play the game.

» Be a good role model. Teach and model kindness and good manners online. Because children are great mimics, limit your own media use. In fact, you'll be more available for and connected with your children if you're interacting, hugging and playing

with them rather than simply staring at a screen.

» Know the value of face-to-face communication. Very young children learn best through twoway communication. Engaging in back-and-forth "talk time" is critical for language development. Conversations can be face-to-face or, if necessary, by video chat, with a traveling parent or faraway grandparent. Research has shown that it's that "back-andforth conversation" that improves language skills much more so than "passive" listening or one-way interaction with a screen.

Create tech-free zones. Keep family mealtimes and other family and social gatherings tech-free. Recharge devices overnight - outside your child's bedroom to help children avoid the temptation to use them when they should be sleeping. These changes encourage more family time, healthier eating habits and better sleep, all critical for children's wellness.

Don't use technology as an emotional pacifier. Media can be very effective in keeping kids calm and quiet, but it should not be the only way they learn to calm down. Children need to be taught how to identify and handle strong emotions, come up with activities to manage boredom or calm down through breathing, talking about ways to solve the problem and finding other strategies for channeling emo-

» Apps for kids — do your homework. More than 80,000 apps are labeled as educational, but little research has demonstrated their actual quality, the AAP says. Products pitched as "interactive" should

require more than "pushing and swiping." Look to organizations like Common Sense (www.commonsensemedia.org) for reviews about age-appropriate apps, games and programs to guide you in making the best choices for your children.

» It's OK for your teen to be online. Online relationships are part of typical adolescent development. Social media can support teens as they explore and discover more about themselves and their place in the grown-up world. Just be sure your teen is behaving appropriately in both the real and online worlds. Many teens need to be reminded that a platform's privacy settings do not make things actually "private" and that images, thoughts and behaviors teens share online will instantly become a part of their digital footprint indefinitely. Keep lines of communication open and let them know you're there if they have questions or concerns

» Remember: Kids will be kids. Kids will make mistakes using media. Try to handle errors with empathy and turn a mistake into a teachable moment. But some indiscretions, such as sexting, bullying or posting self-harm images, may be a red flag that hints at trouble ahead. Parents should take a closer look at their child's behaviors and, if needed, enlist supportive professional help, including from your

Media and digital devices are an integral part of our world today. The benefits of these devices, if used moderately and appropriately, can be great. But research has shown that face-to-face time with family, friends and teachers plays a pivotal and even more important role in promoting children's learning and healthy development. Keep the face-to-face up front and don't let it get lost behind a stream of media and tech, the AAP recommends.

LETTERS

Reflect on concerns

I want to thank the Plymouth Observer for asking some hard, wellresearched questions on behalf of Plymouth residents and offering some solid opinions regarding the transparency and direct accountability that the residents expect of our leaders in the Nov. 19 opinion piece.

Regardless of the

futility of stating my lack of anger or animosity toward or for our mayor or commission in this charged atmosphere, let me say exactly that: I hold no anger or animosity toward the mayor or anyone on the commission. I do think the questions were fair and based in community concerns.

The job of the press is to ask the hard questions for the community and

many, if not most, local newspapers shirk that responsibility for the sake of avoiding controversy. I want to commend the Plymouth Observer for taking that duty seriously. I would like to add that the response of my representative at the city did not reflect my reaction to the piece.

I appreciate that the paper had the integrity and willingness to go to the trouble of consulting with attorneys who are knowledgeable in the area of law concerning the Open Meetings Act. It sounds as though there are gray areas of the law and varying opinions as to the letter of the law. While the letter of the law may be gray, it seems the broad spirit of

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the law is less so.

The mayor and/or the commission could take this opportunity for selfreflection on the issues of transparency and credibility rather than reacting in anger and

assuming the worst of those who question and/ or criticize. Criticism is hard to accept graciously. Often times though, criticism is of greater value than ingratiating praise or nervous si-

I believe that the mayor and commission might benefit from reflection on the concern in the community, even if after reflection they do not believe they can improve on their adherence to the spirit of the Open Meetings Act or enacting the wishes of the community. The mayor and commission might consider the opinion piece in the paper to be a gift of insight into community con-

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2015-16 SEASON TIPS OFF

Opening victory costly for Salem

Rocks nip Plymouth, 29-23, but lose Talley to serious leg injury

Tim Smith

After racing out to a 12-2 lead in the first quarter Tues-day, everything looked pretty rosy for the host Salem Rocks.

Things did not come so easy the rest of the night against Plymouth in the opening game of the 2015-16 varsity girls basketball season for both teams, although the Rocks hung on for a 29-23 non-divi-

sion victory.
Salem likely lost senior wing guard Zoe Talley for an extended period, possibly the remainder of the season.

Talley, who grabbed eight rebounds, suffered an appar-

ent Achilles' tendon injury late in the third quarter.

"It's pretty big; she's a sen-ior leader for us," Rocks head coach Lindsay Klemmer said. "This really, really hurts us. The girls were all pretty much in tears on the bench when I came back over and told them.

"She's a big loss. ... This is one of those things that I just told the girls, we now need to dedicate our season to her.'

Just a minute or two before the injury, Talley had knocked down a short jumper from the paint to pad Salem's lead to 22-13. The field goal was her

only one of the night.
With Talley out of action, the Rocks needed a lift in order to

hold off the pesky Wildcats who hung tough despite having a rough night shooting, particularly from beyond the 3-point

Spark-plug

That boost came from Salem freshman Lyniah Wilson, who wouldn't be denied in the offensive zone. She scored five points and pulled down four rebounds off the bench.

"Yeah, absolutely, we did everything for Zoe," Wilson said about her efforts to spark the Rocks. "Especially since I really look up to her, I had to get back at it for her."

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Salem's Jala Petree (left) tries to close in on Plymouth's Hannah Badger during Tuesday's game.

GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEW



Leading the Canton Chiefs on and off the basketball court will be captains (from left) Erin Hult, Natalie Winters and Madison

NEXT CHAPTER BEGINS

Canton's new coach ready to continue program's winning tradition

Tim Smith

Staff Writer

As far as Rob Heitmeyer is concerned, all he's doing is continuing the tried and true established in previous years by Canton coaching legends Bob Blohm and Brian Samulski.

Heitmeyer — who Tuesday started his first season at the helm of Canton's varsity girls basketball program with a game against Bloomfield Hills Marian — plans on continuing staples from past regimes such as tough defense,

Chiefs to success this season.

communication and a crop of tough December opponents to help the Chiefs gear up for the start of

KLAA play in January. "The program has always valued the opportunity to play outstanding programs early in the year," Heitmeyer said, "because it gives us a good read on the things we need to improve on with our team throughout the year.

Wins and losses in December are not nearly as painful they are

Heitmeyer also is a coaching veteran at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, with a number of years working on the Salem staff led by the late Fred Thomann.

Blohm is back

Yet he is almost beside himself to have Blohm sitting next to him on the Canton bench, after Blohm took a year off following Samulski's 2014 decision to leave the Chiefs and take Salem's athletic director position.

"Having coached basketball at both Salem and Canton, I have a

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GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Eagles look to soar high

Plymouth Christian coach sees promise in 2015-16 squad

Tim Smith

Last season didn't go well for Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity girls basketball team, with the Eagles managing just a 4-17

That is viewed as a mere bump in the road by PCA veteran head coach Rod Windle, enter-

ing his 11th season with the squad. Windle - whose son Matt is taking over the PCA varsity boys team, by the way — is optimistic that the returning players are much stronger thanks to experience gained during

2014-15, followed by a strong off-season.
"Our team is very athletic and should make it hard on opponents to score," Windle said.
"All of our returners have starting experience, which should translate into aggressive and

confident play at both ends of the floor. "We did lose (guard) Raina Postma to graduation and will miss her floor presence and her assists. Our guards Paige Perkey, Kennedy Horne, Rachel Witkowski and Robin Albert had a great summer and really gained confidence schools."

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One of PCA's returning players is Lydia Chapel.

BOYS HOCKEY PREVIEW

Chiefs ready to go to work

Grittier 'mindset' taking hold on Canton roster

Tim Smith

After a couple of down seasons, Canton's varsity boys hockey team could be primed for a bounce-back year.

And as far as Chiefs head coach Brad Barath is concerned, it's because of attitude and work ethic. Both were on

display during a recent contest against campus rival Plymouth, as the gritty Chiefs gave it their all to block 22

"Blocking shots is something you do with hard work," Barath said. "And it shows exactly what the identity of

this team is. "Once they start doing the small things, they start putting a few pucks in the net and get a win, it's only going to build from there. They've got the

right mindset for it."

Senior leaders who could hasten that jump to relevance in the KLAA South Division include forward and captain Brian Oldani, assistant captains Spencer Rochowiak and Erik Wafer (both defensemen) and forwards James Tucker, Marcus Cook and Nick Har-

"They're all going to play a big role on the team," Barath

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Canton junior Matthew Eastman's offensive skills could help propel the

GIRLS HOCKEY PREVIEW

PENGUINS UP FOR THE CHALLENGE IN 2015-16

Mix of players could make PCS a dangerous squad

Tim Smith

With a nifty infusion of talent from AAA programs, the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins are poised to attack opponents this winter in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey

Second-year head coach Jenna Donnelly is enthused about the 2015-16 season, which got off to a great start Nov. 18 with an 8-1 rout of Ann Arbor Pioneer.

In that contest, senior forward Megan Brace scored a hat trick, while junior forward Catherine Vanden-Bosch and sophomore winger Michelle Cirino both had two goals.

The Penguins returned to action Tuesday at Canton Arctic Edge Arena against Livonia Ladywood.

"Our entire squad of new players are key for us," Donnelly wrote in a recent email to the Observer. "Cathryn VandenBosch and Savina Osann are fresh from AAA and are expected to make huge impacts for us this year.
"Grace Balch, Marnie Waggoner,

Rachel Lanzilotti, Brooke Gauthier and Piper Keranen all are strong players who will add some muchneeded depth to our roster.'

The Penguins, with players from all three high schools at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, do have a handful of important returning players — particularly senior forward and team captain Brace.

"She's the heart of the team," Don-nelly said. "And we'll look for a strong season from her, both on and off the

Assistant captains Brianna Wag-goner (junior forward) and Natalie Nowicki (senior goalie) also will be instrumental as the Penguins intend

to become championship contenders.

Donnelly said Waggoner and Nowicki have strong leadership qualities that will be a "huge asset for our young team.

The Penguins' top blue liner is senior returnee Gabrielle Godre, who will be leaned on "heavily for high minutes and defensive leadership for



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Brianna Waggoner, shown from a 2014-15 game, is one of several key returning players for the PCS Penguins girls hockey team.

our young group of defensemen."

Another returnee is sophomore forward Cirino, who "thrived last year as a freshman" and is expected to keep up the offensive pressure this winter. Judging by her two-goal output against Pioneer, she is ready for the challenge.

With 11 returnees, the Penguins' roster is a deep one

Also on the blue line will be juniors Bryanna Lanzilotti and Alexis Phee-ney and sophomores Paige Sweet and Morgan Gagnon.

Junior forwards Serina Eadeh and Jessica Marek are capable of providing timely offense.

Meanwhile, VandenBosch and Osann spearhead the new wave of AAA players that will help carry the

But Donnelly also has high hopes for the other newcomers. Those in-clude freshman forwards Waggoner, Rachel Lanzilotti, Gauthier and Keranen and freshman defenseman Balch.

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BOYS HOCKEY

Salem rallies to defeat Canton, 7-3

Four-point night by Zach Goleniak, two goals by Driscoll and Newel, pace Rocks to easy victory

Tim Smith

The feast continued after Thanksgiving for Salem's varsity boys hockey team, scoring seven goals Saturday night en route to a 7-3 victory over Canton at Plymouth Cultural Center.

Scoring two goals each for the Rocks (1-1) were Joey Driscoll and Evan New-el, while Zach Goleniak helped the offense with one goal and three assists.

Other Salem goals were scored by Austin Marthaler and Matt Schaumburger (who also had an assist). Colin Goleniak had two assists for the Rocks.

For the Chiefs (0-2), Marcus Cook registered one goal and an assist, with Brian Oldani and Nick Harwell also scoring. Chipping in an assist each were James Tucker and Matt Eastman.

Making 14 saves in net for the victory was Salem goalie Austin Goleniak. Can-ton goaltender Isaac Salinas stopped 29 of the 36 shots he faced.

Canton got off to a fast 2-0 start over the first 12:09, when Harwell (from Cook and Eastman) and Cook (unassist-ed) found the back of the Salem net.

Getting one back on the power play with 1:42 to go in the opening period was Newel, with assists going to Zach Goleniak and Nick Callegari. Just 3:39 into the middle period, Dris-

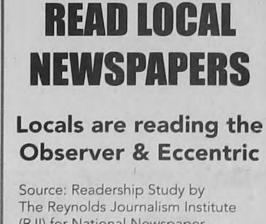
coll scored a power-play goal from Colin Goleniak to lift the Rocks into a 2-2 tie. Salem then went up to stay at 8:49, when Driscoll scored again, this time on

a feed from Zach Goleniak. Just 16 seconds later, the Rocks took a 4-2 edge thanks to an unassisted goal by Marthaler, although the Chiefs closed the gap to 4-3 in the final minute. Oldani scored, with Tucker setting up

The Rocks then put the game away with a three-goal surge early in the third. Schaumburger's power-play goal at 2:49 (from Zach Goleniak and Marty Mills) made it 5-3 and Driscoll made it a three-point night when he assisted on Zach Goleniak's goal at 4:06.

Closing out the scoring just 15 seconds later was Newel, with assists going to Schaumburger and Colin Goleniak.





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Madonna University community mourns loss of Pat Moore

Sports info director, 36, touched many lives

Brad Emons

Despite being taken away at the young age of 36, Patrick Moore's impact at Madonna University reached far and

The school's sports informa-tion director since 2007, the Redford resident died unexpectedly Sunday. Cause of death was a heart attack, ac-cording to a Madonna University press release.

"He was our one dependable guy is always what I said about him," Madonna athletic direc-tor Bryan Rizzo as ald. "No matter I needed to do, I could always count on him. Whenever I needed anything done game day, he'd be there. He always put our students first. Putting Madonna first was always the most important thing to him. That's what I'll always think

Moore, always accessible and always accommodating, was the primary contact for all 11 of the Crusaders' intercollegiate sports while overseeing all communications for the department. He was the webmaster for MadonnaCrusaders.com. He was also played a key role in athletic communications for the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference along with the National Association of

Intercollegiate Athletics.
Moore became the first three-time winner of the WHAC's highest honor, The Mike Dean Sports Information Director of the Year, award in 2010, 2011 and 2012.

"I feel Pat was the backbone of game day and obviously the media coverage, public relations and everything," Madonna University volleyball and NAIA Hall of Fame coach Jerry Abraham said. "He was very close to the players and the teams. Just a real genuine guy that everybody liked. He's kind of been the right-hand man and just a real important part of the whole Madonna program. He was an essential part of every

Moore first got involved in athletics at MU as a student

manager for the baseball team. "I remember first meeting him and first reading a letter that he sent to the baseball office way back when," MU baseball coach Greg Haeger said. "It was a long note that said he wanted to be a part of something. His business card was in there, very plain and simple business card, his name on it. It said, 'Patrick Moore' and a little quote that said, 'Good all-around guy' and for 18 years he totally proved he was better than just a good guy. He

was a great guy."

Moore, a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High, got his start in sports information as a freshman at Eastern Michigan University, where he held the role of baseball contact.

Moore transferred from EMU and worked for four years in the MU sports infor-mation office as a student and was the primary contact for the Crusaders' baseball team from 2000-03.

Along with his work in the SID office, Moore was the editor in chief of the Madonna Herald, the MU student newspaper, before earning a bachelor of arts degree in journalism and public relations with honors from MU in 2003.



Moore

After a four-year stint at the University of Detroit Mercy, the last two (2005-07) as assistant sports information director, Moore returned to his alma mater in

summer 2007 and became the school's fourth sports information director.

Moore was involved with planning and execution of the annual Blue and Gold Awards. He served on the Madonna Athletics Hall of Fame and Julie Martin Memorial Scholarship selection committees, as well as assisting Rizzo and assistant athletic director Noel Emenhiser with duties within

the department.

"Madonna was his family and it's just not athletics—the whole school was," Haeger said. "What the school did for him and how he gave back to this place was genuine and this place was genuine and priceless."

Madonna University men's soccer coach Mark Zathey was Moore's roommate and a close personal friend.

"He was very supportive of Madonna soccer and my efforts to come back to men's soccer after being away for some time," Zathey said. "Always willing to support the kids in the field and the program. He put in an extraordinary amount of hours ... ultra-dedicated to the Madonna family.'

father Dennis, mother Anne Hunsaker of Apache Junction, Ariz., and a sister, Erin Moore Day, of Gilbert, Ariz.

Visitation will be 3-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, including a prayer service at 6 p.m., at Fred Wood Funeral Home, 36100 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

A funeral Mass is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Madonna University gymnasium, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

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CROSS COUNTRY



Runners compete in the snow at Albion's Liberty Park during the AAU regional championship.

Can't stop these runners

Quartet from P-CEP beat snowy conditions at AAU meet

Tim Smith

A snowstorm didn't stop some Park cross country ath-

letes from making a dent in the recent Amateur Athletic Union regional championship.

The meet took place Nov. 21 at Liberty Park in Albion.

Capturing first-place honors in the 14-Under division was Plymouth High School freshman Brandon Boyd. He finished the 4K course in 14:15. qualifying for Saturday's AAU national championships in

Decatur, Ala.

Three Canton Chiefs qualified for nationals. Zac Clark was medalist in the 18U divi-sion, with Nick Socha also making the cut.

In the 16U race, Canton's Shane Andrews qualified.

Boyd, Clark, Socha and Andrews all were members of the recently unveiled 2015 all-Observer boys cross country team (published in the Sunday, Nov. 29 issue).

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Going up for a shot Tuesday is Plymouth junior Mikayla Rose (right). Defending for Salem is Lasha Petree.

SALEM

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Klemmer liked what she saw from Wilson, although she obviously wished the extra playing time wasn't because of a key injury

"She really stepped up for us," Klemmer said. "We told her we needed her to be strong and be an inside presence and that's what she

"She owns the boards offensively and defensively. She's just a workhorse."

Wilson asserted herself early in the fourth quarter, moments after Plymouth senior guard Cassidy Lewis (11 points, six rebounds) connected on a trey from beyond the top of the arc

The younger sister of former Salem stalwart and current Schoolcraft College player Jamyra Wilson went strong to the rim for a banker and drew a foul. She made the free throw to make it a three-point play and give the Rocks a 25-16 advantage with 5:20 left.

A minute later, Wilson came up with a couple of offensive rebounds to keep a Salem flur-

"If I had to pinpoint somebody that changed the game for us, it was her and she's a freshman," Klemmer said. "She gave us exactly what we needed off the bench, which is some energy, some positivity and some rebounding, which we were struggling with, too."

Neither team would score for the next two minutes, but Plymouth — which had trailed 12-4 after one quarter, 19-9 at halftime and got to within 25-21 when Lewis sank a layup.

Plymouth subsequently forced a turnover and had a chance to get to within two points with about two minutes remaining, only to be

called for traveling. Such self-inflicted wounds were a common occurrence throughout the sloppily played contest, not to mention plenty of missed scor-

In the late stages of the first half, for example, the Wildcats went 0-of-4 on triple tries. Some of it was bad luck. On a couple of

those attempts, the basketball went in and out of the cylinder.

"It was ugly, for sure," Plymouth first-year head coach Ryan Ballard said. "We just couldn't get the ball to go into the basket tonight. Sometimes, that's the way it goes.
"I loved our kids' effort; they played really

hard. We're going to take this loss and learn from it, grow from it, look at the tape and get

The Wildcats had some positives, such as the all-around play of Lewis and the efforts of senior guard Jordyn Chouinard and senior

forward Elise Wehmer (six rebounds). "All the kids just battled," Ballard said. "I loved the way Jordyn Chouinard played. She played really, really hard. You can't coach effort like that. She kept us in it with her re-



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Salem senior Zoe Talley (right) makes an aggressive push toward the basket Tuesday against Plymouth. Talley later left the game with a foot injury.

lentless energy

"And Elise Wehmer is one of our gritty

Deserved to start

Leading the Rocks with 10 points was sophomore Jala Petree, who started the game next to sisters Lasha (sophomore) and Ma (freshman).

The Petrees opened strong, with Jala and Lasha scoring 11 of Salem's 12 first-quarter points. Lasha Petree finished with six points and a team-leading 11 rebounds; Mahrianna Petree scored her first varsity point on a late free throw.

Chipping in six rebounds along with three points for the Rocks was junior Jayna Lenders.

Also bringing some spunk off the bench was junior Darby Scott. Adding two points was

senior Leah Moss. According to Klemmer, the youngest Petree deserved the opportunity to start.

'Mahri, specifically, has definitely worked her way into a starting spot as a freshman, just with her work ethic," Klemmer said. "She has a lot to learn, but she's got a huge upside.

"And when you put her with her other two sisters who can score, drive and do a little bit of everything, it's hard to keep them all off the floor because they do so much as a trio.'

MARIAN 40, CANTON 36: The visiting Chiefs led 31-25 after three uarters, but put the Mustangs on the free-throw line too many times down the

"We certainly put them at the line way too much," Canton head coach Rob Heitmeyer said about Marian making 16-of-26 free throws. The Chiefs made just 7-of-14.

7-ot-14.

Heitmeyer also noted 17 turnovers by his team, along with getting outrebounded on the offensive glass, as factors in the loss.

Leading the Chiefs with 12 points was Brianna Finn, Erin Hult and Madison Archibald had 11 and seven points, respectively,

HOCKEY

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said.

little bit of time."

So could senior forwards Javier Guadiana and Jacob McClune and goalie Isaac Salinas, who finally is healthy after an injury-ridden

Younger players also will have their say as to how quickly the Chiefs can rise in their

Barath listed junior returnees Matthew Eastman (center), Michael Gaffka (defense), Emmerson Taylor (forward) and Michael Testani (defense). "All are going to contribute," he Other juniors who could help the cause

include forward Brett Cygan, defenseman David Gunnis, defenseman Jalen Miller and forward Michael Tucker. Rounding out the roster are sophomore

forwards Daniel Bourgeois and Joe Powers and sophomore goalie Donald Jardine.
"Daniel Bourgeois and Joe Powers, those are my two sophomore (skaters)," Barath said. "They're making a big impact on the team. My sophomore goalie (Jardine) is going to get a

MICHAEL VASILNEK

Canton junior forward Michael Tucker (left) is one of the players the Chiefs will be banking on during

It remains to be seen whether Canton will enjoy more victories than recent years, but Barath already has noticed a new attitude on his team. "They have an identity; they're mentally in every game and they're ready to

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GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Injuries will test Mercy's depth

Nine returning players will help squad during 2015-16

> Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

Staff Writer

Fortunately for Mercy coach Gary Morris and the varsity basketball team's season outlook, the Marlins have nine returning players.

That high number will help them cope with a rash of injuries and put experienced players on the floor, though their depth won't be the same

The biggest loss was senior guard
Zora Pullen (all-area third team), who
was second in scoring and rebounding
with nine points and five boards per
game.

Pullen suffered an ACL injury last summer and missed the season opener Tuesday at home against Flint Powers.

"We're hopeful of getting her back at some point," Morris said. "It certainly won't be early in the season. We don't know when that might happen.

"Zora has the ability to score and she can score in a variety of ways. That injury definitely impacts our team." Mercy's best incoming freshman and potential varsity player, Isabelle Miner, suffered the same injury as Pullen and will miss the entire season.

Sophomore Jenna Schluter, who was expected to be the starting point guard last season until she tore an ACL in late fall, is still not ready to play.

Furthermore, senior guard Katie Bryce, who started most of last season, was injured recently and sat out the team's preseason scrimmage. She will return to active status before the others.

An opportunity

"We only had nine healthy bodies" for the scrimmage, Morris said. "I told the girls, 'It's an opportunity for you to show what you can do."

The Marlins do return healthy players in seniors Jordyn Schluter, Marisa Hardenbergh and Lauryn Hauncher and juniors Jackie Bauer, Chloe Godbold and Claire Murray. All are guards except Hauncher and Murray, both of whom are forwards.

Mercy will miss the 21 points per game from all-state player Taylor Jones (Oakland University), as well as the



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Senior guard Katie Bryce is one of nine returning players on the Mercy varsity.

defense and rebounding of Sierra Wangler, who was a second team all-area player.

The Marlins had hoped to spread the scoring around and compensate for the loss of Jones with better balance, but Pullen's absence will make that harder to do in the near term.

"A year ago, we were looking at replacing that senior class from the year before," Morris said of the Class A state semifinalist team in 2013-14. "We were concerned where the scoring would come from. We said: 'Who's going to do it?' People stepped up and, hopefully, that's going to happen this year."

He added Bauer can shoot from 3-point range and the 5-foot-10 Murray is capable of being a post-up player

is capable of being a post-up player.
"I think we're going through that process of identifying roles and figuring out who's going to be able to do what," Morris said.

Junior Katie Coe, who was on the varsity for the state tournament, can help in the paint, too.

She, juniors Morgan Brietzke and Lauryn Boggs and sophomore Bella Dugas were on the JV team that went 15-4 and won the Catholic League Central Division.

With two-time defending state champion Marian having lost all five starters, the division race is as wide open as it has been in years.

Mercy, which went 20-5 and was a regional runner-up to Marian, also will play Salem, Allen Park, Waterford Mott and Canton in preseason games.

CANTON

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great history to draw on," Heitmeyer said. "That history is enhanced with Hall of Fame coach Bob Blohm returning to the sidelines this year.

"There are not enough words to express what a difference Bob makes when he is in the gym. His mastery of the game and communication skills teaching the finer points of basketball to our student-athletes is second to none.

"Not only does the team benefit, but I get to share a clipboard with a local legend who has the center court at the gym named after him." Heitmeyer and Blohm will insist on

each of the team's 13 players following her prescribed role, perhaps doing well enough to take on additional court duties.

"I'm big on roles," Heitmeyer said.
"Everyone on this team has a role,
understands their role and will be
able to play in that role as well as play
into other roles.

"We look to push each other in practice and give ourselves a lot of options in games."

Captains key

If all goes according to plan, the Chiefs will "strive to perfect the motion offense and then play our trademark man-to-man defense."

Although the coaches will be key to Canton's chances in the KLAA South Division, so will a trio of captains — senior point guard Natalie Winters, senior guard Madison Archibald and junior forward Erin Hult.

"She is one of the best defenders in the conference," Heitmeyer said about Winters, a four-year varsity player. "She has a great head on her shoulders and a fast set of feet to complement her decision-making skills.

"I've been particularly impressed with her patience when running our offense."

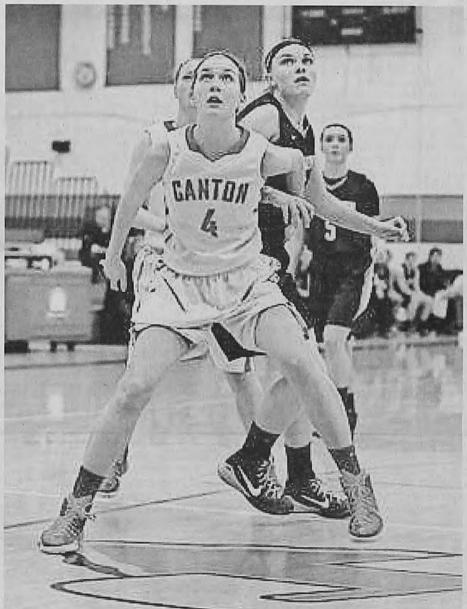
Archibald is a shooting guard who "is fearless when it comes to seizing opportunity on both the defensive and offensive side of the ball. She defends very well, transitions well and can shoot the 3-ball."

Hult, starting her third year on the varsity, is developing into an exceptional all-around player, Heitmeyer noted

"She can shoot from anywhere on the court and has really worked on perfecting that craft," he said. "She's a mentally tough student-athlete and that ... will be a difference-maker for the team in close ballgames."

Depth and athleticism extends to the rest of the roster. Junior wing Brianna Finn is a deadly outside shooter who "can make the big shot," the coach said.

Opposing players soon will find out about junior forward Madison Wolfbauer, described by Heitmeyer as "a relentless defender who not only can cover space, but has a knack for being around the ball."



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

One of the keys to Canton's offense is the outside shooting of junior forward Erin Hult, shown during a 2014-15 contest.

Junior guard Monica Newton is a two-way threat, able to scrap for rebounds in traffic and also knock down outside jumpers.

Another junior, forward Marissa Templeton, "can finish at the rim and set screens as well as anyone on the team."

Junior forward Shamya Butler also can work inside along with provide finesse. "She can recognize space as well as anyone and use that to get to the rim or hit a jump shot," Heitmeyer said.

Defend, rebound

Heitmeyer expects junior forwards Samantha Mattern and Raquel Church to strongly defend and rebound.

"(Mattern) is another player who always seems to be around the ball," he said. "She is a great defender, can rebound with the best and get into our early transition offense quickly.

"Another great defender is Raquel Church. She is quick, agile and, most importantly, unselfish. She really makes everyone around her better."

Junior guard Abby Heyde "is dynamic in all she does," and Heitmeyer is looking for her to contribute at both

ends of the floor. Sophomore forward Ashley Cris-

centi and sophomore guard Alaina Heitmeyer round out the roster, but the coach stressed he won't hesitate to use either in important spots.

"(Criscenti) is an all-around quality player who is an effective shooter from any range," he said. "(Alaina Heitmeyer) changes speed on the dribble and has an ability to get to the rim."

Add it all up and Heitmeyer can't wait for his first season as Canton's head coach to unfold.

"I believe that not only defensively we'll continue to do what this program has done for many years, but offensively this group can shoot about as well as any team I've seen at the Park," he said. "Led by Erin Hult, (who has) really worked on her game over the summer, each one of them has the ability to make shots."

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Young named MIGCA Coach of the Year

Plymouth's coach honored for work guiding boys and girls squads

Tim Smith Staff Writer

Plymouth Wildcats golfers have nailed it on the course ever since Dan Young took the reins of the high school's boys and girls teams.

And now it's Young's turn to nail it, as he recently learned he will be honored as Coach of the Year by the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association. The official honor will be presented at a banquet next spring.

"Very humbled, espe-

"Very humbled, especially that it's coming from the golf coaches board of directors," Young wrote in an email to the Observer. "They told me the MIGCA overall state coach of the year is a recognition of excellence over time.

Young

"Being good over time is hard to do. To me, this award is for all of our Plymouth golfers and coaches. Its about the tradition we have built over time."

Young, also a teacher at Pioneer Middle School, would rather give credit to others even for such an individual

"This comes from a lot of hardworking people working together for the betterment of the team," Young added. "I really believe that. We have good golfers that come from good families and I just try to get them to become good together."

The string of successes chalked up by the boys and girls teams during Young's tenure is noteworthy.

With the boys program, Young has guided the Wildcats to three MHSAA regional titles, two Kensington Conference championships and three KLAA South Division titles, as well as finishing as runner-up at the D1 state

Plymouth's girls teams over the past four seasons have won two D1 state championships, four regional titles, two KLAA titles, plus three conference and four division crowns.

In addition, current senior Katie Chipman and 2014 grad Kelsey Murphy were named to the MIGCA Super Team during Young's tenure.

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PLYMOUTH 32 CHRISTIAN

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Kennedy Horne of PCA's varsity girls basketball team competes during a 2014-15 contest. She is among several key returnees.

EAGLES

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Also gone from last year is center Danielle Witkowski, whose work on the glass will be missed, the coach empha-

But 5-9 junior forwards Lydia Chapel and Taylor Mistele "will be asked to defend the paint this year."

Prices

Outperfield the paint this year.

PCA's offensive game will rely on sophomore point guard Albert dishing the ball inside to players like Chapel,

Mistele and 5-11 junior forward Aliyah

Prices

Windle noted a couple of promising newcomers in 5-9 senior guard Kelly Abraham and 5-4 junior guard Jordan "Both players will bring energy to the defense and will be shooting threats on the offensive end," he said.

Sophomore guard Natalie Shaffer brings a scoring touch from the perimeter and "will bring defensive intensity to our team."

"Last year our team was young, featuring five sophomores and a freshman point guard," Windle said. "We hope to be very competitive this year and improve greatly upon the record

we posted last season.

"Most of our juniors were a part of the team in 2014 that lost in the regional finals and they have a desire to go far in the state tournament this year."

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OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA

Salt Lake

City's on the

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Realtor association reaches out to help veterans, service personnel

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors (GMAR), based in Southfield, held its first "Gives Thanks' party on Nov. 6 at the Hard Rock Cafe in Detroit. The party celebrated and honored current service men and women and veterans, as well as the entire GMAR membership.

Over 220 attended the "Rock and Roll" themed party; complete with a red carpet photo shoot, guitar pick-styled drink tokens, and memorabilia stuffed gift bags. Through this event and the Golf Outing held in September, GMAR donated \$6,000 to the 2015 charity, Suits for Soldiers ("The Vet Program"). GMAR is very proud of its compassionate members for both volunteering their time to put on such a successful event and for raising the most money GMAR has ever donated to charity in a year, an association statement said.

The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers was created and started by Army veteran Scott Fader while he was still boots on ground in Afghanistan. The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers is about serving those who served our county and not just them, their families,

After their careers, military personnel and their families need that assistance to help them get back into the civilian life to find jobs, get their benefits, find a home or just get reacquainted with life out of the military. This is a big adjustment for them. The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers helps veterans by offering no red tape services to ensure their transition from military to civilian life is as easy as possible.

The VET Program/Suits for Soldiers strives to end the days of unemployed service men and women. To date, it



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Through this event and the Golf Outing held in September, GMAR donated \$6,000 to their 2015 charity, Suits for Soldiers, The Vet Program.

has helped over 1,000 obtain employment, written over 5,000 resumes and given away over 10,000 pieces of business

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors provides services and support to the real estate profession and the communities they serve. With over 6,000 members, GMAR is the largest local Realtor association in the state. GMAR provides many benefits to its members, such as access to the Realcomp MLS, over 220 quality continuing education and designation courses per year, the largest Realtor-specific store in the area, the ToolShop TM , Metropolitan Minute weekly newsletter and Metropolitan REALTOR monthly electronic magazine. GMAR's mission is to be the leading resource for the real estate community in Southeast Michigan.

Visit www.GMARonline.com to learn more.



Honoring veterans as well as service men and women was the focus of the Nov. 6 Greater Metropolitan Association of Veterans benefit.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 13-17, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office.

Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.
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If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com.

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-Eleven, near Trenton Road. Call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayde Koehler at 313-819-0919.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 3-7, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses

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THURSDAY,

Tour six private homes during Livonia Christmas Walk



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Get decorating ideas while exploring decked-out homes

A holiday town is set up on a window sill.

Sharon Dargay

Every Santa Claus tells a story. Every ornament sparks a memory. And every Christmas village house and caroling figurine honors family ties. Sharon and Giovanni Molinaro's home is decked

out for Christmas with decorations that not only celebrate the season but continue family traditions.

"When you get your decorations out you think of the person you received them from," said Sharon Molinaro, showing off a collection of Byers' caroling figures on her fireplace mantel. "This particular grouping was given to my mother and father. They were on her mantel for a couple of decades and now they are here. That's even her greenery and lights. I tried to replicate what she did the best I can remem-

The Molinaro home is one of seven locations open for public tours during the 27th Annual Livonia Christmas Walk that benefits Greenmead, the community's historical village. The walk runs 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. Tickets are \$9 in advance and are available at Livonia Civic Center Library and city hall, both located at Five Mile and Farmington Road; Greenmead, at Newburgh and Eight Mile; and from Friends of Greenmead members. Cost is \$10 on

Ticket holders can tour six private homes and the Simmons/Hill house at Greenmead. Members of local Quester chapters — the organization dedicated to historic preservation — decked out the Simmons/ Hill house in a silver theme. Friends of Greenmead members took on one of the private homes as a Livonia Christmas Walk project.

That's why we have six houses on the Walk this time," said Sue Poster, Friends president. "We had booked five and then someone at the last minute said, oh yes, I'll be on it. We said, how about next year and they said the house would be going up for sale. It's a historic home and we didn't know if we'd be able to get it again. We're going to go in and decorate. We have a team.'

Poster said local florists decorated the homes for the event 27 years ago. Now homeowners work with a designated florist to create an arrangement that suits their decorating scheme.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The fireplace behind Sharon Molinaro is decorated with a collection of figurines — all carolers — that previously was owned by her late mother, Dorothy Hull.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER One of many Santa figures stands in the entry way of

the Livonia home.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A lamplighter is one of Sharon Molinaro's favorite pieces on the fireplace

"We've had people take in mom's candlesticks and

had them build an arrangement around them or in a

Variety of themes

Gingerbread, trains, Christmas villages, Santa Claus figures, Disney characters, silver bells and nature decorate shelves, tabletops and entire rooms in some of the house on the walk.

Rich and Carol Leonard decorated an outdoor shed and their remodeled kitchen in a gingerbread motif. A train circles overhead in the family room and four chipmunks placed throughout the home pay homage to the wildlife that visits a backyard feeder. At the Casey household, a collection of silver bells welcome guests to the family room and a Department 56 village decorates the fireplace mantle. The dining room incorporates a passion for Dieney and

dining room incorporates a passion for Disney and family needlepoint pieces. Santa Claus figures are gathered over sliding glass doors.

Santa Clauses of all sizes and shapes also figure

into Molinaro's decorating scheme. They stand among greenery atop cabinets, share shelf space, and greet visitors near the front door.

"There are Santas everywhere. I continue to collect them," Molinaro said.

From mom

A near life-sized Santa holds his own lighted Christmas tree in the den, near the Department 56 snow village that belonged to her late mother, Do-

A spare bedroom is outfitted with her mother's furniture. A holiday picture hangs on the wall and a photo of John and Dorothy Hull sits on a dresser. Molinaro topped the windows with garland, decorated a small tree for the room and wrapped packages to display on the bed.

"I've got an ornament for each in their memory. They've got their names and the year they were born and the year they died," Molinaro said.

The Molinaros moved into their Livonia home after marrying last May. She is director of public relations for Glen Eden cemetery and he works in concrete construction. Each has grown children from previous marriages.

"My birthday is in December. I'm a December birthday girl," Molinaro said. "I love having my birthday in December. I love celebrating, and I've always loved decorating for Christmas.

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More than 130 artists show their work at Potters Market

Sharon Dargay Staff Writer

Katherine Eaton of Farmington Hills sewed Barbie doll clothes as a teenager and took up basket making and weaving as an adult.

But it wasn't until she began pottery classes 10 years ago at Oakland Community College with the late Charles Blosser, that she found her true artistic

"I always wanted to do pottery. There's something about passing a potters booth - you just can't pass it by," she said. She began selling clay pieces almost as soon as she learned how to make them, showing at festivals including Plymouth's Art in the Park, and Arts, Beats

"Charlie said he liked my color combinations. They had a different look than everyone

else," she said. "I always wanted to do the Potters Market but there was no room.

Eaton got her chance to sell at Potters Market, a show that her former teacher started. when it moved from Madison Heights to Southfield last year. She and more than 130 potters will return for the 40th annual show, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6 at the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen. Admission is free. No strollers are allowed. Admission is \$10 for preview night, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3.

Shoppers will see thousands of pieces of pottery, including raku, stoneware, porcelain, and smoke-fired functional and decorative pieces, including tiles, tea pots, mugs, vases, tables, mirrors, picture frames, jewelry, Christmas

ornaments, sculptures, cooking and serving containers, and lawn decorations such as bird baths and bird houses. The event will include demonstrations, a cafe, and free parking. Each artist's works will be grouped together.

"We're able to put our whole selection on a shelving unit, so you can see the whole body of our work," said Eaton, who also shows her pottery at galleries in Berkley, Rochester Hills and Northville.

For the birds

One of her biggest sellers is a simple platter with an attachment to hold condiments. She also will sell wall pockets, bird baths, bird houses and other functional items.

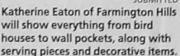
Barbara Gibson of Livonia also will be back for her second

Pottery by Barbara Gibson of See POTTERY, Page B7 Livonia



Ceramic birds by Susan Fisher of





ANIMALS **DETROIT ZOO**

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through

Location: I-696 service drive and

Woodward, Royal Oak Details: Admission is \$14 for adults

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

Contact: 248-541-5717

ARTS AND CRAFTS NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Date: . Exhibit hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, through Dec. 12

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: "Small Works," an all-media juried art exhibit consists of 120 pieces that are no larger than 12-by-12 inches.

A Northville Camera Club exhibit is

located in the lower gallery. Contact: 248-344-0497 or www.NorthvilleArtHouse.org

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PENN THEATRE Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m. and 9:25 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and 4

p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. Location: 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: It's a Wonderful Life., \$3

www.penntheatre.com REDFORD THEATRE

Contact: 734-453-0870:

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Dec. 4 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Dec. 5

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Avenue in Detroit

Details: White Christmas, \$5 Contact: 313-898-1481; redfordthea-

HISTORY **PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL** MUSEUM

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

Location: 155 S. Main, Plymouth Details: Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for ages 6-17

Current exhibit: A Red Ryder Christmas Story draws its inspiration from the popular 1980s movie, A Christmas Story, in which the main character, Ralphie, longs for a Red Ryder BB gun for Christmas. Red Ryder BB guns were sold by Daisy Manufacturing Company of Plymouth

Contact: 734-455-8940

LIGHTS WAYNE COUNTY LIGHTFEST

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Monday-Thurs-

GET OUT! CALENDAR

day and 6-10 p.m. Friday-Sunday, through Dec. 31. Closed Dec. 25

Location: Enter at Hines Drive and Merriman in Westland and exit near Telegraph in Dearborn Heights

Details: Drive-through light show features nearly 50 lighted displays. Fee is \$5 per vehicle

Contact: parks.waynecounty.com; 734-261-1990

WILD LIGHTS

Time/Date: 5:30-9 p.m. Dec. 4-6, 11-13,

Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward Ave., Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$9 in advance and \$11 at the gate for ages 2 and older. Parking is \$6 per car. Features illuminated sculptures, holiday entertainment and activities, ice carving and arts and crafts. Buy tickets online at detroitzoo.org/events/wild-lights Contact: 248-541-5717



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Kenny Parker and his band wrap up the 2015 Blues@The Elks series, Dec. 8, in Plymouth.

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BLUES@THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: The Kenny Parker Band performs on Dec. 8. Bring your dancing shoes. \$5 donation

Contact: 734-453-1780

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday,

Location: Friday concert at Wayne State University's Schaver Recital Hall, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; Saturday concert at Seligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills

Details: The Julliard String Quartet performs; tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students at the Detroit concert and \$32-\$64 for adults and \$16-\$32 for

students in Beverly Hills Contact: 248-855-6070 or CMSDetroi-

The Julliard String Quartet performs Dec. 12 in Beverly Hills.

CHRISTMAS POPS CONCERT/CANTATA

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Dec. 12 Location: St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Features popular Christmas songs sung by solists and small groups, and One Silent Night by Pepper Choplin, sung by the combined choirs of St. Timothy and Kirk of Our Savior of Westland; Free, but donations will be accepted

Contact: 734 464-8844, sttimothy@sttimothypcusa.org

ITALIAN AMERICAN CHORALE

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4 Location: American Club of Livonia, 39200 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Viviana Garabello directs the group in its first Christmas concert; free admission for concert only. An optional potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. costs \$2 per person. Participants should bring a favorite dish and dessert to share. RSVP by Dec. 2 to Ann at 734-437-9067 or Maria at 734-591-0263 for potluck Contact: Viviana Garabello at 313-690-

1093; gvivi81@gmail.com **JAZZ@THE ELKS**

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. the last Tuesday

Location: Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: \$10 donation at the door includes hors d'oeuvres

Contact: 734-453-1780 or email plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

MICHIGAN PHILHARMONIC Time/Date: 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thurs-

day, Dec. 10

Location: Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman, Plymouth

Details: Holiday Pops with the Phil features a variety of seasonal tunes, including the Hallelujah Chorus at the 8 p.m. performance, and a sing-along of Christmas carols. Tickets are \$30 general admission, \$25 for seniors, age 25 and up, and \$10 for students with

Contact: michiganphil.org

SIMPLY DICKENS

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Dec. 9 Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth

Details: The group sings old world Christmas carols. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Doors will open at 6 p.m. giving visitors time to see the Museum's special exhibit, A Red Ryder Christmas Story, which runs through Jan. 17, 2016

Contact: plymouthhistory.org

TRINITY AND FRIENDS CHOIR

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Dec. 3-5 Location: Trinity Episcopal Church, 26880 LaMuera, Farmington Hills

Details: Rejoice! A Holiday Concert features music of Beethoven, Handel and more; tickets are \$10 Contact: trinityinthewoods.org

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia Details: Kitty Donohoe, Dec. 4, Thunderwude, Dec. 5, Danny Kroha, Dec. 11, Harper and the Midwest Kind, Dec. 12. Empty Chair Christmas Show, Dec. 13, Michigan Caroling Company, Dec. 18. Most tickets \$15, and \$12 for sub-

scribers. Only cash and checks accepted Contact: 734-464-6302 for additional information

POTTERY

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year at Potters Market. She holds a master of fine arts degree from the University of Michigan and has made ceramics for 50 years.

"I quit the festivals about 10 years ago. I started getting tired of driving and setting it up," she said, adding that she "loved every minute" of the art festival circuit in earlier years.

Two years ago she attended the Potters Market in Madison Heights and was "blown away" by what she saw.

"I said, wow, I would love to do this show. I sent my stuff in and they said, sure. That was the first year at Southfield and it ran like clockwork."

Gibson, who enjoys drumming and making biscotti when she's not in her pottery studio at home, will sell a variety of functional and decorative items at the show.

"I've got outside stuff like bird feeders and big pots for plants and serving dishes," she said. "I love the little stuff and the big stuff. I have a passion for all of it.'

Other local artists at the show include Leslie Greeneisen of Canton, an active member of the Village Potters Guild in Plymouth; Susan Fisher and Centurium Frost, both of Canton and both new to Potters Market; Carol Fitzpatrick of Farmington Hills, who also serves as the Potters Market co-chair; and David Albrecht of Farmington, who is known

for ceramic sculpture. Visit the Potters Market website at thepottersmarket.com



Ceramic sculpture by Dave Albrecht of Farmington

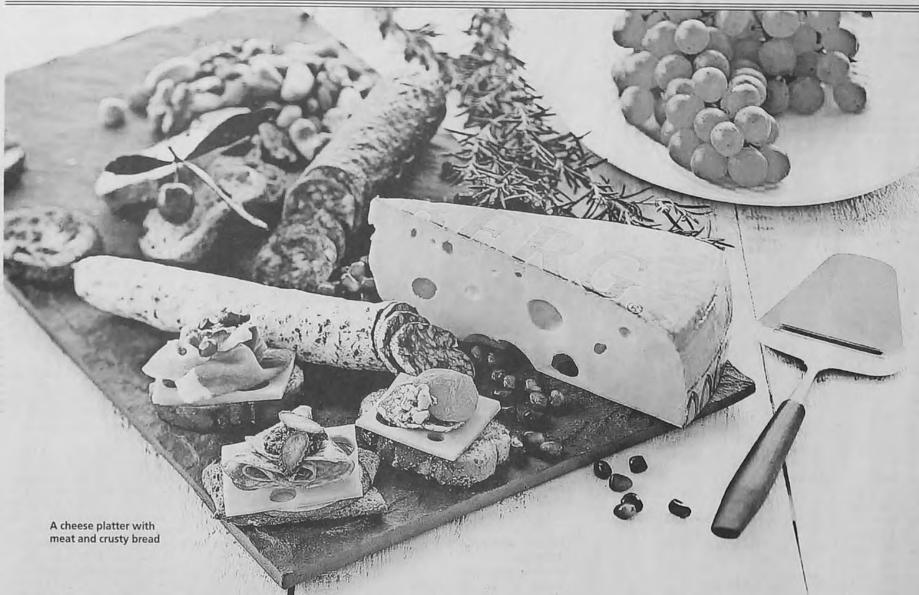
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his holiday season don't let a main dish hog all the glory. Instead let guests feast on a festive spread of small plates and sides. Snack-size portions of a wide range of delicious dishes are the perfect solution for entertaining.

A large, heavy meal can leave guests feeling lethargic. Keep your party lively with lighter bites that guests can nibble on throughout the night. Another advantage of a small plate menu is that guests will appreciate the chance to sample many flavors without fear of over-indulging.

Get your party planning started with

these tips:

» Keep dishes simple and put the focus on quality ingredients, such as naturally lactose and gluten-free Jarlsberg cheese. Best known for the classic wedge available in original and smoked flavors,
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» Give traditional vegetable sides a special boost to make them party perfect. Basic asparagus gets a fresh twist with this Asparagus Tart, which blends savory Jarlsberg brand cheese and a pastry for a pretty presentation you can cut into squares before serving.

» Plan your menu with the clock in mind. Choose foods that will taste great for the duration of your party without drying out or loosing flavor, such as this

Tomato Gratin. » Keep cold dishes chilled by setting the serving bowl inside a larger bowl

filled with ice. Add some flair by tinting the ice or adding decorative accents. » Use burners to keep the heat on warm dishes, or simply rotate in fresh

batches periodically. Give your holiday entertaining an extra boost this year with Jarlsberg Cheese's Great Holiday Giveaway, which runs through Dec. 31 and offers prizes for holiday entertaining, including a DSLR camera as the grand prize and weekly charcu-terie party kits. Learn more and enter (once per day) at Facebook.com/Jarlsbergusa, and find more holiday entertaining recipes at jarlsberg.com.

Courtesy of Family Features



SENSATIONAL PLATTERS

Platters featuring savory finger foods are a flavorful and easy solution for holiday entertaining. Simply assemble ingredients, such as those listed below, on a large wooden or slate board and serve. Get creative by adding fig spreads, fresh fruit or other nibbles you enjoy, and don't forget the toothpicks and napkins. Be sure to take the cheese out of the refrigerator at least an hour before serving to ensure that it is room temperature to bring out the ideal flavor. Never serve cheese cold.

- » Wedge or cubed Jarlsberg cheese
- » Assortment of whole grain crackers and crusty bread slices
- » Italian Genoa salami, coppa or your favorite charcuterie meats » Assorted olives, nuts and dried or fresh fruits

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ASPARAGUS TART

salt and pepper

1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed

2 cups Jarlsberg cheese, shredded 1 pound asparagus 1 tablespoon olive oil 1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves

Heat oven to 400 F. Prepare baking sheet with parchment paper.

Roll out puff pastry into 16-by-10-inch rectangle, trimming uneven edges. Place on baking sheet. With knife, lightly score pastry dough 1 inch from edges to mark rectangle. Using fork, pierce dough inside markings at 1/2-inch intervals. Bake until golden, about 15

minutes. Remove pastry shell from oven and sprinkle with shredded cheese. Trim asparagus spears to fit crosswise inside pastry shell. Arrange in single layer over cheese, alternating ends and tips. Brush with oil, sprinkle thyme leaves and season with salt and pepper. Bake until spears are tender, about 20 min-



TOMATO GRATIN

8 medium ripe tomatoes 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar

1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil

4 garlic cloves, sliced

4 sprigs fresh thyme (or 4 basil leaves, chopped)

salt and pepper, to taste 2 ounces toasted pine (pignoli) nuts ½ pound (8 ounces) grated Jarlsberg cheese

Heat oven to 350 F.

Cut tomatoes in half. In bowl, whisk together vinegar, olive oil, garlic, thyme, salt and pepper; gently mix in tomatoes. Transfer to ovenproof dish, turning tomatoes cut side up before baking 15 min-

When tomatoes are cool enough, remove skins before returning to baking dish. Sprinkle tomatoes with nuts and cheese. Return to oven and bake about 10 minutes, or until cheese turns golden and bubbly.

Serve as bruschetta on sliced, toasted Italian bread or as a side dish to fish and meat.



CHEESY MASHED POTATOES

4 large baking potatoes, peeled and cut

1 cup Jarlsberg cheese 1 cup milk

utes.

1 container sour cream ½ cup butter

1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon ground black pepper

Heat oven to 350 F.

Place potatoes in large pot of salted water and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to mediumlow, cover and simmer until tender. Drain and bring potatoes to food processor. In food processor, add cheese, milk, sour cream, butter, salt and pepper. Process all ingredients with potatoes until smooth. Pour mixture into baking pan and cover with tin

Bake 30 minutes. Uncover potatoes during last 10 minutes to allow browning.

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