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**CANTON TAKES SECOND AT STATE FINALS**  
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## New recycling carts expected in May

Switch will go from 18-gallon bins to 64-gallon carts

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Canton residents moving into a new era of recycling are expected to start receiving their new 64-gallon carts by late May, barring unexpected glitches.  
Trash hauler GFL (Green

for Life) Environmental, Inc., has hired an independent company to assemble the carts and deliver them, Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said.

"They're going to set the carts out near the curb for the residents," he said.  
GFL is hopeful it can collect

recycled materials from the 64-gallon carts starting Monday, June 5, ushering in major changes for a community that has long used 18-gallon bins.

Township Supervisor Pat Williams said he believes Canton will witness a sharp increase in recycling with the new program, based on conversations he has had with leaders in communities such as Plymouth Township and

Westland, which already made the move to larger carts.

"Each time these bins have been implemented, they have seen a significant uptick in the amount of recycling for each of these communities," Williams said.

Canton already has made strides that shattered expectations. The community recycled less than 5 percent of its solid waste in 2007, an amount

that more than tripled to 17 percent by 2015.

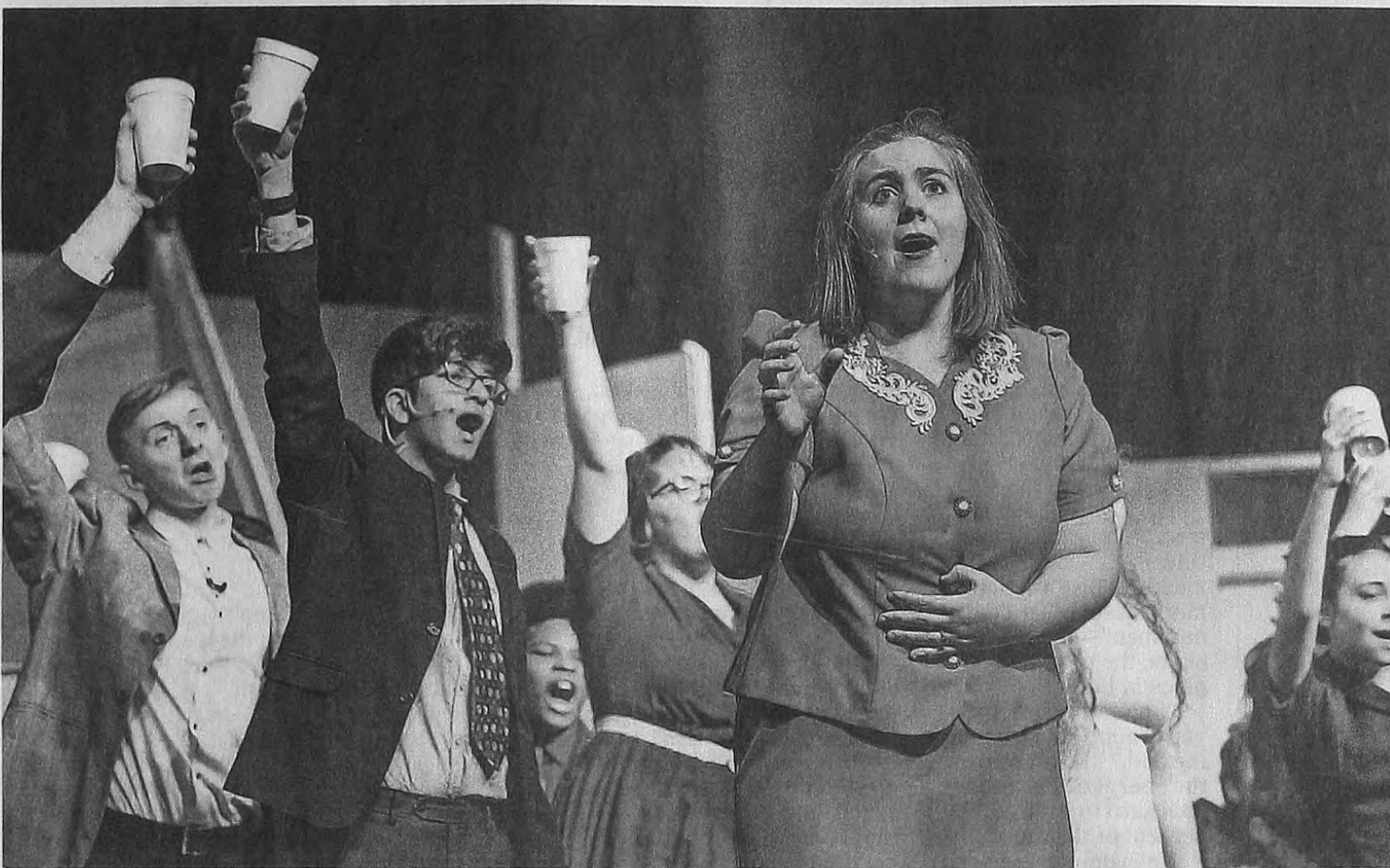
"It exceeded expectations by 377 percent," Faas said.

Moreover, he said Canton is now expected to recycle nearly 30 percent of its solid waste by late 2018.

"It will be pretty dramatic," Faas said.

Local officials say residents

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Secretary Smitty (Kaylee Rahill) and cast sing of the horror of no coffee at the coffee break.

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## Coach's lawyer seeks more time in sex case

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A Canton High School assistant coach's court hearing on charges he had sex with a 15-year-old girl has been pushed back to April 21 after his defense attorney sought more time to review documents, such as police reports, tied to the case.

The latest developments came Friday in 35th District Court following accusations that 20-year-old Eric Christopher Locke, while working as the school's varsity boys hockey assistant coach, had a sexual relationship with a high school girl who is now 16.

Raymond Cassar, listed in court records as Locke's attorney, could not be reached Tuesday for comment on the case. Judge Michael Gerou

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Locke

## Park Players learn 'How to Succeed' in spring musical

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When she's directing a show for Plymouth-Canton's Park Players, Shannon McNutt likes giving as many students as possible a chance to strut their stuff.

She's certainly doing that with the current production. Some 110 students are involved in one way or another as the Park Players present "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," which hits the stage for two weekends starting at 7 p.m. Friday.

The large ensemble production includes 40 students in the cast and another 46 in the orchestra pit.

"We've got a large cast with lots of parts for people to shine," McNutt said. "It's a really great ensemble show with lots of big production numbers. The kids love the big production numbers."

"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" is a musical by Frank Loesser and book by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert, based on Shepherd Mead's 1952 book of the same name. The story concerns young, ambitious J. Pierre-



Hedy LaRue (Morgan Gagnon) and J.B. Biggley (Joshua Raiford), arguing.

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pont Finch, who, with the help of the book "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" rises from window washer to chairman of the board of the World Wide Wicket Co.

Casting for the show,

which McNutt calls a "spoof on corporate life," began in December and rehearsals started when students came back from winter break in early January. Because the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School, where the

show is being staged, is in high demand, the Players had some trouble getting scheduled.

Consequently, some set pieces are still being built and

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## COACH

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granted the attorney's request for more time.

Locke could face penalties ranging up to 15 years in prison if he is convicted on three counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct. Canton police investigated allegations Locke and the girl had a sexual relation from November to February.

Canton Deputy Police Director Chad Baugh has said the girl's mother reported the allegations to a school resource officer at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, where Locke had worked.

Locke remains free on a \$500,000 personal bond as he awaits his court proceedings, but officials say he has been placed on an electronic tether to monitor his whereabouts. Moreover, 35th District Judge Ron Lowe, during Locke's arraignment on criminal charges, ordered him to stay off school

property and away from minors, including the 16-year-old girl.

Monica Merritt, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools superintendent, issued a letter after Locke was charged to alert parents that Locke has been "permanently removed" from the district, saying "student safety remains the number one priority of the district."

Canton police conducted a search of Locke's home, but haven't disclosed what may have been taken as potential evidence.

Locke is employed by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district through a third party, CoachEZ, LLC, which issued a statement saying student safety is of "extreme importance to us." The company also said Locke has been removed "from access to assignments in the schools we serve."

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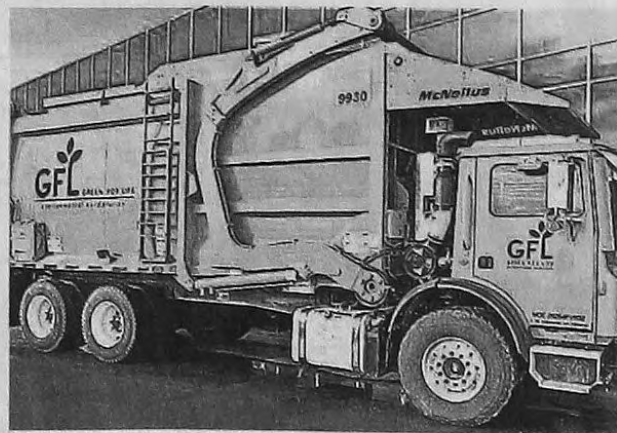
## RECYCLING

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will have much more room for their recyclables and, therefore, will be less likely to toss materials in trash cans.

Though some customers have said it will be difficult to store the larger carts, Williams said "the lion's share" of residents "are excited and looking forward to implementing this program."

Some are eager to have carts with lids so that windy days don't result in recyclables littering neighborhoods, Williams said. Residents also believe in recycling and extending the life of a Canton-based landfill. Faas has said the



GFL Environmental, Inc., expects to start Canton's next phase of recycling in early June.

landfill is expected to not reach capacity for another 20 years.

As the new carts are delivered, the old bins will not be picked up. Faas suggested residents

use the 18-gallon bins to store tools, rags or other items — or simply recycle the smaller containers in the 64-gallon carts.

Faas said Canton expects some push back

when the new program starts, but officials say residents will likely become quickly accustomed to the changes.

The changes come as Canton has increased the amount local households pay for solid waste collection from \$142 to \$155 a year, an amount Faas said isn't likely to increase for several years.

GFL absorbed the bulk of new costs and had to spend \$1.2 million for four new trucks equipped with robotic arms to pick up the larger carts. To recoup those expenses, GLF sought — and received — a four-year contract extension through 2024.

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## MUSICAL

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there have been a few technical difficulties, but nothing cast and crew hasn't been able to overcome.

"It's a little rushed," McNutt said. "But we worked five days a week; we were in here for 12 hours on Saturday. It's going to be ready."

At the center of the story, McNutt said, is a love story involving Finch, played by Plymouth High School junior Anirudh Keshamoun, and Rosemary Pilkington, played by Salem High School junior Hayley Martin.

Martin loves how "goal-oriented" Pilkington is. Her goal, Martin said, is a little old-fashioned — "She wants to marry a successful businessman" — but then again, the play takes place in 1961.

"She's very preppy, very happy, like a bouncing ball," Martin said of the energetic Pilkington. "It's hard to act that 100 percent of the time."

Keshamoun, last seen playing Phil in "Almost Maine," likes the all-around sense Finch portrays, because he appeals



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This can be very easily explained. Rosemary Pilkington (Hayley Martin) is attracted to up and coming new employee J. Pierrepoint Finch (Anirudh Keyshamoun), but he has a new, attractive secretary, Hedy LaRue (Morgan Gagnon).

to everyone.

"He is very witty and resourceful," Keshamoun said. "It's something everyone wants to be."

The Broadway version, which starred Robert Morse and Rudy Vallee, ran for more than 1,400 performances after opening in 1961 and won seven Tony Awards. It's the second time conducting it for musical director Cathy DePentu, who remembers the 2005 production, as well.

With more than 40 musicians in her pit, DePentu said that while the show "doesn't have the technical challenges of 'West Side Story,'" this one provides challenges of its own. Musicians were "handed 90 pages of

music," DePentu said, and had to "commit the time and know the music well enough that we can follow what's going on on stage."

Not only have the kids stepped up, but DePentu said the experience provides them with something they can carry into the future, should they choose to.

"The kids have risen to the occasion," DePentu said. "It's a wonderful company. It's a very even cast and a dedicated pit. This is the sort of thing they can do with music for the rest of their lives. There are community theater groups everywhere."

Despite the rushed timetable and the technical difficulties, McNutt

is confident the kids will pull it off.

"The crew and the pit and the cast, they function as one entity. It's one of the nicest groups of kids I've ever worked with," McNutt said. "The kids have been able to bond ... They always become like a family, and I'm very proud of them."

"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" plays March 17-18 and March 24-25; all performances are at 7 p.m. The Gloria Logan Auditorium is located inside Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, in Canton. Tickets are available at [www.tpptc.bookng.com](http://www.tpptc.bookng.com)

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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 **1:00 P.M., local time on Thursday, March 23, 2017** at which time they will be opened, read publicly and tabulated.

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

**Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be accepted.**

This RE-BID of this Project will consist of separate sealed bids for the following Bid Divisions of work:

116: Hard Tile	119: Terrazzo
140: Plumbing	

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 via Gradebeam.  
- Bidders may download bid documents from [Gradebeam.com](http://Gradebeam.com) by contacting the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.**, at (248) 427-8400 to obtain log in information for access to the project documents.  
Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope. The bid division(s) being bid is/are to be identified on the outside of the envelope.

There will be no pre-bid meeting. Bidders wishing to visit the building may do so after school hours Monday thru Friday. All visitors shall check in at the main office of each building to sign in and acquire a visitors badge.

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

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

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

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# Congressional redistricting reform group holds meeting in Livonia

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Jamie Lyons-Eddy believes several of Michigan's congressional districts come in some pretty strange shapes. Just look at the ones in metro Detroit.

"If you start at Campus Martius and you drive up Woodward to downtown Pontiac, you will switch U.S. congressional districts six times," said Lyons-Eddy, a presenter at a meeting regarding redistricting Tuesday night. "You'll pass through the 14th three times."

A statewide, non-partisan organization and ballot committee is looking to make some changes to the way the state handles redistricting or the process of re-drawing legislative districts. That group, Voters Not Politicians, held a meeting Tuesday night at the Disabled Americans Veterans Chapter 114 in Livonia. The meeting, one of several being held across the state, gave the more than 100 people in attendance an overview on the process of redistricting commonly referred to as "gerryman-

dering," which is done to group certain populations together in order to achieve more power by a political party.

The organization has made it its goal to put a proposal on the 2018 ballot that would change the way the redistricting process, which will take place after the 2020 U.S. Census, is handled.

Katie Fahey, another presenter from the redistricting group, said many races in Michigan are decided well before voters cast their ballot during the elections because of the makeup of the district.

"They should be getting re-elected because their constituents like them," she said. "And because they voted for them and because they have a real option or choice of being unelected. Because when that is real, when you have a competitive election, that's when people have to start paying attention to what people actually want."

The meeting saw more than 100 people in attendance, including Livonia Public Schools Board of Education member Dan Centers. He said the divi-



Jaime Lyons-Eddy speaks about redistricting at the Voters Not Politicians town hall.

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Livonia school board Trustee Dan Centers is in the crowd at the redistricting town hall.

sion in the state would move in the right direction if the process of redistricting were changed.

"Politically, we are more divided than anytime in recent memory," he said. "Redistricting reform will stop Lansing from picking winners and losers and give that power to our voters. That is good for democracy."

Northville Township resident Pat Timmons said he's hopeful some sort of movement will take place when it comes to redistricting. He said the state's been gerrymandered and "leads to very bad government."

He said he came to the meeting to see how serious the movement was and thinks he'll get involved.



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It's a standing-room only crowd at the redistricting town hall held at the DAV Hall in Livonia.

"Based on the attendance tonight, I'm a little more optimistic. I've been involved in petition drives before and it's been very hard on other issues," he said. "But I

think this one will resonate with people and I think there's a chance."

Another meeting hosted by the group is scheduled to take place 7-9 p.m. March 28 at St. John's

Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, in Plymouth Township.

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# Farmington Hills firefighter adopts homeless dog

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Farmington Hills firefighter Nick Newcomb has a heart of gold and a pocketful of dog treats.

Newcomb, along with fellow firefighter Andrew Lucki and police Sgt. Bryan Hewitt, was dispatched Feb. 27 to a home in Farmington Hills on reports of an unresponsive person. The three men got into the home, where they discovered a deceased woman who had apparently lived alone.

They also discovered a 4-year-old Boston terrier named Banjo, who was visibly dehydrated and on his own.

"He was glad to see us," Newcomb said. "Right away, we gave

him some water and started talking about what we should do with him."

They quickly learned that none of the woman's surviving family members lived in Michigan, nor were they in a position to take Banjo. For a moment, it looked like Banjo was going to end up at an animal shelter.

Newcomb had another idea: he called his fiancée, Stephanie Pann, and asked if they could adopt the dog. After she agreed, he then called the victim's sister, who told him how pleased she was that her sister's pet had a new home.

After his shift was over, Newcomb took home Banjo and surprised his 7-year-old daughter Brooke. It's the

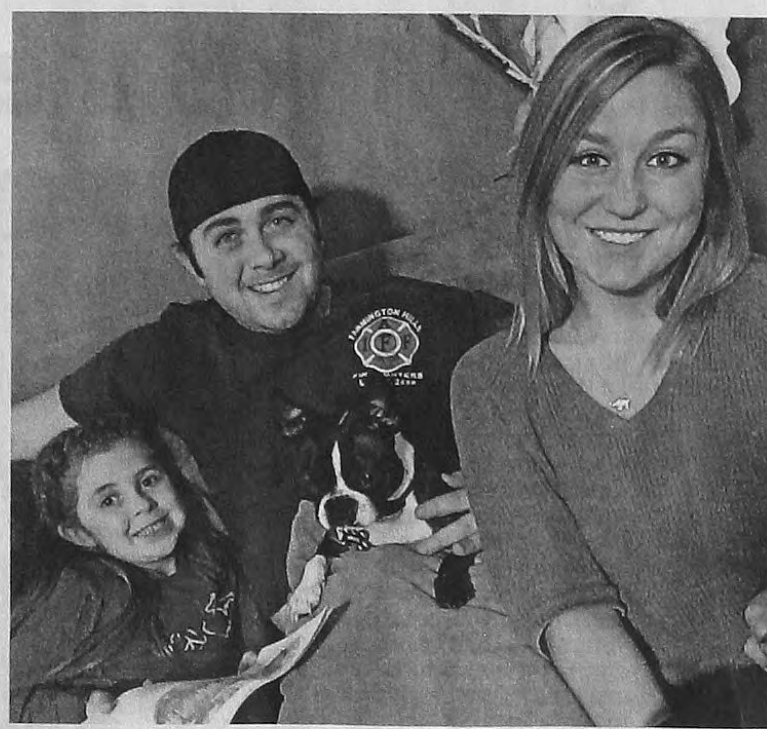
family's first dog.

"He's a little spunky guy," Newcomb said. "He's very well-behaved ... he could use a little more training, but he's already getting acclimated to the house."

Farmington Hills Fire Chief Jon Unruh said he was glad to share the tail-wagging story with the community.

"Our department prides itself on compassionate service to the community," Unruh said. "We extend our condolences to the family and hope that this wonderful gesture by Nick and his family will offer some small comfort during a very difficult time."

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FARMINGTON HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Farmington Hills firefighter Nick Newcomb with his fiancée Stephanie, daughter Brooke and their new dog Banjo.

## LENTEN CALENDAR

### 'Turn to Jesus'

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, will have special midweek Lenten worship services at 7 p.m. each Wednesday through April 5. This year's theme is "Turn to Jesus!" There will be free treats after the services. For more information, call 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

### St. Mary's Fish Fry

St. Mary, Our Lady of Snows Catholic Church Knights of Columbus Council No. 7444 hosts a Friday fish fry for the next four weeks at the church, 1955 E Commerce St., Milford. The fry runs 5-7:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 adults; \$8 for seniors; \$7 for teens; \$4 for kids; children five and younger are free.

### Knights of Columbus fry

Knight of Columbus hosts a Friday Fish Fry throughout the Lenten season March 17-April 7 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 30 S Lafayette St., South Lyon.

The fish fry runs 4-7

p.m. Adult are \$10; seniors: \$8; Kids 12 and under \$6 each. Carry outs are available 4-6:30 p.m. Sponsored by Father Edmund Battersby Council 7586.

### Holy Week services

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, announces its schedule for Holy Week. Maundy Thursday service is at 7 p.m. April 13. Good Friday services will be held at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. April 14. Easter Sunday service will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 16. A free Easter breakfast will be held from 8-9:15 a.m. All visitors will receive a free DVD "My Son, My Savior." For more information, call 313-532-8655 or 734-968-3523.

### Fish Fry

St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne is hosting its Lenten Fish Frys. The weekly Fish Frys are 4-7 p.m. and run for seven weeks through Good Friday, April 14. Dinners are \$7 or \$10. Choose from fried or baked fish, shrimp dinner or mac and cheese. Each meal

comes with french fries or baked potato, cole slaw, roll and lemonade, water or coffee. For an additional small charge, desserts and pop are available.

### Resurrection Parish

If you knew you were going to die today, what would you do? How would that reality change you? Would you be more forgiving? More merciful? Attend a Lenten presentation at 7:30 p.m. March 16 by author Chris Stepien as he shares the inspiration for his latest book, "Dying to Be Happy: Discovering the Truth About Life."

### Orthodox Christian services

The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit (COCC) will hold the first in its annual series of Vespers services on the five Sundays of Orthodox Great Lent on March 5, Sunday of Orthodoxy, at 6 p.m. at St. Clement Ohridski Macedono-Bulgarian Orthodox Church, 19600 Ford Road, Dearborn.

Members of the St.

John Chrysostom Clergy Brotherhood and clergy from the host parish will conduct the service. The homilist will be the Rev. Gabriel Bilas of St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church, Fenton. The Orthodox Lenten Vespers Chorus, directed by Victoria Kopistiansky, will sing the responses.

Youngsters age 7 through high school from parish church schools are encouraged to bring an icon of their choice and participate in the Procession of Icons.

The remaining four services in the series will be held on:

» March 19, Sunday of the Holy Cross, at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, 18405 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield.

» March 26, Sunday of St. John Climacus, at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 20500 Anglin St., Detroit.

» April 2, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia.

Members of the public are invited to attend the

services.

### Lenten Fish Fry

American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh Road, Livonia, will host its annual Lenten fish fry from 5-8 p.m. each Friday through April 29. Cod dinners are \$10 and perch will return. Baked items will be sold for \$1 each. The meals are open to the public.

### St. Bellarmine Fish Fry

St. Robert Bellarmine Men's Club will host fish frys each Friday during Lent with drive-thru service available. The dinners are available 4-7 p.m. each Friday. St. Robert's is at the corner of West Chicago and Inkster roads in Redford.

### Prince of Peace Lutheran

Midweek Lenten services with a soup supper will be offered at Prince of Peace Lutheran at 6 p.m. each Wednesday, followed by service at 7:30 p.m. Join through April 5. Contact the church at 248-553-3380.

### 'Calling them Home'

St. Michael the Archangel Parish will offer a new Lenten series, "Calling Them Home," for all parents, grandparents, siblings and others interested in helping loved ones find their way home to the church. The four-week series, which will meet on consecutive Mondays through March 27 in the St. Michael's School cafeteria, will be led by well-known Catholic author, apologist and award-winning "Michigan Catholic" columnist Gary Michuta, who has extensive teaching experience with teens and young adults.

There is no charge or reservation required for this series. All area Catholics who are interested in this subject are welcome. St. Michael's is at 11441 Hubbard Road, just south of Plymouth Road, in Livonia. For more information, call the parish at 734-261-1455, ext. 200 or go to www.livoniastmichael.org.

## POLICE BRIEFS

### CANTON

#### Forgotten wallet leads to stolen car

A 48-year-old woman who left her key fob in her car while going back inside her apartment to get her wallet was gone no more than five minutes, long enough for her vehicle to be stolen, a police report said.

The woman's day took a turn for the worse about 10:20 p.m. March 7 at Village Squire apartments at Ford and Lotz roads.

The woman told police the keys to her 2013 Nissan Maxima must have fallen out of her purse as she was getting out of her car to retrieve her wallet. She said she left the vehicle unlocked.

She returned and the Nissan, which she only had for three weeks, was gone, the report said.

Police canvassed the neighborhood, but no one reported seeing anything.

#### Hit and run

A 42-year-old motorist got more than he bargained for when he stopped to buy gas at a station in the 40200 block of Michigan Avenue.

He was parked at a pump about 1:05 p.m. Friday, when another driver got into a car, backed up at a high rate of speed, hit his 2006 Chevy Silverado and then fled the scene, a police report said.

The incident damaged the front driver's side of the truck. The only description of the suspect he gave to police was of a younger male in his 20s wearing baggy clothing.

#### School bullying

A fight erupted at Salem High School after a 14-year-old boy taunted a girl who was walking by, making remarks in the hallway about whether she was a boy or a girl, a police report said.

The girl and her friends were walking past a group of boys when the remarks were

made. She said the same boy later pushed her backward in the hallway, so she punched him in the face. A teacher broke up the fracas.

Still later, the same boy came up behind the girl and pushed her, causing her to hit her head on hallway lockers. She was applying ice to her head when police arrived.

Both students were cited for being disorderly, the police report said. The girl's mother told police she did not want to prosecute the boy for the incident.

#### Knife confiscated

Police seized a knife and brass knuckles after stopping a driver who allegedly had crossed over the center line while driving north on Sheldon, near Ford, shortly after 12:30 a.m. March 7, a report said.

Police took the driver, a 36-year-old Canton man, and a 23-year-old female passenger into custody after learning they both had warrants for their arrest.

Police initiated the traffic stop after noticing erratic driving and learned the driver had a warrant for an ordinance violation, though the report didn't reveal the type of violation. Police

learned the passenger had a warrant for failing to appear in court for a separate case.

The driver admitted to police that he kept a knife in the center console of his 2003 Saturn Ion, the report said. Police found a folding knife with a three-inch blade and a brass knuckle grip.

The driver was ticketed for possession of a dangerous weapon. The passenger, who initially tried to conceal her real name by giving a false identity, was cited for hindering a police investigation.

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

#### Speeders nabbed

Lesson No. 1: Don't drive 103 mph with a suspended driver's license.

Lesson No. 2: Don't drive 84 mph with a suspended driver's license.

The stories are similar, but the incidents occurred two days apart, according to Plymouth Township police reports.

The first incident unfolded about 4:35 a.m. March 8, when police spotted a speeding Chevrolet Impala on M-14, near Beck. The driver, an Eastpointe woman, was

initially clocked at 94 mph, but then reached 103 mph, a police report said.

Police stopped the driver on eastbound I-96 in Livonia. She was facing new troubles and was taken into custody for driving with a suspended license.

The second incident happened about 3:20 a.m. March 10, when police spotted a Chevrolet Trailblazer driving at 84 mph in a 70 mph zone on I-275 near Ann Arbor Road, a police report said.

Police pulled the driver over and he said he was driving a friend home. Trouble is, police said, he was driving with a suspended license, leading to his arrest.

#### Thieves swipe wheels

Thieves stole 10 wheels off three used Lincolns from the Hines Park Lincoln dealership on Ann Arbor Road, a police report said.

All told, the wheels and tires were valued at \$11,900, the report said.

Thieves struck the car dealership between 8:30 p.m. March 2 and 10 a.m. March 3. All three Lincolns were 2015 models.

— By Darrell Clem

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## BaseLine Folk Society hosts St. Pat's concert

BaseLine Folk Society will host its 12th annual St. Patrick's Day concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N Sheldon.

The evening will feature Open-mic performances from 10 musical artists and featured per-

former Kenny Lang at 8 p.m.

The season schedule is available on the BaseLine Folk Society's Facebook page. For more information, email bfpresident4u@gmail.com.

The JWH Center for the Arts is on the east side of Sheldon, on the corner at Junction Street.



Musician Kenny Lang will perform Saturday at the BaseLine Folk Society.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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**Jazz at the Elks**

Jazz @ The Elks happens 7-9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month. There is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors d'oeuvres.

On Tuesday, March 28, the popular The Paul VornHagen Quartet will perform. Hear the standards and some of his original songs. Playing with him on reeds, Chuck Shermetaro on keyboard, Kurt Krahnke on bass and Scott Kretzer on drums.

The Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is at 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. For more information, call 734-453-1780, email [jazzattheelks@gmail.com](mailto:jazzattheelks@gmail.com) or go to [www.plyaa325.com](http://www.plyaa325.com).

**Kindergarten roundup**

St. Michael Lutheran School, 3003 Hannan Road in Wayne, is having kindergarten roundup at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16. A tour of the school and information about the program will be provided. Guests will receive a free hot pizza to take home for dinner. For more information, call 734-728-3315.

**P-CEP all night party**

To raise money for the Plymouth-Canton Education park senior all night party, the public is invited to a vendor fair for all things graduation party, tents, caterers, photo booths, and all sorts of other things. It is free to get in and lots of vendors will have deals that day if parties are booked. It is in the Salem Cafeteria at Salem High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18.

**Belle Isle talk**

At 2 p.m. Monday, March 20, the Livonia Historical Society will present a program on "Our Island Jewel: De-

troit's Belle Isle Park." presented by Brendan Roney of the Detroit Historical Society. Meet at the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead, Livonia's Historical Park, which is off Newburgh Road, just south of Eight Mile Road. The parking lot is to the right as you enter and in front of the House. For more information, call 734-464-0450. Free.

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**Livonia Towne Club**

The Livonia Towne Club, a nonprofit women's organization bringing together women for social interaction, meets the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May (except in November and December when it's held the second Thursday).

The group meets for lunch and a program at

different restaurants in Livonia and surrounding areas. Program could include an informative speaker, bingo, fashion show, music, entertainment and more.

The next luncheon is March 23. The program will be the third annual fashion show. For more information, call Vicki at 734-591-3254.

**Eat better**

Plymouth Seventh-Day Adventist Church will host Dr. Arthur Weaver to speak on diet and cancer prevention. Attendees will complete a meal, watch a demonstration and provide recipes. The event is at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the church fellowship hall, 4295 Napier Road, Plymouth. Call 989-965-4861 to register by March 16. Admission is free; donations are welcome.

**Westland American Legion Post 251**

Post meetings are the first Wednesday of each month. Anyone with an honorable discharge and meets service requirements is eligible to join the American Legion.

Created in 1917 Blue Star Service Banners were a common sight during World War I and World War II. Resurrected by the American Legion in 2001, the banner is displayed to show that a family member is currently serving in the Armed Forces. Gold Star Service Banners are displayed to show that a family member has died while serving. Each star represents one family member.

Any family who would like a Blue or Gold Banner to display can call Adjunct Ron Nickels at 734-455-3415 or the Post Commander Bill Acton at 734-776-5491. There is no cost to the family. For more information, visit [www.post251.org](http://www.post251.org).

**Cancer screening**

Roughly 50,000 new cases of oral, head and neck cancer are diagnosed in the United States each year, which is why St. Joseph Mercy Oakland is offering a free oral, head and neck cancer screening on March 17. Screenings take about 10 minutes and are performed by St. Joe's dentists and dental residents. They are non-invasive and painless. Signs and symptoms of oral, head and neck cancer include:

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- » Constant pain in your mouth
- » Lumps or patches in your mouth
- » Pain around your teeth
- » Changes in your voice
- » Lump in your neck

All participants in the screening will be entered to win two tickets for the April 3 Detroit Red Wings vs. Ottawa Senators game. Screenings will be offered inside the hospital's Education Center, located in the hospital, near the visitor parking lot. Appointments are available between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Call 248-858-3952 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

**Caregiver support**

The Dorothy & Peter Brown Adult Day Program holds free monthly family caregiver support group meetings at two locations. Respite care may be available during the day meetings; if interested, inquire when you RSVP.

JVS, 29699 Southfield Road, Southfield: 5:30-7 p.m. Monday, March 20, for family caregivers of all older adults

For information or to RSVP for either meeting, contact Dorothy Moon at 248-233-4392 or [dmoon@jvsdet.org](mailto:dmoon@jvsdet.org).

**Garden City Lions breakfast**

For the 26th consecutive year, the Garden

City Lions will host its annual pancake breakfast. This year's event is set for 8-11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Garden City Moose Lodge No. 538, 29137 Ford Road. Breakfast includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Guest chefs are members of the Garden City Fire Department. Cost is adults \$5, children 12 and younger \$2. For more information, call Bob at 734-612-1775 or Vicki at 734-524-1330.

**For the ladies**

Crossroads Church, 34500 Six Mile Road, Livonia (meeting in the lower level of Trinity Church, enter through the north side doors), hosts Ladies Craft Night 7-8:30 p.m., Friday, March 24. Chase away the winter blues while you make a difference in someone's life. This month's theme: T-shirt bags. Make two bags. Keep one and donate one to be filled with goodies for new babies and moms through a local crisis pregnancy center. Bring 1 pair good cutting scissors (if available), 1 T-shirt (youth XL - adult med) to make in to a bag, and donations for bags (see website for suggestions to donate). Cost: \$5 donation. Contact: [www.CrossroadsNow.org](http://www.CrossroadsNow.org), or Crossroads' church office 734-338-5149.

**For parents**

Crossroads Church, 34500 Six Mile Road, Livonia (meeting in the lower level of Trinity Church, enter through the north side doors) offers Creating a Safe Internet for Our Kids 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, March 29. A free Internet safety seminar for parents. You love your kids. You work hard to keep them. But the internet is calling. Find out what you can do to protect them. Contact: [\[sNow.org\]\(http://sNow.org\), or Crossroads' church office 734-338-5149.](http://www.Crossroad-</a></p>
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**All about the arts**

Wayne County Community College's All about the Arts series welcomes The Boogie Woogie Kid Trio (Emma Aboukasm - Matthew Ball - Gary Stevens) at 7-8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 30, at the college, 9555 Haggerty Road, Belleville. Admission is free and refreshments are available. For more information, call 734-374-3232.


**Slice for Life**

Buddy's Pizza will team up with the Capuchin Soup Kitchen to host the 41st annual Slice for Life fundraiser. From 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. April 24, patrons who purchase a ticket can visit any Buddy's Pizza full-service location to enjoy an all-you-can-eat two-topping pizza and salad meal. A carry-out option is also available for purchase at all 11 Buddy's Pizza locations and includes either a four-square two-topping pizza or a medium-sized antipasto, Greek or house salad.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. Advance tickets can be purchased at [www.cskdetroit.org](http://www.cskdetroit.org) or by calling 313-579-2100, ext. 170. Tickets will also be available at the door. All ticket holders may also register to win one 8-square Buddy's Pizza every month for one year. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Capuchin Soup Kitchen's community outreach services.

**Change of date**


Faith Community Wesleyan Church, 14560 Merriman Road Livonia, has changed the date of the Annual Mystery Purse Auction to noon, Saturday, April 22. For more information, contact Melissa at 734-765-1827



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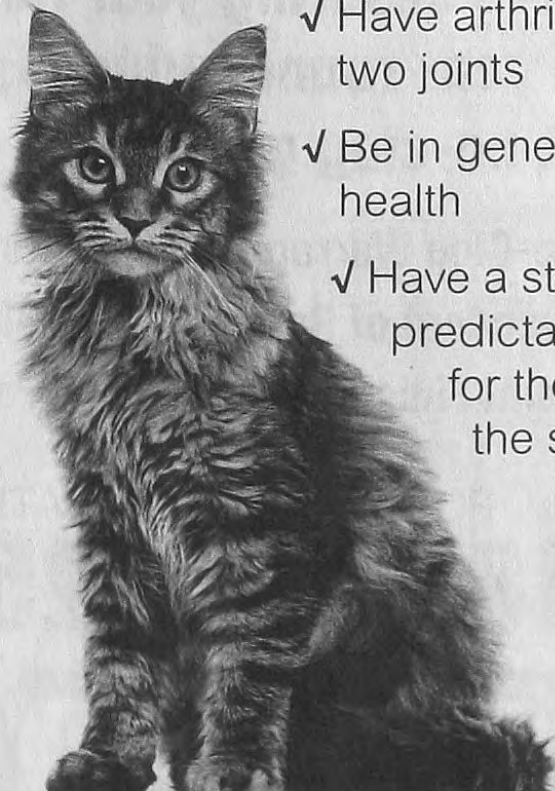
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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**Where is Tarzan?**

The current state of ecology in the 21st century. Hannan Road, Wayne County, within one-half mile of preserved wetlands.

These mega-dumps were sited on a collection of natural meadows, clear springs, vernal and permanent ponds and remnants of the Black Swamp. The charter townships that license this activity collect millions in fees but perform virtually no regulation.

This is on the surface and in the trees. The monstrous flow of poison below the mounds silently poisons our water sources from below.

It can be fixed. What will you do?

Alfred Brock  
Wayne



Flying garbage on Hannan Road in Wayne County, not far from a landfill.

ALFRED BROCK

**Affirmation for LGBTQ students**

Earlier this evening (earlier this year), the administration of President Donald J. Trump has formally rescinded Title IX protections regarding transgender students in schools. Although none of us should be shocked by this action, I find it appalling, and surreal, that this reality is us.

President Trump and Attorney General Sessions have been quoted in the press as saying that LGBTQ issues in schools should fall within the realm of "states' rights" and "local control." Through the veil of political doublespeak, what this says is that socially conservative communities can brush the topic of LGBTQ rights, and even the reality of the presence of LGBTQ persons in our schools as a cultural group, under the rug - furthering generations of discrimination, second-class citizenry, and taboo.

To put the issue more specifically, transgender students face a unique set of obstacles in our

world today. Transgender persons face more discrimination in our world than any other sub-group of the LGBTQ community. Transgender persons are becoming much more vocal however in their fight against discrimination and oppression. An example: In 2011, the United States Department of Education received two complaints of discrimination against transgender students in our nation's schools; by 2016, that number had increased to 84 - an increase of 4,100 percent over the course of five years. This number is astounding. We know that discrimination against transgender students existed before 2011 - the fact is that it was simply never reported, or rarely even spoken about, within the education community.

We have LGBTQ students, families, and staff members here in Farmington and within the Farmington Public Schools. Our LGBTQ students deal with daily harassment, bullying, and anxiety not only in our hallways, but in the corridors of our community and society.

LGBTQ persons are deserving of equal rights, equal protection, and equity under the law. On a national scale, President Trump's actions earlier this evening have denied that access of equal protection to a great many number of students in our society. I fear that the rescinding of the Title IX language will put a muzzle upon a great many advocates for LGBTQ rights. However, through the vision of President Trump and Attorney General Sessions, we have the power locally to determine our own destiny in terms of protection of minority groups.

I am urging you as a school board to provide a public statement of affirmation and supportive language of LGBTQ students here in the Farmington Schools, specifically of our transgender student population. This action would guarantee that our student population knows they are valued, and that they are a part of an inclusive learning environment. Right now, FPS is vague on what it values socially - the social expectations of us as a school commu-

nity are not explicitly clear. Until we clarify our values as a school system, values will be assumed; more often than not, these assumptions are through a lens of racial/sexual/gendered oppression that has been a constant in our nation's history.

Please make the choice to lead FPS down the inclusive path for student success, both academically and socially. Please provide a public statement of affirmation and supportive language of LGBTQ students here in the Farmington Schools.

(This letter was sent to the Farmington Public Schools Board of Education).

Matthew Nix  
Farmington Public Schools  
orchestra teacher/director

**Trump flips on jobs report**

The Bureau Of Labor Statistics compiles and publishes monthly assessment of Americans who are unemployed. During the 64 consecutive months of private job sector growth under the Obama presidency, Trump rejected these figures. He consistently

maintained that these figures were phony and published only to make Obama "look good." He repeatedly accused President Obama of "cooking the books." Trump repeatedly accused President Obama of perpetrating "the largest hoax in America history."

However, Trump takes full credit for the February report from the same Bureau of Labor Statistics. The BLS reported that 235,000 private sector jobs were created in February and the unemployment rate was now 4.7 percent. When asked, Shawn Spicer, Trump's press secretary, smiled and said Trump believes the BLS monthly report is now accurate.

Amazing that Trump now self-servingly takes credit for what he claims is now an accurate BSL report, while he consistently claimed President Obama was cooking the books.

Gerald Maxey  
Farmington Hills

**In disbelief of Colbeck**

Sen. Colbeck's article about broad based economic development left me shaking my head in disbelief. I'm so sick and damned tired of corporate welfare and the trickle down theory. It's never worked and why Republicans are so obsessed with it is beyond me. You guys, Republicans, just gave corporations a \$1.2 billion tax break that you swore would solve our economic problems and it didn't produce jack. Obama saving the auto industry did more for us than any wacky tax scheme.

Sen. Colbeck tossing around all these numbers sounds reasonable until you realize that we've been down this road before. Many times. And it always ends the same; huge corporate profits, negligible job growth and budget shortfalls. They get the gold mine, we get the shaft. Our Repub-

licans are always robbing Peter to pay Paul; \$250 million from school aid, millions more from unemployment insurance, slashing infrastructure budgets.

Colbeck boasts of a measly \$127 in electricity savings while I'm spending 10, 12 times that in millages, increased fees for registrations, licenses, permits and lost deductions. We simply cannot afford corporate welfare and Republican accounting practices anymore.

How about we research what Minnesota's billionaire Gov. Mark Dayton did and what Californians are doing now? Dayton, elected in 2011, inherited a \$6 billion deficit, unemployment over 7 percent and schools in decline. By 2015 he had one of the top economies in the nation: \$1.25 billion surplus, 3.7 percent unemployment rate, schools flourishing. Reducing corporate welfare, taxing the rich, raising the minimum wage and guaranteeing equal pay for women are just some of the policies he enacted.

Sen. Colbeck's business health insurance costs aren't entirely accurate either, corporate tax deductions (welfare) mean we're footing most of that cost, too. There has never been a successful, competition-based, for-profit healthcare system anywhere in the world. Ever. California has come to this conclusion and is taking the lead in creating a state-wide single-payer system. In response to the upcoming Trumpcare debacle, several legislators and the California Nurses Association have introduced SB 562. The goal is, "to treat healthcare as a societal good and not as a commodity to inflate corporate profits." There's some seriously smart and determined people behind this so let's study what

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# Everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day

**C**ead mile failte ro-nhet!  
One hundred thousand welcomes!  
Everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day. A favorite holiday for many, St. Patrick's Day (March 17) is really a week-long celebration here in metro Detroit.

St. Patrick's Day, like many in years past, was a time to honor Ireland's patron saint. It is said that St. Patrick drove all of the snakes, which were of tremendous population, from the Emerald Isle. In present time, the day is an excuse to drink a few stouts and eat beef stew or corned beef and cabbage.

Ireland is a country of limited resources and a peasant background. Economic factors dictated the use of inexpensive and simple food prod-



**Mary Brady**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

ucts. Ireland boasts fresh food from its bountiful supply of produce, livestock and fish. Onions, leeks, garlic, cabbage and carrots are some of the most common crops. Watercress and sorrel are used with the same frequency as iceberg lettuce in the United States. What a delightful difference, greens with a taste.

Potatoes were brought to Ireland in the 1600s and the Irish were the only people in Europe to eat the tubers. On several visits to "the old sod," I found the food to be top notch. The bacon is meaty — not all fat, lamb

## GUINNESS STOUT CHOCOLATE CAKE

- 1/4 cup cocoa powder to dust baking pans
- 1/2# butter
- 1 cup Guinness stout
- 1/2 cup dark cocoa powder
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 cups unbleached flour
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoon baking soda, sifted
- 2 extra-large eggs
- 1/2 cup sour cream

Heat oven to 350°F degrees. Lightly dust two greased spring form pans with cocoa powder. In a heavy saucepan heat butter, Guinness and cocoa powder until melted. Cool. Sift dry ingredients together, add the cooled butter mixture and beat for one minute on medium speed. Add eggs and

sweet and very fish-oriented, making it lighter. Irish salmon is some of the most coveted in the world. The cooking of

sour cream and beat an additional two minutes on medium. Pour batter into pans and bake 25-30 minutes until a knife inserted into the middle comes out clean. Place pans on wire rack for 10 minutes then remove the sides and continue cooling. Frost (recipe below).

## CHOCOLATE FROSTING

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 3 cups confectioners sugar
- 2 tbs. milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup semi sweet chips melted, cooled to room temperature

Beat all ingredients together other than chocolate until smooth. Stir in cooled chocolate.



Guinness chocolate cake.

base is lamb, onions and potatoes, but from there it changes from town to town with the variations being limitless. It's really an experience to enjoy.

It's a favorite time of year to see all of our Irish friends, as everyone, Irish or not, celebrates St. Patrick's Day. This year, we'll be celebrating at the Bistro with traditional fare beginning Friday, March 17,

through Sunday, March 19. Corned Beef and Cabbage, Beef and Stout Stew, Pot Pie Filled with Chunks of Main Lobster in a Sherry Lobster Sauce with Pearl Onions and Fresh Peas, Irish Lamb Stew, Rainbow Trout with O'Brien Potatoes and, of course, Guinness on draft. Our specialty Irish dessert will be the Chocolate Guinness Cake. This is a favorite rich indulgence of many and I am happy to share the recipe for you to make for your loved ones at home. "Erin Go Bragh!"

Mary Brady is a certified executive chef by the American Culinary Federation and owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro, located in the Novi Town Center. You can reach her by email at [djbistro@aol.com](mailto:djbistro@aol.com).

# Schuetz talks about Trump, Flint during visit to Livonia

**David Veselenak**  
hometownlife.com

A likely candidate to run for governor made a stop Monday to speak to the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

Bill Schuetz, the state's Republican attorney general whose name has floated around as a possible gubernatorial candidate in the 2018 election, spoke during a luncheon Monday at the Italian American Banquet and Conference Center on Five Mile in Livonia. It was one of several stops Schuetz, who lives in Midland, said he'd make in southeast Michigan that day.

He spoke of several topics, including the Flint water crisis, which has left many residents in Flint without clean drinking water for several years and still to this day, as well as a possible connection to a breakout of Legionnaires' disease that has left 12 people dead. His office has charged more than a



Attorney General Bill Schuetz, working the crowd before his address to the chamber, speaks with Wendy Gjonaj of PNC Bank.

dozen people in the crisis, including a former emergency manager and several city officials back in December.

"You just can't brush that aside or sweep that

away," Schuetz said. "It's all about accountability. Letting everybody know there's one system of justice.

"It doesn't matter who you are in Michigan, if

you violated the law, there are consequences."

Schuetz served several terms in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1985-91 and served in the state Senate



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Attorney General Bill Schuetz speaks with local attorneys Joe Xuereb and Natalie Schultz.

from 1995 to 2002. He won election to the attorney general position back in 2010, and was re-elected in 2014. His re-election means he is term-limited and cannot run for the attorney general seat again. He also ran for U.S. Senate back in 1990, losing to Carl Levin.

He shared stories from his time visiting the White House last week, where he was meeting with many other attorneys general from other states and territories, as well as with newly named Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

He talked about the visit to the Oval Office and meeting with President Donald Trump, who talked to the attorneys general about the desecration of several Jewish cemeteries across the county in recent weeks, as well as human trafficking, a topic Schuetz has spent much time working on in Michigan.

"I thought it was good the guy was locked in on this issue which is so very important," he said.

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they're doing. If we want to make our lives better, we, the people, will have to point Lansing in a new direction.

**Mitch Dubanik**  
Livonia

### Again, GOP tries privatizing Medicare?

U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan, Rep. Kevin Brady, chairman, Ways and Means Committee; and Rep. Tom Price, chairman, Budget Committee, who is now Secretary of Health and Human Services, are among Republican leaders in the U.S. House who support legislation to privatize Medicare by converting it to a "premium support" system. I urge your newspaper to editorialize against their efforts to change Medicare to a "voucher" plan that will raise the cost of health care for seniors.

Just because the Republican Party has majorities in the House and Senate and the President-elect, it is not a mandate to destroy Medicare with a "voucher" plan to pay outright subsidies to insurance companies who make big contributions to many members of Congress.

In April 2011, the Republican majority in the U.S. House of Representatives passed in a 2012 budget blueprint a proposal to replace traditional Medicare with vouchers. This ignited a firestorm of opposition from Congressional Democrats, America's seniors and the general public.

Back then, an analysis of the proposal by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) concluded that turning Medicare over to private insurance plans would result in seniors paying twice as

much for their care, would raise administrative costs and would not keep medical inflation as low as traditional Medicare has done.

It is astonishing that after the bashing delivered to Republicans on the "voucher" proposal in 2011 that they would be reviving it again.

**Ralph Henry**  
Ypsilanti

### GOP is Trott's only interest

Rep. David Trott has repeatedly voted to repeal the ACA since being elected in 2014. He has argued that the ACA needs to be eliminated because it has resulted in rising healthcare costs that have impacted middle-class families' budgets.

As soon as House Republicans put out a new plan this past week, Trott confirmed his support for it (or so his staffers tell me on the phone). This new plan would raise the costs of average enrollee in an individual plan by \$1,542 a year, according to Huffington Post. It gives large tax credits to the wealthiest Americans, while putting the burdens for maintaining coverage for preexisting conditions on the middle class and the poor.

Let's not beat around the bush. Trott is a liar. He was elected to represent the people of the 11th District but is only interested in supporting Washington Republicans.

**Christopher Fort**  
Northville

### Coast Guard poised to lose

Trump recently touted his plan to increase military spending by \$54 billion. He neglected to mention that one branch of our armed forces, the Coast Guard, will have a budget cut of over \$1 billion.

One of the many duties assigned to the Coast Guard is to patrol the

Arctic region and also monitor Russia's aggressive actions in the area. Russia is building outposts there in its efforts to control all the oil and natural gas deposits in the Arctic. Naturally, they don't like to be under surveillance.

A third ice-breaker under construction would be shelved under Trump's plan. Russia has 40 of these ships.

It isn't much of a stretch to imagine someone from the Kremlin reaching out to a friendly face in the White House and asking for a favor. Remember, aides to Trump have been criticized and are still being investigated for ties with Russia.

If the above scenario seems hard to believe, think of that immortal phrase "If it walks like a duck, quacks like a duck and looks like a duck, it's a duck!"

**James Huddleston**  
Canton

### No vote for ERA

A major battle is taking place in Nevada to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) that will impact our entire nation. ERA passed the Nevada Senate on March 1, 2017, and it is poised to pass the Democrat-controlled House (aka Assembly) — if we don't act. We must do all we can to keep the ERA from being ratified in Nevada. Although ERA has been dead for 40 years, Democrats may claim that it is a binding Constitutional amendment if it passes in Nevada and two other states.

What is the ERA? The Equal Rights Amendment is a poorly worded amendment to the U.S. Constitution from the 1970s that would restrict all laws and practices that make any distinctions based on sex. ERA would create a society where gender cannot be defined or recognized but is "interchangeable."

Any law or program that benefits women would be overturned, including Social Security benefits for stay-at-home mothers and widows; workplace laws that provide special accommodations for pregnant women or women who do heavy manual work; exemptions for women from the military draft; gender designations for bathrooms and locker rooms; and programs that support women as mothers, such as alimony and WIC - Women, Infant and Children Food and Nutrition Services for low-income women and their children. In addition, ERA would overturn all restrictions for abortion under the rationale that restricting abortion is a form of sex discrimination. As a result, ERA would also harm unborn children.

ERA was originally ratified by 35 states in the 1970s with a specified seven-year time limit and a requirement of 38 ratifying states. ERA failed before the deadline. Supporters of ERA believe that if they can get three more states to ratify ERA, they then can get Congress to retroactively extend the time deadline and make it a binding Constitutional amendment. We cannot allow the opposition to flout the law. We must take the current effort to pass the ERA seriously.

What can you do? Please forward this information to your family and friends and educate everyone you know about the harm ERA would cause America. Anyone who becomes better informed on ERA naturally wants to stop this harmful amendment.

Please reach out to anyone you know in Nevada and encourage them to contact their state assembly district legislator to encourage them to vote no on the ERA.

**Joe Edwards**  
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### SALLEE



**JOHN HARTFORD** Born November 20, 1954, passed away Sunday, March 5, 2017. John was a soft hearted sentimental man with a wild and stubborn soul. He cried often at whatever pulled his heart strings. John loved connecting with people, friends and strangers alike. He had an uncanny connection with dogs, becoming best friends instantly. John's adventures started at a young age, working on the rails and wrangling horses in British Columbia. His adventures continued when he met Kelly Bookmyer, his love, his life for over 40 years. Together they hitchhiked across Canada, lived in a tipi, a cabin on Aspen Mt., traveled to Europe and Hawaii finally settling in Snowmass Village, Colorado. They skied, windsurfed, hunted and fished together. It fueled his passion. John is survived by his wife, Kelly of 38 years; his mother, Elizabeth; sister, Christine of Santa Fe, New Mexico; and sister, Kathy of Inverness, Florida. John's father, William and sister, Debbie preceded him in death. He is survived by many buddies-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and too many friends to count. Please join us at Mt. Bayou in Snowmass Village, CO April 2, 4 p.m. or May 26 in White Salmon, Washington to celebrate John's life. A John Sallee memorial account has been established at Alpine Bank, Snowmass Village, CO 81615. Condolences may be sent to P.O. Box 5756 Snowmass Village, CO 81615.

### WOLYNIAK



**JOSEPH "JOE" F. 87** of Quincy, Michigan and formerly of Livonia and Temperance, MI, died Saturday, March 4, 2017, at Hummingbird-Hartland Hospice, Hartland, MI. Born October 4, 1929, in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, he was the son of Michael and Mary (Dryla) Wolyniak. He married Dolores M. DeBardo on September 2, 1950. She preceded him in death on March 5, 2006. Joe was owner/operator of Crescent Printing in Taylor, Michigan for over 15 years, retiring to Marble Lake in Quincy, MI. He enjoyed boating and fishing, especially with his friends, family, and beloved golden retriever, Sandy. Joe had a zest for life and teaching everyone how to "catch the big one!" He also enjoyed bowling and golfing, but his favorite past time was hockey. Joe is survived by his loving children, Dale (Sharon) Wolyniak, Nancy Brieschke, Doug (Erin Timmerman) Wolyniak, and Glenn Wolyniak; sister, Lillian Zaremba; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by a son-in-law, Todd Brieschke. Visitation and services were private.

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CLASS D BOYS BASKETBALL

## PCA rises to challenge in regional semifinal

Defense lifts Eagles in second half; Warriors' season ends on bitter note

Tim Smith  
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Trailing by four points at halftime, the Plymouth Christian Academy varsity boys basketball team came out in full-out glass-cleaning mode in the third quarter.

And the aggressive, defense-first posture worked enough for the Eagles to rally and earn a 53-46 win over Hillsdale

Academy in Monday's Class D regional semifinal at Lansing Christian.

PCA (16-7) advanced to Wednesday's championship against the regional hosts.

Essential to the Eagles living to play another game was holding Hillsdale's 6-7 center Peter Kalthoff in check. He scored 50 points in a district final and was held to 20 Monday.

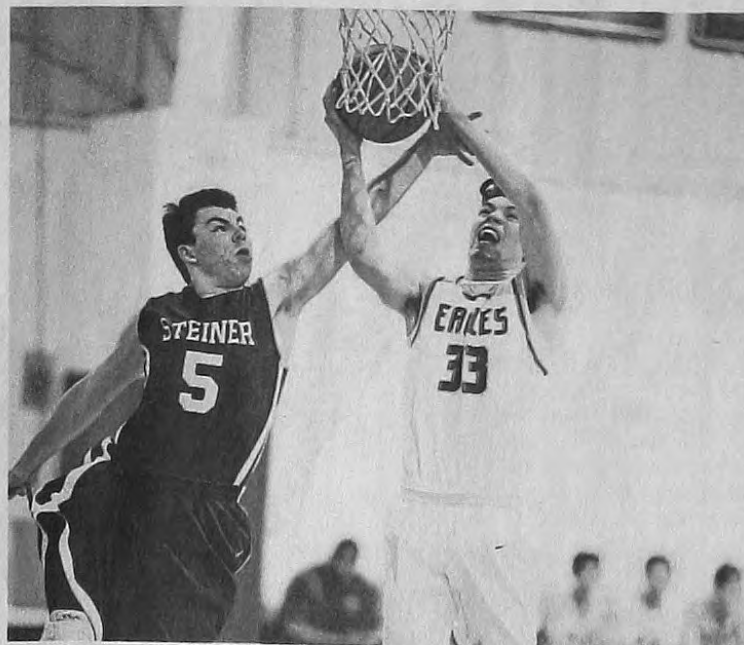
"I thought Jayme (Fadden)

and Max (Okolo) did a great job in keeping Kalthoff off of the offensive glass," Eagles head coach Matt Windle said. "Their defensive efforts were huge."

Okolo was a major factor, with 17 rebounds. He also helped the PCA cause with nine points.

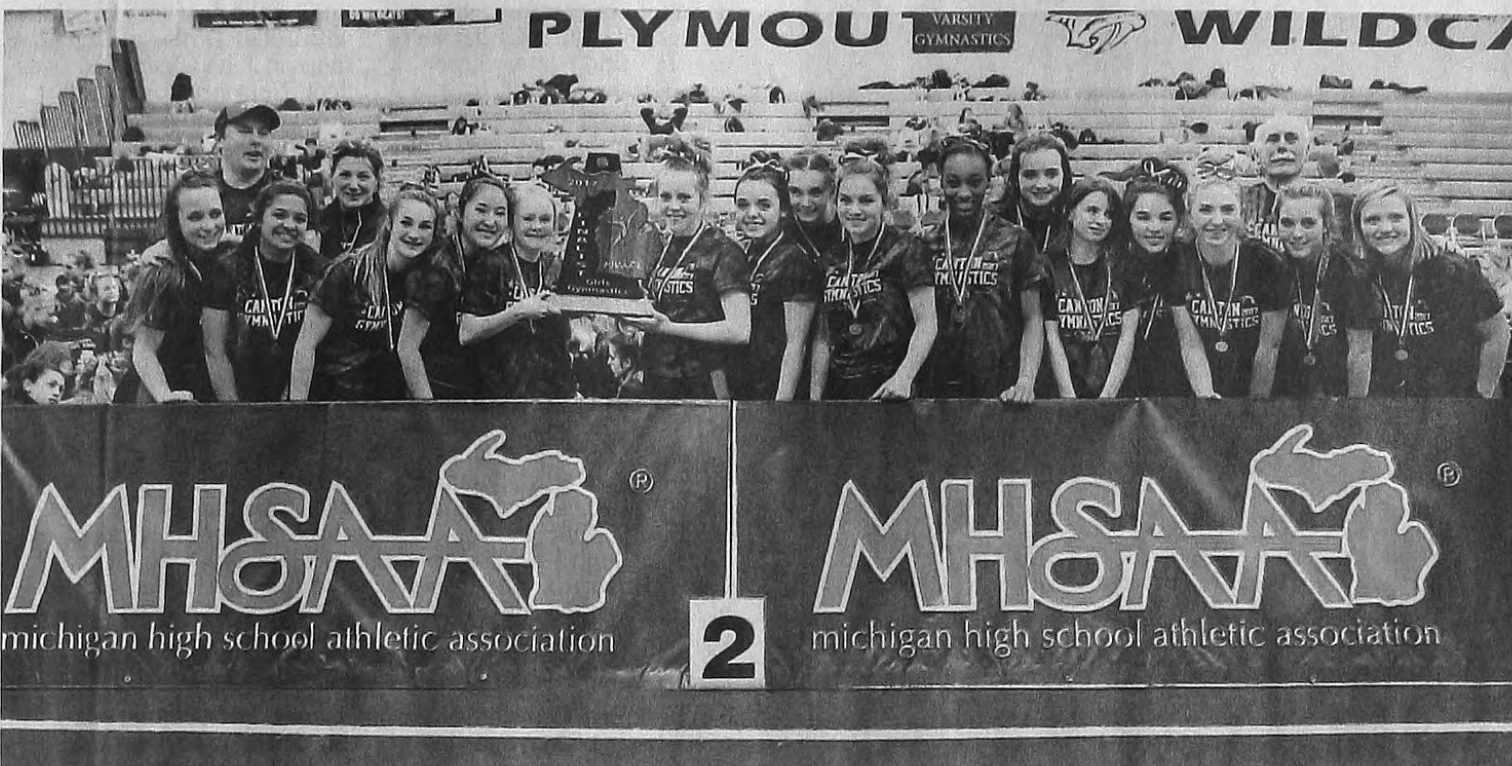
Levi Yakuber paced Plymouth Christian with 14 points,

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Taking the ball to the rim during Friday's district final is PCA junior Matt Malcolm (right). TOM BEAUDOIN

PREP GYMNASTICS FINALS



The Canton Chiefs gymnastics team celebrates after finishing in second place at Friday's team finals, held at Plymouth High School. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

## CANTON NEARLY DOES IT

Chiefs finish second to Rockford, follow up with strong showing at individual finals

Tim Smith  
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Canton made a push in the final event at Friday's MHSAA gymnastics team state finals, earning 35.725 on uneven parallel bars to top the field.

But the Chiefs needed to make up 1.4 points in order to catch first-place Rockford and, despite a gallant effort, could not come all the way back.

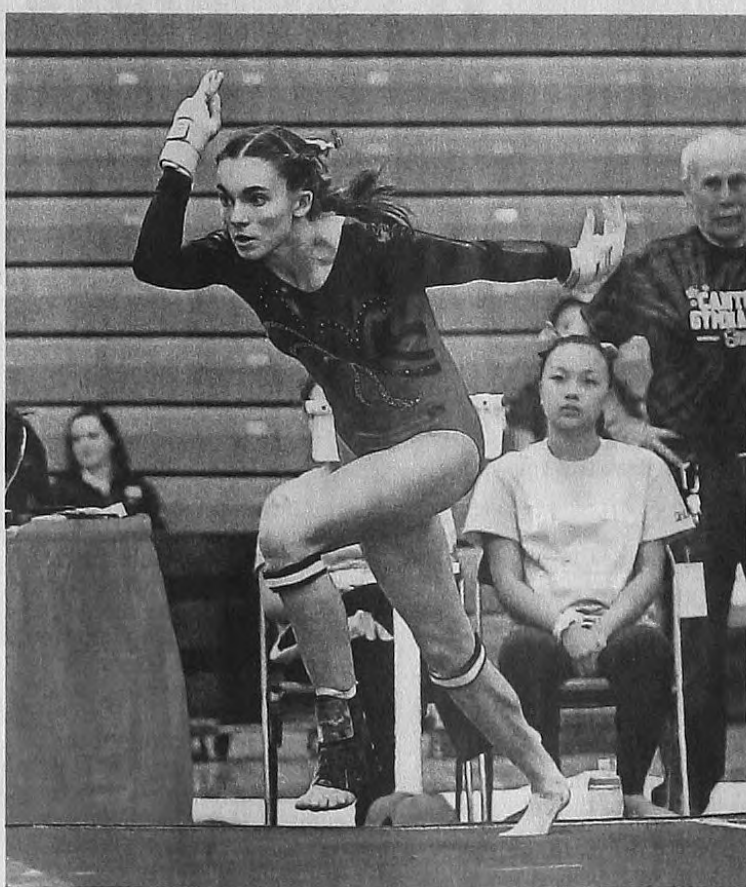
Rockford finished first with 145.300 points, with Canton in the runner-up spot with 144.775.

"We averaged nines in every event," said veteran Canton coach John Cunningham, whose team battled tooth and nail against Rockford at Plymouth High School.

Top performers for the Chiefs included Kelsea Kernosek (9.3 on vault, 9.025 on balance beam, 9.1 on floor exercise), Jana Hilditch (9.125 on vault, 9.325 on beam, 9.175 on floor), Victoria Faber (9.5 on bars, 9.325 on floor), Katie Dickson (9.2 on floor) and Rachel Socha (9.025 on beam).

Faber earned the Chiefs' lone individual championship with her showing on Division 1 bars.

"After the first event, Rock-



Performing during Friday's team finals is Canton's Victoria Faber. JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

ford and Canton were both on beam and we were actually ahead by .025," Cunningham said. "And then they went ahead of us on floor."

Rockford enjoyed a 37.525-36.800 edge on floor exercise, the highest tally by any of the 13 teams in any event all day.

In third place with 143.250 points was Brighton, followed by Farmington United (fourth, 143.025) and Plymouth (fifth, 141.850). Placing ninth and 10th respectively were Northville (140.750) and Livonia Blue (139.950).

Several area gymnasts, in addition to Faber, won in their events Friday.

Plymouth's Paige Sanders earned the individual championship in D1 on balance beam with 9.6, edging Northville's Erin McCallum (second, 9.550) and Plymouth teammate Emily Caragy (third, 9.500).

Livonia Blue's Jessica Weak took the top spot in Division 2 on uneven parallel bars with a 9.250 total.

Two FUG gymnasts prevailed. On balance beam in D2, Jacquelyn Farquhar won with 9.400, while Elisa Bills's 9.500

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BOYS HOCKEY

## Brighton goalie Neaton stymies CC title quest

Shamrocks fall 5-2 to Bulldogs in D1 final

Brad Emons  
hometownlife.com

Novi Detroit Catholic Central was gunning for its 13th boys hockey state title, but Brighton goalie Logan Neaton unloaded the chamber.

The senior stood tall in net Saturday, making 31 saves as the Bulldogs earned their fourth MHSAA Division 1 state title in school history by unseating three-time defending champion Shamrocks, 5-2, at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth.

It was the third state finals meeting between the two state powers, with CC winning last year, 3-0, and Brighton in 2013, 2-1.

CC (22-8-1) was unable to dig itself out of an early hole as the Bulldogs (24-6-1) scored on two of their first three shots.

Just 52 seconds into the game, Brighton's Keith Wikman scored from Spencer Gehres and Joey Martini. Gehres then followed with a rebound goal from Adam Conquest and Brody White at 2:23 to make it 2-0.

"Obviously, they set the tone early, no question," second-year CC coach Brandon Kaleniecki said. "We talked after the game if we could take back those first two minutes, it's a little bit different hockey game. But they jumped us, they got the lead. I thought about half-way through the first (period), you could see we finally found our legs, found our game. Guys settled down, the nerves went away. And from that point on, I thought we were a pretty good team. When you spot a team like Brighton two goals and a goalie like Logan two and, eventually, three, you're

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DIVISION 1 SWIM FINALS

## Young Canton swimmers enjoy some all-state success

Mullen sets new team mark in 200 freestyle

Tim Smith  
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After enjoying regular season success, the KLAA South Division champion Canton Chiefs dipped their collective toe in the pool of statewide recognition.

Canton placed 14th out of 33 teams with 60 points at the MHSAA Division 1 boys swimming and diving cham-

pionships Friday and Saturday at Oakland University, the best among the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park teams.

For starters, Chiefs junior Daniel Mullen finished fifth in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:42.28 — good for all-state honors and a new team record.

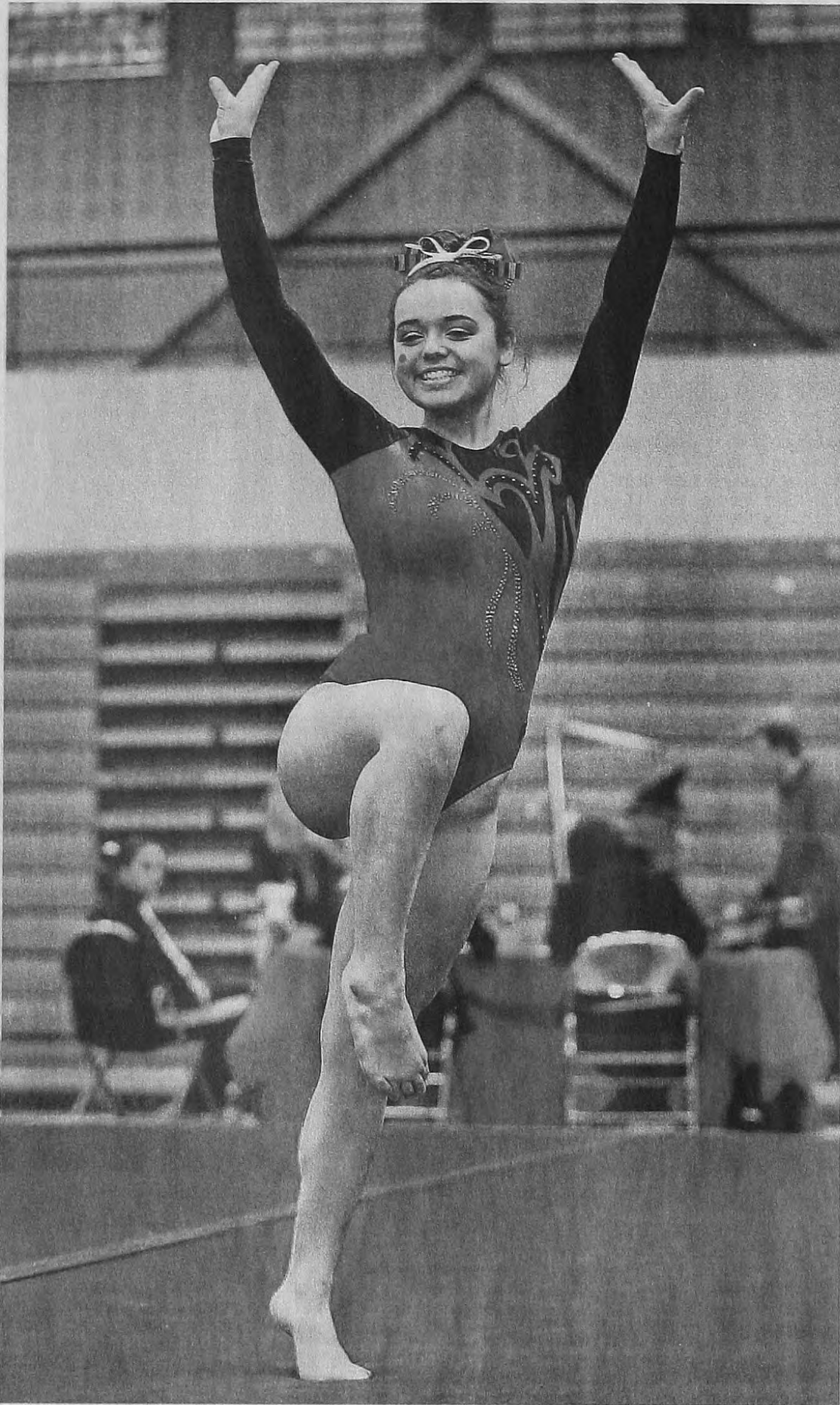
And to cap it off, Mullen and three teammates collected all-state accolades thanks to finishing eighth in

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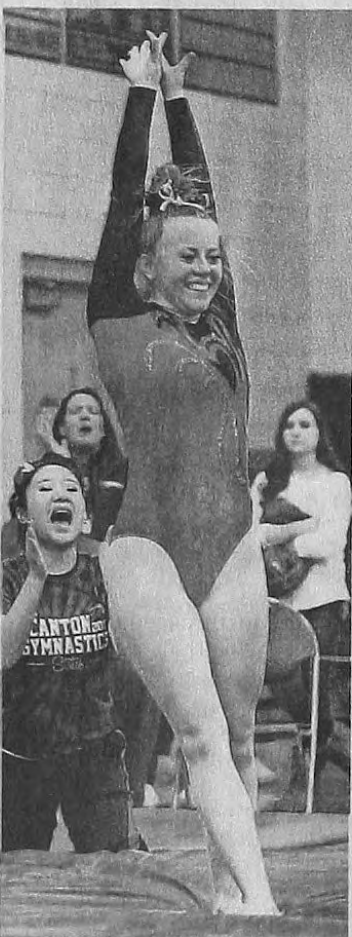
Canton's state finals qualifiers included (from left) Tristan Shao, Ethan Shimones, Kyle Amick, Daniel Mullen, Caleb Styles, Derek Goderis, Charles Carey, Caleb Moraw and Richard Ling. CANTON ATHLETICS





One of Canton's medal winners at state finals was Rachel Socha.

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JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO  
Canton's Kelsea Kernosek enjoyed success both days of the finals.

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on floor earned her the championship in D2.

### Saturday recap

Because individual state finals followed Saturday, also at Plymouth, the Chiefs needed to quickly reboot and Cunningham said they did a noteworthy job with four medalists.

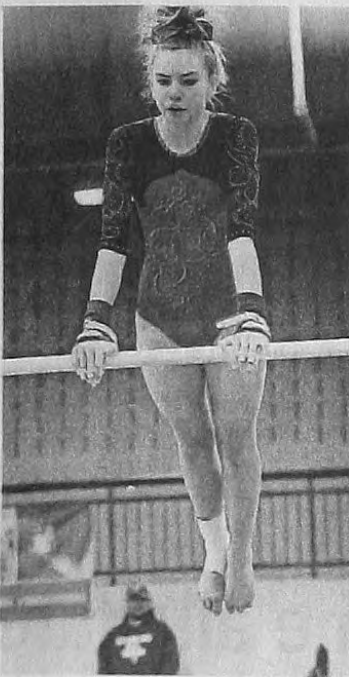
"(Individual finals) were a true test of endurance and focus," Cunningham said. "Of the 33 teams represented, only 13 were trying to repeat their performances in a 24-hour period."

Canton's Faber earned a second-place medal on D1 bars with a "sterling" 9.525.

Finishing fifth on D1 beam was Kernosek, with 9.375. She also medaled on vault (seventh, 9.3). Other Canton medalists included Dickson on D1 floor (ninth, 9.4) and sophomore



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO  
Among top performers for Plymouth at individual finals was Emily Caragay.



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Salem's Cloe Longeway won a medal at individual finals.

Katherine Najduk in D2 vault with a ninth-place score of 8.9.

"Rachel Socha had a fall on beam, so she couldn't follow through from her regional win and ended up 12th with an 8.8," Cunningham said. "Jana Hilditch performed a pretty 9.2 floor, but that was 13th. All in all, Canton's performance was among the elite and deserves a loud cheer for making us all

proud."

» Other P-CEP and KLAA gymnasts also had medal-winning performances Saturday, led by Farmington's Bills — who earned D2 championships in all-around (37.550), vault (9.575) and beam (9.400).

Performers finishing in the top 10 in any of the categories won medals.

Livonia Blue's Weak prevailed in D2 bars with a 9.325 score. Weak was third in the D2 all-around with a 36.675, tied for fifth on floor with Farmington's Jacqueline Farquhar (9.425) and tied for sixth on vault with Livonia Red's Mikaela Hille (9.000). Weak also finished 10th on beam with a 8.925.

Also medaling from Livonia Blue was Anissa Conway (D1 vault, eighth, 9.200; D1 bars, 9.375; D1 floor, sixth, 9.500).

Outstanding for Plymouth was Sanders, who finished second on D1 beam with a 9.450 score.

Also from the Wildcats, Emily Caragay's 9.225 on D1 bars was good for a sixth-place medal and she finished 10th in the all-around (36.075).

Salem's Cloe Longeway earned a medal for D2 beam. She finished seventh with a 9.100 tally.

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## BOYS BASKETBALL REGIONALS

# Cubs stop John Glenn's postseason ride, 75-57

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A missed rebound here, an unforced error or errant 3-ball there.

Those all added up in Westland John Glenn's 75-57 loss Monday night against defending boys basketball Class A state champion University of Detroit-Jesuit in a regional semifinal at Dearborn Fordson.

The Rockets, fresh off winning their first district title in 23 years, tied the contest at 9-9 with 4:15 to go in the first quarter on a triple by senior Roq Williams — on a play made possible by an acrobatic defensive rebound and outlet pass by senior Christian Agnew.

Unfortunately for head coach Rod Watts's team, the Cubs went ahead to stay moments later on a put-back by 6-9 forward Gregory Eboigbodin (17 points) and the Rockets were unable to sustain any kind of run.

"I wouldn't say they pushed us out of our comfort zone, because pressure is what we're used to," said Watts, whose team finished 20-4. "That's what we play, that's what we give. We just gave up too many second-chance baskets, because I thought we did a decent job of stopping what they wanted to do offensively.

"It was just the second-chance points that hurt us. And again, we got the looks we wanted out of the offense we ran. The shots just didn't fall."

U-D Jesuit, which improved to 19-3 and moved on to face Cass Tech (19-4) in Wednesday's regional final, built leads of 22-15 after one quarter and 36-27 at halftime.

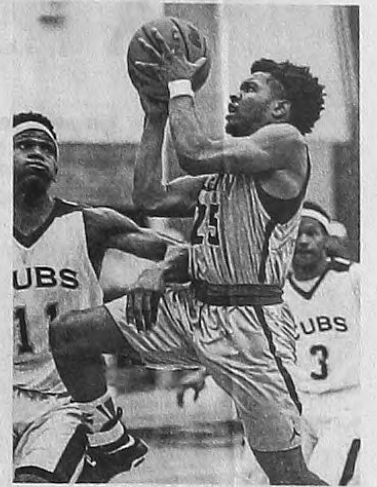
John Glenn did make a push in the fourth quarter in hopes of tightening the collar on the Cubs down the stretch.

An 11-5 run by the Rockets made it 65-57 with 2:25 to go. Senior Kijuan Chandler drove to the basket for a high-glasser and-one.

"We had a nice run we got it down to eight ... we had time. I told the guys we were down four baskets," Watts said. "I think that was with three and some change left. And so, I was good with where we were."

The Rockets then blocked a Cubs shot, but could not corral the basketball and, rather than possibly getting within six, Zachary Winston made two foul shots to bump the spread back up to 10 at 67-57.

An emphatic slam by Eboigbodin with 1:08 to go made it 70-57 and the Cubs then tacked



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Splitting Cubs defenders is Westland John Glenn's Kijuan Chandler. U-D players are Gregory Eboigbodin (left) and Julian Dozier.

on some free throws as the Rockets were forced to foul in order to get some last-ditch possessions.

For U-D Jesuit, Elijah Collins led the way with 19 points, with Julian Dozier adding 12. A thorn in John Glenn's side was Scott Nelson, who drained three treys and finished with 14 points.

Adding nine points was Winston.

Scoring 16 points for John Glenn was Agnew, with sophomore Joe Moon IV and senior forward Daijon Parker contributing 13 and 12 points, respectively.

Chipping in nine points was Chandler, while Williams scored seven.

According to the 6-6 Parker, nicknamed the Rockets' "big fella," the fact the Cubs had three players 6-9 or taller (Eboigbodin, Jalen Thomas, Ikechukwu Eke) did not negatively impact how he or his teammates performed.

"It really didn't affect me. I played tough," Parker said. "I showed them I'm not going to lay down for anybody."

"But they played good I give them their respect, they're good players."

Instead, Parker, who will be playing football at Saginaw Valley State University, said the Cubs' team speed wreaked havoc and contributed to several turnovers and inopportune times.

"We didn't value each possession, we kind of were rushing everything," Parker said. "If we slowed the game down we would have been all right."

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with Matt Malcolm contributing 13 to the cause. Brian Schlientz added 11 points.

### Warriors foiled in OT

Lutheran Westland came within inches of joining PCA as a Class D district champions.

Had a jumper at the horn Friday been taken behind the 3-point arc, the Warriors would have edged Detroit Public Safety Academy in a district final match-up.

Instead, the attempt by senior Zach Burk — although on the mark — merely tied the game at 46-46. The Warriors then fell short in overtime, losing 58-49.

"It was (taken) four inches inside the line," Lutheran Westland interim coach Kevin Wade said about what might have been.

The Warriors (16-6) needed the Burk basket to avoid losing in regulation, however. DPS went up by two with just two seconds left and Wade called a timeout to discuss options.

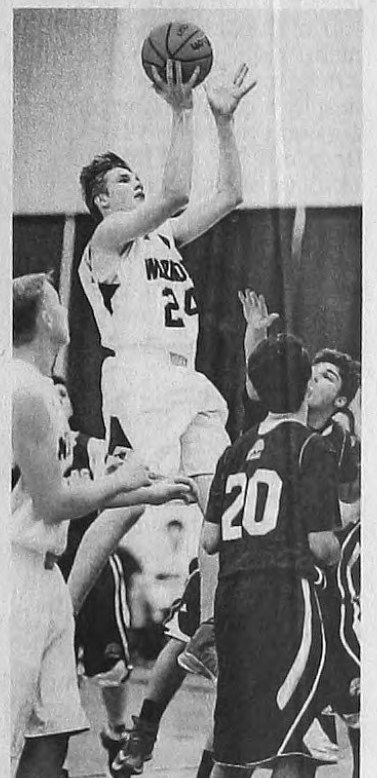
"We ran a full-court play and got a shot off as time expired and made it to force overtime," Wade said.

But after falling behind in OT, the Warriors were forced to foul in the closing minutes, which led to extra points for DPSA.

"A nine-point game is not nearly an indication of how close it really was," Wade said.

Burk wound up with 17 points and finished his Warriors' career with more than 1,100 points — a team record. He ended with 500 exactly for the season.

Chipping in 14 points was



FILE PHOTO  
Going in for two earlier this season is Lutheran Westland's Zach Burk. He finished his career with the most points in school history.

Kyle Farley, with Kory Barikmo helping the cause with 11 points and six assists. Another key performer was Luke Smith, with 10 rebounds and five assists.

Scoring 18 points for Detroit Public Safety Academy, up 32-29 after three quarters, was Vincent McKinney.

"We had eight seniors who worked their butt off to get to this point, so it's disappointing for them to get this close and lose," Wade said. "I'm really proud of the boys, the way they fought."

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Defending champ Cousino reels in pesky Marlins

Mercy can never get the lead in defeat

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The defending girls basketball Class A state champions simply wouldn't wilt under the pressure.

Leading from start to finish, Warren Cousino withstood a late Farmington Hills Mercy push to reach its second straight state semifinal with a 47-41 victory Tuesday over the Marlins at Southfield A&T High School.

The Patriots (24-2), just two wins away from repeating, captured their 19th straight game and will face Flushing (22-3) in the final four beginning at 1 p.m. Friday at Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

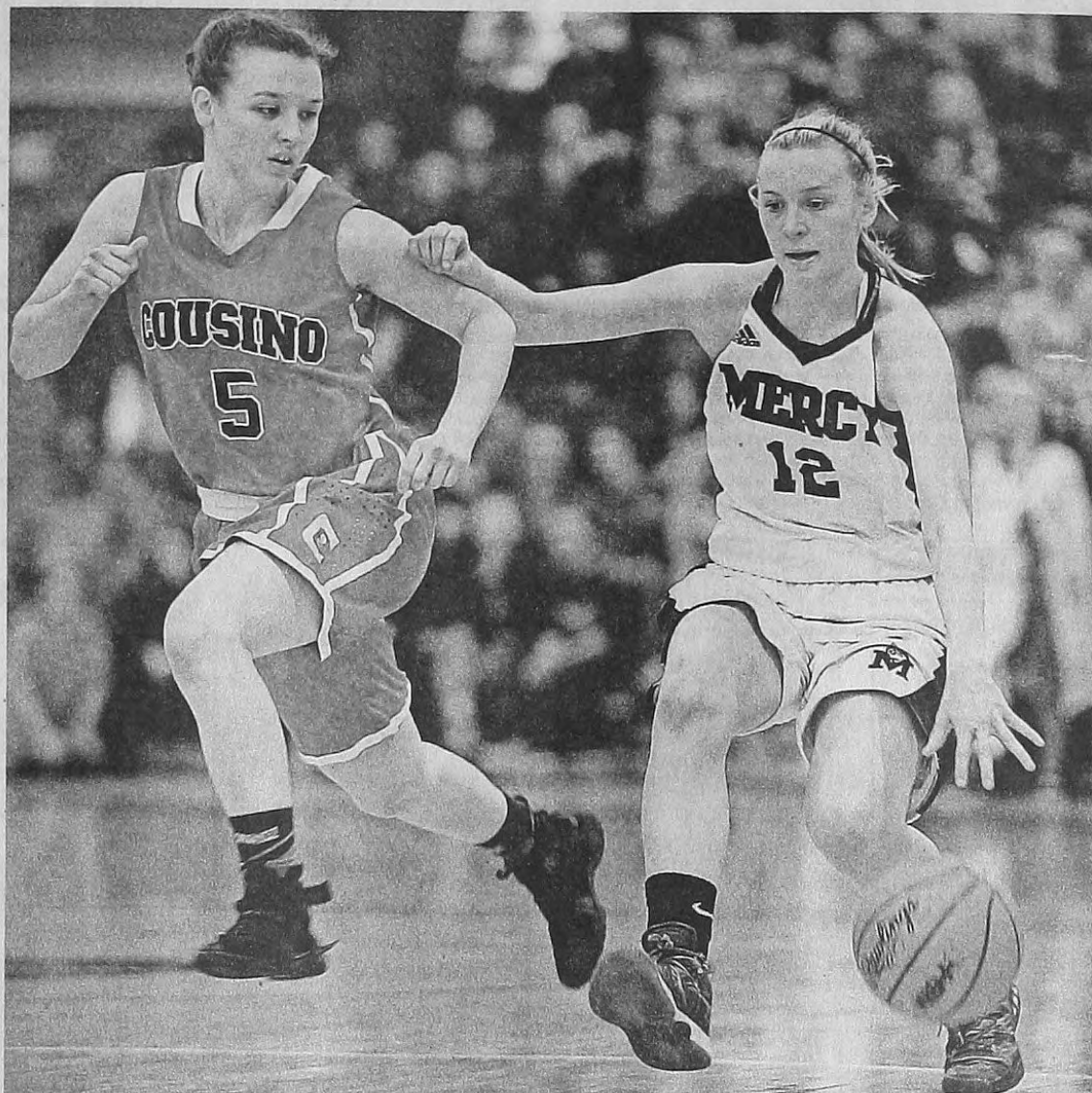
Georgia Tech signee Kierra Fletcher, Miss Basketball runner-up to Jordan Walker of Muskegon Mona Shores earlier in the week, was once again the catalyst, scoring a game-high 19 points, while sophomore guard Kate McArthur added 13.

"We knew they were a very good team and wanted to control the tempo, so we knew we wanted to push the ball to our speed," Fletcher said of the Marlins, who finished 22-4. "I didn't worry about Miss Basketball too much. The individual awards really aren't my thing. I'll take losing Miss Basketball to winning a state championship any day."

A steal and a layup by Fletcher with 3:25 left gave Cousino an early 12-4 lead, forcing an early Mercy timeout.

The Patriots, making 8-of-11 shots from the floor, led 18-7 after one quarter, with Kate McArthur and Fletcher each scoring six. Mercy, meanwhile, committed five first-quarter turnovers and shot 3-of-9 from floor.

"That is what really hurt us," said Mercy senior guard Chloe Godbold, who finished with a



Mercy's Jenna Schluter (right) pushes the ball up the floor against Cousino's Aubrey Fetzer.

JUNFU HAN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

team-best 13 points. "Defensively, I would just say we did not guard Fletcher hard enough. We did not get out on shooters hard enough. That's what we could have done better and we could have rebounded better. We just had to pick up the pace. It came at the end, but we kind of started late."

Cousino went up by as many as 13 in the second quarter and led 28-20 at halftime thanks to 10 points apiece by Fletcher and

McArthur. The Patriots shot 57 percent from the floor (12-of-21).

In the third quarter, Mercy got within five, 30-25, on a basket by Jackie Bauer with 5:45 to go, but the Patriots upped their advantage to 39-28 as Erin McArthur, Kate's older sister, converted a put-back just before the horn.

With 6:35 to play in the fourth, Mercy freshman Jess Mruzik scored five straight

points to pull the Marlins to within six, 39-33.

Mercy then cut it to four, 45-41, on Jenna Schluter's basket and free throw with only 3:01 remaining, but that would be the last points the Marlins scored.

The Patriots also got a key block with 1:19 to go by Fletcher on drive to the basket by Godbold and the Miss Basketball runner-up made two free throws just six seconds later to

make it 47-41 and help seal the win.

"It was a miscommunication. We were supposed to switch, but we didn't switch," Fletcher said of the pivotal defensive stop. "And instead of getting off and letting her Godbold get in for the layup and have this game potentially get a little closer, or potentially overtime, I decided to go for the block. I'm pretty long for my size and I just try and use that to my advantage."

Schluter, who got into second-half foul trouble, and Bauer both added 10 points.

"We were pressing and a couple of times they hurt us over the top on our press, but that's obviously something you're going to risk when you press," Mercy coach Gary Morris said. "I thought we really battled. They're a tough team because they have that ability when things kind of break down, or for them being pushed a little bit, Fletcher can make a play. That's what that type of player can do, which is make a play when a lot of other people can't."

The Marlins shot only 34.6 percent (9-of-26) through three quarters before nailing 5-of-9 in the final quarter, with 3-pointers from both Mruzik and Godbold.

"It says we have determination and heart," Gobold said. "We wanted to end our last game hard and that's what we did. And so I'm very proud of my team, because we gave it our all at the end. We had a great season and I'm just proud of our team."

Mercy, the Central Division, Catholic League A-B Division and district champion, was making its first quarterfinal appearance since 2013.

"It was a great year for this group and I loved coaching this team. We had a great year," Morris said. "I know they're disappointed now, but it was a great season."

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## HOCKEY

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going to have to really pour it on to get that many back."

Just 43 seconds into the second period, Conquest took advantage of a CC giveaway and, on a two-on-one, scored on a wrist shot between the circles for a short-handed goal. White and Martini assisted to make it a three-goal advantage.

CC got on the board at 6:01 of the same period, when Brendan West scored on a wraparound, a power-play goal from Zachary Sprys-Tellner to trim the deficit to 3-1.

The Shamrocks carried the play in the second period, outshooting Brighton, 14-3, but still trailed by two goals.

Just 44 seconds into the third, CC made it a game, cutting the deficit to 3-2 on West's second goal, from Michael Considine and Jared Lee.

"We knew they were going to have a push coming out for the third," Neaton said. "We came out a little flat-footed, playing a little too defensive. But as soon it turned it into a one-goal game, our seniors really picked it up."

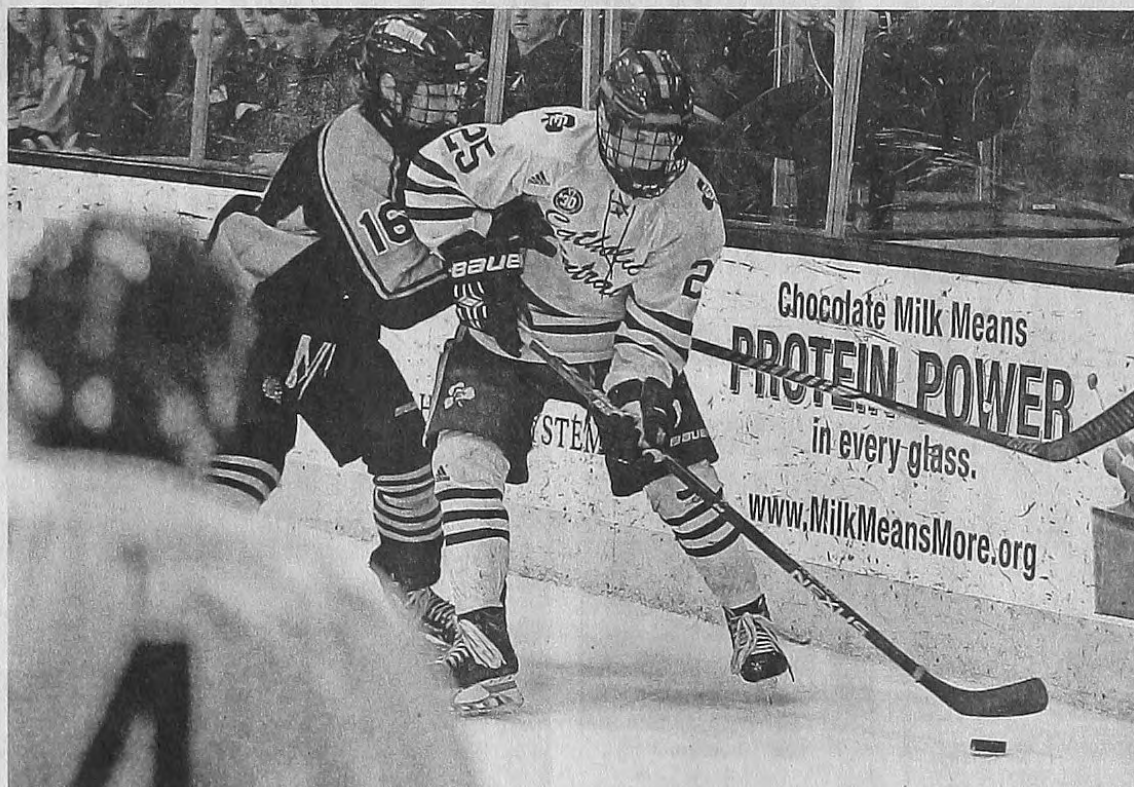
Despite being out-shot in the second period, 13-3, Brighton regrouped for the third as Conquest fired a shot from the point that Gehres re-directed at waist level to make it 4-2 at 5:16.

"When we got that second one, we had faith we could get the third, but unfortunately they scored," Kaleniecki said. "You have to keep them off the board. When they got that fourth one, that was a killer blow for us. We threw all kinds of pucks at them, but we just couldn't get another one past them."

CC out-shot the Bulldogs in the final quarter, 13-7, but it was too little, too late.

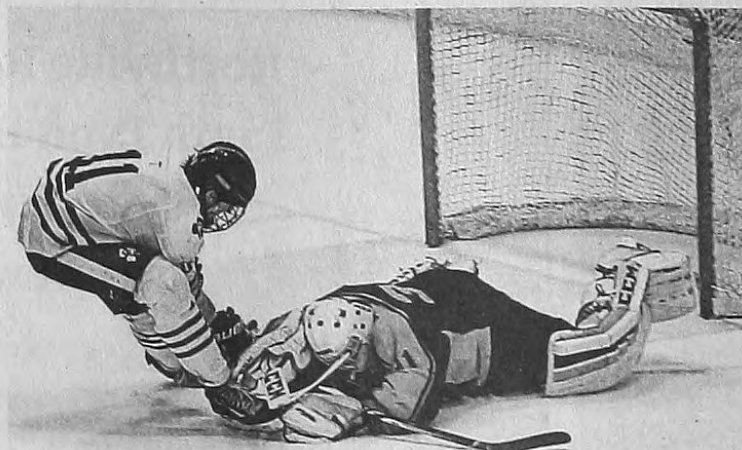
"It was tough to see that one go in, but the game plan didn't change," West said of Brighton's fourth goal. "We still tried to make their D-men go wide, chip pucks, pass it in deep, go get it. I thought we played a hell of a game. Their goalie is unreal. It's hard to get pucks past him."

In a last-ditch attempt, the Shamrocks pulled goalie Sean Finstrom (15 saves) with just over two minutes to play and Brighton's Mr. Hockey candidate Jake Crespi scored on an empty-netter with 1:08 remain-



CC's Brendan West (right) controls the puck on the glass against Brighton's Brody White.

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Brighton goalie Logan Neaton (right) smothers the puck against CC's Zachary Sprys-Tellner.

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ing to seal the win.

"The players win games, they win championships and, obviously, they sacrifice a lot," Brighton coach Paul Moggach said. "They make the sacrifices, they put the time in. They do the things that are needed and that's why their state champions."

Neaton was the difference-maker throughout Brighton's championship run as he allowed just four goals in six games.

"They got a great goalie and

one line that can absolutely fly," said West, who had two of those four tourney goals against Neaton. "Tough team to play against. They have good defensemen as well. Tough team."

Afterward, Neaton deflected the praise to his teammates.

"Our defensemen stepped up so much throughout all of the postseason, keeping everything to the outside, which made it easier tracking everything," he said. "Made my life easier throughout the play-

offs."

West, who was the Shamrocks' point leader this season, was an offensive catalyst throughout the tourney run.

"He played phenomenal down the stretch," Kaleniecki said. "I'm sure he had multiple points every single playoff game. He really amped his game up and it was fun to watch. It's unfortunate it's not in a winning effort."

Only five players returned from CC's state championship team of a year ago.

"What I was truly proud of was the progress they made from day one in the season to where we finished," Kaleniecki said. "For us to fall a couple of goals short of a state championship, it's unfortunate, but we're reminded we played the toughest schedule we could possibly play. We were right there and that's the fun part about it not knowing if it's going to go your way or not. I would have loved to see them finish it off, so they could look at that. But we reminded them we improved a great deal this year. It was a great experience to be part of this game."

The Shamrocks lose 15 seniors to graduation.

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## SWIMMING

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the 400 free relay with a time of 3:12.85.

Joining Mullen on the relay were senior Kyle Amick, junior Tristen Shao and junior Derek Goderis.

That quartet actually swam faster (3:11.95) during preliminaries, breaking a five-year old school mark.

"It was exciting to see some of the hard work pay off and gives us a good starting point for next season," Canton head coach Dave Le said.

Actually, the Chiefs nearly had two all-staters in the 200 free. Goderis just missed the cut (the top eight) with his ninth-place finish of 1:43.79.

Canton's 200 free relay team almost reached the OU podium with an 11th-place time of 1:27.67.

That tandem of Amick, senior Caleb Moraw, Mullen and Goderis actually swam faster during prelims, with a time of 1:27.40. The quartet broke a 23-year-old school record in the process.

The Chiefs narrowly trailed Livonia Stevenson (10th, 1:27.45) in that relay. In eighth was Farmington Harrison (1:27.04).

Other Canton performers of note included: the 200 medley relay team of Shao and juniors Richard Ling, Ethan Shimmones and Caleb Styles (23rd, 1:40.62); Amick (16th in the 100 free, 48.62); and Shao (15th in the 100 backstroke, 54.25).

### Salem recap

The Rocks came in 24th at Oakland University with 18 points.

Sophomore Eugene Li was a bright spot, earning all-state honors in the 50 free with his eighth-place finish of 21.57.

Li just missed the top eight in the 100 free. He finished 10th with a time of 47.47.

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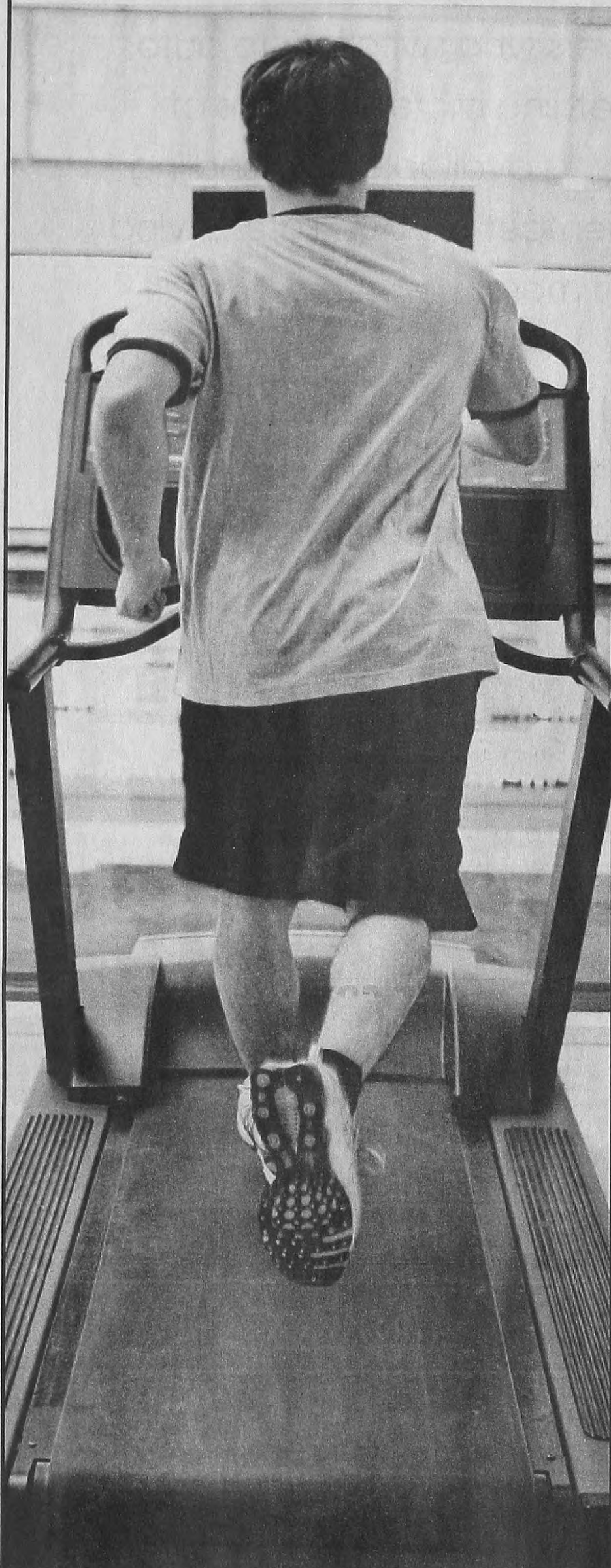
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		1			5				3
6									9
2		4			8		7		3
5									8
		4			7				6
			9				1		
					6	4	9		

**Here's How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

## SPRINGTIME WORD SEARCH

**WORDS**  
ALLERGIES NATURE  
BABIES NEST  
BLOOM OUTDOORS  
BUDDING PICNIC  
BUMBLEBEE POLLEN  
CHIRPING RAINY  
CLOUDS REPRODUCTION  
DAYTRIP SCENTED  
EGGS SEASON  
FIELDS SNEEZING  
FLOWERS SPRING  
GARDENING SUNSHINE  
HATCHING SWARM  
HATCHLING TREES  
HIKING UMBRELLA  
HUMMINGBIRD WARMING  
INSECTS WEEDS  
LAWNMOWER WILDLIFE

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

SLIP	ADRENAL	LAPS	CPR
ADRENAL	PRECISE	ALAI	ORA
ITTAKE	SALLS	SORBETS	MEG
CHILIS	FEE	ARUT	AFFEW
KAMEN	AFC	BENETIN	COME
SRA	SLIT	INGA	AERIE
BICHON	FRISBEE	BOASTED	
YOYOMA	MCA	BRAC	
WAKE	MACBOOK	PROBE	
ICI	HEMAN	BELOW	AMID
MUCHADO	BEABOUT	NOTHING	
UTES	TEASE	RHINO	TSE
PARTY	BETRAYS	ESTA	
OARS	HOI	TESLAS	
REDBUDS	RUBENS	RAMPANT	
AMOUR	EASE	HAIR	YAO
GINGER	ALBEE	IWO	CLAIR
ERAS	ARAB	NAT	ALYSSA
SAT	STEPINTO	THEBERING	
ATE	EQNS	SITUATE	EDIE
TED	ANTE	AMISTAD	SENS

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