

CANTON ROLLS TO BIG WIN OVER STEVENSON SPORTS, B1

## Gallimore one of nation's top schools

P-CCS elementary among 13 in Michigan to earn honor Brad Kadrich
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Over the summer, parents and teachers at Gallimore hard to turn an under-used computer lab into a thriving STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) lab. It's
It's the latest example of a exists between stakeholders in
the school that has earned Gallimore national recognition Gallimore Elementary recently became the newest
member of an elite fraternity, member of an elite fratern schools - among 342 nationwide - to be named a 2017 National Blue Ribbon School, honored for high academic achievement or success in
closing achievement gaps. It's the second straight a Plymouth-Canton school has
been honored for its academic same honor was bestowed on Dodson Elementary School, led by Principal April Quasarano. "We feel good about it," Gallimore Principal Aimee
Bell said. "We as a school work so hard together. We're a pretty tight community - parents, students and staff - so our achievement really is about everybody working together. That feels really good.

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## Marathon runners fight human trafficking

Darrell Clem
Just a few dollars can help a human trafficking victim. And hundreds of runners group, Love Runs, are making huge strides to help. They have raised an aston
ishing \$949,505 in three years. This year alone, they have raised \$241,000 and counting toward their $\$ 500,000$ goal as hey again prepare to run Oct marathon. Love Runs director Veronca Coker of Bellevile said 43 runners are participating this
year and raising money for organizations that work to rescue, house and feed human trafficking victims and help them find a road to recovery. Mark Bacchus of Canton, a said the money raised goes to Said the money raised goes to fight back against "modern
day slavery" - organizations such as Vista Maria, S.O.A.P. The Salvation Army and All Worthy of Love
Bacchus said young teen iristims of human common whether they run trafficking home, get involved in drugs merely try to escape a life of
poverty. He said some are coerced on social media or by their own families and friends. The problem isn't happe
ing just in big cities. ing just in big cities. said, "the issue also thrives commonly within typical sub-

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Hurricane help effort ships 200 boxes

| Brad Kadrich in Plymouth completed their | neer Middle School to officials <br> hometownlife.com | weeks-long mission Monday, <br> in Canton Township, local <br> shipping some 200 boxes of |
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| churches and sports teams, |  |  |

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$\qquad$ weeks-long mission Monda ipping some 200 boxa of elief supplies to hurricane of FUMC, said the effort was total team effort among group Junior Honor Society at Pio-
neer Midale School to ofricials , schools and organizations. Our community always provides to remind others they are not alone," said Savalox, leadership from fellow church See HURRICANE, Page A3

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## GALLIMORE

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, midde and high schools where students achieve very high making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. "P-CCS is incredibly proud of Gallimore Ele dents, staff and the entire Gallimore communi ty, for the incredible honor of being named National Blue Ribbon School," Superintendent commend the passionate Gallimore staff for working every day to elevate our students to excellence, shining as a school whepare and thrive" The STEAM lab is one example of how the Gallimore community works together, accord ing to Bell. Parents have also helped with animaan area where students can learn computer coding, for example. "Parents support ou initiatives," Bell said. "Those are examples of gether to be successful. It's not one person doing all the work."
All schools are honored in one of two perfo mance categories, bas subgroup student scor and graduation rates: ") Exemplary High Performing Schools are among their state's high est performing schoo assessments or national y normed tests. " Exemplary
Achievement Gap Closing Schools are among their state's highest per
forming schools in closing achievement gaps between a school's sub-
 Ribbon School. It's the second straight year a Plymouth-Canton school made the list. BILL BRESLERIHOMETOWNLIFE.COM
groups and all student over the past five years The past five years. or, announced by the U.S. Department of Education, is one of the biggest honors a public or private school can receive in the U.S.
plishments such accomserve as milestones to be celebrated on our way to make Michigan a top 10 education state in 10 years," state Superintenin a news release. Michigan's other Blue Ribbon schools are:
" Brewster Elementary School, Rochester Community Schools mentary, Byron Center Public Schools
" Dix Street Elementary School, Otsego Public Schools
"Forest View Elementary School, Cadillac „ Hamlin Elementary

School, Rochester Community Schools ") Handley School, " Iris Becker Elementary School, Dearborn Public Schools "" John Allen School, Ann Arbor Public chool
" Lewis Maire Elementary School, Grosse Pointe Public Schools " Lincoln School, St. Joseph Public Schools " Pinewood School, enison Public Schools High School, Rochester Community Schools "National Blue Ribbon chools are active demonstrations of preparing very child for a bright Education Betsy DeVos said in a statement. Now in its 35th year, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program has bestowed recognition on On Nov. 6-7, the secre-
tary and the Depart ment of Education wil celebrate with these
honorees at an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C.
Bell called it an "absolute privilege" "absolute privilege" to lead the Gallimor community ored by this reco honnition," she said. "Our involved school community is so focused on student learning and achievement, and suctruly a team effort between our students, our staff and our families. The support of our school community is a vital part of the
success of our students, and we are grateful for the team effort that has led to this esteemed award."

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Plymouth Township police are seeking help identifying this
Stapler thwarts would-be gas station robber

## Darrell Clem

Plymouth Township police are asking for the public's help in identifying a hooded suspect who tried to rob a gas station Saturday night.
The incident unfolded bout 8:40 p.m. at the Mobil station at Five Mile and Northville roads, olice said. The suspect didn't brandish a gun, but mpll Fetner said
"He had his hand in is sweatshirt and made some comment that he had (a gun)," Fetner said The suspect fled when se on-duty clerk threw said.

Police were still seeking the suspect early this Police released a sur veillance photo of the suspect, described as a young, thin white male, 6 feet to 6 feet, 2 inches, with brown hair. He wa wearing a lime green
sweatshirt with the let tering St. John's Bay on the front. It also had some writing on the hood. Anyone who has in-
formation is asked to call the Plymouth Township Police Department at 734-354-3232.
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## HURRICANE

## members Renee

"We arge and Pam Davis We are blessed to live in this community." The effort was similar to one the church put
together in 2012 for Hu ricane Sandy, when 500 buckets were delivered The group partnered with, among others, 10 churches in five counties, the Plymouth Dis Canton Public Library James Esshaki from Essco Development in Birmingham donated

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urbia settings.
The statistics are disturbing. Every 30 seconds, human traffick ing claims its next victim, whether it's a yoy woman or man.
Coker said the average victim is drawn into human trafficking at age 12-14. She said Michigan ranks among the top
states for the problem with some studies ran ing it as high as second in the nation. worst", she among the worst," she said. difficult to pinpoint, Coker said, partly because so much of human trafficking goes unreported.
But a little money goes a long way to help
Just $\$ 10$ can buy food and a hygiene kit; \$14 can cover the cost of housing a human trafficking victim for a
night.
Love Runs is making an immeasurable difference as it inches toward the $\$ 1$ million mark. Love Runs is based at NorthRidge, a mega


The Pioneer Middle School National Junior Honor Society got in on the Hands 4 Hurricanes relief effort PIYMOUTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
trip mall ( 1440 Sheldon bkadrich@hometownlife.co in Plymouth) to use as a Twitter: ©bkadrich collection center.


Money to fight human trafficking in metro Detroit is being BRIAN CRAI
church in Plymouth marathon participants come from multiple churches, while some unners belong to no church, Coker said. Run ners this year are coming from as far away as from Windsor, Canada. Runners recently finished a 20 -mile prac tice run in Hines Par before they began to so that they don't tire their bodies out before the marathon, Coker
said.
NorthRidge Church
has been involved in numerous fundraisers that make a difference. money to bring clean drinking water to areas of Africa, but Love Runs is keeping the mon
the Detroit area. "We recognized that we also needed to have a local presence," Coker said. "That's very important to us." Runs or to donate http://www.loveruns.org
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## Student loans need to be addressed - and quickly <br> difficult.

he other day, I re-
ceived a call from a
client who was ceived a call from
client who was concerned about he mid-70s and experiencing some financial difficulties. As my client explained, a number
of years ago her sister of years ago her sister
took out a student loan in order to help her granddaughter. The granddaughter is now out of school and my client's sister must begin making payments on ments that are causing her financial distress. My client wanted to know what options her plained that the two options they are consid ering are either not

making payments and hoping that the lender will not come after the bankruptcy.
This problem is not uncommon. When most people think of student loans, they're generally ple, but the amount of student debt held by seniors has skyrocketed over the last number of years. In fact, in just the last decade, outstanding student debt has in600 percent for seniors.

Although the great bulk
of that outstanding deb of that outstanding debt is for seniors' own education, about 20 percent of outstanding student are loans they took out to either help a child or a grandchild I explained that stuchargeable in bankrupt cy, so the bankruptcy option would not resolve her issue. I also explained it would be a mistake to do nothing to take action. I've always been a believer that it is better to be proactive in these issues than reactive. When you're always on the issue is much more

What most people don't know about student loans is that all federal student loans come-based repaymen program. These programs allow borrowers to pay off their loans based upon their income. There are a few available, each with a little different term. In many situations, seniors find that because of the formula used to deter-- along with how Socia Security benefits are subject to income tax these income-based repayment programs the payments on the

The long and short of
the story is the incomebased repayment program is going to work
for my client's sister for my client's sister averted. However, it was only averted because we were proactive in trying to resolve the issue. When people
get into financial difficulties, they tend to bury their heads and hope the problem goes away; it doesn't work that way. When you
have a financial probhave a financial prob address it, the easier it will be to resolve. There's another benefit and that is to your health. When you're
about your finances, it health.
I would love to say that there are simple solutions to everyone's
financial issues, but that's not true. In many situations, there are ways to work through the problem to a favor able outcome, but you must be proactive. The there is an issue and act upon it, the sooner it will be resolved
Good luck!
Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is wuw.bloomasset management.com. If you would like him to respond to questions, email Rick@

## CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS

ELL Conversation
Groups
When: 9:30-11 a.m ach Thursday and
riday
Details: Practice peaking English in an Cormal setting with Community Literacy ouncil volunteers. Se Learner Program FAO at www.cantonpl.org for more information.

Digital Drop-In Help
When: 10-11 a.m each Friday Details: Stop in to get one-on-one help with your e-readers perts at the Informa tion desk. Just bring your device and your desire to learn. Kindle users must bring Ama zon log-in information
as well.


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Computer Skills Lab for Beginners

When: 9-11 a.m. second Saturday of each month

Details: If you are looking to build a foundation of strong computer skills, including Internet use and setting up an email account, Ltop in to CPL's Interne ed activities for practice with mouse skills, copying/pasting and more, with trusted experts on hand to answer any questions you may additional resources.

## Family Storytime

Details: Family Storytime provides an opportunity for care-
givers to actively engivers to actively en-
gage with their chilgage with their chil-
dren under age 5 . Together with a youth librarian, you can build early literacy skills in a welcoming environ-
ment through meaning ful stories, songs, and play. Encourage a love of language and reading while practicing listening and cooperative tasks. Every Fam
ily Storytime is followed by a half-hour of ABC Activity Time. Go to www.cantonpl.org for a full Septembe program schedule. Details: Preschool torytimes feature longer books, flannel board and rhymes designed for children ages $31 / 2-55$. These acivities help develop readiness skills. Children must be able to sit ndependently and be attentive for 30 mintes. Parents may atransition their child to this program, and all parents must remain in the children's department. Registration is
required and you can pick a Monday or a www.cantonpl. Go to registration and sched

Hero Hangout
Hero Hangout: Comics Reading Group
When: 7-8 p.m. third Wednesday of each month
Details: Do you love Deatails: Do you love comics or learning about super heroes? Join us for Hero Hangout, a comic book club is for ages 7-12, and you choose what to read. Every
week we will be shar ing, reading and making comics. Participants are encouraged to bring a comic to share with a group, but are not required

## Baby Storytime

Details: Baby Story-
time is designed for
babies 18 months and
younger with an adult and features simple rhymes carefully c sen to build awareness of language and vocab lary, foster a love of books and provide a
fun, interactive exper fun, interactive exper parents/caregivers. Baby Storytime sessions start Sept. 12. Registration is re quired. Visit registration and sched ule.
Library Board Meeting When: 7:30-9 p.m. hird Thursday of each Details: CPL is governed by a six-member Library Board of Trustees of community members elected quapartisan ballot. The public is invited to at end.

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## DIA honors volunteers at annual awards luncheon

The Detroit Institute of Arts honored eight volunteers with service awards Sept. 25 at its cheon at the museum. From July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, 661 volunteers contributed 59,696 service hours. This equates to
almost $\$ 1.5$ million in economic value to the museum. "Our dedicated volun teers help us fulfill the


DIA's mission of creating experiences that help visi-
tors find tors find meaning in art individally and with each othr," said Salvador Salortons, DIA director. "We nd thank them for them valuable service to the DIA and our visitors."

The DIA's Volunteer Council, which celebrates its 55th anniversary this year, comprises six committees serving various areas of the museum. Awards to a volunteer in " Staff aide - Susan Deacon, Livonia " Detroit Film Theater usher - Steven Davis, Ferndale - Susan Jones, Davis burg
"Gallery Service
Howard Thomas, Royal Howar
Oak
"
" Interpretive Programs volunteer - Mar jorie Fein, Grosse Pointe
Shores Shores " Museum Shop volunteer - Stephanie Yash-
insky, Bloomfield Towninsky,
ship
Two Two special service awards were also given. unshine Award was presented to Louise

Haener of Riverview. The award is named after a former security officer known for exemplary customer service and is granted to a volunteer, who during the current volunteer year, has dem onstrated exceptional ness to the public inside or outside the museum and to other volunteers and staff.
The Distinguished

Michael Chall of Livonia It is given to a volunteer It is given to a volunteer
who, through long-term service and outstanding dedication, made an exceptional contribution as a member of the volun teer council
The long volunteers honored with service pins were Mary Ann Lawlis of Grosse Pointe Woods for 45 years and Diane Kaplan
of West Bloomfield for 40 years.

## Six questions ... with a Washington D.C. super-agent

## Jay Grossman

## 1. Who are you, and

 what do you do? A: Diane Nine, presi-dent of Nine Speakers Inc., and a graduate of George Washington Un versity's Law school
Founded in 1988, Nine Speakers is a full-service entertainment agency representing people across the world in the literary, lecture, television, film and theatrical renas.
2. Best agent story? A: That's a hard one. I end up being funny. I remember one time when Helen Thomas and I were having dinner at a restaurant. Helen had just signed her first book deal. to our table and proclaimed, "I can't beli you got a $\$ 5$ million advance for your book!' Helen and I looked at each other and she said, "We because it's not true." The rumor mill was at work On another occasion, Cindy Williams ("Laverne \& Shirley") and I were meeting with a publisher
in New York for her first book. Early in the meeting, the publisher asked now?" To which Cindy gave what I thought was an appropriate answer: Sometimes you have to be older to realize how fortunate you have been o have led such an exblessed to have had the opportunities I have had and I want to share my experiences." The meeting continued and, about five minute asked, "Why now?" Cind lanced at me and once again gave a similar anwer. The publisher coninued to ask the same dozen times and each tim he asked it, the words became more and more elongated. It kind of resembled,
"Whhhhhhhhhhhhyyyyyyyyyy Noooooooowwww? over and Cindy and I were safely out of the publisher's earshot, Cindy looked at me and said, "Who are these people? 3. You've represented some super big names Can you name a few
celebrity clients and what they were like to work with? A: Helen Thomas th ate dean of the White House Press Corps, was living history. The late advice columnist, "Dear Abby", enjoyed desserts. once had dinner with he
where she had three courses - all dessert Cindy Williams spent last Christmas with my family and everyone couldn't help but love her sense of humor and the way she takes a real in-
terest in others. Michael Cole ("The Mod Squad") one of the kindest people I know. Kathy Coleman ("Land of the Lost") and I Diet Coke. It was bevag the first time I ate with her.
White House reporter April Ryan recently turned 50 and threw her self a birthday party. I says, 'Fake news says I'm 50. But the alternative facts are that I'm only 3
4. What was it like being an intern in the White House?
A: My interest in poli tics began at a young age
-because my parents
discussed events in the news and because of my favorite high school teach er, Arlyce Seibert (now Cranbrook).
I had an idea to work in the White House for a summer job and most people thought I was crazy. I sent a letter to the
White House and I'll never forget when they calle er forget when they called
to say I had the job. I was walking in from volleybal practice and the phone was ringing. When I answered, a woman said she White House. Because there were so many "nay sayers," I said, "Who is this really?!" After a pause, I realized it was the White House calling.
My summers in the White House were thrilling. I did research and contributed to parts of speeches for President Carter. I attended press briefings with Jody Powell (Carter's press secre-
tary). I attended official tary). I attended official
White House functions and even snuck into a few taking off my "dog tag" and mixing with the guests (thankfully, the
Secret Service
Secret Service overlooked
this).
this).

July on the South Lawn
with the former president
and first lady with the and first lady with the best view of the firework possible. I could roam and into the Oval Office. I fell in love with the Carers and all things Washington. It was an exhilarating time and every day was a
I eventually ended up in Washington permanen ly - first for law school and then for my business. I still think it's the most ascinating city on the
5. You've met several 5. You've met several share a moment with one? A: It would be hard to pick just one moment with one president, since I have met all of them since initially coming to Washpresidents are to be com mended for reaching the highest office in our land However, I will alway have a special place in my heart for Jimmy Carter recently wrote to him on behalf of a client who wanted to interview him for a book. In typical Car
ter fashion, he sent me a hand-written note with the answers to my client' questions. Who would have thought that a high to such kindness all these years later?
6. What's the state of the publishing industry today, compared to when you started out? A: As an agent for almost 30 years now, I have seen a lot of changes The biggest change is in technology and the advent of eBooks.
On a personal note, when I read for pleasure (as opposed to work-relat-
ed reading), I only read eBooks now. I like the fact that you can have an entire library of books with you-and it saves the bookshelf space that is
becoming quite limited in becoming quite limited in
my home and office! The other major change I have seen is in the diminishing number of legitimate publishing houses. This is an industry trouble and it is a difficult industry to earn money in. igrossman@hometownlife com jgrossman@ho
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## Toying with

## nostalgia

I recently heard the may be going into bankruptcy. Although that doesn't mean that t will cease to exist, it certainly doesn't bode feel that would be a great tragedy and los f it did go under. 'Toys ' $R$ ' Us' has been an unique and nusual store. It's like In Toyland. Originating in the early 1970 s or so, the store has always been a visual east, especially a 1975 , I bought a Bobb Hull Hockey Game rom the store, and in 985, I bought a Tudor lectric Football Gam rom them;
'Toys 'R' Us' joins a Kmart that have close previously. Some of hese stores were done in by Walmart, while others fell to online Amazon site. Amazon began as a seller of ooks and drove sever al great stores out of usiness, including Walden Books, Edward tamilton Bookse People reall diotic in how they've eacted to online shopping as if it's revolu oilorder ve had round since the 1900 s Sears catalog. The ame products can be ound in 'brick and mortar' stores, it's jus that today's American get up off his darn, fat butt and travel to a store, and he wants instant gratification

I just feel that this modern, digital generation has lost something by its de-evolu soulless state of mind numbing blandness. "Joni Mitchell once said you don't know what you got 'til it's gone." Boomer generation had the best years of their lives (the wonder years), in the past. Today, there seems to be a lack of a magica Back in the 196 there was classic TV classic rock music, and some great stores. We used to have Christmas catalogs from Sears, Spiegal's and Federal's. We once had stores like Ben Franklin's (a five and dime), the downtown Hud Son's, the Westland gee's. The Westland Mall was a marvel to behold: stores like Ward's, long hallways, fourrots in red and blue Sam pretzel stands The old Livonia Sear mall was also fantastic. So much has been lost and can never be regained.

Leo Weber

## Support all kids

 It is always incred ible to see the amount of opportunities predents that attend the National Youth Science Camp ("Northville Student Attends Pres tigious STEM Camp" education provided by their school districts and state/government. The kids are awarded
## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

an opportunity to chal lemically and learn rom long with in a field ing the value of scien ing the value
However, this particular camp and othe academic opportunities are not available in developing counUganda and Nepal. A staggering 263 million children are nable to attend schoo worldwide; perhaps turbing is that 57 milon children have nev er stepped foot in a classroom. If children o have the ability to ttend school, it is undard of education will e met. For example, in some areas, children in secondary school are unable to write in ull sentences. roduction of the House Resolution 466 Global Partnership for ducation, this can become a reality. The Global Partnership for he development of effective national education programs that are tailored to each country's needs. As of million children are in milion children are in the funds raised. By committing $\$ 250$ million over two years to the Global Partnership for Education, we can children and ensure's that each child is afforded a quality education across the board. In order to receive this funding, each particidevote $20 \%$ of its gross domestic product to its
grams
I am asking U.S Rep Dave Trott to stand with these children and co-sponsor the lution 466 in order to ensure that the under privileged children and youth worldwide are given the same at home.

Simran Reddy

## state police director

 disappointsIt is clear Michigan State Police Director Kriste Etue does not understand the impac of her position as director of law enforcement officers sworn to Michigan. With one choice, she has broadcast her assumption that the people of this diverse state do not support the right of protest racial injustice.
It is difficult to know where to begin generated about her ability to run a statewide agency. Rather than owning what she did, her first instinct was to separate from her decision. She alowed a spokesperson her personal Facebook page, as if she did not understand the viral nature of social media Despite holding out th tive of her opinion attempted to separate herself from the mean ing of the words by saying that she didn write them. She alto say her post was no about race, which is
just patently dishonrogant, ungrateful, anti-American degenrates" reinforces a belief that the content of the protest is untional protections, tha black lives are less worthy of rights guaranteed by our state and than lives of white people.
She did not apolo-
gize for the words she held out as her beliefs. Rather she apologized to "anyone who was
offended" as if her untenable choice was their burden to bear. She failed to recognize that it is her obligation to protect and serve al gan. She undermined her ability to meet her obligation by calling many of those people with whom she is charged to protect, America and disrespect our armed forces and veterans" because they, like the "millionaire ingrates" she retheir right to peaceful ly protest the injustices they see being inflicted on black people in America. Etue had a moment. members of the verse community she is charged to serve and protect say they feel threatened by police violence that disparately affects people of color. She could convener, a good community leader. Instead, she sacrificed her abil ity to lead. She made clear that she does not rights of those who
are engaging in peace by the government that they consider unjust if she disagrees with the form of th protest

Khogali
Plymouth

## Anthem protest is a

## right

President Donald Trump went too far in Colin Kaepernick and athletes who kneel during the national anthem. He is our president, not a dictaicate on every subject under the sun. I write as an American, a public high school U.S. history who was expected teenager to recite the pledge of allegiance while the U.S. govern ment put my dad, his parents and siblings the Manzanar (California) Concentration Camp for JapaneseAmericans for 3-1/2 years during WWII My classroom dur-
ing the Pledge of Allegiance mirrors the choices of professional athletes. Some say very word. some lisen, some have a hand ver their heart, some tand. I do not get to lassroom for thy hoices. The choice hey make in how to participate also does not guarantee who is more patriotic or An American teen ager's mind is an independent and beautiful thing. A teenage mind is often more mind at facing our historical mistakes and societal inconsis tencies. As a teacher, my basic goal every
day is to simply make day is to simply make like any specific leader or like me. Colin Kaepernick was really thinking about our country and our anthem, possibl even more than the ipating. He is also trying to make others think about what we stand for and whether we are living up to our ideals. The athletes who kneel are not igthey are not disrupting it. If you are white and you never fear police brutality happening to you, then you might think kneeling during sary. Many Americans don't want to ever be challenged to think outside their comfort zone.
Sta Standing for the
anthem and anthem and singing do not automatically American. Insisting people all do the same thing during the anthem is a simplistic and shallow under-
standing of patriotism It reflects insecurity as a country, not strength.
Before we call strangers crude names, before we dic-
tate that someone in tate that someone in a our own should be fired, before we doubt someone else's patriotism, before we get more upset about body language during the about how well we live up to the ideals that we claim and yet often violate, we should just be quiet and look deep inside ourselves to personally are living up to our precious American ideals.

Ann-Nora Hirami

## AREA EVENTS

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## Zonta ca

event
The Zonta Club of
Northwest Wayne County is hosting a card making meet and greet $1-4$ p.m. Saturday,
Oct. 7 , at the Plymouth Oct. 7, at the Plymouth
Library, 223 S. Main St. The cost is $\$ 25$ per person and includes the cost of materials for 12 unique cards. Refreshments will be served. proceeds wilshelp fund service projects. Email rebek10118@aol.com to
reserve your spot.

## Volunteer tutor

 training sessions The Plymouth-Cancy Council is a volunteer, nonprofit organization aiming to improve conversationliteracy skills for literacy skills for lish as a Second Language. CLC provides
free one-on-one tutors and conversation group tutors in the Plymouth
Canton community. Canton community. tors do not need any prior experience. Tutors receive com-
prehensive training prehensive training a setting of their choice a setting of their ch each week. The next training class, which includes 12 hours of instruction spread out
over two days, will be over two days, will be
held the following dates: 6-9 p.m. Thursa.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 .
Community Literacy Council charges $\$ 40$ for cost of training materials and food. Advance reservations are required and can be made at www.ply-mouthcantonliteracy.org or by caling the literacy co
$589-0011$.

## Suicide prevention

 program"Every Suicide is Tragic: What Can I al event to take place 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10, at St. Thomas a'Becket, 555 S Lilley Road, Canton. This event will provide esential information paced sessions for both teens and adults, addressing questions such as: What does the church teach about to prevent it? How can I help others who may be contemplating sui-

## Fall color walks

Join the Friends of nnnual fall color walk 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1 and 22. Each tour lasts one hour, is free, and will leave the entrance every 30 minutes. No allowed and you must be able to walk on uneven paths. For more information, go to millerwoods.com or call Cheryl Bord at entrance of woods on Powell Road, just east of Ridge Road.
B.L.O.C.K to host
'The Relentless Tour' Area teens are in
vited to attend "The Relentless Tour," fea turing anti-bullying expert Anthony Ianni 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, Oct 13, at the Summit on Parkway 6 ant Presented by Th B.L.O.C.K. Youth \& Teen Center and the Canton Youth Advisory Council, this free event will feature motivamember of Michigan State University's 2010 and 2012 Big Ten bas
ketball teams. Ianni is currently traveling ing a message of tolerance, as he continues to fight bullying in
schools statewide Through "The Relentless Tour," Ianni, the Michigan Depart ment of Civil Rights
and the Autism Alliand the Autism Allito raise awareness of autism and the problem of bullying. Ianni's message encourages students to make their schools a place where
people from all walks people from all walks For more informa
tion, go to www.cantonfun.org or call The B.L.O.C.K. Youth \& Teen Center at

## Hats for the <br> Homeless

Plymouth Community United Way is gearing up for the annual
Hats for the Homeless drive, scheduled to run through Dec. 29 in an
effort keep our homeeffort keep our homeless community warm during the winter months. New and hand dropped at the PCUW office from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Friday.
Shoul
ny or group like to par ticipate by hosting a drive on-site or like to sponsor items like coats or blankets, con-
tact Randi at 734-453 tact Randi at 734-453information, go to www.plymouthunited way.org.

## Good Counsel to host Fatima conference

Our Lady of Good
Counsel Parish Counsel Parish, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, will host a two-day conference,
titled " 100 Years of Fatima - The Triumph of the Immaculate
Heart of Mary - A Celebration of Hope," Oct. 13-14.
The event will be held in conjunction sary of the last of six apparitions of Mary to three young shepherd children in Fatima Portugal in 1917. Registration, hotel information on the conference can be ac cessed at https://www. olgcparish.net/fatima. One-day registration cost is 330 , two-day Youth conference is free of charge. Assistance with the registration fee is available.
DIA: Awa
to PARC
The Plymouth Arts \& Recreation Complex will host the DIA Away experience from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and is a free, mobile interactive classroom and a creative exploration space for people of all ages, especially school age children.
Participants will
w ways artists think and then have the opportuthinking skills creative tal and hands-on digiions. PARC is located at 650 Church Street in downtown Plymouth. For more information
88.1 The Park euchr
tourney
Radio station WSDP FM, 88.1 The Park, will host its sixth annual uchre tournament at p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14,
at the Plymouth Elks Club. Players can enjo an evening of euchre and support the student radio program that has deen impacting students and serving the

## years.

The tournament costs $\$ 25$ at the door. awarded to will be awarded to the top 10 Players will enjoy piz la, snacks and a cash za, snacks and a cash emailing wsdpeuchre @gmail.com or by call ing 248-973-7382. operated by the Ply-mouth-Canton Commu nity Schools district and staffed by students at Canton, Plymouth and Salem high chools.

## Canton Trick or Trea

## Parade

All are invited to
Canton Leisure Services annual Trick or
Treat Parade 5-8 p.m. Treat Parade $5-8$ p.m.
Friday, Oct. 27 , to be held inside the Summi on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. Children of all ages are encouraged to attend this family-friendly follow the not-so-scary rail from room to room, each filled with special surprises and ittle goodies. For those who dare, a spooky available in the Summit's Gymnasium, that is scarier than ever. Please note that this interactive experience may be too intense Tickets will on sold in advance of the event until Oct. 26 for $\$ 5$ per child for Summit mk Members and \$6 per child for Canton esidents. From Oct 6-26, non-resident able for $\$ 10$ per child. Proof of residency will e required to purchase tickets and there person
Parents are respon sible for the direct supervision of their children during this event. For more in-
formation, call $734-394$ 5460 or go to www.cantonfun.org

## Canton Consumer

Expo
The Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canon Downt Authority will present the annual Consumer Expo 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at the Summit on the


CITY OF PLYMOUTH
ACCURACY TESTING FOR VOTING EQUIPMENT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017, 11:00 A.M.

55 Farmer Street
Plymouth, MI 48170
The City of Plymouth has scheduled and will be conducting the accuracy testing for the
optical scan voting equipment for the GENERAL ELECTION to be held on TUESDAY, optical scan voting equipment for the GENERAL ELECIION to be held on TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2017 . The test is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10,2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Plymounh Cutural Center, 525 Farmer Street, Mmouth, M1 481 This is an open testing session and any interested person is encouraged to attend. Election
Source from Grand Rapids, Michigan has been contracted by the City of Plymouth to conduct Source from Grand Rapis, Michigan, has been contracted by the City of Plymouth to conduct
the testing to assure the equipment has been programmed appropriately. If there are any questions, please direct them to the City Clerk's office at 734-453-1234, ext.
203 or 225 . The Plymouth Cultural Center is in compliance with the American Disabilities Act and is handicapped accessible.
$\xrightarrow[\text { City Clerk }]{\text { Mareen } \mathrm{Br}}$
Expo is held annually
in October and feature more than 60 businesses from the community which display their products and services to the public. Participating busiinsurance, travel agents, pet services, carpet cleaning and many more. Each vendor gives away a door
prize, admission is free and the expo is open to

## Church hos

## Concert series

## concert series

 Concert series at Ply mouth First United Methodist Church opens with the Detroit Lutheran Singers at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 . "Divide and Conquer: Music of Unity," featur ing anthems by many different composers including Gabrielli, settings ranging from double choir to brass and/or organ accompaniment to a capella. Admission is free; a free-will offering will the PFUMC Chancel Choir and hurricane relief. First United Methodist Church is located at 45201 N. Territorial Road in Plyritorial
For more informa-
tion, call 734-453-5280 or go to pfumc.org.

## Baseline Folk

 SocietyThe Baseline Folk Society opens its 13th season at The JWH
Center for the Arts, Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council,
Sheldon Road.

Tickets are $\$ 5$ at the door, including performers. Sign-up for open mic starts at 6:15 p.m. and ends at 6:40 p.m. Performances are the third Saturday of
each month, September through May.

## Music at the Elks

Blues @ The Elks happens 7-10 p.m. the second Tuesday of each
month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge


INSIDE: CANTON TOPS NORTHVILLE IN BOYS SOCCER MATCH-UP, B4 SECTION B (CP) THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017 OBSERVER \& ECCENTRIC MEDIA HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Novi senior Mudel hopes to crack 15-minute 5K barrier for Wildcats

## Brad Emons

Gabe Mudel has the sport of cross country running broken down to a science.

The senior from Novi has already captured three races not win was probably his most impressive performance so far as he took runner-up honors Sept. 15 at the MSU Spartan
Invitational with a personal best time of 15:29.2 (for 5,000 meters).
Only Coldwater's Shuaib Alijabaly recorded a faster time ( $15: 28.1$ ) in the Elite Div sion on a muggy afternoon a Course.
"It was super-hot and my coach (Brad Moore) told all ou guys to not tax ourselves on the first mile, because the heat definitely makes an impact on your race," Mudel said. "And
you have to plan around that. I kind of took it easy the first mile and I knew Shuaib, who ended up winning, he took it out super-fast and was about eight seconds ahead of the nex pack, which I was leading the first mile and gradually moved up. He had a 15 -second lead at one point."
Mudel's strong finish came as no surprise to new Novi coach Brad Moore, who took cessful cross country program this fall from longtime coach Robert Smith, who retired. "Gabe is very dedicated," Moore said. "He's very smart thing quite a bit. He's analytical, cerebral. We have some real good discussions about the training, racing and all that stuff. He'll challenge you mentally, which is great." Mudel's ultimate goal is to crack the 15 -minute barrier,
which would put him in the same company with former Novi all-state runner Tim Moore, the 2001 MHSAA Divi-

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Novi senior Gabe Mudel was runner-up in the Elite Division at the MSU Spartan Invitational

GIRLS GOLF

## Stevenson's Vento

 scoring big as athlete, studentSpartans senior earning medals academic accolades

## Tim Smith

When Anna Vento puts her mind to something, she pursues it with vigor.
That goes for a variety of pursuits, including Livonia Stevenson varsity golf ing lead younger girls just getting started in the sport or acing a mid-term exam. "With my team being comprised of all first-year varsity players, I have really enjoyed them progress, not only this year, but also for the years so come," said Vento, 17. "The team is full of a lot of poten tial and, hopefully, it can come together at regionals for states. nce last year to qualify as a eam and, hopefully, I can share that experience with them this year."

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Livonia Stevenson girls golf captain Anna Vento is all smiles about how her senior year
going. STEVENSON ATHLETICS

What a Troup-er!


Versatile Canton senior Colin Troup catches quarterback Connor Engel's pass and then takes it to the end zone for an 82 -yard touchdown during the Chiefs' $40-28$ victory Friday over Livonia Stevenson. For more on the BILL BRELLER |HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

PREP VOLLEYBALL
Northville libero Grant in league of her own

Michigan State commit
proving to be a defensive stalwart

Brad Emons
There's more than one reason Northville's Hannah Grant stands out among the crowd when she's on the volleyball court
The 5 -foot-7 junior not colored jersey as the Mustangs' starting libero, but she has also quietly distinguished herself as one of the top defensive players in the state. mit continues to thrive in


Michigan State commit Hannah Grant, a libero for Northville, has been a defensive standout this season. BRAD EMONS
the state-ranked Mustangs to a 25-5 start.
Grant didn't take up volleyball until she was a seventhgrader at Meads Mill Middl School. She started out as a setter and outside hitter, but
moved to libero with her club team (Team Detroit) just prior to her sophomore season at to her sopho
Northville.
"It actually wasn't that hard
because, when I was setting because, when I was setting, my favorite thing was playing
defense," Grant said. "Everyone was kind of confused when I wasn't setting, but it was really an easy transition be cause you need to be able to have good hands when yourre system it makes it easier for

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## PREP FOOTBALL

## Canton mixes up attack, rolls to 40-28 victory

Chiefs knock off Stevenson, just one win away from playoffs

## Tim Smith

It's tough enough to low down Canton's multack, but host Livonia Stevenson found out Friday what the Chiefs can do when they throw the football.
Canton senior quarter back Connor Engel thre in the second quarter, including two to senior Colin Troup. That sparked a 26 -point surge pening up a 33-14 halftime advantage. The back, winning 40-28 to spoil Stevenson's senior night.
Troup had another tell-pur game, with 235 all-purpose yards ( 100 while junior tailback teven Walker tallied 15 ards rushing in 19 carton moved to the cusp of another state playoff berth at 5 -1 overall. The key to this game was the offensive line, they really stepped up, Troup said "They helped they just helped us really follow through the holes and score touchdowns. Really it's all thanks to them, the big guys. Canton outgained margin and allowed just 15 first-down conversion by the Spartans.
The KLAA Black Division showdown was 7-7 after the first quarter


Shaking off Livonia Stevenson defenders Roman Klenk (right) and Scott Rushlow is Canton
and the Spartans were driving deep into Canton territory to open the second. But Stevenson ham just missed hitting Devin Dunn in the end zone on a fourth-down play, turning over the all to the Chiefs. Onsive play, Engel thre Troup and he took it to the house for an 82 -yard touchdown. That put the Chiefs ahead to stay, although the Spartans did show some life in the
second half, when they scored the game's final two touchdowns. Graham and Dunn three receptions, 93 yards) hooked up for a second TD, a 17 -yarder, Canton penalties helped the Spartans complete a 95 -yard drive in the fourth, but the Spartans also showed some big-
play capability
After Graham found Dunn for a 47-yard pass play, the quarterback
burst through the middle burst through the middle
for a 30 -yard touchdown run. Stevenson tacked on run. Stevenson tacked on to make it 40-28 with five minutes left, but that was all the scoring. They just played tough the entire game, Graham said. "We started figuring it out and get our game plan going in the second half. Just wish we would have
Stevenson head coach Randy Micallef, whose team dropped to 4-2, gave the Chiefs credit for throwing some wrinkles into their usual game.
"They're a good foot ball team," Micallef said "They did some things defensively, a couple different alignments and
moving guys around, that gave us some trouble at
$=$
"We adjusted and ran some plays that I think we were successful on, of making sure we were in the right spots." Following are severa takeaways from the con

## MIX AND MATCH

 Canton's outstanding offense usually is powered by the running venson, quarterback Engel showed there is another side to the attack. In the second quar ter, during a 26 -yard surge by the Chiefs, Enincluding two to Trou (82, 31 yards) and a 12 yard strike to Walker. Engel only complete -of-6 passes for the night, but he made them

Livonia Stevenson's Joshua Page (right) catches a pass in the first quarter and then scores on a 70 -yard play. Trailing Page is
count
"Their defense wasn't really set up for it and our guys made some plays," Engel said. WHO THREW THAT? The Spartans stopped the Chiefs in the game's first drive, but when the offense came onto the field it was senior center (instead of behind receiver).

The left-handed Ferguson conniected over th middle on a pass to senior Joshua Page for a run into the end zone, to briefly put the Spartans up, 7-0. The usual start ing QB, Graham, came out for the next series,

ILL-ADVISED
After Canton upped it lead to 27-14 on a 31-yard Troup, with a minut remaining in the first half, the Spartans tried to force things. Graham's pass into the left flat was
picked off by Canton's picked off by Canton's returned the ball to the 1 -yard line.

Punching it in on the next snap was junior pi (eight carries, 40 yards) and, just like that it was a $33-14$ contest with 34 seconds left until intermission. "We had a rough last first half there, we gave up a touchdown and then hrew the pick-six and it ended up being the difference in the game when you look at the final
score," Micallef said. "In the second half, we played better, we executed better, we got a couple tops defensively and a urnover. So that helped.

## IN THE PINK

It was Stevenson's ifth annual Pink Out about breast cancer Spartans players wor pink socks and wristbands to salute the worthy cause. A moment of silence was held at halfime to honor those who have lise the

## PREP FOOTBALL



Northville's Nicholas' Prystash (right) makes a leaping grab

## Northville falls 38-30 despite record boot

Mustangs' Moody kicks school-record 58-yard field goal in $38-30$ loss

## Brad Emons

Just when you think he couldn't top himself, Northville's Jake Moody put on another kicking exhibition for the ages on Friday at Tom Holzer Ford Field
Moody topped his own school record with a
58 -yarder - now tied for $58-y a r d e r$ - now tied for MHSAA football history - but it still wasn't enough to overcome Grand Blanc's 546 yards total offense as the Bob with a $38-30$ win
 kids played hard, they gave great effort, they just came Northville coach Matt Ladach said. "There were a lot of times where we had them in third-and-long and we let them out. We had them off the field, misse tackles or let the quarter back escape. It wasn't for a lack of effort. You have to give their kids credit. They made plays and, those ins
didn't."
Grand Blanc, which improved to 6-0 overall and $4-0$ in the KLAA Gold Division, also won in Clint Alexander's return
See NORTHVILLE, Page B

## MUDEL

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Dame. Tim Moore was also National Champion who ran a 14:50.0. "I do think it's possible on a great day," Brad Moore said of the 15-
minute
 minute
barrier.
"Gabe's
having a
great sea-
son and he
had a real
strong
summer. So
Everything far, so good. Everything is falling into place really well. Our goal for him Waturdays ago at that big (MSU) Spartan race. He was a second away from winning it and almost caught that guythe end. Mudel has made consistent strides throughout his
Novi.
As a junior, he was
regional runner-up and regional runner-up and fourth at the KLAA Kensington Conference meet,
but slipped to 93 rd at the Division 1 state finals after suffering a case of vertigo, when he fell twice before hitting the finish line.
As a sophomore, he began to show his im-
mense promise, earnin all-state (top 30) honors at the D1 finals with 27th (15:53.6) after placing third in the Kensington Conference and seventh $t$ the regional.

## WESTERN

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Jennings and through the end zone for a two-point
safety to trim the deficit to $13-2$.
"He's a tall kid, so if the snap isn't too bad, he can get it," Zdebski said
"That one ... could have made it to the middle school on that safety." With just 1:32 left in the first half, Lakeland scored its lone TD on a 1-yard keeper by quarterEagles went for the twopointer, but got stopped, leaving it a five-point deficit
The momentum began to change in the third up 7:47 of the clock, driving down to the Western 11, but had to settle for a 34 -yard field goal by Leo Skupin with 3:13 to go in the quarter.

## NORTHVILLE

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to Northville, where he spent three seasons as
Mustangs head coach from 2002-04.
Alexander, in his first season as Bobcats varsity
coach, watched Moody coach, watched Moody
put on a first-half clinic Northville (2-4, 1-4) jumped out to a 7-0 lead with a 10 -play, 85 -yard drive, capped by Abe Khoury's 6 -yard touchthe first quarter But Grand Bla two points on the board with $10: 21$ left in the first
half, when a high snap from center over the head of Moody, who is went for a safety. On the ensuing free kick, Moody boomed the ball off the tee more than 80 yards and into the end zone for the touchback.
And with just $7: 18$ left in the half, he drilled the 58 -yarder, topping his own school record of 57 set in the season opene against Dearborn

Moody is now tied with former Michigan State who had a 58 -yarder for Utica in 1985. (Warren

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { training regimen heading } & \text { only do base mileage, but } \\ \text { into the fall cross coun- } & \text { also two workouts every } \\ \text { try season and the early- } & \text { week. It's definitely tax- } \\ \text { season returns are en- } & \text { ing, but so far I'm pretty } \\ \text { couraging. } & \text { happy with where I'm at } \\ \text { "Throughout the } & \text { and that keeps me going } \\ \text { whole summer, I ran just } & \text { throughout the season." } \\ \text { about every day, only } & \text { As a youngster, Mudel } \\ \text { taking a day off only } & \text { started out as a swimmer, } \\ \text { once every three weeks, } & \text { but also played basket- } \\ \text { so it was pretty high } & \text { ball his freshman and } \\ \text { mileage," Mudel said. } & \text { sophomore years at Novi. } \\ \text { "Also, this is the first } & \text { "My running career, I } \\ \text { summer in which I didn't } & \text { guess, started with a fun }\end{array}$
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36-yard halfback pass by go-ahead TD to Culle was nullified by a holding
"They could have called a hold on any one they wanted to, but they decided to get us on that one," Lakeland coach Joe Woodruff said. "It is what off the deal, but we should have been up. was a great pass, a great executed play. We set it up. We'd been waiting for it. The kids did everyto do." We
ran just nine offensive plays during the second half, but held on when Harris, the senior corner back headed to Central broke up Boles' intended pass to Cullen on fourth-and-seven with only 1:09 eft to seal the win.
My coach said they'd they hadn't the whole
game, but they were
going to run it right at me next play with a pass," Harris said. "I saw the receiver go on a curl back look at him. I broke down on it. I pounced on it real quick and a ripped it out of him for the play. Lakeland tried seven passes on the night and 10 yards.
"Our defensive coordinator put us in the right position to make plays for
us," Harris said. "We us," Harris said. "We
watched film every single day, hours upon hours. Everybody was home watching film, so we came into this game really prepared for a defensive stand and we knew it would be a defen
sive battle with them tonight. And that's what we did- - make big
plays."
Four other takeaways: PIVOTAL MOMENT The Warriors burned
their final timeout to let their defense mull over and prepare what Lakeon a critical fourth-andseven play from the Western 48 with just over a minute to go. And their defen guessed right. "We were looking for curl route because our inside (ine) backers were said. "So our corner (Har ris) did a great job sitting on it and making a great play. Randall made a hell of a play there. The ball and (Harris) took it out of his hands. But you've got o make a play to win a game. Couple of weeks ago, when we weren't as
ortunate (in a $47-37$ loss o Waterford Mott), we couldn't make a play when he had to make one more play. But we got that play tonight

## EAGLES DEFENSE SOAR <br> Western managed just

in 123 total yards as Johnson was 5 -of- 12 passing
for 111 yards, while runfor 111 yards, while running back Jakkel Moor rushing in nine attemp Western had just 12 yards net rushing and six tackles for loss. "Our defense was phenomenal the way we "We spotted them 13 points out of the gate it was a shutout from there. Our kids had guts. We played with our guts.

## INJURY UPDATE

The Eagles lost junior starting quarterback Brady Woodruff, son the during the opening quar
ter. "Brady is doing OK," Joe Woodruff posted on Facebook. "He had a dislocated hip after a hit
in the first quarter they were able to put it back in place. There is no ligament damage. There is fracture in the hip. We

Michigan State and MIT. "Not sure quite where I want to go yet, but I've
narrowed it down a little bit," Mudel said. "I'm really interested in computer science.
During his spare time,
Mudel can be found on Mudel can be found on the website projectoi-
ler.net trying to solve programming math probprogramming math prob-
lems, but he also dabbles
in another unusual hobby in another unusual hobby. "I do that a lot in my
free time and actually free time and actually,
yo-yo in my free time, yo-yo in my free time,"
he said. "I have $\$ 40$ yoyo, it's pretty fun. I startgrade. I saw a guy come to school my fifth-grade year and did a yo-yo
routine which was pretty cool and that's how I got into it myself."
Mudel's next big race is the Oakland County meet Saturday, Oct. 7 , at Kensington Metropark.
He placed fourth in that race a year ago. "He's dangerous,"
Moore said. "In any way Moore said. "In any way
you can get out-smarted, he'll try and do it. He's a contender. We're excit-
The Division 1 state finals will be Saturday,
Nov. 2, at Michigan Inter national Speedway in Brooklyn. And that could
be the meet where Mudel be the meet where Mudel
attains his ultimate cross country goal.
"I think to run under 15, it's going to take just a really good taper and consistent training
throughout," he said, throughout," he said, I've been doing." And for Mudel, if it ain't broke, don't fix it
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will know more tomorrow, but we are optimis-
tic. He has the heart of a tic. He has the heart of a lion. All he kept asking Boles and Joe Rzeppa alternated at quarterbac to finish the game.
"When we lost Brady, we lost 75 percent of our
offense," Joe Woodruff offense," Joe Woodruff said. "So that tells you
where we had to adjust and overcome on offense."

## SHARING THE LOAD

land players had at least one rushing attempt. Lakeland's leading ball
carriers were Cullen (11 carriers were Cullen ( 11 carries, 22 yards) and
Tracy ( 20 carries, 40 yards).
Another starter in the backfield, Dylan Kutzleb did not dress after tweak ing his knee the week South Lyon East.
bemons@hometownlife.com Twitter: ©BradEmons1

Woods Tower's Doug Kochanski holds the state record with a 59-yarder
"It's
"It's so hard because Ladach said after the oss. "It's hard to believe he kicks the ball through the end zone from the 20-yard line. It's a 58 -yard
field goal and he kicks the ball 90 yards. It's unbelievable. He's a weapon."
After Grand Blanc tied it on Kettrell Ware Jr.'s 1-yard TD run with
5:33 left in half, followed by the two-point conversion to knot the game at 10-10, Moody answered with a 42 -yard field goal with $3: 43$ remaining to put the Mustangs back on Grand B
while, committed four first-half turnovers with three fumbles and one interception, but trailed by only three
The Bobcats went in at "We said, Look, had about everything go wrong the first half that could,"' Alexander said. "You got a guy (Moody) hats automatic from 40 we had some big wins holding them to three (points) instead of seven

I bet they felt like they should have been up 21. said, 'Let's just be four points bett"
Moody, however, proved he was human, missing a 53 -yard attempt wide left on Northville's first possession of
the third quarter The the third quarter. The
Bobcats countered with 55 -yard TD pass from Ryder Brotebeck to Cameron Cyborowski to make it $16-13$ with $5: 20$ to go. Northville then marched 74 yards in seven plays scoring with
1:46 left in the third on Khoury's 1-yard TD run to go up 20-16 following Moody's point after. After Grand Blanc missed a 23 -yard field goal attempt 58 second
into the fourth, the Bobcats went ahead for keeps, 31-20, getting TD runs of 9 and 1 yard from Ware, who led all rushers with 133 yards on 25 car-
ries ries.
Moo a 36 -yard field goal with 4:53 remaining to make it a one-score game again, 31-23, but Colton Alexander's 29 -yard pass to Nicholas Erlenbeck with
just over two minutes left put the Bobcats in the driver's seat, 38-23. Northville got a 39 -
yard TD pass by Christian Williams to Nicholas Prystash with 1:43 remaining Moody then tried the ond time in the game, but

## Fourney's hat trick lifts Canton past Northville

advantage after Northville red card

## Brad Emons

Canton's Jordan Four ey proved to be the cer field Sept. 26 in mor ways than one.
The 6 -foot- 3 senior forward and captain was he difference-maker as he scored a natural hat as the Chiefs defeated host Northville, $4-1$, in a key Kensington Lakes Activities Associatio
"He's our
Hes our guy that some guys who certainly help him," Canton coach Mark Zemanski said the team's goal and assist
big, strong and fast. He's beast to handle and he works hard.'
Canton trailed 1-0 arly in the second half, but the game quickly favor after Northvill ophomore goalkeeper Robert Damron was sent ff with a red card after venturing outside his bo stop a breakaway Damron was called for deliberate handball foul.
On the ensuing free kick from 30 yards out with 35:38 remaining, Fourney scored off a through a sea players on redirected shot eluding Northville's backup keep r Reggie Spencer, who had just entered the match
It was deflected off he other team, but I Fourney said. "The g really reinvigorated the team and we started playing our game. It was time coming. I thought in the first half, I thought we really controlled the game. Then once we got that first one in, I guess they started rolling in. scoring twice within a span of $2: 21$, making it $3-1$, with assists credited to Tyler Turko and Brett McGue, respectively. the game out of reach on a laser-like shot that hugged the Tom Holzer

## GRANT

the hitters. One of my coaches were, like, 'You noerked out prero.' It and I'vo out pretty well and I've."
In 30 matches this season, Grant has al ready racked up 350 digs ity to see the play before it happens.

> "She reads the ball well," Northville coach Julie Fisette said. "She's quick, but she's really unassuming. She moves really well and she see things ... I don't even see the ball and it's off before you know it. She can ball is going off the hit ters' hands, even off the blocker's hands.
Grant performs a lot like former Red Wings man Nick Lidstrom steady and consisten while playing on the back ine efficiently without much fanfare.
"I told her the other day and I said, 'Hannah you make phenomenal say, "Great job Hannah anymore because we


Canton's Luke Lloyd goes on the transition against

Ford Field turf and past Spencer with 28:07 to go to give the Chiefs a fourgoal cushion.
the Chiefs scored all just 7:31.

Zemanski) said keep going," said Fourney who plans to do track field in the spring with hopes of attending Michigan State next fall. "We had most of the posses
sion in the first half sion in the first half ishing opportunities, then put them in second half." Northville played the final 36 minutes a man down because of the red consoled afterward and given words of encouragement by the Canton
coach.
"Without a doubt, it really put them in a ough situation," Zeman good keeper, but it was the right call. He was the last man, he handed the ball and it was a red card."
Northville had a goal 1:36, but came back and cored just 51 seconds ater when Andrew Mitchell made a hard drive down the right lank and sent a cross er David Sadanowicz esulting in a reboun goal by Shane McHugh But the momentum lowed shifted back Ca ton's way as the first half early stages of the sec
ond half
II thought after the fettled down, playe well and created som chances," Zemanski said. "Then we did nice job of burying the The loss droppe Gold Division leade Northville, ranked ourth in Division 1, to 8-3-1 overall and 6-1-1 in
all KLAA crossover matches.
"Canton outplayed us; they deserved to win," Northville coach Henry Klimes said. "We have core players on our team that didn't play to their core level are. So if our better players don't play their best game, we're not going to win games Canton, which is 2-0-1 in the KLAA Black an ranked No. 16 in Divi
sion 1, improved to $7-5$ sion 1, improved to $7-2-5$
overall and $5-0-4$ in the KLAA.
"I still think we have a ways to go as a team
for sure," Zemanski for sure," Zemansk 80 minutes and we haven't done that yet a game but, hopefully, we will. We'll need to because we're playing a lot of good teams. good team. If we played again, this score wouldn't be the same, for sure.'
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expect you to make
those,"' Fisette said "And it's almost sad because we expect her to plays, so when she mak one we're not always like Yeah, nice job!' and we're all screaming and yelling because it's just Pardon.
Pardon the pun, but takes things for granted She calls Grant "the best libero I've coached in 25 ears."
"I've had some good liberos and Hannah is juid "And kid," risette, very calm. She doesn't get really excited, really depressed or down. She's great role model to well, she's very smart in lot of different aspects in her game."
Grant also has proven to be an offensive weapon from the service line, accumulating a team"She can serve any zone I ask her to serve," Fisette said. "She's very aggressive when she serves and she's very competitive when she serves. She gets very
frustrated if she doesn hit a zone or misses a serve. It's the same with
her hits. She'll take that
her hits. She ll take that the net and five out of 10 times she'll score with it Even just standing and
hitting the ball she hitting the ball she know where to put. She's got a
lot of ball control. She's a great hitter."
And when she's patrolling in the back row,
things tend to click. "I love passing," Grant me. You can't let the ball drop anywhere it goes." Grant dabbled in a number of sports grow ing up, playing soccer, Her dad Steve a ville High grad, played basketball at the Univer sity of Michigan-Dearborn. Mother Andrea (Creighton), a Livonia Ladywood grad, played
softball at Madonna Uni versity. "I think I like volley ball a little more," Hannah said. "I want to play college volleyball and I hink I can play at a high er level in college volley basketball) coach (Tod Gudith) and it was hard because my dad was my basketball coach my whole life. It was hard, the best of worked out fo one is happy and proud

VENTO
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Vento's golfing and leadership is paying
dividends in a hurry.
In the clutch
At the recent dual match against Livonia Churchill, Vento was 1-under-par showing helped the Spartans Division


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Athlete of the Week Athlete of the Wee onors.
She is following up a season, in which her averages were 39 for nine holes and 78 for 18.
"I owe a lot of thanks o my second-year high school coach Curtis has been phenomenal these last couple of years and I really enjoy playing for him. Yet her most-chershed statistic has noth ing to do with golf. grade-point average Golf and education
and hole creates a new At Stevenson, she continued to hone he golfing skills. since her sophomore spot on the all-KLAA team. In 2016, she was named Stevenson's MVP At the Livonia City
Golf Tournament, which Golf Tournament, which the past three years Vento collected medals each time. "My team also won regionals last year and
was second with a 75 at it," Vento said. Even though her big carried over to her senior year, Vento perhaps is
most proud of all her most proud of all her away from the golf course.
For the past three years, Vento was a KLAA scholar-athlete. Last year's Stevenson girl demic all-state accolades And don't forget Vento is captain of Stevenson's Quiz Bowl and debate president of the National Honor Society.
No matter how one slices it, Vento is finding the bottom of the cup as a golfer, student leader and
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Following through on a shot during a recent Livonia Stevenson girls golf match is Anna play at the next level, it would be volleyball. I
always tell my dad I might play (basketball) might play (basketbal") After receiving numerous recruiting emails and letters, Grant began to realize she could play at the next level. She visited South Carolina and had offers from everal Division I ord and North Carolina he had interest from another Big Ten school before settling on Michian State, a top 25 anked program national

Grant made her verbal commitment while Northville was playing at MSU's team camp. "First of all, I love the whoches," said Grant, who likes math and sci-grade-point average. When I went there to visit, it just felt like home. And it is close to home, which is nice, so - it's the best confer ence, I believe, in colleg volleyball, so I really

## PREP FOOTBALL

## Churchill rolls in homecoming win vs. Plymouth

Chargers one victory
away from players after 41-14 triumph Tom Morelli

When it comes to football, one of the greatest
attributes a team can have is a roster full versatile players. Being哖 $\begin{aligned} & \text { rotate play- } \\ & \text { ers in and }\end{aligned}$ ers in and
out across multiple
positions positions
has the
hatity add the elements of both danger and surprise to any system. In a game where the end result is based on a cast of versatile players can be the differencemaker in going from a pretender to a contende Livonia Churchill's seemingly never-ending supply of flexible replay Friday, as the Char gers (5-1 overall, 4-0 KLAA Gold) pieced together five touchdown in the second half on their way to a $41-14$ ho
coming win over Ply-
mouth down, but I think that depth-wise we have a lot Churchill coach Bill Deillippo said. "We have a ot of good players that
aren't starters and sometimes that can be frustrating, but when those guys get their opportunity, they come and they play hard and do a good O for us." Alsobrooks played a piv otal part in putting up points for Churchill, us ng both his hands and eet to get the job done bhistle blew, Alsobrook found himself all over the stat sheet. Among his coring escapades, the junior booted two field goals ( 30 and 28 yards) conversion and connect ed with classmate Avery Grenier on an 8-yard touchdown to finish with 143 yards on 5 -of-16 passing and 11 rushes for 73 "We low and didn't have great first half, kind of like last week," Alsobrooks said. "We didn't eally finish any drives in once we got into the lock
er room, our thing was er room, our thing was "Our kids responded
'finish, finish, finish.' The $\begin{aligned} & \text { and we have done that all } \\ & \text { first three drives of the } \\ & \text { year," DeFillippo said. }\end{aligned}$ fecond half we scored and finished every one with a touchdown and I'm proud of our guys. A wide receiver, Gre-
nier (three catches for 59 yards, three rushes for 113 yards) also showcased his range of talents outside of his normal position, reaching pay dirt on an 84 -yard run with 1:32
remaining and sneaking in reps at quarterback. The Chargers' mo mentous flurry of offense didn't stop there however, as they had nine different to 373 yards rushing. "The key thing was our offensive line - we struggled a little bit last week, so they had a pretty long week of practic challenged them and they played incredible tonight, so that was great to see." Among the other Churchill players to score a touchdown were running (13 rushes for 85 yards) and Tyrese Williams (eight rushes for 33 yards) in the third quar-
ter, followed by senior ter, followed by senior
quarterback Martin Dooley's 5 -yarder with 2:08 to ley's
go.
year," DeFillippo said. e have a really good character group and, at times when they let us get after them, they always respond. I'm proud they came out in the third quarter and finished drives and continued play well on defense. We had contributions from a lot of guys." for about 20 minutes early in the fourth qua ter after a horrific leg injury sustained by Ply mouth senior quarterwask carted off by amb lance after suffering a compound fracture.
Finishing the contest at quarterback for the Wildcats was jun
Blake Nowicki. Here are four other

## BORN TO RUN

The Wildcats (2-4, 2-2) relied on their running
game as their primary strategy to move the ball down the field, throwing only six passes.
Carson Miller notched a game-high 183 yards on 30 carries, including a 30 carries, including a
2 -yard burst into the end

7-6 lead just before half 7-6 lead just before half-
time. The longest run for Miller came on the first play of the final quarter as he cut through the inside and evaded tacklers on third down to the
tune of 49 yards before tune of 49 yards before the Churchill 32 .
Plymouth's only other
TD came with 1.50 in the TD came with 1:50 in the fourth on a 61 -yard scurry down the right side
running back Logan Walkley.
"It's turned into a rivalry from 2012 on and t's always a good match
up," Plymouth coach up," Plymouth coach
Mike Sawchuk said. "We're very young this year and I thought we played exceptionally well with our young kids in the first half. We played with emotion, we played out in the second half flat against a good time with bunch of athletes.
GOING THE DISTANCE
Mildcats wide receive
Mike Mathias proved to be a hot commodity on special teams by pulling
off a pair of lengthy kick returns.
Following an Alsomade it 3-0, Mathias tes
ed the Chargers' coverage unit by pulling off
a 54 -yard kickoff return a 54 -yard kickoff return past midfield. Mathias (four rushes, 29 yards) didn't have to wait long to show off his wheels again, as he wen
53 yards in the second quarter following another Alsobrooks make

## A LITTLE EXTRA

In addition to his two field goals, Alsobrooks also connected on his three extra-point attempts before Katherine fourth. A senior, Ristola boot-
ed home the point-after following Dooley's touchdown, but had her other
attempt partially blocked attempt partially blocked
in the waning moments of the game.

## WIN BIG OR GO HOME

 With the victory, Chur chill matched its win tota This marks the fourth straight year that the Chargers have notched at least five victories andhave now reached that quota in six of the past
seven.
Of those years, Chu chill went to the playoffs on four occasions.

PREP ROUNDUP

## Northville girls, Plymouth boys rule Legends Invite

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The Northville girls cross country team captured the Gold
(25-12, 25-17, 25-20). Northville kills leaders on the night included Clare McNamara (18), Izzy Guleff (16), Briann na Valentini (12). Setters na Valentini(12). Setters Fisette added 46 and 35 , assists, respectively. Hannah Grant record ed a team-best 30 digs and seven service aces cluded Ally Zayan and Maccoux, 16 each; Holmes, 12; McNamara and Fisette, 11 each. PLYMOUTH 3, JOHN GLENN 0: On Sept. 26,
Kayla Courtney returne from an injury to notch 11 kills as the Wildcats swept host Westland John Glenn.
Other
Other solid perform-
ers for Plymouth includers for Plymouth includ
ed Annie Tustian (six ed Annie Iustian (six kills, six digs), Lauren Wheeler ( 35 assists, eight digs), Gabby Diamante (seven digs) and Anni
Tustian (six kills).

## GIRLS GOLF

## CANTON 318, NOVI

 318: On Sept. 27 at Wal-nut Creek Country Club
the teams needed to add scores of fifth and sixth players and still came out
deadlocked Medalist with a 1 Medalist with a 1 -
under 35 was Novi's Abby Livingston. For Canton (3-9-1), Manasa Potluri led with a 40 while Simi Neeluru shot a 48. The KLAA Conference Tournament
will be Tuesday, 0 ct. 3 at Salem Hills Golf Course. NORTHVILLE 178, SALEM 210: On Sept. the Mustangs defeated the Rocks despite a 49

## Hander Memorial

 TOURNEY: Freshman Nicole Whatley posted a season best even-par 72 as Northville (330) took runner-up honors Sept. 25 rial at Prestwick Village G.C.Brighton captured the
team title with 306 with team title with 306 with South Lyon (340) and
Novi (351) taking third and fourth, respectivel Whatley, who carded four birdies, shared individual medalist honors with Novi's Abigail
ingston, along with

Brighton's Annie Pietila
and Heather Fortushniak
Other Northville scorOther Northville scor-
ers included Mariella ers included Mariella
Simoncini ( 78 ), Sufna Gil Simoncini (78), Sufna Gil
(87) and Paige Molloy (93).
Novi's other three scorers included Leah Kiura (86), Hrishika Go
gineni (96) and Despina Alexander (97)

## BOYS SOCCER NOVI 2, CANTON O:

On Sept. 27 at Canton, the Chiefs were unable to sive attack against Novi.
PLYMOUTH 2, BRIGHTON 1: Benjamin Tetlow and Justin Wojcik scored on Sept. 27 .
PLYMOUTH 2, STEVENSON O: On Sept. 26 Benjamin Tetlow and Justin Wojcik scored
goals for the Wildcats.

## BOYS TENNIS

BRIGHTON 7, STEVEN-
SON 2:Livonia Stevenso faced a tough opponent Sept. 26 , emerging victoSept. 2 , emerging victo
rious only at No. 1 douThes. Spartans' wins were posted by Erik
Schmidt at 4 singles (a Schmidt at 4 singles (a the 1 doubles tandem of Kevin Dunne and Josh Maj, winning 7-5, 6-1 ove Jack Simpson and Jack
Gray.
NORTHVILLE 9 , SA. NORTHVILLE 9,
LEM O: The fourthranked Mustangs were in control Sept. 25 in this lopsided victory over the
Rocks. Rocks.
Northville was Northville was
sparked by 1 singles player Janak Mukherji, who
won 6-1, $6-0$ over Eric Liu (only his second loss of the season). Other Mu tang singles winners included Arvind Kalyana
(No. 2), Ryan Gallagher (No. 2), Ryan Gallagher
(No. 3) and Samir Rajani (No. 4).
The Mustangs also got doubles victories from Matt Freeman and Cam eron Mailley (No. 1); Trevor Kelterborn and
Nishant Chava (No. 2); Michael Ying and Pranav Doppalapudi (No. 3); Joe Vig and Ilija Jaksic (No. 4); Michail Boksha and

## GRAND BLANC 8,

PLYMOUTH 1: The Wildcats finished their reg-
ular season Sept. 25 with ular season Sept. 25 with
this loss to the Bobcats.
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