LITTLE STARS SPREAD HOLIDAY JOY



Youths from The Little Stars Foundation were busy spreading holiday joy to local seniors. The weekend of Dec. 22-23, the group visited five nursing homes and senior centers, bringing holiday concerts and gifts as their tradition. They visited Hope Health Care Center (Westland), Four Season Nursing Center (Westland), Waltonwood at Carriage Park Assisted Living and Memory Care (Canton), Waltonwood at Carriage Park Independent Living (Canton) and Halsted Place Senior Residences (Farmington Hills). This is the 12th consecutive year the foundation has been performing free holiday concerts for local seniors. The group was led by a high school senior Anna Sun, co-founder and director of the foundation. They raised the funds through fundraiser activities and brought hundreds of fuzzy socks as this year's Christmas gifts. The Little Stars Foundation is a Canton-based 501(c)3 nonprofit organization started in 2006 by a group of children. Their mission is help local children and seniors, address the issues they are facing and enrich lives in the community. For more information, go to http://www.the littlestars.org or email tlsf@the littlestars.org.

Hines Park proposal needs full, open discussion



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Every day in this country, we are in-

be turned into restaurants, coffee shops, etc. I am not, today, advocating one way or another for this proposal. I am advocating simply for proper discussion and review. These historic mills have sat for decades and have been inaccessible to the public. If there is a path

sions without fully analyzing the proposals before them. And if we are public advocating for or against the proposal before the proper vetting has been completed, we are serving no one's best interests.

Residents want their officials to serve

they are pushing us toward political infighting before all the facts are established.

When we let politics dictate the decisions we make, everyone loses. No matter the party, no matter the policy position, elected officials need to have the